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AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

Remember Karen? She needs our help

Remember Karen Olivero, whose Sunday Morning Bakery booth at the Farmers Market I highlighted in a column two years ago? Her baked goods, especially her best tasting granola ever, were favorites of hundreds of us who stopped by regularly to enjoy both the home-made treats and Karen's charming personality.

She had been a registered nurse in emergency rooms and ICUs for 30 years before retiring to do what she most enjoyed, creating and baking her special recipes, which included stratas, a layered breakfast casserole with blueberries and various cheeses, as well as kisch-like fatadas.

Friends spread the word and soon Karen and her helpmate, Troy Grooms, opened the Farmers Market booth. Theirs was not an easy task. Karen, a very young-looking 55-year-old at the time, had been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease three years earlier. The disease attacks individuals in different ways, with hers more aggressive than others.

Troy did the heavy lifting, including setting up the Farmers Market booth, but Karen still had the strength and mind-set to create some of the best bakery goods on the market.

Karen was never one to slow down. She beat breast cancer in 2000 and thyroid cancer in 2007. Then in 2009, after she noticed her fingers twitching, she was diagnosed with Parkinson's. But again, with new medications that can treat those symptoms, she carried on her hectic pace.

Last year, her condition worsened and she abruptly closed the Farmers Market booth with shoppers asking where she'd gone. It turns out that she was losing weight fast, dropping 30 pounds by last August and having increased difficulty in eating and drinking.

Her daughter Kelsey said her mother was taken to the emergency room, where she learned she is suffering from Multiple System Atrophy (MSA), not Parkinson's disease. The two are very frequently mistaken since

they both present many of the same symptoms. The difference is that MSA is more aggressive and tends to attack the respiratory system, which makes it difficult to breathe.

Karen is now on a ventilator to help her breathe, and for a while was given a tracheotomy and feeding tube. Through her strength and hard work, she was able to wean off the ventilator, but continues to be fed via a feeding tube and uses her tracheotomy to breathe.

Hospital costs have piled up, and although she was able to return to her Pleasanton home in December to be with her family during the holidays, a wheelchair ramp and downstairs shower had to be installed. Medical supplies and continued medication and support are costing well beyond what her family can afford.

Always an independent, active woman with two children and a grandchild she adores, MSA has stripped her of health, even her ability in recent days to talk to her family beyond a whisper.

Communicating on her tablet, she said, "Caleb is my 15-month-old grandson who I will never hold because of my tracheotomy. I'll never hold his hand and walk to the park or push him in the swing because I use a walker or wheelchair. My facial muscles and vocal cords don't allow me to interact with him, and I can't change a diaper or play patty-cake. He will never know me or remember me because of this disease, and that breaks my heart."

For those of us who know Karen and enjoyed her delicacies at the Farmers Market, it's pay-back time. We can help by making donations through <https://www.giveforward.com/fundraiser/cck3/teamkare>.

Local bakeries are also raising money this month for MSA awareness, with all purchases directly helping Karen. There is also an All-in-One garage, bake and craft sale fundraiser March 29 at the Amador Valley High School parking lot. For more information, contact her daughter Kelsey Takens at 462-1889. ■

About the Cover

This weekend marks the 31st annual Dublin St. Patrick's Day celebration, an event that typically draws tens of thousands of people from across the Tri-Valley and throughout the Bay Area. The celebration includes an opening gala, pancake breakfast, parade, fun run/walk and two-day festival. Cover design by Shannon Corey.

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ASKED AROUND TOWN

How do you typically react when people are rude to you?



Robin Rube

Dental hygienist

I hate to admit it, because I know that two wrongs don't make a right, but ordinarily, I am rude right back so that the person who is being rude to me will know exactly what it feels like to be on the receiving end of rudeness.



Basmat Nirin

Horticulturist

I usually take the high road, and continue to be polite, hoping that they will catch on, realize they are being rude, and then treat me politely, just as I am treating them.



Gil Litwin

Mechanical engineer

It kind of depends on my mood. If I am in a bad mood, I will be rude toward whoever is rude to me first. But if I am in a good mood, I just ignore their rudeness and assume it will come back and bite them at some point in the future.



Yael Khan

Retired

I usually will call them out, and say, "Excuse me, have I done something to justify your rudeness toward me?" They will usually be taken aback, apologize, and then act civilly.



Randall Green

Entrepreneur

I usually say "Hey, what's up with the attitude? How's that working for you? It sure isn't working for me." That almost always makes the person take a step back, assess their behavior, and then adjust it accordingly.

—Compiled by Nancy, Jenny and Katie Lyness

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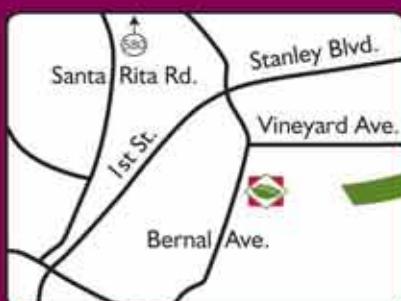
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Honoring female vets

Las Positas College will honor female military veterans this Thursday with a special program as part of Women's Military History Week.

Sponsored by the college's Veterans First organization, the program will feature keynote speaker Mary King, chief of staff to the president of PG&E. King is an Army veteran and a West Point graduate.

The second annual "Honoring Women Veterans" event, which includes a panel discussion, will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday in the Little Theater, Building 800 at the college in Livermore.

The event is free and open to the public, with lunch included. Parking on the Las Positas College campus costs \$2.

New way to water

Val Vista Community Park has become the first Pleasanton public park to be irrigated with recycled water.

The city and the Dublin San Ramon Services District announced an agreement this week under which the 15-acre park on Johnson Drive will receive recycled water to irrigate most of the parkland, including the landscaping and ball fields. Areas that won't get recycled water include the community garden, drinking fountains and restrooms.

"This project is also a great example of working together regionally to use a valuable resource, recycled water," said Daniel Smith, city operations services director.

The effort is expected to save about 18.5 million gallons of potable water annually.

Scholarship deadline

Today is the last day for California residents to nominate young volunteers for 2014 Kohl's Cares Scholarships.

The program is accepting nominations for children from 6-18 years old who have made a positive impact on their communities through their philanthropic and volunteer efforts. Nominations must be submitted today.

Kohl's Department Stores sponsors the program, which will award nearly \$400,000 in scholarships and prizes this year to more than 2,300 kids at the national, state and regional store levels.

Parents, teachers, neighbors and friends can nominate those they believe should receive the awards by visiting www.kohlskids.com.

Safeway merging with Boise-based Albertsons

City officials hope new company will stay here, keep employees

By JEB BING

In a move that could have far-reaching implications for Pleasanton, Safeway Inc. and Albertsons announced a merger agreement for the two grocery chains last week under which the owner of Albertsons will buy all outstanding Safeway stock in a \$9 billion deal.

Pleasanton city officials said they were notified on March 6 — the same day as the public announcement — that Safeway will

be purchased by Cerberus Capital. Safeway has had a presence in Pleasanton since 1996 and has

The company is also one of Pleasanton's largest employers, with approximately 2,600 em-

'We understand that part of running a very successful enterprise means making a business decision that's best for the company.'

Nelson Fialho, City Manager

been a major contributor to the city's employment and municipal tax base.

ployees between the local grocery stores and the headquarters operations. The company has a long

history in the East Bay and was previously based in Oakland for many years.

"We understand that part of running a very successful enterprise means making a business decision that's best for the company," said City Manager Nelson Fialho. "Given (the March 6) announcement of the sale of Safeway, it is too early to know what that means for Safeway, or

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COURTESY BAND BOOSTERS

Struttin' their stuff

The Foothill High School Band Boosters invite everyone to their annual Winter Guard, Percussion and Drum Major Competition on March 22. The event features more than 100 performances. Drum Majors start the day at 8 a.m. in the stadium, with awards around 4:45 p.m. In the large gym, the Percussion competitions begin at 9 a.m., followed by Winter Guard (shown above) at 1 p.m. The awards presentation is at 7 p.m. Proceeds benefit the music programs at Foothill High.

Income tax receipts exceed budget estimates by 46%

State's General Fund cash deficit totals \$14.1 billion, down from last year

State Controller John Chiang has released his monthly report covering California's cash balance showing that revenues for the month of February totaled \$5.6 billion, surpassing estimates in the 2014-15 governor's budget by \$968.9 million, or 20.9%.

"Driven by strong retail sales and personal income tax withholdings, February receipts poured in at nearly \$1 billion above projections," Chiang said.

"How we conserve and invest

during the upswings of California's notorious boom-or-bust revenue cycles will determine how critical programs, such as public safety and education, will weather the next economic dip," he added. "With fiscal discipline and a focus on slashing debt, we can make California more recession-resistant and prosperity a more enduring hallmark of our state."

Income tax receipts exceeded the governor's expectations by \$721.7 million, or 45.7%. Cor-

porate tax receipts came in ahead of estimates by \$87.4 million, or 236.2%. Sales and use taxes were \$113.7 million, or 3.9%, above the expectations in the governor's 2014-15 proposed budget.

The state ended the month with a General Fund cash deficit of \$14.1 billion, which was covered with internal and external borrowing. That figure was down from last year, when the state faced a cash deficit of \$16.2 billion at the end of February.

—Jeb Bing

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Two school employees refute investigation details

'Lies' by Walnut Grove teachers not checked, the two claim

By GLENN WOHLTMANN

Two Pleasanton school employees are asking for a public apology from the school district, alleging their reputations were damaged by unsubstantiated claims made against them during the investigation surrounding former Walnut Grove Elementary School principal Jon Vranesh.

Employees Mary Snell and Linda Pipe made their appeal to the Pleasanton School Board on Tuesday night, saying that the claims against them were made by teachers interviewed by the district's independent investigator, Shon Davidsen, and included in his report as well.

Davidsen was hired to look into allegations that Vranesh was using derogatory language against female teachers and creating a hostile work environment. Vranesh was placed on administrative leave in October and has since been named itinerant principal, although his future with the district remains in limbo.

Snell, health services clerk at Walnut Grove, said she found out her name was included in the investigation by reading documents requested to be made public by the Pleasanton Weekly and posted on the district's website.

"Imagine my shock, confusion and anxiety to discover myself named as a participant in acts of retaliation toward teachers 'A' and 'B' as a result of Jon's removal," Snell told the board.

Snell said one teacher accused her of withholding information re-

Buchanan hosts education talk

By JEREMY WALSH

Pleasanton residents and school officials had the chance to pick the brain of State Assemblywoman Joan Buchanan (D-Alamo) on education issues last week.

"The problem with education in California is we don't fund anything adequately. It's a huge issue," Buchanan said during the workshop held in the Pleasanton Unified School District board chambers on March 6.

Approximately 20 people attended the 1.5-hour discussion, including district administrators, teachers, school officials and parents.

Buchanan typically travels to local school districts during the state budget-preparation process, but the conversation in Pleasanton this year focused primarily on overarching education issues.

"I think the real problem in education is not a teaching problem and it's not the laws we have

there; it's a leadership problem," the assemblywoman said.

Buchanan said she's currently working to address a number of education topics in the Assembly, including making kindergarten mandatory, implementing full-day kindergarten throughout California and a potential statewide school facilities bond measure.

"You can raise the gas tax and get more money for roads. I can't charge kids to go to school, and so education is an arm of state government," she said about the need for alternative education funding options, such as a statewide bond.

Other topics the assemblywoman touched on included funding for special education,

the need for more professional development time for teachers and reworking the student assessment system.

