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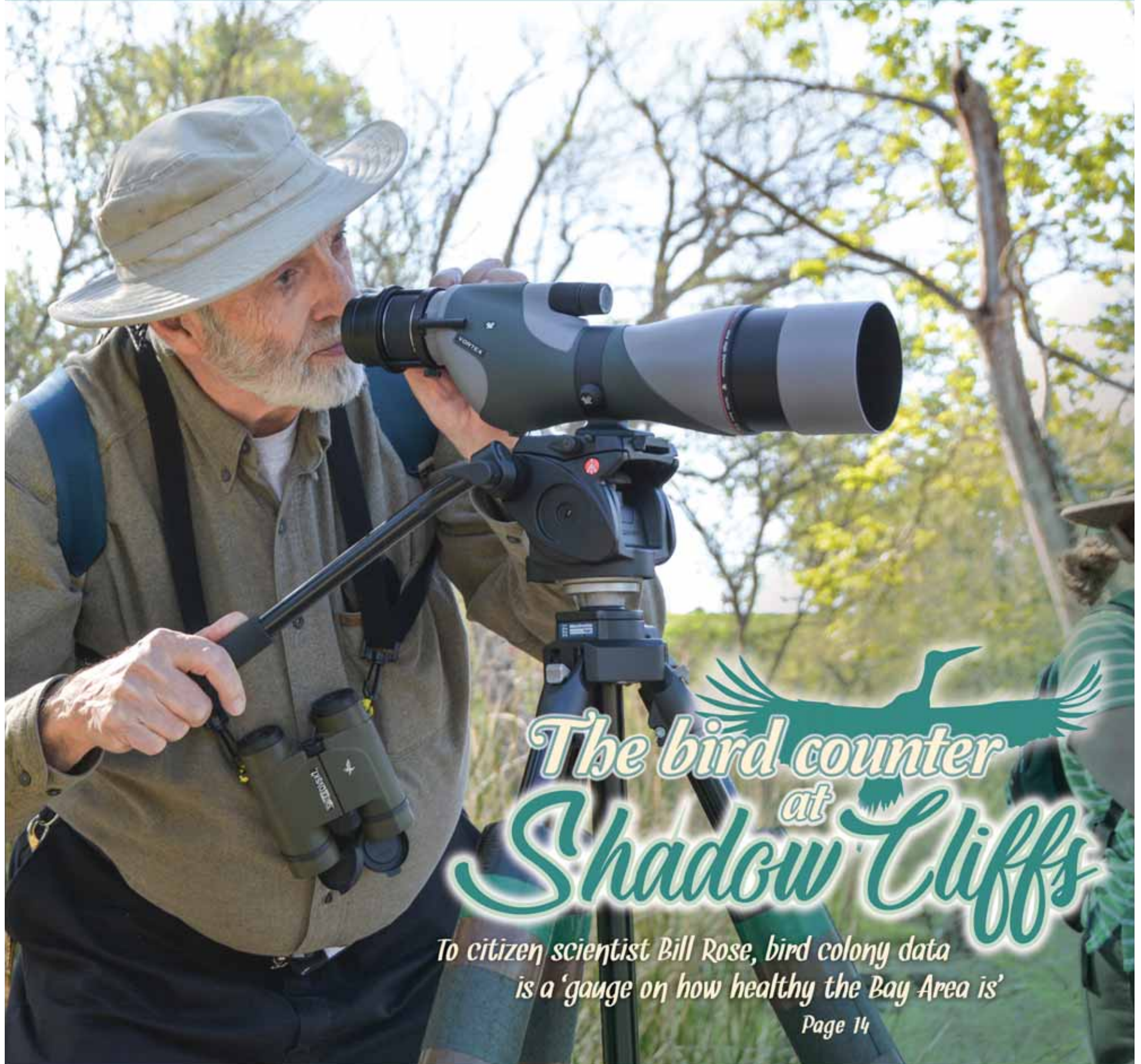


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*To citizen scientist Bill Rose, bird colony data
is a 'gauge on how healthy the Bay Area is'*

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A Stroke of Good Luck—Young Woman Survives Massive Stroke as a Result of Stanford Stroke Study

On the night of April 23, 2017, Cindi, a 46-year-old graphic designer who lives in Salinas, California, went to bed around 10:30pm, anticipating a 5:00am wake-up from her husband, as she was scheduled for outpatient surgery at Stanford. She did arrive at Stanford the next morning—not as an outpatient, but as the victim of a massive ischemic stroke.

“My husband woke me up at 5 o’clock as planned, and when I started to speak to him, I couldn’t talk. I knew what I was trying to say in my mind, but it had nothing to do with the sounds that were coming out of my mouth,” Cindi said. Her left side was also paralyzed.

Her husband called 911. An ambulance rushed Cindi to Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital. But because she’d had the stroke while asleep, the “clock” determining whether she could be administered a clot-busting medication or undergo a clot-removing surgery had already started ticking. For stroke patients, the clock starts at the last time they are seen well, and for Cindi, that was 10:30 the previous night. It was already too late for either of these treatments, the attending physicians explained.



But an emergency room doctor told her husband about an ongoing study at Stanford, and coordinated her transfer. Within 30 to 45 minutes, a helicopter operated by Stanford Health Care was on the scene to whisk Cindi to Stanford Hospital. By the time Cindi’s husband and son arrived, she was already out of surgery. Seven days later she was discharged.

Cindi was treated at Stanford as part of a 38-center clinical trial sponsored by the National Institutes of Health, and led by researchers at the Stanford

University School of Medicine. Brain-imaging software developed at Stanford identified that she could benefit from a surgical procedure called a thrombectomy to remove the clot in her brain, despite the number of hours that had elapsed since she suffered the stroke. The Stanford stroke study has shown that far more people than previously thought can benefit from an emergency procedure for acute ischemic stroke.

“Nearly half of all patients treated between six and 16 hours after the onset of their symptoms were largely spared from the consequences of their stroke,” said the trial’s principal investigator, Gregory Albers, MD, the Coyote Foundation Endowed Professor of Neurology and Neurological Science and the director of the Stanford Stroke Center. The number of stroke patients who died or were confined to nursing homes was nearly cut in half, the biggest improvement seen in any stroke-related trial to date.

Key to the study’s findings is a growing understanding that strokes spread through individual brain tissue at different rates, Albers said. It is not so much the amount of time elapsed since a stroke began as the amount of remaining at-risk, but salvageable brain tissue that determines who will benefit from stroke therapy, he said.

At a follow-up appointment at Stanford Health Care, Cindi’s doctors showed her ‘before and after’ images of her brain. “Before the thrombectomy, it looked like half of my brain was gone. There was no blood supply whatsoever,” she said. “After, it looked like a tree of life. My brain lit up with veins and arteries. I wouldn’t have survived without the treatment.”

Ischemic strokes account for about 85 percent of the roughly 750,000 strokes suffered annually in the United States. They occur when blood supply to part of the brain is cut off by a clot in a blood vessel in the brain. The resulting lack of oxygen and glucose quickly kills brain tissue in the immediate vicinity, and the affected area continues to expand until blood supply is restored.

While Cindi immediately regained some use of her arms, hands and feet after her thrombectomy, her recovery did not happen overnight. After a week in the hospital, Cindi was moved to an inpatient rehab facility in Santa Clara. She arrived in a wheelchair, unable to do anything for herself. “It was a huge frustration,” said Cindi, who was determined to walk again. Four weeks later, she was able to go home. This time, on her own two feet. But her work was not done. She continued daily occupational, physical and speech therapy.

“I have been working on my recovery every day since I had my stroke,” said Cindi. After more than a year of intensive rehabilitation, she has returned to work part time, and is talking, walking and driving as before. Her weekends are spent hiking in Big Sur with her husband, and she has started to swim and ride a bicycle again.

“By the grace of God I was chosen for the Stanford study,” said Cindi. “I am literally standing on this Earth as a wife and a mother because of that procedure. It saved my life.”



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TIM TALK



By TIM HUNT

Dublin agencies partner for new school site

The Dublin City Council has partnered with the Dublin Unified School District to start to address school overcrowding on the east side of the city.

Rapidly changing demographics and poor planning have plagued both agencies as builders have completed homes and apartments that have been long planned. The district has struggled to find additional sites to construct more schools because households are significantly larger than what was expected.

It's notable that the Dublin school population is expected to grow by 5,000 students by 2022 to a total of 15,400, when the city population will be an estimated 62,500. By contrast, Pleasanton and Livermore, with populations of 71,000 and 89,000, respectively, have enrollments of 14,700 and 14,000, respectively. It shows just how many families with children are moving into the new homes in Dublin.

Naturally, the school crowding has sparked discontent in the community, and both the district and the city have responded.

Earlier this month, the agencies announced that the city is providing the school district with a 12-acre site in the Dublin Crossing project on former Camp Parks land on Dublin Boulevard near the east Dublin-Pleasanton BART station. The land originally was planned for a park.

The agreement is for an initial five-year lease that can be extended for another five years at \$1 per year. The district can eventually acquire the land for \$111— it is valued at \$36 million. The district will apply for state funds to pay for the site — if it is successful, the state money will go to the city.

There will be a joint-use agreement with a potential gym on site as well as the public using the facilities as a park. Joint-use agreements are ideal uses of public property. One early move by the city of San Ramon after it incorporated was taking over maintenance on school sites, so the public could access them.

This is the second time the city of Dublin has shifted a park site to the school district. In 2015, the entities signed a land-lease deal that allowed the district to build

Cottonwood Creek School, which is scheduled to open this fall in the Jordan Ranch development.

The school district also is moving ahead with negotiations to buy a larger site in the stalled Promenade development across from the Sorento neighborhood at Central Parkway and Brannigan.

Developer Jim Tong had asked the City Council to rezone the land from its planned commercial and retail uses but was denied. If negotiations on a price fail (it could be \$1 million per acre), then the district can take the land via eminent domain.

Speaking of the new agreement and the potential high school site in the Promenade, Mayor David Haubert said, "We support the district. We are all ears for ideas to help, but we cannot make decisions for the district."

The acreage the district can afford at the 23-acre Promenade site is not large enough for a full comprehensive high school, but there are alternatives to share fields in the nearby Fallon Sports Park. It could hold a school of about 1,500 students. A high school of that size would alleviate the traffic congestion trying to reach Dublin High School on Dublin Boulevard.

It's unfair to criticize the district for missing on the changing demographics of the new community. East Dublin was planned at the same time that Contra Costa County, the city of San Ramon and the San Ramon Valley school district were working on the Dougherty Valley developments.

The same demographic shift has been seen in the Dougherty Valley where school sites have been added as the local schools grew overcrowded. The San Ramon Valley district has the advantage of dealing with just one developer (Shapell Homes originally, now Toll Brothers), and the developer's incentive to continue to sell homes encouraged flexibility on more school sites.

In contrast to the San Ramon Valley, where Dougherty Valley High School was included in the plan (with a joint-use theater), Dublin school trustees decided years ago to make Dublin High the only high school in town. It's that decision that the current district leaders are struggling to overcome. ■

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ASKED AROUND TOWN

How would you describe your default/resting mood?



Nick Gargos
Construction manager

Most people won't believe this, but I'd have to say it is contemplative. I am always thinking about something. No matter what is going on, there is always something on my mind.



