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AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

At last, new homes for low-income seniors

There's good news for low-income seniors living in the aging Kottinger Place and Pleasanton Gardens homes off Kottinger Drive. The City Council is expected Tuesday night to accept the Kottinger Place Redevelopment Task Force's endorsement of a multi-million dollar plan to rebuild the two aging, subsidized affordable housing developments with single, two, and multi-story apartments, nearly doubling the current number to 185 new homes for seniors to continue living independently.

The two sites, to be known as Kottinger Gardens will be operated as one by Foster City-based Mid-Peninsula Housing, the developer, owner and manager of more than 90 properties with 25% senior communities. Mid-Pen will own and finance the new buildings, the city of Pleasanton will retain ownership of the land they'll occupy.

The task force's site plan approval is long overdue. It was 10 years ago that the discussions began over what to do with the half-century old housing units that lacked both adequate space, air conditioning and utilities for tenants. Complicating decisions is the fact that Kottinger Place is a U.S. Housing and Urban Development public housing project and Pleasanton Gardens, located across Kottinger Drive, has been run as a nonprofit corporation despite being constructed with HUD funding.

Upgrading, rebuilding or selling off the properties has been on the council's priority list for the last decade, but other priorities took precedence and then the 2007-10 recession curbed capital funds needed to undertake the project. Then, in a late hour vote by the five-member council just before the 2012 municipal election that saw a new mayor and two new council members elected, the "old" council moved the Kottinger Place/Pleasanton Gardens renewal project forward as kind of a final legacy.

Mid-Pen then moved the project forward, developing preliminary site plans and building sketches. The result is this new site plan for Kottinger Gardens, which will also use the land now housing the aging Regalia House, which will be razed. Current development estimates for the two sites range from

\$59 million to \$62.8 million with a city contribution from its senior housing fund of \$8.2 million.

The project calls for building 131 apartment homes on the site now occupied by Kottinger Place, and 54 where Pleasanton Gardens is now located. Tenants, who range in age well into their 90s, will be able to stay in place during the reconstruction or move to temporary housing nearby at the developer's cost.

The apartments will have far more kitchen, bathroom and closet space than the units now have and will feature upgrades in electricity and plumbing, and perhaps most important for its elderly residents, air conditioning. Some of the buildings on what is now the Kottinger Place site will be two stories in height with a few rising to three stories, with elevators. Also, with a single management team, social services and other senior-focused amenities should be better and more efficient.

The new plan for rebuilding the two senior facilities is mercifully different and better than earlier proposals that called for closing Pleasanton Gardens and selling the site and building a multi-story, high density apartment building to replace the cottages at Kottinger Place.

Time is of the essence. Currently, there are 75 on the waiting list at Pleasanton Gardens. Demand for the subsidized housing is so high and turnover so relatively low, that even the waiting lists for these two complexes are only opened every several years, typically for a single day.

The task force has met with neighbors over recent months and apparently settled their concerns through collaboration and compromise, although some are expected to make comments at Tuesday night's Council meeting. Even with the council's approval, there's still much work to be done before demolition of the existing buildings and actual construction can begin, probably in March 2015. Applications for approval must still be submitted and approved by the Pleasanton Housing Commission and HUD, then all goes back to the Planning Commission and City Council in late spring of next year for public hearings and final approvals.

But it's a start and both the task force and Assistant City Manager Steve Bocian, who has championed the project for years, say the redevelopment is a "go." We'll get the final word at the City Council meeting Tuesday, which starts at 7 p.m. in the Pleasanton Civic Center, 200 Old Bernal Ave. ■

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World War II Navy seaman Danny Soria will lead Pleasanton's 17th annual Veterans Day Parade on Main Street starting at 1 p.m. Sunday. The parade is traditionally held the Sunday before Veterans Day so that more can participate. Cover photo by Sherry Wiggins. Cover design by Rosanna Leung.

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Streetwise

ASKED AROUND TOWN

When was the last time you saw or used a pay phone?



Lisa Kerrigan
Office Manager/Paralegal

Wow. I don't think I've actually seen one in a few years, but I did use one about five years ago. I was at the BART station in San Francisco, and my cell phone was out of juice. I was able to find a pay phone on the platform that I used to call my husband in order to let him know what train I was planning to catch.

Marc Keeton
Real Estate Manager

The last time I used a pay phone was about a month ago, right here in downtown Pleasanton. I had left my mobile device in the office and had to make a call. The pay phone, which, if I am remembering right, was near Gay Nineties Pizza, looked like it hadn't been used by a soul in years.



Mira Kehlar
College Student

Pay phone? What's a pay phone?

Praya Gupta
Busy Mother of Four

I used one in the supermarket just a few years ago. I called home to see what my kids wanted for dinner. When I tried to use it again about a year later, it had been ripped out and was no longer there.



Andrew Stern
Software Engineer

I used one just last week on my way home from the airport. It was at a gas station in Oakland and I actually had to wait in line for it.

—Compiled by Nancy, Jenny and Katie Lyness

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DIGEST

Cash for candy

For the fourth straight year, Dentist Steven Nerad will pay a dollar per pound of candy to trick-or-treaters, then send the candy to troops stationed overseas, who presumably will do a better job of brushing.

Nerad will also donate an equal amount of cash to the schools the youngsters attend, and the schools with the largest amount turned in will get a bonus: up to \$250 for first place, \$100 for second place and \$50 for third place.

Candy can be redeemed for money at Nerad's office, 1024 Serpentine Lane, Suite 107, Pleasanton from 3 to 5:30 p.m. on Nov. 4.

Just saying 'No'

The Pleasanton Police Department collected 350 pounds of expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs at its fourth annual drug take back event. That was enough to fill 16 large boxes and keep potentially dangerous drugs out of the hands of people who raid medicine cabinets of family and friends.

The police department also collected needles and other sharp objects, thanks to hazardous waste containers provided by ValleyCare Medical Center. Some residents had been storing used needles for years because they had no place to dispose of them.

Representatives from Mothers with a Purpose were also at the event, offering drug abuse information and advice.

Free bird

As it gears up for Thanksgiving, Open Heart Kitchen is looking for frozen turkeys.

The optimal size is a 10- to 14- pound turkey that can feed a family with some leftovers. Stuffing mix, canned pumpkin, cranberry sauce and the like will also be welcome.

More than 1,500 turkeys are needed to meet the need of the region's hungry each holiday season. Frozen turkeys can be delivered to Ridgeview Commons Senior Center, 5200 Case Ave., Pleasanton from 10:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Turkeys can also be ordered online and delivered through many Tri-Valley grocery stores.

For more information about donations, call 580-6793. ■

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231 acres to be added to Pleasanton Ridge park

East Bay Park District acquiring site above Old Foothill Road for \$2.2 million

By JEB BING

The East Bay Regional Park District plans to acquire the 231-acre Castleridge property in the Pleasanton hills and add it to the Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park.

Under terms of a preliminary agreement expected to be approved by the district board, Castleridge Property will sell the land to the EBRPD for \$2.2 million, \$200,000 less than the property's valuation.

"This is great news," said Pleasanton City Manager Nelson Fialho. "We've been working with EBRPD for several years to see this accomplished."

Fialho said the property is directly adjacent to the Alviso Adobe and provides direct access to the Pleasanton Ridge.

The topography of the property is rolling to steep and elevations range from 440

feet along Old Foothill Road to almost 1,500 feet along the ridge tops. From the highest vantage points, hikers will be able to see the Mount Diablo Range, San Francisco Bay and the entire Tri-Valley.

The landscape is dominated by the oak woodland plant dotted with patches of shrubs and grassland. The site also boasts native bigleaf maples, California sycamores and Pacific madrones.

The acquisition gives the site permanent protection and allows EBRPD to expand the Pleasanton Ridge park. This will add the more than 8,800 acres that have already been preserved in the Pleasanton hills by the East Bay Regional Park District.

Robert E. Doyle, general manager of the EBRPD, said the proposed funding date for the acquisition will be Dec. 1 with the land to become part of the Pleasanton Ridge park on March 3, 2014. ■



FILE PHOTO



GLENN WOHLTSMANN

The Tri-Valley's five mayors (l-r) Danville Mayor Newell Arnerich, Dublin Mayor Tim Sbranti, Livermore Mayor John Marchand, Pleasanton Mayor Jerry Thorne and San Ramon Mayor Bill Clarkson talked to about 200 people Wednesday about the state of each city at the annual mayors summit.