"Where I think we're doing a tremendous disservice to poor kids is this narrowing of the curriculum and making the test the whole goal of education," Buchanan said. "We've got to teach our kids how to learn."

The Common Core State Standards — which promote curricula with emphases on critical thinking and depth of understanding — could be part of the solution, she added.

"If all of us came in on a Saturday morning, I'd be willing to bet you we'd come up with a pretty good idea of what a quality education should look like," the assemblywoman said. "And from there, all you're then doing is applying cost factors. But I think until we do that, we've got a problem." ■



Joan Buchanan

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garding a minor injury of that teacher's child.

"She clearly implied that I provided a different standard of treatment to a small child out of retaliation," Snell said.

Snell claimed a second teacher "insinuated my behavior as retaliatory while I tried to collect her daily classroom attendance. However, she failed to mention to your investigator that she habitually neglects to submit her attendance to the office as required."

Snell said both teachers also claimed knowledge of health services protocol that "simply doesn't exist."

"What else in this one-sided report has been fabricated? Plenty," she added.

Pipe, registrar at Amador Valley High School, said she also was blindsided by finding her name in the investigation, even though the independent investigator never contacted her.

Pipe said she was "shocked to read lies" about her in the witness statement of a teacher and in the investigator's report.

"My crime? Telling teacher 'A' in a friendly conversation while at Peet's with my husband how much I enjoyed working with Jon Vranesh in the past," Pipe said. "That short conversation was twisted by teacher 'A' to paint me as a person who would conspire to push a friend out of her job for personal gain."

Both Pipe and Snell have asked for a written public apology from the district, letters in their files that absolve them of any misconduct and corrections to be posted on the school district's site with the rest of the documents included in the Vranesh investigation.

In other business, roughly 45 teachers from across the district turned out Tuesday night over an unspecified safety issue at Hart Middle School.

The teachers wore hearts to show their support for their Hart colleagues and carried signs to show what school they represented.

"There are concerns in our district that are not getting addressed," teachers union President Peggy Carpenter told the board.

Later, the school board took the first step toward adopting non-discrimination legislation that allows people to use the bathroom or locker room of the sex with which they identify.

"We are going to be aligning ourselves with the law," Kevin Johnson, the district's senior director of pupil services, told the board.

Two Foothill students turned out to push for quick adoption of the new standards.

"We are grateful for the progress, but we want more," said Cori Hartwig, president of the school's Gay/Straight Alliance Club.

Ayllx Tafoya, who identifies as male but was born female, said he's seen first hand how the law would affect him. Tafoya said during a rainy day at school last year, he went into the men's locker room at Foothill with the rest of the young males in gym class.

"A group of boys began to laugh and point at me. ... I just stood there ignoring them," Tafoya told the board. "What I'm asking is for the district to just take the time to make sure our students are safe."

The discussion surrounded the first reading of the new district policy to comply with the law, which took effect in January. The board will vote on the new policy at its next meeting.

"I look forward to our district implementing both the spirit and the letter of the law," board member Joan Laursen said.

The board also voted to approve 1% raises across the board for its two unions and its management team at a total cost of about \$984,000.

In addition, the board approved spending up to \$3,600 a year to send district employees or school board members through leadership classes co-sponsored by the city and the chamber of commerce. ■

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COURTESY MIKE SEDLAK

The merging of Safeway and Albertsons grocery store chains leaves the future of Safeway's Pleasanton headquarters up in the air.

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for Pleasanton.”

“It is our hope that Safeway, or a new version of the company, will remain an active member of the Pleasanton business community, and continue to be a place of employment for many of our residents,” he added.

The combination of Pleasanton-based Safeway's 1,335 stores in 20 states with the 1,075 outlets of Boise, Idaho-based Albertsons will create a nationwide network of more than 2,400 grocery stores, the two companies said.

The companies said they expect administrative cost savings, but don't expect to close any stores.

The Safeway shares will be bought by AB Acquisition, which owns the Albertsons chain and is controlled by Cerberus Capital Management LP.

The merger is expected to be completed by the end of 2014. The agreement also provides for a three-week so-called “go-shop” period in which Safeway can receive and consider alternate proposals, the companies said.

“This merger is one of several actions we have taken in recent months as a result of our strategic

business review,” Safeway President and CEO Robert Edwards said.

“Safeway has been focused on better meeting shoppers' diverse needs through local, relevant assortment, an improved price/value proposition and a great shopping experience that has driven improved sales trends,” he added. “We are excited about continuing this momentum as a combined organization.”

If the merger proceeds as planned, Edwards will become president and CEO of the combined company, while Bob Miller, the current CEO of Albertsons, will become executive chairman. ■

Shareholder rights attorneys question Safeway-Albertsons deal

Firm says \$36.15 merger consideration well below \$46 price analysts set Feb. 20

Shareholder rights attorneys are investigating the proposed acquisition of Safeway, Inc. by the private equity company Cerberus Capital Management.

On March 6, Cerberus announced the signing of a definitive agreement pursuant to which Safeway shareholders will receive \$32.50 per share in cash and additional consideration with an estimated value of \$3.65 per share, for a total consideration of \$36.15 per share.

Now attorneys at San Diego-based Robbins Arroyo LLP are investigating whether the board of directors at Safeway is undertaking a fair process to obtain maximum value and adequately compensate Safeway shareholders.

As an initial matter, the law firm's attorney Darnell R. Donahue said the \$36.15 merger consideration represents a premium to shareholders of just 6% based on Safeway's closing price on Feb. 18, the last day of trading prior to the announcement that Safeway was in

discussions to sell the company.

This one day premium is significantly below the average one day premium of over 20% for comparable transactions in the last three years, lawyers at the firm said.

Further, they said, prior to the announcement of the merger, there were seven analysts with target prices higher than the \$36.15 merger consideration, including analysts at Telsey Advisory Group and Wolfe Research, LLC who each set a price of \$46 on Feb. 20.

In addition, on Feb. 19, Safeway released its financial results for the fourth quarter 2013, reporting increases in sales and other revenue as well as gross profit. Specifically, Safeway reported that the company's sales and other revenue reached \$11.3 billion in the quarter and its gross profit increased 20 basis points to 26.52%.

In announcing the company's results, Safeway's President and CEO Robert Edwards stated, “In 2013, we generated our best vol-

ume growth since 2006, and we had our best identical-store sales growth in the last five years. At the same time, we continue to pursue strategies to enhance momentum and increase shareholder value. We look forward to continuing progress in 2014.”

Donahue said that given these facts, Robbins Arroyo LLP is examining the Safeway board's decision to sell the company to Cerberus now rather than allow shareholders to continue to participate in the company's continued success and future growth prospects.

Safeway shareholders have the option to file a class action lawsuit to ensure the board of directors obtains the best possible price for shareholders and the disclosure of material information, Donahue said.

For more information, contact Donahue at (800) 350-6003, ddonahue@robbinsarroyo.com or via the shareholder information form on the firm's website. ■

—Jeb Bing

Truant students cost Alameda, Contra Costa counties \$80 million

Buchanan bill aimed at cutting chronic school truancy

By JEB BING

State Assemblywoman Joan Buchanan (D-Alamo) has introduced legislation sponsored by Attorney General Kamala Harris to address chronic truancy in California schools.

Forty years ago, Student Attendance Review Boards (SARBs) were created by the legislature to provide local interventions for truant students rather than referral to the juvenile justice system, Buchanan said. However, creation of SARBs currently is voluntary.

“Student success is directly correlated to student attendance,” she said. “It's simple, when students are not in class, they don't learn.”

“With the right individuals at the table, such as mental health or social service agencies, we can work with students and families to find positive solutions to attendance challenges,” she added. “It begins by requiring every county office of education to have a SARB to support local districts.”

Buchanan explained that when operated collaboratively, county SARBs are an effective tool to provide training, guidance and oversight to local district SARBs. A strong SARB can identify attendance or suspension patterns that can be addressed with prevention strategies prior to a hearing or referral to the district attorney's office.

The combined cost of truancy to Alameda and Contra Costa counties is approximately \$80,020,789, according to the attorney general's In School + On Track report.

Assembly Bill 1643 is part of a package of five bills sponsored by Harris that together will help schools, parents and agencies effectively intervene when children are chronically absent and improve local school districts' and counties' ability to track attendance patterns.

The bill has been referred to the Assembly Education Committee. ■

Pleasanton seeks candidates for public service groups

The city of Pleasanton is currently accepting applications to fill vacancies on several city commissions and committees.

Commission members must be Pleasanton residents, with the exception of the Economic Vitality Committee, in which case members must be employed in the city of Pleasanton.

Currently, there are openings on the Civic Arts, Housing, Library, Planning and Youth commissions.

Openings on the Economic Vitality Committee include one member from each of the following categories: green economy/environmental industry, medical technology and residential real estate developer.

Openings on the Youth Commission include two middle school and one high school representatives, three at-large representatives, two alternates and one adult alternate.

For these commissions and committees, applications must

be received no later than 5 p.m. March 24. Postmarks are not accepted.

For Planning Commission applicants, a supplemental questionnaire is required and can be downloaded at www.cityofpleasantonca.gov/pdf/PlanningCommissionSupplementalQuestionnaire.pdf.

Those applications must be received no later than 5 p.m. April 3. Again, postmarks are not accepted.

Applications are also available at the City Clerk's Office, 123 Main Street, or on the city website. For additional information, contact the city clerk at 931-5027.

Those interested in serving on a commission or committee that has no current vacancies listed can register their interest for future vacancies by completing an interest card on the city website at www.cityofpleasantonca.gov.

—Jeb Bing



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Shirley Jantzen

Shirley Jantzen, 90, of Clayton, CA, died Saturday, 22 February 2014 following a long illness.

A third generation Californian, Born February 25, 1923, in San Francisco, she was the daughter of the late Henry Gonzales and the late Vera Gonzales-Burr, formerly of Berkeley, California.

Her husband, Dr CJ Jantzen of Vallejo and one grandson, Larry Stultz of San Jose, preceded her in death

She is survived by three children, Patricia Matson-Abernathy of Concord, Carol Matson-Langer of Pleasanton and John Matson of Napa; one brother, Robert Gonzales of Concord; Six grandchildren, four G-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

A Mass to be held in her honor on Saturday, March 15th at 2pm at Saint Bonaventure Catholic Community, 5562 Clayton Rd, Concord, CA 94521. Followed by a Celebration of Life. In lieu of flowers, a donation to your Charity of Choice is preferred.



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POLICE BULLETIN

Livermore man busted in identity theft case

Police caught a lucky break March 5 when a call to a hotel led to the arrest of a Livermore man for multiple identity thefts.

Joseph Freeland Montgomery III, 28, was arrested at the Residence Inn in the 11900 block of Dublin Canyon Road on felony counts of identity theft, possession of stolen property, drug possession and felony probation violation.

Police were called by the manager at about 10:16 p.m. to help get a guest out of his room after prior dealings with him in San Ramon. After learning Montgomery was on probation, a search of his room turned up 10 credit cards in other peoples' names and a credit card creator with blank cards, according to police, who are investigating other possible victims.

In other police reports:

- Richard Louis Williams, 18, of Pleasanton was arrested on a felony count of assault with a deadly weapon at about 11:55 p.m. March 7 at a home in the 8100 block of Arroyo Drive. Police were called to a party after a reported altercation between Williams and two others, who were cut on their necks with a piece of glass.
- John Levell Lightfoot, 43, of San Leandro was arrested near the intersection of Owens and Hacienda drives at about 9:56 p.m. March 4 on two felony counts of failure to register as a sex offender. Police, who knew he had failed to re-register, spotted Lightfoot at a bus stop.
- Cash and electronics were stolen from a home in the 1600 block of Laguna Hills Lane in a burglary

that took place between 3 p.m. March 3 and 4:45 p.m. March 4. A \$766 safe containing \$25,000 cash was stolen, along with a 65-inch flatscreen TV valued at \$3,480 and a \$2,500 desktop computer and two bedspreads worth a total of \$350. Entry was through a bedroom window.

