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AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

Bullet train's plan (and noise) moves to Peninsula



California's high-speed rail system, once proposed to travel through the Altamont Pass and Pleasanton at speeds up to 220 mph, has been derailed again, with a new business plan calling for the bullet trains starting on the San Francisco-to-San Jose segment. It's an abrupt, though not wholly unexpected, change of direction for a project that received approval from California voters in 2008.

The goal of the publicly funded California High-Speed Rail Authority has always been to have bullet train service between Northern and Southern California. Groups such as the Bay Area Open Space Council, Sierra Club and the Mountain Lion Foundation endorsed the project but early on wanted the authority to consider Pleasanton and an Altamont Pass link to its main trunk line through the Central Valley instead of a Pacheco Pass route that the train authority later favored.

Opposition from local governments in the Tri-Valley — where double-decking railway lines would whiz through — plus the huge costs of digging through the Altamont hills, led to choosing Pacheco Pass and then later to starting the north-south route in the Central Valley.

Now the plan is to take the train south only to Kern County, then north through the San Joaquin Valley and west to San Jose.

Reporter Gennady Sheyner, who has been tracking the many changes in the bullet train service over the years for our sister paper the Palo Alto Weekly, reports the California High-Speed Rail Authority's surprising announcement last fall that it was launching an environmental analysis on the San Francisco-to-San Jose segment perplexed local officials and rail watchdogs.

Up to that point, the rail authority had indicated that the first usable segment would be constructed in the Central Valley and that the line would only later be expanded to San Francisco and Los Angeles. Political opposition in the Peninsula and beyond, similar to what the rail author-

ity found in the Tri-Valley, along with projected cost-overruns, had kept the focus on the Central Valley route. Only later would plans be expanded to the Peninsula.

The new business plan also includes a lower cost estimate for the project than the 2014 plan. The price tag, pegged at \$67.6 billion two years ago, now stands at \$64.2 billion. The business plan states that the rail authority achieved this decrease by "factoring in lessons learned from our first construction bids, design refinements suggested in those proposals and other reviews, advancing more detailed engineering and design work and incorporating contractors' viewpoints."

The rail authority is proposing to invest \$2.1 billion from these savings in transportation improvements between Los Angeles and Anaheim. Planned improvements include grade separation of the railroad tracks, improved regional rail services and new tracks between Los Angeles and Anaheim, which would support high-speed rail in the future.

The most dramatic change announced in the plan, however, isn't the shifting price tag but the rail authority's pivot toward Silicon Valley and San Francisco. The decision to launch the system in this region was driven by the agency's goal of "getting a high-speed passenger line into operation as quickly as possible," the plan states.

The agency's analysis — which considered funding sources, travel-speed requirements and revenue projections — indicated the segment that could be built most quickly (and turned into a revenue generator) would be between Silicon Valley and the Central Valley, with the southern tip ending just north of Bakersfield.

Although as taxpayers we will be saddled with paying the cost of this ongoing boondoggle, at least we won't have to suffer the Peninsula's coming agony of bullet train noise, nor give up our precious view of the Altamont ranges so that we can make that trip to Bakersfield more quickly. ■

About the Cover

Rendering shows the different types of sports that will be played on the new fields being built as part of the Bernal Community Park, Phase II project. Image courtesy of Play Bernal. Cover design by Kristin Brown.

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ASKED AROUND TOWN

With spring and the warm weather on the way, what are you looking forward to?



David Shohfi

Sales

I'm looking forward to spending more time outdoors, and hanging out with friends and family at the beach. Due to the drought, I feel a little guilty saying goodbye to the rainy season, but I don't think that will prevent me from enjoying all that comes with spring.



Gerri and Rohanna Beegan

Sisters/nurses

We always look forward to spring because our patients tend to feel better and be more comfortable when the weather is nice and the sun is shining every single day. It's amazing how much the weather can impact a person's mood and how they feel.



Henry Jacobs *Account manager*

I'm really looking forward to rotating all of the clothes in my closet; I love swapping out my winter clothes, putting them in storage, and then replacing them with my spring and summer wardrobe. In fact, I plan to do that over this weekend. It's a bit of a ritual I like to engage in as an affirmation that winter is a thing of the past — at least until it returns next year. I hate the cold.



Linda Loomis

Retired

Spring! I'm looking forward to spring itself. I love watching the flowers blossom and grow. That always makes me smile. And I love to just be outdoors in the spring, enjoying the beautiful weather.



Mike Gillaspie

Park ranger

I look forward to seeing the flowers in bloom and swimming with my daughter. I'm hoping we'll get lots more rain though, on account of the drought and all, before spring is really in full swing.

—Compiled by Nancy and Jenny Lyness

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DIGEST

Play ball

With spring in the air, Pleasanton's two Little League baseball organizations are set to open their seasons this weekend, weather permitting.

Pleasanton Foothill Little League's opening ceremony is scheduled for 10-11 a.m. tomorrow, with hundreds of young baseball players and adult volunteers expected for the event at Bernal Community Park. Games are set to take place following the ceremony.

Pleasanton Little League is set to usher in its 2016 season with ceremonial first pitches and a rendition of the national anthem before the first games of the day tomorrow at 8:30 a.m. at Ken Mercer Sports Park.

For weather and scheduling updates, visit each league's website: pflonline.org and pleasantonnational.org.

Support for survivors

Tri-Valley Haven is offering an eight-week support group for survivors of sexual assault on Wednesdays from 5:30-7 p.m. in Livermore, set to begin next week.

"The Haven provides a safe space for survivors to connect and talk openly about their lives. This group supports each participant as they discuss healthy coping skills and explore strategies for healing," officials with the nonprofit organization said.

It is a closed support group and participants must sign up ahead of time. Organizers would like survivors to attend all eight weeks, but it is not required. For more info, call Amanda at Tri-Valley Haven at 667-2797.

New band director

Jonathon Pedroni, a Pleasanton school district music teacher, will step in as Pleasanton Middle School's second band director, joining Jason Ravina.

Pedroni, who currently teaches at Pleasanton Middle, has been a music teacher in the Pleasanton school system for nine years.

He will now finish out the year as the school's second band director, filling the vacancy created when Lydia Lim was named band director at Foothill High School — where she succeeds Josh Butterfield, who became interim vice principal at the school last month. ■

Correction

In last week's Newsfront section, the article "School board OKs layoffs" cited an incorrect date for the state's budget update. That update is set to occur in May. The Pleasanton Weekly regrets the error.

Referendum set for June 7 on Lund Ranch II development

Petitioners gain required signatures from 10% of Pleasanton voters in effort to overturn council's OK of project

By JEB BING

The Pleasanton City Council agreed Tuesday night to schedule a referendum for June 7 to let voters decide if its approval Jan. 5 of a 43-home development on Lund Ranch should be overturned.

The action came after the Alameda County Registrar of Voters' Office determined that petitioners opposed to the development obtained 4,422 signatures from registered voters in Pleasanton to hold a referendum, which was more than the 10% of

the city's registered voters to force a referendum — 4,237 signatures.

Although Councilwoman Karla Brown urged the council to simply rescind its Jan. 5 approval, sparing the city and taxpayers a cost of up to \$247,000 for the special election, Mayor Jerry Thorne and two others on the council — Kathy Narum and Arne Olson — disagreed. They cast the three deciding votes to proceed with the referendum, and then all four voted to hold it in conjunction with the California primary on June 7.

The fifth council member, Jerry Pentin, again recused himself from Tuesday night's discussion because he lives close to the one of the access roads that could lead into the proposed development.

The council's decision to hold the referendum at the time of the primary was a costly one. Because there are no Pleasanton candidates or issues on the June 7 ballot, this will be a special election that requires the city to pay all the costs.

The county registrar can charge between \$4 and \$6 for each of the

city's registered voters, plus printing costs, for an estimated range of \$164,000 to \$247,000.

The council could have chosen a no-cost referendum date of Nov. 8, which is a General Election that includes the scheduled municipal election for mayor and two City Council members. Since the city's cost of that election is already budgeted, the referendum could have been held then with only the extra printing costs added.

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Sira retires as Dons football coach

Longtime Amador Valley High head football coach Rick Sira, shown on right speaking with Dons player Harrison Mayo, recently announced his decision to step away from his role after 30 years. "He will be missed, plain and simple ... The undeniable truth is, every kid who had a chance to play for Sira is a better person for having that opportunity," writes Pleasanton Weekly prep sports columnist Dennis Miller in his story this week on Sira's retirement. Read more on page 13.



COURTESY OF RITA SIRA

Hart principal to be reassigned

District leaders mum on reason for Conde's move, cite personnel privacy

By MEREDITH BAUER

Hart Middle School principal Terry Conde will be reassigned to another position due to a personnel issue, school board president Jamie Hintzke confirmed late last week.

A timeline for Conde's removal and reassignment hadn't been announced as of press time, nor had information about when a new principal would be chosen.

Hintzke and school district spokesman Patrick Gannon said they couldn't comment on the reason for the reassignment, citing personnel privacy laws.

Conde, Hart's principal since 2010, said she couldn't speak about the matter when reached for comment last week.

Interim superintendent Jim Hansen declined to speak specifically about Conde or Hart Middle School, but he said in a statement regarding reassignments in general:

"In consultation with cabinet members, I am responsible for managing and maximizing talent. Our goal is to place staff in roles that have the most positive impact for the individual and for the district as a whole. Our current site administrator re-assignments are about optimizing talent.

"We understand that change does not come easily. These chang-

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Experts search for answers to Lake Del Valle's toxic algae problem

Tests show treated drinking water from lake reservoir is safe

While the recent El Niño storms have dissipated toxic algae in other East Bay lakes, Lake Del Valle remains off limits to swimmers and dogs.

The lake has been closed ever since toxic blue-green algae was detected in December, but experts haven't figured out exactly how usual yearly blooms in the lake — which doubles as a regional drinking water reservoir — turned poisonous.

"In the 80-year history of the park district, we never had any toxic blooms until two summers ago," said Carolyn Jones, spokeswoman for the East Bay Regional Park District. "At this point, it's been really frustrating because we don't have enough staff to get to the

bottom of this."

Recent tests confirmed the region's drinking water hasn't been affected by the toxic blooms, and chlorine is used by Zone 7 Water Agency treatment plants to kill any algae, Zone 7 general manager Jill Duerig said.

Microcystins, a group of toxins produced by cyanobacteria found in toxic algae, sicken people and kill animals by attacking the liver, according to a 2009 California Environmental Protection Agency report. It can sicken humans and kill dogs and other animals that lap up the poisonous water.

Typically, toxic algae forms after a run-off of nutrient-rich material

— such as excrement from failed septic tanks or fertilizer from agricultural farms — but Lake Del Valle doesn't have any of those issues nearby, park district water supervisor Hal MacLean said.

While he said it's possible water that's pumped into the lake from Clifton Court Forebay in the San Joaquin River Delta could be the cause, he didn't know of any current toxic blooms in the source lake.

It's rare for toxic algae to form and persist during the cooler winter months since algae typically likes dry, warm months, Jones said. This is the first time Lake Del Valle

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New director hired for Pleasanton Library

Heidi Murphy coming here from Los Gatos; helped that town build new library

By JEB BING

Heidi Murphy, the library director for Los Gatos, has been hired as Pleasanton's new director of library services, succeeding Julie Farnsworth, who retired. Murphy will assume her new role on April 4.

Murphy, who was raised in Pleasanton and is a graduate of Amador Valley High School, will be responsible for 25 library employees and a budget of just over \$4 million.

She will also work with the nine-member Library Commission and

the Friends of the Pleasanton Library, a group that supports the mission and purpose of the library through volunteer and fundraising efforts, including the library's popular book sales programs.

Murphy has a combination of public and private sector library experience prior to Los Gatos, including experience in public education as a school librarian. She holds a bachelor's degree in literature from UC Santa Cruz and a Master of Library Science degree from San Jose State University.

Murphy also will be part of the new Civic Center/Library Task Force that was appointed by the City Council to develop plans for new complexes to serve both needs.

City Manager Nelson Fialho, who hired Murphy, said her work in Los Gatos should make her a valuable asset in the task force's efforts since she played a key role in the planning and construction of a 30,000-square-foot modern library in that community.

"Heidi Murphy has distinguished herself as the most qualified person to take the helm and help our city explore options for building a new library," Fialho said.

"The director of library services has to be able to meet the high standards of service here in Pleasanton," Fialho added. "I'm confi-

dent Heidi possesses the kind of innovation and progressive leadership style to sustain and improve existing services, while also embarking on the design and construction of a new library for our community."

Roughly 50 applicants participated in the recruitment process. Top candidates were invited to participate in interviews with Fialho and his executive team. Also participating in the interviews were members of various city commissions, including representation from the Library Commission, Youth Commission and the Civic Center/Library Task Force.

