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# VALLEY VIEWS



By **DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI**

## Moi? In a fight?

Now, I usually mind my own business when I overhear a conversation, but this wasn't the case last week in the swimming pool at the YMCA waiting for my water aerobics class to begin. I was slowly warming up and idly listening to a conversation between a man and woman treading water nearby. I wouldn't say I "know" them but they, too, are regulars.

Then I heard her ask him: "What is this 'critical race theory?'"

And he began to reply: "It teaches kids that from the time they are born that they are guilty."

I actually felt my blood boil at what I considered a gross misinterpretation. I charged through the 10 feet of water that were separating us.

"Wait! Wait!" I said. "That's not what it is at all."

He turned toward me and firmly stated, "You may have your opinion but I am talking."

For a second I actually thought it might escalate into a shouting match, something entirely out of my comfort zone. So I backed off and chose an exercise spot a bit distant as the class began. But I could hear the rest of his answer, an extremely negative and incorrect account of critical race theory as I understand it.

I was upset. Which actually was good for my energy level as I jogged and kicked and vigorously pushed and pulled the water-resistant dumbbells. And I thought during the entire class about what had just happened.

This was a man I'd spoken to many times in the past. He and his wife had recently taken a scuba diving trip to Tahiti, and I'd told him about my diving experiences in the Red Sea many years ago. We'd also commented about the teachers and the classes as they resumed earlier this year.

And, although the Y should not be a place for political discussion, I'd heard him expound during the recall election on how he was all for it and go on to criticize Gov. Gavin Newsom. Which was dismaying but had not sent me into a fury.

Now, I had 45 minutes of exercise time to consider what made me so angry that I had thrust myself into their conversation. What had I hoped to gain from it? And now what, if anything, should I do? I made my decision.

When class was over, as everyone dried off and packed up, I grabbed my belongings and approached the guy.

"Excuse me," I said, and he looked up. "I want to tell you I am sorry."

He smiled slightly and mumbled something like, "That's OK."

"I should not have interrupted you," I continued. "And I am sure we have things in common that we can agree on."

I paused.

"We both like water aerobics," I said.

Then he laughed pleasantly. I responded in kind and walked away.

My understanding of critical race theory (CRT) is that it includes the lives of Black residents in American history and the impact of slavery from the beginning. This sounds quite different from my education in the 1950s. It was relatively recently, upon reading Jill Lepore's "These Truths: The History of the United States," that I received a broader view of our nation's founding and early years.

But I am aware of the great divide in America of facts and alternative facts so I went to good old Merriam-Webster — online because it had to be up to date — and found the following definition:

Critical race theory: "a group of concepts (such as the idea that race is a sociological rather than biological designation, and that racism pervades society and is fostered and perpetuated by the legal system) used for examining the relationship between race and the laws and legal institutions of a country and especially the United States."

Learning the complete history of our country and its institutions and how and why laws were passed sounds like the definition of education to me. And I don't feel any guilt due to the actions of my ancestors, only sadness for the injustices.

These issues, historical and current, sound like a good thing to explore and discuss — without interrupting each other — so we can move forward in a better way. ■

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

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Nelson Fialho is in his final week as city manager, stepping down next Tuesday after 17 years leading the Pleasanton city government. Photo by Cierra Bailey. Cover design by Doug Young.



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## What do you enjoy most about your weekends?



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A highlight of my weekends are the mornings, which often include a full English breakfast — with the pup patiently waiting nearby for scraps. We eat while watching the Premier League, the top level soccer league in England. It's incredibly exciting and competitive. What more could you want?!



**Marie Winchell, with Toby**  
*Sales/college student*

What I love the about weekends is that I get to spend the most amount of time with my dog. And oh, with my husband, too.



**Chuck Deckert**  
*Sales*

I totally enjoy going on extended, lengthy hikes at one of our many beautiful East Bay parks with my canine companion, Zoey. I bookmark that with a visit to mom at her assisted living facility, and that always makes for a perfect Saturday.



**Steve Fletcher**  
*Refrigeration mechanic*

I love being able to sleep in, and not wake up to an alarm, and also being able to spend lots of time hanging out all over downtown Pleasanton with my girlfriend Joanne.



**Andy Boyd**  
*Print broker*

On the weekends I really get to enjoy our great weather and heading downtown with my girlfriend Lesley, and other friends, to enjoy Pleasanton's many great restaurants and nightlife.

—Compiled by Nancy and Jeff Lewis

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### Where to put housing

Pleasanton city officials are holding a community meeting next week as they undertake the process to identify potential locations under consideration for rezoning and inclusion in the city's housing site inventory for the Housing Element update.

For the 2023-31 cycle, the city's Housing Element must include a list of sites with adequate zoning capacity to accommodate the city's regional housing needs allocation (RHNA) of 5,965 new housing units in that eight-year period, including properties suitable for both lower-income and market-rate homes.

"It is important to note that the sites inventory reflects Pleasanton's planned capacity for future housing development; it is not a direct quota of units the city itself must construct," officials said.

The community meeting via Zoom, set for 6-7:30 p.m. next Wednesday (Dec. 1), will be the first of several sessions for public review of the city's preliminary list of potential sites.

### Shop Small

The Pleasanton Downtown Association and city of Pleasanton are again partnering on a "Shop Small-Support Local" awareness and advocacy campaign this holiday season to encourage residents to shop, dine and visit local this winter.

"Shop Small-Support Local is a celebration of Pleasanton's small businesses, ranging from retail stores and restaurants to fitness studios, salons and everything in between," officials said. "When you Shop Small, you do something big."

The effort includes marking Small Business Saturday in Pleasanton this weekend, a nationwide endeavor designed to support shopping at local small businesses the day after Black Friday. Learn more at [www.pleasantondowntown.net](http://www.pleasantondowntown.net)

### Green Friday

The East Bay Regional Park District is again celebrating Green Friday today — a healthy outdoor alternative to Black Friday holiday shopping — by offering free admission into district parks and activities, including parking, dogs, horses, boat launching and fishing.

"Time in nature improves physical and mental health and is a great way to relieve holiday stress," Board President Dee Rosario said. "The day after Thanksgiving is a great opportunity to get outside and spend time with family and friends."

Part of the #OptOutside campaign, additional details about Green Friday and EBRPD locations can be found at [www.eb-rparks.org/parks](http://www.eb-rparks.org/parks). ■

## School board ratifies new contract between Pleasanton Unified and teachers union

### Corresponding pay increases, benefit boosts approved for district management

By JULIA BAUM

Months of tense negotiations between the Pleasanton Unified School District and the Association of Pleasanton Teachers, including a vote authorizing teachers to strike, came to an end when the Board of Trustees unanimously approved a final employment agreement with the teachers union last week.

The final vote comes after APT members voted last month to authorize a strike during impasse with the district. Teachers rallied outside the district office several times recently but did not stop working at any point in time. The

two sides reached a deal in negotiations on Nov. 8.

Under the agreement, teachers' pay on the salary schedule will increase across the board by 4.5% retroactive to July 1. A one-time payment of \$2,000 for the 2020-21 school year — prorated based on assigned full-time equivalent (FTE) hours — will also be given to union members.

The hourly rate for the professional rate for certificated staff members also increased from \$32.15 to \$46.86 (which is column one, step one of the teacher salary schedule in PUSD), effective on Jan. 1. Standardized stipends

for middle school coaches, music programs and special education teachers will also be retroactive to July 1.

Starting in the 2022-23 school year, PUSD will increase the allowable service credit for newly hired teachers to a maximum of 15 years. Assistant superintendent of human resources Julio Hernandez told the board that the district's previous six-year maximum "puts us at a disadvantage when we're recruiting teachers to our school district."

Reducing class sizes from 33 students down to 31 for fourth and fifth grades are among the main terms in the agreement not

related to salary.

APT President Michelle VerKuilen addressed the board at the Nov. 18 board meeting, and said the organization's goal "is to support our students."

"What does supporting our students look like?" VerKuilen said. "It looks like educators, union leaders, district management, site management and our school board, all coming together to make decisions that put students at the forefront. It means when budgets are developed and implemented, the dollars stay as close to students as possible."

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CIERRA BAILEY

City Manager Nelson Fialho, seen here in the heart of downtown Pleasanton, is nearing his last day on the job next week. He sat down with the Weekly this month to reflect on his 17 years leading the city and his plans for life and career ahead.

## Fialho's farewell

### Outgoing city manager on Pleasanton's evolution during tenure, the decision to step down and what's next for him

By JEREMY WALSH

Walking into the Pleasanton city manager's office this month presented quite a different scene from prior years in Nelson Fialho's administration. The walls were mostly bare, save the nails on which photographs and plaques once hung; no large piles of paper on the desk; fewer mementos and books on the shelves.

The chapter is closing for Pleasanton's longest-serving city manager. Fialho is stepping down next Tuesday after 17 years leading the city government and more than three decades working in civic service overall.

"I feel like I should have a better reason, but the reality is 25 years is a long time in one city," Fialho told the Weekly during a sitdown interview on Nov. 12. "I've been in local government for 31 years, and I feel in light of everything in regards to

the pandemic and entering into a new calendar year that now is the right time to make a transition."

"I was 100% all-in to this community, and I always put the community's best interests at the forefront all the time. Some would argue sometimes maybe not in my best interests, but I felt strongly that that's how we should lead and guide," the 53-year-old said as he approached a retirement from public employment that is not necessarily a retirement from "working" — and certainly not one from community service.

"I'm going to still be involved in some way in the community, just in a different way ... And I'll still be here in Pleasanton living; you'll see me on Main Street, at Peet's, hiking, enjoying the amenities that we have here in town."

A San Leandro native educated at Cal State East Bay, Fialho arrived

in Pleasanton in his late 20s with work experience from the cities of Hayward, San Dimas and Campbell under his belt.

He began as assistant to the city manager, followed by promotions to director of human resources and labor relations and deputy city manager before he competed for and earned the city manager position in 2004.

Reflecting on the breadth between those bookends, Fialho viewed the biggest difference for the city from 17 years ago to today as lying with housing and development.

"I would say that what was central back then was a mindset, a very strong mindset and rightly so, of slower development. That was sort of the political philosophy of the time, which is to try to figure

## City OKs terms for school police

### Program with PUSD is renewed for another two years

By JULIA BAUM

After a two-week delay, the Pleasanton City Council finalized a revised memorandum of understanding for the city's long-running school resource officer (SRO) program last week.

At the request of Vice Mayor Julie Testa earlier this month, the public hearing about the MOU between the city and Pleasanton Unified School District was continued to the Nov. 16 council meeting, where it passed unanimously after more than two hours of discussion and public comment.

