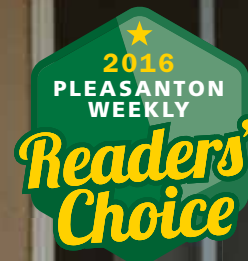


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AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

2 bond measures face Pleasanton voters June 7

Pleasanton voters will be asked to approve a \$950 million bond measure June 7 for improvements to Las Positas and Chabot College campuses as well as a \$25 million annual parcel tax for 20 years to pay for a San Francisco Bay clean water program.

The two measures on Pleasanton ballots will be part of more than a billion dollars in bond issues and parcel taxes facing voters in other parts of Alameda County, with more to come in the General Election on Nov. 8.

The community college bond measure, which requires a 55% voter support to pass, was approved by the Chabot-Las Positas board of trustees March 1. Loranzo Legaspi, the district's vice chancellor of business services, said the measure will cost an average of \$92.12 per year. He based his estimate on the area's median home value of \$376,000. The annual impact of the bond will be considerably more for homeowners in Pleasanton, where the current median home value is \$975,800.

College administrators say they need the money to pay for new classrooms at both the Hayward and Livermore campuses, along with three new lecture halls, new health science classrooms, new facilities for the welding department and horticulture, and new offices for faculty.

A two-thirds voter approval will be required to approve the Measure AA parcel tax being sought by the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority. That would authorize a parcel tax of \$12 a year for the next 20 years on all properties in Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Napa, Solano, Sonoma and Marin counties — which are considered part of the Bay Area.

The tax, which would automatically expire in 2037, is designed to restore wetlands near the San Francisco Bay. It would produce about \$500 million in revenue over 20 years and would be the first local parcel tax in the history of the state to be levied throughout an entire region and multiple counties.

Voters in Dublin and Livermore will be voting on major bond issues which, because they are general obligation bonds, would require a 55% voter ap-

proval. If approved, the Dublin measure would raise \$283 million, costing property owners \$60 per \$100,000 in assessed valuation, to provide funds for the initial phase of the city's proposed second high school to meet projected enrollment growth.

Called the "Dublin Quality Education and Overcrowding Prevention Measure," it is the Dublin Unified School District's third bond measure since 2004. Revenue from the bonds to be issued over time would allow the district to replace aging classrooms and update science and laboratory spaces, computers and educational technology.

Livermore residents will be asked to support a \$245 million bond measure to be used to repair and upgrade its schools. Although district analysts said a \$510 million bond would be required to provide sufficient funds for what's needed, a survey showed the strongest voter support for a bond came in at \$225 million to \$240 million.

Chris Van Schaack, assistant superintendent of administrative services, told the Livermore board that based upon research of similar-size school districts in California and successful general obligation bond elections, it was evident that the suggested \$510 million would have to be reduced.

But while Pleasanton voters have escaped a school bond issue in the upcoming June 7 primary election, they may face one on the Nov. 8 ballot.

The school district is considering asking voters to approve a school bond measure for the first time since 1997 for improvements to buildings, equipment and hardware — a 2013 report concluded the district needed roughly \$500 million worth of facilities upgrades.

The Pleasanton school board hired a polling firm to gauge public support for a bond measure, and in March, the firm released its survey results, which found about two-thirds of polled local voters said they would support a school facilities bond in general.

Polling firm representatives recommended the district add a bond measure item to the November ballot, and they said a rate of \$60 per \$100,000 assessed valuation polled at about 55% in support, which is the threshold required for passage by voters. ■

About the Cover

Liz and Richard Messenger embrace outside their home. The couple, parents to five children, decided to become foster parents through Agape Villages when their biological children grew up and began moving out. Photo by Meredith Bauer. Cover design by Rosanna Leung.

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ASKED AROUND TOWN

What are you looking forward to doing once school lets out for the summer?



Peter Nicoletti

Elementary school student

My mom and dad are sending my brother and I to my grandparents' house for a couple of weeks while they go away by themselves. We are going to have such a good time. Every time I talk to my grandma on the phone, she tells me about all of the fun stuff she has planned for us to do.



Annette Smith

Middle school teacher

I am really just looking forward to school being out for the summer. I love teaching, don't get me wrong, but only other teachers can understand just how exhausting a teacher's day is and how tired teachers are by the end of the school year. The summer is a time to revive myself and get ready for the next school year.



Mackenzie Cohen

Elementary school student

I am excited to be going on my first-ever trip to Disneyland. It will also be my first time flying on an airplane and also my first time staying in a hotel. I'm a little bit nervous about doing all of these things I've never done before, but I know it's going to be a really great trip.



Gavin Beck

High school student

I'm looking forward to spending time with my friends. Also, I can't wait to play in the Ultimate (Frisbee) National Championship for Team California. And, of course, having no homework for a while will be pretty nice as well.



Jamie Krueger

College student

I'm looking forward to heading off to New York City for a summer internship with a law firm. It will be my first time living far away from my parents, in an apartment with people I've never even met. I'm hoping it will all work out well. Fingers crossed.

—Compiled by Nancy and Jenny Lyness

Have a Streetwise question? Email editor@PleasantonWeekly.com

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Record-setting hike

Hope Hospice's Hike for Hope set a new fundraising record with more than \$106,000 in cash and in-kind donations contributed during the nonprofit's sixth annual event held April 30 at Del Valle Regional Park.

More than 650 hikers registered to support Hope Hospice, remember loved ones and enjoy the outdoors during this year's event.

"The Hike for Hope celebrates the joy our loved ones brought us and raises funds for Hope Hospice," said Melanie Ridley, co-chair of the Hike for Hope committee and member of Hope Hospice's Board of Directors. "We all enjoyed meeting the hikers who came to support Hope Hospice and to talk to the families whom we have helped."

All of the hike's net proceeds will be used to care for the more than 2,600 area residents Hope Hospice supports each year with end-of-life services and education, Hope Hospice officials said.

PDA exec appointment

Laura Olson, executive director of the Pleasanton Downtown Association, has been elected president of the California Main Street Alliance, a statewide organization for which she previously served as vice president.

The California Main Street Alliance works to improve the quality of life in California towns, cities and neighborhoods by reinvigorating the economic health of their historic Main Street central business districts.

"I am extremely honored to be able to work with Main Street programs throughout the state to further the overall vitality of Main streets and downtowns," Olson said. "Main Streets are the heart of our communities and the goal is to see each and every one of our programs thrive."

Showing compassion

Blue Oaks Church in Pleasanton is set to bring local residents together next weekend for a morning of service projects to benefit local nonprofit groups such as Open Heart Kitchen and Support Program of the Tri-Valley as well as underserved students in Pleasanton Unified School District.

Teams participating in the Compassion Connection event will meet at 8:30 a.m. May 21 at Foothill High School for a kickoff rally and then head off to various projects before wrapping up with a luncheon and performance by the district's mariachi band at Foothill from 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Compassion Connection is Blue Oaks Church's largest service project of the year. For more information or to register, visit www.blueoakschurch.org or call 600-1110, ext. 610.

Lund Ranch backers sizzle at GOP's 'No' message

County Republican Party urges a vote against Measure K

BY JEB BING

David Erlich, the new chairman of the Alameda County Republican Party, is facing strong criticism from fellow party members for an email he sent urging them to vote "No" on Measure K, a June 7 referendum on a Lund Ranch housing development planned in Pleasanton.

The measure was placed on the ballot by members of the Pleasanton City Council after opponents of the 43-home project obtained the needed signatures to force a public referendum.

Three of the five council members, including Mayor Jerry Thorne, who is active in Republican circles, approved the Lund Ranch project in January. Another councilman, Jerry Pentin, declined to vote because his

home is close to the planned development. A fifth, Karla Brown, voted against the project.

Although Measure K is a nonpartisan referendum, a large number of Republican activists have supported the Lund Ranch project and sport "Yes on Measure K" signs in front of their homes and businesses. A "Yes" vote would enable Greenbriar Homes Communities, the developer, to build the houses with access roads to 13 homes on one side and 30 homes on the other.

A "No on Measure K" vote would block the project for at least a year before another development could be proposed.

In his email and the party's election flier, Erlich wrote:

"The Alameda county Republican Party and specifically the members

in the 16th district urge voters in the city of Pleasanton to strongly oppose measure K.

"The Lund Ranch housing project is the first hillside development approved by the City Council since Measure PP (our hillside protection ordinance). It was overwhelmingly passed by the voters in 2008. Measure PP's stated purpose is 'protect our city from uncontrolled growth and the impact it has on ridgelines and hillsides, traffic, schools, water supply, and our overall quality of life.'"

Republicans active in the county Republican organization said Erlich, who was elected chairman last January, lacked authority to send the "No on Measure K" messages.

"The Republican Central committee for the 16th district should call a special, emergency meeting and

remove this rogue chairman for gross disregard of the standing rules," said Jan Batcheller, a Pleasanton business owner who also is seeking election to the Alameda County's Republican Central Committee in the 16th State Assembly District.

Frank Capilla, owner of Can-AM Plumbing in Pleasanton, agreed. In an email to Erlich, Capilla asked:

"What is the matter with you? I'm voting yes on measure K. Why don't you talk to some (real) Republicans in Pleasanton before you make such a



David Erlich

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Crossing the finish line

Greg Neves (center) completes the final leg of the 4x100 race for the silver medal-winning Pleasanton RADD Roadrunners relay team during the Special Olympics Northern California track and field regional competition at Amador Valley High School. See more coverage of this recent event in the Sports section on page 20.

School board endorses superintendent contract

PPIE fundraising saves some positions from layoffs, others still on chopping block

BY MEREDITH BAUER

Pleasanton's school board approved a contract Tuesday night to confirm Rick Rubino as the district's new superintendent, officially ending the search for a new schools leader.

Rubino, currently the superintendent at Gridley Unified in Butte County, will start in Pleasanton on July 1 and earn a base salary of \$256,000 per year.

Rubino's three-year contract —

which runs through June 30, 2019 — includes 24 days of vacation, plus holidays and 12 days of sick leave annually. He will receive a district "mobile communication device," access to a professional leadership coach for a year (up to \$400 in services a month), and options for medical, vision and dental benefits.

