

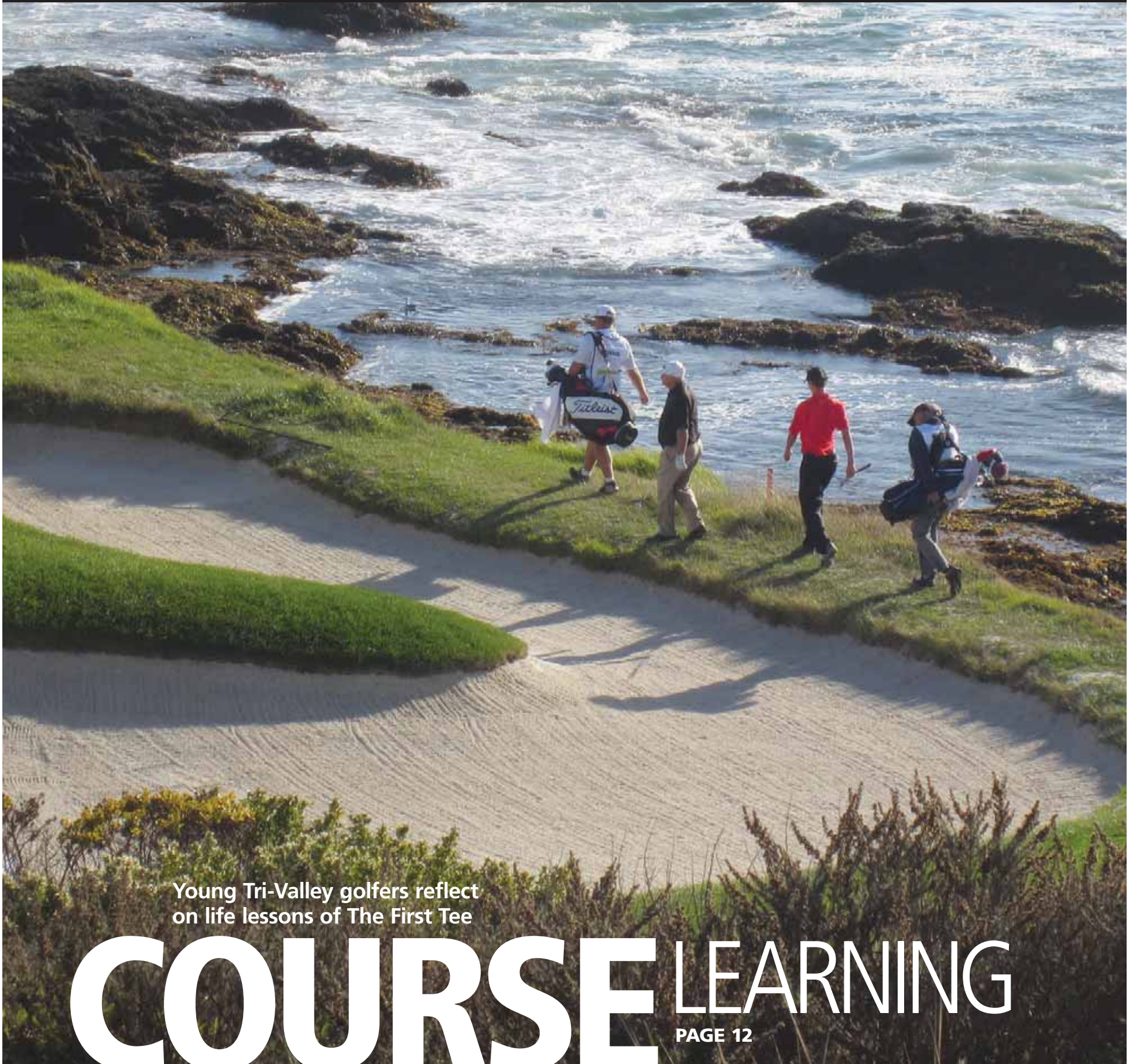
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KEEPING PLEASANTON STRONG

AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

Amador's Jackie Gilbert picked for U.S. lacrosse team

Jereen and Michael Gilbert stood proudly by their daughter Jacquelyn (Jackie) at a recent Pleasanton City Council meeting as Mayor Jerry Thorne read a proclamation congratulating the Amador Valley High senior on her selection as California's first pick for a national women's lacrosse team.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Above: Jackie Gilbert bats a ball. Below: Gilbert with her parents, Michael and Jereen, at the council meeting



JEB BING

There's good reason to be proud. Jackie represents the rapidly rising talent level in a state that has been experiencing exponential growth in lacrosse at the youth and high school levels. In the past 10 years, the number of California girls' club and high school lacrosse programs has more than doubled to almost 200. In the Northern California Junior Lacrosse Association, the number of girls' teams increased from 51 in 2006 to 141 in 2014 while the number of female players almost tripled from 1,000 to almost 2,700 in that eight-year span.

Jackie's journey began by playing lacrosse in the soccer "off season" in sixth grade as a way to get some time with friends who did not attend Harvest Park Middle School with her. Once Jackie entered high school, she was the only freshman to play on the varsity girls' lacrosse team in 2012 and helped lead the talented Amador Dons to the NCS Division I lacrosse championship game that year, and then again in 2013. She was co-captain this year when the Dons took the NCS Division I championship.

In 2013, Inside Lacrosse Magazine ranked Jackie among the top 20 junior "recruits to watch" nationally, citing her dominance on the draw and fierce defense. A true midfielder, she was also this year's points leader for Amador in NCS Division I with 135 goals and assists.

Now, as the first Californian selected to play nationally, with the U.S. U19, more intense training lies ahead. She is in Washington, D.C. this weekend with the U19 Women's Lacrosse Training Team, which will defend its gold medal at the World Cup in July of 2015 in Edinburgh, Scotland. Jackie must still compete in late January to be one of the 18 out of 25 team members who actually get to travel to the World Cup.

"I feel very honored and lucky to have been selected to the U19 Training Team," Jackie said. "It will be a great opportunity for

me to improve my game. When something like this happens you are so grateful to the teammates and coaches who have helped you along the way, especially my mentor Theresa Sherry, Bearlax club founder."

Jackie recalls that going into high school, she learned that no player from California had ever made the U.S. U19 team. That became her goal. Even if she did not make the team, she said she'd have no regrets, knowing that she did everything possible in order to reach that goal. It was all or nothing and her long hours in practice and play have paid off. She hopes her success encourages other young girls across California to take up the sport and set high goals for themselves. She plans on taking her California lacrosse pride further after she graduates in June. She has verbally committed to play for USC. ■

About the Cover

Josh McCarthy (in red, second from right) walks Pebble Beach Golf Links while representing The First Tee of the Tri-Valley during the recent Nature Valley First Tee Open. Photo provided by Cathy Jetter. Cover design by Lili Cao.

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Public Notice

ValleyCare Health System (whose formal legal name is The Hospital Committee for the Livermore-Pleasanton Areas) is soliciting written ballots from its corporate members seeking approval for amendments to the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. These amendments are being proposed, and must be approved, as part of a potential affiliation between the Corporation and Stanford Hospitals and Clinics, dba Stanford Health Care ("Stanford").

Written ballots have been mailed to members. Ballots must be submitted to the Corporation by 5:00 pm on November 14, 2014 in order to be counted.

ValleyCare Health System will be holding the following informational meetings for the corporate members to discuss the proposed affiliation with Stanford Health Care and the proposed amendments to the Corporation's Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation

At LifeStyleRx, 1119 E. Stanley Blvd., Livermore:

- Monday, October 20, 2014; 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

At ValleyCare Medical Center Cafeteria, 5575 W. Las Positas Blvd., Pleasanton:

- Tuesday, October 14, 2014; 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
- Tuesday, October 21, 2014; 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Voting is by ballot only. No formal action will be taken at the meetings, and you do not need to attend a meeting in order to vote.

If you have questions, please contact ValleyCare Marketing/Public Relations at 925-373-4563, or email the board of directors at boardadmin@valleycare.com



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If you decided to change career paths, what would you choose to do?



David Lyons

Tax accountant

I would buy and operate a New York-style delicatessen.



Mona Fallah

Sales

Well, for sure I would finish college. After that, I think I would go to law school and become a lawyer. The work that lawyers do seems very interesting to me.



Jane Boesch

Teacher

I would love to do something in the field of green/renewable energy. I love making an impact on my students, but I think if I were doing something in the field of sustainable energy, I'd be able to have a much greater impact on many more people, and the environment in general.



Tariq Sayid

Professional musician

I can't imagine changing careers. I work as a percussionist; I've always wanted to be a drummer, I love what I do, and I would never want to do anything else.



Margot Sellers

Retired copywriter

I'm pretty sure I would go into the field of biotechnology, and in particular, biomedical engineering; I would love to design highly functional prosthetic limbs because I think that would be the best way for me to use my combination of scientific and artistic skills to really benefit people.

—Compiled by Nancy, Jenny and Katie Lyness

Have a Streetwise question? Email editor@PleasantonWeekly.com

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Parent education

The city of Pleasanton continues its free Parent Education Series on Wednesday with "Choosing a Course: Life After High School" presented by Lisa Fairchild, CPC, and Carol Satterlee, CPC from On the Edge of Coaching.

Participants will hear from a panel of high school and college students about their challenges, how they define success, and the solutions and tips they've identified for the best support, particularly as related to college plans.

The event will take place in the large meeting room at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave., from 7-8:30 p.m. Those interested can register (course number 59249) at www.pleasantonfun.com or at the event. To learn more, call 931-3474.

Additional presentations in the Parent Education Series are set for Nov. 5 and 19, also at the library.

'A Brief History'

Museum on Main will host a book-signing and reception Wednesday evening in honor of the release of "Pleasanton, California: A Brief History," written by museum curator Ken MacLennan.

The book traces the city's history from the eve of the Spanish entering California to the turn of the 21st century. The narrative relies on resources such as newspapers, maps, census data, city council records and original documents as well as previous scholarly and historical accounts.

The 176-page paperback includes more than 75 black-and-white illustrations selected primarily from the museum's own collections.

The free event runs 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday at the museum, located at 603 Main St. in downtown Pleasanton.

Fall faire

The Fall Antique & Collectibles Faire is returning to downtown Pleasanton from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. this Sunday.

There will be as many as 400 dealers selling antiques and collectibles only. All items will be 20 years old or older. Included in merchandise for sale will be repurposed, upcycled, rustic, antique and collectible goods; clothing, furniture, jewelry, toys, ephemera, home decor and more.

It's a rain or shine event with no admission fee. For more information, contact Jerry Goldman at (650) 242-1294 or jerry@turnkeyprod.com.

Housing, growth, taxes, water dominate candidates' concerns in Pleasanton election

4 candidates vie for votes at Weekly, TV30 forum

BY JEB BING
Candidates for election to the Pleasanton City Council voiced their views on a wide-ranging number of issues from housing to a proposed transportation tax at a candidates forum hosted by the Pleasanton Weekly and Tri-Valley Community Television (TV30).

The forum is being broadcast on Community Television channels 29 and 30 at various times leading up to the Nov. 4 municipal election.

Housing issues dominated much of the one-hour forum, with candidates chiming in on a task force plan still being discussed for devel-

oping Pleasanton's east side.

Although the task force is expected to meet well into 2015 before producing a plan, council candidate George Bowen wants the planning process stopped while candidates Olivia Sanwong, Arne Olson and incumbent Councilwoman Kathy Narum want it continued.

"If they plan it, they will build it," Bowen said, adding that the preliminary plan he has seen calls for up to 2,200 housing units to be allowed on the undeveloped east side properties.

Citing the rezoning actions by the council, Narum and Olson said those were done to meet state- and court-mandated orders that Pleas-

anton provide more high-density housing for those who work here but haven't been able to find affordable places to live.

Now that those demands have been met, Narum said, the council will only approve new housing applications required to meet updated state housing requirements.

"We are all frustrated about the state telling us what to do, telling us how much we have to build," Narum said.

"But the fact is that we weren't in compliance with our housing," she added. "We got sued and lost, and it cost taxpayers over \$4 million in the process. I don't want that to

happen again."

Sanwong, who is chairwoman of the city's Economic Vitality Committee, said she has no objections to the task force completing its planning process. However, she said housing growth in Pleasanton has brought with it more traffic and school overcrowding.

"Before I would go forward with any new development, I would want to look at the city's infrastructure, traffic, public safety, library and more to determine their capacities," she said.

"We are possibly overbuilding Pleasanton and we need to be

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Digital rendering of the new Pastime Plaza, with the Starbucks Evening store to sit in the bottom right space.

Starbucks Evening to open in downtown Pleasanton

New concept store will serve alcohol after 4 p.m., stay open late

Starbucks will open one of its new stores this spring on Pleasanton's Main Street, offering not only its daily fare of teas, coffees and bakery goods, but also its evening alcohol and light-bites menu.

