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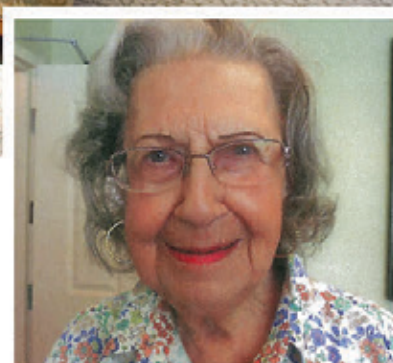
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# AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING



JEB BING

## Tri-Valley mayors go to Washington

Pleasanton Mayor Jerry Thorne goes to Washington D.C. on Sunday to attend the U.S. Conference of Mayors' 85th Winter Meeting and also to meet the four other Tri-Valley mayors for their annual joint visit to federal legislators and agencies.

This will be Thorne's fourth trip with the mayors' delegation to seek federal funds for projects beneficial to the five cities. A group effort like this can be persuasive. Legislators and agency chiefs say seldom have a group of neighboring mayors walk into their offices to lobby for common causes.

"The five of us now represent an area of 300,000 people, so it makes a huge difference when we tell legislators and the agencies that we're on our way," Thorne said.

Joining Thorne will be mayors Renee Morgan, Danville; David Haubert, Dublin; John Marchand, Livermore, and Bill Clarkson, San Ramon. They see each other regularly as members of various regional and county committees and commissions, and at least quarterly at "Tri-Valley Mayors Council" dinners. They also appear together once a year at chamber-sponsored public forums for the mayors.

The Washington meetings are arranged by Jan Jordan, a Washington-savvy consultant skilled at identifying federal agencies and representatives who control the purse-strings of programs beneficial to municipal needs. Her contract with the five Tri-Valley cities calls for her to recognize the cities' mutual needs and match them to federal funding opportunities, especially on such issues as transportation, housing, water conservation and

environmental programs.

"Because earmarks have been eliminated, our contact with the various federal agencies is even more important and Jordan Associates excels at making those contacts," Thorne explained.

Of major concern this year are making sure federal funds will be available when needed to complete the Highway 84 expressway to I-680. The segment between East Ruby Hill Drive and Concannon Boulevard is funded and under construction. The final 4-mile link from Pigeon Pass to I-680 comes next and federal financial help will be needed.

The mayors will also update federal officials on extending BART to Livermore so as to keep the much-discussed transportation issue on the table.

The mayors will make another effort to persuade legislators to push for federal support of efforts to allow cable television system fees to be used as needed for TV30, the Tri-Valley's community broadcast system. Three of the mayors — Haubert, Marchand and Thorne — serve as board members of Tri-Valley Television and want the Federal Communications Commission to modify its rule that restricts cable subscriber fees to be used only for a nonprofit system's capital expenditures, not for meeting operating expenses.

"All we need is to change one statement in the federal communications law that says we can use PEG funds for operating expenses," Thorne said. "They're giving us money to build and buy equipment but not the money we need to operate. And that's where the fees are needed." ■

### About the Cover

These cover photos of (top to bottom) Roche Molecular Systems new research center in Hacienda Business Park, the 345-unit apartment and retail center called Vintage Village at Stanley Boulevard where Valley and Bernal avenues connect, and the massive 6-story Workday headquarters construction project underway next to the BART parking garage on Stoneridge Mall Road show the building boom that will dominate Pleasanton's continued year of growth in 2017. Photos by Jeb Bing. Cover design by Kristin Brown. Vol. XVII, Number 51

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# Streetwise

ASKED AROUND TOWN

## Have the recent storms and flooding caused any problems for you?



**Rick Carpenter**  
Construction foreman

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**Barbara Inderbitzen**  
Scholarship administrator

Well, my cat had to come inside because of all the foul weather. But mostly, I found it a joy to have all the rain. It was very cleansing. I just really feel for people in other areas who were affected far more than we were here in Pleasanton.



**Steve Diamanti**  
Marketing

Not for me personally. My wife couldn't make it into work the other day though, due to street flooding. But I was able to get to work without incident and carry on as usual. I just got a bit wet now and then.



**Michelle Wieder**  
Sales

I had no issues at all. In fact, I actually liked all the rain. It seems to have warmed up the atmosphere, although driving was a little scary and hairy because I was worried I would start hydroplaning if I drove over 55 mph.



**Pete Coldrey**  
Engineer

Not one bit. I'm British, so I didn't even consider this a storm. I don't understand what all of the fuss was about.

—Compiled by Nancy Lewis and Jenny Lyness

Have a Streetwise question? Email [editor@PleasantonWeekly.com](mailto:editor@PleasantonWeekly.com)

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## DIGEST

### Disaster plan

The East Bay Regional Park District is holding a public workshop later this month to gather feedback and suggestions from residents to create a local hazard mitigation plan, a long-term guide to preparation for earthquakes, wildfires, floods, landslides, drought and other natural disasters within the 120,000-acre district, including Pleasanton.

Funded through a \$100,000 Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant, the plan will focus on ways to protect district assets such as visitor centers, drinking water systems, Tilden Carousel, the Temescal dam and other structures.

The workshop is set for 10 a.m. to noon Jan. 23 at the Trudeau Training Center, 11500 Skyline Blvd. in Oakland.

For more info, visit [www.ebparks.org](http://www.ebparks.org).

### Oratorical contest

American Legion Post 237 of Pleasanton is seeking entries for its annual youth oratorical contest. The entry deadline is this Monday, with the competition to follow next weekend, Jan. 21 at 1 p.m. in the Veterans Memorial Building at 301 Main St.

The contest is open to high school students in ninth through 12th grades. Prize money will be awarded for the top four finishers.

The two-part contest includes an eight- to 10-minute prepared oration (speech without notes) on any aspect of the U.S. Constitution, with an emphasis on the duties and obligations of a citizen to the government. Second is a three- to five-minute discourse on one of a possible four assigned topics.

For more information, visit [www.legion.org/oratorical](http://www.legion.org/oratorical) or contact Norman Houghton at 846-8725 or [norm4064@yahoo.com](mailto:norm4064@yahoo.com).

### Blood Donor Month

The American Red Cross has urged eligible residents in Pleasanton and throughout the Bay Area to resolve to donate blood this new year beginning with this month, which is National Blood Donor Month.

Blood and platelet donations are particularly vital during winter months, and blood donors of all types are needed, Red Cross officials said.

Donation events are scheduled at the Pleasanton Blood Donation Center (5556-B Springdale Ave.) from 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. this Tuesday, Thursday, Jan. 26 and Jan. 27 and from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Jan. 26-28. ■

## School board fires Superintendent Rick Rubino after six months on job

‘This community has every right to be disappointed,’ board president says

**By JULIA REIS**  
Less than three weeks after being placed on paid administrative leave and barely six months into his tenure, Rick Rubino was removed from the position of Pleasanton school district superintendent last Friday night.

The school board voted unanimously to fire Rubino without cause in a two-hour, closed-session meeting.

“Both the board of education and Mr. Rubino believe it is in the organization’s best interest to move forward with the process of securing new leadership,” school board president

Joan Laursen said in a statement after the special meeting.

The board’s decision to fire Rubino followed its initial move Dec. 19 to place him on paid administrative leave pending the outcome of an investigation into an unspecified personnel matter.

Laursen said in an email Sunday night that an investigation was launched by an independent investigator, but not completed. PUSD spokesman Patrick Gannon declined to comment on why the investigation wasn’t completed, adding that the cost of the investigator’s services is still undetermined.

Laursen said the board’s decision was based on their belief that Rubino “was not a good fit for our organization.”

“It is the board’s responsibility to foster a positive culture and to promote strong, collegial leadership,” Laursen said. “We felt that change was necessary and we wanted to move on this as quickly and responsibly as possible.”

“This community has every right to be disappointed; most certainly, the board is disappointed,” she added. “We believe that facing this disappointment, boldly taking the action that is in the best interest of

all involved, and informing our community in a timely and forthright manner, is the best first step toward rebuilding that trust.”

Rubino has not returned multiple requests for comment from the Weekly.

Laursen added that Rubino was fired “without cause, but not without concern.” In accordance with



**Rick Rubino**

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PLEASANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Joining the force

The force has gained a familiar name as an ally in Pleasanton. This week, the Pleasanton Police Department introduced Vader, the latest addition to its K-9 program. A 20-month-old Belgian Malinois, Vader is the 18th police dog for the city of Pleasanton. The department assures that Vader will not stray to the dark side like his namesake; rather, he will work alongside his handler, Officer Michael Wilson, to look for missing people, apprehend criminals and find contraband. When Vader isn’t on the job, he lives with Wilson and his family and enjoys long walks and watching the occasional “Star Wars” movie.

## Open Heart Kitchen names new executive director

Greux previously managed two nonprofits with \$2 million in revenue

**By JEB BING**  
The Board of Directors of Open Heart Kitchen has appointed Heather Greux as its new executive director.

Greux, who succeeds Linda McKeever, will oversee the management of the nonprofit with a focus on fundraising, community outreach and personnel management. She also has oversight of Open Heart’s fiscal, legal and

compliance interests.

