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# TIM TALK



By TIM HUNT

## Tracking the Tri-Valley economy

It's been years in the making, but the Tri-Valley area now sits in an economic and social sweet spot.

Our communities have been very desirable for families for many years with great neighborhoods, quality schools and what was once an easy commute to the business centers of San Francisco and the Silicon Valley. Now that proximity to the South Bay and the cluster of executives and other talented professionals living here has spawned a "thriving micro-economy."

That's the view of Mirador Capital Partners, an investment firm founded by Pleasanton resident Don Garman. He left a Wall Street company in 2013 to form Mirador with the goal of providing the service of a big firm with an eye to investing in the expanding Tri-Valley business and start-up community.

For the last 18 months, he has been working with Greg Hitchan, an experienced investor both locally and throughout the Bay Area. Hitchan, like Garman, is raising his family in Pleasanton (his wife is CBS TV anchor Juliette Goodrich). Hitchan spent most of his career with Blum Capital in San Francisco before transitioning to the Tri-Valley where he ran a co-working space for three years in Hacienda Business Park. He has deep ties to the major Silicon Valley venture capital firms and a broad network.

Greg and Don started talking, and they found they shared an interest in helping local early-stage companies. They have established Tri-Valley Ventures together with serial entrepreneur Dave Selinger (co-founder of real estate tech firm RedFin) and John Murphy. They are in the home stretch of raising their first \$10 million venture fund.

They see that capital propelling small firms before Greg uses his connections to hand them off to the more established Silicon Valley venture capital companies. The companies started here often are led by experienced executives who know how to build firms and already are living here.

As Selinger put it in the Mirador report, "the great thing about starting this company in Pleasanton is I actually get to see my kids." That's an attitude common to senior leaders who are sick and tired

of crossing bridges to get to work.

One key difference is the approach that Garman and Hitchan are taking. Typically, venture firms make a few people very happy financially. Their goal with the fund is to broaden that so there are 10 times as many happy folks.

"We want to see lots of paddles go up at the benefit auctions for our schools, not just a few," Garman said. They believe that will result in a much healthier community.

"The mission of Tri-Valley Ventures is a broad, wide tent that makes 60-70 families money, not just a few. We want to create an ecosystem here for start-ups. We see the Tri-Valley as the way Silicon Valley was 50 years ago," he explained.

They've been working together on the fund for 18 months and have yet to profit \$1 from it — they are committed to their vision for the Tri-Valley.

The Tri-Valley start-up culture has its roots in the national labs that have been far more focused on pushing their technology into the private sector in the last number of years. It also has been enhanced by i-GATE, the joint venture between the labs and the city of Livermore that in its seven-year history has seen companies spawned there raise more than \$50 million in venture capital and employ more than 100 people.

The Mirador View report believes that the Tri-Valley has two sectors that are doing particularly well here: cloud computing led by Workday and Veeva, and medical technology. Workday and Veeva rank No. 2 (behind Salesforce) and No. 4 respectively in cloud computing. Veeva's customer-relationship management is designed for life sciences and pharmaceutical firms — the firm was founded in 2007 and has a current market cap of \$6.5 billion.

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*Editor's note: Journalist Tim Hunt has written columns on the Tri-Valley community for more than 40 years. He grew up in the valley and lives in Pleasanton. His "Tim Talk" blog appears twice a week at PleasantonWeekly.com.*

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# Streetwise

ASKED AT CONGREGATION BETH EMEK'S WEEKLY CHOIR PRACTICE

## When you travel, what kinds of souvenirs do you enjoy looking for?



**Sandra LeBlanc**

*Retired*

Honestly, I really don't look for souvenirs at all. When I was in Italy for two weeks last year, all I bought was a simple purse, scarf and wallet. Nothing expensive. I wear and use them often and think back fondly of my adventure. I prefer to see and explore and interact with people than to search for and spend money on trinkets.



**Lara Golden**

*Software development and training*

I like to collect pins from the places I visit. All different shapes and sizes. They're small, inexpensive, easy to pack, I can give some away as gifts and I love adding the ones I keep to the growing collection of pins I've attached to my backpack.



**Jonathan Cohen**

*Computer scientist*

When I travel, I love to see all of the sights and taste all of the local foods. The most important souvenir I'm always sure to bring home with me though is photographs of my family in all of the places we visited together.



**Nancy Storch**

*Artist/retiree*

I tend to look for things that are colorful and catch my eye, and that are hand-made and representative of the culture and customs of the area.



**Beth Wilson**

*Music and voice teacher*

When I travel, I look for authentic folk items — hopefully not made for the tourist trade — that I can give as gifts to family. For example, when I went to India last year I was able to find a sari scarf that I got for my sister. She really loved it.

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## DIGEST

### Solar eclipse

Millions of people will have their eyes on the sky Monday as a total solar eclipse takes place.

In the Tri-Valley, residents will witness a partial solar eclipse as the moon will obscure approximately 75% of the sun at the maximum eclipse point, according to NASA.

The eclipse will start at 9:01 a.m., with the maximum eclipse anticipated at 10:16 a.m. It will be over by 11:38 a.m.

Eclipse viewers should not look directly at the sun without appropriate eye protection. Serious eye injury can occur without special eclipse glasses or other viewing methods like a sun funnel, NASA officials say.

The Pleasanton library will be giving out 100 pairs of eclipse glasses on a first-come, first-served basis as part of a free viewing event from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Monday. Light refreshments will be served, and there will be a livestream of the total eclipse with commentary from NASA officials.

### Try Transit

The Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA) is once again offering its Try Transit to School promotion next week, enabling Tri-Valley middle and high school students to ride free system-wide.

Now in its 17th year, the promotion offers unlimited rides on all regular Wheels and Rapid bus routes starting Monday through Sept. 1, including weekends and outside of school hours.

Try Transit to School aims to introduce students to local bus services and show them "how efficient and easy it is to ride transit to and from school," LAVTA officials said. "The program also offers parents a safe, convenient and eco-friendly alternative for school transportation."

To participate, students need only board a Wheels or Rapid bus and ride; no ticket or pass required. For route and schedule information, visit [www.wheels-bus.com](http://www.wheels-bus.com) or call 455-7500.

### Family Days

The Museum on Main is hosting its monthly Family Days this Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside the downtown museum, giving children, parents and grandparents the chance to take part in free hands-on demonstrations, crafts and activities related to this month's theme: "Life in Early Pleasanton."

The event will teach people about life in Pleasanton without modern conveniences. Activities include making adobe bricks, dipping candles, stamping leather and more. For more info, visit [www.museumon-main.org](http://www.museumon-main.org) or call 462-2776. ■

## City Council tweaks proposal for smoking restrictions at apartments

### Medical marijuana smoking, with doctor's note, would be allowed only in designated areas at complexes

By JEREMY WALSH

The Pleasanton City Council took another step Tuesday toward establishing new stringent smoking regulations for rental apartment complexes across the city.

Reviewing a proposed ordinance they gave initial support to two months ago, council members left most of the original proposal intact — including the ban on tobacco smoking in apartment units and common areas — but they adjusted course to limit medical marijuana

smoking at complexes only to designated outdoor smoking areas.

Vice Mayor Jerry Pentin said he supported that option for medical marijuana smoking "so we're not banning it entirely but we're still keeping it away from people who are inside their own rental units and dealing with secondhand smoke."

"There are some people who need to smoke it for medical reasons, so I'm uncomfortable (with a full ban)," Councilwoman Kathy Narum added.

The amended medical marijuana provision, endorsed unanimously by the council, meant the proposed ordinance had to be re-introduced publicly Tuesday night. The new restrictions are now set to return for final approval next month and take effect in April.

Focusing primarily on tobacco products, the ordinance would include banning smoking

inside individual units, on balconies and patios, in all indoor and outdoor common areas and within 25 feet of those locations at apartment complexes under single ownership with two or more leased units.

In addition to the onsite bans, "No Smoking" signs would need to be



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Goodguys' 31st West Coast nationals is set to bring over 3,000 hot rods, customs and classic cars to the Alameda County Fairgrounds next weekend.

## Goodguys' West Coast Nationals set for next weekend

### Bringing hot rods, hearty times to Pleasanton fairgrounds

By AMANDA SU

The 31st West Coast Nationals, one of the longest running events on the Goodguys Rod & Custom Association schedule, is set to gather over 3,000 hot rods, street rods, customs, muscle cars and trucks from all over the country for a three-day celebration of the American hot rod at the Alameda County Fairgrounds next weekend.

"At the 31st West Coast Nationals, fans will get a close up glimpse of just how eclectic the modern day hot-rodding scene is, though in spirit the Goodguys core message is unchanged after over 30 years — having fun

with cars," Goodguys officials said ahead of the showcase set for next Friday to Sunday (Aug. 25-27).

Highlights of the event include the crowning of the Goodguys 2017 Flowmaster America's Most Beautiful Street Rod, which will be selected next Saturday morning during the event from the Builder's Choice Area, and the Nitro Thunderfest drag race, occurring next Friday at 1 p.m. and Saturday at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. at the Clock Tower.

The event will also showcase a large vendor midway, which will feature several multimillion-dollar custom big rig tractor trailers

offering a variety of high-performance parts and accessories.

In addition, some other opportunities for interacting directly with manufacturers are an automotive swap meet, which will offer rare automotive equipment, and the Cars for Sale Corral.

There will also be several special display features at the event such as the Concours d'Elegance display, created by the Blackhawk Auto Museum, and the Bonneville Salt Flats racing display.

And for an element of nostalgia, the West Coast Nationals will

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## Clear the Shelters

### Pet adoption fees being waived as part of annual event

By JULIA REIS

Tri-Valley animal shelters will join nearly 700 across the country Saturday in hosting Clear the Shelters, a pet adoption drive in its third year.

All adoption fees will be waived Saturday for those looking to take home a new four-legged friend from a participating shelter.

