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VALLEY VIEWS

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI



Valentine to last a lifetime

In a fit of domesticity and love for my family, many years ago I purchased a heart-shaped cake pan around Valentine's Day. A home-made cake — its physical form the very symbol of love — seemed a good way to show my feelings for them on this day celebrating affection.

The first year I baked a pineapple upside down cake. I had never made one before but a can of pineapples in the cupboard inspired me. The cake was a success so became a Valentine's Day tradition.

Future efforts depended on which day of the week was Feb. 14. The first time it fell on a Saturday, I made a coffee cake for breakfast. The children grew up and I would like to say they continued my tradition in their own homes, but alas they have instituted their own customs. But I kept baking those heart-shaped cakes for my hubby and me.

The year Jim was dying, 2014, I did not pull out the pan. We barely acknowledged Valentine's Day, our anniversary or any other holiday. A profound sorrow and longing brought our emotions too close to the surface, and we carried on in a daze, doing what needed to be done and drawing happiness from the small things in life and our remaining months together.

Yes, after 47 years of marriage, he faced the end of a life he had enjoyed tremendously and I faced widowhood. Our new normal was interacting with chemo nurses and looking forward to the wholesome fare sold at a sandwich stand in the hospital corridor. We laughed ruefully at this turn in our lives — we who had dined at fine tables in the major capitals of the world — as we shared this last part of his journey.

Jim died May 9, two days before Mother's Day. Somehow I had not anticipated the ensuing disorientation. Every aspect of my life changed, from sleeping to waking to eating to thinking. I was so sad — not depressed or despairing, but profoundly sad, a simple word yet the one that seemed best to describe the heavy feeling in my heart and my head as I grieved.

In confusion, I kept expecting Jim to come walking into the room. Where was he? What had happened? I had witnessed his physical

decline over five months, gone to innumerable medical appointments, dealt with his pain and shared his daily concerns but was not prepared for the unbearable absence in my life when the end inexorably arrived and he was gone. Nothing came naturally any longer; life required concentration.

Gradually feelings returned. The house and yard made their demands, and I depended on YouTube to acquire skills for maintenance done for decades by Jim. I tackled the taxes, yuck, not formerly my purview. Joy in my children and grandchildren were at the forefront although this also felt lonely since it was not joy shared with their father/grandfather.

The years have brought healing but certain things still trigger sorrow and longing. How he would have loved this year's Super Bowl — except for the outcome. Holidays and other life events will forever be bittersweet.

But even without Jim, Valentine's Days continued to arrive, which I celebrate by sending cards to the grandkids. At first, I would view happy old couples in public with bitterness. Why were they growing old with their partners and not me? Did they even appreciate what they had? Now old couples just make me sad because one of them will at some point be left alone, heartbroken.

But this column is really a love story. My grief was only possible because of the happiness of my long marriage. I have been incredibly lucky in my life, from when and where I was born, to meeting my husband, marrying at 20 and continuing to mature together, and raising two healthy children. I am sorry fate prevented us from growing old as a couple but looking back over my love-filled life, I cannot complain.

My heart-shaped pan remains in the cupboard. It is no longer used to bake cakes but I keep it for the memories — of fun desserts served to my family and later to my dear appreciative husband, forever my Valentine. ■

Editor's note: Dolores Fox Ciardelli is Tri-Valley Life editor for the Pleasanton Weekly. Her column, "Valley Views," will appear in the paper on the second and fourth Fridays of the month.

About the Cover

With Valentine's Day today, we decided to ask a few people around Pleasanton for their thoughts on love. See what they had to say, inside on Pages 12-13. Cover design by Doug Young.

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What do you do to be a good neighbor?



Shane Bohan

Realtor

Whenever we go to Costco and buy bulk perishables like bread and milk, we always get extra to split up and deliver to our neighbors, just to have the opportunity to say hello and keep in touch.



Bonnie Brown *Retired*

Often, if I see a box that has been delivered to a neighbor's porch, I will take it into my house and then leave a handwritten note in the neighbor's mailbox, letting them know that I have it. There is so much "porch pirating" going on these days that I feel it is the decent thing to do. And my neighbors are always so appreciative.



Karen Lotoszynski *Retired*

I always welcome all of the neighborhood children to come over to my house to play with and socialize the animals (cats, dogs, puppies and kittens) that I foster for Valley Humane Society. It is a wonderful experience for the kids to have that opportunity, and of course it is also so beneficial to my foster critters to socialize with people outside of my immediate family.



Brenna Hill

Employment training specialist

To be good neighbors, we like to keep our eyes open and aware of any suspicious activity we see, check on our older neighbors to see if they need anything or want to accompany us on trips to the supermarket and such, and just generally try to be the good neighbors our neighborhood deserves.



Christina Rice

Senior real estate specialist

I help seniors in my own neighborhood, as well as elsewhere, with the complicated and often very emotional process of downsizing and moving to their next homes. It is often very difficult territory for them to navigate on their own, and it is so meaningful to me to be able to really help them.

—Compiled by Nancy Lewis

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DIGEST

Windy weekend

High winds wreaked havoc in Pleasanton and across the Bay Area earlier this week, knocking down trees, large branches, power lines and roadside signage, among other impacts, particularly last Sunday.

The city's Operations Services Department received 30 incident reports from the consistent high winds and larger gusts on Sunday, "ranging from fallen debris, to traffic signals, and two water-related issues," according to Cindy Chin, the city's public information officer.

City crews were out Sunday and Monday working to resolve all of the reported incidents, as well as performing additional cleanup around city parks and other public areas for debris that might not have been reported, Chin said.

Social media was also a flutter with residents' photos, videos and stories from the high-wind event, which extended into Monday morning — from trees falling onto houses and other damage to signs toppling to power outages to just attempting routine activities amid the gusts.

Granada grad's Oscar

Filmmaker Josh Cooley, a Livermore native, won his first Academy Award last weekend as part of the "Toy Story 4" team that took home the Best Animated Feature trophy.

A Granada High graduate in the class of 1997, Cooley is a director, animator and screenwriter who made his directorial debut with "Toy Story 4," which was released last June by Pixar Animation Studios for Walt Disney Pictures and grossed over \$1 billion at the box office worldwide.

Cooley, 40, collected his Oscar onstage with producers Mark Nielsen and Jonas Rivera during the 92nd Academy Awards on Sunday night in Hollywood.

Join grand jury

Court officials are looking for residents interested in serving on the Alameda County Civil Grand Jury for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

The official recruitment period opened last month and will continue into March; reps say they're particularly looking for applicants from Livermore, Hayward, Union City and Fremont though all communities can be represented.

Alameda County Superior Court officials will review the applications and select 30 finalists, from whom the final panel of 19 jurors will be picked via random draw. To apply or learn more about the service requirements, visit grandjury.acgov.org, email grandjury@acgov.org or call 510-272-6259. ■

PUSD student enrollment remains steady for 2019-20 school year

Also: Board OKs contracts for Measure I1 projects, takes positions on ballot issues

By JULIA BAUM

Student enrollment in the Pleasanton Unified School District has stayed steady over the past five years, staff reported at Tuesday night's meeting of the Board of Trustees.

PUSD has 102 fewer students enrolled in grades TK-12 than last year but 109 students more than

nearly six years ago, according to the district.

"The good news is overall we're relatively stable with enrollment," said Katherine Rief, director of student services for PUSD, although she noted exceptions for all grade levels.

Local high schools have experienced the biggest increase;

enrollment for students in grades 9-12 is at a high from five years ago. A total of 4,886 students were enrolled in October 2014 but that number spiked by 248 students in October 2019, bringing the total number of PUSD high-schoolers to 5,134.

Middle school grade enrollment has remained fairly level the entire

time but saw a slight dip this year with 52 fewer students enrolled at the moment. Elementary school enrollment during that same six-year period also dropped by 87 students — from 6,269 down to 6,182 students as of October 2019.

Donlon Elementary, where a new school serving grades 4 and 5 has been planned for construction, has experienced the most overflow at the elementary level with 111 more

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Studying potable reuse

Council delays debate on \$250K contract, hears from residents

By JEREMY WALSH

The Pleasanton City Council postponed its discussion on a proposed "task order" — with a potential \$250,000 pricetag for Pleasanton — for more regional studies into potable reuse water in the Tri-Valley last week, but a handful of residents still had plenty to say about the contract.

City staff recommends Pleasanton sign on to a potentially \$1 million task order with three other Tri-Valley public water agencies for preliminary studies and community outreach and education under the ongoing "Tri-Valley Intergovernmental Reciprocal Services Master Agreement" to explore the possibility of supplementing the local water supply with recycled water treated for drinking purposes, better known as potable reuse.

The task order was listed on the consent calendar for the council's Feb. 4 regular meeting, but the item was delayed to its next meeting without any discussion by the council for unspecified reasons.

Five residents who saw the item on the original agenda still had the opportunity to speak on the task order at the Feb. 4 meeting, expressing their concerns about potable reuse and surprise the contract had even been proposed as a consent matter.

"For the Tri-Valley, (potable reuse) is still not ready for prime time here," Laurene Green, a water resources engineer in Pleasanton and candidate

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Amador Valley High School's competitive civics team qualified for the We the People High School National Finals in Washington, D.C. this spring after winning the state competition.

We the People success

Amador, Foothill headed to nationals after finishing one-two at state competition

By JULIA BAUM

In a repeat of history, Amador Valley and Foothill schools have qualified together for the third year running to represent California at the We the People national civics competition this spring in Washington, D.C.

Both Pleasanton teams snagged the top two spots at the qualifying state championship in Lake County last weekend. The highly decorated Dons team took first place while the Falcons finished in second place and earned a wild-card berth into nationals; Amador also won first and Foothill placed second in the 2019 state competition.

The two teams are the only ones from California to advance to this

year's national finals.

"We could not be more proud of this remarkable group of students as well as the dedicated teachers, families and alumni who support their success," Pleasanton Unified School District Superintendent David Haglund said in a statement.

"Now more than ever it is critical for our students to be prepared to be responsible and engaged global citizens. This group of world-class students are living proof of the power of civics education in fostering tomorrow's leaders," Haglund added.

We the People is a competitive civics program in which students demonstrate their constitutional knowledge and understanding of

federal government in mock congressional hearings. Students use critical thinking and other academic skills to analyze and defend positions on historical and contemporary matters.

The groups, made up of seniors at Amador and Foothill, respectively, spent thousands of hours studying and rehearsing with their competitive civics coaches — Stacey Sklar for Amador, which is going to nationals for the fourth year in a row, and Jeremy Detamore and Graham McBride for the Foothill team, also taking their third consecutive trip to finals.

"Everyone worked hard and

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Curry family settles lawsuit with SRVUSD for \$8 million

Attorney says parents relieved litigation is over, pain of lost child will never end

By RYAN J. DEGAN

Nearly two years after the on-campus drowning death of San Ramon Valley High School freshman Ben Curry, the family of the teenager is set to receive \$8 million from the San Ramon Valley Unified School District after an agreement was reached to settle the Curry's pending lawsuit.

