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AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

Capt. Eric Finn, everyone's friend, retires today

After 28 years of community service as a police officer, 26 of those with the Pleasanton Police Department, Capt. Eric Finn is retiring today. I've known Eric since the day he started with the Pleasanton P.D. on July 2, 1990, first through my children who participated in the D.A.R.E. programs he conducted, and then as a reporter covering his work on the wide range of police beats he served.



PPD

Capt. Eric Finn.

With the help of the department's administrative assistant Kim Monfort and Sgt. Pat Walsh of the department's Youth and Community Services Unit (who will soon be retiring, too), I have been able to reconstruct Eric's many different assignments as an officer, and they are substantial.

Eric began his career as a deputy sheriff with the Alameda County Sheriff's Office in 1988 and was hired as a police officer with the Pleasanton Police Department two years later. He has served on a variety of assignments including patrol, investigations, field training officer and on the department's SWAT team.

He is perhaps proudest of his time as one of the department's first D.A.R.E. officers from 1992-95. His commitment to the youth in the community earned him the love and respect of his students, many of whom are now parents, themselves.

I remember one night on a ride-along with Eric when we stopped among a group of Amador Valley High students for a half-hour conversation of their "old days" in fifth grade when Eric talked to them about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. Not only was I impressed by the admiration they had for Officer Finn, but even more so by his ability to remember each of them by name. It's a skilled memory trait he's known for.

Eric was promoted to the rank of sergeant in 1997 and served as a field supervisor, field training coordinator and traffic unit supervisor before being promoted to lieutenant in 2002. He served as a watch commander and administrative lieutenant until 2007 when he was promoted to the rank of captain.

Eric earned a Bachelor of Arts in management from St. Mary's College and a master's degree in public administration from Cal State Hayward, all while working full-time for the department and raising four children with Karey, his wife of 30 years.

He furthered his education by graduating from the FBI National Academy, the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training's

Command College, and Harvard's Kennedy School for Senior Executives in State and Local Government program. Eric's education and experience serve as the foundation of teaching law enforcement professionals and government leaders across the country in areas including organizational leadership and police ethics.

Throughout his career Eric earned a reputation as an officer who genuinely cares; he cares about the members of our police department and he cares about the people he serves in the community. Eric's commitment to the community is also seen in the relationships he developed that are part of the basis of the outstanding community-police relations we enjoy in Pleasanton.

Eric's commitment cannot be overstated, as he was involved in countless community youth organizations, he coached a variety of youth sports teams, he served as a mentor in his church and he has been a member of Rotary International, traveling to foreign countries to provide assistance to those less fortunate.

He is a passionate and outstanding leader who always challenges others to be better, and he takes pride in mentoring others and offering opportunities for personal and professional development.

Monfort and Walsh tell me that Eric's personnel file is replete with commendations and letters of appreciation and recognition, which praise his professionalism, compassion and his efforts that go well beyond the call of duty.

His leadership, incredible work ethic and most importantly, friendship, are going to be sorely missed, but as he retires, he can be proud of the legacy and standard of excellence he established for future generations to follow.

He'll be missed, too, by the many D.A.R.E. students he taught who, like my own three children, continue to remember his messages and follow in those footsteps. ■

About the Cover

The 2016 Tri-Valley Heroes are, standing from left, Mike Doyle (Lifetime Achievement), Kaitlin Gallagher (Courage), Don Lewis (Arts and Culture) and Lars Ho-Tseung (Role Model), and seated from left, Kim Bruce (representing son Connor Bruce, Rising Star recipient), Melanie Sadek (Community Spirit) and Sylvia San Miguel (representing daughter Cristina Hill, Innovation recipient). Photo by Chuck Deckert. Cover design by Kristin Brown.

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- Approved Workday development and new Police Station
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- Promoted Water Conservation through the Planning department's approval process
- Advocated for Recycled Water & Purple Pipe Extension in new developments & city parks

Parks and Recreation Commission: 2008 – 2013, Comm. Chair 2011

- Created the City's First Parks and Recreation Masterplan
- Opened Bernal Park Phase 1
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- Opened Alviso Adobe Park and Marilyn Murphy Kane Trail
- Opened Firehouse Arts Center
- Advocated for a second Dog Park (opening in 2016)
- Supported Kottinger Gardens Senior Housing
- Task Force member - First Bicycle Pedestrian Masterplan
- Committed to Open Spaces and Ridgeline Protection

Trails Ad Hoc Committee: 2006 – 2008 Cmte Chair 2008

- Focused on Trail inter-connectivity for the city and Tri-Valley
- Completed Masterplan to extend Iron Horse Trail through Pleasanton
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Good for Your Soul 5K / 10K

In memory of Kate Steinle, who tragically lost her life after she was randomly shot while walking arm in arm with her father on Pier 14 in San Francisco on July 1, 2015.

Come on out and "Love and live life to the fullest, just like Kate did."

Sunday, October 30

8:00 a.m.; registration begins at 6:30 a.m.

Starting line: The Pleasanton Arch, Main Street & Division, Pleasanton

\$40 for 5K and 10K; \$15 for Kid's Challenge

Includes event t-shirt, post-race refreshments, award ceremony

Free food and drinks, a raffle and awesome prizes!

Proceeds will benefit Students Rising Above and the Challenged Athletes Foundation.

Sign up online at www.GoodForYourSoulRun.com

Streetwise

ASKED AROUND TOWN

How do you feel about the possibility of Costco coming to Johnson Drive?



Ari Eastman *Writer*

I'm all for a new Costco in town. As a 24-year-old just starting out in my career, I don't exactly have a huge budget when it comes to groceries, home goods and other items. But I can find most of what I need pretty inexpensively at Costco. I think anyone else in Pleasanton who is also trying to be frugal would find a Costco super beneficial.



Logan Miller *High school student*

Honestly, I don't know enough about the possible economic benefits to the city of Pleasanton versus the potential detriments (like traffic) that a Costco would cause. I therefore am not really in a position to make an educated comment on the subject.



Phil Roberts *Business owner*

I'm fine with it so long as Costco, rather than Pleasanton's taxpayers, must pay for doing whatever is necessary to prevent too much congestion, crime and traffic on Johnson Drive if a Costco is built there. I do worry about the impact of a Costco on Pleasanton's smaller, independently owned businesses, but I think they will be OK, as they cater to a bit of a different crowd.



Annika Laberge-Shusterman *High school student*

I would love a Costco in Pleasanton, especially up by the gym because I'm always hungry after I work out. Costco would be a great place to stop in for a snack and some shopping before heading home.



Andrea Bloom *Wellness entrepreneur*

I am all for a Costco in Pleasanton. Costco is actually one of the leaders in carrying a large variety of organic foods. I shop there for my family every week. It would be great to have a Costco closer to home as it would cut down on gas use and just generally be more convenient.

—Compiled by Nancy Lewis and Jenny Lyness

Have a Streetwise question? Email editor@PleasantonWeekly.com

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DIGEST

Good for Your Soul Run

The inaugural Good for Your Soul Run comes to downtown Pleasanton next weekend in honor of late Pleasanton native Kate Steinle and to benefit two charity causes close to her heart.

The fundraising event the morning of Oct. 30 will feature a 10K run, 5K run/walk and three separate kids' challenge races for youngsters between 2 and 8 years old. The longer courses will begin near the Main Street Arch and will continue along downtown streets and a portion of the Arroyo Trails.

Registration is active online now and will also be available on race day, with registration fees and other proceeds benefiting Students Rising Above and the Challenged Athletes Foundation.

The Good for Your Soul run honors the memory of Steinle, who died after being shot while walking with family on Pier 14 in San Francisco on July 1, 2015. She was 32.

For more information on the event, visit goodforyoursoulrun.com.

Tri-Valley PFLAG

A new Tri-Valley chapter of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) will convene for its first meeting at 7 p.m. next Thursday in the Amador Valley High School library, 1155 Santa Rita Road.

The mission of PFLAG is to provide support for families, allies and people who are LGBTQ and to work in the community to change attitudes and create policies that achieve full equality for LGBTQ individuals, according to Erik Scherer, the adviser to Amador's Gender Sexuality Alliance.

Organizers of the new chapter are seeking parents of LGBTQ youth from Pleasanton, Dublin and Livermore to join. For more information, contact Scherer during normal business hours at 426-4481.

'That's Amore'

The Tri-Valley community is set to gather this weekend for the signature fundraiser to support non-profit Tri-Valley Animal Rescue and its efforts to find "forever homes" for more than 1,000 companion animals each year.

The "That's Amore" dinner and auction is scheduled for tomorrow with a Halloween theme of "wickedly passionate about pets."

TVAR expects 200 attendees at the event from 6-10 p.m. at the Canyon View Banquet Hall, 680 Bollinger Canyon Way in San Ramon. The group's goal is to raise \$100,000 to save kittens, dogs, cats and puppies at risk of facing euthanasia. Donations also contribute to medical needs of pets.

To learn more about attending, participating as a business sponsor, donating an item for the auction or other details, contact Lisa Healy at 200-7760 or lhealy@tvvar.org. ■

McKeever out at Open Heart Kitchen

Nonprofit's board appoints interim director while it searches for new leader

By JEB BING

Linda McKeever, associated with Open Heart Kitchen almost since it was founded in 1995 and most recently its executive director, is no longer with the organization but nobody seems to know why.

David Kinley, board president of the nonprofit, said only that "Open Heart Kitchen and Linda McKeever mutually agreed to part ways."

"We are now recruiting for the position of executive director," Kinley said. "In the meantime, our operations director, Clare Gomes, will be serving as interim executive director."

McKeever's departure from her longtime post of director and chief spokeswoman for Open Heart Kitchen, the only hot meal program in the Tri-Valley, was not announced

by the organization or McKeever, who is currently out of town. Her absence surfaced when an email to her was answered by Gomes, who said McKeever was no longer with the organization.

An application sent to McKeever to apply again for the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund when the 2016 campaign begins Nov. 18 was returned with Gomes' name without explanation.

However, Open Heart Kitchen's website still lists McKeever as executive director.

McKeever's sudden departure recalls a similar situation last summer when Susan Hayes, executive director of the Pleasanton Partnerships in Education (PPIE) Foundation, was dismissed from her position with no

announcement or explanation.

Like Hayes at PPIE, McKeever is well known for her leadership of Open Heart Kitchen by thousands who contribute to the organization and support it through donations of food. Her departure comes at a critical time as the organization boots up for Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays when its meals for the hungry are most needed.

Last year, Open Heart Kitchen served more than 350,000 hot meals. McKeever also expanded its box lunch program to 21 schools to ensure that all students receive a nutri-



Linda McKeever

tious mid-day meal on the weekends. With increasing demands for its meal programs, Open Heart Kitchen has been working to expand its hot meal service to seven days a week.

Interim executive director Gomes joined Open Heart Kitchen in September 2014. As operations director, she oversaw the entire day-to-day operations of the organization. She began her career in the semiconductor industry where she spent 10 years as an engineer.

She then took some time off to raise her family before taking her career in a new direction in the nonprofit arena. Prior to joining Open Heart Kitchen, Gomes spent nearly 10 years managing the food pantry

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COURTESY OF CRICKET FOR CUBS

Hundreds enjoy Bollywood Night fundraiser

More than 800 supporters of the Tri-Valley's youth cricket movement filled Harvest Park Middle School's gym for the Laser Dandiya and Bollywood Night fundraiser benefiting local sports not-for-profit organization Cricket for Cubs. The Oct. 8 event focused on raising awareness and funds for the group's efforts such as offering free coaching at local schools, donating cricket kits to schools and creating cricket infrastructure in Pleasanton, Dublin and San Ramon.

Council appoints downtown Pleasanton planning task force

Members will update 2002 strategic plan, growth opportunities

The Pleasanton City Council has finalized its selection for three at-large representatives to serve on the Downtown Specific Plan Task Force.

The city now has the full complement of representation needed to begin to schedule meetings.

The last Downtown Specific Plan was adopted in 2002 to serve as a guide for the future development and preservation of the downtown area, specifically looking at issues related to land use, transportation, parking, historic preservation, design and beautification, and economic vitality.

"While the Downtown Specific Plan of 2002 laid the foundation for the city's objectives relative to the downtown area, it's important that we take a fresh look to see if our needs have changed," said Gerry Beaudin, Pleasanton's community development director.

He said the new plan will incorporate and update any changes to ensure that the Downtown Specific Plan reflects "current needs and desires."

The following are on the 10-member task force (with alternates also listed):

- Two from the City Council: Mayor Jerry Thorne, Vice Mayor Kathy Narum. Alternate: Councilman Jerry Pentin.
- Two from the Planning Commission: Herb Ritter, Nancy Allen. Alternate: Justin Brown.
- Two from the Pleasanton Downtown Association: Laura Olson, Dirk Christiansen. Alternate: Janet Yarbrough.
- One from the Economic Vitality Committee: Olivia Sanwong. Alternate: Steve Baker.