Monique Chandler *Cosmetic sales*

I actually have two different default moods. One is "on" and the other is "off," and I alternate between the two. When I'm "on," I'm busy, busy, busy and can't stop moving or thinking or doing. When I'm "off," I'm just exhausted and don't want to do or think about anything other than getting some much-needed rest.



Rick Bland
Real estate broker

I'm always on the lookout for fun and interesting trouble I can stir up, and fellow troublemakers who will join me in doing it. I always find them. It keeps my life very exciting.



Ben Sarasua
Police sergeant

I'm always calm, relaxed and offering a soothing presence to the people around me. I'm also always thinking about what lies ahead, so that I will be prepared for absolutely anything that might happen. That is how I'm best able to protect others, and I've been hard-wired this way for as long as I can remember.



Will Stubbs
Software engineer

Unfortunately, it is agitated. I feel like I spend half of my life commuting to and from work in Mountain View. It's so exasperating that occasionally I prefer to actually ride my bicycle to and from the office, thereby avoiding 680 entirely.

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Summer courses

For the first time, Pleasanton Unified will be offering enrichment courses for students of all ages this summer.

The courses are available to both district and non-district students, and include a wide array of topics, from video production to creative writing to succulent gardening.

Classes will be held between June 11 and July 19 at Alisal Elementary School and Amador Valley High School. Start times depend on the course.

Only one of the courses will follow a traditional all-day camp model: the Diversity and Culture Camp, open to grades 5-9.

There is no set deadline to sign up for one of the courses, as registration will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. After a class has reached capacity, families can choose to be put on a wait-list.

Registration fees vary by course. For more info, visit <https://tinyurl.com/SSEnrich18>.

Zone 7 election

All five candidates for the Zone 7 Water Agency Board of Directors took part in interviews with TV30 and host Tom Morrison as part of a one-hour, non-partisan election special produced by the public access television network.

Vying for four available board seats in the June 5 primary are incumbents John Greci, Sarah Palmer and Bill Stevens, with challengers Dennis Gambs and Olivia Sanwong.

The special is airing on TV30 through June 4: Mondays at 5 p.m., Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Wednesdays at 9 p.m., Thursdays at 10 a.m., Fridays at 11 p.m., Saturdays at 10 p.m. and Sundays at noon. It is also streaming and on video on-demand at tv30.org.

Livermore Street Fest

Livermore Downtown, Inc. is hosting its 27th annual Livermore Wine Country Downtown Street Fest this weekend.

The event on Saturday and Sunday features two days of wine and beer tastings, outdoor dining, shopping, arts-and-crafts vendors, live entertainment, a family fun zone and more.

General admission is free, with paid tickets still available for the beer and wine tastings on both days. Organizers say the event brings out more than 150,000 people each year to peruse the 300-plus vendor booths lining First and Second streets in downtown Livermore.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more info, visit www.livermoredowntown.com. ■

Castlewood exploring alternatives to address costly ADA concerns

Options include offering Valley Course for housing development, selling club to private firm

By TIM HUNT
Members of the Castlewood Country Club are facing some difficult decisions this summer.

The historic club, anchored by two 18-hole golf courses in addition to tennis, swimming and bocce, has been under pressure from Alameda County to meet the standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The current clubhouse was built in the mid-1970s after the original Phoebe Hearst estate burned down in 1972. The ADA took effect in 1990.

General Manager John Vest said Castlewood staff and the Board of Directors are exploring all options. The club hired an outside firm to evaluate

the ADA issues and that company issued a 387-page report that is guiding the discussion of alternatives.

One option was revealed to members recently in a letter from new club president Kevin Wrenn, who took over the presidency in April — offering up part of the Valley Course for housing development.

His letter said, “As you are aware, our club has ADA issues that could cost the club millions to rectify. The Board of Directors and the House Subcommittees have been studying a variety of options around ADA compliance at Castlewood and how to best fund the renovation or replacement of our clubhouse.”

He noted that the membership

could fund the improvements themselves, which could result in assessment of thousands of dollars to the 600 families who own equity memberships. There are 400 additional social members.

Wrenn wrote, “One other financing option we have been studying is a land development venture that Ponderosa Homes has submitted to Castlewood. Ponderosa has proposed to work in partnership with Castlewood to entitle a large portion of the Valley Golf Course for residential development.”

The venture, if successful, could provide enough capital to potentially cover the ADA issues or replace the clubhouse.

“The purpose of my note is to inform you at this time Ponderosa Homes and Castlewood are exploring the feasibility of this proposed venture. Since public discussions will commence soon, the board wants to ensure our members are aware and hear about this proposed venture from us,” Wrenn wrote.

“Prior to any recommendation to the membership, Ponderosa and the board want to understand the development potential of the property, the financial implications, the impact to our membership of the sale of the Valley Golf Course, and the potential willingness of the city of Pleasanton

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Council: Olson won't seek re-election, Narum running for second term

Vice mayor's decision guarantees one new council member

By JEREMY WALSH

The Pleasanton City Council will have at least one new member this fall, with Vice Mayor Arne Olson confirming Friday he will not seek a second term in the November general election.

With two council seats up for election this fall, challengers will still face one incumbent as Councilwoman Kathy Narum said she will run for re-election in November.

No challengers have publicly announced their intent to run for council this November, though the official candidacy filing window still won't open for several months. Mayor Jerry Thorne launched his campaign for re-election in February.

Of his decision not to run for re-election, Olson told the Weekly it is time for something new after more than a decade of service to the city between the City Council and Planning Commission.

“I've given it 12 years. I'm done. Time to move on,” he said.

“I've learned a lot about how the city operates,” he added. “We have good city staff here and in good financial shape compared to other places.”

Olson was first elected to the council in November 2014. He had served on the Planning Commission for eight years prior, from 2006 until May 2014, voting on key projects such as the Firehouse Arts Center, Bernal



Arne Olson



Kathy Narum

Community Park and the Stoneridge Drive extension.

Among his proudest accomplishments on the council, Olson pointed to helping approve the Johnson Drive Economic Development Zone to provide the framework for bringing a Costco store to Pleasanton.

“I feel best about Costco, and I hope the voters get what they want. And that's a Costco store here,” Olson said. “And I hope the voters don't forget who opposed the Costco here.”

A longtime finance professional, Olson held leadership positions with a variety of banks until retiring as a vice president with Comerica Bank. He was also a prior board member for the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce.

Seeking a second four-year term, Narum told the Weekly, she is “very excited” to be running for re-election and plans to formally launch her campaign later in the month.

“I really want to run again as we are at an important moment in Pleasanton's history,

and we need to move forward thoughtfully, keeping our eye on what matters and what makes us unique,” Narum said. “We all know change is inevitable, and I want to make sure that as we plan for our future, we do so with sustainability in mind and ensure we don't lose our small-town charm.”

She added, “I understand Vice Mayor Olson will not be seeking re-election, and while I was surprised, I fully understand his decision.”

Narum has served on the City Council since voters picked her in a special mail-only election in May 2013 to fill the council seat left vacant when voters elevated Thorne to mayor. She was re-elected to a full four-year term in November 2014.

Prior to her council tenure, Narum served five years each on the Planning Commission and the Parks and Recreation Commission, during which she sat on task forces on the East Pleasanton Specific Plan, Bernal Community Park and downtown hospitality guidelines. An engineer by trade, Narum now manages family-owned commercial property in the Midwest.

Narum is seeking her final term on the council as Pleasanton has a two-term limit. Thorne is also pursuing his final term, as Pleasanton limits its directly elected mayors to four two-year terms. ■

HPMS principal resigning

Munsell leaving in June, PUSD to begin search for successor

By ERIKA ALVERO

Robin Munsell, principal of Harvest Park Middle School, announced last week that she would be resigning from her post at the end of the school year.

In an email to school families, the principal of just under two years touted her time at the school, looked forward to upcoming changes at Harvest Park and said she would work with the Pleasanton Unified School District to ensure a smooth transition.

“This was not an easy decision to make,” Munsell wrote. “I have enjoyed my time here at Harvest Park and continue to be impressed by the dedication of the staff and the support of the parents and families. Harvest Park is an amazing community, and it has been a privilege to be part of such an incredible school.”

Munsell's email did not elaborate on why she was leaving Harvest Park. She did not respond to the Weekly's requests for comment regarding her reasons for resigning.

Her email to families continued:



Robin Munsell

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Carpenters center expansion

Council backs proposal to redesign training facility on Santa Rita

By JEREMY WALSH

The Pleasanton City Council threw its support behind plans from the Carpenters Training Committee for Northern California to redesign and expand its apprentice training facility on Santa Rita Road on Tuesday night.

With their unanimous vote, council members endorsed the Planning Commission's recommendation in favor of the carpenters' proposal to move the new building toward the back of the property — breaking with city planning staff who disapproved of shifting the facility away from the Santa Rita Road frontage.

"While I understand staff's concern or desire to have the building closer to the street, I just see this as very attractive and an improvement over what's there now," Councilwoman Kathy Narum said during the meeting at the Pleasanton Civic Center. "What's being proposed here will be a real enhancement to that area."

The Carpenters Training Committee seeks to replace its 1980s-era, single-story training building at 2350 Santa Rita Road with a modern, two-story facility at the back of the property about 225 feet away from Santa Rita, whereas the current training center is much closer to the street.

According to the carpenters, shifting the location of the new facility would allow them to keep the old training center open for classes during construction — the only way to make their expansion feasible financially, and keep their school in Pleasanton.

The carpenters also want to relocate their outdoor training and storage yard within the 8.13-acre property near the southern intersection of the Iron Horse Regional Trail and Santa Rita.

But it was their desired building location that caused a split between city staff and the Planning Commission as the project proposal went through several iterations during the past year.

City officials said that while they supported the expansion concept and proposed architecture, they found the building location inconsistent with the city's long-term vision for that stretch of Santa Rita Road, where they prefer to see office and commercial buildings right up along Santa Rita frontage and parking in back or to the side.

In staff's view, the site design and building location appeared undesirable and incompatible with development in the area and inconsistent with the General Plan, according to

planning manager Ellen Clark.

The Planning Commission took a different stance earlier this year, concluding the carpenters' latest plans represented a good compromise of priorities because of design elements to minimize the visual impacts and inconsistencies with the neighborhood as a result of having the building more set-back, including landscaping, decorative stone walls, weathered steel screening panels and an art piece.

Commissioners voted 5-0 April 25 to endorse the project and recommend the council approve it.

Nearly two-dozen union carpenters, apprentices and training facility staff were on hand in the council chamber Tuesday night in a show of support for the expansion plans.

"This will be our premier and flagship facility," said Bob Alvarado, executive director of the Northern California Carpenters Regional Council.

"The teachers there are invaluable ... They show us skills and productive ways to finish our work and do our duties," said Daniel Neely, a student in the training program. "I think the new school is a fantastic idea because we don't want to be left behind. There are a lot of technological advancements, new tools



CITY OF PLEASANTON

A look down the driveway of the proposed Carpenters Training Center redesign on Santa Rita Road.

that come out, industry standards and different codes that are changing all the time."

Instructor Tony Hernandez said, "There's a lot of opportunity there, and that's what this school provides. It not only provides training, but it also provides opportunities for these students in the local community to go ahead and get out there and earn a good living and continue their education."

And when asked by Councilwoman Karla Brown, Hernandez added, "Yes ma'am, union carpenters will build this building. Absolutely."