• More than \$10,000 was taken from a Pleasanton man between 9:20 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. March 8 in a con known as the IRS scam. The victim received a call from a person claiming to be an IRS agent who claimed he owed money. The target purchased 12 re-loadable debit cards in two separate transactions, one for \$4,000 and another for \$6,500.

• Sache Coleman, 21, and Marquilla Deshai Williams, 21, both of Oakland, were arrested at about 8:33 p.m. March 6 on felony and misdemeanor counts.

Coleman was arrested on a felony count of receiving stolen property, felony probation violation and a misdemeanor count of driving with a suspended license. Deshai was arrested for a felony count of drug possession and misdemeanor counts of possession of burglary tools, paraphernalia possession and two outstanding misdemeanor warrants. The two were arrested after police in the parking lot of Safeway on Bernal Avenue saw an Acura Integra that had been reported stolen.

• Nine vehicles were stolen from Pleasanton in separate thefts over recent days, including two taken from downtown, on Abbie and Division streets on March 8, another from the Residence Inn in the 11900 block of Dublin Canyon Road on March 7 and two from private homes on March 4 and 5.

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

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POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

March 4

Theft

- 1:58 p.m. in the 6600 block of Owens Drive; theft from structure
- 5:06 p.m. in the 2200 block of Goldcrest Circle; auto theft

Residential burglary

- 5:36 p.m. in the 1600 block of Laguna Hills Lane

Auto burglary

- 10:48 a.m. in the 4800 block of Bernal Avenue
- 1 p.m. in the 5100 block of Case Avenue

Weapons violation

- 5:22 p.m. in the 4500 block of Denker Drive

Vandalism

- 10:10 a.m. in the 200 block of Birch Creek Drive
- 5:56 p.m. in the 800 block of Main Street

Drug violations

- 12:11 a.m. in the 5300 block of Owens Drive; paraphernalia possession
- 12:59 a.m. in the 5300 block of Owens Drive; possession of methamphetamine
- 11:05 p.m. in the 6000 block of Inglewood Drive; paraphernalia possession

March 5

Child abuse

- 5:40 p.m. in the 4800 block of Bernal Avenue

Theft

- 2:52 p.m. in the 6300 block of Arlington Drive; auto theft
- 10:16 p.m. in the 11900 block of Dublin Canyon Road; fraud

Burglary

- 5:25 p.m. in the 4400 block of Black Ave

Vandalism

- 8:03 a.m. in the 5300 block of Case Avenue
- 9:53 a.m. in the 4600 block of Bernal Avenue

Drug/alcohol violations

- 4:49 p.m. in the 3000 block of Bernal Avenue; DUI
- 10:33 p.m. in the 5300 block of Sunol Boulevard; driving under the influence of drugs

March 6

Theft

- 9:58 a.m. in the 4100 block of Walnut Drive; bicycle theft
- 10:18 a.m. in the 1000 block of Harvest Drive; fraud
- 12:15 p.m. in the 4800 block of Hopyard Road; fraud
- 8:33 p.m. in the 6700 block of Bernal Avenue; stolen property

Commercial burglary

- 9:20 a.m. in the 4300 block of Valley Avenue

March 7

Auto theft

- 12:01 p.m. in the 11900 block of Dublin Canyon Road
- 4:35 p.m. in the 5900 block of Coronado Lane

March 8

Theft

- 5:39 a.m. in the 600 block of Abbie Street; auto theft
- 9:47 a.m. in the 4200 block of Garibaldi Place; fraud
- 10:19 a.m. in the 800 block of Division Street; auto theft
- 1:45 p.m. in the 3800 block of Vineyard Avenue; fraud

Auto burglary

- 4:24 a.m. in the 1500 block of Poppybank Court

Drug violations

- 1:26 a.m. at the 4500 block of Black Avenue; possession of methamphetamine
- 5:29 p.m. in the 3800 block of Vineyard Avenue; possession of a controlled substance, marijuana/hashish and paraphernalia

March 9

Indecent exposure

- 4:55 p.m. at the intersection of Main Street and Del Valle Parkway

Theft

- 10:10 a.m. in the 700 block of Palomino Drive; theft from structure
- 10:33 a.m. in the 700 block of Palomino Drive
- 10:39 a.m. in the 5300 block of Case Avenue; fraud
- 11:41 a.m. in the 1300 block of Oak Vista Way; bicycle theft
- 2:53 p.m. in the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 5:32 p.m. in the 5800 block of Springdale Avenue; stolen property
- 11:39 p.m. in the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive; auto theft

March 10

Theft

- 10:56 a.m. in the 4800 block of Hopyard Road; auto theft
- 12:47 p.m., in the 4800 block of Hopyard Road; auto theft
- 12:50 p.m. in the 4800 block of Hopyard Road; auto theft
- 2:29 p.m. in the 3200 block if Vineyard Avenue

Residential burglary

- 1:22 p.m. in the 500 block of Main St
- 3:05 p.m. in the 4500 block of Willow Road

Assault/battery

- 9:19 p.m. in the 3700 block of Thistle Way

EDITORIAL

Council makes right decision on east side planning

The Pleasanton City Council's decision to continue the work of the East Pleasanton Specific Plan Task Force, even after learning that its court- and state-imposed housing numbers have been satisfied, was a good one. Evaluating and eventually planning for how the largely still-vacant 1,000 acres of land east of Valley Avenue has been part of the city's General Plan since 1996, and even before.

This is an area east of the Pleasanton Garbage Company's recycling center and extending to Livermore, property that was part of undeveloped quarry land and consisting of only about 400 acres of land suitable for development. The rest are the lakes owned and managed by the Zone 7 Water Agency.

Over the last two years, the council and city staff scurried to meet numbers imposed by the state's Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) and requirements by a Superior Court judge and state housing authorities to build high-density housing to accommodate so-called workforce housing needs and those in the very low, low, medium and moderate income brackets. An Oakland-based affordable housing coalition won its suit against Pleasanton that the city and its 29,000-unit housing cap discriminated against those who want to live here but couldn't find affordable housing.

As a result, the council — following the recommendations of task forces, city staff and the Planning Commission — rezoned 70 acres in different parts of the city for high-density housing. That was done to meet RHNA's housing numbers for Pleasanton of 3,000 units, set for the RHNA cycle years of 2007-14.

At the same time, the council created the East Pleasanton Specific Plan task force to put together a plan for the 400 undeveloped acres that could also help to fulfill RHNA's numbers in the 2014-23 cycle now in place, while also planning a mixed-use development of homes, apartments, commercial and offices that would pay for all the parks, streets, water and sewer lines and other infrastructure the new development will require.

This would include extending Busch Road to El Charro Road, which also would be extended from Stoneridge Drive south to Stanley Boulevard. At the end of the day, the development would meet RHNA housing numbers and cost taxpayers nothing for the improvements.

But RHNA's new numbers for the current housing cycle are 1,000 units less than before, leaving Pleasanton with ample acreage already zoned for RHNA at least through 2023 and now no hurry on developing the east side. That gives the task force more time to carefully plan for this last large piece of undeveloped land in Pleasanton, a planning process envisioned since the 1990s.

It's unlikely that the task force planning, which has been underway for nearly two years, will include 2,700 housing units as once considered, or even 1,000. But with the RHNA housing mandate pressure off the table, the process now can include a community discussion as to what we want to see on the east side, although the final plan will need to be financially feasible to include enough development to pay for the Busch and El Charro extensions.

Without a development plan that would allow this land to eventually be annexed into Pleasanton, the current property owners could continue using it under the light industrial zoning now in place, including tilt-up buildings to house heavy machinery or similar uses. That won't happen as the task force continues its thoughtful look at better uses for the east side.

The City Council's message to the task force: Slow down in your planning deliberations now that there's no pressure. Engage in community outreach. Develop a plan over the next year or so that everyone will like because they had a part in it. ■

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WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

City Council

Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- **Public Hearing:** PUD-81-30-88D (formerly PUD-103), P14-0086, & P14-0024, Summerhill Apartment Communities - Consider (1) introduction of an ordinance approving a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Development Plan to demolish the existing office building and construct 177 apartment units and related site improvements on a 5.9-acre site located at 5850 West Las Positas Boulevard in Hacienda Business Park; (2) introduction of an ordinance approving a Development Agreement; (3) an Affordable Housing Agreement; and (4) Growth Management Agreement
- Receive information about City Wide Drought Action Strategies; Adopt an Urgency Ordinance to amend Pleasanton Municipal Code Chapter 9:30 Water Conservation Plan and 14.04 Regulation of Water System to update with the Urban Water Management Plan; and Adopt a Resolution Approving Amendment to Contract with Zone 7 regarding Suspension of Independent Quota for Groundwater
- Introduce upcoming negotiations with Pleasanton Police Officers' Association (PPOA) and International Association of Firefighters Local 1974 (IAFF) and receive public input
- Consider approval of a Request from Pleasanton Garbage for a Refuse and Recycling Rate Adjustment

Economic Vitality Committee

Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 7:30 a.m.
Conference Room 3, 157 Main Street

- 2014 EVC priorities subcommittee reports
- Update to Pleasanton large employers list

Housing Commission

Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Approval of Annual Agency Plan for the Pleasanton Housing Authority for Fiscal Year 2014-15
- Approval of Federal HOME Funds and City Lower Income Housing Funds Related to the Housing and Human Services Grant (HHSG) Program for Fiscal Year 2014-15

Energy & Environment Committee

Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.
Operations Services, 3333 Busch Road

- Drought update
- Water Conservation Program
- LED light project update
- Energy education Programs 2014

Commissions and Committees Recruitment

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

Civic Arts Commission
Economic Vitality Committee
1 Member from each of the following categories:
Green Economy/Environmental Industry
Medical Technology
Residential Real Estate Developer

Housing Commission

Library Commission

Youth Commission

2 Middle School Representatives
1 High School Representative
3 At-Large Representatives
2 Alternate Representatives
1 Alternate Adult Representative

APPLICATION DEADLINE MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Planning Commission

(Supplemental Questionnaire Required)

<http://www.cityofpleasantonca.gov/pdf/PlanningCommissionSupplementalQuestionnaire.pdf>

APPLICATION DEADLINE THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

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.

If you are interested in serving on a commission or committee that has no current vacancies listed, you may register your interest in future vacancies by completing an interest card on our website at www.cityofpleasantonca.gov

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

Giving back with a splash

Swimathon to raise funds for Children's Hospital Oakland

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

The Banholzer family has long dreamed of giving back to the hospital that treated daughter Sarah for her leukemia, a battle that began when she was 4 1/2 years old. The treatment at Children's Hospital & Research Center Oakland included 2 1/2 years of chemotherapy and several surgical procedures.

"They provide such amazing care, and John and I feel so incredibly grateful that Sarah was able to receive this magnificent care during the tough times," mother Teri Banholzer said in an email.

"The staff at CHO always provided Sarah with the love and support that a young child needs in those hard times," she continued. "They also allowed us as parents to focus on what we needed to focus on, getting Sarah well again without leaving any doubt in our minds that we were in the right place, under the best care to make that happen."

Sarah is now 12 years old, and she came up with the idea of a fun day of swimming to raise funds for

Children's Hospital.

