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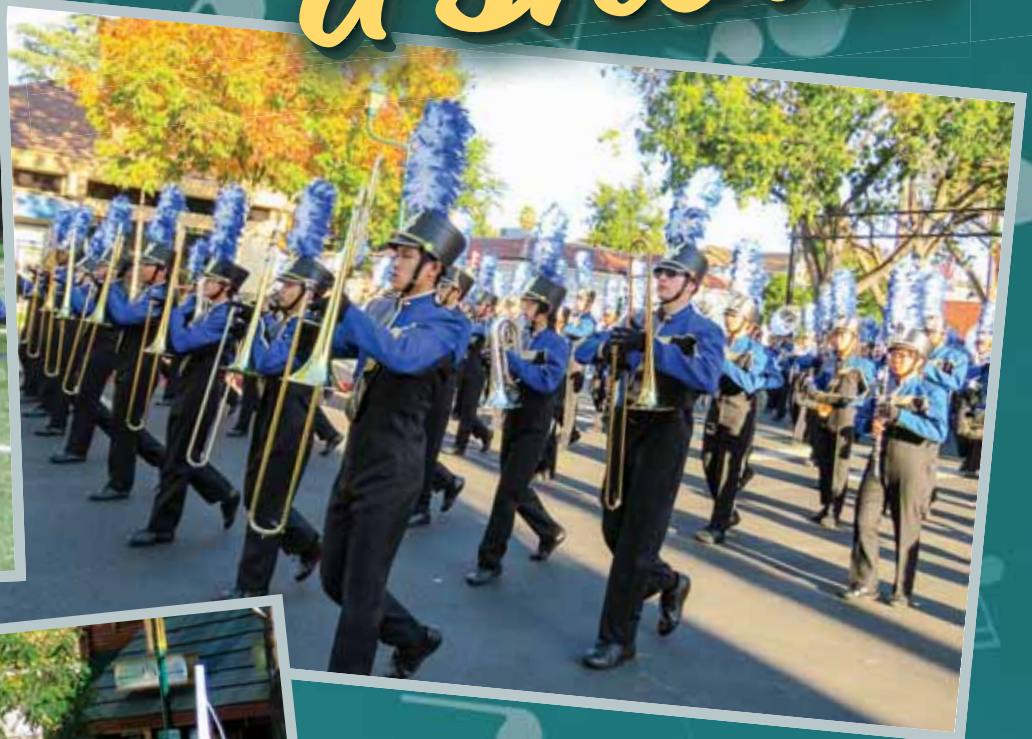
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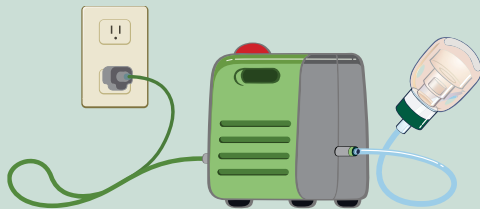
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HOW DO I PREPARE FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFF?

WHAT EVERY PG&E CUSTOMER NEEDS TO KNOW



Do you have an **emergency kit** with nonperishable food, one gallon of water per person per day, medications, flashlights and batteries?



If anyone in your family **depends on electricity for their medical needs**, have you made preparations?

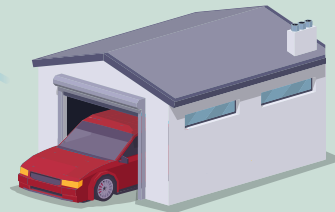


If you own a **generator**, is it safe to operate?

Public Safety Power Shutoff, or PSPS, is a safety program that proactively shuts off electric power lines when there is an elevated fire risk.

All PG&E customers should be prepared for possible power outages that could last for multiple days.

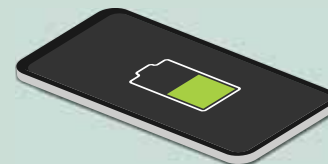
If power is temporarily turned off, customers should consider these questions:



Do you know how to **open your garage door manually**?



Do you have a **personal safety plan** for all members of your family, including your pets?



Are your mobile phones **fully charged**? Do you have a **portable back-up charger** or a **solar charger**?

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TIM TALK



By TIM HUNT

Once a Realtor, always a Realtor

Real estate always has been a family affair for Janet Cristiano of Pleasanton.

She's one of the longest-serving real estate brokers in the Livermore Valley, earning her state real estate license in 1974 and her broker's license in 1977. When she started as a single mom, she routinely enlisted her son, Scott Piper, and her daughter, Gina Piper, to help with the business, such as delivering pumpkins this time of year and "farming" her territory.

Both of her grown children are active in the real estate business to this day.

Janet had owned her real estate firm since 1992, a rare woman to own and operate a firm. She's closed that chapter by selling her Tri-Valley Better Homes and Gardens firm after consolidating two offices into one by closing the branch on Vineyard Avenue near Ruby Hill. After that transaction closed, she said she was notably more relaxed and ready for a different season of life.

Of course, that will still include real estate, helping clients buy and sell homes. She laughed that her new season started out right when she listed a home. Friends and clients celebrated her career Saturday, and that evening — her husband Joe Cristiano reported — she was back at it, working to sell her recent listing.

He wrote me in an email, "Unbelievably, at the conclusion of Janet's "Retirement" party on Saturday Janet retired to a private room where she was working on the closing of her pending listing. Guess she has retired from owning and managing a real estate company but will never give up being a Realtor!"

What's been a delight for her is helping multiple generations of the same family buy and sell homes. It's been three generations in some cases.

Over her 45-year-plus career and 27 years as the broker/owner, she has seen huge changes in the industry. She was raised in San Leandro and moved to Val Vista in Pleasanton in 1968 because it was affordable housing — \$1,900 down payment on their home.

Pleasanton, according to the 1970 census, was a community of 18,328 residents. Ten years later, it had virtually doubled to 35,160. And

that was before Stoneridge Shopping Center, which opened in 1981, and Hacienda Business Park and the other major business parks were approved and started construction in the 1980s.

The 1990 census showed a community of 50,552 people.

Janet recalled the local real estate brokers group owned the multiple listing book that came out on Fridays and was the source of the listings. She said she showed some clients as many as 50 homes before they made a decision.

Today everything is digital, and it's accelerated greatly. It also eliminates challenges such as the time she had to drive back-and-forth to San Francisco to get a signature before 5 p.m. from a businessman whose wife was buying a home in Pleasanton while he was in an office in the city.

Today, that involves simply sending an email with a link to a signing site.

Putting aside the Thomas map books in favor of digital maps has been a home run for Janet. Directions were never a strong point, she said with a laugh recalling the time an investor had to help guide her to her own listing in Newark.

When asked about the potential disruptors to the business, such as the rise of digital firms, she said it still will remain a people business. One major new competitor, Compass, is buying up firms and is backed by deep pockets. Time will tell, she said, but she believes there will always be a good niche for client-focused people.

Over her career, she served as president of the Bay East Association of Realtors and spent many years on the local association and state association's ethics committee. In that role, she served on arbitration and mediation panels to settle disputes between Realtors and clients.

Janet holds five certifications and/or licenses in the real estate business and was honored as Realtor of the Year back-to-back years. She's been honored with the Leadership Award and as Entrepreneur of the Year by real estate associations.

Janet lives in Pleasanton with her husband Joe, (featured for his mentoring in a column last month). They have six children and nine grandchildren, all living in the Tri-Valley area. That's ideal for grandparents. ■

About the Cover

Amador Valley, Foothill and Granada high schools (clockwise from top left) were among the 50-plus school bands taking part in the Foothill Band Review on Oct. 26. Parade photos by Ellen Holmgren. Field show photo by Soojin Hwang. Cover design by Kristin Brown.

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Once Halloween has come and gone, what do you do with your intact/uncarved pumpkins?



Marco Loretto
Sales

I usually just toss them in the garbage bin, but make a bit of a ceremony over it; my son and I stand about six feet away from the bin and take turns throwing it into the garbage, until one of us makes the shot. Our goal is to get the pumpkins successfully into the bin before they totally fall apart and make a big mess.



Cecilia Mellows
Finance

Usually I cut them open and plant the seeds, hoping to grow more pumpkins for the next Halloween. Sometimes it works and we get a great crop, but other years nothing grows. It is really a mystery to me because my planting routine is the same every year. I also save the pumpkin meat and puree it in order to make some kind of soup or other delicacy. I never waste a bit of my pumpkins.



Sandy Marshall Holliday
Retired

I play the Smashing Pumpkins' "Bullet With Butterfly Wings" on my stereo while smashing my pumpkins and ultimately taking out all of the seeds. I then season and bake the seeds, to share with family and friends for as long as they last.



Sid Johnson
Small business owner

I only buy one pumpkin each year and carve it up into something scary and spooky. By the time Halloween is over, it is all collapsed and full of mold, so I just throw it out.



Liz Elkin
Massage therapist

If it is a year we are hosting Thanksgiving, I save them to create the centerpiece that goes on my table. If we are spending the holiday at the home of family members or friends though, I create a beautiful pumpkin centerpiece to bring as a gift. I'll often spraypaint the pumpkins gold in order to add a degree of festivity to them.

—Compiled by Nancy Lewis

Have a Streetwise question? Email editor@PleasantonWeekly.com

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DIGEST

Body found in public

Police are investigating after a man was found dead in public in northeast Livermore this week.

Officers responded to a report of a person down and unresponsive in the area of Scenic Avenue and North Vasco Road around 7:50 a.m. Monday, according to Livermore police Sgt. Steve Goard. "The person was determined to be deceased and the coroner's office responded," Goard told the Weekly. "This case is under investigation, and there are no signs of foul play or anything suspicious."

Goard said he could not provide any identifying information about the decedent — other than to confirm he was an adult male — because the coroner's bureau was still working to notify the man's family.

Dublin election

Voters in Dublin Unified School District's Trustee Area 3 (parts of eastern and central Dublin) will decide who will fill their long-vacant seat on the Board of Trustees during a special election on Tuesday.

Business analyst and school volunteer Catherine Kuo is running against Foothill High School vice principal Malcolm Norrington, also a former teacher and police officer.

For information about polling locations, early voting or mail-in ballot dropoff locations, visit acvote.org.

Turkey Burn is back

The Tri-Valley Turkey Burn is set to celebrate its fifth anniversary on Thanksgiving morning by again offering hundreds of adults, teens and children an opportunity to give back (and give thanks) with a 5K and 10K family fun run/walk/stroll through Ken Mercer Sports Park.

Organized by Pleasanton North Rotary, the Turkey Burn helps participants burn off the calories they are sure to consume later that day. The event's "I am thankful for ..." race bibs are also popular.

The Turkey Burn benefits the club's youth services programs, as well as Tri-Valley Haven with food donations that day. Registration is open now at www.trivalleyturkeyburn.org.

Jeans & Jewels

Tickets remain available for Tri-Valley Conservancy's Jeans & Jewels fundraising gala, which supports the nonprofit's environmental protection and education efforts as well as celebrates its 25th anniversary.

Set for Nov. 8 from 6-11 p.m. at Casa Real in Pleasanton, Jeans & Jewels will feature dinner, local wines, auctions, raffles, music and dancing. Learn more by visiting www.trivalleyconservancy.org. ■

PG&E's pre-emptive power shutdowns hit tens of thousands in Tri-Valley

Public Safety Power Shutoffs abound amid strong winds, fires nearby

By RYAN J. DEGAN

In response to high-velocity winds that heightened the risks of wildfires in Northern California, PG&E issued Public Safety Power Shutoff events this week that left tens of thousands of Tri-Valley residents without power, some for days at a time.

PG&E implemented the first round of this shutdown — that affected an estimated 2 million people throughout California — on Saturday evening, restarting power to some areas on Monday only to shut down additional Bay Area communities on Tuesday.