The East Bay SPCA, which has adoption centers in Dublin and Oakland, will be holding its Tri-Valley Clear the Shelters event from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday at 4651 Gleason Drive in Dublin. The organization will also host a family festival that day featuring activities for kids, food and more.

"Last year, the East Bay SPCA adopted out 89 animals to their new homes during Clear the Shelters, nearly double that of our first year in this initiative," East Bay SPCA president and CEO Allison Lindquist said in a statement. "This year, our goal is to exceed more than 100 animal adoptions from our locations."

Additional groups taking part in the adoption drive include Valley Humane Society, Tri-Valley Animal Rescue and East County Animal Shelter.

Valley Humane Society's Clear the Shelters event will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at 3670 Nevada St. in Pleasanton.

East County Animal Shelter will host its adoption drive from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at 4595 Gleason Drive in Dublin.

Tri-Valley Animal Rescue will take part in the event at East Bay SPCA's Dublin location. ■

# PG&E, Dublin celebrate opening of new Center for Gas Safety and Innovation

New space will allow company to advance testing and operations

BY ERIKA ALVERO

A new PG&E facility in the Tri-Valley held its grand opening last Friday morning, with much fanfare and many dignitaries present.

The 25,000-square-foot Center for Gas Safety and Innovation in Dublin is the second of three new centers for the company. The Gas Control Center opened first in 2013 in San Ramon and the Gas Safety Academy is expected to open in Winters next month.

The Dublin site at 5875 Arnold Road, near the Gleason and Hacienda drives intersection, will house three groups within PG&E's gas operations division: methods and procedures, measurement and control test lab, and non-destructive examination.

Considering that PG&E already has a significant footprint in the Tri-Valley, constructing the center in Dublin makes sense, said Summet Singh, PG&E vice president of gas portfolio management and engineering. "It's a natural progression," he said at the Friday event.

The ceremony happened to take

place — perhaps not so coincidentally — on National Safe Digging day, so-dated on Aug. 11 (8/11) because 811 is the phone number to call before digging in order for utility operators to come out to your location and mark all underground utilities.

The event included a ribbon-cutting ceremony and a \$10,000 check presented to Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group in recognition of its work as a community partner, and a tour of the new facility. Community members and leaders from across the Tri-Valley region attended, including the mayor of Livermore, vice mayor of Dublin and chamber of commerce members from San Ramon and Danville.

Cindy Chin, a representative for Assemblywoman Catharine Baker, said that the new center would not only support Dublin, but the entire Tri-Valley region.

Singh agreed, adding that it would contribute to cleaner energy on a more universal level as well. "A lot of tools and techniques that

we use here, we're sharing with friends in the industry," he said.

"Safety" was an oft-repeated word throughout the ceremony.

Each of the three groups that will be situated at the new facility has a unique objective.

Specialists and engineers in the methods and procedures group work on crafting and revising PG&E's gas guidance documents, tools and equipment to make sure operations are consistent with regulations. They also collaborate with manufacturers to test new products and processes.

Those in the measurement and control test lab oversee the testing, evaluation and implementation of measurement and control device systems for the gas pipeline system, along with providing technical support for operational needs.

And the non-destructive examination group is charged with evaluating the strength of PG&E's pipeline network through inspections, calibrations, testing and training.

"We're pleased PG&E selected

# Camp Arroyo fundraiser next weekend

The Taylor Family Foundation hosts annual Day in the Park

Musician, filmmaker and humanitarian Michael Franti is performing at the Taylor Family Foundation's 27th annual Day in the Park auction fundraiser Aug. 27 at Camp Arroyo in Livermore.

The foundation helps children living with life-threatening and chronic illnesses and developmental disabilities. Its Camp Arroyo is a residential camp in the 138-acre Del Valle Regional Wilderness that gives these children a place year-round to explore, learn and grow in an ideal outdoor setting. It opened in 2000.

The fundraising event will include local celebrities, including news personalities and food and wine editor Narsai David, with gourmet food and wine from top

restaurants and wineries.

Rare live auction items include private chef dinners and sports packages, private air accommodations to red carpet events, luxurious vacations and other glamorous packages. Tickets for the event are \$200; visit [www.ttff.org](http://www.ttff.org) or call 455-5118.

The Taylor Family Foundation uses grants to help families pay for clothing, funeral expenses and medical devices. It also has a mobile music therapy program called Sophie's Place, in partnership with Wells Fargo and the Forever Young Foundation, which bring music therapy to the camp as well as those who are homebound or in Northern California hospitals. ■

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli

Dublin as their headquarters for this important work," Dublin vice mayor Don Biddle said in a statement. "Dublin has become a hub for innovation, and today's grand

opening reinforces our commitment to support businesses that not only enhance the community of Dublin but reach consumers throughout the state and country." ■

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# Commission urges more design work on proposed small subdivision

Infill project wants to touch up existing street-front houses, add two-story homes behind

By JEREMY WALSH

Pleasanton planning commissioners indicated support last week for the concept of subdividing three neighboring Augustine Street parcels into six residential lots but said more work needed to be done to bring the development proposal more in line with their design goals for that part of downtown.

The plans submitted by Dale Morris of Valley Brokers call for converting the narrow and deep lots into space for six smaller parcels, expanding the three existing single-story houses at the front properties, adding a trio of two-story houses behind them and creating a driving lane for access back to the new homes.

All four commissioners said they liked the idea of the new lots — an infill project that increases housing downtown in detached homes, as opposed to apartments — but they wanted more design improvements to the existing houses at the front and smaller house designs for the new ones at the back.

“Conceptually, I think it’s the right direction for us to go,” Commissioner David Nagler said during a sparsely attended public workshop Aug. 9 at the Pleasanton Civic Center.

“On the front parcels, there are improvements that I would like to see more of,” Nagler added. “The buildings in the back, the proposed homes, I believe that while the height is completely appropriate, their mass



JEREMY WALSH

These three properties on Augustine Street are proposed to be split into six parcels, with the existing houses touched up and new two-story houses added behind them.

is not appropriate to the site.”

The project site, owned by Frank Abboud, consists of 0.59 acres in all with three smaller single-story houses each with a one-car garage at 4664, 4676 and 4682 Augustine St., located between the downtown business center and the Alameda County Fairgrounds.

The current proposal from Valley Brokers calls for remodeling the 925-square-foot house at 4664 Augustine St. by tearing down the garage and building an addition at the side, a front porch and a two-car garage at the back of the home.

Next-door at 4676 Augustine St., additions would be built on the south and east sides of the 795-square-foot house with no other design changes. And the 1,015-square-foot house at 4682 Augustine St. would have another

43 square feet tacked on to the side with no other design changes.

Those two houses would retain their single-car garages and split a tandem parking area between the properties.

A driving aisle would be added between 4664 and 4676 Augustine St. to give people access to the three homes proposed for the back part of the properties.

As proposed, the three new parcels would be created to accommodate a total of three detached two-story homes — 2384 square feet, 2,289 square feet and 1,960 square feet, respectively — with an attached two-car garage each. There would be two guest parking spots in the back area, too.

The proposal would also require rezoning the properties from multi-family residential to planned

unit development, high-density residential, as well as removing all eight trees on-site, including two heritage-sized trees.

The subdivision concept, with creating new lots for homes at the back, is similar to a housing project recently completed across the street at Augustine Street and the new Augustine Place.

“This town is in dire need of real estate. These houses are actually being built to rent, not for sale,” Morris said, adding that the new houses would likely be valued in the \$950,000 to \$1 million range. “Trying to bring housing is real important with this project here.”

The commission also heard from one resident, a neighbor concerned about privacy in her single-story home if two-story houses are added.

“I don’t care about real estate in Pleasanton and how much it is ... I don’t care that much about some of those trees that are going to be removed,” Mary Jo Kotter said. “I care that those two-story buildings are going to look right down into my living room. I live in an 800-square-foot home; I got nowhere to go.”

City associate planner Natalie Amos also walked the commissioners through three alternative projects that could be allowed on the site based on its current land-use designation and residential zoning.

The developer could demolish the three existing houses and build

apartments, they could keep the three houses and add attached multi-family housing at the back, or they could retain the three houses and build three new houses at the back smaller than what’s proposed, more cottage-styled.

Nagler and Commissioner Nancy Allen said they started out with a “prejudice against” second-story houses behind the smaller homes at the front, but they might be open to a concept at one-story with a loft or tapered two-story approach.

Commissioners Jack Balch and Herb Ritter expressed more support for two-story homes at the back, but said they should be smaller-scale than what is proposed, with Balch noting all three new houses would be well above the maximum floor area ratio allowed in that zoning district.

The commissioners also said they wanted to see more architectural upgrades to the three front houses, especially the two that would go largely untouched design-wise under the current proposal, to bring those houses more in line with the desired character of residences downtown.

Balch said he would rather see all six lots “better balanced” with each other, while also advocating for saving one of the heritage trees pegged for removal.

“I totally agree ... if you don’t fix the front houses, what’s the good of doing the back ones,” Ritter added.

“I’m very concerned with what I see, and I’m hoping we don’t do that in the end. I’m hoping we create a model for what we hope other infill sites will look like,” Allen said.

No action was taken during the Aug. 9 discussion, scheduled as a workshop for the commission to get an early look at the concept. ■

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# Teen honored for creating new library card artwork

Council also appoints new literary arts ambassador, teen poet laureates

By JEREMY WALSH

Pleasanton library cards have a fresh new design thanks to Foothill High School freshman Afreen Shameem.

The 14-year-old Pleasanton girl's artwork, now gracing the cover of library cards being distributed at the Pleasanton Public Library, was selected as the winner of the library's design contest from among more than 100 submissions this spring.

"When I found out that I won, I was shocked and excited because it is a big accomplishment for me," Shameem said before the City Council ceremony honoring her achievement Tuesday night.

"I feel honored that my design will represent the library on the card and that the residents and children will be carrying my artwork," she added. "I also thank the staff and judges for choosing my design."

Shameem's artwork stood out because of its depiction of values representative of the library and Pleasanton itself, according to Heidi Murphy, director of library services.