Following the slaying of George Floyd by then-Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin last year, some students, parents and staff members at PUSD said Pleasanton's SRO program needed reforming, with some advocating to completely discontinue the program, which has been run by the city for almost 20 years.

Mayor Karla Brown weighed in before voting on Nov. 16. "I look at the school resource officers, Pleasanton Unified School District, as a partnership and a resource," Brown said. "A resource for the schools, a resource for the students, a resource for the parents as well."

Brown reminded the community that "these are officers that are sworn

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# Transit center entry named 'Angie's Way' after late A&W carhop

Local officials, relatives attend recent dedication ceremony in downtown Livermore

By CIERRA BAILEY

Local officials, residents and relatives of the late Angie Navarro gathered at the downtown Livermore Transit Center earlier this month to honor her legacy as a beloved community figure.

For nearly 25 years, beginning in 1960, Navarro worked as a carhop at the former A&W Root Beer stand that once occupied the area that is now the transit center entrance. Navarro was well known by longtime residents who grew up in Livermore in the 1960s, '70s and '80s for her friendliness and sense of humor.

"A lot of my friends knew her and all of my brothers' and sisters' friends also knew her and she would tease them," said Rosie Caldera, Navarro's eldest daughter.

Navarro died last year and as a tribute to her, the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA) formally established her

legacy as a part of Livermore's history by designating the transit center entrance "Angie's Way."

LAVTA held a ceremony to unveil the new "Angie's Way" sign and commemorative plaque on Nov. 12, which would have been Navarro's 86th birthday.

"This is quite a historic event and the first of its kind," said LAVTA Board of Directors Chair and Pleasanton Mayor Karla Brown, who presided over the event.

About 100 people made their way to the transit center that afternoon for the ceremony, including Navarro's five children, grandchildren and other extended relatives wearing matching T-shirts with a picture of a young Navarro in uniform working at A&W on the front and the words "Angie's Way" emblazoned on the back.

"This is exquisite, it's so wonderful," Caldera said of the tribute to

her mom. "When she passed away, we couldn't have a funeral because of COVID but we always knew that she was well known and well loved," she said.

Livermore native Terry Givens initially set the process for the tribute in motion by reaching out to the LAVTA board and requesting that they consider naming the driveway where buses enter and exit the transit center after Navarro.

"Angie, when you came in here, always had a smile on her face," Givens said. "She had a pet name for you or she called you by your name and if you're 16 or 17 and have a lady call you by your name, you know that you're kind of special and that's what she made you feel like here," he added.

Livermore Mayor Bob Woerner also shared remarks during the event before joining Brown, Givens and Caldera in unveiling the new



CIERRA BAILEY

A new sign, featuring the traditional A&W brand colors was unveiled to formally name the downtown Livermore Transit Center entrance "Angie's Way."

"Angie's Way" sign.

Livermore Councilmember Bob Carling and Dublin Mayor Melissa Hernandez — who also serves on the LAVTA board — were also in attendance at the ceremony along with LAVTA's director of planning

and marketing Tony McCaulay.

After the sign was unveiled, LAVTA staff members distributed bottles of root beer to event attendees and souvenir mugs to Navarro's family, provided by A&W's corporate office. ■

## Hanukkah in the Tri-Valley

Celebrate the festival of lights this year in person or online

By JULIA BAUM

After remaining socially distanced last year, the Tri-Valley Jewish community is coming together to celebrate an especially meaningful Hanukkah holiday in person this year.

"We're really glad to be back in person," Rabbi Larry Milder from Congregation Beth Emek in Pleasanton told the Weekly. "We're lucky we have a good space where we can accommodate people and still have enough space for seating to be a little distanced. It's really a safe space for people; it means a lot to everybody."

Starting on Sunday, Beth Emek and Chabad of the Tri-Valley will both commemorate the festival of lights over its eight-night duration with a number of local attractions and in-person events, including special Hanukkah services and menorah lightings.

Beth Emek will have a nightly candle lighting online from Nov. 28

to Dec. 5, starting at 6:30 p.m. Different members of the congregation will host the candle lighting each night, and open with a different song. "It's a very special, kind of really warm, friendly way of doing Hanukkah, even though it's online," Milder said.

The Sabbath during Hanukkah "is a big deal for our congregation," and each family brings their menorah to the Friday night service at Congregation Beth Emek to light afterward.

"We set out a bunch of tables and it's bright and it's really eye-dazzling, to see the variety of Hanukkah menorahs that people have," Milder added.

Beth Emek's Friday night service on Dec. 3 will be the same as other weekly services "but with Hanukkah prayers added in," according to Milder, as well as Hanukkah songs, retelling the holiday's origins, and, of course, a festive lighting of the meno-

rah. The service will also start a half hour later, at 8 p.m. Milder said people are welcome to join indoors (and masked) or online, where all of Beth Emek's services are livestreamed.

People can also load up on latkes and other Jewish food from a pop-up by Wise Sons Deli at the Congregation Beth Emek parking lot earlier on Dec. 3 from 1-3 p.m.

Chabad of the Tri-Valley is hosting multiple opportunities to celebrate Chanukah in person in the coming week.

"We want to bring the Chanukah spirit to the community this year, so we're going all out this year, that's our motto, and people are very excited," Rabbi Raleigh Resnick said in an interview.

Resnick said that "as great as the internet and Zoom is, it doesn't represent that human interaction that's so desperately needed. We want to encourage the community to come

in person," starting with Chanukah on Ice at Dublin Iceland on Sunday from 3:30-5 p.m.

"We're doing fire on ice," Resnick added. "We're going to have a big, big menorah on the ice rink with fire. It's really a packed Chanukah, it's amazing."

Skaters will be entertained by Chanukah, Jewish, and Israeli music, and can fill up afterwards on free drinks, donuts and, of course, latkes. Tickets are \$15 per person. Dublin Iceland is located at 7212 San Ramon Rd. in Dublin.

Chanukah Wonderland continues the week-plus festivities at the Stoneridge Shopping Center grand court on Nov. 30 from 5:30-7 p.m.

Visitors can play games, make candles, enjoy live music, photo ops, and balloon animal designs, design their own dreidel, and take part in a gelt toss. The kindling of a nine-foot menorah rounds out the free event.

While many people associate Chanukah with eating stacks of latkes, Resnick said a special Greek Shabbat dinner will be offered at the Jewish Center in Pleasanton (3370 Hopyard

Road) for \$25 per person on Dec. 3, starting 6:30 p.m.

Resnick said the Hellenic twist on this year's Chanukah feast is a nod to the holiday's origins in the Jews defeating the Greeks in the Maccabean Revolt and rededicating the Second Temple in Jerusalem during the second century B.C.

"Chanukah celebrates the victory, so we enjoy their food and use it to celebrate and bring joy to our community," Resnick said.

The final night of in-person festivities ends with Chanukah Under the Stars at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore (2400 First St.). Starting at 7:30 p.m. the one-hour event includes a gelt drop by the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department, a menorah lighting with local dignitaries including Supervisor David Haubert, as well as live music, a grand raffle, hot drinks, and more latkes and donuts.

As part of Chabad's traditional observance of the Jewish Sabbath, no electronics or livestreaming are used, meaning services at Chabad can only be attended in person and masked. ■

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to uphold the law. They are well-trained to do so and that's really why they're on campus, is to keep everybody safe."

"I'll use the term 'guardian for safety,' which I think is one of the terms that was used in the 21st Century Policing Act," the mayor added. "They are guardians of safety for schools, so the students can go to school, feel safe, and come home and not have to worry about illegal activities at their school campus."

Before heading to the council, the draft MOU was "amended to include specific language on ac-

cess to student records and a definition of de-escalation strategies," according to city staff. Minor language to the program's goals that references relationship-building between students and on-campus police officers was added, as well as clarification about releasing student records to non-school officials or employees.

Per the suggestion of PUSD, the definition of de-escalation on Page 8 of the MOU was also expanded to mean "the process of using strategies and techniques intended to decrease the intensity of a situation including, but not limited to, using restorative practices, verbal and non-verbal communication tech-

niques and non-confrontational practices to gain control."

Though "supportive" of amending the program's goals, city staff said "changing the definition of de-escalation to include restorative practices is problematic," and instead suggested removing the reference to restorative practices and "inserting the words, 'when possible' prior to non-confrontational practices."

During the discussion, Testa said one thing that the community requested "was to avoid interviewing or apprehending students at a school for non-school related issues, and there was a similar thing about arresting on campus for non-school related offenses."

"Do we do that?" Testa asked. "That kind of took me off-guard. So if a kid, there's some accusation, a charge off-campus, would our SROs take control of it on campus?"

Police Chief David Swing, who has overseen the Pleasanton Police Department since last year, said he doesn't "know if specifically the SROs would take control."

"If there was an off-campus incident that occurred, it is possible, if we could locate the student other than at school, that we would interview a student as a witness — clearly not as a suspect because the law doesn't allow that," Swing said. "If that was a last resort, we would use the presence of school as a resource

to do that."

The vice mayor later said she thought "the process of this MOU is a good one because we became aware of some things that should not be happening," such as students receiving criminal consequences for certain behavior on campus.

"Both this program and the (mental health) crisis response program are very important in identifying that we needed to reset some of the policies and processes, so I appreciate very much that this is attempting to do that," Testa said.

The MOU expires June 30, 2024. Costs for running the \$417,094 program, including two full-time officers, will be funded by the city. ■



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# Dublin school board approves \$156M contract for Emerald High

Groundbreaking on first buildings to take place this winter

By JULIA BAUM

The first buildings at the future Emerald High School are closer to breaking ground this winter, after the Dublin Unified School District Board of Trustees unanimously approved a \$156 million contract for the first phase of the Measure J marquee project during a special meeting last week.

Superintendent Chris Funk said in a statement that finalizing the contract with Napa-based BHM

Construction brings the district closer to fulfilling the highest priority in its bond program, building a second comprehensive high school. The project's total cost is approximately \$282 million and funded by Measure J bond revenue.

"The board's approval of this contract moves our community one step closer to the realization of that goal," Funk said after the Nov. 16 vote. "I'm grateful to our board and staff for helping us reach this milestone."

Selected from among a total of three bids received after DUSD published a notice to bidders in September, the contract covers work for Phase 1, Increments 2 and 3 of the Emerald High construction project.

Groundbreaking took place in September 2020 but was limited to grading, off-site improvements and utilities during Increment 1 of Phase 1, which is near completion, according to the district. Pleasanton-based contractor Teichert Construction was awarded a different contract for that segment of the project last year.