The utility company enacted the pre-emptive power outages in order to counteract a so-called "wind event" that heightened the risk of wildland fires being sparked by PG&E equipment and spreading throughout the state.

"You don't expect this in a developed country like the U.S., you know. It's not a third world country, to lose electricity for three days at a time ... It's just very disruptive," Dublin resident Ameet Arurkar said while charging his electronic devices at the Dublin Library on Monday. "It's surprising that the government does so

little ... We shouldn't be held hostage by a company that's gone bankrupt; the government should take over."

Sunday also marked the Hindu celebration Diwali — known as the Festival of Lights — a celebration that was hindered for many residents by the shutoff in parts of the Tri-Valley.

"It was our Festival of Light, but we were in the dark," added Arurkar's wife, Tejinder. "It's one of the biggest festivals and I've never been so sad. I've lived in India for most of my life, but I've never had a dark Diwali. Yesterday was my first ... It's frustrating."

From Saturday through Monday, outages affected approximately 4,900 Pleasanton residents in areas along the Foothill Road corridor, Fairlands, Oak Tree Farms, Castlewood and Killcare Woods as well as parts of Happy Valley, Santa Rita Road near the freeway and some other neighborhoods, city officials said.

Other Tri-Valley communities affected by the outages include an estimated 6,800 residents in Livermore, 3,523 in Dublin, 2,673 in Danville and 1,601 in San Ramon.

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MIKE SEDLAK

Local veterans march down Main Street during the 2018 Tri-Valley Veterans Day Parade. This year's event will take place on Sunday afternoon and is expected to draw thousands of residents downtown.

Veterans parade set for Sunday

Procession starts at 1 p.m. on Main Street

By JEREMY WALSH

The Tri-Valley community is set to join together in downtown Pleasanton this weekend to honor area military veterans during the 23rd annual Tri-Valley Veterans Day Parade, scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. this Sunday (Nov. 3) on Main Street.

Thousands of residents typically line the central downtown corridor to watch as hundreds of veterans, active service members, elected officials, local organizations and others march along the afternoon procession. The parade is always held in advance of the actual holiday so veterans and civic leaders can represent Pleasanton in other celebrations on Veterans Day itself (Nov. 11).

The post-parade event will follow at the Veterans Memorial Building at 301 Main St.

This year's parade will honor the founding and 100-year history of the American Legion, a nationwide organization whose local chapter is also a co-organizer of the Pleasanton parade.

"Focusing on service to veterans, service members and communities, the Legion evolved from a group of war-weary veterans of World War I into one of the most influential nonprofit groups in the United States," parade organizers said. "Today, membership stands at nearly 2 million in more than 13,000 posts worldwide and includes the American Legion Post 237 in Pleasanton."

The parade will begin at 1 p.m. sharp in front of Veterans Memorial Building and will continue four blocks north to St. Mary Street. More than 100 organizations are scheduled to participate.

The post-parade program will start around 2:15 p.m., back at the vets hall. The Pleasanton Community Concert Band, under the direction of Bob Williams, will perform patriotic music before and during the event, organizers said.

The Tri-Valley Veterans Day Parade and post-parade event are organized and hosted by American Legion Post 237, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6298 and the Major General William F. Dean Chapter of the Association of the United States Army. ■

Proponent withdraws vaping referendum

Livermore ordinance now in effect; enforcement delayed

By JEREMY WALSH

The proponent of a JUUL Labs-backed referendum effort in Livermore formally withdrew his petition last week, clearing the way for the special election to be canceled and the new city ordinance banning flavored tobacco sales and implementing other anti-vaping regulations to take effect.

The 10-line letter to the city from Livermore resident Barry Grace doesn't cite any specific reason for the withdrawal — merely stating a description of the ordinance and legal authority for the request — but it comes less than a month after JUUL pulled out of a similar campaign in San Francisco and then scaled back operations amid new scrutiny from federal regulators over its vapor products.

"As new leadership continues to conduct a broad review of the company's policies, we have also made the decision to request the withdrawal of the referendum on Livermore's vapor ban from next year's ballot," JUUL officials told the Weekly in a statement last Friday.

"JUUL Labs remains committed to our goal of improving the lives of the world's one billion smokers while keeping our products out of the hands of youth through strong category-wide regulation," they added.

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Dublin council endorses plans for new four-star hotel

City leaders also approve funding for Dublin's first arts center

By JULIA BAUM

Plans for the city of Dublin's first four-star hotel are closer to fruition after the Dublin City Council recently approved making the appropriate zoning changes and mitigation steps to begin development on the project.

The proposed full-service Westin Hotel would be strategically located on a 5.88-acre lot at the southeast corner of Campus Drive and Altamirano Avenue, near the eastern Dublin-Pleasanton BART Station.

As Dublin's only four-star hotel, the 163,133-square-foot floor plan includes six floors with 198 guest rooms, a 5,254-square-foot restaurant, a cafe, a ballroom, and two large meeting rooms with over 9,000 square feet of assembly space, which Dublin city principal planner Amy Million told the Weekly, "is also much-needed in

the city of Dublin."

Because of the hotel's close proximity to public transit, Million confirmed the applicant, LN Hospitality LLC, received a large parking reduction.

"The city would have required 461 parking spaces, but they were approved to provide a minimum of 279 spaces," Million said. Even with the reduction, city leaders expect there should be plenty of parking spaces to meet demand.

During the Oct. 15 council meeting, council members, business and labor interests praised the project, which is expected to create new union jobs for residents and generate significant local tax revenue, although "a fiscal analysis has not yet been done on that project to determine projected sales tax revenue," according to city spokeswoman Shari Jackman.



Rendering of a planned, six-story Westin Hotel near the Dublin-Pleasanton BART Station in Dublin.

CITY OF DUBLIN

No groundbreaking date has been announced yet; a second reading of the ordinance pertaining to zoning matters is scheduled for the council's meeting next Tuesday (Nov. 5).

Also at its Oct. 15 meeting, the council unanimously approved more than \$5 million for Dublin's first arts center. The \$5.7 million budget will cover building a

13,000-square-foot space with a black box theater, gallery, dance studio and classroom — all of which will be located in the police building wing at the Dublin Civic Center. ■

Stomach flu strikes Pleasanton Middle School

Hundreds of students absent last week amid spread of virus

By JULIA BAUM
AND JEREMY WALSH

More than 500 students were recorded absent from Pleasanton Middle School on one day last week at the height of a stomach virus reportedly affecting a number of students at the campus and raising concerns among families.

The situation seemed to return to normal after the weekend, according to Pleasanton Unified School District spokesman Patrick Gannon, but that followed several days of triple-digit absences and cleaning crews sanitizing the campus overnight.

Gannon first confirmed to the Weekly on Oct. 24 that PUSD had "a large number of students out and/or leave school with symptoms of viral gastroenteritis" over several days at Pleasanton Middle.

That started with just over 100 students absent on Oct. 23, then increasing to 440 students on Oct. 24 and more than 500 students on Oct. 25 — though it's difficult to confirm how many of those students were ill and how many were kept home as a precaution or for other reasons, Gannon said.

As Monday arrived, the absentee count was much lower and closer to normal, at 40 students, according to Gannon.

Pleasanton Middle was the primary campus of concern with students reporting stomach flu-like symptoms. The district brought in cleaning crews overnight starting Oct. 23 to help sanitize key areas there, Gannon said.

One parent who contacted the Weekly said the virus "just took out

my 7th grader" and several of her classmates on Oct. 24.

Hearst Elementary, which is right next door, also had a few students out last week but the district said the levels were not concerning. "There are a normal number of students out at Foothill (High School), but it is not related to stomach flu with information we have now," Gannon said.

The district was "reaching out to (Pleasanton Middle) families who did not send their students to school to determine the reason so we can have an accurate count of those affected by the stomach flu," Gannon said, adding that some families might be keeping their healthy children at home to avoid infection.

PUSD and the Alameda County Department of Public Health worked closely together on recommendations and protocols to limit the spread of virus.

A professional cleaning crew was sterilizing surfaces and deep cleaning rooms at Pleasanton Middle, especially focusing on "high touch areas" such as light switches and door knobs. "They'll be on site for the next two days and we will have additional maintenance staff to do nightly sweeps to sterilize surfaces over the next week," Gannon said last week.

As for the 440 and 500-plus students absent from school at Pleasanton Middle on Oct. 24 and 25, Gannon said those total figures likely are not representative of the number of students who were sick with the stomach virus.

"These are just absences, so not

Tips to prevent further exposure

The following list from the Department of Public Health was also shared with PUSD families:

- Encourage your child to wash their hands thoroughly with warm water and soap after using the toilet and prior to eating.
- If your child has 'stomach flu-like' symptoms, including upset stomach, vomiting and/or diarrhea, it is important that your child does not return to school until at least 2 full days (48 hours) after the symptoms have ended and your child feels better.
- It is also recommended that your child not attend any group events such as birthday parties, clubs or sports teams, etc. until at least 48 hours after symptoms have ended.
- If your child is absent due to illness, provide the details of symptoms that your child is experiencing to our attendance office.

necessarily representative of the number of students out ill," he told the Weekly. "We have heard from parents who were planning to keep their students home as a precaution. We've asked families who are reporting absences due to illness to provide symptoms but are still following up with families." ■

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City Council OKs redesign of 7-Eleven and Shell on Hopyard

By JEREMY WALSH

The Pleasanton City Council has unanimously endorsed a property owner's plan to tear down and replace the 7-Eleven store and Shell service station on Hopyard Road with a brand-new 7-Eleven, gas station and drive-thru car wash.

Council members and city staff said they saw the redevelopment proposal as improving awkward layout of the property, offering needed design upgrades and addressing concerns from a neighboring church during their hour-long hearing on Oct. 15 that also focused on issues such as alcohol sales, safety at the adjacent intersection and how prominent the Shell brand colors should be.

"Quite frankly, this corner looks tired ... the landscaping has been let go. And so I look at this project as a huge improvement at a major intersection in our city," Councilwoman Kathy Narum said.

"This project is also going to provide some land that's going to allow us to have a bicycle lane on that side of West Las Positas," Narum added. "And I think we also have an opportunity here to eliminate some problems that the church has been experiencing."



CITY OF PLEASANTON

Developers' rendering shows concept for reconfiguring the 7-Eleven and Shell site at Hopyard and West Las Positas.

The proposal from applicant Brad Hirst, on behalf of property owner Anabi Real Estate Development LLC, calls for demolishing the existing 7-Eleven convenience store, smog check building and Shell service station at 3760 and 3790 Hopyard Road, at the southwest corner of the intersection with West Las Positas Boulevard.

The two adjoining lots, which total 0.91 acres, would then be combined into a single, reconfigured parcel with a new 7-Eleven store, drive-thru car wash and a new Shell gas station canopy with four additional pumps.

The proposal calls for the convenience store to be open 24 hours a day and the ability to sell some alcohol (from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m.) — it would become the sixth gas station store in Pleasanton to sell beer and wine, according to city staff. The car wash would operate from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

"This is a tremendous improvement — aesthetically and marketing — to the neighborhood. Most importantly, this is an improvement for the customers," Hirst told the

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Goodguys' Autumn Get-Together back at fairgrounds next weekend

Horsepower, patriotism on display for Veterans Day

By RYAN J. DEGAN

Car lovers and casual fans be advised — the Goodguys Rod and Custom Association is bringing horsepower and patriotism to the Alameda County Fairgrounds on Veterans Day weekend for its 30th annual Autumn Get-Together.

Set to be Goodguys' last Bay Area car show of 2019, Pleasanton will play host to more than 2,500 American made or powered candy colored and chromed hot rods, customs, classics, muscle cars and trucks of all years for two days of American car show fun next Saturday and Sunday (Nov. 9-10).

