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# AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

## At 60 gallons an hour, I've got quite a leak

If I ever needed better convincing to register for regular reports on how much water I'm using at home, an underground pipe leak this month sent me signing in.



JEB BING

The 60-gallon-per-hour leak at the Bing house.

What my wife and I saw as a slight trickle on the edge of a side yard patio that Thursday gradually grew to a large puddle by Friday afternoon. A call to a plumber confirmed that it was likely coming from the main water line from the street meter box to the house and suggested we turn off the water, which we did.

It turns out that monitors at the city water department had spotted the leak on that Wednesday, long before we did. Late Friday, after we had already turned off the water, the mail carrier delivered a letter from Rita Di Candia, the city's water resources manager. She explained the "City's Advanced Metering Infrastructure," then added: "After careful review of the hourly meter reads from the water meter located on your property ... there is a constant flow through this meter ... estimated to be an estimated loss of 60 gallons of water per hour."

Thanks Ms. Di Candia and the city water department for the letter, but that took three days to reach us. A phone call would have been better — or even a stop-by from someone on the water crew. That could have helped us stop the "constant flow" immediately, sparing us a huge water bill this quarter and saving 60-gallons-an-hour of wasting a vital resource.

I don't know if others in town are experiencing pipeline breaks or receiving these kinds of mailed notices about possible leaks. A plumber and a leak detector we hired to begin the work of finding our leak said these types of underground leaks occur throughout

Pleasanton and more so in Dublin where PVC pipes and fittings are now common.

But they're not uncommon either at a 31-year-old home like ours due to settling ground or far-reaching tree roots.

As Ms. Di Candia wrote, among the many benefits of Pleasanton's recent \$7 million project to replace water meters in the city, including mine, is that the so-called "smart" meters now allow us to see daily, even hourly, readings of our water usage.

By registering online, we can find out how much water we're using for those morning showers or to sprinkle the lawn or even to wash several loads of clothes.

Most importantly, these smart meters also can alert us to a leak, which may not be visible from a faulty faucet or irrigation system. If it's like mine, from a buried pipe, it can take days before wet spots show a problem, long after a significant water loss has already occurred.

Of course, Murphy's Law dictates that whatever can go wrong will go wrong late on a Friday afternoon. By the time I received the letter, the city water department had closed for the weekend. Most plumbing contractors weren't available until that Monday.

So, I grabbed my water shut-off curb key (about \$9 at a local hardware store) and stopped the loss and cost of leaking water. We went without running water until Monday afternoon. Try that for a leisurely weekend!

Kathleen Yurchak, the city's director of operations, said the city's new automated metering system is new. "Monitoring 22,000 meters is quite an undertaking and a demand on staffing resources," she explained.

Customers can manage their water consumption and set notifications using readings through a new "Customer Portal" that can be accessed from a desktop or mobile device. To sign up, visit [www.pleasantonwater.com](http://www.pleasantonwater.com). I've now done that and urge everyone else to do the same. ■

*Editor's note: Jeb Bing is editor emeritus for the Pleasanton Weekly. His "Around Pleasanton" columns typically run on the second and fourth Fridays of every month.*

### About the Cover

Horse-racing is a fixture of the Alameda County Fair, but the industry is changing and could impact the long-standing tradition. Photo courtesy of Bill Vasser. Cover design by Kristin Brown.

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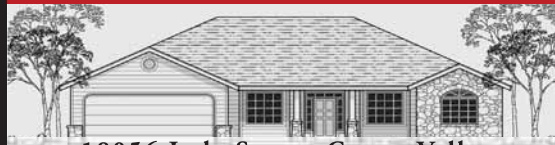
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## BACK PAIN SECRETS REVEALED Part 2: Could These 3 Little Mistakes Be Causing You MONTHS of Unnecessary 'Sciatica' Pain?\*

By Tri-Valley's Leading Physical Therapist, Kevin Mao

Have you ever bent down to pick something up either at home, or in the garden, and all of a sudden you feel this sharp, biting pain shoot into your hip and down your leg? Did it turn into a nagging discomfort that prevents you from sitting for longer than 10 minutes? Does it stop you from bending over just to tie your shoes, never mind think about picking up those grandkids?

This is a very common phenomenon known as sciatica...

### What causes it?

Most of the time, sciatica comes from a 'bulging' (aka herniated) disc in your back, which creates a 'pinched nerve'. The 'sciatic nerve' when irritated, sends signals of pain to your brain to alert you something is wrong... But the tricky part is, your brain may have a difficult time 'sensing' where the pain is actually coming from!

People often get confused by treating their 'symptom' of 'leg pain', but ignore the REAL threat, which is usually coming from your back! To help you understand how to best combat this issue (without pills or surgery), I will explain 3 crucial mistakes to avoid while dealing with your sciatic issue.

**1. Resting and waiting it out:** Just recently I worked with a woman named Shelly (aged 51) who'd been told by her doctor to simply 'rest' and 'take it easy'...Yes, at the end of 6 weeks of 'resting' her pain was less... but at what cost? Resting without moving caused a loss of muscle strength, flexibility, and made her even more fearful of movement than before.

**2. Stretching your 'hamstrings':** Shelly also made the innocent mistake of thinking stretching out the tight 'back of the leg' muscle (known as the hamstring) would help. She would do this especially after long periods of sitting or driving, because this was when she felt the tightest. Unfortunately, stretching this muscle only *exacerbates* the problem further by creating MORE tension on the nerve in your back! Instead, focus on stretching your back by standing more often and 'bending backwards'. Also, try stretching the muscles in the FRONT of your hip instead! This will alleviate tension OFF your nerves and 'calm



down' those tight hamstrings!

**3. Taking painkillers:** For Shelly, all pills did was 'mask her pain', and took her attention away from what was REALLY causing her problem...The REAL problem, we found out, was Shelly spent way too much time in a 'seated' position at work... This significantly increased the strain on the discs in her back which placed MUCH more pressure on her nerves. To beat this, Shelly invested in a 'stand-up desk' (which she now uses ALL the time) and it took a significant amount of strain OFF of her sciatic nerve within DAYS...

**Even though Shelly had been dealing with problems for several months, eliminating these 3 mistakes brought her pain down by over 70% within days!**

In addition to a bit of 'hands-on' treatment to soften up her tightened muscles, and in combination with an expertly designed strengthening program to rebuild her confidence with movement... not only was her sciatic pain completely gone, but she is now back to doing yoga (and more importantly, has NO problem playing with and picking up her grandkids).

To recap, sciatica problems may be worrying at first, especially when symptoms don't seem like they're going away. But by becoming knowledgeable about the root CAUSES of pain, avoiding *key mistakes*, and taking a **pro-active, movement-based approach** to healing, you STILL have a GOOD shot of healing sciatica problems, even if the pain has lasted for a long time!

Next week we'll go a bit deeper in solving this massive problem of 'bulging' (aka herniated) discs and how to stay away from the operating table...

**About the author: Kevin Mao is a Doctor of Physical Therapy, and founder of Balance and Body Restoration in Dublin, CA. We specialize in helping active people aged 45+ find natural solutions to their pain or injury, without relying on painkillers or surgery.**

**If you'd like more information, visit us at [www.balanceandbodyrestoration.com](http://www.balanceandbodyrestoration.com), call us at (925) 361-7726, or send an email to Kevin at [kevinmao@balanceandbodyrestoration.com](mailto:kevinmao@balanceandbodyrestoration.com), and he will promptly return your message!**

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### NOTICE OF TASK FORCE MEETING DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN UPDATE

The City of Pleasanton is in the process of updating the Downtown Specific Plan. We invite you to learn more about the update process and participate in a conversation that will help shape downtown Pleasanton. A Task Force appointed by the City Council is scheduled to meet monthly. The next meeting is scheduled for:

**Tuesday, June 26, 2018, 6:30 p.m.**

**Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave., Pleasanton, 94566**

At this meeting, the Task Force is scheduled to receive public input regarding, consider, and make a recommendation on proposed changes to land use designations (General Plan, Downtown Specific Plan land use, and zoning) for a number of properties in the Specific Plan area. The proposed changes are being considered to correct inconsistencies between the existing General Plan, Downtown Specific Plan, and/or zoning designations for the subject properties, and in some cases, to adjust land use designations based on previous direction from the Task Force. Please visit <https://PTownDTown.org/land-use> to see a detailed map and accompanying chart of the potential downtown land use and/or zoning changes under consideration.

The Task Force will also consider draft chapters of the revised specific plan, including the following chapters: Public Facilities, Implementation, General Plan Relationship to the Specific Plan, Introduction, and Executive Summary. An agenda packet will be available after 5:00 pm on Friday, June 22, 2018 at: <https://PTownDTown.org>.

To best remain informed about this topic, you are encouraged to sign up for project email updates that will also provide notification regarding future Task Force and other meetings: <https://PTownDTown.org/sign-up-for-updates>.

If you have any questions, please contact Shweta Bonn, Senior Planner, at 925-931-5611 or [SBonn@cityofpleasantonca.gov](mailto:SBonn@cityofpleasantonca.gov).