The Banholzers liked the idea of a swimming fundraiser and holding it at Pleasanton Valley Swim Club.

"Swimming was the first 'normal' activity that Sarah participated in after recovering from leukemia," Teri Banholzer explained. "She started swimming on PVC swim team when she was 8 and still undergoing chemo, but it was her entry back into the normalcy of a kid."

The Be Strong and Give Back Happiness swimathon is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 27. Swimmers will reserve lanes for a half hour, then solicit pledges to contribute money based on how many laps they complete in the allotted time. A bake sale and drawing will raise additional funds.

The Banholzer swimathon takes its name from a project that Sarah's fifth-grade teacher, Sarah Landis, assigned her students at Valley View Elementary, having them write six-word essays to describe themselves. Sarah came up with "Be strong and give back happiness," and her family felt it



BANHOLZER FAMILY

Sarah Banholzer sells Christmas ornaments on Main Street to raise money to buy presents for the patients at Children's Hospital Oakland.

also perfectly describes the fundraising event.

This is not the first time Sarah has raised money for Children's Hospital. In 2012, she made and sold about 200 Christmas ornaments, raising \$1,100 to buy

gifts for the kids being treated there during the holidays. Last holiday season, she again made the ornaments and this time received a big order from the company Athleta in Petaluma, which bought one for each of its em-

ployees, netting \$2,500.

Title21 Software of Pleasanton is the main sponsor of the swimathon, along with Pleasanton Valley Swim Club.

"For years, just personally, our family has supported Children's Hospital Oakland because they help kids and their families and always make it such a good experience," said Lynn Fischer, CEO of Title21. "We're blessed with three healthy children so we always want to help families going through those tougher times."

On the business side, Title21 integrates software solutions for laboratories and health care organizations to improve their efficiencies.

"Ultimately it helps improve quality and safety and outcomes in patient care," Fischer said. "That supports the great work being done at CHO. So we decided to support the swimathon."

Also, Sarah Banholzer has been friends with Fischer's daughter Allyson since kindergarten, and she will be participating in the event.

Children and adults are welcome to sign up for the swimathon, which the Banholzers hope will become an annual event.

"Swimming has provided a bridge for Sarah and continues to be a passion of hers," Teri Banholzer said. "So, what better way to give back to CHO but through doing something that Sarah loves to do."

For more information, go to beststrongandgivebackhappiness.weebly.com. ■

VCC presents powerful 'Carmina Burana'

Chorale groups join together for 200-musician spectacular

The Valley Concert Chorale will highlight its 50th anniversary season on March 30 with a performance of Carl Orff's choral masterpiece, "Carmina Burana," at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore.

"Carmina Burana" is one of the top three choral masterworks of all time, and we are very excited to be performing this incredible music as part of our 50th anniversary season," said John Emory Bush, artistic director and conductor of the all-volunteer, nonprofit Valley Concert Chorale.

VCC performed "Carmina Burana" as part of the Bankhead's inaugural season in 2008 with a rousing performance accompanied by two pianos and percussion that received a standing ovation. But what makes this performance even bigger is the number of musicians involved, the most ever on Bankhead's stage.

"We will have nearly 200 singers on stage thanks to collaboration with Masterworks Chorale of San

Drama, emotion

What: "Carmina Burana"

Who: Valley Concert Chorale and others

When: 3 p.m., Sunday, March 30

Where: Bankhead Theater,
2400 First St., Livermore

Tickets: \$25-\$38; students \$18-\$28;
seniors \$21-\$34. Call 373-6800 or visit
www.livermoreperformingarts.org

Mateo, Las Positas College Chamber Choir and Cantabella Children's Chorus, accompanied by a 37-piece orchestra and professional soloists, that will power an incredible experience for the audience," Bush said.

The program also includes Beethoven's "Choral Fantasy" featuring VCC's accompanist and concert pianist Daniel Glover, and Brahms' "Four Songs for Women's Chorus, Two Horns and Harp."

Professional soloists for the afternoon are soprano Shawnette Sulker, baritone Igor Vieira and tenor

Brian Thorsett, who performed "Carmina" for VCC in 2008.

"Each of the soloists brought such drama and emotion to our previous performance, and they are the best combination of soloists for 'Carmina' that I have ever heard," Bush said. "The audience will be in for a real treat."

"Carmina Burana" will be conducted by Dr. Bryan Baker, artistic director and conductor of Masterworks Chorale of San Mateo. Bush will conduct the Beethoven and Brahms.

The appeal of "Carmina Burana" is its combination of a fascinating text and accessible music. The lyrics consist of 24 poems that Orff set to music in 1936. Orff's composition quickly became popular and a staple of the classical music repertoire. The opening and closing movement, "O Fortuna," is the most recognizable movement as it has been used for numerous films and commercials.

The original text dates from the 11th or 12th century, including



COURTESY VCC

Soprano Shawnette Sulker is among the professional soloists set to perform during the March 30 concert.



COURTESY VCC

Brian Thorsett, a tenor, will also perform during the anniversary show.

some from the 13th century written in mostly Latin verse, with a small amount of Middle High German and Old Provençal. The selection covers a wide range of topics, as familiar in the 13th century as they are today: the fickleness of fortune and wealth, the ephemeral nature of life, the joy of the return of spring, and the pleasures and perils of drinking, gambling, gluttony and lust.

"The music is both dramatic and

emotional, with some movements injecting a bit of fun," Bush explained. "The audience will hear themes of love and anger, and even of beer drinking in a tavern. But the most powerful are the opening and closing movements of the ominous 'O Fortuna' that tells the tale of the wheel of fortune and the highs and lows of the wheel of fate in each of our lives."

— Dolores Fox Ciardelli

LPC to present 'Spring Awakening'

Rock musical won eight Tony awards on Broadway

An award-winning rock musical based on a controversial 1891 German play will take to the stage at Las Positas College as its Theater Arts Department presents "Spring Awakening" opening April 4 and running through April 13.

The story follows a group of young students as they discover themselves and come of age in a repressive provincial culture. "Spring Awakening" is the story of young love and rebellion, and it encourages audience members to look deep into themselves as the stories play out onstage.

"This brave new musical, haunting and electrifying by turns, restores the mystery and the thrill to that shattering transformation that stirs in all of our souls," wrote The New York Times about the 2006 Broadway production, with lyrics by Steven Sater and music by Duncan Sheik. The New York Observer called it, "The best new musical in a generation."

The original 2006 production won eight Tony awards.

The LPC rendition will feature direction by Titian Lish, musical direction by Diana Cefalo, choreography by Morgan Mulholand, set design by Jeremy Hamm and Titian Lish, costume design by



EMILY MARTIN

The Las Positas College production of "Spring Awakening" features (back row, l-r) Ceilidh Morrison, Sean McGrory, Jeremy LaClair, (front) Anders Ravenstad, Sam Leeper and Matt Hofstad.

Danielle Breedan, lighting design by Mike Rinaldi and sound design by Brad Barth.

The cast includes Matthew Hofstad, Ceilidh Morrison, Zoe Trantor, Julia Brunelli, Heather Drewis, Elise Ebbinghaus, Jessica Luchetta, Abigail Peterson, Kylie Thomas, KJ Brown, Jeremy LaClair, Anders Ravenstad, Jesse Bridgeman, Sam Leeper, Sean McGrory and Josh Gates.

"Spring Awakening" is recommended for ages 15 and up. ■

Transformation

What: "Spring Awakening"

Who: Las Positas College Theater Arts Department

Where: Barbara F. Mertes Center for the Arts Mainstage Theatre, 3033 Collier Canyon, Livermore

When: 8 p.m. April 4, 5, 11, 12; 2 p.m. April 6, 13

Tickets: \$15; \$10 students and seniors. Tickets available at the door (cash and checks only) or www.brownpapertickets.com or 1-800-838-3006. Parking fee for non-students.

1972 Munich Massacre survivor to speak

Olympian Dan Alon wrote book about carnage

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

The 1972 attack on the Israeli team in the Olympic Village in Munich, Germany was on everyone's minds last month as world athletes gathered in Sochi, Russia. Violence was avoided this year but for Dan Alon, horror at the Olympics happened: He was a 27-year-old Israeli fencer, awakened at 4:30 a.m. Sept. 5, 1972, by gunfire and frantic shouting.

What came to be known as the Munich Massacre resulted in the murder of 11 Israeli Olympians at the hands of Black September, a terrorist group. Alon and four teammates survived.

On March 27, Alon will recount his harrowing experience for an audience at the Amador Theater.

"We are deeply honored to host Dan Alon for his first Bay Area appearance ever," said Raleigh Resnick, Rabbi of Chabad of the Tri Valley, the event organizer. "Mr. Alon's appearance provides a special opportunity for the community to connect directly with someone who personally lived through an iconic historical event."

After the tragedy, Alon returned to his life in Israel and barely mentioned the traumatic events in Munich.

"I really didn't talk about it, not even to my family or my friends," Alon said. "I tried to stay busy with my business, with my family."

Then in 2005, Steven Spielberg

released "Munich," a film about the attack and Israel's subsequent efforts to hunt down those responsible.

"People started to call me and ask me questions," said Alon, who lives in Tel Aviv.

The subsequent conversations and resurrected memories led him to write a book, "Munich Memoir," and to hit the lecture circuit. Alon has spoken at universities and in communities around the world.

After the killings in 1972, the Munich Olympics paused for one day and then resumed. Alon agrees that was the right course of action because it would have been unwise to "surrender to terror" and unfair to deny athletes the chance to compete.

"For me, the Olympics are a sacred space for sportsmen," he said. "I believe still that the Olympics are very, very good at trying to unite people around the world." ■

Munich Massacre

Speaker: Dan Alon, author of "Munich Memoir"

Host: Chabad of the Tri Valley

Where: Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Road

When: 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 27

Tickets: \$20; \$15 students and seniors. VIP tickets are \$54, to include priority seating and private reception. Visit www.JewishTriValley.com or call 846-0700.

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Irish dancing is a staple at the Dublin St. Patrick's celebration. This group of novice and prizewinner dancers from the McBride School of Irish Dance performed a light shoe dance last year.

WARREN MCCARTY

Here come the Irish

Tri-Valley gears up for annual
St. Patrick's Day celebration

By Jeremy Walsh



COURTESY CITY OF DUBLIN

The Dublin Lions Club parade is one of the most popular events during the annual Dublin St. Patrick's Day celebration. Bagpipers were among the highlights of the 2013 parade.

The name pretty much tells the story.

It should come as little surprise that the Tri-Valley city that shares its name with the capital of Ireland hosts one of the Bay Area's most popular St. Patrick's Day events, drawing tens of thousands of attendees annually.

"It's a connection to the city's Irish heritage, first and foremost," Dublin Mayor Tim Sbranti said. "It's the one thing that brings the entire city together."

This year marks Dublin's 31st St. Patrick's Day weekend celebration, which starts tonight and runs through Sunday — the eve of St. Patrick's Day.

The event — featuring fixtures such as an opening night gala, Irish dancing, Celtic music, parade, green pancakes, multicultural marketplace and Shamrock fun run/walk — is part of the fabric of the Tri-Valley.

"The history of Dublin, since it incorporated in '82, is synonymous with the St. Patrick's fest," Sbranti said. "Once we became a city, the St. Patrick's Day parade and festival were one of the first things that were done to help bolster civic pride."

A Dublin native, the mayor said he's attended almost all of the annual March celebrations, estimating that he's missed only a handful.

"I look at it as kind of a calling home, in many respects," Sbranti added. "People with any type of connection to Dublin — family or friends — it's something they come back for."