Starbucks Evening, as the new coffee shop will be called, will occupy a corner street level location in the new Pastime Plaza building, now under construction at 511 Main St. The building, which

will include a real estate office on the second floor and at least one ground-floor restaurant, is expected to be completed in March.

Starbucks has three other stand-alone stores in Pleasanton as well as in-store operations in the two Pleasanton Safeways that offer limited menus. After 4 p.m., the menu will include the after-work favorites such as beer and a variety of wines and selections such as truf-

fle macaroni and cheese, chicken skewers and chocolate fondue.

A look at menus at Los Angeles Evening stores show such delicacies as a blue brie and apricot preserves plate, grilled vegetable plate with lemon aioli sauce, Parmesan-crust-ed chicken skewers with honey-Dijon sauce, bacon-wrapped dates with balsamic glaze, and chicken

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Pleasanton school district awarded \$2.3 million federal grant

BY AMANDA AGUILAR

Pleasanton Unified School District is one of 71 districts in the nation whose School Climate Transformation Grant has been selected for funding, district officials announced last Friday.

The 100% federally funded grant award is \$2,342,985 over a five-year grant cycle.

The grant will allow the school district to develop a Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) Project that will establish the behavioral support and social culture for all students to achieve social, emotional and academic success. In addition, the work will address urgent needs to students and families while ensuring equal

access and treatment for all.

"Our proactive approach in finding new ways to support students academically, as well as socially and emotionally, has resulted in positive outcomes in many areas in the past few years," Pleasanton schools superintendent Parvin Ahmadi said.

"This grant will allow us the opportunity to enhance our efforts to further address critical student needs throughout our district," she added. "We feel extremely fortunate to be granted such a substantial award that is certain to have a long lasting impact on services we offer our students."

According to PUSD, the aim of the PBIS Project is to enhance and expand the PBIS multi-tiered behavioral framework in an effort to

improve behavioral outcomes and learning conditions for all students.

The three project goals are:

- Establish district-wide and school-based teams to guide the planning and implementation of PBIS at all PUSD schools
- Implement the PBIS project across all district schools, engineering systems improvements and durable changes that progressively increase access to PBIS-related services and highly trained staff during and after the grant period
- Improve behavioral dynamics amongst students

"All schools in PUSD will benefit from this project," district officials said in their announcement last week. ■

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MIKE SEDLAK/MIKE@DIGITALSIGHT.COM

Katie and McKenna Murray enjoy one of a number of children's activities at last weekend's Fire Safety Expo hosted by the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department.

Hundreds turn out for Fire Expo in Pleasanton

Firefighters offer disaster preparedness, fire prevention advice

Hundreds turned out last weekend for the free Fire Safety Expo hosted by the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department at its fire training tower on Busch Road.

The event marked the beginning of Fire Prevention Week, which is sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association and lasts through next Monday.

At the Fire Safety Expo, families had a chance to see firefighter demonstrations, fire-escape planning and obtain first-hand information and handouts on fire safety.

Those at the Expo also took tours of the department's fire safety trailer and training facility, learned how to use a fire extinguisher and received information on how to prepare for a disaster.

Children were given a chance to maneuver through an obstacle course and watched demonstrations by the Livermore Police Department's K-9 unit. A crime prevention booth was staffed by members of the Pleasanton Police Department. ■

—Jeb Bing

Pleasanton Chamber to hold Assembly candidates forum

Baker, Sbranti to discuss issues at \$20-a-plate breakfast

By JEB BING

The Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce, in collaboration with other local chambers, will host a candidates' forum Oct. 17 featuring the two candidates competing for election in the 16th State Assembly District.

The candidates are Dublin Mayor Tim Sbranti, a Democrat, and Pleasanton attorney and Dublin resident Catharine Baker, a Republican.

"This is one of the most closely

watched, highly anticipated races in all of California," said Scott Raty, president of the Pleasanton Chamber. "This race promises to be a close one, and I am very excited that the chambers are holding this forum."

The election on Nov. 4 will determine which candidate will succeed current 16th District Assemblywoman Joan Buchanan, who is termed out this year.

Raty said questions are being crafted now, and only the topics,

not the questions, will be known by the candidates in advance. Those who have topics and/or questions should send them to Raty by email at scott@pleasanton.org.

The forum will be held from 7:45-9 a.m. Friday, Oct. 17 at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, 7050 Johnson Drive. The cost to attend, which includes breakfast, is \$20. To register, sign on to the Pleasanton Chamber's website at www.pleasanton.org. ■

ValleyCare Foundation hosting wine release event Saturday

The ValleyCare Charitable Foundation is hosting a wine release event from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday at the Rubino Estates Winery, 1188 Vineyard Ave., in Pleasanton.

The winery has produced a 2012 Zinfandel named "Philanthropy" for the ValleyCare Charitable Foundation.

"This is the first ever wine release event for ValleyCare," said Bob Shapiro, co-chair of the Charitable Foundation. "We are pleased that Rubino Winery offered to work with us to produce the wine."

A portion of the proceeds from the sales will go to the charitable foundation and its capital campaign to raise \$1 million toward patient monitoring equipment for ValleyCare's cardiac catheterization laboratory.

Tickets for the wine release event are \$20 per person and include light appetizers and two glasses of wine. For every bottle of wine purchased, participants will be entered into a chance drawing. Raffle prize donors include Celebrity Cruise Line.

"As a not-for-profit health system, ValleyCare relies on the generosity of our community members to help meet the health care needs of the Tri-Valley," Shapiro said. "Working together we can continue to deliver compassionate, state-of-the-art health care right here in our community."

Seating is limited and tickets for the event may be purchased online at www.valleycare.com/fundraising-events or by calling the foundation office at 373-4560. ■

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Alameda County cited as national model for boosting economic development

Association of counties praises work here to create jobs, maintain healthy revenue base

By JEB BING

Alameda County's unique efforts to stimulate growth in the local economy, including a collaboration with the private sector to boost East Bay business and help job-seekers, are drawing the attention of government leaders from around the country as they explore the roles counties play in regional economic development.

A new study issued by the National Association of Counties (NACO) highlights Alameda County programs as prime examples of the innovative new ways local governments are spurring regional economic growth both to create jobs and to maintain a healthy revenue base that supports core government programs.

Alameda County efforts cited in the NACO study, titled "Strong Economies, Resilient Counties," include programs that work to attract and retain local business, boost the job skills of at-risk youth and job-seeking parents, and offer economic incentives to companies to provide jobs to help local residents transition off public assistance.

These efforts were also highlighted in discussions earlier this month at NACO's Annual Meeting in New Orleans, a gathering that involved officials from most of the more than 3,000 counties in the U.S.

Front and center in the NACO study are the activities of the East Bay Economic Development Alliance (East Bay EDA), an innovative partnership involving government, business, the nonprofit sector and higher education that works to strengthen the regional economy and boost employment opportunities for people transitioning from government support.

"It's a story we are happy to share

with colleagues from around the country," said Susan S. Muranishi, Alameda County Administrator. "The story involves strong alliances we've built with the private sector that help businesses in our region to thrive and allow for a greater number of our residents to transition from government assistance to employment and economic advancement."

The study details the success Alameda County and East Bay EDA have seen in working to improve the outcomes for people enrolled in the state's CalWORKs public assistance program. One crucial pathway to success has been East Bay EDA's promotion of County hiring incentives with the business community to encourage the hiring of CalWORKs clients. Local businesses have taken advantage of wage subsidies, on-the-job training reimbursements and funds for training through Alameda County's Social Services Agency and its Workforce Investment Board.

The study also cites Alameda County's ongoing efforts through East Bay EDA to connect underserved populations to emerging technologies. It specifically cites the East Bay Broadband program, a unique initiative launched in 2012 to bridge gaps in broadband access in low-income communities in Alameda, Contra Costa and Solano counties.

The program provides computers, training, virus protection software and low-cost internet subscriptions to low-income households. Last year, Alameda County donated 500 recycled computers to help participants access technology for education, job and health care services.

Also cited in the NACO study are programs Alameda County launched to help disadvantaged youth and local small and minority-owned

businesses become more self-sufficient. These programs include:

- The New Beginnings initiative, which partners with private industry to create vocational training and job opportunities for at-risk youth, including young people transitioning from the juvenile justice and foster care systems.

- Dig Deep Farms and Produce, venture launched by the Alameda County Deputy Sheriffs' Activities League (DSAL) that provides fresh produce and sustainable employment to local residents — including adults and youth transitioning from the criminal justice system — by growing fruit and vegetables, and purchasing organic produce from other local farms to be sold and distributed in the community.

- The Small, Local and Emerging Businesses (SLEB) Program, which expands opportunities for local and minority-owned businesses to compete for County vendor and service contracts. Between July 2009 and January 2014, SLEB clients received nearly \$250 million in county contracts.

"We are proud to be getting some national attention for the innovative programs and productive alliances we have formed that are stimulating economic growth in the region and creating opportunities for all segments of our community to benefit from this strengthening economy," said Alameda County Supervisor Keith Carson, chairman of East Bay EDA.

NACO looked at a select few communities nationwide in its study, which concluded that government collaborations with the private and nonprofit sectors are a common theme in successful economic development efforts led by counties. ■

STARBUCKS

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sausage and mushroom flatbread.

Wines available at the Los Angeles stores, by the glass or bottle, include Chateau Ste. Michelle from the Columbia Valley, Santa Cristina from Italy, and Ferrari-Carano, a Chardonnay from Sonoma County.

Starbucks first sold alcohol in October 2010 at a Seattle store. In January 2012, it expanded the test to as many as 25 locations in

Chicago, Atlanta and Los Angeles. Pleasanton will be the first Bay Area store, with more likely.

The alcohol options will be bottled beer or wine, not cocktails, and the selection will vary to meet "local taste preferences," according to a spokesperson, which could mean a selection of Livermore Valley wines.

Starbucks Evening alcoholic refreshments and light eating will be enhanced by the open-air patio at the new two-story Main Street

building, which actually will face Rose Avenue.

Starbucks considers its locations to be cafes, and the wine and beer won't override the family-friendly atmosphere, a representative said. Customers should expect to be carded, and shouldn't expect to find the coffeehouse turning into a bar.

Anyone working at a Starbucks that serves alcoholic beverages will have to be 21 or older. ■

—Jeb Bing

PARKS

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ture needs of Pleasanton residents."

Pending environmental review, the Master Plan also recommends the removal of the drainage swale that currently divides Lions Wayside Park, creating an audience viewing area in one large, gently sloping lawn, stretching from the bandstand to First Street.

Drought compliant landscaping

and Americans with Disability Act compliant access are incorporated in all aspects of the plan. The existing creek in Delucchi Park would be enhanced with a professional cleanup of the watercourse to remove non-native and invasive plants.

Another key element of the plan focuses on a plaza area to be developed at the intersection of Neal and First streets as an entry to downtown from the east and a common area between both Lions Wayside and Delucchi parks. New

plazas on either side of Neal Street will provide the option to connect during special events and also serve as a central gathering and "outdoor lobby" area for community events.

A more defined market pavilion area at the southeast corner of Delucchi Park is another component of the plan. This would provide a formal area to support special events such as the weekly Farmer's Market activities and also provide access into the meadow areas of Delucchi Park. ■

—Jeb Bing



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Pleasanton council creates task force to boost Alviso Adobe

Group will work to merge amenities with new adjacent parks

By JEB BING

The Pleasanton City Council voted 5-0 Tuesday to appoint nine members to the Alviso Adobe Task Force, which is charged with developing vision and mission statements and a strategic plan for Alviso Adobe Community Park.

The historic Adobe and park are located just off Foothill Road.

The task force activities and meetings will be supplemented by opportunities for the public to offer suggestions for how best to improve Adobe and park amenities. It will hold an inaugural meeting later this fall with a tentative completion date for its planning work and report to the City Council next spring.

Members appointed to serve on the task force are:

- * Parks and Recreation Commissioner Deborah Wahl
- * Civic Arts Commissioner Sandra Jellison
- * Youth Commissioner Avni Patel
- * Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Committee member Richard Duffy
- * Pleasanton Unified School District representative Jacob Berg
- * Museum on Main representative Jim DeMersman
- * Friends of the Alviso Adobe representative Ann Pffaf-Doss
- * Community Members-at-Large: Mike Sedlak, Larry Messa and representatives of the neighborhood

adjacent to the park.

In addition to determining a focus for the future of the park, the new task force may have the opportunity to consider how to incorporate the recent acquisition of two large parcels of open space that are adjacent and in close proximity to the Alviso Adobe.

One of these is the 22-acre Austin property off Old Foothill Road. It was once part of the Meadowlark Dairy, which was founded in 1919 and became the first California dairy certified for product purity and quality.