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HEAD OF THE CLASS

Connor connects at Walnut Grove

New principal enjoys fostering culture, partnerships

By JULIA REIS

During class time, you're likely to find the principal of Walnut Grove Elementary School in his office, which is adorned with greeting cards, children's books and snapshots of his family and former classes.

But during recess or before and after school, Chris Connor is outside, working to connect with Walnut Grove's hundreds of students and their families. One way he does that is through rugby, as Connor traditionally takes his rugby ball out to recess and teaches children how to pass and catch.

"I work hard to get to know families because having that partnership really helps kids do well," Connor said.

Connor, 33, has spent all of 2016 getting to know Walnut Grove Elementary as its new principal. He was appointed to the job on an interim basis in January after then-principal Jan Steed was promoted to a district-level position. Connor was a vice principal at Pleasanton's Fairlands and Mohr elementary schools before being appointed to Walnut Grove.

Connor applied to become the



Chris Connor

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Luxury cinema, dining hub to anchor City Center Bishop Ranch

THE LOT set to open with rest of new San Ramon complex in fall 2018, reps say

By JEREMY WALSH

Bishop Ranch officials announced this week that luxury movie theater and restaurant hub THE LOT is set to come to San Ramon in two years, agreeing to lease space at the planned City Center Bishop Ranch.

THE LOT City Center will anchor the new 300,000-square-foot retail, restaurant and entertainment complex, with the high-energy, cinema-based venue offering a 10-screen movie theater with reclining leather chairs, plus a restaurant, cafe and bar, according to Bishop Ranch officials.

"We were looking for more than just a movie theater," said Alexander Mehran Jr., president and chief operating officer of Sunset Development Co., developer of City Center Bishop Ranch. "So we're very excited about bringing THE LOT to the Bay Area."

"They have the vision, the resources, and the team to execute something very special," Mehran added. "We are developing a unique regional destination, and with THE LOT, we will have the most luxurious cinema and dining venue in the market."

THE LOT, which has two locations in the San Diego area, will open

in San Ramon in fall 2018 coinciding with the grand opening of the City Center Bishop Ranch project, officials said.

"San Ramon is a fabulous community and a great market," Adolfo Fastlicht, CEO of THE LOT, said in a statement. "The setting at City Center Bishop Ranch is exceptional, and we will create a place where our guests will make THE LOT their hub for premium cinema going, elevated cuisine, socializing and events — all in a cosmopolitan and relaxed atmosphere."

"We will create a striking venue that will offer superb customer service and be comfortable and inviting," Fastlicht added. "We aim to promote social interaction and generate unique and sophisticated lifestyle entertainment experiences."

THE LOT has two locations in San Diego, in downtown La Jolla and Liberty Station.

The company designs each location to reflect its locale, and the architecture and interior design will be contemporary utilizing natural-textures and incorporating an open lobby design connected to an outside



COURTESY OF SUNSET DEVELOPMENT

A look inside an auditorium at one of THE LOT's Southern California locations. THE LOT City Center expects to have a similar look and feel when it opens in San Ramon in fall 2018, according to Bishop Ranch officials.

patio, Bishop Ranch officials said.

The theater will offer online reserved seating for its 800 automated luxury leather recliners, each with a call button for in-seat food service with a menu that will offer a full range of food, drinks and snacks, Bishop Ranch officials said.

In addition to the movie theater, THE LOT City Center will also feature a bar with a social cocktail scene and accompanying spirits and wine, a cafe offering craft coffee and artisan pastries and a restaurant serving breakfast, lunch and dinner with California-inspired food specialties developed by executive chef Matt

Sramek, officials added.

THE LOT will open each day with breakfast at 7 a.m. and will continue uninterrupted throughout the day.

"Ongoing community engagement is at the heart of the company, demonstrated in its offering of events beyond the movies — car shows, sporting events, art displays and special events like the Academy Awards," Bishop Ranch officials added.

The City Center Bishop Ranch, designed by acclaimed architecture firm Renzo Piano Building Workshop, is set to feature 300,000 square feet of restaurants and retail around a one-acre piazza at the heart of Bollinger

Canyon Road near the Bishop Ranch business park, San Ramon City Hall, Central Park and the Iron Horse Regional Trail.

Scheduled to open in fall 2018, city officials and community members hope the complex will create a true downtown center for San Ramon.

Construction work began at the project site last winter, with demolition of old Bishop Ranch office buildings. Rough grading began last month and is set to run into November, with work hours 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays with weekend work possible if requested, according to San Ramon city officials. ■



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East Bay Times Editorial – 10/3/16

"Karla stands out from the rest of the council candidates in her demonstrated advocacy of controlled growth that benefits the current as well as future residents of this great town."
Robert Howe – Pleasanton resident since 1987

"This November I will cast a single 'super' vote to re-elect Karla Brown. I don't want my second vote to support the others."
Susan Wriggins – Pleasanton resident

"Karla Brown... the lone voice for the majority of citizens who wants to slow down growth to give the city time to catch its breath in order to retain the quality of life we enjoy."
The Independent Editorial – 9/29/16

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TV30 to broadcast high school football games

Games will air day after with play-by-play coverage by TV30 sports staff

By JEB BING

TV30 will broadcast three high school football games on Saturday nights at 7 p.m. starting with tonight's game between Dublin and Livermore high schools.

Play-by-play and color announcing will include TV30 sports personalities Ian Bartholomew, George "Dr. B" Baljevich, Tim Sbranti and a high school field reporter. Inter-

views during the games will include coaches, players, principals, students, mayors and more.

Other games to be covered in subsequent weeks will be Granda vs. Dougherty Valley on Oct. 29 and then the season-ending game between longtime cross-city Pleasanton rivals Foothill and Amador Valley high schools on Nov. 5.

Besides on Comcast TV30, view-

ers can also see the games on AT&T U-verse via Channel 99 and also streaming at tv30.org/

"This is the eighth year of TV30's all-inclusive high school football coverage and broadcasts," said Melissa Tench-Stevens, executive director at TV30.

"We are very appreciative of the support of the cities, local sponsors and the TV30 Foundation, as with-

out them we would not be able to provide this coverage," she added.

DVDs of the games may be purchased by going to the website tv30.org.

TV30 is part of Tri-Valley Community Television, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides commercial and industrial production at its studio located in Pleasanton. The community

television group also broadcasts programming over channels TV28 and TV29.

Viewers can also watch Tri-Valley television on the go. Mobile devices can view the stations without an app by going to tv30.org and clicking on the station they want to view. Check out the latest shows and what's going on at the studio on TV30's Facebook page. ■

Ready for Falcon Royale

Event raises funds for Foothill programs

By JEREMY WALSH

The Foothill High School community is set to take part in the annual Falcon Royale fundraiser, with the nighttime gala scheduled for Nov. 5 and an online auction open through this weekend as part of the effort.

The Falcon Royale benefits the Foothill Athletic Boosters, Foothill Parent Teacher Student Association and Foothill Band Boosters, with funds raised supporting work in the classrooms, Falcons sports teams and the instrumental music program at the high school.

The gala is an adult-only event Nov. 5 at Castlewood Country Club, with a cocktail hour with appetizers and no-host bar followed by dinner, dancing and silent and live auctions to support the fundraiser. Tickets, which cost \$95 per person, are available online at www.falconroyale.com.

Residents can also visit the

website to take part in an ongoing online auction open until 7 p.m. this Sunday. Auction items, which benefit the fundraising drive, include Golden State Warriors tickets, sports memorabilia, golf, photography packages, Bay Area outings and more.

Also this year, 1% of the Falcon Royale proceeds will be donated to event partner Sunflower Hill, a local nonprofit that supports residents with developmental delays and is striving to build a sustainable living community for those with special needs, according to organizers.

For more information on the fundraiser, visit the website or contact Brenda McFarlane at brendmcfalane@att.net. ■

TAKE US ALONG



108th birthday:

Longtime Pleasanton residents Don and Frances Hewitt traveled to Sheffield, Ill., on Oct. 16 to celebrate the 108th birthday of Don's grandmother, Blanche Hewitt (shown here reading up on the Pleasanton city election candidates in a recent Weekly). "At 108, she gets around with the help of her walker and continues to entertain us with her jokes and stories," Frances said. The Hewitts are ready for another milestone birthday this weekend, with Don's father Conrad Hewitt set to celebrate his 80th in Napa.

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

MCKEEVER

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for a local nonprofit.

Besides Kinley, other officers of the Open Heart Kitchen board of directors are Emily Wagner, retired finance director for the city of Pleasanton, board vice president; Emilie Fox, underwriting counsel for Stewart Title Guaranty Company, board secretary; and Claudia Lazzarato, a certified public accountant and tax manager at Robert Lee & Associates, board treasurer.

The other board members include Bruce Bird, investment advisor representative of Transamerica Financial Advisors, Inc.; Justin Gagnon, CEO of Choicelunch, a San Ramon-based healthy school lunch company; Joanne Hall, retired public information officer for the city of Pleasanton; and Gary Harrington, retired after more than three decades as an educator in the public school system.

Rounding out the list are Karen Lamos, technical product manager in the software tools organization at Workday, Inc.; Ted Monk, vice president of Sodexo, where he has responsibility for providing food and facility management solutions to over 200 school districts; Kristina Vannoni, associate marketing director for The Clorox Co.; Carl Wolfston of Headlands Associates; and John Higgins, vice president, gas operations for PG&E. ■

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Do you really want the City to pay \$20 million to bring Costco here?

It's time to think about ALL Pleasanton residents, not only Costco members

YES on MM has been endorsed by:

- Citizens for Planned Growth
- PleasantonVoters.org
- Pleasanton Citizens for Responsible Growth

NO on MM was created by politicians and developers, and paid for primarily by Costco

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

Be sure to mark your ballot for
YES on Measure MM on November 8

www.CitizensforPlannedGrowth.com

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NO on MM

We Want Costco!

Measure MM is an initiative imposing strict square footage restrictions in the newly proposed Johnson Drive Economic Zone that would prevent Costco from coming to Pleasanton.



"As a busy mom, I shop at Costco every week. I'd like the convenience of being able to shop right here in Pleasanton — and why should my tax dollars be going somewhere else? I am voting NO on Measure MM."

— Janine Mattison,
21-year Pleasanton resident
and busy mom



"The proposed Johnson Drive Economic Development Zone will bring new jobs to Pleasanton. Costco alone will create 250 jobs with great wages and benefits. Join me and vote No on Measure MM."

— Matt DePretis, Chairman
of the Board, Pleasanton
Chamber of Commerce



"Measure MM will limit our ability to create the best plan for Pleasanton's new Johnson Drive Economic Zone. Voting NO on MM allows us to continue to move forward with our trustworthy public process."

— Olivia Sanwong, Member and
Past Chair, Economic Vitality
Committee



"I am voting NO on Measure MM! Our community needs a new library, a project that currently lacks funding. A Pleasanton Costco would generate \$1-2 million in new sales tax revenue every year to help pay for these improvements."

— Vani Vadera,
Parent Leader

NO on MM

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Walnut Creek city manager resigning to take job with Pleasanton firm

Nordhoff joining government consultant group HdL Companies

Walnut Creek City Manager Ken Nordhoff has announced his intention to leave his position in January to start a new job at the Pleasanton office of HdL Companies, a firm that provides financial consulting services to local California governments.

"The opportunity came up and it seemed like a good time. Things here in the city are in really good shape," Nordhoff said last week. "We have an exceptional executive team, our finances are in a good place and we have lots of private sector investment in the city."

Nordhoff, Walnut Creek's eighth city manager, was hired in 2010 to replace Gary Pokorny, who retired after four years as city manager.

"I'm heartbroken," said Walnut Creek Mayor Loella Haskew. "He is considered one of the best city

managers in the state. We're losing such a fine man who for six years has been dedicated to this city."

Haskew praised Nordhoff for implementing a 10-year financial forecast to help better manage the city's budgeting process and for working with the community relations manager to regularly publish a comprehensive, easily understood city budget report.

He also greatly improved staff morale and built an "incredible team," Haskew said.

Haskew said the city council will begin working on a process for finding Nordhoff's replacement and will likely appoint an interim city manager until they can fill the job permanently.

Nordhoff came from San Rafael, where he worked for 14 years in

various roles, five of them as city manager, he said.

He started his career doing tax and audit work with two different certified public accounting firms, he said, one of which did a lot of municipal audits, which is what inspired him to get into the public sector in the first place.

He said his biggest achievement was working with city staff to "develop and enhance a culture of excellence" where employees are deeply engaged in their work and are part of a healthy and cohesive workforce.

Nordhoff will continue to live in Walnut Creek, he said, and work out of HdL's new Pleasanton office, serving clients in the Bay Area and Northern California. ■

—Kiley Russell, Bay City News

Alameda County property tax bills now in mail

430,000 residents on tax collector's rolls with record amount due of \$3.47 billion

By JEB BING

Alameda County property tax bills are being mailed this month to the more than 430,000 residents who are on the tax collector's rolls with the first installment due no later than Dec. 10.

County Treasurer and Tax Collector Donald R. White said the amount due this year from property owners of record amount to \$3.47 billion, accruing to the county's Assessor's Office.