The agreement, which came to light after a notice of settlement was filed in Contra Costa County Superior Court on Monday, also calls for the wrongful-death case to be dismissed with the district admitting no liability for Curry's death.

Curry drowned during his physical education class — which consisted of one teacher monitoring 57 students — in the Danville school's pool on May 8, 2018, after slipping under the water unnoticed and becoming unresponsive.

Curry would not be found submerged in the pool until the start of the next class, after the school's lunch period. The 15-year-old boy was pronounced dead at a nearby hospital that afternoon.

"They are relieved that the litigation

is over and the pain of their loss will never end," Curry family attorney Andrew Schwartz, of Walnut Creek-based firm Casper, Meadows, Schwartz & Cook, told the Weekly on Monday.

Schwartz added that Aaron Becker, the PE teacher in charge of Curry's class, had previously filed a motion seeking to dismiss punitive damage claims against himself, which was granted by Judge Steven K. Austin on Jan. 30.

The settlement, which resolves the entire lawsuit, was reached days before the case was set to head to trial on Feb. 18.

"Everyone recognizes that this was a tragic accident. The district has expressed its sincere condolences to the parents for their loss and the district has been trying to resolve this matter informally even before a lawsuit was filed," said Mark Davis, an attorney representing the SRVUSD. "At least from our standpoint

we are glad that the parties could reach an amicable settlement (before the) emotional distress and expense associated with trial."

Davis added that the settlement will be paid using funds from the SRVUSD and a joint powers authority insurance pool that SRVUSD is a part of with other school districts.

No other details about the settlement have been released thus far. The full terms have not been filed in court to date.

Becker's attorney had not responded to a request for comment as of press time Wednesday.

Ben's parents, Karen and Thomas Curry, filed a lawsuit with the Contra Costa County Superior Court in November 2018, claiming negligence and willful misconduct by SRVUSD and Becker — who remains employed as a teacher and varsity football head coach — led directly to the boy's death.

"Plaintiffs believe that the SRVUSD and its employees owed a duty of care to Benjamin Curry to supervise, protect, assist and control the safety of Benjamin, and they failed to do so," Schwartz wrote in

the original lawsuit.

In his ruling to dismiss punitive damages against Becker, Judge Austin wrote on Jan. 30 that he found Becker did not act with an evil motive, as would need to be proven for punitive damages.

"What demonstrates a defendant's required evil motive is not just that he mistakenly causes injury, but that he mistakenly causes injury repeatedly and does not care. That is not what occurred here," Austin wrote in granting Becker's dismissal motion.

"There may be cases of nondeliberate injury in which the knowledge of injury is so established, the degree so severe, and its likelihood so certain that punitive damages would be proper without repeated instances of prior injury, but this is not one of them," the judge said, adding:

"To permit punitive damages on the evidence here would blur the line between the more typical case of mere negligence and the much rarer case of conscious disregard and despicable conduct, where punitive damages are permitted."

After their investigation in spring 2018, Danville police recommended

no criminal charges be filed against Becker or anyone else, stating that detectives found no signs of foul play or criminal neglect — confirming findings from the county coroner's autopsy report that the death was accidental and not self-inflicted as some initial reports falsely suggested.

"Although the decedent suffered from depression, there is no indication the decedent intended to drown himself," according to the coroner's report, signed May 31, 2018. "Based on the investigation there is no evidence of foul play, and no indication that the decedent intended to harm himself."

SRVUSD Superintendent Rick Schmitt publicly apologized to the Curry family for the freshman's death on campus in a statement released on Nov. 2, 2018.

"This event was and will remain a tragedy in our hearts and minds forever. The District sincerely apologizes to the Curry family and all community members," Schmitt said. "There are no words to describe the collective sorrow following the loss of Ben." ■



Ben Curry

Chabot-Las Positas receives \$500,000 mental health grant

Rising demand for services prompted LPC to seek additional funding

By JULIA BAUM

To better serve the mental health needs of students in the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District (CLPCCD), Las Positas College and its sister campus, Chabot College, have received a \$500,000 grant from the state.

Noticing that demand for mental health services has risen, the district

submitted a joint application seeking support to expand direct mental health resources for students, including mental health first aid training.

"The college is experiencing an increase in mental health referrals and this investment by the state will allow for the Student Health & Wellness Center to hire additional personnel, explore online services,

and outreach to vulnerable student populations," LPC's vice president of student services, William Garcia, said in a statement.

Las Positas will use its \$100,000 portion of the grant to support and expand mental health services, while Chabot's counseling, advocacy, recovery and emotional support (CARES) team will use the other \$400,000 in

grant funds to "maximize resources in a way that engages the entire campus in responsive interventions that support student equity and success."

One in four students has a diagnosable mental illness but up to 40% are not currently receiving mental health services, according to the district. When student mental health is properly addressed it leads to greater academic performance, less homelessness and lower suicide rates.

The grant comes from the State

Chancellor's California Community Colleges Mental Health Services Program. Research shows that every dollar invested in student prevention and early intervention mental health services gives an economic return between \$6 and \$11 due to higher graduation rates. Gov. Gavin Newsom signed AB 47 last July, authorizing \$7 million in funding for grants to support the California Community Colleges Mental Health Services Program. ■

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Daniel Glover: 'Concertos Without Orchestra'

Pianist will share history and analysis of each piece

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Pianist Daniel Glover will perform at a special musical event, "Concertos Without Orchestra," hosted by Valley Concert Chorale at 7:30 p.m. next Saturday (Feb. 22) at First Presbyterian Church, 2020 Fifth St. in Livermore.

The program includes a collection of piano solo transcription of excerpts from five well-known concertos from the baroque, classical, romantic and early 20th century periods. Glover will share the history and an analysis of each piece he performs.

"The transcribers of the concertos are as well-known as the original composers," Glover said, "but what is surprising to the listener is the transcribers' uncanny

ability to synthesize the parts of a full symphony orchestra, as well as the solo piano (or two violins), into one unified whole."

The program begins with an unusual "double" transcription of Vivaldi's "Concerto in A Minor for Two Violins," a work Johann Sebastian Bach transcribed for organ.

"Russian pianist Samuil Feinberg then made a piano solo version in the 1920s based on both previous versions," Glover explained.

The program also features Russian composer Balakirev, who transcribed the expressive and elegant "Romance" from Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 1 in E minor; and Charles Valentin Alkan's solo version of the first movement from

Beethoven's iconic Third Concerto that humorously quotes from Beethoven's Fifth Symphony.

The concert concludes with Ravel's "Adagio" from his G Major Concerto and the complete Concerto No. 2 in G Minor of Saint-Saëns in a brilliantly effective transcription by Georges Bizet.

Glover has been the accompanist for Valley Concert Chorale since 1998.

"Mr. Glover's piano concerts are always a popular event," chorale board president Bill Leach said. "He is an internationally known concert pianist and has a great following around the world."

Tickets are \$25 in advance at www.valleyconcertchorale.org and



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Pianist Daniel Glover.

\$30 at the door. Proceeds from the performance will benefit the Valley Concert Chorale. ■

BUSINESS IN BRIEF

Piper rebrands

Pleasanton native and longtime Realtor Gina Piper launched her new real estate company and brand, Elation Real Estate, based in downtown this winter.

Piper, who worked for 26 years for the same brokerage, said she made the change to bring a local boutique-style real estate company to the Tri-Valley market with all of the reach, benefits and offerings of larger companies.

A seven-time winner and Hall of Fame recipient in the Pleasanton Weekly's Readers Choice contest as a Realtor, Piper is also known in the community as a former Pleasanton Planning Commission member, past president of Pleasanton North Rotary Club and current board chair for the Valley Humane Society.

SCHOOL BOARD

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students enrolled than the campus was designed to accommodate.

At the high school level, Amador Valley has 2,734 students onsite while Foothill has 2,217. Students who live in the district's "choice area" can enroll at either high school (as well as either Vintage Hills or Valley View for elementary students).

Open enrollment in the choice

area is encouraged for Foothill, according to Rief, although staff told the trustees that "there are always opportunities to have that discussion" when asked about possibly changing the choice area.

The enrollment report also found the largest racial demographics in PUSD are Asian (45.6%), white (35.27%) and Hispanic (9%). The number of Asian students has increased by 12% over the past five years while the percentage of white students fell by the same amount during that same period.

There are also 346 elementary students enrolled in the Valley View Elementary dual immersion language program and 180 secondary students attending alternative education programs like Village High School, independent study, middle college or adult transition.

In other business

- The school board also approved a slew of construction projects and related services on Tuesday night. Among the more notable items passed were a \$2.3 million leaseback agreement with Bothman Construction Inc. for rebuilding Lydiksen Elementary School.

Last summer PUSD began

pursuing the lease-leaseback option in an effort to attract better contractor bids for district construction projects like the Lydiksen remodel. PUSD had only received one bid for the project at the time, which was over budget.

Under the agreement, the district will lease the Lydiksen property to the builder and pay their fees instead of paying upfront for the entire project. Once the work is completed, the contractor will lease the upgraded site back to PUSD and the lease would terminate upon final lease payment. The board also approved a \$131,902 consultant services agreement with BSK Associates for the Lydiksen rebuild. Money for both contracts will be funded by Measure 11 revenue.

A groundbreaking ceremony for the project will be held today starting 11 a.m. at the Lydiksen campus, 7700 Highland Oaks Drive.

- The board also voted to ratify contracts for several facilities projects this week, including \$819,998 from the Measure 11 fund for replacement of the Hart Middle School portable classrooms and adding a new science building on site. Construction is expected to start next spring and finish by July

2022, according to PUSD.

Another Measure 11 project will take off this spring, after the board gave the greenlight to a \$1.07 million agreement for HVAC and roofing repairs and replacements at six PUSD campuses: Alisal, Fairlands and Valley View Elementary, Pleasanton Middle and Harvest Park Middle, and Amador Valley High.

Damaged curbs in the pickup and dropoff areas at Valley View will also be fixed soon, after the trustees approved \$28,300 for repairs from the general fund. The district said that "conditions are not safe and require repairs" at eight locations in the Valley View parking lot. Work on the lot is expected to end by mid-April.

The board will also spend \$7.6 million for construction management of the Measure 11 program and \$153,595 for services related to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review. Both contracts will be paid through the Measure 11 fund.

- The trustees also approved resolutions in support of two ballot initiatives that will be decided in the March 3 primary election. The resolutions are symbolic in nature and do not impact election results or district funds.

One declares the district's support for Proposition 13, a proposed \$15 billion bond measure for fixing the state's public preschools, K-12 schools, community college and four-year academic institutions that PUSD said "will also provide funds for matching Pleasanton USD bond funds, allowing for addressing more facility needs."