A primary responsibility is to implement the organization’s strategic plan, which is designed to meet the organization’s goals to feed the hungry of the Tri-Valley.

“Heather is a perfect fit for Open Heart Kitchen,” said board president David Kinley. “Beyond her dedication to our mission, she brings extensive experience in building a solid donor base of support. Her

background aligns very well with our needs.”

Greux comes to Open Heart Kitchen from the Monterey Zoo and Elephants of Africa Rescue Society, where, as



**Heather Greux**

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## Steinle family suit can proceed

Court rules parents can sue feds, but not SF or ex-sheriff

The parents of a Pleasanton native who was allegedly fatally shot by an undocumented immigrant in San Francisco in 2015 can proceed with a lawsuit against the federal government, a U.S. magistrate judge has ruled.

But Magistrate Judge Joseph Spero said in a decision last Friday that the parents of Kate Steinle can’t sue the city of San Francisco or former Sheriff Ross Mirkarimi.

Spero dismissed the city and Mirkarimi as defendants in the wrongful death lawsuit filed in federal court in San Francisco in May by parents James Steinle and Elizabeth Sullivan.

Kate Steinle, 32, who grew up in Pleasanton and had recently moved to San Francisco, was walking on the city’s Pier 14 with her father in the early evening of July 1, 2015, when she was hit in the back with a bullet.

Juan Francisco Lopez-Sanchez, a Mexican citizen with a history of drug convictions and deportations, was arrested an hour later and charged with killing her with a gun that had been stolen four days earlier from the car of a U.S. Bureau of Land Management ranger.

He is due to go on trial in San Francisco Superior Court next month on a charge of second-degree murder. He has pleaded not guilty and his defense lawyer has said he likely found the gun on the pier and discharged it accidentally.

# New webpage to follow Downtown Specific Plan update work

18-month effort will provide new vision for keeping downtown vigorous

By JEB BING

A new webpage dedicated to providing easy to access information and updates related to the update of Pleasanton's Downtown Specific Plan is now online to give the public ongoing information on the work of a task force appointed to prepare the new plan.

Last October, the City Council

finalized selection for the task force, which will hold its first meeting at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 24 in the city's Operation Services building, 3333 Busch Road. The task force will then meet regularly over the next 18 months before providing updated recommendations to the City Council for consideration.

The current 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, beautification and economic vitality.

"We are excited to get this process underway," said Gerry Beaudin, Pleasanton's director of community development. "That's why we are providing a dedicated webpage with all of the relevant information that will help the entire

community engage in this very important conversation."

Some specific objectives of this update will include:

- Evaluating parking requirements for development projects
- Exploring different land uses in the plan area
- Evaluating and clarifying maximum building heights in the downtown
- Considering improvements to the public right-of-way, as well as trail connections and

pedestrian pathways

- Consolidating other planning efforts relevant to the downtown, including parking improvements
- Evaluating and providing land use recommendations for the existing civic center site in coordination with the Civic Center Master Plan.

To view the new webpage, go to the Planning Division's section on the city's website at [www.cityofpleasantonca.gov](http://www.cityofpleasantonca.gov) and click on the Downtown Specific Plan Update link. ■

## STEINLE

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The lawsuit alleged the city and Mirkarimi were negligent in failing to inform federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officials when Lopez-Sanchez was released from San Francisco jail 2-1/2 months before the shooting.

But Spero said that while a U.S.

law prohibits local governments from restricting information given to ICE about an individual's citizenship or immigration status, no federal or state laws require disclosure of a release date.

"No law required the Sheriff's Department to share Lopez-Sanchez's release date with ICE, nor did any law forbid Mirkarimi establishing a policy against such cooperation,"

Spero wrote.

ICE, which had issued a detainer request for notification of Lopez-Sanchez's release, already knew his immigration status, the magistrate said.

Spero said, however, that the parents' allegation against the Bureau of Land Management was a viable legal claim, entitling the family to further proceedings in a summary judgment hearing or a trial.

That claim is that the unidentified ranger, by leaving the loaded weapon in a backpack in an unattended car, violated a duty to secure the handgun properly.

"A handgun is indisputably capable of inflicting serious injury and damage — as a deadly weapon, that

is its very purpose," Spero wrote.

"Leaving a gun loaded makes that capability for harm readily accessible in the same way as leaving the key in the ignition of a vehicle," he said.

No dates have been set thus far for further proceedings in the case.

A lawyer for the parents was not immediately available for comment.

John Cote, a spokesman for San Francisco City Attorney Dennis Herrera, said, "As a city, we have grieved over the family's heartbreaking loss."

"But the issue was whether the city and taxpayers could be held liable for the actions of a former inmate. Under well-established law, they can't. The court's ruling reflected that," Cote said.

The shooting intensified national

controversy over San Francisco's sanctuary city policy and Mirkarimi's interpretation of that policy, which included a March 2015 memo prohibiting sheriff's employees from giving inmate release dates to federal officials.

Lopez-Sanchez had been convicted of seven felonies, including four drug crimes, and had been deported five times.

He was placed in San Francisco jail on a previous marijuana-selling charge in late March 2015 after completing a nearly four-year federal sentence for illegal re-entry following deportation. When the marijuana charge was dropped, he was released from the city jail. ■

—Julia Cheever, Bay City News

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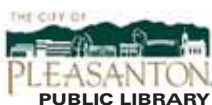
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## TAKE US ALONG



**Svartifoss falls:** The West family — Lauren, Cory and Mary, with Todd taking the picture — went to Iceland to explore a land where the sun never sets in summer. They had their Pleasanton Weekly to read at Svartifoss, a gorgeous waterfall spilling over basalt columns.

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

## OPEN HEART

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executive director of both organizations, she simultaneously managed both nonprofits with more than \$2 million in revenue.

Kinley said, "She successfully

managed two nonprofits, built community support, developed programs and managed all of their operational needs from procurement to personnel oversight."

Open Heart Kitchen, which serves more than 351,000 meals annually, is the largest hot-meal program of

its kind in the Tri-Valley area and feeds the hungry at 11 locations in Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin.

It also manages senior meal programs at seven sites, box-lunch programs for students at 19 Tri-Valley schools and serves homeless programs in the region. ■

# DSRSD board approves water rate increase

Decision made in response to Zone 7 action, agency says

By JULIA REIS

In response to increased and restructured wholesale water rates, Dublin San Ramon Services District's Board of Directors unanimously approved a rate increase for its water customers in Dublin and San Ramon's Dougherty Valley that will take effect Feb. 1.

The board signed off on the rate increase at its regular meeting last week following a public hearing. District spokeswoman Sue Stephenson

said that while the exact increase will vary based on household consumption, residential customers who use 10 units — or 7,480 gallons — of water per billing cycle can expect to pay \$5 more each bill.

DSRSD officials say the rate increase is a result of the Zone 7 Water Agency's adoption of a three-year rate plan with annual increases for its retailers and a temporary drought surcharge. DSRSD purchases substantially all of its potable water from Zone 7 and has

been passing Zone 7's charge for the cost of the water on to its customers since 2002, officials said.

Also a primary factor was Zone 7's new rate structure, which its board approved last October. Instead of charging retailers solely based on the amount of water used, Zone 7 has added a monthly fixed charge on top of the volumetric rate. This calendar year, DSRSD will pay Zone 7 \$4.4 million in fixed charges, according to a staff memo.

DSRSD already has a fixed charge as a part of its rate structure, Stephenson said.

"They're billing us differently than they used to, and it's smarter," Stephenson said. "The drought got a lot of agencies to look at their rate structures and realize that when people cut back on water use, the cost of providing service remains."

Zone 7 officials have said the rate increases were needed to offset revenue lost because of the drought.

Once notified of the Zone 7 rate increase that would take effect Jan. 1, DSRSD directed staff to schedule a public hearing and send out notices about its proposed increase. The agency sent out over 20,000 notices and received five written protests in response.

No one spoke about the rate increase during DSRSD's Jan. 3 public hearing.

Customers can estimate their prospective new rates through DSRSD's online bill calculator at [www.dsrdsd.com](http://www.dsrdsd.com). Anyone with questions about their bill can contact the agency's customer service department at 846-4565. ■

## RUBINO

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the terms in his three-year contract, approved by the board in May, Rubino will be paid a year's salary — \$256,000 — plus health benefits for a year, or until he secures new employment.

The health benefits will come at a maximum cost of \$8,400, Laursen said, adding Rubino will also receive pay for four vacation days along with reimbursement for mileage and a life insurance balance of \$803.

Rubino will be paid in a lump sum, Gannon said. The payment of salary and benefits "fully compensates the superintendent for all tort, contract and other damages of any nature whatsoever," according to his contract.

Rubino's firing comes after three closed-session school board meetings, the first of which was held at 8 a.m. on Dec. 19, a few days before schools and the district office closed for winter break.

Trustees voted to place Rubino on leave pending the outcome of

an investigation during that special meeting, with the board saying afterward that its decision "demonstrates that we place the highest priority on creating and maintaining a professional working environment for all employees."

