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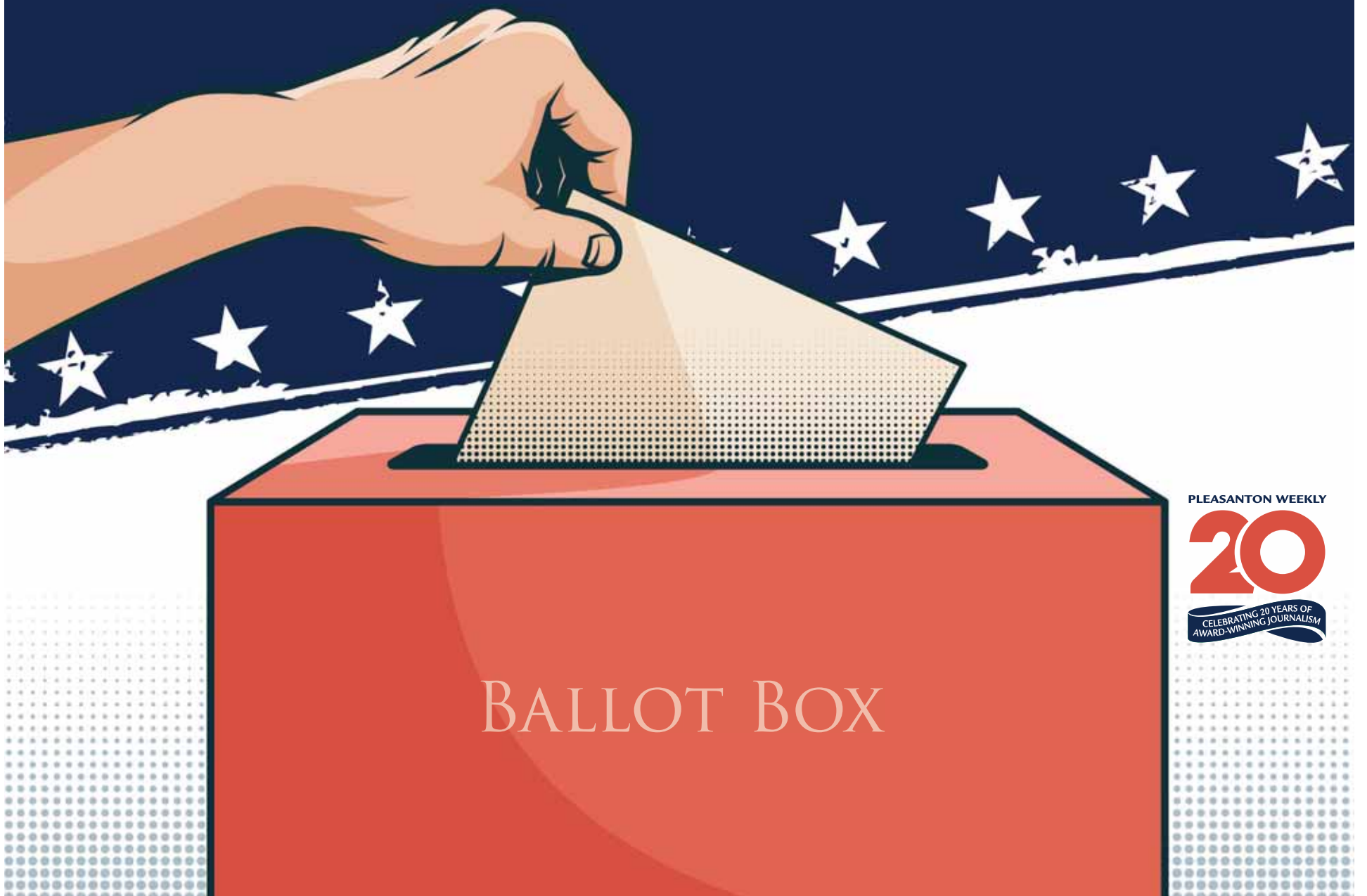
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# VALLEY VIEWS

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI



## When Martin Luther King Jr. visited the Tri-Valley

As Black History Month draws to a close, a local historic event worth noting has come to my attention: On Jan. 14, 1968, Martin Luther King Jr. made a visit to the old Santa Rita Jail, just months before he was assassinated. It was the day before his birthday — now a national holiday. He was turning 39.

King flew to the Bay Area to visit folksinger Joan Baez, her mother Joan Bridge Baez and activist Ira Sandperl, who were serving 45-day “Christmas prison terms” after their participation in Stop the Draft Week protests at the Oakland Induction Center. They previously had joined King on civil rights marches in the south.

I remember this turbulent time, when the evening news broadcast civil rights demonstrations and protests against the war as well as body counts from Vietnam. King and Bobby Kennedy were assassinated. The world was a disturbing place.

My husband Jim and I were in our last year of college, at Santa Clara University and San Jose State, respectively, so he, of course, received a draft notice. After weighing the options, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force for four years, and on Aug. 22 I drove him to that same Induction Center in Oakland for a fraught farewell.

Jason A. Bezis, a lawyer who grew up in Livermore and now lives in Lafayette, documented the King visit to Santa Rita in great detail at [trivalleyhistory.blogspot.com](http://trivalleyhistory.blogspot.com) on the 50th anniversary of the visit, two years ago. He quoted a telegram King sent to Baez on Dec. 29:

“At a time when our nation wages such an inhuman effort against the right to life and self-determination of the people of Vietnam, jail is the most moral place to be.”

King was no stranger to prisons and jails; his 1963 “Letter from Birmingham Jail” is “a renowned piece of civil disobedience literature,” noted Bezis in his blog.

That rainy Jan. 14, a Sunday, about 200 people held a vigil in front of the gate to Santa Rita. After spending about an hour inside the jail, King exited and stopped to give an impromptu 10-minute speech to the sympathizers.

“Barry Schrader of the Herald & News was a few feet away from Dr.

King as he spoke,” Bezis blogged. “Mr. Schrader recalls that Dr. King addressed the crowd while standing on the running board of his car.”

A recording is at [archive.org/details/MartinLutherKingAtSantaRita1968](http://archive.org/details/MartinLutherKingAtSantaRita1968).

King reported that the Baezes and Sandperl were in good spirits. He explained that he took time out of his schedule to come and support them, comparing the fights for civil rights and for peace.

“I see these two struggles as one struggle,” King pontificated in his distinctive style. “There can be no justice without peace, and there can be no peace without justice.”

Some had criticized him, he said, for getting involved in the peace movement instead of only focusing on civil rights.

“I have been working too long and too hard now against segregated public accommodations to end up at this stage of my life segregating my moral concerns,” he told the crowd.

After his speech, King spent another 10 minutes answering reporters’ questions as the protesters broke into song.

King was assassinated fewer than three months later, on April 4, 1968, in Memphis. The Herald & News ran a photo from his Jan. 14 visit with the caption, “Dr. Martin Luther King spoke recently in Pleasanton. He re-emphasized his commitment to non-violence.”

Three days later, on April 7, 16 leaders from different faiths in the Tri-Valley held a memorial service for Dr. King at the Livermore First Presbyterian Church that Sunday, Bezis blogged, and about 500 attended.

Bezis told me he became interested in Martin Luther King Jr. when as a junior at Livermore High School in 1989 he was given an assignment to memorize a speech from American history. “I Have a Dream” appealed to him because it made him realize that history happens in our own lifetimes.

He is hoping some type of marker will be placed near where King spoke on Jan. 14, 1968, at the site of the old jail, which was moved in the late 1980s. Much of American history happened on the East Coast, Bezis pointed out, but this historical event took place right outside Pleasanton. ■

*Editor’s note: Dolores Fox Ciardelli is Tri-Valley Life editor for the Pleasanton Weekly.*

### About the Cover

Election Day is Tuesday, so send in your completed vote-by-mail ballot or prepare to visit your polling place. See a quick recap of local issues on Tri-Valley ballots for the 2020 primary election, inside on Pages 12-13. Cover design by Paul Llewellyn.

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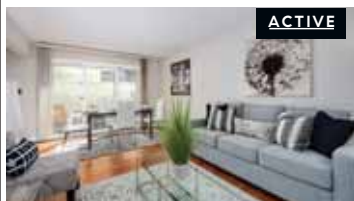
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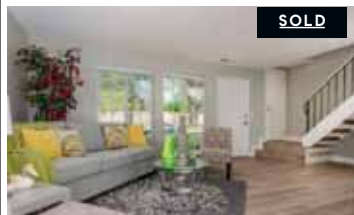
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ASKED AROUND TOWN

**During a leap year, like 2020, do you do anything special to acknowledge or celebrate the extra day of the year we have on Feb. 29?**



**Kelsey Couls**

*Hair dresser*

I've never really thought about it. But now that you mention it, from now on I think I will make cupcakes and bring them to work for my colleagues on Feb. 29 so that we can all celebrate and enjoy having an extra day of the year.



**Matt Bohle**

*Bridge painter*

Honestly, I hadn't even realized that 2020 is a leap year. It's not anything I ever really think about, and I don't do anything special to acknowledge the Feb. 29 we have once every four years.



**David Sayner, with Maverick**

*Director*

This year, because it falls on a Saturday, I plan to take advantage of the extra day by going to Carmel with my dog and family in order to spend time at the dog beach on the foot of Ocean Avenue. It's one of our favorite spots.



**Nicki Sayner**

*Mom and wife*

I am planning to spend Feb. 29 with my family, down in Carmel, and to then stay overnight at a lovely, dog-friendly ranch hotel.



**Danielle O'Mara**

*Manager*

I'm going to a wedding on Feb. 29 for a friend who was very eager to get married during a leap year. She specifically chose this day to get married, and I am so excited to spend this special day with her and her new husband, family and friends.

—Compiled by Nancy Lewis

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

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## DIGEST

### Vaping awareness

The Firehouse Arts Center in downtown Pleasanton is hosting a panel discussion on vaping next week as part of the city of Pleasanton's Community Education Series.

Panelists at "Clearing the Air: Discussion on Vaping" will include representatives from the Pleasanton Unified School District, Pleasanton Police Department, Teen Esteem and the Coalition for Health Against Tobacco.

"The public is invited to attend this free event to discover relevant statistics, uncover truths vs. myths on vaping, and learn how to spot signs of use/addiction and ways to get support," organizers said.

The session at 7 p.m. Thursday (March 5) is open to adults and children 11 years old and up. Registration is recommended; go to [pleasantonfun.com](http://pleasantonfun.com) and enter course code No. 18655.

### Homelessness panel

Congregation Beth Emek in Pleasanton next week is holding its second panel discussion on homelessness and affordable housing in the Tri-Valley.

The panel will be moderated by Livermore Councilwoman Patricia Munro, and panelists will include Laning Thompson (Interfaith Housing), Darin Lounds (Housing Consortium of the East Bay), Susie Criscimagna (Eden Housing) and Frances Reisner (city of Livermore).

The free panel will run from 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday at 3400 Nevada St.