The other resolution is in support of Measure C, which would create a new, one-half percent sales tax in Alameda County to raise \$150 million annually for child-care, preschool programs and pediatric healthcare and emergency services. Trustee Valerie Arkin said during the meeting that she had asked to place the Measure C resolution on the meeting agenda. ■

Surf Thru Express

Surf Thru Express Car Wash opened its doors (plus its conveyor belt and vacuum stations) last month at 3598 Stanley Blvd., for the company's first location in Pleasanton and 21st overall.

Surf Thru uses a hybrid service model with an automated wash for the car exterior and rows of free vacuums for customers to clean their car's interior themselves — a type of car wash business not currently seen in Pleasanton. The business recycles and reclaims its wash water, returns all waste clean to the sewer system and uses solar to run the car wash.

It opened on a 1.5-acre property that had been vacant for years about half a block from the Stanley-Bernal-Valley intersection.

Chamber chair

Randy Brown, of PMZ Real Estate, began his tenure last month as the chair of the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for this year.

A married father of three adult children, Brown relocated to the Pleasanton area with his wife Lisa in 2012 and joined the chamber that year.

"I am a family man with a sense for business and philanthropy," Brown said in the chamber newsletter. "I look forward to chairing the Pleasanton Chamber Board of Directors in 2020 and continuing along the same path of living, working, giving back and thriving in the great community of Pleasanton."

Key accreditation

Visit Tri-Valley was recently awarded with the Destination Marketing Accreditation Program (DMAP) seal by Destinations International in recognition of the organization's commitment to industry standards for performance and accountability.

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POTABLE

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for the Zone 7 Water Agency Board of Directors in the primary election, told the council.

"I can't image how it's possible this even made it onto the consent agenda," Paulette Salisbury said, later adding she was glad the task order wasn't "slipping through and not having any more public scrutiny."

A topic that resurfaced amid water supply debates during the drought, potable reuse in the Tri-Valley was the subject of joint technical feasibility study several years ago among Zone 7, the cities of Pleasanton and Livermore, the Dublin San Ramon Services District and the California Water Service Company's Livermore division.

The study, whose results were released almost two years ago, concluded the concept of a potable reuse project in the Tri-Valley was feasible based on regulatory, technical and financial considerations.

When reviewing the feasibility report in May 2018, Pleasanton council members voiced support for more technical studies and a more updated evaluation of the region's water supply. But they also made it clear they want their voters to weigh in at some point in the process, either earlier on with a ballot question about supporting the general concept or later when a final project proposal is available.

The debate picked up momentum

again last summer when the Tri-Valley Water Liaison Committee supported further analysis of a potential regional potable reuse project.

The committee, which consists of elected officials from the four public agencies plus corporate representation from Cal Water, a private company, has backed the concept for general scope of the further study with Zone 7 serving as the lead agency, according to Kathleen Yurchak, city director of operations and water utilities.

"The committee determined that joint collaborative efforts by the Tri-Valley water agencies should be undertaken to: 1) further technical and institutional study of potable reuse, 2) continue to evaluate other water supply reliability options, and 3) develop a community outreach/engagement program to educate the Tri-Valley residents and businesses on the region's water supply challenges and potential solutions," Yurchak wrote in her Feb. 4 staff report to the council.

The proposal calls for the two cities, DSRSD and Zone 7 — as the public water agencies — to evenly split the costs of the new preliminary studies and community outreach and education up to \$1 million total. Cal Water could participate and reimburse its pro-rated share, if given approval from corporate leaders and the California Public Utilities Commission.

To cover Pleasanton's portion, city staff recommends dedicating up

to \$250,000 to the endeavor from the capital improvement program budget.

That proposed task order was scheduled on the City Council's Feb. 4 consent calendar, a collection of items deemed routine in nature and voted upon all at once without discussion unless pulled for separate consideration that night.

But at the outset of the meeting, City Manager Nelson Fialho announced the item was being taken off the agenda and postponed to the following meeting.

As a result, the council members did not discuss potable reuse among the dais, since it was no longer on their night's agenda, but they allowed residents in attendance to speak on the issue during the non-agenda public comment portion of the meeting.

They were generally critical.

"To begin with, we still can't identify all possible contaminants in our sewer waters," Green said. "The difficulty of keeping up with new, dangerous and unregulated chemicals makes this very problematic and hard to guarantee safety. If you want to understand why this is so important, look no further than the PFAS problem we are now challenged with."

Green also raised concerns about permit standards, costs for operation and maintenance, disguising marketing efforts as "communications" with the public and moving forward with more studies without an advisory vote from Pleasanton residents about

the potable reuse issue.

"Seeing this item come up on the consent agenda didn't strike me as quite the right way to handle it," resident Pierre Bierre said. "I read the (staff) report and although I realize this is a study of potable reuse, I feel as though we should be looking much more broadly at our options for water supply reliability."

"I'm really concerned about the quality of our water, our drinking

water, and I want to make sure there's no advancement towards potable reuse projects in Pleasanton," Salisbury added. "We're not going to stand by and let this happen because we're not a silent public in this community."

The potable reuse task order was tentatively rescheduled for the council meeting next Tuesday (Feb. 18), though the full agenda had not been released as of press time Wednesday. ■

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Snow Town: Longtime Pleasanton residents Shu-Fung and Yiao-Tee Hsia recently visited the town of Xuexiang (translated as "Snow Town"), which is part of city of Mudanjiang in the province of Heilongjiang. The scenery was amazing because their houses are coated with snow, making them look like mushroom houses ("like Smurf City"), Yiao-Tee said. The couple had gone to nearby Harbin city to see the 36th annual Ice and Snow Sculpture Exhibit, which was built in 15 days with 10,000 workers in November and December.

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Improv troupes to compete

'Face-Off 2020' starts with preview Wednesday

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

"Face-Off 2020" will pit local improv teams against each other next week in a series of pro-wrestling themed "bouts" with WWE-inspired scenes at the Firehouse Arts Center.

Hosted by Creatures of Impulse, Pleasanton's teen improv troupe, the competition will include a series of shows with games and high-jinx, interacting with the audience. A champion improv team will emerge, and audience members also will have the chance to win prizes.

The show schedule is as follows:
• 7:30 p.m. Thursday (Feb. 20): Mission Improvable from Cal High in San Ramon. This team was the first to face Creatures of Impulse in the inaugural "Face-Off" in 2008, held

at the Veterans Memorial Building.

• 7:30 p.m. next Friday (Feb. 21): Middle School Team, city of Pleasanton.

• 2 p.m. next Saturday (Feb. 22): Creatures of Habit, city of Pleasanton.

• 7:30 p.m. next Saturday (Feb. 22): Las Positas College Improv Team, which was launched by Jeff Zavattero, who is directing this year's Face-Off.

City recreation supervisor Mark Duncanson, who founded Creatures of Impulse, is leading the new adult (non-student) team, Creatures of Habit, this year, handing over event organizing to Zavattero.

"Face-Off" is Jeff's favorite show of the whole COI season so I'm

happy to take a back seat on this one," Duncanson said.

Tickets are \$5 for students, \$10 for the general public. For tickets, go to www.firehousearts.org, call 931-4848, or purchase at the theater box office, 4444 Railroad Ave.

A special preview performance will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday with "Mr. Amador" from Amador Valley High School; tickets are \$2, cash only.

Since its founding 12 seasons ago, Creatures of Impulse has represented California at the Teen Comedy Festival in Chicago four times, and performed in San Francisco with the professional improv troupe, Un-Scripted Theater Company, in Union Square. ■

GUEST OPINION

DR. JAKE SCOTT

Understanding the 2019 novel coronavirus

On Dec. 29, 2019, four cases of a mysterious pneumonia were reported in Wuhan, China, now known as having been caused by the 2019 novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV).

These patients were linked to a live wild animal market, indicating that the infection may have originated from animals. It is believed that the virus came from bats, but how it spread to humans remains unknown.

Forty-four cases were reported by Jan. 3, and person-to-person spread was soon noted. The first travel-related case in the United States occurred on Jan. 21. After spreading to several other countries in less than a month, on Jan. 30 the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the outbreak to be a global emergency.

As of Feb. 3, more than 20,000 cases were confirmed in over a dozen countries around the world, with more than 400 deaths. While 11 cases have thus far been confirmed in the United States, it is worth underscoring that 99% of the cases are in China.

In less than two weeks after the first cases of pneumonia were reported in Wuhan, scientists identified the viral culprit and provided details of the full genomic sequence to public databases, facilitating research around the world.

Diagnostic tests were quickly made available.

While the potential for the spread of this disease is high, there has been an impressive collaborative effort shown by thousands of experts around the world who are working quickly and diligently to contain this epidemic.

The 2019-nCoV strain is one of several other coronaviruses that affects humans. Four coronavirus strains cause the "common cold" and

account for a substantial number of benign upper respiratory tract infections.

Prior to the 2019-nCoV outbreak, two other animal-borne coronaviruses emerged in this century and spread to humans around the world: SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome) and MERS (Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus).

SARS was due to an outbreak of a similar type of bat-borne coronavirus, which occurred in 2003. SARS spread rapidly across the world — 8,098 SARS cases were reported from 29 countries — until the pandemic was controlled by public health measures within six months.

MERS — less widely spread but more lethal than SARS (with a fatality rate of 36%) — also originated from bats and is thought to have spread to humans via camels.

The number of 2019-nCoV cases surpassed that of SARS by the end of January 2020, which shows that it is spreading more rapidly, but the fatality rate has so far been lower (approximately 2 to 4% for 2019-nCoV, compared to 10% for SARS).

There is no vaccine yet for 2019-nCoV, as there is for influenza, which the CDC estimates caused roughly 35 million illnesses and 34,200 deaths last year.

While the unpredictable scope and impact of the 2019-nCoV is frightening and the rapid flow of information about it can be overwhelming, it is worth emphasizing the availability of effective vaccines that we do have at our disposal against other infectious diseases, such as influenza and other viruses and bacteria which cause substantially more morbidity and mortality. ■

Editor's note: Dr. Jake Scott is co-medical director of antimicrobial stewardship at Stanford Health Care-ValleyCare and clinical assistant professor, medicine-infectious diseases at Stanford University.

He will be presenting "The Rise of Superbugs and Vaccine-Preventable Infections" through the ValleyCare Speaker Series at the Bankhead Theater on May 7.



Dr. Jake Scott

BART ambassadors start riding trains

Pilot program aims to address safety concerns

BART officials are hoping a new ambassador program that launched this week will provide riders with a sense of added security and help curb inappropriate behavior aboard trains.

Starting Monday, 10 BART ambassadors wearing distinct uniforms were out walking trains in teams of two along the agency's busiest routes, BART officials said.

The six-month pilot ambassador program will cost the transit agency \$690,000 and was approved last month in response to concerns about safety aboard trains.

The ambassadors were recruited

from the ranks of BART's police community service officers. They completed de-escalation and anti-bias training last Friday, BART officials said.

"This team will be police employees and trained to provide a sense of safety and security for our riders on-board trains and deter crime," BART Police Chief Ed Alvarez said in January after the BART Board of Directors approved the program.