Tri-Valley mayors optimistic about growth

Each city stepping up partnership efforts with businesses and residents

By GLENN WOHLTSMANN

Partnerships — with businesses, with residents and with each other — were the common themes for all five city leaders at the Tri-Valley Mayors Summit, held Wednesday at Bridges Golf Club in San Ramon.

For his part, Pleasanton Mayor Jerry Thorne touted the city's open space, its downtown, new construction and schools, noting that Foothill and Amador Valley high schools have the highest SAT scores in the Tri-Valley.

Thorne told the crowd of about 200 people that Pleasanton's biggest challenge for the near future is keeping Pleasanton looking like Pleasanton.

"I think our challenge moving forward in Pleasanton is to maintain our small-town environment," Thorne told the crowd. To do that, he said, the city needs to partner with

residents "to make our town as good as it can be."

Thorne also talked about one problem that's common to all five Tri-Valley cities of Pleasanton, San Ramon, Dublin, Danville and Livermore: traffic.

He said improvements are being made to signals that should speed traffic entering and leaving Interstate 580 at Foothill Road, and at the Interstate 680 ramp at Bernal Avenue. Additionally, he told the crowd, new HOV lanes to be completed in 2015 should help speed commuter traffic in the area.

Thorne also backed Livermore Mayor John Marchand's commitment to bring back a rewritten Measure B that would have added a half-cent to Alameda County's sales tax.

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Honoring veterans throughout the Valley

By SIERRA RHODES

Nearly 100 years ago, President Woodrow Wilson said of Armistice Day, "America...will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory." The day of commemoration was declared in November 1919, just a few months after the end of WWI.

Armistice Day commemorated the conclusion of the destruction and loss of life the "Great War" had caused, and Wilson wanted it to be observed with parades, public meetings and a brief cessation of work. Congress officially recognized the significance of Armistice Day in June 1926, though it didn't become a legal holiday until 1938. The holiday officially became known as Veterans Day on June 1, 1954 to honor veterans of all wars.

Veterans Day has continued to be observed on Nov. 11, no matter which day of the week that might fall. It is a day in place to honor our veterans — for their patriotism, the love of their country, and their willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

In recognition of this day, the annual Veterans Day Parade "All Gave Some, Some Gave All" will be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 3 on Main Street in downtown Pleasanton. The parade will feature military and veteran color guards, marching bands, horses, military vehicles, patriotic units, local dignitaries and overhead flights of military aircraft. Call (816) 225-1805 for more information.

Supporting and honoring veterans can be done with more than a parade. Sentinels of Freedom, a local nonprofit that provides "life scholarships" to severely wounded veterans, is hosting a "crowd funding competition," the Honoring Those Who Serve Challenge, at www.crowdrise.com/sofsf-nof. Funds will go to helping veterans in the Sentinels of Freedom program. ■

Local artists win state Senators' awards

Sailor, Lord honored by Corbett, DeSaulnier

JEB BING

State Senators Ellen Corbett and Mark DeSaulnier have presented "Artist of the Year" awards to painters in their now-combined districts.

Corbett gave her award to Carolyn Lord, a watercolor artist who paints California landscapes, architecture and gardens, and also designs posters for the Livermore Valley Opera. A Tri-Valley artist, Lord has studied, taught and created art throughout the Bay Area.

DeSaulnier chose Pleasanton artist Linda Jeffrey Sailors for his award. She exhibits her art regularly at the Alameda County Fair, where she has won numerous awards including the Silver Award this year.

Sailors is a member of the Alamo-Danville Artists' Society, the Livermore Art Association and the Pleasanton Art League, where she now serves as its president.

She formerly served for 17 years in local elected and appointed positions, and is a founding member of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority, which operates the Wheels bus service.

The awards were presented at the Museum on Main in Pleasanton. ■



JEB BING
State Senators Ellen Corbett and Mark DeSaulnier flank artists Carolyn Lord (left) and Linda Jeffrey Sailors at ceremony in the Museum on Main in Pleasanton, where both received "Artist of the Year" awards from the two Senate leaders.

Stoneridge Drive opens today

Dedication also planned for new retirement community

City, civic and business leaders from Pleasanton, Dublin and Livermore will cut a ribbon at 10 a.m. today opening the extension of Stoneridge Drive to El Charro Road.

The ceremony will be held just west of the intersection of Stoneridge Drive and Stoneridge Creek Way, a new road linking the Stoneridge Creek retirement community to Stoneridge.

Those attending the ceremony should take I-580 to the El Charro exit, drive a short block south, and enter Stoneridge Drive at the traffic signal. When the festivities are over, Pleasan-

ton motorists can use Stoneridge to get back home.

Stoneridge Drive, which will now connect from Jack London Boulevard in Livermore to Foothill Road at its western terminus, has been in Pleasanton's roadway plans since 1989.

After the ribbon cutting ceremony, Stoneridge Creek will hold a celebration officially opening the first phase of the complex, giving at least 200 seniors the opportunity to move into their new upscale homes this year. Eventually, Stoneridge Creek will offer 635 independent living condos and homes.

—Jeb Bing



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That measure failed to pass by the required two-thirds majority. Marchand told the crowd a new measure that would expire rather than run forever is likely to be on the 2014 ballot and may be the only way to pay for a BART extension into Livermore.

"I do believe in the new Measure B that eliminates the perpetuity clause," Thorne told the crowd, largely made up of civic and business leaders from across the area.

Thorne also discussed new construction, pointing out that the Gateway Center at Bernal and Valley avenues is fully leased. He added that housing and a park in that area are also moving ahead, as are other housing projects across the city, totaling nearly 2,000 new homes and apartments.

Growth was on the mind of the four mayors of other cities, too. San Ramon Mayor Bill Clarkson and Dublin Mayor Tim Sbranti said libraries in both cities will be expanded while Marchand and Danville Mayor Newell Arnerich said sales tax revenues have bounced back to their highest levels since the recession.

In addition to an expected housing boom in Pleasanton, Sbranti said Dublin is moving into two buildings it recently bought, using one as a new police headquarters and sharing the other with the Alameda County Fire Department as a maintenance yard, along with new construction near BART.

Sbranti said a new aquatic center, with indoor and outdoor facilities will be Dublin's "crown jewel."

Marchand said Livermore has approved 600 new business licenses in this year alone.

"It's hard to think of the negative side of economic recovery," Marchand said, "but I did get an email recently from a citizen that said restaurants are too crowded."

He said unemployment there has dropped to 4.8%, that the outlets will soon begin phase two that will add between 500 and 1,000 jobs.

Clarkson said the new city hall project was just approved, with no cost to San Ramon, and said new construction at City Center is expected to begin as well.

"Next year, we'll be returning to the black and putting some money into our reserves," he said. Clarkson also said the city is working with East Bay Regional Parks to link trails and with the San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District.

Arnerich said Danville can only expect to add about 30 residents a year. Instead, it's focusing its efforts on maintaining its downtown, adding small businesses and high-end housing.

"Looking in the rear-view mirror is not the best solution," Arnerich said. He said the town is working with AT&T to improve connectiv-

ity for businesses, noting that there are more software companies in the Tri-Valley than anywhere else in the country, including Silicon Valley.

Arnerich called business "a very fragile environment," and said the main challenge for Danville is asking businesses, "How can we help?"

Sbranti said in addition to working with businesses, Dublin has been working with the YMCA and Hope Hospice, along with a veterans housing project and regular engagement with Camp Parks.

Merchand said Livermore is reaching out to residents, pointing to a recent effort to clean up school campuses that drew 4,000 people.

Each of the mayors was asked to provide a tidbit of personal information. Thorne revealed he was a drum major in college; Sbranti and his wife are expecting a baby girl in April; Arnerich met his wife the first day of kindergarten and just celebrated their 40th anniversary, and Clarkson ran and completed a number of triathlons, including the Iron Man in Hawaii as well as the Escape from Alcatraz swim. ■

Pleasanton boys create haunted house for charity

Diane Berry and Regina Stoops join their children Ryan, Jack and Evan next to the neighborhood Halloween Haunted House the boys built to raise money for Sunflower Hill, a Tri-Valley nonprofit organization for individuals with autism and other developmental delays. Ryan is in the fifth grade at Lydiksen Elementary School; Jack is in fourth grade and Evan in the second grade, both at Vintage Hills Elementary.

The house features swirling ghosts, screaming witches and lots of skeletons.

More than \$500 was raised for Sunflower Hill.



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Mountain lion spotted by firefighters

Third confirmed sighting this year

By Glenn Wohlmann

First it was geese descending on school playgrounds. Now it's a mountain lion, spotted near the city's Operations Center.