Interim superintendent Jim Hansen will continue leading the Pleasanton Unified School District until June 30 while Rubino wraps up the

current school year in Gridley.

Employment decisions were a theme throughout the board meeting. The district is looking at laying off some certificated and classified employees after a lag in one-time funding that was fueling some positions.

The Pleasanton Partnerships in Education (PPIE) Foundation announced during public comment

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21 more new homes approved

Council OKs 19 houses near fairgrounds, 2 on Dublin Canyon

More housing is headed for Pleasanton with the City Council's approval of 19 new homes on Rose Avenue across from the Alameda County Fairgrounds and two more on a 3-acre lot on Dublin Canyon Road.

Ponderosa Homes, the developer that will design and build the Rose Avenue residences, also will construct a 45-foot-high net to block errant golf balls from the adjacent fairgrounds driving range from wavering into the new development.

Ponderosa's development will be built out in two stages. The first 16 of the 19 homes will be built starting this year, with the last three to be built on a second triangular-shaped adjacent lot after the golf course's current lease with the fairgrounds expires in August 2034 and the course is expected to close.

At that time, Rose Avenue will be extended to reach all of the homes, then will end in a cul-de-sac just short of reaching Valley Avenue. The council ruled several years ago to deny a bid to extend Rose to Valley, which would have provided a thoroughfare between Valley and downtown Pleasanton.

All lots, but one, in the Ponderosa project will be at least 10,000 square feet with housing heights limited to 30-32 feet in height.

The council also approved a bid by Valley Capital Realty to construct two new homes on separate lots on a 2.93-acre site at 11249 Dublin

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Parents a no-show at Harvest Park principal meeting

Middle school searching for new permanent leader

By MEREDITH BAUER

No parents attended a community forum last week at Harvest Park Middle School that sought to gather parent and guardian opinions on the type of person who should be chosen as the school's next principal.

Harvest Park is looking for a new principal for next school year after some administrative moves left the school without a permanent leader.

After waiting about 15 minutes after the start of the May 5 meeting, district and school officials decided to leave the empty multipurpose room, noting that

the district would also consider emailed comments from parents.

Former principal Ken Rocha was promoted to director of education for the district's elementary and middle schools last summer, and Jill Butler was selected as interim principal for the 2015-16 school year.

After some district-level resignations led to some principals being promoted, Butler was appointed principal of Pleasanton Middle — a school which she had experience at as a vice principal and teacher. Amy Theberge and Steve Maher have filled in as co-principals at Harvest Park

since November.

The district went through the first round of interviews this week and is expected to wrap up interviews in time to announce a new principal at the school board's May 24 meeting, said Dianne Howell, assistant superintendent of human resources.

Any parents or guardians of Harvest Park students who want to submit their thoughts on the qualities the next school leader should possess can email Howell at dhowell@pleasantonusd.net. They may also email district spokesman Patrick Gannon at pgannon@pleasantonusd.net. ■



MEREDITH BAUER

Assistant superintendent of human resources Dianne Howell and Harvest Park co-principal Steve Maher talk while waiting for attendees to arrive at a parent forum last week. None showed, but district staff emphasized emailed comments will also be considered as officials work to select the middle school's next principal.

TAKE US ALONG



Ancient Rome: Matthew Stokes, Lisa Francis, Danny Francis, Denise Lococo and Justin Stokes took the Pleasanton Weekly to Italy, pausing here in front of the Pantheon in Rome.

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.

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Canyon Road on the far west side of Pleasanton. An older home on the site will be retained but will be allowed to add an extension.

The site is located on the south side of Dublin Canyon to the west of the entrance to The Preserve and Kolb Ranch developments. The Pleasanton View Church of Christ, clearly visible from Interstate 580, and a residential site are located to the north, across the roadway, which is a major cut-through thoroughfare for commuters.

Guy Houston of Valley Capital

Realty said the two new homes will sit on lots of 21,000 and 23,000 square feet, and with the new addition, the existing residence will have a 83,860-square-foot lot.

The city's Growth Management Program allows a total of 235 housing unit allocations to be issued within a calendar year for new residential units.

To date in 2016, a total of 59 Growth Management unit allocations have been issued. The Dublin Canyon homes would add another two, and Ponderosa's would add another 19, even though three of those won't be built now. ■

—Jeb Bing

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Hundreds gathered to hear Bay Area rock and blues band Georgi and the Rough Week during Concerts in the Park last June.

Concerts in the Park series starts June 3

Classic rock band OTR leads off 13 Friday night performances

By JEB BING

The Pleasanton Downtown Association's popular Concerts in the Park series will lead off its 13 Friday night performances with the classic rock band OTR in Lions Wayside Park on First Street on June 3.

Concerts will take place from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. every Friday night through Aug. 26, featuring an eclectic mix of music from rock, blues and big band to '50s and '60s oldies, soul and Latin rock.

While guests are allowed to put

out blankets and chairs (at their own risk) in Lions Wayside and Delucchi parks, they are asked to wait until the morning of the concert to do so. The use of rocks to hold down blankets is prohibited, as large rocks can damage lawn-mowing equipment. Also, the use of plastic tarps, which can burn the grass, is not allowed.

The Alameda County Fair, Handles Gastropub and Pleasanton Garbage Service are serving as the presenting sponsors for the PDA's 2016 Concert in the Park season. Additionally, each

concert is sponsored by a different local business.

The 2016 Concert in the Park lineup and individual concert sponsors follows:

- June 3 - OTR, classic rock; sponsor: McKay's Taphouse and Beer Garden.
- June 10 - The CoolTones big band and swing; sponsor: Sunol Creek Memory Care.
- June 17 - Crawdad Republic, folk and bluegrass music; sponsor: Lokanta Grill & Bar.
- June 24 - Steel Rose, country hits;

sponsor: J Philip Chubb Insurance Agency.

- July 1 - Marilyn's Ghost band, new country, rock and Americana; sponsor: UNCLE Credit Union.

- July 8 - Ruckatan Latin Tribe, Latin/reggae world music; sponsor: SafeAmerica Credit Union.

- July 15 - The Apes, contemporary rock; sponsor: Don Faught, Alain Pinel Realtors.

- July 22 - Fast Times, playing '80s hits; sponsor: Flavor Brigade.

- July 29 - Finding Stella, modern/

alternative rock; sponsor: Firehouse Arts Center.

- Aug. 5 - Tommy and the 4 Speeds, playing 1960s music; sponsor: Berkshire Hathaway Drysdale Properties.

- Aug. 12 - Max Cruise, rock, pop and R&B; sponsor: SafeAmerica Credit Union.

- Aug. 19 - Magic Moments, playing 1950s to 1980s music; sponsor: Jerry Thorne for Mayor 2016.

- Aug. 26 - Public Eye, high energy rock & roll band; sponsor: Jerry Pentin for City Council 2016. ■

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Learn more about this critical issue for the future of Pleasanton at

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Tuesday that it would be donating \$570,000 to the district for the 2016-17 school year — partially to save jobs that would have been laid off.

Later in the meeting, the board continued with layoffs for 1.5 full-time equivalent (FTE) certificated positions, a reduction from 25.9 FTE layoffs announced in February. Some of the employees who would have been laid off were restored, and others decided to retire or resign instead.

Those layoffs had been approved by the board in February, pending a final state and district budget, and Tuesday's decision was the final stage

in the layoff process, according to Dianne Howell, assistant superintendent of human resources. The layoff settlement agreement gives each employee 35% of Kaiser's current health maintenance organization rate for one month's coverage of health insurance, with no dependents.

PPIE has dedicated \$360,000 of those donations to fund the salaries for four instructional coaches, PPIE executive director Susan Hayes said. Additionally, \$60,000 will go toward the district's fifth-grade band and strings program to keep it fully funded, donations that will be given alongside funds from Pleasanton Schools Educational Enrichment Foundation.

The remaining \$150,000 will go toward technology needs at middle schools, high schools and the district's preschools, she said.

That includes \$40,000 to Amador Valley, \$30,000 to Foothill, \$30,000 to Harvest Park, \$25,000 to Pleasanton Middle, \$20,000 to Hart, \$3,000 to Village, \$1,000 to the Harvest Park preschool and \$1,000 to the Horizon science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) preschool.

Since the last meeting, the board received news that this fundraising means the fifth-grade band and strings program can continue fully funded. As of the board's April 19 meeting, 0.71 full-time equivalent positions from the program weren't

funded, which includes several part-time teachers.

The board also approved layoff decisions for 13 staff members whose jobs were fueled by one-time dollars that were not renewed, including 10 library assistants. District staff emphasized they hoped the May state budget revise, expected to arrive within a week, will have more funding for public schools so the district can keep some of those positions.



Rick Rubino

In other school news:

- The board appointed Josh Butterfield as a permanent vice principal at Foothill High. He has previously been an interim principal at the school.
- The board appointed David Young as the new director of facilities, maintenance, operation and transportation.
- The board approved a settlement to reimburse an unnamed student's educational expenses at \$11,250 per year.
- The district rehired 16 temporary teachers and employees who were scheduled to be automatically released at the end of the school year under district protocol. ■



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MEASURE K

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recommendation. It's no wonder the voters are so upset with the Alameda County Republican Party."

Councilman Pentin added: "I absolutely agree, Frank. I questioned this yesterday. Four Republican Pleasanton Council members out of five support Yes on Measure K. Apparently that's bad math for the Alameda County Republican Party. Just another example of bad leadership."

Pleasanton Vice Mayor Kathy Narum said she is "thoroughly disgusted" with the email from the Republican chairman, especially considering it wasn't voted on at the central committee meeting.

"Now we need to do damage control," she added. "If you've looked at the opposition Facebook page ('Save Pleasanton Hillside'), they've got a video up commenting that it (the Lund Ranch development) must be bad if both the Republican party and the Sierra Club are against Measure K."

"Erlich's message sounds very messy and poorly thought out to me," added businessman Brad Hirst.