The taxes due are payable in two installments. The first installment is due on Nov. 1 and is delinquent at 5 p.m. December 10, after which there's a 10% delinquent penalty.

The second installment is due on Feb. 1, 2017 and is delinquent at 5 p.m. April 10, again with a 10% delinquent penalty if not paid by then.

White's office listed several payment options available to taxpayers:

- By mail or in person at the County Tax Collector's Office, 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, holidays excepted
- By credit card, available 24 hours a day by telephone at (510) 272-6800, online at www.acgov.org/treasurer or by mobile property app at www.acgov.org/mobile/apps.
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• By KIOSK, located in the Tax Collector's lobby area at 1221 Oak Street, Oakland allowing taxpayers who visit the office to make payments via credit card or eCheck.

Payment by mail, telephone or online is recommended to avoid delay at the cashier's window.

Property owners who do not receive their tax bill by Nov. 16 should contact the Tax Collector's Office by calling (510) 272-6800, writing to the office or downloading an internet copy at www.acgov.org/treasurer.

Tax bills received for property no longer owned should be forwarded to the new owner or returned to the Tax Collector's Office. ■

CONNOR

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permanent principal in the spring and was awarded that title in April.

While he's been an educator for over a decade, Connor says he "always" wanted to enter the field, dating back to his upbringing in Scotland. His parents were supportive throughout his education, which instilled in Connor the impact that adults can make in a child's life.

"I see the value in having adults in your life who are going to be there for you no matter what, and I try to bring that to the kids," Connor said. "I want them to know they can count on me to do the best for them."

Connor studied education at the University of Glasgow and taught in Scotland for four years after obtaining his bachelor's degree. When Connor and his wife, who was also studying at University of Glasgow, decided to get married, they spent two years getting the required paperwork together before moving to Livermore where his wife already had family.

Once in the Tri-Valley, Connor spent a year teaching special education students, then four years as an educator at an Antioch charter school.

Connor then went back to school, earning a master's degree in educa-

tional leadership and his administrative credential from California State University, East Bay.

Wanting to work closer to home after the birth of his first child, Connor then took a first-grade teaching position at Fairlands. After a year and a half, he was promoted to vice principal, a title he held at Fairlands and Vintage Hills Elementary simultaneously for a year before his assignment switched over to Mohr and Fairlands.

'When it comes to being there for the kids and working together, this school is amazing.'

Chris Connor,
Walnut Grove principal

Connor's approach to being an educator has involved a great deal of learning. Early into his career, Connor had already taught kindergarten through sixth grade since he wanted to learn how each class level worked.

And with each new class or school, Connor's first goal has been to get to know every student by name, not a small task on a campus with 750

kids like Walnut Grove.

"Once you know their name, you can connect and talk more," Connor said. "It tells kids you value them."

As the school's new head administrator, Connor has also worked to grow its culture. One of the first things he did upon arriving at Walnut Grove was to set up three school rules that could easily be remembered (they are "responsible, respectful and ready to learn"). "Roadrunner rewards" were also established, in which children are publicly acknowledged for exhibiting positive behavior.

Connor said he embodies that notion of positivity as an educator who tends to "always believe the best in people." He wants to foster an environment where students, teachers and parents are engaged in learning.

As it is, Connor said, the Walnut Grove community is a dedicated one.

"When it comes to being there for the kids and working together, this school is amazing," he said.

In his spare time, Connor enjoys exploring the Bay Area and spending time with his wife, who is a veterinarian, their two young children and the family's six cats and dogs.

Connor has an annual salary of \$127,143 as principal of Walnut Grove Elementary, located at 1999 Harvest Road. ■

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Home energy audit can help identify ways to improve energy efficiency

BY NATHANIEL SILLIN

Do you turn the thermostat a notch higher or put on an extra sweater when it gets cold?

It's a common household debate as family members try to maintain a balance between comfort and savings during the winter. It's also a debate you may be able to put to rest by investing in energy-saving maintenance and upgrades.

You can start with a home energy audit, an inspection that focuses on finding areas where your home wastes energy. Professional auditors can cost \$300 to \$800 depending on the type of audit, but you could consider tack-

ling an audit and some of the changes yourself. Doing so could make your home more comfortable, lower your ecological footprint and save energy and money.

See if you qualify for state-funded weatherization assistance. Look into state-based financial assistance programs before going at it alone. Contact your state's weatherization agency to review eligibility guidelines, find a local service provider and start an application.

If approved, you could receive a professional energy audit and improvements. On average, about \$4,000 worth of energy saving-related

work was completed over one or two days for the 2015 program year.

If you can't or don't want to pay for a professional audit and don't qualify for assistance, consider conducting a do-it-yourself (DIY) audit.

A DIY energy audit can help you identify ways to save money and stay warm. A thorough inspection of your home can uncover opportunities for improvement, and you may be able to rent an infrared camera to help you spot trouble areas.

Look over the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy's guide to conducting a DIY home energy audit and create a log of your findings as you go.

Typical trouble spots and simple solutions. The following are common trouble spots and potential improvement you might want to make:

- Keep the cold outside air out. The DOE estimates that you can save 5

to as much as 30% on your energy bill by just reducing drafts. Check for leaks around your doors, windows, plumbing, cabinets and other potential outlets. Also look for dirty spots on your wall, ceiling and floors as that could indicate air or moisture is getting in. Use foam sealant to fill in large gaps you find and caulking or weather stripping for smaller leaks.

- Consider adding more insulation. The insulation in your walls and ceiling may not meet today's recommendations. Re-insulating or supplementing what you have could help your home stay warm, or cool, and might not be as difficult as you imagine in easy-to-access attics or basements. However, you may want to check with a professional who can recommend what type of insulation to use and warn you of potential ventilation, fire or moisture hazards during and after installation.

- Regularly inspect your heating systems. Heating systems can cost thousands of dollars to replace. While it may not be a DIY job, you may be able to prolong your system's life by

hiring a professional HVAC contractor to inspect and tune up your system before each winter. Some utilities also offer free in-home inspections of gas appliances. A job you can take on is checking the air filter and replacing it to the manufacturer's specifications or when it looks dirty. You could also check for, and seal, holes, leaks and poor connections in the ducts.

Weigh the costs and benefits before investing your time or money in a winterization project. Some of the items on your checklist could be no-brainers, but others might require more thought.

Bottom line: A home energy audit can help you identify ways to improve your energy efficiency and make your home more comfortable. Whether you hire professionals, apply for government assistance or do it yourself, preparing before winter hits means you can enjoy a warm home without stressing over the energy bill. ■

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

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COURTESY OF SAP

Cycling 4 Veterans

Nitesh Maheshwari, a senior developer at SAP's Dublin office, was among the 300 bicyclists riding in the software company's Cycling 4 Veterans 2016 fundraiser benefiting local organizations that support active military members and veterans. The ride, which began at Las Positas College in Livermore on Oct. 8, raised more than \$40,000, and all funds will go to groups such as the Las Positas College Veterans First Program, Pleasanton Military Families, Sentinels of Freedom, Student Veterans Organization, Blue Star Moms-Danville Chapter and East Bay Stand Down, according to SAP officials.

TASK FORCE

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- Three at-large representatives: Teri Pohl, Jim Merryman, Jan Batcheller. The plan update will include:
- Evaluating parking requirements for development projects

- Exploring the integration of residential development
- Evaluating and clarifying maximum building height in downtown
- Integrating trails and pedestrian pathways
- Division Street enhancements
- Evaluating and providing land-use

recommendations for the existing civic center site in coordination with the Civic Center Master Plan.

The task force is expected to meet monthly for a period of 18-24 months. The first meeting has yet to be scheduled. ■

—Jeb Bing

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POLICE BULLETIN

‘Suspicious’ fire destroys unoccupied Lund Ranch home

A fire that destroyed an old unoccupied house in Pleasanton last Friday night has been deemed suspicious by Pleasanton police.

Officers received a call about a large fire in the 1500 block of Lund Ranch Road shortly before 10 p.m. When they arrived, several fire trucks and a crowd of bystanders were already on scene, and one structure was fully engulfed, according to Pleasanton police Sgt. Larry Cox.

Officers conducted crowd control until the fire was put out. The structure involved, a single-story house built in the 1800s, burned to the ground, according to Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department battalion chief Jack Neiman-Kimel. “By the time we got there, it had been burning for quite some time,” Neiman-Kimel said, adding that it likely took residents a while to notice the fire since it was burning a couple thousand feet from the roadway.

The house had not been occupied for over a decade and sits on the nearly 200-acre property known as Lund Ranch II that is slated for a new housing development, according to Neiman-Kimel.

No other structures were threatened by the fire, Cox said.

Arson investigators are having laboratory work done on items recovered from the fire to test them for accelerants.

Cox said investigators “can’t say we’re 100% sure it was arson,” but added there are a number of reasons they’re calling it suspicious. The building did not have electricity, and it was known as a spot that teenagers frequented, according to the police sergeant.

“It’s really just a matter of going through the evidence and seeing if we have any indication if this was arson,” Cox said. “At this point, it’s a suspicious fire.”

No witnesses to the fire have come forward so far, and there were no suspicious people reported in the area at the time.

Anyone who may have information about the incident is asked to contact the Pleasanton Police Department’s Criminal Investigations Unit at 931-5234.

In other police news

- An inmate at the behavioral health housing unit at Alameda County’s Santa Rita Jail in Dublin who allegedly was killed by his cellmate last week has been identified by sheriff’s officials as 56-year-old Dat Thanh Luong of Union City.

Deputies at the jail, which is the sixth-largest jail in the country and currently houses 2,129 inmates, found Luong in his cell at Housing Unit 9 at about 8:50 a.m. Oct. 10 after other inmates told them that they heard a noise and he was lying on the floor, Sgt. Ray Kelly said.

Luong was pronounced dead at the scene. His cellmate, who was covered in blood, tried to flee but deputies were able to tackle him and detain him after a brief struggle, Kelly said.

Authorities aren’t yet releasing the 73-year-old suspect’s name be-

cause they’re having trouble communicating with him, Kelly said.

The unit where Luong and the suspect were being held is a maximum-security unit for inmates with mental illness or behavioral problems.

The suspect, who was arrested in Hayward on suspicion of battery and making threats, is currently being held in an isolation cell away from the rest of the jail population while Alameda County prosecutors determine if he’s mentally competent enough to be interviewed about the incident, according to Kelly.

Luong was arrested in Union City in January on an assault with a deadly weapon charge, Kelly said. He had been scheduled to be taken to Napa State Hospital soon for a mental health evaluation.

Luong and the suspect are both Asian men who have mental health issues, and authorities don’t believe the killing was racially motivated or gang-related, Kelly said.

It appears that no weapons were used and authorities believe Luong was either strangled or beaten to death, he said.

- Interstate 580 in Pleasanton was snarled Wednesday morning when two westbound lanes were closed for several hours after two big rigs crashed into each other, California Highway Patrol officers said.

The crash was reported after 4:30 a.m. just east of the Hopyard Road on-ramp. CHP officers issued a Sig-alert at about 5:15 a.m. The roadway did not fully reopen until just before 10 a.m.

No further information was available as of press time Wednesday. ■
—Julia Reis and Bay City News Service

POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

Oct. 15

Fraud

■ 7:10 p.m. on the 1600 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Assault/battery

■ 6:53 p.m. on the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Theft

■ 8:45 a.m., 1600 block of Orchard Way; theft from auto

■ 8:55 a.m. on the 6200 block of Camino Del Lago

■ 10:07 a.m., 500 block of Main Street; commercial burglary

■ 12:09 p.m. on the 200 block of Kottinger Drive

■ 2:04 p.m. on the 300 block of Rose Avenue

Vehicle tampering

■ 2:37 p.m. on the 7200 block of Valley Trails Drive

Graffiti

■ 9:23 a.m. on the 900 block of Main Street

Domestic battery

■ 1:43 a.m. on Old Bernal Avenue

Oct. 14

Fire

■ 9:43 p.m. on the 1500 block of Lund Ranch Road

Graffiti

■ 10:39 a.m. on the 4200 block of Vervais Avenue

Assault/battery

■ 3:01 a.m. on the 5500 block of West Las Positas Boulevard

Oct. 13

Stolen property

■ 10:42 p.m. on the 4200 block of Rosewood Drive

Alcohol violation

■ 10:20 p.m. on the 400 block of St. John Street

Theft

■ 8:40 a.m. on the 1900 block of Fiorio Circle

■ 8:51 a.m. on the 7600 block of Desertwood Lane

■ 9:46 a.m., 3600 block of Manchester Street; theft from auto

■ 9:52 a.m., 1500 block of Greenwood Road; theft from auto

■ 10:15 a.m. on the 3800 block of Stratford Court

■ 12:31 p.m., 3200 block of Northampton Court; theft from auto

■ 4:25 p.m. on the 4000 block of Rockingham Drive

DUI

■ 7:21 a.m. on the 1900 block of Santa Rita Road

■ 4:20 p.m. on the 4400 block of Black Avenue

Fraud

■ 11:46 a.m. on the 3700 block of Grillo Court

Vehicle tampering

■ 9:37 a.m. on the 6200 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Oct. 12

Alcohol violation

■ 10:54 p.m. on the 3100 block of Santa Rita Road

Auto theft

■ 3:49 a.m. at Stoneridge and Denker drives

■ 8:50 a.m. on the 4700 block of McHenry Gate Way

Shoplifting

■ 4:30 p.m. on the 2200 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

■ 6:58 p.m. on the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

DUI

■ 12:34 a.m. on Santa Rita Road

Graffiti

■ 8:20 a.m. at Santa Rita Road and Stoneridge Drive

Oct. 11

Fraud

■ 4:02 p.m. on the 4200 block of Rosewood Drive

■ 5:05 p.m. on the 4400 block of Entrada Drive

Theft

■ 10:05 a.m., 2300 block of Meadowlark Drive; theft from auto

■ 3:31 p.m., 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

■ 4:12 p.m. on the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Vandalism

■ 9:51 a.m. on the 5800 block of Parkside Drive

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EDITORIAL

THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY

Pleasanton Weekly

Vote to elect Arkin, Hintzke, Ruegsegger to Pleasanton school board

Although each of the four candidates in this year's election for Pleasanton school board is well qualified to serve, we support incumbents Valerie Arkin and Jamie Hintzke for re-election and former school board member Kathleen Ruegsegger for election again.