The council was united in its support of the proposed site design and building location, as well as the school's presence in Pleasanton and the union's record of accepting military veterans and students seeking a career path after high school.

"As much as we have a fairly affluent community, I'm sure we have

students who come out of our schools and need your particular services. So keeping you in Pleasanton is foremost," Councilman Jerry Pentin said. "And the work you do with veterans, I just have to say with three veterans up here on the dais, we do appreciate what you're doing for them."

"I really like this layout," Vice Mayor Arne Olson added. "And I want to thank and congratulate the Planning Commission for weighing in on this, getting through this and not backing off and saying, 'Well, let the City Council do it.' I'm glad our Planning Commission came in 5-0 on this."

The council's 5-0 vote Tuesday night introduced the proposed ordinance that would approve the carpenters' development request. The ordinance is due to return to the council next month for final adoption — a required two-meeting process. ■

Retired Zone 7 general manager dies at 86

Mar led agency through drought, architect of Chain of Lakes project

By ERIKA ALVERO

Mun Mar, who served as general manager of the Zone 7 Water Agency for 33 years until retiring in 1990, died May 6 at the age of 86.

Under Mar's leadership, the Del Valle Water Treatment Plant was constructed, to complement the existing plant at Patterson Pass, and he is also credited as being the

architect of the ongoing Chain of Lakes project, a way to replenish the underlying groundwater basin by capturing storm runoff in depleted quarry sites.

"Mun Mar's legacy is Zone 7," current Zone 7 Director Sandy Figuers told the Weekly via email last week. "When he began working for Zone 7, the groundwater basin

was severely depleted, flooding was a problem, the population was growing, and there was no water to supply them."

"Under his watch, treatment plants were constructed, Del Valle dam was built, the valley was connected to the State Water Project, the groundwater basin was recharged, a valley-wide water supply distribution system was built, and a flood control canal system was built," Figuers added. "He was soft spoken, a gentleman and a master of bureaucracy."

Mar immigrated to the United



Mun Mar

States from China at the age of 7, going on to graduate from Salinas High School and earn a civil engineering degree from University of California at Berkeley.

He began his career as an engineer for Zone 7's parent entity, the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, in 1958. In the late '60s, he became general manager of Zone 7, which is responsible for providing flood control and water resources to the Livermore and Amador valleys.

"He was a warm, sweet man who touched many of us in the business," said Jill Duerig, who recently retired as Zone 7 general manager. "I considered him a mentor as a young engineer at Alameda County Water District."

"He ended up building the zone," added Richard Karn, Zone 7's first engineer-manager, in the agency's 60-year memorial booklet. "I may have created it, but he's the man who really built it into what it is today."

Zone 7 staff noted too that Mar carried the agency through the drought of the 1970s.

In his obituary, Mar's family remembered him for his "genuine warmth, diplomacy, knack for gathering people, fun on the golf course, and being a Chinese foodie before it was popular."

A memorial celebration for Mar will be held Sunday, June 3 at 2 p.m. at Bridges Community Church, 505 Driscoll Road in Fremont. ■



ERIKA ALVERO

Bike to School Day

Alisal Elementary second-graders (from left) Julia Al-Otoom, Ana Corpora and Madison Andrews decorate their bicycles for Bike to School Day on May 10. Alisal was one of many schools in PUSD and across the Bay Area that took part in the event, which coincided with Bike to Work Day and was intended to encourage healthier, more environmentally friendly commutes.



LYNNEWOOD

Lynnewood celebrating new gateway

Lynnewood United Methodist Church recently completed its new entrance gateway, designed by architect Marek Stoklosa, to cap an eight-year renovation project dubbed "Dare to Grow" for the church at 4444 Black Ave. The Lynnewood community will celebrate the completion with a public dedication ceremony this Sunday at 11:45 a.m. in the church courtyard.

CASTLEWOOD

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to entertain the annexation of the property into the city from the county of Alameda," he added.

The entitlement process and land plan would present challenges. The Union Pacific Railroad tracks run through the middle of the property, and it's bounded by the Arroyo de la Laguna on the west side (except for the third hole).

The directors and staff also are exploring selling the club to a private operating firm. This is the route the former owner of the Ruby Hill Country Club in Pleasanton took

when he sold to Arcis Golf.

Castlewood, in contrast to Ruby Hill, is an equity club. When purchasing a membership, currently priced at \$15,000 for golf, equity in the club is included. At the club's height of popularity, memberships were selling for as much as \$75,000.

The sale would eliminate the equity and change the club's status from nonprofit to for-profit, which could mean different pricing across the board. A sale would leave the buyer to solve the ADA issues in the clubhouse.

The directors are planning on a town hall meeting with members in June to lay out the options. The

members will vote on which option to pursue.

The current clubhouse is 51,000 square feet and was the only choice in the valley for large events for decades. That changed when other large event venues opened in the Livermore Valley. Vest said they are working with architects on plans of between 35,000-40,000 square feet.

The ADA issues at Castlewood are in addition to the challenges faced by many golf clubs.

"All over the U.S. golf course rounds are down, courses closing. Revenue isn't where it used to be. The dynamics of golf have changed

in general," Vest said.

A former club president told the annual meeting of the Castlewood Homeowners Association in February that traditionally about 80% of the homeowners were also equity members of the country club. He said that had dropped to about 50% and the club was working hard to maintain their green backyards.

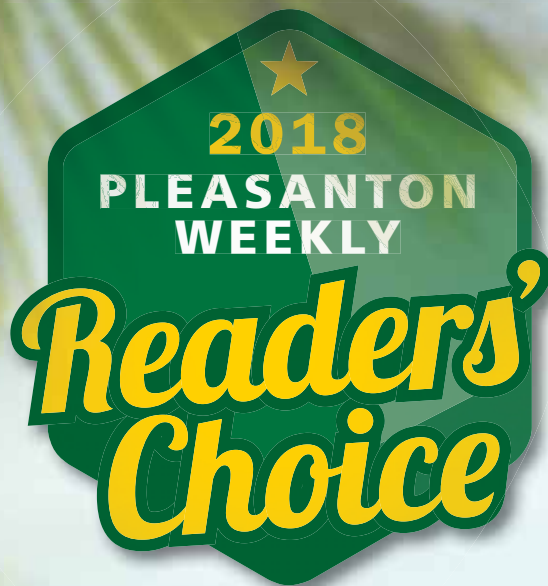
Castlewood and Blackhawk Country Club are the only two 36-hole private facilities in the East Bay. Operating two courses requires a larger membership (800 would be comfortable) and what potential members are looking for has changed. The competition for

new members is keen.

"Everyone I am talking to also is visiting other clubs," Vest said.

The original Castlewood was the Hacienda del Pozo de Verona, built by George and Phoebe Hearst. The 53-room home, designed by Julia Morgan, was Phoebe Hearst's home from 1891 to 1919. She sold it to a group of businessmen in 1924 who formed the Castlewood Country Club.

Ponderosa has built thousands of homes throughout the Tri-Valley and the Bay Area over the past 40 years. The firm is based in Pleasanton and has built many neighborhoods in the city. ■



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Sunflower Hill names first executive director

Nehls to lead development of housing projects, oversee vocational sites

By JEREMY WALSH

Nonprofit leader Edie Nehls has been hired as the first-ever executive director of Sunflower Hill, a Tri-Valley organization focused on residential and vocational opportunities for local adults with special needs.

Nehls joins the six-year-old nonprofit at a critical time, with Sunflower Hill working to move forward with affordable housing

complexes in Pleasanton and Livermore while also striving to maintain and grow its vocational sites at Sunflower Hill Gardens and Stable Cafe for special-needs adults.

The recent Livermore transplant told the Weekly she's honored for the opportunity to lead Sunflower Hill in the newly created position.

"It is very exciting to be a part of

an organization that is striving to impact a critical social need in a thoughtful and meaningful way," Nehls said. "I am thrilled to work alongside the dedicated and knowledgeable Board of Directors, advisers and volunteers and learn about all that this team has accomplished."

"As I am in the first month of my tenure, my focus is on getting to know those we serve, meeting key stakeholders, learning about our business operations and beginning to assess what needs to be done to ensure we continue to move forward in a successful manner," she added.

With more than 24 years of



Edie Nehls

experience, Nehls most recently worked at the National Ag Science Center in Modesto, where she managed fundraising, marketing and financial administration.

Before that, she served as a manager for the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego where she worked on two capital campaigns — a new museum and administration facility in downtown San Diego and renovations of the La Jolla flagship museum.

"Edie Nehls excels at helping organizations grow in strategic and meaningful ways," said Susan Houghton, president of Sunflower Hill's Board of Directors.

"Throughout her career she has championed innovative ideas for institutional change, successfully built and led departments across various business units and

developed new revenue streams to improve the fiscal stability and growth of organizations," Houghton said. "We're excited to have her join the Sunflower Hill team and to help take our organization to the next level."

Nehls' appointment came weeks after Sunflower Hill received confirmation of key funding for its Sunflower Hill at Irby Ranch affordable housing community with 31 units just outside downtown Pleasanton.

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors approved just under \$7.2 million in maximum funding from Measure A1 affordable housing bond funds for the project, a joint venture between Sunflower Hill and Satellite Affordable Housing Associates.

The agencies have filed their application with the state for tax-credit financing to support the estimated \$19 million construction project. They hope to break ground on the Pleasanton project by the end of the year. ■

TAKE US ALONG



Danube cruise: Sherrill and Doug Sleeter, Susan Russo and James Rosenbaum took the Weekly to Budapest, Hungary on a Tauck Danube River Cruise.

PUSD launches inaugural stakeholder survey

Parents, staff, students asked to provide feedback on district and school support

By ERIKA ALVERO

As the 2017-18 school year comes to a close, parents, guardians, students and staff are asked to participate in the Pleasanton Unified School District's inaugural stakeholder survey.

The survey seeks feedback on topics such as student and academic support, school leadership, safety and behavior, family engagement and communication. Parents and

guardians should have received an email invitation to take the survey, according to district officials, and they can also access it online through the district's website.

The survey is available in English, Spanish and Chinese. It is being administered by researchers from K12 Insights, which will also compile the results.

District officials stress that responses are confidential.

"K12 Insight's final reports will include only the overall findings, not individual comments or responses," officials wrote in a statement. "Individual results will not be shared with the district. And while email addresses are used to send invitations, results are not tied to individual participants or emails."

The deadline to take the survey is next Wednesday. ■

PRINCIPAL

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"There are many exciting opportunities at HP that will have a positive impact on learning, including our student device roll out and our FLEX period. I will continue to plan and prepare for next school year, so that my successor and the school is prepared for the exciting things coming."

District spokesman Patrick Ganon said the district had begun the

search process for a new Harvest Park principal, specifically by "engagement with the Harvest Park community," he said.

Results and input gathered from the engagement process would be used to find a new principal, he said.

Munsell was named principal in fall 2016 after the recently appointed principal Ethan Cheever abruptly resigned three months into his tenure.

She was the sixth principal in a little over one year for Harvest

Park, after former principal of five years Ken Rocha was promoted to director of education for the district's elementary and middle schools, leading to a series of interim principals, before the district landed on Cheever — Munsell had been the runner-up candidate for the job during Cheever's recruitment.