The 2014 St. Patrick's celebration gets underway tonight with the Green and White Gala, an evening of dinner and dancing hosted by the Dublin Sister City Association.

"The gala is kind of the kickoff event for the entire weekend," said association president Carol Satterthwaite, who called opening soiree, "an event where everyone gets to be a little Irish and have a good time."

Representatives from the association's sister city of Bray, Ireland are set

to be on hand to greet gala guests.

The event, which required tickets to be purchased in advance, begins tonight at 6 p.m. inside the Shannon Community Center, 11600 Shannon Ave. in Dublin.

Another St. Patrick's staple follows Saturday morning: green pancakes.

The annual firefighters' pancake breakfast, presented by Alameda County Firefighters Local 55, will take place Saturday from 7-10 a.m. at Fire Station No. 16, located at the corner of Donohue Drive and Amador Valley Boulevard. Entry is \$5 at the door.

The Dublin Lions Club St. Patrick's Day Parade comes next, at the tail end of the pancake breakfast.

"We have tried to maintain a small-town feeling in our parade. No judges, no awards, no politics; just for the kids," said Bill Burnham, president of the Dublin Lions Club.

The parade has grown into one of the most well-attended aspects of the annual weekend celebration.

"We started out with 25 entries and 250 people and 500 watching," Burnham said, referring to the first Lions parade in the 1980s. "We are now at 80 entries with 2,300 people and 10,000 to 13,000 watching."

Regular participants in past parades, many of which will return this weekend, include children's groups, car clubs, bands, bagpipers, clowns, schools, horseback riders, beauty queens and tractors.

"If you're a child and you grow up in Dublin, I mean inevitably at some point you've been in the St. Patrick's Day parade, whether it's through Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Little League or through one of the schools," the mayor said. "It's just kind of a rite of passage."

This year, visiting representatives from Bray, Ireland will serve as parade grand marshals, Burnham said. Other special guests will include the Barstow High School band and a Victorian-style bicycle club from Santa Cruz.

"Each year we try to add a little something different for the kids,"

he added.

The parade loop starts at Amador Plaza Road, moves east on Dublin Boulevard, then goes north on Village Parkway and ends after moving west on Amador Valley Boulevard. Seating and standing room are at a premium during the parade, which steps off at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

The parade helps usher in the opening of the two-day St. Patrick's festival. Hosted by the city government, the festival begins at 10 a.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Dublin Civic Center.

The festival features an array of entertainment, including Irish dancers, a variety of Celtic music, international food court, carnival rides, Irish Tea Cottage, and more than 200 merchant booths with some selling apt items such as Celtic capes and shawls, hand-knit wool sweaters, Irish books, and Celtic jewelry and art.

"The dancers are proud of their craft, and look forward to participating in the festival as it allows them a non-competitive platform to perform and have their family and friends come out and support them," said Eileen McBride-Parker, co-director of the McBride School of Irish Dance, one of the dance schools showcasing students' talents during the weekend.

McBride-Parker is among the many adults with fond childhood memories of the St. Patrick's celebration.

"I remember being a young girl walking in the Dublin Parade and dancing over by Shamrock Village where Big Lots is now and World of Shoes," she said.

In addition to Irish dancing, festival stages will be filled with an assortment of musicians. Scheduled performers specialize in genres such as Celtic rock, Irish folk, bagpipes, Celtic harp, and traditional Irish and Celtic music infused with bluegrass, pop, country or modern influences.

The festival is set to run into the



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Some participants were decked out in their finest green garb for the 2013 Shamrock 5K Fun Run and Walk.

evening both days.

Another marquee event during the final day of the celebration is the Shamrock 5K Fun Run and Walk, which offers a 3.1-mile certified course in central Dublin for participants of all skill levels. Past events have seen more than 2,000 people take part.

The run/walk is scheduled to start at 8:30 a.m. Sunday near 6815 Dublin Blvd. Race-day registration costs \$35.

The city is set to close the book on another year of St. Patrick's festivities around 5 p.m. Sunday.

"For me personally, as someone who's grown up in this city and who remembers the first parade and the first festival, it's a matter of pride to see how it's grown so much and how it really is an attraction for the whole Bay Area," Sbranti said.

For more details on the Dublin celebration, visit www.ci.dublin.ca.us. ■

St. Patrick's Day in Pleasanton

Brew Crawl

Who: Pleasanton Downtown Association

When: Saturday, 5-8 p.m.

Where: Downtown, starting at Firehouse Arts Center

Tickets: For availability, visit www.pleasantondowntown.net.

St. Patrick's Lunch

Who: Pleasanton Senior Center

When: Monday, 12-1 p.m. (part of annual Transit Fair)

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Amador boys play exciting NCS soccer semifinal

Basketball teams make first round of playoffs

The No. 6-seeded Amador Valley High boys varsity soccer team advanced to the North Coast Section Division I semifinals when it defeated No. 2 Pittsburg in overtime, 3-2.

The Dons met the Monte Vista Mustangs on Feb. 26 for an exciting semifinal matchup in the pouring rain in front of a large, vocal crowd. The score was tied at 2-2 when the 80 minutes of regulation play ended, and the game went into two 10-minute overtime periods. Neither team scored in the sudden death overtime, and the match was decided on penalty kicks, eventually won by Monte Vista.

Monte Vista went on to De La Salle in the championship game, 2-1.

Pleasanton basketball teams also made their way to the NCS playoffs, which were completed last weekend.

The Amador Valley High boys basketball team was defeated by Dougherty Valley in the first round after a 15-11 season. Monte Vista won the championship Friday night at St. Mary's College, beating Freedom High 57-41.

The Foothill girls basketball team made it into the second round of playoffs, beating San Ramon Valley 49-38 in the first round before losing to Santa Rosa, 69-56. Deer Valley rose to the top, defeating Berkeley in the finals, 57-47.

— Dolores Fox Ciardelli



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CCOP finishes on top

The Catholic Community of Pleasanton CYO seventh-grade boys took first place in the Tri-Valley National Division for the 2013-14 basketball season. The team pulled together, with a masterful second half, to best St. Joan's seventh-graders with a final score of 49-33. Team members are (front row, l-r) Ian Venzon, Justin Shih, Cooper Eastman, Kyle Zalatar and Cooper Petty, and (back, l-r) coach Martin Miller, John So, Logan Miller, Payton Henry, Cameron Frentz, Devin Krywe and coach Tom Krywe.

PREP LINE-UP

March 14

- Boys Lacrosse: 7 p.m., Foothill vs. Los Altos, home
- Girls Lacrosse: 7 p.m., Foothill vs. St. Francis, away

March 15

- Boys Lacrosse: 1 p.m., Amador vs. Oak Ridge, away
- Girls Lacrosse: 12 p.m., Foothill vs. Davis, away
- Amador/Foothill Track and Field: 8 a.m., Dublin Distance Fiesta

- Swimming: 9 a.m., Dougherty Valley Pentathlon Swimming Meet

March 18

- Boys Golf: 3:30 p.m., Amador vs. De La Salle
- Boys Lacrosse: 7 p.m., Amador vs. Saint Francis, away
- Girls Lacrosse: 7 p.m., Amador vs. Foothill, home
- Boys Tennis: 3:30 p.m., Amador vs. Livermore, home
- Boys Volleyball: 6 p.m., Amador vs.

Dougherty Valley, away

- Boys Lacrosse: 7:30 p.m., Foothill vs. Davis, away
- Girls Lacrosse: 7 p.m., Foothill vs. Amador, away
- Softball: 3:30 p.m., Foothill vs. Irvington, home
- Boys Tennis: 4 p.m., Foothill vs. De La Salle, home
- Boys Golf: 3:30 p.m., Foothill vs. Granada

March 19

- Baseball: 3:30 p.m., Foothill vs. James Logan, away
- Boys Tennis: 4 p.m., Foothill vs. Monte Vista, away
- Swimming: 4 p.m., Amador vs. San Ramon Valley, away

March 20

- Boys Golf: 3:30 p.m., Amador vs. Granada
- Boys Tennis: 3:30 p.m., Amador vs. De La Salle, away
- Boys Volleyball: 6 p.m., Amador vs. Granada, away
- Boys Tennis: 4 p.m., Foothill vs. Granada, home
- Foothill Track and Field: 4 p.m., California Dual (EBAL)
- Boys Golf: 3:30 p.m., Foothill vs. San Ramon Valley



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Winterfest water polo

The Amador Valley Water Polo Club, made up of players from Amador Valley and Foothill high schools, earned second place out of 18 international teams at Winterfest in Southern California, which took place Feb. 15-16. Team members are (back row, l-r) coach Neal Sornsen, Josh Cole, Zachary Corbishly, Jack Connolly, Joe Schafer, Ben Oliver, Chris Johnson, Drew Kobayashi, Tyler Dubiel and Jake Molz, and (front, l-r) Zack Ackman, Jack Miller and Tom Sornsen.



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Swimming victories in Japan

Pleasanton Seahawks Erika Brown (left) and Moriah Simonds swam in Osaka, Japan, as members of the Western Zone All Star team at a Dual Meet from Feb. 11-17. Brown earned medals in the 100 free (bronze), 50 free (bronze), 200 free (gold), 400 medley relay (silver) and 400 free Relay (gold). Simonds earned a bronze medal in the 200 free and a gold medal in the 800 free. The swimmers contributed to a victory for the USA women.

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TRI-VALLEY EVENING ROTARY Tri Valley Evening Rotary invites people who live or work in Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin that wish to give back to the community and the world. Meetings are 6-8 p.m. every Thursday at Castlewood Country Club Grill. RSVP to info@trivalleyrotary.org.

TRI-VALLEY SUCCESSFUL THINKERS Business networking doesn't have to cost a fortune. In the past five years Successful Thinkers networking groups have become commonplace with the emphasis is getting to know, like and trust the person you are referring. Join this group for lunch from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. every Tuesday at On the Border, 4940 Dublin Blvd., Dublin. Cost is \$15. Contact David at david@WealthByStrategy.com. Reservations required. Go to <http://www.meetup.com/Tri-Valley-Successful-Thinkers/events/167625022/>.

Concerts

FAITH PRINCE AT FIREHOUSE ARTS CENTER Tony Award-winning Broadway, concert, movie, and television star Faith Prince brings her smash hit one-woman show "Have a Little Faith" to the Firehouse Arts Center at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 16. Tickets are \$20-\$30. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL CONCERT Young musicians come together in the 12th Annual Youth Music Festival Concert at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 15 at the Firehouse Arts Center. Tickets are \$12 general admission, \$8 students. Special discount tickets available through March 8: \$7 general, \$5 student. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

Events

9TH ANNUAL TRANSIT FAIR AT PLEASANTON SENIOR CENTER The Transit Fair will be held from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on Monday, March 17 at the Pleasanton Senior Center, and will feature representatives from local transit agencies to share information on transportation options. A St. Patrick's Day meal will also be offered for \$6 adults, \$3.75 seniors. Reservations must be made by 1 p.m. on Friday, March 14. For reservations or details call 931-5365.

BIRTHDAY DINNER IN PLEASANTON The Widowed Men and Women of Northern California invite you to join a Birthday dinner at 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 23 at La Vite Ristorante, 3037 Hopyard Road. RSVP to Barbara by March 17 at 426-8876 or hskoog@comcast.net.

BLOOD DRIVE LIVERMORE Donate blood and save a life! The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 1-7 p.m. on Friday, March 21 at Asbury United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 4743 East Ave., Livermore. Call 1-800-733-2767 or go to redcrossblood.org (Sponsor Code: ASBURY925) to schedule an appointment.