The Pleasanton Library is visited daily by nearly 2,000 people, with 1.5 million items checked out annually. ■



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Amador Valley High alum Heidi Murphy will take over as Pleasanton's director of library services next month.



WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

Planning Commission

Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

• PUD-115, Guy Houston

Application for Planned Unit Development (PUD) Development Plan to retain the existing single-family residence and construct two new single-family residences and related improvements on separate lots located at 11249 Dublin Canyon Road. Zoning for the property is PUD-LDR (Planned Unit Development – Low Density Residential) District.

• P15-0748/P16-0222, Jim Morgenroth

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Wednesday, March 10, 2016

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Water agency: Chance of Flint-type lead crisis in Tri-Valley is unlikely

Zone 7 says local water is protected against lead leaching

By MEREDITH BAUER

With news of lead coursing through the drinking water system in Flint, Mich., a Tri-Valley regional water agency says local water is safe from such a crisis.

The Zone 7 Water Agency, the wholesale water provider for Tri-Valley cities such as Pleasanton, said in a news release last week that the lead levels in local water are monitored and carefully controlled.

"The Flint crisis is extremely unlikely to occur here," the agency said in a release.

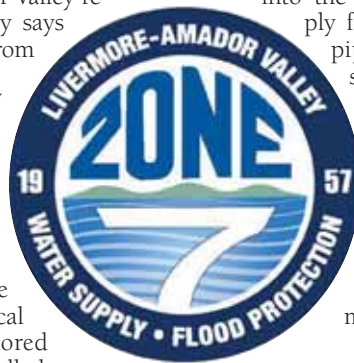
Flint residents have been without drinking water for weeks after it was discovered lead had leached into the public water supply from corroded lead pipes. The corrosion was caused when the city switched drinking water sources and didn't put corrosion-control methods in place, despite safety requirements.

Zone 7 said the type of pipes used to deliver water in Northern California aren't susceptible to the type of damage that caused Flint's lead

leaching, and the agency maintains corrosion-control methods that Flint's water department neglected due to budget problems.

Zone 7 also said it tests its water year-round, and per a state Environmental Protection Agency requirement, local water providers are required to monitor and provide regular reports on their corrosion-control systems. Zone 7 is also required to provide a consumer report to customers to give an update on drinking water test results.

While California requires all new homes to have lead-free plumbing, some older dwellings still have lead faucets or pipes. There is still a potential for isolated lead exposure in specific homes that have such plumbing. ■



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es, while difficult, are being made to find the best fit for the overall organization with the long-term goal of stability and continuity for our school site leadership."

The board voted in closed session on Feb. 23 to approve of the reassignment of Conde, Hintzke confirmed two days after the meeting. Conde's name was not listed on the board's public agenda nor mentioned by the board when its closed-session decisions were reported out during open session.

At the board meeting last week, six parents urged board members to keep Conde as Hart Middle School's principal. Half of them addressed the board before its closed session, with the other three speaking during the public comment when the open-session meeting began.

Hart parent Celeste Lopez asked the board to consider parents' comments when deciding whether



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Hart principal Terry Conde will be reassigned from the middle school due to a personnel issue.

to reassign Conde.

"She's a great leader, she's a very good principal," she told the board. "Hart is a very successful school."

Kirsten Schwartz, parent of a Hart student, said she's been pleased with Conde's performance as principal and would like to see the school have some continuity with leadership.

Schwartz pointed out that some

students matriculated from nearby Donlon Elementary, which went through a slew of principals over the last few years — six since 2009.

"If you look at these kids from kindergarten to sixth grade, they've had an absurd number of principals," Hart parent Brian Schwartz said.

"My child has this idea that you change principals every year," said Hart parent Erika Schmitz.

Conde's leadership at Hart had been questioned publicly dating back to 2014, when multiple employee grievances were filed against her, one mentioning a "stern and intimidating tone and demeanor."

Janice Clark, teachers' union president, said during a school board meeting at that time that union officials and teachers had been arguing for Conde to be removed from Hart.

Clark, during an interview last week, said the Association of Pleasanton Teachers' leadership has not held meetings regarding Conde's reassignment since 2014 and has not been involved with discussions related to the recent board decision. ■

REFERENDUM

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However, the council agreed that it would be worth the cost to hold the referendum June 7, well ahead of the electioneering and political campaigns by the candidates facing election Nov. 8.

“Let’s get this referendum decided quickly,” Thorne said. “We need to move on this.”

At issue is the council’s decision in a 3-1 vote to approve the application of Greenbriar Homes Communities to build 43 upscale homes on the 195-acre Lund Ranch II site in the undeveloped hills of Pleasanton southeast of Sunol Boulevard.

As part of the agreement, Greenbriar would donate 177 acres of its property to the city as open space, which would be kept free of any future development in perpetuity with hiking trails to be added.

Even with the referendum approved, Tuesday night’s meeting wasn’t any less contentious for council members and a council chamber half-filled with interest groups both in favor and opposed to the Lund Ranch development.

Speakers who had signed and supported the petitions calling for a referendum generally spoke in favor of urging the council to rescind its Jan. 5 approval and go back to the negotiating table to seek a better development plan.

Those who opposed a referendum in the first place sided with the council majority in putting the referendum on the ballot. ■

ALGAE

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tested positive for toxic algae.

Samples of the algae were sent to Greenwater Laboratories in Palatka, Fla., which specializes in toxic algae analysis. The samples were found to contain Aphanizomenon, Dolichospermum and Microcystis genuses of algae, some of which are known to produce toxic algae at times.

The highest level of toxins found was 27 parts per billion, above the threshold of 20 parts per billion that triggers a lake shut-down.

Mark Aubel, president of Greenwater Laboratories, said awareness of toxic blooms has skyrocketed in recent years as environmental agencies grapple with how to deal with the unexpected problem.

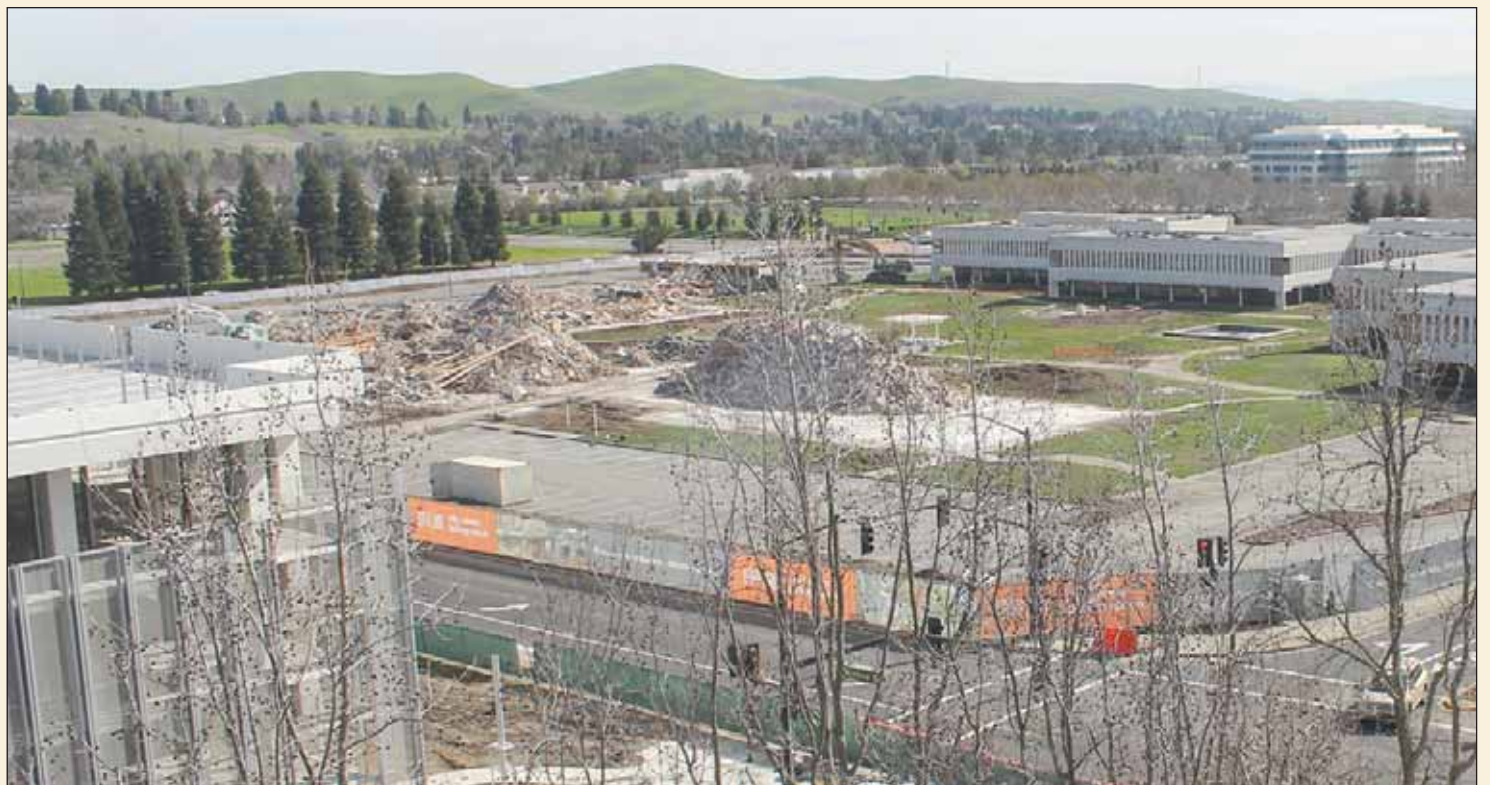
“It’s not just specific to California. It’s a national issue,” he said. “Now the drought out there has obviously exacerbated the situation, with water being as scarce as it is and making sure the water that is available is suitable for drinking, or in some case for recreation.”

The toxic blooms have spread to the entire lake, pushed by the strong winds that accompanied El Niño storms in January, MacLean said.

“The wind can blow that stuff all the way across the entire five miles in one night if the conditions are right,” he said.

Quarry Lake in Fremont, Lake Temescal in Oakland and Lake Anza in Berkeley were recently cleared of toxic algae by strong El Niño rains after the swimming spots had been closed for months. ■

—Meredith Bauer



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Demolition work late last month at Bishop Ranch 2 in San Ramon ahead of the planned City Center project.

Demolition underway for San Ramon’s City Center

Developer eyes May 2018 completion for new retail complex at Bishop Ranch

By JEREMY WALSH

Crews have started demolition work at the site of the planned City Center Bishop Ranch, a retail project that developers, local officials and other supporters hope will give San Ramon a true downtown.

The design for the new complex calls for 300,000 square feet of retail space consisting of about 75 stores, several restaurants and

a 10-screen movie theater around a one-acre piazza, replacing the office buildings that made up Bishop Ranch 2 at the central San Ramon business park.

“We’re thrilled to begin creating the long-anticipated City Center Bishop Ranch, starting with the demolition of BR2,” said Alexander Mehran, Jr., president and COO of Sunset Development Co., which owns Bishop Ranch.

“We look forward to creating a beautiful and vibrant live, work, play environment for the employees and residents of Bishop Ranch, San Ramon and the entire East Bay community,” he added in a statement.

Sunset officials said they estimate demolition work could last another couple weeks and they hope the City Center retail complex will be completed by May

2018.

They see the project’s design concept, by award-winning architectural firm Renzo Piano Building Workshop, as “a reinvention of the American suburban shopping center,” according to a company statement.

Located toward the south end of the Bishop Ranch along Bolinger Canyon Road, the City Center project also includes a planned second phase consisting of 487 apartment units, a 169-room hotel and another 50,000 square feet of retail space, plus another piazza facing the first-phase complex. The latter project would follow 18 months later, according to Sunset officials. ■

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All-girls team advances to state technology competition

Vintage Hills students placed fourth in regional round

By MEREDITH BAUER

A team of young innovators from Vintage Hills Elementary School earned high marks at a recent technical competition.

The seven-person FireBlades team came in fourth place out of 19 teams in the Destination Imagination Regional Tournament's technical challenge on Feb. 13 at Valley Christian School in Dublin, according to parent volunteer Marlo Dykstra.

The team, made up of six third-

grade girls and one fourth-grade girl, were asked to develop a vehicle that could move using two propulsion systems.

The group spent from September to February making their go-kart. Dykstra said the competition taught the students critical skills, such as teamwork, collaboration and time management.

Parents were allowed to guide students but couldn't help them build anything related to the project.

"It was pretty amazing to see

them saw, drill and hammer their go-kart which has an actual 'gas' pedal and steering," Dykstra said.

The team also had to write and present a theatrical story as part of the competition. Team members had to prepare props and form a story that depicted a character change.