The task force will also look at how best to dovetail the Adobe Park into the East Bay Regional Park District's recently acquired 231-acre Castleridge property, which shares a boundary with the Austin property. The city and park district are exploring both long-term and interim access to the Pleasanton Ridge, including trailhead parking and traffic considerations.

"The creation of this task force and the acquisition of property surrounding the Alviso Adobe offer a broad range of new opportunities for outdoor education and recreation, as well as a significant link to the historic park site," City Manager Nelson Fialho said.

"This new plan holds the promise of many new amenities to Pleasanton and the entire region in the



WEEKLY FILE PHOTO

A newly formed task force will work to develop strategies to enhance the Alviso Adobe Community Park.

years to come," he added.

As California Historical Landmark No. 510, the Alviso Adobe is one of the few remaining adobes in Northern California, where at one time there were 700 such structures.

Over time, most of the adobes have fallen to earthquakes and the ravages of weather. An initial structural stabilization of the Alviso Adobe occurred in the mid-1990s and the cosmetic restoration of the structure began in 2007.

Since opening to the public in 2008 following the renovation, the park has hosted hundreds of class field trips to educate students about the long history of the site and its relevance to the region and the state. ■

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mindful of that," she added.

Bowen agreed.

"We have already approved 1,900 housing units as part of RHNA (the state's Regional Housing Needs Allocation) that weren't subject to the city's growth management ordinance," Bowen said. "A total of 673 have broken ground or are under construction. Now we are looking at adding up to 2,200 more homes on the east side. This will exacerbate our problems."

Pleasanton's ongoing water shortage also generated comments.

"Obviously we are in a drought," Olson said. "Recently our mayor talked to state legislators about extending the time period to meet RHNA requirements from eight to 10 or 11 years. That will help."

He also praised the council for signing up for a 30-year state loan to finance the installation of recycled water pipes in the city.

"Although I don't want to see the city take on additional debt, taking this grant money at a 30-year fixed rate of 1% was a good move," he added. "Other communities have been using purple pipe recycled water for years, and we can do that here."

Sanwong suggested that the city work with the Zone 7 Water Agency to use land on the east side for groundwater recharging and to expand water storage there.

Bowen said the water problem is another reason not to develop the



AMANDA AGUILAR

City Council candidates at the Pleasanton Weekly/TV30 forum are (from left) George Bowen, Kathy Narum, Arne Olson and Olivia Sanwong.

east side with housing.

Narum, who currently is the council's liaison representative to Zone 7, said she successfully opposed the agency's recent plan for a permanent rate increase because of the drought.

"There was no justification for it," she said. "They can't raise rates and go buy more water because there isn't any."

Other issues that differentiated the candidates at the forum included:

George Bowen said he will vote against Measure BB, a countywide transportation tax measure that is on the November ballot. He said the measure, which has a 30-year shelf life, "will be asking our grandchildren 30 years from now to be paying for the benefits that we receive today."

The three other candidates said they support the measure, with

Narum explaining that she likes its provision to complete the widening of Highway 84 and to help fund extending BART to Livermore.

Asked about special interests contributing to their campaign funds, Sanwong said she doesn't have any and favors public funding of local political campaigns.

"That would take out the special interest concerns in our elections," she said.

The other candidates said they have received only a few large donations with none representing a "special interest."

"I am the only City Council candidate who is not receiving special interest money," Bowen added, although he acknowledged receiving a \$5,000 donation from Pleasanton Gravel Company, which he said has no involvement in Pleasanton issues. ■

Pleasanton police introduce new social media platform

Website allows residents to communicate online

By AMANDA AGUILAR

The Pleasanton Police Department has introduced its newest social media platform to communicate with residents.

"Nextdoor" is a private social network for neighborhoods that enables residents to communicate online, in a private secure website, to build stronger communities, a police department spokesman said.

Each Pleasanton neighborhood will have its own private Nextdoor neighborhood website, accessible only to residents who must verify that they live in the neighborhood.

The neighborhood website provides an interactive way for residents to communicate regarding issues that are affecting their particular neighborhood, such as neighborhood public safety issues, community events and activities, local services, and even postings for lost pets.

The police department will also be posting useful information, such as safety tips and crime alerts, to the affected Nextdoor neighborhood web-

sites within the city.

Nextdoor is free for residents and the police department.

Those interested in joining their neighborhood's Nextdoor website can go to nextdoor.com and enter their address. If a Nextdoor website is available in their area, they can immediately sign up. If not, active and engaged neighbors are invited to apply to bring Nextdoor to their neighborhood.

Pleasanton neighborhoods establish and self-manage their own Nextdoor websites. The police department will not access residents' websites, contact information or content, according to a police spokesman. Information shared on Nextdoor is password-protected and cannot be accessed by anyone outside the neighborhood or found on Google or other search engines. In addition, Nextdoor doesn't share personal information with any third parties.

For any questions about the Nextdoor website, visit help.nextdoor.com. ■

New measure provides legal services to immigrant children

Bill provides help to unaccompanied minors coming from Central America

Gov. Jerry Brown has signed legislation to provide legal services to unaccompanied minors arriving in California from Central America.

"Helping these young people navigate our legal system is the decent thing to do and it's consistent with the progressive spirit of California," Brown said.

The legislation was introduced last month with the support of Attorney General Kamala D. Harris, Senate President pro Tem Darrell Steinberg, Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins and members of the Latino Legislative Caucus.

The bill, SB 873, eliminates any

ambiguity regarding the jurisdiction of the state court to make findings necessary to enable the federal government to grant these minors special immigrant juvenile status. The federal status provides for an expedited naturalization process.

The California legislation also reinforces the court's authority to provide interpreters to unaccompanied, undocumented minors. Additionally, the Budget Act of 2014 signed Saturday appropriates \$3 million to qualified nonprofits to provide legal services for unaccompanied minors. ■

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How to pay less for a new car

With research, you can save thousands of dollars

By **JASON ALDERMAN**

Late last year, my wife and I were in the unenviable position of needing to shop for a new car, since the used-car lease I'd assumed was about to expire.

I knew it would probably have to last until my kids were well into college, so I spent a long time investigating how to get the best deal on a reliable car I would love driving.



Jason Alderman

Because December and great year-end deals will be here before you know it, I want to share some of the strategies I learned in case you're planning to buy a new car in the next few months:

- The end of the year is a great time to buy.
- Dealerships are scrambling to meet annual sales goals that could boost manufacturer incentives and lower taxes on remaining inventory.
- Plus, salespeople trying to meet year-end sales quotas that trigger bigger bonuses are more likely to negotiate in your favor.

I did tons of research and narrowed my selection to two models: Ford Fusion and Honda Accord. I did the requisite test drives and also convinced two dealerships to let me drive cars home so I could experience their handling during a real commute.

I knew that the manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP) or "sticker price" you see in the showroom bears little relation to what the dealer's true costs are. A more accurate starting figure for negotiations is the dealer's invoice price.

You can research invoice prices at sites like Edmunds, CarsDirect and Kelley Blue Book. Just be aware that it's generally higher than what the dealer actually pays, thanks to various manufacturer discounts and incentives that don't appear on the invoice. It also doesn't reflect consumer rebates,

tax, title, license, advertising or registration fees.

Next I sent a comprehensive (albeit cut-and-paste) email to local Honda and Ford dealers, explaining exactly which features I wanted and asking them to send me a price. Once I got the lowest offer, I emailed all dealers and said, "Can you beat this?"

Probably the biggest challenge was getting dealers to negotiate by email rather than by phone or in person. I wanted to avoid hard sales pitches and, more importantly, I wanted written proof of their offers to present when I finally did go into the dealership. Several dealers dropped out immediately, while others came back with counter-offers on similar vehicles they had in stock.

I also contacted an online car brokerage to solicit its best deal. Turns out they couldn't beat the price I'd already negotiated; but if you don't have the time or patience for such exhaustive legwork, a broker might be worth the cost.

Make sure you're being quoted the "out-the-door price." That's the purchase price minus any incentives and adding in all fees — tax, license and title can add thousands of dollars, depending on where you live. Also, pore over the sales contract carefully to make sure you're not being charged for extras you don't want.

In the end, I chose the Fusion. Ford was offering several year-end customer incentives that knocked \$2,000 off the invoice price, plus 0% financing for 60 months. (Start watching now for such factory and dealer incentives.) Ultimately, I heard from a dealership an hour away that offered me the car I wanted for an additional \$1,000 less.

Bottom line: Not everyone is willing to spend numerous hours researching and negotiating the best deal; but if you are, you can save thousands of dollars on a new car. ■

Editor's note: Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs. Follow him on Twitter, @PracticalMoney.

Accounting Today names Pleasanton CEO among 100 Most Influential

Doug Sleeter, CEO of Pleasanton-based Sleeter Group, has been recognized as one of the Top 100 Most Influential People by Accounting Today. It was the sixth consecutive year he has received the recognition.

A strong supporter of Adobe and Apple systems for accounting starting in the 1980s, Sleeter developed desktop publishing solutions on the Macin-



Doug Sleeter

tosh. Since then, he has built his own business, the Sleeter Group, into a world leader in consulting services for small businesses and software developers.

From his Pleasanton base, he has worked with startups, executives from Fortune 500 technology companies and many others.

"For me, accounting has always been about more than just the numbers," Sleeter said. "It's about the business. I'm always seeking out new software, technology and strategies which will help our members really grow into valued consultants. The

culture here just encourages individuals and business to take risks and be bold."

Sleeter, who was recently tapped as a judge for the Small Business Influencer Awards program, will be the keynote speaker later this month at the QB Connect conference. He will also host the Sleeter Group's annual Accounting Solutions Conference Nov. 9-12 in Las Vegas.

Sleeter has authored numerous books and pens a regular column for CPA Practice Advisor.

For more information, visit the firm's website at www.sleeter.com. ■

—Jeb Bing

Gen. Chilton, former commander of U.S. Strategic Command, named to Livermore Lab board

Retired astronaut commanded third and final shuttle flight

Gen. Kevin Chilton (Ret.) has been named as an Independent Governor on the board of governors of Lawrence Livermore National Security, which manages Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in Livermore.



Gen. Kevin Chilton

The appointment, announced by LLNS chairman Norman J. Pattiz, took effect Oct. 1.

"Gen. Chilton has a long and distinguished career in service to our nation through the military, as an astronaut and working with the national laboratories," Pattiz

said. "He has complete understanding of the workings of the laboratory and the importance of its missions, and he will make an excellent addition to the board of governors."

Chilton said he was honored to be selected to the LLNS board.

"I look forward to helping the board as well as the laboratory continue its tradition of success and service to the nation," he said.

Chilton has more than 34 years of service in the U.S. Air Force and was commander of U.S. Strategic Command from 2007 to 2011, where he was responsible for the plans and operations of all U.S. forces conducting strategic deterrence and the Department of Defense's space and cyber operations.

He also spent 11 years as a NASA astronaut, serving as pilot of the maiden voyage of Endeavor and commander of his third and final shuttle flight. He also served as the deputy program manager of operations for the International Space Station Program.

Chilton is a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, with a bachelor's degree in engineering sciences, a Columbia University Guggenheim Fellow with a Master of Science degree in mechanical engineering, and a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force pilot training and test pilot schools. He also has an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Creighton University. ■

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CATHY JETTER

Young Tri-Valley golfers reflect on life lessons of The First Tee

learning

Next time you're feeling cynical about the future of America's youth, take a drive over to the Pleasanton Golf Center, home to The First Tee of the Tri-Valley, and spend some time talking to the kids who are involved with the program.

They'll be happy to shake your hand, look you in the eye and explain all the reasons why golf is important to them. They'll tell you about life skills, core values and new friendships.

Chances are the word "win" will never even enter the conversation.

It took a lot of coaxing to bring Josh McCarthy around to the topic of winning when he was relating his recent experience representing The First Tee of the Tri-Valley in the

Nature Valley First Tee Open.

Arguably the biggest stage a junior golfer can hope to play on, the three-day, 54-hole event pairs legends of the game with the next generation of players at one of the most challenging venues in the world.

Though the De La Salle junior came within a stroke of winning the event, and actually believed he had it locked up at one point, that's not the story that is most important to him.

"It was the best golf week of my life," he said. "I got to play Pebble Beach and Poppy Hills. I got to walk inside the ropes and when I came off of 18, the gallery was cheering and taking pictures — there were television cameras and

interviews; I got a taste of what it would be like to play on tour."

McCarthy's professional partner, Peter Senior, is another reason to celebrate the experience.

"He is a really nice guy, but he wasn't playing that well, by his standards," McCarthy explained. "But he was really level headed; he didn't get excited when things went well and he didn't get down when things weren't going great. That's a lesson I learned from getting to play with him."

What about that almost-win where Stanford-bound Christopher Meyers double-eagled the monstrous par-5, 18th hole at Pebble Beach to beat McCarthy by a shot?