The unarmed ambassadors will ride trains from 2 p.m. to midnight seven days a week, with extra coverage on Saturdays.

The program will focus on the

most heavily traveled route — the Transbay corridor between the 12th Street Oakland and San Francisco Civic Center stations.

During the busy evening commute, the ambassadors will walk trains on other portions of BART routes, including Oakland Coliseum to Union City, and Walnut Creek to Pittsburg-Bay Point.

The ambassadors are trained to answer riders' questions and will have radios to report security issues and biohazards.

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did a terrific job at competition," Sklar said. "I am so proud of this group, and I look forward to watching them continue to grow and learn as they prepare for their journey to Nationals in April."

Detamore "could not be prouder of all of the work that they have done" to get to Nationals, he said. "This team has put in countless hours and has shown real grit and determination over these last few months."

Last year Amador and Foothill teams both represented California at nationals, with the Dons earning second place overall while the Falcons were eliminated in an earlier round. Both schools also grabbed top-four finishes in D.C. in 2018. Amador has been to nationals 18 times over the years and placed 15 times among the top-10 teams, including winning the 1995 national title.

The 33rd annual We The People national finals take place April 24-27 in Washington, D.C. ■



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Ruminations on romance

Residents reflect on love for Valentine's Day

STORY AND PHOTOS BY JULIA BAUM

Love it or leave it, Valentine's Day is a holiday that stirs up strong emotions for many people on both sides of the fence about it.

Tri-Valley residents are no exception, with some on board for celebrating the year's most reputedly romantic date while others merely wait for the deep day-after discounts on chocolate.

For more than 20 years, Hosai Mojaddidi, spiritual adviser for the Muslim Community Center East Bay in Pleasanton, has played matchmaker and counseled countless couples. She believes love is a gift that we can only give others after we've given it to ourselves.

"Our notions of love are often informed by what we see in pop culture. In our specific faith tradition, we have our own understanding of love," Mojaddidi told the Weekly. "It's very God-centered — understanding the gift of existence, the gift of life that we've been given, and honoring that by being a presence that exudes goodness and compassion."

"Instead of getting wrapped up in romantic ideals," people should focus more on self-love that Mojaddidi said will easily manifest in their relationship.

"When you recognize the great experiences of life, that sense of awe, that sense of beauty, that

sense of wonder will translate to anyone that comes into one's life," she added. "Naturally, you will exude that in your relationship — being selfless, caring for other people, serving other people, being thoughtful."

How that love is expressed can take on many forms, which is why Mojaddidi likes using "a more modern toolkit to help people really understand a more empathic concept of love" such as the "Five Love Languages" principles to help couples grow closer.

"I love that because it's very much in line with my faith-based understanding of love — caring for other people by reading what their needs are," Mojaddidi said. "It comes from a soul that's equipped to give. A lot of people just come into committed relationships not whole, but what does wholeness mean? It emanates from someone that has a sense of purpose, of self-love and being able to share with others."

Although modern Valentine's Day has overtaken, in a way, by commercial interests, as long as the holiday doesn't "end up being something that makes (a relationship) or breaks it," Mojaddidi said it can also be a sweet way of "reminding people to don't forget, be appreciative and make someone feel special, because we do get caught up in life."

We decided to ask a few people around Pleasanton for their thoughts on love heading into Valentine's Day today. Here's what they had to say:

How do you define love?

Love is sometimes from the word "eros," which is erotic, physical feeling, and then sometimes ... "agape." It means appreciation, that you care about the person's life and their happiness — more of a mind lover than physical body lover. You have to keep that balanced so there's a kindness involved. - Kay Donohue

I think love is something that's eternally never-ending — love grows within growing pains as well. I'm married, I've been for 18 years and it's always up and down and as long as you know how to get into arguments, know how to handle situations, how to clear out things then that makes your love grow more within the relationship. - Emeterio Negrete

I think love is about sacrifice. I think a huge portion of love is about sacrifice; it's not necessarily sacrificing your well-being for someone else ... Let's say your friend wants to watch a movie that you love but it's not your typical thing ... but you do it because you want to hang out and spend time with them. - Jay Razzell

It's a lot of giving, mutual giving of yourself or your time, your space as well. - John Razzell

Any advice for a lasting partnership?

Take good care of them, cook for them, clean for them, pay attention to what's important to them ... The most important thing is to teach your children to love them. - Kay

When you fall in love with someone, you have to have your eyes wide open. People do not change — if you don't have a very strong basis because you're not connected, it's not going to last. - Edye Letterman

Always pay attention to your wife or to your significant other, be more attentive to them, always comply, try to be romantic once in a while, not just on Valentine's Day but go out on Friday nights, Tuesday nights. - Emeterio

I've never been fortunate enough to be in a long-term romantic relationship but I know a lot about making friends and making sure to keep them around. Listening and communication is a big part of a relationship, regardless of whether it's romantic or platonic. - Jay

Do you believe in love at first sight?

I believe it exists, but I don't believe it's necessarily lasting. I do believe you can fall in love with someone instantaneously. - Edye

I've never been in love at first sight; I've seen couples, I've seen friends that'd been love at first sight and it's worked out. Yeah, (it) could be a thing. - Emeterio

No, not really. Because you don't really know someone just by looking. Sometimes you meet someone and at first there's an attraction and then they say something or do something, and you go, "I don't know why I liked you in the first place." - John

No, I don't believe in that either. A large part of love is trust and I think most people would say they have a hard time trusting people that you've only really just met or just looked at. You don't know how well your personalities will sort of click together or if they won't, there's certain things you can't determine just by meeting someone for the first time. It



Married now for close to two decades, Emeterio Negrete from San Ramon said love always has its ups and downs but that good communication can help keep couples together.



Jay Razzell of Pleasanton, who was interviewed along with brother John, told the Weekly that she doesn't believe in love at first sight because developing trust first in any type of relationship is essential.



Pleasanton resident Kay Donohue, who has been married four times, advises people to "pay attention to what's important" to their partner for a happy, lasting relationship.



Even though Valentine's Day isn't celebrated as much now than in the past, Edye Letterman of Pleasanton told the Weekly that she thinks romance is still as important as ever to younger couples.

takes time to develop an actual authentic relationship. - Jay

Does Valentine's Day get a bad rap?

For my generation, Valentine's Day used to be a very big, romantic thing — I don't believe it's that vitally important to (younger people) now. I've been married twice, neither husband believed it was a special day — maybe exchanging cards. - Edye

It does; it's played out. I think it became more of a holiday than an actual meaning of love. It's been a business thing and more people are spending more money instead of spending more time with their significant other. - Emeterio

There are two sides to the argument; there are those who think it's all about companies making money off of it, the over-commercialization, so there are people who fit into

that category. But I think it can also be a good opportunity to show your friends how much you appreciate them. I have even as an adult made Valentine's cards and given out candy to people who I appreciate just because I want to let them know and, well, a holiday's just as good an excuse as any. - Jay

Any Valentine's Day plans this year?

I've habitually never done anything for it. The last relationship I was in, she was against it, she didn't like the day, period. I was expressly told not to do anything, so I've never done anything for it. - John

I don't have any plans right now. I might try to treat myself to something nice just because I don't have anything concrete and I'm not in a relationship right now, so maybe take a day trip somewhere or ... get myself some nice soaps and stuff. - Jay



As far as Valentine's Day is concerned, Pleasanton resident John Razzell said that "people like to rag on it but I don't really care one way or the other" about the holiday.



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Camps support independence in safe setting

Many children say happiest experiences were those not involving parents

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Today's parents may wrestle with giving their children independence while keeping them safe. School offers some opportunities — and so do summer camps.

Camp is a place for kids to develop new interests and explore their own identities without the pressures they have at school or at home. In the relaxed atmosphere of camp, they can get out of their comfort zone and be ready

to try new things, which will help them gain independence and confidence.

In "Homesick and Happy: How Time Away from Parents Can Help a Child Grow," psychologist Michael Thompson cites a study in which people were asked their happiest childhood memories. More than 80% shared a memory when their parents were not involved.

Thompson interpreted this to mean that children like to accomplish something on

their own, without worrying about what their parents would think. Such moments also give them a feeling of accomplishment.

Even day camps can teach children to be independent, something that may be hard to achieve with parents involved in their lives every day. This may be the first time a child makes friends who their parents don't know.

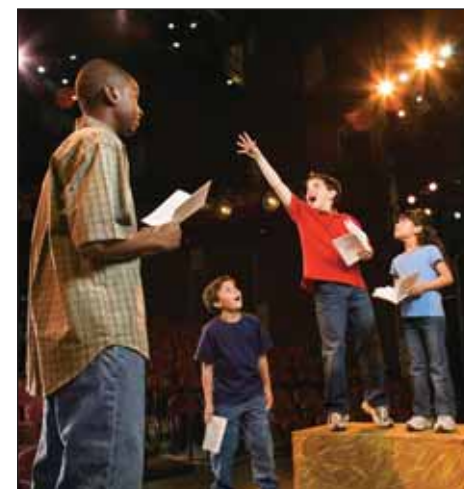
At first, some parents may find the thought of sending their little ones off to camp overwhelming, Thompson writes.

"But parents' first instinct — to shelter their offspring above all else — is actually depriving kids of the major developmental milestones that occur through letting them go — and watching them come back transformed," he explains.

The world is a scary place for parents, although few would deny the importance of becoming independent. Summer camp is the perfect time and place for this as children grow without being under the watchful eyes of parents.

Campers seem more open to new experiences, like sports they are encouraged to play. And they do things like make their beds and take their plates to the sink without being asked.

At both day camps and overnight camps, children learn to balance different personalities and backgrounds in a respectful manner, a skill that will help them be independent. They also



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are responsible for their own items, such as swimming gear and lunches.

Camps are also important today because they get children away from technology. A lot of growing can be done when they leave behind distractions such as video games and smartphones as well as the pressures of their everyday lives.

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Konrad Dominik Rickenbach

April 5, 1927 – February 8, 2020

Konrad D. Rickenbach of Pleasanton, CA passed away on February 8, 2020.

Konrad's journey began April 5th, 1927 in Steinen, Switzerland. During his youth, he was surrounded by lakes, mountain meadows and peaks. Growing up in this environment, led to his passion for skiing, cycling and travel. In his mid-twenties his curiosity took him to North America working his way across Canada into Northern California. He settled in Pleasanton and got involved with cabinet manufacturing and property development with his school mate Frank Aufdermau.

Konrad enjoyed being with family, skiing friends, and a nice bottle of wine.

He leaves behind his wife of 65 years, Elisabeth, sons Konrad (Doris), Andreas (Kristen), daughter Suzanne (Thomas), six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

No services will be held.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to Kindred Hospice, Dublin or local Humane Society.



PAID OBITUARY

Howard W. Neely

May 8, 1932 – December 5, 2019

After 87 years of well-lived and well-fought life, Howard W. Neely passed away on December 5, 2019 in his Arroyo Grande residence with family at his side. Howard was a 53 year resident of his beloved city of Pleasanton. He was actively involved in his community, dedicating countless hours to committees, his church & his family.