Before becoming chairman of the Alameda County Republican Party, Erlich ran as a Republican candidate for the 18th State Assembly District against Rob Bonta, a Democrat, who won.

Erlich, an electrician and enthusiastic Donald Trump supporter, said working on the 2016 primary and general election campaigns, including referendums in the county, "is exciting."

"We can probably make it cool to be Republican again," he added. ■

'Art Cart for Healing'

Project benefiting kids at Children's Hospital earns AVHS junior Gold Award

By JEREMY WALSH

Amador Valley High junior Audrey Morse recently received a Gold Award from the Girl Scouts of Northern California for her efforts to bring art supplies to young patients at UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital in Oakland.

Morse's "Art Cart for Healing," delivered to the hospital earlier this year, is being used by children undergoing diagnostic tests and treatments to help make their experience less intimidating and more comforting, according to hospital officials.

"I've always loved working with young children, whether through being a summer camp counselor to coordinating programs for younger Girl Scouts," Morse said in a statement. "Seeing how this cart will help ease the stress of medical procedures for both kids and their parents through art therapy is so exciting for me."

A Girl Scout since 2004, Morse started working on her Gold Award project in January 2015. It took nearly half a year for her Gold Award proposal to receive

endorsements from hospital and Girl Scouts officials.

Patient safety was a top priority for the hospital, according to Morse. "I had to change the construction materials to melamine to ensure that it could be cleaned properly for the safety of the kids that would be using it," she said.

Morse began construction last August and delivered the completed art cart to Children's Hospital in late February. Girl Scouts representatives announced her Gold Award recognition May 4.

The honor recognizes Scouts for completing a service project that requires them to demonstrate leadership skills and make a difference in the world around them.

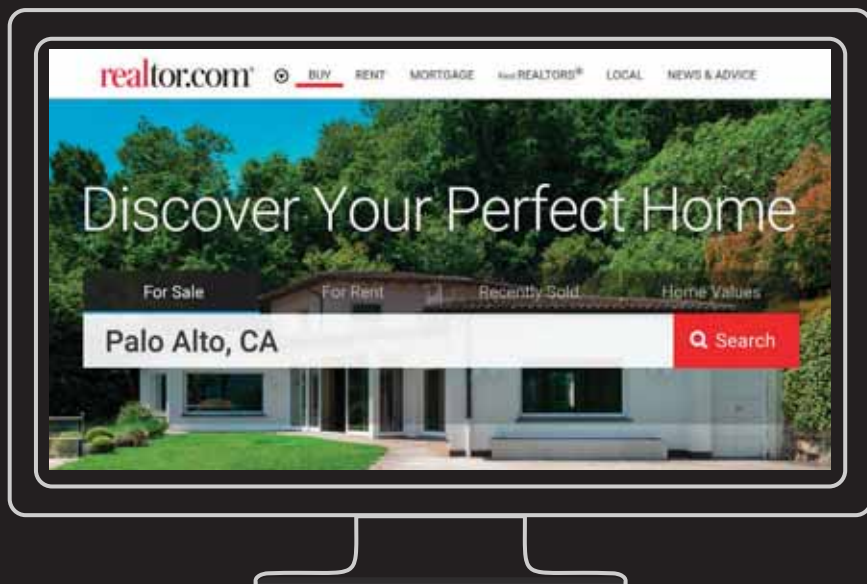
"It is an honor to bestow the Gold Award to exceptional girls like Audrey whose commitment and initiative betters themselves and the world around them," said Marina Park, CEO of Girl Scouts of Northern California. "The intensive work behind the Gold Award epitomizes how Girl Scouting helps to set a girl on her path, and then she can take it anywhere from there." ■



COURTESY OF MORSE

Pleasanton teen Audrey Morse delivers her "Art Cart for Healing" to UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital in Oakland in February. She received a Gold Award from the Girl Scouts for her project.

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Forum highlights district accomplishments, goals

Bond measure, diversity, Project Lead the Way among talking points at PUSD Education Summit

By MEREDITH BAUER

Pleasanton school district leaders, campus administrators and teachers gathered into a decorated multipurpose room at Harvest Park Middle School last week to celebrate the district's accomplishments for the year.

The 2016 Education Summit was held May 4 in a room that more closely resembled an evening gala than a morning district meeting. Delicate herbs and hand-painted rocks served as the centerpiece on white tablecloths, and the event started with a rousing performance from Harvest Park's band.

Interim superintendent Jim Hansen touted schools' individual accomplishments, such as Vintage Hills Elementary being named a national Blue Ribbon school and Lydiksen Elementary being named a state Gold Ribbon school.

He also spoke of the district's long-term goals. Those goals include passing a school facilities bond measure to upgrade certain structures and to build other improvements, Hansen said.

While explaining the potential bond measure, he said there is "a

critical and immediate need" to maintain aging infrastructure.

He also introduced the district's new superintendent, Rick Rubino, to the crowd. Currently the superintendent of the Gridley Unified School District in Butte County, Rubino is expected to take the reins here July 1.

District staff showed the audience collaborative tools teachers use to get students immersed and invested in their own learning, and teachers discussed steps being taken to include students of every background and ability in their school community.

The district's mariachi band, a new program that started this school year, performed and sang traditional mariachi songs for the audience, and a student leadership council presented how students are making their voices heard in the district.

Hansen said he is "proud to pass the torch" to Rubino.

"I'm excited to be here. I'm really so anxious to get started on July 1," Rubino said. "I really look forward to working with you. This is a great school district, and we will continue to be a great school district." ■

Congressman DeSaulnier reveals cancer diagnosis, continues re-election bid

'I feel fortunate that I had a positive response to this treatment,' he says

By JEREMY WALSH

Danville's congressman, Mark DeSaulnier (D-Concord), announced last week that he has been battling leukemia since last year, saying he has responded well to treatment and he continues to eye re-election to a second term in the U.S. House of Representatives.

"Last summer, I was diagnosed with the most common leukemia in the world, a cancer named chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL)," DeSaulnier, 64, said in a statement. "I recently completed aggressive chemotherapy. I feel fortunate that I had a positive response to this treatment, and that neither CLL nor the treatment impacted my professional work."

The freshman congressman, who used to represent Pleasanton in the California State Senate, is on the June primary ballot to again represent Contra Costa County's 11th Congressional District.

He said he hopes sharing the story of his leukemia diagnosis and treatment will "add my voice to the growing number of people fighting cancer and the other chronic conditions so many families confront."

"While CLL cannot currently be completely cured, incredible breakthroughs, medical advancements and cutting-edge therapies are allowing it to be managed over a lifetime," DeSaulnier added. "As a result of these developments, there are approximately 1.2 million Americans, like myself, living long, full lives with blood cancer."

DeSaulnier said his cancer battle has had little impact on his ability to perform his congressional duties effectively.

"I have been able to go home every weekend, except one, logging over 170,000 miles flown, held 14 town halls, had meetings with thousands of constituents and maintained a 99.1% voting average in my first session of Congress," he added.

DeSaulnier has nearly 25 years of public service experience in Contra Costa County, starting in the Concord City Council before moving to the county's Board of Supervisors and later the California State Assembly.

He was in his sixth year as a state senator when voters in the 11th District elected him as their new congressman in November 2014, winning the seat that was



U.S. Rep. Mark DeSaulnier

up for grabs after 20-term U.S. Rep. George Miller (D-Martinez) announced his retirement.

DeSaulnier eyes a second term in Congress this election cycle, with the primary set for next month and the general election to follow in November. "I look forward to continuing to serve the people of our district, and do so stronger and with a better understanding having faced this experience," he added. ■

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Tarey (Terry) Joann Thornburg

May 2, 1949 – January 14, 2016

Tarey Joann Thornburg, a resident of Aurora, CO for the past 30+ years, passed away January 14, 2016 at the Denver Hospice Inpatient Care Center. Her dear friend, Denise (Dee) Strothmann, also of Aurora, was by her side. Surgery in the previous month did not slow the aggressive cancer with which she was diagnosed in December. She left us without having the time to say her good-byes.



Tarey left California for Denver, Colorado to work for the Channel 2 television station as a station programmer. There were many hours spent on the phone "catching up" with friends in California: Meridyth Noble, Susan Nerton and her mom, Florence and brother, Roger, and many others.

This remembrance is for those of us who knew Tarey during her time in Pleasanton, 1956–1968.

I have it on good authority that Tarey arrived in Pleasanton in 1956 and attended Alisal Elementary School from second to fourth grades. Meridyth (Merilou) Noble remembers that first bus ride to Alisal Elementary School; this wide-eyed, little brunette introduced herself asking Merilou if she wanted to sit with her on the bus. I'll bet friends, Doug Amis and Jack Friedman remember those days at Alisal Elementary.

My friendship with Tarey began in Pleasanton, CA, 1959. I met Tarey at the Presbyterian Church Fellowship choir practice; I remember she could sing and I just pretended. She just walked right up to me and asked my name, so confident. We did more talking than singing.

Pleasanton Elementary School was a K–8 school; Tarey's 5–8 grades years were spent there. In 1963 it was off to Amador Valley High School.

Tarey was a Forty-Niner Majorette which involved weekly classes Palo Alto in preparation for the games. This was considered quite exotic and very glamorous at the time. I tagged along for a few of these classes; she was really good!

Tarey was a majorette in the Amador High School Marching Band, and had many friends and fond memories of band trips: most notably annual thirteen-hour bus trips to Disneyland to perform, and lots of local parades.

Tarey lived with her mother and father, Dr. David and Mrs. Mary Thornburg in Castlewood. Her parents were very welcoming of her friends and there were some terrific parties up at Tarey's house; how could you miss with a pool in the backyard? Tarey loved Barbra Streisand, Shirley Temple movies, and the Allan Sherman tune, "Hello Muddah, Hello Faddah." (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9jjiWS_Mp0)

Tarey also loved Helen Hinkle who was a great friend and advisor.

The purpose of this remembrance is to remind her friends of how much she loved you. Although she wasn't much for face-to-face visits, she sure knew how to use the phone! Throughout her life she made her own decisions and took responsibility for those decisions.