The event will officially end California's car show season for hot-rodders, and Goodguys officials promise it is a "must attend" event for hardcore car lovers as well as the casual fan looking for a fun weekend activity.

"Fans will get a close-up glimpse of just how eclectic the modern-day hot-rodding scene is though in spirit — the Goodguys core message is unchanged after 36 years — having fun with cars," Goodguys officials said in a statement.

"Acres of American-made and 'powered hot rods, customs, classics, trucks, g-machines and more glistening with candy colors will sprawl



GOODGUYS

At Goodguys' 30th Autumn Get-Together, attendees will get to view an eclectic mix of vehicles and take part in a variety of patriotic-themed events.

through the scenic Alameda County Fairgrounds," they added. "The sight of all those cars in one place is a car lover's utopia."

In honor of Veterans Day (Nov. 11), the Get-Together will feature a variety of military-themed events and special deals including a special parking area and parade for veterans, a special performance by the Young American Patriots, presentation of the colorguard and more.

Plus, all active and retired military personnel will receive free general admission to the event all weekend.

Pleasanton Military Families will also be onsite next Saturday holding

a donation drive at the fairgrounds' Yellow Gate. The drive will be raising funds for the group's pack-out program, which sends care packages to military service members stationed overseas.

Gates are open to the Goodguys 30th Autumn Get-Together Nov. 9-10 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Alameda County Fairgrounds.

General admission tickets are \$20, kids 7-12 are \$6, active and retired military members can enter for free with valid ID. Fairgrounds parking is \$10. Call Goodguys at 838-9876 or visit www.good-guys.com for more information. ■

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The local power outages over the weekend included the pre-planned shutoffs as well as unexpected problems caused by debris striking power lines and poles during gusty winds.

In Pleasanton, Foothill High School and Lydiksen and Fairlands elementary schools were closed on Monday due to the power shutoff, but regained power and were open for classes as usual on Tuesday. Same goes for Dublin's Fallon Middle School, which lost power on Monday.

All San Ramon Valley Unified School District schools remained open through the event despite Green Valley, Live Oak, Montair, Monte Vista, Rancho Romero and Vista Grande having gone without power.

SRVUSD officials said keeping students in school offered them a respite from the poor air quality resulting from the fires, saying that research shows schools to be the safest places to be when air quality is poor.

"It is inspiring to see the creativity that is born out of necessity in our classrooms. Our students and teachers are to be commended for their resiliency. It is also particularly joyful to see the way this community comes together in challenging times to support one another," SRVUSD officials said in a statement.

While the Tri-Valley has largely

been spared from wildfires (with the exception of a 35-acre blaze on Mines Road on Friday and a small vegetation fire along Christensen Road on Monday, both in rural unincorporated Livermore), other parts of Contra Costa County were beset by a handful of wildfires that have popped up throughout the county.

Fires broke out in Crockett, Martinez, Lafayette and Clayton at different times, resulting in the Contra Costa County Administrator of Emergency Services issuing a proclamation of local emergency on Sunday. Gov. Gavin Newsom also declared a statewide emergency over the weekend.

Plus the days-long Kincade Fire in Sonoma County continues to rage affecting air quality throughout the region. As of Tuesday morning the fire has burnt an estimated 75,415 acres, destroyed 124 structures and was only 15% contained as of Tuesday night.

High-velocity winds also caused damage to trees and neighborhoods as branches were torn and thrown around by strong gusts of wind.

In Danville, for instance, a "major branch" of the town's cherished Old Oak Tree collapsed due to ferocious wind gusts and closed a section of Diablo Road near the downtown area, according to town staff.

East Bay Regional Park District officials were also forced to close all parks until Thursday morning out of fear that the high winds would

endanger park goers.

Tuesday marked the third PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoff event, with the first taking place on Oct. 11 after a "historic" wind event threatened the Bay Area — Saturday evening's shutoff marked the second Public Safety Power Shutoff event and so far has proven to be the longest.

In the wake of the outages and the massive disruption caused to the public, on Monday the California Public Utilities Commission announced that it would be launching an investigation into PG&E's handling of the shutoffs.

While the power shutoffs have decreased the chance of utility infrastructure igniting fires, the CPUC has expressed concern over the massive disruptions imposed upon Californians resulting from the outages.

"The state cannot continue to experience (Public Safety Power Shutoff) events on the scope and scale Californians have experienced this month, nor should Californians be subject to the poor execution that PG&E in particular has exhibited," CPUC President Marybel Batjer said in a statement.

"Through the actions announced today, as well as other steps under our regulatory purview, the CPUC will demand that utilities prepare for and execute PSPS events in a way that greatly reduces impacts on Californians," Batjer added.

Newsom said Tuesday that PG&E

TAKE US ALONG

Norwegian history: Kathleen and Jon Kalb visited Norway in the summer, including this stop at the Borgund Stave Church located outside of Lærdal, which dates to 1180.

is going to credit customers for the outages related to the Public Safety Power Shutoffs.

PG&E's various websites were able to maintain the traffic from this past event however, and future outages

can be monitored online at www.pge.com. ■

Editor's note: Gina Channell and Jeremy Walsh contributed to this power shutoff coverage. Information from Bay City News Service was also used in this article.

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council. "This is a win-win-win for everybody."

Among the site improvements proposed is removing the current driving aisle between the 7-Eleven site and the neighboring Church in Pleasanton parcel. Church representatives had raised concerns to city officials about loitering, 7-Eleven patron parking and delivery trucks in the church lot.

City staff said they think the proposals to remove the shared driving lane, along with adding a new fence between the properties and a dedicated delivery zone onsite, will alleviate those problems.

About 75 church parishioners were in the audience for the council hearing, but only Daniel Chen spoke on behalf of the church, saying they were in favor of the final redesign plan as recommended by city staff.

"Originally we were opposing the project because of being a neighbor of 7-Eleven for the past 10 years, we've encountered numerous problems," Chen said. "But then, I really appreciate the decision tonight by having two perimeter fences, on the west side and also the southern side."

As the debate returned to the dais, Councilwoman Julie Testa said she did not like the redesigned fuel canopy proposed to include the bright yellow and red Shell-brand colors painted all around the overhang,

especially since the current canopy is more muted.

"I think you set a new standard (tonight) where we start saying gas stations should blend in instead of standing out," Testa said, advocating for the bright color bands to be significantly toned down or removed entirely.

Hirst returned to the lectern, saying the council disallowing the colors would likely be a deal-breaker for Anabi.

Narum pointed out that other gas stations in town, including the other Shell stations, have canopies branded with color banding. Mayor Jerry

Thorne said he considered the color stripes "a non-issue."

The council ultimately decided to include an amendment asking staff to work with the applicant to try to tone down the canopy colors, but not require any changes be made.

Hirst said construction is expected to begin by March or April, after obtaining necessary permits. The businesses will close while work is being done, and they hope to reopen by December 2020. ■

For additional highlights of the council meeting, read the online version of this story at PleasantonWeekly.com.



PUSD

Pumpkin patch fun

Students from neighboring Walnut Grove Elementary School paid an annual visit to the Harvest Park Middle School pumpkin patch on Oct. 24. Each year, Harvest Park students and staff host the festive pumpkin patch for elementary students, who collect stamps on 'passports' from a variety of activities led by the older kids and then pick out their very own pumpkin to decorate later.

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ELLEN HOLMGREN

Foothill Band Review: What a show!

Thousands of the best teen musicians and colorguard performers showed off their talents in Pleasanton last Saturday during the 45th annual Foothill Band Review. Featuring 50 middle and high school bands from across Northern California and Nevada, the event included a parade down Main Street, a concurrent concert competition at Amador Valley High School and an evening field show competition — which had to be moved to Amador because the original venue, Foothill High, was within a PG&E power shutoff zone. Shown, clockwise from top left: Bands from Lincoln, Amador and Foothill were among the performers.



SOOJIN HWANG



ELLEN HOLMGREN

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The city's ordinance, which was suspended after the referendum petition was submitted this summer, is now in effect — although it was always the City Council's plan that enforcement of the new regulations wouldn't begin until Jan. 1, to give city staff and business owners time to prepare, according to city attorney Jason Alcalá.

Petition signature-gatherers had been successful in garnering support from enough registered Livermore voters to force the hand of the council in September, when the city leaders opted to schedule the anti-vaping ordinance for a citywide election on March 3 primary ballot, rather than rescind it as JUUL wanted.

Livermore city clerk Sarah Bunting confirmed the withdrawal letter was hand-delivered and filed with her office on Oct. 24.

The council is scheduled to officially acknowledge the withdrawal and authorize staff to move forward with removing the referendum measure from the ballot on Nov. 25, Alcalá said.

The withdrawal request was only possible because of recent urgency legislation in Sacramento, Senate Bill 681 by State Sen. Henry Stern (D-Canoga Park), that Gov. Gavin Newsom signed Oct. 8 and took effect immediately to allow a local referendum proponent to remove their ballot measure at least 88 days before the election.

Before that, once a referendum measure was scheduled for a ballot, the election had to move forward even if the proponent changed their position.

Representatives of local advocacy group Flavors Addict Kids-Livermore, which spearheaded the public campaign to encourage the council to approve the ordinance in the first place, said they were pleased to learn of referendum withdrawal.

"Our council passed this ordinance in response to community concerns, and it's an important piece of our effort to combat the youth vaping epidemic in Livermore. Now that the referendum has been withdrawn, we can begin to enact and enforce these regulations," they said in a statement.

"We are proud of our City Council for its courage in standing up and doing what's right for our kids, and we can now get on with the business of getting these products out of our community and repairing the harm they caused. Today is a great day for the city of Livermore!" they added.

The new ordinance, which was unanimously approved by the council on July 8, outright bans the sale of all flavored tobacco within the city limits, as well as creates a new prohibition of the sale of all tobacco products within 1,000 feet of a "youth-populated area."

Additionally, the new regulations include a ban on the sale of all electronic smoking devices (unless it is a new product approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration) as well as prohibits selling electronic smoking/vaping fluids that are flavored (FDA-approved fluids could be sold only if non-flavored).

The ordinance also establishes the first-ever tobacco retailer license program in the city to be

overseen by the Livermore Police Department. The city reports having 71 tobacco retailers currently operating, mainly grocery stores, convenience stores and gas stations. The license fee prices were confirmed at \$1,005 for new licenses; \$969 for a license renewal.

The new city regulations were scheduled to take effect on Aug. 7 — one month after adoption by the council, as is standard — but it was put on hold once the JUUL-backed referendum petition was filed.

But a lot has changed for the San Francisco-based vapor product company since then.

On Sept. 30, JUUL pulled out of the vaping-related Proposition C campaign in San Francisco — the first of its kind on the ballot in the state.

Then on Oct. 17, the company announced it would suspend the sale of non-tobacco, non-menthol-based flavored products in the U.S., pending a review by the FDA. The federal agency had sent a warning letter to JUUL on Sept. 9 alleging the company was making advertising claims for its e-cigarettes without FDA authorization.

The company continues to say that its products can be a good choice for adults who want to avoid combustible cigarettes. But recent reports by health officials in the U.S. allege that vaping has led to illnesses and even 18 reported deaths.

As for sales of other JUUL and like products in Livermore, local tobacco retailers will have to adjust their practices to meet the new city regulations by the start of the new year. ■

Editor's note: Information from the Bay City News Service was used in this report.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Steinfeld retiring

Visit Tri-Valley announced Wednesday that its CEO and president Barbara Steinfeld will be retiring in January after nearly seven years at the helm of the tourism promotion organization representing Pleasanton, Livermore, Dublin and Danville.

"I feel like I am passing on a gift to the next CEO," Steinfeld said in a statement. "The staff, the board, the community support, the accomplishments and change in direction of the organization, are all positives that the next president can build on."

The Visit Tri-Valley board has formed a search committee to identify candidates to succeed Steinfeld. The organization receives key funding from the \$2.25 assessment on hotel rooms in the four communities.