Increment 2 of the project's first phase will build a three-story academic tower, gymnasium, locker room, tennis courts, and sports track and fields (but no bleachers or concessions). Parking lots, all surface paving and landscaping, dry and wet utilities installation, and street frontage improvements will also be added.

Phase 1, Increment 3 will include construction of a two-story administration building, two-story library, and a visual and performing arts building, as well as completing utility connections, minor site work, and landscaping around the



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new buildings.

The first phase is scheduled for completion by the end of 2023, at which point approximately 1,300 students will be housed at the new high school. Phase 2 of the project, which will add space for another 1,200 students to the school, has not yet been put out to bid. The district said a rollout plan and timeline for Emerald High will be shared in the next six months.

DUSD spokesman Chip Dehnert also told the Weekly that "after some research done by the Alameda

County Office of Education, we believe that Emerald High, once complete, will be the first comprehensive high school built in Alameda County in 50 years," the last one being Foothill High School in Pleasanton in 1973.

In September, DUSD completed its first sale of Measure J bonds for \$116 million, split into two sales — one for almost \$113 million for the first phase of Emerald construction, and another for more than \$3 million in bonds for technology infrastructure improvement. ■

## TEACHERS

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"Our passion is our work," VerKuilen added. "We do not take our roles in our students' lives lightly, and when our input and offerings are passed over and ignored, we not only feel devalued but dismayed that what is important for our pupils will not be occurring."

Trustee Mary Jo Carreon was among the board members that mentioned the "very, very painful process" of negotiations this year, and shared her own experiences with being on a negotiation team while still a teacher.

"What really made that successful was when we did something called interest-based bargaining. I'd really like us to have a conversation about us moving in towards that direction," Carreon said.

Carreon explained, "You come together and say 'these are my interests, these are my concerns, let's work together to solve the problems.' And I really feel strongly that if we can get back to that place, that we would be more successful and there'd be less anger and bad energy that was going around."

Trustee Mark Miller said he was "delighted" to reach an agreement with APT, "but I'm actually deeply saddened by the way that we got here."

"I wholeheartedly believe we would have come to the exact same

agreement we're at today without going through the unilaterally declared impasse and fact-finding process," Miller said.

"It is my sincere hope that the next time around we can start from a place where we assume positive intent," Miller added. "That we dialogue constructively on the shared interests of best serving our students now and in the future — it's a long game — and that we treat each other with respect and dignity."

The estimated financial impact of the deal is just over \$6 million, although the district's Business Services Department said the "exact cost won't be known until payroll runs."

As part of PUSD's "me too" clause for its executive management contracts, all district managers and confidential employees will "a \$2,000 one-time allocation for 2020-2021, and a 3.6% increase to the salary schedule for 2021-2022, effective July 1." Non-executive management/confidential employees will also receive 50% of Kaiser single coverage or \$1000 cash in lieu, effective July 1. The district's cabinet members are not included in the agreement.

The board voted on the management contracts in a separate hearing on Nov. 18, during which Board President Joan Laursen said the benefits are part of improving total compensation to attract and retain current and future employees. Qualified candidates for district

management positions will often "get down to the point at which they find out we don't offer benefits and they say thanks but no thanks," according to Laursen.

"We want to improve the total compensation packages for all of our employees in order to retain and attract the best employees we can possibly keep and hire," Laursen said. "That being said, we have made changes to the management contracts" including "aligning the managers contracts with the type of step and column increases that happen for teachers."

"It isn't built-in raises forever, it isn't some abnormal thing, it's alignment with what we're offering on the salary schedule for our certificated employees," Laursen said, noting that "it is common practice to offer 'me too' to management."

"We're talking about moving our district into a more competitive place, and that means we need to provide the type of compensation that's not totally salary," Laursen added.

Trustee Steve Maher said teachers have told him they want to restore benefits that were replaced years ago with increased compensation, and, "I was here when I was a teacher and we had it, and now it's gone."

"I wish we never would've got rid of it because once you lose it, it's difficult to get it back because of the expense, but it looks like now is the time," Maher said. ■



## HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE

[www.pleasantonhousingelement.com](http://www.pleasantonhousingelement.com)

### COMMUNITY MEETING

**Wednesday, December 1**  
**6:00 to 7:30 pm via Zoom**

The City of Pleasanton invites your participation and feedback during a community meeting focused on sites being considered for future housing development as part of the City's Housing Element update.

**Please join us!**

Meeting link available at:  
**[www.PleasantonHousingElement.com](http://www.PleasantonHousingElement.com)**

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# Snedecor announces resignation

Stepping down from Livermore Downtown Inc. effective March 1

By CIERRA BAILEY

After 21 years, Executive Director Rachael Snedecor is saying farewell to Livermore Downtown Inc. (LDI) and pursuing a new entrepreneurial venture set to launch next year.

“Rachael has played a critical role in the development and success of our downtown specific plan and has worked tirelessly to create a main street district that is truly the heartbeat of Livermore,” LDI officials said in a statement.

Snedecor, who refers to the down-



Rachael Snedecor

town Livermore business community as her family, said that she feels “overwhelming pride” when she reflects upon the work she’s done with LDI.

She said that she was in her 30s when she first started and was a bit naive to some of the challenges of making change but she feels honored to have had the opportunity to contribute to downtown Livermore’s evolution.

“It definitely has been lots of different players. It was never ‘look what Rachael did’; it was ‘look what Rachael helped do,’” Snedecor said, acknowledging that teamwork, supportive board members and healthy partnerships with the city and other stakeholders were crucial elements

in getting things done.

Over the past two decades, Snedecor has helped facilitate a number of key developments in downtown Livermore, including the downtown streetscape/Highway 84 relocation, business recruitment during the downtown rebuilding years, bringing the “Service with Excellence” restaurant training program to Livermore and hosting multiple retail training programs to help businesses transition to online and social media marketing, among other initiatives.

After taking some time to decompress, spend time with family and travel, Snedecor said she plans to launch her own business next year called Roots Up Collective that will help businesses, nonprofits and

other organizations identify specific goals and connect them with consultants and trainers to put together programs to help them achieve their goals.

Snedecor said that an important value she wants Livermore Downtown Inc. and the city as a whole to carry on after she leaves is to “keep moving forward.”

“I’m excited that I get to keep watching and seeing those things that we know are in the next phase moving forward — getting the affordable housing for the workforce into that downtown community solid, getting the new destination hotel developed and open and ready — those are the things that are going to continue the health and vitality and you can’t just let that stuff stop because then we slip back. Moving forward is really the only way to stay alive,” she said.

Snedecor said she recognizes that

not everyone has agreed with her approach and that there are some who will welcome her departure.

“We know not everybody has been happy with the changes downtown that we knew were important to stay alive, but I learned in the first year or two that I’m not going to make everybody happy — but success is going to happen and the people that need that will be happy,” she said.

She looks forward to passing the torch and seeing what the future holds for Livermore Downtown Inc. “We’re in a good place now but I think it’s going to be even bigger and better in the next 10 to 15 years,” she said.

According to Snedecor, LDI aims to have a successor hired by the end of January to begin in the role by early February, allowing about a month for transition and training before Snedecor’s last day set for Feb. 28. ■

## FIALHO

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out a way to preserve the small-town feel and to ensure that development didn’t outpace our infrastructure’s ability to support and sustain it,” he said.

“Housing was a concern 17 years ago, but now housing remains a concern but a different kind of concern,” he added. “No. 1, I think every city including Pleasanton is struggling with affordable housing and how to produce it and how to do it the right way ... now, we’re trying to maybe not slow it but try to find a way to do it right and do it so that it can be impactful for those who need it.”

The second key factor now at play in the housing debate, in Fialho’s mind, is “17 years ago we didn’t have state intrusion into local control.”

“All the legislation that really incentivizes housing production for the purposes of creating housing, and some affordable housing, and that’s a

challenge that wasn’t as significant as it is today,” he said. “Not only the volume that we have to accommodate, but also the erosion of local control that’s occurred over the years because of state legislation.”

Fialho also pointed to the community’s shift demographically during his tenure — “I think that’s probably a source of strength of Pleasanton; it was less diverse 17 years ago.”

Pressed to pore over his nearly two decades leading Pleasanton and select a single proudest professional accomplishment, Fialho barely hesitated.

“If I look back on my legacy, it’s going to be the people that we’ve employed here at the city, that we’ve trained and developed, that we’ve promoted over time and at the end of the day those individuals build the culture and build the capacity for us to do a lot of things as a city,” he said, adding:

“We’re Pleasanton because of the people who work here and support

not only the city manager, but the mayor and the council and the community. That to me is what I’m really proud of, and that’s what I’m going to miss most.”

Picking a favorite project came after more of a pause, with Fialho framing it as “the most interesting project” he worked on — the city-owned Callippe Preserve Golf Course.

“Because it’s so much more than just a golf course. It’s an open space preserve, it’s a residential development project, it’s a golf course, it’s a trail,” he said. “It was done partly to create a golf course amenity for our community, but it was also designed to stop future development beyond Pleasanton’s urban growth boundary for the area that we call Happy Valley.”

“When people go out there, they see a golf course. But I see a lot more to it,” Fialho said. Other memorable “interesting” projects off the top of his head included the Firehouse Arts Center, Patelco Sports Complex in Bernal Community Park and the Castleridge land acquisition.

“Financially, we’re in a great spot,” he added. “Our philosophy of not relying on debt, accelerating the pay-off of our obligations like PERS and OPEB, and putting money aside for our reserves really put us in a good position to not cut services during the height of the pandemic or cut staff like police and fire and public works.”

The coronavirus pandemic was front-of-mind for Fialho too when discussing the tough moments at the helm.

“If you had asked me this question 18 months ago, I would have said my biggest challenge was navigating the housing cap lawsuit and getting to the point that we had resolution,” Fialho said. “We had to fast-track that effort ... We were very intentional and accelerated in our actions.”

“We were dealing with things like a voter-approved housing cap that got undone by a court, and we had to not only fix it but we also had to edu-

cate the community about why we had to undo it and blow through, for planning purposes, what the housing cap suggested we would never do as a community,” he continued:

“We were dismantling the holy grail of Pleasanton urban planning. That was hard, on multiple fronts: politically, legally, community-wide, organizationally.”

... “But the pandemic has been the hardest thing.”

“There was nothing that we could look to for guidance,” Fialho said looking back on those early months of the COVID-19 pandemic last year. “Everything was changing by the day, weekly. We were responding real-time on social media and with information on our website. We went from 500 people here daily, to most of them being at home.”

“And so pivoting to a virtual environment, keeping the lights on and the lawns mowed during the height of the pandemic was a surreal experience, but we’ve gotten through it and we’re coming out of it,” he added.