The team's inspirational mantra this school year was "FAIL: Frequent Attempt in Learning."

"This mantra taught them never to give up," Dykstra said. "They proved that during the regional tournament as they had an issue with one of the propulsion systems and as a team worked to resolve it. The judges took note of that."

The team will compete in the Destination Imagination state competition in May in Riverside. ■



MARLO DYKSTRA

A team of Vintage Hills students earned fourth place in the Pace of Change technical challenge at the Destination Imagination Regional Tournament on Feb. 13. Left to right: Calla Duncan Anderson, Grace Dykstra, Yasmeen Sezen, Hailey Rice, Sophie McMillen and Riley Dykstra. Not pictured: Sophie Lovelock.

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Water wholesaler weighs California WaterFix involvement

Board to vote whether to give nod of support on March 16

A recent Zone 7 Water Agency study showed the local water wholesaler will be dependent on importing water to the region for the foreseeable future and emphasized the need for a renovated water delivery system.

The Zone 7 Water Agency's water supply evaluation study, which is updated every five years, showed 80% of the agency's water supply is obtained through infrastructure that stretches from the Sierra, through the Delta and to the Tri-Valley. However, that water is sent through "aging, vulnerable, non-ecofriendly facilities in the Delta," according to the study.

Zone 7 officials are eyeing a state-wide water infrastructure project called the California WaterFix, which would create large underground pipes to transport water from the Sierra snowpack to municipalities involved with the State Water Project. Zone 7 sells water wholesale to several water provid-

ers in the Tri-Valley, including the city of Pleasanton.

At the agency's board meeting last month, board members debated whether the agency should get behind the California WaterFix. A resolution is set to go to a board vote at the next public meeting this month, and while an affirmative vote wouldn't put the agency on the hook for any more money yet, it would symbolize that Zone 7 is in favor of the project.

"You haven't put your money yet," Zone 7 general manager Jill Duerig told board members at the Feb. 17 meeting. "But you're taking a stance."

Zone 7 staff said California WaterFix environmental documents and initial design were \$240 million total, and Zone 7 paid about \$2.4 million of that. Construction for the project is expected to cost \$15 billion over a decade, paid by multiple agencies.

A separate vote would go before

the board before the agency agreed to pay for additional costs associated with the project.

Board member Dick Quigley said new infrastructure promised by the California WaterFix would improve the agency's water. Currently, water received by the State Water Project flows through above-ground canals at points, which dirties the water more along the way.

Board members are set to decide whether to give their symbolic OK to the project at the next board meeting, and some board members emphasized they wanted to hear what the public thought before they voted.

"I think the public buy-in is going to be critical," said board member Angela Ramirez Holmes.

The Zone 7 Water Agency board will meet at 7 p.m. March 16 at agency offices, 100 North Canyons Parkway in Livermore. ■

—Meredith Bauer

Livermore National Lab to hold rare career fair

'We have needs throughout our career spectrum,' lab manager says

By JEB BING

The Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory will hold a job fair next Thursday in hopes of filling 80 positions in the field of information technology, environment safety and health, management and budget, and human resources.

More specifically, the lab is looking for new and experienced technicians in the fields of HVAC, electrical, mechanical, health and safety, and laser optics. Other jobs are available for electricians, drafters, system administrators, boiler mechanics and plumbers.

Candidates from across the Bay Area and outlying communities are invited to attend, especially recent graduates with some experience and students graduating with associate degrees from local community colleges.

"We have needs throughout our career spectrum," said Randy Pico, the lab's engineering directorate's senior superintendent.

"We do this so rarely in our own community, so it's an incredible opportunity for people to come in and meet (recruiters) from the lab," he added. "It's a really exciting time for us. We just feel strongly that

our local pipeline is ready for this."

The last such job fair occurred in 2001, Pico said.

The career fair will be held from 3-6 p.m. on Thursday (March 10) at the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave. in Livermore. For more information, contact Pico at 422-4999 or 699-4827, or send an email pico4@llnl.gov.

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Bay Area News Group combining its newspapers into 2 publications

Oakland Tribune, Hayward Daily Review, Fremont Argus to become weeklies

By JEB BING

The Bay Area News Group announced Tuesday that it is combining its daily newspapers in the East Bay, Silicon Valley and on the Peninsula into two distinct publications — the East Bay Times and The Mercury News.

The new East Bay Times will incorporate daily coverage from the current Tri-Valley Times, San Ramon Valley Times, Contra Costa Times, East County Times, West County Times, The Oakland Tribune, The Daily Review and The Argus.

The name San Jose is being dropped from the Mercury News.

The changes, which take effect April 5, will give readers on both

sides of the Bay more focused regional news that impacts their daily lives, according to Sharon Ryan, the news group's president and publisher, who said the two daily newspapers will continue to include community news.

The Argus in Fremont, The Daily Review in Hayward and The Oakland Tribune will change over to community weeklies, adding to the group's current collection of 27 weeklies in the South Bay and East Bay. As part of the move, the news organization will create an East Bay-wide website, eastbaytimes.com, replacing the current contracostatimes.com and insidebayarea.com.

Ryan said the moves are being undertaken in the wake of an exten-

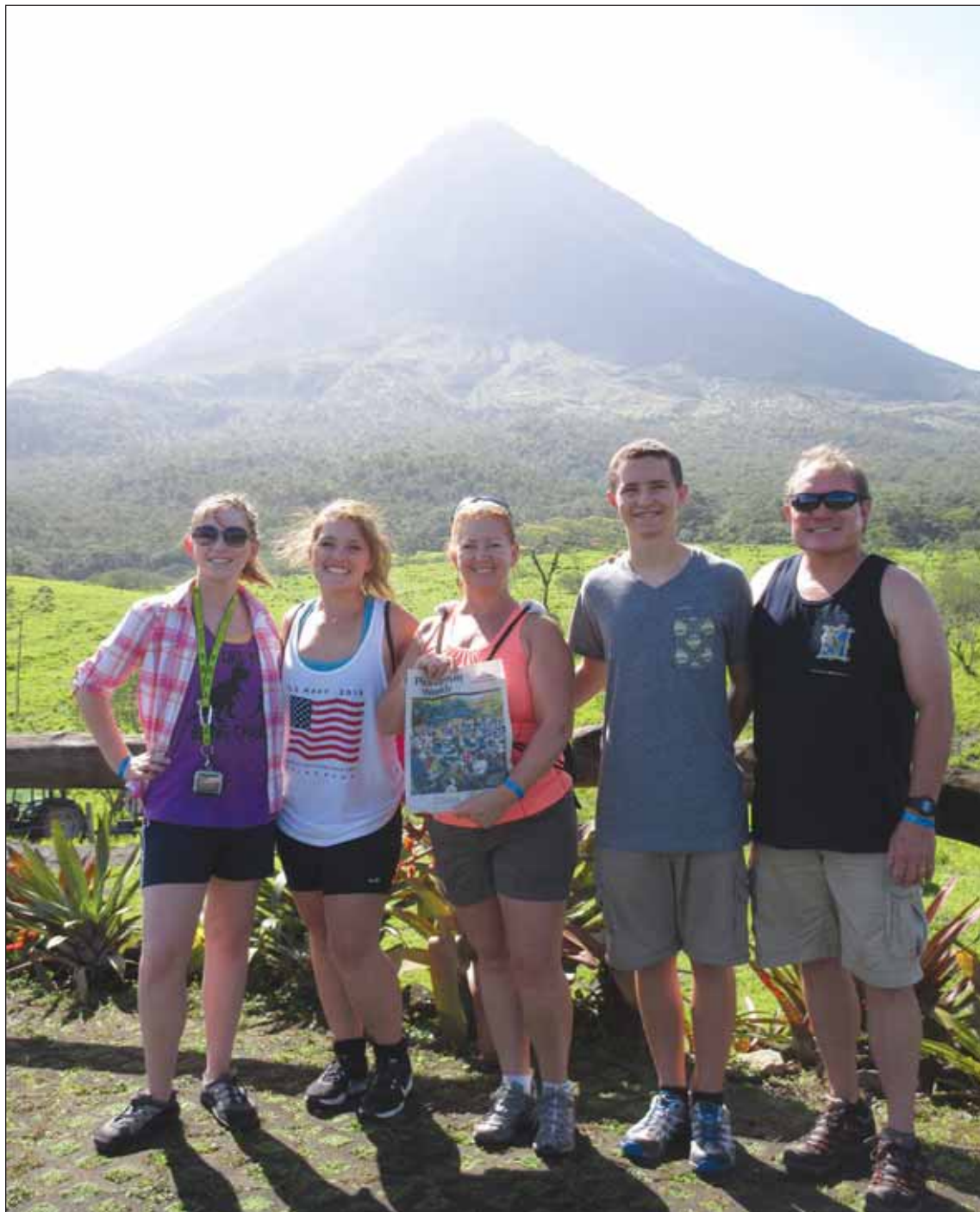
sive survey of print readers last fall.

"Readers have been quite clear with us about how much they like their newspapers and what they want more of, and we're changing to serve them better," Ryan said.

She said the changes are part of an ongoing transformation to make BANG more responsive to its print and digital audiences, streamlining production while improving news gathering and presentation to provide readers with news when they want it and where they want it.

It was also announced that the changes will result in "a modest reduction" in staffing in certain areas some of it through buyouts in the newsroom and expansion in others. ■

TAKE US ALONG



Volcano view: On a trip to Costa Rica, Lauren, Melanie, Lee Ann, Jared and Bill Caldwell enjoyed a wonderful hike with the Pleasanton Weekly and nature at its best at the impressive Arenal Volcano. They also traveled to the Manuel Antonio area, Monteverde and Tamarindo.

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POLICE BULLETIN



Judge considers tougher sentence for attorney who killed cyclist

A judge said last week that he will consider imposing a tougher sentence for an attorney who killed a bicyclist in a hit-and-run collision in Dublin in 2012 if he concludes that the attorney misled him at sentencing hearings last year.

Spencer Smith, 36, pleaded no contest to felony hit-and-run and misdemeanor vehicular manslaughter for striking and killing 57-year-old Bo Hu on Dougherty and Fall Creek roads in Dublin on May 15, 2012, and was back in court the morning of Feb. 25.



Spencer Freeman Smith

Alameda County Superior Court Judge Michael Gaffey said of Smith, "If he's found to have intentionally misled the court, then there could be greater consequences than those that already have been imposed and there could be a different penalty."

Smith's attorney, Rebecca Feigelson, said, "I don't think that will happen," saying she doesn't think that Smith misled the court, but Gaffey told her, "You're not the judge."

Last week's hearing was on the issue of whether Smith misled Gaffey at two sentencing hearings last fall by asking to delay serving his jail term because his wife's health was precarious.

But Gaffey postponed the matter until June 10 after Feigelson said Smith's wife can't come

to court because her pregnancy is "high-risk" and she's not supposed to travel until after she gives birth, which is scheduled to happen on April 22.

Smith practiced law in San Francisco and lived in San Ramon at the time of the fatal crash that killed Hu. He and his family now live in Santa Ana in Orange County.

After Smith entered his plea, Gaffey could have sentenced him to up to three years and four months in state prison, but he chose not to send him to prison on Sept. 25 and instead placed him on five years' felony probation, including one year in the county jail that he could serve at home via electronic monitoring after serving 30 days in jail.

At a hearing two weeks later on Oct. 12, Gaffey reduced Smith's felony hit-and-run conviction to a misdemeanor and reduced his sentence to three years' misdemeanor probation.

At both sentencing hearings, Smith asked to delay serving his jail time because his wife was in delicate health because of her pregnancy and needed bed rest. The judge ultimately granted Smith's request.

But prosecutor Matt Gaidos said Smith and his wife then traveled to Dubai for a vacation one week after the Oct. 12 hearing and failed to notify his probation officer, even though he wasn't supposed to travel outside of California.

At a hearing two weeks ago, Gaffey placed Smith back on five years' felony probation and ordered him to serve a year in the county jail after finding that Smith failed to live up to the terms of his probation and his plea agreement with the court by testing positive for cocaine on Oct. 29

after he returned from the trip to Dubai.

Smith was placed in custody at Santa Rita Jail in Dublin in January after he failed to appear in court for a hearing in his case.

Feigelson asked the judge last week to allow Smith to be placed back on an electronic monitoring program or at least be allowed to serve the rest of his jail term at a facility in Santa Ana so he can be close to his wife and children, but Gaffey denied both requests.

Gaffey said, "The answer is no. Mr. Smith has been given enormous opportunities and he hasn't complied with them. The court is not prepared to give him what he wants because he wants it."

The fatal collision reportedly occurred after Smith had been out drinking with a paralegal from his law firm.