"That didn't take anything away from the week," McCarthy said. "In

the First Tee they teach you that golf is an analogy for life. Sometimes you get a good break. This time I got a bad break. But you find the positive in the situation and you understand that it's just part of life."

McCarthy is not alone in his attitude of gratitude.

Kayli Lujan and Paige Phillips also represented The First Tee of the Tri-Valley in the event. Though neither girl made the cut to play the final round on Sunday, their enthusiasm for the experience is clear.

"I'll never forget how I felt when I was on the number eight tee at Pebble Beach," recalled Lujan, an Amador Valley High School senior. "I was standing there, looking over the cliff and I could see the television tower behind the green. I realized I had

The next generation of golfers practice at the Pleasanton Golf Center as part of a summer camp.

PHOTOS PROVIDED BY CATHY JETTER

reached my goal. I was here, playing in this event. I reminded myself to take a breath and really appreciate what I had accomplished.”

Phillips has had her sights set on this tournament since she first came as a spectator five years ago. Now a junior at Danville’s Monte Vista High, she says her goal to play in the event kept her focused, even when there were problems to overcome.

“I’ve had a few injuries to deal with,” she explained. “I had golfer’s elbow and that involved lots of physical therapy. Right now I have plantar fasciitis, and it hurts to play. But I worked my way through it and I played better than I expected to at Pebble Beach.”

Attitude, goal-setting, perseverance: These three teens have incorporated these most important traits into their lives and used them to find satisfaction in the process of striving for success.

Most people will spend a lifetime trying to understand this relationship, but as McCarthy, Lujan and Phillips will attest, it’s the foundation of The First Tee where nothing is handed to the kids — everything is earned.

Even the best players go through a series of applications and interviews before they are chosen to attend tournaments and academies.

Cathy Wagner, vice president of West Territory for The First Tee, pointed out that it takes a lot more than talent to get an invitation to play in the Nature Valley Champions Tour event.

“Golf scores only account for 30% of what we consider when looking at the applications,” she explained. “How they present themselves during the interview, how they’ve given back to the community, their participation and achievement in school: these are the things that make up the other 70% of the evaluation process.”

The First Tee is a national orga-

nization founded on the idea that core values and life skills can be taught through the game of golf. Since 1997, approximately 200 chapters across all 50 states have taught 9 million participants how to use the positive aspects inherent to golf to enrich their lives and become better people on and off the course.

Locally, The First Tee of the Tri-Valley has quite a bit of impact.

Executive director Andrew Zeller said the number of lives touched is in the thousands each year: 13,000 through the National Schools Program, 700 in the Life Skills Program, 200 girls in the LPGA-USGA Girls Golf Program, more than 300 kids go through the summer camps and more than 1,000 take part in various outreach programs including the Special Olympics and the American Heart Association Saving Strokes Program.

Listening to these kids speak about the programs and experiences at The First Tee of the Tri-Valley with clear admiration and respect, there can be no doubt something here is working.

For the residents of Pleasanton, Dublin and Livermore, ‘here’ is the Pleasanton Golf Center — where a variety of programs operating under the umbrella of The First Tee utilize the driving range on Valley Avenue and the golf course in the center of the racetrack at the Alameda County Fairgrounds.

LPGA golf professional Dana Dormann was running a LPGA-USGA Girls Golf Program at the fairgrounds when the chapter was founded.

“It’s hard to believe it’s been 10 years since The First Tee of The Tri-Valley started supporting our organization,” Dormann said. “For us, it has been a perfect fit. The Girls Golf Program was developed to introduce girls to the game at a young age, give them the opportunity to develop



Josh McCarthy (right), representing The First Tee of the Tri-Valley, finished just outside the top spot at the Nature Valley First Tee Open.

their skills and learn to compete in a non-threatening environment.”

The emphasis on building self-confidence and making friends while learning to play a game that lasts a lifetime coincides neatly with the goals of The First Tee.

LPGA-USGA Girls Golf participants made up much of the inaugural class of The First Tee of the Tri-Valley. Ten years later, those alums attribute much of their current success to their early introduction to golf.

Natalie Bodnar and Kortnie Maxoutopoulis are two who went on to play Division 1 college golf and recall their First Tee experiences as life-changing.

“It was an amazing experience,” said Maxoutopoulis, currently a senior playing for Texas Christian University. “Because of the First Tee I got to travel all over the United States. I got to play in tournaments and I got to make connections that are still important to me today. But what I talk about most often is the Life Skills Program because it was how I became a whole person.”

Two years younger than Maxoutopoulis, and currently playing for Sacramento State University, Bodnar treasures the times she got to play at her favorite course, Pebble Beach, but says the real gift is the confidence she gained from that Life Skills Program.

“My life is so influenced by what I learned through the First Tee,” she said. “From the beginning we learned how to set goals and I incorporated that into how I live. It made me start to take things seriously.”

The people who run The First Tee of the Tri-Valley take their responsibilities to the kids and the community seriously, also.

Zeller said he is inspired every day seeing the difference The First Tee makes in people’s lives.

“We had a 22-year-old man who was recovering from a stroke come in with his father and take part in the Savings Strokes program which works to introduce stroke ‘victors’ to golf for pleasure and rehabilitation,” Zeller recalled. “He used to play golf with his dad, and at the event he spoke about how being on the golf course connected him to the world again.”

Knowing how much The First Tee has to offer, Zeller said his chapter is dedicated to ensuring that all kids have the opportunity to experience the benefits of the programs, regardless of ability to pay.

“Golf can seem intimidating; the equip-

ment can be expensive and there is a perception that it is costly just to get started,” he said.

Every program offered at The First Tee of the Tri-Valley is subsidized by fundraising and the support of Jetter Golf, which operates the Pleasanton Golf Center where the program is headquartered.

“No one will ever be turned away because of cost,” Zeller said. “We have clubs to borrow or loan out, we offer discounts to our members and in the end, we let people know that if it is a burden, they should contribute whatever they feel they can afford.” ■



Amador Valley High golfer Kayli Lujan rolls a putt toward the hole at Pebble Beach.

The First Tee’s 9 Core Values



- Honesty
- Integrity
- Sportsmanship
- Respect
- Confidence
- Responsibility
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Pleasanton Weekly endorsements

Based on candidate forums the Pleasanton Weekly and Tri-Valley Community Television (TV30) have hosted, editorial staff interviews and extensive coverage of this year's candidates by our news staff, the Pleasanton Weekly is making the following endorsements in key local, state, federal and school board offices that most closely affect Pleasanton in the Nov. 4 General Election.

MAYOR OF PLEASANTON

Vote for Jerry Thorne

Thorne's an easy choice for re-election. He serves on numerous local, national, state, and regional boards, commissions and committees. Elected two years ago after seven years on the City Council, his policies and leadership have added to the city's fiscal strength, wiped out all construction debt and encouraged the addition of multimillion-dollar business growth, including Clorox, Workday, CarMax and a new auto mall on Staples Ranch, adding significantly to the city's job and tax base.

Matt Morrison, his opponent and a local attorney, is best known for his advocacy of slow growth and environmental concerns, but he is without the public service experience needed to enhance his readiness for mayor.

PLEASANTON CITY COUNCIL

Vote for Kathy Narum, Arne Olson

Narum's list of public service, civic and community involvement and achievements earns her a place as one of Pleasanton's busiest Council members. Elected last May in a special election to replace Thorne after his election as mayor, Narum has shared in the council's recent achievements, including adopting a new housing plan that fulfills a state mandate that previous councils ignored, which cost Pleasanton taxpayers \$4 million in legal fees. A planning commissioner for five years and member of a host of city task forces and committees before that, she wins our endorsement for re-election.

Olson, a retired high-tech corporate finance executive who stepped down last May after eight years on the Planning Commission, brings the accountability and keen business acumen that we need on the council. He has our support.

Challengers George Bowen and Olivia Sanwong lack the seasoned experience necessary to cope with the tough finance, growth and state and regional pressures Pleasanton faces. Both have good credentials and we hope to see them advance their municipal interests with service on one of the commissions, such as Housing, Planning or Parks and Recreation.

PLEASANTON SCHOOL BOARD

Vote for Mark Miller, Joan Laursen

It's been a troubling year for the Pleasanton school district which, despite national achievement awards and high student test scores, faced management turmoil as too many principals and teachers headed to other districts or out the door. The board faced a packed meeting room many times as parents and a few teachers complained about programs, calendar changes and personnel issues.

Mark Miller is a breath of fresh air whose professional demeanor can

help end the strife. An IT architect for a major Tri-Valley corporation with children in Pleasanton schools, he became concerned by the recent change of the school calendar and other actions, or inactions, by the current school board. He believes that parental input has too often been ignored and is concerned about personnel issues and the poor relationship between the district and the community. If elected, he pledges to seek a balance of parent, student and staff needs, to be as transparent as possible and to work collaboratively with the community and neighboring districts to improve our schools.

Although Laursen has been a part of the board's problem in recent months, her longtime work in Pleasanton schools, as a leader in the local and state PTA and now four years on the board provide experience and background the board needs. While it's easy in considering the recent turmoil to say "throw the rascals out," there is so little history in dealing with Pleasanton school issues and operations in both the current administration and on the school board that Laursen's experience is needed.

Two others are seeking election to the board: incumbent Jeff Bowser and challenger Paige Wright. We recommend Miller and Laursen.

16TH STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Vote for Tim Sbranti

Tim Sbranti, Dublin's mayor for the last eight years and 16 years as a classroom teacher, is our favorite for election to the 16th Assembly district, which represents Pleasanton. His well-rounded and broad dedication to public service puts him in a unique position to take on the challenges as a member of the State Legislature that few can duplicate. He's also established good working relations with the mayors of Pleasanton and Livermore, serves with them as board members of TV30 and was responsible for saving our local community television system from bankruptcy a few years ago.

As much as Republicans would like to see another member of their party in the Legislature, Catharine Baker lacks the political savvy needed to be an effective advocate of Tri-Valley needs. A Dublin resident and skilled Pleasanton lawyer with notable social outreach skills, we'd like to see her serve first on a Dublin commission or its City Council.

15TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Vote for Eric Swalwell

We said two years ago when we endorsed Swalwell for election to Congress, based on his service as a Dublin city councilman, "What's there not to like about this guy?" After two successful years, we can say it again as we support his re-election in the 15th Congressional District, which includes Pleasanton. Swalwell is a member of the Dublin Lions Club, Hayward Rotary, Cornerstone Church in Livermore, and serves on the advisory council of Tri-Valley Conservancy. Add to that his "day job" as a member of the House Committee on Homeland Security, he's become a go-to congressman for gaining bipartisan support on ways to deal with ISIS and most recently on protection measures from Ebola.

His opponent is Hugh Bussell, a Republican.

Whatever your choices, be sure to vote by mail or at the polls on Nov. 4. ■

LETTERS

A generous donor for Bowen

Dear Editor,

Pleasanton City Council candidate George Bowen states on his website in at least three places that he pledges to not accept "special interest" campaign donations. I went to the city's website and discovered that Mr. Bowen received a \$5,000 donation from the Jamison Co., a large property owner.

I have been observing Pleasanton politics for a long time and I cannot recall any candidate for public office ever receiving a donation that large from one entity. By definition, I believe a \$5,000 donation repre-

sents a very, very special interest in the outcome of our local election. I am curious how Mr. Bowen would define "special interest." My sense is that most Pleasanton residents would view a \$5,000 campaign contribution as a "special interest" and that they would view it as an entirely inappropriate amount in our local election.

I won't be voting for Mr. Bowen because either he is breaking his own pledge not to accept special interest donations, or his definition of that term is wildly inconsistent with mine.

—Marty Birk

No on BB, Yes on schools

Dear Editor,

On Nov. 4, the citizens of Pleasanton and other Alameda County

cities will vote on whether to raise the existing 9% county sales tax to 9.5%. This 30-year tax hike will drain nearly \$8 billion from Alameda County's economy to fund a mixed bag of misguided "transportation" projects.

Despite this new tax, congestion in the county will still increase by 46% and carbon emissions will continue to increase. Also, this new tax will help fund a \$250 million per mile BART extension. AC Transit will get nearly \$2 billion from this new tax, yet there are no requirements for better management or increased efficiency. Bus ridership is down over the years. This means there will be even more empty buses on our streets.

This tax will take at least \$540 million from Pleasanton's economy.

In return, we will get a highway widened to help Livermore commuters and BART (possibly) extended 4.8 more miles. I believe we are already over taxed, but if the government is going to spend over a half billion of our money, it must have a guaranteed positive impact, which BB fails.

Before supporting Measure BB to bail out BART and buses, please consider that we have not solved our city's school and infrastructure problems caused by the high-density housing disaster. In comparison, \$540 million could build 11 elementary schools for Pleasanton.