### Leap Day trek

Sunol Regional Wilderness south of Pleasanton is among the regional parks with a special event in honor of Leap Day this Saturday (Feb. 29).

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., there will be an organized, family-friendly hike — complete with some leaps across local streams, so wear shoes that can get wet.

### Fire cause unknown

More than three weeks after flames seriously damaged the long-vacant restaurant building (formerly Denny's) on Owens Drive, the cause of the fire remains unknown, and it may well never be confirmed, according to investigators.

Police and fire officials interviewed witnesses and reviewed video from the area, but "due to the amount of the damage to the building, the cause will likely remain unknown absent additional information coming forward," said Joe Testa, deputy chief for the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department.

The fire broke out just before 9:30 a.m. Feb. 4; no injuries were reported. ■

## PUSD looking at vape sensors

Also: New cellphone policy could be problematic in light of state privacy laws

By JULIA BAUM

As part of plans for a major \$9.6 million Measure 11 network upgrade, Pleasanton Unified School District is considering installing vape sensors at local middle and high school campuses to detect students using electronic smoking devices.

Over the past year, numerous parents and youths have complained to PUSD about students vaping in school bathrooms and also urged local government officials to ban the sale of e-vape substances and devices within Pleasanton city limits.

"There's not a lot of school districts that are using them at this time, so to a certain extent we'd be on the cutting edge — and one might say

bleeding edge — about the adoption of that sort of technology," said Amy Nichols, PUSD senior director of procurement and technology, during a presentation at the Board of Trustees regular meeting on Tuesday night.

The sensors — which were not included in the project's original estimate — run about \$275,000. But after the district received a \$468,000 e-Rate grant to offset the associated costs last year, the project estimates were less than expected.

A more recent opportunity came about to apply for another \$300,000 e-Rate grant if the district upgrades the Wi-Fi system, which Nichols said that "if approved, that

reimbursement would bring our estimated net project costs down to about \$9.3 million."

It's an amount that "would put us under the estimates that were reached as part of the 2018 facilities master planning process" and leave the district enough cash to purchase the vape sensors, she said.

"We have not received input or feedback from other school districts that would necessarily validate their use in the same way that we have for the voice over IP or something like that," Nichols added. "For that reason, we've listed it as an alternate or something to be considered, but there are questions about how well that will solve the problems that

we're trying to solve."

Trustee Mark Miller, who phoned in from Houston on Tuesday evening, gave his recommendation "that we continue to study that particular part." Trustee Joan Laursen concurred with Miller, adding that she would like "pilot that in a small sample first."

PUSD is aiming to finish upgrading the entire voice over internet protocol (VOIP) network for district-wide phone and voicemail service. Network cabling in classrooms and offices throughout the district needs upgrading before new clocks, phones, bells and public

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## Dublin celebrates new Public Safety Complex

Police and fire headquarters, plus emergency ops center

The Dublin community gathered for the grand opening of its new police headquarters last Saturday, two years after construction on the complex started.

Located at the corner of Dublin Boulevard and Clark Avenue, the new Public Safety Complex, as it is officially known, houses essential functions like Dublin Police Services administration and an expanded Emergency Operations Center that is much larger than the former one at Dublin Civic Center.

There is also a briefing and training room and administrative offices for Alameda County Fire Department personnel on-site. Staff moved in during 2014 and temporarily relocated while the part of the building serving Dublin police was being built.

Construction of the \$15 million project involved the demolition of two buildings and renovating and rebuilding two others.

Saturday's celebratory event included a ribbon-cutting ceremony with Dublin city and public safety officials, along with dignitary remarks, facility tours and a free barbecue lunch provided by the Dublin Lions Club.

"Not only is the new Public Safety Complex beautiful, but it was built with state-of-the-art, environmentally conscious features that will make it eligible for LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Platinum Status," Mayor David Haubert told the Weekly.

"This new building will also



CITY OF DUBLIN

Dublin community leaders and residents joined together Saturday for the ceremonial opening of the city's new Public Safety Complex.

provide Dublin Police and Fire with the space they need to grow to continue doing the excellent work that they do in keeping Dublin residents and visitors safe," he added.

A new public art piece named "Ribbon" was also unveiled at the new Public Safety Complex.

The 17-foot-high aluminum sculpture by Napa artist Gordon Huether features inlaid blue and red dichroic glass and the words "commitment," "honor," "integrity" and "trust". It is meant to

serve as a metaphor for police and firefighters, according to city officials, and "to remind the public of the mission and values of both departments."

As for the former Dublin police headquarters at the Dublin Civic Center, the lower level will be transformed into a future Cultural Arts Center while the city's Parks and Community Services Department staff will move into the upper level. ■

—Pleasanton Weekly staff and Bay City News Service

## Commission approves new bar downtown

Also: Taco Bell with drive-thru advanced to City Council

By JEREMY WALSH

A new bar with live music could be on its way soon to downtown Pleasanton.

The Pleasanton Planning Commission earlier this month signed off on a conditional use permit for Middle 8 to open in the empty former Bolinger Nail Salon unit in the multi-tenant commercial building at 310 Main St.

The permit, which allows live music until midnight seven days a week, was unanimously approved with no public comment during a short commission meeting on Feb. 12 that featured only two consent calendar items, according to Ellen Clark, the city's community development director.

"Staff is of the opinion the proposed bar would enhance the vitality of the downtown with a new late-night option for downtown patrons in an appropriate location," city associate planner Eric Luchini wrote in his staff report to the commission.

"Conditions of approval have been included which will ensure the safety and general welfare of the surrounding area is maintained, while minimizing spillover effects such as noise and parking," he added.

Rick Dobbs proposes to open Middle 8 bar by converting the vacant nail salon space on the east side of

See **COMMISSION** on Page 9

# Rep. Swalwell's new book is part tribute, part impeachment memoir

'Endgame' shares congressman's personal insight into Trump hearings

By JULIA BAUM

A newly announced book by U.S. Rep. Eric Swalwell (D-Livermore) that began as a tribute to his father has partly "morphed" into an insider's look at the recent impeachment proceedings of President Donald Trump.

"Endgame: Inside the Impeachment of Donald J. Trump", which is slated for an April 7 release from Abrams Press, might seem like it suddenly came from nowhere, but the former short-time presidential candidate said the publication was in development for at least a couple of years.

"Two years ago it started essentially as a tribute to my dad, who was a police officer, and he stood up against a corrupt mayor and lost his job because of it," Swalwell told the Weekly, adding that he also wanted to write about his past life as a prosecutor and "then it just morphed into

an inside look at impeachment as that took shape."

Swalwell, a fourth-term congressman from the Tri-Valley, had a front row seat into the impeachment inquiry and hearing of Trump as a member of the House Judiciary Committee.

The U.S. House of Representatives ultimately impeached Trump in December in largely party-line votes on two articles, abuse of power and obstruction of Congress, stemming from allegations of the president pressuring Ukrainian officials to investigate presidential candidate Joe Biden and his son ahead of the election.

The U.S. Senate acquitted Trump on both counts earlier this month after its impeachment trial — also largely party-line votes.

The new book is not just Swalwell's own account of Trump's impeachment, he said, but also "a tribute to the public servants, the ambassadors,

the military persons like (Lt. Col. Alexander Vindman) who stood up and did the right thing when we as a nation have been wondering if there's any proof of honor inside the administration."

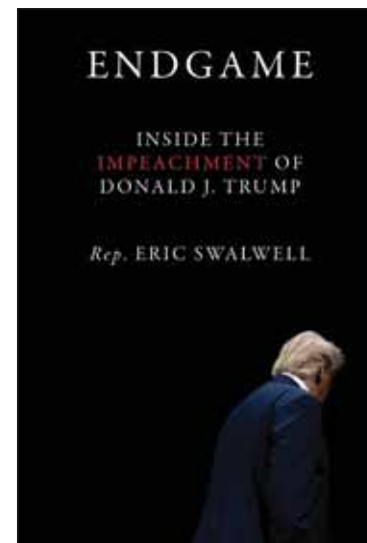
"I thought I had an interesting vantage point as a former prosecutor on two of the key committees that worked on impeachment — judiciary and intelligence — but also sitting at the leadership table as a member of Speaker Pelosi's leadership team," he said. "I saw a lot of decision points along the way and how we grappled with a president who tested us every day, and the duty we had to hold him accountable."

Swalwell was an intern on Capitol Hill when the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001 happened, and later took a class on the 9/11 Commission — decisions that he "made early in my life without really appreciating what they would mean later" in his career.

"My instinct after the Russia interference campaign in 2016 was to create a bipartisan commission on what Russia had done so that we could protect against future elections," Swalwell said. "I was completely informed by the good work I saw after Sept. 11 — the difference was we didn't have the courage and character that we had on Capitol Hill after Sept. 11. Instead I saw people that wanted to protect the president and protect their jobs, and the book talks about those parallel times."

As for the book's title, Swalwell said it comes from the chess term "endgame", meaning the stage of the game when there are few pieces left on the board. Swalwell had hoped for Trump's removal from office but said "it's probably going to have to be settled which endgame it is in November."

"I think we have two potential



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endgames — one is that Trumpism, corruption prevail and we move from a democracy into an autocracy, or democracy is reaffirmed and we as a country learn from what the president's corruption has exposed, and we come out stronger because of it," added Swalwell, who also faces a re-election campaign this year. He has six challengers in the 15th Congressional District ballot for next Tuesday's primary election. ■

## New LPC president chosen for Wheelhouse Fellowship

Foster started role at Livermore community college this month

By JULIA BAUM

In the same month he was officially sworn in as the new president of Las Positas College in Livermore, Dyrell Foster also has been selected as a 2020 Wheelhouse Fellow.

In a statement last week, Foster said he is "confident that this learning experience for me, will be amazing."

"As a recent and new college president, I am excited to learn as much

as I can to support student success by facilitating lasting institutional change and improved effectiveness in alignment with our college mission, vision and goals," Foster said. "I am looking forward to working with, and learning from a prestigious cohort of peers who are proven leaders within the California Community College system."

The Wheelhouse Institute on Leadership primarily focuses on

supporting current and future decision makers and organizational performance and change specific to the state community college system.

The annual fellowship provides California community college leaders with peer networking and professional development opportunities including data discussions with researchers and formulating case studies and policy viewpoints.

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leaders in their field and selected based on their professional and education experience, personal background and other criteria. Three several day intensives will be held throughout the year until the program concludes. The UC Davis



Dyrell Foster

School of Education issues a Wheelhouse Leadership certificate to each fellow.

The Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Board of Directors in November selected Foster, who was working as vice president of students at Moreno Valley College in Riverside County but had earlier career ties to the Bay Area, to become the next president at Las Positas effective this month. ■

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DUSD

### Boys get surprise visit from military dad

Dublin father of three and U.S. Navy Lt. Darren Nelson was overseas for a year, missing special birthday and holiday moments with his children and wife, Daylene. Last week, he surprised his sons Brendon (second grade) and Ethan (kindergarten) at Murray Elementary School, along with another son, Caleb, who is in preschool. Dublin Unified School District helped with the surprise by gathering the students for an assembly to honor military service personnel and first responders on Feb. 20. Students with family members in those fields were asked to come onstage, where Nelson came out from behind the curtain and made his big reveal.