Tarey was preceded in death by her mother and father. She is survived by her step-mother, Susie, and step-siblings: Stacy, Frank(ie) and Vance.

So, if you knew Tarey, let your memories return to the happy times you spent with her. She kept us all in that big heart of hers. We can honor her memory in our own special ways.

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Community Pulse

POLICE BULLETIN

Hazmat crews clean mercury spill in Livermore

Fire crews in Livermore remained on scene overnight after 15 square feet of mercury was found covering a street Monday evening.

Fire officials said firefighters responded to reports of a possible hazardous material spill in the 900 block of I Street at 7:36 p.m., where they discovered the mercury.

It was unknown how long the mercury had been there, or where it came from, according to fire officials.

The Livermore-Pleasanton Hazardous Materials Team was called to the scene and they were able to cover the spill and prevent additional contamination of the area.

In addition, fire officials said the California Department of Toxic Substance Control was contacted and remained on the scene overnight.

According to fire officials, mercury is most commonly found in thermostats, thermometers and other electrical switches. It is a toxic element that can cause damage to the nervous system, lungs and kidneys.

Fire officials said residents in the area were not affected by the spill and I Street remained open to vehicle and pedestrian traffic. The cleanup process began Tuesday morning.

In other police news:

• Police arrested a Dublin man who was caught by a police dog following a brief chase after he allegedly burglarized a home in Danville last week.

Cristian Vargas-Ortega, 20, was charged with residential burglary, resisting arrest and having an outstanding arrest warrant from Marin County, according to Danville police chief Steve Simpkins. He was due to be booked into the Martinez Detention Facility after receiving treatment for minor injuries sustained when he was apprehended, Simpkins said.

The situation began just after 9:35 a.m. May 5 when a resident called 9-1-1 from the area of Greenbrook Drive and Rock Island Circle after seeing an unfamiliar person leaving a neighbor's garage, according to Simpkins.

Officers arrived on scene minutes later and while searching the area on foot, they tried to contact a man on a nearby greenbelt who matched the burglar's description, Simpkins said.

"When officers approached, he fled on foot," the chief said. "The subject discarded items as he ran away." Simpkins said officers later determined those items were stolen in a residential burglary minutes earlier at a home in the 600 block of Western Star Place.

Continuing their search, officers from Danville and San Ramon police departments and the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office set up a perimeter, Simpkins said.

Danville police K-9 Rony and Officer Tyler Nelson found the man, later identified as Vargas-Ortega, around 10:40 a.m. hiding in the 200 block of St. Christopher Drive, according to police. "K-9 Rony was deployed and detained the suspect," Simpkins added.

• Two Alameda County sheriff's deputies now face felony charges after they were caught on camera beating a suspect after a high-speed chase from unincorporated San Leandro to the Mission District in November, San Francisco District Attorney George Gascon announced Tuesday.

Deputy Luis Santamaria, a 14-year veteran of the Alameda County Sheriff's Office, and deputy Paul Wieber, a three-year veteran, were charged with assault under color of authority, battery with serious bodily injury and assault with a deadly weapon, Gascon said.

The two deputies were expected to surrender by the end of the day Wednesday, with bail set at \$140,000 each. The two deputies are on paid administrative leave and are subject to an internal affairs investigation, Alameda County Sheriff Gregory Ahern said.

Prosecutors allege Santamaria and Wieber struck 29-year-old Stanislav Petrov at least 30 times over the course of 40 seconds in the head and hands with their batons in the early morning hours of Nov. 12. Petrov suffered injuries including a concussion, broken bones in both hands, a mild traumatic brain injury and deep cuts to his head.

Santamaria's lawyer Michael Rains said he believes his client's actions were in accordance with laws authorizing reasonable force during arrests of combative suspects. Wieber's attorney, William Rapoport, was unavailable for comment.

On Nov. 12, Petrov had allegedly used a stolen car to ram two marked sheriff's office vehicles, causing minor injuries to one deputy, before fleeing in a stolen car. The Alameda County DA's Office has not yet announced whether it will file charges against Petrov for his actions.

The pursuit ended in San Francisco when Petrov ran out of gas and crashed the car, and the beating incident occurred a short distance away, according to prosecutors.

Ahern said it's the first time since 1969 that deputies in his department have been charged with using excessive force.

Petrov also faces gun and drug charges in a federal case that followed a March 8 search of his apartment by the FBI. Gascon said that the cases are unrelated. ■

—Jeremy Walsh

Bay City News Service contributed to this report.

POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

May 8

Theft

- 7:05 a.m. in the 5100 block of Hopyard Road
- 9:46 a.m., 6700 block of Bernal Avenue; auto theft
- 12:48 p.m. in the 2500 block of Willowren Way
- 5:18 p.m. at Stoneridge Mall

Commercial burglary

- 10:50 p.m. in the 5700 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

May 7

Bike theft

- 1:18 p.m. in the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

Shoplifting

- 4:48 p.m. at Stoneridge Mall
- 5:38 p.m. at Stoneridge Mall

May 6

Embezzlement

- 9:10 a.m. in the 3600 block of Washington Street

Theft

- 11:03 a.m., 6100 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from structure
- 2:08 p.m. at Stoneridge Mall; shoplifting
- 7:09 p.m. at Stoneridge Mall; shoplifting
- 10:37 p.m., 4600 block of Chabot Drive; theft from auto

Missing person report

- 5:47 p.m. on Garibaldi Place

May 5

Auto theft

- 4:51 a.m. in the 5700 block of Owens Drive

Theft from auto

- 6:46 a.m. in the 2100 block of Arroyo Court
- 7:15 a.m. in the 7200 block of Stonedale Drive

Missing person report

- 5:23 a.m. on Alvarado Street

Residential burglary

- 9:30 a.m. in the 7300 block of Stonedale Drive
- 1:32 p.m. in the 2900 block of Chardonnay Drive

Robbery

- 3:52 p.m. in the 5700 block of Johnson Drive

May 4

Theft

- 6:54 a.m., 4500 block of Entrada Court; theft from auto
- 6:30 a.m., 1100 block of Quarry Lane; theft from auto
- 7:59 a.m., 3900 block of Valley Avenue; auto theft
- 3:05 p.m. in the 400 block of Old Bernal Avenue
- 4:21 p.m. at Stoneridge Mall; shoplifting
- 8:23 p.m. at Stoneridge Mall; shoplifting

Fraud

- 8:36 a.m. in the 5900 block of Corte Arboles
- 11:31 a.m. in the 1000 block of Kolln Street

- 2:15 p.m. in the 3300 block of Arbor Drive

Missing person report

- 5:19 p.m. on Corte Mercado

Domestic battery

- 9:09 p.m. on Arroyo Court

May 3

Missing person report

- 10:12 a.m. on Wild Flower Court



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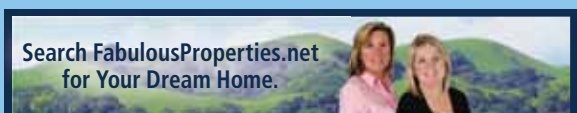


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EDITORIAL

THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY

Vote for Glazer for State Senate, Baker for Assembly

State Senator Steve Glazer, a Democrat, and Assemblywoman Catharine Baker, a Republican, are seeking nomination in the June 7 primary for re-election in the General Election on Nov. 8. They have our endorsement.

All candidates running for these offices, regardless of the political party preference, will appear on a single combined ballot with voters able to choose any of the candidates. Those receiving the top two votes will move on to the General Election on Nov. 8, regardless of party affiliation.

In the State Senate race, Glazer is being challenged by Tyson "Guy" Moore, a Democrat and president of the Mt. Diablo Education Association, and Joseph A. Rubay, a Republican and real estate appraiser.

Baker is facing former Pleasanton City Councilwoman Cheryl Cook-Kallio, a Democrat and retired teacher.

First elected to the State Senate in a special election May 19, 2015, Glazer has proven to be a maverick centrist Democrat who proposes and votes on legislation based on issues, not party politics. Not surprisingly, unions and organizations steeped in Democratic Party affairs have opposed much of Glazer's efforts. In fact, he has worked with Baker, who is wrapping up her first two years in the Assembly, to advance issues of mutual interest in both houses, with the two appearing together at meetings to challenge party orthodoxy.

They agree that the Legislature can be a very polarized place where political parties and special interests push elected leaders into corners and demand 100% allegiance to those interests. This is

unhealthy and unproductive.

Both are determined to represent the people of their districts — the 7th Senate District for Glazer, the 16th Assembly District for Baker — not political parties or special interests. Likewise, they have consistently pursued bipartisan decisions, emphasize education as the gateway to opportunity and, of particular interest to government leaders in Pleasanton, empowering local decision-making rather than state mandates.

Glazer, a former political adviser to Jerry Brown, nevertheless opposes the governor's wasteful high-speed rail plan and a twin-tunnels project to ship water through the Delta. As a former mayor of Orinda, he is also experienced in local government. He holds a bachelor's degree from San Diego State University and served on the California State University Board of Trustees.

Baker was elected in 2014 after a lively campaign against then-Dublin Mayor Tim Sbranti, a Democrat, to represent the 16th Assembly District. She is the mother of school-age twins, has been a parent leader in local schools, served as vice president of the Dougherty Elementary School Site Council and on several school improvement committees. She also served on a local preschool board and volunteers with Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts in the region as an archery instructor while serving on the board of the Diablo Regional Arts Association in Walnut Creek.

She earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Chicago, overcoming cancer her senior year to graduate Phi Beta Kappa and with honors. She later went on to earn her law degree from UC Berkeley School of Law.

LETTERS

Vote 'no' on K

Dear Editor,

The developer is sowing confusion over Measure K.

To take a step back: early this year, Pleasanton residents gathered 6,000-plus signatures to challenge a development planned for Pleasanton's southeast hills and qualified for the ballot. Now, voters can say "yes" or "no" to the Lund Ranch hillside development.

A "yes" on Measure K is a vote for more development; a "no" on K is a vote against this development. That means people who supported the signature gathering should now oppose Measure K. A bit confusing.