Howard was the son of Captain Neely of the US Navy & Howard honorably served in the army in his younger years, stationed in Fort Leonard Wood, Colorado. His mother was Helen Adams & he loved his Adams heritage. He was a skilled draftsman and dedicated industrial arts & history teacher in Fremont, impacting many youth in our community. He was a long-time member of Pleasanton Presbyterian Church & enjoyed marching with the Balloon Platoon for many years. While serving on the Park & Recreation Commission for the City of Pleasanton, he was instrumental in establishing several parks for the City. He was also a part of the Affordable Housing Authority, working to ensure housing opportunities for those in challenging financial situations. Along with a few other community members, Howard was a catalyst for securing the securing the Pleasanton Pioneer Cemetery by the City of Pleasanton to honor loved ones in the community for generations to come.

He loved woodworking and using every one of his collection of tools. He loved the outdoors, and spending hour after hour tending his property that he built with his own hands. He fiercely fought for what he believed in and he will be dearly missed by friends and family.

He is survived by his wife Kathleen of 48 years who resides in Arroyo Grande, CA. His family legacy includes five daughters, thirteen grandchildren & twelve great-grandchildren.

Please join us in honoring his life on Sunday, Feb. 16th at 2pm at the Veterans Memorial on 301 Main Street in Pleasanton.

In honor of his favorite event, Easter Sunrise Service & his love of the outdoors, there will be a tree dedication at 7:30 am on Feb. 16th at Shadow Cliffs Regional Park. There is a \$6-park entry fee.

He will be buried at Pleasanton Pioneer Cemetery with family present for the burial.



PAID OBITUARY

Community Pulse

POLICE BULLETIN

CHP investigates fatal crash on outskirts of Pleasanton

A driver was found dead in his car at the bottom of a hillside off Pleasanton Sunol Road on the edge of Pleasanton in unincorporated Alameda County on Friday morning.

The Alameda County Coroner's Bureau on Monday identified the victim as 55-year-old David Davis from Salida, a town in Stanislaus County between Manteca and Modesto.

The circumstances of the crash remain unclear, complicated by the fact it appears Davis' car wasn't discovered for some time after it originally drove off Pleasanton Sunol Road and overturned down an embankment.

It was around 8:15 a.m. last Friday when the California Highway Patrol first received a report about a vehicle on its roof about 20 to 30 feet off the road, just south of the Castlewood Drive intersection in unincorporated Pleasanton, not far from Interstate 680, according to CHP Officer Tyler Hahn.

When officers arrived at the scene, they found the vehicle, a 2014 Volkswagen Jetta, on its roof with damage to the front end, suggesting it may have struck one or more trees that line the roadway in that area before it came to a stop, Hahn said. Passersby could not see the car until daylight.

"The vehicle was unable to be seen clearly from the roadway as it was partially covered by foliage and behind a dirt embankment," Hahn said.

It's not clear when the car left the road or how long it was there before

it was spotted by a passing motorist, but officers noted that the engine was cold by the time they arrived, according to Hahn.

Davis, the driver and lone occupant, was pronounced dead at the scene. What led to the fatal crash remains under investigation, according to Hahn.

"There is no indication about when the collision occurred," Hahn added. "CHP investigators working in conjunction with the coroner are determining if this collision was caused by a medical condition."

Anyone who witnessed the crash or otherwise has information about the incident can contact the Dublin CHP office at 828-0466.

In other news

- An 18-year-old man who was raised in Livermore led police on a chase through the East Bay after allegedly stabbing his mother's boyfriend to death in San Leandro on Friday night.

Ty Bothwellmitlitsk, now of San Leandro, was eventually taken into custody in Castro Valley early Saturday, said San Leandro police Lt. Issac Benabou. Bothwellmitlitsk spent time growing up in Livermore, and graduated last spring from Vineyard Alternative High School.

Police were first called about 11:30 p.m. to a San Leandro home in the 500 block of Beverly Avenue, where they found a 62-year-old man with stab wounds. They gave him first aid until paramedics arrived.

The victim, whose name was not released, was taken to a hospital where he died, police said.

A motive for the slaying has not been released. The suspect's mother told officers that her son fled in her car after the stabbing, and detectives learned that he was possibly in San Francisco.

About 3:40 a.m., investigators

spotted Bothwellmitlitsk driving his mother's car back across the Bay Bridge toward San Leandro, Benabou said.

Police tried to stop him but he led officers on a 20-minute pursuit to Dublin before turning back toward the East Bay. The suspect continued to elude several police vehicles until Castro Valley, where he eventually stopped and was arrested, police said.

"This was a violent and seemingly unprovoked incident by a dangerous individual who needed to be caught quickly," Benabou said. "The suspect may be in custody, but this is still an active investigation."

Bothwellmitlitsk was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

- An officer with the California Highway Patrol has been charged in Alameda County with unlawful sex with a child, Fremont police said Monday.

Fremont resident Brian Watkins, 34, was arrested at about 5:45 p.m. Feb. 6 on suspicion of more than one felony related to sexual assault.

Police began an investigation in July 2019 after someone reported Watkins allegedly having had sexual relations with a teen girl.

The alleged relations did not occur when Watkins was on duty, according to police. The relations apparently occurred primarily in Fremont.

Police said the sexual relationship began between Watkins and the girl when she was 16 years old. Police allege that since that time the relationship has continued even after Watkins learned police were investigating him.

Watkins was scheduled to be arraigned Monday, according to police, who said Watkins is not suspected in any other similar cases. ■

—Jeremy Walsh and
Bay City News Service

POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

Feb. 6

Drug violation

■ 2:54 a.m. at Sunol Boulevard and Castlewood Drive

Theft

■ 6:37 a.m., 200 block of Napier Court; theft from auto

■ 7:33 a.m., 6600 block of Amber Lane; theft from auto

■ 7:52 a.m., 6600 block of Amber Lane; theft from auto

■ 7:58 a.m. on the 3800 block of Promenade Way

■ 8:39 a.m. on the 4300 block of Foothill Road

■ 9:22 a.m., 6900 block of Riddell Street; theft from auto

■ 12:29 a.m. on the 100 block of Main Street

■ 1:02 p.m. on the 500 block of Happy Valley Road

■ 2:07 p.m., 1600 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; auto theft

Burglary

■ 8:05 a.m. on the 1500 block of Oak Vista Way

Assault/battery

■ 12:32 p.m. on the 4600 block of Chabot Drive

Feb. 5

Vandalism

■ 8:49 a.m. on the 3600 block of Camelot Court

Warrant arrest

■ 3:35 p.m. on the 400 block of Boulder Court

■ 6:40 p.m. on the 4800 block of Bernal Avenue

Drug violation

■ 5:48 p.m. on the 6000 block of Johnson Drive

■ 9:59 p.m. on the 6700 block of Bernal Avenue

■ 10:22 p.m. on the 5300 block of Case Avenue

Assault/battery

■ 8:54 p.m. on the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

Feb. 4

Vandalism

■ 8:05 a.m. on the 6900 block of Valley Trails Drive

Burglary

■ 9:08 a.m. on the 7600 block of Fair Oaks Drive

Fire

■ 9:23 a.m. on the 6400 block of Owens Drive

Assault/battery

■ 10:34 a.m. on the 5700 block of Valley Avenue

Shoplifting

■ 12:24 p.m. on the 6000 block of Johnson Drive

■ 3:56 p.m. on the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Drug violation

■ 6:15 p.m. on the 3000 block of Bernal Avenue

■ 7:22 p.m. on the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

Feb. 3

Warrant arrest

■ 1:11 a.m. on the 6700 block of Santa Rita Road

■ 4:21 p.m. at Owens and Johnson drives

Theft

■ 7:35 a.m. on the 6600 block of Amber Lane

■ 7:39 a.m. on the 6600 block of Amber Lane

■ 7:40 a.m. on the 6700 block of Arlington Drive

■ 7:42 a.m. on the 6600 block of Amber Lane

■ 9:19 a.m., 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from auto

■ 2:25 p.m. 5500 block of Baldwin Way; theft from auto

■ 7:45 p.m. on the 4300 block of Foothill Road

Vandalism

■ 9:06 a.m. on the 300 block of Christina Court

County Supervisor: Vote Miley for District 4, Haubert or Hernandez for District 1

District 4 Supervisor

Incumbent Supervisor Nate Miley is the clearcut best choice for Alameda County Board of Supervisors District 4, which includes Pleasanton and extends through communities to the west into parts of Oakland.

Miley, who is seeking his sixth term on the county board, has demonstrated himself to be a responsible voice on countywide issues that also resonate in Pleasanton — homelessness support, transportation improvements, pensions, prudent budgeting and mental health services.

He voted in favor of Urban Shield, he's been a leader in the Coliseum sale and he's spearheaded programs to fight illegal dumping.

Miley has also been responsive to Pleasanton residents and our local issues, such as helping secure Measure A1 housing bond funds for Kottinger Gardens and Sunflower Hill, safety improvements on unincorporated roads like Foothill Road, Castlewood and Happy Valley services, and tracking the fairgrounds strategic plan.

The lone challenger on the ballot, Esther Goolsby, an environmental community organizer from Oakland, did not bother to respond to our request for an interview, had no candidate statement in the voter guide and has only a vague campaign website.

Vote for Miley for Supervisorial District 4.

District 1 Supervisor

This is the more interesting Tri-Valley election for Board of Supervisors.

With longtime Supervisor Scott Haggerty retiring, the race is wide open for the District 1 seat that includes Dublin, Livermore, Fremont and parts of Sunol.

The four candidates are Fremont City Councilman Vinnie Bacon, Dublin Mayor David Haubert, Dublin City Councilwoman Melissa Hernandez

and State Sen. Bob Wieckowski, a Fremont resident who is being termed out at the state level.

To win the seat outright on March 3, a candidate would have to earn more than 50% of the vote, so a two-candidate runoff in November is highly likely.

At this stage, we prefer candidates Hernandez and Haubert, and hope to see them facing each other in a runoff election in November.

During the Weekly's candidate forum in Livermore last month, Hernandez stood out as a poised advocate for priorities relevant in the Tri-Valley and countywide, including championing the Valley Link project and other traffic and transit improvements, aiding homeless people, supporting the agricultural industry and finding housing solutions.

Hernandez, who is nearing the end of her first term on the Dublin City Council, has earned a broad base of support for her supervisor campaign during the primary cycle.

The other strongest candidate is Haubert, a seasoned local elected official with nearly two decades of experience under his belt, between the Dublin mayor's seat, council and school board. His supporters include each of the other Tri-Valley mayors.

In an interview with the Weekly, Haubert articulated informed views on key topics such as traffic solutions, homelessness, Valley Link, affordable housing, criminal justice and the ag industry.

The two Dublin officials would best represent the Tri-Valley and the rest of District 1 as a whole on the county board.