Hu was a Chinese tourist who was in the country for his fiancée's relative's graduation and Smith's case has received widespread attention in China.

Smith was arrested two days after the fatal collision when Dublin police identified him as the owner of a recently purchased black 2012 Mercedes-Benz CLS550 connected with the collision.

In other police news:

- Foothill High's baseball team is down one pitching machine and three buckets of baseballs after someone cut through the school's chain-link fence and stole the practice items last week.

An unknown culprit used bolt cutters to cut through fence between 6 p.m. Feb. 24 and 10 a.m. Feb 25, according to Pleasanton police.

While the school has two video security cameras about 100 yards away from

the fields, no surveillance footage could be obtained immediately after the incident, police stated.

The pitching machine was estimated at \$3,000, the stolen Spalding baseballs were estimated at \$600 and damage to the fence was estimated at \$200, according to a police report. No arrests had been made in the case as of Monday.

- A Hayward woman was arrested last week after allegedly swiping about \$1,300 in cash and hundreds of dollars in sunglasses during her shifts at Macy's at the Stoneridge Shopping Center.

Jezone Neena Jackson, 20, was arrested after Macy's security allegedly discovered her cash register was lower than it should have been at certain points. Upon reviewing the department's security footage, store officers allegedly saw her pocket cash from her stationed register, Pleasanton police stated.

Security said she took \$1,397 in cash and \$617 in high-end sunglasses during January. She was arrested Feb. 24 at around 9 p.m. and booked into Santa Rita Jail.

- Pleasanton police urged residents to avoid identifying their home address on social media posts after a news story circulated about thefts where a man allegedly used geo-tagged locations to commit crimes.

Arturo Galvan, of Menifee in Riverside County, was arrested after allegedly tracking several women's social media posts and found their geo-tagged home addresses.

"Be careful if you post from home — you're broadcasting your address," Pleasanton police said in a recent Facebook post. ■

—Meredith Bauer

—Bay City News Service contributed to this report

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DUI

- 3:52 p.m. in the 3800 block of Vineyard Avenue

Fraud

- 3:16 p.m. in the 4500 block of Chabot Drive
- 5:37 p.m. in the 5200 block of Genovesio Drive

Theft from structure

- 12:56 p.m. in the 5200 block of Case Avenue

Shoplifting

- 11:45 a.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road
- 12:40 p.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Feb. 27

Alcohol violation

- 4:08 p.m. in the 5800 block of Valley Avenue

DUI

- 11:22 p.m. in the 5300 block of Case Avenue

Fraud

- 10:55 a.m. in the 2700 block of Huff Drive

Residential burglary

- 7:37 p.m. in the 7500 block of Maywood Drive

Theft

- 11:01 a.m., 4700 block of Willow Road, theft from auto
- 8:48 p.m., 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Feb. 26

Domestic battery

- 7:54 a.m. in the 4700 block of First Street

Fraud

- 12:42 p.m. in the 3700 block of Angus Way

Missing person report

- 10:08 p.m. on Rosewood Drive

Theft

- 9:08 a.m., 1800 block of Santa Rita Road, theft from structure
- 10 a.m., 3400 block of Andrews Drive, theft from auto
- 5:34 p.m., 2100 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 6:16 p.m., 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Feb. 25

Assault/battery

- 9:07 p.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Burglary

- 9:31 p.m. in the 3600 block of Andrews Drive

Graffiti

- 8:50 a.m. in the 4300 block of Foothill Road
- 9:58 a.m. in the 4500 block of First Street

- 1:48 p.m. in the 4400 block of First Street

Theft

- 11:14 a.m. in the 4300 block of Foothill Road
- 12:46 p.m. in the 7700 block of Chestnut Way

Feb. 24

Embezzlement

- 7:57 p.m. in the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Fraud

- 6:38 p.m. in the 1700 block of Santa Rita Road

Graffiti

- 11:35 a.m. in the 4500 block of First Street

Residential burglary

- 6:30 p.m. in the 4100 block of Pleasanton Avenue

Theft from auto

- 7:55 a.m. in the 2300 block of Gloria Court
- 11:11 a.m. in the 8000 block of Canyon Creek Circle
- 11:29 a.m. in the 6400 block of Inglewood Drive

Vandalism

- 11:39 p.m. in the 6300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Feb. 23

Fraud

- 12:45 p.m. in the 4200 block of Rosewood Drive
- 3:45 p.m. in the 6000 block of Johnson Drive

Graffiti

- 10:22 a.m. in the 7300 block of Johnson Drive

- 1:28 p.m. in the 900 block of Roselma Place

- 3:44 p.m. in the 5800 block of Laurel Creek Drive

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Here we go again

It's been five years since Pleasanton voters went to the polls to overturn a former City Council's approval of a housing project called Oak Grove in the hills above the Kottinger Creek neighborhood.

Now, with the council's decision on Tuesday to schedule a similar referendum for June 7, here we go again. This time, those backing the referendum are seeking to overturn the council's Jan. 5 approval of a 43-home development on Lund Ranch II, an obscure 195-acre site just south of Sunol Boulevard near Interstate 680.

The project by Greenbriar Homes Communities calls for building the upscale homes along a narrow roadway leading from Sunset Creek Lane on one side and Lund Ranch Road on the other. By council direction, only 12 homes could use Lund Ranch Road with the other 31 using an extension of Sunset Creek Lane. It's that extension, to be built on a hillside, that opponents

argue violates Measure PP, the voter-approved ordinance that bars construction on hillside slopes greater than 25%.

Councilwoman Kathy Narum said Tuesday that campaigning for votes for or against the June 7 referendum would start after the council's action — and she's right. Already plans are underway to post signs at Farmers Market on Saturday, with messages on social media and newspaper advertising urging voters to turn out on June 7.

The council's decision to schedule the referendum on June 7 was a good call, even though it will cost taxpayers \$164,900 to \$247,000, plus printing costs. That's the state primary, but with no local candidates or issues on the ballot, Pleasanton has to go it alone in paying the cost of a special election.

If the council had chosen to hold the referendum during the General Election on Nov. 8, there would be no cost because that election is already budgeted. However, with local



JEB BING

Proponents of the referendum to overturn the City Council's approval of a housing development on Lund Ranch II seek voters at Farmers Market. They plan to be there every Saturday up to the June 7 referendum.

racers at stake, the referendum would have become part of the political issues candidates would face.

Following Tuesday's decision to put the Lund Ranch II decision to a citywide vote, proponents and opponents of the measure will now start working on ballot arguments. The city's interim city attorney must prepare an impartial analysis and establish the dates for the submittal of bal-

lot arguments.

In preparing those arguments, those doing the work must refrain from using city emails, city offices or holding meetings in city facilities. Most of their work must be done this month, with direct arguments for their position limited to 300 words and rebuttal limited to 250 words.

As Councilwoman Narum said Tuesday night, let the campaign begin. ■

GUEST OPINION

Johnson Drive economic zone

BY MAYOR JERRY THORNE

It's been said that a conversation is an open dialogue as opposed to a monologue between two people. Having an open and transparent dialogue is a basic obligation of government, and one I take seriously.

The give and take between Pleasanton residents and business owners and those of us you have elected to serve is an open dialogue that develops over time. As messy as the give-and-take can sometimes be, transparent dialogue is the bedrock of democracy.

We are having such a dialogue with the proposed Johnson Drive Economic Development Zone (EDZ) right now. The rezoning proposal is intended to spur investment in roughly 40 acres of mostly under-utilized vacant land situated along Johnson Drive near I-680 and Stoneridge Drive.

The idea of exploring a Johnson Drive EDZ was endorsed by the City Council in 2014 because rezoning the mostly industrially-zoned property for commercial purposes could allow for a wider, more modern range of uses.

If the land is rezoned, the goal would be to allow the area to transform into a thriving commercial corridor that capitalizes on its location at the intersection of the I-580 and I-680 freeways, creates more opportunities for desirable new uses and services in the community, diversifies our economic portfolio and generates roughly \$2 million annually in new tax revenue.

The city is in the midst of a detailed exploration of the benefits and challenges of creating an EDZ along Johnson Drive.

It's true that Costco and two hotels have expressed an interest.

Costco has signed a letter of intent with the property owner, which does not guarantee approval unless the City Council first votes to rezone the land — no projects are proposed at this time. Issues to be resolved prior to any council approval of the EDZ include mitigat-

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ing traffic and air quality issues and the cost of infrastructure.

Since the conversation started in 2014, the city commissioned a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR), a typical step in any land-use planning process. The public comment period for that document was extended well beyond the required 45 days to ensure everyone had a say.

The Planning Commission held a public comment hearing to give and take comments on the DSEIR, and city staff held two community

meetings, which were advertised through direct mail, newspaper ads, on Twitter, Facebook and Nextdoor.com. Staff also posted fliers at public facilities and placed notices on the city's website to get the word out.

Currently, staff is in the process of drafting responses to the numerous public comments received so far and finalizing an economic study to augment the work already undertaken. The city will be making this new information available to the public for further review and conversation.

After that, there will be a joint Planning Commission and City Council meeting, slated for sometime in April, and I look forward to continuing the dialogue which hopefully will remain civil and respectful in keeping with our Community of Character traits. ■

Editor's note: Jerry Thorne, now serving his second two-year term as mayor of Pleasanton, is a retired corporate executive with more than 40 years in the private sector. He also served for 10 years on the city's Parks and Recreation Commission.

LETTERS

An unfortunate implication

Dear Editor,

In the second article in the Pleasanton Weekly's "Sacrificing for Success" (Feb. 12, 2016), I would like to correct the unfortunate impression left by the following sentence: "Some are mothers and fathers like Gabina Sanchez, a Pleasanton Unified mother who sees an Axis doctor because she can't afford anything else."

Axis Community Health's service providers are top-notch medical professionals who have chosen to work at Axis Community Health to fulfill their personal commitment to provide quality health care to all.

The implication that Axis Community Health care is somehow substandard or chosen only as a last resort does a huge disservice to Axis Community Health and its many professionals who work tirelessly to serve all members of our community.

—Charlotte Salomon, capital campaign chair for Axis Community Health

Kudos to signature gatherers

Dear Editor,

We would like to congratulate the over 70 Pleasanton citizens who volunteered to collect signatures for the referendum campaign

regarding our City Council's recent approval of the Lund Ranch II project.

Keeping our remaining hills and ridges natural and free of all grading and construction resonated with Pleasanton residents and non-residents alike. The time, effort and commitment of these volunteers from many different parts of the city enabled us to gather over 6,000 signatures in a short period of time to support the referendum.

Common themes we heard over the past 30 days are that we have far too much traffic that cannot be supported by Pleasanton neighborhoods, there is too much construction going on all over town, the city would be unwise to approve water usage during this four-year drought, we don't need further impact on local schools and that Measure PP must be supported to the fullest extent.

We asked that the city reject the Lund Ranch II ordinance, saving the cost of a referendum election and allowing time for the builder to work with the community to craft a PP-compliant solution that protects our hillsides against this project and others like it in the future.

This referendum is a strong message to our council that our citizens do not want a continuation of unbalanced growth, especially when

our precious ridges and hillsides are affected.

It is time for Pleasanton to realize that our values are transforming as a community. The will of the people — not just the builder du jour — must take top priority in the council's decision making process.

—Kelly Cousins, Allen Roberts, Greg O'Connor, Michele Plunge and Bill Lincoln

Enjoy the swimming updates

Dear Editor,

I'm a student at Foothill High School, and I would like to inform you that I enjoy how you guys take up part of the newspaper with updates on how swimmers are doing and when they break records. I think swimmers are under-appreciated, and you guys do a good job acknowledging them.

—Brian Wiener

Benefit concert raises almost \$7,000

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council, we want to thank you very much for the publicity you gave our recent Two Piano Benefit Concert.

The feature article about Tamriko Siprashvili and Temirzhan Yerzhanov excited many readers of the Pleasanton Weekly to attend the

concert, and we were able to raise almost \$7,000 to give to the nine Pleasanton elementary schools for their visual arts programs.

Without the support of your newspaper and others, the arts in the Valley could not survive.

With great appreciation,
—Charlotte Severin, concert chair
David Wright, concert co-chair

Courageous leadership

Dear Editor,

I want to applaud Assemblywoman Catharine Baker (R-San Ramon) for doing what is best for the people of California in supporting the

managed care organization (MCO) tax reform that saves Californians money and supports the developmentally disabled community.

Those of us who have worked with the developmentally disabled have had to suffer through 12 years of no increase in our rates granted to us by the state of California. Catharine Baker was courageous in her leadership and support of critical funding for our community.

Catharine's vote was smart, fiscally conservative and helped the disabled community. Thank you.