To capitalize on that incongruity, the developer has carefully crafted its message. How did they do this? The developer did a "robocall" survey of voters. Using that survey, the

developer chose its "yes" slogan: "For Public Open Space."

This is misleading at best. Lund Ranch is "open space" now — there is nothing built on it. The land proposed to be "donated" is steep, unbuildable property. It will always be "open space," regardless of whether you vote "yes" or "no" on K. If anything, all the donation accomplishes is to transfer fire maintenance costs from the developer to Pleasanton.

So, don't be confused. "Yes on K" is 99% funded by the developer. Yes on K gets us 40-plus luxury homes located among Pleasanton's hillsides. A "yes" vote is for a road cut into our hills, requiring over an acre of grading.

A "no" vote rejects this development. A "no" vote sends a message against hillside development. Vote "no" on K.

—David Melaugh

Baker's opponent, Cook-Kallio, recently retired after more than 39 years as a classroom teacher. She holds a bachelor's degree in history from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, three teaching credentials from San Jose State University and a master's degree in history with an emphasis on

the U.S. Constitution, also from San Jose State. She served on the Pleasanton council for eight years, being termed out in 2014. She said friends had urged her to run for the Pleasanton school board, which we also encouraged.

We prefer Steve Glazer and Catharine Baker. ■



WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

City Council

Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- **Public Hearing:** PUD-112, Amanda Gagliardi - Consider a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Development Plan, allowing for the retention of the existing single-family residence, the construction of a new one-story, single-family residence, and two future custom homes on separate lots and related site improvements at 1027 Rose Avenue; and approve three growth management allocations for the project.
- **Public Hearing:** PUD-104-01M/PUD-81-22-15M, Workday, Inc. - Consider Planned Unit Development Major Modifications to construct a six-story, approximately 410,000-square-foot office building, parking garage, and related site improvements at 6110 and 6120-6160 Stoneridge Mall Road. The proposed modifications would replace the previously-approved plans to construct a six-story, approximately 430,000-square-foot office building, two parking garages, and related site improvements
- Update on Stage Three Drought Emergency
- Consider approval of proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Pleasanton and the Pleasanton City Employees Association/AFSCME Local 955 with a term ending March 31, 2019
- Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2140 to amend the contract between the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CALPERS) and the City of Pleasanton to include Section 20516 (Employees Sharing Additional Cost) of an additional .5% for Classic CALPERS Local Fire Members of the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department and Section 20516 (Employees Sharing Additional Cost) of an additional .5% for Classic CALPERS Pleasanton Police Officers

Housing Commission

Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Informational presentation from Sunflower Hill regarding the development of intentional housing communities for special needs adults.
- Review and discussion of a new Quarterly Reporting format for the Housing Commission's activities and priorities.

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MEREDITH BAUER

Being foster parents just made sense to Liz and Richard Messenger. After raising five children of their own, an empty nest sounded like a form of torture, rather than freedom, and there are so many other children out there who need help.

The Messengers are among the 62 foster families in the East Bay and Central Valley who work with Agape Villages, a nonprofit foster care agency with a strong presence in Pleasanton for the past four years.

“Our far and away No. 1 goal, and our reason to exist, is to take care of abused and neglected children — children who have done nothing wrong and have just been caught up in situations beyond their control,” Agape Villages executive director Janet Kleyn said. “We just want to have safe and loving homes for them while they work to heal.”

Based in San Ramon, Agape Villages has offices in San Leandro, Sacramento and Manteca, but its Pleasanton presence started when a volunteer council formed in 2012, leading to the agency’s first large fundraiser dinner and auction in downtown Pleasanton one year later, according to Jen Oxe, Agape’s Tri-Valley community engagement director.

Since then, Pleasanton has been home to Agape’s primary annual fundraiser, the “Jail N Bail,” and the foster care agency has an active presence in many community traditions from the First Wednesday Street Parties to being a beneficiary of the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund.

The agency works with county

foster care departments in Northern California. If a county doesn’t have space for a child or if Agape has access to specific services a particular child needs, they call Agape.

Agape offers all the regular services that a county system would provide, plus many extras, Oxe said. The nonprofit offers free counseling services, an on-demand transportation service to shuttle kids to parental visits and court hearings and funds for extracurricular activities, like art, dance or karate.

Last year, the organization helped place 160 children in foster homes throughout several Bay Area and Central Valley counties. Kleyn said while Tri-Valley residents have been wonderful at opening up their hearts and wallets to support foster children, it’s tougher to find foster homes in the area, including Pleasanton where Agape doesn’t have any homes at the moment.

Overall, Alameda County Social Services placed 580 children in foster homes last year, including 11 in Pleasanton. According to Pleasanton Unified School District data, seven foster children attended Pleasanton public schools this school year.

Especially since May is National Foster Care Month, Kleyn said volunteers have been attending Pleasanton events to get the word out about how families can volunteer, donate or become foster families themselves.

“We turned away over 1,000 children last year,” she said, citing a lack of available foster homes throughout Agape’s service area.

What it takes

Becoming a foster parent for Agape can be demanding. To be qualified, applicants must be 21, financially self-sustaining and pass a battery of background checks and evaluation surveys.

Families must have a home with a separate room for foster children, and children of different genders must have their own rooms unless they’re infants.

There are other requirements, but the most important one is to have a very big, very open heart.

“It is asking a lot of people, and we know that,” Kleyn said. “We’re not going to put them in a home where we don’t feel like there’s a good fit.”

Agape has had success with “empty-nesters” whose own children have left for college, careers or marriage.

“For empty-nesters, it can be a great thing,” Kleyn said. “They have an empty bedroom, and the child hopefully goes back home. It can be a great match.”

That was the case for the Messengers, who have been Agape Villages foster parents for four years. After three of their five children married and moved out, Liz said the idea of

Liz and Richard Messenger talk in their kitchen last weekend about their plans to have a barbecue dinner for Mother’s Day. They said they treat their three foster children like their own kids, helping them feel like part of the family by including them in family celebrations, church on Sunday and household chores.

an empty house seemed isolating.

They took in several groups of foster children to their home just outside the Tri-Valley, including three infants at one point. Those were exhausting years, but they eventually settled into a groove when elementary school-aged children came to live with them. They traded diapers and bottles for multiplication tables and Sunday school.

After those children were able to go back to their biological families or were adopted, the Messengers had enough experience as foster parents to realize they knew how to care for teenage boys best. Now, they have three foster children, ranging from 13 to 18 years old.

“It just felt like the right thing to do,” Richard said.

‘The most important part’

When Pleasanton native Carla Butler started volunteering for Agape four years ago, she didn’t expect to get so much from the experience.

Butler had just sent her daughter off to college and was coping with the idea of being alone at home after the death of her husband about a decade ago.

To fill her time, she joined Agape’s fundraising efforts, and

A loving home

Foster care nonprofit Agape Villages helps support children in crisis

By MEREDITH BAUER



MEREDITH BAUER

Liz Messenger looks on as her daughter, her daughter's boyfriend and one of her foster children watch a San Francisco Giants' game in their living room last weekend.



COURTESY OF AGAPE VILLAGES

Pleasanton Vice Mayor Kathy Narum smiles during last year's Jail N Bail, Agape Villages' annual fundraiser where community members are cited for "working too hard" and friends donate to the nonprofit to release them from a mock incarceration at Comerica Bank Pleasanton.

now she helps run dinners and auction events.

But her decision to volunteer for Agape wasn't random. She knew what it was like to go through loss, and she wanted to channel those emotions into something productive.

After learning about what biological mothers cope with when their children are put into the foster care system, she decided she wanted to help those families in whatever way she could.

"I would be heartbroken if I had to give a baby up," she said. "I'd dealt with enough loss. I figured it would just be better if I could help the ones who were out there."

She said the camaraderie between all of Agape's volunteers is strong because they believe in Agape's mission, and they see how the nonprofit foster care organization differs from county agencies. In part, she said, the differences are due to a greater amount of funding, which allows Agape to provide more robust services.

Marie Tara, another Agape volunteer, said she decided to get involved because she grew up in the foster care system and knew the importance of giving back.

After volunteering for Agape for the past year, she said she wishes she would have had connections

with a similar agency when she was a foster child.

"I know how important it is for kids in foster care to get activities and counseling and things that weren't always available to me in foster care," she said.

Tara, a resident in nearby Fairview and a small business owner, said her biggest goal is to raise money for the services that these children won't otherwise receive.

"You don't actually get money for

going to summer camp or piano lessons (in the county system)," she said, "and it just makes a world of difference for kids who are already displaced from their family."

Butler agreed, adding that she feels everyone should give back to their community in some way.

"To me, the children are the most important part," she said. "Our kids have to be right to grow up into the right type of adults that we want them to be."

Like their own kids

The Messengers had some experience with parenting — 28 years' worth, to be precise.

Over the years, their home became the de facto place for their children's friends to hang out on weekends, and the family often took in relatives or family friends who had nowhere else to go.

When they heard about Agape's mission, they said, it seemed like a perfect fit.

"It's just a continuation of what we've been doing all these years," said Liz, who worked doing data entry before becoming a stay-at-home mom.

They said they've heard the arguments — that Liz, 57, and Richard, 58, are giving up their chance to travel or explore their own hobbies when their youngest children move out in a few years. They've heard the stories about difficult children who

were raised in troubled households.

But that hasn't been their story, they said. In the four years they've been foster parents, Agape has been careful to give them children who fit well with their skills and personalities.

They have three foster children and two of their biological children living with them, but really they say they have five children at home.

"I try to treat them like my own kids," said Richard, an HVAC mechanic. "I don't ask any more of you that I'd ask of my own kids."

Their oldest foster child, José, will graduate high school this year and will move into assisted living while he pursues computer graphics at a community college, the Messengers said.

"From where he came from, I'm so proud of him," Liz said of José. The foster children's last names are withheld to protect their privacy.

Liz said their second foster child, Taylor, "just amazes me." She said Taylor's work ethic and enthusiasm for learning are incredible, as is his resilience despite the hand he was dealt.