Firefighters spotted the mountain lion at about 4:30 a.m. Oct. 28 at 3333 Busch Road. The mountain lion did not approach the firemen but rather was laying in a grassy area of the service yard.

Police said there have been previous sightings of mountain lions in the area, between Mohr Avenue and the open space behind the Operations Service Center but no reported attacks on people or pets.

It's the third reported sighting of a big cat in Pleasanton this year. One was spotted on the golf course at Castlewood Country Club in late December or early January and an infrared camera snapped a picture of one outside a home in a wooded area near Arroyo de la Laguna.

There were also sightings late last

year of a mysterious large black cat; rumors say the cat was an exotic pet released by its owner.

On the opposite end of town, the goose problem was solved with the help of plastic coyotes, according to Hearst Elementary School principal Michael Kuhfal.

"We were having issues with geese, the geese landing on the grass and droppings. They were interfering with our kids' ability to play," Kuhfal said.

Dogs were the first consideration, but, Kuhfal said, "We heard that the Oakland Raiders had brought in these coyotes that were plastic."

The plastic coyotes have bushy tails and are an effective deterrent, he said.

"What we have found is that they have to be rotated regularly, because geese are very smart and they will land on the field if they weren't moved," Kuhfal said. The six plastic coyotes cost the school

about \$50 apiece.

Meanwhile, San Ramon homeowners have had to deal with an invasion of pigs digging up yards. A trapper was hired and 12 pigs were caught and killed, with one homeowner opting to have the pig trapped on his land butchered. The trapper said he didn't catch a sow, so it's likely they'll return the next time it's dry and food is scarce. San Ramon also had a recent bobcat sighting.

"We're encroaching on their land, even though we look at it as them encroaching on our land," said Pleasanton Naturalist Eric Nicholas.

He said awareness is the key to getting along.

"We see people on TV and in the movies constantly being chased by animals. That is not the norm," Nicholas said. "Education will solve most of our problems when it comes to wildlife."



GLENN WOHLTMANN

Plastic foxes like this one have been scaring geese off the playground at Hearst Elementary School.

The Pleasanton Police Department has a number of tips regarding mountain lions:

- Avoid hiking or jogging alone in rural areas, especially in the early morning, evening or night.
- Never approach a mountain lion. If confronted by one, do not run; face it, stand upright, wave your arms, and make noise to scare it off.
- Do not feed deer. It's illegal in California and doing so attracts

mountain lions.

- Avoid landscaping with plants deer like to eat.
- Trim brush to reduce hiding places for mountain lions, and install motion-sensitive lighting around the house.
- Don't allow pets outside during times when mountain lions are most active, and bring pet food inside to avoid attracting raccoons, opossum, and other potential mountain lion prey. ■

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Should you buy the Twitter IPO?

5 important considerations before taking the plunge

By GARY ALT

With next week's Twitter initial public offering (IPO), you might be wondering if you should buy some stock. The prospect of getting in on the ground floor of a fast growing company is exciting. Expectations are high for this hot company in the hot market space of social media. But for a naive investor, their primary consideration is the hope that they'll make a quick buck if the stock price surges on the first day of trading. For them, the results could be disappointing or even disastrous.

Those who'll profit most from Twitter's IPO are early investors and employees. For everyone else, including you and me, the chance of making a short-term profit is very risky. Speculation is always high-risk, making it unsuitable for a wise investor.

Here are five important factors to consider before jumping into any IPO, including Twitter:

1. There's no guarantee that you'll profit at all. Sure, the big winners make lots of headlines but in reality there are a lot of losers. Of 132 IPO's in 2012, over 40% of them were trading below their offering price at the end of the year, according to 123jump.com. The worst performer, CafePress, is still down over 68% today. Do you have the stomach for this type of risk?
2. Going public is a tough transition for management. Tech startup

entrepreneurs are good at bootstrapping a business in their basement or garage, chasing their wild ideas, and refining them while others think they're crazy. When the company goes public, suddenly there are lots of rules and regulations to deal with. Then there's the fun of dealing with finicky stock analysts. There's no more shooting from the hip — Wall Street doesn't reward gunslingers. Andrew Mason, founder of Groupon, was booted from the company last February after several quarters of earnings fell short of expectations.

3. How does this investment fit into your overall wealth management strategy? Investing in IPO's can be a wild ride. The IPOX-100 US index has been 24 percent more volatile than the S&P 500 over the past 3 years, and individual companies can be a lot more volatile. What does the rest of your portfolio look like? Do you really want this added volatility?

4. Is this a company you want to own for the long-run? This is one of the more important factors that's commonly ignored. When you buy a stock, you're buying a company. Whether you're an investor or an entrepreneur, you'd never buy a company without knowing how it makes money and what the business risks are. Start by thoroughly reading its S-1 filing, the official registration of securities with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

5. How and when will you buy

the shares? Unless you're affiliated with the company or the underwriter, there are only two ways to buy the stock; either buying on the open market when it begins trading or getting some of the limited number of shares available through



Gary Alt

your financial advisor. If you buy on the open market it'll be even tougher to make money if the stock price soars because you'll be buying at a lofty price. If you can get shares from your advisor you can buy at the offering price, but shares are very limited making them difficult if not impossible to get. Buying on the open market may be your only option. Sometimes it's even better to wait for a price drop.

If you're going to invest in IPO's, consider all of these points - don't jump in just to make a quick buck. Risk management is the most important step in an overall wealth management strategy. There's a lot of hype that goes along with high-profile IPO's like Twitter — don't let the hype throw you off your long-term strategy.

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Pleasanton firm helps 2-year-old fight brain tumor

Retrofits to allow child to be treated at home

Employees at Service Champions, a Pleasanton heating and air conditioning company, spent last weekend installing a surgical grade filtration system in the home of Janice and Merlin Newton, whose 2-year-old daughter Delaney has been diagnosed with a brain tumor.

The toddler recently endured a 12-hour surgery to remove the tumor and on Oct. 7 started chemotherapy.

Kevin Comerford, who owns Service Champions and is a close friend of Merlin, a firefighter with the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department, rallied his co-workers' help in doing a complete makeover at the Newtons' home in Livermore to make it "eco-friendly."

Service Champions' Nick Borchers led a team last weekend that completely replaced the old ductwork and installed a surgical room grade filtration system and new "green" duct system.

The new clean room is essential if Delaney is to continue her treatments at home instead of in a hospital as she battles this disease since the treatment she is undergoing will severely

deplete her immune system.

"The support that Delaney has received is incredible," Comerford said. "It seems like everyone knows about it."

Many at the fire department's Engine 1, where Merlin Newton has worked for eight years, have shaved their heads in support of Delaney.

Comerford said that Janice Newton, Delaney's mother, is no stranger to family tragedies and the community support that often times makes things a bit easier.

When she was 23 years old, she lost her mother and stepfather in a matter of months and she and sister Jennifer and brother Daniel were left to raise their five other brothers and sisters. Their home was rebuilt for them in an epic story that was featured on ABC's Extreme Makeover: Home Edition.

Comerford said the efforts of Borchers and his teammates are in line with a program at the company called "Service Champions Cares." This is a community out-reach program that the company has started where it helps three fami-



SERVICE CHAMPIONS

Service Champions technicians Brett Colvin and Kyle Cahlig, wearing Team Delaney pink bands, install Hepa Filtration system at home of 2-year-old Delaney Newton.

lies each quarter with comfort, health and safety in their indoor home environment.

Champions' team members nominate families who they encounter in their daily heating and air conditioning work activities. ■

WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

City Council

Tuesday, November 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal

- Public Hearing: P13-2191, Consider introduction of an ordinance modifying the Development Agreements for several properties in Hacienda Phase I and Phase II to extend the Development Agreements by five years from 2013 to 2018. The properties are located at 5901 and 6001 Gibraltar Drive, 4225 and 4300 Hacienda Drive, 5800 and 5805 Owens Drive, 4501 Rosewood Drive, and 4747 Willow Road, and are zoned PUD I/C O (Planned Unit Development – Industrial/ Commercial Office) or PUD MU (Planned Unit Development – Mixed Use) Districts
- Consider approval of the Recycled Water Feasibility Study and accompanying Water Supply Contracts with DSRSD and DERWA, and authorize staff to continue further recycled water program development
- Consider approval of the updated Economic Development Strategic Plan
- Consider approval of the proposed project site plan, and the Disposition, Development and Loan Agreement with MidPen Housing Corporation; and a MOU with Pleasanton Gardens, Inc., concerning a proposed development for Kottinger Place and Pleasanton Gardens

Civic Arts Commission

Monday, November 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal

- Approve Civic Arts Funding Criteria for FY 2014/15 Community Grant Program

Human Services Commission

Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal

- Discuss FY 14/15 Housing and Human Services Grant Statement of Priorities
- Review of Commission Meeting Schedule for December 2013, January and February 2014

East Pleasanton Specific Task Force

Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.
Operations Services, 3333 Busch Rd

- Discussion of land uses, streetscapes and draft design guidelines to include in the Draft East Pleasanton Specific Plan

The City Council is currently recruiting for an At-Large member for the Pioneer Cemetery Master Plan Oversight Committee

The Pioneer Master Plan Oversight Committee is a seven (7) member ad hoc community committee who will provide ongoing dialogue and direction for the master planning process.