"Afreen's design was chosen by the Library Commission because it best embraced the Library's mission statement: 'Start your journey here: discover, connect, share,'" Murphy said. "She also incorporated the iconic downtown Pleasanton arch, footprints and paw prints, and the joy of learning that we love to see at the Library."

Reflecting on her design, Shameem recalled, "I chose to include symbols that represent Pleasanton and the library, such as the Pleasanton Arch and books. The arch stood out because I see it when I visit downtown. I love to draw cartoons and to relate to the mission statement, I chose to show how discoveries can be made in books and ideas be connected to our own lives and shared with others."

The council recognized her with a special commendation, and



JEREMY WALSH

Holding her city commendation, Foothill freshman Afreen Shameem stands next to enlarged version of her original artwork that serves as new design for Pleasanton library cards.

attendees shared a cake with her library card design on top.

## In other business

- Council members appointed local author Meg Fleming as the city's first-ever literary arts ambassador Tuesday night.

The new position, which expands upon the city's former adult poet laureate program, aims to raise awareness about the importance of reading and writing as it relates to lifelong literacy and education.

A three-year Pleasanton resident, Fleming has had two books published and two more are due out next year. She has also been actively involved in the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators.

A candidates review committee and the Civic Arts Commission chose Fleming as their top candidate for the two-year post from among three applicants following open recruitment earlier this summer. Fleming will receive a \$1,000 stipend for work related to her new position.

Community services director Susan Andrade-Wax said Fleming was selected because her

"knowledge, accomplishments and experience coupled with her enthusiasm and love of the written word would be an excellent match for the literature ambassador program," adding that Fleming would also be "a thought-provoking mentor for the teen poet laureates."

Fleming's role serves to replace the adult poet laureate position, which ran successfully from 1999 to 2015 with eight residents holding the post over those years but has gone without a new appointee following several failed recruitment attempts since Sandra Harrison Kay's term ended in 2015.

- The council also named the city's next teen poet laureates — two from each comprehensive high school — to serve from September to May.

The group includes first-time appointees Yasmin Ghaemmaghani (Amador Valley) and Varsha Vaidyanath (Foothill) and reappointed teen poet laureates Irene Sha (Amador Valley) and Nithya Swaminathan (Foothill).

After the appointments, the council hosted original readings by Fleming and the four teen poet laureates. ■

## SMOKING

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posted around the complex, and the smoke-free rules would need to be disclosed in tenant leases. The property owners would have the option to create a designated smoking area outdoors at least 25 feet from non-smoking areas.

All new rules would apply to e-cigarettes and recreational marijuana as well, but in approving the first reading of the ordinance June 20, the council asked city staff to return with more information on regulating medical marijuana smoking before the final vote on adoption.

City staff recommended allowing medical marijuana smoking inside apartment units "if tenant provides landlord written documentation that tenant needs it for medical purposes, no alternative means of delivery or ingestion are available and tenant is unable to smoke outside," assistant city attorney Larissa Seto said.

The council's follow-up discussion Tuesday focused on how to reduce the effects of secondhand smoke on neighbors living in close quarters in apartments while accommodating residents who rely on marijuana for legitimate medical reasons but can only smoke it -- and what about residents physically unable to leave their apartments.

One of two public speakers Tuesday, Bill Mulgrew, representing the Rental Housing Association local branch, urged for including medical marijuana in the ban, arguing it would be unfair to put the burden on property managers to judge a medical need and unfair to tenants living next-door to a marijuana user.

Tamiko Johnson of the Alameda County Public Health Department also voiced support for prohibiting medical marijuana smoking indoors.

"There's no safe level of secondhand smoke exposure," Johnson told the council. "From experience with other cities, gaining compliance with your smoke-free-housing law and having effective enforcement if you're allowing someone to smoke anything inside their apartment is going to be incredibly difficult for you all."

"I don't have problems with people smoking medical marijuana. I have problems with people who smoke it and then the person next door has to suffer from the

secondhand smoke," Pentin said.

"When people take medication, it normally doesn't affect anybody else. And in this case, it does affect other people," Mayor Jerry Thorne added. "I just kind of wonder where you draw the line here. It's kind of darned if you do, darned if you don't."

After debating a full ban, council members ultimately agreed to allow medical marijuana smoking at apartment complexes in their designated smoking areas if the tenant provides a doctor's note spelling out why their patients needs to smoke medicinal marijuana as opposed to ingesting it through other means such as edibles.

Under the ordinance, owners have the option to designate a smoking area but it is not required.

"If a tenant needs to smoke it, they can be outside. If their apartment complex isn't going to have a designated smoking area, then they have to move," Narum said.

"If we're going to allow cigarette smoking, we might as well have the medical marijuana use at the same location," Councilwoman Karla Brown added.

Because the council changed the medical marijuana provision from the original proposal to allow in-unit use with a doctor's note, the updated ordinance needed to go through its own first reading, which the council approved 5-0 Tuesday night.

The proposed ordinance is scheduled to return to the council for final consideration Sept. 5.

An ordinance like this would typically take effect 30 days after adoption, but the proposal calls for holding off for six months to give property managers enough time to implement new procedures and update lease terms as well as allow residents to make housing choices in light of the new rules.

The restrictions are on track to start April 5, 2018.

The ordinance only applies to rental apartments, not other adjoining multi-family complexes like condos or townhouses where units are individually owned. Council members directed city staff in June to solicit community feedback on possible smoking restrictions for condos and townhouses and then return with a recommendation some time next year after the apartment rules take effect. ■

## GOODGUYS

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feature an indoor Cushman display, a WEME Miniature Engine display and tether car racing — model racing cars that run on an internal combustion engine and are tethered to a pole.

The West Coast Nationals, an event open to all ages, will also include a wide array of activities and games for children, such as a model car make n' take program that sends children home with their very own model kit, the PPG coloring contest and various arts and crafts.

The gates to the event are open next Friday and next Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and next Sunday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

General admission is \$20 for adults and \$6 for children (ages 7-12). Alameda County Fairgrounds parking is \$10. \$17 general admission tickets are available online until midnight Thursday. There is a \$5 off general admission for retired or active military with their military ID card.

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# Community Pulse

## POLICE BULLETIN

### Police: Local homeless man beaten in unprovoked attack

Pleasanton police are searching for three young men allegedly involved in an unprovoked attack on a local homeless man last Friday night in which the transient was shot several times with a BB gun and beat with a hockey stick.

The investigation began around 11:20 p.m. Friday when police received a call from a resident reporting an injured man asking for help near the Avana Stoneridge Apartments on Springhouse Drive, according to Pleasanton police Sgt. Steven Ayers.

Officers arrived on scene to find the 51-year-old transient suffering from injuries consistent with being involved in a fight and having been shot multiple times with a BB gun, Ayers said.

The preliminary investigation indicated three young men attacked the homeless man as he was sleeping under the Stoneridge Drive overpass at the Arroyo Mocho Trail, according to Ayers.

The unknown attackers shot the victim in the back and arm with a BB gun and struck him with a hockey stick during the assault, the sergeant said.

The man managed to escape his attackers and run to Stoneridge Drive, where he flagged down passersby who called 9-1-1, Ayers said. The victim was taken to Stanford-ValleyCare Medical Center where he was treated for non-life-threatening injuries and released.

Ayers said police officers extensively searched the area but were unable to locate the attackers. They remained at large as of Wednesday afternoon.

The primary aggressor was

described as a white man between 18-25 years old, about 5-foot-7 or 5-foot-8 and weighing around 200 pounds, the sergeant said. The attacker had brown hair, brown eyes and several days worth of stubble on his face.

The other two assailants were also men 18-25 years old, but their races were unknown. One of them wore a black, white and gold hockey jersey.

Anyone with information on the attack can contact Pleasanton police at 931-5100.

Ayers also thanked the Pleasanton residents who helped the victim by quickly calling police. "It is an excellent reminder to everyone to please contact the Pleasanton Police Department if they notice anything suspicious," he said.

### In other news

- Burglars broke into vehicles at two BART stations in the East Bay on Sunday.

At the Dublin/Pleasanton station, someone reported that their white 2015 Ford F-150 was burglarized while it was parked on the fourth level of the parking garage. The burglary occurred between 12:30 p.m. and 6:15 p.m., police said.

According to police, the unidentified burglar smashed the left front window and stole a backpack containing a laptop computer.

At the Pittsburg/Bay Point station, another person reported that their red 2010 Chevrolet Aveo was burglarized between 10 a.m. and 9:15 p.m. According to police, the burglar smashed the left rear window and stole an empty purse.

- An Alameda County sheriff's spokesman apologized Tuesday morning for what he said was an accidental retweet Monday night of a video posted by white nationalist Richard Spencer.

The video was of a media briefing held by Spencer, a prominent white

nationalist, following the "Unite the Right" rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, that turned deadly when a man drove a car into a crowd of counter-protesters, killing a woman and injuring nearly two dozen other people.

Alameda County sheriff's Sgt. Ray Kelly said he was doing research on Spencer because he's a "focal point" of a right-wing rally planned in Berkeley on Aug. 27 that organizers have titled "No to Marxism in America."

Kelly said when he was trying to close the video, he "hit a bunch of buttons at the bottom, and one must have been the retweet button."

The tweet remained shared on the Twitter profile of the sheriff's office for an extended period of time, prompting inquiries from journalists and other Twitter users.

"I'm not very savvy with Twitter," Kelly said. "I had to call our IT person to take it down, that's why it took a bit of time."

"It was a mistake, I deserve it on this one," he said, but emphasized "it was an accident, and there was no ill will or bad intention."

- A man who died as he was operating a forklift Monday afternoon in Lafayette was identified by the Contra Costa County coroner's office as Edwin Gomez-Zarate of Livermore.

Gomez-Zarate, 35, died shortly after 3 p.m. when Lafayette police were sent to a worksite in the 800 block of Avalon Avenue.

California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) officials said Gomez-Zarate was driving a forklift to load and unload paver stones for a landscaping company when he became trapped in or by something.