# Streetwise

ASKED AROUND TOWN

## What do you most enjoy about the Alameda County Fair?



**Taylor Page**  
College Student

I love taking my little sister on all of the kiddie rides. It's just so great to see all of the excitement and wonder in her eyes, and on the other kids' faces, and to feel their enthusiasm. Ahhhh, youth.



**Luis Cuestas**  
Project Manager

I really enjoy the Cattle Run down Main Street, on opening day of the Fair. It is such a great way to drum up enthusiasm for the Fair and to get it off to a very positive start.



**Derick Fogt**  
High Tech

I'd have to say my favorite thing about the Fair is the live bands. I feel so grateful to be able to go out and see really top notch live music, right here in my own town, and to be able to enjoy a relaxing evening in an exciting fair environment. It's something I look forward to every year.



**Angelo Nanni**  
Programming Manager

I really enjoy being able to see all of the livestock, up close and personal. Especially because all of the animals appear to be well cared for and treated very humanely.



**Valentina Pina**  
Pre-K Graduate

I love going with my Mommy and my Daddy into the big buildings to look at all of the contests because they are very colorful and pretty. I also like getting cotton candy. It is the only time all year that I'm allowed to have it. I also like to watch the bigger kids going in circles on the chairs that spin. Next year I am going to be big enough to do that myself, while my baby brother watches me. I can't wait!!

—Compiled by Nancy Lewis and Jenny Lyness

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

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## DIGEST

### Dinner with Haglund

Registration is now open for the "Dinner with the Superintendent" event, scheduled to take place Aug. 25.

The event is hosted by the Pleasanton Community of Character Collaborative, and will be held at 4053 Walnut Dr., Pleasanton from 6-10 p.m. The dinner with Pleasanton Superintendent David Haglund will include music, appetizers and a barbecue meal prepared by Pleasanton police chef Capt. Craig Eicher.

Registration is \$75 per person, with all proceeds benefiting the Juanita Haugen Memorial Scholarship Fund. Seats are limited to 30 attendees; interested diners are asked to register by Aug. 23 online at [www.pleasanton.org](http://www.pleasanton.org) or by mailing a check to the collaborative at 777 Peters Ave., Pleasanton 94566.

### Patterson Pass workshop

The Zone 7 Water Agency is holding a public workshop Tuesday evening regarding upgrades coming to the Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant.

The upgrades include both the construction of new facilities and modifications to existing ones in order to incorporate ozonation disinfection technology into water treatment processes, in addition to increasing production and water storage capacities.

Officials say that ozonation disinfection will improve water quality and taste, in addition to being the most effective means of treating for harmful toxins and chemicals.

The meeting is scheduled to take place from 7-8 p.m. at 8750 Patterson Pass Road, Livermore.

### 'Flame of Hope'

The Special Olympics Northern California Law Enforcement Torch Run passed through Alameda County Monday morning on its way to U.C. Davis for the regional 2018 Summer Games, beginning this Friday.

The torch run is sponsored by Northern California law enforcement agencies that raise money for the Special Olympics of Northern California, now entering its 50th year. Law enforcement officers from Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, the California Highway Patrol and rangers from the East Bay Regional Park District all participated in this year's Alameda County route — running and carrying the "Flame of Hope" up north.

Law enforcement officers in Northern California sponsor fundraising events to raise money for the Special Olympics year-round. Read the full story at [pleasantonweekly.com](http://pleasantonweekly.com).

## City budget revenues rising, more capital projects on the way

Assessed valuation of Pleasanton properties increased by \$1.1B in past year

By JEREMY WALSH

City budget revenues are estimated to go up more than \$4.5 million next fiscal year, mainly on the strength of rising property tax receipts helped largely by the assessed valuation of Pleasanton properties increasing by over \$1 billion in the past year.

City officials also expect general fund expenditures to rise next year, by about \$4.4 million, but the city will remain in sound financial condition and in position to fund more capital improvement projects than

anticipated, according to the mid-term budget update presented to the Pleasanton City Council earlier this month.

Pleasanton approves its budget in two-year cycles, meaning June 5 was the time for the council to check in on the city's fiscal situation heading into the second year of the 2017-19 budget term.

City staff anticipates general fund revenues will increase by \$4.74 million to \$121.9 million overall for 2018-19. Nearly \$4.3 million of that increase is due to higher property tax

revenues than originally estimated.

Property tax receipts are strong in part due to all Pleasanton properties seeing a combined increase of just over \$1.1 billion in assessed valuation in the past year, mainly due to change in ownership, consumer price index increase of 2% and new construction, according to city finance director Tina Olson.

The city is expecting a \$190,000 decrease in sales tax revenues due to declines in consumer goods and auto sales.

General fund expenditures will

also increase in 2018-19, up \$4.43 million to \$114.8 million overall.

The bulk of that is \$1.8 million in additional personnel costs and \$1.7 million more for materials and supplies, Olson said. The personnel increases include raises for Pleasanton police officers and management and an 11% rise in health benefits costs (up from the original estimated increase of 4%).

The general fund is now estimated to finish the 2018-19 fiscal year with

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MIKE SEDLAK

### Steer on the streets

For the second year in a row, the first weekend of the Alameda County Fair was heralded in by a cattle drive through downtown Pleasanton. Friday morning, cowboys and cowgirls — and a few canine companions — herded dozens of steer up along Main Street and back to mark the grand opening of the annual fair.

## Get the scoop: Ice cream trail coming to the Tri-Valley

Locations in Pleasanton, Livermore, Dublin and Danville participating

By CIERRA MARTINEZ

Dessert lovers of the Tri-Valley get ready: a new ice cream trail has come to town.

The trail involves ice cream shops from Pleasanton and Livermore up through Dublin and then Danville. Its objective is for players to visit at least five of the 16 participating shops — for every five shops visited, the trail's sponsor Visit Tri-Valley will donate \$5 to local nonprofit Valley Humane Society.

The trail commenced May 28 and is expected to continue until Sept.

3. Readers interested in embarking upon the journey can download an ice cream trail passport at [visittrivalley.com](http://visittrivalley.com). For each location a player visits, they will receive a stamp on their passport, as a way to track the stops.

Along with a \$5 donation to the local animal nonprofit, those who receive five stamps will take home a Visit Tri-Valley ice cream scooper.

To get credit for their visits, players can bring in or mail their passports to 5075 Hopyard Rd. #240, Pleasanton, CA 94588. Alternatively,

social media fans can post ice cream scoop pics at each location visited, using the hashtag #Trivalleyscoop and emailing [info@visittrivalley.com](mailto:info@visittrivalley.com) once all five stops are reached.

Participating shops include: Rita's Italian Ice, Meadowlark Dairy, Icicles, Flavor Brigade, Almare Gelato Italiano in Pleasanton; O'Honey, Snowflake and The Mix Creamery in Dublin; CREAM, Loard's, and Amorino Gelato Al Naturale in Livermore; and Sweet Street, Yersen Gelato Cakes, BlooGrape Organic Sworls, Creamistry, and Small Cakes in Danville. ■

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## Voters approve creating BART inspector general position

Proposal from Glazer was part of Regional Measure 3

By JEREMY WALSH

While most voters know the passage of Regional Measure 3 means Bay Area bridges will see \$3 in toll increases during the coming years, the initiative's victory on Election Day also establishes a new inspector general position to serve as an independent watchdog for BART — an effort spearheaded by local State Senator Steve Glazer.

A longtime critic of BART management and operations, Glazer pushed for adding the inspector general provision to Regional Measure 3 when state officials were weighing legislation to put the bridge toll hike on the primary election ballot in the Bay Area.

With voters approving Regional Measure 3 in the June 5 election with about 55% support Bay Area-wide, the stage is now set for appointing a first-ever BART inspector general who will be charged with investigating fraud, waste and inefficiencies, conducting audits, tracking capital projects and recommending changes

## Tri-Valley Relay for Life coming back to town

24-hour fundraising extravaganza will feature live entertainment, food booths and more

By **ANDY LI**

The annual “Tri-Valley Relay for Life” event will be held at Dublin High School this Saturday, starting in the morning and carrying on through the night.

The purpose of the relay is to celebrate cancer survivors and to honor cancer victims as teams of participants continuously walk or run around a track. The opening lap is reserved for survivors of cancer, and the subsequent lap is for the caretakers supporting their families or friends suffering from the illness.

The relay will start at 9 a.m. and end after 24 hours on Sunday morning.

Originally divided into separate events for the cities of Danville, San Ramon, Dublin, Pleasanton and Livermore, organizers came together and combined all of them into one single venue to bring families, relatives and friends closer together.

Ken Mano, the event organizer and relay participant for the last seven years, has a personal connection that he says inspires him to help

other cancer victims and survivors to discover hope and unity.

“My wife is a two-time breast cancer survivor who is currently in remission,” Mano said. “Part of the appeal of this program is to see so many cancer families come together and to honor their loved ones during the nighttime when their names are inscribed on the luminaria bags, which is truly a beautiful sight.”

