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AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

Lights out for Sport Chalet



JEB BING

Sport Chalet is shuttering all of its stores, including the Pleasanton location on Rosewood Drive.

There are probably as many Sport Chalet license plate frames around Pleasanton as there are skiers, scuba divers and soccer players.

It's truly an amazing store at 4555 Rosewood Drive, next to the Kohl's department store in the Metro 580 shopping center. Next door is a deep-water scuba diving training center, always busy in early evening hours with commuters stopping on the way home for a few refresher courses before heading to Hawaii for a vacation in the water. It's one of the few facilities available locally for those wanting to get scuba certified.

Now it's closing, one of 40 in California and more in Arizona and Nevada with nearly 3,000 full-time and part-time employees out of work by next Friday when the lights go out and the doors close. Sport Chalet's online store has already closed.

Here, the signs in windows tell of the Pleasanton store's fate. "Everything must go," they state. "All Sales are Final, No Returns." Reward certificates, store credits and gift cards are still being honored, and the company has made arrangements through its out-of-state affiliates Eastern Mountain Sports and Bob's Stores to transfer account balances and honor gift cards through July 29.

Clearly, the store will be missed. I remember standing in opening-day lines that stretched from Borders to the east (now Party City) to Staples and Linens 'n Things to the west (now Kohl's) as sports enthusiasts waited for the doors to open.

Sport Chalet had gained praise from thousands already shopping at its Southern California stores. The business got its start in 1959 when German immigrants Norbert and Irene Olberz bought a tiny La Canada Flintridge ski shop, which they built into a publicly traded retailer with more than 50 locations. The regional chain was purchased in 2014 by a Connecticut company named Vestis Retail Group.

Rumors had been circulating for weeks that Vestis or Sport Chalet

might file for bankruptcy protection and that the chain was about to shut down. Vestis representatives would say only that the company, which owns two other sporting-goods chains concentrated in the eastern U.S., was evaluating its options. Even last Saturday when the rumors were confirmed, a spokesman for Vestis and Sport Chalet declined to comment beyond this curt online statement:

"Sport Chalet has begun the process of closing all of its stores, including the 40 it has in California, and has stopped selling merchandise online. We also ask that you pick up any equipment that had been left in one of our stores for repair no later than April 29 and ask you to return Sport Chalet rental equipment before this date. Thank you for your loyalty over the years. We hope to see you at our store closing sales."

Sport Chalet, like other similar retailers that specialize in athletic merchandise, equipment and services, has struggled financially and had more than \$52 million in debt when Vestis bought it for \$17 million. Brooks and Dan Weikel, writing in the Los Angeles Times, said the retailer faced unique competitive pressures from online retailers, discounters and the likes of Target Corp., whose stores carry the kind of workout merchandise and sports equipment that might interest the casual enthusiast.

Other sports retailers also are facing problems understanding the changing marketplace and fending off competitors. In March, the much larger Sports Authority, which has a new store in Dublin, filed for bankruptcy protection with plans to close 140 of its 463 stores. Nineteen of the locations to be closed are in California, although they have yet to be identified.

As convenient and affordable as customers may find online shopping, they're doing so at the peril of losing the brick-and-mortar store experience where you can see, feel and test merchandise such as a baseball glove before you buy. ■

About the Cover

Young cricket player Anish Kolan, from Dublin's Fallon Middle School, watches the ball fly off his bat during a recent Tri-Valley competition. Photo by Suresh Kolan, Cricket for Cubs Board of Directors. Cover design by Kristin Brown.

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Streetwise

How are you planning to observe Earth Day this year?



Yossi Beninger
Horticulturist

I am planning to plant a tree in Jaffa, Israel — an orange tree. It will be in honor of my grandmother, of blessed memory. I know she would be happy knowing that I was doing something good for the Earth and its inhabitants and doing my part to keep our planet beautiful and thriving.



Kirsten Sydow, with daughter Molly
Stay-at-home mom of 4

Well, we are new to town and are trying to learn how to care for the 92 rose bushes on our property without harming the environment with pesticides. So far we have been working eggshells into the soil to fertilize it, and on Earth Day we are going to add coffee grounds, too, in order to promote plant growth without causing any harm.



Jessica Smith
Voice teacher/singer

I've been trying for a while now to be more of a conservationist. I've been reusing supermarket bags and refilling my ceramic coffee cup instead of using disposable cups. So on Earth Day, I plan to make a very conscious effort to do all of that, and to not be lazy about reusing, renewing, recycling and repurposing.



Asher Litschwartz
Teacher

Earth Day is a day for me to reflect on my standard ethics because often, when living life day to day, the small things slip through the cracks. Earth Day is a good day to seal those cracks with fresh cement and figure out where I've been missing the mark.



Jenny Lyness
High school student

I try to treat every day like it is Earth Day and plan to spread as much goodwill as possible. I feel that if I set a good example in that regard, people will follow it, and we will all be one step further toward peace on Earth. I'm just so certain that every little step we each take, and every good deed we do, helps to fix the world.

—Compiled by Nancy Davis Lyness

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Vote for lookalikes

This is the final chance to vote for your favorite pair among the eight finalists for the Pleasanton Weekly's annual Mother-Daughter Lookalike Contest in honor of Mother's Day.

Online voting at www.pleasantonweekly.com/two_of_a_kind/ is open until Monday. The first-place winners will receive \$50, plus four tickets to the Alameda County Fair, and the second-place prize is \$25 and two fair tickets.

Check online and in the May 6 edition of the Pleasanton Weekly to see if your favorites won and to learn more about the winning mom-daughter pair.

Gold Ribbon winner

Lydiksen Elementary has been named a California Gold Ribbon School, the only Pleasanton Unified recipient of the 772 elementary schools statewide to be given the honor.

"Lydiksen is very proud to receive this award. It shows the hard work our staff, students and parent community have done to implement instructional technology into our classrooms over the past four years," school principal Jacob Berg said.

The annual award is granted based on a school's success creating a model program that shows educational gains, according to state officials. This year's awards only featured elementary schools.

"This is a strong testament to the work being done by our school community towards preparing our students for college and career," interim Pleasanton schools superintendent Jim Hansen said. "We congratulate Lydiksen Elementary for this well-deserved distinction."

Pet support fundraiser

The Paws In Need Boutique, located year-round in the lobby of the Feline Medical Center, will hold its annual Spring Fling from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. tomorrow. Proceeds will benefit Jackie Barnett's Just Like New Fund, which aids sick and injured pets.

This one-day-only fundraising sale features animal-themed gift items such as outdoor art and garden decorations, home and kitchen decor, women's fashion accessories, greeting cards, handmade items and more. It's a chance to buy something unique for a Mother's Day or graduation gift for any animal lover. Clearance items also will be available.

The Just Like New Fund was founded in 1995 by the late Pleasanton animal advocate Jackie Barnett. The fund, administered by Paws In Need, provides financial assistance to Tri-Valley residents who cannot afford urgent one-time, lifesaving veterinary care for their pets. For more information, visit www.Paws-In-Need.org. ■

Butte County school chief named new Pleasanton superintendent

School board also selects new Amador Valley High, Walnut Grove Elementary principals

By MEREDITH BAUER

The Pleasanton school board appointed Rick Rubino to become the district's new superintendent during a board meeting Tuesday night that was dominated by personnel moves, including also naming two new school principals and announcing some classified staff layoffs.

Rubino, superintendent of Gridley Unified School District in Butte County for the past four years, was chosen as Pleasanton Unified's new leader after a five-month search that looked at administrators from across the U.S. The school board hasn't yet

approved his contract, which is the last logistical and legal hurdle before he can begin work.

Rubino, 63, is expected to start as the new Pleasanton superintendent July 1, but he's no stranger to the East Bay.

He previously worked as assistant superintendent of personnel services at Martinez Unified and director of certificated personnel at Mt. Diablo Unified in Contra Costa County. He moved to the Bay Area in the 1980s and has lived in Walnut Creek with his family since 2002.