Prior to Harvest Park, Munsell spent four years as assistant principal at San Ramon's Gale Ranch Middle School. ■

British blues

The James Hunter Six will perform original blues, soul, and rock 'n' roll sets with vocals and guitar chops both gritty and beautiful at 7 p.m. Sunday at the Firehouse Arts Center Theater in Pleasanton. Blues chart-topper James Hunter, an Englishman, is the soul powerhouse with a rabid fan-following for both his recordings and live gigs on both sides of the Atlantic. Tickets are \$30-\$40. Go to www.firehousearts.org, call 931-4848, or purchase at the theater box office, 4444 Railroad Ave.



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Downtown Specific Plan Update Task Force Meeting

Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Review draft modifications to chapters of the existing Downtown Specific Plan, inclusive of the Transportation, Parking, and Economic Vitality chapters.

Committee on Energy and the Environment

Wednesday, May 23, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.
Operations Services, 3333 Busch Road

- Review 2017/2018 City Council Work Plan Priorities
- Climate Action Plan Update

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Community Pulse

POLICE BULLETIN

Surprise guilty plea in Livermore murder case

In an unusual move, a Modesto man pleaded guilty last week to a murder charge for the fatal stabbing of a 19-year-old Tracy woman in unincorporated Livermore in February, prosecutors said.

Daniel Gross, 19, entered his surprising plea at a routine pretrial hearing in Alameda County Superior Court in Dublin in connection with the Feb. 12 death of Lizette Cuesta.

Co-defendant Melissa Leonardo, 25, of Modesto, pleaded not guilty May 10 and is scheduled to return to court on July 19 for a pretrial hearing.

The question of whether Gross' plea will be to first-degree murder or second-degree murder will be determined at his sentencing hearing, which will be scheduled when he returns to court on June 11.

The state prison term for a first-degree conviction is 25 years to life and the term for a second-degree conviction is 15 years to life.

A motorist found Cuesta stabbed near Tesla Road, roughly two miles west of the Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area, at 2:06 a.m. on Feb. 12, according to Alameda

County Sheriff's Sgt. Ray Kelly.

Cuesta was airlifted to Eden Medical Center in Castro Valley but was pronounced dead later that morning.

Investigators believe Cuesta was dumped from a vehicle and left for dead. She crawled on her stomach for about 100 yards before being found, Kelly said. Cuesta made a "very compelling dying declaration" that led investigators to Gross and Leonardo, according to Kelly.

Authorities haven't disclosed a motive for Cuesta's stabbing death.

The charging document filed by the Alameda County District Attorney's Office alleges that Gross was the person who fatally stabbed Cuesta.

Gross' attorney, Alameda County assistant public defender Eric Mirzaian, said in a statement, "From the very beginning of this case, Daniel has demonstrated that he is committed to accepting responsibility for his friend's death."

Mirzaian said, "He proved that when he confessed to the police, he proved it when he confessed to the media and he has proven it today by entering a guilty plea to these charges."

Mirzaian said, "It is Daniel's hope that his decision today to accept responsibility and not drag out the court proceedings for years, will bring some measure of peace and closure to

Ms. Cuesta's family and loved ones."

The DA's Office didn't respond to multiple requests for comment on the case last week.

In other news

Pleasanton police are searching for a man who allegedly cased a local liquor store before stealing from a car in the parking lot earlier this month.

The man was seen on surveillance video but has not yet been identified, according to Pleasanton police, who posted video footage related to the case on the department's Facebook page last week in their effort to identify the culprit.

The incident occurred around 11 p.m. May 7 when a man smashed the window of a Mercedes parked in the lot of the Food & Beverage store on Stoneridge Drive, near the Gibraltar Drive intersection, police said. He stole a book bag containing miscellaneous items from the vehicle.

Police learned the man was seen on video casing the liquor store and the parking lot before returning to the scene wearing a hoodie and mask.

Anyone with information about the case can contact the department at 931-5100 and reference case No. 18-18356. ■

—Bay City News Service and Jeremy Walsh

POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

May 12

DUI

■ 1:41 a.m. at Santa Rita Road and Mohr Avenue

■ 11:27 p.m. on the 6400 block of Amber Lane

Vandalism

■ 10:48 p.m. on the 5800 block of Parkside Drive

Theft

■ 8:35 a.m., 6100 block of Via de Los Cerros; theft from auto

■ 2:07 p.m. on the 1000 block of Hancock Court

■ 2:39 p.m., 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from auto

■ 3:23 p.m., 5400 block of Sunol Blvd.; theft of auto

■ 3:53 p.m. on the 700 block of Summit Creek Lane

■ 9:01 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

May 11

Robbery

■ 8:57 p.m. on the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Weapons violation

■ 11:08 p.m. on the 5900 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Fraud

■ 8:22 p.m. on the 5100 block of Monaco Drive

Theft

■ 10:35 a.m., 3500 block of South Olympic Court; theft from auto

■ 3:23 p.m., 6000 block of Johnson Drive; theft from auto

■ 3:59 p.m., 6000 block of Johnson Drive; theft from auto

■ 4:03 p.m., 4800 block of Hopyard Road; shoplifting

■ 4:12 p.m. on the 5000 block of Case Avenue

■ 7:45 p.m., 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Sex offense

■ 1:06 p.m. on Stonedale Drive

Assault/battery

■ 9:19 a.m. on the 1800 block of Valley Avenue

Burglary

■ 8:48 a.m. on the 1300 block of Happy Valley Road

May 10

Theft

■ 3:25 p.m., 4000 block of Pimlico Drive; theft of auto

■ 6:31 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Fraud

■ 3:47 p.m. on the 800 block of Rose Avenue

Drug violation

■ 12:22 a.m. on the 3100 block of Santa Rita Road

May 9

Theft

■ 10:32 a.m., 5500 block of Johnson Drive; theft from auto

■ 3:30 p.m., 5500 block of Sunol Blvd.; theft of auto

■ 3:56 p.m. on the 2300 block of Santa Rita Road

■ 5:26 p.m., 3400 block of Stanley Blvd.; theft from structure

Graffiti offense

■ 10:46 a.m. at Main Street and Del Valle Parkway

Katherine Ann Taylor Morrell

October 13, 1937 – April 4, 2018

A resident of Pleasanton, she lived 17+ years with Alzheimer's. She is survived by her daughters, Catherine Seymour, Marilyn Morrell-Kristal, and Andrea Morrell. Grandchildren: Katherine B McLeod, Jessica Strunk, Drew Kristal, Bryce Kristal, and Trey Kristal. Five great-grandchildren and her sister, Carol Best. She was preceded in death by Thomas L Morrell. She enjoyed time outdoors, and was employed by Macy's 20+ years. A celebration of life party will be held on June 3, 2018, contact tennisbow@aol.com.



PAID OBITUARY

Mun J. Mar

October 17, 1931 – May 6, 2018

Mun J. Mar of Los Altos Hills, California, passed away peacefully surrounded by love on May 6, 2018. He was 86 years old.



Mun is survived by his wife of 25 years Robyn Ledwith Mar, daughter Camrin (John) Harris, son Craig Mar, daughter Traci (Greg) Fung, and daughter Robin Mar (Randall Hoffman), stepson Mark (Laura) Ledwith, stepdaughter Alyson (Michael)

D'Auteuil, stepson Ryan (Tamara) Ledwith, stepson Tyler Ledwith, brother Art (Emily) Mar, brother Yue (Jean) Mar, sister Carol (Al) Woo, and many grandchildren, extended family, and friends. He was preceded in death by his first wife Helen Mar. Mun was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend to all.

When Mun was 7, he immigrated from China to the United States. He graduated from Salinas High School and earned a degree in Civil Engineering from UC Berkeley. He started his career as an engineer for the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and concluded his 33 years of public service as the General Manager of the Zone 7 Water Agency. Mun will be remembered for his genuine warmth, diplomacy, knack for gathering people, fun on the golf course, and being a Chinese foodie before it was popular.

A Memorial Celebration will be held at Bridges Community Church, 505 Driscoll Road, Fremont, CA on Sunday, June 3, 2018, 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his honor to Dallas Theological Seminary (www.dts.edu) or the American Cancer Society (www.cancer.org).

PAID OBITUARY

Frederica Murphey

May 1, 1952 – April 28, 2018

Pleasanton, CA – Rickie Flach Murphey, 65, died Saturday, April 28, 2018 at her home surrounded by her loving family due to complications from lung cancer. She was the wife of Thomas J. Murphey formerly of Elmira, NY.



Born in New York City, NY she was the daughter of the late Patricia Kane Flach and Frederic Francis Flach, M.D. Rickie attended the Convent of the Sacred Heart in New York City and spent her childhood summers in East Hampton, Long Island, New York. She attended the University of the State of New York and graduated with an AAS in Nursing of which she was very proud. Her specialty was outpatient psychiatry. In 1990 she wrote a book titled "Rickie" with her father and subsequently lectured extensively about psychiatry and mental illness. She practiced in New Jersey before relocating to California.

She loved traveling with her husband Tom in their RV, riding her horse Harry at Reins in Motion and spending time with her grandchildren.

She was the loving mother of Brian Christopher Hartman of Pleasanton, CA, Erica Anne Hazen of Dublin, CA and Heather Kristen Hartman-Pratt of Hayward, CA and the dear grandmother of Dakodah, Lytning, Thunder, and Rayn Hazen and Tyler, Toby, Trevor, and Taylor Pratt.

A memorial service will be held at The Well Church on Friday, May 25 at 11 AM. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. In lieu of flowers donations in Rickie's name can be made to Hope Hospice, 6377 Clark Avenue, Suite 100, Dublin, CA 94568-3024, Reins in Motion Foundation, PO Box 1001, Livermore, CA 94551 or The Well Church, 2333 Nissen Drive, Livermore, CA 94551.

PAID OBITUARY

Pleasanton Weekly endorsements for June primary

Measure A

Measure A, the “Alameda County Childcare and Early Education Measure,” seeks to create an estimated \$140 million annually for improved childcare and early education program quality and access by in-need residents via a new half-cent sales tax countywide for 30 years.

The need for quality, affordable childcare and early education is undeniable, but this measure is not the solution.

The funds will be used to provide “high quality child care and early education services” to low- and middle-income children and increase “wages for child care providers and early educators.” Perhaps making the wording vague was intentional, to avoid limitations and restrictions before the situation is assessed. However, voters deserve more clarity on how these tax dollars will be spent.

Also, because priority will be given to low- and middle-income children, it’s difficult to see how the Tri-Valley will benefit from the tax.

We encourage a No vote on this measure.

Regional Measure 3

Regional Measure 3 asks voters in nine Bay Area counties to approve three successive \$1 increases in bridge tolls on all Bay Area bridges except the Golden Gate Bridge, and thereafter tolls would be increased with the rise of the Consumer Price Index. To pass, a majority of voters in each county must approve the measure.

The new tolls are expected to generate about \$4.5 billion for transportation projects throughout the Bay Area. Some projects in or near the Tri-Valley stand to benefit, most notably reconstruction of the Interstate 680-Highway 84 interchange south of Pleasanton and Tri-Valley transit access improvements.

While RM3 would secure funding for those vital local projects, we believe the toll increases — along with the implementation of inflation escalators — ask for too much and attempt to leverage the public’s frustration over bad traffic to disproportionately penalize bridge commuters, a small fraction of voters and therefore an easy target.