Perhaps the only bit of unfinished business as he departs, he said — “the full reopening and restoration of city services is the work that still needs to be done.”

Fialho addressed head-on some of the speculation out there from people wondering why he’d step away from the city manager post at his age.

“Well, I’m not leaving because of state intrusion. I have the capacity to get through all of that if I wanted to,” he said. “I’m not leaving because there’s a change in the political majority of the City Council. That is the environment that good city managers expect. You don’t pick your council members, the community does, and you’re expected to transition through that over time.”

“I’m leaving because 25 years is a long time, and 17 years as a city manager is a long time,” Fialho added. “And I think I have an opportunity, while I’m still young, to take a short break — which I’m going to do — and then pursue some other

interests in the community but also professionally.”

The options he’s actively considering include lending his expertise to local nonprofits, pursuing teaching opportunities at the college level and private consulting either on his own or by joining an established firm.

“I’m treating this as: I’m taking December and January off, and then come February I’ll reassess and decide what I want to do,” Fialho said.

As for the future of the city government, council members have tapped assistant city manager Brian Dolan to lead on an interim basis until they complete a nationwide recruitment for a permanent city manager during the next four to six months with the help of a consultant firm.

“Brian Dolan is a fantastic administrator. He’s going to be able to steer the ship in partnership with the mayor and council in a very good way,” Fialho said. “He’s also supported by a great group of department heads who are experts.”

“Given what we’re going to be dealing with — like the Housing Element, the Climate Action Plan, district elections — he’s in the best position to navigate that while the council does the recruitment,” Fialho said of Dolan. “I have 100% confidence in him.”

And now that the final chapter is all but written, how should Nelson Fialho’s 17-year tenure as Pleasanton city manager be judged?

“That’s hard for me. To say anything else sounds egotistical, right?” he said before obliging.

“I think it’s been wildly successful. I mean, if you look at the metrics, we’ve done really well. We’re on a bunch of recognition lists and our surveys consistently come out well. We’ve had stability administratively, and even politically. Our infrastructure is good. Our park amenities are great. And it’s like one of the darlings of the Bay Area. But I also think that others might be more objective if you ask them that question,” Fialho added, finishing with a grin.

“I walk out feeling pretty good.” ■



JIM RODGERS

## ‘Paul Appreciation Week’

The Hearst Elementary School community joined together before the Thanksgiving break to recognize crossing guard Paul Stone for his eight-plus years of service to the Pleasanton school on Case Avenue. “Paul Appreciation Week” included a marquee sign in front of the campus and special certificates from principal Carla Henderson and on behalf of the Pleasanton City Council on Nov. 18. “Paul is truly a gem of a human being, memorizing every student’s name, keeping track of siblings and cousins, remembering birthdays and big upcoming vacations — in short, Paul makes Hearst a special place,” said Amanda Brown, of the Hearst PTA.





# Holiday Happenings

Events throughout Tri-Valley help community celebrate the season

By CAROLYN CHAN

This long Thanksgiving weekend ushers in the winter holiday season for people throughout the Tri-Valley. Here's our recap of special events for the holidays in Pleasanton, Livermore, Dublin, San Ramon and Danville now through New Year's weekend:

### Photos with Santa at Stoneridge Mall

The family-favorite holiday tradition is back: Photos with Santa at Stoneridge Shopping Center. Now through Dec. 24. For reservations, visit [simon.com](http://simon.com).

### Holiday Ice Rink

The Kristi Yamaguchi Holiday Ice Rink at City Center Bishop Ranch in San Ramon is open 12-9:30 p.m., now through Jan. 2, rain or shine. Tickets are purchased per 90-minute session. Visit [citycenterbishopranch.com](http://citycenterbishopranch.com).

### Letters to Santa

Write a letter to Santa Claus and he'll write back. Drop off at Rob-

ert Livermore Community Center (4446 East Ave.) and write the child's name and address clearly so Santa knows where to mail a response letter. Now through Dec 8. For more information, call 925-373-5700.

### 5 Days of Gifting

The familiar red barrels are back at City Center Bishop Ranch to drop off donations for the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano Counties in the red barrels located at the concierge desk. 11 a.m.- 7 p.m., through this Sunday (Nov. 28). 6000 Bollinger Canyon Road in San Ramon.

### Irish Christmas in America

This family-friendly performance at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore is now in its 16th season. "Irish Christmas in America" brings together world-class musicians, singers and dancers in an intimate and engaging performance rich in history, humor and boundless energy. 8 p.m. today (Nov. 26). Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).



CHUCK DECKERT

A look back at the procession from the Hometown Holiday Parade and Tree Lighting Ceremony in 2018, the last holiday parade held in downtown Pleasanton due to weather (2019) and pandemic (2020) cancellations. The event is set to return this year on Dec. 4.

### Danville Lighting of the Old Oak Tree

The Danville Area Chamber of Commerce and the town of Danville presents the annual Lighting of the Old Oak Tree, a cherished family celebration to light downtown's iconic oak tree for the holidays. 5-8:30 p.m. today (Nov. 26). Hartz and Prospect avenues. Visit [danville.ca.gov](http://danville.ca.gov).

### Holiday Youth Music Festival

The High School Music Collaborative brings youthful holiday cheer to the Firehouse Arts Center in Pleasanton with family entertainment and holiday favorites. 2 p.m. this Saturday (Nov. 27). Visit [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org).

### Visits with Santa

At City Center Bishop Ranch, Santa has been fully vaccinated and little guests will have their own special bench next to Santa's throne. 12-4 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, Nov. 27-Dec. 19, in Alexander Square.

### Chanukah on Ice Kick-off

Chanukah with a community ice skate at Dublin Iceland. Skate to Jewish and Chanukah music and behold the "Fire on Ice" menorah lighting. Hosted by Chabad of the Tri-Valley from 3:30-5 p.m. this Sunday (Nov. 28). Visit [jewishtrivalley.com](http://jewishtrivalley.com).

### Online Hanukkah Candle Lighting

Beginning this Sunday (Nov. 28) at 6:30 p.m., join each night of Hanukkah to light candles and celebrate the Festival of Lights together. Each evening will be hosted by different members of

the Congregation Beth Emek community. Visit [bethemek.org](http://bethemek.org).

### Handel's Messiah

Pacific Chamber Orchestra's acclaimed concert presentation of Handel's "Messiah" returns with conductor Lawrence Kohl and the orchestra joined by four renowned soloists to deliver a memorable performance. 7:30 p.m. Saturday (Nov. 27) and 3 p.m. (Nov. 28). For location details and to purchase tickets, visit [pacificchamberorchestra.org](http://pacificchamberorchestra.org).

### Chanukah Wonderland at Stoneridge Shopping Center

A family Chanukah festival with activities and entertainment, plus a mega menorah lighting in the grand court of the mall. 5:30 p.m., Nov. 30. Visit [jewishtrivalley.com](http://jewishtrivalley.com).

### Widmer World

Presented by the Widmer family in Pleasanton, organizers are creating new scenes and lighting for the display. The show at 3671 Chelsea Court in Pleasanton starts Dec. 1. Weather-permitting runs 6-9 p.m. through Jan. 5. Visit [widmer-world.com](http://widmer-world.com).

### Creatures of Impulse presents: Holiday Shorts

"Holiday Shorts: A Long Winter's Tale" is an interactive holiday improv show at the Firehouse Arts Center. Audience suggestions inspire holiday-themed games, scenes and improv fun. 7:30 p.m., Dec. 2-3. Visit [firehousearts.org/events](http://firehousearts.org/events).

### Deacon Dave's Christmas Display

The 38th Deacon Dave's Christmas Display opens Dec. 3. Open-



"The Sugar Plum Pas de Deux" was performed by Maxwell Simoes and Carmen Cortez in Valley Dance Theatre's 2018 production of "The Nutcracker". The show is back at the Bankhead Theater next month.



LIVERMORE ARTS

An "Irish Christmas in America" will help kick off the season tonight at the Bankhead Theater.

# This Holiday



ing ceremonies begin at 6:30 p.m. with the annual Christmas procession down Hillcrest Avenue. Attendees must wear masks. Visit [casadelpomba.com](http://casadelpomba.com).

## Motown Explosion Christmas

Gary Vecchiarelli Productions-Las Vegas presents "Motown Explosion Christmas" with master of ceremonies Manee Valentine. This 14-piece big band with five singers perform all the hits. 8 p.m., Dec. 3. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

## Holiday Village at Carnegie Park

A magical evening of holiday cheer at Carnegie Park in Livermore with local makers and artists, holiday treats, entertainment and a visit from Santa. 4-8 p.m., Dec. 3. Visit [livermoredowntown.com](http://livermoredowntown.com).

## Chanukah Community Greek Shabbat Dinner

Held at Chabad of the Tri-Valley, 6 p.m., Dec. 3, 3370 Hopyard Road in Pleasanton. Advance registration is required. Visit [Jewish-TriValley.com](http://Jewish-TriValley.com).



LIVERMORE ARTS

"Nochebuena: Christmas Eve in Mexico" will be performed at the Bankhead Theater on Dec. 20.

## Pleasanton Hometown Holiday Celebration

The Hometown Holiday Celebration "Light Up Pleasanton" is back again this year. Watch the parade go down Main Street with the tree lighting ceremony to follow in front of Museum on Main. 5 p.m., Dec. 4.

## Livermore Sights and Sounds Parade

With over 50 floats and marching bands, the parade ends with Santa himself, leading the community in the official tree lighting. Rain or shine. 6 p.m., Dec. 4. Visit [livermoredowntown.com](http://livermoredowntown.com).

## Chanukah Under the Stars

Join for a public menorah lighting in front of the Bankhead Theater. Holiday treats, snacks and live music. Free and open to the public. 7:30 p.m., Dec. 4. 2400 First St., Livermore. Visit [jewish-trivalley.com](http://jewish-trivalley.com).

## Symphonic Sounds of the Season

Livermore-Amador Symphony presents "Symphonic Sounds of the Season" at the Bankhead Theater. Harpist Constance Koo joins the symphony to perform Debussy's beautiful and intimate Danses sacree et profane. 8:15 p.m., Dec. 4. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

## Joy To The World: A Christmas Musical Journey

Bankhead Theater presents Damien Sneed's "Joy to the World: A Christmas Musical Journey". Sneed takes the audience through original arrangements of gospel, jazz and classical favorites. Ten singers and musicians deliver holiday classics plus excerpts from Handel's Messiah. 3 p.m., Dec. 5. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

## Handel's Messiah Ballet

This unique cultural fine arts production presents George Frideric Handel's 1742 masterpiece, "Messiah". Classical ballet and excerpts from "Messiah" are paired for a holiday performance that

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will delight audiences of all ages. 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Dec. 5. Dublin Center for the Performing Arts. Visit [anastasisballet.org](http://anastasisballet.org).