Former Hart Middle School principal Steve Maher is the fourth candidate. With more than 40 years of experience as a teacher and school administrator, Maher is without doubt most knowledgeable about Pleasanton schools, curriculum and the district's management team. Our concern is that one of his daughters is an elementary school principal in the district and two others are teachers at local elementary schools and, therefore, also members of the teachers' union.

This could pose possible conflicts of interest during budget, school administrative and union negotiations. Even if he recused himself from participating in discussing any of these issues, that would leave the board with just four decision-making members, and possibly lacking a majority vote on controversial matters.

Of those we support, Arkin and Hintzke have served on the board for the last eight years, generally voting together to make decisions that benefit our schools. Their guidance and decisions on the board have ensured that Pleasanton students have the programs that address their academic needs, as well as addressing their extracurricular needs.

During their tenure, an increasing

number of students have graduated with the skills they need to succeed in a global economy, better prepared to be socially responsible citizens. Both board members have been accessible and approachable, making their personal telephone numbers and email addresses available to the public and willingly meeting with parents on any concerns they have with school and district policies.

Valerie Arkin has handled hundreds of school budget decisions during her two terms of office. Fiscal responsibility with taxpayer dollars, including open accountability, is something she feels strongly about. Communication and transparency are also very important.

Reading interventions also have been among her priorities, with data showing that kids who read proficiently at an early age are more likely to succeed academically in later years. "Future academic success depends on it," she said. "That is why I will continue to advocate for reading interventions, instructional coaches and other programs to address this need."

Arkin holds a bachelor's degree in health science from Cal State Northridge and a master's degree in business administration from California Lutheran University. She was chosen by fellow board members to serve as board president in 2011 and 2015. She serves on the Special Education Local Plan Area board and the city of Pleasanton Liaison Committee, and she is a delegate for

the California School Board Association. She and her husband Brian have three children including Chris, who works in the tech industry; Angela, a college senior; and Nick, a junior at Amador Valley High School.

Jamie Hintzke also has made greater district transparency, tight financial control and a higher level of executive staff accountability as her priorities. As Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley said in endorsing her candidacy for re-election, "Jamie Hintzke walks the walk when it comes to improving education and accountability in Pleasanton." Hintzke's eight years on the board show a strong record of involvement, including insisting on a new district audit firm selection process and putting a public audit committee in place.

Hintzke brings experience to the board that others do not, including attending third grade through her senior year in high school in Pleasanton, herself, and having two children go through the system.

She currently is the school board president, serves on the Pleasanton Economic Vitality Committee and has just been elected for a second term as a delegate to the California School Board Association's delegate assembly. From 2009-12, she served on the Alameda County School Boards Association and has served as a trustee on the Tri-Valley Regional Occupation Program board for two years.

Hintzke is employed by Alameda County Health Care Services Agency as a community relations coordinator. She also works as the program manager for the Alameda County Emergency Medical Services CPR program for seventh-graders.

Kathleen Ruegsegger has 16 years of experience as an administrative assistant in both the Pleasanton and Palo Alto school districts and served from 1990-93 as a Pleasanton school board member. She worked with five superintendents and two dozen board members, all who shared a variety of perspectives.

She wants Pleasanton schools to increase their connection with the community's ambitions for its children. She supports transparency and more collaboration between the city and school district with shared projects that will maximize tax dollars while greatly benefiting both agencies.

She calls this a "pivotal time" to serve as a school board member, with a new superintendent in place. Because of her experience, she's well-prepared to serve on the board again. With her three adult children, who attended Pleasanton schools, now on their own, Ruegsegger has even more time now to dedicate to the school board position.

Recognizing that the Pleasanton district has had some difficulties with communication and transparency over the past dozen years or so, her skills will help the board ensure better public communications that will reach out more broadly in the community and to do it more timely.

Vote for Valerie Arkin, Jamie Hintzke and Kathleen Ruegsegger for election to the Pleasanton school board. ■

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—Lisa O'Neal

Voting with common sense, with logic

This election year is crucial to the fate of every citizen in America. People are understandably upset about all kinds of things related to this election cycle, and here in California, voters will be inundated with ballot measures.

According to the Howard Jarvis Tax Association, \$50 billion in revenue bond debt have been issued without voter approval in the last 20 years. Per the California GOP, California already pays \$250 bil-

lion in state and local taxes. Now taxpayers are asked approve more personal debt?

Read the fine-print in your voter information guide. How will the measures contribute to or detract from your life? Endless clutter of unimportant information in the media and in fliers detracts from logical, commonsense voting.

National debt out of control; our military force down to 1940 levels; unemployment rampant; health care soaring. The California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission states that since 2002, voters have approved \$90.5 billion in local general school bond capacity in 681 school bond elections. \$37.5 billion of school bonds remain unused, yet more bond requests are on the ballot.

The Office of Public School Construction says \$546.3 million worth of projects have been approved for state funding and not yet received the funds. Our republic cannot continue, unless we the people give it ongoing serious attention.

—Phyllis Couper

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WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

Energy and Environment Committee Meeting (rescheduled from 9/28th meeting)

Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
Remillard Conference Room, Operations Services Center,
3333 Busch Road

- Please visit our website at www.cityofpleasantonca.gov to view information for this meeting.

Planning Commission

Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

• P16-1383, St. Innocent Church

Application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to operate a religious facility within an existing building located at 1047 Serpentine Lane, Suite 300.

• Vesting Tentative Map Tract 8352, GHC Lund Ranch, LLC

Application for a Vesting Tentative Tract Map to subdivide an approximately 194.7-acre property at 1500 Lund Ranch Road into 46 lots for 43 single-family homes (approved under PUD-25) and three lots to be dedicated to the City of Pleasanton for permanent open space.

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Endorsement for Karla Brown

Karla Brown is a proven leader in protecting our quality of life in Pleasanton. She brings an important and thoughtful perspective to the council, advocating for smart and controlled growth. She lives this out by saying no to discretionary projects if the net costs to the community exceed the benefits to Pleasanton residents.

While thoughtful residents may have a variety of reasonable positions on growth, the quality that matters most in our community is the diverse perspective and leadership Karla brings to the council. A council with diverse perspectives has resulted in more thoughtful and better decisions.

Karla's unique perspective and leadership has helped to ensure the most thoughtful decisions during her tenure. For example, she is the only council member with a background focused on serving Pleasanton residents while others have primarily a business or developer background.

Karla is the only candidate for council without ties to special interest political action committees. While those connections can be valuable, Karla's sole goal is to represent us, the residents, with all of our varied interests and priorities.

A council featuring similar backgrounds and viewpoints may result in unanimous votes but may

not necessarily incorporate the full spectrum of the long-term needs of our community. This means making decisions that support our residents desire for controlled growth and protecting our water sources, ridgelines, schools and historic small-town downtown.

The council and the community is stronger because of Karla.

—Nancy Allen,
Planning commissioner

Pentin for City Council

My wife and I support Jerry Pentin for City Council due to his straightforward results-orientated leadership. The city is prosperous and well-managed, and that is directly attributable to Jerry's leadership on the current council and his efforts prior in different facets of the city.

As we move forward into the future, we need to build continuity as some of the long-term projects such as the new city hall, east side development and the completion of Bernal Park come to fruition.

Jerry is a straight shooter with no frills about him and will stay consistent in his messaging and decision-making. It is for these reasons we support Jerry Pentin for City Council.

—Thomas and Alejandra Hall

Vote for Steve Maher

Steve Maher demonstrates respect and appreciation for his students. He focuses on the goal to provide the best education for the students under his care and inspires his staff to do the same. He

will be an excellent board member.

It would be easy to say this about someone who only has the brightest, most cooperative students. I say this about a man who continues to inspire my autistic son from the moment they became friends at Walnut Grove and on to Harvest Park Middle School.

Mr. Maher is engaging with the students. In meetings with my son, resource staff from PUSD and school staff, Steve was able to pull the group together to provide the best education for my son and the resources for the staff to accomplish set goals. No small task and he does it by pulling students, faculty, administrators and district personnel together.

I cannot imagine anyone better for the Board of Trustees.

—Lynn M. Martin

Vote Yes on Measure 11

Pleasanton schools offer our youth enriched educational experiences that prepare them for college and life. But sadly, many of our school facilities have become outdated and obsolete. Measure 11 on the November ballot will ensure that our schools receive the necessary upgrades and modernization to continue providing excellent education for our students.

Our outstanding schools are a key reason why homes in Pleasanton have maintained their value despite economic downturns. Measure 11 is an investment both in the value of our homes and in the future of our children.

The measure mandates strict fiscal accountability, including an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee and annual audits. All Measure 11 funds must be spent locally and cannot be taken by the state. Funds will only be spent on improving our Pleasanton schools, not on teacher or administrator salaries, pensions or benefits.

Let's make a difference for our students and for our community by voting Yes on Measure 11.

—Jim Ott

Ritter for council

I have lived in Pleasanton for 17 years and have known Herb Ritter for over 10 years. We met through our children and volunteer work in our schools.

I am supporting Herb Ritter for City Council because he exemplifies Pleasanton's "Community of Character." His last 26 years have been spent in service to our city through numerous significant volunteer positions — all of which have contributed greatly to Pleasanton's successes, and for which he seeks only personal fulfillment.

He has also been proactive in Pleasanton's Rotary and served on the boards of several nonprofits, and for the past 10 years, he has been active in civic government on committees, task forces and as an appointed commissioner to the Parks and Recreation and Planning commissions.

Herb's education as an electrical engineer and his MBA make him uniquely qualified to research and

assess what is best for Pleasanton and its future. He has no predetermined agenda, and so remains open to the most current supported data and changing needs of our community.

I encourage you to learn more about Herb on his website, and vote for Herb Ritter for City Council. He is a candidate with heart, relevant experience and the ability to bring out the best in our community — for our entire community.

—Kelly Hewitt Errigo

Vote Valerie Arkin for school board

Please join me in voting for Valerie Arkin for Pleasanton school board. Valerie listens to her constituents. I appreciate her transparency. She is authentic and refreshing. She follows up when she receives emails and gets the answers she needs to make a good decision.

Valerie has insisted on improvements in communication between the district, parents, staff and the public.

Valerie does not spend taxpayers' money easily. She works hard, scrutinizing budgets and contracts, to ensure that the school district is fiscally responsible. She asks tough questions when necessary and has sought out training that allows her to navigate the complexities of school funding.

Most importantly, during her eight years as a trustee, Valerie has put children's interests first. She

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has worked hard to ensure that all students receive the opportunities and support they need to succeed.

Valerie's experience and dedication will be essential over the next four years. Join me in voting for Valerie Arkin for Pleasanton school board.

—*Siah Fried*

Re-elect Jerry Pentin

I'd like to offer my endorsement of Jerry Pentin to Pleasanton City Council. I'm a 30-year resident and also a local business owner, and Jerry has earned my respect for his informed, even-handed and dedicated commitment to the city of Pleasanton.

As another individual who volunteers frequently, I know a person of informed dedication when I see one. Jerry is the lone City Council member who also embraces my personal vision, that of a city where bicyclists and pedestrians can one day feel 100% safe choosing sustainable, community-connecting and fiscally prudent transportation options that are "outside the box" (cars and trucks, in other words).

We can't just keep paving everything with more asphalt lanes for cars, and meanwhile our kids and adults are struggling with what experts rightly recognize to be an obesity epidemic. The Union of Concerned Scientists tell us that the No. 1 way to improve the health of our planet is to change the way we

get around, and Jerry understands that this will only happen once all residents — from kids to parents and the elderly — feel safe choosing the healthiest transportation option.

Jerry has earned my respect and endorsement for re-election to City Council.