Measure BB has Pleasanton's priorities misplaced. I urge the citizens of Pleasanton to vote No on Measure BB.

—David Miller



Home & garden

Fall 2014

A special section
by the Pleasanton Weekly

Keep growing with season-extending gardening tips for fall

Warm weather, continued care and robust plants have yielded a bounty of beautiful, fresh vegetables — and personal satisfaction — from your garden this season.

As the weather cools and fall approaches, it is not time to hang up your hat, gloves and trowel for the year. Autumn provides optimum weather and ample opportunity to keep growing and harvesting delicious, healthy produce well into the season.

Some gardeners assume that when fall arrives and kids return to school, they'll have less time to garden, and may experience less success from their garden plots. But cooler temperatures and fall conditions can actually make gardening easier and more enjoyable.

Many of fall's best-producing vegetables are also colorful, making them great additions to flower beds and containers.

If you loved summer gardening, you can keep your garden growing right through fall. Here's how to make the most of fall season gardening:

Size up the soil

Most vegetable plants require full sun for six or more hours a day, and because fall provides a bit less sunlight than summer, you may need to relocate your plot to make the most of shorter days. If moving your garden isn't an option, you can still take full advantage of sunshine by planting veggies in containers or by creating a raised bed in a sunny spot.

If you'll be reusing your summer garden plot, remove any leftover debris. Don't forget to pull up weeds

before they go to seed. Fluff any compacted soil with a garden fork. Next, test the soil to see if any amendments are needed. Even if your soil is in good shape, adding a 2-inch layer of bagged compost or a balanced, natural fertilizer can give plants a boost.

Be prepared for frost. Keep materials on hand to protect plants when frost threatens, such as floating row cover, a cold frame or a cloche. On frosty, cold nights, move container plants to a protected spot.

Pick your plants

While crops like strawberries and tomatoes have faded to sweet summer memories, many plants thrive in fall. To ensure a successful harvest, it's important to pick the right plants and give yourself a jump start by using transplants, rather than starting off with seeds.

Planting six-week-old transplants ensures you'll have the best opportunity to take advantage of fall's shorter season, and you'll harvest sooner than if you plant from seed.

Producers provide garden retailers with transplants intended to grow well during the specific growing season and are suited for your geographic region. Seasonally appropriate transplants ensure you'll have greater success in your garden.

An added bonus of fall planting is that many cool crops are also packed with nutrition and are among the healthiest vegetables you can eat.

Choose hardy crops that can withstand light frost and temperatures as low as 25 degrees. Favorites for fall include:

- Broccoli - This versatile veggie is packed with vitamins K, C and A, and is a good source of folate.



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Cabbage is among the plants to thrive in autumn gardens.

- Cabbage - A staple of Oktoberfest celebrations across the country, cabbage comes in several varieties, all of which are high in beta-carotene, vitamins C and K and fiber.
- Kale - Some varieties of kale, like Winterbor Kale, actually taste better when kissed by frost. A prolific producer, kale thrives in fall gardens and is a good source of vitamins A, C, K and B6, as well as manganese.
- Leeks - Prized by gourmets for their milder flavor, leeks are frost-tolerant in all but the coldest planting zones. The health benefits of all onions are well documented, and leeks also add a pop of bright color to culinary dishes.
- Spinach - This nutrient-rich green does as well in fall's cooler temperatures as it does in summer heat. Spinach will continue to produce throughout the season, providing a tasty source of vitamins A, C, K and E, as well as the minerals iron, potassium and magnesium.

The end of summer doesn't have to herald the end of your garden harvest and enjoyment, or a return to the grocery store produce aisle. With the right fall crops, you can achieve a satisfying, healthful harvest throughout the fall. ■

—Brandpoint

New doors transform home

Tips for replacing your tired old doors

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Home ownership is a never-ending process of maintenance, improvements and updates. But how wonderful when a project is completed! I've just had the pleasure of replacing all of my interior doors.

We'd been meaning to get new paneled doors for years. Our house still had the basic tract doors that were standard in 1969. We bought the house 12 years after that and although we've upgraded many things — floors, windows, fireplace, kitchen, bathrooms, yard (several times), the front door and the door into the garage — until now we'd decided to spend our money on other things.

Buying the doors was easy since we took a friend's recommendation and went to a small showroom and picked out what we wanted easily enough. Two-panel doors are now the style. Then last week, it was time to say goodbye to the old interior doors, all eight of them — three bathrooms, four bedrooms and one hall closet.

What would a feng shui person say about a house without any doors? I liked the look in the upstairs hallway — it was open and the energy flowed freely. However I did miss the bathroom doors, especially when a friend dropped by.

Mostly I missed the hall closet door that faces the front door. I thought that closet was orderly until I had a constant view of the

random Christmas decorations, wrapping paper and vacuum cleaner.

But I was only without doors for three days when, first thing in the morning, the new ones were delivered and installed and the gleaming new knobs were attached. What an improvement! We should have done this years ago.

If you are planning to get new interior doors, here are some things to think about:

- If you are also replacing your carpeting, you need to do this first to get proper clearance with the new doors.
- What kind of hardware do you want? My choice without upgrading was brushed nickel or aged bronze (which looks black). Will the hardware you choose match what else is in the house?
- Have you ever considered the placement of your door knobs? I found out that mine were about 6 inches higher than found in doors today. You can get lower knobs but new holes would have to be drilled, for extra work and money.
- What color do you want the doors? The new doors are painted before they are delivered.
- Do you want spring door stops added?
- What three days can you live without any doors? If you want one door to remain in your home while the new ones are cut and painted, make that clear from the start. ■

Four steps for attacking garage organization

Better arrangement can enhance functionality, increase home value

Organizing the garage may be one of the most feared tasks in household history. According to a recent Gladiator GarageWorks survey, nearly three out of four households can only park one car in their two-car garage, illustrating the need for a serious garage intervention.

The importance of having a well-organized garage isn't only for improved functionality — it also helps add overall value to a home. More than 80% of real estate brokers or agents recently surveyed said that a cluttered, unorganized garage can have a negative impact on a potential home buyer's first impression.

Since the garage is often used as the "front door" to homes, having an untidy garage can be very unwelcoming.

There are a few steps that can help homeowners prepare for the ultimate battle against clutter and reclaim their space in the garage:

1. Clean and Prep

Clutter is one of the biggest issues with garage organization. The only way to know what is in the garage is to remove all of the items inside and start with a clean slate.

As you remove items from the garage, be realistic about what you do and do not use and move them

into categories:

- Keep items you use regularly.
- Donate or sell items that are still in good shape but aren't being used regularly.
- Toss items that are broken and that you don't need.

2. Have a Game Plan

First, measure the garage so you can make an accurate plan for storage solutions and factor in large items, such as lawn mowers and sporting equipment.

Next, decide how to group similar items and what your storage needs are. For example, do you prefer to hang items on hooks, store in baskets or be able to hide items in cabinets? Start exploring your options with design tools to finalize your plans.

3. Build Your Storage System

Use the walls in your garage to get gear off the floor and maximize storage space by choosing storage solutions that are durable and long-lasting.

Stackable plastic storage bins or shelving units can sometimes reduce clutter, but they aren't always built to handle extreme temperatures in the garage. They also provide limited



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Organizing the garage can be a dreaded and time-consuming task to many homeowners, but it can also be among the most fruitful in the end.

design flexibility and access to items when you need them.

"Consider a modular storage system for the walls — they get everything off the floor and allow you to customize so you can reclaim your space," said Karl Champley, do-it-yourself expert and master builder.

"These garage systems are convenient and easy to install giving you the ultimate wall storage solution for baskets, shelves, hooks and vari-

ous other accessories. These systems are the perfect way to achieve the dream garage," Champley added.

4. Add Final Touches

Once you have stored large items in your garage, it's time to add some final touches to maximize efficiency and make your workspace functional.

- Keep a trash can nearby your work area so it stays free of garbage

and debris.

- Hang tools near your workbench so you can easily put them back in their proper place.

- Utilize smaller bins and storage containers for screws, nails and other small items, so they don't clutter your space.

With these steps in mind, tackling a garage organization project should be much easier. ■

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Modern home-design trends are set to revolutionize housing market

Socialization, tech-friendly, adaptable spaces among top Gen Y trends

The housing market is thriving in many parts of the country, and the driving force is an estimated 92 million Gen Now consumers between the ages of 19 and 37 (aka Gen Y or Millennials) that will enter the market to become new home buyers by the year 2020.

These consumers have grown up during the introduction of the Internet, social networking, mobile devices and a huge recession. Not surprising, this massive group is demanding far different features in their homes from what their parents and grandparents have desired in the past, and it may forever change the way homes are designed and built in the future.

"Gen Now is taking a fresh approach to homeownership by seeking simpler living with smart upgrades," says Carl Hill, director of marketing at Clayton Homes. "They want modern styles and technologies without feeling like they are living beyond their means."

Top housing trends among this generation include:

Socialization

Open floor plans are a must. They want spaces to work together and encourage interaction, not separation. The kitchen is still

viewed as the heart of the home, and it must be a place where socialization can thrive.

Other spaces must work with the flow of the home, with thoughtful design used for bedrooms, bathrooms and laundry spaces. Built-in storage is a must to maximize the utility of space.

Energy-efficient design

This generation sees their homes as a reflection of their own values, and because so many of them value green living, they want a home that complements this lifestyle.

Energy-efficient upgrades are considered a worthwhile investment, such as upgraded appliances and ENERGY STAR certification.

Tech-friendly features

The modern home buyer wants a home that is connected seamlessly with their smart devices, and that means incorporating plenty of tech-friendly gadgets and wireless features into the home design.

Electronic drop zones next to entrance-ways, device recharging stations in work areas and family rooms, and plenty of home-automation upgrades in the kitchen and entertainment spaces are what Gen Y wants in a home today.

Adaptable spaces

Modern home buyers have a keen eye for use of space and how they will need to use these areas, which is why they want homes that flex to meet their changing needs.

Rooms created for transitional use might include a flexible game/entertainment room, or an office that can easily be morphed into a nursery in the future.

Modern design

A savvy group when it comes to their design preferences, this generation may take a simpler approach to living, but they want their spaces to be full of style and functionality. They love integrating bright color, thoughtful design and rich texture throughout interiors.

They want a home that is a reflection of their own personal style — something more unique than the cookie-cutter home designs they associate with their parent's generation. They want a mindful and organized approach to customization to craft a house they can call a home for many years to come. ■

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Solar-powered fresh air skylights with decor-enhancing designer blinds transform a good space into a great space. Natural light and passive ventilation reduce energy bills, and solar-powered fresh air skylights and blinds, along with installation costs, are eligible for a 30% federal tax credit.

What a buyer wants: Green improvements that cut utility costs

Going green is good for the environment, but it can also be good for a homeowner's wallet — and that's the aspect of eco-friendly improvements that seems most appealing to home buyers.

More than 80% of buyers said they would pay more for home features that saved energy and trimmed utility bills, according to a recent survey by the National Association of Home Builders.

That piece of information can be valuable to home sellers looking to get the best price for their homes, especially during warmer months. Home improvements that also reduce utility bills — such as skylights and energy-efficient heating, ventilation and cooling systems — may be the investments that ensure a seller's home will get top dollar and multiple offers.

If you're interested in making energy-efficient, cost-cutting improvements a selling point for your home, you can achieve the benefit with basic, moderate or impressive improvements. What you choose to do will depend on your budget, time-frame and perceived benefit in terms of a speedy sale.

Here are a handful of improvements, from basic to beautiful:

Seal and insulate

Ideally, you've kept up on your home's insulation and sealing all the time you've lived there. If not, potential buyers may be attracted by recent refurbishments to the caulking and sealing around windows, entry doors, garage doors and ductwork.

In most instances, homeowners can easily improve sealing and insulation on their own, without hiring a professional. While the improvement may seem minor, its impact can be significant; EnergyStar.gov says sealing and insulating ducts can boost an HVAC's efficiency as much as 20%, and sealing air leaks and adding insulation can trim annual energy bills as much as 10%.

Replace old incandescent bulbs

When it comes to cost savings, replacing traditional incandescent bulbs with energy-sipping CFLs or LEDs is a cost-effective way to trim electricity bills. Both types of bulbs

use at least 75 percent less energy than traditional incandescents, and last 10 to 25 times longer, according to Energy.gov.

While these bulbs cost more than regular bulbs, potential home buyers are likely to embrace the cost savings they'll reap over the lengthy life of the bulbs. In terms of energy upgrades, it's a relatively low-cost, high-impact improvement for a seller to make.

Install a wireless, programmable thermostat

Connectivity is all the rage. When it comes to reducing heating and cooling costs by smarter thermostat use, wireless thermostats are the next big thing.