Cal/OSHA officials said they could not immediately release any more information about the case. Gomez-Zarate died before he could be treated at a hospital. ■


—Pleasanton Weekly staff and Bay City News Service




PLEASANTON PD

### Paying their respects

Pleasanton police officers, firefighters and residents gather to honor the motorcade carrying the body of U.S. Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Lenin Priego Zurita down Interstate 580 back to his hometown of Tracy last week. The 20-year-old died at Fort Myer on July 30 of apparent natural causes while stationed at the Pentagon.



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## POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

### Aug. 13

#### Theft

- 12:03 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 12:19 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 7:03 p.m., 3700 block of Florian Street; theft from auto
- 7:07 p.m., 5800 block of Parkside Drive; theft from auto

#### Fraud

- 7:38 a.m. on the 5700 block of Highbluff Terrace

#### Vandalism

- 1:17 a.m. on the 5100 block of Hopyard Road

#### Graffiti

- 6:38 a.m. on Santa Rita Road at Stoneridge Drive

### Aug. 12

#### Theft

- 8:06 p.m. on the 6400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

#### Vandalism

- 1:21 p.m. on Peters Avenue

#### Drug violation

- 10:53 a.m. on the 7700 block of Forsythia Court

### Aug. 11

#### Assault/battery

- 11:23 p.m. at Stoneridge Drive and Santa Rita Road

#### Theft

- 8:23 p.m. on the 1300 block of Kolln Street

#### Vandalism

- 10:02 a.m. on the 5800 block of West Las Positas Boulevard

#### Rape

- 9:54 a.m. on Fair Street

#### Alcohol violation

- 6:46 p.m. on the 5500 block of West Las Positas Boulevard

- 9:00 p.m. on the 4400 block on First Street

#### Theft from auto

- 6:27 a.m. on the 6200 block of Amber Lane

#### Commercial burglary

- 4:01 a.m. on the 6000 block of West Las Positas Boulevard

### Aug. 10

#### Commercial burglary

- 6:16 p.m. on the 4500 block of Chabot Drive

#### Vandalism

- 6:59 p.m. on the 2800 block of Foothill Oaks Terrace

#### Theft

- 1:06 p.m. on the 4400 block of Railroad Avenue
- 5:50 p.m., 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

#### Fraud

- 11:47 a.m. on the 2300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

### Aug. 9

#### Fraud

- 8:43 p.m. on the 500 block of Gyles Place

#### Assault/battery

- 3:25 p.m. on West Las Positas Boulevard

#### Sex offense

- 12:45 a.m. on Denker Drive

#### Auto theft

- 8:29 a.m. on the 5700 block of West Las Positas Boulevard

#### Burglary

- 8:27 a.m. on the 4300 block of Rosewood Drive

### Aug. 8

#### Theft

- 9:39 a.m., 5500 block of Springhouse Drive; theft from auto

- 11:38 p.m., 7000 block of Johnson Drive; theft from structure

## Lady laughs

Three comediennes find humor in everyday life

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Life is a funny thing, comedienne Margaret Zhao observes. Things that are uncomfortable, embarrassing or even disastrous when they happen often become humorous in hindsight.

"In comedy there is a saying: Comedy equals tragedy plus time," Zhao noted.

The Pleasanton resident gives examples of everyday challenges when she moved to Orange County in 1985 after marrying an American.

"In China, we stand very close, we squeeze on the bus and train," Zhao said. "When I was in the post office there was a mark to stand behind, but I didn't know that and I stood right close to the person at the counter. Then the person looked at me. My husband gestured me to come back."

She stood too close to people in line at the grocery store, too.

"I had no clue," she said, with a laugh. "It was a habit. In China we stand close to everybody."

Her memoir, "Really Enough: A True Story of Tyranny, Courage and

Comedy," tells about her struggle in China for survival, freedom and forbidden love, as well as her cross-cultural surprises in America.

Zhao was a clerk at UC Irvine Medical Center when her coworkers learned about her Chinese traditional healing skills and sought her help with various aches and pains. Zhao realized she could support herself with her healing arts and began to work full-time doing acupuncture.

Meanwhile she was catching on to American humor, watching comedians Roseanne Barr and Margaret Cho, and she began to share stories of her early life with others — with a comic twist.

"Somebody said, 'You're so funny, you should go to Irvine Improv,'" she said. "I called, and the manager said to come on open mike night and we will see."

She got her jokes together, thinking she would have a tryout in his office, and was gob smacked when she arrived to find she was to perform before a live audience. When she walked onstage, she was blinded by the spotlight.

"I lost my brain for a few seconds," she recalled. "But the surprise and shock emboldened me. I killed! Nervousness can make you do a better job."

She continued to do standup comedy at the Irvine Improv and other venues, including the Laugh Factory in Hollywood.

Then, after 19 years in Southern California, Zhao went to San Jose to help her niece, training teachers in her massage/reflexology center. While there, Zhao met her current husband, who lives in Pleasanton, and she moved here two years ago.

Zhao immediately began her healing arts locally, teaching qi gong for the city of Pleasanton and founding the Life Renewing Center.

"I educate people to take charge of their health," Zhao said, "with acupuncture, tai chi, qi gong and exercise. People can change their inner self to make things better."

And she mixes in humor.



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Pleasanton's Margaret Zhao is among the comediennes performing next weekend in Livermore as part of "One Night, Three Women, Too Funny!"

"People always ask, 'How did you come to the U.S.A.?' she said. "I answer, 'By airplane.' They always laugh. I teach people healing laughs."

Zhao, who is 60 but looks younger, has performed to sellout crowds at the Bothwell Arts Center.

"One person asked the question, 'How do you keep the fountain of youth?' I said, 'One thing I do is color my hair,'" she said.

"You can find humor in everything — embarrassment, stress — then you can deal with it with a better mind and energy," she added. "It really works, it engenders endorphins, there is a physical reaction from laughter."

Zhao is performing with comedians Regina Stoops and Stacey Gustafson in "One Night, Three Women, Too Funny!" at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 26 at the Bothwell Arts Center in Livermore. Tickets are \$15. Proceeds benefit the facility, which offers affordable space for classrooms, rehearsal, performances and artist studios.

Stoops' perspective of life in the suburbs has fueled her comedic rambles of a "Catholic, Democratic, lesbian, stay-at home soccer mom with an autistic son."

Gustafson also turns everyday frustrations to hilarity as she pokes fun at kids, parents, marriage and midlife. She writes humor columns and blogs — such as detailing the horrors of being trapped inside a pair of Spanx — and was named Erma Bombeck Humor Writer of the Month.

Zhao said her goal is to spread unconditional love to everyone, including those who are not very loveable.

"I am a Buddhist practitioner, and I have the Buddhist

point of view that we have enough suffering — birth, aging, sickness, death," she said. "We don't need hatred to add to the sufferings. I am a drop in the ocean but if we all love in this ocean, we will be in a peaceful world." ■



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Stacey Gustafson is known for turning everyday frustrations into hilarity.



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Regina Stoops is also starring in the comedy fundraiser for the Bothwell Arts Center.

### Too funny

**What:** "One Night, Three Women, Too Funny!" Comedy Fundraiser

**Who:** Margaret Zhao, Regina Stoops, Stacey Gustafson

**When:** 7:30-9 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 26

**Where:** Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 Eighth St., Livermore

**Tickets:** \$15; purchase at LVPAC.org or the Bankhead Theater box office. Autographed books and cash bar will be in the lobby.

# Tri-Valley Heroes nomination period opens

Sponsorship opportunities available for 6th annual awards program

BY PLEASANTON WEEKLY STAFF

The Pleasanton Weekly and DanvilleSanRamon.com are once again putting out a call for nominations and sponsorships for the annual Tri-Valley Heroes awards — our salute to the community members dedicated to bettering the Tri-Valley and the lives of its residents.

Individuals who live or work in Pleasanton, Dublin, San Ramon, Danville, Alamo or Livermore are eligible, as are organizations and businesses headquartered in these communities. If you know a person, organization or group deserving of recognition, complete the nomination form at [TinyURL.com/2017Heroes](http://TinyURL.com/2017Heroes).

Nominations can also be emailed directly to Gina Channell at [gchannell@embarcaderomediagroup.com](mailto:gchannell@embarcaderomediagroup.com), but make sure all the information requested on the form is included. Nominations must be received by 5 p.m. Sept. 18. Awards will be presented Oct. 23 in Pleasanton.

Our panel of “hero” judges will bestow honors in eight categories:

- **Arts and Culture:** For acknowledgment/recognition of achievements or contributions within the area of arts and culture.
- **Community Spirit:** For selfless, tireless and largely unacknowledged actions that has

enriched or improved the quality of life for the local community.

- **Courage:** For an act of bravery or for determination and strength of character to triumph over adversity.
- **Environmental Stewardship:** For a group or individual committed to minimizing risks and conserving and recycling, thereby reducing the impact on natural resources.

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

• **Rising 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.

• **Role Model:** For displaying common sense, compassion and wisdom while teaching, coaching and mentoring others with a vision for people to strive to be the best they can be.

• **Lifetime Achievement:** Recognizes an individual or group for contributions, leadership, enthusiasm, and tireless efforts on behalf of his or her community



and neighbors.

We want to recognize those individuals, groups or organizations that stand out because of their actions, integrity or honor, whether that hero is a firefighter who rescues a child from a burning house, the girl who is courageously battling leukemia, the business that allows its employees to mentor teens, or the neighborhood group that cleans up the creek.

### Award criteria

For the individual component, nominees for the awards must be a resident of Pleasanton, Dublin, San Ramon, Danville, Alamo or Livermore or the work/volunteering that they do must take place in one of these communities. The contribution for which they are being nominated must have made a significant impact to a cause, a person or a group in that market. Nominees must be at least 16

years of age during the active program year, except for the Rising Star award.