—*Jim Van Dyke*

Maher has my full support

Steve Maher is the most qualified candidate for the Pleasanton school board. Not only is he well-respected for his years of leadership in Pleasanton schools, he also has the necessary problem-solving skills and "can do" attitude to get issues resolved quickly.

His experiences working with students, teachers, parents and administrators in our school district helps to give him a broad base of knowledge to bring to the table. He is a no-nonsense leader, one who will do what is right for our schools and our students.

An example of Steve's no-nonsense attitude is when my son was in sixth grade, he was being bullied on the bus ride home from school at the beginning of the year. We mentioned this to Steve at back-to-school night, and the very next day, Steve rode our son's bus home with him — sending the signal that bullying was not to be tolerated. And our son was not bullied after that.

I fully endorse and support Steve Maher for the Pleasanton school board.

—*Cathy Ritter*

Karla Brown is not smart about growth

Karla Brown's ads claim she is "the lone voice for "smart growth," wants to "protect open space and ridgelines," and "scenic hills and open space should be preserved for all to enjoy, not just a few." But the facts prove otherwise.

Brown's "the lone voice for smart growth"? Residents of Mission Hills and Ventana Hills fought for decades for smart growth in southeast Pleasanton, reducing a development of 150 homes to just 43. Brown rejected and refused to support that.

Brown wants to "protect open space and ridgelines," and has previously stated, "We are stewards of the land for the short time we are here. Please pass along to future generations untouched hills and ridges because once they are developed, they are gone forever."

Yet, she vehemently opposed Measure K, which now protects and makes available 177 acres of hillsides and ridgelines for all Pleasantonians to enjoy. Plus, Brown lives in Kottinger Ranch, a very large development of massive executive homes wholly built on hillsides and ridges.

Brown claims "scenic hills and open space should be preserved for all to enjoy, not just a few." Yet, the hillsides and ridges within Kottinger Ranch that don't have homes built upon them are private property, accessible only to Brown and her neighbors to enjoy.

Reject Karla Brown's hypocrisy. Vote for candidates who demonstrate integrity and the wisdom required to deal with the challenges of new housing growth in Pleasanton.

Be smart. Don't re-elect Brown, who just pays lip service to both.

—*Mark Priscaro*

Maher for school board

I am absolutely certain that everyone who is familiar with Steve Maher would consider him an ideal member of the Pleasanton school board. Period.

I have been working in education for over 40 years. I served the last nine years of my public school career working as a principal alongside Steve. I have known him not only as a colleague, but as a parent.

At Hart, Steve took a team of teachers, support staff and students who were essentially unknown to each other and built a dream school.

I have observed Steve do many amazing feats of leadership. But most important, during my many visits to the Hart campus, it was always glaringly obvious that Steve was loved, trusted and respected by all.

Steve does it all based on the needs of kids. He questions policies and holds them up to the litmus test of "kids first." Steve is never afraid to challenge policies openly. This man will fight for your kids despite political consequence.

Anyone who has followed the Pleasanton schools over the past decade knows there has been a revolving door phenomenon going on for administrators. When that happens, teacher morale and per-

formance is compromised and the whole system becomes threatened. This trend must be reversed.

I believe that no one in Pleasanton today is better prepared to support such a reversal as Mr. Maher.

—*Bill Radulovich*

Ritter truly listens

I recommend Herb Ritter for the Pleasanton City Council election. Herb has shown he truly listens to residents, analyzing all sides of the issues we face and has the ability to be a true leader for our city.

In stark contrast, his competition Karla Brown listens to a small selection of residents, only sees one side of complex issues and makes a lot of promises that she is unable to keep.

Herb believes in transparency and doesn't have any hidden agenda. We need a breath of fresh air in our City Council, and Herb is the man to do it.

—*Amanda Baxter*

Vote For Julie Testa and Karla Brown

Our City Council (with the exception of Karla Brown) has approved excessive growth in Pleasanton.

After meeting and exceeding the number of housing units required to settle a lawsuit, our leaders pushed heavily for the huge development in East Pleasanton that would have: created a demand for more water, added to our already overcrowded schools, increased already congested traffic and negatively impacted the quality of life of current residents. This plan was stopped only because hundreds of citizens voiced their outrage.

But the council has continued to approve developments as if there is a pressing need to fill up all the remaining open space during their terms in office. Land has been rezoned for over 1,200 units not required by law.

We are voting for Julie Testa for mayor and Karla Brown for council. They are the only candidates who support slow, planned growth to preserve the quality of life that all of us deserve.

—*Brian and Christine Bourg*

Re-Elect Mayor Jerry Thorne

Jerry has shown action does speak louder than words. He has been and is a vigorous supporter of Pleasanton schools. He has provided leadership resulting in city-district partnerships relieving the district of costs associated with field maintenance, traffic guards and traffic controls; he has negotiated for higher-than-state-required school impact fees.

Jerry has always evidenced great respect for the School District and a willingness to define appropriate avenues of support and cooperation.

Jerry has an unquestionable excellent record of supporting those projects that contribute positively to our quality of life. With his leadership and support we can enjoy Bernal Park, the Aquatic Center, the Alviso Adobe, many of our excellent parks as well as the soon to be completed dog park and an expanded and improved trail system.

Importantly, Jerry has provided strong and ongoing support for both phases of the Kottinger Gardens Senior Housing Project, as well as the Sunflower Hill project.

Mayor Thorne has led the city through a difficult time, seeking a pathway that satisfies state mandated housing obligations with community values. I believe Jerry works hard to make the best decisions possible and appreciate his honest and forthright housing comments.

As mayor, Jerry has continued his pledge to be a highly visual, active and supportive mayor for projects and actions that contribute to making Pleasanton the great place it is to live. He deserves your vote.

—*Dolores Bengtson*

Maher's profound impact on my family

Many residents of Pleasanton know Steve Maher as an educator, principal, interim school administrator, coach and special education teacher. His work in special education is my focus.

In March of 1989, a kindergarten teacher at Alisal suspected our daughter had learning difficulties. Our kindergarten teacher and Steve Maher, Alisal principal, encouraged us to seek additional testing.

Mr. Maher inspired me to learn federal and state laws regarding children with disabilities, and I became a knowledgeable advocate for my daughter's education. She went on to get an associate degree from Las Positas College and subsequently works as a substitute special needs aide for Pleasanton schools. Her personal goal was to give back to the school district that invested in her and to children like her with special needs.

Mr. Maher attended our first transition meeting to Walnut Grove while still working at Alisal and several subsequent meetings because he was invested in our daughter's educational success. Furthermore, he helped her transition to middle and high school, sharing valuable information with teachers at those schools. He remained an advocate and resource throughout her high school and college graduation.

I attribute my daughter's educational success to Steve Maher's advocacy and his encouragement of me to learn how to be an educated campaigner for educational resources.

—*Charles Abney*

Re-elect Pentin

I am writing to strongly recommend that voters re-elect Jerry Pentin to Pleasanton's City Council.

There is much for Pleasanton's voters to appreciate in Pentin's long record of public service. While supporting the city's economic security with conservative fiscal management, he has effectively advocated for protecting our environment with pollution-reducing infrastructure such as an expanded trails system, bicycle friendly streets, and affordable workforce housing for

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Pleasanton businesses' employees. Pentin works to make a high quality of life available to all Pleasanton residents through his advocacy for our schools, expanded recreational facilities and natural resource conservation.

So, whether you're renting an apartment or living in a mansion, vote for Jerry Pentin. He's doing his best for you.

—Becky Dennis

Pleased to support Measure I1

Our family moved to Pleasanton in 2000 because of the great schools in this community. As an involved parent in Pleasanton Unified School District, I saw firsthand how critical up-to-date classrooms and labs are for the future success of students.

My children graduated from Pleasanton schools, went to college and now are pursuing successful careers. I want to ensure that all of the children in our community have the same opportunities.

Students today are facing rigorous college acceptances and an increasingly competitive job market, and we need to ensure they develop the skills needed to meet and exceed these challenges. That's why I am pleased to express my support for Measure I1.

Pleasanton schools have some of the best teachers and academic programs, but outdated classrooms, science labs and school facilities lag

behind 21st-century educational standards. We need to make sure that all schools in Pleasanton are up to the same standards and have the same well-equipped classrooms.

Measure I1 modernizes these facilities and updates infrastructure to keep up with the growing demand for science, technology, engineering, arts and math education.

It is vitally important that all of our kids continue learning in safe, modern classrooms and graduate ready to compete in college and 21st-century careers. Measure I1 ensures children will leave Pleasanton schools prepared for success in college and the modern world.

Join me in voting Yes on I1, and join me in securing a bright future for all of our children.

—Debbie Look

Arkin for school board

As a Pleasanton parent, I urge my neighbors to vote for Valerie Arkin for the PUSD Board of Trustees. Valerie is dedicated to the continued development of excellent schools for all Pleasanton kids. She has demonstrated over her two terms in office a commitment to listen to all stakeholders.

Valerie Arkin takes input from all Pleasanton residents, and when needed, she asks respectful but tough questions of the superintendent and staff. Only after listening to all does she use her good judgment to cast her vote in school board meetings.

Valerie knows that reading is the

key that unlocks all kinds of opportunities for students. She has paid special attention to supporting all students in learning to read proficiently, and she has been a skillful advocate for reading interventions and instructional coaches.

Valerie Arkin is uniquely skilled to make fiscal responsibility a priority, since she holds an MBA degree. She keeps a close eye on the district budget. She has invested eight years in study of the unique challenges of education funding in California.

She is knowledgeable, articulate and a persistent advocate for the interests of children. She is an asset to our school board and our community. Please join me in voting for Valerie Arkin.

—Sandy Piderit

Vote for Mayor Jerry Thorne

I'm a past Pleasanton mayor, having served four years on the council, two of them as mayor. I know what it takes to deal with the problems this city faces on a continuing basis, and I know what kind of person it takes to deal with these changing times and alternative views.

Jerry Thorne has been a tremendous asset to this city over the last 20-plus years, serving not only four years as mayor, but seven years on the council and 10 years on the Parks and Recreation Commission. He knows this city and has the history and experience to deal with whatever comes along.

It is because of people like Jerry Thorne that this city is in such good financial shape. He has ex-

cellent business background and knowledge to deal with problems, and there will be many problems over the next years.

It is no mystery why he has the endorsement of more than 70 current and former elected and appointed officials from and around this area. They know and respect him as the leader he is, and we are especially blessed to have him willing to serve as mayor once again.

This job is one that should be earned after gaining experience. It is not a position that a newcomer should hope to assume without first having the knowledge and experience of public service.

Pleasanton is a fantastic city. Let's keep it that way by electing qualified people to serve on our council.

—Bob Philcox

On the elections

Pleasanton school board to the City Council:

"Stop! You're killing me!"

Vote No on the Pleasanton school bond issue. The issue of overcrowded schools is the result of the massive apartment projects the City Council has approved. The answer is not to build more schools; the answer is to stop building more apartments. The council should enact a moratorium on all building of apartments and single-family projects of more than 10 units.

As to City Council, Karla Brown is the only member with the good sense to see this. She must be re-elected. She will do her best to

ensure a commonsense approach to growth.

While we're on the subject of the election, a vote for Catharine Baker is a must. Her record is published, and she is not beholden to anyone. But, beware of Cook-Kallio. She is in the pocket of the developers.

During the Measure A issue a few years ago (the measure to protect the hills), she was at the farmers market most Saturdays arguing strongly in support of the developer. She was not even offering to take people on a tour of the project. All this against an ordinance protecting the hills that was already in place.

We don't need that kind of representation in Sacramento. Cast your vote for BAKER.

—Paul Ebright

Re-elect Jerry Pentin

Jerry Pentin cares about Pleasanton and delivers on his promises. He has consistently worked in the best interests of all our citizens for 25 years in many areas of civic involvement.

Going forward, Jerry recognizes and appreciates that Pleasanton is first and foremost a family town. Jerry wants parks, recreation and more bike paths, a new library, supports public education, a healthy business environment with well-paying local jobs, affordable housing for seniors, special needs and veterans.

With Jerry Pentin on Council, Pleasanton will keep improving. Please re-elect Jerry Pentin.

—Brad Hirst

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HONORING TRI-VALLEY HEROES 2016

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Lars Ho-Tseung (center) is presented with his Tri-Valley Heroes Role Model award and certificates by Pleasanton Weekly President and Publisher Gina Channell and Editor Jeb Bing.

Seven exceptional Tri-Valley residents were honored during the fifth annual Tri-Valley Heroes awards ceremony Monday night, presented by Embarcadero Media's East Bay Division, which includes the Pleasanton Weekly and DanvilleSanRamon.com.

Since 2012, the awards have recognized Tri-Valley individuals and groups that put in substantial effort improving their communities.

"It is a humbling experience to hear of all the work being done by volunteers — many working behind the scenes — to improve our communities and the lives of our neighbors," Gina Channell, East Bay Division president and publisher, said to the audience during the evening event at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Pleasanton at the Club.

"We are surrounded by some amazing people who have done extraordinary things," Channell added.