He said he was drawn to the

Pleasanton school district due to its stellar reputation, involved community and its desire to integrate more technology into the learning process.

"This is the most exciting time in public education in 100 years," Rubino said in an interview after his appointment.

The move is contingent on the board approving Rubino's contract, which includes his salary. The vote



Rick Rubino

on that contract was moved to the board's May meeting because the agreement needs to be included in the board packet for public examination before approval and it wasn't ready in time for Tuesday's meeting.

The district was searching for a new permanent superintendent after former chief Parvin Ahmadi resigned at the end of last school year to become Castro Valley Unified's superintendent. Interim superintendent Jim Hansen will continue to lead the district until July while Rubino wraps up the school

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PLEASANTON ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION

Members of the Livermore Valley Charter School Girls Club filled bags with trash recovered from St. Mary's Creek behind the Firehouse Arts Center for Earth Day last year.

Pleasanton celebrating Earth Day

From educating kids to cleaning creeks, community is getting into eco spirit

By ISABELLA OHLMEYER

Earth Day began in 1970 as a movement to preserve the Earth's resources, and it continues to be recognized by billions of people worldwide today, striving to maintain a clean and thriving environment.

Pleasanton finds itself in the Earth Day spirit as well, with environmentally conscious activities such as youth education, creek cleanups and a bicycle workshop scheduled in and around the city this weekend and through the month.

"Since it began nearly 50 years ago, Earth Day has become an important day for all of us because it gives us a chance to reflect on what we're doing to develop more sustainable, environmentally friendly practices in our cities throughout the country," Mayor Jerry Thorne said.

"In Pleasanton, we have been focusing a lot of our efforts on the drought and how to effectively manage this challenge going forward in ways that give us more local control over our water and are environmentally responsible at the same time," he added.

Foothill High sophomore Rachel Mundaden concurs.

"Earth Day is a chance to educate the youth of our community and bring information to teach their parents about all the ways they can help save the planet," said Mundaden, who will lead an Eco Expo today in the Donlon Elementary multipurpose room. "If families can work together to help this cause, I believe this can make a huge difference."

The Eco Expo is part of Mundaden's Gold Award Project for Girl Scouts, and its goals are "rais-

ing youth awareness about climate change and teaching kids that they can make a difference and preserve planet Earth," she said.

The event will feature an animated video explaining the basics of climate change, a "bike blender" in which kids will pedal on a bike to power a blender to make smoothies in a renewable-energy lesson and a compost station where participants can put on gloves and dig through a compost bin to see what does and doesn't belong in the bin.

The Zone 7 Water Agency donated coloring books to the event to educate participants about water conservation, and Congressman Eric Swalwell (D-Dublin) is set to be the guest speaker, Mundaden said.

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Fundraiser aims to bring in \$1 million

All-day online giving event to benefit 500+ East Bay nonprofits

The annual East Bay Gives fundraising blitz will get underway in about a week, aiming to fund 502 regional nonprofits, including nearly 30 in Pleasanton.

The fundraiser, set for 12 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. May 3, is run entirely online, and outreach will be done mostly through social media, said Jeri Boomgaarden, managing director of donor services and administrative support for the East Bay Community Foundation, which runs East Bay Gives.

"A lot of nonprofits fill gaps that communities may have," she said. "(Fundraising) is vital to growing healthy communities."

In all, 29 Pleasanton nonprofits are participating in East Bay Gives, such as Valley Humane Society, Pleasanton Partnerships in Education (PPIE) Foundation, Sunflower Hill, Tri-Valley Animal Rescue and Sandra J. Wing Healing Therapies Foundation, Boomgaarden said.

The 24-hour fundraising campaign will take place entirely online, which meets the event's secondary mission of training nonprofit staff in effective online fundraising, she said. Donors will be able to give on East Bay Gives' website, and individual charities will be thanking donors and posting challenges on their own social media accounts.

The participating nonprofits range from organizations focusing on food justice to animal rescue to dance classes. Boomgaarden said

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For Employee of the Year, being 'the glue' is a privilege

Harvest Park admin secretary Pauline Schroeder named district's top classified worker

BY MEREDITH BAUER

Pauline Schroeder didn't dream of running a school when she got her first job. In fact, she didn't imagine a career in education at all, but life had other plans.

Harvest Park Middle School's administrative secretary has proven to be an invaluable captain, even during years when the ship was rocked by changes in curriculum or leadership, district leaders said of Schroeder, who was named the Pleasanton Unified School District's 2016 Classified Employee of the Year.

In an announcement at a school board meeting last month, interim superintendent Jim Hansen called Schroeder, "the glue that holds the school together."

"I love my job," she said during a follow-up interview last week. "It's a fun place to work. I've got good people in the office, and the teachers are just terrific."

Harvest Park has been through its share of upheaval during the past few years. This school year, the school has had three principals and is now

led by two co-principals splitting time throughout the week. A permanent principal has yet to be named for next year.

"It's been a whole challenge this year, just trying to keep everything on track," Schroeder, 51, said. "But they're terrific people. Both (co-principals) work very hard and are very accommodating, very approachable and also just very willing to say, 'How is Harvest Park working? And you tell me what we need to do.' They've been fantastic."

However, change is nothing new to Schroeder. She joined Harvest Park in the aftermath of the recession, has seen the school through the Common Core State Standards transition and has assisted five principals since 2007.

"We are, I'm not going to lie, looking forward to having more stability," she said, laughing. "It's not just our school. There are a lot of changes happening throughout the district. ... We'll just step up to the plate and do what we have to do to keep our community going the way that works so

'We'll just step up to the plate and do what we have to do to keep our community going the way that works so well for all of us'

Pauline Schroeder,
Harvest Park
administrative secretary



MEREDITH BAUER

Pauline Schroeder, administrative secretary at Harvest Park Middle School, was named the Pleasanton Unified School District's 2016 Classified Employee of the Year earlier this spring.

well for all of us."

Harvest Park currently has two temporary co-principals — Amy Theberge and Steve Maher — after former principal Jill Butler took a job as Pleasanton Middle's principal. The move came after district-level openings led to a spate of promotions.

Raised in Southern California, Schroeder earned an associate's degree in animal health technology before working at a veterinary hospital for nine years.

"I worked with the four-legged creatures, and now I'm with the two-legged creatures," she joked.

When her two children — now 24 and 21 — were born while the family was living in Hawaii, Schroeder became a full-time mom. She said they moved to Pleasanton when

her children were school-age so they could attend Pleasanton Unified.

She was a highly involved parent and volunteered as often as she could. When her younger child entered kindergarten, Schroeder decided to work part-time in the district as a campus supervisor, moving on to take on multiple roles as a substitute.

She became Harvest Park's administrative secretary in September 2007, opting for the full-time role to help supplement her family's income when her husband was laid off during the start of the recession. By that time, she said she had volunteered or worked in at least a dozen areas of the district.

Since then, she said she's felt like she's been the conductor of a well-designed train. Her job includes managing administrators' schedules, making

sure sick teachers' classes are covered, planning the school calendar and scheduling assessment appointments, among many other tasks. If someone at Harvest Park has an administrative problem, she's the go-to person.

"My desk is kind of the hub," she said.

It's been a rewarding job, and she said she looks forward to going to work every day. Just knowing that she's helping improve children's education makes any hurdle worthwhile, and she said the teachers and staff are more than just casual coworkers in her eyes.

"I have a fabulous staff here," she said. "We're like one big, happy family."

She lives in Pleasanton with her husband, Bob. ■

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year in Gridley.

"It's tough shoes to fill, but he's surrounded by an incredible team," board member Chris Grant said of Rubino.

The school board also Tuesday named Amador Valley High vice principal Michael Williams as interim principal, effective immediately while current principal Tom Drescher takes a leave of absence until his resignation becomes effective June 30. Williams will become the permanent principal as of July 1.