At its initial closed session meeting and the two that followed — Dec. 27 and last Friday — the board met with an agenda stating it would hold discussions on "public employee discipline/dismissal/release" and two potential court cases.

The board took no action at the Dec. 27 meeting.

Laursen confirmed that PUSD deputy superintendent of business services Micaela Ochoa, who has been serving as the district's leader since Rubino was placed on leave, will continue in that role for an unknown period. She is the district's fourth leader since spring 2015.

Ochoa will still fulfill her deputy

superintendent duties, as well, and her contract will remain the same.

Asked when the search for a permanent superintendent would begin, Laursen said the board plans to discuss their options "at the earliest opportunity during an upcoming board meeting."

"We want to assure our community that this has our full and focused attention," she said. "The board is fully committed to identify and secure

leadership who will continue the excellent work underway in our schools."

Rubino was hired after a five-month search in the first half of last year. He replaced

former Amador Valley High School principal Jim Hansen, who came out of retirement to fill the superintendent seat for the 2015-16 school year while the district searched for a permanent successor to Parvin Ahmadi, who resigned to take the top post at the Castro Valley school district.

**'We wanted to move on this as quickly and responsibly as possible.'**

**Joan Laursen,**  
School board president

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Rubino started on July 1 following four years as the superintendent of Gridley Unified School District in Butte County. Rubino also worked as an administrator for school districts in Fremont, San Leandro, Concord and Martinez during his career.

Rubino's departure is the latest

in a period marked by leadership turnover in PUSD. Since the start of last school year alone, there have been new principals at eight of the district's 15 schools, including three at Harvest Park Middle School.

The board is set to convene for its first regular meeting in 2017 on Tuesday night. ■



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## Laura Renee Blomquist

February 21, 1979 - December 27, 2016

Laura Renee Blomquist, 37, of Fremont, CA went home to be with the Lord on December 27, 2016.

Laura was a friendly, outgoing, caring person with a great sense of humor. She grew up in the Bay Area and lived in Pleasanton for over 20 years.

Laura had a passion for animals and a love for people. Her laugh and smile will be missed.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, January 20th at 5pm at Valley Community Church, 4455 Del Valle Pkwy, Pleasanton, CA.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Laura's name to the Valley Humane Society, <http://valleyhumane.org/how-to-help/donate>



PAID OBITUARY

# Community Pulse

## POLICE BULLETIN

### Police arrest teen in Stoneridge Mall armed robbery

Pleasanton police this week arrested a 16-year-old boy on suspicion of committing armed robbery in the Stoneridge Shopping Center parking lot last month.

Detectives arrested the unidentified teenager Monday after he appeared in court on charges stemming from a separate matter, Pleasanton Sgt. Larry Cox said Tuesday.

The Pleasanton incident occurred on Dec. 20, when a woman reported to police that she had been robbed at gunpoint in the "A" parking lot of the mall around 11:30 a.m. that day.

A young man walked to the front of the woman's car and acted as a lookout while another yanked open the driver's door, pointed a black handgun at the woman and demanded her belongings, Pleasanton police said.

The woman handed over her belongings, and the robbers fled in a waiting car described as an older, green Honda Civic or similar model vehicle.

As detectives followed up on the case, they heard from a citizen who had written down the license plate of a green Honda Civic parked at Stoneridge just prior to the robbery because they believed it was suspicious, Cox said.

The resident gave the license plate number to police, who discovered the car was reported stolen from the Concord BART station and had recently been recovered by the Pittsburg Police Department after a pursuit. A male juvenile in possession of a black handgun was arrested following the pursuit, Cox said.

Pleasanton police said the local robbery victim subsequently identified the 16-year-old as the person who pointed the handgun at her and demanded her belongings.

Pleasanton police detectives arrested the teen Monday following his court appearance for the pursuit. After his arrest, the 16-year-old was questioned and later booked at the Alameda County Juvenile Hall.

"This arrest would not have been possible without the awareness of this observant citizen and their willingness to contact the police," Cox said.

It was not immediately clear whether police were still looking for the second person reportedly involved as a lookout during the Dec. 20 robbery.

### In other police news

- No officers were injured after a Pleasanton Police Department patrol car was struck during a pursuit Saturday morning.

Around 6:30 a.m., officers noticed a suspicious car parked on Amber Lane with two people inside, according to Sgt. Julie Fragomeli.

The vehicle, a 2005 Nissan Altima (7VIZ284), fit

the description of a car that a resident in the area of Hamilton Way and Arlington Drive had reported to police around 4 a.m. That resident reported seeing a dark-colored sedan driving slowly through the neighborhood without headlights on.

As officers approached the car on Amber Lane, it fled and struck a patrol car, Fragomeli said. No officers were injured as a result of the crash.

Police pursued the car onto Interstate 680 northbound, where it exited at Bernal Avenue and entered I-680 going south.

Officers ended the pursuit at I-680 and Sunol Boulevard due to high speeds and weather conditions. The Nissan was last seen driving with its headlights off southbound on I-680.

Upon further investigation, officers learned the Nissan's registered owner had earlier loaned their car to a relative living in the same residential complex as a Palo Alto man who Pleasanton police had arrested earlier that morning.

In that earlier incident, police were called out to Hamilton Way and Arlington Drive on a resident's report of a suspicious car driving through the neighborhood and determined that several unlocked vehicles had been entered and rummaged through, Fragomeli said.

A short while later at 4:23 a.m., officers spotted a car in the area of Lansing Court that had its interior light on. Inside the car was a 16-year-old boy and Daniel Vasquez, 25, both of Palo Alto.

Pleasanton police say Vasquez was in possession of suspected methamphetamine and initially gave a false name to officers. The owner of the car where Vasquez and the teen were found signed a citizen's arrest for prowling, and Vasquez was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

The 16-year-old was later released to his guardian with a juvenile notice to appear, Fragomeli said.

Police did not say whether these two incidents are related. The investigation is ongoing.

- A 50-year-old Pleasanton man was arrested and booked into Santa Rita Jail on Tuesday on suspicion of downloading and possessing child pornography, police said.

Charles Fredrick Seiter was taken into custody after Pleasanton police detectives served a search warrant at a home on Via De Los Cerros — several blocks southwest of the Pleasanton Tennis Park — for alleged illegal file sharing and distribution of known child pornography, according to Cox.

When police searched electronic devices inside the residence, they found hundreds of videos and photographs "depicting females obviously under the age of 18 conducting explicit sexual acts and in various stages of undress," Cox said.

Police allege Seiter was interviewed at the residence and admitted to downloading and possessing images and videos that he knew was child pornography. He was subsequently arrested and booked into jail. ■

—Julia Reis

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## POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

### Jan. 7

#### Trespassing/prowling

- 3:55 a.m. at Hamilton Way and Arlington Drive

#### Fraud

- 3:02 p.m. on the 3900 block of Vineyard Avenue

#### Theft

- 11:41 a.m. on the 4700 block of Willow Road
- 8:24 p.m. on the 400 block of Matthew Court

### Jan. 6

#### Drug violations

- 7:06 a.m. on the 4500 block of Chabot Drive
- 4:18 a.m. on the 500 block of St. John Street

#### DUI

- 9:17 a.m. at Santa Rita Road and Alvarado Street

#### Theft from auto

- 8:47 a.m. on the 7000 block of Commerce Circle

#### Residential burglary

- 12:55 p.m. on the 3400 block of Andrews Drive

### Jan. 5

#### Vandalism

- 11:31 a.m. on the 4000 block of Stanley Boulevard

#### Fraud

- 4:56 p.m. on the 3800 block of Picard Avenue

#### Theft from auto

- 7:37 a.m. at Canyon Meadows Drive and Dublin Canyon Road
- 8:26 a.m. on the 1300 block of Oak Vista Way
- 8:55 a.m. on the 7600 block of Canyon Meadows Circle
- 9:03 a.m. on the 7600 block of Glenbrook Court

#### Other thefts

- 3:52 p.m., 7400 block of Alder Court; theft
- 4:02 p.m., 3900 block of Rockingham Drive; theft
- 8:16 p.m., 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; auto theft

### Jan. 4

#### Theft

- 1:09 a.m., 4900 block of Johnson Drive; theft from auto
- 7:52 a.m., 7700 block of Canyon Meadows Circle; theft from auto
- 2:23 p.m., 5800 block of Owens Drive; theft from structure

#### Child abuse

- 8:15 p.m. on Cortez Court

#### Alcohol violation

- 8:55 p.m. on the 1200 block of Hopyard Road

### Jan. 3

#### Graffiti

- 7:41 a.m. on the 7300 block of Johnson Drive
- 7:43 a.m. on the 3200 block of Stoneridge Creek Way
- 3:46 p.m. on the 1100 block of Santa Rita Road
- 5:31 p.m. on the 4400 block of Railroad Avenue

#### Assault/battery

- 4:05 a.m. on the 1000 block of Riesling Drive

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## EDITORIAL

THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY

# From troubled to trainwreck

The Pleasanton school board had an opportunity to build back the trust of the public and prove to voters they made a good choice retaining two incumbents in the recent election.