Award recipients were nominated by community members, and recognitions were given across seven categories.

This year's recipients were Don Lewis, Arts and Culture; Melanie Sadek, Community Spirit; Kaitlin Gallagher, Courage; Cristina Hill, Innovation; Connor Bruce, Rising Star; Lars Ho-Tseung, Role Model; and Mike Doyle, Lifetime Achievement.

"Whatever lifestyle you have adopted, make sure that you are helping someone else to create that which they were given to do," said Lewis, a Pleasanton resident and pioneer in synthesizer use and tech-

nology. He added that he was "honored to be a part of this class."

About 125 residents attended the ceremony to support and congratulate the honorees, as well as watch them each say a few words after accepting their award.

Elected officials in attendance — in addition to Doyle, a longtime Danville Town Council member — included Danville Mayor Karen Stepper, Danville councilmen Newell Arnerich and Robert Storer, Pleasanton Vice Mayor Kathy Narum, Pleasanton City Councilman Jerry Pentin and Contra Costa County Supervisor Candace Andersen, chair of the Board of Supervisors.

The honorees received a crystal award from Embarcadero Media and certificates of recognition from

Andersen, Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley, Assemblywoman Catharine Baker and State Senator Steve Glazer.

Gallagher, the Courage recipient for battling through cancer with optimism and using her experience to help others, told the audience that she is cancer-free and working three jobs while attending San Francisco State University. The 20-year-old from Pleasanton said it took this experience for her to realize that "courage happens every single day."

"It takes courage to give back to the community that gave courage to me," Gallagher said. "It is because of you all that I have won this award — it is because of your courage that keeps me courageous."

Doyle, the Lifetime Achievement

recipient recognized in light of his 25-year service on the Danville Town Council, spoke of how he fell in love with the Tri-Valley in 1952 when the Air Force sent him to Pleasanton to help open a basic training base.

"I truly, absolutely love Danville and what I'm doing there," said Doyle, who is retiring from the council later this year. "It's going to be a hard decision to leave, but I know it's in good hands."

He added, "It is truly an honor to be among these heroes, who I recognize from the bottom of my heart what great things they do for their own communities."

Each honoree was selected for making outstanding contributions in their community, including the following accomplishments:

ARTS AND CULTURE

For acknowledgment/recognition of achievements or contributions within the area of arts and culture.

Lewis, a Pleasanton resident began playing piano as a Dayton, Ohio, high school student. Later, at the Tuskegee Institute, he accompanied and sang with the Tuskegee Chorus and played for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Freedom Rallies.

Uniting his interest in engineering with his musical talent, Lewis became one of the pioneers in synthesizer use and technology. In 1977, he designed and built a synthesizer system that was an inspiration for Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI), now on display at the Museum of Making Music in Carlsbad.

COMMUNITY SPIRIT

For selfless, tireless and largely unacknowledged actions that have enriched or improved the quality of life for the local community.

In addition to serving as the executive director at the nonprofit

Valley Humane Society, Pleasanton resident Sadek is currently working toward seeing state legislation introduced that would change current law from requiring all school campuses to be available as a polling location and limit it to campuses that are able to maintain their existing security protocols while polling is taking place.

Sadek is also an expert in laws pertaining to highway safety issues like graduated driver licensing, DUI and child passenger safety. She has influenced legislation throughout the country and trained hundreds of nurses, firefighters and police personnel as National Highway Traffic Safety Administration child passenger safety technicians.

COURAGE

For an act of bravery or for determination and strength of character to triumph over adversity.

At the age of 15, as an Amador Valley High School sophomore, Gallagher was diagnosed with Stage 4 acute lymphoblastic leukemia.

The Pleasanton resident battled

through chemotherapy, surgeries and scans with optimism, never asking, "Why me?" but instead, "Why not me?"

Now, as a 20-year-old cancer survivor, she has taken an experience that could have been devastating and uses it to help others.

Sharing her story with groups large and small comprised of people from all walks of life, Gallagher raises money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, pointing out that every dollar donated to fight cancer counts, "as does every minute volunteered for the cause."

INNOVATION

For a person, group or business who apply innovative ideas or programs to enhance the community.

While a student at California High School, San Ramon resident Hill created a technology program to serve an often-overlooked group of tech users — senior citizens.

To earn her Gold Award, the highest recognition in Girl Scouts, Hill wanted to bridge the technology gap for older adults and dispel



Don Lewis, the Arts and Culture honoree, was recognized for his contributions to music, including as a pioneer in synthesizer use and technology.

the myth that social media is difficult to learn.

Hill's "Seniors in Touch" program included informative presentations and one-on-one mentoring

sessions. Participants learned how to create a Facebook profile, access the internet, create emails, add picture attachments to emails, shop online, use their smartphone more

effectively and keep in touch with friends and family.

Now studying as a freshman at Seton Hall University in New Jersey, Hill could not attend the award ceremony in person but used her technology savvy to participate, via FaceTime. Her mother, Sylvia San Miguel, accepted the award on her behalf.

RISEING STAR

An individual between 10 and 18 whose services directly benefit Tri-Valley citizens through outstanding volunteer work, serving as a community role model and mentor or demonstrating random acts of kindness.

A Monte Vista High School graduate in June, Blackhawk resident Bruce was singled out by national sports publication Sports Illustrated as its High School Athlete of the Month for April for his leadership on the baseball field and for his commitment to helping local special-needs children develop their love of the game.

In addition to volunteering with Danville Little League's Challenger Division, Bruce supported special-needs youth on the Monte Vista campus, as a leader of the school's Friends of the Special Olympics Club and through efforts to help encourage equality, inclusion and anti-stereotyping among his peers.

He continues to support Special Olympics as a volunteer in North Carolina, where he is now a freshman at North Carolina State University, his mother Kim Bruce said while accepting the Tri-Valley Heroes Award on his behalf Monday night.

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Ho-Tseung has dedicated years of service to the benefit of local youth. As a Pleasanton resident, he has coached youth softball, baseball, soccer and golf teams and had leadership roles in the YMCA's Guides and Princesses programs.

Through fundraising activities, Ho-Tseung has helped raise more than \$500,000 for the Tri-Valley YMCA to provide fee subsidies



Melanie Sadek, the Community Spirit recipient, spoke about her advocacy for child and highway safety issues as well as her efforts leading the Valley Humane Society.

so low-income children can go to camp and participate in before- and after-school programs.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

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Doyle is retiring this year after serving on the Danville Town Council since 1991, including five turns as mayor during his tenure, with the most recent coming last year when he was 85.

Among his many years of public service, the Danville resident has represented the town on a variety of local and regional committees and organizations. Doyle also served in the Air Force in Germany post World War II and was part of the Berlin Airlift.

This year's Tri-Valley Heroes program is sponsored by Black Tie Transportation, DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Pleasanton at the Club, Robert Half, Monterey Private Wealth, Harrington Art Partnership, San Ramon Arts Foundation and Crown Trophy.

Profiles on each award recipient will run as a series in the Pleasanton Weekly and online at PleasantonWeekly.com and DanvilleSanRamon.com beginning later this fall. ■



Kaitlin Gallagher, the 20-year-old Courage honoree, described how she's learned from her experience battling cancer.



Longtime Danville Town Councilman Mike Doyle received a standing ovation as he walked up to receive the Lifetime Achievement award. During his speech, Doyle talked about his love for Danville and the greater Tri-Valley.

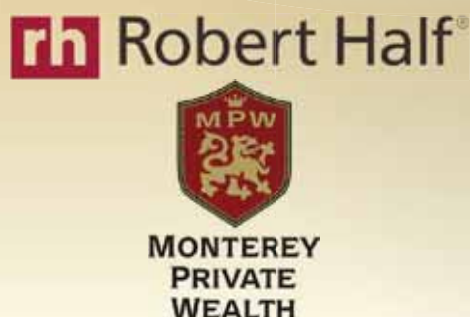


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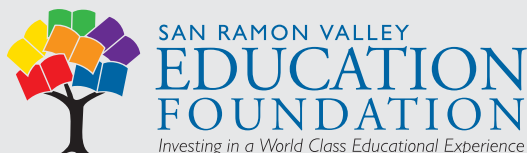
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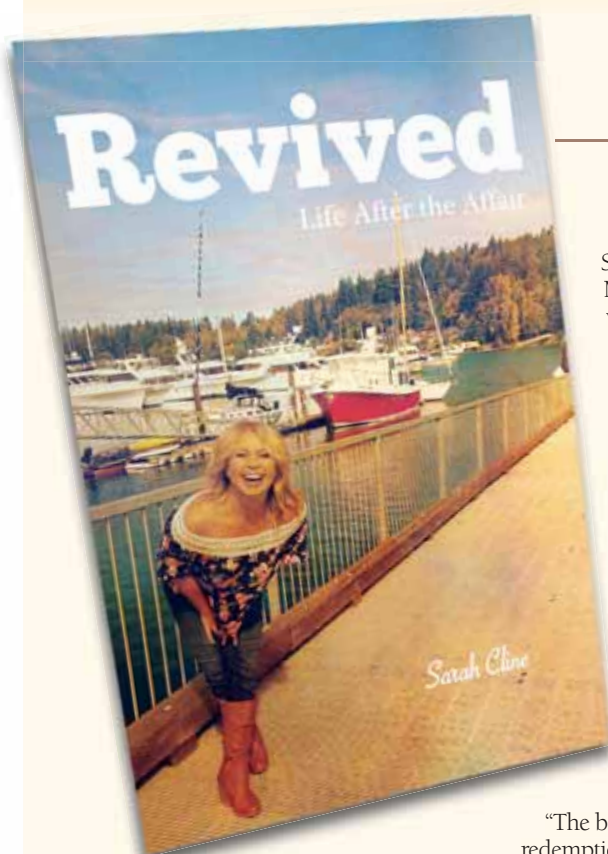


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Sisters Sarah Rusca-Cline and Samantha Messersmith started the website and company Never Be Average two years ago as a platform to share their stories with women to inspire them to stand up and live their best lives.

Helping women 'come back'

Sisters use their experiences to make recovery easier for others



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The sisters are celebrating the launch of their new book, "Revived: Life After the Affair." Though co-written, the book's jacket bears only Sarah's name because the story is her memoir, they said.

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Never be average.

This is the message that sisters Sarah Rusca-Cline and Samantha Messersmith want to give other women, especially those who have suffered infidelity, a divorce or other soul-attacking trauma.

"You can come back, and you can win," Messersmith said. "You're not alone: We've been there."

Rusca-Cline, 33, and Messersmith, 29, were born and raised in Pleasanton, attended Donlon Elementary and Pleasanton Middle School, and graduated Foothill High in 2001 and 2005, respectively. Their parents Leslie and Larry Rusca still live here.

Although the sisters have settled in the Seattle area, they are returning to the Tri-Valley on Tuesday to launch their book, "Revived: Life After the Affair."

"The book is a memoir of life, betrayal and redemption, from the level of destruction after somebody leaves and you can't figure it out — to finding hope," Rusca-Cline said.

The sisters weren't particularly close growing up, due to the age difference. Then Samantha was attending Sacramento State when she and a girlfriend were walking through their apartment complex on their way to a New Year's Eve party and three men held them up.

"One put a gun in my mouth," she recalled.

Her parents came that night to bring her home to Pleasanton, and she was hysterical the next day talking to Sarah in Washington, who said, "Come live with me."

"That changed my life," Messersmith said. "I suffered from massive anxiety and depression. I had planned my life so well — and it was all ripped away from me. When you go through something traumatic and someone is there for you, it creates a bond that is unbreakable."

The sisters began to share and analyze their experiences; when Rusca-Cline's husband was unfaithful, they drew even closer and their life paths began to merge.

"We had experienced a lot of life-changing, traumatic events, such as marriage, divorce, infidelity, being held at gunpoint, being kicked out of college," Rusca-Cline

said. "Some people experience it over a lifetime but not in so short a time as we did."

The sisters ended up being branch managers for the same financial institution, although at different sites.

In April 2014, they started a website, NeverBeAverage.com, and began writing an advice column for women. After work, they would meet at each other's homes to discuss topics and write blogs for the site.

"Eventually our website was in 100 different countries, and we were connecting with women around the world," Rusca-Cline said.

Their passion to help other women began to burn inside them, Rusca-Cline recalled, and after 10 years of climbing the corporate ladder, they began to ask themselves: What is our purpose? They felt they had gained immeasurable personal growth in recovering from their bad experiences, and they wanted to make it easier for other women.

"On July 8, 2015, we took a leap of faith and left the corporate world," Rusca-Cline said. "We said we were going to do this full time."

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Tri-Valley Rep reaches new 'Heights'

Lin-Manuel Miranda musical tells story of NYC community

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre opens Lin-Manuel Miranda's "In the Heights" this weekend — a universal story taking place during three days in New York's vibrant Washington Heights neighborhood, where windows are always open and the rhythm of three generations of music can be heard.

"It's a community on the brink of change, full of hopes, dreams and pressures, where the biggest struggles can be deciding which traditions you take with you, and which ones you leave behind," according to the Rogers & Hammerstein Theatrical Library, which licenses the show.