Drescher had announced his resignation in January, and he has been on leave on and off since spring break. District spokesman Patrick Gannon said he couldn't comment on the nature of Drescher's absence, and Drescher did not respond to multiple phone, email and in-person requests to clarify the duration and reasons behind his absence.

Retired Pleasanton Middle principal John Whitney joined the Amador Valley staff in March as an interim vice principal "to provide additional support to the current administration team" until June 30, Gannon said.

Walnut Grove Elementary interim principal Chris Connor was named the school's permanent principal Tuesday night. Connor has been interim principal since January after former principal Jan Steed was promoted to a district-level position — before later resigning from that job.

The board announced Beth Cutter as the district's new assistant director of adult education, Steed's prior position. Cutter, most recently a vice principal at Walnut Grove, had served as a vice principal in Livermore Valley Joint Unified for two years and was previously a science teacher at Amador Valley, according to the district.

The board also voted to eliminate 19.5 full-time equivalent classified positions due to a gap in one-time funding that was fueling those positions, but district staff said they'll have a clearer picture of which jobs they'll be able to keep after the state budget is revised in May. If fundraisers or state funding come through, some pink slips could be rescinded.

"We're going to do everything we can to bring the positions back," board member Valerie Arkin said. "We don't take any of this lightly."

The decision will either lead to reduced hours or layoffs for some library assistants, custodians, technology specialists, a lead support

specialist, an office assistant and a coordinator of maintenance services.

The district's elementary string and band program was also reduced due to this funding gap, and some of those teachers have already received pink slips, said Dianne Howell, assistant superintendent of human resources.

"Music is one of those rare things that transcends language, economics, backgrounds or race," parent liaison Susana Lopez-Kruevitch said. "Please save the fifth-grade band and strings program."

Board members said they decided to approve layoff notices Tuesday night because these particular jobs require a 60-day layoff notice, and having an end date after the start of the district's financial year on July 1 could set an untenable legislative precedent, board members said.

During public comment, several attendees noted Vintage Hills physical education teacher Terri Drain was named the district's 2016 Teacher of the Year and praised her hard work.

A teacher at Vintage Hills Elementary for 17 years, she has also taught at Alisal and Fairlands elementary and was the physical education department head at a Vancouver, Canada school before moving to the Bay Area. ■

Voting starts for beneficiaries of New Leaf Markets' charity program

Stores donate 10 cents for every reusable bag customers carry

By JEB BING

Starting today, customers at Pleasanton's New Leaf Community Markets who participate in the market's reusable grocery bag program can vote for a beneficiary to receive monetary awards.

Called the Envirotoken program, New Leaf gives customers a 10-cent token for every reusable bag they bring to the store. Customers can direct the token to one of the ben-

eficiaries selected through the voting process.

Last year, New Leaf donated \$10,365 to nonprofits serving the Pleasanton area, and a total of \$56,289 to 22 different organizations throughout New Leaf's marketing area. Since 1993, New Leaf has donated a total of \$543,289 to nonprofits through the program.

On the Pleasanton New Leaf ballot this year are: Community Alliance

with Family Farmers, California Certified Organic Farming, Fish Wise, Organic Farming Research Foundation, Regional Parks Foundation, The Ruth Bancroft Garden, Save Mount Diablo, Walnut Creek Open Space Foundation and California Farmlink.

During the voting, representatives of these organizations will be at the store to describe their environmental and charitable work.

New Leaf Community Markets in-

troduced the Envirotoken program in 1993 to encourage the use of reusable bags and support the efforts of local environmental nonprofits. In addition to the monetary donations, New Leaf representatives said the store has saved close to 9,000 trees as a result of customers reusing bags over 6 million times since the program started.

For more information about the Envirotoken program and New Leaf's other community giving programs,

visit www.newleaf.com/community.

New Leaf is located at 3550 Bernal Ave. in the Vintage Hills Shopping Center. A wholly owned subsidiary of New Seasons Market, it is the first grocer in California to achieve B Corporation certification, which means it helps solve social and economic problems through special programs at its stores. New Leaf contributes 10% of profits annually to local nonprofits. ■

FUNDRAISER

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this includes groups that teach children to code, offer outdoor play to schoolchildren and provide independent living for adults with intellectual disabilities.

When a donor goes to EastBay-Gives.org, they'll be directed to choose one of the 502 nonprofits to donate toward. The East Bay Community Foundation will also give nonprofits monetary prizes for certain achievements, such as being the first organization to raise money after midnight.

Last year, the event raised about \$650,000 for 364 organizations, and Boomgaarden said this year's goal is \$1 million.

"I think we're going to crush it," she said. ■

—Meredith Bauer

EARTH DAY

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The free Eco Expo, open to Donlon fourth- and fifth-graders, will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. today at the campus.

Earth Day participants also have an opportunity to get their exercise in and learn to travel safely in an eco-friendly way.

The Bike East Bay organization is hosting a free family cycling workshop event tomorrow at Pleasanton Middle School.

The group's certified instructors will lead participants in safety drills, fun games, skills building, a neighborhood ride and offer free bike repairs from the "Alameda County Bikemobile."

The workshop is geared primarily toward parents and their children in second through sixth grade. Parti-

cipants must bring their own bike and helmet and be prepared to ride on various bike paths.

The environmentally conscious event will include instruction on communicating with other road users, navigating safely through intersections, fitting a helmet and performing a bike safety check.

Bike teeter-totters will be available for children, and all participants can sample bike-powered fruit smoothies. Children who attend the event will receive a free reflective vest; they must be accompanied by an adult.

Bike East Bay's cycling workshop is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Pleasanton Middle School, 5001 Case Ave.

Other local Earth Day events include:

- April 29, 3:30-5:30 p.m. — "Earth Day Clean-Up" at the Bernal Community Park in Pleasanton. Alviso Adobe staff and local community volunteers



COURTESY OF BIKE EAST BAY

Family workshop participants can learn how to navigate intersections safely.

will pick up trash at the creek.

- All month — The city's Community Services Department is accepting applications from city residents to take part in its community garden at Val Vista Community Park. Seven large and two small patches are available for rent on a first-come, first-served basis.
- This weekend — The Livermore Valley Winegrowers Association is

hosting "Down to Earth" weekend with eco-focused classes, walks and talks through Sunday, with wineries across the region highlighting the sustainable wine-growing and wine-making practices they use.

- April 30, 8 a.m. to noon — "Creek Clean Up" is part of Dublin Pride Week at Emerald Glen Park, 4201 Central Pkwy. ■

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Community Pulse

POLICE BULLETIN

New officer, sergeant become PPD's first active father-son combo

Pleasanton police gained a new officer recently, but he is no stranger to the department.

Kyle Leonardo was sworn in to the Pleasanton Police Department on April 6 by his father, Pleasanton Sgt. Joe Leonardo. The two are the first father-son pair to serve at the department concurrently, according to police officials.

Kyle Leonardo, a Tracy native, graduated from the South Bay Regional Police Academy in San Jose. He is set to complete a 16-week field training process before being assigned as a patrol officer.

Pleasanton dispatcher Maia



COURTESY OF PPD

Sgt. Joe Leonardo (right) issues the oath of office to his son, Kyle Leonardo.

Freiburg was also promoted to dispatch supervisor earlier this month.

Freiburg was hired by the department in 2005 after she worked for the Fortuna and Eureka police de-

partments, according to Pleasanton police. She has served as a communications training officer and as part of the department's Strategic Planning Committee.

A Danville native, Freiburg graduated from the Pleasanton Police Leadership Track Program, and she is president of a nonprofit that recognizes Alameda County public safety dispatchers.

In other police news:

- Police are searching for a man who appeared to kick in the window of a Pleasanton real estate agency earlier this month.

A man, described as white and in his 20s, is seen in a still photograph taken from security camera footage that was posted on Pleasanton police's social media accounts last week.

He is accused of kicking in a window of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices on First Street at 4:58 p.m. on April 9, an incident police said was caught on camera.