Livermore's 150th

The city of Livermore is set to celebrate 150 years since Livermore's founding with a community event at the civic center this Saturday (Nov. 2).

The program will run from 1-2 p.m. and also include the dedication of the William Mendenhall Community Room at the Civic Center Meeting Hall at 1016 S. Livermore Ave. Attendees can then tour the new facility and sample light refreshments.

For more information, visit www.cityoflivermore.net.

'Angst' screening

A special tribute screening of the mental health documentary "Angst" at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore next Thursday (Nov. 7) will also host the Z-Cares Foundation's first fundraiser to help kids and families coping with the country's

growing teen anxiety crisis.

The memory of Pleasanton teenager Zachary Nimmo, who inspired Z-Cares and would have turned 16 on Oct. 27, will also be celebrated at the free event. His parents, Steve and Mannie Nimmo, formed Z-Cares after his death by suicide last year to address the mental disorder affecting an estimated 1 in 3 youth and raise awareness.

The "Angst" screening will run from 6:30-7:30 p.m., with an hour-long panel discussion to follow. The event is free and open to the public, but RSVP is requested. Visit www.livpac.org/event/angst/.

'Seniors for Seniors'

East Bay SPCA launched a new program this week, "Seniors for Seniors," which tries to match older shelter animals with older residents.

At its shelters in Dublin and Oakland, East Bay SPCA will waive adoption fees for shelter dogs and cats 7 years old and older for adopters who are 65 and older.

"Our goal is to increase our older animals' chances of finding a new home while also improving the health and quality of life of senior citizens," officials said.

All cats and dogs adopted from the East Bay SPCA are spayed or neutered, vaccinated and microchipped.

Holiday happenings

The Weekly is preparing for its annual "Holiday Happenings" section this month highlighting special events in and around Pleasanton scheduled from Thanksgiving through New Year's.

This includes community gatherings, A&E performances, fundraisers, support events, nonprofit services and the like during the holiday season.

To share event details and photos ahead of the special section, email editor@pleasantonweekly.com by next Friday (Nov. 8). ■

Stanford-ValleyCare's new cancer-fighting technology

Hospital now using wire-free radar localization system

By JULIA BAUM

More cutting-edge treatment has arrived at Stanford Health Care-ValleyCare, where doctors are hopeful that new wire-free radar technology will give patients undergoing breast conservation surgery a better outcome.

Breast cancer is the second most common type of cancer to afflict women; according to the Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, about 1 in 8 women in the

U.S. will be diagnosed with breast cancer at some point in their lives.

The SAVI SCOUT Radar Localization system is an alternative to wire localization that uses non-radioactive, radar technology to precisely locate and direct the removal of a tumor during a surgical biopsy procedure or lumpectomy. The advanced system was purchased using funds donated to the ValleyCare Charitable Foundation (VCCF).

"Watching loved ones go through

breast cancer surgery, I know that the surgery can be physically and emotionally distressing for the patients," Shaké Sulikyan, VCCF's executive director, said in a statement. "The Stanford Health Care-ValleyCare team is always striving to find ways to create a better experience — and better outcomes — for our patients. VCCF is glad to fund the addition of SCOUT to deliver cutting-edge care at our local hospital."

With the SCOUT system, a

reflector "the size of a grain of sand" can be placed in patients up to 30 days before surgery in an outpatient setting, giving more flexibility with their schedules.

During surgery, the SCOUT guide accurately locates the reflector and the tumor, making it easier for surgeons to completely remove all signs of cancer and reduce the need for follow-up surgeries. Patients may also have better cosmetic outcomes by being able to

plan the incision and remove less tissue.

"We are thankful to donors and ValleyCare Charitable Foundation for funding this important addition to our breast cancer program," said Dr. Rishi Sawhney, medical director and chair at Stanford Health Care. "As research and technology advances, we're committed to adopting the safest and most progressive treatment options for our breast cancer patients." ■

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'EVIL DEAD' onstage at Las Positas

Musical based on horror cult classic is crazy, bloody — and funny

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Las Positas College Theater Arts is stepping outside the box inside its Black Box Theater as it presents "Evil Dead: The Musical," opening next weekend.

The musical is based on the 1981 cult classic horror film by Sam Raimi, with comedic violence, coarse language and puns, and the tagline, "Not Your Grandma's Musical."

"There is no question that this is a comedy, and I hope audiences will have as much fun seeing the performance as we have had rehearsing it," director Titian Lish said. "Though the show has an R rating, audiences should know that this night of theater is fun, playful and unlike any other performance."

"Evil Dead: The Musical" combines the elements of cult classic films for a crazy and bloody theatrical experience, having fun with the horror genre and in doing so appealing to a wide audience.

The first two rows of the audience are dubbed a "Splatter

Zone" — a section that gets splattered in fake blood.

"I've never had to do a show while being sprayed or covered in fake blood, so that's new," veteran Las Positas actor Kody Forbes said. "It's a crazy comedy that will make you laugh, and you might get a little wet."

The "blood" is a mixture of household cooking ingredients, completely edible and machine washable. Souvenir shirts and ponchos for protection will be available.

"I think there's something hilarious about making musicals out of topics or popular culture that are inherently totally inappropriate for a musical," Lish said. "The cult following that these films have garnered over the years makes this musical particularly funny because its source material is so absurd."

The musical brings together a unique group of performers, many new to the Las Positas stage.

"I heard about Titian and her wonderful reputation, and I also knew that I would have a blast

with this comedy that is so different and bizarre compared to other shows I've been in," newcomer Samantha Hixon said.

"Everyone is so amazing to work with and I have so many people, as a freshman, to look up to. The atmosphere is accepting and makes it a way to learn from not only my director but many others along the way," she added.

Jared Sigman, who plays bad boy Ash Williams, talked about the rehearsal process.

"It's been the most demanding but without a doubt the most fun I've had," he said. "I have learned so much, and the entire cast is phenomenal and pushes me to be better every night."

The cast also includes Saige Aronson, Celia Reddoch, Elias Baravskas, Jenna Van Ommeron, Erynn Pascual, Jeff Zavattero Jr., Matthew Bessiere, Jonathan Weiss, Caitlin Acha, Logan Schultz, Jacob Fisher, Katherine Mathers, Alex Radzanowski, Colin Fitzmaurice, Hannah Manuacal and Katie Holmes.

The musical has become a cult sensation of its own. The original



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Las Positas College is presenting "Evil Dead: The Musical," one of the craziest, funniest and bloodiest theatrical experiences of all time.

show played off-Broadway in New York, has broken records in Toronto, won awards in Korea, launched three North American tours, and has mounted more than 500 productions around the globe.

"I love the idea that musical theater can be beautiful, can move the needle of culture, and can evoke thoughtful and complex ideas in our audiences," Lish said. "But I also love ridiculously fun nights of theater, where audiences can turn off the troubles of the day and have

a genuinely fun time with their friends at the theater. It's not all high art. Low comedy is delightful, too."

The musical plays at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and at 6 p.m. Sundays, from Nov. 8-17, at the Black Box Theater in the Mertes Center for the Arts at Las Positas College.

Tickets are \$10 for students; \$20 general admission. Go to LasPositasCollege.edu/Theater; call 424-1127; or purchase at the box office, 3000 Campus Hill Drive in Livermore. ■



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Two American rock bands

The Bankhead Theater will present two performances this month of bands who have taken American "roots rock" in different directions. The BoDeans, best known for the catchy single, "Closer to Free," perform at 8 p.m. this Saturday; tickets are \$20-\$65, and \$20 for students and military. Then the Subdudes will deliver a night of their swinging New Orleans style R&B sound at 8 p.m. next Friday (Nov. 8). Tickets are \$20-\$55; \$20 for students and military. Call 373-6800, visit lvpac.org, or go to the box office at the Bankhead, 2400 First St., Livermore.



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At your service

Members of the Jose Maria Amador Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) help celebrate its National Day of Service on Oct. 10 by serving lunch at the Pleasanton Senior Center, working as waitresses, dishwashers, busgirls and food line servers as well as enjoying chatting with the seniors. Later in the day, other members painted patriotic designs on rocks to be placed in the garden of the Veterans Affairs hospital in Livermore. The Day of Service honors the founding of DAR on Oct. 11, 1890; since that time, members have focused on giving back to their communities.

Aspen Santa Fe Ballet returns to Bankhead

Troupe pushes boundaries of contemporary dance

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Acclaimed American dance company Aspen Santa Fe Ballet returns to the Bankhead Theater with a matinee this Sunday with a diverse program that celebrates its innovation and sophisticated style.

For 20 years, the ballet has been pushing the boundaries of contemporary dance, with top choreographic talent and groundbreaking new works.

First on the program will be “Where We Left Off,” set to the music of Philip Glass.

“It’s about the dancing and the dancers ... what it means to dance alone, together, to dance as part

of a group,” choreographer Nico- lo Fonte said of the work, which was commissioned in 2011.

This will be followed by “Dream Play,” by Fernando Melo with co-creator Shumpei Nemoto and set to the music of Erik Satie and Chopin.

Melo said the audience will “experience a constant shift of perspective ... between the whimsical world created by the artists and the raw process that generates its animation.”

“The creative process and the development of the physical vocabulary was a collective act in which all parties involved proposed ideas and solutions,”

Melo said; this collaborative cho- reographic style is at the core of many Aspen Santa Fe Ballet works.

The final piece will be “1st Flash” by Jorma Elo, which the troupe has performed before at the Bankhead. Imaginative and sensual, it juxtaposes the romantic music of Sibelius’ “Violin Concerto in D minor” with highly physical, modern dance movements.

The performance begins at 5 p.m. Sunday (Nov. 3). Tickets are \$20-\$95, and \$20 for students and military. Visit lvpac.org, call 373-6800, or go to the Bankhead Box Office at 2400 First St. in Livermore. ■



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“1st Flash” will be on the program again when Aspen Santa Fe Ballet returns for the fourth time to the Bankhead Theater.



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The Harrington Gallery is hosting artworks by members of the Pleasanton Art League.

PAL art exhibit opens this week

Annual show of new works includes wide range of media

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

The Harrington Gallery at the Firehouse Arts Center is presenting the Pleasanton Art League’s 10th Anniversary Members Juried Exhibit from Nov. 8 through Dec. 18.

The opening reception and awards ceremony will be held from 6-8 p.m. next Thursday (Nov. 7), and the public is invited to come and explore the exhibit, chat with the artists, and enjoy light refreshments.

In conjunction with the exhibit, the Firehouse will host a series of demonstrations from 1-3 p.m. Wednesday afternoons for an informal opportunity to see the creative and practical aspects of making fine art. Visit www.firehousearts.org for

details and the schedule.

Approximately 75 members of PAL submitted works for the annual exhibit, which showcases a wide range of media, including watercolor and oil painting, pencil drawing, prints, pastels, three-dimensional pieces, photography, mixed-media, and more. Works must have been completed within the last two years and not have been shown in the area before.

Guest juror for this year’s show is Mel Prest, an artist, curator and educator living and working in San Francisco and occasionally New York. She has organized shows in Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, Berlin, Munich and Zagreb.

A Young@Art session takes place from 4:30-5:45 p.m. Nov. 11 in the small classroom upstairs for ages 5 to 11. Students will explore the PAL exhibit then join instructor Debbie Wardrope to create art inspired by life in Pleasanton. The fee is \$18 for residents, \$21 for non-residents. Visit www.pleasantonfun.com to register; select code 16084.

Pleasanton Art League, a nonprofit arts organization, has been supporting the creative endeavors of Tri-Valley artists of all skill levels since its founding in 1969.

The Harrington Gallery is located inside the Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave. Visit www.firehousearts.org/gallery, or call 931-4849. ■

Animal-themed boutique

Annual holiday sale benefits Paws in Need

Paws in Need is holding its annual Holiday Boutique in downtown Pleasanton from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. this Saturday, a chance to buy appropriate gifts for friends and family who are animal lovers.