Throughout the entire day and night, anyone who is interested in volunteering or participating is encouraged to walk a lap. Teams are also organized to raise funds for the fight against cancer and team members take turns walking around the track for the entire 24-hour period, signifying that cancer survivors never stop fighting for a better day.

The event at Dublin High will have live entertainment, food booths and information regarding cancer. Teams are organized to raise funds, and this year’s goal is \$100,000. In addition, luminaria bags will line the track in the evening, and each bag will have the

name of someone who has battled cancer on it.

One highlight of the Relay for Life event are the purple ribbons decorating the light poles in downtown Pleasanton in conjunction with the event — purple is the official color of the entire program.

The backstory of “Paint the Town Purple,” as the initiative is called, involves a Japanese lung cancer survivor named Mr. Minura. Minura is the founder of “Relay for Life” in Japan, and in the early morning hours, he would look out at the horizon and notice the purple color of dawn.

Each morning was a reminder of one more precious day of life, and it inspired Minura to designate it as the official color of the Relay for Life event to represent the positive emotions of cancer patients who are filled with joy during sunrise.

Several regional leaders, including Pleasanton Mayor Jerry Thorne, will be attending the event.

In association with the relay, a Survivors Celebration was already held in May at the Stanford-Valley Care Medical Center. ■

## Childcare measure falls just short of two-thirds majority

Alameda County Measure A received 66.19% vote

Supporters of an Alameda County measure that would have raised funds to expand access to childcare and preschool for low- and middle-income families reported last week that it fell just short of the two-thirds majority it needed to pass.

Measure A would have imposed a half-cent increase in local sales taxes for the next 30 years to generate about \$140 million annually to provide childcare for such families.

But supporters said that although more than 214,000 people voted in favor of the measure, its final tally of 66.19% was just shy of the required 66.67% that was necessary.

Supporters said Measure A would have helped homeless and at-risk children, helped prevent child abuse and neglect, attracted and retained quality childcare workers by boosting their pay and added thousands of spaces for childcare at locations throughout the county.

They said the tax hike is needed because the county faces a childcare crisis and more than half of kindergartners in the county arrive

unprepared to succeed in school.

But Measure A opponent Marcus Crawley said in his ballot argument, “The listed benefits of this childcare measure are so vague that the new sales tax could be spent on practically anything, making accountability impossible.”

Crawley also alleged that the county has done a poor job of monitoring an existing sales tax measure that funds transportation projects, saying it has “developed an elaborate system of fake sales tax accountability” for that tax.

Alameda County Board of Supervisors President Wilma Chan said in a statement that Measure A “failed at the ballot box due to onerous state laws that require a supermajority to pass local tax measures.”

Chan said, “We are disappointed that we did not prevail on Election Day. But we came very close and we know that our work is not done. It’s clear that the overwhelming majority of voters support Measure A and we need to keep moving forward.”

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## BART

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in the agency’s practices to improve services to riders, Glazer said.

“BART will reap about a billion dollars from toll revenues that voters approved, so it’s critical that riders and residents have someone who will keep a close eye on the administration’s performance, efficiency and management of projects,” Glazer, whose district includes the Tri-Valley, said in a statement after the election.

“The new inspector general will provide independent oversight of the district’s practices, as our region moves forward with projects designed to relieve congestion throughout the entire region,” the Orinda Democrat added.

During the State Legislature’s deliberations, the BART inspector general was a condition that clinched Glazer’s support for taking Regional Measure 3 to the voters. He noted other major transit agencies in the U.S., including New York, Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles, have long had inspector generals to serve as an independent check on the agency.

In BART’s case, the inspector general will be appointed by California’s governor, chosen from a short-list of three finalists nominated by the BART Board of Directors. The inspector general could only be fired with a two-thirds vote of the BART board and the governor’s agreement, or a majority vote if the person violated the law or ethics rules.

Glazer also pushed for a stipulation that the inspector general be tasked with assessing whether management was using best practices to promote “positive and productive” relations with employees and their representatives.

“The vast majority of BART employees are hard-working, dedicated public servants who share their customers’ desire to have trains that run on time, stations that are safe and clean, and escalators and elevators that work when they are supposed to,” Glazer said. “I hope the employees and their unions will find an inspector general to be an effective ally in making those things a reality.”

At its core, Regional Measure 3 establishes toll increases on the region’s seven state-owned bridges to help fund \$4.45 billion worth of transportation and transit projects in the Bay Area, including the Tri-Valley.

The toll hikes would begin with a \$1 increase on Bay Area toll bridges (all except the Golden Gate Bridge) beginning Jan. 1, 2019, followed by a \$1 increase in January 2022 and another \$1 increase in January 2025.

Key projects in Glazer’s district that are set to benefit include the Interstate 680-Highway 84 interchanges south of Pleasanton, the I-680/Highway 4 interchange near Martinez and BART improvements.

The measure received majority support in seven of the nine Bay Area counties. Alameda County had 54% vote in favor, while Contra Costa had only 45% support. ■

# Local DECA students place at international conference

34 students from Foothill, Amador Valley compete in Atlanta

BY ERIKA ALVERO

DECA students from both Foothill and Amador Valley high schools placed at the business organization's International Career Development Conference (ICDC) this spring.

High school students from around the world converged in Atlanta from April 21-24 for the conference, which is DECA's highest level of competition.

Six of the 18 Foothill students there placed in the top 20 in their respective events, as did seven of the 16 Amador attendees.

"This continues the legacy that AVHS has for producing high-performing DECA competitors," Amador

adviser Douglas Hartog said of his team's performance. "Back in Pleasanton, the students are taking the lessons they learned from ICDC to prepare themselves, and their peers, for next year's DECA conferences."

DECA is a global organization that aims to prepare students for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality and management.

The Pleasanton students who traveled to Georgia in April had qualified for the international conference at the state-level competition in March. Approximately 15,000 high school students from around the world participated in the conference, according to Hartog.

The competition itself featured over 30 events ranging from human resources management to business services marketing to quick serve restaurant management — with each event consisting of an exam, project, presentation and/or case study.

"Winning second place at ICDC was a dream come true," said Praveen Ravisankar, Foothill DECA co-president. Ravisankar, a senior, has been a part of the group throughout his high school years.

He added, reflecting on his time in the organization, "DECA has literally helped me change my life. It took an awkward kid and made me into the extrovert that I am." ■

# Swalwell introduces Duty to Report Act

BY ERIKA ALVERO

Last week, Rep. Eric Swalwell (D-Dublin) introduced legislation that would require federal candidates to report receiving any private, significant information about opponents from a foreign power.

Swalwell, who represents California's 15th Congressional district, which includes Pleasanton, is the ranking member of the CIA Subcommittee for the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

The "Duty to Report" bill would "make it a crime for federal candidates, their immediate families, or people associated with their campaigns to fail to notify the FBI if any of them are told about, offered, or receive in an unsolicited way

non-public, materially significant information about another candidate for the same office which they know or should know is from a foreign power or the agent of a foreign power," according to a statement released by Swalwell's office.

The legislation comes as a response to the Trump family's acknowledgment that Russia offered them "dirt" on then-candidate Hillary Clinton during the 2016 presidential election, according to Swalwell's office.

"For years, we've advised our citizens, 'If you see something, say something' to prevent terrorist attacks, and the same should apply to safeguarding our elections against foreign manipulation," Swalwell said. ■

## BUDGET

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reserves of nearly \$24.8 million, or 22% of operating expenses — above the city's policy objective of 20% minimum reserve.

In other budget areas, the city's water fund is expected to see nearly \$4.1 million in increased revenue due to higher water usage by residents and businesses and about \$2.8

million in new expenditures, primarily due to higher charges from Zone 7 Water Agency, Olson said.

The sewer fund estimates \$316,500 more revenues and \$130,850 more expenditures than originally budgeted.

The cemetery budget is anticipated to see almost \$116,000 in net revenues, compared to budget estimates, because of a spike in burials, Olson said.

## Capital improvement program

With the budget forecast strong, Pleasanton found itself positioned to increase capital improvement program funding by \$7.9 million to \$33.4 million overall.

The new funding includes transfers of surplus from the general fund and other city funds, North Pleasanton Improvement District monies

and grants. The extra \$7.9 million created funding to continue six ongoing projects and 11 new projects.

The existing projects include a second westbound left-turn lane for Bernal Avenue at First Street (\$1.3 million), work at the Hopyard Road-Owens Drive intersection (\$1.5 million), library roof replacement (\$410,000) and more routine street improvements across town (\$2.2 million).

The new projects include an automated license plate reader system for Pleasanton police, Valley Avenue soundwall replacement and basketball court renovations to city parks — at \$500,000 each.

In all, the 2018-19 capital improvement budget includes \$19.4 million for streets, \$2.9 million for parks, \$3.6 million for water, \$2.2 million for sewer and \$5.3 million for miscellaneous projects. ■

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# Community Pulse

## POLICE BULLETIN

### Man arrested after committing series of crimes

Local police arrested a 35-year-old from Santa Cruz County over the weekend after he committed a series of crimes in the city of Pleasanton Friday morning.