If a nominee is an organization, group or business, it must be currently based and operating in Pleasanton, Dublin, San Ramon, Danville, Alamo or

Livermore and serve the residents of that area. The contribution for which the organization, group or business is being nominated must have a proven impact on one of these communities. National or international organizations with local offices or branches may apply, but they will be judged only on the work they do locally.

The work that a nominee does to inspire a nomination may be part of a nominee’s job (a teacher, principal or social worker, for example) but volunteer work, or the work a nominee does above and beyond their professional role may hold more value during the judging process. By the same token, the work that an organization, group or business does to elicit a nomination can be part of their organizational mandate, but the work they do selflessly for the sole benefit of a cause, person or group outside of their work may hold more value during the

judging process.

The work for which a nominee is nominated must have taken place, at least in part, during the 12 months prior to nomination.

Nominators may remain anonymous to their nominee, but they must provide their contact information to Embarcadero Media for verification purposes.

If a nominee is selected as a semi-finalist, they will need to provide a digital head shot photo of themselves.

A committee of staff and community members will select recipients for each award category based on the criteria mentioned above. Where applicable, individual nominations will be evaluated in respect to other individual nominations within a category and organizations/groups/businesses will be evaluated in respect to other similar nominations within a category.

### Sponsorship

This year’s sponsors are Robert Half, Monterey Private Wealth, DoubleTree by Hilton Pleasanton at the Club, ChiroSports USA, Harrington Art Partnership and San Ramon Arts Foundation.

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at events like 1st  
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# HAGLUND at the HELM

New Pleasanton schools superintendent looks to bring stability to district

BY JULIA REIS

**D**avid Haglund is all settled in his new office — but don't expect him to call it that.

The new Pleasanton Unified School District superintendent refers to the space as his classroom rather than his office, and he stands while working because “teachers stand all day long ... it keeps them connected.” He keeps his door open and recently told a group of new teachers that if they ever have trouble getting in, “just walk around the back of the building and knock (on that door).”

“It's about making that connection with people,” Haglund said during a recent interview.

The 2017-18 school year started on Monday, and for PUSD families it's another with a new superintendent leading the district.

A 29-year educator who most recently

worked as a deputy superintendent in Santa Ana, Haglund, 57, became Pleasanton's fifth leader since spring 2015 when he took the helm July 3.

Pleasanton's school board formally selected Haglund to fill the role in June after a months-long hiring process led by an executive search firm. That firm was brought on in the wake of the board's decision to fire superintendent Rick Rubino without cause in January, six months after he started the job. PUSD deputy superintendent of business services Micaela Ochoa led the district through the rest of last school year by taking on the additional role of interim superintendent.

There has also been turnover among school administrators, as 10 of the district's 15 schools have had new principals since the start of the 2015-16 school year. This year,

there are new principals at Foothill High and Valley View Elementary.

Haglund said he's aware that “change is never easy.”

“I'm hoping that in this time of transition, we can establish some stability for folks, that we can let go of everybody's tension and relax and take some time to get to know each other.

“If we all really care about what's best for kids and we're all going to be committed to doing what's best for kids, we're going to all end up in the same place,” he said.

School board trustee Steve Maher, a former Hart Middle School principal, said it was Haglund's “child-focused” perspective that impressed him most when the board was weighing candidates.

“He wants to be supportive and to try to remove any obstacles in the way of teaching,”

Maher said. “All 800 teachers in the district have his cell number — he's open that way.”

“He just wants to do what's best for children so they can succeed,” Maher added.

## Curious about learning, but struggling with school

Haglund's family has roots in California dating back to the late 1800s. Born in Riverside, Haglund moved with his family to Huntington Beach when he was 9 and he attended schools in the area.

At a young age Haglund liked teachers and can still remember first- and second-grade teachers who were “highly impactful on me.”

One of those was Mrs. Chun.

“She was probably the one who figured out how to take my energy and channel it in a positive direction, because I was a handful when I was younger,” Haglund said.

There were other teachers he connected with too: a music teacher in seventh grade, an art teacher in eighth grade and two social studies teachers in high school.

But by the time he was in high school, a teen-aged Haglund — someone who decades later would earn a doctorate in education — found himself with limited interest in his coursework.

“I could not stand high school,” he said. “I liked choir, I liked sports and I liked social studies, and other than that I liked surfing better than I liked any of my other classes.”

His counselor and parents tried to keep him engaged, but by the time Haglund was going into his senior year he was “pretty much done with high school.”

So he took a test offered at that time to “mentally gifted minors” who wanted to leave high school early and go into college. He passed, left high school and enrolled in community college, also taking on work at a Marriott Hotel restaurant.

“That period of time was the most formative time that I had in terms of my career,” Haglund said. “I wanted to be a manager, but they told me I couldn't be one because I wasn't old enough.”

“So I talked to the regional manager and I said, ‘What's the way I can make it happen?’ and he said, ‘Well managers need to know the restaurant better than anyone else,’” Haglund continued. “So I went back to my store manager and I said, ‘I want you to start me at the bottom and work me through all the positions.’ And that's what he did. Within a year they had made me an assistant manager.”

“Yes, I left school early, but it was probably one of the best things for me because I really had to learn in different ways,” he added.

After working as a manager there and later at an air-conditioning company, Haglund approached a dean at Pacific Christian College in Fullerton about enrolling as a student.

The dean told him he needed to take the SAT. When the scores came back fine, he told Haglund, “I'll let you in, but first time you get a B, you're done.”

Haglund never got a B, and he credits that dean — Dr. Gary Tiffin — for inspiring him to become an educator.

“I didn't go to college to study to be a teacher — that's not why I went in. That's how I came out.”

## Building a career

After graduating from Pacific Christian College in 1985 with a bachelor's degree in social science, Haglund earned his teaching credential at University of Redlands. His student teaching job was at a juvenile hall.

“It was a phenomenal learning experience because you would get new kids every day and they would all be at different places so you had to develop a learning plan for each student in all subject areas,” he recalled. “It taught me from very early on that every kid is different.”

His first teaching job was in an “opportunity classroom” in Yucaipa in San Bernardino County for students with habitual behavior issues.

From there it was on to a continuation school in Rialto where he served as a social science department chair, student assistance program coordinator and technology coordinator for 11 years. Toward the end of his time there he went back to school, earning a master’s degree in counseling psychology from Trinity College of Graduate Studies.

In 1998, he moved to Central Middle School in Riverside where he taught for six years until becoming an instructional services administrator for Riverside Unified School District in 2004.

He served in various administrative roles for the district and earned two more degrees during that time — a master’s in educational leadership along with an administrative credential from California Baptist University and a doctorate in K-12 educational leadership from University of Southern California. In 2013, he moved on to Santa Ana Unified to become its deputy superintendent and chief academic officer.

Haglund was in the midst of the school year in Santa Ana when he heard about the superintendent vacancy in Pleasanton. He was one of over 50 applicants, a pool that was whittled down to 20, then six, then three. In May, Haglund was announced as the finalist for the job, and a group of school board trustees and other PUSD stakeholders went down to Santa Ana to speak with his colleagues about hiring him.

On June 13 the Pleasanton school board unanimously approved a three-year employment contract for Haglund with an annual base salary of \$265,000.

Haglund’s son Tyler (he has two children — Tyler, 30, and Tobias, 29) helped him move in to his Pleasanton apartment July 2. The next day was his first as Pleasanton’s new superintendent.

### Looking ahead

So far in his tenure, Haglund has been meeting people in Pleasanton schools and in the community, attending events like 1st Wednesdays to get himself acquainted in town.

He believes being a leader means working to make connections with people, and he will use humor to that effect.

“Even when we’re in difficult conversations, I try to lead with humor because if we’re not laughing and smiling, we’re not going to be able to figure stuff out,” Haglund said.

Haglund will likely encounter some of those difficult discussions in the near future, as PUSD administration projected in June that the district would need to make \$3.2 million in cuts by 2020 in order to have a balanced budget.

“The budget forecast is not positive looking forward, so we’ve got to figure out how do we do all these wonderful things while being wise fiscal stewards of the resources that the state and folks in the district give us,” he said.

Other goals of the new superintendent include better ensuring services for special needs students, getting priorities set for Measure II



Above: Haglund speaks with parents Lisa and Chuck Brown and their son Chance at Vintage Hills Elementary’s walk-through registration day. Below: Haglund says decreasing district turnover is a goal of his as Pleasanton’s new schools superintendent.

JULIA REIS

bond projects and decreasing district turnover.

“For whatever reason this district has a difficult time of attracting and maintaining talent,” Haglund said. “We’ve got to figure that problem out because we can’t keep retraining

people and sending them off to some other place.”

In the meantime, Haglund said he has been impressed by the Pleasanton community so far.

“I have been absolutely blown away with

the level of support the community has for this school system — parents supporting their kids in programs but also non-parents supporting programs that impact kids,” he added. “This community cares about kids.” ■

## TAKE US ALONG



**Browsing in Berlin:** Ali Salehifar caught up with the news from home at Checkpoint Charlie during his trip to Berlin, Germany.

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## EDITORIAL

THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY



COURTESY OF PUSD

From left: Superintendent David Haglund, school board member Steve Maher and Walnut Grove Elementary principal Chris Connor visit Carlota Lim's class on the first day of school Monday.

## New year, new start, new optimism for PUSD

Monday marked the first day of Pleasanton school district's school year with new leadership, new bond money to fund needed facilities work, new principals and a new sense of optimism.

David Haglund started learning about the district and community months before the first day of instruction.

The 29-year educator, who most recently worked as deputy superintendent of educational services and chief academic officer for Santa Ana Unified School District, officially took over from interim superintendent Micaela Ochoa on July 3. He moved to Pleasanton the day before and started immersing himself in the community and connecting with the residents.

Pleasanton Unified's fifth leader since spring 2015, Haglund is a realist about where the district is now in terms of public relations.

Instability in leadership has been an issue at the superintendent level and among the site administrators. Ten of the district's 15 schools have had new principals since the start of the 2015-16 school year. This year, there are new principals at Foothill High and Valley View Elementary. This turnover, unanswered questions about the termination of Rick Rubino after only six months as superintendent in 2016 and how other personnel situations have been handled have led to negative perceptions of the district.