The event will be at a new location this year — Compass Real Estate, 900 Main St., between Stanley Boulevard and Rotary Park.

The one-day Holiday Boutique will have animal-themed holiday gifts for people and pets, garden art, cards, ornaments, home and kitchen decor, purses, jewelry and hand-crafted items. There will also be the opportunity to win gift baskets.

The annual fundraising boutique benefits the animal medical programs run by Paws in Need. The nonprofit group has two main ways to help reduce animal suffering:

- Spay/neuter program to provide assistance in obtaining these surgeries.
- Urgent care/advanced procedures program to help pay for one-time medical treatment for a pet when the owner does not have the necessary resources.

For more information, call 551-1877 or email info@Paws-in-Need.org. ■

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli



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Magic and more

Master illusionist Vitaly Beckman will bring an engaging stage presence and breathtaking visuals together in an interactive theatrical experience, “An Evening of Wonders,” at the Bankhead Theater at 8 p.m. next Saturday (Nov. 9). Beckman goes beyond magic, touching on topics such as love and loss for a show that instills a greater appreciation of the importance of finding beauty and wonder in everyday life. Tickets are \$20-\$65; \$20 for students and military. Recommended for ages 8 and older. Call 373-6800, visit lvpac.org, or go to the box office, 2400 First St., Livermore.

DANA DORNSIFE Improving access to clinical trials



By Ryan J. Degan

Right now there are thousands of people seeking life-saving treatment after a cancer diagnosis in the United States, and unfortunately many of these patients don't know about help that could be available to them.

Not only are many of these patients unaware that clinical trials are an option, but according to this year's Tri-Valley Heroes Role Model award recipient Dana Dornsife, there are

Hero FYI

- ▲ Dornsife was in Washington, D.C., last week lobbying for cancer care policies, so her sister Erin Miller accepted the Hero award on her behalf.
- ▲ Laughing that she went to the "school of hard knocks" to learn about healthcare in the United States, Dornsife doesn't have an academic background in medicine. She studied business and marketing at Drexel University in Philadelphia.
- ▲ Her sisters Karen Ambrogi and Erin Miller work for Lazarex. Dornsife has a fourth sister, Sherie L'Archevesque, who lives in Kenesaw, Ga.
- ▲ Dornsife's son, Ryan, also works for Lazarex, handling patient intake. She calls him the "officer of first impressions," tasked with being the first voice patients interact with.
- ▲ Through her participation in World Vision's WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene) program, Dana and her husband David have helped build the largest privately funded water program in history, helping bring clean water to people in need throughout Africa.
- ▲ In addition to being board chair at Lazarex, she is also vice chair at Yosemite Conservancy, chair of the Cancer Leadership Council at UCSF and serves on several boards at the University of Southern California.

thousands of potentially life-saving clinical trials that are in need of patients to conduct their tests.

"We would really love to fix this problem, of this disconnect between the thousands of patients who need clinical trials and the thousands of clinical trials that need patients in order to succeed. And for the past 13 years we have serviced that problem ... but we haven't really fixed anything yet," Dornsife said during a recent interview.

In order to help educate cancer patients about clinical trials available to them, Dornsife established the Lazarex Cancer Foundation in Danville in 2006, a nonprofit that not only connects patients with clinical trials, but helps them pay for costs associated with participation, such as travel and lodging.

"Sometimes in a cancer patient's journey, they find that there are no more available options for treatment for them. And so Lazarex works with these people and helps them find clinical trial options. (Giving) them hope and opportunity to potentially live longer or even save their lives," Dornsife's sister, Erin Miller, said during the Tri-Valley Heroes award ceremony last week.

Dornsife told the Weekly that not only are late-stage cancer patients often "emotionally, physically and spiritually exhausted," but their caregivers also often are themselves, leaving little time to explore clinical trial options.

"I would say the greatest challenge is knowledge ... knowing about clinical trials and understanding what trials might be relevant for your particular type of cancer," she added.

Lazarex can trace its founding to a deeply personal origin, being inspired by the death of Erin's husband Mike Miller and the challenges the family faced in finding an adequate clinical trial for his advanced pancreatic cancer that would not completely deplete the family's savings.

"It was that experience that really opened my eyes to the lack of services out there for advanced-stage cancer patients who are seeking clinical trials and the challenges that they specifically have," Dornsife said.

Today, not only does Lazarex help cancer patients pay for clinical trials by compensating them and a companion for travel fees that include cross-country flights, lodging in hotels, gas and bus fare through its program Lazarex Care, but the organization has also taken aim at the disproportionate number of people in minority groups who do not have equitable access to those trials.

According to Lazarex communications manager Karen Ambrogi, only 3% to 5% of eligible cancer patients participate in clinical trials, but of that total, only 5% of participants belong to racial or ethnic minority groups.

These figures are compounded by the fact 48% of clinical trials fail due to lack of patient enrollment.

To tackle this issue, Lazarex created IMPACT (IMproving Patient Access to Cancer Clinical Trials), which Dornsife says is a program focused on sustainably improving the diversity and equitable access to clinical trials so that all patients can take advantage of medical breakthroughs.

The national program seeks to remove barriers of entry for patients to clinical trials, increase public outreach to educate patients on those trials, and eventually connect patients with trials that best suit their needs.

"It's a big hairy audacious goal for sure, but we're making progress. And within 10 years, I think we have the opportunity to truly transform the landscape of clinical trial enrollment, retention and minority participation," Dornsife said.

"And once we fix that problem, then we can start focusing on our business model (which) will change and will become more transactional and a matchmaking service, still a nonprofit, but connecting matching patients to clinical trials," she added.

To learn more about the Lazarex Cancer Foundation and the services the organization offers, visit the Lazarex website at <https://lazarex.org>. ■



LAZAREX

Lazarex Cancer Foundation founder Dana Dornsife (right) is shown here in a file photo from the nonprofit with Crystalyn Trevillion, who received support from Lazarex before her death in 2018 after a six-year battle with cancer.



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GARY AND NANCY HARRINGTON

Enriching their hometown



By Jeb Bing

Nancy and Gary Harrington have been adding a splash of color to Pleasanton for many years with their support of local art, including leading guided public art walks downtown.

In addition to art projects supported through their Harrington Art Partnership, the educators and philanthropists also launched the campaign to build a Veterans Memorial at Pioneer Cemetery that was dedicated three years ago this month.

They are currently helping the East Bay Regional Park District with the creation of an open-air interpretive pavilion at Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area in Pleasanton. When the project is completed, visitors will learn about the park's history and wildlife while exploring the area.

Retired educators with lifelong passions for the arts, the Harringtons are in the forefront of advocates and contributors for public art in Pleasanton, where they've lived since 1972. They purchased and gave to the city the lifelike bronze sculpture of "Poppies," the tired-looking veteran who sits in front of the Veterans Memorial Building on Main Street.

Later, when the Firehouse Arts Center was being built, Andy Jorgensen, manager of the city's civic arts program (now retired), asked the Harringtons to help add a marquee in front of the Firehouse.

They said why not two — one in front and the Monet with brush in hand bronze statue facing an easel facing Lions Wayside Park in the back. The front marquee, designed by British artist Martin Donlan, which they helped arrange, provides unique and colorful identities to the Firehouse Center, which opened in September 2010.

Also, as a tribute to their philanthropy, the Harrington Art Gallery in the center's main lobby was named for them.

The Harringtons are neither wealthy artists, though their years as teachers, school administrators and successful investors have given each of them sustainable incomes in retirement that allow the couple to pursue their interest in art — and in Pleasanton.

"We love this city," Nancy Harrington said in a previous interview. "It's a beautiful place with a gorgeous downtown and we want to do our part in seeing it thrive."

From "Poppies" to "Monet" to the Firehouse to the Veterans Memorial, the Harringtons just keep giving and encouraging others to contribute to the arts.



JEB BING

Gary and Nancy Harrington pose with "Monet" statue outside the Firehouse Arts Center, one of the many public art pieces the Pleasanton couple have helped bring to their hometown.

Their H.A.P.P.Y. (for Harrington Art Partnership Piece for You), is a public art partnership that's intended to bring more contributions and more public art. The Harringtons have been matching every donation of at least \$3,500 up to \$40,000 a year with donors given the chance to select an art piece from a brochure they have prepared.

Although they support public art throughout the city, and in Livermore, their focus has been on Pleasanton's downtown area. In January 2011, they held a Saturday Public Art Walk. That's when they met fellow community activists Ron Sutton and Jerri Long, who asked if this walk could be a part of their "Walk for Wellness" program. The Harringtons said sure, and this has been ongoing ever since.

In September 2011, they enrolled in the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce's Leadership class, which for them opened a whole new door to the Pleasanton community.

"Our lives changed considerably for us through the Leadership program and as we met Julie Lewis, Bob Shapiro and many other members of the Rotary Club of Pleasanton, which we joined," Nancy Harrington said. "We now host the Rotary's partnership with the Open Heart Kitchen luncheon at the Pleasanton Senior Center."

She added, "Before joining Rotary, during our travels around the country we had come across several Rotary Parks and quite a few veterans' memorials, little realizing these concepts would play a major part in our future lives."

She encouraged the Rotarians to create a Rotary Park, which was dedicated in 2015 next to the Main Street bridge in time to honor the 50th anniversary of Rotary in Pleasanton and the city's three Rotary Clubs active today.

Nancy Harrington grew up near Portland, the daughter of a Swedish immigrant father and businessman who reluctantly agreed to pay for her college education but then expected her to find a job. She did, teaching first in public schools near Portland and for 37 years after that, retiring in 2003 as the principal of Durham Elementary School in Fremont.

Gary Harrington grew up in Los Angeles, earning a master's degree from UC Riverside and then joining Metropolitan Life Insurance Company as a manager. He met Nancy after being

transferred to Portland, and the two moved to the Bay Area when he was transferred here. They first moved to San Leandro and then to Pleasanton.

Quitting his job at MetLife, Gary Harrington taught in Livermore public schools for 11 years and then for 14 years at San Leandro High School before he retired.

World travelers from the start, both enjoyed art and spent what time they could visiting art galleries, even stopping to watch street artists at their easels.

When they found the bronze sculpture of Claude Monet at work, they jumped at the chance to buy it, bringing it home to Pleasanton almost three years before the Firehouse Arts Center was built.

"We knew that this was something special that children would enjoy, too," Gary Harrington told the Weekly in an earlier story. "Many people have admired Monet's work, but here was a chance to see a sculpture of him at his easel. Now that we've found a place for him outside the Firehouse, the whole community can see this great artist at work."

The Harringtons' work to advocate for the arts continues. They recently partnered with the city of Pleasanton and Kaiser Permanente to bring a new mural, called "Live Well, Be Well," at the medical facility's North building. Their book, "Pleasanton's Public Art," is now on sale at the Museum on Main.

"Our latest two multi-year projects are an Interpretive Learning Pavilion at Shadow Cliffs and a Cultural Arts Park and Trail for Pleasanton," Nancy Harrington said in accepting the Tri-Valley Heroes Jeb Bing Community Spirit Award, which is named for this writer as the Weekly's editor emeritus.

She credited Anne Kassebaum, chief of interpretive and recreation services at East Bay Parks, and Juliana Schirmer of the Parks Foundation with helping to raise over \$900,000 for the pavilion.