Police said the man was walking by the building with a female when he kicked the window, laughed and kept walking. They stated he did not appear to try to enter the building.

The man was described as wearing a gray shirt, dark jeans and pushing a dark-colored BMX bike. The female was estimated to be between 16 and 19 years old, with long, dark hair and wearing a black shirt with an "H" on the front.

While only the man is listed as a suspect, officers are searching for the female as an involved party, according to Pleasanton police. The damage

is estimated at \$100, and police are asking anyone with information to contact them at 931-5100.

- A Pleasanton pizzeria was robbed last week, and police are searching for the culprits who got away with about \$6,000 in cash.

Two unidentified men smashed the front door of Mountain Mike's on Santa Rita Road between 3:35 a.m. and 3:41 a.m. on April 12, pried open the cash register and took the cash, police stated.

The damage to the broken glass door was estimated at \$2,000, plus about \$100 in damage to the register and a coin change machine each, according to police. Security footage reportedly recorded the men, and no arrest had occurred in the case as of April 15. ■

—Meredith Bauer

POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

April 16

Commercial burglary

- 9:16 a.m. in the 5400 block of Sunol Boulevard

Theft

- 12:20 p.m. in the 5100 block of Case Avenue

Assault/battery

- 5 p.m. in the 3800 block of Vineyard Avenue

Domestic battery

- 6:52 p.m. on Bernal Avenue

Residential burglary

- 9:58 p.m. in the 4800 block of Saginaw Circle

April 15

Assault/battery

- 6:47 p.m. in the 5600 block of Owens Drive

Theft

- 7:44 a.m., 700 block of Rose Avenue; theft from auto

- 9:03 a.m., 3300 block of Streamside Circle; theft from structure

- 9:59 a.m. in the 1800 block of Paseo Del Cajon

- 12:15 p.m., 800 block of Rose Avenue; theft from auto

- 12:28 p.m., 100 block of Rocky Creek Place; theft

- 2:15 p.m. in the 400 block of Del Sol Avenue

- 2:23 p.m., 700 block of Rose Avenue; theft from auto

- 3:11 p.m. at Stoneridge Mall

Sex offenses

- 4:25 p.m. on First Street

Fraud

- 9:53 a.m. in the 3000 block of Briggs Court

Missing person report

- 11:46 p.m. on Springdale Avenue

April 14

Auto theft

- 3:11 a.m. in the 7800 block of Oak Creek Drive

- 9:07 p.m. in the 1500 block of Via Di Salerno

Trespassing/prowling

- 11:39 a.m. in the 900 block of Madeira Drive

Fraud

- 4:22 p.m. in the 8000 block of Canyon Creek Circle

- 4:54 p.m. in the 5900 block of Corte Arboles

Vehicle tampering

- 9:43 p.m., 2000 block of Olivia Court

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EDITORIAL

THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY

Workday's new headquarters bringing architectural style to city's corporate center

Workday, a fast-growing software company with headquarters on Stoneridge Mall Road in Pleasanton, firmed up its plans last week before the Pleasanton Planning Commission to build a six-story glass and steel, architecturally striking building between its main campus and Interstate 580.

The commission voted 4-1 to approve the project, with only Planning Commissioner David Nagler voting against it.

When completed, the new Workday headquarters will be one of Pleasanton's tallest buildings at 82.9 feet high at the top of roof parapet and a height of 103 feet at the apex of a rooftop circular screen wall. Only Safeway's former corporate headquarters near the Workday complex is taller.

In its new plan, Workday increased the number of parking spaces to 3,214 and reduced the size of its new building from 430,000 square feet to 410,000 square feet. The new building also will include a jointly operated BART/Pleasanton Police Department "service center" at the ground-floor level, giving Pleasanton its first branch police station.

The office building will have a unique, three-sided shape featuring layered architecture creating a base, middle and top. The first floor will be slightly smaller in area than the upper floors to accommodate covered pedestrian arcades and to provide visual interest to the exterior of the building. The fourth and sixth floors also will be smaller to accommodate taller ceilings in portions of the third and fifth floors.

The first floor will feature storefront glass with interior and exterior columns. The upper floors will feature a glass curtain wall system with horizontal and vertical panels visible behind the glazing and aluminum mullions. At the top of the each floor, an approximately two-foot-tall portion of the glazing will have a frittered pattern of small silk-screened dots.

The form and shape of the building will be visually interesting and the materials and colors both attractive and compatible with surrounding developments and also eye-appealing to motorists driving by on the adjacent I-580 freeway.

Workday will now take its plan to the City Council on May 17 for final approval. Work on the new building is expected to start in 2017. ■



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TERRASSET MANAGEMENT GROUP

Artist's aerial sketch of Workday's new multimillion-dollar headquarters building to be built next year next to Dublin/Pleasanton West BART station between Stoneridge Mall Road and I-580. Six-story building will feature architecturally striking, three-sided shape, layered design and glass curtain wall system.



WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

Bicycle, Pedestrian & Trails Committee

Monday, April 25, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.
Pleasanton Senior Center Classroom, 5353 Sunol Blvd.

Planning Commission

Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

Affordable Rental Opportunities Now Available The Galloway, Pleasanton

Essex Development and the City of Pleasanton announce the availability of 38 Below Market Rent (BMR) Apartments located in the Galloway development (4863 Willow Road, Pleasanton, CA 94588). (Development website: www.gallowaypleasanton.com) A pre-application process will be administered by Essex development and the City to determine the screening order in which full applications will be considered for the BMR units.

The BMR units will be made available for lease from May through September 2016 and will include studios, 1, 2, and 3-bedrooms. Three units will be ADA accessible and available for lease by persons with physical disabilities. All BMR units will be reserved for very low income persons/households earning up to the 50% of the Area Median Income (AMI) limit established by the City adjusted for household.

MORE INFORMATION AND HOW TO APPLY:

Pre-application forms, eligibility guidelines and other information is available online at the City's website: <http://www.cityofpleasantonca.gov/resident/housing/rentals/belowmarket.asp>

Printed copies of the application will be available at the following locations:

Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Avenue
Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd.
City of Pleasanton, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

Applications will be accepted no later than **Friday, May 6, 2016 at 5:00 pm**, no exceptions or consideration will be given to applications received after the deadline date.

To explore more about Pleasanton, visit us at www.cityofpleasantonca.gov

TAKE US ALONG



Scottish sibling

Pleasanton natives Nancy and John Scott made a special trip on a bus tour to Blairgowrie, Scotland — which is Pleasanton's twin city — with the Pleasanton Weekly along for the ride.

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.

LISA VORDERBRUEGGEN

The beat continues this weekend during the Two Day Town family music and camping festival, now taking place at Lake Del Valle for the 16th year. Forty musical groups will take to three stages, day and night, while countless impromptu jam sessions spring up all over the grounds. Check it out this weekend: rock, jazz, country, swing, folk music, classical guitar, drum circles, big band, salsa, funk, belly dancing, harps, horns, Cajun and more.



Music. music. music

Two Day Town
at Lake Del Valle
has tunes from
Bach to rock

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

A hamlet of music, color and camaraderie arose on the grassy slopes of Lake Del Valle today, and on Sunday night the 1,500 campers will leave it untouched, except in spirit.

Two Day Town, now in its 16th year, is featuring 40 musical acts on three stages for the fans and families that gather to camp and enjoy music amid the serenity. With so many musicians on hand — pros and amateur — informal jam sessions invariably spring up in every nook and cranny.

“We rent the entire west side of the park,” explained organizer Michael Ferrucci, who has been serving as “mayor” of the Two Day Town from the beginning. “People camp wherever they want, on the lawn or the side of the hill.”

The music covers the gamut.

“It’s an amazing variety, from Bach to rock,” Ferrucci said. “There’s incredible jazz, country, swing, folk music. Several classical guitar players come.”