That Friday, Pleasanton police responded to the crimes which occurred between 7 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., and included a hit and run crash around Stoneridge Drive and Willow Road with a stolen Jeep, a burglary and house fire on Christina Court, vandalism in the 3500 block of Bernal Avenue that included slashing the tires of multiple vehicles and carjacking in the area of Bernal Avenue and Tawny Drive, among others.

Based on video surveillance at

several sites, police officials say they determined the crimes were committed by the same suspect, Daniel Burns.

"These videos showed the suspect slashing vehicle tires with kitchen knives while wearing the stolen high school sweatshirt (from the burglary on Christina Court). This sweatshirt was also reported as being worn by the suspect when he committed the carjacking," said Sgt. Brandon Stocking in a statement.

Later around 2:25 p.m., PPD say they received a call from the Fremont Police Department about a stolen GMC pickup involved in a



Daniel Burns

theft from a convenience store — the same pickup that had been obtained from the Bernal Avenue carjacking incident. Video surveillance from the store also showed the same stolen sweatshirt.

The next morning, the stolen pickup was located in Santa Cruz County and shortly thereafter, Scotts Valley officers were flagged down by the suspect, who "appeared paranoid and stated he had been on the run for several days from a motorcycle street gang," Stocking said. After recognizing the man and connecting him to the Pleasanton investigation, Santa Cruz County deputies contacted Pleasanton police officials.

After being transported to the PPD, Burns confessed and told officers where he had hidden a stolen .22 caliber rifle after crashing the Jeep. Police officials say he was positively identified through the surveillance video as the same suspect,

and he was arrested and brought to Santa Rita County Jail for carjacking, burglary, arson, vandalism, vehicle theft and being a felon in possession of a firearm.

It is not yet clear why Burns was in Pleasanton last Friday.

### In other news

Robberies and violent crimes are down so far this year on BART, but aggravated assaults and felony arrests are both up, according to data released by BART officials last month.

A total of 137 violent crimes were reported on BART property from January through the end of April, down roughly 9% from 150 during the same timeframe last year.

There were 92 robberies reported, compared to 110 in 2017, dropping by more than 16%. Larceny and auto theft both dropped roughly 3%.

Aggravated assaults, however, increased from 34 to 43 — an increase

of more than 26%, as are arrests.

Felony arrests have gone up 21% from 127 to 148, and misdemeanor arrests are up 5% from 390 to 410. BART officials say that last year's numbers also reflect a 40% surge in arrests over the same period in 2016.

BART Police Chief Carlos Rojas attributed the data, at least in part, to an aggressive hiring campaign that has added 22 officers to the force over the last 18 months.

The agency has five officer candidates currently in police academies, and they still hope to fill 30 vacant officer positions.

Rojas said the hiring campaign is an important part of BART's plan to improve safety for passengers.

"Last year was our best for hiring since 2013 and we're looking forward to building on that recruitment success," Rojas said. ■

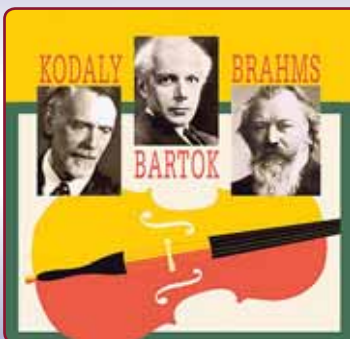
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## POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

### June 16

#### Theft

- 12:20 a.m. on Pimlico Drive at Thistle Way; theft of auto
- 1:49 p.m. on the 7000 block of Johnson Drive; theft of bicycle

### June 15

#### Vandalism

- 1:36 p.m. on the 3500 block of Bernal Avenue
- 3:09 p.m. on the 3500 block of Bernal Avenue

#### Robbery

- 1:36 p.m. on the 3500 block of Bernal Avenue

#### Drug violation

- 3:25 a.m. on the 5800 block of Owens Drive

#### Theft

- 7:26 p.m. on the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 8:59 p.m. on the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive; shoplifting

#### DUI

- 1:22 a.m. on Bernal Avenue at Puerto Vallarta

#### Burglary

- 8:24 p.m. on the 300 block of Christina Court; residential burglary

### June 14

#### Burglary

- 11:08 p.m. on the 5500 block of West Las Positas Blvd.

#### Alcohol violation

- 9:29 p.m. on the 7000 block of Johnson Drive

#### Assault/battery

- 9:24 p.m. on the 11900 block of Dublin Canyon Road

#### Theft

- 11 a.m. on the 5100 block of Hopyard Road; theft from auto
- 2:04 p.m. on the 2000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

### June 13

#### Theft

- 8:50 p.m. on the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

- 10:20 p.m. on the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from auto

#### Vandalism

- 9:19 a.m. on the 400 block of Division Street

### June 12

#### Theft

- 4:32 p.m. on the 8500 block of Clubhouse Drive
- 8:45 p.m. on the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 8:59 p.m. on the 1600 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

#### Alcohol violation

- 4:58 p.m. on the 4400 block of Railroad Avenue

### June 11

#### Burglary

- 11:26 p.m. on the 5700 block of West Las Positas Blvd.

#### Theft

- 3:29 p.m. on the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 8:12 p.m. on the 2300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 8:27 p.m. on the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

#### Assault/battery

- 7:46 p.m. on the 1200 block of Concord Street

#### Graffiti offense

- 8:44 a.m. on the 5800 block of Parkside Drive

### June 10

#### Alcohol violation

- 8:11 p.m. on the 3400 block of Smoketree Commons

#### Theft

- 1:16 p.m. on the 7000 block of Johnson Drive; theft from structure
- 3:51 p.m. on the 700 block of Rose Avenue; theft from auto
- 8:08 p.m. on the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

#### Burglary

- 6:55 a.m. on the 5900 block of Stoneridge Drive; commercial burglary
- 4:14 p.m. on the 4200 block of Brindisi Place; residential burglary

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## GUEST OPINION

By Wendy Sommer

# Bay Area is still the right place for recycling

Recycling is having a bit of a wake-up call.

Until this year, two-thirds of the materials collected from curbside recycling carts were exported to foreign markets. Recent, sudden changes in China's acceptance of mixed plastics and mixed paper (junk mail, newsprint, office paper, etc.) mean fewer places to recycle these materials.

It's a problem affecting communities across the U.S., Europe and Australia. To date, no cities in Alameda County have had to send sorted mixed paper or mixed plastic to landfill. However, the situation is evolving daily.

For many of us in the Bay Area, being a good recycler is part of our identity. Our careful recovery of materials goes back decades to the first half of the last century with resourceful scavengers maximizing reuse of materials such as bottle washing and using organic waste for hog feed.

In the 1960s, San Francisco garbage collectors were separating bundled newspapers for recycling when nearly no one else was. Berkeley had one of the nation's first voluntary curbside recycling collection programs and enterprising salvagers who focused on reuse like Urban Ore. Livermore had one of the first contracts with a recycling company to pick up curbside items citywide.

The cities and waste haulers of Alameda County and San Francisco were among the country's pioneers of collecting food scraps in curbside and commercial organics bins to produce compost, a vital amendment that improves soil health while minimizing the amount of harmful methane gas created when organic material is land-filled.

Although recycling companies are currently challenged to find a way to market mixed paper and some plastics, residents and businesses should continue to recycle as work is being done to find long-term solutions for recycling these items.

Most of the other materials that go in the recycling bin continue to have venues for processing and remanufacturing, but extra attention is needed by residents and businesses to reduce waste overall and make sure that materials we are recycling have the highest value:

#### Use less paper and plastic.

- Reduce and reuse come before recycling. The less waste we generate in the first place, the less of it we need to manage.

- Visit [www.StopWaste.org/recycle](http://www.StopWaste.org/recycle) for tips on using less.

#### Keep it clean.

- Only put what's allowed in your recycling and organics (green) bins. Check with your city or waste hauler to see what's accepted.

- Recycling bin: Items going in the recycling bin should be empty, clean, dry, and free of food and liquids.

- Organics (green) bin: No plastic, glass, or metal should ever go in the green bin — quality compost starts with yard trimmings and food scraps.

State, regional and local jurisdictions and the recycling industry have worked for many years to instill good recycling habits among residents and businesses. It's not time to switch these habits off, but rather to show leadership and redouble our efforts that build on the successes and traditions our region is known for. ■

*Editor's note: Wendy Sommer is the executive director of StopWaste, a joint powers authority in Alameda County, including Pleasanton, that helps residents, businesses, schools, and governments increase recycling, reduce waste and conserve resources.*



Wendy Sommer

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## EDITORIAL

THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY



COURTESY OF CHUCK DECKERT

The ladies at 'Kay's Ladies' Day at the Races' pose with the Pleasanton Weekly at the June 15 event. Taking a photo with the Weekly has become a tradition.

# Tractors and horses and cattle, oh my!

The fair means traditions, old and new

On the opening day of the Alameda County Fair Friday two of many traditions continued — one long-standing and one relatively new.