The couple said they'd considered downgrading to a smaller home once their children moved out, but that changed once they realized Taylor hoped to live with them long-term. So, now they're planning to stay in the area until the 14-year-old graduates high school.

"We wouldn't want to uproot him like that," Liz said. "For all intents and purposes, he is our child."

Taylor said he appreciates that his foster parents have taken the time to get to know him, and they let him to bring friends over.

Last weekend, a group of his buddies stayed overnight to play "Call of Duty" and eat snacks. The Messengers said they encourage their foster children to bring friends over for gatherings like that — they want them to feel like normal teenagers.

"They're cool," Taylor said, smiling at his foster parents.

On weekends, the Messengers,

their 21-year-old twins and their three foster children might gather around the television to watch a San Francisco Giants' game or to play a video game tournament.

On Sundays, they always attend church, and the couple hope the lessons their foster children learn there will carry with them, wherever life takes them.

"It's always been a big family," Richard said. "Our door is always open to whoever needs it." ■



Agape Villages
Foster Family Agency

Foster care, by the numbers:

- As of Jan. 1, there were about 62,000 children in foster care in California.
- A total of 1,825 children were placed in foster care in Alameda County last year.
- So far this year, the county has placed four children in Pleasanton foster care homes.
- About 50% of foster care children graduate from high school, and 20% pursue higher education.
- Of Agape Villages' donations, 90% goes to services and 10% goes to administrative and marketing costs.
- 1 in 5 foster children experience homelessness as adults.

—Sources: UC Berkeley California Child Welfare Indicators Project, Alameda County Social Services, Agape Villages, Fostering Connections to Success, FosterClub.

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By SUE SAVOD

It's that time of year again. Trees are blossoming, weather is warming, grasses are growing, and the *Ixodes pacifica* nymphs are questing for a blood meal. You won't even feel the bite as they most considerately inject an anesthetic first.

What's an *Ixodes pacifica*, you ask. It's a tiny deer tick. And ticks in our area carry Lyme and other tick-borne diseases.

I got Lyme disease hiking in Danville and you can, too. I also got Bartonella and a spotted fever rickettsia — from the same tick.

Ticks can carry 20 or more diseases; some are protozoa and are treated differently, so one drug does not fit all. Would your doctor know this?

"But," you think, "that's so rare." Well, maybe. There are now 30-40 people who are connected to our newly formed Diablo Lyme support group. Those are the ones who have even heard of us and know they have Lyme. The number is probably 10 times higher or more, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"OK," you wonder, "but won't I see the tick if I get bitten? I'll pluck it off." Would you notice a sesame seed wedged behind your ear? Or in your arm pit or behind your knee on your back or in your hair? That's the size of an adult



deer tick. The nymphs, even more voracious for your blood, are even smaller and burrow into creases of your body. I never noticed mine. It took me five years to figure it out.

The tick carries the bacteria and its nasty cohorts in its stomach. As soon as it starts exchanging blood back and forth, the danger exists. Could be right away.

"And anyway, we don't have Lyme in California." That's what the rheumatologist told me when I went in with joint pain, fatigue, brain fog, flu-like illness — all that came and went. My eyes were going out of focus periodically, my neck was sore, I got nerve pain in my arms and legs, the soles of my feet hurt. I slept a lot yet never felt rested. Short attention span, trouble reading, tired by noon. And the symptoms come and go.

I was misdiagnosed more than once for several different things, which all turned out to be Lyme and its co-infections. I have friends who were eventually told they needed a psychiatrist. Lyme is the great imitator and can disguise itself

Beware: Tick Lyme is here

May is Lyme Disease Awareness Month

as MS, Parkinson's, thyroid, lupus. Lyme is the most complex bacteria we know.

Dr. Neil Spector, a top Duke University School of Medicine oncologist, describes his experience with Lyme carditis that infected his heart. In his new book, "Gone in a Heartbeat," he writes that he had a heart transplant because no doctor recognized and, worse yet, no doctor would even consider Lyme disease until he found an ILADS (International Lyme and Associated Diseases Society) doctor on his own.

Why am I telling you this? Because I don't want you or your kids or your dogs or anybody else to get Lyme disease. It's here in this Valley, it's real, and it infects 10 times the number of AIDS patients, and two times the number of breast cancer patients.

Why don't we hear about it? First and foremost, it's not taught in medical school past a mention, if that. Your doctor, even if they recognize it, probably doesn't have a clue how to treat except for what the CDC recommends. The CDC is currently using old guidelines, based on the Infectious Disease Society of America's obsolete claims, which do not take into account the current research and studies that reveal its serious and chronic threat.

The National Guidelines Clearinghouse, part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, has adopted newer guidelines on which physicians may rely for treatment. This is major progress, but the CDC is not on board yet for unknown reasons.

There are a lot of politics involved, and money.

There is new evidence from a study published in March by Dr. Garth Ehrlich at Drexel University that some Alzheimer's disease is caused by "the body's inflammatory response to chronic infections."

Having just been diagnosed two weeks ago with Babesia (which finally showed up in my testing), and after conquering Bartonella, a spotted fever and Lyme, I urge you to educate yourselves and find a Lyme-literate physician if you have any suspicion you might have Lyme. Do not end up like many of us with recurring problems that come from misdiagnosis.

Be aware that ticks are picked up mostly from grasses so when you hike, stay on the path. Check your kids when you come home from the park. Shower after gardening. Deet repellent has not been effective, according to Lyme researcher Dr. Eva Sapi, University of New Haven, Connecticut. The repellents that do work on ticks, we cannot put on our bodies.

Dr. Bob Lane, who teaches and researches in the entomology department at UC Berkeley, tested public recreation areas in Alameda County.

Incidence ranged from 0-24% in *Ixodes pacificus* (black-legged deer tick) nymphs. Some areas that he called hot spots were Sunol, the Oakland Hills and Sunol Regional Wilderness, which had an incidence of 15% in nymphs (most dangerous because

LYME DISEASE IS THE GREAT IMITATOR AND CAN DISGUISE ITSELF.

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Bernstein, Barber, Bizet

Final concert for 53rd season of Livermore-Amador Symphony

By **PATRICIA BOYLE**

Livermore-Amador Symphony's final concert of its 53rd season will be "A Tale of Two Cities," on May 21, with Lara Webber conducting.

The evening begins in New York City with "Three Dance Episodes" from Leonard Bernstein's musical "On the Town." Next, soprano Heidi Moss joins the orchestra for Samuel Barber's "Knoxville: Summer of 1915." The concert closes with Georges Bizet's "L'Arlesienne Suites No. 1 and 2."

The San Francisco Symphony premiered the "Three Dance Episodes" in 1946 with Bernstein conducting.

"Bernstein's music transports us to the boisterous energy of New York City in the 1940s," Webber said. "With strong, compelling rhythms, interwoven seamlessly with jazz elements, Bernstein captures the essence of this time and place brilliantly."

In the second selection of the evening, Webber noted that Barber was inspired and moved by the evocative essay of James Agee to write "Knoxville," one of his most eloquent and personal works.

"The music drips with detail — from specific emotions to smells and tastes from the time," Webber said. "Not a note or nuance is wasted."

Moss, a soprano who will perform "Knoxville," teaches voice at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music and Google. Moss has performed with area companies such as Opera Parallele, Pocket Opera, Livermore Valley Opera and Opera San Jose.

Webber and Moss attended Oberlin College together and said they are thrilled to work together after all these years.

"I first heard 'Knoxville' as a freshman in college," Moss recalled. "From the moment I heard it, I was moved both by the melody and the sentiment; coming from a large family, the first time away, it was unusually poignant."

Moss is also a trained biochemist and worked at Rockefeller University. In 2007, she was stricken with a rare facial paralysis.

"Facial paralysis taught me more about singing than any direct education," she said. "In a way, if I weren't a scientist prior to my disability onset ... I wouldn't be singing today."

"I was told I would never sing again by neurologists and directors alike," she added. "But through research and exploration, I returned to the art I love with a new outlook."



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Above: The Livermore-Amador Symphony closes out its 53rd season next weekend with its concert, "A Tale of Two Cities." **Left:** Soprano Heidi Moss will join the orchestra for Samuel Barber's "Knoxville: Summer of 1915."

Bizet's "L'Arlesienne Suites" were composed primarily from his incidental music for Alphonse Daudet's play, which tells a tragic story of a country youth who falls in love with a girl from Arles, only to find she is another

man's mistress.

The concert begins at 8 p.m. at Livermore's Bankhead Theater, preceded by a talk from 7-7:30 p.m. The Symphony Guild will host a post-concert reception in the Bankhead lobby. For tickets,

go to www.bankheadtheater.org; visit the Bankhead ticket office, 2400 First St., Livermore; or call 373-6800. ■

Editor's note: Patricia Boyle has been writing about the Livermore-Amador Symphony for two years.

Museum on Main presents 'Women in War'

Panel of five to share their Vietnam experiences

The Museum on Main is hosting a panel of five local women who served during the Vietnam War to share their stories and experiences. They worked for Army Special Services, the Red Cross, the U.S. Embassy and in Vietnamese hospitals.

The event, "Women in War: Work in a Man's World," is being held at 6:30 p.m. May 20 in honor of Armed Forces Day and Memorial Day.

The panel members will answer

questions from the audience after their presentations and discuss the impact the war had on their lives after coming home. In addition to the panel discussion, the museum will show excerpts from the Emmy award-winning documentary, "Dear America: Letters Home from Vietnam," which features panelist Cathleen Cordova's letters.

The program will be held in the museum's gallery space, which is currently displaying Steven Bur-

chik's photographs in the exhibit, "An Ordinary Year, An Extraordinary Time: Photographs from a Tour in Vietnam," as well as uniforms and artifacts dating from the Spanish-American War to recent wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.

The museum will open its doors at 5:30 p.m. May 20 for an opening reception with refreshments. Tickets are free, but space is limited and pre-registration is required.