FOOTHILL HIGH SCHOOL WINTER SHOW Foothill High School Band Boosters present their annual Winter Guard, Percussion and Drum Major Competition on Saturday, March 22 at Foothill High School, showcasing the region's top talent. Drum majors start at 8 a.m. with awards at 4:45 p.m., percussion begins at 9 a.m. followed by Winter Guard at 1 p.m., with awards at 7 p.m. Proceeds benefit Foothill High School music program. Contact Julie at 520-5566.

FRESH WORKS 4TH ANNUAL OPEN JURIED EXHIBIT CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS Open to Bay Area artists, all 2-D and 3-D media; no jewelry. Video art contingent upon space; artist provides equipment. All work must be original, completed in the last two years, and not previously exhibited in Pleasanton. Deadline for submitting entry form and fee is at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 19. The exhibit runs May 3-June 7, with an opening Artists Reception and Awards Ceremony from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, May 3 at the Firehouse Arts Center Harrington Gallery. Contact Julie Finegan at 931-4849 or jfinegan@cityofpleasantonca.gov. Go to www.firehousearts.org.

FRIENDS OF PLEASANTON LIBRARY SPRING BOOK SALE Come to the Spring Book Sale from 6-9 p.m. on Friday, March 21 for members only of Friends of the Library, (memberships are \$10 at the door); 10 a.m.-4 p.m. for all on Saturday, March 22; and 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on Sunday, March 23 at the Pleasanton Library. Call 462-4362 for details or to volunteer.

TEAM DELANEY BLOOD DRIVE The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from noon-6 p.m. on Friday, March 14; and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, March 15 at Purple Orchid Wine Country Spa & Resort, 4549 Cross Road, Livermore. Call 1-800-733-2767 or go to redcrossblood.org (Sponsor Code: DELANEY) to schedule an appointment.

VFW AFTERNOON TEA DANCE The Mellotones Jazz Band as presented by the Veterans of Foreign Wars provides a variety of music from the 30's, 40's and 50's from the great American Songbook for your dancing and listening pleasure, from 1-3:15 p.m. on Wednesday,

March 19 at Veterans Memorial Hall. Proceeds benefit needy veterans and their families. Food is provided. Call 443-2224.

Exhibits

'IMAGINATION EXPRESSED 2014' The Pleasanton Art League and Museum On Main proudly present "Imagination Expressed 2014" from March 12-May 4. The public is invited to a reception from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, March 16. Refreshments will be served. Call 462-2766.

Fundraisers

DONATION DRIVE TO KEEP HISTORY ALIVE Girls Night Out Networking and Museum on Main are hosting a special fundraising mixer to keep educational and artistic exhibits open to the public from 5-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 19 at Museum on Main, 603 Main St. For more information or to donate call 487-4748 or go to www.gnon.org.

Health

NEW LEAF HEALTH FAIR Visit with local health practitioners, chefs, and food purveyors giving demonstrations and consultations from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, March 15 at New Leaf Markets. Topics include gluten-free, plant-based diets, healthy gut, juicing, and how to make Beet Kvass.

Kids & Teens

'1000 WORDS' YOUNG @ ART PROGRAM The youth art session for the "1,000 Words" installation at the Firehouse Arts Center will run 4:45-5:45 p.m. on Thursday, March 20. Kids will take a tour of the "1,000 Words" exhibit in the Harrington Gallery, spend time imagining what the artists are trying to say, and create some art of their own. For ages 5-11. Cost is \$15 for residents, \$20 for non-residents. Sign up at <https://online.activecommunities.com/pleasanton/class/code/57095>. Call 931-4849.

BUTTER MAKING Where does butter come from? In this program, trace a day in the life of a cow at the Meadowlark Dairy and make some butter to enjoy, at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 22 at Alviso Adobe Community Park. Ages 5-11. Cost is \$5 for residents, \$8 for non-residents. Register at www.pleasantonfun.com using code 56849. Call 931-3485.

Lectures/Workshops

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Live Music

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On Stage

'ANYTHING GOES' AMADOR/FOOTHILL SPRING MUSICAL The Amador/Foothill spring musical "Anything Goes" runs Fridays and Saturdays, March 14, 15, 21 and 22 at the Amador Theater. Full of madcap antics aboard an ocean liner bound from New York to London, this show has tap dancing, humor, and an incredible score by Cole Porter - a can't-miss evening of fun! Tickets available at www.firehousearts.org.

FACE-OFF 2014: CREATURES OF IMPULSE IMPROV AT FIREHOUSE Creatures of Impulse will face a different guest opponent troupe each night in this series of special performances, all at 7:30 p.m. On Tuesday, March 18 with The Cliff Jumpers of Livermore Valley Charter Prep; Thursday, March 20 with Mission Improvable of California High School, Friday, March 21 with Wingit Improv of Benicia High School; and Saturday, March 22 with professional troupe The Un-Scripted Theater Company from San Francisco. Early Bird tickets are \$2 students, \$5 general through March 15. After tickets are \$5 students, \$10 general. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

Seniors

FRESH BITES Join nutrition educators for a fun and interactive cooking class at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month, now through October, at the Pleasanton Senior Center. This class will focus on tasty, easy, and fast recipes that require minimal ingredients and are adapted for 1-2 people. To register

call 931-5383. Space is limited.

WORDS IN BLOOM Words in Bloom is a writers workshop for seniors from 9 a.m.-noon on the first and third Thursday of the month at the Pleasanton Senior Center. Everyone has a story, come and share yours. Share your legacy with your loved ones, and learn to create a new story from your imagination along the way. Cost is \$1.75 for residents, \$2.25 for non-residents. Call 931-5365 or go to pleasantonseniorcenter.org.

Spiritual

SIMPSON'S PURIM CELEBRATION AND MEGILLAH READING What do Homer, Bart, Mordechai and Esther have in common? Come to this year's mega-Megillah reading and find out from 7-10 p.m. on Saturday, March 15 at Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Court. If you find the Simpsons a bit off-color, that's okay, so is the Megillah! Come enjoy Hamentashen and "Hamentinis." Call 931-1055.

SUNDAY SERMON AT UNITY OF TRI-VALLEY The Sunday sermon theme for this week is based on "The Untethered Soul" by Michael Singer. Rev. Karen Epps will present "What's Your Problem of the Day?" on Sunday, March 16 at Unity of Tri-Valley, 9875 Dublin Canyon Road, Castro Valley. All are welcome. Call 829-2733 or go to www.trivalleyunity.com.

WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP BIBLE STUDY Women's Faith Group meets at 10 a.m. every Wednesday at Faith Chapel Assembly of God, 6656 Alisal St., for a time of bible study and fellowship. There is no charge. Bring a friend or come make one. Call 846-8650 or go to fcpleasanton.org.

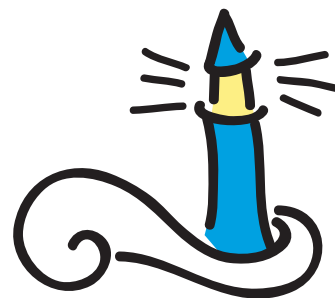
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File No.: 487666

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT

File No.: 488412

The following person(s) doing business as: INTELLIGENT'S LIMO SERVICE, 1139 CONCANNON BLVD. APT. #27, LIVERMORE, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Najib Asef, 1139 Concannon Blvd. Apt. #27, Livermore, CA 94550. 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: Najib Asef. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 02/25/2014. (Pleasanton Weekly, March 7, 14, 21, 28; 2014)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT

File No.: 488135

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT

File No.: 488274

The following person(s) doing business as: BUTTERFLIES PAUSE PUBLICATIONS, 4533 SHEARWATER ROAD, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Oasis Solutions, Inc., 4533 Shearwater Road, Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by a Corporation. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Deborah M. Richard, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 02/24/2014. (Pleasanton Weekly, March 14, 21, 28, April 4; 2014)

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SALES AT A GLANCE

This week's data represents homes sold during Feb. 5-24.

Dublin

(Feb. 5-11)

Total sales reported: 6

Lowest sale reported: \$398,000

Highest sale reported: \$671,000

Average sales reported: \$502,333

Pleasanton

(Feb. 5-11)

Total sales reported: 12

Lowest sale reported: \$455,000

Highest sale reported: \$2,900,000

Average sales reported:

\$1,062,583

San Ramon

(Feb. 14-24)

Total sales reported: 23

Lowest sale reported: \$267,000

Highest sale reported: \$1,205,000

Average sales reported: \$812,522

Source: California REsource

HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during Feb. 5-24

Dublin

5425 De Marcus Boulevard #418
K. Ng to K. Tran for \$398,000

3385 Dublin Boulevard #234 A.
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7599 Hillrose Drive Vineyard Trust to L. Guo for \$671,000

11836 Kilcullin Court #88 E. Qiu to A. Asokan for \$405,000

7511 Oxford Circle #117 P. Ponnachath to Z. Lin for \$500,000

10722 Wallace Lane V. D. Jacobson to H. & N. Sidiqi for \$575,000

Livermore

698 Austen Way V. Thomas to J. & L. Flores for \$855,000

1016 Bellflower Street Stoneberger Trust to Y. Liu for \$565,000

5319 Charlotte Way Trimmingham Trust to K. Nicholson for \$533,500

215 Covellite Lane Dorman Trust to S. & A. Dorman for \$300,000

5537 Crestmont Avenue Muaddi Trust to Deguzman Trust for \$490,000

4945 Erica Way E. Oertel to R. Diaz for \$470,000

4816 Libra Court N. Williams to P. Williams for \$500,000

3520 Madeira Way B. & M. Smith to C. & M. Bunce for \$487,000

333 Michell Street R. Baine to S. & C. Fong for \$450,000

1532 Olivina Avenue Bertelsen Trust to C. & S. Delaslagas for \$401,000

2063 Ponderosa Drive Sandford Trust to P. Natarajan for \$471,000

2123 Rapallo Common Flores

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4045 Raymond Road Mcgrail Trust to D. & A. Shaffer for \$912,500

538 Ruth Way E. Williams to Habitat For Humanity for \$335,000

Pleasanton

4474 Bacon Court Cavalli Trust to B. & V. Snow for \$710,000

5375 Black Avenue #2 J. Evans to J. Daddabbo for \$460,000

1549 Calle Santa Anna R. Berlin to D. Phillips for \$465,000

2161 Eilene Drive Lebsack Trust to Y. Zhao for \$740,000

4177 Georgis Place J. Martin to D. Zhu for \$621,000

5487 Greenfield Way T. & R. Parent to M. & L. Ma for \$895,000

7218 Moss Tree Way D. & M. Ketzler to N. & F. Malik for \$1,745,000

524 Neal Street Mcnamara Trust to J. & B. Simone for \$690,000

254 Ray Street Cortez Trust to Mooney Trust for \$2,375,000

3736 Salvante Street B. & C. Harrison to T. & S. Anand for \$2,900,000

752 St. Michael Circle A. Marcelino to S. Panda for \$455,000

3713 Vine Street R. Ramdas to V. Amarnath for \$695,000

San Ramon

611 Abrigo Court M. & P. Ellman to S. Banisalam for \$590,000

9085 Alcosta Boulevard #370 S. Sandhu to Z. Yu for \$267,000

124 Allannere Court Malik Trust to A. Adams for \$1,060,000

3897 Aragon Lane R. Martinez to A. & M. Solis for \$703,500

2819 Bethany Road Bustonera

Trust to C. Secakusuma for \$1,205,000

1120 Canyon Green Drive C. & C. Ghosn to A. Kumar for \$985,000

5805 Cattleya Way S. Collier to J. & A. Ereg for \$1,120,000

4849 Cornflower Street J. & E. O'Neil to P. Ponnachath for \$852,000

2740 Derby Drive T. & M. Mihevc to M. & M. Bishoff for \$968,000

506 Fallen Leaf Circle C. Riffe to J. Mo for \$918,000

713 Galemeadow Circle Soto Trust to K. Natarajan for \$720,000

4119 Greenwich Drive Hoffman Trust to V. & K. Dimaggio for \$979,000

2575 Harlow Lane S. & H. Ali to N. Neema for \$933,000

3816 Highbury Way C. Delrosario to Y. Lam for \$850,000

2978 Millbridge Drive Brackett Trust to S. Natarajan for \$710,000

15 Neptune Court Sion Trust to D. Argiro for \$465,000

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5331 Sherwood Way J. & S. Ryan to D. & B. Steinfeld for \$730,000