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announcement speakers can be installed, according to PUSD.

The first phase of the project, which involved adding new switching and inter-building cabling, started last spring and is almost finished at all sites.

The district "anticipates significant operating cost savings from the general fund" of about \$70,000 annually as a result of transitioning their telecommunications infrastructure, according to staff. Phone services for PUSD currently cost around \$120,000 each year.

Staff will return to the board with more details and information about the project including timelines sometime next month.

### In other business

- Toward the beginning of the meeting, the trustees pulled a policy concerning student cellphone use from the consent agenda, a list of district business items considered routine and that are usually passed all at once without any discussion.

Students will be allowed to "use cell phones, smart watches, pagers, or other mobile communication devices on campus during non-instructional time as long as the device is utilized in accordance with law and any rules that individual school sites may impose."

Cellphones must be turned off or

set to "Do not disturb" during class time but special accommodations for a student's health plan or individualized education program can be made.

The policy also states that "when a school official reasonably suspects that a search of a student's mobile communication device will turn up evidence of the student's violation of the law or school rules, such a search shall be conducted" in accordance with the district's search and seizure policy.

But according to the California Electronic Privacy Act (CEPA) of 2015, no government entity, including school districts, may legally "access electronic device information by means of physical interaction or electronic communication with the electronic device" without a signed warrant, wiretap order, subpoena, or the express consent of the device's owner.

The law does allow an exception for emergencies, which are defined as a situation "involving danger of death or serious physical injury to any person (that) requires access to the electronic device information."

The American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California's website also states that schools cannot require students to sign a waiver allowing faculty to search their phone at any time, and that students may refuse to show their phone content including text messages, pictures and social media usage to administration.

CEPA also prohibits government officials from searching mobile devices, even if a student causes a disruption with their phone, breaks another rule or uses their phone when they're not supposed to. According to the ACLU, school officials may not search a student's phone to investigate another student's misconduct either.

PUSD administrators did not discuss any revision to the policy language and instead focused on the district's previous actions concerning student phone searches Tuesday night.

"The question is about reviewing cellphones when we have possession of them," said Kathleen Rief, student services director for PUSD.

According to Rief, school administrators are often made aware of potential concerns by students themselves and "will come to the office and provide printouts of things they've seen on social media or they pull out their phones and they show us screenshots of different things that they've seen."

"We don't ask a student specifically to possess their cellphone with the intent to search their phone," she added. "Generally, what happens is they come to us, show us something that's one it and then we'll produce and print that information there, so we do follow all state and federal laws in terms of privacy."

The board unanimously approved the policy without any amendment to the language. ■

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Teen job fair

The city of Pleasanton is partnering with the cities of San Ramon and Dublin, the town of Danville and the Dublin/San Ramon Women's Club to host the annual Tri-Valley Teen Job and Career Fair next Saturday (March 7) from noon to 3 p.m.

At the event, teenagers 14-19 years old will have the chance to meet with local employers, pick up applications and apply for jobs, as well as participate in mock interviews, career workshops and professional career panels.

The teens are encouraged to bring a copy of their resume and dress professionally. The event, which is free with lunch provided, will be held at the San Ramon Senior Center at 9300 Alcosta Blvd.

### Spring training

Challengers Little League, a baseball program for children and adults with special needs, is holding its annual spring training and open house event this Sunday from 1-3 p.m. at the Dublin Sports Grounds at 100 Civic Plaza.

Then on the following Sunday (March 8), the Challenger Division is celebrating its opening ceremonies with the Amador Valley High School varsity baseball team serving as player advocates and helping distribute free, used equipment collected from Amador's Equipment for Everyone Club. That event runs from 1-2 p.m., also at the Dublin Sports Grounds.

For more information on the Challenger Division, visit [www.pleasantonlittleleague.com](http://www.pleasantonlittleleague.com).

### 'A favorite closes'

Sweet & Savory, a longtime breakfast/lunch restaurant and bakery on Gibraltar Drive in Hacienda Business Park, closed earlier this year with the owner ready to move on but unable to sell the business.

Columnist Tim Hunt wrote about the closure in a Tim Talk blog, "A favorite restaurant closes its doors," last week on PleasantonWeekly.com.

Read more online about the story, including reflections from Sweet & Savory owner Don Eichler.

### Help with 'Havik'

Las Positas College students in English and Mass Communications 19A and 19B are seeking sponsors to help publish this year's edition of "Havik: The Las Positas College Journal of Arts, Literature, and Academic Writing."

High printing costs are contributing to the challenge of finishing the annual publication that features poems, short fiction, creative nonfiction, photography, artwork and academic papers submitted by students and LPC professors. The journal's title comes from "havik," the Dutch word for "hawk" — a nod to the school's mascot and a playful spin on the word "havoc."

Visit [www.laspositascollege.edu](http://www.laspositascollege.edu) or email [Havik@laspositascollege.edu](mailto:Havik@laspositascollege.edu). ■

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# County supervisors give initial approval to vaping ban ordinance

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors voted 4-0 Tuesday to tentatively approve an ordinance that would ban the sale of vaping products in the county's unincorporated areas.

The ordinance represents an effort to quell the rising use of tobacco vaping products and e-cigarettes, particularly among young people. Nearly 70% of high school students in Alameda County who have bought vaping products reported doing so at a store or through another person; only 6.5% bought their vaping products and devices online.

The ordinance would build on the county's tobacco retailer licensing ordinance, which the board adopted last month.

Under the licensing ordinance, tobacco retailers must meet requirements for pricing, packaging and retailing density and are prohibited from selling flavored tobacco products. Roughly 115 tobacco retailers have obtained a license in the county's unincorporated areas alone. The ban does not apply to

tobacco-related products that are approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, such as nicotine patches or chewing gum, or to vaping devices that use cannabis rather than tobacco.

"If (vaping) is a deterrent to smoking, then do what they did with Nicorette in the beginning and that was to get it through a pharmacy," Supervisor Scott Haggerty said. "That is the way of making sure that our children are not getting these, our children are not getting chronic coughs because their lungs are damaged."

A July 2018 Gallup poll found that 20% of adults ages 18-29 said they vape, while 8% of adults age 30-64 and less than 1% of adults over age 65 said the same. In addition, a 2018 survey by the University of Michigan found that 21% of 12th-graders and 16% of 10th-graders had vaped in the last 30 days.

Several other municipalities around the Bay Area -- including the counties of Santa Clara, Contra Costa, San Mateo and San Francisco

-- have enacted some type of restriction on the sale of vaping products. The cities of Livermore and Dublin have also banned the sale of the devices, and last week the Pleasanton City Council endorsed a similar prohibition.

Supervisor Nate Miley was the only board member not in support of the ordinance but chose to abstain rather than cast a vote in opposition. Miley argued the ban was akin to the early 20th-century effort to ban the sale and consumption of alcohol and will only push vaping product sales onto the black market.

He suggested more regulation without an outright ban would be a more successful method of keeping children and young people from vaping and developing nicotine addictions.

"We regulate (guns, tobacco and alcohol). We regulate all of it because if you try to ban stuff, it's only going to produce unintended consequences," Miley said. "Young people are still going to get this product." ■

—Bay City News Service

## COMMISSION

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Main Street between Abbie and West Angela streets in the multi-tenant building that also includes The Patio, Pairings Wine Bar Restaurant and Sole Desire Shoes.

The application called for a full bar operating from 4 p.m. to 1 a.m. seven days a week with capacity for 150 patrons maximum and up to 10 employees. Live amplified and non-amplified entertainment, generally jazz or blues music, would occur inside until midnight each night.

In addition to the music performance area, the interior would be reconfigured to include the bar, seating areas, restrooms, a game room with a pool table and television, and a private party or special event room for group events, according to city staff.

There would be no kitchen, but Dobbs plans to partner with a nearby restaurant to offer limited food service, or just have snacks onsite such as chips and nuts.

The project required permit approval by the Planning Commission because of the new bar use and for live entertainment after 11 p.m. The conditional use permit was approved without public comment or commission discussion on Feb. 12 as part of the consent calendar, a collection of items deemed routine and voted upon all at once.

It was not immediately clear when Middle 8 is scheduled to open.

### In other business

- Also approved as part of the Feb. 12 consent calendar was a resolution in support of modifying a condition for the Rose Pavilion that prohibits a drive-thru on "Pad B" in

Phase III of the site — to accommodate a planned Taco Bell restaurant drive-thru.

Jinglebells LLC, through its consultant Marks Architects, seeks city permission to build a drive-thru Taco Bell at the location where Oil Changer currently operates at 4210 Rosewood Drive.

But in order to do that, the company would need the City Council to remove a condition of approval imposed on the Rose Pavilion Phase III planned-unit development (PUD) 30 years ago that prohibits operating a drive-thru at that location.

City staff initially recommended denial of the request on Jan. 22 based on the original direction from the City Council in 1989 to add a specific condition barring a drive-thru in that area of Rose Pavilion. Clark said last month that drive-thrus tend to "have higher trip generation, thus more traffic and higher emissions, and contribute to less pedestrian-oriented environments than a non-drive-thru restaurant."

But the Planning Commission disagreed at the Jan. 22 meeting, supporting the applicant's request in part because the rest of the Rose Pavilion, as well as most other properties in the area, allow drive-thru restaurants, according to Clark, who also noted the original ban on that particular site appears anomalous in nature.

City staff brought back a revised resolution, reflecting the commission's differing point-of-view, for consideration on Feb. 12. Commissioners unanimously endorsed the resolution, which recommends the PUD major modification request for approval by the City Council. The item is likely to head to the council

in the next couple of months.

The future Taco Bell drive-thru would still need to receive a conditional use permit and design review approval from the city in the future when plans are completed — assuming the PUD modification passes.

- Feb. 12 marked the commission's only meeting of the month, with its second meeting (originally scheduled for this Wednesday) canceled due to lack of business on the agenda. The next commission meeting is set for March 11. ■

THE CITY OF PLEASANTON



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### City Council

Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.  
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

- Review and provide direction on key planning considerations, project approach and scope of work for completion of the East Pleasanton Specific Plan
- Introduction of proposed memorandum of understanding between the City of Pleasanton and the Pleasanton Police Officers' Association with term ending May 31, 2023
- Adopt a resolution accepting the Mid-Year FY 2019/20 Operating Budget and amending the FY 2019/20 Operating Budget accordingly

### COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES RECRUITMENT

The City Council is accepting applications for the following:

#### Civic Arts Commission\*

1 Youth Member

#### Economic Vitality Committee

#### 1 Member from each of the following categories:

Commercial Real Estate Developer

Environmental Industry

Financial Services

Non-Profit Community Based Organization

#### Housing Commission\*

1 Member

#### Youth Commission\*

3 Middle School Members

#### Tri-Valley Conservancy Board\*

1 Member

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## FOCUSING ON *Lives Well Lived*

Film shares wit, wisdom and secrets to living a meaningful life

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Old age makes remarkable video when subjects share highlights and poignant moments from their many decades.