The Committee will work with City staff and a consultant to help direct the process. The role and expectations of the Committee members are:

- Be informed, collaborative and solution oriented
- Provide a forum for community discussion
- Provide input on draft products
- Keep commission and/or agency informed and up to date regarding Committee activity
- Provide recommendations as requested by City staff

The deadline for filing an application is Friday, November 1, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. Applications are available at the City Clerk's Office, 123 Main Street. For additional information, contact Kathleen Yurchak, Assistant Director of Operations Services at (925) 931-5506 or by Email kyurchak@cityofpleasantonca.gov

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Possible development of 400 acres of mostly vacant land on the east side of Pleasanton is on hold for now.

East Side plan under review

Pleasanton planners and the East Pleasanton Specific Plan task force submitted data this week to start the year-long environmental review of a possible development of 400 acres of mostly vacant land east of Valley Avenue and adjacent to the Union Pacific Railroad tracks and Stanley Boulevard. For now, the work of the task force, which has held regular meetings since last October, is on hold awaiting the outcome of the Environmental Impact Report and related studies that will take place in the coming months.

The EIR will analyze the environmental impact of eight separate proposals, from building 2,279 new homes and apartments on the site, to building only 1,000, to building none. Zero development is among the options under consideration. To undertake the study, the city will hire a number of consultants to determine the impact each of the eight options would have on Pleasanton. These will include a geologist, biologist, traffic analysts and geotechnical professionals who will look at the entire 1,000-acre site. Much of it is owned by Zone 7 and consists of lakes and water retention basins. No more than 400 of the acreage appears to be suitable for development.

These studies will focus on possible smog, traffic congestion, water quality, transportation and other concerns typical in a large development project such as this one that would include retail and industrial uses as well as housing. The development, as proposed, would include public parks and open space and trails. The Pleasanton school district has asked planners to require developers to donate land for a new elementary school, and then to build the school, which would cost developers as much as \$40 million and the school district an estimated \$1 million in annual operating costs.

During the coming months, an economic analysis will be made by representatives of Economic & Planning Systems, Inc., a Berkeley firm, whose findings will accompany the final EIR. Major infrastructure improvements suggested by members of the East Pleasanton Specific Plan task force, planners, council members, the school district and others call for nearly \$100 million in "goodies," including the new school and \$18 million to construct an undercrossing beneath the Union Pacific tracks to connect El Charro Road to Stanley Boulevard. Bridges over the Arroyo Mocho and other construction requirements to extend El Charro from the newly-extended Stoneridge Drive would cost \$10 million. Proposed parks and trails to serve the east side development could cost another \$35 million.

Even though Pleasanton needs additional high-density housing to meet future state requirements, it's unclear if any developer or group of developers could afford the infrastructure improvements the city and school district seem to be demanding. Potential builders could just walk away, leaving the 400 acres much as they are today, empty. ■



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POLICE BULLETIN

Woman busted for prostitution at private residence

For the second time in as many weeks, Pleasanton police have used a prostitution website to make a bust, according to police reports.

Amanda Marie Mikluscak, 35, of Pleasanton was arrested at about 11:43 a.m. Oct. 23 for prostitution and possession of drug paraphernalia. She was arrested at a private residence in the 1600 block of Calle Santiago.

On Oct. 15, another advertiser on the site was arrested at the Extended Stay in the 4500 block of Chabot Drive for prostitution and paraphernalia possession.

In other police reports:

- Eric Richard Stage, 35, of Pleasanton was arrested on multiple misdemeanors and one felony at about 3:51 p.m. Oct. 22 at the intersection of Vineyard Avenue and Ruby Hill Boulevard.

Two police officers noticed Stage with his hood up on the side of the road; when they stopped to help, he bolted. Stage was arrested for felony possession of methamphetamines and five misdemeanors: possession of burglary tools, receiving stolen property, unlawful taking of a vehicle, obtaining a vehicle by theft or extortion and driving with a license suspended for DUI.

- There was no arrest in the shoplifting of more than \$3,000 in women's panties from Victoria's Secret at the Stoneridge Shopping Center. A clerk saw two people described as a Hispanic man and a black woman hurrying out of the store carrying a bag that looked "really full." The panties, 260 pairs of thongs

and "hipkini" underwear worth \$3,250, were stolen at about 3:12 p.m. Oct. 25.

- Lance Michael Grenamy, 37, of Pleasanton was arrested for felony child abuse at about 7:19 p.m. Oct. 25 after a call to police from the 4500 block of Pleasanton Avenue earlier that day.

- A resident of the 3800 block of Mammoth Cave Court reported being a victim of the grandparent scam. Someone claiming to be her granddaughter said she was in trouble and asked for money. The victim sent \$7,000 in three wire transactions at Western Union. The scam was reported at about 9:20 a.m. Oct. 25.

- A resident of the 7500 block of Canyon Meadows Circle told police someone had filed a tax return in his name, then collected his \$5,000 refund. The report was made at about 5:40 p.m. Oct. 26.

- Laptop computers were taken in two recent burglaries. One occurred sometime between noon and 1:20 p.m. from the University of

Phoenix in the 7900 block of Stoneridge Drive and netted a laptop worth \$2,500 and a \$500 iPad while the employees were at lunch.

The other, an auto burglary, took place in the parking lot of Stoneridge Shopping Center, and a laptop worth \$1,500 was stolen along with a leather computer case valued at \$300. A window was smashed in the second break in.

- Maui Wowie Coffee and Smoothies in the 4800 block of Hopyard Road reported a door window had been smashed with a large rock and \$100 cash was taken from inside the business's cash drawer. The burglary was reported at about 5:41 a.m. Oct. 28.

- Oreste Digiaco, 22, a transient, was arrested at about 8:32 a.m. Oct. 25 for prowling. He was spotted looking at cars in the Dahlin Group parking lot in the 5800 block of Owens Drive.

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

POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

Oct. 22

Fraud

- 8:22 a.m. in the 4900 block of Monaco Drive

- 6:09 p.m. in the 3600 block of S. Platt Court

Drug/alcohol violations

- 3:54 a.m. at the intersection of Foothill Road and Stoneridge Drive; paraphernalia possession

- 4:18 p.m. in the 1600 block of Martin Avenue; driving with marijuana, possession of marijuana

- 10:46 p.m. at the intersection of Hopyard Road and Gibraltar Drive; DUI

Oct. 23

Child abuse

- 2:29 p.m. in the 4800 block of Case Ave

Theft

- 1:23 p.m. in the 3100 block of Paseo

Granada; theft from structure

- 4:21 p.m. in the 5500 block of Springdale Avenue; theft from structure

- 4:59 p.m. in the 4900 block of Owens Drive; fraud

Auto burglary

- 10:42 a.m. in the 4000 block of Sherry Court

- 3:41 p.m. in the 4800 block of Bernal Avenue

Battery

- 12:13 p.m. in the 3500 block of Bernal Avenue

Oct. 24

Auto burglary

- 9:37 a.m. in the first block of Stoneridge Mall Road

- 3:56 p.m. in the 7900 block of Stoneridge Drive

Drug/alcohol violations

- 3:31 p.m. at the intersection of Vineyard Avenue and Touriga Drive; driving with marijuana

- 11:30 p.m. in the 5500 block of Springdale Avenue; public drunkenness

Oct. 25

Child abuse

- 9:11 a.m. in the 4500 block of Pleasanton Avenue

Theft

- 9:20 a.m. in the 3800 block of Mammoth Cave Court; fraud

Auto burglary

- 3:11 p.m. in the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Graffiti

- 9:30 a.m. in the 4700 block of Muirwood Court

Drug/alcohol violations

- 12:10 a.m. in the 5800 block of Laurel Creek Drive; possession of methamphetamines, paraphernalia possession