Horses and cattle moseyed down Main Street Friday morning to kick off the fair. The "Cattle Drive" was much-anticipated by those who lined the street to see what might have been a normal occurrence downtown in the 1800s, but definitely an unusual sight nowadays.

While only the second year of the drive down Main Street, it is fascinating and appreciated by many (if not by drivers who forgot about the street closures). These people have voiced that they want to make this an annual tradition.

Later Friday, longtime Pleasanton resident Kay Huff's "Ladies"

gathered for the 27th year ostensibly to watch the horse races, but this has become a tradition for women to reconnect and make new friends. "Kay's Ladies' Day at the Races" has been going so long there are some "three-generation" attendees — mothers, daughters and now granddaughters.

Not to be outdone, some men have decided to attend, but they are not allowed in the annual photos. These photos have been placed in a scrapbook, which is shared with newcomers.

Whether it be a cattle drive, Ladies' Day at the Races, the rides, the concerts or the only time all year you will allow yourself to eat a funnel cake or fried food on a stick, get to the fair to partake of — or create — your own traditions. ■

## THE CITY OF PLEASANTON



### UPCOMING MEETINGS

#### Planning Commission

Wednesday June 27, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.  
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

#### • Chabad of the Tri-Valley

Applications for Conditional Use Permit and Design Review approvals to operate a religious institution with a childcare facility/preschool and for site modifications including a playground and outdoor terrace at 3370 Hopyard Road. Zoning for the property is RM-2,500 (Multi-Family Residential) District. (Public Hearing continued from April 25, 2018).

#### • Tharaldson Hospitality Development

Application for Design Review approval to construct two new hotels totaling 231 rooms, a drive-through coffee shop and related site improvements within the Johnson Drive Economic Development Zone (JDEDZ) at 7280 Johnson Drive. Zoning for the property is PUD-C (Planned Unit Development - Commercial) District.

#### • Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance (IZO) Update

Consider an amendment to the Pleasanton Municipal Code Section 17.44 - for Inclusionary Zoning to promote City goals and policies related to affordable housing by requiring the construction of compact units within all single-family development projects of 15 units or more.

#### Bicycle, Pedestrian & Trails Committee

Monday, June 25, 2018 at 6:45 p.m.

Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Boulevard

- Draft Foothill Road Bicycle Corridor Plan Review
- TDA Article 3 Fund Request
- Downtown Bike Corral Pilot Study Feedback
- Review of Bike Parking at 200 Old Bernal Avenue

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COURTESY OF JOHN WESTERN  
Michael Ray Wisely as Nick Bottom and Livia Gomes Demarchi as Titania in San Francisco Shakespeare Festival's 2018 Free Shakespeare in the Park production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream.'

## Shakespeare comedy onstage at park

*'A Midsummer Night's Dream'*  
opens with preview June 30

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

San Francisco Shakespeare Festival is performing "A Midsummer Night's Dream" at parks this summer, kicking off in Pleasanton with a preview June 30 and ending July 15.

"Having explored Shakespeare's darker side over the past few years with titles like 'Hamlet,' 'The Winter's Tale,' and 'Romeo and Juliet,' we're thrilled to bring an upbeat comedy to our Free Shakespeare in the Park audiences this year," artistic director Rebecca J. Ennals said.

"It's the perfect play to watch outdoors on a summer evening or afternoon, and our company hasn't staged it since 2007."

The Shakespeare company's Bay Area-wide run begins at Amador Valley Community Park before moving on to Cupertino, Redwood City and San Francisco. The company arrives a week early to set up its stage and have on-site rehearsals.

Performances will start earlier this year, at 7 p.m., to make it easier for those with young children to enjoy the family-friendly production. Each year the plays feature humor and fun touches to delight all ages.

Ennals recalled attending a performance of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" at age 5 when she fell in love with the Bard.

"I was hooked. It's been a lifelong love affair," she said. "I've diverted into other types of theater, but I return to Shakespeare."

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" follows the misadventures of four young lovers, a group of aspiring actors, and a team of mischievous fairies as they all enter the woods outside Athens on a summer night. The ensuing hilarity and chaos create an evening filled with love and laughter.

The show will also be visually stunning, with this year's costumes designed by Hyun Sook Kim, masks created by Kendra Johnson, sets designed by Neal Ormond, and movement choreography by Amelia Adams.

Playgoers bring blankets and picnics to the park to enjoy along with the professional production, which started coming to Pleasanton in 2000. No tickets or reservations are needed, and early arrival is recommended for the best spots.

Low chairs (no more than 6 inches off the ground) with low shoulder rests are also

welcome. Taller chairs will be allowed in designated areas where they won't interfere with others' views of the stage. Space is reserved for wheelchairs.

Snacks and beverages will be for sale, with proceeds going directly to support Free Shakespeare in the Park. There will also be portable restrooms.

Ennals said she is excited to have found a talented cast that upholds the company's dedication to gender and racial diversity. The cast includes familiar faces from past Free Shakespeare in the Park productions as well as talent new to the company.

The actors are Stephen Muterspaugh as Oberon/Theseus, Livia Gomes Demarchi as Titania/Hippolyta, James Lewis as Puck/Philostate, Lauren Spencer as Helena, Patricia Austin as Hermia/Fairy, Ed Berkeley as Demetrius, Akaina Ghosh as Lysander/Fairy, Michael Ray Wisely as Nick Bottom, Michael Asberry as Egeus/Peter Quince, Sean Garahan as Francis Flute/Mustardseed, Melanie Marshall as Snout/Peaseblossom, Rosemarie Kingfisher as Robin Starveling/Cobweb, Julie Douglas as Snug/Mote, and Gina White as Attendant/Fairy.

Ennals likes the fact that these free performances are available to everyone as they were in the days of Shakespeare at the Globe Theatre in London where they were also performed in the open air.

"Famously, at the Globe, you could pay a penny; 70-80% of the people went to the theater in London. We strive for that," Ennals said.

Also, William Shakespeare expected a lot of give-and-take between his actors and their audience, and this production will include that feature.

The Pleasanton performances are at 7 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, opening July 1 and running through July 15. A preview performance will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, June 30. Amador Valley Community Park is located at Santa Rita Road and Black Avenue.

This is the 36th year for Free Shakespeare in the Park, which began on a picnic table in Golden Gate Park. For more information, call the San Francisco Shakespeare Festival at (415) 558-0888 or visit [www.sfsakes.org](http://www.sfsakes.org). ■

## 'Homage to Hungary'

Pleasanton Chamber Players at Firehouse with dynamic program

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

The Pleasanton Chamber Players return to the Firehouse Arts Center at 2 p.m. Sunday with the theme "Homage to Hungary."

The program of virtuoso works includes Duo for Violin and Cello Op. 7 by Zoltan Kodaly; "Contrasts" by Bela Bartok; and Piano Quartet No. 1 in G minor, Op. 25 by Johannes Brahms.

"When I met with Dominique Piana (founder and long-time artistic director), we discussed what had been performed on the series in the past and I realized that there

had not been a Hungarian program per se," said the group's new director Brady Anderson.

With the help of violinist Elbert Tsai, they arrived at "three exciting pieces that complement each other," Anderson said. "We think the program makes for a great summer concert."

The Kodaly Duo is a cornerstone in the repertoire for violin and cello, full of Hungarian folk music inspired melodies.

Bartok's "Contrasts" was commissioned by jazz clarinetist Benny Goodman. This collection

of Hungarian- and Romanian-inspired dance music is the only chamber work Bartok wrote for a woodwind instrument.

The Piano Quartet by Brahms is the masterwork on the program that, Brady said, "covers a massive range of emotions and characters, from intensely lyrical to brilliantly playful, from dark and tragic to joyful and optimistic."

The famous last movement contains a romp into Hungarian-inspired gypsy music.

Performers for this concert are top-flight soloists:

- Brady Anderson, cello, is a founding member of the Alden Trio, and performs chamber music around the world, in addition to teaching and coaching. He plays on a Francis Kuttner "Ruggeri" loaned by the Mao foundation.

- Joe Bonfiglio, clarinet, holds music degrees from Peabody and Julliard, and is adjunct professor of clarinet at Chabot College. He has performed many concerts as a soloist with bands and orchestras, in addition to movie soundtrack work.

- Julio Elizalde, piano, was dubbed a musician of "compelling artistry and power" by the Seattle Times. She performs with world-renowned violinists Sarah Chang and Ray Chen, and conductors Itzhak Perlman, Teddy Abrams and Anne Manson.

- Meredith Kufchak, viola, was recipient of the Jack Kent Cooke Young Artist Award in 2010. She performs regularly with the San Francisco Symphony, Santa Rosa Symphony, New Century Chamber Orchestra, and Fresno Philharmonic Orchestra.

- Elbert Tsai, violin, is a faculty member at San Francisco Conservatory Pre-College, Center Stage Strings, and Mpulse Institute at the University of Michigan School of Music. His instrument is the "ex-Sophie Hummler" violin by Jean Baptiste Vuillaume.