Sky Bergman, a photography and video professor at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, began such a project four years ago, inspired by her 99-year-old Italian grandmother's unrelenting zest for life. The result, "Lives Well Lived," is being shown at 1 p.m., Tuesday, March 3, at St. Charles Borromeo in Livermore.

"My grandmother was my guide for how to move gracefully through life and how to age with dignity, strength and humor," said Bergman, who is also an artist, with works in the permanent collections of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Brooklyn Museum and the Bibliothèque Nationale de France in Paris.

Bergman began filming and interviewing her grandmother, Evelyn Ricciuti, four years ago, recording her words as well as her daily activities, which included workouts at the gym. Then she crossed the country to find other older adults, ages 75 to 100, asking them to share their wit, wisdom, energy and secrets for how to live a meaningful life.

"Lives Well Lived" includes 3,000 years of family histories, personal triumphs and tragedies in a 70-minute video that is positive as well as entertaining.

Bergman believes these stories provide the tools needed by young and old to overcome obstacles. She found that her subjects' optimism is their overriding strength.

"Happiness is a state of mind," one person says in the film. "You can be happy with what you have or miserable with what you don't have. You decide."

The screening Tuesday at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 1315 Lomitas Ave., Livermore, is free, part of its Life Transitions for Aging Adults ministry.

"We started four years ago, and it took almost a year to plan," said Transitions organizer Molly Fisher.

They offer presentations on the first and third Tuesdays from September through May, with the goal to support the physical, emotional, social and spiritual lives of older adults.

"We started out to support the seniors just in our parish but as time went by, we saw the benefit of our program and went out into the community," Fisher said, adding that they place fliers in the libraries and senior centers in Livermore and Pleasanton to tout their lineups.

"We want to reach families and caregivers as well, depending on the program," Fisher said. "We do everything to come up with ideas for speakers. I have over 200 topics in my file — we will not be running out of ideas."

Sometimes they bring in speakers, and other times the organizers present programs. Fisher, 76, a retired pediatric dentist, is going to give a presentation on pain at the gathering March 17.

"It's important to be well educated to live your best life possible in spite of chronic pain," she said, explaining

that she has personal experience with the subject.

Fisher noted that she and the other organizers are finding their mission fulfilling.

"It's been a wonderful experience," she said. "We are passionate about what we are doing."

Fisher watched "Lives Well Lived" before scheduling it and spoke to Bergman.

"The quality of the film is really good," Fisher said. "I particularly enjoyed that they talked about their lives, and they were not all rosy."

One Japanese American woman, now in her 90s, had been placed in an internment camp during World War II.

"Her husband enlisted in the Army, and he was killed in action," Fisher recalled. "There were also other stories from immigrant families."

Life Transitions for Aging Adults also organizes guidebooks of senior resources in the area. It is one of 60 ministries at St. Charles Borromeo, Fisher said, including social justice, visiting inmates in prisons as well as those who are homebound, and helping out at Open Heart Kitchen.

Fisher said her program for aging adults is important both for the information presented and for the chance for seniors to get out.

"We have name tags, and it's a social time," she said. "We encourage people to stay afterward and meet other people."

"More and more people are coming," she added. "We seem to be giving people what they need and want." ■

SKY BERGMAN

At top left, Sky Bergman and her grandmother Evelyn Ricciuti, 99, who inspired her film "Lives Well Lived," which also spotlights (top to bottom) Lou Tedone, Emmy Cleaves, Botso Korisheli and Ciel Bergman.

# Tragedy and comedy

Livermore Valley Opera presenting two short operas set in Florence

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Two operas — one a tragedy and one a comedy — will bring action, drama and humor to the stage of the Bankhead Theater on two weekends, beginning March 7.

Livermore Valley Opera is presenting Puccini's "Gianni Schicchi" along with Zemlinsky's psychological thriller, "A Florentine Tragedy."

"LVO is proud to be presenting the West Coast fully staged premiere of Zemlinsky's powerful drama and the American premiere of Roland Freisitzer's arrangement for soloists and chamber orchestra," artistic director Erie Mills said. "Both operas take place in Florence, set in the World War I era, the time period when they were composed."

Stage director Layna Chianakas, who has portrayed more than 50 opera roles across the country as a mezzo-soprano, provided insight into the operas.

"A Florentine Tragedy" is a story of the power of marriage and redemption which is, as we take into consideration our modern sensibilities, perhaps, naive," she said. "The dark, psycho-drama nature of the piece lends itself to an interpretation that leans toward female objectification and the egomaniacal nature of both male leads."

"Gianni Schicchi," which can be argued is the greatest comic opera ever written, displays the inner workings of a Mediterranean family as they fight over a dead relative's will," Chianakas continued, "ultimately bonding over their love of money and hatred of Schicchi, who proves far smarter than all of them."

The Puccini opera also features one of the most memorable arias in all of the art form, "O Mio Babbino Caro."

The three principal artists for the performances, Robert Mellon, Michael Day and Anush Avetisyan, are each making their debut with LVO, but the casts will include other favorites from the opera company. Music director Alexander Katsman conducts the professional orchestra.

Mills said this special "two-for-one" opera event is not to be missed.

"In approximately two hours you will experience much of what great opera is capable: tragedy and comedy, beautiful music, incredible theater and a vivid display of human emotions right before your eyes and ears," she said. "Both operas are guaranteed to captivate in utterly different ways."

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, and each performance includes a pre-opera lecture one hour before curtain. On the first night, March 7, an Opening Night Dinner at Uncle Yu's at the Vineyard begins at 4 p.m. Dinner tickets are \$95.

The red carpet is rolled out for everyone arriving at the opera, with a Livermore Valley Opera backdrop for photos. The event also includes an artists' reception in the lobby after each performance.

Regular tickets are \$42-\$90; ages 40 and under are \$40; ages 20 and under are \$20. Purchase tickets at [www.LVOpera.com](http://www.LVOpera.com) or the Bankhead Theater box office, 2400 First St. in Livermore; telephone 373-6800.

The second Saturday, March 14, is "casual night" at the opera, and everyone is invited to a post-opera party for the cast and fans starting around 10 p.m. at Hops & Sessions Gastropub, located on First Street across from the theater. Those with opera tickets will get the first beer free. ■

# Ramanathan earns Eagle Scout rank

Samir Ramanathan has earned the rank of Eagle Scout, and his Eagle Court of Honor will be held in April.

For his community project, the Livermore teen constructed and painted redwood picnic benches for the Taylor Family Foundation, which provides camping experiences for children with disabilities. He led a group of 25 scouts to plan and execute the project, assigned project leaders to take on specific tasks, and guided the overall success. Ramanathan also raised more than \$1,500 to cover the cost and donated the extra funds to the foundation.

Ramanathan is a member of Troop 924, sponsored by American Legion Post 237 of Pleasanton, and he was 2018-19 senior patrol



Samir Ramanathan

leader of the 85-member troop. He is a senior at Quarry Lane School in Dublin, where he is on the school robotics team and has won awards in the National Spanish Honors Exam. He also has earned a black belt in karate.

Ramanathan, son of Sridhar Ramanathan and Gina Saldanha of Livermore, plans to major in mechanical engineering in college. His passion for leadership has made him interested in a career as an engineering manager and he also envisions starting his own technology company.

His other community service includes visiting the Livermore Veterans Affairs Hospital and Livermore convalescent homes; working on Valley Montessori School beautification projects; participating as a member of the Quarry Lane Acts of Random Kindness club; helping build park benches at the Curry Canyon Ranch Park; and participating in beach and creek cleanups, and food drives. ■

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli



MICHAEL WHITE

Wine enthusiasts enjoy tastings at last year's Uncorked Wine Celebration to benefit Tri-Valley Conservancy Land Programs.

# 'Uncorked' for a good cause

Best local wines to be announced — and served — at fundraiser

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

The Livermore Valley Uncorked Wine Celebration will include unlimited tastings of award-winning wines along with hors d'oeuvres and desserts by Beets Hospitality from 6-8:30 p.m. April 16.

The \$75 evening raises money for Tri-Valley Conservancy's Land Programs, which preserve natural resources for future generations. Last year 360 attended the 10th annual event, which sold out

quickly.

The celebration concludes a competition of wines made from grapes grown in the Livermore Valley American Viticultural Area. Twelve wine categories undergo two rounds of judging.

The initial round of judging is done by local winemakers who blind taste the entries over a three-day period and select the top six wines in each category for the medal round.

"Then the medal round consists of six professional wine judges who decipher the wine ranking of each category (bronze, silver, gold, double gold) and, of course, Best Red, White, Rosé and Best in Show via blind tasting," explained Georgie Saucedo, events program manager for the conservancy.


The medal winners are announced at the Uncorked Celebration, and guests will have a chance to bid on a Best in Class case of wine as well as a wine experience for eight with the Best in Show-winning winemaker.

Varietal categories in the competition are: Rosé; Dry White, excluding Chardonnay; Chardonnay (\$30 or less); Chardonnay (more than \$30); Italian/Spanish Varietals (Primitivo/Zinfandel, Barbera, Tempranillo, etc.); Petite Sirah; Merlot; Other Red Varietals (at least 75%); Cabernet Franc; Cabernet Sauvignon (\$40 or less); Cabernet Sauvignon (more than \$40); and Red Blends.

This year's Uncorked emcee is Tim Sbranti, former Dublin mayor and current board member of Chabot-Las Positas Community College District. Alameda County Supervisor Scott Hagerty will announce the awards.

The event includes a VIP table for eight at \$125 each in a private lounge with winemakers and winery owners, which is already sold out.

Uncorked is being held this year at Casa Real, 410 Vineyard Ave. in Pleasanton. For tickets, visit [trivalleyconservancy.org](http://trivalleyconservancy.org). ■




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# VOTE BY TUESDAY



## MEASURE M, ZONE 7 BOARD, COUNTY SUPERVISOR LEAD LOCAL BALLOTING FOR PRIMARY

By JEREMY WALSH

Election Day arrives on Tuesday. That means it's time to turn in that vote-by-mail ballot, look at scheduling an early-voting opportunity or decide when to go to the polls in person to vote between 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

And while many eyes will be focused on the results of California's Democratic Party presidential primary, there are also plenty of Tri-Valley local issues on the March 3 election ballot.

The crowded list includes the \$323 million Pleasanton school bond Measure M, the downtown hotel development agreement referendum Measure P in Livermore, two Tri-Valley seats on the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, state and federal legislative positions, and the Zone 7 Water Agency Board of Directors.

Pleasanton voters can drop off their completed vote-by-mail ballot in the collection box outside City Hall at 123 Main St. All mail-in ballots must be turned in to a

designated drop-box in Alameda County or placed in the mail no later than Election Day.