“Entertainers range from the gifted and musically talented, jazz singers, spectacular drum circles, big band salsa music, funk music, belly dancing, harps and horn sections, Cajun,” he continued. “On Sunday morning, there is one tree we gather around, and there’s gospel music. It’s truly a community.”

Acoustic musicians gather for open mic in front of Leslie’s Cafe, an amenity that can make camping more hassle-free, starting with morning coffee.

“Leslie has wonderful, organic food; fresh, fresh food. She grows the vegetables,” Ferrucci said.

The main stage is on the lawn adjacent to the west-side beach. Acoustic music is performed at the amphitheater as well as

around the cafe area. The hours of 3-6 p.m. are honored throughout Two Day Town as “nap time,” with no amplified music in case small children need to rest.

Ferrucci is beginning to pass the mayoral duties to 15-year-old Ariela Castillo, a student at San Ramon Valley High who has attended every year since she was 2. She has been playing guitar and ukulele for two years as well as percussion in the school band.

“From the day I stepped foot at the beautiful Lake Del Valle, when I was only 2 years old, I knew that Two Day Town was my second home,” Castillo said. “I want to become mayor because I want to make sure that anyone can grow to love Two Day Town as much as I do.”

Being on the board has shown her how much work takes place behind the scenes, she said.

“Some of my goals with Two Day Town include getting people excited about music, urging others to ‘Leave No Trace,’ and to get as many people as possible to participate in our community,” she said.

About a half dozen enthusiasts managed the first two-day event, Ferrucci recalled, but now

Honors for Bob Butler, Margene Gerton Rivara

Two recognized for making Pleasanton a better place

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

If Pleasanton is the “City of Planned Progress,” Bob Butler can be credited with helping to make it so through his decades of community service. At the same time, Margene Gerton Rivara would see a need and fill it, improving the city’s arts and providing homes for seniors.

Butler and Rivara are being awarded this year’s Ed Kinney Community Patriot Awards, and friends and family are invited Monday to a champagne reception beginning at 7 p.m. at the Museum on Main.

Butler was on the Planning Commission from 1974-78, the City Council from 1978-92 and mayor from 1980-81 — crucial years when Pleasanton made the transformation from small town into thriving city. He is proudest of Stoneridge Shopping Center and Hacienda Business Park, which provide a solid tax base.

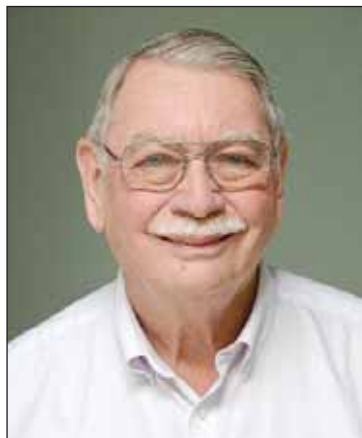
“Those two projects had the biggest impact on our community,” Butler said, noting the groundwork had been done by those with foresight in the 1950s.

Other important actions during Butler’s time include the Stoneridge Drive freeway interchange, Ruby Hill residential development, the Senior Center and library facilities and taking title to 105 acres from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the Sports Park.

“I will never forget my first Planning Commission meeting,” Butler said. “Foothill Road ridge development was on the agenda, and the meeting lasted from 7:30 p.m. until 2:30 a.m. My wife got so worried ... that she called the police.”

Butler moved to Pleasanton in 1960 and worked for 35 years at GE Vallecitos. He served in the Army Reserve for 28 years, doing duty with the Army Nuclear Agency at the Pentagon, so each summer he and wife Mary Ann packed up the four children, drove across country and then camped in an area where Bob could take public transportation to the office.

Butler, who plays trombone, saxo-



Bob Butler



Margene Gerton Rivara

phone and percussion, is a charter member of the Pleasanton Community Concert Band, begun in 1975. He also has performed with Valley Brass Quintet and the Livermore Symphony. And since his 1995 retirement from Vallecitos, Butler has been in the tax-preparation business.

With three careers, four children and five grandchildren, Butler has completed an astonishing number of community service projects.

“It’s just giving back to a community that’s been a great place to live,” he said.

Rivara fell in love with Pleasanton when she visited her Uncle Bernie’s family one summer from Colorado. At her urging, the family came that Christmas and decided to move here.

“I loved the friendliness, the scale of things, the people and the fact that it was so easy to get involved,” she recalled.

While a student at Amador High School, Rivara realized that if she saw a need, she could get involved and move things forward. Since there was no ballet class in town, Rivara, who had taken advanced ballet classes in Denver, started the first ballet class.

Later, in 1968, she became involved when her church was among those that accepted the challenge to build Pleasanton Gardens senior housing. A few years later, she was a founding board member for the construction of Pleasanton Greens,

a 132-unit housing project for seniors and low-income families.

Rivara, a Realtor and artist, served on the Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council board for 16 years and helped reinstate strings programs in fourth and fifth grades. She served for 10 years on the Pleasanton Civic Arts Commission and was one of the four founding members of the Pleasanton Cultural Arts Foundation, which was formed to raise money to create the Firehouse Arts Center.

Rivara was on the advisory board for the Cantabella Children’s Chorus and acted as costume designer for the Children’s Opera in Pleasanton in 2010, designing, making and donating 73 costumes for “The Piper of Hamelin.” She is currently writing stories for children that “teach them self-esteem and self-achievement through kindness, service and a respect for nature.”

“Everyone’s life is enriched when they get involved in serving others,” Rivara said.

Her goal is “to encourage people to live up to their full potential — being everything they can be.”

The Ed Kinney Community Patriot Awards are in their 11th year to honor the memory of the former mayor, and the reception is put on by Make a Difference, Today & Always. The awardees will also be honored at the Independence Day celebration, held midday in Lions Wayside Park. ■

the core group numbers 40 or so.

“The volunteers do everything from providing security, parking management, stage, sound and lighting, and solicitation and scheduling of entertainment, sanitary bathrooms, recycling, etc.,” he said. “Needless to say, this is a monumental undertaking, yet we all serve with joy.”

The festival takes advantage of the surroundings, with nature hikes, trail-bike excursions, swimming and playing on the beach and in the lake. Children can enjoy a staffed creative activity area.

The executive board organizes the community’s activities, meets with East Bay Regional Park District authorities and deals with regulations such as emergency plans. They firmly believe in “Leaving No Trace.”

“It’s easy,” Ferrucci said. “We take out what we bring into the park.

We make sure that every piece of paper, plastic, metal is put into containers and brought out of the park for recycling.”

The original core members were attendees of the Strawberry Music Festival that used to be held near Yosemite. But as that family event grew to more than 5,000, it wasn’t so enjoyable, and Ferrucci and friends began to kick around the idea of a local fest.

Each year, Two Day Town draws new fans who hear about it through word of mouth. This has allowed it to grow comfortably and always be manageable, noted Ferrucci. And it made sense to add the third day to enjoy the fruits of their labor after installing electrical service, doing major stage construction and assembling the army of volunteers.

All of the entertainment is donated, with no musician or performer being

paid. Despite this, and the success of the event, it continues to operate in the red, according to Ferrucci.

“We have all chipped in to make this happen year after year, and are only able to make all of our obligations by going into debt each year,” he said. “The good news is, we are going in the right direction.”

Volunteers work a pair of four-hour shifts in exchange for free admittance.

“There are not many of these kinds of festivals that are close to the Bay Area and that offer such a diverse and wholesome family-oriented musical event,” Ferrucci said. “We want it to continue to grow while keeping the relaxed spirit and mix of spontaneous music with onstage performances.”

For ticket information and a schedule of entertainment, go to www.twodaytown.com or call (510) 418-4707. ■

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED NEW WHEELS BUS SERVICE PLAN

The Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority is holding a Public Hearing to obtain public input regarding a new bus service plan that is planned to improve ridership, improve access to BART, reduce duplication of service and simplify service.