Programmable thermostats have been available for years, and help reduce heating and cooling costs by automating settings to use energy wisely.

Wireless thermostats enhance that functionality by allowing users to access their home's temperature controls remotely from any Internet-enabled device. So if you're in the office and realize you forgot to program the settings on your thermostat, you can communicate with the thermostat from your office desktop or your smartphone.

Upgrading or installing a skylight

While many energy-efficient home improvements do their jobs behind the scenes, an Energy Star-qualified skylight is front-and-center, saving energy and beautifying a home.

A skylight appeals to home buyers' aesthetic senses and love of savings and they are especially well received in kitchens and baths where they provide not only natural light but fresh air and privacy. A no leak solar powered fresh-air skylight can help reduce electricity costs by providing passive ventilation and natural light.

Real-estate industry watchers predict buyers and sellers are both active this season. Making the cost-saving improvements buyers crave could help sellers move their homes faster and for the best possible price. ■

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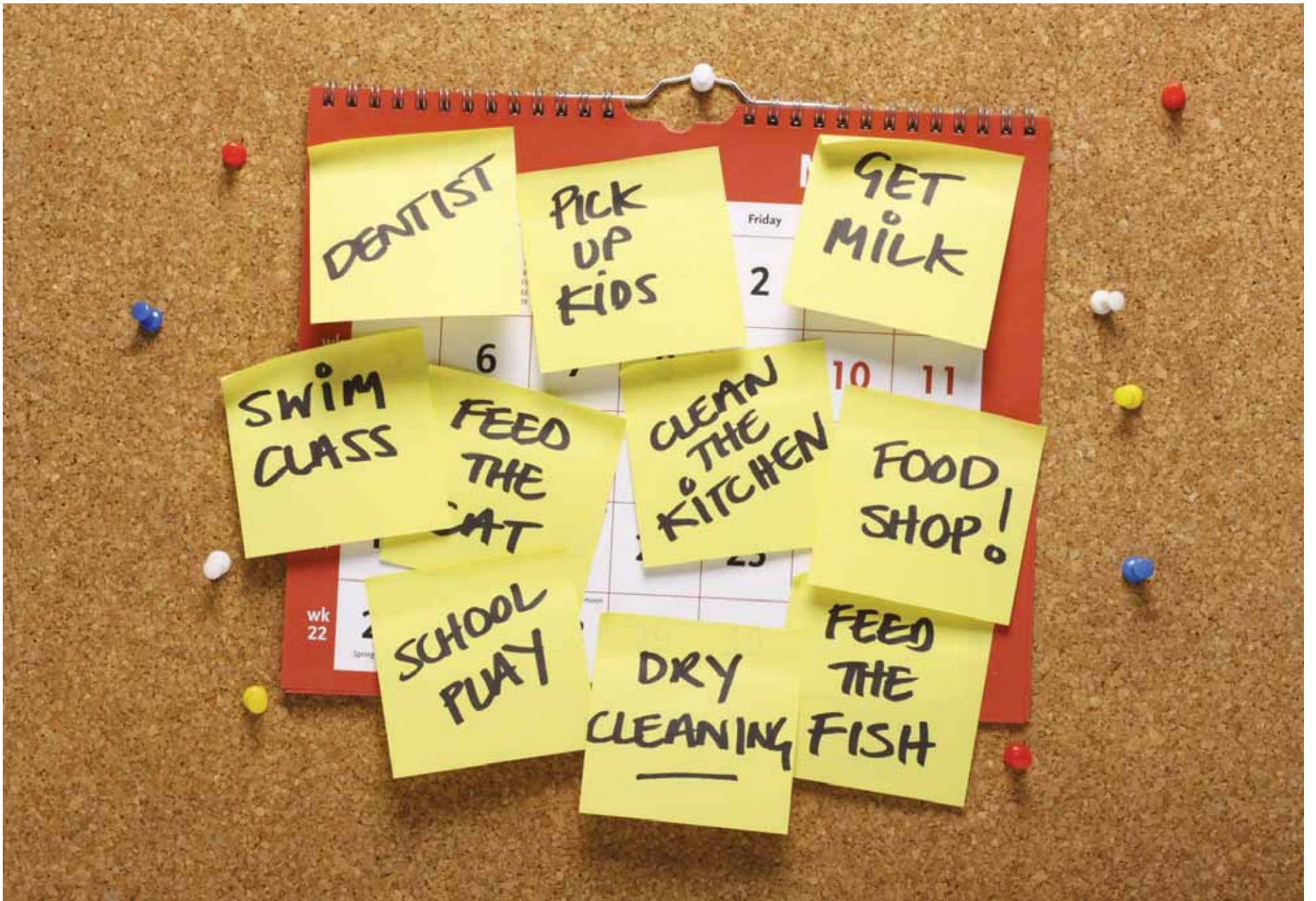


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POLICE BULLETIN

Arrest made for cocaine sales in Pleasanton

A 45-year-old man was arrested last week after investigators served a search warrant on a residence on Wenig Court, according to police.

Pleasanton police, assisted by detectives of the Livermore and Dublin police departments, served a warrant at 3 p.m. Sept. 30 and searched Shane Lacey's residence.

According to police, the search recovered:

- almost 2.5 ounces of cocaine
- 82 capsules of ecstasy, or MDMA
- commonly abused prescription pills, including Xanax and Soma
- injectable steroids
- GHB liquid

In addition, officers and detectives found \$4,500. Three vehicles were seized as assets believed to have been purchased with money derived from illegal drug sales, according to police.

Lacey was charged with three counts of possessing illegal drugs with intent to sell.

He was taken to Santa Rita Jail in Dublin where he was booked on these charges pending a court appearance.

In other police reports:

• A woman reported her iPhone and wallet missing after she returned to her car parked at the 24 Hour Fitness on Willow Road.

The woman told police she left her purse in the locked trunk of her vehicle while she went to work out at the gym on Oct. 1.

After returning to her car around 11 a.m., she drove to the bank and realized her wallet and cell phone were missing from her purse, according to police. Two Chase debit cards and one Chase credit card were located inside her wallet.

Police said she did not report the incident until Oct. 3 because she was certain the missing items had been in her purse.

• The Ken Mercer Sports Park was reported burglarized on Oct. 3.

Police said an unknown culprit stole a pitching machine from the baseball field, which totals approximately \$1,000. The officer recovered bolt cutters and a cut bolt at the scene — both items have been entered as evidence to the case.

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

—Amanda Aguilar

POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made this information available.

Sept. 28

Theft

- 9:06 a.m. in the 2800 block of Hopyard Road; shoplifting
- 2:44 p.m. in the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from auto

Trespassing

- 1:51 p.m. in the 500 block of E. Angela Street

DUI

- 2:50 p.m., intersection of Foothill Road and Bernal Avenue

Sept. 29

Alcohol violation

- 12:24 a.m. in the 6700 block of Bernal Avenue

Commercial burglary

- 4:32 a.m. in the 4300 block of Rosewood Drive
- 11:10 a.m. in the 600 block of Peters Avenue

Theft from auto

- 9:56 a.m. in the 5500 block of Johnson Drive
- 11:03 a.m. in the 3800 block of Stone Pointe Way

Sept. 30

Alcohol violation

- 1:15 a.m., intersection of Valley Avenue and Santa Rita Road

Theft

- 10:22 a.m. in the 2900 block of Liberty Drive; theft from structure
- 11:38 a.m. in the 11900 block of Dublin Canyon Road; theft from auto
- 4:04 p.m. in the 4200 block of Rosewood Drive

Drug violation

- 4:22 p.m. in the 1100 block of Wenig Court

Oct. 1

Theft

- 9:28 a.m. in the 5500 block of

Springhouse Drive; theft from structure

- 10:39 a.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 4:37 p.m. in the 4300 block of Railroad Avenue; theft from auto

Burglary

- 9:51 a.m. in the 4600 block of Chabot Drive; commercial
- 12:50 p.m. in the 5900 block of Via Del Cielo; residential

Vandalism

- 1:59 p.m. in the 8000 block of Mountain View Drive

Embezzlement

- 7:46 p.m. in the 100 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Oct. 2

Vandalism

- 7:10 a.m. in the 3900 block of Vineyard Avenue

Drug violation

- 10:02 a.m. in the 24400 block of Second Street

Theft

- 10:03 a.m. in the 5600 block of Springhouse Drive; auto theft
- 3:24 p.m. in the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from auto

- 6:02 p.m. in the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

- 6:38 p.m. in the 5900 block of Coronado Lane

Embezzlement

- 12:11 p.m. in the 1100 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Oct. 3

Burglary

- 8:31 a.m. in the 5800 block of Parkside Drive
- 8:52 p.m. in the 300 block of Happy Valley Road; residential

Theft

- 9:38 a.m. in the 3600 block of Andrews Drive; bicycle theft
- 1:59 p.m. in the 2000 block of Martin Avenue; bicycle theft

- 6:54 p.m. in the 4700 block of Willow Road; theft from auto

Vandalism

- 1:28 p.m. in the 1400 block of East Gate Way

Drug violation

- 8:08 p.m. in the 5100 block of Hopyard Road

DUI

- 8:34 p.m. in the 6400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Oct. 4

DUI

- 12:12 a.m. in the 5200 block of Hopyard Road

Commercial burglary

- 8:42 a.m. in the 5500 block of Springdale Avenue

- 6:16 p.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

- 7:42 p.m. in the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

Theft

- 11:10 a.m. in the 3200 block of Pueblo Way; theft from structure

- 1:54 p.m., intersection of W. Angela Street and Peters Avenue; bicycle theft

- 3:43 p.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Domestic battery

- 4:26 p.m. in the 100 block of Abbie Street

Vandalism

- 7:38 p.m. in the 4400 block of Valley Avenue

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WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

Housing Commission

Thursday, October 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Approval of 2015 annual Operating Budget for Ridge View Commons

Economic Vitality Committee Work Session

Thursday, October 16, 2014 at 7:30 a.m.

Operation Services, 3333 Busch Road

- Presentation on Tri-Valley Tourism Initiatives

The City Council is currently accepting applications for a vacancy on the Tri Valley Conservancy. The Tri-Valley Conservancy is a community organization whose mission is "to permanently protect the fertile soils, rangelands, open space and biological resources, and to support a viable agricultural economy in the Tri-Valley area." For more information visit <http://www.trivalleyconservancy.org/>

If you are interested in applying, please visit our website at www.cityofpleasantonca.gov.

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Making a new friend: (From left) Isaac Bauman, a wax George Clooney, Kurtis Bauman and Giselle Bauman perused the Pleasanton Weekly for the latest news from home while at Madame Tussaud's in London, England. The Baumans traveled across the pond to visit relatives in Cornwall and the London area.



Lisbon bound: Bob Stephany and Tina Amber enjoyed their retirement and celebrated the engagement of their sixth daughter on an eight-week adventure through Spain and Portugal. Here they stopped in Lisbon, Portugal to take in the sights with the Pleasanton Weekly.

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ZAO YANG

Hat trick helps U10 Verona to victory

Zidane Sellami, of Ballistic United Soccer Club U10 Verona, dribbles the ball down the field chased by three U10 Genoa players during a match last weekend at Creekside Park in Pleasanton. Verona won the game 4-0, helped by Khilan Serapaneni's hat trick. Derek Wang also scored for the winning side.

PREP LINE-UP

Today

- Football: 7 p.m., Monte Vista at Foothill
- Football: 7 p.m., Amador at California

Oct. 11

- Foothill Cross country: 9 a.m., Castro Valley Invitational at Canyon Middle School, Castro Valley
- Amador Cross country: 9 a.m., Clovis Invitational at Woodward Park, Clovis

Oct. 14

- Girls Volleyball: 4 p.m., Foothill at Amador
- Girls Golf: 3:30 p.m., Monte Vista at Amador
- Girls Tennis: 3:30 p.m., California at Amador
- Girls Tennis: 3 p.m., Foothill at Monte Vista

Oct. 15

- Amador and Foothill Cross Country: 3:30 p.m., EBAL Center Meet at Oak Hill Park, Danville
- Girls Golf: 3:30 p.m., Amador

vs. Foothill

- Boys Water polo: 6 p.m., Washington at Foothill
- Girls Water polo: 5 p.m., Washington at Foothill

Oct. 16

- Girls Volleyball: 6 p.m., Foothill at Monte Vista
- Girls Volleyball: 6 p.m., California at Amador
- Girls Tennis: 3:30 p.m., Amador at San Ramon Valley
- Boys Water polo: 6 p.m., Monte Vista at Amador
- Girls Water polo: 5 p.m., Monte Vista at Amador
- Girls Tennis: 3 p.m., Foothill at California
- Boys Water polo: 6 p.m., Livermore at Amador
- Girls Water polo: 5 p.m., Livermore at Amador

Oct. 17

- Football: 7 p.m., California at Foothill
- Football: 7 p.m., San Ramon Valley at Amador

Oct. 21

- Girls Volleyball: 6 p.m., Foothill at California
- Girls Volleyball: 6 p.m., Amador at San Ramon Valley
- Girls Tennis: 3:30 p.m., Livermore at Amador
- Girls Tennis: 3 p.m., Carondelet at Foothill

Oct. 23

- Girls Volleyball: 6 p.m., Carondelet at Foothill
- Girls Volleyball: 6 p.m., Livermore at Amador
- Girls Tennis: 3:30 p.m., Amador at Carondelet
- Boys Water polo: 6 p.m., Amador at Foothill
- Girls Water polo: 5 p.m., Amador at Foothill
- Girls Tennis: 3 p.m., Granada at Foothill

Oct. 24

- Football: 7 p.m., Foothill at De La Salle
- Football: 7 p.m., Amador at Livermore



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Seahawks open season at Shark Fest Weekend

More than 140 Pleasanton Seahawks swimmers took part in the season-opening Shark Fest Weekend meet hosted by the Crow Canyon Sharks at Dougherty Valley High School in San Ramon last month. Some of those Seahawks started their season with new best times and new standard achievements. In all, the event featured roughly 800 swimmers from 29 different teams. Shown: Shivering Seahawks Caroline Eckel, Daniella Hawkins, Marissa Lawrence and Emily Claridge.