### Handling the Holidays

For those grieving the death of a loved one, the winter holiday season can be painful. The Hope Hospice Handling the Holidays Workshop, via Zoom, will discuss healthy coping strategies. Register by calling 925-829-8770. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Dec. 7.

### Holiday Shopping at the Senior Center

Shop local at the Pleasanton Senior Center for books and beautifully handcrafted gifts. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 9. 5353 Sunol Blvd.

### Senior Center Outdoor Holiday Stroll

The Friends of the Pleasanton Senior Center present A Holiday Stroll Outdoor Event. Enjoy a festive stroll on the patio to enjoy holiday music, photos with Santa, desserts and more. \$3 per person. 2:30-4 p.m., Dec. 9. Register at [PleasantonFun.com](http://PleasantonFun.com) or call 925-931-5365.

### Holiday Concert

The Valley Concert Chorale, the Tri-Valley's premier chorus for over 50 years, is returning to live performances for their holiday concert "Carols, Glorias and Lullabies". From traditional carols to familiar choruses, the concerts will set a holiday mood of comfort and joy. 7:30 p.m., Dec. 10-11. Visit [valleyconcertchorale.org](http://valleyconcertchorale.org). First Presbyterian Church, 2020 Fifth St., Livermore.

### A Very Follies Holiday

Join The Golden Follies at the Firehouse Arts Center as these talented and energetic senior performers brighten the holiday season with "A Very Follies Holiday". Lively choreography, heartwarm-



JERWIN CHUA

The Russian Dance was performed by (from left) Anna Mount, Dylan Seu and Emily Turk in Valley Dance Theatre's 2018 production of "The Nutcracker". The show is back at the Bankhead Theater next month.

ing music, reindeer, snowflakes and more. 2 p.m., Dec. 11. Visit [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org).

### Impressions of the Nutcracker Sweet

The San Ramon Dance Academy puts a fun new spin on this timeless classic by incorporating multiple dance styles, storytelling, and vignettes for a truly unique "Nutcracker" experience. 7 p.m., Dec. 11 and 12. Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center. Visit [srvda.com](http://srvda.com).

### Deck the Homes in Dublin

Registration for Dublin's "Deck the Homes" holiday decorating contest is open until 5 p.m., Dec. 10. Parks and Community Services Commission members will serve as judges with judging taking place Dec. 13-17. Visit [dublin.ca.gov](http://dublin.ca.gov).

### The Nutcracker

Valley Dance Theatre presents "The Nutcracker". This annual event continues to enchant audiences of all ages, bringing Tchaikovsky's well-known music and ballet to life with all of its elegance and beauty. Bankhead

Theater, Dec. 11-12 and 17-19. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

### Ravenswood Victorian Yuletide

The Ravenswood Historic Site is offering docent tours, Victorian Christmas decorations, entertainment, a petting zoo and more. 12-4 p.m., Dec. 12, 2647 Arroyo Road in Livermore. Free admission for all ages.

### Holiday Jazz Jubilee for Seniors

The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District is offering a very special holiday event for the 50+ crowd, welcoming the Magnolia Jazz Band to perform renditions of upbeat holiday classics. Wear festive or whimsical attire while enjoying hot cocoa and light snacks. 1:30-3:30 p.m., Dec. 15. Visit [larpd.org](http://larpd.org).

### San Ramon Symphonic Band-Holiday Winds

Kick off the festive holiday season with the San Ramon Symphonic Band's beloved holiday tradition. Kids and adults of all ages will enjoy holiday music performed by the band comprised

of over 35 talented musicians. 7 p.m., Dec. 17. Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center. Visit [tickets.sanramon.ca.gov](http://tickets.sanramon.ca.gov).

### A Funky and Soulful Christmas

Jeff Bordes & Friends return to the Firehouse Arts Center for their annual holiday celebration, a fun, funky and soulful twist on Christmas favorites with a nod of Santa's hat to New Orleans. 8 p.m., Dec. 18. Visit [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org).

### The Great Yule Log Hunt

Join Ranger Eric for the 26th annual hunt for the fabled yule log. Prepare for the hunt with games, merriment and talks of ancient yule celebrations and then gather around the fire to make a yule log to take home. RSVP to 925-960-2400. 2 p.m., Dec. 18. Sycamore Grove Park, 5035 Arroyo Road in Livermore.

### Nochebuena: Christmas Eve in Mexico

The acclaimed Ballet Folklórico de Los Ángeles and Mariachi Garibaldi de Jaime Cuéllar bring together an all-star cast of music and dance in a dazzling presentation of the traditions and customs



FIREHOUSE ARTS

The High School Music Festival is back at the Firehouse Arts Center in Pleasanton this Sunday.

celebrated by the people in Mexico during the Christmas season. 7:30 p.m., Dec. 20, Bankhead Theater. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

### New Year's Eve with Dirty Cello

Blues meets bluegrass at the Bankhead with a faint twist of classical as this energetic string band performs down home blues with a wailing cello to virtuosic stompin' bluegrass. Dirty Cello is a band that gets your heart thumping and your toes tapping. 8 p.m., Dec. 31. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

### Free Food in the Tri-Valley

Grocery drive-thru Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., 6140 Stoneridge Mall Road, Pleasanton (Workday). Free meals, Mondays through Fridays, Robert Livermore Community Center (Loyola Way side) drive-thru or walk-up. Visit [openheartkitchen.org](http://openheartkitchen.org).

### Holiday Fund

The 20th annual Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund campaign is now underway and will run until mid-January. With your contributions, the Weekly, in partnership with Three Valleys Community Foundation, will give grants to nonprofits serving the needs of children and families in the Pleasanton area. All funds will be held by Three Valleys Community Foundation and will be tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Donate at [www.3VCF.org/HolidayFund](http://www.3VCF.org/HolidayFund). ■

*Peddler Shoppe  
Grand Reopening  
Wednesday December 1st  
Located inside the Senior Center  
5353 Sunol Blvd Pleasanton  
Hours 10am-2pm  
Handcrafted gifts for all your holiday needs!*



CHUCK DECKERT

Jazz N Taps youth dancers were among the participants in the 2018 Pleasanton holiday parade.

# Giving back this holiday

Fulfilling nonprofit wish lists can spread spirit of the season

**BY PLEASANTON WEEKLY STAFF**

As the holiday season dawns, this is also a time to remember not everybody can experience the enjoyment of holiday gift-giving on their own, even in an affluent area like the Tri-Valley.

That's where many local nonprofits step in, to help provide a little more joy to those in need during the holidays.

The Weekly reached out to Tri-Valley nonprofits this month, and many have provided their wish lists for those residents who want to include them in their gift-giving. So the next time you're shopping at your favorite retailer, grocery store or small business here in Pleasanton or the greater Tri-Valley, consider also making a purchase to help these nonprofits during the holidays.

## Wish List

1. 4 laptops for internship program
2. 4 large computer monitors
3. 2 desktop computers for new Pleasanton office
4. 2 printers (small, all-in-one) for new satellite offices
5. 4 staplers
6. 4 clipboards
7. Keurig for employee lounge
8. Gift cards to purchase supplies: ACE Hardware, Costco, gas gift cards, Home Depot, JoAnn Craft Store, Office Max, Pet Food Express, and Safeway or other grocers
9. Volunteers, specifically to help with IT assistance at their two offices.

## How to Donate

Items may be dropped off at one of their facilities in Pleasanton by arrangement during open hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Email [connect@cityservecares.org](mailto:connect@cityservecares.org) to arrange dropoff time or for more information.

## Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council

Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council has provided leadership, support and advocacy for the arts in Pleasanton schools and the community that reflect cultural diversity for over 42 years as a nonprofit. They

work collaboratively with others to bring new public art and art related activities to their community.

## Wish List

1. Donation of readily accessible storage by a local business. With no office or permanent location, they rent space \$126 per month.
2. Monetary donations for awards to high school students who place in the Spring 2022 Youth Excellence in Arts (YEA) Competition.
3. \$400 to renew their website host and domain names for the next three years.
4. QuickBooks software, which costs them \$960 a year.
5. A special art light to illuminate the stained glass window at the Pleasanton Hotel.

## How to Donate

For information, to donate or become a member, visit [PleasantonArts.org](http://PleasantonArts.org) or email [info@pleasantonarts.org](mailto:info@pleasantonarts.org).

## Museum on Main

Pleasanton's Museum on Main enriches community life through education and preservation. As a cultural resource, the museum tells the stories that have shaped the local community through collections, research, exhibitions and programs.

## Wish List

1. Gift cards to purchase supplies for operations and programs: ACE Hardware, Amazon, Costco, JoAnn Fabrics, Michael's, Office Max, Safeway and Towne Center Books
2. MacBook Pro laptop for museum presentations and programs
3. iPad for museum programs
4. Pop-up tents
5. Plastic folding tables: 4 feet, 6 feet and 8 feet
6. Craft supplies: Crayola washable markers, Crayola crayons, glue, construction paper, etc.
7. Volunteers

## How to Donate

Items may be dropped off at the museum, 603 Main St. in Pleasanton, during open hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays. For information, contact 925-462-2766, [www.museumonmain.org](http://www.museumonmain.org) or [education@museumonmain.org](mailto:education@museumonmain.org).



## CityServe of the Tri-Valley

CityServe of the Tri-Valley values connecting, coordinating and caring for Tri-Valley residents at risk-of or experiencing homelessness reach stability. The nonprofit makes every effort to step in the gap to provide critical care coordination, street outreach and volunteer services for Livermore, Pleasanton and Dublin. They exist to mobilize mercy through practical compassion.



REACH

Matt and Adam Pinney outside one of the Tri-Valley REACH homes.



WEEKLY FILE PHOTO

The Museum on Main in downtown Pleasanton.



CITYSERVE

CityServe of the Tri-Valley reaches out to the community about its services and programs.

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## WISH LIST

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### REACH

Tri-Valley REACH creates inclusive communities and independent living for individuals with developmental disabilities or other special needs through quality and affordable housing in the Tri-Valley.

#### Wish List

1. Gift cards: Lowe's, Home Depot, ACE Hardware, Safeway, Raley's, Target, Walmart, CVS, Walgreens, Rite Aid, Trader Joe's
2. Professional services: Landscape, irrigation, painting, home repair

#### How to donate

Items may be mailed to: Tri-Valley REACH, P.O. Box 5564, Pleasanton, CA 94566. For professional services, email [info@tri-valley-reach.org](mailto:info@tri-valley-reach.org).