Wieckowski has obviously amassed an impressive elected service record as well, but we're concerned about his ability to understand the Tri-Valley and accomplish its unique priorities while sitting in a nonpartisan seat for the first time in a decade.

Bacon has shown he knows Fremont issues, but we wanted to hear more specifics from him on Tri-Valley and countywide priorities during our forum to demonstrate he could overcome the familiarity gap.

With a runoff very likely, we think it's premature to commit preference to a single candidate in the primary, but we hope to see Hernandez and Haubert on the November ballot.

Measure C

Voters in Pleasanton will help decide the fate of a proposed new half-cent sales tax across Alameda County for the next 20 years (Measure C), with 80% of the funds supporting childcare, preschool and early education programs and 20% supporting pediatric health care.

It's similar to the Measure A sales tax proposal (for childcare and preschool only) that just barely failed at the polls in June 2018 — earning 66.20% of the vote, just short of the 66.67% required for passage.

The concerns we had with that 2018 ballot measure have only been exasperated by the Measure C campaign.

The need for quality, affordable childcare, early education and pediatric health care is undeniable, but Measure C is not the solution.

Given the plan outlined in the initiative ordinance, it's difficult to see how the Tri-Valley will benefit from the tax funding. It's likely priority will be given to communities with larger concentrations of low- and middle-income children in need.

We also question whether a new sales tax is really the most appropriate public funding mechanism to increase support for childcare and pediatric health care.

But what's most troublesome is the campaign itself.

Go to the "Yes on C: Care for Our Kids" website, and good luck finding

the phrase "sales tax" anywhere (unless you manage to find the link to the full 13-page ordinance). Are they trying to hoodwink voters? Be upfront about the basic terms.

Also concerning is that the passage threshold for Measure C appears to be unclear.

The proponents, on their ballot submittal form, claim it would only need a simple majority to pass — not the typical two-thirds supermajority for a special tax.

The Alameda County Registrar of Voters' Office declined our request for a specific answer, telling us we'd need to contact the proponents.

We found a little more context on the website of First 5 Alameda County, which would be the administrator of the Measure C childcare program, saying the threshold for approving a voter-qualified special tax is now unclear (simple majority vs. two-thirds supermajority) in light of multiple court cases pending appeal in California. "Consequently, the threshold will be determined in future court decisions."

Just be direct with the voters about the tax measure you want them to adopt. That's not what we've seen here.

Vote No on Measure C.

State, federal legislators

With the State Assembly District 16, State Senate District 7 and 15th Congressional District elections all guaranteed for runoffs in November, we are holding off on final endorsements in those races.

But we're leaning heavily in favor of the three incumbents at this point — and fully expecting each to advance out of the primary to face one challenger in the general election as the top-two finishers in the primary.

In her first term, Assemblywoman Rebecca Bauer-Kahan (D-Orinda) has quickly and decidedly proven herself a strong advocate for the Tri-Valley in

Sacramento.

Meanwhile, her challenger, Alamo businessman Joseph A. Rubay, appears to be only a token Republican on the ballot, with no elected experience running little-to-no campaign.

Incumbent State Sen. Steve Glazer (D-Orinda) has also proposed legislation and cast votes in strong support of priorities important to residents and community leaders in the Tri-Valley — even if that means occasionally going against his party.

Surely then, it's no coincidence his fiercest competition is coming from within his party, San Ramon Democrat Marisol Rubio, a scientific researcher and health care provider who has been backed by many labor union and progressive Democratic groups.

We expect Glazer and Rubio to advance to the general election, considering the other challenger, Republican Julie Mobley, has no apparent campaign. And we hope to see interest groups who oppose Glazer start avoiding the type of misleading campaigning that we've seen this winter.

Fourth-term Rep. Eric Swalwell (D-Livermore) is on the ballot for Congress with six unproven challengers, each of whom have no prior elected service and are running disjointed (or non-existent) campaigns.

We hear the concerns of certain readers critical of Swalwell's ascending profile in D.C. — the idea that he's focused on his national image or party standing, with issues like impeachment, rather than discernible accomplishments in and for the Tri-Valley.

Make no mistake: His legislative record is unmatched in this election. None of the challengers appear anywhere close to a viable congressional candidate.

And for what it's worth, Swalwell was the only candidate whose response to us for last week's cover story actually mentioned District 15 and local priorities.

We look forward to watching the next eight months of campaigning closely, and solidifying our recommendations in these three races thereafter. ■

LETTERS

Measure M fulfills our promise to students

Dear Editor,

I have dedicated my career to investing in Pleasanton students and striving to bring out their best. As a former principal and now PUSD board president, I have had the honor of working alongside dedicated teachers and meeting committed parents who simply want to do the right thing for students. This is a community that cares about its kids.

Our community loves our schools, no doubt. We are among the top school districts in the state and certainly attract families to our area. But what I hear time and again is that our school facilities are decades behind.

We may want to have a competitive edge, yet our labs are outdated; our classrooms aren't keeping pace. If we want to continue preparing students for jobs or college, we need to do our part to provide them with an outstanding education.

Measure M fulfills our promise to students by updating classrooms and facilities to make sure they are

safe and meet current standards. Measure M will make possible the important updates we know are needed.

Accountability is key to Measure M, as it requires audits and independent citizen oversight. These safeguards help ensure that it is the Pleasanton students who directly benefit.

I have had the privilege of watching many children grow up through Pleasanton schools. Now, as a grandfather of Pleasanton students, this issue is even more dear to me. I hope that we can come together as a community to support our students and

vote Yes on Measure M.

—Steve Maher,
PUSD board president

Green for Zone 7

Please join me and vote Laurene Green for the Zone 7 Water board on March 3.

Ms. Green has earned an M.S. in civil engineering-water resources from Stanford, and she has years of experience in her field. Laurene has the credentials to be an excellent Zone 7 board member. As a reminder, Pleasanton's drinking water is sourced from Zone 7 and the city

of Pleasanton's wells.

As your Pleasanton City Council member, I'm appointed as a liaison to the Zone 7 board, and I hold a seat on the "Tri-Valley Water Roundtable." I know firsthand: Water quality and clean water supplies have become more complex and technical. Laurene's expertise is needed now.

Please help me ensure we have Clean Safe Water for our families — Vote Laurene Green for Zone 7 water board!

—Karla Brown,
Current City Council member

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Tri-Valley mayors all agree: Haubert for Supervisor

We, along with Dublin Mayor David Haubert, represent all the cities of the Tri-Valley. We work closely together on the things that matter most to our communities. We all want to elect the best possible candidate to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, and we unanimously endorse David Haubert.

Mayor Haubert has an impressive background serving for 18 years on the local school board and mayor of Dublin. He has the experience it takes to make unbiased, fair and thoughtful decisions because he is an independent thinker, not tied to any political party or special interest.

He is a team player who works across party lines to get things done. If we want real, practical ideas on solving the homeless crisis, traffic gridlock and housing affordability, then Haubert is the person for the job!

—John Marchand (Livermore), Jerry Thorne (Pleasanton), Bill Clarkson (San Ramon) and Karen Stepper (Danville)

Senior supports Measure M

I have lived in Pleasanton for many years, and even though I no longer have children in local schools, I'm voting Yes on Measure M.

Investing in the children of our community is the most important thing we can do. Our children grew up right here in Pleasanton and attended local schools. Now it's time for my generation to look ahead and support the next generation that is coming up. This is our opportunity to invest in them and ensure they

have the tools they need for the years ahead.

Investing in local schools also provides us with an added bonus — strong home values.

Pleasanton schools have always been top-ranking in the state, making this one of the top places to raise a family. By investing in local schools we are also investing in the resale value of our home — and the return on investment is significant.

As a member of the Pleasanton senior community, I urge my peers to join me in supporting the schools that have served our families so well and to invest in the next generation — Please vote Yes on M.

—Bob Watson

Who cares about water?

If you care about the quality of the water you drink and bathe in: Vote for Laurene Green! This critical election of the Zone 7 board will determine your family's water future. Zone 7 is the body that provides water to much of the Tri-Valley.

It's time to bring some fresh scientific solutions to this board that has control of the treatment methods to filter and "purify" water, rates charged and how this precious resource is protected from contamination.

They must have more than basic understanding of the water cycle and cost-cutting plans to effectively protect our water and provide for the health of the Tri-Valley. That's why it's critical that you vote for one candidate in this election: Laurene Green.

Her scientific perspective, background as a professional water engineer, experience in groundwater investigations and cleanup of aquifer and reservoir issues is what we need on Zone 7. She brings a robust approach to dealing with flood control, expanding our water capture and

storage capabilities and will stand with us to protect our water.

Make the Green choice on March 3.

—Paulette Salisbury

Protect youth from vaping

Vaping and the use of e-cigarettes have become an epidemic for the Pleasanton youth impacting all of our families, directly or indirectly.

Children, parents, schools, and communities are suffering the consequences of youth vaping. Today, 30% of our Pleasanton students have used e-cigarettes and almost 80% believe that vaping devices are easy to obtain (California Healthy Kids Survey). We must address the problem in our own backyards. We cannot leave our children to fight this battle on their own.

It is time we take action. Please join us in encouraging the city of Pleasanton to adopt city ordinances that protect our children. We ask that the city of Pleasanton adopt the recommendations of the Pleasanton Youth Commission:

1. Prohibit the sale of flavored tobacco products.
2. Prohibit the sale of e-cigarettes and related paraphernalia.
3. Restrict the sale of tobacco products within 1,000 feet of public schools, parks, and recreation facilities (grandfathering existing retailers).
4. Set minimum pack sizes and prices for some cigars and cigarettes.
5. Update the municipal code to prohibit persons under the age of 21 from the possession of tobacco products.

Additionally, we ask that a tobacco retail license be adopted to provide a mechanism with which to enforce these rules. Currently, tobacco vendors only face a small fine.

The surrounding communities have or are in the process of adopting similar ordinances. We cannot let Pleasanton become the "go-to place" to obtain flavored tobacco/vaping paraphernalia. Please join the Pleasanton PTA Council in advocating for our youth!

—Maritess Simmons, president;
De De Curry, VP of student/community concerns;
Pleasanton PTA Council

Please vote for Measure M

I am proud to endorse Measure M for Pleasanton schools. This is for our children and our city. The time for Measure M is now.

The need for improvements is great. Classrooms and science labs need to be updated. Students need additional space and additional classrooms to prevent overcrowding. Basic repairs to aging buildings are necessary.

Why would we delay when we recognize such a critical need? If we wait any longer for these improvements, they will only become more expensive.

The district has taken the first essential steps toward updating our

schools, with many improvements well underway and more planned in the future. Although some progress has been made, over \$1 billion in necessary improvements have been identified. Unless Measure M passes, no other source of funding exists for updating our schools. The state doesn't provide adequate funding.

It is clear that we need Measure M to complete the next phase of urgent improvements. If we wait any longer, the progress made at our schools would come to an end while critical needs still exist. Generations of students would miss out on having modern and safe schools.