"After about four years, we just found out that groundbreaking is set for January 2020 with completion expected during the coming year," Nancy Harrington said. "We're very excited!" ■

Hero FYI

- ▲ World travelers from the start, the Harringtons spend much of their time searching for sculptures, paintings and other art work that will catch the eye and benefit the Pleasanton community.
- ▲ Retired educators with lifelong passions for the arts, the Harringtons are now in the forefront of advocates and contributors for public art in Pleasanton, where they've lived since 1972.
- ▲ Their work continues with the creation of an open-air interpretive pavilion at Shadow Cliffs opening in January.
- ▲ Expanding into Livermore, the Harringtons donated the "Jessie" bronze sculpture now installed at the walkway opposite Cream ice cream store and new Towne Center Books on Railroad Avenue in Livermore.

POLICE BULLETIN

BART board majority says no thanks to anti-panhandling ordinance

A five-seat majority on BART's Board of Directors declined to move forward last week with a request that staff research and draft an ordinance cracking down on panhandlers and performers in the paid areas of the transit system.

Director Debora Allen, who represents four stations in central Contra Costa County and requested the item be put on the agenda, argued that

many of her constituents feel unsafe when asked for money — especially elderly or disabled people.

BART Police Department deputy chief Lance Haight said his officers often get reports of panhandling or solicitation, a broader term which includes busking and dance performances accompanied by a request for donation, but are unable to take action because the activities in question do not violate state penal codes — which primarily involve disorderly conduct or “unreasonably loud” sound equipment.”

The main remedy proposed was an ordinance that would create a new criminal infraction for panhandling

or solicitation in paid areas of the transit system. Director Mark Foley also floated the idea of a permitting system and Director Liz Ames inquired about posting “no panhandling” signs.

In the end, however, there were not enough votes to move forward with restrictions of any kind.

Director Robert Raburn pointed out that a number of outstanding musicians have started their careers busking on BART, citing examples like The California Honeydrops and Oakland's own Fantastic Negrito.

Director Janice Li called crafting an anti-panhandling ordinance a bad use of the board's time and the district's staff resources. She also expressed concern that by authorizing police to crack down on buskers and panhandlers, the increased number of police interactions could be accompanied by an increased number of use-of-force cases.

Directors Lateefah Simon and Rebecca Saltzman cast their lot with Li, as did Board President Bevan Dufty — who argued that much of the day's discussion was driven by falsehoods surrounding poverty.

“My disgust is that we are pushing such a false issue right now,” Dufty said. “Let's do a better job of addressing what the real problems are.”

Ames, Foley and Director John McPartland expressed support for Allen's move to place some kind of restrictions on panhandling in paid areas of the station.

“I think we're hearing that there are five directors who are not interested,” Allen said. She plans to seek additional support from allies on the board and resurrect the matter sometime in 2020.

In other news

- After serving 11 days out of the 14-day prison sentence, actress

Felicity Huffman was released from the low-security federal prison for women in Dublin last Friday morning and is set to begin serving one year of probation for her conviction in the college admissions scandal.

Huffman — also known as inmate No. 77806-112 — was dropped off at the Federal Correctional Institution in Dublin by her husband, actor William H. Macy, on Oct. 15 to serve her sentence after pleading guilty to paying an admissions consultant \$15,000 to have a proctor correct her daughter's SAT exam answers in 2017, according to the Associated Press.

Officials from the U.S. Bureau of Prisons said Huffman was released early because, under prison policy, inmates scheduled for weekend release are let out on Friday — however AP writers say it wasn't clear why she was released on Friday when Monday was scheduled to be her 14th day in prison.

In addition to the two-week sentence, Huffman was also sentenced to pay a \$30,000 fine, complete 250 hours of community service and a year's probation.

During her sentencing, Huffman tearfully apologized, and according to the AP said “I was frightened. I was stupid, and I was so wrong.”

While in prison, representatives from the actress says she shared a room and open toilet with three other inmates, was subject to five bed checks a day and had access to a gym, library and TV room, according to the AP.

Huffman, a former star of “Desperate Housewives,” is an Emmy Award-winning and Academy Award-nominated actress.

- Alameda County District Attorney Nancy O'Malley recently earned another victory in her effort to help

eliminate backlogs of untested sexual assault evidence kits when Gov. Gavin Newsom signed into law a bill she co-sponsored to set strict timelines for processing new kits statewide.

Senate Bill 22, authored by State Senator Connie Leyva (D-Chino), requires that going forward, newly collected rape kits must be submitted by law enforcement to a crime lab for testing within 20 days of being booked into evidence, and that testing must be completed within 120 days after receipt.

“Gov. Newsom stood with sexual assault survivors in signing into law this vitally important piece of legislation,” O'Malley said in a statement after the bill was signed Oct. 8. “Finally, victims will rest assured that the evidence taken from their bodies during a sexual assault examination will be tested in a timely manner and utilized to identify the assailant.”

O'Malley said the legislation is vital to making sure the evidence kits — which are collected from survivors through an invasive exam after an assault — no longer languish on the shelves of crime labs or police departments untested.

DNA evidence is key to identifying an unknown assailant or serial perpetrator, linking crimes together, and exonerating wrongly accused or convicted individuals, supporters of the new legislation said.

O'Malley has become a leader statewide and nationally in trying to eliminate backlogs of untested rape kits. When she embarked on her goal in her own county in 2013, she discovered nearly 1,900 untested kits. Today, that total has been reduced to zero across Alameda County. ■

—Pleasanton Weekly staff and Bay City News Service

Harry R. Sheppard

November 5, 1936 – October 19, 2019

Harry R. Sheppard, a longtime resident of Pleasanton passed away at home surrounded by family on October 19, 2019. He was 82 years old. Harry is survived by his wife, Joanne, son Scott (Samantha) grandchildren, Dylan and Shane Sheppard, Justin Burns and Ashley and Ronnie Recore, niece SueAnn Sheppard, nephew Roger (Tracey) Sheppard and many grand nieces and nephews.



Harry was born on November 5, 1936 in upstate New York, son of Ray and Marge Sheppard, brother of Jack (deceased 2008). Harry attended Nott Terrace High School where he picked up his first golf club, which became a lifelong passion. He attended and played basketball at Colgate University where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

After college, Harry served four years on active duty and six years in the reserves with the U.S. Navy and attained the rank of lieutenant commander.

While stationed in Long Beach he met Jackie Skelsey (deceased 2004) and they married in August of 1963. Harry and Jackie had two children Scott and Pamela (deceased 2005). Harry received his law degree from U.C. Hastings Law School in 1965.

He joined the Alameda County's District Attorney's office after graduating from law school and later was Partner at Fremont's Bell, Sheppard & Faria. He founded the Mission Valley Bank Corporation with a group of local investors in the early 1980s and served as an organizer and chairman of the bank holding company, which was bought by U.S. Bank in 1996.

Harry was in private practice for 30 years and worked not only as a lawyer but also a defense attorney, civil practitioner, general counsel and entrepreneur.

Harry was appointed to the Alameda County Superior Court by then California Governor Pete Wilson in 1995, later becoming the presiding judge until he retired in 2009.

Harry was honored as the Trial Judge of The Year by the Alameda Contra Costa County Trial Lawyers' Association in 2004 and was also a recipient of the Alameda County Bar Association Distinguished Service Award. In 2009 Harry joined JAMS, The Resolution Experts.

In 2009 Harry married Joanne Murphy of Gansevoort, New York. They enjoyed ten years of marriage in which time they did extensive traveling and continued to enjoy golf at Castlewood Country Club where Harry was a member for over 40 years with his many friends.

Harry was loved and impacted by many people and will forever be remembered for his kindness, humor and gentle spirit.

The memorial service will be Saturday, November 9, 2019 at 11:00 am at Lynnewood United Methodist Church, 4444 Black Ave., Pleasanton, CA. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to Lynnewood United Methodist Church.

PAID OBITUARY

POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

Oct. 27

DUI

- 4:23 p.m. on the 4500 block of Pleasanton Avenue

Theft

- 10:02 a.m. on the 900 block of Finovino Court

- 4:19 p.m., 7600 block of Knollbrook Drive; theft from auto

Domestic battery

- 11:11 a.m. on Dublin Canyon Road

Burglary

- 10:20 a.m. on the 2300 block of Gloria Court

Vandalism

- 4:15 a.m. on the 4200 block of Rosewood Drive

Drug violation

- 12:22 a.m. on the 6800 block of Santa Rita Road

Oct. 26

Drug violation

- 10:17 p.m. on the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

Theft from structure

- 9:14 p.m. on the 5500 block of West Las Positas Boulevard

Assault/battery

- 6:39 p.m. on the 200 block of Wild Flower Court

- 8:05 p.m. on the 3200 block of Vineyard Avenue

Alcohol violation

- 5:29 p.m. on the 4400 block of Railroad Avenue

Graffiti

- 1:10 p.m. on the 4700 block of Muirwood Drive

Alcohol violation

- 1:58 a.m. on the 5300 block of Case Avenue

DUI

- 12:42 a.m. at First Street and Bernal Avenue

Oct. 25

Assault/battery

- 3:02 p.m. on the 1100 block of Santa Rita Road

- 9:31 p.m. on the 800 block of Main Street

Alcohol violation

- 9:24 p.m. on the 1100 block of Santa Rita Road

Vandalism

- 4:18 p.m. on the 7300 block of Stonedale Drive

Drug violation

- 2:57 p.m. on the 5100 block of Hopyard Road

Burglary

- 2:52 p.m. on the 3400 block of Boulder Street

Oct. 24

Theft

- 10:26 a.m. on the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

- 2:24 p.m., 5700 block of Johnson Drive; shoplifting

- 4:27 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

- 6:33 p.m., 6000 block of Johnson Drive; theft from auto

Oct. 23

Theft

- 9:08 p.m., 2700 block of Stoneridge Drive; theft from auto

- 9:55 p.m., 4200 block of Rosewood Drive; theft from structure

Theft

- 5:21 p.m. on the 4100 block of Angela Street

Vandalism

- 2:26 p.m. on the 800 block of Palomino Drive

Oct. 22

Theft from auto

- 8:46 p.m. on the 5300 block of Owens Court

Trespass/prowling

- 12:30 p.m. on the 6000 block of Laurel Creek Drive

Fraud

- 12:25 p.m. on the 5800 block of Owens Drive

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Let there be light (and power)

Thousands of Tri-Valley residents were without power during the weekend and into Monday because of a PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoff.

We understand the need to shut off power to protect lives from wildfires sparked by PG&E equipment. The predicted wind event last Sunday was considered "historic," with hurricane-level winds reported in some areas. Nobody wants the death and destruction of the 2017 and 2018 Northern California fires repeated.

What we don't understand is why those shutoffs have to happen hours before the so-called wind events begin and why they are done in great swaths as opposed to more specific areas of concern.

Beyond the inconvenience of living by candlelight, losing hundreds of dollars in food and trying to entertain the children with no television, X-Box or Wi-Fi, these power shutoffs cause significant public safety concerns.

Regardless of how many times the local police departments remind us that a traffic signal that is dark or flashing red should be viewed as a four-way stop, there were drivers flying through some intersections — particularly at night. In addition, some security and fire alarms do not function without power.

If not ventilated properly, generators can also be dangerous.

Then there are the economic costs to businesses that can't open for business, which also equates to lost wages for employees.

Let's hope the wind events are behind us for this year and that by next year PG&E has improved communication with the public and government agencies, as well as installed new equipment and made updates to the grids so if there needs to be more shutoffs, fewer people are not left in the dark.

One has to wonder what would happen if San Francisco County was ever subjected to a PSPS, or if PG&E senior executives had to forego their salaries and bonuses until shutoffs were not necessary.

Let there be light, part deux

Pleasanton Unified School District was raked over the coals about poor planning and public notice in advance of the installation of solar panels in the parking lot of Amador Valley High School.

Because site work on the structure, which will generate electricity as well as shade cars, didn't start as

soon as school year ended May 31, the parking lot was unavailable at the beginning of this school year. This made life very difficult for students, parents, school staff and neighbors.