- 12:22 a.m. in the 6700 block of Santa Rita Road; DUI

- 10:33 a.m. in the 4600 block of Bernal Avenue; possession of marijuana on school grounds

- 10:01 p.m. at the intersection of Main Street and St. Mary Street; public drunkenness

Oct. 26

Theft

- 12:01 p.m. in the 6700 block of Bernal Avenue; shoplifting

- 6:29 p.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Alcohol violations

- 1:17 a.m. in the 5100 block of Hopyard Road; DUI

- 1:27 a.m. in the 300 block of St. Mary Street; public drunkenness

- 10:38 p.m. in the 300 block of St. Mary Street; public drunkenness

- 11:41 p.m. at the intersection of Francisco Street and Santa Rita Road; DUI

Oct. 27

Shoplifting

- 4:33 p.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Graffiti

- 6:04 a.m. in the 4500 block of First St

- 8:50 a.m. in the 5800 block of Parkside Drive

Drug/alcohol violations

- 12:49 a.m. in the 1000 block of Reising Drive; minor in possession of alcohol, marijuana possession, driving with marijuana

Oct. 28

Theft

- 1:40 p.m. in the 6700 block of Bernal Avenue; theft from structure

- 4:45 p.m. in the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Vandalism

- 4:59 a.m. in the 4800 block of Hopyard Road

OBITUARIES

PAID OBITUARIES

Eugene Austin Willis Feb. 4, 1926-Oct. 7, 2013

Eugene Austin Willis passed away peacefully on Oct. 7. He was born to Lloyd and Margaret Willis in Ravenna, Ohio on Feb. 4, 1926.

He was greatly loved by his family and friends. His smile and compassion for everyone that he knew will never be forgotten!

Gene came to Pleasanton when he was 17 years old. He enlisted in the Navy and served his entire duty at Camp Shoemaker in Pleasanton, now known as Camp Parks.

He met his loving wife, Dolores (Dee) Willis, while getting gas and hamburgers at Dee's father's gas station and restaurant. They fell in love almost immediately and married about six months later, Valentine's Day 1946. They were married for 67 years.

Gene opened Valley Tire in 1958. It was located on the corner of Stanley Blvd. and Santa Rita Road. He owned and operated his business until 1988 when he moved to Chico, California. His daughter, Catherine Willis, preceded him in death. She was born with spina bifida, and passed away when she was five weeks old. His grandson, Tom Self, also preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife, Dolores Willis, and his 3 sons Tomm (Cheryl),

Mike, and Denny Willis. He also leaves behind his grandchildren, Joey Willis, Dayna Willis, Scott Self (Jenn) and two great grandchildren, Tristan and Sydney Self.

Gene loved life and always lived it to the fullest! We are having a celebration of life from 1-5 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 24 at the Veteran's Hall. We hope to see you there. RIP, Papa! You will always be in our prayers and thoughts.

Edythe L. Shewfelt July 31, 1914-Oct. 24, 2013

Edythe L. Shewfelt ("Nana") was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada on July 31, 1914. Her family relocated to Vancouver, British Columbia where she married Edgar Ronald "Ron" Shewfelt on Oct. 26, 1938. They began their married life as immigrants to the United States, moving to Berkeley, California where Ron worked as a pharmacist. They were extremely proud to become American citizens and they were grateful for the opportunity to pursue the American dream. Together they opened their own pharmacy and Edythe helped run the store, including working the soda fountain. Later in life they often recounted that all the money they had in the world was in the till the day they opened.

Edythe and Ron raised their two children, Muriel and Larry, in Oakland. They lived there until Ron went to work for the Northern California Pharma-

ceutical Association, taking them to Sacramento in 1972. Ron's work with the NCPA gave them the opportunity to travel the world. Ron and Edythe were married for 53 years before he passed away in 1991. Edythe continued to reside in Sacramento until 2006 when she moved to Pleasanton to be nearer to her extended family.

Edythe was also preceded in death by her son Larry. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Muriel and Frank Capilla, her three grandchildren and their spouses, and her eight great grandchildren. She was proud of her great grandkids and was delighted when they would come to visit and she could introduce them to everyone. She enjoyed attending their sporting events and she loved to be surrounded by all of her family on holidays and birthdays. She enjoyed lunches out, playing bunco and spending time with her friends at Parkview Retirement Community. She especially adored her outings with her daughter Muriel. She will be remembered for her kindness, her warm smile, her quick wit and her beautiful spirit. She loved to chat with everyone she met, striking up conversations and encouraging all those around her. She was generous and loving and she touched the lives of many, many people in her 99 years. The family is comforted by their wonderful memories and the knowledge that Nana and Papa spent their 75th wedding anniversary dancing together again and celebrating the deep love that they shared and modeled for all of their family.

Romans 14:8 "If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord."

Services will be private.

Submit a memorial (including photos and video), search recent obituaries and write a remembrance through Pleasanton Weekly's obituary directory at PleasantonWeekly.com/obituaries

Bring Home the Holidays

The Pleasanton Weekly will help you start off the holiday season with the annual glossy Holiday Gift Guide in the November 15 issue. Also, each newspaper issue during the season will feature articles dedicated to helping you make the holidays a sweet and joyous time full of fun, family and friends.

November 22 - Holiday Happenings
Family and friends enjoy outings together

November 29 - Deck the Halls
Creating a memorable warm holiday

December 6 - All that Glitters
Light up your holidays

December 13 - Holiday Magic
Young eyes sparkle with excitement

December 20 - Peace and Joy
Special holiday memories

December 27 - Ring in 2014

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Alameda County Sheriff's horsemen show their colors in Veterans Day parade last year.



Kevin Graves walked on Main Street last year holding photo of his son Joseph, who was killed in Afghanistan.

World War II Navy seaman Danny Soria will lead Pleasanton's 17th annual Veterans Day Parade on Main Street Sunday, a parade that will honor all veterans and those on active duty in Afghanistan and at other global locations.

Soria, a still robust active veteran and one of only a few remaining who served in World War II, will lead more than 125 units registered for the parade. It will start at 1 p.m. and conclude with an indoor ceremony in the Veterans Memorial Building.

The parade, with the theme this year of "All gave some, Some gave all," is sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Pleasanton Post 6298, and the American Legion's Pleasanton Post 237.

Soria, a Navy radarman, served in the Pacific from 1943-1945, going ashore with advance landing units to post and operate secretive radar units. He recalls landing on an outer island in the Admiralty Islands group when his unit heard on the radio about the Allies landing on the Normandy beaches June 6, 1944. The Admiralty battles went almost unnoticed by the American press, he added.

Soria joined both the VFW and American Legion after he was discharged and returned to Pleasanton. At one time, he served as commander of the VFW post and for years marched in the VFW and Legion colorguards.

"Those flags just got a little heavy, so you'll see me riding this year," said Soria, who is 86.

Pleasanton holds its annual veterans tribute the Sunday before the Veterans Day holiday so that

military units and other organizations that are committed to other observances can also be part of Pleasanton's, which is the Bay Area's largest veterans' event.

Patrick R. Leary, this year's VFW commander, said that may not be a concern next year. San Jose, which is one of the last cities in Northern California to hold a Veterans Day parade, has decided not to hold any more parades after this year's parade.

This year's parade review officer in Pleasanton will be Commander James Ridgway, Commanding Officer U.S. Navy Support Center, Alameda. Marching music will be provided by the Army 191st band, the Air Force band from Travis Air Force Base, the Navy's Band of the West and marching bands from Foothill, Dublin and Granada high schools.

The Oakland Military Academy, Ben Ali Bag Pipe Band and the Piedmont Bag Pipe Band are also performing.

Other marching units will include color guards from all five branches of the military as well as local veteran organizations and police and fire departments.

Military vehicles, vintage and current, classic cars and many motorcycles will provide viewing pleasure for everyone.

Parade attendees are encouraged to bring an unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots.

Soria said that being selected as the parade's grand marshal is a highlight of military service that began when he doctored his birth certificate with his father's permission in order to join the Navy in 1943 as a 16-year-old. He was trained to operate radar and sonar



World War II seaman Danny Soria takes a break from colorguard duties to ride with American Legion colleagues.

Grand Marshall Danny Soria

WWII radarman star of Sunday's parade

Story by Jeb Bing
Photos by Sherry Wiggins



Marine colorguard passes reviewing stand in Pleasanton's 2012 Veterans Day parade.