Instead, the way trustees handled a “personnel matter” involving Rick Rubino, the superintendent of less than six months, and the subsequent termination of his employment without explanation beyond his not being “a good fit” has further deteriorated the trust of the public.

Three weeks ago, Rubino was placed on paid administrative leave while an unspecified “personnel matter” was investigated. For reasons unknown, the investigation came to an abrupt end and, during a Friday night closed-session meeting, Rubino was fired “without cause.”

A Pleasanton Weekly profile on the then-new superintendent on Aug. 12, 2016 led with this declaration: “Pleasanton Unified School District officials believe they have found their superintendent for the long haul in Rick Rubino.”

This belief, or rather hope, might have stemmed from district stakeholders — students, parents, teachers, taxpayers — being fed up with

the way the district had been managed for the previous five years. Or mismanaged, as the case may be.

In August 2014, we published a story, “Troubled Schools,” that outlined concerns with an exorbitant amount of major changes in site administrative staffing — specifically principals and assistant principals — between 2011 and 2014, as well as a series of nasty allegations by and against teachers and administrators during the superintendent tenure of Parvin Ahmadi.

It’s difficult to believe, but the instability and uncertainty has become considerably worse within the past 18 months or so. There have been new principals at eight of the district’s 15 schools, including three at Harvest Park Middle School alone. And now that Rubino has been fired, the district is on its fourth leader since June 2015.

Another troubling aspect of this is the district’s lack of transparency.

Rubino was placed on paid leave pending the completion of an investigation. Instead of completing the investigation, it appears the board, basically, paid Rubino to go away — a full year’s salary plus some

Why was Rubino fired? Why did the board decide to spend tens of thousands of dollars to recruit someone who ultimately “wasn’t a good fit” and then agree to pay him hundreds of thousands of dollars to go away?

We have filed requests for records. This is our school district, our children and our tax dollars. We deserve answers. ■

## LETTERS

### Thank you for Holiday Fund

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the staff and volunteers of Hope Hospice, I would like to thank the Pleasanton Weekly for including Hope Hospice as a recipient of the 2016 Holiday Fund.

At Hope Hospice, our goal is to help keep patients comfortable so they and their loved ones can enjoy what matters most to them. During this past year, Hope Hospice has provided support, guidance and comfort to more patients and families than we have in any other year in our history.

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As a community-led agency, we care about the well-being of our residents in the areas we serve. We are proud to say that after so many years since our founding, we have remained nonprofit and guided by a volunteer board made up of local residents.

We rely on the support of individuals, groups and businesses to continue to provide high quality, personalized care that our patients and their families have relied on for more than three decades. The Pleasanton Weekly’s continued support helps make this possible.

It is an honor to receive contributions from the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund.

—Bob Boehm,  
Hope Hospice CEO

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### WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

#### City Council

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 7:00 pm  
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- **Public Hearing:** Adopt a resolution levying the Pleasanton Downtown Business Improvement District Assessment for 2017
- **Public Hearing:** P16-1418, Zoning Code Update – Consider introduction of an ordinance to amend the Pleasanton Municipal Code to: update definitions and simplify the list of permitted and conditionally permitted land uses in Commercial, Office, and Industrial Districts; establish a Minor Conditional Use Permit process; reflect current practices; clarify and streamline review procedures; replace out-of-date references; and undertake other changes to make the code more user-friendly; and adopt a resolution to amend the Master Fee Schedule to add Minor Conditional Use Permit fee

#### Economic Vitality Meeting

Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7:30 am  
Remillard Conference Room, 3333 Busch Road

- Discussion regarding City Council 2017-2018 Two-Year Work Plan Prioritization

#### Housing Commission

Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7:00 pm  
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Appointment of New Officers (Chairperson and Vice Chairperson) for 2017
- City Council 2017-2018 Two-Year Work Plan Prioritization



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

Applications will be accepted no later than **Monday, February 6, 2017 by 5:00 PM**, no exceptions or consideration will be given to applications received after the deadline date.

**Informational Sessions** will be held at on the following dates/times. Seating capacity is limited. Attendance is optional.

Wednesday, January 25th  
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# 2016 Holiday Fund



Each year, the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund raises money to support programs and services that care for local families and children in our community. The Holiday Fund partners with the Silicon Valley Community Foundation, which handles all finances, so every dollar of your tax-deductible donation goes directly to the 10 local nonprofits with no administrative expenses.

This year's Holiday Fund recipients that will share equally in fund contributions are:

**Agape Villages Foster Family Agency** finds stable homes and a loving environment for abused and neglected children throughout 14 counties in Northern California, including here in Alameda County.

**Axis Community Health** is the Tri-Valley's sole provider of medical and mental health services for individuals and families who have a low income or who are uninsured. It serves more than 14,000 members of our community.

**Hope Hospice** provides ethical hospice care, transition services for those not eligible for hospice, bereavement support for adults and children and end-of-life education to Tri-Valley families, regardless of insurance or income status.

**REACH** (Resources Education Activities Community and Housing for special adults of the Tri-Valley) offers education programs, activities, resources and housing opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities.

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ate the side effects caused by radiation and chemotherapy.

**Senior Support Program of the Tri-Valley** serves seniors over 60 in the communities of Pleasanton, Livermore, Dublin and Sunol to promote independence, safety and well-being, preserve dignity and improve quality of life.

**Sunflower Hill** is working to create a sustainable residential community for individuals with special needs, similar to senior living facilities.

**Tri-Valley YMCA** aims to strengthen the local communities through youth develop-

ment, healthy living and social responsibility.

**ValleyCare Charitable Foundation** plans to use its contribution from the annual campaign to help fund state-of-the-art health care technology, facilities, various clinical programs and services at Stanford Health Care-ValleyCare.

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				Bob & Betty Harris .....	\$400		
				Horace Robert Williams .....	\$300		
				Gail & Kelly James .....	\$25		

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Accusplit Make A Difference Programs .....	\$200
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PACIFIC PEARL  
Architect's drawing shows a portion of the 112,000-square-foot Pacific Pearl, an Asian-focused community shopping center under construction at Stoneridge Drive and El Charro Road.

# Pleasanton 2017

## Building boom continues

By Jeb Bing

For a city that only a few years ago elected a slow-growth City Council, voted for a measure limiting the number of apartments and homes to 29,000 and even stalled the planned extension of Stoneridge Drive to Livermore by nearly a decade, times have changed.

Just look at what's in store in 2017.

In almost every corner of Pleasanton, a building boom is underway that will add at least 10,000 new jobs, increase by many thousands the city's current 72,000 population and bring greater economic vitality with an Asian-focused retail shopping center on the far east side and new strategies for attracting more shoppers to downtown.

### Workday

A new six-story corporate headquarters building is under construction by Workday, a fast-growing software company, that will match the size of the nearby former Safeway headquarters. The architecturally striking new building, adjacent to the West Dublin-Pleasanton BART station, will be Pleasanton's tallest office building, located down Stoneridge Mall Road from the company's main campus.

When completed, it will accommodate a growing workforce. Founded by CEOs Dave Duffield and Aneel Bhusri in 2005, Workday has its roots in the former PeopleSoft company that was acquired by Oracle, also one of Pleasanton's largest companies.

The Workday structure, still at the ground level but under the shadow of a six-story-high crane, is being built on a site that was once designated for a 350-unit apartment house complex and retail center.

Workday also is funding a new joint BART/Pleasanton police service center on the ground floor of the BART parking garage to support law enforcement efforts on the north side of town.

### Pacific Pearl

Across town at Stoneridge Drive and El Charro Road, the

new Pacific Pearl Asian-focused community shopping center also is under construction, with a completion date of late this year. The 112,000-square-foot center on 11.5 acres will be anchored by Marina Food grocery, the popular Asian grocery store with hot food delis that serve Chinese, Japanese and other food.

Alongside, the center will feature a variety of 20-30 restaurants, retail and service businesses.

Developers say the Pacific Pearl center will meet demand from the growing number of Asian-Americans living in

and near the Tri-Valley. Asian-Americans make up 30% of the population living within 10 miles of the site, according to the developer.

### Roche Molecular

In the heart of the city's Hacienda Business Park, Roche Molecular Diagnostics is adding a multimillion-dollar, multi-story office and research center at its Pleasanton campus. The company develops and manufactures a wide array of innovative medical diagnostic products for researchers, physicians, patients, hospitals, laboratories



JEB BING

A view from the Stoneridge Shopping Center parking lot shows the tall crane in place as work starts on building the new six-story corporate headquarters for Workday, Inc. between Stoneridge Mall Road and the I-580 freeway.



CITY OF PLEASANTON

Artist's sketch shows proposed new Pleasanton Civic Center, library and police station complex under consideration for Bernal Park next to the Northern Pacific Railroad tracks.



and blood banks worldwide.

The business was founded in the early 1990s following the acquisition of the revolutionary, Nobel-prize winning polymerase chain reaction technology. A business area of Roche Diagnostics (Basel, Switzerland), Roche employs about 1,000 people across three locations: Pleasanton, Branchburg, N.J., and Rotkreuz, Switzerland.