Tickets are \$15-\$25, with senior and student discounts available. Purchase at [www.firehousearts.org](http://www.firehousearts.org), by calling 931-4848, or at the Firehouse Arts Center Box Office, 4444 Railroad Ave. ■

# Generous donation benefits symphony

Bequest is testament to Fankhausers' support of the arts

By **PATRICIA J. BOYLE**

The Livermore-Amador Symphony recently received a large bequest from the Fankhauser Trust, thanks to the generosity of Livermore residents Henrietta "Henri" and Chester "Chet" Fankhauser.

Mr. Fankhauser died in 1992, and Mrs. Fankhauser died in November at the age of 96. During their lives, they were magnanimous supporters of local charitable organizations and the arts, and their generosity continues.

The symphony is considering the best use of the donation.

"With a sizable contribution from the Fankhauser Trust, the Symphony Board decided to form a committee to look at the best way to use this generous gift," Endowment Committee Chair Jackie McBride said. "As a lasting legacy to the Fankhausers, we're considering creating an Endowment Fund, like the Bill King Award Fund that has

been distributing awards to local students for years."

"We're also looking at purchasing some additional equipment," she said. "A large gift such as this allows us to buy equipment that our musicians can't afford to own themselves. For example, we recently purchased a new timpani set with a generous gift from the Kasameyer family."

"Another possibility is sponsoring some key positions in the orchestra," McBride continued. "I think we should be able to do a combination of some or all of these ideas and make a lasting contribution to the Symphony for years."

Donations and bequests provide much needed resources to the orchestra. Using the funds for continuing programs or long-lasting equipment also honors the family or individual providing the funds and is a lasting reminder of their support of community arts programs.

Lara Webber, music director of the Livermore-Amador Symphony, put the Fankhauser bequest in context.

"It's more than just profound generosity, it's an example of commitment to community, to the arts as a vital part of our culture and our collective humanity," she said. "A gift like this does not just provide financial support, it inspires. This gift reaffirms and strengthens the mission of the Livermore-Amador Symphony, to encourage, connect, stimulate and inspire our whole community through the musical arts."

For more information about the Livermore-Amador Symphony and its upcoming events, visit [www.livermoreamadorsymphony.org](http://www.livermoreamadorsymphony.org). ■

—Patricia J. Boyle, president of the California Writers Club Tri-Valley branch, has been writing about the Livermore-Amador Symphony for six years.

## Three author events in July

Towne Center Books has three special author events scheduled in July.

- Coffee and conversation with Suzanne Rindell, who will discuss and sign her book, "Eagle and Crane," beginning at 11 a.m., Wednesday, July 11. The book is about two young daredevil flyers who confront ugly truths and family secrets during the U.S. internment of Japanese citizens during World War II. It is by turns a mystery and an exploration of race, family and loyalty.

- Rindell, who will receive her PhD in English literature from Rice University in 2018, is also the author of "Three Martini Lunch" and "The Other Typist," which has been translated into 15 languages and optioned for film by Fox Searchlight Pictures. She divides her time between California and New York City.

- Coffee and Conversation with Cristina Alger with her new book, "The Banker's Wife," at 11 a.m., Wednesday, July 18.

Inspired by one of the characters in her debut novel, "The Darlings," Alger revisits the intriguing world of finance, but this time with a suspenseful novel that follows two women racing for answers after a mysterious plane crash.

Alger is also the author of "This Was Not the Plan." She is a graduate of Harvard College and NYU Law School, and worked as a financial analyst and a corporate attorney before becoming a writer. She lives in New York with her husband and children.

- Author Luncheon with Meghan Flaherty, at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 24. Reservations required, \$15. Lunch will be inspired by Flaherty's

book, "Tango Lesson: A Memoir."

"Tango" is the story of a young woman living with the scars of past trauma, who in her late 20s decides something must change and tries on her dancing shoes. Written in wry, lyrical prose, and enriched by the history and culture of the dance, "Tango Lessons" is a story of conquering fears, living dreams, and enjoying the freedom found in the closest embrace.

Flaherty received her MFA from Columbia University School of the Arts in literary nonfiction. She lives with her husband, baby and rescue mastiff in Northern California.

To make reservations, which are required for the luncheon and encouraged for the other events, call Towne Center Books, 555 Main St., at 846-8826. ■

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli

## Honor for 'Hollyhocks'

AAUW chases Severin artwork for notecards

By **DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI**

Pleasanton's Charlotte Severin is one of six artists nationwide to have a painting chosen for a set of notecards to raise money for the American Association of University Women.

The notecard project is a major fundraiser for AAUW, and 380 members submitted works to be judged. The sets of notecards are sent to 84,000 members in the United States.

Severin, who has been teaching art lessons for the city of Pleasanton for more than 25 years, submitted a watercolor titled "Hollyhocks in My Garden."

She is a past president of the Livermore-Pleasanton-Dublin Branch of AAUW and also served as a California State AAUW officer. She received her 50-year Honorary Lifetime Membership two years ago.

Severin has traveled extensively and is passionate about the status of women around the world.

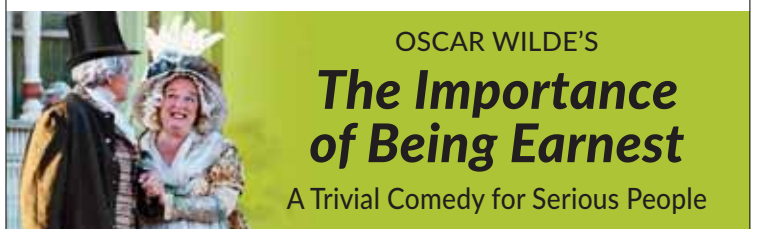
"I am thrilled to have my artwork further the status of women through AAUW's many support programs," Severin said.

These include scholarships, fellowships, legal support, Tech Trek for teenage girls, salary negotiations, workshops, research and legislative advocacy efforts. ■



COURTESY CHARLOTTE SEVERIN  
"Hollyhocks in My Garden" by Pleasanton resident Charlotte Severin is one of six paintings nationwide for a major AAUW fundraiser.

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COURTESY OF BILL VASSER

Three horses strive to be the first over the finish line at the Pleasanton track during the Alameda County Fair. The track was used as a year-round training track until January 2017.

By DENNIS MILLER

Life in the world of horse racing in Northern California has been anything but smooth over the course of the last few years.

Yet here we are again at the Alameda County Fair, with the popular horse racing meet in its second week and, on the surface, all appears well.

But like the duck on a pond, everything above the water seems calm while underneath the water, chaos.

"I think everyone in the industry is frustrated," said Alameda County Fair CEO

Jerome Hoban. "Everyone is vying for their part of the pie."

California perhaps exemplifies all that's plaguing horse racing across the country — lack of cohesive organization and greed.

The California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) is the governing body for horse racing in the state and has been playing peacekeeper between organizations in the state. The organization declined to comment for this story.

There are three organizations fighting for racing dates in Northern California: a coalition of various fair organizations, including Alameda County Fair, represented by the California

Authority of Racing Fairs (CARF); Golden Gate Fields, represented by the Stronach Group, which also owns Santa Anita, Gulfstream Park and others; and the Sonoma County Fair in Santa Rosa. Sonoma County Fair was formerly a member of CARF but left to take control of its own meet in 2013.

It's been a bitter, and at times ugly, battle.

The CHRB ruled in January 2017 that Pleasanton could not stay open as a year-round auxiliary track. Pleasanton became the official auxiliary training track for Golden Gate Fields when Bay Meadows closed in 2008.

At the root of the controversy was, and still is, vanning (transporting) and stabling fees. For instance, when Golden Gate Fields is running, funds are paid to Pleasanton for being the auxiliary training center.

Those funds are generated from the wagering handle. The roles are reversed during the summer months when Golden Gate Fields is not running and the fairs, in turn, see money from their stabling and vanning fund go to Golden Gate Fields.

Golden Gate Fields, controlled by Stronach Group, was upset about the money they were paying Pleasanton and took the issue to the CHRB. The Board mandated that the Pleasanton track close for most of the year, with the exception being from May 1 to the day after the Alameda County Fair meet ends.

The forced Pleasanton closure, in turn, displaced many workers and their families, and lost horses from the already-dwindling Northern California racing community. According to people from the Fair, 100 horses left Northern California. There were also trainers that left the industry.

There was other damage to local horse racing. "Part of what hurt was the development of younger horses," said Allen Aldrich, an owner,

**'I THINK EVERYONE IN THE INDUSTRY IS FRUSTRATED. EVERYONE IS VYING FOR THEIR PART OF THE PIE.'**

**Jerome Hoban,  
Alameda County Fair CEO**

trainer and long-time Pleasanton resident.

Aldrich has always been a huge proponent of the Fair circuit but has also found success as an owner on the national scene, winning an Eclipse Award (think Academy Awards for horse racing) as one of the owners of She's A Tiger as the top 2-year-old filly in the country.

She's A Tiger was trained in Pleasanton by another long-time resident, Jeff Bonde.