Call the museum at 462-2766 to reserve a spot for this special event or stop by at 603 Main St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays to Saturdays, and 1-4 p.m. Sundays. Learn more at www.museumonmain.org. ■

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli



ARTIST UNKNOWN/ARMY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PUBLICATION

Female service members raise the American flag.



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Tri-Valley resident Sue Savod reflects on her experience battling Lyme disease.

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they need a blood meal to survive) in spring and summer.

Use a very good tick repellent on your dog. If you have a tick, pull from the head, with tweezers if possible, directly out at a 90-degree angle from the skin. Watch for rashes — any shaped rash can announce Lyme. Approximately 50% of people have no rash at all. Watch for flu-like illness, body aches and joint pain as initial signs.

If you see the tick feeding on you, freeze it and then, if you get symptoms, seek a lab to be tested

for Lyme. IGenEX, a lab in Palo Alto, will test for more than one tick-borne disease.

Having Lyme disease in this country is expensive. Because of limited CDC guidelines, many insurance companies will not pay for Lyme doctors. If you suspect Lyme, insist on getting a Western Blot lab test from IGenEX. The ELISA test many doctors use is unreliable.

Many doctors also just don't know about Lyme, so you must be your own advocate. There is much information at ILADS.org, Lyme-disease.org and lymediseaseassociation.org. Dr. Joseph Burrascano's "Advanced Topics in Lyme Disease" has a list of symptoms.

TIMELY TREATMENT CAN AVOID YEARS OF SUFFERING.

Every time I write about Lyme disease, I get many new people who recognize the symptoms who contact me.

Last month I found an adult deer tick that was walking on my sleeve when I was in my yard in Alamo. I froze it and sent it to a new program at Northern Arizona University that is testing from all

over to get an idea of the range of tick-borne diseases. That tick did not have Lyme or the other diseases for which it was tested.

When I contracted Lyme disease and the other ailments, I'm pretty sure it was from a tick when I was hiking in Las Trampas on the west side of Danville.

Timely treatment can avoid years of suffering. As we hear more about Lyme disease, we realize it is the greatest, most virulent vector-borne disease in the U.S. — and it's right in your own backyard. ■

Editor's note: Sue Savod, who lives in Alamo, is founder of the Diablo Lyme support group. Contact her at sue-savod@gmail.com.



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Joshua Layman hits the ball while his teammates on the Pleasanton RADD B squad look on during the Special Olympics Northern California regional volleyball competition at Amador Valley High.

RADD athletes shine at Special Olympics events

Amador Valley hosts regional track and field, volleyball competitions

By JEREMY WALSH

Hundreds of athletes filled the Amador Valley High stadium and gym as the Pleasanton school played host to this spring's Special Olympics Northern California track and field and volleyball regional competitions.

Drawing competitors from throughout the region, the April 30 events featured strong performances from the local athletes on Pleasanton RADD (Recreational Activities for the Developmentally Disabled) teams.

The RADD Roadrunners earned more than 20 medals during the track and field competition, with 17 gold, three silver and one bronze.

"The athletes practiced every

week leading up to the competition, and their hard work showed in the medals they earned," coach Kay King said. "A wonderful event with lots of great smiles."

Pleasanton RADD Roadrunners competed in a variety of track and field events, including the 1500-meter, 800M and 400M runs, the 100M and 200M dashes and the 50M, 100M, 400M and 800M walks, as well as relay races, TurboJav (javelin throw) and softball toss.

Inside the Dons' gym, RADD athletes also notched high finishes during the volleyball competition.

The RADD A team went undefeated en route to winning a gold medal. The RADD B team took fourth place. ■



PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

Foothill senior named statewide Scholar-Athlete of the Year

Brown is 'hardworking, compassionate, intelligent student who serves as a model for all students'

Foothill High's Sophia Brown has been honored as the state's female Scholar-Athlete of the Year for 2016.

Brown, a senior who has starred on the Falcons' basketball and lacrosse teams, joined male winner Kelly Blake from Loyola High School (Los Angeles) as the recipients of the statewide award presented by the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) and Farmers Insurance.

The scholarship award, in its 35th year, identifies student-athletes who excel in the classroom and in athletics, and are strong contributors to their schools and communities. Brown and Blake are set to receive \$5,000 scholarships and be honored at the State Capitol on May 26.

"Now, as the end of my high school career approaches, I learned through retrospect that my proudest accomplishments were achieved by emulating those more successful than I," Brown said in a statement.

"Thanks to those preceding me, I pushed myself to realize my potential, and now it is my turn to inspire those following me," she added. "It is, and always has been, my ultimate goal to better myself in order to inspire others to do the same."

Brown is a four-year member of the basketball and lacrosse teams at Foothill, serving as team captain on both squads as a senior. She also excels in soccer, as she is a member and team captain of RAGE Soccer Club.

She will attend Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo to play soccer in the fall and to major in aerospace engineering.

For her accomplishments in the classroom, Brown has earned National Merit Scholar Commendation, as well as AP Scholar with distinction recognition. She is also involved in her school

as student body president and previously served as class president.

"Sophia is a hardworking, compassionate and intelligent student who serves as a model for all students at Foothill High School," principal Jason Krolikowski said.

"I hold Sophia in the highest regard for her maturity and ability to relate to others in a responsible, adult manner," the principal added. "She is devoted and committed to her work with an excellent work ethic. Sophia exemplifies the 'Six Pillars of Character' by being her toughest critic and a willingness to always get better."

Foothill athletic director Dustin Collins concurred, saying, "Sophia is one of the best examples of a student-athlete I have encountered in my 20 years of teaching and coaching. She is an outstanding classmate and teammate who has shown her peers what it takes to be a true leader."

Brown and Blake were selected from a pool of 400 candidates representing 1,576 CIF member schools statewide. The CIF also recognized 20 other standouts at the local section level.

"The students of California and our CIF scholar-athletes continue to confirm for all of us involved in education-based athletics that the future is bright," CIF executive director Roger L. Blake said. "There were an exceptional group of nominees this year, and I want to congratulate all of them and thank them for their contributions to their local school community."

Swimming and diving

It was senior day for 19 swimmers and divers at Foothill last Friday, but it was also a day the boys and girls ended the dual meet season by knocking off crosstown rival Amador Valley.



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Foothill senior Sophia Brown is a CIF/Farmers Scholar-Athlete of the Year.

Two of Foothill's seniors will be competing in NCAA Division I programs next year: Ryane Skinner at Pepperdine and Kennedy Truex at Michigan State.

Securing victories for the Falcons on May 6 were:

Varsity girls: 200 medley relay (Truex, Skinner, Hailey Morse, Paige Heacox); Isla Andrews, diving; Truex, 100 freestyle and 100 backstroke; 200 free relay (Skinner, Lauren Dennen, Elisabeth Balicanta, Maddie David); and 400 free relay (David, Heacox, Balicanta, Truex).

Varsity boys: 200 medley relay (Jonah Cooper, Jonathan Mui, Joe Schafer, Aaron Li); Calvin David, 200 and 500 free; Li, 50 free; Rob Harries, diving; and Cooper, 100 back and 100 butterfly.

Junior varsity girls: Emiko Tsutumi, 100 individual medley.

JV boys: Andy Tran, 100 free and Raymond Gu, 100 breast. ■

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.



Top left: Pleasanton RADD Roadrunners celebrate after their strong performances during the track and field competition. (Photo by Kay King).

Left: Hundreds of athletes, their coaches and supporters filled the Amador Valley track for the April 30 event. (Photo by Mike Sedlak/mike@digitalsight.com).

Theatre

MEN ARE FROM MARS, WOMEN ARE FROM VENUS The Off-Broadway hit comedy "Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Venus" is a one-man fusion of theatre and stand-up, running at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 12-14, and 4 p.m. matinee on Saturday, May 14 at the Firehouse Arts Center. Moving swiftly through a series of vignettes, the show covers everything from dating and marriage to the bedroom. Adult themes. Tickets are \$55. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

Concerts

'LOVE IS IN THE AIR' PACIFIC MASTERWORKS CHORUS Pacific Masterworks Chorus presents "Love is in the Air," with favorites such as Cole Porter's "Let's Fall in Love" and choral love songs like "A Red, Red Rose," from 4:30-6 p.m. on Sunday, May 15 at John Knox Presbyterian Church, 7421 Amarillo Road, Dublin. Tickets are \$25, \$20 for seniors/students. Go to <http://brownpapertickets.com/profile/64198>.

PLEASANTON CHAMBER PLAYERS ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT The Pleasanton Chamber Players will present their spring concert, "Pastoral Journey," at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 22 at the Firehouse Arts Center. English music by Ralph Vaughan Williams and Frederick Delius performed alongside works by Russian composers Evgeny Golubev and David Finko. Tickets are \$15-\$25. Call 931-4848 or go to www.firehousearts.org.

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CONCERT The Chanticleer LAB Choir XV will perform at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 14 at St. Augustine Church, 3999 Bernal Ave. The LAB Choir is a group of talented singers, age 14-20, who are trained by the world-famous Bay Area ensemble Chanticleer. The concert theme is "New Spain: Exploring California's Missions and Mexico's Cathedrals." Free-will offering. Go to www.catholic-sofpleasanton.org.

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SPAGHETTI FEED Help support the 2016 Relay For Life of Pleasanton at a spaghetti feed from 6-9 p.m. on Saturday, May 14 sponsored and hosted by the Sunshine Saloon, 1807 Santa Rita Road #K. Cost is \$25. All proceeds go toward Relay For Life fundraising efforts. Contact (650) 773-1263 or coy49er@yahoo.com.

VALLEY PREGNANCY CENTER'S 27TH

ANNUAL WALKATHON Join Valley Pregnancy Center's 27th Annual Walkathon from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, May 14 at Rock Bible Church, 4100 First St. Bring sunglasses, picnic blanket, your favorite lawn chair and an appetite for fun, food and fellowship. Free. Call 425-0414 or go to www.championsofvpc.org/.