—Nimfa Gamez, San Ramon resident

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PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

Sira stepping away after 30 years of coaching at Amador Valley

‘Every kid who had a chance to play for Sira is a better person for having that opportunity’

To be a coach in this era at the high school level is nothing short of a can't win situation. No matter how your season turns out, someone is still going to be upset.

Undeclared and win the league title? Well someone's precious child did not get enough playing time — and in turn, that respective coach ruined the child's high school career, severely hurt their chance to play in college and honestly ruined their chance to be a professional athlete.

You think I am kidding? It has gotten so bad, that especially in areas of privilege, this attitude has trickled down into youth sports. It has gotten so bad that after spending 40 years around sports of all levels, I have steadfastly maintained the only place I would want to coach now is at an orphanage.

So for a coach to spend 30 years

coaching in this area, especially in the ultra-popular sport of football, they have to be a brave individual and be able to separate the good of the game from the helicopter parents.

Such is the case with former Amador Valley football coach Rick Sira.

Sira, who retired as an administrator at Amador Valley in the last couple of years, recently made the decision to step away from the football program as well. All those years and all those hours put into building the Amador program is something he won't have to deal with any longer.

But he will be missed, plain and simple. There were great seasons, championships and as is always the case, there were some tough years. But the undeniable truth is, every kid who had a chance to play for Sira is a better person for having that opportunity.



Longtime Amador Valley football coach Rick Sira shares a hug with Dons player Collin Miller.

COURTESY OF RITA SIRA

He stressed accountability, not just to yourself, but to your teammates as well. In an era of “me-first,” Sira went the other way and basically said, “look to your left, look to your right, these are your brothers — embrace it.”

It was my absolute pleasure to be able to talk with Sira over the years about Amador football, but what I cherished the most was our conversations that had nothing to do with football specifically, but rather how his players had grown into young men. You see, I coached a great many of his players in youth sports throughout the years, and it was always special to hear how so many of them were becoming fine young men.

There is no shortage of parents who feel it was an honor for their kids to play for Sira. Something far

more than a win-loss record, it was how they were coached as people that resonates.

There certainly are others still coaching who bring these qualities to coaching, and when they step away, I will be the first to extoll their virtues. It is great to see so many young coaches come into the industry with the right values, but I am scared they will get chased out by the overzealous parents.

A coach can be a brick wall when dealing with certain parents, but beat on a wall long enough and eventually something has to give.

The saving grace for Amador Valley football at this point is that I know “retired” means, “I won't be there 12 hours a day.” But I fully expect Sira will be around the program for the next few years and all those associated will benefit.

Cheers Rick and enjoy your time with your family!

Foothill wrestling

The Foothill varsity team sent four wrestlers to the North Coast Section meet last Friday and Saturday at James Logan High in Union City. Sophomore Cameron Ghodoucy finished in eighth place after going 0-2 as a freshman. Junior Justin Phillips had a good weekend as well, finishing in sixth place.

Freshman Seyong Chang battled to a 2-2 mark and junior Jeevan Bal finished 1-2. ■

Dennis Miller is a contributing sports writer for the Pleasanton Weekly. To contact Miller or submit local high school sports scores and game highlights for his weekly Pleasanton Preps column, email him at acesmag@aol.com.

Lifeguard, swim lesson instructor classes coming to aquatic center

By ISABELLA OHLMEYER

The Dolores Bengtson Aquatic Center is offering lifeguard and water safety instructor certification courses, starting later this month.

Both programs, open to older teenagers and above, involve American Red Cross training lessons, and those who successfully complete the courses will be eligible to apply for jobs at the aquatic center — as lifeguards or swim lesson teachers, respectively.

The lifeguarding courses for people 15 years old and up is set as a “spring break session” with classes March 12 from 8-10 p.m. and April 4-8 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

“You do not need to be a competitive swimmer or on a swim team to take the class, you just need to have basic swimming skills,” Tracy Dunne, the city's public information officer, said of the lifeguard training session.

The session includes CPR, AED, first aid and lifeguarding skills, as well as online learning coursework.

The aquatic center is also hosting a water safety instructor session for those 16 years old and older interested in becoming swim teachers. “Upon successful completion of this course, students will be qualified to teach American Red Cross ‘Learn-to-Swim’ courses,” Dunne said.

The course will give participants in-person training in the water, along with online coursework. The on-site classes are set for April 2 from 8-10 a.m. and Saturdays and Sundays between April 30 to May 8 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

All courses will be held at the Dolores Bengtson Aquatic Center, 4455 Black Ave. in Pleasanton. For program costs and other information, call 931-3420 or visit www.pleasantonfun.com. ■

Pleasanton Middle School repeats as national champs

Hart cheer takes second; Harvest Park wins crown in separate competition

By JEREMY WALSH

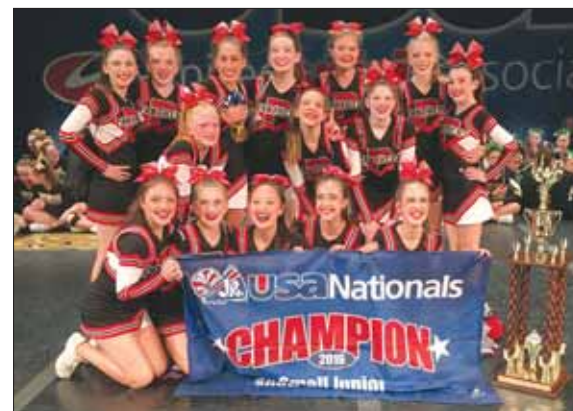
The Pleasanton Middle School cheer squad won its second consecutive national title last weekend, capping an undefeated season by finishing ahead of crosstown competitors from Hart Middle School in the finals of the United Spirit Association (USA) Jr. Spirit Nationals.

“The girls worked for nine months to perfect this routine for nationals,” Pleasanton cheer coach Jennifer Gatan said, reflecting on the championship during a phone interview Tuesday morning.

Pleasanton earned the victory in the Small Junior High Show Cheer Novice division at the USA Jr. event Sunday in the Charles M. Schulz Theatre at Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park. The team consisted of nine eighth-graders and six seventh-graders.

The strong showing for local cheerleaders last weekend came two weeks after Harvest Park Middle School won its third consecutive title at the Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA) nationals event in Anaheim.

Pleasanton and Hart competed against 10 other teams in their



The Pleasanton Middle School cheer team celebrates winning its second straight national championship on Sunday in Southern California.

COURTESY OF JENNIFER GATAN

division in the preliminary round Sunday morning, and the top three teams advanced to the final round that afternoon, where Pleasanton finished in first, Hart in second and Alta Sierra Intermediate School from Clovis in third.

The victory made it back-to-back national titles for Pleasanton Middle School and the city's fourth consecutive USA Jr. Spirit Nationals crown overall. Hart, which won the 2013 and 2014 championships,

improved eight spots better than the 10th-place result the team posted in 2015.

Gatan said there's a “strong sense of community” among the local middle school cheer squads, adding that even though Pleasanton and Hart compete against each other, the girls will also cheer and show support for their crosstown peers.

“The camaraderie is also there,” she said. “(Cheer) is a great program for the community to have.” ■

YOUTH SPORTS

Excitement grows with spring seasons starting, new Bernal fields on the horizon

BY DENNIS MILLER

Spring time.

It is the busiest time of the year for local sports in Pleasanton, from the youth levels up through the high schools. From baseball to the ever-growing world of lacrosse. From softball to the rapidly rising sport of rugby.

Everywhere you look, there seems to be a practice of some sort going on, and it is no exception again this year. But something new accompanies the latest season — the sense of anticipation.

Amid the battle for precious field space to practice and play games, the plan that has been Phase II of the Bernal Community Park project was given life and, in fact, is closing in on completion, set for this fall.

The massive, 16-acre project, set across Bernal Avenue from the Alameda County Fairgrounds, will have three synthetic, lighted fields that will be available to all the various youth sports clubs in Pleasanton. One of the fields will feature concrete stadium-style seating.

Phase I was the installation of baseball fields at the park.

All of the youth sports clubs that use outdoor fields have come together and are working to fund a \$2 million obligation to the city of Pleasanton to help build the complex.

Soccer, rugby, lacrosse, baseball, football and softball have all come together to make this work. It promises to be a wonderful environment for youth sports in Pleasanton and provide some badly needed lighted, year-round playing space.

Even though Pleasanton has the reputation as having excellent facilities, Bernal Community Park is filling a huge void.

"It's going to be great," said Kevin Crow, executive director of the Ballistic United Soccer Club (BUSC). "We have a year-round program but have been dealing with part-time facilities."

The lack of an all-weather facility, combined with limited hours of daylight during the winter months, created some issues for BUSC. Being forced to rent field space at Las Positas College (Livermore) or Fallon Sports Park (Dublin) drew complaints from soccer clubs based in those cities.

"Clubs were complaining that we were using fields in their cities that was against league rules," said Crow, who emphasized his league paid to use those fields. "We actually got in trouble from the league for using fields in other cities."

It was the Livermore Fusion Soccer Club that filed the complaint with the NorCal Premier League, and the league in turn sanctioned BUSC.

Thanks to the new facility, that won't be an issue any longer.

"We have been having to deal with this for years," Crow said. "But when (Bernal Community Park) opens, we can even go during the week at night."

The Pleasanton Rage girls' soccer club echoed Crow's thoughts.

"This will be huge, especially at certain times of the year," said Jon Asmussen, a member of the Rage board as well as a member of the field committee. "During the winter months, it gets tough when it gets dark so early, and when it rains, everything shuts down. We will be able to play all year."

Lacrosse has been stuck at just two spots: Hart Middle School for the boys and Harvest Park Middle School for the girls. They are two separate clubs, but both faced the same problem — an all-weather practice site that is lit.

"It does a lot for us," said Jeff Sensiba, vice president of the boys' Pleasanton Lacrosse Club. "We will have reliable fields that allow us to have more practice time and some games. We will even be able to have some tournaments."

As the leagues have grown in popularity, the field space did not, and it made for some uncomfortable times. The drought forced the school districts to cut back on already-sparse maintenance of the fields at the schools, turning them at times into glorified cow pastures.

It got so bad with the number of gopher holes and other maintenance issues that the situation bordered on embarrassing, not to mention unsafe.

"There was a comment last year from a parent on a visiting team that said, oh gosh, we have to play here? I hope no one gets



FRANK COCHIAOSUE

J.C. Cochiosue will be one of the many Pleasanton Rage players looking at play at the new Bernal Community Park fields in the fall.

hurt," Sensiba said. "Last year, we had a referee blow his knee out doing a game at Hart."

While a facility like Bernal is a blessing and the apparent answer for sports such as soccer, lacrosse and football, things have not been rosy for all youth leagues.

Little League has been fighting for its spot,

suffering declining enrollment. Whether it has been losing players to other sports such as lacrosse and rugby or parents taking their kids and forming their own travel team, enticing others to follow suit, it has been a struggle.

But this year, the situation appears to be getting better. What were three leagues



COURTESY OF PLAY BERNAL

Rendering shows the proposed “Donor Wall” as part of the fundraising campaign by Play Bernal to help support the Bernal Community Park, Phase II project.



COURTESY OF TONY CHAVARRIA

The Ballistic United Soccer Club will have all-weather soccer fields to practice on soon.



COURTESY OF PLL

The days of having Pleasanton Little League tryouts on pavement will soon be over with the all-weather Bernal Community Park complex getting ready to open.

(Pleasanton National, Pleasanton American and Pleasanton Foothill) are now two leagues as the National basically absorbed the American.

Pleasanton National was the strongest league based on numbers and embraced the chance to form with Pleasanton American to create the new Pleasanton Baseball.

“We have been able to boost numbers to make for a better experience for the kids,” Pleasanton Baseball president Mike Paden said. “In the major’s division alone, there are 10 teams this year with 12 kids per team. We

have close to 900 kids overall.”

Baseball and softball will benefit the least in terms of field space at Bernal, but Paden is quick to point out it is more about the city overall rather than what benefits one sport.

“Our overall perspective is that our kids play multiple sports and will be playing something there,” he said. “And at the end of the day, isn’t it all about what is best for the kids?”

The new fields will help baseball in at least one respect. In the past, player tryouts — or

evaluations — take place toward the end of the winter. If the weather is bad, local leagues end up in parking lots. Now they can use the all-weather fields and literally keep the kids off the streets.

“Exactly,” Paden said. “We tried to get on some fields this year but did end up in a parking lot or on the pavement.”

The final piece of the puzzle is how youth sports clubs will fare with their fundraising to pay off the facility.

Part of what the leagues have done to help

raise funds is to create a “Donor Wall” where former coaches can be recognized on a “Legends” area or where individual families can be remembered.

Asmussen is the liaison from the Rage to the Bernal complex and has focused on pushing the sponsorship thus far.