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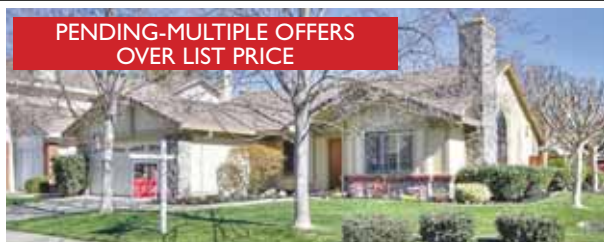
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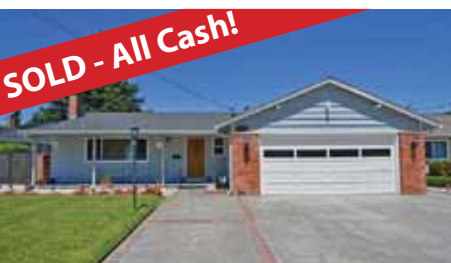
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3750 SMALLWOOD COURT, PLEASANTON

Beautiful panoramic views of Mt. Diablo & the Pleasanton Valley! This custom home built by Westbrook Homes is located on an 18,084 square foot private, elevated lot. This well designed, open floor plan offers a formal Dining Room, formal Living Room, as well as a full bedroom, adjacent bathroom & bonus room on the first floor. The remodeled gourmet kitchen offers stainless steel appliances, granite counters & a custom tile backsplash. 5 bedrooms, 4.5 bathrooms total, this 4,748 square foot home also has 3 remodeled bathrooms & other upgrades throughout including, crown molding & new carpet! The expansive rear yard includes an in-group pool/spa, outdoor BBQ entertainment area & large patio & lawn area. Great home for entertaining! Neighborhood Community Center! Walk to Vintage Hills Elementary & Downtown!

OFFERED AT 1,829,000

JUST LISTED!



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BRIDLE CREEK

PENDING!



5718 DALTON CREEK WAY, PLEASANTON

Highly Upgraded 4,434 Square Foot Home in Like-New Excellent Condition! The elegant foyer offers custom tile flooring with marble inlay and the high plate ceilings. The gourmet kitchen includes stainless steel appliances, granite slab counters, generous cabinets and a spacious eating area. Each of the five bedrooms offers a private adjoining full bathroom; one of which is large and located on the first floor and can be used as a bonus/game room or Au Pair/Guest Suite. There is also a downstairs powder room. An optional office/sixth bedroom has been converted into a wine tasting room with beautiful custom built-in cherry cabinets. This 12,400 square foot professionally landscaped lot includes a private back yard, Pebble Tec Pool, outdoor BBQ/Entertainment area and generous lawn area. Premium location near downtown, neighborhood park and easy access to south bound 680 commute!

OFFERED AT \$1,799,000

WEST LIVERMORE

PENDING!

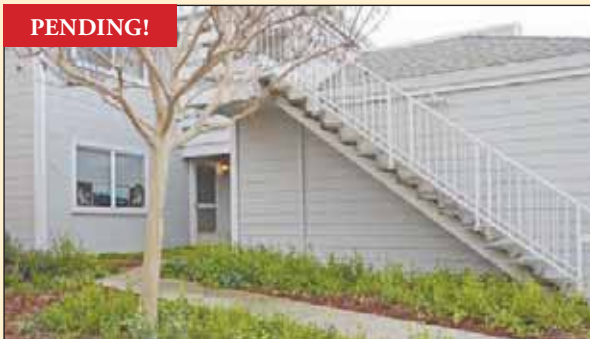


322 GARDEN COMMON, LIVERMORE

Charming Townhouse in West Livermore! This three bedroom, two and a half bath, 1,519 square foot townhome offers an open floor plan and a living room with vaulted ceilings and high windows for natural light. The updated kitchen has stainless steel appliances, solid surface countertops and oak cabinets. Brand new carpet and new interior door hardware throughout. New private cement patio with storage closet and shed. There is a one car attached garage and addition reserved parking spot. Great location!

OFFERED AT \$419,500

PENDING!



255 RACHAEL PLACE, PLEASANTON

Single Level condo, ground floor unit (no stairs) with attached one car garage and spacious rear yard! This two bedroom, two bath condo is 937 square feet home with a large back yard including patio, deck and garden area. The kitchen offers brand new stainless steel appliances. Central air and heat, fireplace, newer carpet, upgraded baseboards, dual pane windows. Desirable Downtown Pleasanton!

OFFERED AT \$419,500

SOLD!



897 SUNSET CREEK LANE, PLEASANTON

Gorgeous, highly upgraded, sought after single level in Bridle Creek! Premium location, Panoramic views, solar heated in-ground pool, beautifully landscaped with private brick patio areas. Five bedrooms, four bathrooms, 3,246 square feet on a 12,464 square foot lot. Gourmet kitchen with granite counters and stainless steel appliances. Great Room concept with spacious Family Room. Many upgrades throughout! Don't miss this one!

OFFERED AT \$1,569,000 AND SOLD FOR \$1,540,000

SOLD!



1185 LAGUNA CREEK LANE, PLEASANTON

With 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 gourmet kitchen boasts a large island, granite counters, stainless steel appliances and a six-burner gas range. Grand entrance with large foyer, vaulted ceilings, formal dining room, spacious master suite, laundry room, three car and so much more. The resort-like back yard offers a pool, spa, pool house, outdoor kitchen, and gazebo. Easy access to I-680 and close to schools!

OFFERED AT \$1,897,500 AND SOLD FOR \$1,897,500

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FREMONT
Open SAT 1:30 - 4 SUN 1 - 5 **38684 KIMBRO ST**
JUST LISTED! **\$1,050,000**
 4 BR 2.5 BA Great curb appeal, updated & remodeled throughout, mstr ste w/ retreat, centralized location 510.701.7616 Elaine Arnt CalBRE#01046497



LIVERMORE
Open SAT/SUN 1 - 4 **2539 VINTAGE LANE**
COMING SOON! **\$1,250,000**
 4 BR 3.5 BA Plus off/library, upgrades throughout, loft, downstairs suite, pool/spa, 2 gazeebos, outdoor kit 925.847.2200 Mary Anne Rozsa CalBRE#00783003



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Open SAT/SUN 1 - 4 **9632 CAMASSIA WAY**
GORGEOUS HOME! **\$659,950**
 3 BR 2.5 BA Wonderful neighborhood, near top schools & shopping, hardwood floors, Berber carpet in rooms 925.775.8905 Maria Sun CalBRE#01938055



SAN RAMON
Open SAT/SUN 1 - 4 **2716 SALISBURY WAY**
COMING SOON! **\$999,988**
 5 BR 3 BA Beautiful, large Windemere home, walking distance to top rated schools 925.353.8099 Lucy Luo CalBRE#01816677

DISCOVERY BAY

LAKE VIEW HOME! **5368 GOLD CREEK CIRCLE**
\$399,000
 4 BR 3.5 BA Huge Beautiful home w/ wonderful views, Large Loft, Office Alcove, Gated community 925.989.2008 Shannon Shepherd CalBRE#01154757

Open OPEN SAT 1-4 **2460 WAYFARER COURT**
GOLF COURSE VIEWS! **\$349,900**
 2 BR 2 BA Beautiful one story home on Golf Course, upgraded kitchen with granite counter, pool 925.367.7414 Nancy Sutorius CalBRE#00628232

DUBLIN

3275 DUBLIN BLVD. #330
Simply GORGEOUS! **\$489,000**
 3 BR 2 BA Highly upgraded with hardwood floors, designer paint, stainless steel appliances, large balcony 925.847.2200 Romar De Claro CalBRE#01205844

3420 FINNIAN WAY #335
PRICE REDUCED! **\$422,000**
 2 BR 2 BA Nicely upgraded granite counters, crown molding, courtyard view, no neighbors on either side 925.847.2200 John & Daisy Ng CalBRE#00917356/01311067

LIVERMORE

BREATHTAKING HOME! **843 TRINITY HILLS LANE**
\$1,199,000
 5 BR 4.5 BA Custom hand finished wood flrs, upgrades throughout, backyard w/patio & firepit, 4 car garage 925.847.2200 Larry & Kathleen Vaelde CalBRE#00473360/00885285

OAKLAND

Open OPEN SAT/SUN 1-4 **928 W. MACARTHUR BLVD.**
JUST LISTED **\$460,000**
 2 BR 1 BA Completely remodeled, NEW kit, bths, floors, paint inside & out, SS applncs, close to freeway 925.264.9987 Shivani Yadav CalBRE#01852900

PLEASANTON

Open OPEN SAT/SUN 1-4 **12 DEER OAKS DR**
STUNNING HOME! **\$1,698,000**
 5 BR 3.5 BA 2 Mstr Suites. Upg Kitchen Granite Counters w/SS Appl, waterfall & gazebo 925.367.7414 Nancy Sutorius CalBRE#00628232

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

PRICE REDUCED! **11000 DEL PUERTO CANYON ROAD**
\$1,249,950
 4 BR 2 BA Lots of trees. 2 bass ponds. Well & Spring water systems. Has separate artist/craft cottage. 925.847.2200 Delwyn Lounsbury CalBRE#00330978

SAN LEANDRO

JUST LISTED! **1430 142ND ST**
\$429,000
 3 BR 2 BA Updated kitchen, detached garage, close to shopping, transportation & BART 510.851.3551 Laurie Pfohl CalBRE#00866660

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381 BRIDLE COURT
GREAT CITY AND HILL VIEWS! **\$1,699,000**
 4 BR 3.5 BA Upgraded home w/detached casita. Single story w/views, stone frplces & gorgeous cabinetry 510.299.6844 Tae Terry Kim CalBRE#01363454

5935 LANTANA WAY
VICTORIA MODEL HOME! **\$1,199,000**
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4123 Payne Road, Pleasanton

Charming single story home in Central Pleasanton. Enjoy 4 bedrooms and 2 baths, with a nice upgraded kitchen, a large back yard with deck and nice size side yard. There is 1603 sq. ft. of living space, and great natural lighting in this home. Walk to award winning schools, stores, and Bart.

JUST LISTED AT 719,000



3502 Wind Cave Ct., Pleasanton
 Completely remodeled 3 bed, 2 bath has 1,549 sq ft. Open floor plan with upgrades, backyard with Trex decking, patio and sparkling pool.
LISTED AT \$699,000



4769 Perguia, "Amalfi at Sorrento" in Dublin Ranch
 Ground floor condo offers 1674 sf. w/ upgrades, a 2-car garage w/storage. Club house, gym, pool, and more!
LISTED AT \$559,000

COMING SOON

Single Story home in Del Prado, 4 bed and 2 baths, just under 1500 sq. ft.

Single Story home in Downtown Pleasanton with wonderful upgrades and a pool.