### Senior Support

Senior Support Program of the Tri-Valley is a nonprofit serving those aged 60 or better. Their mission is to provide services and assistance to improve quality of life and keep older adults independent, safe, and healthy.

#### Wish List

1. Financial donations to the agency
2. Gift cards for senior clients (Safeway, Walmart, Raley's, Target, etc.)

3. Volunteers to help call isolated seniors
4. Volunteers to drive seniors to their medical appointments
5. Gift cards for nonprofit to purchase supplies: ACE Hardware, Costco, gas gift cards, JoAnn Craft Store and Office Max

#### How to Donate

Items can be dropped off at their offices, which are located in the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. in Pleasanton. For information, contact Mercel Amin at 925-931-5378 or [info@ssptv.org](mailto:info@ssptv.org).



### Shepherd's Gate

Since 1984, Shepherd's Gate has been providing a faith-based, long-term recovery program for women and children transforming their lives from homelessness, addiction and domestic violence. Since then more than 13,000 women and children have been served between their Livermore and Brentwood campuses. The program is free and helps single women, elderly, mothers and pregnant women. It is one of the few programs that help older children up to 18 years of age.

#### Wish List

1. Participate in Shepherd's "Holiday Gift Program", which should cover gifts, journals, activities, etc.
2. Breakfast Items such as cereal and flavored oatmeal



VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY

Adoptable dogs and cats like Boo await loving families in security and comfort at Valley Humane Society's adoption center.

3. Snacks
4. Fruit cups or canned fruit
5. Toilet paper
6. Paper towels
7. Trash bags 13- and 33-gallon
8. Cleaning supplies such as Windex, Pine-Sol, disinfectant spray, Clorox wipes
9. Laundry soap
10. Baby wipes

#### How to Donate

Items can be dropped off at the Shepherd's Gate Livermore Campus at 1660 Portola Ave.. For information, visit [www.shepherds-gate.org](http://www.shepherds-gate.org).



### Sunflower Hill

Sunflower Hill is a Tri-Valley nonprofit with a mission of creat-



VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY

Pet food assistance from Valley Humane Society's AniMeals program prevents dogs and cats from being surrendered to shelters using food donated from community members like Amador Valley High student Collin Wang.

ing places and spaces where adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities live, work, learn and thrive in the greater community. The organization co-develops residential housing communities and creates engaging programs for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

#### Wish List

1. Houseables Dry Erase Easel Whiteboard (2 needed at the Sunflower Hill Gardens)
2. Utility cart (1 needed at Sunflower Hill at Irby Ranch)
3. Floor cushions (any color; to be used for programs at Irby Ranch)
4. Garden gloves (Latex-free; all sizes and fabrics welcome)
5. Gift cards to local grocery stores for cooking class supplies (any denomination)
6. Delivery of 8 cubic yards of Vision Recycling OMRI compost (call nonprofit for details)
7. Gift cards to Alden Lane Nursery (any denomination)
8. Gift cards to Home Depot (any denomination)
9. New board games, such as Uno, Connect Four, etc.
10. Ink (alcohol-based for art projects in the garden)

#### How to Donate

Items may be dropped off at our administrative office located at 3278 Constitution Drive, Building 16, Livermore, CA 94551 on Tuesdays from 1-4 p.m. or Wednesdays to Fridays from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For information, contact 925-800-1042, [info@sunflowerhill.org](mailto:info@sunflowerhill.org) or [sunflowerhill.org](http://sunflowerhill.org).

### Valley Humane Society

Valley Humane Society creates a brighter future for cats and dogs by encouraging and strengthening the bond between people and pets. They rescue and rehabilitate companion animals and champion responsible caretaking. Programs like AniMeals, their pet food pantry for low-income pet guardians, and work throughout the community with their Canine Comfort Pet Therapy program allow them to work with 450-plus active volunteers.

#### Wish List

1. Diamond Naturals dry kitten food and Diamond Naturals cat canned food
2. Meat-only jars of baby food (chicken, turkey, beef — no vegetables)
3. Gas station gift cards (especially ARCO)

#### How to Donate

Items may be dropped off at their adoption center, 3670 Nevada St. in Pleasanton, during walk-in lobby hours of 12-4 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. For information, call 925-426-8656, visit [valleyhumane.org](http://valleyhumane.org) or email [info@valleyhumane.org](mailto:info@valleyhumane.org). ■



SUNFLOWER HILL

Residents of Sunflower Hill at Irby Ranch.

# Community Pulse

## POLICE BULLETIN

### 'From doctor to drug dealer': Dublin physician convicted of illegally prescribing opioids

A physician from Dublin was found guilty last Friday of 14 counts of illegally prescribing opioids and other commonly abused medications to patients in what federal authorities allege became a pill mill "fueled by greed" that turned him "from doctor to drug dealer."

Dr. Edmund Kemprud, who was charged nearly two years ago, was accused of running his negligent operation in multiple locations in the East Bay and Central Valley, including one in Dublin and another in the back room of a nail salon and medi-spa in Tracy. Evidence at his trial showed he ignored signs that patients were addicts or even diverting the drugs and kept writing the scripts nonetheless, prosecutors said.

"This defendant displayed a blatant disregard for patient safety and the law," Acting U.S. Attorney Phillip A. Talbert said in a statement after the verdict last Friday. "Although he knew his treatment of patients was unlawful, he continued to pump dangerous drugs into the community."

"It took the effort of agents, inves-

tigators, undercover officers, medical professionals who practiced with the defendant and pharmacists to bring an end to Kemprud's illicit prescription writing," Talbert added. "The U.S. Attorney's Office will continue our vigorous pursuit of those who fuel the opioid epidemic for their own personal benefit."

Kemprud, 78, had pleaded not guilty to all of the federal charges. Defense attorney Douglas J. Beevers had not responded to a request for comment sent to the Federal Defender's Office for the Eastern District of California as of Monday afternoon.

Kemprud faces a maximum statutory penalty of 20 years in prison. He is scheduled to be sentenced by U.S. District Judge William B. Shubb on Feb. 14.

California Attorney General Rob Bonta, whose department assisted in the investigation, said the Dublin case demonstrated just one example in the long battle against wrongdoing in the opioid epidemic.

"We trust our doctors by putting our health in their hands. When doctors violate their oath to do no harm, we must take action — especially when it comes to illegally prescribing opioids. I'm grateful for our investigative partners ... for successfully putting a stop to this doctor's harmful practices," Bonta said.

According to prosecutors, Kemprud had developed a reputation for prescribing highly addictive, com-

monly abused medications such as Hydrocodone, Alprazolam and Oxycodone "outside the usual course of professional practice and not for legitimate medical purpose."

"Instead, he wrote more prescriptions for highly addictive and dangerous controlled substances, charging \$79 a visit. He churned out prescriptions so quickly that he often spent less than five minutes with a patient and would see 30 patients in less than a day," prosecutors said.

Several pharmacies were apparently so alarmed by the doctor's record that they instituted company-wide policies to block his prescriptions, according to prosecutors.

An undercover operation helped unravel the scheme, prosecutors said, noting that officers' testimony at the trial showed Kemprud on 14 occasions between September 2018 and March 2019 "prescribed opioids without determining the patients' medical and prescription histories, without conducting a proper medical examination, without confirming the legitimacy of the patients' complaints, and without assessing the risk of aberrant drug behavior."

Kemprud was convicted of all 14 counts in the indictment last Friday in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California.

"Fueled by greed, Edmund Kemprud went from doctor to drug dealer when he began running a prescription pill mill for powerful

opioids," said Wade R. Shannon, special agent in charge for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

"Kemprud's actions not only preyed upon those battling addiction, but also contributed to the ongoing opioid crisis. This verdict underscores our commitment to hold unscrupulous doctors accountable for their actions," Shannon added.

—Jeremy Walsh

### In other news

- As several large shopping centers have been targeted by looters en masse in the Bay Area in recent days, the Stoneridge Shopping Center was broken into early Monday morning but the group of would-be thieves fled within minutes empty-handed, according to Pleasanton police.

"The suspects did not gain access to any of the stores at the mall and there were no other reported incidents of looting in Pleasanton," Sgt. Marty Billdt told the Weekly.

The situation unfolded at 1:19 a.m. Monday when nine unidentifiable people entered the Pleasanton mall by pushing an exterior sliding glass door off its track on the west side of the mall, near the "E" parking lot, according to Billdt.

Video surveillance footage showed the burglars run inside the mall to-

ward the area of a jewelry store but leave immediately after observing the metal security gates in place, according to Billdt. The would-be thieves were seen on camera exiting the mall at 1:21 a.m. without any stolen merchandise.

"The only loss was the damage to the sliding glass door from being removed," Billdt said. "At this time, we do not know if this incident is related to the other incidents in the Bay Area."

Large-scale mass thefts have captured headlines in the Bay Area since the weekend, starting with a coordinated smash-and-grab robbery with multiple suspects at the Louis Vuitton store in San Francisco's Union Square on Friday night and nearly 80 people storming the Nordstrom in downtown Walnut Creek on Saturday night — with video of both incidents making waves on social media.

A group reportedly broke into Sam's Jewelers in Southland Mall in Hayward on Sunday evening while four people worked together to steal from Santana Row's Lululemon store in San Jose that same night.