“We have a Coaches and Legends campaign and we have a Donor Wall,” Asmussen said. “Go to the website (www.playbernal.org) and see what is available if you are interested.” ■



Talking about dementia

Care expert
Laura Wayman
at Senior Center
on Tuesday

By Dolores Fox Ciardelli

Up to 5.3 million Americans have Alzheimer's disease, according to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and by age 85, between 25% and 50% of people will exhibit signs of it. This can be especially hard on family caregivers, notes dementia care expert Laura Wayman, author of "A Loving Approach to Dementia Care," published by the Johns Hopkins University Press.

Wayman will share her insights and practical advice at the Pleasanton Senior Center's Coffee and Conversation with the Experts at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday. She is also on Blog Talk Radio in a show called "Live with the Dementia Whisperer," where she and host Scott Cluthe discuss dementia and encourage caretakers to call in with their questions.

"The question I get most often is people ask me, 'What is dementia?'" Wayman said on the show.

She noted that dementia is not a specific disease or a complete diagnosis, it is a term that describes a wide range of symptoms. Alzheimer's disease accounts for 60-80% of dementia cases.

There is no cure for dementia, but caregivers can manage the symptoms and give their loved ones quality of life, Wayman asserts. There is no cookie-cutter formula when dealing with a person who has dementia, she pointed out.

"All they can do is learn to manage these challenges," she said.

She noted that many myths persist about dementia. One is that people with dementia don't know what they want and can't communicate.

"Nothing could be farther from the truth," Wayman said. "They still retain their feelings and emotions. But they have more and more difficulty processing what they are feeling and communicating."

She suggests that caregivers take notes on their behavior to find patterns.

"It is the same thing as caring for an infant," she said. "They can't tell you if they are hungry — but they certainly can communicate."

Things change on a day-to-day basis so caregivers must remain fluid and flexible, Wayman said, and watch for cues.

"What works one day may not work the next," she said. "It is such a strange and interesting progression."

And it is a very individual process. "If you have met one person with

dementia, you have only met one person with dementia," she said. "We are the only ones that can change ... They may look like they have control over this but they do not. It becomes their normal."

Another myth is that dementia is a natural part of aging.

"That is saying it is not a medical condition, which it is," Wayman said. "The risk goes up as we age, but it is not the actual aging itself."

Myth: I should correct what a person with dementia says.

"That's a sign that they're losing their loved one, and we are often compelled to correct them but we are actually making their confusion worse," Wayman said. "This leads to feelings of depression, more confusion and aggressiveness."

She suggests, for instance, that if they say they had breakfast with their mom who passed away several years ago, instead of telling them their mom is dead, talk about the action. Say, "What did you have for breakfast?" or "I'll bet you enjoyed that."

"Too much information that they can't process will make them feel bad," she added.

Another myth: There is nothing I can do to lower my risk.

"There are many things we can do to keep our brain healthy," Wayman said.

Everyone should exercise, eat healthy and use the mental abilities they already have, plus try to build more brain function by learning

things that are new and complex, such as a musical instrument.

"It is like building a new palm frond in a rain forest," Wayman explained. "We want our brain to have lots of palm fronds. Think of Alzheimer's like one weed wacker ... There is no way to prevent the weed wacker from getting in there, but we want to slow it down."

Wayman also notes that although memory loss is a symptom of dementia, everyone experiences memory loss when they reach middle age. The difference is most people can process a lapse in memory, such as retracing their steps to find their car keys, whereas someone with dementia cannot.

Wayman — who partners with Comfort Keepers, which provides help to caregivers — noted that the emotions of family caregivers reel from guilt, denial and distress to empathy, acceptance and understanding. Approximately 16 million Americans care for family members with dementia, Wayman said.

"Sixty-eight percent of the time if the caregiver, usually a spouse, doesn't reach out and get help, they will get sick," she said. "I see so many brave and courageous caregivers every day, trying to do the best they can in the most difficult role they will ever face."

Hear Laura Wayman speak at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., from 10:30-11:30 a.m. this Tuesday. For more information, call the Senior Center at 931-5365. ■



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Laura Wayman, a nationally known dementia care expert, gives practical advice to caregivers to help them manage the symptoms of their loved ones.

'Italian Girl in Algiers' onstage next week

Metropolitan Opera's Bruce Donnell to direct Rossini's comedy

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Strong women who get what they want and pompous men who stand in their way is the basic premise of Gioachino Rossini's hilarious comedy, "The Italian Girl in Algiers." Livermore Valley Opera will present the comedy/tragedy for two weekends beginning March 12 at the Bankhead Theater.

Metropolitan Opera director Bruce Donnell is returning for the second time to direct this production in Livermore.



COURTESY OF LVO

"We are delighted to once again have Bruce Donnell as stage director," IVO president Jim Schmidt said. "Audiences loved Mr. Donnell's presentation of 'Cinderella' with its comical flare, and we expect the same for 'The Italian Girl in Algiers,' another excellent Rossini comedic opera."

The work was first performed in 1813, when Rossini was 21, and it reflects his vibrancy and playfulness. The opera is known for being wacky but with a serious undertone that pokes fun at authority figures, inept lovers and unfaithful husbands while making the heroine, Isabella, the clear winner in a battle of the sexes.

Several of the singers are also returning, including tenor Marco Stefani, a Pleasanton native who now lives in Italy. He will sing the role of Isabella's lover, Lindoro.

Making her LVO debut is mezzo-soprano Kristen Choi in the lead role of Isabella.

"We are very excited to have Kristen join our stellar cast," said music and artistic director Alexander Katsman. "I've been following her progress since the time she studied at the San Francisco Conservatory where she earned a masters of music degree. I have always wanted to find a major role for her at LVO."



COURTESY OF LVO

'Algiers' stage director Bruce Donnell.

Choi, a California native, was one of three winners in the October 2015 district Metropolitan Opera National Council auditions in San Diego. In the Bay Area, she has performed with both Opera Parallele and West Bay Opera.

Katsman described the opera as a delightful and amusing music box of an opera that will please everyone, with a cast that is young, vibrant and full of life.

"Rossini's brilliant music which is marked by slowly building crescendos with incredible energy, melodies you will be humming for days, combined with poignant passages of truly masterful music is an opera you will not want to miss," Katsman said. ■

Laugh and lament

What: Rossini's "An Italian Girl in Algiers"
 Who: Livermore Valley Opera
 Where: Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore
 When: 7:30 p.m., Saturdays; 2 p.m. Sundays; March 12-20
 Tickets: \$39-89; go to theater box office; call 373-6800; or visit www.livermoreperformingarts.org

Keen eye sees hearts everywhere

Photos of hidden hearts are on display through Lenten season



SANDRA HARRISON KAY

Sandra Harrison Kay photographs heart shapes she sees that have formed spontaneously, such as this one in a pat of butter. Her photographs are on display through Easter.

Sandra Harrison Kay sees hearts everywhere she looks — in a pat of butter, for instance, and even on a dog's nose. She snaps photos of them, usually with her phone, which she is showing in an exhibit dubbed "The Heart Seen" at the First Presbyterian Church in Livermore now through Easter.

This is not the first such exhibit for Kay, who was Pleasanton's poet laureate from 2013-15. On past Valentine's Days, she would display the photos inside the frames for sale at Rick's Picks on Main Street, where she worked.

"For the upcoming exhibit, I am utilizing my mixed media art as a foundation for the photographs," Kay explained as she readied for the show, which opened earlier this month. "I'm more than thrilled to share them for a num-

ber of weeks vs. one day."

Kay's photos show heart shapes she found in her everyday environment — in the way clothes landed on the floor, in spills, broken glass, litter on the ground, torn wallpaper, food and a variety of natural landscapes. She started her collection in 2006, restricting it to heart shapes that were created spontaneously, not intended to be hearts.

"The very nature of this collection does not allow for the use of professional camera equipment or lighting," Kay explained. "For most all of the heart shape photographs, there is no warning, no time to set up and plan. The photos are taken quickly, with a phone camera, in the moment."

The exhibit opened last month and is set to run through Lent until Easter, March 27. ■

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli

'Lies in the Attic' — a new musical

Tale uses Beatles hits to cross generations



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"Lies in the Attic" uses Beatles hits to help a father communicate with his struggling son.

"Lies in the Attic," a new musical that tells the tale of a father and son through a repertoire of Beatles songs, will play in Dublin this Sunday afternoon, produced by Pleasanton resident Randy Haykin.

He and fellow producer David Cowan, both venture capitalists and members of the male a cappella group Voices in Harmony, conceived of a script using the music and lyrics of Beatles hits. They were

inspired by their experiences as parents as well as their love of the music, recognizing that it would resonate across generations.

"Lies in the Attic" tells the story of Randall Judick, a suburban father struggling to communicate with Sam, his troubled teenage son. Randall learns that honesty is a two-way street when his "ghosts in the attic" unleash memories of his own turbulent youth. The ghosts, played by the 40-member

Voices in Harmony, remind Randall and Sam that when broken-hearted people living in the world agree, there will be an answer.

The show opened last weekend in Santa Clara and will play tomorrow at De Anza College. The local performance is at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Dublin High School Performing Arts Center, 8151 Village Parkway. Tickets are \$32-\$37, available at www.wesingbeatles.com. ■

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli



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Magic and comedy

Ryan Kane, named "Best Stage Magician in the Bay Area," will bring an Evening of Magic and Comedy to the Firehouse Arts Center at 8 p.m. this Saturday. Known for his comedic edge, high energy and original magic, Kane performs from New York to Las Vegas and for corporate clients such as Microsoft, Intel and Louis Vuitton. Tickets are \$15-25. Go to www.firehousearts.org, call 931-4848 or purchase at the theater box office, 4444 Railroad Ave.

Book Clubs

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

Civic Meetings

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

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

YOUTH COMMISSION The Pleasanton Youth Commission meets at 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at the Pleasanton Operations Services Center, 3333 Busch Road.

Classes

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Reference Desk by calling 931-3400, ext. 4.

PLEASANTON SENIOR CENTER DAILY PC TUTORING Get one-on-one PC tutoring between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday-Friday at the Pleasanton Senior Center. If you have your own laptop, you can bring it. PCs are available in Windows 7/8/10. Get help on using the internet, email, photo editing and attachments. Cost is \$2-\$2.50. Call 931-5365.

Clubs

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY GARDEN CLUB The Livermore Amador Valley Garden Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 10 at Alisal School's multipurpose room, 1454 Santa Rita Road. Bill MacNamara, Executive Director of Quarryhill Botanical Gardens in Glen Ellen, will highlight the rich diversity of Asian plants. Visitors welcome. Call Bev at 485-7812.

LIVERMORE-AMADOR GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS PAMELA DALLAS Pamela Dallas will present strategies for success in finding original and replacement U.S. court records lost due to fire, theft, or other causes, at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 14 at Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Court. Free, all are welcome. Contact Marilyn Glass and Diane Wiedel, Program Chairs, at program@L-AGS.org.

PLEASANTON COMMUNITY TOASTMASTERS: GUESTS WELCOME Learn more about public speaking in a fun-filled and supporting environment at 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Highland Oaks Recreation Center, 4530 Sandalwood Drive. Enjoy improv-

ing your leadership skills, building confidence and meeting new friends. Call Laurie Erceg, VP of Public Relations, at (510) 305-5111 or go to pleasantontostmasters.com.

PLEASANTON LIONS CLUB The Pleasanton Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. No dinner will be served. For more information please visit <http://pleasantonlionsclub.org>.

PLEASANTON NEWCOMERS CLUB Open to new and established residents of the Tri-Valley, members include retirees, working families, business owners, married, single, empty nesters, of all ages and from all over the world. Activities include monthly coffees and lunches, day trips, games, book club, wine club, shared interest groups, community service, outdoor activities such as hiking, walking, and golf. New events and activities are planned throughout the year. Meet your Tri-Valley neighbors, have fun, and learn more about our beautiful community. Contact 215-8405 or pnewcomers@gmail.com. Go to www.PleasantonNewcomers.com.

PLEASANTON-TULANCINGO SISTER CITY All are welcome to join for "Taco Tuesday" at 6 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at Fiesta Taco, 1989 Santa Rita Road Unit J. We are an active organization promoting cultural exchange, goodwill and friendship. We have a youth and adult exchange program. Call 989-6882 or go to www.ptsca.org.

ROTARY CLUB OF PLEASANTON The Rotary Club of Pleasanton since

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

ROTARY CLUB OF PLEASANTON NORTH Pleasanton North Rotary invites anyone interested in making a difference. The membership includes 65 professionals, business owners, executives, managers and community leaders. The club meets from 12:15-1:30 p.m. Fridays at Handles Gastropub, 855 Main St. Call 556-2333 or visit www.pnr-rotary.org.