#### Costco

Now that a voters' initiative to block Costco, the membership wholesale retailer, from building a new store on Johnson Drive has been defeated, the city is moving ahead on completing the process for considering Costco's bid.

The process, stalled to await the results of the Nov. 8 initiative, will include discussions about the future of Johnson Drive, environmental impact reports and a financial framework for making the needed traffic improvements.

This essentially will result in a specific plan for the Johnson Drive economic development zone (EDZ).

"We would like to have the Johnson Drive EDZ completed in the first half of 2017, which would then open up the door for Costco and the two hotels that are also interested in building there to come forward for consideration in the second half of this year," said Nelson Fialho, city manager.

#### Housing/apartment developments

Two of Pleasanton's largest apartment/condominium developments are nearing completion, approved as part of a total of nine sites that were rezoned for high-density housing on 73 acres.

The rezoning and apartment approvals were the result of a settlement agreement between Pleasanton and Urban Habitat, an Oakland-based affordable housing coalition that successfully sued the city over its

JEB BING

Clockwise from top left: (A) View of route of new trail to Pleasanton Ridge, using the Alviso Adobe Community Park as its primary staging area; (B) Some of 345 apartments in complex set to open this spring in Vintage Village Center across from McDonald's at Bernal Avenue and Stanley Boulevard; (C) Vacant 3 acres between Old Bernal Avenue and ACE train station (visible in distance) that is being purchased by the city of Pleasanton this spring for \$4.2 million. The property that has been owned by the City of San Francisco Public Utilities Commission since 1930; (D) Barricade on Old Foothill Road that will be removed later this year to make road a connector to staging area for new Pleasanton Ridge trail.

1996 housing cap and lack of adequate affordable, workforce housing.

One of Pleasanton's busiest intersections — Stanley Boulevard where Valley and Bernal avenues connect — is about to get more traffic, a lot more. Construction of a 345-unit multi-story apartment complex and retail center that is one of the largest ever in that part of Pleasanton is nearing completion with the first tenants of this all-apartment development expected to move in next month.

Called Vintage Village, it already features a new Starbucks across from McDonald's with buildings that will house retail stores, restaurants and a grocery under construction. The project includes two-, three- and four-story apartment buildings on acreage just north of Congregation Beth Emek.

It also will have some of the highest rents in Pleasanton, starting at \$1,900 a month for a studio/one-bedroom, going to \$2,262 for a regular one-bedroom, \$2,803 for two bedrooms and \$3,427 a month for three-bedroom units.

Also part of complexes being built as a result of the court order are 498 units in three- and four-story buildings in Hacienda Business Park.

The development on two



building sites includes mixed-use, high-density residential and commercial units with "live/work" apartments and ground-level retail space at the southeast corner of Owens Drive and Willow Road and at the northern corner of Gibraltar and Hacienda drives. More than 70 units will be available to lower income households.

#### Kottinger Gardens

By the end of the year, the first group of seniors displaced by the construction of the first phase of a new Kottinger Gardens affordable senior housing project will move in to their new complex of apartments and other amenities. This first phase will provide 131 brand new rental apartments on the former site of Kottinger Place, which previously held 50 units.

Once completed, work will begin on the second phase, rebuilding the old Pleasanton

Gardens across Kottinger Drive to provide an additional 54 affordable apartment homes, where today there are 40.

Kottinger Gardens Phase 1 will include a mix of single-story cottages and a two- and three-story building that will collectively provide 127 one-bedroom and 4 two-bedroom apartments for low-income seniors, age 62 and older, who earn no more than 60% of area median income, which is \$49,260 for a single-person household.

The community will also feature community gardens, a bocce ball court, fitness center, resident lounge with computers and a community room with a kitchen for larger gatherings. Units will have private patios or balconies.

#### Priorities for 2017

Although corporate, commercial and residential building highlight the building boom days

of 2017, much more will fill the agendas of public, state, regional and municipal organizations in the coming days. A top priority in Pleasanton will be a detailed look at the needs of downtown Pleasanton by a just-appointed task force charged with updating the Downtown Specific Plan

A key mission of this group will be to mesh downtown development plans with those by the city to relocate the Pleasanton civic center, police station and library to Bernal Community Park from their current site between Main Street and Bernal and Old Bernal avenues.

That would make the current site available for sale for private development to help pay the costs of building a new civic complex.

The task force is due to complete its work in 18 months, in time to put the new civic center complex proposal on the November 2018 ballot for public consideration. ■

# FIND YOUR VOLUNTEER MATCH

## REVIEW OPPORTUNITIES AT TOMORROW'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR PLEASANTON FESTIVAL

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

If your New Year's resolution is to improve your life by helping others, check out the Make a Difference for Pleasanton Festival tomorrow.

Dozens of nonprofit groups will have tables set up with information about how adults, families and teens can connect with the community by volunteering. For students at Amador Valley, Foothill and Village high schools, it is a chance to learn more about how they can fulfill their graduation requirement for community service.

The event will be opened by Mayor Jerry Thorne at 10 a.m. and run until 2 p.m. in the Community



MICHELLE SUSKI

**Above:** Boy Scout leaders share the ways members can provide community service.

Room at the Pleasanton library. The date was chosen for its proximity to Martin Luther King Jr. Day, which has become a global service day, according to W. Ron Sutton, founder of Make a Difference, Today & Always.

Volunteer opportunities include preparing and serving meals to neighbors in need, driving elderly residents to medical appointments, comforting dogs and cats as they await their forever homes, helping newcomers learn English, teaching others about local history, writing letters to someone serving in the military, organizing sports events for Special Olympics, and more.

The festival is produced by the nonprofit Make a Difference, Today & Always and is co-sponsored by the city of Pleasanton, the Community of Character Collaborative, Tri-Valley Y, ACCUSPLIT Make A Difference Programs, and Karlsson & Lane Accounting Services.

Visitors will be encouraged to sign the "50/50 Pledge," which states: "I pledge to spend at least 50 hours in community service, and to spend 50 more hours with my family in the next year."

"We felt that people should make a commitment to community service on more than one day per year. That is why we came up with the '50/50 Pledge' and the slogan, 'Get Connected, Stay Connected,'" Sutton said.

Volunteer Ken Mano of the Community of Character Collaborative created the website [www.MakeADifferenceForPleasanton.org](http://www.MakeADifferenceForPleasanton.org), which is updated to list the growing number of organizations who will be at the festival and has links to each group's mission statement and volunteer needs. ■

### PARTICIPATING NONPROFITS

Exhibitors will include the following and more:

- ACCUSPLIT Make A Difference Programs
- Alameda County CASA (Court-Appointed Special Advocates)
- Alviso Adobe Community Park
- Amador Valley Quilters — Quilts of Valor Project
- Axis Community Health
- Boy Scouts of America
- City of Pleasanton (library)
- Community of Character Collaborative
- Hope Hospice
- Joni and Friends Bay Area
- JustServe.org
- Lynnewood United Methodist Church
- Museum On Main
- Open Heart Kitchen
- Paws in Need
- Pleasanton Military Families
- Sandra J. Wing Healing Therapies Foundation
- Senior Support Program of the Tri-Valley
- Special Olympics
- Sunflower Hill/Sunflower Gardens
- Tri-Valley Haven
- Tri-Valley Y
- Valley Children's Museum
- Valley Humane Society



MICHELLE SUSKI

**Left:** Sunflower Hill representatives, including Tanya Ludden (second from left), discuss their garden and housing plans. **Right:** Betty Nostrand recruits members for the Livermore-Amador Valley Garden Club last year.





From left: "Batik Rose" by Anthony Rogone and "Crazy Spirit" by Eileen Mueller-Neill are among the works being featured in the California Watercolor Association's Annual National Exhibition, opening tomorrow at Pleasanton's Harrington Gallery.

'Styles range from ... intense and vibrant to transparent and ethereal.'

Miller, from 12:30-2:30 p.m., Feb. 8.

A special children's art class connected to the exhibit will be held 4:30-5:45 p.m., Jan. 26, titled "Winter in Watercolor," for ages 5-11. Participants will have a guided exploration of the exhibit and then create their own works of art. Register at [www.pleasantonfun.com](http://www.pleasantonfun.com), code 63432.

A number of repeat participants have been included in this year's selection, noted Harrington Gallery director Julie Finegan. They include Melissa Adkison from Novato; Taryn Curiel of Palo Alto; Geoffrey McCormack from Eugene, Oregon; and Maggie Metcalf and Ruth Miller, both well-known Bay Area artists.

This year's exhibit was juried by nationally recognized watercolor artist, teacher and adjudicator Donna Zagotta, who has been active as a professional artist for more than 20 years.

For a complete, updated listing of shows and events at the Harrington Gallery, visit [www.firehousearts.org](http://www.firehousearts.org). ■

## Watercolor exhibit at Harrington Gallery

Annual event includes reception, demonstrations and class for children

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

The Harrington Gallery at the Firehouse Arts Center is hosting the California Watercolor Association's Annual National Exhibition for the third year, opening tomorrow.