Early voting — if pre-registered — will be available in Oakland today and Monday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. The Alameda County Registrar of Voters' Office is located at the Rene C. Davidson Court House at 1225 Fallon St. in Oakland.

Polls will be open in Pleasanton from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday for the primary election. Visit [www.acvote.org/go](http://www.acvote.org/go) to find your polling place.

And if you forgot to register to vote before the Feb. 18 deadline, California is offering "Same-Day" registration at any polling place on Election Day or the county elections office now through Tuesday — those ballots will only be counted if the registration form passes the verification process. Check your voter status online at [voterstatus.sos.ca.gov](http://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov).

Here's a reminder of what is at stake for Pleasanton and the Tri-Valley in this primary election:

### BALLOT MEASURES

Front of mind for Pleasanton voters is **Measure M**, the \$323 million school facilities bond measure proposed by the Pleasanton Unified School District.

The scope of Measure M revenue could fund work to "upgrade/construct classrooms and facilities to support science, technology, engineering, math, arts/music and accommodate growing student enrollment; improve safety/security systems; replace aging roofs, plumbing/electrical/HVAC systems; and improve access for students with disabilities," according to the ballot question.

If approved by more than 55% of local voters, Measure M would be PUSD's second facilities bond since 2016 and usher in a new property tax of \$43.10 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation — sustaining a similar tax rate to what exists now once previous bond measures from 1988 and 1997 begin to expire in 2022, according to PUSD officials.

Two other local school bonds are being voted upon in the Tri-Valley next week.

**Measure J** asks Dublin Unified School District voters whether to approve a \$290 million bond measure (and accompanying property tax of \$50 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation) to fund projects such as the second comprehensive high school, a new middle school and current campus upgrades.

It would be the fourth school bond in the past 16 years for the Dublin community still grappling with school overcrowding issues amid continued residential growth.

In Sunol, voters will decide **Measure O**, a proposed \$9.5 million bond for Sunol Glen Unified School District to fund a series of improvements to classroom buildings, technology and infrastructure, as well as a brand-new multipurpose room, at the nearly century-old campus on Main Street that serves all of the students in the K-8 district.

If passed, Measure O would be the district's first new bond issuance since 1999 and would come

with a new property tax of \$59 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation.

**Measure P:** The Livermore community has been embroiled in a heated campaign ahead of the March 3 election on Measure P, a referendum measure over the hotel development agreement for downtown Livermore.

A Yes vote would sign off on the hotel agreement approved by the Livermore City Council to allow developer Presidio to build a three-story hotel with 125-135 rooms next to the Bankhead Theater on the east side of Livermore Avenue — a key component to the city's downtown redevelopment plan.

The hotel location is a main source of disagreement for the No on Measure P folks. They instead want a larger hotel (up to 160 rooms) on the west side of Livermore Avenue, in keeping with their alternative idea for downtown overall. Their separate "Central Park Plan" initiative has been placed on the November ballot.

**Measure C:** On voters' ballots across the county, Measure C

proposes to raise \$150 million per year via a new half-cent sales tax across Alameda County for the next 20 years, with 80% of the funds supporting childcare, preschool and early education programs and 20% supporting pediatric health care.

**Measure D:** Voters in unincorporated areas of the county, including parts of Pleasanton that are outside of the city limits, will decide a \$90 million fire safety bond measure (and associated new property tax of \$16 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation) proposed by the Alameda County Fire Department to fund fire facilities projects in the unincorporated communities.

**Proposition 13:** One statewide measure appears on the March ballot, Prop 13, a proposal from the State Legislature seeking voter authorization to issue \$15 billion in state general obligation bonds to fund construction and modernization projects at public education facilities across California.

(This Prop 13 has nothing to do with the well-known 1978



JULIA BAUM

School Board President Steve Maher led the Weekly on a tour of facilities needs at Amador Valley High School ahead of the Measure M election. Improvements to the school's gym, theater, science labs and general building repairs could be among the projects funded by the new bond, if passed by voters.



Foothill High has been the recipient of some infrastructure upgrades using Measure 11 revenue. PUSD said the passage of Measure M would enable them to also build a drama theater.



California initiative measure by the same ballot designation number on property tax rate limitations.)

**ZONE 7 BOARD**

Three seats are up for election on the Board of Directors of the Zone 7 Water Agency, which provides potable water wholesale to Tri-Valley municipalities including Pleasanton as well as flood protection for the Livermore and Amador valleys.

There are five candidates — three incumbents and two challengers — competing for the trio of at-large positions on the board representing Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin.



**Sandy Figuers**

The incumbents on the ballot are Sandy Figuers, a Livermore resident and groundwater geologist by trade who has been on the board since 2008 (plus 12 years of prior board service in the '80s and '90s); Pleasanton resident Dick Quigley, a retired resources manager at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory



**Dick Quigley**

seeking a fifth term; and Angela Ramirez Holmes, a two-term board member who lives in Pleasanton and works in political consulting.



**Angela Ramirez Holmes**

The two challengers are Hugh Bussell, a technical writer from Livermore; and Laurene Green, a water resources engineer from Pleasanton who also serves on her city's Committee on Energy and the Environment.



**Hugh Bussell**

The top three vote-getters in the primary will each earn a four-year term on the board.

Zone 7 was also set to hold an election for a fourth board seat, a special two-year term to complete the rest of an unexpired term left vacant by a midterm resignation last year.



**Laurene Green**

But Director Michelle Smith McDonald, the Dublin resident appointed by the board last spring to initially fill the vacancy before the primary election, was the only candidate to file for that two-year position so it won't appear on the ballot, with Smith McDonald winning the term unopposed.

**COUNTY SEATS**

Tri-Valley residents will get to vote on three Alameda County elected offices being contested this winter. In all races, any candidate who receives more than 50% of the vote in the primary election will win the seat outright, whereas any county seat without a 50%-plus winner would move on to a two-candidate runoff in November.

**Supervisor District 4:** Pleasanton voters will join the rest of their District 4 peers voting in a two-candidate election for their representative on the Board of Supervisors.

Incumbent Supervisor Nate Miley is running for a sixth consecutive term in office, this time facing off against lone challenger Esther Goolsby, an environmental community organizer from Oakland.

**Supervisor District 1:** Residents in Dublin and Livermore will be



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Rather than mailing it in, Alameda County voters can drop off their completed vote-by-mail ballot in this collection box outside Pleasanton City Hall at 123 Main St.

casting ballots for Supervisorial District 1, which has four candidates with elected experience vying to succeed retiring Supervisor Scott Haggerty.



**Vinnie Bacon**

The 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.



**David Haubert**

A third Board of Supervisors seat is on the ballot as well, but out of the area. Incumbent Supervisor Keith Carson is facing off against Albany City Councilman Nick Pilch for District 5, which represents Berkeley, parts of Oakland and other areas.

**Superior Court:** Three litigators are competing for the Alameda County Superior Court Department 2 seat opening up with the retirement of longtime Judge Carol Brosnahan — trial attorney Elena Condes, civil rights attorney Mark Fickes and administrative law judge Lilla Szelenyi.

The other 30 Alameda County Superior Court judgeships re-election saw only the benches file, which is common. Those positions will not appear on the ballot.

**Central Committees:** Pleasanton residents registered as members of the Democratic or Republican parties will have their chance to vote on their representatives on the



**Melissa Hernandez**



**Bob Wieckowski**

Alameda County Central Committee for the 16th Assembly District.

The Republican committee features 11 candidates for six available positions: Pleasanton Mayor Jerry Thorne, Zone 7 board candidate Hugh Bussell, Doug Miller, Leslie Jones, Chung Bothwell, Karan Healy, Debra Del Conte, Frederick B. Volking Jr., Sara Volking, Harry Briley and Suzanne Tringali.

The Democratic committee includes six candidates for four positions: former Pleasanton city councilwoman Cheryl Cook-Kallio, Dublin teachers union president Roberta Kreitz, Judy Tomic, Jeffrey Nibert, Brittini Kiick and Jacqueline Tarin-Rankl.

**STATE AND FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES**

Pleasanton residents have the chance to vote on their representatives in the State Senate, State Assembly and U.S. House of Representatives, although each of those races won't be decided for good until the November general election.

**State Senate:** Incumbent Sen. Steve Glazer (D-Orinda) faces two candidates in his bid for re-election to a second full four-year term representing District 7: Democrat Marisol Rubio, a scientific research and health care provider from San Ramon, and Republican Julie Mobley, who is

listed on the ballot as a community volunteer.

**State Assembly:** For the lower legislative house in Sacramento, incumbent Rebecca Bauer-Kahan (D-Orinda) is opposed by businessman Joseph Rubay (R-Alamo) in her bid for a second consecutive two-year term for District 16.

**Congress:** U.S. Rep. Eric Swalwell (D-Livermore) is on the ballot with six challengers in his bid for a fifth straight term in the U.S. House of Representatives for District 15.

The list of other candidates include Democrats Samantha Campbell, a Union City native who works for New Haven Unified School District; Austin E. Intal, a sales and real estate professional from Hayward; and Tuan Phan, a biochemist from Castro Valley; Republicans Peter Yuan Liu, an Oakland resident who works in San Lorenzo; and Alison Hayden, a special education teacher whose city of residence is not listed; and challenger Don J. Grundmann, a chiropractor from San Jose running without a party preference.

Oh yeah, and there's the presidential primary.

Voters will help decide various parties' nominees (Democratic, Libertarian, Peace and Freedom, Green and American Independent) to challenge President Donald Trump, the presumptive Republican nominee, in his bid for a second term in the White House during November's general election.

Follow the Pleasanton Weekly's coverage of March 3 election results online and on social media starting Tuesday night and in print next Friday. ■



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venue, as this sign posted out front indicates. The school has lacked since opening in 1973.

## LETTERS

### Measure M is the obvious solution

Dear Editor,

Students attending our schools today are looking ahead and reaching for top colleges and careers. They are working tirelessly to achieve and are feeling the pressures of today.

As a parent, I am all too familiar with this pressure. As a board member, I have the privilege of helping ensure our district has the classrooms and school facilities needed to support our students through this process.

Measure M is a necessary next step for our district and our community. Some classrooms and facilities have been updated recently, but this was just the first phase of improvements. Measure M modernizes our classrooms and facilities — some built 70 years ago — so they can support the demanding labs, science, math, arts, and sports programs our students are expecting.

Measure M will make essential safety improvements and repairs to aging classrooms. And Measure M will begin the process of addressing overcrowding in our high schools.

When we think of how to ensure our schools are world-class and

what our students need for a quality education, Measure M is the obvious solution. Pushing Measure M off to a later date simply doesn't make sense, as students right now need to have safe, modern classrooms.

By passing Measure M, our schools qualify for state matching funds that can help our local dollars go even further. If we don't pass M, we miss out on this opportunity.

I urge you to vote Yes on M so that our schools can continue to support our students.

—Mark Miller,  
PUSD board trustee

### Reject Measure M

Measure M, the Pleasanton School District bond measure should be rejected by the voters.