We feel Haglund's realism and understanding of the current situation is healthy, and his willingness to address the issues and create an atmosphere of support, transparency and solid relationships with stakeholders will help reunite the community.

"I'm hoping that in this time of transition, we can establish some stability for folks, that we can let go of everybody's tension and relax and take some time to get to know each other," Haglund said during a recent interview with the Weekly. "If we all really care about what's best for kids and we're all going to be committed to doing what's best for kids, we're going to all end up in the same place."

Another aspect to this new surge of optimism is the overwhelming support by Pleasanton voters of the school facilities bond Measure II passing last November with roughly two-thirds of voters in favor, and the unanimous vote last week by school board trustees to authorize the initial issuance and sale of bonds.

This is the first step in starting work on a number of projects this school year. This accomplishment was appropriately summarized when school board president Joan Laursen said, "We are moving ahead!" after the vote at the Aug. 8 meeting, the first of the 2017-18 school year.

The district anticipates proceeds from the \$72 million initial bond series will be available in October. That will allow the district to start work this school year on a list of projects set by the board in June such as the Lydiksen Elementary School rebuild; certificates of participation debt payoff; modernizations qualifying for state funding; infrastructure, safety and security projects; staff and student technology; and a new elementary school feasibility study.

A committee comprised of district stakeholders is being formed to prioritize remaining facility projects, creating a Measure II and facility master plan that will include timelines, budgets and project details by school.

We look forward to a year of returned stability, focus, productivity and continued academic success. ■

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### WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

**Planning Commission**  
Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.  
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- **Amendment to Pleasanton Municipal Code**  
Consider an amendment to the Pleasanton Municipal Code to amend Chapter 18.110 (Personal Wireless Service Facilities) to allow for small-cell-wireless systems in the Hacienda Business Park where the systems are concealed
- **P17-0372, David and Suanne Robles**  
Appeal of the Zoning Administrator's approval of an Administrative Design Review application to convert an existing unconditioned loft into an approximately 715-square-foot second-story addition and to increase the roof height from 20 feet to 25 feet at the existing residence located at 3552 Yellowstone Court

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# Sports



## PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

### Hoots perform well at Connie Mack World Series

The Danville Hoots baseball team — made up of high school players from Amador Valley, De La Salle, Granada, San Ramon Valley, Livermore, Dublin and Dougherty Valley, to name a few — were one of 17 teams to qualify for the recent Connie Mack World Series.

The tournament that took place in Farmington, N.M., from July 28 to Aug. 6 featured some of the best youth baseball teams in the country. The Hoots, managed by longtime local baseball coach Don Johns, may have entered the tournament as underdogs, but didn't come out that way.

Battling throughout the tournament, the Hoots reached the final game, playing in front of 6,000 spectators where they fell to the team from Midland, Ohio.

The Hoots received a lot of recognition for their fine play. Sam Dinnerman (SS) of Campolindo, Mason LeGate (P) of DLS, Nick Santiago (OF) of DLS and Luke O'Brien (2B) of DLS made the All-Tournament team. In addition, O'Brien received the Gold Glove award as the top defensive player of the tournament.

Other Hoots such as Jared Wilson of Amador, Nick Krauth of Northgate, Ryan Cole of DLS, Zack Patterson of Granada and Gabe Giosso of DLS received player of the game recognition during the nine games played by the Hoots.

The Hoots also received the Team Sportsmanship award.

#### Fall sports underway

With the start of classes on Monday, the local schools are underway and that means fall sports teams are about to start playing games.

At the Pleasanton Weekly, we want to make sure all the hard-working athletes in Pleasanton get the recognition they deserve. So how does that happen, and what can you do to help?

It's easy. Find a representative from your team that will email your results by Sunday of each week. Pictures are encouraged as well; we just ask for identification of the people in the picture as well as a photo credit.

Send your emails to [acesmag@aol.com](mailto:acesmag@aol.com) by Sunday of each week and see the results in the paper the following Friday!

Each season we get complaints from some parents for publishing the results of one school, but not their athletes. Here is your chance to be part of the solution.

Best of luck and health to all teams this year, and I look forward to hearing from all!

#### Waterskiing regionals

Four Pleasanton waterskiers from age 13 to 60-plus competed in the Western Regional Championships in Newberry Springs from July 24-29.

There were three different disciplines in the event — slalom, trick and jump.

Representing Pleasanton on the podium were Richelle Muhlitner (62 years old) with a fifth in Women's 6 slalom and a third in tricks; Evan McNerney (13) at fifth in the Boys' 2 jump and overall; and Scott McNerney (52) with a third in Men's 4 tricks, fifth in jump and fifth 5th overall. Just missing the podium by one buoy in Men's 4 slalom was Matt Brandt (47), who finished seventh.

Evan McNerney was also sixth in tricks and eighth in slalom in the Boys' 2 event. ■

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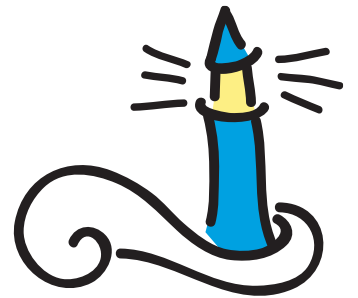
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 533367-68

The following person(s) doing business as: REALTY WORLD VALLEY RESIDENTIAL; GABRIEL REAL ESTATE, 275 ROSE AVE, STE 215, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, ALAMEDA COUNTY hereby registered by the following owner(s): GABRIEL A. RADDAVERO, 5574 CIVIC TERRACE AVE, NEWARK, CA 94560. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on JULY 20, 2017. SIGNATURE OF THE REGISTRANT: GABRIEL A. RADDAVERO, OWNER. (Pleasanton Weekly, JULY 28, AUGUST 4, 11, 18, 2017)

THE LUXE LOFT  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 533482

The following person(s) doing business as: THE LUXE LOFT, 4713 1ST STREET, STE 275, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, ALAMEDA COUNTY is hereby registered by the following owner(s): LISA LUNA,

635 DES MOINES PLACE, SAN JOSE, CA 95133. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 24, 2017. SIGNATURE OF REGISTRANT: LISA LUNA (Pleasanton Weekly, 8/4, 8/11, 8/18, 8/25 2017)

PURE BEAUTY LOUNGE  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 533699

The following person doing business as: PURE BEAUTY LOUNGE 4713 First St., Suite 238, Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County, is hereby registered by the following owner: Sureya Hinojos, 1423 E. Shoreline Dr. San Ramon, CA 94582. This business is conducted by Sureya Hinojos, an Individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein on July 27, 2017. Signature of Registrant: Surey Hinojos, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 27, 2017. (Pleasanton Weekly, Aug. 11, 18, 25 and Sept. 1, 2017.)

KAMCO INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 533518

The following person doing business as: KAMCO INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES, 2677 Becard Ct. Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County, is hereby registered by the following owner: Robert J. Scurria, 2677 Becard Ct., Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by Robert J. Scurria, an Individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein KAMCO INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES April 14, 1998. Signature of Registrant: Robert J. Scurria, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 25, 2017. (Pleasanton Weekly, Aug. 11, 18, 25 and Sept. 1, 2017.)

VALLEY VETERANS FOUNDATION  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 534112

The following person(s) doing business as: VALLEY VETERANS FOUNDATION, 6754 BERNAL AVE #740-165, PLEASANTON, CA, 94566, ALAMEDA COUNTY is hereby registered by the following owner(s): LIVERMORE VETERANS FOUNDATION, INC., 6754 BERNAL AVE #740-165, PLEASANTON, CA 94566. This business is conducted by A CORPORATION. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein 10/19/2012. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on AUGUST 8, 2017. SIGNATURE OF REGISTRANT: SUSAN CAMPBELL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. (Pleasanton Weekly, August 18, 25, September 1, 8, 2017)



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## PET OF THE WEEK



### Tu Amigo

Amigo is a handsome young pit mix who had his ears cut down to almost nothing. Regardless, he still is the sweetest boy and so affectionate. Sometimes he is a little shy at first, but once he gets acquainted, you become his buddy. He loves to play ball and run and play with his volunteer friends. Amigo is located at the East County Animal Shelter in Dublin. For more information, call 803-7040.

TRI-VALLEY ANIMAL RESCUE

## HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during June 26-30.

### Pleasanton

- 3674 Annis Circle** E. & D. Pang to Madapoosi Trust for \$890,000
- 6055 Ashley Court** Hwang Trust to M. & E. Petrillo for \$900,000
- 218 Birch Creek Drive** W. Rogers to K. & R. Ludt for \$630,000
- 352 Brianne Court** D. & N. White to R. Reynoso for \$2,925,000
- 5943 Corte Arboles** J. & L. Himm to Yee Trust for \$975,000
- 1413 Elliot Circle** J. & P. Steele to Singh Trust for \$769,000
- 3768 Gettysburg Court #N** P. McGarry to P. & P. Mukherjee for \$976,000
- 4156 Grant Court** Ferreri Trust to M. Li for \$1,879,500
- 1234 Hearst Drive** Lamarche Trust to W. Chen for \$1,800,000
- 2420 Heatherlark Circle** C. Ekers to K. & E. Dave for \$690,000
- 7583 Ivy Court** S. Chua to J. Quast for \$585,000
- 4233 Mairmont Drive** D. Rosenberg to P. Ooi for \$985,000
- 414 Mavis Drive** P. Moyers to Cornerstone Capital Investors for \$880,000
- 3276 Monmouth Court** Kuhlenbeck Trust to Sylvan Investments for \$865,000
- 6861 Paseo Santa Cruz** Z. Zhao to Q. Luo for \$1,305,000
- 58 Peters Avenue #3** S. & S. Ohare to J. Rivas for \$425,000
- 3742 Pinot Court** Dalke-Bernhardt Trust to S. & M. Bellosguardo for \$1,130,000
- 1015 Rose Avenue** G. & K. MacHi to Adams