Investing in our Pleasanton schools now makes fiscal sense and is the right thing to do. By passing Measure M, we can qualify for state matching funds — funding that would otherwise go to other communities.

I love our city. I hope you join me in voting Yes on M so that Pleasanton students continue receiving the top-quality education we know they deserve.

—Jill Buck
Founder/CEO, Go Green Initiative

Glazer, vote Yes

In the United States, over 260 tons of plastic are produced annually. 91% of this plastic is not recycled, and ends up in oceans and landfills.

From there the plastics make their way into the stomachs of birds and fish, and eventually our own bodies via our food and the air. The average American ingests 310 plastic particles a day. Despite the fact that there are multiple alternatives to single-use plastics, we are still reliant on the plastic industry.

Bills SB 54 and AB 1080 will reduce California's reliance by ensuring all plastic products sold or distributed in California are recyclable or compostable by 2030. Your senator, Steve Glazer, is in a unique position regarding the success of this bill. Senator Glazer's support can make or break these bills. Senator, I ask you to vote yes on these bills, and I ask that constituents continue the fight against climate change.

—Easter Murphy

Amador senior for Measure M

I've been fortunate to have received a great education from PUSD. I started attending PUSD schools in fourth grade after I moved from Tennessee, so I've been part of the school system for most of my education.

Pleasanton schools, specifically the ones I attended (Donlon, Hart and Amador Valley), have a special place in my life because of the formative lessons I've learned from my teachers and my fellow students. The impact of my schooling on my academic, personal, and social growth is undoubtedly large and hugely positive. For that reason, I support Measure M.

Without Measure M, necessary improvements will not be made. I have seen firsthand at Amador Valley High School how the moldy rooms, leaky

ceilings and the overall deterioration of infrastructure has led to an uncomfortable and poorer learning environment. Many rooms have inconsistent or even broken temperature controls that make students often focus more on the level of heat or cold in a classroom rather than learning.

The physical learning environment has become worse during my four years at Amador, and I believe Measure M will provide a more conducive, proper, and productive learning environment. As I will be gone by the time these projects start, I have a sister who will attend Amador, so I want her and future generations to have the same level of first-rate education that I did.

Let's keep our schools strong for decades to come. Join me and countless other students in the community and vote Yes on M.

—Rohan Gupta,
Amador Valley High senior

Changing times for Zone 7

It's time that we, as Pleasanton citizens, think carefully for who we want to serve as members of the Zone 7 Water board. We urgently need educated and professional board members to bring about the significant changes that are necessary to ensure we have safe, clean, drinking water.

I am endorsing Laurene Green for Zone 7 Water board.

Laurene has a diverse, global perspective with a technical background related to water resources. Ms. Green has experience as a water resource engineer focused on groundwater cleanup.

Bottom line, she not only has the qualifications, but she has the expertise. She knows how to ask the right questions to analyze complex water-related and contamination issues to ensure safe drinking water for the safety of our families. She thinks creatively to solve complex problems, because she understands the science behind the issues at hand.

During debates about PFAS and potable reuse (often referred to as toilet-to-tap), Laurene Green brings a professional perspective, with alternative solutions focused on the conservation of water, for improving flood control, expanding water capture, and improving infrastructures for both agricultural and industry, and to improve systematic changes for water storage.

With too many unknowns around potable reuse and its extremely high costs, Laurene supports more practical and much safer strategies.

Join me and vote for Laurene Green for our Zone 7 Water board. We absolutely must have clean, safe water for ourselves and our families!

—Kelly Mokashi

Plastic bills in Sacramento

We've all heard the mantra: reduce, reuse, recycle. Many Americans think they're being environmentally conscious by recycling their

THE CITY OF PLEASANTON

UPCOMING MEETINGS

City Council

Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

- Consider introduction of an ordinance to amend Chapter 9.32 and Title 18 of the Municipal Code to: restrict the sale of flavored tobacco and electronic smoking devices; restrict tobacco sales within 1,000 feet of public schools, parks and recreation facilities; require tobacco retailer licensing; and address possession of tobacco products by persons under 21

Economic Vitality Committee

Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 7:30 a.m.
Remillard Room, 3333 Busch Rd.

- Overview and Discussion regarding Hacienda Business Park, presented by James Paxson, Hacienda General Manager

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plastic. But are they?

According to the EPA, less than 10% of plastic in municipal recycling actually gets recycled. California prides itself on being forward thinking on climate change, yet one of our oldest systems of sustainability is broken.

This is why bills SB 54 and AB 1080 are so crucial to reducing California's plastic pollution epidemic; if passed, they will mend the municipal recycling system by mandating that by 2030, 75% of recyclable content is recycled. They would also make all single-use plastic recyclable or compostable by 2030.

Because State Senator Glazer of

this district can sway the votes of other senators, a yes vote from him is critical to the bills' success. Senator Glazer, we implore you to vote Yes on SB 54 and AB 1080.

—Lillian McIlhane

Bay pollution

We all know that the pollution of our environment is one of the causes of our current climate crisis. A report from the World Health Organization says that, only at our Bay, seven tons of micro plastics arrive each year in higher concentrations than they do in Europe and China.

Even if California is doing something, it clearly appears to not be enough.

That is why SB 54 and AB 1080 are such important bills, as they aim for 75% of domestic recycled content and a reduction of all single-use packaging and products sold or distributed in California by 2030.

In this, Senator Glazer's vote is decisive. I, as well as everyone should, urge Senator Glazer to vote Yes to these bills, to support the battle against climate change and show a commitment to protect the beautiful biodiversity we have here at the Bay, our home.

—Felipe Navarro

In support of Measure M

As a Pleasanton teacher and parent, I see our aging facilities. Some of our classrooms are 70 years old and are in need of updates.

Measure M is the only way to make these critical updates that our students need. The state provides no funding for school improvements, so without Measure M, our schools will continue to age and deteriorate, and our students will continue to be the ones that pay the price.

By using Measure M funds to repair and modernize, I know every penny will stay local, and that independent citizens' oversight is required.

As a teacher and Pleasanton resident, the future of our schools is important to me. Please support our local students and vote Yes on Measure M on March 3.

—Sharolyn Borris

What's your opinion?

Send a Letter to the Editor to Editor@PleasantonWeekly.com or put your opinion on Town Square at www.PleasantonWeekly.com. Letters must be 250 words or less.



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PLEASANTON PREPS

BY DENNIS MILLER

Dublin student manager gets game action; crowd erupts after he drills shot

Coach: 'He's been at every practice for four years — he earned this'

As the purity of high school sports continues to decline, every so often we are blessed with an example of the beauty of sports, especially at the high school level.

Last week, the Dublin High boys varsity basketball team played a home game against Livermore for their annual Silent Night (a game in which the student body stands but remains

silent until the Gaels score their 10th point).

The week before the game, Dublin coach Tom Costello felt a home game with a packed student section would be a good time for four-year Dublin basketball student manager Stewy Thalblum to get some court time.

"I just thought it would be cool," Costello said of getting Thalblum

some playing time. "He's a great kid and when I ran it by the team, they got all fired up. Our crowd always chants 'we want Stewy,' so I thought, 'let's get this kid into a game.' He's been at every practice for four years — he earned this."

But something like this doesn't work unless both teams are onboard. Costello then called Livermore coach James Petersdorf.

"He is such a classy guy," Costello said of Petersdorf. "Their whole team was good with it and made it happen. I can't say enough about how classy Livermore was with this getting done."

With two minutes left in the third quarter, Costello sent Thalblum into the game. After missing a couple of shots, Thalblum drilled a shot right



ELLA MELVIN

Amador senior Kate Reedy drives the ball forward against Livermore.

in front the raucous Dublin student section.

The students stormed the court and Livermore's players and staff allowed the students to enjoy the moment.

It was a great move from Costello and even bigger moment for Livermore for working to make this moment happen. The event made it all the way to NBC Nightly News, airing on Feb. 9.

In a day where the true meaning of what sports brings to the table seems to be getting lost, this came along to help put everything in perspective.

Well done Dublin and Livermore!

Foothill soccer

The varsity boys had an up and down week that started with a 4-1 win over Granada. Max McGee, Jensen McMillan, Pablo Gil and Joseph Lemus scored goals for Foothill.

Then, the Falcons came back to

earth with a 5-0 loss to Dublin.

The junior varsity boys had a very tough week being shut out by both Granada and Dublin, losing 2-0 and 3-0, respectively

The JV girls started the week on shaky ground being shut out by Granada 2-0. The Falcons then bounced back with a 2-0 win over Dublin.

Sydney Mutzel scored from long range to get the Falcons on the board against the Gaels. Emma Harbourne scored on a nice left-footed shot early in the second half to put the game out of reach.

Amador girls soccer

The Amador girls varsity soccer team celebrated Senior Night before their Feb. 4 home game against the Dublin Gaels.

Allison Jones, Bella Mayo, Julia Gonsman, Sofia Griffen and Kate Reedy from the class of 2020 were recognized for their outstanding efforts on the field and in the classroom.

After the pregame ceremony, the Dons prevailed 4-0 with goals from Gonsman, Noelle Marceno, Maille Smith and Kennedy Mayo.

Reedy, Bella Mayo and Maddie Benson contributed assists while the defense shut down any Gael offensive threats for the shutout.

On Feb. 6, the Dons visited Livermore and came away with a 0-0 draw. Although the Dons controlled the game, they couldn't convert on any of their multiple scoring opportunities. The defense dominated Livermore's offense to preserve the tie.

Amador ended the week 11-2-2.

Lacrosse stars

Two of Pleasanton's lacrosse athletes were selected for the national team recently.

Madysyn Sweeney of Amador and goalie Paige Doyle off Foothill were named to the Adrenaline Lacrosse All American Team. The team is made up of 60 players from the western half of the U.S.

Sweeney is a two-sport varsity scholar athlete (basketball and lacrosse); she has been on the FCA leadership team at Amador all four years. Sweeney will be heading to U.S. Naval Academy on a lacrosse scholarship in June. ■

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

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TECHNOLOGY

Workday, Inc. has a Senior Software Development Engineer position available in Pleasanton, CA: Collaborate with team-members to design solutions for Machine Learning Platform requirements. Build highly available and scalable machine learning model management. Submit resume by mail to: Workday, Inc., Attn: Human Resources/Immigration, 6110 Stoneridge Mall Road, Pleasanton, CA 94588. Must reference job title and job code (SSDE).

Calendar

POST CALENDAR ITEMS AT PLEASANTONWEEKLY.COM

Talks & Lectures

VAPING AND E-CIGARETTES, A TEEN EPIDEMIC: WHAT PARENTS AND TEENS NEED TO KNOW

Representatives from Flavors Addict Kids-Livermore will give a presentation informing teens and their parents about the risks involved with e-cigarettes. A question and answer session will follow the presentation. Feb. 19, 6:30 p.m. Livermore Public Library, 1188 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore.