The 47th exhibit includes works

by about 75 artists and runs through Feb. 25. Although the association is a California-based organization, this is a national juried show, with artists participating from across the United States as well as Malaysia, Singapore and Taiwan. Styles range

from realism to abstract, and from intense and vibrant to transparent and ethereal.

A reception and awards presentation, free to the public, is scheduled for 1-3 p.m. tomorrow, a chance to visit with the artists.

Also, artists will give free watercolor painting demonstrations, open to anyone to stop by to observe and chat with the artists. Artists Mary Ciobalo and Steven Berry will be painting from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Jan. 21. Sue Johnston and Ruth

## Tri-Valley Rep presents 'Jesus Christ Superstar'

Rock opera opens tomorrow night for two-week run

Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre begins its two-week run tomorrow night of "Jesus Christ Superstar," the Tim Rice/Andrew Lloyd Webber rock opera that took the world by storm at the end of the turbulent 1960s.

The musical began as a concept album before it was put onstage, portraying Jesus Christ as a social and political rebel whose meteoric rise has parallels in contemporary celebrity worship. His fervent disciple Judas comes to believe Jesus is a threat because he believes he is God, which will surely bring down the wrath of the Roman Empire upon them all. Judas is also concerned because Jesus does not condemn Mary Magdalene, a prostitute who becomes a devoted follower.

Webber's score is by turns majestic and tender as Christ's final days are dramatized in this production, which was nominated for five Tony Awards

in 1972 when it first appeared on Broadway.

Nikita Burshteyn plays the title role; Russell Mangan is Judas Iscariot; Cheyenne Wells, Mary Magdalene; Mathew Liebowitz, Pontius Pilate; DC Scarpelli, King Herod.

Kathleen Breedveld and Paul Vega are directors; Brian Olkowski, assistant director; Sierra Dee, musical director; and Cathrine Delos Santos and Morgan Stinson are choreographers.

The show, rated PG, is at 8 p.m., Saturdays, Jan. 14, 21 and 28; and at 2 p.m., Sundays, Jan. 15, 22 and 29, with an additional matinee at 2 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore.

Tickets are \$19-\$39. Call 373-6800, go to the theater box office, or purchase online at [www.trivalleyrep.org](http://www.trivalleyrep.org). ■

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli



ROBERT SHOLTY

Herod (DC Scarpelli), with his dancers (women, left to right) Ally Murphy, Heidi Amstrup, Amanda Ross, Morgan Stinson, Tiana Paulding; (men, left to right) Michael A. Jackson, Brian Olkowski, Justin Sabino and Joren Reyes.

## Livermore Valley Opera to celebrate silver jubilee

Arias, parade of costumes, champagne, dinner and live auction

Livermore Valley Opera will celebrate 25 years of musical performances at its Silver Jubilee beginning at 5 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Club at Ruby Hill, black tie optional.

The gala will feature Mumm champagne and a performance by four of LVO's favorite singers in the club's Tuscan-style reception area before

guests proceed to the ballroom for a parade of costumes from the last 25 years, modeled by dignitaries and supportive volunteers.

Uniquely designed diva and divo tables will allow guests to dine with professional opera stars for a gourmet three-course dinner paired with award-winning Livermore wines of

Cuda Ridge, Nottingham Cellars, Occasio and Page Mill Winery.

"This exclusive event promises to be a unique experience, especially for those who take the opportunity to dine with a diva or divo at special celebrity tables," said board member Stephanie Petermeier, event co-chairwoman.

Following dessert, San Francisco auctioneer Lenny Broberg will offer trips and other experiences. The evening concludes with a drawing for two grand luxury items, with only 52 chances sold: a rare bottle of Petrus Pomerol Bordeaux, donated by Peter and Jayne Davis and valued at more than \$2,000; and a 4.5-carat

diamond bracelet, valued at \$10,500, created and donated by Lance Cavalleri Jewelers.

Tickets to the celebration are \$175 per person. Dining with a diva or divo, \$225. Reserved priority table seating for two to 20 guests, \$200 per person. To order tickets, go to [www.livermorevalleyopera.com](http://www.livermorevalleyopera.com), contact Petermeier at [stephaniep@livermorevalleyopera.com](mailto:stephaniep@livermorevalleyopera.com), or call 418-4805. ■

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli



## PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

### Pleasanton grads return to EBAL basketball

As many of you know, I handle the announcing duties for Foothill football and basketball. It is always exciting to announce East Bay Athletic League basketball games, as the teams are all good and the games often are thrillers.

I must admit there is a little bit of a bounce for me with the addition of Dublin and Dougherty Valley to the EBAL. Having been a writer and the sports editor of the Tri-Valley Herald for 16 years, I have seen several athletes come through the league and then come back to coach at some level in a variety of sports.

This basketball season brings back a pair of former standouts who are head varsity basketball coaches. Tom Costello (Dublin) and Mike Hansen (Dougherty Valley) run those schools' programs now and are back in the EBAL fold.

Costello — known as “Tom the Bomb” for his outside shooting prowess when he played at Amador Valley — and Hansen, a very good point guard when he played at Foothill, have built real solid programs at their respective schools.

It will be a lot of fun to announce the two teams when they come to Foothill this season. Hansen brings his Wildcats squad in first on Jan. 20, and Costello will bring the Gaels in on Jan. 31.

Hansen's visit will be additionally interesting in that the Foothill gym is named after Mike's father Tom, the longtime Foothill coach and former athletic director.

#### Girls basketball

Despite a valiant defensive effort, the Foothill girls varsity basketball team dropped their EBAL opener, 49-42 in overtime to Dublin last week.

Hope Alley drives to the basket for Foothill during the Falcons' 49-42 overtime loss to Dublin last week.



FOOTHILL GIRLS BASKETBALL

Foothill, paced by the tough defensive effort, led throughout the game, but Dublin forced overtime by hitting a 3-pointer with less than a second left in regulation.

In the extra period, it was Dublin that turned up the heat on defense to pull away for the win.

Madison Baxter of Foothill led all scorers with 24 points while adding three assists and six rebounds. Hope Alley had eight points and nine rebounds, while Vanessa Esomonu scored six points and grabbed an amazing 19 rebounds.

#### Girls soccer

After having one match postponed due to weather, Foothill traveled to Granada and battled the Mats to a 1-1 final on Jan. 5.

On a cold night, neither team could get much going on the offensive end of the field. It was the Falcons who finally broke the drought, scoring when Taylor Noval headed home a corner from Ariana Nino in the 70th minute of the match.

The lead lasted until the final minutes of the game when the Mats tied it up, finishing a cross at close range.

#### Results wanted

We are still looking for most winter sports teams to turn in their results each week.

If you would like to see your athletes' hard work recognized in print, be the volunteer to fire off three to four paragraphs recapping the team's effort for the week. Turn in the results by Sunday afternoon to acesmag@aol.com.

We are also looking for pictures of the games. Just make sure to identify the people in the picture and give us a credit for the picture taker. ■

## Theatre

### TRI-VALLEY REPERTORY THEATER AUDITIONS 'FOREVER PLAID'

“Forever Plaid” is one of the most popular and successful musicals in recent memory. Auditions will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 18, with additional auditions and callbacks at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21 at the Tri-Valley Rep rehearsal space, 1020 Serpentine Lane, Suite 101. Bring 16-32 bars of an up-tempo Broadway or pop song in the style of the show, a current resume and head shot. Attach an audition form found on the website with all conflicts. The show will run Saturdays-Sundays, May 6-21. Contact Producer for an audition appointment at Kbreedveld@trivalleyrep.com Go to [www.trivalleyrep.org/shows/forever-plaid](http://www.trivalleyrep.org/shows/forever-plaid).

## Concerts

### NOAH ARONSON IN CONCERT:

**MUSIC FOR MIND, BODY & SOUL** Jewish singer/songwriter Noah Aronson will perform on Saturday, Jan. 28 at Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Court. Noah has achieved widespread acclaim for his energy, his catchy melodies, and his sensitive interpretation of Jewish prayer. Doors open at 7 p.m., Havdalah and concert at 7:30 p.m. General seating \$18, \$20 at the door. Reserved seating \$40, Event Supporter \$72. Contact 931-1055 or [bethemek@bethemek.org](mailto:bethemek@bethemek.org). Go to <http://noaharonson.bpt.me/>.

## Talks & Lectures

### CALABLE SPECIAL

**INFORMATIONAL MEETING** Learn about California Achieving a Better Life Experience (CalABLE), a new program that will allow people with disabilities to establish a tax-advantaged ABLE account to save up to \$14,000/yr and up to \$100,000 in total without losing vital public benefits such as SSI, SSDI or Medi-Cal. Carrie Fisher Stone, Deputy Executive Director/CalABLE Board will speak from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 18 at the Livermore Library, 1188 So. Livermore Ave., Livermore. Go to [www.nami-trivalley.org](http://www.nami-trivalley.org).

### COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERIES:

**TRANSITIONING TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** The City of Pleasanton's free Community Education Series will present “Transitioning to Elementary School” from 7-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 18 at the Pleasanton Library. Parents and guardians who have children eligible for Kindergarten or Transitional Kindergarten during the 2017-18 school year are invited to a panel discussion about the shift from preschool

## PET OF THE WEEK



ALLIE'S PALS

### Happy Rikki

Rikki is a chubby 18-month-old sweetheart. Social and outgoing, she loves to spend time with her favorite people. In her foster home, Rikki snoozes in the family office, cuddles on laps during evening TV, monitors her foster mom each morning to make sure she's putting her makeup on correctly and sleeps by her side. She's available for adoption through Allie's Pals Cat Rescue. Contact Terri at 487-7279 or [terriduncan@yahoo.com](mailto:terriduncan@yahoo.com).

to elementary school, with topics including vaccinations, sleep and nutrition, preparing for homework and more. Free, registration recommended. Contact 931-5359 or [amcgovern@cityofpleasantonca.gov](mailto:amcgovern@cityofpleasantonca.gov). Go to [pleasantonfun.com](http://pleasantonfun.com) and enter course code #63584.

### PARENTING THE LOVE AND LOGIC WAY

Want to alleviate arguments and frustration when communicating with your kids? Topics include The Two Rules of Love and Logic, using empathy and positive discipline, “Anticipatory” consequences and one-liners to neutralize arguing. Join Parenting the Love and Logic Way, instructed by Laurie Erceg, at 7-9 p.m. on Thursdays, starting Jan. 19 for six classes at Stanford ValleyCare, 5555 W. Las Positas Blvd. The cost is \$120 for six classes. To register, go to [www.careertrackplus.com](http://www.careertrackplus.com). Call (510) 305-5111.

### DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

**FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST** Come to the 17th annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Fellowship Breakfast from 7:30-9:30 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 23 at DoubleTree by Hilton Pleasanton at the Club, 7050 Johnson Drive. Join for an inspirational morning as we celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. With keynote speaker Kenneth G. Cooper, Executive Director of the Las Positas College Foundation, and host Tim Sbranti. Go to [ymcaeastbay.org](http://ymcaeastbay.org) for price and registration.

## Fundraisers

### PLEASANTON LIONS CLUB ANNUAL CRAB FEED

Celebrate all that is good about our community! Join together to enjoy a feast of crab, pasta, and salad from 5-10:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21 at the Alameda County Fairgrounds. With dancing, a no-host bar, casino tables, and auction. Tickets are \$60. Proceeds will benefit local community service organizations and families in need. For tickets or more information call Steve Grimes at 484-3524 or Greg Aynesworth at 336-6069.

### A FUN-FILLED EVENING OF STAND-UP COMEDY

Local comedians Stacey Gustafson and Regina Stoops are hilarious and will make everyone laugh as they share their lives as women, wives and moms. Come join for laughs and to support a good cause: doors open at 6:30 p.m., show starts at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 24 at Tommy T's Comedy Club, 5014 Hopyard Road. Cost is \$20 donation to Alamo Women's Club. Dinner and beverages may be purchased, two item minimum. All ticket proceeds go to the philanthropic organizations AWC supports. Contact [sandsmckae@comcast.net](mailto:sandsmckae@comcast.net).

## Museums & Exhibits

### 'WATERMUSIC-JAZZ' PEGGY

**GYULAI SPECIAL EXHIBIT** See special exhibit “WaterMusic-Jazz” by San Francisco artist Peggy Gyulai from Jan. 13-Feb. 15 at the Harrington Art Gallery at the Firehouse Arts Center. Each movement-filled painting is a chronicle of an encounter with music. An artist's reception will be held from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 14. The public is invited to chat with Peggy about her work, processes, collaborations and inspirations. Light refreshments will be served. Go to [www.firehousearts.org](http://www.firehousearts.org).

## Community Groups

### PLEASANTON TULANCINGO SISTER CITY ASSOCIATION

**MEMBERSHIP DINNER** Come to the Pleasanton-Tulancingo Sister City Membership Dinner at 6 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 23 at Beeb's Restaurant, 915 Clubhouse Drive, Livermore. Meet the new Board of Directors for 2017, Tulancingo trip information and other upcoming events. A buffet dinner will be served with salads, entrees, sides, desserts, and coffee or tea. Cost is \$40. RSVP by Jan. 13. Guests are welcome. Call David Struebing at 292-0104 or go to [www.ptcsa.org](http://www.ptcsa.org).

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### 995 Fictitious Name Statement

**SHANNON'S IMPERIAL BRAND**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 525150  
The following person(s) doing business as: SHANNON'S IMPERIAL BRAND, 789 BONITA AVE., PLEASANTON, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Laura M. Bowman, 789 Bonita Ave., Pleasanton, CA 94566; Dale F. Bowman, 789 Bonita Ave., Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by a Married couple. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein 12/02/2016. Signature of Registrant: Dale F. Bowman. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 12/02/2016. (Pleasanton Weekly, Dec. 23, 30, 2016; Jan. 6, 13, 2017)

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME**  
File No. 518047  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name(s). The information given below is as it appeared on the fictitious business statement that was filed at the County Clerk-Recorder's Office. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME(S): JXL TRANSPORTATION, 5154 MONACO DRIVE APT. E, PLEASANTON, CA 94566 FILED IN ALAMEDA COUNTY ON: 05/06/16 UNDER FILE NO. 518047 REGISTRANT'S NAME(S): Jessica A. Kile, 5154 Monaco Drive Apt. E, Pleasanton, CA 94566 THIS BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED BY an individual. This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Alameda County on Dec. 20, 2016. (Pleasanton Weekly, Dec. 23, 30, 2016; Jan. 6, 13, 2017)

**SECRET GARDEN SPA**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 525625  
The following person(s) doing business as: SECRET GARDEN SPA, 4713 FIRST ST., SUITE 252, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Sujung Kim, 890 Davis St., Apt. 205, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Sujung Kim. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 12/19/2016. (Pleasanton Weekly, Dec. 30, 2016; Jan. 6, 13, 20, 2017)

**SUNSHINE PHOTO BOOTH**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 525022  
The following person(s) doing business as: SUNSHINE PHOTO BOOTH, 161 SIERRAWOOD AVE., HAYWARD, CA 94544, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Michael Chand, 161 Sierrawood Ave., Hayward, CA 94544. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Michael Chand. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 11/29/2016. (Pleasanton Weekly, Dec. 30, 2016; Jan. 6, 13, 20, 2017)

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File No. 494887  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name(s). The information given below is as it appeared on the fictitious business statement that was filed at the County Clerk-Recorder's Office. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME(S): THE SIGNWORKS, 46 TRAYNOR STREET #7, HAYWARD, CA 94544 FILED IN ALAMEDA COUNTY ON: 08/13/2014 UNDER FILE NO. 494887 REGISTRANT'S NAME(S): BARRY QURAIISHI, 3827 VINE STREET, PLEASANTON, CA 94566 THIS BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED BY an individual. Signature of Registrant: Barry Quraishi. This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Alameda County on Dec. 20, 2016. (Pleasanton Weekly, Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2017)

**YOU & ME BEAUTY STUDIO**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 525867  
The following person(s) doing business as: YOU & ME BEAUTY STUDIO, 4625 1ST STREET, SUITE #225, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): SHONIK CONSULTING INC.,

741 S. TRADITION STREET, MOUNTAIN HOUSE, CA 95391. This business is conducted by a Corporation. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Shoba Machani, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 12/28/2016. (Pleasanton Weekly, Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2017)

**KING DESIGN ASSOCIATES**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 525524  
The following person(s) doing business as: KING DESIGN ASSOCIATES, 1724 BEACHWOOD WAY, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Yvonne Marie King, 1724 Beachwood Way, Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein 01/24/2012. Signature of Registrant: Yvonne King. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 12/15/2016. (Pleasanton Weekly, Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2017)

**BETA MEDICAL**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 525517  
The following person(s) doing business as: BETA MEDICAL, 1724 BEACHWOOD WAY, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): David Allen King, 1724 Beachwood Way, Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein 01/24/2012. Signature of Registrant: David A. King. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 12/15/2016. (Pleasanton Weekly, Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2017)

**TACTICAL GRANTS**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 525506  
The following person(s) doing business as: TACTICAL GRANTS, 573 MALBEC COURT, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Susan Alison Campbell, 573 Malbec Court, Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Susan Alison Campbell. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 12/15/2016. (Pleasanton Weekly, Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2017)