Mitzi Parr smiles at Veterans Day parade onlookers as she marches with Pleasanton American Legion colorguard on Main Street.



Gold Star moms remember their sons and daughters killed while serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.



Girl Scouts from Pleasanton, Dublin and Sunol parade on Main Street in honor of veterans.

units, which were secret and just becoming mobile at the time, and then dispatched with others to set up the equipment at multiple locations as the war moved across the Pacific. He returned from the Philippines when the war ended in 1945, only to be called back to sea to ferry sailors back from the Bikini Atoll in 1946 where they had taken ships that were part of post-war atomic bomb tests.

Soria's parents moved to Merced from Mexico, where they raised 12 children, including Danny. Six of their nine sons served in World War II and one also in Korea. Danny, who is married to Joyce Soria, has five children, including a son who served in Vietnam and a daughter who was in the Army, stationed in Panama.

For years after military service, Soria worked as a pressman at the Contra Costa Times, San Francisco Chronicle and as an independent printer with a shop in Dublin. Then, seeing the generous benefits that were being paid by the Oakland Tribune, he became a newspaper pressman again before retiring with a pension and health benefits.

Joyce once asked him to name the two most important things in his life, Soria recalled.

"Marrying you was number one," Soria said with a grin. "Then it was serving in the Army and serving my country."

"I still feel that way," he added. "I've been patriotic all my life. So has my family. That's why being named Grand Marshall of the Veterans parade means so much to me." ■

See more Veterans Day events on page 5



Members of Pleasanton Military Families organization walk in Veterans Day parade.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE VALLEY — MUSIC, THEATER, ART, MOVIES AND MORE

Soul Surfer encourages self-confidence



Famous surfer, shark attack victim talks to local teens

By Jenn Teitell

Bethany Hamilton could have given up. Instead she used her personal tragedy to inspire others.

In 2003, at age 13, Hamilton was attacked by a 14-foot tiger shark while surfing off the north shore of Kauai, Hawaii. The teen lost more than 60% of her blood and her left arm.

Hundreds of people of all ages, but mostly teens, gathered recently at Super Franks in Pleasanton to hear how Hamilton overcame the loss of her arm and tell the story of how she triumphed over tragedy in a Teen Esteem program.

Hamilton spoke little of the shark attack, focusing rather on her struggle to overcome such a setback. The Christian athlete said that, through the loss of her left arm, God was giving her the opportunity to be more than just a surfer and have a bigger impact in the world.

"I liked that she talked about her faith and how she got back into the water even though it was a big risk," said Ashlynn Brady, a sixth grader in the audience. "Even if you're afraid to do something, you have to push yourself because God can help you through it."

She also discussed the more typical yet equally damaging problems that her friends faced as teens, such as depression, suicidal thoughts and the pressure to fit in.

"I think what (Bethany) was saying about addressing hard issues like suicide and self-harm and things that are really destructive needs to be brought out into the light," said parent Shanna Boomershine.

A portion of the presentation was an interview in which Hamilton talked about her role models, finding one's purpose, her faith and her family. Hamilton listed her parents among her role models and said they were encouraging, even homeschooling their daughter so she could devote more time to surfing.

The event was organized by Teen Esteem, a Danville-based nonprofit that aims to educate and empower teens to

make healthy choices and avoid dangerous activities.

"I think Teen Esteem brings kids a better awareness of that and lets them know that if they or their friends are hurting they have resources. They have people they can go to; they have an organization that says, 'We're here, and we can help you,'" said Boomershine.

Before Hamilton's speech, several adult audience members made donations to fund Teen Esteem assemblies at local schools. An auction was also held, with items such as one of Hamilton's signed rash guards going for \$1,200.

To learn more about Teen Esteem, visit www.teenesteem.com. ■



JENN TEITELL

Above: Bethany Hamilton greets the crowd after a speech by a Teen Esteem representative. Hamilton spoke of her struggle to overcome adversity. Right: The teens sitting on the floor answer a question. The seating area was packed with hundreds of teens and their families. Behind Hamilton on the stage is a piece of abstract art created specifically for the event and sold in the auction.

Clubs

BLACKHAWK REPUBLICAN WOMEN PRESENT AUTUMN CARTER Join the Blackhawk Republican Women and their special guest speaker Autumn Carter at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 6 at Blackhawk Country Club. Autumn is the Executive Director of California Common Sense, a non-profit research organization. Cost is \$25. RSVP by Nov. 4 to Marianne Lyons at 820-6452.

Concerts

GREG KIHN AT THE FIREHOUSE Rock Star and Radio Celebrity Greg Kihn, famous for hits "The Breakup Song" and "Jeopardy," and his band will play at 8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 1 and Saturday, Nov. 2 at Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave. Tickets are \$40-\$50 and available by calling 931-4848 or at www.firehousearts.org.

MICHAEL SECOUR ON THE ORGAN A recital of audience favorites from the past four centuries, this program includes "Battala Imperial" by Cabanilles, "Toccata and Fugue in D minor" by Bach, Mendelssohn's "Sonata No. 2 for Organ" and more. The recital begins at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 3 at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Road. Freewill offerings appreciated. Call 462-4802.

Events

ANNUAL CANDY BUYBACK Ghosts and goblins of all ages can drop by Dr. Nerad's dental office from 3-5:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 4 for the dentist's fourth annual Halloween candy buy-back extravaganza. Candy will be accepted at the office, 1024 Serpentine Lane, Suite 107, for \$1 per pound, and \$1 per pound for the child's school.

COWBOY HOOTENANNY FOLK FESTIVAL Come to a celebration of Sunol's pioneer and ranching heritage, from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 2 at Sunol Regional Wilderness, 1895 Geary Road, Sunol. Get your boots stomping and toes tapping with Gordy Ohlinger, the Banjo-ologist. \$5 parking fee. Call (510) 544-3240.

GIRL SCOUT HEALTHY LIVING EVENT Two eighth grade Girl Scouts from Hart Middle School will put on an event for their Silver Award to teach children about food groups and exercise, from 5-7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 4 at the Pleasanton Library. There will be two special guests, Frank Castro who is a nutrition expert, and Pamela Ellingsen, who will demonstrate Zumba exercises. Contact gshealthyliving13@gmail.com.

Fundraisers

PEDDLER SHOPPE'S HARVEST FESTIVAL The Peddler Shoppe's annual Harvest Festival will be from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7 at the Pleasanton Senior Center. This year is exceptional with more homemade and handcrafted products created by our own local area Seniors than ever before. The senior artisans receive a large portion of the sales price. Profits are donated to Senior Support. Come in and

pick up that special item for yourself or gifts for your friends.

TRI-VALLEY HAVEN HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR Tri-Valley Haven, a local non-profit providing support services for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and homelessness, will host a Holiday Craft Fair from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7 at The Barn, 3131 Pacific Ave., Livermore. Call 449-5845 or go to www.trivalleyhaven.org.

TVAR'S THAT'S AMORE TVAR will hold their annual fundraising auction on Saturday, Nov. 2 at Castlewood Country Club. Help them save homeless puppies and kittens! Tickets are \$80 and can be purchased at www.tvvar.org. To volunteer or donate, contact Jo Gunderson at (415) 676-8514 or gundersonjo@gmail.com.

Lectures/ Workshops

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is for parents of Middle School and High School students, and will be at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 4 at the Pleasanton Library. Dr. Elizabeth Lyons-Wagner, Ed.D., teacher at Harvest Park MS and an expert on effective test preparation will speak. Call 931-3400 ext. 3.

TONY LARUSSA, LEGENDARY BASEBALL MANAGER Tony La Russa, manager of Chicago White Sox, Oakland A's and St Louis Cardinals baseball teams, will speak at the Rae Dorrough Speakers Series at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 6 at Bankhead Theater in Livermore. Tony, with 4 Manager of the Year awards, 13 Division titles, 6 Pennants and 3 World Series, will chronicle one of the most exciting end-of-season runs in history. Cost is \$30, \$15 for students. Call 373-6800 or go to <http://www.bankheadtheater.org>.

Miscellaneous

MEET THE CHEESEMAKER: NICOLAU FARMS Walter Nicolau from Nicolau Farms will talk about his amazing cheeses from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 2 at New Leaf Markets, 3550

Bernal Ave. Stop in to learn fun facts and taste delicious samples. Call 621-7660 ext. 120.

On Stage

'BLITHE SPIRIT' Researching material for a new novel, Charles engages Madame Arcati to conduct a seance in his home. By accident, she summons the spirit of Charles's first wife and cannot make the disruptive spirit go away. "Blithe Spirit" runs at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7, 8 and 9 at Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Road. Tickets are \$5 for students, \$10 for adults. Contact khartman@pleasantonusd.net.

'LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS' AT FIREHOUSE Pacific Coast Repertory Theatre presents "Little Shop of Horrors," the comedic tale of nerdy florist shop worker Seymour and Audrey II, a plant with a taste for human blood. The show runs at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and at 2 p.m. on Sundays, Nov. 8-24 at Firehouse Arts Center. Tickets are \$17-\$38. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.



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Sports



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U-13 Rage White mid-fielder Allison DeFazio sends the ball to forward Gabriella Smith, who scored the tying goal in Saturday's 2-2 game against UC Premier Arsenal.

Pleasanton Rage ties Union City in heated game

By JESSICA LIPSKY

In a hotly contested bout on Oct. 26, the under-13 Rage white team battled Union City (UC) Premier Arsenal for a tied match.

During the first two minutes, the Rage's Gabriella Smith aggressively moved the ball past Arsenal's defense, to take an early shot. Reclaiming possession of the ball, Arsenal scored its first goal in the fifth minute. Rage goalie Brooke Delaney stopped a second Arsenal attempt, helping to shift the action back to Arsenal territory, where Rage's Lucia Castaneda crossed the ball to Cierra Lofthouse-Wolf, who tapped it in to score Rage's first goal.

Although the ball returned to the Rage end

of the field, defender Emma Mosen muscled her way past several UC players, where Taylor Metz, Hunter Faria, Lauren Londono and Jessica Stubbs helped keep the action close to the Arsenal net. However, Arsenal's defense proved impenetrable.

The second half went scoreless until the 58th minute thanks to coordinated defending by Rage's Ariyana Walling, Julianna Pereira, and Sarah McKeever. Rage's Isabella Clark, Ashley Lopez, Lucia and Gabriella fired off multiple shots, which Arsenal's defense deflected until the 66th minute when Gabriella found the net off an assist by Allison DeFazio. The final score was 2-2. ■



PHOTO BY RICK SCHUSSEL

FHS celebrates first NCS win

Foothill High School celebrated the 20th anniversary of its first ever NCS Football Championship win, played in 1993 at the Oakland Coliseum. Players and coaches from the '93 team celebrated before the Foothill-Granada Varsity game on Oct. 25.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Seahawks invited to Olympic training center

Maxime Rooney and Moriah Simonds, both 15, were invited to attend the National Select Camp at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. The camp was held Oct. 24-27.

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File No.: 483046
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File No.: 483411
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U.S. home sales down, interest rates higher

Economist sees 'flat trend' in home sales next year

JEB BING

Pending home sales declined across the country for the fourth consecutive month in September, as higher mortgage interest rates and higher home prices curbed buying power, according to the National Association of Realtors.

The organization's "Pending Home Sales Index" fell 5.6% to 101.6 in September from

a downwardly revised 107.6 in August, and is 1.2% below September 2012 when it was 102.8. The index is at the lowest level since last December when it was 101.3.

Lawrence Yun, NAR's chief economist, said concerns over the government shutdown also played a role.

"Declining housing affordability conditions are likely responsible for the bulk of

reduced contract activity," he said. "In addition, government and contract workers were on the sidelines with growing insecurity over lawmakers' inability to agree on a budget."

"A broader hit on consumer confidence from general uncertainty also curbs major expenditures such as home purchases," he added.

Yun noted that September marked the first time in 29 months that pending home sales weren't above year-ago levels.

"This tells us to expect lower home sales for the fourth quarter, with a flat trend going into 2014," Yun said. "Even so, ongoing inventory shortages will continue to lift home prices, though at a slower single-digit growth rate next year."

NAR's Pending Home Sales Index in the

Northeast dropped 9.6% to 76.7 in September, and is 6.4% below a year ago. In the Midwest the index fell 8.3% to 102.3 in September, but is 5.7% higher than September 2012. Pending home sales in the South slipped 0.4% to an index of 116.2 in September, but are 2.0% above a year ago.

The index in the West dropped 9.0% in September to 97.3, and is 9.8% lower than September 2012.

Total existing-home sales this year will be 10% higher than 2012, reaching more than 5.1 million, and are likely to hold up well even in 2014. The national median existing-home price is expected to rise 11 to 11.5% for all of 2013, but moderate to a 5 to 6% gain in 2014. ■

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Average sales reported: \$688,607

Livermore (Sept. 19-26)

Total sales reported: 34
Lowest sale reported: \$229,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,435,000
Average sales reported: \$617,250

Pleasanton (Sept. 19-26)

Total sales reported: 24
Lowest sale reported: \$133,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,897,500
Average sales reported: \$909,896

San Ramon (Sept. 30-Oct. 8)

Total sales reported: 23
Lowest sale reported: \$175,000
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HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during Sept. 19-Oct. 8

Livermore

- 2238 4th Street** Siegel Trust to J. Higgins for \$499,000
- 894 Alexander Street** P. Jagannathan to J. Thomas for \$550,000
- 5492 Arlene Way** C. & E. Carr to M. Villott for \$585,000
- 1403 Aspen Court** D. Bunch to K. & K. Zoerhoff for \$650,000
- 1856 Blackwood Common** Hefner Trust to X. Ma for \$465,000
- 743 Canterbury Avenue** Brown Trust to P. & K. Banke for \$570,000
- 3659 Carrigan Common** Ann Apartments to J. Brewick for \$329,000
- 342 Chris Common #107** S. & S. Davis to M. Kualapai for \$229,000
- 1789 Corte Sueno** Zaballos Trust to A. Weston for \$545,000
- 3845 Dagnino Road** Kratzmann Trust to J. & D. Ashley for \$900,000
- 12540 Doubletree Lane** Fulwood Trust to R. & P. Cecil for \$1,149,000
- 1499 Frankfurt Way** C. & V. Bell to E. & C. O'Neill for \$600,000
- 238 Garnet Drive** Geiger Trust to T. & J. Lombard for \$620,000
- 523 Heligan Lane #1** M. & D. McGuire to L. Savage for \$520,000
- 152 Heligan Lane #6** Shea Homes to B. & V. Tubera for \$427,500
- 152 Heligan Lane #7** Shea Homes to P. & K. Mandelstamm for \$456,000
- 152 Heligan Lane #8** Shea Homes to G. & L. Robinson for \$536,500
- 462 Hillcrest Avenue** M. Yu to D. Pischke for \$515,000
- 288 Kyle Common** M. & C. Marquez to R. & A. Willmes for \$765,000
- 969 Laguna Street** W. & C. Stonich to Strasburg Trust for \$560,000
- 1233 Murdell Lane** J. McDonald to H. & N. Herrera for \$629,000
- 1087 Murrieta Boulevard #350** American Liberty Homes to Nesslage Trust for \$251,000
- 420 North I Street** S. Williams to N. Lucas for \$445,000
- 1722 Pine Street** S. Wiggs to O. Lopez for \$430,000
- 1783 Prima Drive** P. & G. Bilovesky to K. & L. Swartzendruber for \$1,155,000
- 6420 Rosemary Common** A. Venturi to R. Singh for \$559,000
- 2144 Roundhill Place** N. Morris to D. & J. Bennett for \$1,435,000
- 2811 San Minete Drive** Atwood Trust to T. Hung for \$968,000
- 549 Selby Lane #3** Shea Homes to J. Wang for \$584,500
- 549 Selby Lane #4** Shea Homes to M. Harden for \$592,000
- 5498 Treeflower Drive** K. & S. Sawyer to B. & Y. Speidel for \$370,000
- 2112 Tuscany Circle** R. & R. Coplen to M. & M. Alvarelllos for \$1,045,000
- 846 Via Granada** J. & L. Maneatis to I. Lawson for \$485,000
- 982 Waverly Common** A. Holm to N. Hardiman for \$567,000

Pleasanton

- 6723 Alisal Street** Bud & Chilli Trust to Hall Trust for \$1,000,000
- 3615 Baker Drive** A. Tummala to K. Palvadi for \$737,000
- 4241 Bevilacqua Court** Curry Trust to J. & T. Spruill for \$840,000
- 1689 Calle Santiago** T. Yokoi to R. Collins for \$445,000
- 2229 Camino Brazos** Smith Trust to Aitchinson III for \$675,000
- 7750 Canyon Meadow Circle #H** J. Rokes to D. Sundt for \$133,000