Back in 2016, a bond measure was approved that gave the school district a large sum. What have they spent that on? I challenge either the district or this paper to publish an accounting of what they did with the money.

Now, just three years later they want more, a lot more. When will this end? The readers must realize that a bond measure simply means your taxes are going up. We are taxed enough already. When will this end?

## EDITORIAL

THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY

### Pleasanton Weekly endorsements

Here again are the Pleasanton Weekly editorial board's recommendations.

- Measure M (\$323 million Pleasanton school bond): Vote Yes
- Zone 7 Board: Angela Ramirez Holmes, Sandy Figuers, Dick Quigley
- County Supervisor, District 4: Nate Miley
- Supervisor, District 1: David Haubert, Melissa Hernandez for runoff
- Measure P (Livermore downtown hotel agreement): Vote Yes
- Measure O (\$9.5 million Sunol school bond): Vote Yes
- Measure J (\$290 million Dublin school bond): Vote Yes
- Measure C (half-cent childcare/pediatric health sales tax): Vote No

The voter pamphlet says that the tax for this bond measure is 4.31 cents per \$100 of assessed value. Let's say your assessed value is \$300,000. That means you have 3,000 \$100s. So, if we apply 0.0431 to \$3,000, your taxes will go up \$129.30. And we aware that other bond measures are surely in the works. When will it end?

I'm voting No on higher taxes. Please join me in rejecting this tax increase called Measure M.

—Paul Ebright

### What Livermore's 'No People' can't do

The No effort on Measure P continues to misinform and trick Livermore voters. They're not the grassroots group they claim. They are well-funded, experienced and change names frequently to fit their needs.

It's telling that several of their recent rebrandings included "park," yet the word "park" doesn't appear in their initiative. The only "park" they want is more "Park...ing" for their arts theater. Don't be fooled!

Even as they vandalize hundreds of Yes yard signs, there are things they just can't do. Unlike the city of Livermore, they can't claim the public was involved in creating any of their demands. They can't say they included hotel parking.

A real eye-opener is; unlike the extensive list of organizations, businesses and elected officials supporting the city's plan, they can't point to even one credible organization or elected official that supports them.

Last week, their funder and leader, the Independent's owner, hit a new low. Placing her deceitful editorial on the front page highlighted national concerns over integrity of our free press. This unprecedented action created a new low in "yellow journalism," not seen before in the Tri-Valley.

This special interest group is asking you to "Compare and Decide." They ask you to compare their deceptive drawing and inaccurate facts to an actual plan that has seen the light of day, meets mandated requirements

and has withstood their attacks.

Yes, the decision is clear; for honesty, integrity and for better Parks, Parking and Progress, vote Yes on Measure P.

—John Lawrence

### Chamber committee endorses Ramirez Holmes for Zone 7

The Pleasanton Chamber's Business and Community Political Action Committee (BACPAC) is pleased to announce its endorsement of incumbent Angela Ramirez Holmes for the Zone 7 Water Agency Board in the March 3, 2020 primary election.

Throughout her two terms, Ramirez Holmes consistently demonstrated strong leadership where it counts most: pursuit of greater quantity and quality of water for the Tri-Valley, fiscal oversight and accountability, and served as president of the board from 2018-19.

Ramirez Holmes recognizes that our region cannot continue to rely so heavily on the State Water Project. She has consistently listened and acted to keep our water rate increases to a reasonable level. She has fought for regular finance committee meetings, comprehensive financial documents and reporting, transparency and a stronger working relationship with our local water agencies and customers.

Ramirez Holmes has earned the support and respect of many elected and appointed officials in the region and the BACPAC is pleased to join that distinguished list. A vote for Ramirez Holmes is a vote for strong leadership, accountability and transparency at Zone 7.

—John Sensiba,  
BACPAC chair

### Laurene Green for Zone 7

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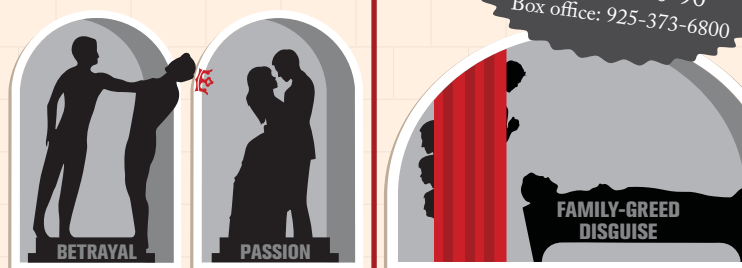
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compounds that we send down the drain. What if I told you that some water-chemistry “techies” are intent on recycling sewer water back into drinking water? And that they lobby Zone 7 to move in this direction?

The obvious problem is that safety will be unprovable — too many contaminants and their cross-effects when mixed in the body. And, embryos in utero and newborn babies will be their “guinea pigs,” being the most vulnerable due to rapid body growth.

Laurene Green is running for Zone 7 board, and as a water resources expert, she will bring sanity and stop this reckless “toilet to tap” science project. Vote Green for Zone 7.

—Pierre Bierre

### Yes on M is a great investment

Investing in our schools is one of the most important things we can do as a community, which is why we will be voting Yes on M.

Pleasanton Unified School District has some of the best schools, yet most outdated facilities, in the area. We are ranked No. 1 in Alameda County and No. 11 in the state despite our aging facilities.

Although there have been some improvements in recent years, our schools still have outdated portable classrooms that need to be replaced, decades-old buildings that need basic repairs, ancient athletic facilities and buildings that need to be improved to meet today’s more rigorous standards of safety.

Measure M is a straightforward, well-thought-through measure that provides a solution to the problem facing our schools — we need updated facilities that can support an enriching education.

Waiting until a later date to improve our schools doesn’t make sense and doesn’t serve our students. Now is the right time for several reasons.

First, this positions us well to receive matching funds from the state. Second, the projects from the prior bond (Measure II) will be wrapping up at the time Measure M projects will be starting, allowing us to leverage the existing infrastructure to design and build new facilities. And third, interest rates are relatively low, and with the district’s recent upgrade by Moody’s and S&P, this allows for money to be borrowed at favorable rates.

We are voting Yes on M and hope you join us.

—Don and Mindy Garman

### I’m voting Yes on M

As a social studies teacher at Amador, I get to see a wonderful side of our students as they are challenged and learning about the world around them. I love that I can help guide students through this process and help them reach their potential.

But we need to do better. Our district strives to attract outstanding teachers and invests in exceptional

programs for students — but this is not enough. Updated classrooms, labs, and gyms are needed. A safe learning environment is necessary. Repairs to old facilities are overdue.

I have loved seeing Yes on Measure M signs pop up throughout Pleasanton, as this shows our teachers that our community supports them; this tells our students that they are a priority.

I am heartened by our community’s support for Measure M and I hope that you join me in voting Yes.

—Jennifer Zuanich

### No on M

Until we hear a compelling reason for giving PUSD a third of a billion dollars on top of the \$100 million still unspent from the 2016 bond, we need to just say No.

Please ask PUSD why they never used the last bond to fix the heating systems, roofs and sidewalks they claim need fixing now. And why we should trust them to do so with this newest bond. The glossy mailers I get every day don’t explain anything about how the money will be spent. Just “trust us, we have a lot to fix” and “great schools for the kids!”

And what will they ask for in four years from now? A billion?

—Stephen Disbrow

### HPMS student supports Measure M

Let’s admit it, we cannot depend on the federal government alone for school funding. In 2019, I joined a rally in Sacramento that attempted to turn the tide in the war against school funding.

Unfortunately, the actions of our California legislators demonstrate that education is not a priority and funding should have lower costs. The state will not be able to fulfill that 58% state funding level. So, funding will decrease.

Remember that the state is not giving us enough funding. However, district costs are rising faster than state funding. We can only rely on property tax and it is not enough. California is recognized as a leader in high tech and biotech. Maintaining this lead requires the best and brightest young minds to carry on.

Now let’s think about the benefits of paying. Why did you move to Pleasanton? It’s the school district. If we continue to have higher quality schools, families will be attracted to inhabit Pleasanton. Do you know what more people are equal to? Bingo! Higher real estate value for Pleasanton.

A Chinese proverb can help better explain this: “One generation plants a tree and another takes the shade”. This means that this funding may not benefit us directly, but will help the next generation.

You have the power to give us an education that keeps us competitive. Please vote Yes on M.

—Connor Lam, seventh grade, Harvest Park Middle School

### Vote Yes on M for PUSD students

This March, our community has the opportunity to vote Yes on M to ensure that all Pleasanton students have safe and up-to-date classrooms that support the high-quality education the future generations deserve.

Some of our classrooms were built nearly 70 years ago and are in need of critical updates and repairs. I have talked to teachers and administrators and when they compare our facilities to neighboring districts, they say that we are not even close.

If we continue down this path, our schools will deteriorate more, potentially causing our rankings to drop and greatly impacting our community. Pleasanton can do better.

Some people say, “this will price the seniors out of their houses.” First, the value of our homes has risen, in large part, because of the quality of our schools. This is why families move to Pleasanton.

And second, many seniors bought homes years ago so our assessed tax value may be a few hundred thousand dollars. By 2022, the net increase from what you are paying today for Measure M will be \$26 and then drop down \$3 more dollars by 2024.

Since Measure M is only for the Pleasanton Unified School District, every penny stays in our community to support our schools. Funds cannot be taken away by the state.

To ensure the money is spent according to what the voters approve, an independent oversight committee is required and will be formed.

Vote Yes on M for PUSD students.

—Jan Batcheller

### Yes on M is the right decision

Our economy is rapidly changing, and workers continue to need more advanced skills in order to compete. This is why Pleasanton schools desperately need Measure M.

As the director of adult and career education at Pleasanton Unified School District, I work with students and adults who are looking to us to help them advance in their career. We provide necessary life and career skills, helping to smooth the transition into college or help people move forward in their life.

Measure M will update Pleasanton schools so that all students from kindergarten through 12th grade have the tools and skills they need. If our schools don’t meet the needs of today — how can we expect our students to compete?

Our schools train the next generation of the workforce and even fuel our local economy. By educating and training the young people of today, we are building a strong foundation for our economy and our community for years to come. Please join me in supporting Yes on M.

—Glen Sparks

### Keep our schools strong for decades

I am a student at Foothill High School and have been fortunate to have a great education. I have spent my entire learning career inside the Pleasanton Unified School District and understand the endless possibilities and opportunities it provides.

Without Measure M however, necessary improvements will not be made and the exceptional education mentioned above will surely deteriorate.

Recently, I have seen firsthand at Foothill how leaky roofs, traffic problems, and uncomfortable classrooms because of non-functional heating and air-conditioning units have hampered student learning and staff teaching. Measure M will provide a more conducive and effective learning environment and end the above-mentioned issues.

As I will be gone by the time these projects commence, I want future generations to have the same level of first-rate education that I did. It is my firm conviction that an investment in education is a safeguard to a successful future.