- Trust for \$1,730,000
- 591 Rosso Court** C. & S. Yeh to N. & A. Simmons for \$1,400,000
- 1328 Royal Creek Court** D. & B. Lee to S. Li for \$1,500,000
- 4119 Stanley Boulevard** R. & V. Grosjean to P. Garg for \$699,000
- 3532 Touriga Drive** Tange Trust to R. Bala for \$1,100,000
- 564 West Las Positas Boulevard** R. Himebaugh to M. & J. Marinello for \$1,041,000

### Dublin

- 5308 Asterwood Drive** M. Nada to D. Wee for \$1,200,000
- 2598 Avery Way** C. & G. Sadhu to B. Baindra for \$1,180,000
- 7557 Bonniewood Lane** Pilat Trust to D. Wang for \$750,000
- 7161 Calistoga Lane** KB Home to L. & R. Drake for \$828,000
- 3758 Central Parkway** T. & D. Evans to J. & G. Mun for \$730,000
- 4050 Chalk Hill Way** TH WR-8 Venture to J. Kaur for \$909,000
- 4303 Clarinbridge Circle** B. & T. Fraser to T. Beougher for \$517,000
- 4313 Clarinbridge Circle** J. & R. Manifesto to J. & M. Castillo for \$621,000.00
- 8335 Countess Street** G. Gonzalez to L. Yu for \$853,000
- 11405 Cresta Lane** Gratny Trust to J. Mosier for \$1,010,000
- 7398 Dalmally Lane** C. Jain to S. Chatterjee for \$720,000

Source: California REsource

## OPEN HOMES THIS WEEKEND

### Brentwood

- 4 BEDROOMS**
- 1410 Minnesota Avenue** \$509,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Nancy Sutorius 367-7414
- 1396 Springdale Court** \$698,888  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Linda Futral 980-3561

### Danville

- 5 BEDROOMS**
- 817 Malden Court** \$1,299,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Jennifer Branchini 463-6113

### Dublin

- 3 BEDROOMS**
- 7149 Dublin Meadows Street F** \$649,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Laurie Pfohl 510-851-3551

### 4 BEDROOMS

- 5521 Old Westbury Way** \$929,000  
Sat/Sun 2-4 Emily Barraclough 895-7253

### Fremont

- 3 BEDROOMS**
- 3535 Ferry Lane** Call for price  
Sat/Sun 1-5 Leslie Fought 784-7979

### 4 BEDROOMS

- 2445 Monet Terrace** \$1,199,950  
Sat/Sun 1-5 Joseph Sabeh, Jr. 415-385-6442

### 5 BEDROOMS

- 783 Bedford Drive** \$1,650,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Cindy Gee 963-1984

### Livermore

- 3 BEDROOMS**
- 3368 Gardella Plaza** \$750,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Sean Leggat 847-2216

### 4 BEDROOMS

- 481 Alden Lane** \$1,290,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Lorie Kriens 998-3077
- 2616 Pyramid Street** \$1,349,000  
Sun 1-4 Linda Traurig 382-9746
- 3128 Hansen Road** \$1,650,000  
Sun 1-4 Claudia Colwell 323-5031

### Pleasanton

- 4 BEDROOMS**
- 2109 Black Oak Court** \$2,695,000  
Sun 2-4 Doug Buenz 621-0680
- 6092 Corte Calera** \$925,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Melissa Pederson 858-1984
- 954 Hopkins Way** \$1,589,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Lois Cox 200-8495
- 127 Monaco Court** \$1,459,000  
Sun 1-4 Susie Steele 413-9306

### 5 BEDROOMS

- 3079 Alburni Court** \$2,595,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Fabulous Properties 980-0273/519-8226
- 4563 Gatetree Circle** \$1,495,000  
Fri 10-1 Sat/Sun 1-4 DeAnna Armario/Liz Venema 260-2220

- 2471 Pomino Way** \$2,599,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Fran Cunningham 202-6298

- 6900 Riddell Street** \$1,689,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Blaise Lofland 846-6500

### 6 BEDROOMS

- 4129 Grant Court** \$2,299,888  
Sun 1-4 Bimla Sabhlok 408-448-4488
- 3540 Mercato Court** \$3,089,000  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Fabulous Properties 980-0273/519-8226

### Sunol

- 3 BEDROOMS**
- 2549 Kilkare Road** \$699,000  
Sun 1-4 Natalie Bianco 200-5119

### PARKSIDE BEAUTY!

**3117 JOANNE CIRCLE, PLEASANTON**  
GORGEOUS newly updated home, includes Gourment Kitchen with stainless appliances, Granite, Hardwood, Updated Baths, new lush carpet, new paint, very Desirable Parkside! Walk to the sports park!! Wonderful street, and much more!

CALL CINDY for private showing!



**4909 FOREST HILL, PLEASANTON**  
MUST SEE THIS GORGEOUS WESTSIDE HOME. Great stone Entry!! HUGE Island in the Expanded Kitchen, Hardwood, Park-like garden backyard, with side-yard access.. MUST SEE!

Call CINDY for appointment!

Offered at \$1,248,000



### OPEN SAT/SUN 1- 4PM



**MISSION FREMONT**  
**783 BEDFORD DRIVE, FREMONT.**  
Lovely updated Mission home with GRANITE, NEW baths, paint, carpet, MUST SEE!  
Price \$1,650,000

### SOLD - MULTIPLE OFFERS



**LAGUNA OAKS!**  
**RESORT STYLE LIVING**  
**2505 ARLOTTA PLACE**  
Lovely executive home.  
Price \$1875,000

### PENDING



**LAGUNA OAKS!**  
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Cul de sac location with 3 car garage  
Offered at \$2,595,000

### PRISTINE MEDITERRANEAN MANOR

OFF MLS LISTING IN RUBY HILL



4,700 SF Custom Home on 1/2 Acre  
4 bedrooms, office and bonus room  
Call for private showing.

### CUSTOM MEDITERRANEAN

OPEN SAT/SUN 1-4



**3540 Mercato Court, Ruby Hill**  
6 DB, 5.1 BA, 6,311 SF on .54 Acre  
Main floor office and bonus  
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### EASY LIVING IN DUBLIN

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**4843 Perugia Street, Dublin**  
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PRICE REDUCTION

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21199 SAN JOSE RD., TRACY  
3BD/2BA Approx. 5.22 acres w/stables  
& corral to board horses. \$779,950  
HELEN MCNUTT-GENTILE 925-719-2894



**PENDING**  
19678 KINNEY CT., CASTRO VALLEY  
3BD/1BA, 1259 appx. Sq. Ft. Cute  
bungalow, lg. back yd+deck. \$599,000  
LOIS COX 925-200-8495



**SOLD**  
10887 INSPIRATION CIRCLE, DUBLIN  
4/5BD/4.5BA, 4082 Sq. Ft. Gorgeous  
bkyd, w/pool/spa waterfall. \$1,515,000  
PATI NORRIS 510-406-2306



**SOLD**  
1326 BENEDICT CT. PLEASANTON  
Entertainer's dream with outdoor  
pavilion on park-like yard. \$1,935,000  
KARLA BROWN 925-200-1909



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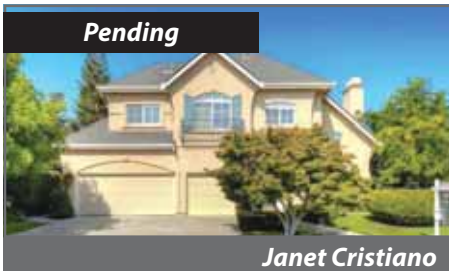
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Pending

Janet Cristiano

**1117 Riesling Circle - Livermore - \$1,020,000**  
Nestled in south downtown Livermore, this lovely home has been thoughtfully updated and lovingly maintained with open and bright floor plan. Spacious kitchen features granite counters, gas range, stainless appliances, and island. The master suite includes walk-in closet and large bathroom with dual sinks, separate stall shower and jetted tub. Easy access to highways 580 & 84 and is an easy walk or bike ride to restaurants and entertainment in downtown Livermore. Several world class golf courses and wineries are close.



Open Sat & Sun 1-4

Jennifer Branchini

**817 Maldon Court - Danville - \$1,299,000**  
This 5 bedroom plus den, 4 bathroom home in Danville is a great location with plenty of flexible space in the Monterosso neighborhood. It's in a fabulous cul-de-sac with a full bedroom and bathroom plus the den on the mail level.



Coming Soon

Jennifer Branchini

**315 Sutton Circle - Danville - \$699,000**  
This is quite a sweet townhouse with 2 master suites backing to open space. It features a lovely kitchen with granite counter with an inside pantry and peaceful outdoor patio.



Mia & Bev Team

**11149 Bay Laurel Street - Dublin - \$1,289,000**  
Fabulous Westside Home with Valley Views! Spacious 5 bedroom, 4.5 bath home with Approx. 3317sq.ft. with full bedroom and bath downstairs. Lots of upgrades and huge chef's kitchen. Backs to open space!



Pending

Gina Piper

**471 Saint Mary - Pleasanton - \$1,900,000**  
Historic landmark prominently located in the heart of Pleasanton's highly desired downtown & only a few steps from bustling Main Street. Boasting a massive 25,115 sq.ft. lot with unlimited potential. Beyond the gated entrance is an extra deep detached 2-car garage with workshop, off street parking that can easily accommodate several cars, large wrap around front deck perfect for entertaining, people watching or enjoying a cup of coffee.



Pending

Gina Piper

**4057 San Giorgio Court - Pleasanton - \$658,000**  
This popular 2 master suite floor plan in the highly sought-after Siena community is the perfect home for family and executives alike. Walk to work or Bart from this amazing location. Granite kitchen with white cabinets, high ceilings and lots of windows to bring in an abundance of natural light.