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

—Jeremy Walsh

## POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

### Nov. 20

#### Theft

- 4:12 p.m., 7200 block of Stonedale Drive; auto theft
- 4:18 p.m., 5300 block of Owens Court; theft from auto
- 8:19 p.m., 1000 Stoneridge Mall Road; auto theft recovery
- 8:45 p.m., 1300 Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

### Nov. 19

#### Catalytic converter theft

- 11:20 a.m. on the 2700 block of Stoneridge Drive
- 5:34 p.m. on the 300 block of Trenton Circle

#### Burglary

- 5:38 p.m. on the 6100 block of Corte Altamira

### Nov. 18

#### Drug violation

- 12:52 a.m. at Santa Rita Road and Stoneridge Drive
- 4:42 p.m. on the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road
- 5:58 p.m. on the 2000 block of Santa Rita Road

#### Warrant arrest

- 5:26 a.m. at Hopyard Road and Gibraltar Drive

#### Vandalism

- 1:26 p.m. on the 3500 block of Stanley Boulevard

#### Theft

- 3:08 p.m. on the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road
- 5:11 p.m., 1400 block of Whispering Oaks Way; auto theft

- 5:20 p.m. on the 600 block of Main Street

### Nov. 17

#### Warrant arrest

- 8:11 a.m. on the 4500 block of Chabot Drive

#### Theft

- 9:06 a.m., 3400 block of West Las Positas Boulevard; catalytic converter theft
- 9:26 a.m., 4200 block of Rosewood Drive; theft from auto

#### Alcohol violation

- 3:23 p.m. at Gibraltar and Stoneridge drives

#### Fraud

- 4:15 p.m. on the 2300 block of Gloria Court

### Nov. 16

#### Domestic battery

- 9:10 a.m. on Addison Way

#### Theft

- 5:09 p.m., 2200 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; catalytic converter theft
- 8:37 p.m. on the 4700 block of Willow Road
- 8:41 p.m., 4700 block of Willow Road; theft from auto

#### Warrant arrest

- 10:17 p.m. at Bernal Avenue and Nevada Court

### Nov. 15

#### Assault/battery

- 2:01 a.m. on the 5300 block of Case Avenue

#### Graffiti

- 8:20 a.m. on the 7000 block of Pleasanton Avenue

#### Burglary

- 10:12 a.m. on the 5000 block of Owens Drive

#### Shoplifting

- 11:51 a.m. on the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

#### Drug violation

- 7:54 p.m. on the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

### Nov. 14

#### Theft

- 8:46 a.m., 3100 block of Gulfstream Street; auto theft
- 11:46 a.m., 2700 block of Calle De La Loma; catalytic converter theft

#### Vandalism

- 3:33 p.m. on the 600 block of Concord Place

#### Warrant arrest

- 8:24 p.m. at West Las Positas Boulevard and Hopyard Road

### Nov. 13

#### Theft from auto

- 7:16 a.m. on the 4600 block of Ithaca Way

#### Warrant arrest

- 9:58 a.m. at Foothill Road and Jorgensen Lane

#### Domestic battery

- 12:50 p.m. on Torino Court

### Nov. 12

#### Theft

- 10:47 a.m., 7000 block of Commerce Circle; catalytic converter theft
- 1:34 p.m., 3700 block of Kamp Drive; catalytic converter theft
- 1:47 p.m., 2700 block of Sanderling Way; catalytic converter theft

## Lyle Arnold Abrott

August 26, 1916 – November 5, 2021

L. "Arnold" Abrott passed away November 5, 2021. He was born August 26, 1916 to Chester and Lenore (Sinclair) Abrott. Chester passed away when Arnold was eleven, Lenore when he was thirteen. He was preceded in death by his sister Lois Blacow, and his wife of 76 years Annette (Georgis) Abrott. Arnold is survived by his sons Arnold (Gloria) and Timothy (Kimberly), four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Arnold graduated from Amador High School in 1934, and graduated from U.C. Berkeley with a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering in 1939. He worked for Kaiser Sand & Gravel for 40 years where he retired as President and General Manager.

Arnold was commissioned as a U.S. Navy Ensign in May 1942 and was later promoted to Lieutenant Commander during World War II. He was a Pleasanton Planning Commission Councilman for seven years, Chairman of the Planning Commission for two years, served on The Pleasanton Elementary School Board for six years, four of which he was President, and served on the Board of Directors for Valley Memorial Hospital in Livermore for nine years, three years as President. He was also a director for Community First National Bank of Pleasanton.

With all of Arnold's accomplishments his role as a husband, father, father-in-law, grandfather, and great-grandfather is where he shined the brightest. He and Annette loved to spend time with family, travel, play card games, and golf. In Arnold's later years he became an avid walker.

Arnold's life will be celebrated with immediate family at a graveside memorial.



PAID OBITUARY



By TIM HUNT

### The vision driving Three Valleys Community Foundation

John Sensiba has led organizations significant to the valley for many years.

He was the catalyst that led ValleyCare to join Stanford Health, a move that saved the local hospital as well as brought a desperately needed capital infusion and access to the depth of Stanford specialists.

Then, he served as the first chair of the Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group that just partnered with the Bay Area Council Economic Institute on its Vision 2040.

One of the 24 recommended actions is the creation of a local foundation. Are you surprised that Sensiba is serving as chair of the Three Valleys Community Foundation that launched Nov. 1? He's partnered with Susan Houghton, the driving force behind Sunflower Hill whom he described as "the motor that drives the thing ... a dynamo." I agree.

They have been working on the

foundation for about a year and have done plenty of research. He also noted the hard work of Christine Wenthe who spearheaded the building of the website that was ready to go on Nov. 1. It was a hands-on effort by a person who already was very busy.

Sensiba pointed out there's about 350 nonprofit organizations in the San Ramon, Amador and Livermore valleys, many operating way below the public radar screen. Based on their research, they determined that when there's a strong community foundation the entire nonprofit community benefits.

During this startup phase, 3 Valleys has partnered with the Community Foundation of San Joaquin. Originally, they thought that San Joaquin would be the fiscal sponsor before 3 Valleys received its IRS nonprofit designation. Somehow the team at the Hoge Fenton law firm got that done in a month so

San Joaquin is providing all of the back office services for 3 Valleys on a very reasonable contract basis and looking forward to launching it on its own. Sensiba could not praise Moses Zapien, the president and CEO, enough.

Sensiba, an accountant by trade, believes that a local foundation will make a difference to local business people who have hit a home run financially and want to share with their nonprofits. Big financial services firms offer donor-advised funds for charity with the same tax advantage as a community foundation, but they lack the focused resources and understanding of local nonprofits.

"There's a more efficient use of charitable capital," Sensiba said. "We will hold donor-advised funds at 3 Valleys, but we are going to encourage our philanthropists to put their money to work."

Foundation officers can suggest local nonprofits that meet donor's goals.

Sensiba laid out three priorities over the next few months:

1. Build out the board. He currently has six members and plans to grow it to 11 that covers all three valleys. He's focused on directors living in the San Ramon Valley and also would like to find a younger person (25-35 years old) to lend that perspective to the board.

2. Raise \$500,000 in funding for operating funds for the next two years. Covering the startup costs is

critical to the foundation's future. A strong start will put the foundation in place to flourish going forward and serving donors and organizations effectively.

3. Recruit a strong executive director who will be the face of the organization. This ties directly to No. 2 so there's the capital in place that the executive can hit the ground running.

The foundation has received political backing already along with dollars. Alameda County supervisors David Haubert (Dublin and Livermore) and Nate Miley (Pleasanton) have committed funding while the Dublin City Council directed the city manager to move ahead with an agreement and funding for the foundation.

Two guiding principles are the North Star for the foundation: transparency and building trust with everyone they encounter.

The foundation announcement this month coincides with the launch of the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund. The foundation will be the fiscal sponsor at no cost so all contributions will go directly to the nonprofits. Learn more about the Holiday Fund at [3vcf.org/holidayfund](http://3vcf.org/holidayfund).

*Editor's note: Journalist Tim Hunt has written columns on the Tri-Valley community for more than 40 years. He grew up in the valley and lives in Pleasanton. His "Tim Talk" blog appears twice a week at [PleasantonWeekly.com](http://PleasantonWeekly.com).*

### PET OF THE WEEK



TVAR

### Sweet Samantha

Featuring a little white-tipped tail and adorable mottled coat, this tiny, young Chihuahua is as cute as a button. Samantha is a playful, fun-loving girl who loves to run and jump, and she will no doubt hop her way into your heart. She's 2 years old and weighs 5 pounds, as well as is spayed, vaccinated and microchipped. Contact Tri-Valley Animal Rescue at [tvar.org](http://tvar.org).

### What's your opinion?

Send a Letter to the Editor to [Editor@PleasantonWeekly.com](mailto:Editor@PleasantonWeekly.com) or put your opinion on Town Square at [www.PleasantonWeekly.com](http://www.PleasantonWeekly.com). Letters must be 250 words or less.

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THE CITY OF PLEASANTON

**HIGHLIGHTS**

**Housing Element Update Community Meeting**  
Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.  
Consistent with State and County Orders regarding the COVID-19 pandemic this will be a virtual meeting. The community can join and participate in the meeting via Zoom. The meeting link is available at: <https://www.PleasantonHousingElement.com>

This website is translatable to Spanish, Chinese, and Hindi.  
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• The City of Pleasanton invites you to participate in a Community Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, December 1st, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. This community meeting will provide for an opportunity to learn about sites under consideration for future residential development. The City wants to hear your perspective and would greatly appreciate your feedback. Please join us!

**Human Services Commission**  
Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

- Selection of Commission Chair and Vice Chair for 2022
- Commissioner Selection to Various Subcommittees

**Climate Action Plan (CAP) 2.0 Community Meeting**  
Thursday, December 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

- The City of Pleasanton invites you to participate in a Community Meeting via Zoom on Thursday, December 2nd, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. This community meeting will provide for an opportunity to comment on the draft CAP 2.0. The City would appreciate your feedback! Please visit our website at [www.cityofpleasantonca.gov](http://www.cityofpleasantonca.gov) to view information on this meeting

**Library Commission**  
Thursday, December 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

- Please visit our website at [www.cityofpleasantonca.gov](http://www.cityofpleasantonca.gov) to view information on this meeting

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## PLEASANTON PREPS

BY DENNIS MILLER

### Foothill routs in semis, sets up showdown with Campolindo for NCS football title

Also: Falcons' stellar run in girls' volleyball playoffs ends in 2nd-round thriller

It was only the third game of the season, but when the Foothill varsity football team was beaten by Vanden 34-20, it served as a key moment for the Falcons.

How so?

Well, here we are in late November and the Falcons are still playing, getting ready for Saturday night where Foothill will take on Campolindo for the North Coast Section Division II championship.

Game time is set for 7 p.m. at Foothill.

Foothill, the No. 3 seed, advanced to the finals by thumping No. 2 seed Rancho Cotate 35-7 this past Saturday. And much of the success this season can be traced back to that Vanden game.

"How much we have improved from that Vanden game to now is exciting," Foothill coach Greg Haubner said. "We learned a lot about ourselves that night."

Looking back, Foothill fell behind Vanden 27-6 at the half and was completely overwhelmed. At half-time Haubner talked with the team about how they would react after getting punched in the face. The team rallied and it looked like a different team in the second half, controlling the game and holding a 14-7 margin in that span.

"We found out we could compete with anyone that second half," Haubner said.

Two weeks later, a 21-17 win over Amador Valley cemented the confidence level for the Falcons. Long drives on offense combined with some big defensive plays made the difference.

"The Amador win — it's difficult to scale it," Haubner said. "Clearly, it was a huge win for us and how it played out — the value of it cannot be overstated. By being committed to the run, it gave us the ability to beat teams in a variety of ways."

The next week an injury-depleted Foothill team got boat-raced by San Ramon Valley 42-0. But that turned out to be just a minor bump, as the Falcons have not lost since.

Four straight wins gave Foothill the East Bay Athletic League Valley Division title. That was followed by

NCS wins over San Leandro (39-13), then Rancho Cotate, a team that beat Vanden 38-31 earlier in the season.