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Health & Wellness

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welcome to join the Mom2mom group based on the Titus 2 women where the older moms are mentoring the younger moms. Parenting tips, guest speakers, crafts and practical life applications. Meetings are 9:30-11:30 a.m. the first and third Wednesdays of the month at Harvest Valley Church, 3200 Hopyard Road. Contact Valerie Fleming at 484-2482 ext. 121 or valerie@harvestvalley.org.

Community Groups

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION The Jose Maria Amador Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, NSDAR, meets at 10 a.m. on the second Saturday of the month Sept.-May. It is a social gathering and time to explore the history of our American roots. For more information contact the chapter's regent Diane Groome at JMADAR.Registrar@gmail.com.

ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF AMADOR VALLEY All ladies are invited to join this dedicated group of volunteers, reaching out to those in need in the Tri-Valley and having fun doing it. Meetings are at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month at The Parkview, 100 Valley Ave. Contact 461-6401 or assistanceleagueamadorvalley@yahoo.com. Go to www.amadorvalley.assistanceleague.org.

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ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION BRANCH 285 The Italian Catholic Federation, Branch 285, a social/philanthropic organization, invites those who love all things Italian to join for a potluck and guest speaker evening at 6 p.m. the third Friday of the month at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 4001 Stoneridge Drive. Call Judy at 462-2487.

Seniors

MEN OF BREAKFAST Join the Men of Breakfast or MOB at 8:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month for a cup of coffee and friendly discussion at the Pleasanton Senior Center. Bring a newspaper and whatever topics pique your interest. Call 931-5369.

Teens

COMPASSION CONNECTION IS COMING

Spend a morning volunteering with neighbors and friends on projects benefiting Open Heart Kitchen, Senior Support and PUSD, from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 21 at Foothill High School. Hosted by Blue Oaks Church, Compassion Connection will start with a rocking kickoff rally with live music and end with lunch and PUSD's mariachi band. Service hours available. Go to blueoakschurch.org/cc2016.

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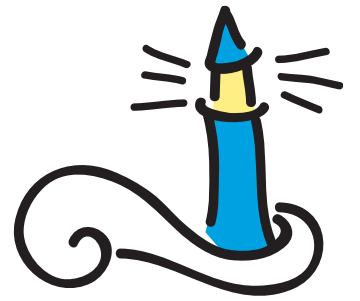
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Glimpse of the Gypsy Soul

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Housing markets continue to edge forward

San Jose leads list of major metros showing economic, housing improvement

BY JEB BING

Markets in 119 of the approximately 340 metro areas nationwide returned to or exceeded their last normal levels of economic and housing activity in the first quarter of 2016, with San Jose leading the list.

The National Association of Home Builders/First American Leading Markets Index (LMI) released this week showed that 45 markets saw a year-over-year net gain.

The index's nationwide score ticked up to 0.95, meaning that based on current permit, price and employment data, the nationwide average is running at 95% of normal economic and housing activity. Meanwhile, 86% of markets have shown an improvement year-over-year.

"Housing markets continue to recover gradually, edging along by a firming economy, solid job creation and low mortgage interest rates," said NAHB chairman Ed Brady, a home builder and developer from Bloomington, Ill. "We expect the housing sector to improve at a slow, but steady pace throughout the year."

Added NAHB chief economist Robert Dietz: "Among the LMI components, house prices continue to make the most widespread gains, with 324 markets having returned to or ex-

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ceeded their last normal levels. Meanwhile, 66 metros have reached or exceeded normal employment activity.

"Single-family permits have inched up to 49% of normal activity, but remain the lagging part of the index," he said.

Kurt Pfothenauer, vice chairman of First American Title Insurance Co., which co-sponsors the LMI report, agreed.

"More than 80% of all metros saw their Leading Markets Index increase or hold steady over the quarter, an important sign that the housing market is heading in the right direction," he said.

San Jose continued to lead the list of major

metros on the LMI, along with Baton Rouge, La., Austin, Texas; Honolulu and Houston. Rounding out the top 10 were Oklahoma City; Los Angeles; Nashville, Tenn.; Charleston, S.C.; and Salt Lake City.

Looking at smaller metros, both Midland and Odessa, Texas, have LMI scores of 2.0 or better, meaning that their markets are now at double their strength prior to the recession. Also at the top of the list of smaller metros are Manhattan, Kan; Walla Walla, Wash. and Wheeling, W.Va.

The LMI identifies those areas that are now approaching and exceeding their previous normal levels of economic and housing activity.

Approximately 340 metro areas are scored by taking their average permit, price and employment levels for the past 12 months and dividing each by their annual average over the last period of normal growth. ■

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DOWNTOWN PLEASANTON

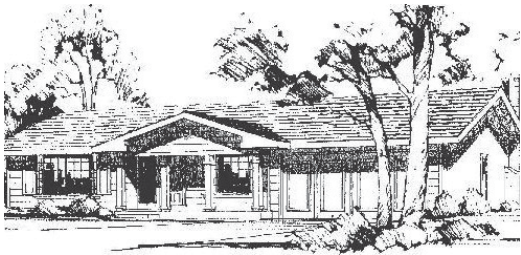
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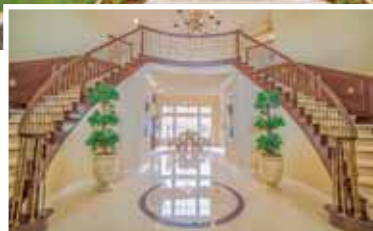
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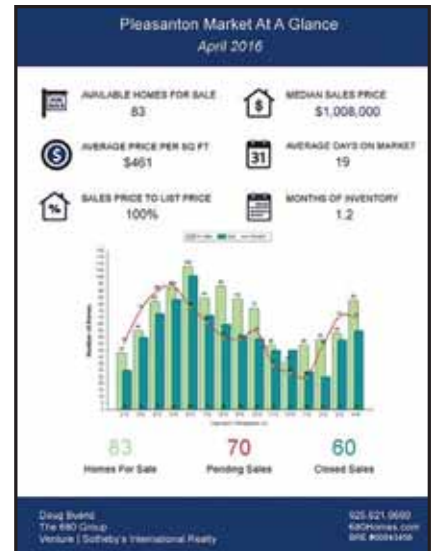
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Pleasanton Market Update - Inventory Up, Demand Steady

Pending sales in Pleasanton were steady from March, after two months of 40% or more increases. That allowed inventory, which had been struggling to keep up, to surge in April. Quality inventory (good location, properly priced) continued to see multiple offers and fly out the door. Price indicators were more or less flat from March but showed strength and continued to be above those of a year ago. The average sale took only 20 days in April, another indication that the market is hot. The lower end (homes priced under \$1 million) continued to be the hottest segment.

83 homes were actively listed at the end of April, up 43% from 58 at the end of March and one more than a year ago. Pending sales fell by one unit in April to 70. 90 sales went to contract in April 2015. Closed sales, following the jump in pending sales the prior two months, increased 13% in April, from 53 in March to 60 in April. Inventory relative to pending sales increased from 0.8 months at the end of March to 1.2 months at the end of April.

On average, homes sold for 100% of their list price in April, unchanged from March but below April 2015's 102%. April's median sales price slipped 4% from March's \$1,045,000 to \$1,008,000. That was still 6% higher than a year ago. The price per square foot increased from \$467 in March to \$498 in April. One year ago, homes sold for \$461 per square foot. The average sale in April was on the market for 20 days, compared to 22 days in March and 19 days a year ago. 20 days is generally considered to be a hot market...
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The homes rear yard is an entertainers dream with a spacious patio area overlooking a pool with a diving board and backing to the Pleasanton Sport Park.

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3248 MARILYN COURT, PLEASANTON

Located in Parkside 4BD 2.5BA 2,054sf. On an 8,208sf. Lot Absolutely beautiful with upgrades throughout. Slab granite counters with gorgeous cherrywood cabinets, gas stove & stainless appliances. All baths updated. Wonderful court location on large lot with 3 car garage & side-yard access. near sports park, shopping, dining & top rated schools.

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6 bdr 3.5 bath , 3,837 sqft
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Adorable Downtown Beauty!
4031 Vineyard, Pleasanton

Nestled near downtown Pleasanton and Built in 1998, this adorable 3 bedroom 2.5 bath, with a separate downstairs Den/Office is ready to move in. Brand New Kitchen with cherry cabinets, gorgeous granite counters, new appliances, new carpet and custom paint. Open floor plan with hardwood floors are just a few of the upgraded features. Backyard is cozy and Tiki style cabana.

Offered at **\$950,000**



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Pleasanton Hills
4967 Monaco Dr.
Pleasanton

5 bedrooms 3 baths approx 3180 sqft Desirable Floor plan, 1 bedroom and 1 bath down, Nicely updated, Cherry stained cabinets, granite slab counters, Great Location with Nice Views, Large family room leading directly to the backyard. Call for Details

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SALE PENDING 5 DAYS ON MARKET!

929 Gray Fox Circle, Pleasanton

Stunning Foxbrough Estates home with 4 bdms, den and large bonus room. Granite slab kitchen and bathrooms! 20,000 sq ft lot with sparkling pool and spa. \$1,879,000



SALE PENDING 4 OFFERS!

3925 Kern Court, Pleasanton

Beautiful Val vista model. 3 bdrm, 2 bath 1560 sq ft. 10,010 sq ft lot



COMING SOON!

4498 Bacon Court, Pleasanton

Looking for a new home? Don't miss this beautiful one level home, remodeled from top to bottom! Stunning granite kitchen & baths! New laminate wood flooring & plush carpeting. **LOW \$900,000'S**



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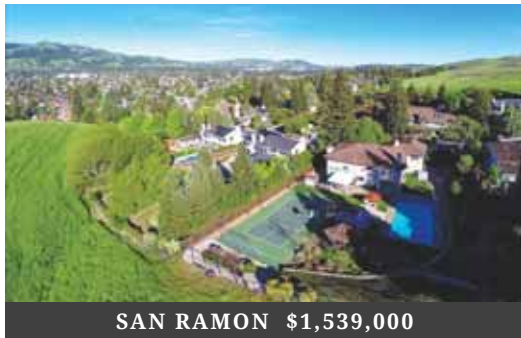
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