TRI VALLEY REPUBLICAN WOMEN FEDERATED PRESENT TOM DEL BECCARO TVRWF will present Tom Del Beccaro, U.S. Senate Candidate, author and Former California CRP Chairman at their dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 10 at Beeb's Restaurant, 915 Clubhouse Drive, Livermore. Cost is \$30 for members, \$34 for non-members. RSVP by March 8. Contact Linda Krikorian at 426-1474 or krikorian-publishing@yahoo.com.

TRI-VALLEY EVENING ROTARY CLUB Looking for an international service organization where you can make an impact both locally and throughout the world while having fun? Visit the only evening Rotary club in the Tri-Valley from 6:15-8 p.m. every Thursday at Castlewood Country Club and see how you can make a difference. Contact info@trivalleyrotary.org or go to trivalleyrotary.org.

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

Concerts

FRIDAY FRIENDS FREE CONCERT Enjoy this event sponsored by our special needs adult community and led by a worship team made up of musicians and vocalists from the community, at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 4 at Valley Community Church, 4455 Del Valle Parkway. All ages and special needs abilities welcome. If you are a special needs adult or family, there will be a pizza dinner starting at 6

p.m. for \$10. Call 828-1363.

LIVERMORE VALLEY COIN SHOW Come to the Livermore Valley Coin Club's 53rd Annual Coin Show, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday, March 6 at the Elk's Lodge, 940 Larkspur Drive, Livermore. Free admission, free wooden nickels, hourly prize drawings.

MUSEUM ON MAIN READING TIME Preschoolers (ages 2-5) and families are invited for books and crafts. The Dr. Seuss book theme begins at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 9 at Museum on Main. Admission is free; no reservations required. Call 462-2766 or go to www.museumonmain.org.

PLEASANTON GEM FAIRE Fine jewelry, precious and semi-precious gemstones, millions of beads, crystals, gold and silver, minerals and much more at manufacturer's prices. Over 50 exhibitors from around the world will be on site. The Gem Faire will run from noon-6 p.m. on Friday, March 11; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, March 12; and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday, March 13 at the Alameda County Fairgrounds. \$7 for a weekend pass. Go to www.gemfaire.com.

Exhibits

'THE FIGURE IN PLACE' Harrington Gallery's next exhibition features 5 prominent Bay Area figurative painters, exploring "the figure" as the subject with a variety of media and approaches. The exhibit runs March 3- April 9 at the Harrington Art Gallery, 4444 Railroad Ave. A reception with the artists will be held from 7-9 p.m. on Thursday, March 3. Donations appreciated. Contact Harrington Gallery Director Julie Finegan at 931-4849 or jfinegan@cityofpleasantonca.gov.

SPECIAL EXHIBIT FEATURING ARTIST RYAN REYNOLDS Harrington Gallery and Firehouse Arts Center present works by Santa Clara artist Ryan Reynolds now-March 26 with two distinct installations: a series of small watercolors in the hallway galleries, and large-format landscapes in the Grand Atrium Lobby. Contact the Gallery Director at 931-4849 or JFinegan@cityofpleasantonca.gov.

Fundraisers

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dren can participate in memorable extracurricular activities, which helps shape us into well-rounded adults. Donate to Sleep Train's Dollar Drive for Foster Kids at any store or online at <http://bit.ly/1qGUgVW>, now through April 24.

Kids & Teens

FREE TRI-VALLEY JOB AND CAREER FAIR FOR TEENS The City of Pleasanton, in partnership with the cities of San Ramon, Dublin, the Danville and the Dublin/San Ramon Women's Club will host the annual Teen Job and Career Fair from noon-4 p.m. on Saturday, March 5 at the Dublin Senior Center, 7600 Amador Valley Blvd., Dublin. Teens 14-19 can meet local employers, have mock interviews, and hear from professionals on a career panel. For more information, contact 556-4500 or glentheguide@dublin.ca.gov.

PLEASANTON FIFE & DRUM LESSONS Pleasanton's 1776-era Colonial Fife & Drum Band is now accepting new members for a limited time. Learn to play drum or fife (flute) for only \$12 per 1.5 hour small group lesson, ages 8-17, from 6:30-8:15 p.m. Fridays. Experience helpful but not required. Learn music, history and leadership. Go to www.YoungAmericanPatriots.com.

TRI-VALLEY TEEN HEART SCREENING Tri-Valley Teen Heart Screening will be from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Sunday, March 20 at Hart Middle School. Get your teen screened to find any anomalies that could put them at risk of future heart problems. Registration required. Parents encouraged to attend as chaperones. Organized by Via Heart Project. For registration packets and more information, go to viaheartproject.org/events/tri-valley-teen-heart-screening/.

Lectures/ Workshops

FREE PARENT WORKSHOP: VIDEO GAMING AND DIGITAL MEDIA Is your child mad about Minecraft and all things digital? Join a free event offered by the Pleasanton Special Needs Committee from 7-8:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 10 at Harvest Park Middle School, 4900 Valley Ave. Topics include positive and negative effects of video gaming and digital media, and suggestions on using technology to foster creativity in kids and teens. With guest speaker Dr. Brad D. Berman, MD, Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrician. Go to www.tinyurl.com/MarchSNC.

GRIEF WORKSHOP The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Join and let us accompany you on your healing journey at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 10 at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 4001 Stoneridge Drive. No registration required. All are welcome. Call Nancy at 846-9543 for more information.

INTRODUCTION TO FINANCIAL PLANNING FOR POST 9/11 VETERANS Join this free workshop for post 9/11 veterans, led by Elizabeth Fulgaro, a certified financial coach from

the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. The workshop will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 7 at the Pleasanton Library. Space limited, registration encouraged. Call 931-3400 ext. 4 or go to www.cityofpleasantonca.gov/.

On Stage

'A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM' Enjoy one of Shakespeare's most popular comedies in a youth theater production at 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, March 11-20 at the Firehouse Arts Center. "A Midsummer Night's Dream" includes magic, fairies, and mistaken identity; a whimsical comedy perfect for the whole family. Presented by Civic Arts Stage Company and Bay Area Children's Theater. Tickets are \$12-\$18. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

Seniors

EYE GLASS ADJUSTMENTS AND CLEANING Stop by the Pleasanton Senior Center from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month to have your eye glasses and sunglasses cleaned and adjusted by a representative from Sears Optical. For more information call 931-5365.

HEARING AID CLEANING AND SCREENING Stop by the Pleasanton Senior Center from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month to have your hearing checked or your hearing aid cleaned by a representative from Audible Hearing Center. For more information call 931-5365.

KNITTING Learn to knit, refresh your skills, pick up some new tips, and share techniques you've learned from 9-11:30 a.m. every Friday at the Pleasanton Senior Center. Get help with that pesky "UFO" or just sit, knit, and plan to laugh a lot. Cost is \$2 for residents, \$2.50 for non-residents. Call 931-5365.

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

PHOTO CLUB The photo club is open to any senior who enjoys the hobby of photography at any level. It is suggested that you have some form of a digital camera. The group shares photos and makes suggestions how the photos might be improved. Meetings include occasional speakers and field trips, and are from 2-4 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the Pleasanton Senior Center. Cost is \$2 for residents, \$2.50 for non-residents. Call 931-5365.

PLEASANTON PEDALERS If you love cycling, this group is for you. Join at 9 a.m. every Thursday. Rides will be at an easy pace from 15 to 25 miles, with no rider left behind. A signed waiver is required for all riders. Go to meetup.com/PleasantonPedalers.

PLEASANTON SOLE MATES Join this weekly walking group at 8:45 a.m. every Wednesday starting at the



Balearic Islands escape: Amy and Todd Blaschka experienced the Balearic life on Majorca off the coast of Spain. They kicked off their tour with a stay at this 13th-century castle, along with their Pleasanton Weekly.

To submit your "Take Us Along" entry, email your photograph to srhodes@pleasantonweekly.com. Be sure to identify who is in the photo (names listed from left to right), the location, the date and any relevant details about where you took your Weekly.

Pleasanton Senior Center. Trek to local venues while enjoying the great outdoors. Participants must be able to walk 2.5-3 miles. All walkers must sign a waiver. Call 931-5365.

Spiritual

COME AS YOU ARE Lynnewood United Methodist Church will offer a third worship gathering on Sundays called "Come As You Are" at 5:30 p.m. Enjoy music, fellowship, and spiritual connection. All are welcome. Pastors Heather Hammer and Diana Bohn will provide leadership. Sheri and Dave Dumas will lead music. Call 846-0221 or go to www.lynnwood.org.

CRYSTAL SINGING BOWL CONCERT Come to a sound-healing concert, played by Shala, from noon-1:30 p.m. the first Sunday of the month at Unity of Tri-Valley, 7567 Amador Valley Blvd., Suite 108, Dublin. Everyone's experience will be unique and suited to their own specific needs. \$10 suggested love offering. Call 829-2733 or go to www.unityoftrivalley.org.

PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIAN WORSHIP Lynnewood United Methodist Church at 4444 Black Ave. offers a friendly congregation where all are welcome. Worship at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sundays, with Sunday school for youth and adults at 10:30 a.m. and childcare at both services. Contact Rev. Heather Hammer at 846-0221 or office@lynnwood.org. Go to www.lynnwood.org.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT UNITY OF TRI-VALLEY Join the Sunday service with Reverend Micah Murdock, minister, at 10 a.m. every week at Unity of Tri-Valley, 7567 Amador Valley Blvd., Suite 108, Dublin. All are welcome. Ongoing classes, groups, and activities. Call 829-2733 or go to <http://www.unityoftrivalley.org/>.

Sports

FREE CRICKET BOOT CAMP Cricket for Cubs invites all cricket enthusiasts to our annual Spring Cricket Festival from 1-5 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday from March 12-April 3. The Festival will be held at Monarch Park in San Ramon on Saturdays and at Emerald Glen Park on Sundays. Free boot camps/cricket clinics to youth will be conducted. Register your child by contacting cricketforcubs@cubs.com.

INTER SCHOOL CRICKET LEAGUE Cricket for Cubs invites local schools to participate in the Inter School Cricket League from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. March 12-April 2 at Monarch Park in San Ramon. There are currently eight teams participating from Harvest Park, Fallon, Iron Horse, and Gale Ranch Middle Schools. If your school cricket team or you want to participate in this league, have your parent team manager contact cricketforcubs@gmail.com.

JOIN YOUTH TRACK CLUB FTC Track Club specializes in youth athletes from ages 7 to 18. Visit ftctrackclub.com. (paid)

Support Groups

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP Tri-Valley Haven offers a support group for survivors of domestic violence at 1 p.m. every Friday in Downtown Pleasanton. This is a closed group, which means all attendees must sign up in advance. No drop-ins. Call 667-2718 or go to www.trivalleyhaven.org.

HAPPINESS AND GREAT RELATIONSHIPS Learn how to have more fulfilling relationships with your partner, spouse and children; how to be more effective at work; and how to replace anger with peace and confidence at this

group, held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Tuesday at Unity of Tri-Valley, 7567 Amador Valley Blvd. #108, Dublin. Suggested \$5 donation. Go to www.meetup.com/Tri-Valley-Real-Love-Group/.

MOTHERS WITH A PURPOSE Mothers With a Purpose meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at the Foothill High School Library. Mothers with a Purpose was formed by local moms to offer support to families affected by addiction. Visit www.motherswithapurpose.org.

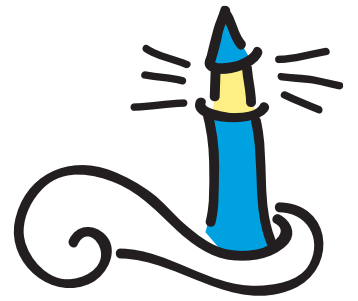
OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS This 12-step support group for people with eating behavior problems meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at St. Bartholomew Episcopal Church, 678 Enos Way, Livermore; and at 7:30 a.m. Saturdays in the Middle School Room at The Unitarian Universalist Church, 1893 North Vasco Road, Livermore. Free with donations accepted toward room rent. No weigh-ins. Call Nora at 337-9118.

PLEASANTON MILITARY FAMILIES SUPPORT GROUP Formed in 2003 this group provides support and comfort to the Pleasanton families whose loved ones are deployed in the combat zones of Afghanistan and Iraq. The group has monthly meetings and other events such as "pack outs" of comfort and care items for deployed members of the armed forces. The group also sponsors the Yellow Streamer program on Main Street where streamers are displayed with the name, rank and branch of service of Pleasanton military personnel. Learn more at www.pleasantonmilitaryfamilies.org.

SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT GROUP Tri-Valley Haven offers a support group for survivors of sexual assault from 5:30-7 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in Livermore. This is a closed group, which means all attendees must sign up in advance. No drop-ins. Please call Amanda at 667-2797 or go to www.trivalleyhaven.org.