District Attorney

In the race for Alameda County District Attorney, incumbent Nancy O’Malley, who has served in the role since being appointed in 2009, is being challenged by Oakland civil rights attorney Pamela Price.

O’Malley, who started in the DA’s

Office as a prosecutor in 1984, has risen to become a leader in bringing awareness to human trafficking and helping victims of domestic violence.

Price says she is running to bring criminal justice reform to Alameda County. She wants to make incarceration a “last resort” by expanding alternatives to incarceration and eliminating the cash bail system. Also, to end “mass incarceration,” Price would stop prosecuting some crimes, like minor property offenses and other non-violent crimes.

Wanting to basically decriminalize some offenses and diminish consequences, coupled with her lack of experience as a prosecutor, emphasizes that Price does not have the knowledge or background required to be the county’s top prosecutor.

We support the re-election of O’Malley.

Superior Court Judge

Alameda County Superior Court Judge Tara Flanagan is being challenged by longtime county deputy public defender Karen Katz.

We see no need to unseat Flanagan, who has sat on the bench since 2012 and is one of only four LGBT judges on the bench, and recommend a vote for Flanagan.

Auditor-Controller/ Clerk-Recorder

Two very qualified, experienced public auditors are seeking to replace Alameda County Auditor-Controller/Clerk-Recorder Steve Manning, who did not seek re-election after one term.

Vying for the role, which oversees county accounting and maintains recordable public documents, are Melissa Wilk of Piedmont, the chief deputy auditor-controller who has been with Alameda County for more than 15 years, and Irella Blackwood of Castro Valley, chief auditor for the city and county of San Francisco.

Both have impressive backgrounds and accomplishments, but we feel Wilk’s success and depth of experience in the office as chief deputy gives her the edge over Blackwood.

Alameda County is one of only two counties in the state with the highest possible ‘Triple-Triple’ designation of AAA credit rating from all three reporting agencies, and Wilk was a key part of that team.

Blackwood has questioned transparency in the office because performance audits are not available on the county’s website. Wilk responded to our question about that by saying while there is a standard in county governments to make financial audits available online, there is no

consistent practice for operational or performance audits and “it is not atypical for counties to not include all of those (audits) on their websites.”

“There’s never been a question or concern,” she told us. “But now that it’s been raised, I have no problem putting all those performance and operational audits online.”

Wilk’s institutional knowledge that will keep the county on its current successful path, a holistic vision for both departments of the office, and a commitment to make more information available to the public online make her the best candidate.

Assessor

Four men are vying to succeed retiring Assessor Ron Thomsen: Jim Johnson, Phong La, Kevin Lopez and John Weed. Because the candidates have varied levels of experience and name recognition, we find it highly unlikely that a winner will be decided in this primary.

We prefer candidates Johnson and La, and expect to see them facing each other in a runoff election in November.

Johnson has 26 years of experience with the Assessor’s Office, including the past 10 years as its assessment services chief. He offers key leadership experience that would be vital in the position, and he vows to do all he can to keep politics out of his decision-making — which can be a plus in this type of elected office.

La is a real estate tax attorney from Newark, and while he doesn’t work for the department, he certainly has plenty of experience working with the Assessor’s Office from the other side of the counter. That knowledgeable outsider’s perspective, as well as offering ideas for improving the usability of the department’s services for all county residents, make him a standout candidate.

Weed, who sits on the county’s Property Tax Assessment Appeals Board, has failed to promote a detailed vision for his specific plans for the office.

Lopez is a certified general appraiser who has 23 years of experience working for the Assessor’s Office, but he lacks the managerial experience critical to this elected position.

Still, all four candidates will garner some votes, making it difficult for any one to receive more than 50% of the vote needed to win the seat outright now. With a runoff likely, we think it’s premature to commit preference to a single candidate, but we hope to see Johnson and La on the November ballot.

U.S. House of Representatives

Incumbent Eric Swalwell is competing for his fourth term representing District 15, which includes Pleasanton. The 37-year-old Democrat, a former Dublin councilman and county prosecutor, continues to be a strong voice for the Bay Area in Congress whose star continues to rise within his party and yet he remains active within the district.

We prefer Swalwell in the primary. His legislative record is unmatched in this election.

Challenger Rudy Peters, a Republican from Livermore, has no elected service experience and on a local level only served on the Livermore Human Services Commission.

The other candidate is Pleasanton resident Brendan St. John, a political newcomer running without party preference. We commend St. John’s enthusiasm and interest in the position, but if he really wants to effect change, we urge starting with local elected office and building from there.

The top two candidates will advance to a runoff in November, and it would be great to see St. John’s name next to Swalwell’s on that ballot.

State Assembly

Seeking a third term as District 16’s assemblywoman, Republican Catharine Baker has demonstrated a commitment to supporting Tri-Valley priorities (most recently, helping secure \$20 million for a county-owned parking garage at Dublin-Pleasanton BART) while also working across party lines on certain issues that really should be bipartisan.

Baker is a devoted advocate for the Tri-Valley, remains actively involved in our communities and has the backing of all but five city/town council members in the whole Tri-Valley.

Facing Baker is a political unknown, Orinda attorney Rebecca Bauer-Kahan. The Democrat has school volunteer and nonprofit service experience but no elected or local government service time — a very similar resume to Baker when she first ran for Assembly and earned an upset victory.

We like Baker based on her record as a strong Tri-Valley representative in Sacramento.

But we also acknowledge little will be decided in the Assembly race this June — other than some momentum heading into November’s general election, where both women will appear on the ballot again. We look forward to watching the next six months of campaigning closely. ■

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Falcons end regular season on 7-game winning streak

Amador hockey wins title; Foothill volleyball, tennis make playoff runs

The Foothill softball team extended its winning streak to seven games with victories over Livermore and Amador Valley last week.

The Falcons started off by defeating Livermore 7-0 on May 8. Ellen Ebbers went 3-for-3 with a single, a double and a solo home run, driving in three runs. Nicole May pitched a complete game, recording 13 strikeouts while giving up only three hits and one walk.

Two days later, the Falcons closed out the regular season with a 1-0 win over Amador.

Hope Alley led off the bottom of the sixth in a scoreless game with a double, and then promptly stole third. With one out, designated player Lauren Hermes laid down a perfect sacrifice/squeeze bunt, scoring Alley for the game's only run.

May then struck out the side in the top of the seventh for the victory, striking out 12 and walking one.

Amador had four hits in the game, with Valeria Torres-Colon (two), Danielle Williams and Mia Hildebrand (double) accounting for the Amador offense. Williams kept the Falcons largely in check, allowing only two hits while striking out nine for the game.

Earlier in the week, the Dons beat Carondelet 2-0 on Senior Day.

The runs both came in the bottom of the first when Williams hit a two-run homer. From there, Williams dominated in the circle, allowing only two hits while striking out 15 batters.

Amador hockey

For the first time, the Dons are

the high school hockey champions, beating De La Salle 7-2 in the title game.

Going into the second period, it was 1-0 De La Salle, but the crowd saw the game quickly change.

Six players from the Dons scored, with JT Fulmer having two goals to carry Amador to the 7-2 victory. Anthony Percy tallied both goals for the Spartans.

Foothill volleyball

The Falcons have advanced to the North Coast Section semifinals.

Last week started with a 25-21, 25-20, 25-16 win over College Park. Daniel Qian had nine kills and three blocks to lead the way. Brent Fong added five kills and two blocks, with Sid Majigud finishing with three kills and five blocks. Azfal Peermohammed had 19 assists.

Later in the week, the Falcons traveled to Heritage and came away with a thrilling 25-8, 25-20, 19-25, 21-25, 15-12 win.

Qian had 29 kills and three blocks, with Fong adding seven kills. Majigud had 12 blocks, and Andre Doty added 10 blocks. Peermohammed had 45 assists.

Foothill tennis

The Falcons completed one of the best seasons in school history, posting a 19-3 record.

Foothill entered the NCS Team Tennis Championship and got off to a fast start, disposing of Sonoma Valley 7-0. Kyle Thompson, Shreekar Eedara, Akash Patel and Adam Linette swept the singles, and the

teams of Ani Poruri and Abhi Eedara, Jared Tay and Mark Mouch, and Vince Barletta and Matt Haskell won in doubles.

In the quarterfinals, the Falcons beat Miramonte 6-1. Thompson, Shreekar Eedara, Patel, and Linette swept the singles, and Poruri, Abhi Eedara, Dylan Weiglein and Alex Yang finished off Miramonte in the doubles.

In the semifinals, Foothill fell 5-2 to Redwood. Linette won his singles match, and Weiglein and Yang prevailed in the doubles.

Pleasanton baseball camp

Foothill High's 24th annual Summer Baseball Camp will take place June 11-13 at the school.

The camp runs from 9 a.m. to noon each day, with the cost \$125. The camp will include the fundamentals of hitting, pitching, baserunning and defense, with a maximum ratio of campers to coach at 8:1. To register, go to www.sportability.com/tnttraining.

Top athletes/teams

My weekly rundown of the top athletes and teams I have covered from Amador and Foothill will return next week due to the amount of coverage I received this week from local teams. ■

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



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Phillies win regular season title

The Pleasanton Foothill Little League Phillies clinched the Majors Division regular season title last weekend. The Phillies are ready for the postseason after leading the division with the most runs scored and fewest runs allowed. The team consists of Ryan Bull, Cormac Herbert, Joseph Jupina, Zach Payne, Andrew Chao, Tyler Candland, Roman Bischer, Nicholas Kullman, Connor Johnson, Milan Garuda and Sam Masek, with head coach Sean Kullman and assistant coaches Carmen Bischer and Lance Johnson.

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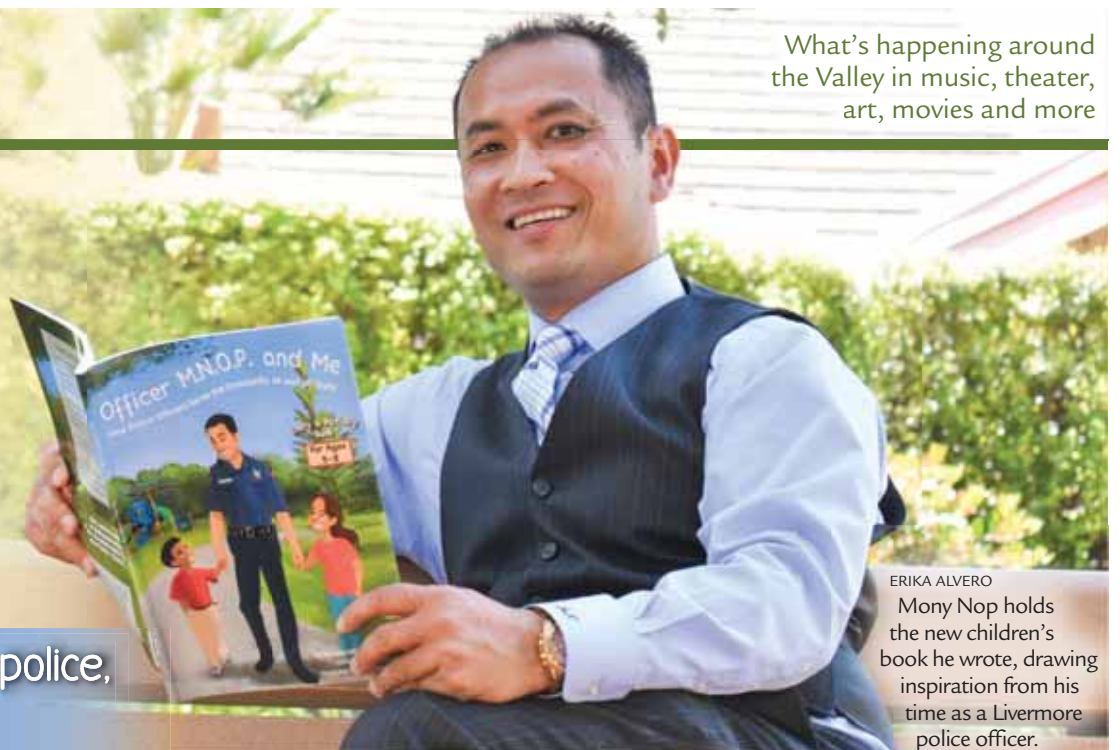
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FORMER LIVERMORE POLICE OFFICER PUBLISHES CHILDREN'S BOOK



ERIKA ALVERO
Mony Nop holds the new children's book he wrote, drawing inspiration from his time as a Livermore police officer.