Once the Pleasanton track was closed for most of the year, Bonde, well known for his exceptional training of young horses, took his stable to Southern California rather than Golden Gate Fields. Golden Gate Fields uses a synthetic surface while Pleasanton features a dirt track.

"Pleasanton was a great place for training younger horses," said Aldrich. "We have always felt dirt was a better surface for the young horses."

Scott Herbertson of San Ramon has also made a big impact in the industry as an owner. He and his son, Ari, who trains almost all his horses, have become a force.

They have run horses in graded stakes races at Churchill Downs on Kentucky Derby Day, as well as last year at Del Mar during the Breeders' Cup.

But they also embrace the fair circuit, be it at Pleasanton or at Ferndale for the Humboldt County Fair.



COURTESY OF BILL VASSER

Thousands of people come to see the horse races during the Alameda County Fair. While there used to be a fall meet in Pleasanton, now the track is closed except between May 1 and the day after the Alameda County Fair meet ends during the summer.



COURTESY OF BILL VASSER



COURTESY OF ALLEN ALDRICH



COURTESY OF ALLEN ALDRICH

**Above:** And they're off! Horses come out of the gate at a recent race at the Pleasanton track during the Alameda County Fair. **Top right:** Jerome Hoban, Alameda County Fair CEO. **Bottom right:** Allen Aldrich, an owner, trainer and long-time Pleasanton resident, with his Blue Ribbon award from the Alameda County Fair.

"We love the fairs," said Herbertson, who has 22 horses in his barn right now. "Ari knows I love to run horses at Pleasanton. There are good things and bad things going on right now. Closing training centers doesn't help."

Misinformation spread throughout the industry as to where the blame should fall following the closure, and as a result, the Alameda County Fair incorrectly took the blame, in the eyes of many.

In reality, the Fair team fought for staying open and when they were forced to shut down, they went above and beyond to help relocate families and battled to keep kids affected by the decision in the local school systems, all the while being wrongly criticized.

In addition, regarding the 2018 racing calendar, Pleasanton lost its two-week Fall Meet that had become popular in just a short two years.

In exchange, Pleasanton got an additional three days of racing for this year's fair meet — the opening Friday through Sunday.

"That was a compromise to try to keep as many people happy as possible," Hoban said of the racing dates given by the CHRB. "We were happy to get another week with our premier event (the fair) going on."

But once again misinformation circulated and some people inside the industry were finger-pointing at Pleasanton, accusing them of giving up other meet dates.

"We didn't give those dates away — we fought for them," said Hoban. "Horse racing is part of our heritage, part of our culture."

Larry Swartzlander, the executive director of CARF, is locked into a battle to keep fair racing going in a positive direction.

"Our goal is we want to make California better for racing," said Swartzlander. "As a group we want to take over Northern California. The

fairs are very strong, and we will not lose any more dates going forward. If I had to bet on it, we will get more dates from Golden Gate Fields. The fairs are not going away."

That's something Hoban would relish.

"Absolutely," said Hoban when asked if the Fair would want more racing. "I am confident our board would consider more dates."

More race dates would feed into the end game for Hoban and his staff.

"Our objective is to introduce new people to horse racing," said Hoban. "How else can we do that? Fairs have been used and seen as a mechanism to advance racing in California."

The battle has raged on as CARF pushed for Golden Gate Fields to shut down during the summer rather than continually pay GGF for stabling. A last-minute deal was worked out with some clauses that would hopefully incite trainers with horses at Golden Gate Fields to run them during the fair circuit.

"That was actually a good thing," said Aldrich of the deal. "We would have lost another 100 horses and lost some more trainers."

These concerns continue to be discussed statewide and locally. Golden Gate Fields called for an emergency meeting of horsemen on June 14 to discuss the future of Golden Gate Fields, and the CHRB planned a meeting in Pleasanton this week that may have a big effect on the future of horse racing in Northern California.

One other major issue plaguing racing in Northern California is purse structure.

"Purses have to go up," said Aldrich. "They have been the same for 10 years and the costs have doubled."

Help regarding the purses might be coming. A recent United States Supreme Court ruling will now allow sports wagering in all states, which could benefit the tracks. It has

already begun in Delaware and New Jersey.

Leaders in the racing industry, though, are worried that Native American-owned casinos may stymie these revenue-generating efforts. If the California legislature gives sports wagering exclusivity to these casinos,

it could be bad news for horse racing.

"It would kill the sport if the Indian casinos get sports wagering and horse racing doesn't," said Herbertson. "We would be done." ■

*Updates on the Pleasanton meeting will be posted online at [pleasantonweekly.com](http://pleasantonweekly.com).*



COURTESY OF SCOTT HERBERTSON

Owner Scott Herbertson of San Ramon at the Breeders' Cup. Herbertson and his son, Ari, run horses in graded stakes but also embrace the fair circuit.



## PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER



### Ballistic United celebrates 50 years by honoring 'Difference Makers'

#### First five names released

This year celebrates 50 years of existence for the Ballistic United Soccer Club and the club is proudly celebrating the Top 50 Difference Makers in the history of BUSC.

Over the next four months, BUSC will release names of people selected to the Top 50. On Sept. 15, we will release the top three difference-makers leading into the Oct. 6 Orange and Gold Gala at Barone's restaurant in Pleasanton.

Ticket sales will go live July 1, with the cost being \$60 per person or \$100 for two tickets. A reserved cabana is \$1,000 for 10 guests, with a reserved table priced at \$600 for 10 guests.

Check back each month at [www.busc.org](http://www.busc.org) for more information on

the Gala, as well as seeing when more names are released!

This week we feature the first five names/teams released:

#### Andrew Ziemer

Andrew has been one of the most passionate coaches that BUSC has ever had in just a short eight years he was with the club. Andrew brought on a new way of playing for the club, as he educated all how to play soccer like the Ajax of Amsterdam or Barcelona soccer clubs.

Andrew's main objective was to teach the young players to have better ball skills and was not about winning but educating the kids to play the game and have fun. He emphasized learning to build from the

keeper, to midfield and forwards to score goals. He made it so that every coach and team played the same way.

#### Bob Martinez

Bob is arguably the best referee to come out of Pleasanton. Initially he started refereeing his son's games as he was playing for BUSC. From there he became the referee assigner for the entire club, as well as Ballistic's tournaments.

Bob advanced to officiating high school and then college soccer as well, finally advancing to officiating teams in professional soccer.

#### Nico Lemoine

Nico was a lifelong BUSC player, starting in under-5 and playing

through the under-18 division. He started as a center back, then moved upfront where he became a prolific scorer, winning multiple state titles. He was also a member of a National Futsal Championship winning team.

When he was between 13-15, he made three different trips to Fiorentina, Italy. He was eventually picked up by the U.S. National team where he helped the team win the Nike Friendly Cup. Currently Nico is in Europe trying out with clubs such as Hanover 96, Wolfsburg, Dynamo Dresden and Stuttgart.

#### 1971-72 Team U12's

Coached by Harry Miller, this was the first Ballistic team to win the State Cup. In the finals BUSC beat Dublin 2-0 in a game played at the Livermore Rodeo Stadium. There were a pair of BUSC Hall of Fame members playing in the game. Steve Englebrick scored both goals for Ballistic, while BUSC Executive Director Kevin Crow was a member of the Dublin team.

The win sent Ballistic to the Pacific Coast Championships where they advanced to the finals before falling to the state champs from Washington. The team also had a chance to meet with then

California Governor Ronald Reagan before heading to the regional tournament.

#### Kyle Schlumpf

Kyle played on the 1986-87 BUSC Premier team from his U10-U19 competitive seasons. Kyle was primarily a central-defender for the three-time State Cup Champion team, winning the title in U-12, U-13 and U-16.

Additionally, Kyle was a mainstay for the team that won both San Diego Surf Cup and the Nomads College Showcase soccer tournaments. Kyle prepped at Amador Valley where he was the East Bay Athletic League MVP for the 2004 and 2005 seasons.

In the 2005 season Kyle was awarded the Stephen Negoesco Award, as the top newcomer to the Don's program.

Upon completion of both club and high school, Kyle moved on to the University of San Francisco and played all four years. ■

*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](mailto:acesmag@aol.com).*

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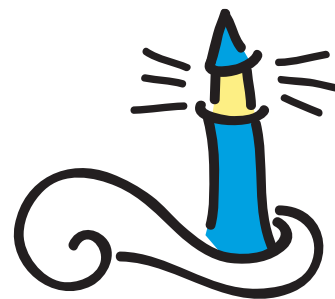
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### 995 Fictitious Name Statement

Valley Catering, Inc. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 545351  
The following person doing business as: Valley Catering, Inc., 7087 Commerce Circle, Suite F, Pleasanton, CA 94588, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Valley Catering, Inc., 7087 Commerce Circle, Suite F, Pleasanton, CA 94588. This business is conducted by Valley Catering, Inc., a Corporation. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein January 1, 1994. Signature of Registrant: Joseph E. Rodrigues, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on May 24, 2018. (Pleasanton Weekly, June 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2018).