- 7783 Capewood Place** Robinson Trust to M. Su for \$675,000
- 883 Chateau Heights Court** Lurie Trust to S. & D. McKibben for \$1,705,000
- 2422 Crestline Road** Gettner Trust to T. Moeller for \$750,000
- 1100 Finch Place** Toll California XIX to R. Zhang for \$1,391,000
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- 1185 Laguna Creek Lane** J. Hill to D. & F. Dyrnishi for \$1,897,500
- 323 Neal Street** Fletcher Trust to D. Lynch for \$1,380,000
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- 6757 Aberdale Circle** YKILP0880 Limited to H. Muchamarry for \$840,000
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- 207 Ramon Place** R. & C. Graham to W. & J. Cao for \$712,500
- 414 Santander Drive** B. Tiner to D. & M. Bingham for \$660,000
- 8384 Saturn Park Drive** T. Wen to A. & S. Bhatia for \$846,500
- 3203 Spicewood Lane** Kapoor Trust to N. Asthana for \$918,000
- 1441 Stoney Creek Drive** Jackson Trust to J. & R. Muzzy for \$780,000
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1532 Whispering Oaks Way, Pleasanton

First time on the market. This home was featured on HGTV, decorated by David Bronstad on Color Splash. 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths plus office and loft, approx 2988 sf. Soft, open and bright floor plan, shutters throughout, nice backyard with custom fireplace, simply gorgeous!
Offered at \$1,125,000

NOW PENDING!



2365 Foothill Rd Unit 3

Laguna Vista townhome, nicely updated 2 bedroom with new carpet and new paint, gas range, updated bath. Pool and play area. Great for investors! Excellent location!
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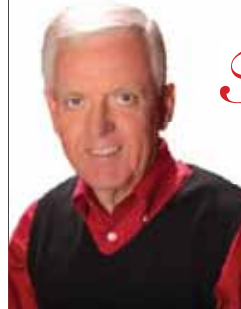
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One of a kind, custom built home!

3 bedrooms • 3.5 bathrooms • 3,457 sf
Spacious living room w/open beam cathedral ceiling • Solar heated pool Casita/pool house • Multilevel decks
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2 BR 2 BA Mstr Ste. Laminate Flrs. Formal Din. Liv w/ Fireplace. Kit. w/SS Appl. Newer Carpet. Fresh Paint. 925.847.2200

HAYWARD

23723 FAIRLANDS RD
REMODELED SINGLE STORY HOME \$599,000
3 BR 2 BA Bright and open floor plan. Upgraded kit w/ Granite countertops. Custom paint & crown Molding 925.847.2200

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DARLING HAYWARD HOME \$435,000
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LIVERMORE

Open SUN 1-4 488 BELL AVE
SUNSET WEST HOME IN LIVERMORE \$749,950
3 BR 2.5 BA New roof. Hrdwd Flrs throughout. Sunroom addition not w/sq ft. Swimming Pool. 925.847.2200

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2017 LANDING COURT
LOVELY 2 STORY \$295,000
4 BR 2.5 BA Grt room, lg kitchen, butlers pantry, granite cntrs, wood floors. Fm Rm w/stone fireplace. 925.847.2200

OAKLAND

10963 MOONLIGHT CT
BEAUTIFUL SIGNATURE HOME \$410,000
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4453 COMANCHE WAY
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SANTA CLARA COUNTY

11000 DEL PUERTO CANYON ROAD
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1931 Valdosta Court, Pleasanton
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ACTIVE

6399 Alvard Way, Pleasanton
3bd/2ba, 1614 +/- sq.ft. Updated Val Vista model with wood floors, new windows, carpet, lighting and landscaping. Walk to schools, parks and shopping.
Asking \$682,000



PENDING

5027 Woodthrush Road, Pleasanton
4bd/2.5ba, 2,147 +/- sq.ft. "Heatherspring" model, granite kitchen, stainless appliances, remodeled baths, plantation shutters, private yard
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PENDING

2027 Greenwood Road, Pleasanton
SOLD IN 3 DAYS



PENDING

4876 Merganser Court, Pleasanton



JUST SOLD

5269 Northway Road, Pleasanton
SOLD IN 3 DAYS



JUST SOLD

3751 Hawaii Court, Pleasanton
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SOLD

2740 Laramie Gate Circle, Pleasanton
SOLD IN 3 DAYS WITH MULTIPLE OFFERS



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4630 Laramie Gate Circle, Pleasanton



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897 SUNSET CREEK LANE, PLEASANTON

Gorgeous, sought after single level in Bridle Creek! Premium location, panoramic views, solar heated in-ground pool, beautifully landscaped with private brick patio areas. Highly upgraded with Travertine flooring, plantation shutters, crown molding, and high 10 foot ceilings. Gourmet kitchen with granite counters and stainless steel appliances — GE Monogram built-in refrigerator, six burner gas range, center island, walk-in and butler's pantries. Wine lovers' home. Great room concept with spacious family room. Many upgrades throughout! Five bedrooms, four bathrooms, 3,246 square feet on a 12,464 square foot lot. Separated guest room (5th). Walking distance to Downtown's Main Street. Don't miss this one! **Offered at \$1,599,000**

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- Saturday Morning Farmers Market
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323 NEAL STREET, PLEASANTON

Blaise represented the buyer in the purchase of this highly sought after **Downtown Pleasanton** home! Four bedrooms, two and a half baths and 2,567 square feet. A rare find with its spacious 16,884 square foot lot with a solar heated pool, spa, fireplace and two raised decks — all perfect for entertaining and just a few minutes walking distance to Downtown!

SOLD FOR \$1,380,000 – SEPTEMBER 20TH

3962 FAIRLANDS DRIVE, PLEASANTON

This home is upgraded throughout and move in ready! Brand new 40 year roof, new carpets, and new hardwood floors located in **Pleasanton Meadows**. Beautifully and professionally landscaped front and rear yards. Four bedrooms, office/teen room, two and a half baths, 2,460 square feet on a 6,489 square foot lot. The rear yard is private and serene offering a large grassy area and two decks

SOLD FOR \$839,000 – OCTOBER 22ND



1185 LAGUNA CREEK LANE, PLEASANTON

This beautiful home offers a premium location in the **Pheasant Ridge Neighborhood**. Unobstructed views of the Pleasanton Ridge, this five bedroom, five and a half bathroom, 5,329 square foot home sits on a premium 16,321 square foot lot. The resort-like back yard offers a pool, spa, pool house, outdoor kitchen, fire pit and gazebo.

SOLD FOR \$1,897,500 – SEPTEMBER 26TH



10758 INSPIRATION CIRCLE, DUBLIN

Located in **Hansen Hill**, this beautiful, model-like upgraded home sits on a private lot with views.

This floor plan is spacious and open with raised ceilings and offers four bedrooms, three and half baths, and is 2,936 square feet. The property has upgraded landscaping and the rear yard offers a large patio, a spacious grass area and a dog run.

SOLD FOR \$1,014,000 – SEPTEMBER 26TH



690 DAISYFIELD DRIVE, LIVERMORE

Blaise represented the buyer in the purchase of this beautiful home located in the **Murrieta Meadows Neighborhood**. Four bedrooms, three bathrooms, 2,239 square feet home on a 7,700 square foot lot. Full bedroom and bath on first floor. Upgraded kitchen with granite slab counters and stainless steel appliances. Private and tranquil backyard offers aggregate stone patio, large grassy area and spa.

SOLD FOR \$750,000 – OCTOBER 31ST



6191 SAINT ANDREWS WAY, LIVERMORE

Beautiful four bedroom, two and a half bath, 1,677 square foot single family home. Newer construction in the **Dover Neighborhood**, this home offers custom tile floors, new carpet, vaulted ceilings and plantation shutters throughout. The remodeled kitchen offers granite slab counters, stainless steel appliances and a breakfast nook. The rear yard has a garden area and exposed aggregate stone patio.

SOLD FOR \$473,500 – OCTOBER 23RD





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1131 Mataro Court, Pleasanton
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New Price!

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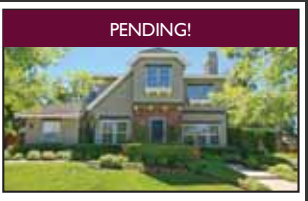
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4219 Payne Road, Pleasanton
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PENDING!

848 Old Oak Road, Livermore
Simply stunning! 4 bdrm, 3 bath home with a bonus room which could also be a fabulous in law set up. Nestled in South Livermore on a 13,000+ sq ft lot. Gourmet slate kitchen with hickory plank floors. \$1,125,000



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