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

—Derek Dressler, Foothill ASB president

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## Susanne Michelle Woods

December 26, 1972 – February 19, 2020

It is with deep sadness that we announce the death of Susanne Woods on February 19th, 2020, at the age of 47.

Susanne attended Alisal, Harvest Park, Amador, DVC and UC Berkeley.

She began her book publishing career in New York, before moving to London and Colorado. She then started her own publishing company, Lucky Spool, specializing in quilting, here in Pleasanton in 2012.

She loved spending time with her family, traveling, cooking, quilting, reading and gardening. She loved people, was a Pleasanton Library Booklegger for several years, and was involved in community volunteerism with her two boys.

She leaves two sons, Archie and Oliver, and her husband Bruce.

She was warm, loving, talented and so very dear to our hearts.

Mum Jan, dad Ralph, sister Carolyn and niece and nephew, Sarah and Justin.

At Susanne's request, a private family goodbye was held.

Donations in her memory may be made to the American Cancer Society



PAID OBITUARY

## David Edward Boyd

February 13, 1927 – January 9, 2020

Beloved father, grandfather great-grandfather David E. Boyd, passed away peacefully January 9, 2020, shortly before his 93rd birthday.

Born in Ohio, Dave began his work life shoveling snow for pay at the age of seven. He was a proud veteran, leaving school to serve in the Navy during WWII. After military service, Dave took his bride to Arizona where he worked at the Salt River Project and raised a family. He later became a sales executive for Spalding Corporation.

An avid sportsman, Dave loved to fish and golf with his buddies. He further shared his golf skills by serving on the design committee for Callippe Preserve Golf Course in Pleasanton. Dave taught dedication and persistence to future generations via his love for football, coaching 26 years for the Pleasanton Jr. Football League.

Upon retirement Dave became known as "Pappy," a golf course marshal and golf aficionado. His most lasting tenure was Wentle Vineyard Golf Course, where he worked until the age of 90, proving his oft-heard proclamation: "I'm a worker!"

Dave worked and lived independently until a year ago at his Pleasanton home of over 45 years. Always immaculately dressed, and armed with a quick wit, Dave's infectious joie de vivre as master of ceremonies, choir soloist, neighborhood watchdog, and prolific story and joke-teller teased laughs from everyone he met. He lived a vibrant life filled with love and protective loyalty for his family, friends, and community.

Dave is survived by four children, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Margaret Boyd. The celebration of Dave's life will be in Pleasanton at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, Saturday, March 14, 2020, at 2 pm; private interment at Grace Cathedral Columbarium. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to St. Clare's Episcopal Church, Firehouse Arts Center, or Hospice are requested.



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## POLICE BULLETIN

### Police investigating home invasion robbery at gunpoint

A woman was robbed at gunpoint by three unknown men who broke into a Kottinger Ranch home early Sunday morning, according to a Pleasanton police spokeswoman.

The robbers, described as young African-American men in dark clothing, fled from the scene in an SUV and remained at-large as of press time, according to Lt. Maria Munayer.

The incident unfolded around 3:45 a.m. Sunday, which is when the woman reported being woken up by the sound of broken glass from a rear sliding door, according to Munayer.

"She was confronted by two suspects who brandished a handgun at her, demanded cash and ransacked the interior of the home," Munayer said. "The victim was uninjured."

The group of three robbers then fled the scene in an SUV of unknown make and model, according to the lieutenant. They were described as black men, 18-25 years old, and dressed in dark clothing.

The robbery was reported to police several hours after it occurred, and officers immediately began an investigation after arriving at the scene in the Kottinger Ranch neighborhood, Munayer said.

Detectives later retrieved surveillance camera footage that depicted three men exiting the front door while carrying property from the home. The footage then shows an unknown SUV drive up to the front of the house and pick up the three robbers, according to Munayer.

The robbers and their vehicle were still outstanding as of Wednesday afternoon.

Police released three still photographs pulled from the surveillance video footage, black-and-white pictures that show the three suspects but not their faces as well as the SUV at a distance. Those photos are posted with the online story at PleasantonWeekly.com.

Anyone with information about the case can call Pleasanton police detectives at 931-5100.

### In other news

- A man from Livermore was taken into custody in Idaho last week after Boise police allege he crashed his Ford Mustang into 10 cars and one pickup truck in an area parking garage on Valentine's Day.

Demaria L. Dawkins, 27, was charged with a variety of felony and misdemeanor counts, including malicious injury to property, reckless driving, possessing an open container of alcohol, failing to give notice upon hitting an unattended vehicle and an outstanding warrant, according to Boise police.

The incident unfolded around

8 p.m. Feb. 14 when a yellow Mustang was seen crashing into 11 parked vehicles while traveling down a multi-story garage on South 9th Street in Boise and then fleeing the scene, police said. Video of the crashes was shared on social and news media in the area.

Among the damaged vehicles was a truck, which the Mustang actually dragged for a short time through the parking garage, police said.

The Mustang was later found abandoned near West Eastover Terrace, and officers noticed additional damage to a light police and traffic control sign, police said.

Investigators soon learned Dawkins was the registered owner of the Mustang and identified him as a person of interest, police said.

"Officers continued to investigate the crash ... and were able to locate evidence that the suspect may have left town but remained in the surrounding area, possibly near Idaho City," police said.

Dawkins was arrested on Feb. 19 with the assistance of the Boise County Sheriff's Office, according to city police. He was booked into custody at the Ada County Jail on charges related to the crash.

- The owner of a Danville karate center was arrested in Oakland last week, following an investigation by police into reported sexual misconduct against a student at his studio, according to Danville police.

Police arrested 63-year-old Ramon Pruitt — the owner of Danville Karate International on Town and Country Drive — last Friday on charges stemming from allegations of inappropriate sexual behavior with one of his students.

With assistance from the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office, Danville police had been investigating Pruitt for some time, initiating the investigation after receiving a report of misconduct on Jan. 14.

A warrant for Pruitt's arrest was issued by the Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office on Feb. 20, on three felony counts of lewd and lascivious acts with a child. Pruitt was booked into the Martinez Detention Facility with bail set at \$500,000.

It was not immediately clear whether Pruitt had yet appeared in court to answer for the charges or whether he was represented by an attorney.

- A new Alameda County online portal is now live to help people who were previously incarcerated re-establish their lives after incarceration, county officials said.

The Alameda County Reentry Portal, which can be found on the 211 information system website and on the Alameda County Probation Department's website, aggregates useful information to help people with re-entry.

The new portal has information on state and Alameda County agencies that have reentry resources. ■

—Pleasanton Weekly staff and Bay City News Service

## Maureen Ann Kostalnick

December 9, 1940 – February 21, 2020

Maureen Ann Richards Kostalnick passed away on Friday, February 21, 2020. To know Maureen was to love her. She touched the hearts of everyone she met. Her life was dedicated to her beautiful family and to the children she worked with as a sign language interpreter.

Maureen was born in Avon, Ohio and graduated from Avon High School. She went on to become a sign language interpreter and loved the children she had the privilege of working with.

She was also an author, having written an adult novel based on her life, and a humorous children's book. Maureen began her writing career as a humor writer for the American Greetings Corporation in Cleveland.

Maureen is survived by her loving husband and high school sweetheart, Chuck; her devoted children, Kathleen Antrim of Pleasanton, CA; Charles Kostalnick II and Kay Kostalnick of Castle Rock, CO; Daniel Jon Kostalnick, MD and Suzanne Kostalnick of Pleasanton, CA; and her wonderful grandchildren Kaitlin Antrim Laines of San Francisco, CA; Taylor Antrim of Lone Tree, CO; Charles Kostalnick III of San Francisco, CA; Michael Kostalnick of Livermore, CA; Elizabeth Kostalnick of Pleasanton, CA; Madeleine Kostalnick of Pleasanton, CA; and Danielle Kostalnick of Pleasanton, CA. She is also survived by her sister, Donna Wachholz of Avon, Ohio.

Words cannot convey how very much Maureen will be missed.

A memorial service and a celebration of life reception was held for Maureen on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Pleasanton, CA and Campo di Bocce in Livermore, CA.

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# Sports



## PLEASANTON PREPS

BY DENNIS MILLER

### Foothill wrestler Duncan qualifies for state tournament

Plus: Playoff results for girls soccer, boys basketball

Foothill sent nine wrestlers to the North Coast Section meet last Friday and Saturday and finished with one of the group advancing to the CIF State meet.

Ruby Duncan (126 pounds) finished fourth and earned a berth in the state tournament that takes place in Bakersfield.

In other NCS results, Sam Wade (195) was fourth, James Parisi (182) was fifth and Cody Mocciano (152) was eighth. Ethan Hoffman (170) was 4-2 and finished in the top 12. Miguel Lopez (160) and Jack Madden (220) were in the top 16 before being eliminated.

#### Amador girls soccer

The Amador Valley girls soccer team played two NCS playoff games last week, coming away with a pair of wins.

After earning the No. 3 seed in

the tournament, the Dons took on San Leandro on Feb. 19 and the San Ramon Valley on Saturday.

The Dons completely dominated the Pirates, trouncing them 10-0. Maile Smith had a hat trick while Kennedy Mayo scored twice. Maggie Nostrand, Olivia Soble, Maddie Benson, Kate Reedy and Emma Fuller also contributed scores.

The defense recorded their 10th shutout of the season.

Against San Ramon last Saturday night, Amador prevailed 2-0. A beautiful Julia Gonsman header found the back of the net off a Bella Mayo free kick in the first half, and in the second, Noelle Marceno finished off a fantastic Benson juke and cross.

The stingy Dons defense recorded yet another shutout.

#### NCS basketball

It was a tough opening round for

the two local high schools in the first round of the boys NCS playoffs.

Foothill, the No. 9 seed, had to go on the road to play at No. 8 College Park and dropped a 58-56 final. Dylan D'Amico had 16 for Foothill, with Nick High and Adith Swarup adding 11 each.

Amador was the No. 6 seed, earning a home game, but the Dons fell 54-46 to the No. 11 seed Deer Valley.

#### Amador boys tennis

The Dons opened the season with an 8-1 spanking of California.

Brett Miller, Vishal Muthuvel, Ben Deriquito, Bryan Park, David Alber and Nithilan Muruganandham all took their singles matches, with the doubles teams of Robert Heeter/James Heeter, and Aditya Nair/Atul Nair winning their matches.

#### Youth martial arts

On Feb. 15, four Kokua Martial Arts and Fitness Academy (Pleasanton) students competed at the KC Challenge and WAKO Nationals in Kansas City, Mo. to qualify for the World Association of Kickboxing Organization (WAKO) USA National Karate and Kickboxing Team.

Alexis Aying, Mayalanni Erediano, Noah Wong and Caleb Wong will compete in the WAKO Junior and Cadet World Kickboxing Championships in Belgrade,

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Serbia from Aug. 19-30.

Aying (15 years old) earned second place in 16-18 year old female 55kg point fighting, second in the 60kg point fighting, and second in the 16-18 year old female open weight at the WAKO Nationals and will compete in the 55kg 16-18 year old female point fighting weight class at the World Kickboxing Championships.