Author seeks to change perceptions of police, inspire kids to become leaders

By ERIKA ALVERO

Mony Nop's voice chokes up when he talks about police officers and the role they play in a community. "When I worked here, I met so many incredible police officers, our hearts are always in the right place, and we just want to serve people," the 45-year-old former Livermore police officer said. "Still today, if I get an opportunity, I would run into a building when shots are fired."

It hurts him, he said, that in our current climate it seems "every police officer in the nation is getting painted with the same brush," as being abusive of power or a "bad-ass."

And that's the main purpose of his new children's book, "Officer M.N.O.P. and Me." To dispel misconceptions about police officers and educate youth.

The book has a subtext too — he hopes that by including a diverse array of characters, as police officers and in other leadership roles, readers from all backgrounds can see themselves represented and be inspired to assume those roles themselves.

The story follows the journey of Alex, a young boy who harbors fears of police after his mother is arrested for using drugs. Gradually, his fears are assuaged after numerous positive encounters with law enforcement officials, from classroom DARE visits to roadside emergencies.

And along the way, Nop has embedded tidbits from his own unique life path and 17 years on the police force.

Nop was born into a Cambodian labor camp during the rule of the Khmer Rouge, a repressive Communist regime in the 1970s responsible for killing at least 2 million Cambodians in the name of instating an "agricultural revolution."

His family lived in a little shack with a grass roof, he recalls. "I brushed my teeth with rock salt, I had a log under my head as a pillow, and I had a rag as a blanket," Nop said.

At the age of 6, he and his family, along with thousands of other Cambodians, escaped on foot to a United Nations refugee camp in neighboring Thailand. The trek there was a bloody one.

"Dead bodies were all over the place, people were getting shot and maimed all over the place," Nop said. "I'll never forget the middle of the night where I had to step over a bloated

dead body in the middle of the river in order to continue our journey."

His family would live at the camp for four years, and for the first time, Nop was able to attend school.

Nop's family came to the United States in 1983; he was 10-1/2 when they arrived at a sponsor's home in Tempe, Ariz. He recalls his first time sleeping in a "regular household" and his first "real meal" — a whole chicken was cooked for them.

The family would move to their own place a week later, but those first seven days at the sponsor's home was a whirlwind of firsts, from church to grocery shopping.

"My siblings and I ate so much," he said of their first picnic, "that we had to sit there and breathe with our mouths open, because we went to bed hungry every night before that."

A year later, they moved to Stockton, attracted there by his father's friend and the presence of a large Cambodian population.

It was a time when he learned to fend for himself, he said. A time when his father became an alcoholic and would leave home often to gamble, taking Nop's mother with him.

So Nop went to school, and learned to sign his own paperwork. In school, he was with classmates four years younger than him — while in Thailand, his father had lowered his birth date on paper, so that if they were to ever come to the U.S., Nop and his siblings could access more years of schooling.

He only discovered his true birthdate — Dec. 2, 1972 — years later, after doing research and probing the memory of his mother, who died a few years ago.

Eventually he advanced to classes with students his own age, by skipping ahead and convincing teachers of his maturity level.

Perhaps foreshadowing his later career, he helped put his father in jail at the age of 17, when an argument between his parents threatened to turn ugly, with his dad bringing an ax to the table.

At this point, he had had enough of home trouble, and decided to move out and work to become a police officer, though this journey was riddled by further challenges, including being

falsely accused of a drive-by shooting, he said.

Nop fulfilled his dream when he was hired by the Livermore Police Department on Dec. 4, 1995, the department's second Asian police officer at the time.

He served with LPD for 17 years before retiring from policing, during which time he obtained a degree from St. Mary's College and raised two sons, whom he has sole custody over. Nop is now a Realtor in Livermore and also works in the nonprofit sector.

His new book is part of a larger plan, and possibly the first in a series, with future books detailing life lessons he's learned as an immigrant and businessman. He wants to use his own experiences to inspire children from marginalized backgrounds like his own, to show them they too can vanquish obstacles in their own lives.

The characters and icons that flit in and out of the pages were part of his life as well, from his friend Officer Swanson to the LPD badges and police cars.

The title character of course is himself, Officer M.N.O.P. (Yes, the punctuation marks are on-purpose — when local students pointed out that his police badge reading "M. Nop" was four letters alphabetically in a row, he unofficially became "Officer M. N. O. P.")

Officer M. N. O. P. guides Alex through positive encounters with police, showing him that police officers are an important part of society, people who can be trusted.

The second half of the book consists of a workbook for young people, with activities, additional information and poetry about police officers written by children.

"This book is a tool," Nop said. "For parents to have conversations about police officers. When they read the stories to their children, it's highlighting many positive things that police officers do that do not otherwise get spoken about."

"We want to really change children's perception of police officers," he continued. "There's a lot of negativity out there. And I hope that this book can serve as a counter-balance to that."

The books are now available for purchase online at Amazon.com. For more information, visit www.officermnop.com. ■

Juanita Haugen award recipients announced

Luncheon to honor giving back to the community — and the world

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Responsibility. Compassion. Self-discipline. Honesty. Respect. Integrity.

Recipients of this year's Community of Character Juanita Haugen Awards have been named for exhibiting these values, and the three individuals and one nonprofit organization will be honored at a luncheon Tuesday.

Sherri Leal

After an 18-year career in banking, Sherri Leal became involved with Kids Against Hunger, which provides soy-based meal kits for worldwide distribution. Leal worked as a volunteer to learn all aspects of the endeavor, then opened a chapter in Pleasanton in 2010. That first year, her branch packed 119,000 meals. In 2017,

more than 2.5 million meals were packed, with 27,000 volunteers participating.

Not only does this endeavor provide nutrition for starving children, it provides volunteer opportunities for those who pack the meals. And Leal willingly performs all tasks — from greeting volunteers to sweeping the floors, encouraging all ages to find positive ways to impact the

community and the world.

Ed Westmoreland

Ed Westmoreland has built a culture of character in every aspect of the business he owns in the community, from the way he treats his employees to the welcome he extends to those who enter.

He also coaches youth sports and has served on parent-teacher

association (PTA) and nonprofit boards. He was a champion for the Tri-Valley YMCA during his eight years on that board, and also has worked to make sure funding is available for families to receive critical mental health services.

Westmoreland not only demonstrates honesty, compassion and

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Journey through history of nation's music

Cantabella Children's Chorus presents 'America the Beautiful'

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Music director Eileen Chang will lead Cantabella Children's Chorus through an American journey of music from 1850 to the present at its spring concert, "America the Beautiful," next weekend.

"A lot of the songs will be familiar to you," Chang said.

The concert will visit locations across the United States, exploring their musical diversity. In the South, the chorus will sing "Summertime" from "Porgy and Bess," composed by George Gershwin in the style of an African-American spiritual.

Another highlight will be Cantabella's rendition of Leonard Cohen's "Hallelujah."

The journey includes Shaker spirituals, minstrel and gospel songs with a mix of American folk, art and contemporary pop music, covering all genres by American composers.

"With my many years of musical resources, I still learned a lot about American heritage as I prepared this theme," Chang said. "Many who have lived here all their lives may not know all these genres. This will be educational for both adults and children."

Performances are at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. next Saturday (May 26) at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 4001 Stoneridge Drive.

Cantabella training choirs, with younger singers from the Tri-Valley, will perform at the 1 p.m. show, with select pieces by the performing choirs. The 4 p.m. show presents the 200 voices of Cantabella's performing choirs.

Tickets are \$18 in advance and \$22 after Monday. Children under 18 accompanied by adults are free. For more information, visit www.cantabella.org or call 292-2663. ■



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BodyTraffic — contemporary dance

The innovative contemporary dance company BodyTraffic will perform cutting edge works by four leading choreographers at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore at 8 p.m. Saturday. BodyTraffic was named "the company of the future" by the Joyce Theater Foundation, as well as one of Dance Magazine's "25 to Watch." Tickets are \$40-\$80; students and military are \$17. Visit lvpac.org or call 383-6800.

AWARDS

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responsibility in his actions, he also inspires others to be their best selves.

John Houston

John Houston and his family moved from Scotland to Pleasanton in 2005. They joined GraceWay Church, and he has marched with the Balloon Platoon since 2009. An avid cyclist, he represents the

Christian Cycling's NorCal Spoke and works to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists.

He is vice president of the St. Andrew's Society of Oakland, a benevolent organization of Scots, as well as a member of the Pleasanton Blairgowrie Fergus Sister City Organization. He is president of the Pleasanton Malt Whisky Circle, which samples whiskies from around the world and also supports local fundraisers and assists at the annual Scottish Games.

Valley Humane Society

Valley Humane Society rescues and rehabilitates companion animals to be adopted through its no-kill shelter — and it does much more.

In 2016, the organization delivered more than 25,000 pounds of dog and cat food to Tri-Valley families who could no longer afford to feed their pets, partnering with Open Heart Kitchen and Hope Hospice to assist people

with animal care needs. VHS acts as the lead pet assisted therapy organization for East Bay Stand Down and sent therapy dogs to the Oakland Ghost Ship warehouse fire to comfort victims, families and first responders.

Its Canine Comfort teams visit special-needs adults in the Castro Valley Adult and Career Education School, the KARA Foundation camps and the Veterans Affairs Hospital in Livermore. VHS impacts children through its Paws to Read,

Canine Comfort and Humane Education camps as well as visiting students at Tri-Valley schools during finals week.

The awards were established to honor longtime school board member and community volunteer Juanita Haugen, who co-founded the Pleasanton Community of Character program. The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Veterans Memorial Building, 301 Main St. Cost is \$35. Reserve online at www.pleasanton.org. ■

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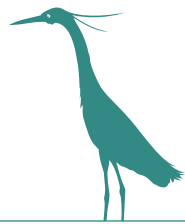
ERIKA ALVERO

Citizen scientist Bill Rose has been monitoring the Shadow Cliffs waterbird colony since 1998. He is leading his next public observation walk there Memorial Day weekend.



BILL ROSE

Of the 70 nests at the Shadow Cliffs colony, there are four different waterbird species, including the egrets pictured here.