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BUSC U15 Elite Team champions

The Ballistic United Soccer Club U15 Elite Team celebrates winning the Harvest Festival Classic late last month at the Ken Mercer Sports Park in Pleasanton.

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AMADOR VALLEY QUILTERS

MEETING The Amador Valley Quilters meeting will be from 1:30-3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 at Pleasanton Middle School. The featured speaker will be Julie Silber. Julie does quilt exhibitions and organizes books about quilts. She knows the history of quilts and the people who make them. Contact AVQ.Publicity@gmail.com or go to www.amadorvalleyquilters.org.

GET TO KNOW THE AAUW

The Livermore-Pleasanton-Dublin Branch of the American Association of University Women invites anyone interested in membership to a "Get to Know AAUW" event from 7-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 15. Contact Sandy Hansen, Membership Chair, at 248-2444 or membership@aauw-lpd.org for more information regarding location. Go to <http://www.aauw-lpd.org>.

TRI-VALLEY WRITERS MEETING

The Tri-Valley Writers Meeting will be from 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 18 at Four Points by Sheraton. Guest Speakers D. Patrick Miller, a collaborator, ghostwriter, and principal editor, and Sari Friedman, poet, fiction and creative non-fiction writer, will present "The Golden Age of Self-Publishing is Now." Writers of all genres and experience levels are welcome. Cost is \$12 for members, \$17 for non-members. Contact 828-7687 or publicity@trivalleywriters.org.

Concerts

HALIE LOREN AND TRIO

Jazz/Pop singer-songwriter Halie Loren and her long-time backing trio hit Pleasanton for one show at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 16 at the Firehouse Arts. Known for her interpretations of the classics as well as her own genre-defying compositions. Tickets are \$15-\$25. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

QUATTRO

Latin Grammy nominee for Best New Artist last year, QUATTRO will play at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Firehouse Arts Center with their hot Latin Pop, Jazz, and Classical sounds. One performance only, no opener. Tickets are \$18-\$28. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

ROY BOGAS AND PETER WYRICK

Two of the Bay Area's most celebrated musicians, pianist Roy Bogas and cellist Peter Wyrick, will perform Beethoven's Cello Sonata, Op. 102; Fantasy Pieces by Robert Schumann; Bloch's Three Pictures of Jewish Life; and Grieg's Sonata in A Minor, Op. 36. The performance will be at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore. Tickets are \$28-\$42. Call 373-6800 or go to www.livermoreperformingarts.org.

Events

13TH ANNUAL ARTWALK

LIVERMORE See over 150 artists in a festival where the streets stay open, bringing thousands to a day of art, music and shopping in downtown Livermore. The ArtWalk will be from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 and is free to the public. Call 447-2787 or go to <http://artwalklivermore.com>.

ALL THINGS TEA

It's a tea party at the American Cancer Discovery Shop in Pleasanton, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 10-11. For Breast Cancer awareness month we are celebrating everything tea related. Shop all things tea including beautiful tea pots, kettles, cups, Iced tea accessories and much more. Go to discoveryshop-pleasanton.org.

FREE FALL FESTIVAL AT ALVISO

ADOBE COMMUNITY PARK The City of Pleasanton will host a Free Fall Festival from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 at Alviso Adobe Community Park. There will be a presentation by Meadowlark Dairy, a visit with Fiona, the life sized, fiberglass milking cow, site tours, a live animal display by the local 4-H, authentic Californios music and dance by California Fandango Project, and games and crafts for children. Call 931-3439.

GHOST WALK

Meet the ghosts of Pleasanton's past during the Museum on Main's popular Ghost Walk. This family-friendly tour will take you to some of Pleasanton's most haunted sites along Main St. Tours depart the museum every 30 minutes between 6-8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17-18, 24-25. Costumes encouraged. For tickets and more information, go to museumonmain.org.

GIRLS NIGHT OUT NETWORKING

MIXER GNON, Insignia Designs, and Black Mountain Property Management will host a networking opportunity from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 16 at Insignia Designs, 2150 Rheem Drive. Raffle prizes, socializing, great food and fun. Cost is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members. RSVP and prepay by Oct. 13. Call 487-4748 or go to <http://www.gnon.org/rsvp.html>.

PLEASANTON ANTIQUES &

COLLECTIBLES FAIR Come to the Pleasanton Antiques & Collectibles Fair from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 12 in downtown Pleasanton. Shop from 200+ vendors, find vintage and antique jewelry, clothing, furniture, art and so much more! Free admission and parking. Go to <http://www.pleasantonantiquefair.com/>.

PLEASANTON'S PUBLIC ART WALK

Nancy and Gary Harrington will lead walkers, Art Enthusiasts, on their tour of Public Art in Downtown Pleasanton at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11, departing from the Pleasanton City Offices parking lot at 200 Old Bernal Ave. Free to the public.

TRI-VALLEY TRAILBLAZERS PRESENT

3RD ANNUAL HORSE FAIRE

The 3rd Annual Horse Faire raises funds for Special Needs programs and EBRPD Mounted Police, and will be from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 at Robertson Park in Livermore. With food, shopping, music, pony rides, "Li'l Cowpoke Rodeo Corral" for special needs children 5-15, adaptive riding demonstration, horse chiropractic, saddle fitting, tack sale, jewelry, and more. Special 6 hour Sensory Clinic with Susan Dockter for \$195, reservations required (www.proactivehorsemanship.com). Vendors and sponsors still needed. For vendor info contact Barbara Hoffman at (510) 589-2572 or birdhousesbybarb@aol.com; sponsor info contact Diane Wishart at 895-8445 or diwishcpa@gmail.com; for more info and registration forms go to www.trivalleytrailblazers.com.

VFW AFTERNOON TEA DANCE

The VFW post 6298 of Pleasanton presents the Mellotones Combo Jazz Band for your listening and dancing pleasure, from 1-3:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 15 at the War Memorial Hall, 301 Main St. The band features music from the great American songbook in a variety of ballroom dancing rhythms and styles. Lunch is provided. Cost is \$10. Proceeds used to help needy veterans and their families. Call 443-2224.

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IN LIVERMORE The Widowed Men and Women of Northern California invite you to join for brunch at 11 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 19 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Livermore. Cost is your menu choice. RSVP to Hilda at 398-8808 or hskoog@comcast.net by Friday, Oct. 17.

Film

'THE GHOSTS OF JEJU'

Jeju Island, an internationally popular diving and honeymoon spot in South Korea was victim to past US military atrocities and is now facing environmental difficulties from the construction of a US military base there. Potluck at 6:30 p.m. with film after on Saturday, Oct. 11 at IBEW Hall in Dublin. A Korean guest will host a Q&A after the film. Call 462-3459.

FILM AND DISCUSSION ON DYSLEXIA

A screening of the film "The Big Picture: Rethinking Dyslexia" with a follow-up discussion will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Pleasanton Library. The discussion will be led by Frances Dickson, a Learning Specialist at San Francisco Friends School, and John Santonastaso, a Reading Specialist for Fremont Unified School District. Ages 12 and up. Call 931-3400 ext. 3.

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will partner with the Women's Cancer Resource Center to offer a gown sale and bridal fair, from 11a.m.-4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 12 at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel. Hundreds of gowns starting at \$49, and 100% of the proceeds will go to the Women's Cancer Resource Center. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. To donate a wedding gown, contact Cathy Lonsdale at (510) 886-1317 or visit urlocalbride.com/eastbaybridal.

GOLF UNDER THE STARS Tri Valley Evening Rotary will host a golf event to support their community service efforts and First Tee program Tri-Valley from 4:30-9 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 18 at Pleasanton Golf Center Executive Course. Tickets are \$75. Contact Mark at (510) 410-7703 or mark.cavanaugh@me.com. Go to trivalleyrotary.org.

HART MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND

PANCAKE BREAKFAST A Pancake Breakfast and Craft Fair will be held from 8 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Oct. 11 on the quad at Hart Middle School. Hart instrumental music groups will perform throughout the morning. Tickets are \$8, kids under four are free. Tickets are available at www.thom-ashartmusic.org.

P.E.O. BOCCIE BALL BENEFIT Dine and/or play Bocce Ball from Oct. 6-12 at Campo Di Bocce in Livermore and 15% of all income (excluding alcohol, before taxes) will go directly to helping P.E.O. (Philanthropic, Educational Organization) to educate women through scholarships, grants, awards and loans. Mention P.E.O. to your server.

PACE FOR PEACE 5K AND 10K RUN/WALK FOR TRI-VALLEY HAVEN

Join a walk/run for athletes and non-athletes alike at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 in Livermore wine country. Event tee, post race awards and snacks for all participants. All proceeds benefit Tri-Valley Haven. To register or for more info call Lisa at 449-5845 or go to trivalleyhaven.org.

WINE FOR A CURE

Join the 5th Annual Wine for a Cure, a benefit for Cystic Fibrosis Research, Inc., from 3-7 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 19 at The Purple Orchid Resort and Spa in Livermore. Meet actor Todd Giebenhain, who lives with CF; Bill Ring, former San Francisco 49er great; and recording artists Adam Topol and Tess Dunn, who lives with CF. Tickets are \$100, \$125 for VIP. Call (650) 404-9979 or go to <http://www.cfri.org/wineforcure.shtml>.

Health

COVERED CALIFORNIA INFORMATION

SESSION Presented by Axis Community Health: Learn about Covered California, the new online "marketplace" that makes it simple and affordable to purchase quality health insurance, at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Livermore Library. Find out how you may be eligible to receive assistance to pay for health insurance plans, or for free coverage through Medi-Cal. Call 201-6018 or go to www.coveredca.com.

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This 7-week series will teach you how to manage your diabetes with exercise, healthy eating, and medications, and answer all your questions about living with diabetes. Classes are 9:30-11:30 a.m. Fridays, Oct. 17-Dec. 5 at the Dublin Senior Center. Open to all adults with Pre Diabetes and Type 2 Diabetes. Call (408) 768-3763 or go to

<http://www.acphd.org/diabetes.aspx>.

EATING FOR BREAST HEALTH

In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Nutrition Educator and Holistic Chef Suzanne Aziz will give a talk on how to eat for breast health and show how to make a quick snack that is vegan and gluten-free. From 6-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 16 at New Leaf Markets. Go to www.newleafpleasanton.eventbrite.com.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND

Tri-Valley Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind will be meeting from 1-3 p.m., second Saturday of each month at Valley Memorial Hospital, 1111

E. Stanley Blvd., Livermore. Any visually impaired or blind person is urged to attend. Call Carl at 449-9362.

Lectures/ Workshops

COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERIES

On the Edge Coaching presents "Choosing a Course: Life After High School" at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 15 at the Pleasanton Library. Hear straight from a panel of high school and college students about challenges, successes, and their solutions. Learn about student struggles during their high school years as it relates to college plans. Call 931-5359 or go to ptownlife.org.

On Stage

'BOOMERAGING: FROM LSD TO OMG' Bay Area's one and only Will Durst will present his rollicking celebration of "the Maturation of the Boomer Nation" at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17-18 at the Firehouse Arts Center. Ably assisted by his genial wit and trusty overhead projector, Durst presents his newest one-man show. Tickets are \$20-\$30. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

'THE WORLD OF WEBBER!' A CABARET TRIBUTE TO ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER! The promised return of the hit revue "A World of Webber!" will be at 8 p.m. on

Friday, Oct. 10; and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 12 at the Firehouse Arts Center. Featuring songs from "Evita," "Phantom," "Cats," and many more starring Broadway and stage veterans. Tickets are \$13.50-\$25. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

Seniors

DESSERT DANCE Come dance the night away at the Friday Night Dessert Dance at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 10 at the Pleasanton Senior Center with DJ Mike Qetermous. Light refreshments will be served. Cost is \$7 for residents and \$8 for non-residents. Register at www.pleasantonfun.com or pay at the door. Call 931-5365.