The cast includes Alexander Gomez playing Usnavi, the owner of a corner bodega who is the narrator; Anita Colotto as "Abuela" Claudia, a Cuban who is now the loving matriarch of the barrio; Cheyenne Wells as

Nina, the first in her family to go to college, who is admired for "making it out"; Marcel Saunders as Benny, the only character in the play who is not Hispanic, and who falls in love with Nina; and Vida Fernandez as Vanessa, Usnavi's beautiful love interest.

The Tri-Valley Rep production is produced by Kathleen Breedveld, directed/choreographed by Christina Lazo, with musical direction by Sierra Dee, and assistant directed/choreographed by Misty Megia.

"In the Heights" won 2008 Tony Awards for Best Musical, Best Score, Best Choreography and Best Orchestrations, and it is set to become a feature film. It is rated PG-13. Performances will run from tomorrow to Nov. 6, at 8 p.m. Saturdays, and at 2 p.m. Sundays, with an additional Saturday matinee at 2 p.m. Nov. 5.

Miranda's "Hamilton" won 11 Tony Awards this year. He is cur-

rently in London working on a remake of "Mary Poppins" with Emily Blunt.

This is the 33rd season for the nonprofit Tri-Valley Rep, formerly Pleasanton Playhouse, which is headquartered on Serpentine Lane in Pleasanton. For more information, visit www.trivalleyrep.org. ■

Tony winning musical

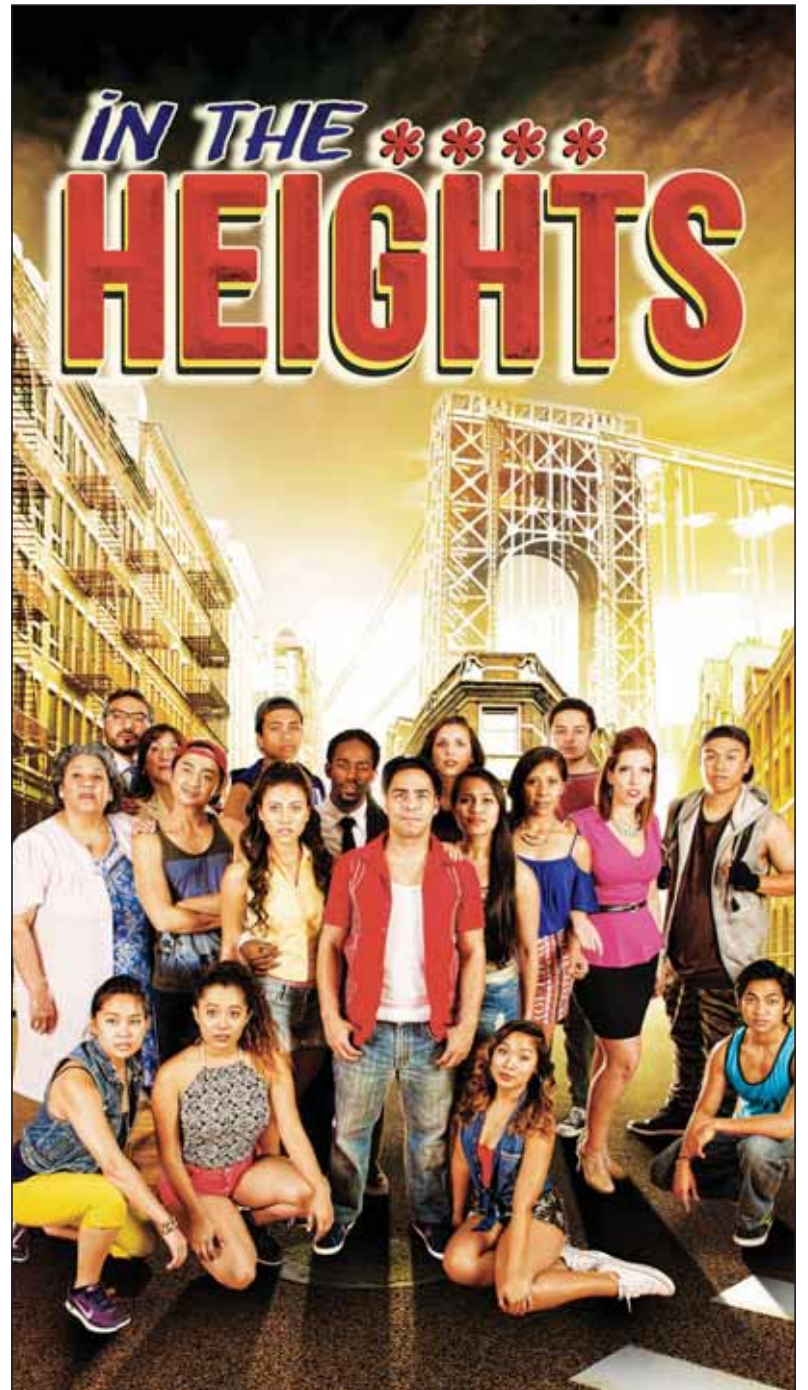
What: "In the Heights"

Who: Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre

When: 8 p.m. Oct. 22, Oct. 29, Nov. 5; 2 p.m. Oct. 23, Oct. 30, Nov. 5, Nov. 6

Where: Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore

Tickets: \$19-\$39; call 373-6800, visit www.trivalleyrep.org, or go to theater box office.



ROBERT SHOLTY/DC SCARPELLI

Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre presents "In the Heights," the Tony-award winning musical set in New York's vibrant Washington Heights neighborhood, written by Lin-Manuel Miranda.



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Salute to The Kingston Trio

County Line Trio will lead a rousing, nostalgic trip back to the days when everyone exercised their vocal cords, tapped their toes and clapped along to the familiar refrains of all the great folk hits Sunday at 2 p.m. at Pleasanton's Firehouse Arts Center. The tribute show inspired by The Kingston Trio includes songs like "Remember Tom Dooley," "Lemon Tree," "Charlie on the MTA," "Scotch and Soda," and "Where Have All The Flowers Gone?" The show features three-part harmonies, with guitar and banjo, blended with delightful banter and jokes. Reserved seating tickets \$15- \$25; go to www.firehousearts.org or call 931-4848.

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The two women have degrees in social studies from University of Washington. They continued to study, reading stacks of self-help books and examining what made others successful in public speaking. They turned Never Be Average into a business, and began one-on-one life coaching via telephone or Skype.

"It just started taking off," Rusca-Cline said. "We got hired for speaking engagements, at Foothill High School, Livermore High, Cal High."

CooperVision signed them up to speak to female optometrists.

Many women find them through internet searches for phrases such as "how to get over cheating," Rusca-Cline said. The New York Post recently did such a search, contacted them and used Rusca-Cline's experiences to start its recent story, "Brangelina proves you should never trust a cheater."

A year ago, the sisters wrote a book called, "So What Now?" with tools to create change in one's life. They use it as a work-

book in their life coaching.

The book was published on Amazon Kindle, and after that success, the sisters decided to put out a book detailing Rusca-Cline's personal experiences, "Revived: Life After the Affair."

**'You can come back,
and you can win.
You're not alone:
We've been there.'**

Samantha Messersmith,
Author

Messersmith is the writer of the two, and they agreed Rusca-Cline needed to once again tell her sister everything that had happened to her, so they would leave nothing out of the book.

"She would sit next to me and talk out her story, and I would take note after note after note," Messersmith recalled. "There are scenes that women would be ashamed or embarrassed to have — I had to

push her to go deeper, and things would come up that I didn't know. Sometimes she had to walk out of the house to breathe, it was getting so heavy for her."

"Revived: Life After the Affair" begins with Sarah growing up in Pleasanton with its beautiful homes and parks and top-rated schools, and the idea of a perfect life, Messersmith said.

"There are so many great things about growing up in a community like Pleasanton," she said. "And leaving the bubble of Pleasanton has taught Sarah and me so much — about how no one is exempt from life happening." ■

Book launch

What: Sneak peeks of "Revived: Life After the Affair"
Who: Authors Sarah Rusca-Cline and Samantha Messersmith
When: 6-8 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 25
Where: The Studio, 730 Camino Ramon, No. 200, Danville
Other: For women only. RSVP needed; go to NeverBeAverage.com

Sports



PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

Dons, Falcons each fighting for 4th football win tonight

Foothill girls water polo finishes top 4 in crowded Modesto tourney



KARI DUKLETH

Jake Jackson (15) follows Donovan Mayer (54) for the Foothill Falcons during their loss to De La Salle last week. Foothill hosts Granada tonight trying to improve to 4-4 on the season.

Facing a must-win situation, the Amador Valley football team renewed its long time rivalry with Dublin in style, posting a big 24-7 win over the Gaels last Friday — Amador's homecoming night.

It was a crucial win for the Dons, pulling them to 3-5 overall and 3-3 in East Bay Athletic League play.

"It was nice to get that one," Amador coach Danny Jones said. "We're banged up, but the kids fought hard and we got one."

It also gave the Dons some momentum heading into this week's tough task of facing Monte Vista in Danville.

The Mustangs are 7-0 overall and 6-0 in EBAL play. They average 41 points a game and allow just 9.7 points. The team features at least three NCAA Division I players in

quarterback Jake Haener (Washington), Nate Landman (Colorado) and Erik Krommenhoek (USC).

"They are very good," Jones said of the Mustangs. "It seems like they never have a third down. But we have to focus on ourselves. You can't beat yourself over the head with what they can do; you just have to focus on playing good defense and try to shorten the game."

After Monte Vista tonight, the Dons have a week off before closing with Foothill. Regardless of what happens with Monte Vista, the Dons and Jones know a win over Foothill would get the team into the playoffs.

Across town, Foothill (3-4, 2-2) plays host to Granada in another huge game.

The Matadors opened the season

3-0 but have dropped five straight since. They stand 3-5 overall and 1-4 in league. However, it may be a cliché, but the Mats are the best 1-4 team in the EBAL. And they have always been a tough foe for Foothill.

Foothill opened the season in a reversal from Granada, going 0-3, but then came back with three straight wins. Last Friday, they fell 35-0 to De La Salle, but the Falcons will look to win three to end the season in Granada, Livermore and Amador Valley.

But in the new age of the EBAL, Livermore and Granada will both be dogfights. And when you hit the rivalry of Amador, records and history are thrown out the window.

Water polo

The Foothill girls water polo team captured fourth place out of 42 teams in the 39th annual Western States High School Water Polo Tournament last Friday and Saturday in Modesto.

The Falcons first defeated Modesto's Enochs High 11-3. Senior Maddie David (four goals, two assists) and junior Emily McElroy (three goals) paced the offensive unit.

The defense played a major role, with the Falcons retaining possession of the ball most of the game thanks to 12 steals, with major contributors being David and fellow senior Brooke Christian with four steals apiece.

Junior Madison Weiglein led the offense in the second game against Menlo-Atherton with four goals and two assists, including a game-winner right before the buzzer for the 7-6 victory.

In the third and final game of the



DEB MCELROY

The Foothill girls water polo team earned fourth place at the Western States High School Water Polo Tournament in Modesto last weekend.

day, Foothill defeated Golden West of Visalia 7-4 to clinch a top-four spot in the tournament. McElroy led the offense with three goals and an assist, with the team getting help on defense by goalie senior Negar Tehranian who had seven saves and by Weiglein with three steals.

Foothill fell short on day two of the tournament, dropping a match to Fresno's Sanger High by a 10-1 final, and following up with a 10-3 loss to St. Mary's of Stockton.

The tournament offense was led

by David and McElroy each with eight goals and defense by Weiglein and senior Negin Tehranian with eleven and eight steals, respectively. It was a great weekend for the Falcons, who were seeded 16th coming into the tournament and finished in the top four. ■

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

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Music

AWARDS FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS The Livermore-Amador Symphony Association recognizes students who have made significant contributions to school and community musical activities during their high school

careers through a monetary award. High school seniors are invited to apply for one of the \$400 awards administered by the Symphony Association. Applicants must reside in Livermore, Pleasanton, Sunol, Dublin, or San Ramon, or have actively participated as an LAS musician. Applications must be submitted by Oct. 24. Four recipients will be selected. For the application and more information go to www.livermoreamadorsymphony.org/awards.html.

Festivals & Fairs

TRI-VALLEY VETERANS DAY PARADE
The 20th Annual Tri-Valley Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony will be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 6, beginning at the Veterans Memorial Hall, 301 Main St. More than 100 organizations are expected to participate. This year the parade is dedicated to those who served during the Vietnam War era. Vietnam

veteran and Medal of Honor Recipient US Army Major (Retired) James A. Taylor will be the parade grand marshal and guest speaker. The post parade ceremony will begin at 2:15 p.m. The Pleasanton Community Concert Band will perform patriotic music before and during the ceremony.

Talks & Lectures

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The Pleasanton PTA Council Special Needs Committee will present a free parent event featuring Pleasanton School District staff Behaviorists with strategies for improving your child's positive behavior, strategies to identify why challenging behaviors occur, how to reduce negative behavior, positive reinforcement, and a Q&A session from 7-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 26 at Hearst Elementary School, 5301 Case Ave. To register for this free event, go to <http://www.tinyurl.com/Oct2016SNC>.