When it became apparent the lot was not going to be available for the first few weeks of the school year, district and city staff quickly pulled together a plan and started communicating it. The plan included a contract with Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority to provide additional, earlier Wheels bus routes to Amador and a digital listing of drop-off and pick-up zones near the campus for harried parents driving their students.

There was outreach to neighbors, who feared being inundated with dozens of cars parked on their street, and with the public about potential chaos on Santa Rita Road before and after school.

While planning could definitely have been better and onsite construction started earlier, the communication and mitigation were well done. And the project finished on time on Oct. 15.

Well, almost finished.

Now parking is available, but the lot has been dark after sundown because there are no lights. According to PUSD spokesman Patrick Gannon, the construction vendor ordered the incorrect lighting fixtures.

This has made the lot unsafe during football games, dances and any weekend activities. Gannon said they had arranged for temporary lighting for the lot for last weekend's band review, in which 50 high school and middle school bands and colorguards from Northern California and Nevada participated.

The district can't be blamed for the wrong fixtures being ordered. Some things you expect the experts to handle. Opening the lot with no lights, on the other hand, was a questionable decision. Gannon said the timeline to have the lighting back is this week.

Where there's smoke

We are glad to hear the proponent of a JUUL Labs-backed referendum effort in Livermore formally withdrew his petition last week, clearing the way for the special election to be canceled and the city's new anti-vaping ordinance to take effect.

Livermore's ordinance to ban the sale of all flavored tobacco within the city limits, as well as create a new prohibition of the sale of

all tobacco products within 1,000 feet of a "youth-populated area" (among other new regulations) was suspended after the referendum petition was submitted this summer.

As we stated in a September editorial, we were disheartened that an action taken by the city of Livermore at the behest of the residents was being challenged by people driven solely by financial gain. What was really frustrating is that Livermore residents would have had to foot the bill for a special election.

Livermore resident Barry Grace sent a letter to the city withdrawing his referendum petition, which had qualified for the ballot. While he didn't cite any specific reason for the withdrawal, it comes less than a month after JUUL pulled out of a similar campaign in San Francisco and then scaled back operations amid new scrutiny from federal regulators over its vapor products.

Kudos to the Livermore City Council for having the courage to stand up against Big Tobacco, with its deep pockets and dedicated spin doctors, in the city's effort to protect children. ■

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THE CITY OF PLEASANTON



UPCOMING MEETINGS

City Council

Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

- Consider a resolution accepting FY 2018/19 year-end operating budget report and designating General Fund reserves
- Receive presentation and provide direction regarding City's water system and Per-and-Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

Civic Arts Commission

Monday, November 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

- Review and recommend new location for public art piece, Eventide
- Review 2018-2019 Final Grant reports

Human Services Commission

Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

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PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

Dons top Falcons in thriller; cooler heads prevail post-game

Also: Highlights from Foothill boys water polo, Amador girls volleyball

Amador Valley's 28-21 win over Foothill had pretty much everything you would want from a cross-town rivalry football game.

There were big plays by the Dons, gutsy play from the Falcons and even a little fired-up student behavior following the game. It's what makes rivalry week great!

The Amador offense sizzled with big plays as quarterback Kannon Dote found receivers Cal Ewanich and Josh Heverly continually behind the Foothill defense.

For Foothill, the big performance came from sophomore quarterback Nick Walsh, who was called up from the junior varsity during the week with Foothill quarterback Bryce Lombardi injured.

Instead of being a deer in the headlights, Walsh turned in a strong night, keeping the host Falcons in the game until the end. He stayed composed in the pocket and threw some nice balls throughout the game.

At the end of the game, both Amador players and fans stormed the field — which the Foothill

players and students would have done if the game was at Amador and the Falcons had won.

In other words, respect the enthusiasm from the winning side.

But it nearly escalated when some knucklehead fan from Amador got the bright idea to try to symbolically plant the Amador flag in the middle of the Foothill "F". I say knucklehead because as a student from the stands, he had no pads on but thought it wise to try to negotiate by the Foothill team to get to the middle of the field.

The players took offense to the plan, intervened and planted the student instead, and it was on. I have no issue with what anyone did, other than questionable intelligence from the knucklehead.

For a brief time, it did have the makings of a big brawl, but cooler heads prevailed, and it was stopped before it escalated.

With the win, Amador improved to 7-2 heading into the regular-season finale at home against Livermore tonight. Foothill (5-4) will travel to Cal High in San Ramon to

close out the regular season.

Foothill boys water polo

The Falcons celebrated their seniors but dropped a tough 17-9 match to San Ramon Valley last week.

Seniors Sanjay Menon and Jesse Goodman scored three goals and one goal, respectively, with additional goals coming from sophomore Daniel Kim (4) and junior Eugene Kruger (1). Kruger and Goodman each had two assists while senior Yash Sharma and Kim added one each.

The team demonstrated a strong defense with eight saves by sophomore goalie Moises Ambriz, four steals by Kruger, two by Goodman and one by senior Giovanni Minnite.

The team also showed defensive strength in the previous week's loss to league leader De La Salle (20-9).

Menon had a pair of steals with Kim and Jackson Koempel getting one each. Ambriz made 10 saves. Kruger was strong on the offense with four goals, with Menon

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HOPE HOSPICE

Golf marathon raises \$84,000

The fifth annual Hope 100 Golf Marathon at Castlewood Country Club generated \$84,000 in fundraising for patient care and community services offered by local nonprofit Hope Hospice and Home Health. The special event on Sept. 30 in Pleasanton saw 24 fundraising golfers play 100 holes in one day at the Valley Course, a fundraiser for Hope Hospice that is designed as a strenuous outing to symbolize the challenges patients and families face at the end of life.

adding three. Kim and Goodman had one each.

Amador girls volleyball

The Dons knocked off Granada but dropped a thrilling five-setter to Foothill last week.

In the win over Granada, the Dons were hot from the service line, led by junior Danielle Caccamo's seven service aces. Sophia Moore and Colette Wogsland had five and four aces, respectively.

The Dons were paced on offense by junior Julia Novi and sophomore Camille Ernst. Novi led the Dons with 13 kills while Ernst finished with 12. Wogsland and Sam Riter had 25 and 12 assists, respectively.

Caccamo also led the Dons on defense with 15 digs. Moore and Jaiden Reilly had three blocks apiece.

In the match against Foothill, the Dons started hot winning the first set 25-22. The Falcons came back winning the second and thirds sets

by scores of 25-18 and 25-23. The Dons forced a fifth set by taking the fourth 25-20. The Falcons won the fifth set 15-8, taking the rivalry match 3-2.

The Dons were led by Wogsland's double-double of 25 assists and 10 digs. Riter nearly had a double-double with 17 assists and nine digs.

Ernst led the Dons with 15 kills. Moore and Phoebe Monette, in their last EBAL match, contributed 10 and eight kills, respectively. Jillian Wittenauer had four aces.

Wittenauer lead the Dons on defense with 26 digs. Moore and Jaiden Reilly each had three blocks.

The Dons finished the regular season with a record of 12-16 overall and 6-12 in EBAL. ■

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 acemag@aol.com.

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Theatre

THE FANTASTICKS At 8 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 2 through Sunday, Nov. 17 at the Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., the Fantastics will perform in concert. Visit firehousearts.org for more information.

VITALY: AN EVENING OF WONDERS At 8 p.m. on Nov. 9, the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore, presents Vitaly Beckman in performance. An Evening of Wonders is an interactive theatrical experience that takes audiences on a magical journey. Visit lvpac.org for tickets and more information.

Concerts

BoDEANS At 8 p.m. on Nov. 2 at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore enjoy the BoDeans in concert. Purchase tickets at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore or visit lvpac.org/event.

THE SUBDUDES AT THE BANKHEAD At 8 p.m. on Nov. 8 at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore, The Subdudes will perform in concert. Tickets are available at lvpac.org.

A TUBA TO CUBA: PRESERVATION HALL JAZZ BAND At 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 11, the Preservation Hall Jazz Band will perform at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. Call 373-6800 for tickets and more information or visit facebook.com/events/bankhead-theater.

Music

DRUM AND FLUTE (FIFE), PLEASANTON KIDS COLONIAL MARCHING BAND New members are welcome; no musical experience is needed. Children from 8 to 16 learn to play drums or fife (like a flute) in a small group setting. Music lessons are \$14 per week. Meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Friday at Band Headquarters on Dennis Drive. Visit YoungAmericanPatriots.com for more information.

Families

KRISTI YAMAGUCHI HOLIDAY ICE SKATING RINK The first and only outdoor ice rink in the Tri-Valley will officially celebrate its grand opening at 5 p.m. on Nov. 15 at Bishop Ranch, 6000 Bollinger Canyon Road, San Ramon. Kristi Yamaguchi will kick off the grand opening with a few words.

Festivals & Fairs

39TH ANNUAL IA 'Oe E Ka La HULA COMPETITION & FESTIVAL The 39th Annual Ia 'Oe E Ka La Hula Competition and Festival will be from 3 to 10 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 1, at the Alameda County Fairgrounds, 4501 Pleasanton Ave. For more information visit kumuhulaassociation.com.

HISPANIC CULTURAL CELEBRATION Festivities are from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 2, at Alviso

Adobe Community Park, 3465 Old Foothill Road, showcasing live musical entertainment, cultural art projects, bilingual story time for children and traditional dances.

Fundraisers

ONE WARM COAT DONATION DRIVE City Center Bishop Ranch has partnered with One Warm Coat, a national nonprofit that provides warm coats to those in need. Donation dates are Nov. 15 and Nov. 22 at 6000 Bollinger Canyon Road, San Ramon.

TRI-VALLEY HAVEN FAMILY ENROLLMENT FOR HOLIDAY FOOD AND GIFTS Tri-Valley Haven's Holiday Program helps survivors of domestic and sexual violence, low income and homeless families celebrate the holidays. Family registration for TVH's Thanksgiving food distribution and December food and gift giveaway will occur from 1 to 4 p.m. on Nov. 6, 12 and 13; from 12 to 3 p.m., on Nov. 8 and 15; and from 1 to 6 p.m. on Nov. 7 and 14, at the Haven's Food Pantry, 418 Junction Ave., Livermore. If you would like to support TVH's Holiday Program contact Christine at Trivalleyhaven.org or 667-2707.

Museums & Exhibits

PLEASANTON ART LEAGUE'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY MEMBERS' EXHIBIT Pleasanton Art League's 10th Annual Members' Exhibition Exhibition will run from Nov. 8 to Dec. 18. The Opening Reception will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7 at the Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave.

Food & Drink

HOMETOWN HEROES VETERAN'S DAY LUNCHEON Come celebrate our local veterans, and honor military, past and present, at a special Hometown Heroes Veterans Day Luncheon, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Thursday, Nov. 7, at Shannon Community Center, 11600 Shannon Ave., Dublin. Veterans are

welcome free of charge, but must RSVP to 320-7802.

TRI-VALLEY CONSERVANCY'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION At 6 p.m. on Nov. 8 at the Casa Real Event Center, the Tri-Valley Conservancy will celebrate 25 years of preserving the Tri-Valley. To sponsor or attend the signature Jeans & Jewels event, call 449-8706.

Dance

ASPEN SANTA FE BALLET At 3 p.m. on Nov. 3, at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First., Livermore, the Aspen Santa Fe Ballet will perform. For tickets visit lvpac.org or call 373-6800.

Health & Wellness

MEDI-CAL AND COVERED CALIFORNIA INFORMATIONAL TABLE From 1 to 4 p.m. at the Dublin Library, 200 Civic Plaza, Dublin, Axis Community Health will be at the library every second Monday of the month to give some answers on Medicare questions.

Seniors

LINE DANCING From 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. on Fridays, the Pleasanton Senior Center has beginners line dancing groups. From 3 to 4:15 p.m., at the center, there is an intermediate line dancing group.