Date: **Monday, May 2, 2016**
Time: **6 PM**
Place: **Bankhead Theater**
2400 First Street, Livermore, CA 94551
Served by Wheels Routes 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 20x, 51, and the Rapid

Translation services are available with 72 hours advance notice by calling Wheels at (925) 455-7555. You may also review the proposed changes and give your input by April 22, 2016 at www.wheelsforward.com.

Copies of the changes are also available at Wheels Administration Office at 1362 Rutan Ct, Livermore and at Wheels Transit Center, 2500 Railroad Ave, Livermore.



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Cricket anyone?

Sport rapidly growing in popularity across Tri-Valley

By DENNIS MILLER

If you've been around Pleasanton long enough, you have seen the evolution of youth sports.

In the 1960s, Little League had its baseball fields on the Alameda County Fairgrounds before moving to the Pleasanton Sports Park. In the 1970s, soccer started making an impact and grew into the most-participated youth sport in town. At the turn of the century, lacrosse began to make its presence known and continues to grow today.

So what's next to take Pleasanton by storm? How about ... cricket?

It's true. Participation in cricket is growing rapidly, with the foundation at the middle school level. And one group in particular has been responsible for the rapid growth among teens in the area.

Pleasanton-based Cricket for Cubs is a nonprofit organization that was formed last November. Ra-

mesh Immadi, who played cricket in India when he was growing up, has been a driving force behind the local growth of the game and serves as the president of Cricket for Cubs.

Not sure what level of interest to expect, the group held an introductory informational meeting and shockingly drew over 800 people from around the Tri-Valley to the meeting, Immadi said. It was at that point things started to kick in and the group charged forward.

Thus far, Cricket for Cubs appears focused on doing everything right to grow cricket in Pleasanton and the Tri-Valley.

The group recently held a "Spring Festival" for cricket over five weekends in Dublin and San Ramon, selling out the 300 allotted spots, with about 90% of the campers never having played the game before.

"We sold out the camp in two

days," Immadi said. "At first when we started, I was scared about how it would turn out. We got one school going, then we needed a second one and it went from there."

From the start, the organizational structure has been unique from most youth sports groups, since its board of directors is made up of some of the middle school players as well as adults. But the direction has also been calculated and to the point.

In addition to people directly involved with the kids in the program, the Cricket for Cubs board has a pair of U.S. national team members: Nadia Gruny from the women's national team and Srihari Dasarathy from the under-19 USA squad.

It has given the organization credibility and star-power within the sport. The grassroots effort has also been crucial, and it started with

family members involved.

Immadi sent his sixth-grade son Ajay — also one of the board members — out to help recruit, not just talking to kids but their parents as well.

The recipe appears to have been a success so far.

Harvest Park Middle School in Pleasanton, where Ajay attends, has 50 kids participating in the program, while Fallon Middle School in Dublin has 100 kids playing and Iron Horse Middle School in San Ramon has 30 kids.

The sport has taken such hold at Fallon that it has become part of the physical education curriculum.

"This is the first year we have rolled it out as part of the curriculum," Fallon PE teacher Eric Lamonica said. "It is going really well. A lot of the kids love it, and in fact, they are helping teach (the

teachers) the game. (Cricket for Cubs) has been a lot of help and a tremendous resource."

Cricket draws some similarities to baseball in the essentials but in reality is quite different.

There is a bowler (pitcher), batsman (hitter) and a wicket keeper (catcher). There are also innings (two to four depending on the level of game in cricket) and fielders (nine in baseball; 11 in cricket).

Baseball is played on a diamond-shaped field, while cricket is played in circular fashion radiating 50 yards from the center. The game played at the highest level can last around four hours, but the middle school games have been scaled back to about a quarter of that length.

There is a natural cultural attraction for many who play the game, and cricket has seen a natural growth as the population of Indian



SURESH KOLAN/CRICKET FOR CUBS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Above: The Harvest Park Middle School cricket club celebrates with Pleasanton Mayor Jerry Thorne (top row, third from right) after the team won the inaugural Inter School Cricket Tournament in Dublin last December.

Top: Interest in cricket is growing among youth in the Tri-Valley, and nonprofit Cricket for Cubs is leading the charge in organizing matches and training sessions for local children.



With cricket's rise in popularity locally comes the need for many Tri-Valley residents to learn the terminology. Shown are a batsman and wicket keeper from a recent Cricket for Cubs match.



SURESH KOLAN

Batsman Ajay Immadi, a Harvest Park student, gets ready to hit the ball during a recent cricket match.



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Ajay Immadi won Man of the Series during the Cricket for Cubs youth tournament earlier this spring.

or Asian residents increases in the Tri-Valley.

“It has become huge for our community,” Immadi said. “We see the entire family come out to watch and enjoy the games.”

As part of the Spring Festival, there was a middle school tournament held in San Ramon and Dublin where Cricket for Cubs had eight teams participate and 15 games played.

As is the case for any sport that rapidly grows in the area, field space is at a premium — and in reality is never enough. San Ramon and Dublin have stepped up, with San Ramon having two cricket fields and Dublin one.

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Cricket for Cubs president

Thus far in Pleasanton there are none, and the Harvest Park team is forced to practice one day a week on the blacktop after school on Tuesday. There is support from city leaders in Pleasanton, as Mayor Jerry Thorne recently attended the tournament and was on-hand to help with the awards.

It appears that good news and better times could be on the horizon. When the Bernal Community Park complex opens, more field space will be available for soccer teams and the plan is for a cricket field to be installed at Muirwood Park.

“We are hoping Muirwood will be ready by June,” Immadi said.

The participants are a mixed bag, starting with a small but seasoned group of players to those who are just beginning. Being out there representing your school is part of what is growing the sport.

Ajay, 11, is arguably one of the most accomplished youth players in the area. He plays with the U.S. Under-17 National Team, recently touring Sri Lanka. He is one of the better young bowlers on the national team.

Ajay has immediately found what so many high school athletes in the area have experienced. Playing at the high level with travel teams brings one type of pressure. Representing your school, despite a drop in overall talent at the local level, brings another pressure altogether.

“I have seen my son play for four years, and he never cries,” Ramesh Immadi said. “But he made an out for Harvest Park, and he had tears. It’s the passion of playing for your school.”

For more information on Cricket for Cubs, visit www.cricketforcubs.org. ■



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A young bowler hurls the ball toward the batsman.



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to beef up their knowledge of the competition.



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Tri-Valley middle schoolers play in the inaugural Inter School Cricket Tournament in December.

Dons fall in hockey final

Grizzlies break open tight game with two goals in third period

The Amador Valley hockey team saw its playoff run come to an end with a 3-0 loss to California in the championship game in Dublin last Friday.

The Grizzlies held a one-goal lead for most of the match until adding two goals in the final period, while the Dons couldn't unlock the key to the Cal High defense or its net-minder, Justin Morkin.

Cal got on the board in the first period with a goal from Brian Adams, assisted by Mike Carranza, at the 4:05 mark.

The two teams were then locked into a scoreless battle until Adams put his second goal past Dons goaltender Kevin Tieck at the 12:19 mark of the third period — with assists from Carranza and Will Kim.

Carranza added an empty-net goal in the final minute, assisted by Jake Miley, to clinch the 3-0 victory for his squad.

Both hometown mayors, Jerry Thorne from Pleasanton and Bill Clarkson from San Ramon, were on-hand at the Dublin Iceland rink for the championship game and opened the contest with the ceremonial puck drop.