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Learn how to give speeches, gain feedback, lead teams, and guide others to achieve their goals in a supportive atmosphere at 7 a.m. every Thursday at Black Bear Diner, 5100 Hopyard Road. Breakfast is available to order from menu. Go to www.facebook.com/AmadorValleyToastmasters/.

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PLEASANTON SOLE MATES Join this weekly walking group at 8:45 a.m. on Wednesday mornings departing from the Pleasanton Senior Center. Participants must be able to walk 2.5-3 miles and keep a moderate pace with the group. Stop by the Center to pick a monthly walk schedule or call 925-931-5365 for more information.

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CRAFT FAIR Jump start your holiday shopping as the Friends of Pleasanton Senior Center host their fund raising Holiday Craft Fair from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22 at the Pleasanton Senior Center. Featuring over 60 local artisans, the fair boasts a wide array of hand-made arts and crafts. It's the perfect opportunity to find that unique gift for your friends and family.

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

Community Groups

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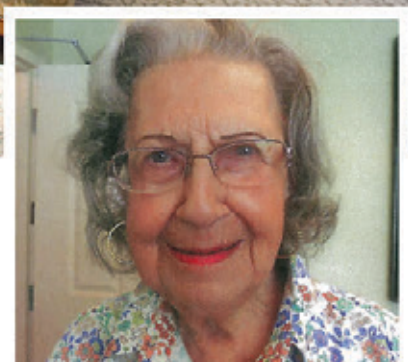
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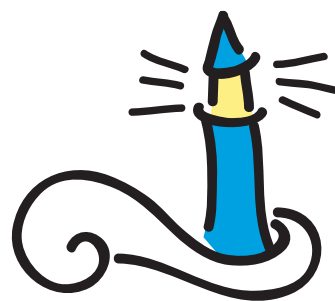


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Worth It: A new front door. Strictly in terms of return on investment, a steel front door topped the list of Remodeling magazine's annual "Cost vs. Value Report" for 2014 — recouping 96.6% of the average price. But a fresh coat of paint can work wonders, too.

Not Worth It: A home-office remodel. We know what you're thinking: With so many more people working from home, wouldn't it be brilliant to rewire the space for electronic equipment, say, and install commercial-grade carpeting? Not really. The magazine gave it the lowest return on investment (48.9%), and the man who oversaw the study says, "Home offices don't sell houses."

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Not Worth It: Major bathroom work. "You could install the most spectacular jetted tub,

and it still might not suit a buyer," said real estate agent Patsy O'Neill. "Meanwhile, you'd have spent tens of thousands of dollars." That explains why it made Bankrate.com's list of "6 Worst Home Fixes for the Money" and why you should stick to things like regrouting the shower.

Worth It: Roofing replacement. There's a reason this ultimate "curb appeal" enhancer consistently makes Remodeling's list and is

up 11.2% over even last year: A roof is the first thing prospective buyers notice even before exiting their cars.

"(A roof in need of repair) is a huge turn-off," said O'Neill, "and makes buyers predisposed to find even more things they don't like."

Not Worth It: Major kitchen renovations. As with major bathroom work, the key word is "major," and again it's a "taste" issue. ■

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4239 Denker Drive, Pleasanton
One level home with granite slab kitchen! 3 bdrm, 2 remodeled baths, cozy family room w/ pellet stove. Large backyard with deck! **\$838,000**

PENDING - MULTIPLE OFFERS!



1844 Harvest Road, Pleasanton
Wonderful Harvest Square Townhouse. 2 bedrooms, plus an open loft that could be a 3rd bdrm. End unit with lovely backyard. 2 car garage. **\$725,000**

SALE PENDING - MULTIPLE OFFERS!



233 Del Valle Court, Pleasanton
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Community Service Day

Local real estate firm reps volunteer at Tri-Valley Haven

More than 30 agents and support staff from the Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Drysdale Properties office in Pleasanton recently paused their normal real estate activities to give back to a local nonprofit during the company's annual Community Service Day.

The representatives traveled to Tri-Valley Haven in Livermore with a mission of sprucing up the non-profit's exterior and doing some general cleaning inside.

They spent the day washing windows, weeding, pruning and shaping hedges and then spreading the mulch over all the garden areas. Inside, they cleaned and straightened up the kitchen, among other tasks. And they closed out the day by painting flower boxes and the gazebo.

Tri-Valley Haven is a Livermore-based agency that provides shelter and support services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault,



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Employees from the Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Drysdale Properties office in Pleasanton gather outside Tri-Valley Haven where they recently volunteered during the company's Community Service Day.

hunger and homelessness while also striving to educate youth on violence prevention.

The local Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Drysdale Properties

office joined their 33 fellow offices in Northern California and Nevada in taking part in the Community Service Day on Sept. 21. ■

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SALES AT A GLANCE

This week's data represents homes sold during Sept. 13-Oct. 4

Pleasanton (Sept. 13-16)

Total sales reported: 7
Lowest sale reported: \$525,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,680,000
Average sales reported: \$905,357

Dublin (Sept. 13-16)

Total sales reported: 13
Lowest sale reported: \$520,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,825,000
Average sales reported: \$934,500

Livermore (Sept. 13-16)

Total sales reported: 33
Lowest sale reported: \$300,000

Source: California REsource

HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during Sept. 13-Oct. 4

Pleasanton

4379 Addison Way Muirhead Trust to C. Kuan for \$790,000
6344 Benner Court Solomon Trust to A. & A. Ng for \$930,000
5411 Black Avenue #3 E. Trittip to J. & M. Jacob for \$636,000
2727 Fressia Court J. Pallatadaka to S. Subramanian for \$870,000
3722 Newton Way Bielby Trust to J. & C. Carnevale for \$1,680,000
3403 Smoketree Commons Drive D. White to D. Hopson for \$525,000
3404 Stacey Way K. & S. Baxter to B. Liu for \$906,500

Dublin

5931 Annandale Way Cam XI Trust to S. Liu for \$1,825,000
3308 Araldi Lane S. Chamakura to V. Ciganehalli for \$825,000
3385 Dublin Boulevard #334 R. & R. Hong to J. Zingerman for \$520,000
4334 Fitzwilliam Street Radojevich Trust to A. Singh for \$578,500
4355 Fitzwilliam Street P. Pai to R. Navamany for \$610,000
5916 Hillbrook Place M. Cox to A. Lam for \$750,000
4553 Mangrove Drive #17 S. & H. Ali to D. & M. Reddy for \$654,000
5608 Maymont Lane Wells Fargo Bank to V. Lakinana for \$1,001,000
3440 Palermo Way J. & E. Sim to R. Lin for \$830,000
5637 Saddle Creek Terrace E. & D. Chen to J. Pallatadaka for \$1,570,000
7520 Silvertree Lane #33 A. Alegre to J. Miller for \$620,000
3138 South Bridgepointe Lane R. & H. Velayedam to K. Kaval for \$1,240,000
11827 Southwick Court J. & J. Hummell to C. & C. Cox for \$1,125,000

Livermore

365 Anna Maria Street Richey Trust to K. Miyagi for \$615,000
5679 Arlene Way Dias Trust to J. & K. Harrison for \$900,000
2342 Bettona Street Reina Trust to G. & R. Patel for \$1,185,000
5467 Betty Circle M. Accornero to W. & K. Dawson for \$673,000
754 Cardinal Drive J. Rios to T. & A. Bartlett for \$552,000
1112 Crystal Circle T. & A. Kruse to M. & T. Lamp for \$750,000
758 Curlew Road Vanhook Trust to C. & M. Coatney for \$550,000
1915 De Vaca Way House Trust to J. Volponi for \$490,000
448 Encino Drive S. Darnell to P. Chang for \$675,000
483 Estates Street K. Kubiak to J. & J. Taylor for \$645,000
1977 Ginger Common M. & A. Steinhilber to B. & M. Weidner for \$637,000
3327 Hampstead Court W. & M. Ouellette to T. Stone for \$905,000
1388 Hibiscus Way Selover Trust to Codioli Trust for \$570,000

Highest sale reported: \$1,185,000
Average sales reported: \$640,955

San Ramon (Sept. 27-Oct. 4)

Total sales reported: 28
Lowest sale reported: \$405,000
Highest sale reported: \$2,275,000
Average sales reported: \$908,821

Sunol (Sept. 13-16)

Total sales reported: 1
Lowest sale reported: \$910,000
Highest sale reported: \$910,000
Average sales reported: \$910,000

1148 Madrone Way Fiore Trust to R. Jamison for \$659,000
333 Marie Common G. Wright to Wieser Trust for \$555,000
877 Mohawk Drive D. & S. Edgington to S. Ferreira for \$548,000
1001 Murrieta Boulevard #34 G. Sandhu to J. Gallegos for \$300,000
623 Orange Way Bonnard Trust to E. & N. Caeton for \$760,000
418 Persimmon Common #1 Shea Homes to K. Rubay for \$584,000
400 Persimmon Common #10 Shea Homes to R. Prabhu for \$605,000
400 Persimmon Common #11 Shea Homes to M. Soria for \$629,500
400 Persimmon Common #12 Shea Homes to V. Naroola for \$600,500
400 Persimmon Common #13 Shea Homes to S. Muthusamy for \$595,000
400 Persimmon Common Shea Homes to S. & B. Lee for \$616,000
4197 Pinon Way J. Stoddard to P. Roberts for \$525,000
1472 Portola Avenue J. & D. Meewis to D. Seigel for \$410,000
2392 Rees Circle B. & J. Carnes to A. & M. Espiritu for \$1,050,000
1332 Roselli Drive C. & M. Mitchell to K. & G. Caudle for \$710,000
6376 Scenic Avenue G. Greenlee to Y. Li for \$645,000
1295 Spring Valley Common K. Gasper to S. Raina for \$450,000
1758 Spruce Street J. Andrews to A. & S. Whitaker for \$625,000
815 Ventura Avenue M. Maxfield to J. & W. Wiest for \$445,000
1728 Warsaw Avenue G. Campbell to D. & R. Royal for \$692,500

San Ramon

9773 Alcosta Boulevard K. Taylor to W. Zhang for \$1,050,000
215 Arianna Lane P. Jeha to Hung Real Estate Trust for \$592,000
2293 Ashbourne Drive Hosick Peterson Trust to G. & K. Uppal for \$2,275,000
53 Bigelow Place Pak Trust to 29 SW Limited for \$675,000
1709 Blakesley Drive G. Pamulapati to R. Devarapalli for \$937,000
8154 Briar Oaks Drive Nguyen Trust to K. Ulaganathan for \$1,140,000
2238 Camino Ramon Devil Mountain Foods to SP Camino Ramon for \$1,023,000
45 Canyon Green Court P. Meshkinfam to Hosick Peterson Trust for \$870,000
1307 Canyon Side Avenue T. & W. Rooney to Kanning Trust for \$900,000
7 Colonial Court M. & J. Coutts to B. Sanders for \$1,105,000
1203 Destiny Lane A. Cerruti to A. Sun for \$650,000
2675 Meadow Glen Drive M. Dukes to M. Maldonado for \$550,000
72 Moore Court R. & L. Neller to M. Hernandez for \$1,082,500
2756 Morgan Drive R. & N. Hicks to K. Bandi for \$950,000
103 Rodriguez Court Chan Trust to L. Li for \$1,360,000

Source: California REsource

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2665 Cowan Way \$1,199,000
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849 Comanche Court \$680,000
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Sat/Sun 1-4 Moxley Team 600-0990

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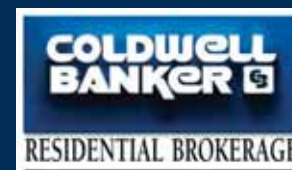
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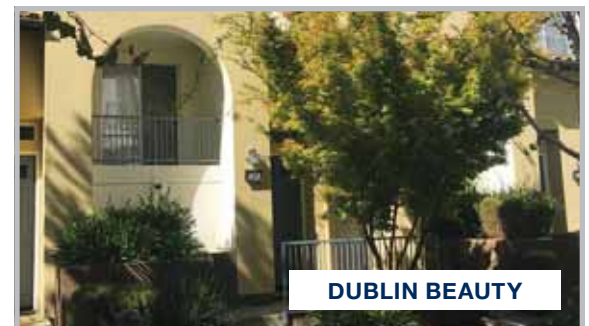
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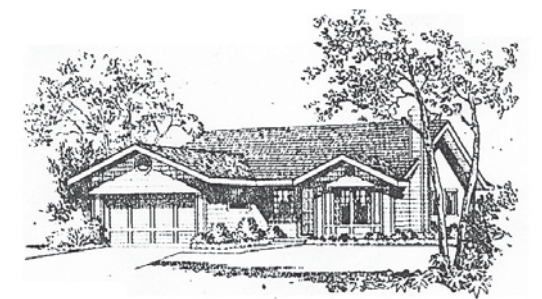
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