HACIENDA PARK TOASTMASTERS CLUB

Guests Welcome. Improve your public speaking, confidence, listening and leadership skills. Meetings are every Thursday at noon for one hour in the Dublin Library or Dublin City Hall Regional Meeting Room, 100 - 200 Civic Plaza, Dublin. Contact 398-3257 or 895-6796. HaciendaTM@gmail.com. \$9 per month.

Arts

ART & WINE INTERTWINED Lush abstracts, seascapes, nature and figurative images showcase artists from across the Bay Area. Free admission, wine tastings, \$2-\$5. Feb. 22, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore.

Family

WORLD OF IMAGINATION Livermore School of Dance Jazz Company presents "World of Imagination" an entertaining and fun family performance for all ages to enjoy. Feb. 15, 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at www.lvpac.org. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St, Livermore.

Dance

AUDITIONS FOR DISNEY'S NEWSIES: THE MUSICAL Las Positas College Theater Arts is excited to announce auditions for Disney's "Newsies: The Musical," to be performed in the outdoor amphitheater in July 2020. Auditions are Feb. 22, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Contact mtishows.com/newsies-0. Las Positas College Mertes Center for the Arts, Green Room 4129, 3000 Campus Hill Drive, Livermore.

Film

CLASSIC FILM MUSICALS West Side Story starring Natalie Wood. The 1961 beloved take on the timeless story of Romeo and Juliet, "West Side Story" has been popular for decades and won 10 Academy Awards. Feb. 19, 7 p.m., Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St, Livermore.

Seniors

TECH TUTORING DAYS - FREE The San Ramon Teen Council will be offering a free basic tutoring workshop. Sign up for a 15-minute appointment or stop by Room

PET OF THE WEEK



VHS

How about some Candy?

Looking for the perfect Valentine treat? Candy may be what your heart desires! This nearly 10-year-old female tuxedo would love nothing more than to curl up on the couch and watch a romantic comedy with you or have you toss her favorite catnip-filled banana toy. This week is "Adults Only," where all cats 9 months of age or older go home for an adoption fee of \$14. If you want Candy, meet her at Valley Humane Society, 3670 Nevada St. in Pleasanton. Visit valleyhumane.org or call 426-8656.

114 at The Senior Center. Teen Council members will be available to answer technical questions and help seniors learn about phones, i-pads, or other devices. Alcosta Senior & Community Center, 9300 Alcosta Blvd. at 9:30 a.m. Feb. 18.

Teens

FREE WORKSHOP FOR TEENS

Prepare for the March 7th Job Fair. Workshop for Teens that will provide instruction on creating a professional employment, career and college portfolio binder. Sat., Feb. 15, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Contact Laurie Erceg at laurieerceg@gmail.com. Inklings Coffee and Tea, 530 Main Street, Pleasanton.

Community Groups

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. FA is a fellowship of individuals who, through shared experience and mutual support, are recovering from the disease of food addiction. If you are suffering please join us at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays. The program is free.

Visit foodaddicts.org for more information. 3311 Pacific Ave, Livermore.

Government Meetings

PLEASANTON CITY COUNCIL

MEETING The City Council holds regular meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m., in the Council Chamber. Council meetings are open to the public, and comments are always welcome. Contact the City Council at 931-5001 or citycouncil@cityofpleasanton.gov. City Council Chambers, 200 Old Bernal Ave., Pleasanton.

PLEASANTON HOUSING COMMITTEE

MEETING The Pleasanton Housing Commission meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in the City Council Chambers, 200 Old Bernal Ave. Contact Steve Hernandez at 931-5007 or email shernandez@cityofpleasantonca.gov for more information. Pleasanton City Hall, 200 Old Bernal Ave., Pleasanton.

Music

TRINITY CONCERT SERIES

Mark Lemaire, guitar, Cindy Lemaire, vocalist. Feb. 15, 7 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 1225 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton.

Public Notices

995 Fictitious Name Statement

Global Jaya
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 567218
The following person doing business as: Global Jaya, 6933 Stagecoach Road, Unit D, Dublin, CA 94568, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Rita Soekamto, 6933 Stagecoach Road, Unit D, Dublin, CA 94568; Randy Cortez, 6933 Stagecoach Road, Unit D, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by Rita Soekamto; Randy Cortez, a Married Couple. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Rita Soekamto, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on January 6, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, January 24, 31, February 7, 14, 2020).

Glamour Nail Spa
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 567492
The following person doing business as: Glamour Nail Spa, 4288 Dublin Blvd., #202, Dublin, CA 94568, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Din Si Voong, 3321 Over Street, Oakland, CA 94619. This business is conducted by Din Si Voong, an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Din Si Voong, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on January 14, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, January 24, 31, February 7, 14, 2020.)

Healthy Home Maintenance and Repair
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 567628
The following person doing business as: Healthy Home Maintenance and Repair, 9 Castledown Road, Pleasanton, CA 94566, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: James A. Capaccioli, 9 Castledown Road, Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by James A. Capaccioli, an Individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein January 16, 2020. Signature of Registrant: James A. Capaccioli, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on January 16, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, January 31, February 7, 14, 21, 2020.)

Smart Ace Tech
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 567857
The following person doing business as: Smart Ace Tech, 6450 Stoneridge Mall Road, #N219, Pleasanton, CA 94588, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Ampreet Singh, 6450 Stoneridge Mall Road, #N219, Pleasanton, CA 94588. This business is conducted by Ampreet Singh, an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Ampreet Singh, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on January 24, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, January 31, February 7, 14, 21, 2020.)

Teddi Funderburk's Designs
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 567459
The following person doing business as: Teddi Funderburk's Designs, 19047 Vannoy Ct., Castro Valley, CA 94546, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Teddi Funderburk, 19047 Vannoy Ct., Castro Valley, CA 94546. This business is conducted by Teddi Funderburk, an Individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein June 1, 2017. Signature of Registrant: Teddi Funderburk, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on January 13, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, February 7, 14, 21, 28, 2020.)

Life Style Concierge
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 568131
The following person doing business as: Life Style Concierge, 1355 Brookline Loop #5104, Pleasanton, CA 94566, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Gisela Diaz Chavez, 1355 Brookline Loop #5104, Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by Gisela Diaz Chavez, an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Gisela Diaz Chavez, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on January 31, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, February 14, 21, 28, March 6, 2020.)

Atomic Cleaners
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 567771
The following person doing business as: Atomic Cleaners, 4000 Pimlico Drive, Suite 212, Pleasanton, CA 94588, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Lorenz Harald Beck, 897 Tranquility Circle, #7, Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by Lorenz Harald Beck, an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Lorenz Harald Beck, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on January 23, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, February 14, 21, 28, March 6, 2020.)

Le' Grenier
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 568346
The following person doing business as: Le' Grenier, 2450 Somerset Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94546, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Jeanette Ann Gilson, 2450 Somerset Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94546. This business is conducted by Jeanette Ann Gilson, an Individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein November 1, 2005. Signature of Registrant: Jeanette Ann Gilson, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 6, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, February 14, 21, 28, March 6, 2020.)

997 All Other Legals

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA Case No.: HG20050735 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Chiung Chuann Wang; Chiung Chuann Chen Wang; Chiung C. Chen Wang filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Chiung Chuann Wang; Chiung Chuann Chen Wang; Chiung C. Chen Wang to Chiung Wang. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: March 13, 2020, 11:00 a.m., Dept.: 17 of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612. A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: PLEASANTON WEEKLY. Date: January 24, 31, February 7, 14, 2020. Judge Desautels, JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

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SALES AT A GLANCE

Pleasanton (Dec. 23-27)

Total sales reported: 9
Lowest sale reported: \$810,000
Highest sale reported: \$2,305,000
Average sales reported: \$1,055,000

Dublin (Dec. 23-27)

Total sales reported: 2
Lowest sale reported: \$915,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,575,000
Average sales reported: \$1,245,000

Livermore (Dec. 23-27)

Total sales reported: 11
Lowest sale reported: \$630,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,150,000
Average sales reported: \$1,245,000

San Ramon (Jan. 6-10)

Total sales reported: 10
Lowest sale reported: \$405,000
Highest sale reported: \$2,600,000
Average sales reported: \$984,500

Source: California REsource

HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold Dec. 23-27 in Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin, and Jan. 6-10 in San Ramon.

Pleasanton

5531 Baldwin Way A. Tikare to S. & V. Gorur for \$810,000
1426 Elliott Circle Gonzales Trust to C. Johnson for \$840,000
4534 Eull Court Hooper Family Trust to H. & S. Kim for \$1,275,000
3375 Harpers Ferry Court M. Amirkiai to K. Chang for \$920,000
7414 Hillview Court Webb Trust to R. & D. Shah for \$1,113,000
7528 Maywood Drive R. Gargalovic to M. & R. Marya for \$1,055,000
403 Saint Mary Street J. & E. Pestana to B. Kline for \$968,000
1018 Via Di Salerno Steger-Steppe Living Trust to N. & E. Lingg for \$2,305,000
3463 Zion Canyon Court A. Sapre to P. & P. Jha for \$1,070,000

Dublin

3300 Giovanni Way N. & V. Jindal to L. & H. Penmethsa for \$915,000
2723 Palatino Court Vista Trust to M. & V. Batchu for \$1,575,000

Livermore

2266 5th Street Fields Living Trust to J. Young for \$950,000
4363 Amherst Way Rodrigues Family Trust to J. Leines for \$775,000
1448 Arlington Road C. & J. Booe to M. & J. Sanders for \$750,000
161 Bellington Common #4 M. & M. Bryant to A. Yee for \$630,000

316 Cedar Drive V. Batderas to V. & V. Deshpande for \$820,000
1882 Corte Cava T. Heitz to W. Li for \$710,000
2015 Hall Circle Gaglia Family Trust to C. & W. Dawson for \$1,150,000
461 Lorren Court E. & M. Ibsen to A. & J. Taylor for \$820,000
2918 Patcham Common W. Klatt to V. Bauer for \$780,000
366 Pestana Place G. Thanos to B. & K. Mathias for \$817,000
806 Pine Street J. & C. Nels to J. Vanfossen for \$711,000
This week's data represents homes sold during January 6-10

San Ramon

9085 Alcosta Boulevard #324 J. Bradshaw to M. & J. Henderson for \$425,000
242 Eastridge Drive J & T Trust to C. Kilarr for \$405,000
1099 Hawkshead Circle C. & K. Poon to H. Johnson for \$2,600,000
323 Norris Canyon Terrace Dugan Family Trust to D. & N. Chaturvedi for \$585,000
125 Reflections Drive #24 D. & B. Cameron to M. & M. Petrak for \$565,000
501 Summer Valley Court May Family Trust to X. & Q. Zhao for \$1,280,000
5501 Thayer Lane M. & P. Kahlon to S. & S. Verose for \$1,600,000
1036 Vista Pointe Circle Schoening Living Trust to X. & M. Lu for \$1,030,000
5757 Wells Lane Zhang Family Trust to S. & R. Nalgirkar for \$1,530,000
6180 Yardley Lane Z. Zhou to S. & A. Sedighiamiri for \$939,000

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