On the season, Amador Valley's Jack Harker, Sam Chase and Devin Cox finished as the team's top three scorers. For Cal, the leading scorers on the year were Carranza, Adams and Kim. ■

—Jeremy Walsh



COURTESY OF PLEASANTON SEAHAWKS

Seahawks set new records while hosting Far Western meet

More than four dozen Pleasanton Seahawks swam in the Spring Short Course Far Western Swimming Championship recently hosted by the local swim club, with Seahawk swimmers claiming a handful of new Far Western meet records. Miranda Heckman (girls 13-14 division) led the Seahawks with seven first-place finishes, including new Far Western records in the 200, 400, 500 and 1,650 freestyle and 400 individual medley. Her time of 16:28.51 in the 1,650 free beat the nearly 20-year-old record set by future Olympian Natalie Coughlin. Seahawks Maxime Rooney (boys 17-18; 200 butterfly) and Lyon Zhang (boys 15-16; 200 breaststroke) also earned new meet records. About 1,100 swimmers from across the U.S., Mexico and Canada participated in the event March 31 to April 3.



PLEASANTON PREPS

BY DENNIS MILLER

Foothill boys continue run with wins at Bridges, Callippe

Softball, baseball, tennis also return to action after spring break

The Foothill boys golf team came back from spring break and picked up right where it left off, winning a pair of matches last week to move to 9-0 in East Bay Athletic League play.

The Falcons ended the week with a 210-223 win over California on the always-tough Bridges Golf Club in San Ramon.

Foothill was led by junior Alex Chin taking medalist honors with a 3-over-par 40 on the tough Bridges front nine. Chin has continued his stellar play during the EBAL season, taking medalist honors three times overall.

The Falcons continued their EBAL unbeaten streak with senior Heetae Yang shooting a 4-over-par 41, junior Chase Godi 42, senior John Francisco 43 and senior Kyle Ko and junior Raj Chekuri coming in each with 44.

Earlier in the week, the Falcons won a tough battle with Monte Vista at Callippe Preserve Golf Course by a 195-199 final in their first match after spring break.

The Falcons were led by Chin shooting a very nice 1-over-par 37 on the tough back nine at Callippe.

The reigning EBAL champions improved their league record to 8-0, but it wasn't easy. Normally the Falcons play their home matches at Castlewood, a course where they have a significant "home course"

advantage, but due to a scheduling conflict, the match was shifted to the back nine at Callippe.

So with both teams having little experience on the course, it was a nail-biter to the end, but the Falcons dug deep and pulled out a four-stroke victory over the tough Monte Vista team.

The Mustangs' top three players were combined 3-under-par, but the depth of the Falcons came through. Following Chin was Chekuri at 2-over, Godi at 39, Yang at 40 and Francisco at 41.

Medalist honors went to Monte Vista's Ashkan Hakim with a stellar 1-under 35.

Softball

The Amador Valley and Foothill teams came back from spring break each winning a pair of games to both move to 4-0 in EBAL play.

Foothill beat California 5-4 in nine innings on April 12 and then came back the next day with a 1-0 win over Carondelet. Amador thumped San Ramon Valley 11-0 to open the week on April 12 and then two days later pulled out a tough 2-1 win over a strong Livermore team.

The two Pleasanton squads appear to be on a collision course for their game Tuesday at Foothill — a match-up that should give one team the outright lead in league at

the end of the first half.

Baseball

The baseball teams at the respective schools found the going a bit tougher than the softball teams did after the break.

Amador played three games last week, losing 8-1 to San Ramon Valley and 7-2 to California. The Dons did get a 4-3 win over Livermore in the middle of the three-game stretch.

Foothill came out on April 13 and got a big, 2-1 win in nine innings over Cal, but then dropped a tough 11-0 game to De La Salle.

Tennis

Amador returned from spring break in fine form, thumping Livermore 9-0 on April 14.

Rohan Kota, Casey Guan, Jaewook Lee, Dario Tommasini, Pranav Praveen and Ethan Allavaru all won their singles matches for the Dons.

On the doubles side, the teams of Eswar Ramineni/Ronak Parikh and Eric Luong/Vedhant Kaliyur swept their matches to put it away. ■

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

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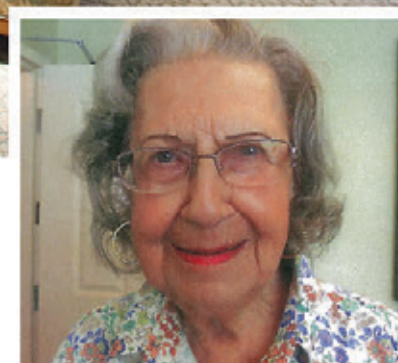
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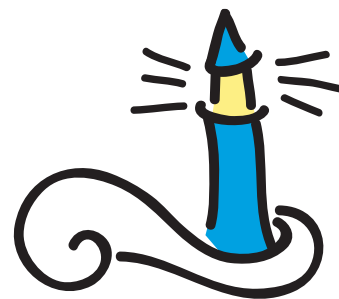
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED NEW WHEELS BUS SERVICE PLAN: The Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority is holding a Public Hearing to obtain public input regarding a new bus service plan that is planned to improve ridership, improve access to BART, reduce duplication of service and simplify service. Date: Monday, May 2, 2016. Time: 6 p.m. Place: Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore, CA 94551. Served by Wheels Routes 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 20x, 51, and the Rapid. Translation services are available with 72 hours advance notice by calling Wheels at (925) 455-7555. You may also review the proposed changes and give your input by April 22, 2016 at www.wheelsforward.com. Copies of the changes are also available at Wheels Administration Office and 1362 Rutan Court, Livermore and at Wheels Transit Center, 2500 Railroad Ave., Livermore.

PET OF THE WEEK



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Eight-year-old Cupid is a big lug that loves to be loved. This boxer cross is a relaxed, laid-back kind of dog who enjoys long naps, watching movies, curling up on laps and walking very short distances from the couch to the food bowl and back. Meet Cupid today at the East Bay SPCA Dublin Adoption Center at 4651 Gleason Drive.

Brimming with technology, Bay East serves region's real estate professionals

70-year-old association moves into corporate park headquarters

By JEB BING

Bay East Association of Realtors, a professional trade association serving over 5,000 real estate professionals throughout the San Francisco Bay Area, has just moved into a 17,000-square-foot office complex that it purchased in Bernal Corporate Park in Pleasanton.

The 70-year-old organization offers a variety of services and resources to help its members succeed locally, regionally and globally.

"We provide robust Multiple Listing Service (MLS) and technology support, professional standards, mediation, education and professional development programs," said Kim Ott, 2016 president of the association's board of directors. "We're also a strong advocate for home ownership and property owners along with being engaged in community service projects."

Bay East received its charter from the National Association of Realtors (NAR) in October 1947. Incorporated as the Southern Alameda County Real Estate Board, the 22 original members pledged to "protect and improve the real estate profession by educating members, exchanging knowledge and maintaining harmoni-

ous relationships and high standards of ethics."

The pledge also includes "developing social activity programs, safeguarding and promoting the rights and welfare of real estate ownership and promoting the development and prosperity of community, state and nation."

In 1995, Bay East moved its offices from Hayward to Pleasanton, and, late last year, purchased its new site. The new complex features a conference center, computer training lab, meeting rooms equipped with focus group technology and a video production studio.

The new headquarters combined with a large membership base "allows Bay East to provide cutting-edge technologies and programs and enables us to continually improve our 'Members First' philosophy," association CEO Tricia Thomas said.

According to Thomas, Bay East builds its services around a specific mission statement.

"Our mission is to help our members succeed as real estate professionals," she said. "Our vision is to set the standard in leadership, innovation, professionalism and service. Our values are collaboration, innova-



The Bay East Association of Realtors' officers for 2016 are (from left) William Doerlich, president-elect; Kim Ott, president; Tim Ambrose, treasurer; Tricia Thomas, chief executive officer, and Mike Fracisco, past president.

tion, vision, integrity and leadership."

She explained that all Bay East services and facilities are member-focused and utilize state-of-the-art technologies to help brokers and agents prosper in all aspects of their business.

"The Bay East staff is trained to understand members' business needs and to provide prompt, courteous and professional assistance to everyone," she added.

Constant communication with the membership keeps the association on track. Each year, Bay East checks in with its members through focus groups and surveys to make sure it's offering timely, relevant and valuable services.