PURUS SYSTEMS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 545762  
The following person doing business as: PURUS SYSTEMS, 5587 N. DUBLIN RANCH DRIVE, DUBLIN, CA 94568, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA is hereby registered by the following owner: PURUS INC., 5587 N. DUBLIN RANCH DRIVE, DUBLIN, CA 94568, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION. This business is conducted by a CORPORATION. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on JUNE 5, 2018. SIGNATURE OF THE REGISTRANT: RICHARD BURROUGHS, CEO. (Pleasanton Weekly, JUNE 15, 22, 29 AND JULY 6, 2018)

Food and Beverage FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 545994

The following persons doing business as: Food and Beverage, 5696 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton, CA 94588, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owners: Kashmir Dhanoya and Baljinder Dhanoya, 28146 Treehouse Lane, Tracy, CA 95376. This business is conducted by Kashmir Dhanoya and Baljinder Dhanoya, a General Partnership. Registrants began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein June 12, 2018. Signature of Registrants: Kashmir Dhanoya, Partner Owner and Baljinder Dhanoya, General Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 12, 2018. (Pleasanton Weekly, June 22, 29, and July 6, 13, 2018.)

BGBG Skin & Body FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 545670

The following person doing business as: BGBG Skin & Body, 239 Main Street Suite D, Pleasanton, CA 94566, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Garrett Carnegie, 239 Main Street, Suite D, Pleasanton, CA 94566, this business is conducted by Garrett Carnegie an Individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein May 31, 2018. Signature of Registrant: Garrett Carnegie, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 1, 2018. (Pleasanton Weekly, June 22, 29 and July 6 and 13, 2018).

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**6165 Augusta Way \$899,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Miranda Mattos 336-7653  
**526 Curlew Road \$819,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Kim Grass 510-304-9543  
**560 Wayland Loop \$1,320,000**  
 Sun 1-4 Linda Traurig 382-9746

**5 BEDROOMS**  
**1984 Meadow Glen Drive \$1,349,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Miranda Mattos 336-7653

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**3 BEDROOMS**  
**2891 Diavila Court \$1,070,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 April & Chris Duarte 519-4497  
**455 Linden Way \$1,380,000**  
 Sun 1-3 Dave and Sue Flashberger 463-0436  
**4020 Page Court Call for price**  
 Sun 2-4 Dave and Sue Flashberger 463-0436  
**1592 Ramblewood Way \$1,188,000**  
 Sat 1-4/Sun 11-4 Linda Futral 980-3561  
**598 San Miguel Court \$1,150,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Janice Sangster-Phalen 899-8878

**4 BEDROOMS**  
**3768 Eastwood Way \$1,149,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Julia Murtagh 997-2411

**7447 Laurel Court \$1,299,000**  
 Sat 11-2/Sun 1-4 Sylvia Desin 359-9600  
**4261 Mairmont \$1,200,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Joan Sakyo 989-4123  
**4887 Mohr Avenue \$1,295,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Stephany Jenkins 989-3318

**2133 Pomezia Court \$1,849,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Blaise Lofland 846-6500  
**3681 Shenandoah Court \$979,500**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Tim McGuire 462-7653  
**3521 Valenza Way \$1,595,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Fabulous Properties 980-0273/519-8226

**5 BEDROOMS**  
**1698 Orvieto Court \$2,359,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Cove Corey 989-2186  
**5621 Paseo Navarro \$1,360,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Fabulous Properties 980-0273/519-8226  
**3 Puri Court \$2,085,000**  
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Gina Piper 200-0202

**6 BEDROOMS**  
**7874 Oak Creek Drive \$1,369,999**  
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## HOME SALES

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**4711 Amanda Place** Yao Trust to J. Dejesus for \$1,690,000  
**3443 Ashton Court** Root Trust to Cohn Trust for \$2,250,000  
**7690 Canyon Meadow Circle #E** K. Verdin to J. Tidd for \$475,000  
**6878 Corte Sonada** Kirch Trust to C. Heffernan for \$1,355,000  
**847 Division Street #B** D. & P. Gephart to C. Davis for \$435,000  
**4576 Fisher Court** Broxterman Trust to V. Kalra for \$1,050,000  
**5216 Golden Road** Yu Trust to C. He for \$730,000  
**5650 Hansen Drive** A. & J. Zink to S. Brown for \$1,200,000  
**2632 Lotus Street** F. Li to V. Varadarajan for \$1,150,000  
**2969 Martin Avenue** Palmer Trust to D. Bethanasamy for \$1,100,000  
**3405 Norton Way #3** J. Cardenas to Z. Akram for \$545,000  
**5048 Porta Rossa Circle** C. Cheung to J. Baek for \$1,112,000  
**245 Rachael Place** C. Ortt to M. Lambert for \$615,000  
**1824 Sinclair Drive** Bekas-Kuony Trust to S. Akella for \$1,300,000  
**6820 Singletree Court** L. Holman to R. Velayuthan for \$1,180,000  
**764 St. John Circle** R. & C. Kahn to B. Connolly for \$1,310,000  
**2804 Tangelo Court** F. McPherson to S. Madasamy for \$1,039,000  
**592 Tawny Drive** Lentz Trust to S. Prasad for \$1,150,000

**2418 Via Espada** G. & C. Robles to S. Ryu for \$1,125,000  
**4139 Alvarado Street** S. & B. Baker to K. Ramamoorthy for \$1,016,000  
**5382 Black Avenue** Cameron Trust to K. Foster for \$1,030,000  
**659 Bonita Avenue** J. Bowman to T. & S. Nichols for \$1,130,000  
**1370 Briones Court** B. & M. Song to V. Harnoor for \$2,115,000  
**3512 Chippendale Court** Doe Trust to A. Chowdhary for \$1,175,000  
**6159 Corte Padre** Coe Trust to S. Kim for \$996,000  
**4190 Crisfield Lane** Properties 180 to H. Shin for \$1,078,000  
**2878 Garden Creek Circle** W. & C. Barrow to N. Ma for \$1,033,000  
**521 Hamilton Way** Lubran Trust to B. Han for \$1,200,000  
**7688 Knollbrook Drive** Memmer Trust to S. Patil for \$1,165,000  
**440 Kottinger Drive** S. & L. Duncan to B. Keating for \$1,015,000  
**7466 Laurel Court** G. & G. Batna to B. Batna for \$950,000  
**1606 Martin Avenue** M. Elgood to Raghavan Trust for \$2,356,000  
**8145 Mountain View Drive #F** E. Alejo to M. Maddah for \$615,000  
**3260 Omega Circle** M. Sherman to N. Gergeo for \$1,450,000  
**1026 Pineto Place** Johnson Trust to S. Arac for \$5,100,000  
**7355 Stonedale Drive** B. Gai to S. Siddireddy for \$790,000  
**6842 Via Quito** Sea Palm to K. Sam for \$1,235,000  
**334 Yearling Court** Olson Trust to B. Vukojevic for \$2,250,000

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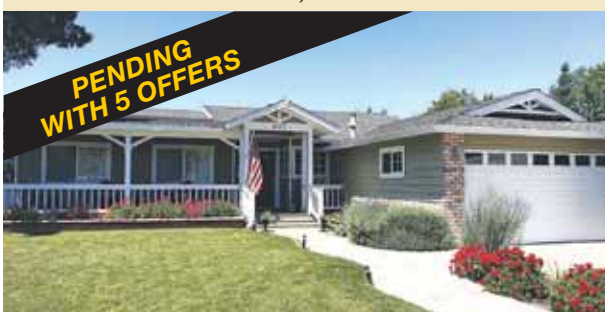
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2/7	1080 Victorine Road	\$2,250,000
2/21	7768 Creekside Dr.	\$835,000
2/23	340 E. Angela Street	\$799,000
3/8	7508 Driftwood Way	\$1,155,000
3/30	5215 Riverdale Court	\$800,000
3/30	7857 Driftwood Way	\$1,181,000
4/17	6570 Arlington Drive	\$1,350,000
4/27	3360 Maguire Way	\$629,000
4/30	149 Briar Place	\$1,308,000
3/30	4866 Treewood Ct	\$1,181,000
5/18	6629 Amber Lane	\$2,150,000
5/25	5766 Corte Libre	\$1,880,000
5/31	370 Amador Court	\$865,000
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Don't Miss this Popular "PIAVE" Model in Ruby Hills "Ascona" with Downstairs Master Suite. The Monterey-Spanish Architecture Styled Home offers Four Bedrooms, Bonus Area, Three and One-Half Bathrooms and has 3477 Square Feet. It Sits on a Premium Approximately One-Quarter Acre Professionally Landscaped Lot. Private Rear Grounds. Upgraded Gourmet Kitchen, Completely Remodeled Master Bathroom and New Windows. Quiet Court Location is Convenient to Clubhouse, Swimming Pool and Tennis Courts. For more information and/or a Private Showing Contact the Blaise Lofland Real Estate Group.

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### 3234 MARILYN COURT, PLEASANTON

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