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 489153

The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name(s). The information given below is as it appeared on the fictitious business statement that was filed at the County Clerk-Recorder's Office. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME(S): CASE CONSULTING, 3679 CENTRAL PARKWAY, DUBLIN, CA 94568 FILED IN ALAMEDA COUNTY ON: 03/13/2014 UNDER FILE NO. 489153 REGISTRANT'S NAME(S): Mark A. Case, 3679 Central Parkway, Dublin, CA 94568; Barbara J. Case, 3679 Central Parkway, Dublin, CA 94568 THIS BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED BY a Married couple. Signature of Registrant: Mark A. Case. This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Alameda County on 02/08/2016. (Pleasanton Weekly Feb. 12, 19, 26, March 4; 2016)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 514729

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 514829

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California home sales take breather in January

As prices level, sellers adjust listing prices to meet buyers' expectations

By JEB BING

Statewide pending home sales in California decreased in January on a year-over-year basis for the first time since August 2014 as a shortage of homes for sale and low housing affordability persist and volatile financial markets distract buyers.

The California Association of Realtors (CAR) reported this week that pending sales decreased in San Francisco, Santa Clara and Sacramento counties along with Los Angeles, Monterey and Orange counties.

Also, home sales fell in January across the state, decreasing 2.9% from January 2015. At the regional level, pending sales also were lower on a year-over-year basis in all areas.

However, in a separate report, CAR's January market pulse survey saw an increase in floor calls, listing appointments, client presentations and open house traffic, primarily reflecting seasonal factors. Floor calls and listing appointments in January were at the highest levels since June 2015. Open house traffic saw its best start to the year since the survey began two years ago.

Nearly one in five homes (17%) closed above asking price in January, and 47% closed below asking price. More than one-third (36%) closed at asking price.

For the homes that sold above asking

price, the premium paid over asking price edged up for the second straight month to an average of 9.8%, up from December's 9.2% but down from 12% in January 2015.

The 47% of homes that sold below asking price sold for an average of 13% below asking price in January, unchanged from December and up from 11% a year ago.

Two-thirds (66%) of properties received multiple offers in January, indicating the market remains competitive. About 58% of properties received multiple offers in January 2015.

The average number of offers per property was 2.1 in January, down from 2.5 in December and 2.5 in January 2015.

With home prices leveling off in recent months, more sellers are adjusting their listing price to become more in line with buyers' expectations. About one-fourth (24%) of properties had price reductions in January, down from 31% a year ago.

When asked what Realtors' biggest concerns are, 40% said low housing inventory, while 16% indicated declining housing affordability and 11% stated overinflated home prices.

Realtors were optimistic about this year's housing market, with the vast majority (88%) expecting similar or better market conditions in 2016. ■

New-home construction dips across U.S.

Nationwide housing starts dropped 3.8% to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.099 million units in January.

Newly released data from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Commerce Department shows that overall permit issuance edged down 0.2%.

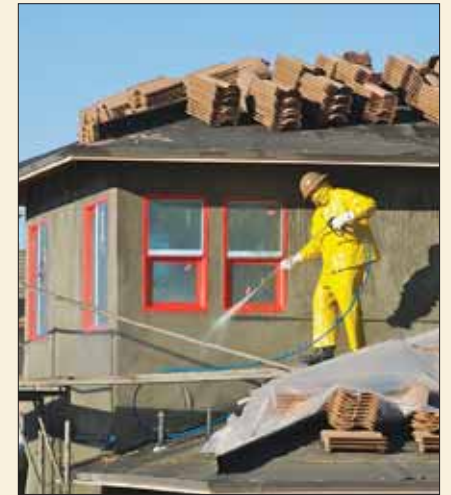
"January's production numbers are in line with our recent reading and show that builders are being cautious as they face some market uncertainties and supply side constraints," said Ed Brady, a home builder and developer from Bloomington, Ill. and chairman of the National Association of Home Builders, a Washington-based trade association.

"Despite the modest dip in starts in January, we expect to see ongoing, gradual growth in housing production in 2016," NAHB chief economist David Crowe said.

"An improving economy, solid job creation and pent-up demand for housing should keep the market moving forward."

Both single- and multi-family production dropped in January. Single-family housing starts fell 3.9% to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 731,000 units while multifamily starts declined 3.7% to 368,000 units.

Combined single- and multi-family starts fell in all four regions in January,



with the West, South, Northeast and Midwest posting respective losses of 0.4%, 2.9%, 3.7% and 12.8%. Multi-family permits rose 2.1% to a rate of 482,000 while single-family permits fell 1.6% to 720,000.

Regionally, the Midwest, West and South registered respective permit gains of 26.5%, 24.5% and 0.3%. Permits fell in the Northeast by 55.4%. ■

—Jeb Bing

HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during Jan. 27-Feb. 16

Pleasanton

3728 Appian Street X. Zheng to A. & M. Dharia for \$1,025,000

9468 Blessing Drive Voyne Trust to Chung Trust for \$2,250,000

2277 Camino Brazos Lawlor Trust to Naidu Trust for \$930,000

8104 Canyon Creek Circle M. Landrum to M. & N. Kandi for \$835,000

7893 La Quinta Court A. & M. Burstein to S. Ahmadi for \$1,151,000

2529 Wilde Avenue Messick-Cass Trust to U. & D. Shah for \$1,662,500

6306 Beech Court E. & J. Samuli to X. Tao for \$814,000

4642 Canary Drive H Estate Investment to D. & A. Wuson for \$1,020,000

1406 Elliot Circle Chen Trust to J. & A. Sun for \$500,000

7663 Glenbrook Court W. Delaney to K. Grant for \$725,000

2240 Segundo Court #3 Williams Trust to R. Wang for \$400,000

Livermore

323 Anna Maria Street B. Wester to J. & A. Polimeno for \$600,000

1151 Farmington Way Brown Trust to D. Ball for \$915,000

530 Hazel Street M. & P. Heath to R. Carson for \$720,000

1588 Heather Lane K. Swiers to R. & L. Eshia for \$575,000

1529 Jayhawk Lane R. Thomas to S. Hopkins for \$680,000

1788 Jennifer Drive C. & N. Vanvliet to Z. Szabo for \$615,000

385 Kensington Common Frydendal Trust to H. & R. Junkin for \$565,000

789 Lido Drive Bidwell Trust to J. & C. Qualls for \$730,000

968 Logan Street N. Zeeshan to J. Cao for \$720,000

6160 Mines Road K. & P. Scheibner to Wright Trust for \$1,440,000

1087 Murrieta Boulevard #236 J. & P. Lo to

Low Trust for \$250,000

1087 Murrieta Boulevard #343 Imagine Properties to L. Clevenger for \$252,000

64 Obsidian Way Ponderosa Homes to D. & A. Allen for \$1,179,500

519 Ontario Drive Pedersen Trust to P. & R. Chanda for \$763,000

5152 Quince Court M. & C. Lopez to R. Parthasarathy for \$800,000

3001 Rivers Bend Circle R. & V. Hill to W. & J. Arstingstall for \$963,000

359 Robert Way N. Chegondi to S. Krishnamoorthy for \$650,000

1899 Smoke Bellew Road Head Trust to F. & M. Lourenco for \$1,251,000

4184 Torrey Pine Way M. Schmierer to J. Tyson for \$492,000

1324 Chateau Common #108 L. Harris to K. Dye for \$418,000

642 Debra Street Hastings Trust to Gulden Trust for \$772,500

1166 Hibiscus Way R. & S. Jenkins to H. & H. Kung for \$490,000

1196 Holmes Court Lighty Trust to Garrigan Trust for \$575,000

1050 Innsbruck Street Santos Trust to J. & E. Facha for \$828,000

423 Laguna Court R. Goodale to L. & M. Combrinck for \$730,000

661 Nightingale Street AR VI Asset Holdco to C. & J. Bryant for \$585,000

5508 Oakmont Circle R. & A. Zamora to M. Langlotz for \$546,000

9355 Patterson Pass Road J. & C. Rodgers to Fler Trust for \$1,500,000

685 Sonoma Avenue T. Pryor to M. Vandyck for \$640,000

Dublin

3685 Branding Iron Place Rancho Silvera Ventures to A. & A. Saggi for \$840,000

11985 Carsten Court Pulte Home to D. & N. Singh for \$1,029,500

2060 Central Parkway LS-SF Jordan Ranch to R. Dirisala for \$777,000

3663 Central Parkway Dang Trust to K. Miao for \$825,000

8496 Deervale Road Carvalho Trust to J. Malec for \$681,000

Source: California REsource

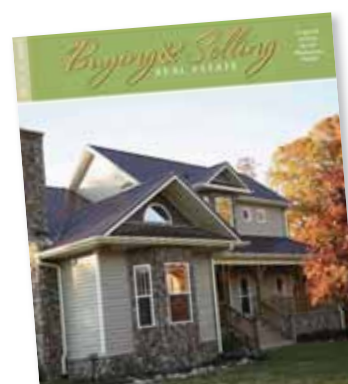
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SALES AT A GLANCE

This week's data represents homes sold during Jan. 27-Feb. 16

Pleasanton (Jan. 27-Feb. 10)

Total sales reported: 11
Lowest sale reported: \$400,000
Highest sale reported: \$2,250,000
Average sales reported: \$1,308,917

Dublin (Jan. 27-Feb. 10)

Total sales reported: 15
Lowest sale reported: \$363,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,250,000
Average sales reported: \$740,792

Livermore (Jan. 27-Feb. 10)

Total sales reported: 29
Lowest sale reported: \$418,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,500,000
Average sales reported: \$745,289

San Ramon (Feb. 1-16)

Total sales reported: 24
Lowest sale reported: \$285,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,259,000
Average sales reported: \$707,821

Source: California REsource

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2 BEDROOMS

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3 BEDROOMS

7120 Cross Creek Circle B \$475,000
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4 BEDROOMS

3303 Vittoria Loop \$930,000
 Sat 1-4 Kevin Wess 290-8143

Livermore

2 BEDROOMS

6630 Forget Me Not Common \$460,000
 Sun 1-4 Weiner McDowell Group 872-1416/209-0343

2676 Third St. #1704 \$559,000
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Joyce Jones 998-3398

3 BEDROOMS

217 Cobblestone Common \$675,000
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

4 BEDROOMS

5698 Stockton Loop Call for price
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Fabulous Properties 980-0273/519-8226

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3 BEDROOMS

4326 Second St. \$1,395,000
 Sat 1-4/Sun 1:30-4:30 Blaise Lofland 846-6500

4 BEDROOMS

786 Mirador Court \$1,386,000
 Sun 1-4 Mike Carey 963-0569

6633 Via San Blas \$959,900
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Linda Traurig 382-9746

5 BEDROOMS

2280 Camino Brazos \$1,199,000
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Tim McGuire 462-7653

3708 Raboli St. \$2,599,999
 Sat/Sun 1-4:30 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

990 Summit Creek Court \$1,798,000
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

2902 Victoria Meadows Court \$1,699,000
 Sun 1-4 Anni Hagfeldt 519-3534

1003 Pineto Place \$2,250,000
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1138 Mataro Court \$1,299,000
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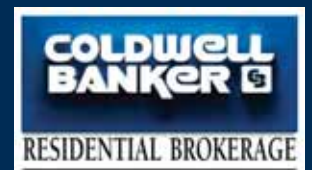
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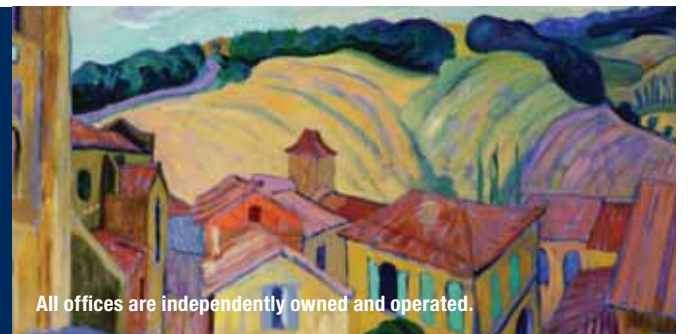
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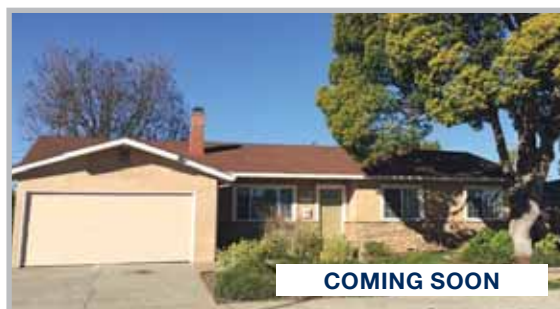
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