"This information is analyzed and used in our comprehensive strategic planning process to improve existing programs and services and to offer new resources and technologies," Ott said.

The majority of Bay East members and MLS subscribers are located in southern and eastern Alameda County and represent home buyers and sellers in the Tri-Valley cities of Pleasanton, Dublin and Livermore, the Tri-Cities of Fremont, Union City and Newark, and the central county cities of Hayward, Castro Valley, San Leandro and San Lorenzo.

However, almost 30% of its members are located in offices outside of southern Alameda County.

"We have seen this group increase every year because we are able to deliver the same high-quality services to them as we do for members located within our jurisdiction," Thomas said.

Helping members with their day-to-day business isn't the only service Bay East provides. The association also actively cultivates and develops leaders.

"Bay East members have served and currently serve in a variety of leadership positions within the profession and in local communities," Ott said.

Five California Association of Realtors presidents have been Bay East members. They were Barney Adams, 1971; Richard Farrer, 1975; Bill Brown, 2008; Don Faight, 2013 and Kevin Brown, 2014. Bay East Realtor Bill Brown is set to be the NAR president in 2017.

Several Bay East members have participated

in the countrywide NAR Leadership Academy. Bay East has also helped its members win election to City Council and state Senate and Assembly seats, as well as appointments to city commissions throughout Alameda County.

Bay East staff are active leaders in their own right. Thomas, who is a recognized leader and innovator in association management, serves on a number of state and national committees within the Realtor community, including the NAR's Strategic Thinking Committee and the CAR's Strategic Planning and Finance Committee.

Glenn Christoph, the association's MLS Systems director, is the 2016 secretary/treasurer for the Council of Multiple Listing Services and has served in leadership positions with other national MLS groups.

David Stark, public affairs director, has held leadership positions within the state and national Realtor communities and locally with the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce and the city of Pleasanton.

"Residential real estate is a people business, and this is reflected in the personal touch provided by our Bay East team of professionals," Thomas said.

Bay East has a staff of 29 employees who include MLS and technical support staff, traditional and online communication experts and member support and government affairs professionals. Thomas, who has worked for Bay East for more than 27 years, credits the association's large and loyal membership with outstanding customer service and what she calls "the member experience."

"We have always emphasized the experience our members have when they call, visit our website, stop by our offices or attend a class or event," Thomas said. "Our entire staff embraces this philosophy, and it resonates throughout the office. Our members can see, hear and feel that positive energy that starts with our staff."

Ott summed up the Bay East experience.

"I'm a full-time Realtor, which means I'm on call 24 hours a day and seven days a week," she said. "The Bay East community and the opportunities it has provided helps me manage my business and grow professionally and personally." ■

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Brentwood

2 BEDROOMS

439 Tayberry Lane \$548,000
Sun 1-4 Linda Futral 980-3561

714 Richardson Drive \$629,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Lois Cox 200-8495

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1593 Cornell Drive Call for price
Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

Castro Valley

6 BEDROOMS

3967 Recreation Road \$1,475,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Brigitte Hunteemann 260-2508

Dublin

2 BEDROOMS

3357 Monaghan St. \$639,950
Sat 1-4 Rich Novotny 989-7639

3 BEDROOMS

4827 Brannigan Street \$799,888
Sun 1-4 Maureen Nokes 577-2700

6945 Prince Drive \$769,000
Sat 1-4/Sun 12-3 Blaise Loffland 846-6500

7610 Arbor Creek Circle \$598,500
Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

4 BEDROOMS

6270 Hillbrook Place \$879,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Varsha Upadhye 339-8090

7608 Jacqueline St. \$1,490,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

Livermore

3 BEDROOMS

292 Wildrose Common #1 \$550,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

1959 Walnut St. \$525,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

2325 Palm Ave. \$1,099,000
Sat 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

4 BEDROOMS

1580 Arlington Road \$679,700
Sun 1-4 Julia Korpi 463-6135

857 Castlewood Place \$2,988,888
Sat/Sun 1-4 Gina Piper 200-0202

2358 Senger St. Call for price
Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

2781 San Minete Drive \$1,175,000
Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

5 BEDROOMS

140 Trevarno Road \$850,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Fabulous Properties 980-0273/519-8226

2490 Detert St. \$1,349,950
Sat/Sun 1-4 Brian Cullen 872-1722

5681 Bobby Drive Call for price
Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

6 BEDROOMS

5364 Carnegie Loop \$1,189,000
Sun 1-4 Gail Boal 577-5787

Pleasanton

2 BEDROOMS

1525 Calle Santa Anna \$540,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Cathy Dean Team 200-4130

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929 Gray Fox Circle \$1,879,000
Sun 1-3 Dave & Sue Flashberger 463-0436

4041 Jackie Court \$900,000
Sun 1-3 Dave & Sue Flashberger 463-0436

1523 Honey Suckle Court \$2,999,500
Sat/Sun 1-4 Gina Piper 200-0202

7223 Valley View Court \$749,950
Sat/Sun 1-4 Lisa Sterling-Sanchez 980-9265

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Sat/Sun 1-4 Rich Novotny 989-7639

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1201 Machado Place \$3,499,000
Sun 1-4 DeAnna Armario & Liz Venema 260-2220/413-6544

4462 Tosca Court \$1,789,000
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SOLD



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SOLD



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Better Homes and Garden Tri-Valley Realty is pleased to announce Jennifer Branchini as manager of its Chabot office, where she has compiled 18-years experience as a top producer.

"She has the passion, enthusiasm and knowledge to support our office to grow and thrive," said Janet Cristiano, the broker/owner of Better Homes and Gardens Tri-Valley Realty. "Jennifer has been part of our organization for 18 years in helping buyers and sellers reach their dreams."

Branchini is an active leader in organized real estate at the local, state and national levels, including director positions with the California Association of Realtors and National Association of Realtors. She is the chair of NAR's social media advisory board, and she also serves as vice chair of CAR's strategic planning and finance committee.

At the BayEast Association of Realtors, Branchini's long-time affiliation includes serving as president in 2014 and helping launch the Young Professionals Network.

Her extensive work across various real estate platforms has kept her on the industry's cutting edge, and she's excited about the changes she plans to implement for BHG Tri-Valley Realty.

"As our industry evolves, it's vital to adjust to different ways of doing business, and I look forward to sharing my ideas and input at Tri-Valley's leading Real Estate company, Better Homes and Gardens Tri-Valley Realty," Branchini said.

Branchini is a Pleasanton native and has lived in the Tri-Valley area most of her life. She holds a Bachelor's Degree from Long Beach State and is a Certified Residential Specialist.

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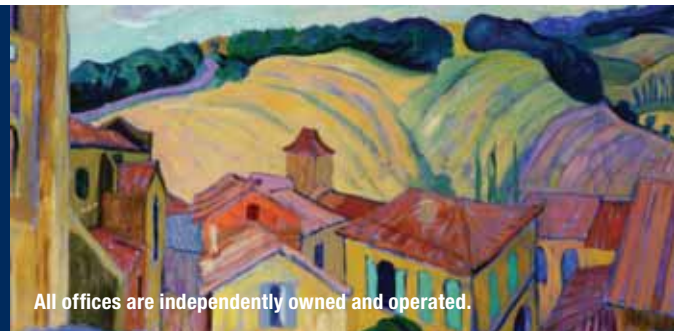
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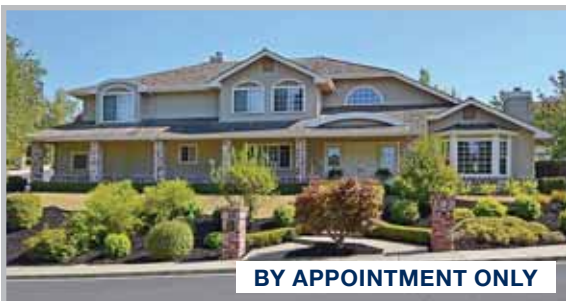
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