DROP-IN BOCCIE AT THE SENIOR CENTER From 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Mondays at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., come and play Bocce with us. The cost is \$2.25 for residents and \$2.75 for non-residents.

DROP-IN WOODSHOP AT THE SENIOR CENTER From 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., on Mondays at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., discover the joy of wood working, wood carving or wood turning. State-of-the-art equipment is available. Cost is \$5.50 for residents and \$6.50 for non-residents.

FALL PREVENTION EXERCISE From 10:15 to 11:10 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353

PET OF THE WEEK



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Sunol Blvd., this exercise class focuses on strength and flexibility. Other benefits are improved health and well-being, more stamina, energy and a decrease in the likelihood of falls.

PLEASANTON SOLE MATES At 8:45 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., meet us for a 2.5 - to 3 - mile walk at a moderate pace. Walking is one of the easiest and most cost effective forms of exercise for adults.

WATERCOLOR PAINTING FOR SENIORS From 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Wednesdays at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Bring your own supplies and a project or paint a monthly theme. The fee is \$2.25 for residents and \$2.75 for non-residents.

GAME TIME AT THE SENIOR CENTER Playing games is a great way to keep your mind sharp. At 10 a.m. on the first Thursday of the month at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., drop in, socialize, meet new friends and learn a new game.

MIND YOUR MEMORY At 10 a.m. on the first and third Friday of the month at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., join us for a fun and interactive time exercising our brains with activities and puzzles dedicated to improving brain health function.

PLEASANTON PEDALERS At 9 a.m. every Thursday, at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., meet with the group for a 15 to 25 mile ride, scaled for those who participate. A signed waiver is required for all riders. For more information, call ride leader Steve McGinnis at 200-9031 or visit meetup.com/pleasantonpedalers.

EYEGLASS ADJUSTMENT FOR SENIORS At 10:30 a.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., come in and have your eyes glasses adjusted by a representative from Sears Optical.

HEARING AID CLEANING AND REPAIR FOR SENIORS From 11 a.m. to 12:30

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p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., have your hearing aid cleaned and repaired by a representative from Connect Hearing. Call 931-5365 for more information.

PHOTO CLUB At 2 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month, at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., the Photo Club is open to seniors who enjoy the hobby of photography at any level. A digital camera of any type is recommended. Meetings will offer occasional speakers, field trips and themes.

BOOKS AND COFFEE From 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., to discuss books, have a cup of coffee and make new friends with the staff from the Pleasanton Library.

MONTHLY TEA TIME SOCIAL AT THE SENIOR CENTER At 1 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., is the center's monthly

Tea Time Social. There is no cost and no reservation is necessary.

Teens

SPECIAL SCREENING OF "ANGST" RAISING AWARENESS AROUND ANXIETY "Angst" is being presented from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7, at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore and at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Center for Performing Arts, 8151 Village Parkway, Dublin. Registration is requested. RSVP at eventbrite.com by searching for "Angst."

Business

PLEASANTON PROFESSIONALS NICER NETWORKING From 4 to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays at Mountain Mike's Pizza, 5424 Sunol Blvd., the networking/leads group focused on growing our business through networking, referrals, and partnerships will meet.

Religion

THE 7TH ANNUAL TRI-VALLEY PRAYER BREAKFAST At 7:30 a.m.

on Monday, Nov. 25, at the Double Tree by Hilton Hotel on Johnson Drive, the prayer breakfast is an opportunity for community leaders to partake in a time of fellowship and prayer while enjoying a plated breakfast and an engaging program.

Community

PLEASANTON LIONS The Lions meet at 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Inklings, 530 Main St. All are welcome to attend our meetings. Check our website pleasantonlionsclub.org, for the most updated meeting information. For more information contact Lion's President Renee Huber at 789-0804.

CALIFORNIA WRITERS CLUB MEETING At 2 p.m. on Nov. 16 at the Four Points Sheraton, 5115 Hopyard Road, publisher and Tedx speaker Brooke Warner will unravel the mysteries of publishing at this month's meeting. Reserve by Nov 13 at trivalleywriters.org.

HACIENDA PARK TOASTMASTERS CLUB Improve your public speaking, confidence and leadership skills at 12 p.m., on the first, third and fifth Thursday of the month, and the second and fourth Thursday at 5:30 p.m. for a one-hour meeting at 100-200 Civic Plaza, Dublin. Contact 398-3257 or HaciendaTM@gmail.com for more information.

Support Groups

NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS (NAMI) TRI-VALLEY FAMILY/CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP From 7:15 to 8:45 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month, at 5674 Stoneridge Drive, #114, families network, encourage, and support each other through the challenges of advocating and caring for adult loved ones who are diagnosed with a severe mental illness. There is no cost.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP From 4 to 5:30 p.m. on the first Monday of the month, at Kindred Hospice, 4120 Dublin Blvd., there is a grief support group facilitated by a bereavement specialist. It can be a great space to remember your loved one and look to creating your "New Normal."



Celebrating abroad: Pleasanton residents Cynthia DiLeo-Tsuno and Elaine Snyder were in Florence, Italy this summer when their hometown was holding its 125th Anniversary Celebration. To join in the fun while abroad, they marked the occasion by posing with the Weekly on that date. To submit your "Take Us Along" entry, email your photograph to editor@pleasantonweekly.com. Be sure to identify who is in the photo (names listed from left to right), the location, the date and any relevant details about where you took your Weekly.

FOOD ADDICTS IN RECOVERY Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous (FA) is a program based on the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA). There are no dues, fees, or weigh-ins at FA meetings. If you are suffering, attend a meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays at 3311 Pacific Ave. in Livermore. The program is free. Visit foodaddicts.org for more information.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP FOR TEENS Hope Hospice is pleased to offer grief support groups for children and teens at no cost to residents in the Tri-Valley and neighboring East Bay communities. Groups meet during the school year from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays, at Hope Hospice, 6377 Clark Ave., Dublin. Call 829-8770 or email griefsupport@hopehospice.com.

TRI-VALLEY PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP Those with Parkinson's or a variant diagnosis, plus their care partners, meet from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the second Saturday of every month at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Speakers discuss a variety of related topics and to share challenges, solutions, and triumphs. There is no cost.

HOPE HOSPICE: COPING WITH A LOSS THIS HOLIDAY SEASON For people who have experienced the death of a loved one, the holiday season can be painful. Hope's Handling the Holidays workshop will be offered twice (program is the same), from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 4 at 6377 Clark Ave., Suite 295, Dublin. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. Please call to register at 829-8770.

Public Notices

995 Fictitious Name Statement

Power on Solar
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 563809
The following person doing business as: Power On Solar, 5729 Sonoma Drive, Suite G, Pleasanton, CA 94566, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Brian Rinna/Rikety Ventures LLC, 5025 Athens Drive, San Ramon, CA 94582. This business is conducted by Brian Rinna/Rikety Ventures LLC, a Limited Liability Company. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein.
Signature of Registrant: Brian Rinna, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on September 25, 2019. (Pleasanton Weekly, October 11, 18, 25, November 1, 2019).

Ivleta Spunde's Bay Area Dental Practice
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 564101
The following person doing business as: Ivleta Spunde's Bay Area Dental Practice, 3300 Webster St. #907, Oakland, CA 94609, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Ivleta Spunde DDS, 270 Summerford Circle, San Ramon, CA 94583. This business is conducted by Ivleta Spunde DDS, an Individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein Sept. 2, 2014.
Signature of Registrant: Ivleta Spunde, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on Oct. 3, 2019. (Pleasanton Weekly, Oct. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 2019).

Security First Financial
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 564538
The following person doing business as: Security First Financial, 4900 Hopyard Road, Suite 100, Pleasanton, CA 94588, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: SFF Insurance Services, 4900 Hopyard Road, Suite 100, Pleasanton, CA 94588. This business is conducted by SFF Insurance Services, a Corporation. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Sheila Markesteyn, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on Oct. 17, 2019. (Pleasanton Weekly, Oct. 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 2019).

Positive Minds Academy
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 564585
The following person doing business as: Positive Minds Academy, 4713 First Street, Suite 105, Pleasanton, CA 94566, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Pinto & Bhattachayya Group LLC, 4713 First Street, Suite 105, Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by Pinto & Bhattachayya Group LLC, a Limited Liability Company. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Albert Pinto, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on Oct. 18, 2019. (Pleasanton Weekly, Oct. 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 2019).

BC Tax & Accounting Services
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 564772
The following person doing business as: BC Tax & Accounting Services, 4299 Rosewood Drive, Suite 102 Pleasanton, CA 94588, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: BC Tax Inc, 2050 Longleaf Circle, San Ramon, CA 94582. This business is conducted by BC Tax Inc, a Corporation. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein Feb. 1, 2019. Signature of Registrant: Shan S. Cao, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on Oct. 24, 2019. (Pleasanton Weekly, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019).

Transformational Hypnotherapy
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 564322
The following person doing business as: Transformational Hypnotherapy, 6701 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 250, Pleasanton, CA 94566, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Roya Farani, 6701 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 250, Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by Roya Farani, an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Roya Farani, Hypnotherapist. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on Oct. 10, 2019. (Pleasanton Weekly, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019).

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Gina Piper

512 Hemme Avenue – Alamo – \$2,799,000
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Linda Newton

2426 Kobio Street – Livermore – \$1,399,900
This highly desired Acacia model in the Alden Lane neighborhood has 6 large bedrooms & 5.5 bathrooms. Each bedroom has an adjoining full bathroom. Downstairs you have a large In-law Suite with an abundance of built-in cabinets, mini kitchen, full bathroom, walk-in closet, and access to the backyard. The beautiful circular staircase makes a grand entry!



Jennifer DeCoite

3259 Flemington Court – Pleasanton – \$1,075,000
Single story 4 bed 2 bath home with 1956 sq. ft. of living space located at the end of a fantastic court. The home has a new 2nd bath, newer A/C and water heater, and double pane windows. It has tons of potential and with a little bit of work, you can turn it into your dream home. This is an incredible opportunity to put your own touches on this diamond in the rough. Don't miss out!!!



Beverly Herrera

3946 Hampden – Dublin – \$1,030,000
This highly desired Acacia model in the Alden Lane neighborhood has 6 large bedrooms & 5.5 bathrooms. Each bedroom has an adjoining full bathroom. Downstairs you have a large In-law Suite with an abundance of built-in cabinets, mini kitchen, full bathroom, walk-in closet, and access to the backyard. The beautiful circular staircase makes a grand entry!"



John Manos

7170 Prince Drive – Dublin – \$899,000
The ideal home for today's MILLENNIAL OR TECH SAVVY BUYER! This amazing 3 bedroom 2 bath SMART home is loaded with the latest tech that today's young buyers are desiring. Wake up in the morning and while getting dressed have your refrigerator brew your cup of coffee! Updates throughout, including completely remodeled kitchen, new carpet and new paint. Nearby I-580/680 & two BART stations.



Cindy Gee

7211 Valley View Court – Pleasanton – \$848,000
Gorgeous updated townhome move in ready! Approx. 1,928 sq. ft. Featuring gourmet kitchen with stainless appliances & granite counters. Lovely spacious living/dining compo with sliding doors opening to lovely grass/ patio backyard. Large 2 car garage. Close to shopping, 690, 580 freeways, Bart, award winning schools. Resort style living pool, tennis courts, walking trails, Stoneridge Mall. Must See!



Meraj Khan

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OPEN SUN 2 - 4 PM

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5 BD | 3 BA | 2,749 SF
5 OFFERS | SOLD FOR \$1,505,000

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4258 WAYCROSS COURT, PLEASANTON
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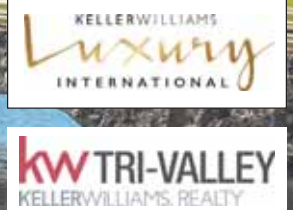


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