The bird counter at Shadow Cliffs



To citizen scientist Bill Rose, bird colony data is a 'gauge on how healthy the Bay Area is'

BY ERIKA ALVERO

Unseen by many a Pleasanton resident, Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area is home to a burgeoning civilization: a waterbird colony. A large one, in fact.

And along a high, dusty trail that offers a keen vantage point of the critters' island habitat, there's

a chance you will encounter Bill Rose, squinting through a telescope, binoculars strapped around his neck and floppy hat perched atop his head — counting the birds and nests of the four avian species that have taken up a communal residence at the park and lake just

off Stanley Boulevard, on the border of Pleasanton and Livermore.

Rose's official title is "citizen scientist," given to him by the San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory (SFBBO), though he also volunteers with local chapters of the National Audubon Society and participates

in other ornithological activities.

But it's his citizen scientist role that brings the 83-year-old to Shadow Cliffs a few times a month, to monitor the waterbird colony and collect data for SFBBO — data, he says, that serves as a vital check on the environmental health of the Bay.

"When you put all the data together, it's a gauge on how healthy the Bay Area is," said Rose, who has officially monitored the colony since 1998. "You talk about the canary in the coal mines. This is the canary in the Bay Area.

"If these populations start dropping overall, then we've got problems."

Unofficially, Rose has been watching the colony since the opening of Shadow Cliffs — a former gravel quarry-turned-park — in the early 1970s. Born and raised in Sacramento, he moved to Pleasanton in 1968 with his now-deceased wife and three boys to work as a research scientist in the food processing industry, following time in the military and in government work.

His interest in birds stems from childhood hunting expeditions and earning merit badges for the Eagle Scouts.

"I just like the outdoors, I like to camp, hunt and fish," he said. "I'm interested in anything nature, not only birds. I have about 6,000 slides of wildflowers. I look at fungi, mushrooms."

At Shadow Cliffs, his eyes are constantly on alert for signs of motion and his slow, methodical speech is punctuated by bird sightings ("tern," "hummingbird," "mud hen").

"That used to drive my wife crazy, driving up and down I-5," Rose said. "Oh, look at the meadowlark." "Where, what, who?"

The Shadow Cliffs colony resides on an isolated pond at the park,

separated from the more recreational body of water operated by East Bay Regional Park District. (The birds' pool is owned by Zone 7 Water Agency.) The birds used to all collect on the pond's central island, Rose recalls, but after some of the cottonwoods there started to die off, a group branched off to foliage on a nearby bank.

There are four species spread among 70 nests currently at the colony: great blue heron, double-crested cormorant, great egret and snowy egret. A few distinct characteristics help differentiate the waterbirds from one another, Rose said.

"Black, cormorant. Gray, great blue heron. White, great egret, snowy egret. Great egret is big, snowy egret is small. Great egret has got a yellow-orange bill. Snowy egret has got a black bill."

Their communal residence at the Shadow Cliffs colony is due to similar environmental need. All four species are attracted to the tall cottonwoods and protected body of water. Overall, Rose said, they live together fairly harmoniously, though he catches some squabbling going on, from pecking wars to nest-stealing herons.

"The herons are great robbers," he said. "And sometimes I think they conspire. There'll be a heron fighting with somebody on this side of the nest, and his partner's on the other side stealing the sticks."

Not all birds form colonies — in fact, only about 13% do, according to experts. Sometimes, Rose will lead morning bird walks at Shadow Cliffs for the Audubon Society, during which time he can see over 50 bird species before breakfast, but most of these are loners.

Bird-monitoring is much easier in the winter when the trees are stripped of their foliage, he says; now the leafy greens hide the




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Rose hopes that by leading group treks and introducing locals to the colony, he can inspire others to be supportive of wildlife preservation initiatives.

critters. (Though the shiny “white-wash” grazing some leaves, created by bird droppings, can be a good clue of a tree’s inhabitants.)

As per SFBBO requirements, Rose and a few other nearby citizen scientists need to monitor the colony once every three days, counting birds and making observations for the “focal nests” Rose has selected. The process is still not as exact as Rose would like.

“Being a scientist, trying to put as many zeroes behind the decimal point as possible, it gets to me that I can’t be more accurate,” he said.

But the rise of “citizen scientists” has proved a great boon to the ornithology world, he said, in terms of collecting data on creatures whose airborne lifestyles make tracking difficult.

Ornithologists used to “poo-poo” the data people like Rose collected, he said.

“Now they’re starting to accept it. And they’ve found a lot of things that they didn’t know about. Some of these species migrate east and west as much as they do north and south,” he said.

Max Tarjan manages the SFBBO colonial waterbird program, which is “pretty much two of us in the office,” she said.

“The birds are really spread out throughout the Bay Area, so we’re usually covering more than 50 sites in a season,” she said. “So getting

that help from volunteers to actually be on the ground to get to all of those areas throughout the Bay Area is super helpful.”

Dolores Bengtson, former director of Pleasanton’s parks and recreation program, came aboard the bird-monitoring train herself after encountering Rose in an observation session, while he was also interacting with casual park visitors.

“I was thoroughly impressed with the positive impact Bill was having over time in educating the public about the need to conserve birds and their habitats by understanding how human activity impacts their surroundings,” Bengtson said.

“Habitat loss impacts all creatures. If we understand how human activity impacts birds, perhaps we can understand how we can develop strategies to protect birds as well as other creatures,” she said. “Monitoring bird colonies in the Bay Area with its resulting data base provides a valuable investigative tool to assess the effectiveness of human efforts directed toward protecting habitats.”

Bengtson now helps Rose monitor the cormorants on the island, in addition to a colony in Sunol for the SFBBO.

Currently, the colony is teeming with youngsters, born throughout the spring, though many are preparing to leave their respective nests. (Rose’s general guidelines

stipulate “30 days in the egg and 30 days to fledge,” or fly.) Last summer, Rose said, he saw newly hatched birds all the way through July.

The nests, which birds start to construct in December, might have two to five chicks in them at once, distinguished by comical tufts of hair and their “clucking” noises, especially during feeding time as they vie with one another to snatch food from their parents’ throats, according to Rose.

Next weekend, on May 27 at 9 a.m., Rose will lead an observation walk at Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area, a chance for the public to observe the colony themselves. All are welcome to the “Birds in Your Neighborhood” event, hosted by SFBBO in conjunction with EBRPD, and Rose will set up viewing scopes.

“Its main purpose, as far as I’m concerned, is to get people aware, knowledgeable about it,” Rose said, adding that connecting people to the bird colony might make them more supportive of wildlife preservation initiatives.

“The more people we can get involved and aware, the better,” he said. “We talk to several people, there’s a couple people I recognize all the time. And they come out here and they’ll see me, and they’ll say, ‘How’s our cormorants doing?’ Our cormorants. They take possession.” ■



ERIKA ALVERO

Double-crested cormorants in the trees at the central island where part of the colony resides.



MICHELLE SUSKI

Rose became interested in birds on childhood hunting expeditions and while earning Eagle Scout merit badges. “I just like the outdoors,” he said.

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14TH ANNUAL DBMG SCHOLARSHIP GOLF CLASSIC Scramble Tournament, shotgun start at 1 p.m., Wednesday, June 20, at the San Ramon Golf Course, San Ramon. \$135 per golfer. Includes greens fees, golf cart, box lunch, BBQ buffet dinner. To raise money for the Diablo Black Men's Group scholarship fund for minority students in the Bay area. Complete your online registration for your

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Community

CLUTTERLESS SPEAKER MEETING ClutterLess (CL) special open Speaker Meeting, Monday, May 21, 7 p.m. Vera Anderson, Organizer, will speak about "How to Sort Through Your Emotions and Possessions." Organization is freedom: A step by step guide to pairing down and letting go. ClutterLess (CL) is a nonprofit, peer-based, self-help, support group for people with difficulty discarding unwanted possessions. CL meets every Monday, (except Postal Holidays, such as Memorial Day) at 7 p.m. at The Parkview, 100 Valley Ave., 2nd Floor Activity Room. Please RSVP: ClutterlessPleasanton@hotmail.com.

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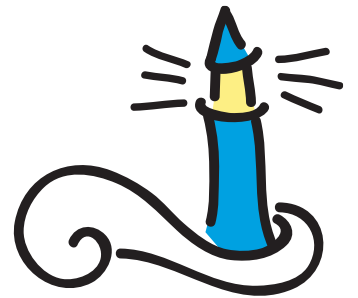
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995 Fictitious Name Statement

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 525872
The following person has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name. 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: Pampered Nails and Spa, 6900 Village Parkway, Dublin, CA 94568. FILED IN ALAMEDA COUNTY ON: Dec. 29, 2016 UNDER FILE NO. 525872. REGISTRANT'S NAME: Trongle Tan Le, 7378 Tamarack Drive, Dublin, CA 94568. THIS BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED BY Trongle Tan Le, an Individual. This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Alameda County on April 30, 2018. (Pleasanton Weekly, May 11, 18, 25 and June 1, 2018).

Pampered Nails & Spa
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 544406
The following person doing business as: Pampered Nails and Spa, 6900 Village Parkway, Dublin, CA 94568, Alameda County, is hereby registered by the following owner: Lanh Nguyen, 1118 Eureka Lane #6, Concord, CA 94520. This business is conducted by Lanh Nguyen, an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Lanh Nguyen, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on April 30, 2018. (Pleasanton Weekly, May 11, 18, 25 and June 1, 2018).

PET OF THE WEEK



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Livermore council likes mixed-use Legacy development concept

City to negotiate agreement with Foster City developer on downtown project

By ANUMITA KAUR

The Livermore City Council supported moving the proposed Legacy at Livermore project forward by authorizing staff to begin negotiating a development agreement last month.

The project is a commercial and residential development located in downtown Livermore at First and South L streets. The plan

features a total of two buildings, with 222 apartments, retail space and parking space.

One three-story building would contain 14,000 square feet of retail space on the ground floor with 34 apartments on the two floors above. A parking lot behind the building would serve the retail space.

A second three- to four-story building would feature 188 apartments with an

internal parking structure, leasing office and residential amenities.

Legacy Partners, a Foster City-based real estate firm, introduced the project to the city in June 2017.

The development agreement, once negotiated, would confirm the off-site improvements and development fees for the project. The city seeks to secure additional public benefits during the project's construction, such as enhanced paving, trellises and street trees on the south side of First Street.

Members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 595, attending the April 23 meeting advocated for the development agreement to require the use of local labor, such as the apprentices currently in training.

"I would really like to see you guys put

some agreements on this as far as local hiring requirements — reinvesting the community dollars back into the community," said Bryan Warner, an IBEW representative. "These are people that live here and work here. We don't want to be driving by this project. We want to be on this project."

The city has not included local hiring requirements on previous development projects; however, such a requirement could be included in the development contracts, according to city staff.

Livermore officials will now negotiate an agreement between the city and Legacy Partners, and then return to the council with the negotiated agreement at a future meeting for the council's consideration and approval. ■

Editor's note: Anumita Kaur is a freelance writer for the Pleasanton Weekly.