Erediano (14) took second in 13-15 female 60kg point fighting and will compete in this weight class in Serbia. Noah Wong (12) took second in the 10-12 male 47kg point fighting and will compete in this weight class in Serbia.

Caleb Wong (8) won first place in the male 36kg point fighting and is the 7-9 WAKO USA Open Weight Champion. Caleb will compete in the 36kg weight class at the WAKO Junior and Cadet World

Kickboxing Championships.

#### Spring sports

With the winter sports teams heading into postseason play, it means that spring sports are underway with practice and soon to be games ready to go.

That also means it is time to find a volunteer to send me your results each week! It doesn't take much time, probably about 15 minutes a week. Just send the scores of your games and some highlights and I will put it together to run in the Weekly.

Of course, we are always looking for pictures as well, with the identification of the athletes in the photo, as well as the name of the person that took the picture.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 567459  
The following person doing business as:  
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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.)

Simply Burma  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 568455  
The following person doing business as: Simply Burma, 7172 Regional St., #156, Dublin, CA 94568, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Origin Bay LLC, 7172 Regional St., #156, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by Origin Bay LLC, a Limited Liability Company. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Martin Chou, Managing Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 11, 2020 (Pleasanton Weekly, February 21, 28, March 6, 13, 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.)

Pearls & Teeth, Dental Practice of Veena Madhure, DDS  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 568450  
The following person doing business as: Pearls & Teeth, Dental Practice of Veena Madhure, DDS, 5720 Stoneridge Mall Road, #285, Pleasanton, CA 94588, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Veena Madhure, DDS, Inc., 1619 Angsley Lane, San Ramon, CA 94582. This business is conducted by Veena Madhure, DDS, Inc., a Corporation. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein January 15, 2020. Signature of Registrant: Veena Madhure, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 10, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, Feb. 21, 28, March 6, 13, 2020.)

LB Collisions Inc. DBA Lopez Brothers  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 568511  
The following person doing business as: LB Collisions Inc. DBA Lopez Brothers, 25401

Mission Blvd., Hayward, CA 94544, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: LB Collisions, 25401 Mission Blvd., Hayward, CA 94544. This business is conducted by LB Collisions Inc., a Corporation. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein February 12, 2020. Signature of Registrant: Manuel Lopez, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 11, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, February 21, 28, March 6, 13, 2020.)

Crow Canyon Dry Cleaners  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 568519  
The following person doing business as: Crow Canyon Cleaners, 7272 San Ramon Road, Dublin, CA 94568, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: JNG Group, 7272 San Ramon Road, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by JNG Group LLC, a Limited Liability Company. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Gurpreet Sahni, Secretary. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 13, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, February 28, March 6, 13 20, 2020.)

Western Rail Management Services Inc.  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 568590  
The following person doing business as: Western Rail Management Services Inc., 12315 Foothill Rd., Sunol, CA 94586, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Western Rail Management Services Inc., 12315 Foothill Rd., Sunol, CA 94586. This business is conducted by Western Rail Management Services Inc., a Corporation. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name listed herein January 13, 2020. Signature of Registrant: Stephen D. Barkkari, President, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 14, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 2020.)

Neighborhood Gardener  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 568847  
The following person doing business as: Neighborhood Gardener, 1440 Mowry Ave., Fremont, CA 94538, County of Alameda, is hereby registered by the following owner: Nabiullah Bakhtar Khurasani. This business is conducted by Nabiullah Bakhtar Khurasani, an individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Nabiullah Bakhtar Khurasani, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 24, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 2020.)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
File No. 562380  
The following person(s) have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name(s). The information given below is as it appeared on the fictitious business statement that was filed at the County Clerk-Recorder's Office. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME: TNT Mattress Outlet, 6200 Stoneridge Mall Road, Suite 300, Pleasanton, CA 94588 FILED IN ALAMEDA COUNTY ON: August 15, 2019 UNDER FILE NO. 562380. REGISTRANT'S NAME(S): Justin Warren, 8561 Rhoda Place, Dublin, CA 94568; Dominic Garibaldi, 11 Redtail Court, Danville, CA 94526. THIS BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED BY Justin Warren; Dominic Garibaldi, General Partners. This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Alameda County on February 18, 2020. (Pleasanton Weekly, February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 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.: HG20054124 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Komal Sagar, on behalf of, Maanvi Sanket Sagar, a minor, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Maanvi Sanket Sagar to Maanvi Parmar Sagar. 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: April 3, 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: February 21, 28, March 6, 13, 2020. Judge Desautels, JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

## PET OF THE WEEK



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### Meet Truffles

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## Talks & Lectures

**HOMELESSNESS PANEL A**  
conversation with local experts on affordable housing and homelessness in the Tri-Valley. This is a second panel in a two-part series on homelessness. March 5, 7 p.m., Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada St., Pleasanton.

**LIVERMORE TEEN ACADEMY - SUMMER PROGRAM INTERNSHIP**  
The Livermore Teen Academy is a 3-week program that includes a series of interactive workshops and a short internship with the City of Livermore. Those who successfully complete the workshop will receive a \$330 stipend. The Livermore Public Library is accepting applications through Fri., 28, 2020. City of Livermore - Civic Center Library, 1188 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore.

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## Fundraisers

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**PLEASANTON SOLE MATES** Wednesdays 8:45-10 a.m. Walking is one of the easiest and most cost effective forms of exercise for adults. Participants must be able to walk 2.5-3 miles and keep a moderate pace with the group. Free. Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd.

**GAME TIME** Playing games is a great way to keep your mind sharp. Drop in, socialize, meet new friends, and learn a new game with us. Free. 1st Thursday, 10-11:30 a.m. Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd.

## Bay Area housing numbers fall by 30% in 2019

Despite a narrative that housing construction in the Bay Area is going gangbusters, the number of units built last year was nearly 10,000 shy of the year before, according to preliminary data from the Construction Industry Research Board and assembled this month by Bay City News Service.

Two people familiar with the state's and Bay Area's housing crisis said fees and delays for various reasons are behind the 9,880-unit decrease in housing construction.

"We still have very anti-housing policies," State Sen. Scott Wiener (D-San Francisco) said.

He said the approval process for a unit of housing can take three to five years and in San Francisco the charges and fees for a housing unit come to \$165,000.

"We still have a system that's designed to fail," Wiener said.

In San Francisco, the number of units built fell by 1,841, the most behind Santa Clara County and Alameda County. The drop in Santa Clara County was 3,333 and in Alameda County 2,455.

Dan Dunmoyer, president and CEO of the California Building Industry Association, a trade association representing single family and multi family homebuilders, said that statewide, 7% to 8% fewer units of housing were constructed in 2019 than in 2018.

"It's interesting and profound," Dunmoyer

said.

It's the first year the numbers have been down since the Great Recession, he said, adding that there is great demand for housing.

But like Wiener, Dunmoyer said fees and delays due to lawsuits and endangered species concerns, among other reasons, are probably behind the drop.

Fees that Bay Area cities charge developers for building housing range from two to three times to six to eight times what cities in places like Phoenix and Salem, Oregon, charge, he said.

Outside of California, developers pay about \$6,000 to \$15,000, while the cheapest fees in the Bay Area are \$45,000 to \$50,000, he said, and the homebuyer ultimately pays the fees.

Delays caused by regulations at the local level are being addressed at least to some extent by numerous changes to state law, said Daniel Saver, assistant director, housing and local planning, at the Association of Bay Area Governments.

"The state's perspective appears to be that there is a need to simplify and streamline local laws that slow down housing construction," Saver said.

"The stated intention is to make it so developers don't have to jump through so many hoops," he said. ■

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### SALES AT A GLANCE

#### Pleasanton (Dec. 30-Jan. 3)

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**Lowest sale reported:** \$610,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$1,800,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,011,454

#### Dublin (Dec. 30-Jan. 3)

**Total sales reported:** 11  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$525,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$1,568,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$915,545

#### Livermore (Dec. 30-Jan. 3)

**Total sales reported:** 13  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$585,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$1,290,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$742,692

#### San Ramon (Jan. 21-24)

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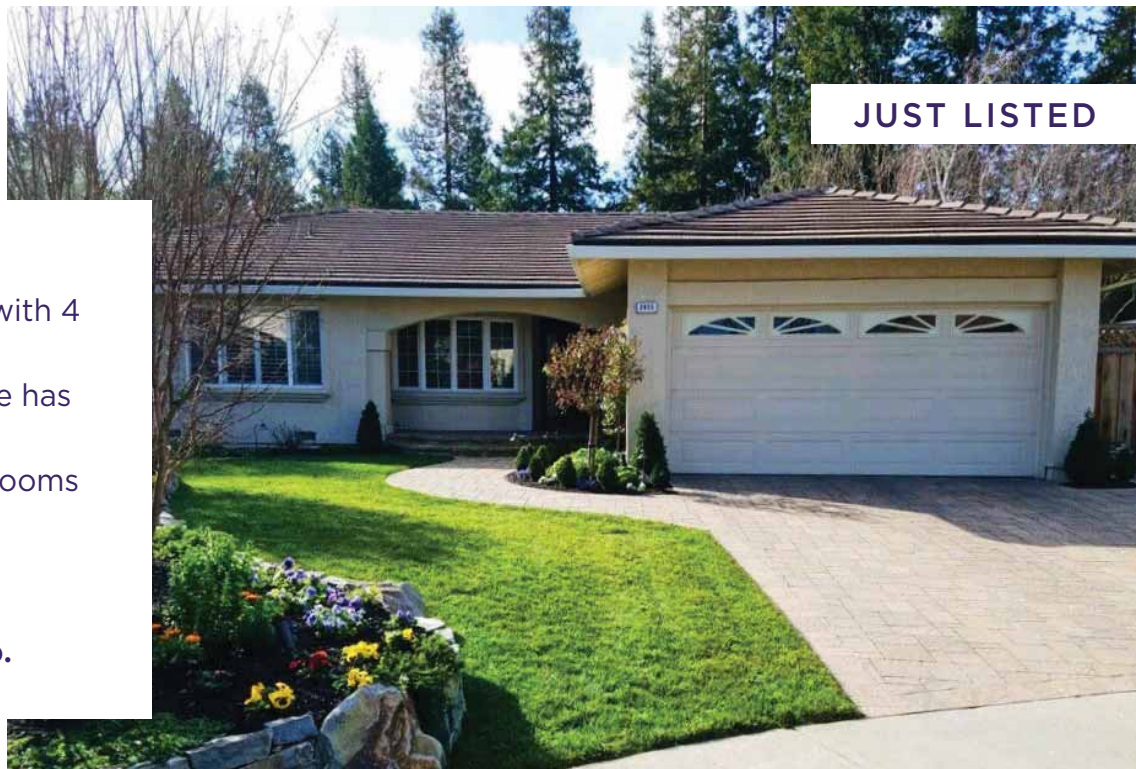
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