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### Dublin

#### 3 BEDROOMS

**8708 Longford Way \$699,000**  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

#### 4 BEDROOMS

**3483 Rimini Lane \$1,099,000**  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Emily Barraclough 895-7253

## HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during Nov. 23-30

### Pleasanton

**5918 Black Avenue** K. & M. Hamilton to R. Dorai for \$940,000

**6278 Calle Fuego** Sanguinette Trust to A. & D. Peterke for \$940,000

**3027 Casadero Court** Sirota Trust to A. Rajagopalan for \$851,000

**1731 Germano Way** Nursia Properties to Malik Trust for \$3,525,000

**1008 Hearst Drive** Koo Trust to H. Jung for \$1,498,000

**2582 Larrikeet Court** P. & S. Calhoun to P. & P. Benitez for \$1,350,000

**4134 Peregrine Way** Bell Trust to Trusty Trust for \$800,000

**1092 Piemonte Drive** N. & S. Petermeier to Z. Ma for \$2,190,000

**7903 Riviera Court** C. Yan to S. Raney for \$1,094,000

**4233 School Street** Schroeder Trust to J. & M. Reaugh for \$988,000

**51 Shore Drive** J. & T. Norberg to L. Imperiale for \$760,000

**708 St. John Circle** Schena Trust to C. Zhao for \$1,230,000

**3680 Vine Street** M. Harris to D. Sagar for \$535,000

**4829 Woodthrush Road** S. Haendel to K. Lee for \$1,051,000

### Dublin

**6872 Amador Valley Boulevard** Weichert Workforce Mobility to V. Chirukuri for \$735,000

**4539 Brannigan Street** T. Tran to G. Subramanian for \$737,000

**7782 Creekside Drive** Wegfahrt Trust to L. & M. Satpathy for \$906,000

**2883 East Castle Pines Terrace** J. & M. Son to J. & M. Tseng for \$1,469,000

**10848 Glengarry Lane** J. Nguyen to R. & A. Joshi for \$540,000

**7414 Mancini Court** S. Lindholm to J. & D. Bernardini for \$900,000

**6680 Maple Drive** H. Guan to A. & S. Strickland for \$715,000

**6792 Maple Drive** K. & S. Strother to R. Thummeti for \$805,000

**7961 Millbrook Avenue** N. Cukar to T. Chen for \$725,000

**8225 Mulberry Place** D. Moles to Shingare Trust for \$720,000

**4210 Perez Court** C. Leung to V. Gopal for \$910,000

**11876 Pollardstown Court** Dummett Trust to J. Zhai for \$575,000

**2897 Randall Loop** Lennar Homes to C. Pan for \$1,010,000

**4965 Trescott Court** D. & C. Yates to S. & A. Kakollu for \$1,100,000

### Livermore

**222 Alden Lane** Addiego Trust to J. Xue for \$1,050,000

**1141 Baltusrol Court** A. Chahal to S. Dhesi for \$750,000

**333 Basewood Common #11** Shea Homes to S. Gurusamy for \$609,000

**333 Basewood Common #13** Shea Homes to M. & G. Miller for \$546,000

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**DEL PRADO**  
2202 Via Espada, Pleasanton  
Single story home within walking distance of shops, restaurants, and stores. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home sits on just under 7,000 sq. ft. There are gorgeous hardwood floors throughout with an updated kitchen and bathrooms.  
**SOLD FOR \$955,000**

JUST SOLD



**SOUTH LIVERMORE**  
2372 Senger Street, Livermore  
This home has 4 bedrooms, 3 full bathrooms, with 1 bedroom and bathroom downstairs. The gourmet kitchen has SS appliances and a large island. A built-in surround sound system and upgrades to the pool, spa, and fire pit to add to their stunning backyard.  
**SOLD FOR \$1,065,000**

## COMING SOON

Lovely home built in 1993, 4 bedrooms and large loft area, 2.5 bathrooms 1841 sqft., with a nice backyard. Built in BBQ, Fire pit and large in ground SPA, located in the North Pleasanton. Call for details.

## BUYERS NEEDS

- ✓ Family in search of a 4 BR home on a nice size lot, pool would be a bonus. Preferred neighborhoods: Kottinger Ranch, Bridle Creek, Foothill Knolls and Laguna Oaks, up to 1.8 million. Approved with a Local Lender & ready to move in!
- ✓ Pleasanton Couple ready to downsize needs a single story home, with 3 bedrooms if possible, walking distance to downtown Pleasanton.

## CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

Julia delivers on the promise "Bringing Integrity To Your Front Door". We could not have been more happier, having chosen Julia to help us find our new home in Pleasanton. Real estate transactions are stressful, even through we wavered - as we were running out of time and we couldn't compete for homes with multiple offers - Julia kept us honest and helped us, buy our new home which met most of the requirements we started out with. We chose to work with Julia based on her local expertise in Pleasanton - but she exceeded our expectations with her competence, resourcefulness and clear communication & guidance through out the process. We feel this is one of those few instances, where we want to rate a service more than 5 stars.

Priyanka Reddy

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Butch & Jenny

**3 Sky Castle Rd,  
Pleasanton**

Stunning views highlight this gated 4938 square foot Mediterranean estate located on an approximately 1.52 acre lot with a separate 1000+ square foot guest cottage and gated access directly into prestigious Castlewood country club. Originally built in 1938 and remodeled throughout, this is truly a one of a kind home. Call for more details and private showings.



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**Move-in Ready!**



**2161 Arroyo Court, #2  
Pleasanton**

Adorable 2 bedroom condo located on a cul-de-sac in prime west side Pleasanton. Home features open floor plan, new carpeting and updated bath. Great community with pool, clubhouse and playground. Call for more information.

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 RESPONSIVENESS: ★★★★★ team, not so much! I wish  
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Licensed since 2002, Suzanne has received numerous awards, ranking consistently in the TOP 100 Coldwell Banker Agents in the Bay Area since 2007, and "International Presidents Elite" awards, year-after-year.

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**DUBLIN** \$699,000  
**Open Sat/Sun 1 - 4**  
8708 Longford Way  
**Home in Dublin's Glenoaks Community**  
3 BD/2 BA Charming Single Story, Updated, Large backyard with Side Yard Access for RV or Boat!  
**Lucy Lizarraga, CalBRE #01393413**  
925.984.1518



**PLEASANTON** \$1,035,000  
4972 Mohr Avenue  
**This is the Entertainers Dream!**  
4 BD/2.5 BA Indoor/Outdoor Living Spaces, Landscaped to Perfection, Gazebo, Outdoor Kit/ Putting Green  
**Shannon Arvig, CalBRE #01350212**  
925.989.2008



**PLEASANTON** \$785,000  
1455 Groth Circle  
**Danbury Park ~ Pleasanton!!**  
3 BD/2 BA Home in Danbury Park Area. Freshly Painted, New Carpet & Laminated Flooring. A Must See!  
**Nancy Sutorius, CalBRE #00628232**  
925.847.2314



**SAN RAMON** \$825,000  
14 Poppy Hills Ln  
**The Orchards in Westside San Ramon!**  
3 BD/2.5 BA HW floors downstairs, high ceilings, plantation shutters, dual zone HVAC  
**Suzanne Bieser, CalBRE #01355940**  
925.699.3884



**TRACY** \$850,000  
19364 W Grant Line Rd  
**Stunning Home In Tracy!**  
4 BD/3.5 BA Stunning Remodeled Kit, Great Room w/ FP, High Ceilings, Den, Lrg DR, Fresh Pnt Int/Ext & More  
**Nancy Terpening, CalBRE #00380392**  
925.570.4003



**UNION CITY** \$615,000  
1036 Carmelian Terrace  
**Stunning TH in Pacific Terrace!**  
2 BD/2 BA Features Bright & Open Floor Plan, Hrdwd Flrs, Newly installed A/C, 2 Car Garage & Low HOA  
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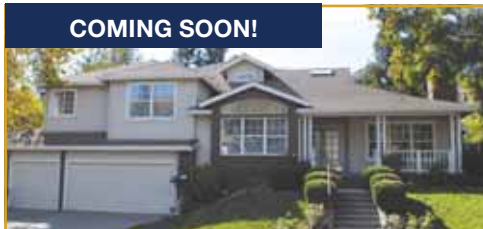
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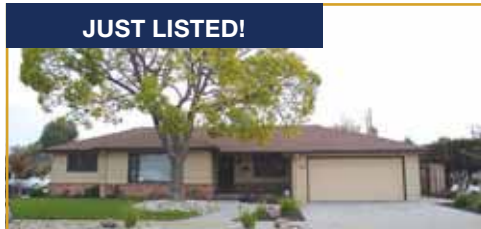
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**Hilltop Location!**  
Gorgeous updated 5 BR, 3 BTH luxury home on private 1/3 Acre lot with views  
Offered at \$1,450,000

### JUST LISTED!



**Charming Upgraded Single Story**  
Updated 3 BR, 2 BTH home in premium location with granite, hardwood, & more!  
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### 1 ACRE LOT



**Carmel Living in Pleasanton!**  
Incredible private gated estate on 1 Acre with vineyard, detached work shop, & more!  
\$2,500,000

### JUST SOLD



**9647 Crosby Drive**  
Incredible custom home in canyon setting with pool, views, privacy, and upgrades throughout!  
\$2,360,000

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**SOLD-POCKET LISTING**



1625 Via Di Salerno, Ruby Hill  
\$3,300,000



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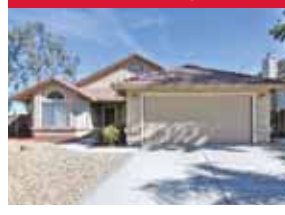
**1513 ARIA CT., LIVERMORE**  
Desirable Prima Neighborhood, South Livermore! 3837 sq. ft., 5 bedrooms, 4 full baths, 15k sq. ft. lot in great court location!  
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4236 Fitzwilliam Street | 3bd/2.5ba  
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