SALES AT A GLANCE

Pleasanton (April 4-10)

Total sales reported: 22
Lowest sale reported: \$560,000
Highest sale reported: \$2,505,000
Average sales reported: \$1,348,568

Dublin (April 4-10)

Total sales reported: 18
Lowest sale reported: \$714,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,600,000
Average sales reported: \$1,024,028

Livermore (April 4-10)

Total sales reported: 32
Lowest sale reported: \$460,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,510,000
Average sales reported: \$860,188

San Ramon (April 11-17)

Total sales reported: 27
Lowest sale reported: \$507,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,915,000
Average sales reported: \$1,011,556

Source: California REsource

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 Sun 1-4 Gina Huggins 640-3762

Pleasanton

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 Sat/Sun 1-4 Julia Murtagh 997-2411

5319 Brookside Court \$799,000
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Lisa Sterling-Sanchez/Stephany Jenkins 980-9265/989-3318

4263 Jensen Street \$979,500
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Blaise Lofland 846-6500

4156 Morganfield Court \$980,500
 Sat/Sun 1-4 George McKean 998-1798

4180 School Street \$938,000
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Eva Deagen 699-2133

4 BEDROOMS
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4531 Gatetree Circle \$1,339,950
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 Sat/Sun 1-4 Cindy Gee 963-1984

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 Sat/Sun 10-1 Tyler Moxley 518-1083

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 Sat/Sun 1-4 Tim McGuire 462-7653

3107 Montpelier Court \$1,240,000
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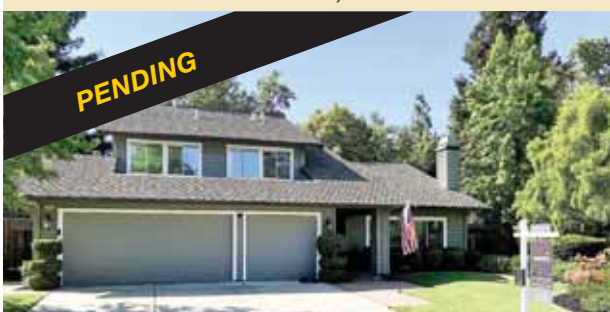
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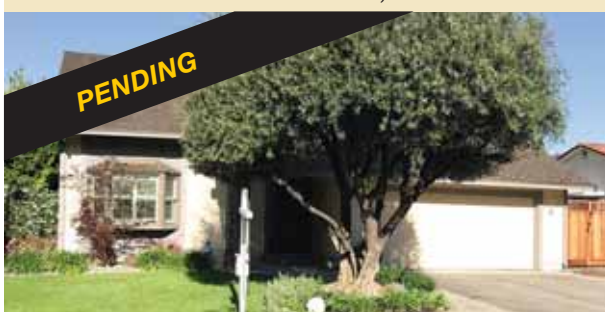
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7961 PARAGON CIRCLE, PLEASANTON

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HERITAGE PARK

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6916 ALAMILLA DRIVE, DUBLIN

Beautiful and Better Than New Smart "Heritage Park" Home Built by Pulte Homes in 2016! Three with possible 4th Bedroom Home includes 2 1/2 Bathrooms and 2008 Square Feet. Original Sales Price of \$995,510 Included \$15,000 Lot Premium and \$4,000 Elevation Premium. Owner Job Transfer. It's Better Than New Because Price Already Includes Over \$40,000 in Builder Upgrades Additionally, since closing another \$25,000 in Landscaping Upgrades, (Including Covered Patio BBQ Area), in Private Backyard, and over \$15,000 in Additional Upgrades Made by Seller After Closing in July 2016. Gourmet Kitchen with Granite Countertops & Upgraded Cabinets. Wood Style Flooring Throughout Downstairs, Upgraded Carpeting Upstairs. Convenient Location to 580/680 Interchange, Stoneridge Regional Mall and Minutes to Livermore Valley Wineries. For More information and/or a Private Showing Call The Blaise Lofland Real Estate Group

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LIVERMORE

PENDING



1165 MEADOW DRIVE, LIVERMORE

Remodeled/Upgraded Three Bedroom, Plus Craft/Office Room, Two Bathroom Home with approximately 1700 Square Feet. Built in 1995 this home has modern architecture with vaulted ceilings and large windows for Natural Light! Spacious Remodeled Kitchen Opens to Family Room with Fireplace. Extensive Travertine Flooring. Both Bathrooms have been Remodeled. Newer Interior & Exterior Paint. Tile Roof and Central Air Conditioning. Generous Lot of 7,270 Square Feet Includes Large Private Backyard with Stamped Concrete Patio. Located Close to Neighborhood Park and Within Attendance Area for Great Schools! For More Information and/or a Private Showing Contact The Blaise Lofland Real Estate Group.

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LAGUNA OAKS

JUST SOLD!



3443 ASHTON COURT, PLEASANTON

Blaise & Team Represented Buyers on the purchase of this Beautiful Home in the Highly Sought-After Laguna Oaks Neighborhood. Offering Four Spacious Bedrooms, Bonus Room and Three and One-Half Bathrooms Within 3,853 Square Feet. Upgraded Throughout, this Open Floor Plan Offers a Great Room that opens the Upgraded Gourmet Kitchen to the Large Expanded Family Room (Builder Option). Formal Living and Dining Rooms are Great for Entertaining and Offer Vaulted Ceilings and Upgraded Light Fixtures. This Breathtaking Home Sits on .35 Acre with Court Location Adjacent to Greenbelt Includes Premium Large Backyard with Beautiful Landscaping, Ridge Views, Great Outdoor Covered Living & BBQ Area. Three Car Garage and Community Amenities that Include a Park, Club House, Pool, Spa, Playground, Tennis & Basketball Courts!

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DOWNTOWN

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1784 E. ANGELA STREET, PLEASANTON

Blaise Lofland Real Estate Group Represented the Buyer in this Charming Single Level Home in the Highly Sought After Pleasanton Heights Neighborhood - Just a Short Walk to Downtown and All of it's Amenities! Upgraded Throughout, This Four Bedrooms and Two Bath, 1,901 Square Foot Home Offers an Open Floor Plan. The Gourmet Kitchen Boasts Stainless Steel Appliances, Granite Countertops, and a Large Prep Island with Gas Stove. Beautifully Remodeled Bathrooms include Subway Tile Surround and Custom Vanities. Rear Yard Offers a Pool, Large Deck and Pergola - All Great for Entertaining or Just Relaxing! Amazing Location Close to Downtown and Quick Commuter Access!

SOLD AT \$1,150,000

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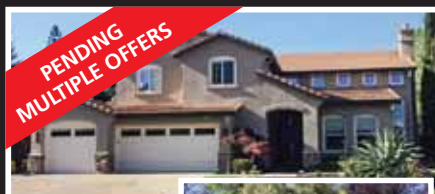
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Coming Soon! Mohr Park Beauty



4325 KRAUSE SREET, PLEASANTON

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Coming Soon



Gina Piper

4646 Ross Gate Way – Pleasanton – Coming Soon
Coming Soon! Adorable 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1,592 sq ft single story home in The Gates neighborhood.

Open Sat & Sun 1-4



Cindy Gee

3113 Joanne Circle – Pleasanton – \$1,298,000
Must see this lovely executive home. 4 Bed, 2.5 bath, approx. 2056 sq. ft. on an approx. 8000 lot. Lovely, ready to move in, open floor plan, kitchen open to the family, entertainers delight backyard, pool, and more!

Open Sat & Sun 1-4



Marjorie Wallace

2474 Pomino Way – Pleasanton – \$1,950,000
Ruby Hill Custom Home. Approx. 3,950 sq. ft., 5 bed, 4 bath. Street level Master Bedroom and office, 3 additional bedrooms upstairs with large bonus room. Sparkling Pool for your summer entertaining.



Jennifer Branchini

483 El Capitan Drive – Danville – \$1,199,000
Fantastic single level home located in the heart of Danville. 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and just over 2100 sq. feet. This wonderful home is situated near, parks, schools and the Iron Horse trail. Numerous updates include, kitchen with gas stove, hardwood flooring, newly remodeled master bathroom, plantation shutters, remote controlled skylights.



Scott Piper

677 Crystal Court – Pleasanton - \$1,750,000
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John Manos

6864 Hyde Court – Dublin – \$900,000
This home sits on the corner of a court, with walking distance to schools K-12. Features 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, remodeled kitchen with marble countertops, newer appliances and more!



Al Zielske

2580 Via Espada – Pleasanton – \$1,250,000
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7874 Oak Creek Dr, Pleasanton \$1,375,000
6 bdrm/3 baths/2,523 Sq Ft/6,030 lot
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7389 Dalmally Ln, Dublin Call for Price
3 bdrm/2.5 baths/1,520 Sq Ft
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OPEN SAT/SUN 1-4

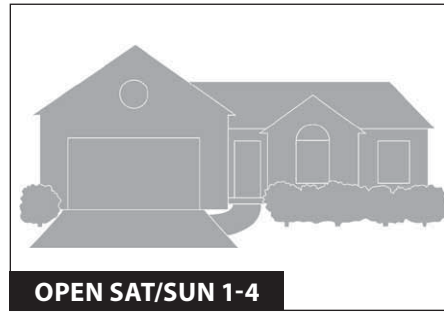
4531 Gatetree Cir, Pleasanton \$1,339,950
4 bdrm/3 baths/2,146 Sq Ft/8,197 Lot
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3925 Portola Cmn #1, Livermore \$719,000
4 bdrm/3.5 baths/2,056 Sq Ft
Nancy Renton 510.512.5999



665-D Palomino Dr, Pleasanton \$599,950
2 bdrm/2 baths/1,198 Sq Ft
Barbara Benotto 925.337.3770



OPEN SAT/SUN 1-4

1450 Thrush Ave #18, San Leandro \$360,000
2 bdrm/1 baths/749 Sq Ft Open Sat/Sun 1-4
Nanette Cartago 925.858.0242



Pleasanton Coming Soon \$799,900
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2037 Olivia Ct, Pleasanton \$1,049,000
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OPEN SUN 2-4

5506 Legendary Court

Fabulous 5 BR plus loft & office home with pool, spa, & large private 3/4 Acre creekside lot. Offered at \$2,288,000



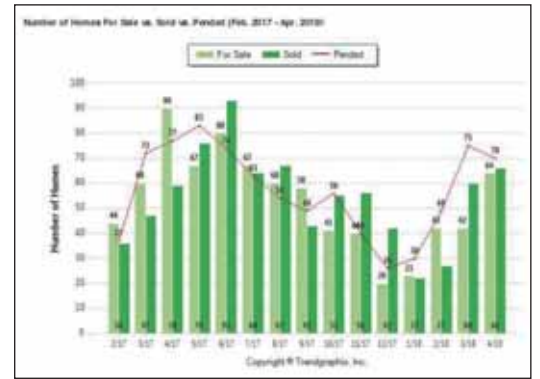
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Pleasanton Market Update — Market Remains Strong

The Pleasanton real estate market saw more inventory in April, with closed sales showing an increase as well. Pending sales were down slightly from March. Overall, inventory at the end of April was up 50%, and closed sales in April were up 10% from March. Pending sales during the month were down slightly (6%). It has been a very active Spring market in Pleasanton, with strong absorption. Multiple offers still challenge buyers, especially in the lower price ranges.



The market remains blistering hot in the low end of the market under \$1 Million. There were only 6 homes for sale under \$1 million at the end of April, with 14 pending sales and 7 closed sales. Market appreciation has made single family homes under \$1 million a rare find. Average days on market for sold properties in April in this price segment was 5, an incredibly low figure ...

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SOLD - MULTIPLE OFFERS



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