Rosie Yandell

**1970 Valdosta Court - Pleasanton - \$899,000**  
East facing single level 3 bedroom 2 car garage home in a terrific location...close to shopping schools, parks, town & more. Extensive laminate flooring, separate living and family rooms, updated kitchen, owned solar, large yard and a court location!

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## Market Update - Low Inventory Continues

The supply of homes for sale shrank 16% in July and was only 64% of the level a year ago. The low level of inventory is having an impact on sales, with pending sales falling 15% from June. Even with strong demand and low supply, we are not seeing the upward pressure on prices we might expect. Most price indicators have been fairly flat in recent months but remain well above those from 2016. The \$1 million to \$2 million segment was the hottest in July, with homes selling in an average of 14 days for 101% of their average list price.

67 homes were actively listed at the end of July, down 16% from 80 at the end of June and 36% from 105 at the end of July 2016. Pending sales dipped 15%, from 74 in June to 63 in July. That was still 31% more sales than a year earlier. With both sales and inventory declining from June, supply remained at 1.1%.

July's median sales price was \$1.1 million, unchanged from June but 10% higher than July 2016's \$999,999. The price per square foot was little changed, \$518 in July vs \$520 in June. On average, sellers received 99% of their asking price for sales closed in July, versus 100% in June and 99% in July 2016. Homes sold in an average of 20 days in July, compared to 18 in June and 22 a year ago.

The tables below provide further details on the current market compared...

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### Pleasanton Market At A Glance July 2017



#### COMING SOON



#### Pleasanton Meadows

Charming 4 BR, 3 BTH home in premium cul-de-sac location with loads of potential

#### OPEN SUN 2-4



#### 2109 Black Oak Ct

Exquisite modern custom with 4 BR + office & bonus, premium .94 Acre lot with amazing views  
Offered at \$2,695,000

#### PENDING SALE



#### 5756 Hanifen Way

Elegant 5 BR, 4 1/2 BTH luxury home in Sycamore Heights on .42 Acre lot with spa  
Offered at \$2,050,000

#### PENDING SALE



#### 3989 W Las Positas Blvd

Opportunity knocks with this cosmetic fixer upper. 4 BR, 3 BTHS, Large private yard, tons of potential  
Offered at \$880,000



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**ANTIOCH** \$520,000  
Open Sat 1 - 4  
1939 Badger Pass Way  
Move In Ready For It's New Owner!  
4 BD/3 BA Features Frml LR/DR, Sep FR/loft, Updated Kit Cabs, New Indscping, concrete wrk/ fencing  
Sherry Hughes, CalBRE #01878567  
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**ANTIOCH** \$375,000  
Open Sat/Sun 1 - 4  
2825 Point Arena Court  
Gorgeous Home in Antioch!  
3 BD/2 BA Features vaulted ceilings, updated flring & lighting, beautiful kit granite & DPW's!  
Sean Leggat, CalBRE #01280186  
925.899.6087



**BRENTWOOD** \$509,000  
Open Sat/Sun 1 - 4  
1410 Minnesota Avenue  
A Beauty in Brentwood!  
4 BD/3 BA Beautiful Freshly Pntd, Newer Laminated Flrs & Crpts, High Ceilings + Newer Driveway & Sod  
Nancy Sutorius, CalBRE #00628232  
925.367.7414



**DUBLIN** \$649,000  
Open Sat/Sun 1 - 4  
7149 Dublin Meadows Street F  
Move In Ready-Dublin Meadows Condo!  
3 BD/2 BA Close to everything. Newer flring, pnt, Granite cntrs, Mstr bedroom suite & Updated Kit.  
Laurie Pfohl, CalBRE #00866660  
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**LIVERMORE** \$1,290,000  
Open Sat/Sun 1 - 4  
481 Alden Lane  
Amazing Opportunity To Own Me!  
4 BD/4 BA Entertainers Delight! Large Living Areas, Master Suite on the 1st Flr w/Priv Patio & More!  
Lori Kriens, CalBRE #01899795  
925.998.3077



**LIVERMORE** \$750,000  
Open Sat/Sun 1 - 4  
3368 Gardella Plaza  
~BIG LOT ~ SFH ~ LIVERMORE!  
3 BD/2 BA NEW PRICE! Biggest Lot under \$750 in Livermore & is approved to be subdivided by the city.  
Sean Leggat, CalBRE #01280186  
925.847.2216



**OAKLEY** \$629,800  
Open Sun 1 - 4  
6010 Everlasting Way  
PULTE Home with Mount Diablo View!  
4 BD/3 BA Spacious BD's + Ofc w/ BD/BA dwnstrs, Elegant strcase, 3 Car Grg, Crnr lot across frm Park  
Kay Stromgren, CalBRE #00890095  
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**PLEASANTON** \$2,299,888  
Open Sun 1 - 4  
4129 Grant Court  
Custom Kottinger Ranch Beauty!!  
6 BD/4 BA Custom Built Home. Backyard is Entertainers Delight w/Pool, Built in BBQ, Deck & Grass.  
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Semi-Custom Ruby Hill  
5 BD/4BA Model Home upgrades - New crpt-Custom Pnt-Plantation Shutters-upgrded kit-Lrg fncd yrd/pool!  
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**WALNUT CREEK** \$699,000  
Open Sat/Sun 1 - 4  
1601 3rd Avenue 304  
Gorgeous In Walnut Creek!  
2 BD/2 BA Gorgeous less than Two Years Young Home Near Downtown in Walnut Creek!  
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**NEW LISTING**



**4563 GATETREE CIRCLE, PLEASANTON**

**OPEN HOUSE FRI 10-1, SAT/SUN 1-4** Beautifully updated throughout and terrific location! Remodeled kitchen with SS appliances & granite counters. Hardwood floors & plantation shutters. New pool, spa, and landscaping in front and rear. And so much more! Walk to 3 levels of school and downtown. 5BR, 3.5 BA. **Offered at \$1,495,000**

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**See this 4 bedroom home before it goes on the market**

Remodeled kitchen, new appliances, new cabinets. Home has been completely painted new outside and inside. Hardwood floors have been newly sanded and stained. 2 beautiful updated bathrooms. This is in the Sunset West development, close to Isabel Ave. for great access to freeways & BART. Don't pass up this opportunity. Call us for a private showing **\$785,000**

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**ANOTHER NEW LISTING!**

**Coming Soon in Vintage Heights**  
Stunning views of Mt Diablo from this custom home. 4 bdrm, 3 baths and 3000 sq ft. Stunning granite kitchen and baths. **Priced in the mid \$1,600,000's**



**REVIEWING OFFERS!**

**3934 Kern Court, Pleasanton**  
Downsizing isn't easy until you see this 4 bdrm, 2 bath, 1831 sq ft one story home. Granite slab kitchen, hard wood floors & remodeled baths. **\$850,000**



**SALE PENDING! 8 OFFERS**

**5396 Mallard Drive, Pleasanton**  
Fabulous one story home with 4 bedrooms, 2 baths just a short stroll from Pleasanton Sports Park. Beautifully remodeled throughout! **\$1,175,000**



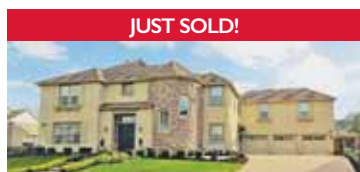
**SALE PENDING OVER ASKING!**

**3216 Clifford Circle, Pleasanton**  
Beautiful Parkside home located just a short stroll from the Sports Park 4 bdrms, 3 baths, 3 car garage. Beautifully updated throughout. **\$1,175,000**



**REVIEWING OFFERS!**

**6331 Alford Way, Pleasanton**  
Downsizing isn't easy until you see this remodeled one story with 4 bedrooms, 2 baths and over 1800 sq ft. Open kitchen family room combo. **\$925,000**



**JUST SOLD!**

**1322 Montrose Court, Pleasanton**  
Nestled in the vineyards this beautiful chateau estate has views of the rolling hills and vineyards. 6 bdrms, 5.5 baths and 5000 sq ft w/ separate in law unit. **\$2,110,000**



**ANOTHER SOLD HOME!**

**4058 Suffolk Way, Pleasanton**  
Picture Perfect...walk your kids to school from this beautifully remodeled 4 bdrm, 3 bath home. Peaceful backyard w/ slate patio, no rear neighbors. **\$1,065,000**



**ANOTHER RECORD HIGH SALE!**

**4684 Black Avenue, Pleasanton**  
Adorable one level, beautifully remodeled throughout with hardwood floors and 1397 sq ft. We represented the buyer in this sale. **\$962,000**



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4. Location
5. Condition of Your Property
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7. Assembly

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**ALAMO \$3,595,000**

230 Lark Lane | 6bd/5ba  
Janna Chestnut | 925.876.6105  
BY APPOINTMENT



**PLEASANTON \$1,459,000**

127 Monaco Court | 4bd/3ba  
Susie Steele | 925.413.9306  
OPEN SUNDAY 1:00-4:00



**LIVERMORE \$1,349,000**

2616 Pyramid Street | 4bd/3ba  
Linda Traurig | 925.382.9846  
OPEN SUN 1:00-4:00



**LIVERMORE \$1,248,000**

1948 Hall Circle | 6bd/3ba  
Linda Futral | 925.980.3561  
BY APPOINTMENT



**PLEASANTON \$820,000**

7333 Tulipwood Circle | 4bd/2ba  
Jo Ann Luisi | 925.321.6104  
BY APPOINTMENT



**LIVERMORE \$799,900**

1551 5th Street | 4bd/3ba  
Janna Chestnut | 925.876.6105  
BY APPOINTMENT



**LIVERMORE \$768,000**

1157 Lucille Street | 4bd/2ba  
Linda Futral | 925.980.3561  
BY APPOINTMENT



**BRENTWOOD \$698,888**

1396 Springdale Court | 4bd/4ba  
Linda Futral | 925.980.3561  
OPEN SAT & SUN 1:00-4:00



**BRENTWOOD \$689,000**

716 Richardson Drive | 2bd/2.5ba  
Jo Ann Luisi | 925.321.6104  
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**TRACY \$449,950**

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