And it was the "next-man up" mentality that gave Foothill the edge. With running back/linebacker Tony Schillaci out for the Rancho game, sophomore running backs Jackson Chandler and Sameer Lattier stepped up with each running for over 100 yards.

That's the final piece of the season puzzle — the maturation of the younger players. For most of the season, the Falcons started four sophomores and one true freshman.

"Some of those guys start in multiple positions, so it's like 6-8 starting spots out of 22 that are sophomores or a freshman," Haubner said. "They really helped contribute to the team — I mean we have 10 wins this season. Not a lot of teams get to 10 wins."

While youth has certainly been served this season, the core group of senior leaders must be really enjoying the ride.

Players like EBAL Valley MVP Nick Walsh, two-way All-EBAL First Team selections Brandon Sousa and Kenny Olson and other seniors have held the team together through the growing pains.

When they were freshmen, the team went 1-9, but now they have a chance to end their high school careers with a section title and a possible berth into the California Interscholastic Federation state playoffs.

"I am so happy for the seniors," Haubner said. "They have put in the time and the work."

#### Foothill volleyball

By virtue of being the top seeded in the NCS playoffs, the Falcons were granted an at-large spot in the CIF Northern California playoffs and came within a couple of points of reaching the semifinals.

In the first round, Foothill had to travel to the Sacramento area to take on Cosumnes Oaks and came away with a 25-20, 25-23, 25-20 win.

Highlights in the win came from Grayce Olson (17 kills, 9 digs), Katie Salonga (31 assists, 9 digs, 4 kills), Paige Bennett (11 kills, 8 service

points, 6 digs), and Jo Modica (8 service points, 4 kills, 4 digs).

The win brought a second-round match with top-seeded Oak Ridge, and the Falcons had one-set leads twice before falling in a 25-17, 21-25, 25-22, 23-25, 13-15 thriller.

Olson (29 kills, 10 digs), Salonga (45 assists, 13 digs), Bennett (19 kills, 14 digs, 9 service points), and Sruti Jonnalagadda (7 kills, 7 service points, 2 blocks) led the way.

Foothill finished the with an over-



NATALIE WALSH

Foothill coach Greg Haubner (center) and his Falcons will play in the North Coast Section Division II championship on Saturday night.

all record of 29-5 and the EBAL championship. EBAL honors were claimed by Olson (MVP), Salonga (First Team), Bennett and Jonnalagadda (Second Team) and Modica (Honorable Mention). ■

*Editor's note: Dennis Miller is a contributing sports writer for the Pleasanton Weekly. To contact him about his Pleasanton Preps column, email [acesmag@aol.com](mailto:acesmag@aol.com).*

## Employment

#### Multi Positions (OE21, RAPI21, SME21)

10x Genomics in Pleasanton, CA seeks multiple positions: Optical Eng (OE21); Research Associate -Product Integration (RAPI21); Sr Microfluidics Eng (SME21). Qualified applicants must send resume to 10x Genomics, Attn: J. Jensen, 6230 Stoneridge Mall Rd, Pleasanton, CA 94588 quoting job #.

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10x Genomics in Pleasanton, CA seeks multiple positions: Sr Oracle Cloud Finance Systems Analyst (OCF21); Sr Software Eng in Test - Embedded (SETE21). Qualified applicants must send resume to 10x Genomics, Attn: J. Jensen, 6230 Stoneridge Mall Rd, Pleasanton, CA 94588 quoting job #.

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#### Sr Commercial Business Intelligence Analyst

10x Genomics in Pleasanton, CA seeks Sr Commercial Business Intelligence Analyst. Qualified applicants must send resume to 10x Genomics, Attn: J. Jensen, 6230 Stoneridge Mall Rd, Pleasanton, CA 94588 quoting job #SCB21.

#### TECHNOLOGY

BlackLine Systems, Inc. is accepting resumes for the position of Manager, Test Engineering in Pleasanton, CA (Ref. #EVGR). Establish a test infrastructure that promotes confidence in quality and includes working with Agile teams to provide insight about performance, scalability, and customer usage and ability to generate failure analysis, test data, and simulations. Mail resume to BlackLine Systems, Inc., HR Department, Tamara Saltzman, 21300 Victory Blvd., 12th Floor, Woodland Hills, CA 91367. Resume must include Ref. #EVGR, full name, email address & mailing address. No phone calls. Must be legally authorized to work in U.S. without sponsorship. EOE.

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## HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during Aug. 23 to Sept. 3 for Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin, and Oct. 11-22 for San Ramon.

### Pleasanton

- 581 East Angela Street** M. & J. Baker to F. & A. Isbrandt for \$2,100,000
- 6607 Arlington Drive** Cech Living Trust to Bersot Living Trust for \$2,230,000
- 5849 Arthur Drive** B. Guarraci to Z. & Y. Wu for \$1,858,000
- 1787 Beachwood Way** McClain Survivors Trust to M. & B. Stein for \$2,000,000
- 609 Claret Court** Simon Living Trust to M. & T. Prasad for \$1,310,000
- 4456 Del Valle Parkway** W. Guan to Ho Family Trust for \$828,000
- 422 Ewing Drive** Zumbach Family Trust to S. Tirupathi for \$1,450,000
- 5481 Greenfield Way** Nuzzo Family Trust to Choy-Hui Trust for \$1,720,000
- 737 Happy Valley Road** Glafkides Trust to M. & C. Swanepoel for \$2,700,000
- 3218 Harvey Court** Lb Survivors Trust to S. & K. Thiruvengadam for \$2,150,000
- 3864 West Las Positas Boulevard** J. & M. Deplazza to K. & V. Mahalingam for \$1,350,000
- 430 Linden Way** L. & Q. Wright to V. & R. Carson for \$1,630,000
- 4174 Payne Road** Y. Kang to Darshan Family Trust for \$1,210,000
- 3253 East Ruby Hill Drive** Hari Family Trust to Agrawal Family Trust for \$3,850,000
- 2517 Secretariat Drive** R. & H. Lyer to A. & P. Singh for \$1,235,000
- 4597 Sutter Gate Avenue** National Residential to S. & T. Balekundri for \$1,800,000

- 4462 Tosca Court** J. & D. Doyle to Y. & Y. Yin for \$2,681,000
- 3833 Vine Street** Moxley Living Trust to I. Bermillo for \$692,000
- 2807 Arronia Court** N. Bhalla to S. & S. Oh for \$1,470,000
- 735 Avio Court** Priegnitz Family Trust to Z. & Y. Guo for \$2,845,000
- 3027 Casadero Court** A. Rajagopalan to V. & H. Vaidyanathan for \$1,100,000
- 14 Castlewood Drive** Zavanelli Trust to D. & A. Tomar for \$1,700,000
- 509 Del Sol Avenue** Newell Trust to G. & M. Connolley for \$1,400,000
- 438 Division Street** E. Torquemada to R. Dondero for \$1,120,000
- 2855 El Capitan Drive** S. Schommer to El Capitan Associates LLC for \$925,000
- 1034 Germano Way** R. Chow to P. & R. Singh for \$1,974,000
- 1699 Holly Circle** Mataras Family Trust to S. & J. Shenbagam for \$1,185,000
- 6324 Inspiration Terrace** S. & D. Persin to Kumar Family Trust for \$5,000,000
- 7814 Knollbrook Drive** Z. & B. Li to Z. & M. Chen for \$1,520,000
- 5966 Laurel Creek Drive** Rodriguez Family Trust to Mi Family Trust for \$3,100,000
- 4141 Lethram Court** V. & M. Aspen to Z. & Z. Liu for \$1,410,000
- 2915 Liberty Drive** H. Li to R. & K. Choubay for \$1,250,000
- 4751 Mchenry Gate Way** K. & D. Trapani to S. & J. Pandey for \$1,550,000
- 1126 Mills Court** J. & B. Wolfinger to Cheng Family Trust for \$2,060,000
- 3919 Vierra Street** Lewis Family Trust to Wang Trust for \$4,950,000

### Livermore

- 1950 6th Street** Carey Family Trust to B. & J. Hilgen for \$586,000
- 762 Alexander Street** P. Chiu to Lu Family Trust for \$925,000
- 4688 Bel Roma Road** Haight Trust to T. Allen for \$2,100,000
- 701 Berryessa Street** C. & G. Langston to V. Chagari for \$899,000
- 4988 Candy Court** A. Martinez to T. & K. Cefalu for \$1,372,500
- 919 Central Avenue** T. & R. Hackney to K. & S. Pattachariyar for \$1,250,000
- 749 Central Avenue** H. & P. Nishimoto to S. & F. Rice for \$1,350,000
- 618 Cindy Lane** P. Pellette to K. & J. Anderson for \$1,401,500
- 618 Colusa Way** D. & R. Gonzalez to A. Haro for \$960,000

- 1569 De Soto Way** K. Oneil to B. & A. Cardella for \$1,400,000
- 2446 Decker Lane** Mcgee Family Trust to N. & J. Bolif for \$1,610,000
- 5897 Dresslar Circle** R. & E. Allen to Homelight Real Estate li LLC for \$1,550,000
- 1767 Embassy Circle** K. & R. Reed to B. & U. Pudasaini for \$1,500,000
- 1744 Genoa Street** C. Weimer to Kaul Family Trust for \$1,290,000
- 1070 Glenn Common** R. & S. Wojcik to G. Roberts for \$640,000

Source: California REsource

Editor's note: The full list of Home Sales reported in Pleasanton, Livermore, Dublin, Sunol and San Ramon during this period can be found with the online version of this story at PleasantonWeekly.com.

## SALES AT A GLANCE

### Pleasanton (Aug.23-Sept. 3)

**Total sales reported:** 48  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$550,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$5,000,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,652,187

### Livermore (Aug. 23-Sept. 3)

**Total sales reported:** 67  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$350,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$2,400,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,021,925

### Dublin (Aug. 23-Sept. 3)

**Total sales reported:** 47  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$512,500  
**Highest sale reported:** \$2,500,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,301,148

### San Ramon (Oct. 11-22)

**Total sales reported:** 47  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$408,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$3,000,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,287,553

Source: California REsource

# Public Notices

## 995 Fictitious Name Statement

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## 997 All Other Legals

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: GLEN STANTON  
 Case No.: RP21116491. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GLEN STANTON, A Petition for Probate has been filed by: CINDY FIELDS in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA. The Petition for Probate requests that: CINDY FIELDS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on December 17, 2021, at 1:30 p.m., in Dept.: 201 of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, located at 2120 Martin Luther King Jr Way, Berkeley, CA 94704. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you

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