RECENTLY SOLD



2602 Calle Morelia, Pleasanton
 4 bed, 2.5 bath on a 8343 sq.ft. lot.
SOLD FOR \$920,000
\$41,000 over asking price with multiple offers



417 Silver Chief Way, Danville
 4 bed, 2 bath home on .30 acres, with a separate 1 bed, 1 bath granny unit.
Represented buyers. SOLD FOR \$820,000



4349 2nd Street, Pleasanton
 2 bed, 1 bath with charming upgrades. 1300 sq. ft. home on a 5000 sq. ft. lot.
Represented buyers. SOLD FOR \$750,000

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Andrea & Earl Rozran

1619 Cindy Way- Pleasanton - \$ 1,350,000
All You've Been Searching For! Light, bright and floorplan based on "Great Room" concept. Informal kitchen dining plus formal dining area! Custom wainscoting, wood floors, stainless and granite in kitchen. Outdoor kitchen plus gas masonry fireplace! 4th bedroom used as office.



Carol Back

865 Corrie Place- Pleasant Hill- \$ 529,000
Exceptional townhome with neutral decor. Living area overlooks a landscaped backyard with multiple levels of decking and hot tub. Outdoor cooking station and fire pit. Functional kitchen with Jenn Air Stove and two drawer dishwasher. Larger master suite.



Gina Piper

10 Meritage CMN - Livermore - \$ 419,000
Clean and absolutely adorable! This home is in a fabulous location among the vineyards yet close to freeway access and the South/West part of Livermore makes for an easy commute. Tons of upgrades! Gorgeous wood floors, designer paint, crown molding, higher end cabinets, ceiling fans & so much more!



The Mia and Beverly Team

3708 Penwood Place - Dublin - \$ 1,179,000
Stunning executive home on a quiet court. Incredible recently upgraded kitchen with beautiful rich wood cabinetry, granite slab countertops, stainless steel appliances and huge island and breakfast bar. A master suite on each level and full bedroom and bath downstairs. Large bonus/playroom.



Cindy Gee

15 Stone Creek Place - Alamo- \$ 1,198,000
Charming, Updated Spacious GREAT Room Huge Granite Island, Cherry Cabinets, Gourmet Kitchen, Stainless Appliances, Breakfast Nook, Park-like yard with Sparkling Pool, .42 acre lot with Creek setting.. 4 bed, 2 bath, office, Bonus Rm and more!! Must See!!



Leon Yuan

3837 Vineyard Ave. - Pleasanton - \$ 288,888
Top end unit with view of trees/open space/creek. Best location in complex. Well Maintained. Vaulted ceilings/ Skylight/Inside Laundry/Lg Storage/2 Levels in Unit. Walk to Downtown/Shopping/Schools. Great opportunity for a space to live or investment property.

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890 JEFFERSON AVE., LIVERMORE
Single story, detached, on a great corner location. 3 Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths, approx. 1300 sq. ft., 2-car garage, hardwood floors, A/C, Walk to School & Shopping. Includes fridge & washer/dryer. **\$564,500**
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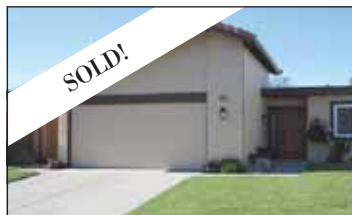
DUBLIN
Handyman's Special. Tucked away on the west side of Dublin. 6 bedrooms, 3 baths plus family room and formal living and dining rooms with over 2200 Sq. Ft. on a large lot with a pool. **\$639,000**
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3372 SMOKETREE CMNS., PLEASANTON
Location, location, location...Coming soon near downtown Pleasanton..cute 2bed/2bath condo in the Smoketree Common Complex. Tawny park is in your backyard, walk to New Leaf for your grocery shopping. Updated kitchen and bathrooms, split level model approx. 863 sq. ft., with a 1 car garage! Great location in complex near the pool. Call for pricing.
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Great location at the end of the cul-de-sac, this 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 2180 sq. ft. home is on a premium 4343 sq. ft. lot. Central heat and air conditioning, 2-car garage, office/bonus room downstairs, gas fireplace in family room, gas stove and eat-in kitchen. **Offered at \$775,000**
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5563 TAIT COURT, NEWARK
Newark home has 3 BR and 2 Baths. Updated inside and out. Kitchen has cherry cabinets with granite counters. Fireplace in living room, dual pane windows, ceiling fans, closet organizers, inside laundry. Very private backyard yard with patio and fire pit. **Sold \$583,000**
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7300 CRONIN CIRCLE, DUBLIN
Updated Kildara condo has 2 bedrooms and 2 baths. Kitchen has been updated with granite countertops and stainless steel appliances. Laminate wood floors, newer carpet and freshly painted in neutral colors. Balcony off of the living/family room and an attached garage. Buyer's Agent.
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3656 GAINSBOROUGH TERR, FREMONT
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565 Sycamore Creek Way, Pleasanton

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OFFERED AT \$1,049,000



Casa Ramon, San Ramon

4bd/2.5ba, 2,148+/-sq. ft. Updated Granite kitchen and baths, new master bath, Hardwood floors, newer windows, pool, cul-de-sac location.

CALL FOR DETAILS



Stoneridge Townhome, Pleasanton

3bd/2.5ba. 1,630+/-sq. ft., vaulted ceilings, private patio with Greenbelt views, 2-car garage, HOA includes community pool, tennis courts, playground

CALL FOR DETAILS



748 Saint Michael Circle, Pleasanton

4bd/2.5ba, 1,611+/-sq. ft., Granite kitchen and remodeled baths, dual pane windows, Hardwood floors, inside laundry, new stamped concrete, detached garage

OFFERED AT \$569,000



15 Winterhaven Court, San Ramon

2bd/2ba, 960+/-sq. ft., newer Corian kitchen and baths, Oak floors, dual pane windows, newer roof, and HVAC system, large backyard with hot tub and storage shed, HOA includes - pool, clubhouse, gym, lawn bowling and more.

OFFERED AT \$54,900



4166 Hall Court, Pleasanton

3bd/3ba, 2,042+/- sq. ft., Tiger hardwood floors, Granite/Alder kitchen, remodeled baths, dual pane windows, RV parking, private backyard with gated pool, on a child friendly cul-de-sac.

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3654 PONTINA CT

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PLEASANTON \$1,879,000
5 bedrooms plus office and loft, 5.5 bathrooms, stunning custom home with incredible finishes and amenities.
7230 CLUBHOUSE DR

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PLEASANTON \$1,829,000
Panoramic views! Custom 5 BD, 4.5 BA, 4,748 sqft. home on an 18,084 sqft. lot. Full BD & BA on 1st floor. Expansive rear yard w/ pool & spa, outdoor BBQ entertainment area, large patio & lawn area!
3750 SMALLWOOD COURT

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LIVERMORE \$1,299,000
Stunning luxury home in the Livermore Wine Country. 5bd/4.5ba, Granite, stainless, hardwood & tile throughout. Beautifully landscaped with basketball court
2294 MINERVA CT

MOXLEY TEAM

BY APPT



PLEASANTON \$1,145,000
4bd+loft, bedroom & full bath on main level, upgraded throughout, large kitchen overlooking great room, custom cabinetry, master with retreat, private backyard, large patio, arbor & BBQ area
1124 DONAHUE DR

TIM MCGUIRE

BY APPT



PLEASANTON \$1,049,000
4 bedroom, 2 bathrooms, detached 450+/-sf bonus rm, 10'x10' basement storage, 1/2 acre lot, 3-car garage, nwr landscaping
565 SYCAMORE CREEK WAY

LINDA FUTRAL

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PLEASANTON \$749,950
This one will not last long on the market and you'll know the minute you walk inside. Well maintained w/many upgrades. Quiet location on tree lined street near park yet convenient for commuting.
4758 SUTTER GATE AVENUE

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PLEASANTON \$729,000
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505 TANNET COURT

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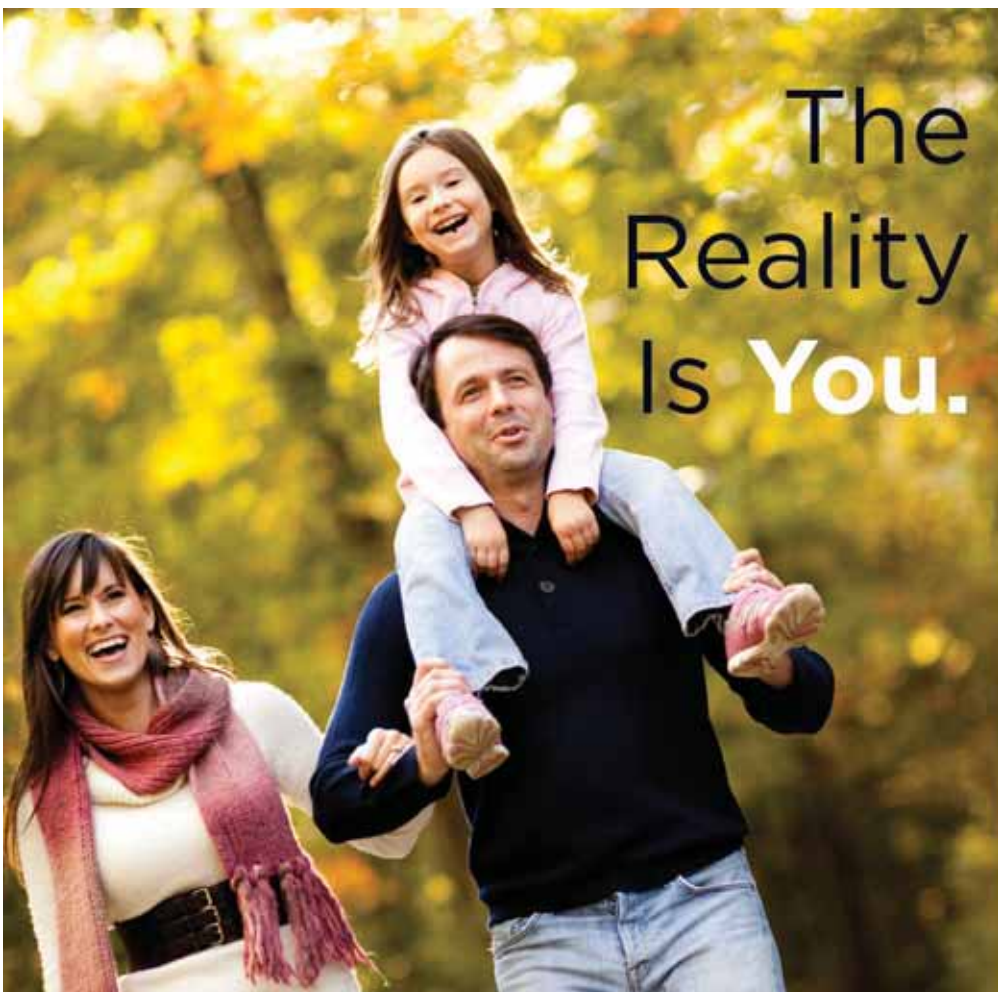
LIVERMORE \$489,500
Wonderful 3bd/2bth home, open floor plan, re-stuccoed, new roof, ducts, flooring, updated kitchen w/granite counter tops, updated bathrooms, crown molding, dual pane windows, newer A/C, backs to golf course
1109 MARI GOLD RD

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LIVERMORE \$419,500
Charming Townhouse in West Livermore! 3BD, 2.5 BA, 1,519 sqft. w/ private patio! Updated kitchen w/SS appliances, new carpet & fresh paint. Attached 1 car garage! Great location!
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