Spiritual

'IF DR. SEUSS TAUGHT NEW THOUGHT' Scott Kalechstein Grace, author of "Teach Me How to Love" and a transformational troubador, will present "If Dr. Seuss Taught New Thought" during the service from 10-11:15 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 12 at Unity of Tri-Valley, 9875 Dublin Canyon Road, Castro Valley. Followed by a light lunch, the workshop will run from 12-2 p.m. and discussing "Healing the Sick, Raising the Dead, and Forgiving your Mother!" Requested \$25 love offering, but no one turned away due to lack of funds. Go to www.unityoftrivalley.org. Unity of Tri-Valley, 9875 Dublin Canyon Road, Castro Valley.

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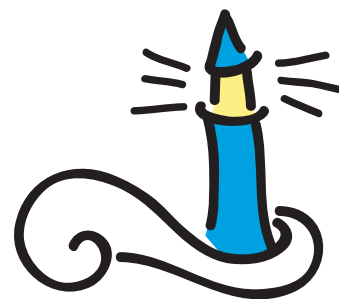
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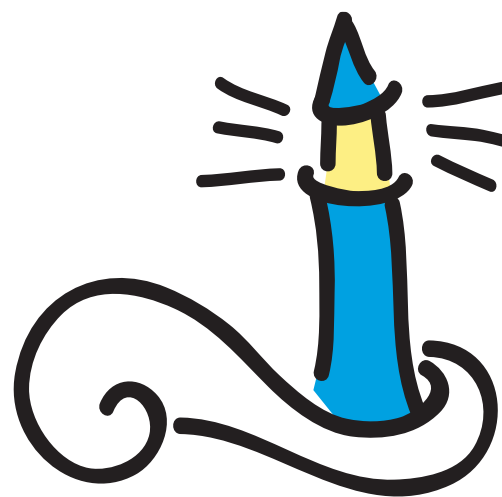
to California Code of Civil Procedure §§Sections 425.10, 425.11, and 580; Civil Code §3295. The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney is: John S. Richards, Esq., Richards Law, 4695 Chabot Drive, Suite 200, Pleasanton, CA 94588; (925) 231-8104. /s/ John S. Richards. Dated 09/22/2014. (Pleasanton Weekly, Oct. 10, 17, 24, 31)

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Sotheby's International Realty to open Pleasanton office

Local firm to be headed by Andrew Greenwell

By **JEB BING**

Venture Sotheby's International Realty will open its new office next March in the Pastime Plaza, a two-story office and restaurant building under construction at 511 Main St., where Pastime Pool used to be located.

Andrew Greenwell, former general manager at Keller Williams Realty in Pleasanton, is the broker and co-owner of Venture Sotheby, which is an independently owned and operated member of Sotheby's International Realty Affiliates LLC. The firm has 82 other offices in California.

"We are proud to grow the Sotheby's International Realty brand's presence in California with Venture Sotheby and the team of professionals that Andrew is building," said Philip White, president and CEO of Sotheby's International Realty Affiliates. "Pleasanton is one of the finest markets in California and a premier destination in the Bay Area given its close proximity to San Francisco and the Silicon Valley."

Greenwell said the Sotheby's affiliation offers his firm true international exposure, combined with local expertise.

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"We are fortunate to represent one of the world's finest brands in a highly sought-after market, with its beautiful weather, wine country lifestyle and scenic landscapes," he added. "We look forward to representing some of the most extraordinary real estate the Bay Area has to offer, and with the support of this brand, introducing our market to a broad audience of consumers worldwide."

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HOME SALES

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

Pleasanton

6075 Audrey Court J. & L. Jones to T. Wu for \$690,000
740 Avio Court J. & R. Johns to J. Qin for \$1,740,000
1675 Calle Santiago Brown Trust to B. Ramachandran for \$475,000
4250 Fairlands Drive K. & G. Klumb to H. Hu for \$812,000
2249 Goldcrest Circle T. Javidi to C. Lin for \$549,000
3130 Half Dome Drive W. Austin to J. Berka for \$694,000
1126 Mataro Court Guthrie Trust to W. Cai for \$1,080,000
1408 Via Di Salerno Imbertson Trust to H. Dhaliwal for \$2,075,000
3696 Woodbine Way R. Singh to Y. Ma for \$410,000

Livermore

5179 Diane Lane B. & J. Wood to D. Kim for \$1,120,000
5871 Dresslar Circle M. Jones to K. Ghafourpour for \$982,000
5817 Flora Common Standard Pacific Corporation to J. & E. Fisher for \$750,000
1098 Glenn Common J. Borello to R. Kelly for \$377,000
1052 Locust Street A. Sozio to J. Nomany for \$435,000
1064 Lomas Avenue Funderburk Trust to D. & K. Krauss for \$740,000
3153 Lucca Circle Ponderosa Homes to B. & J. Gomes for \$964,000
1885 Monterey Drive C. & A. Miano to C. & J. Stroope for \$390,000
2235 Palomino Road J. & W. Rees to H. Farahmand-Thomason for \$467,000
1938 San Vicente Drive Ponderosa Homes to P. Pope for \$949,500
5392 Sunflower Court Haney Trust to J. Liu for \$390,000
1858 Valley of the Moon Road S. & L. Angelo to D. & C. Dunlap for \$1,145,000

San Ramon

2121 Bent Creek Drive N. Moavenian to R. Sara for \$730,000
3861 Crow Canyon Road Silva Trust to K. Sewad for \$536,000
2412 Cuenca Drive E. & L. Montes to R. So for \$818,000
2702 Derby Drive R. & L. Lumpkin to T. & T. Dutcher for \$1,065,000
220 Eastridge Drive A. Afkar to G. Chandran for \$345,000
1040 Lakeridge Place R. & S. Drury to C. & N. Cook for \$822,500
316 Norris Court G. Crothall to K. & M. Kirby for \$950,000
820 Spring Brook Drive E. & A. Macias to J. Aparicio for \$875,000
9181 Tangerine Street E. & M. Loyd to Coronel Trust for \$600,000
765 Watson Canyon Court #236 R. & S. Vanbuskirk to P. Saljoughian for \$390,000

Dublin

4020 Arellano Court A. Somasekaran to N. Phatnani for \$825,000
4686 Central Parkway #42 J. Zeaman to J. McDermott for \$520,000
3313 Central Parkway Shea Homes to M. & O. Mirza for \$761,000
3325 Central Parkway Shea Homes to J. Ni for \$688,000
8513 Galindo Drive K. Mobley to Rod Properties for \$500,000
6134 Ledgewood Terrace R. & R. Gerber to F. Ziayee for \$1,255,000
1613 North Terracina Drive D R Horton to P. Harika for \$1,175,000
6844 Sage Court Connally Trust to A. Drummond for \$613,000

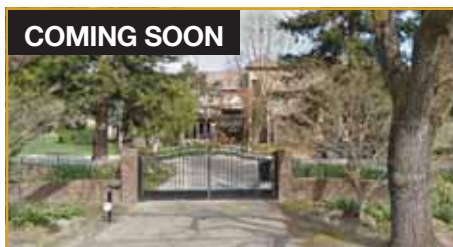
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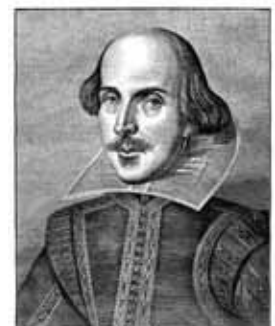
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To Counter or Not to Counter. That is the Question

To Counter or Not to Counter. It is doubtful that Shakespeare faced that dilemma in his time. But it is certainly a dilemma many sellers face in today's market. The market is still strong, especially in the lower price segments. So if you are a seller and you get an offer, should you take it? Should you counter it? Should you wait for more possible offers? Should you set a deadline for offers or respond as they come in? These are all great questions. Let's take a quick look at what the options are for sellers in today's market:



1. If I get an offer, should I counter it? Short answer... it depends. It depends on how this offer stacks up to the realistic market value. If you are not likely to get a higher offer, you might be smart to just accept the offer, or at least the price. You can always tighten up the terms of the offer with a counter offer or addendum. But be careful... I have seen many buyers walk from a property when a seller counters them. Any time you counter an offer, you run the risk of losing the buyer. If the price is really good, that might be a substantial risk. If you think you can do better, then it is probably worth the risk. It is all relative to a realistic market value

2. Should we set a deadline for offers, or respond as they come in? The answer to this question depends on where you priced the property. If you priced it low hoping to spur multiple offers and over-bidding, then you should probably wait until a specific date and time to respond to offers. If your price is on the higher end of the range, you may want to consider offers as they come in, and not hold off. I have seen several homes recently where the seller sets a deadline for offers, and **Go to www.680homes.com to read the rest of this article.**

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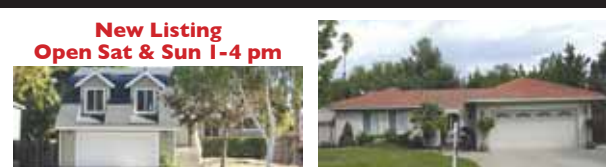
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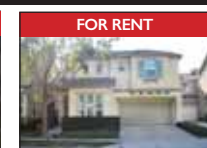
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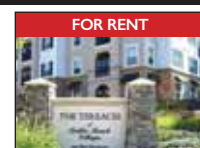
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Just Listed At Pinnacle Ridge!! Welcome to the wonderful gated golf course community of Pinnacle Ridge. Gorgeous home!! 5 Bedrooms, plus an office. All new carpets, custom paint, custom wall finishes, gorgeous dual stair case and an inviting grand foyer. Great home, Great Community, Great opportunity!!
5850 Turnberry Dr., Dublin



Gorgeous Single Story in popular Canyon Crest!! This spacious home backs to permanent open space, and features new tile floors, new paint, new carpeting, a gorgeous gourmet kitchen with granite countertops, double ovens, and a large kitchen nook with views of the hill. Open floor plan with vaulted ceilings, formal living room and dining room, beautiful family room with wet bar and views of the hill. No rear neighbors, the home backs to the hills, and features a wonderful, relaxing backyard. Wonderful location, walk to park and elementary school!!!!
5290 Canyon Crest Dr. San Ramon. 4Bd/2Ba \$899,950

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Windermere Select Properties

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6216 GUYSON CT. PLEASANTON



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OPEN SAT/SUN 1-4

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LAGUNA OAKS



COMING SOON!

Gorgeous Executive Home in Highly desired Laguna Oaks, Resort style living. Largest model, huge Granite Kitchen expanded family room on huge lot with pool with community pool, tennis, parks Call CINDY for details and a private showing!

9459 BLESSING DR. THE PRESERVE!



Gorgeous updated to perfection Executive home with pool/waterfall VIEWS! BACKS TO OPEN SPACE!.. Must see to believe.. \$1,848,000



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5659 BRIDGEPORT CIR., LIVERMORE
3BD/2BA, Built 1972, 1524 Sq. Ft.
Lg. family rm w/fireplace \$500,000
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8035 HORIZONS CT., PLEASANTON
4BD/4BA, Built 1999, 5400 Sq. Ft.
Fabulous Custom Home \$2,195,000
KARLA BROWN 925-200-1909
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1300 BUSH ST., MARTINEZ
2BD/1BA, Built 1941, 881 Sq. Ft.
Charming bungalow. \$299,999
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7391 DALMALLY LN., DUBLIN
3BD/2BA, Built 1996, 1384 Sq. Ft.
"NORTH" Facing 2-level \$595,000
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27 MOSSWOOD CT., LIVERMORE
3BD/2BA, Built 1994, 1838 Sq. Ft.
Georgous Murietta Meadows \$717,000
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1134 LUCILLE ST., LIVERMORE
3BD/2BA, Built 1964, 1533 Sq. Ft.
Highly motivated seller. \$549,950
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2857 GREEN HAVEN DR., TRACY
5BD/3BA, Built 2006, 3308 Sq. Ft.
Lovely 2-story in Redbridge. \$584,999
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6408 FORGET ME NOT, LIVERMORE
3BD/2BA, Built 2004, 1501 Sq. Ft.
Granite kitchen counters. \$439,900
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9 WEDGEWOOD CT., PITTSBURG
6BD/3BA, Built 2006, 3103 Sq. Ft.
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4271 PLEASANTON AVE #B, PLEASANTON
2BD/1BA, Built 1970, 884 Sq. Ft.
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