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WHAT A WEEK



BY JEREMY WALSH

Standouts among us

Two dedicated Pleasanton residents who have given so much of their time, energy and heart to supporting their community are set to be honored Monday evening during a ceremony at the Museum on Main.

The Make A Difference, Today & Always nonprofit foundation just recently revealed the 2023 recipients of their annual Ed Kinney Community Patriots awards program, and once again, they've picked two truly deserving community leaders: Ken Mano and Todd Utikal.

Being in the Tri-Valley news world, I'm very familiar with both men and have interacted with them countless times, in recent years especially, on local issues small and large. But for the readers who don't recognize their names or recall their endeavors, here's a quick recap...

Mano has been a volunteer leader in Pleasanton almost since day one when he and his family relocated in 1971 — he and wife Carolyn raised their six kids here, Dons all. The Manos contributed so much time to the Amador Valley Boosters, and Ken remains a devoted organizer for Special Olympics events locally.



Ken Mano

An abbreviated list of his service experience includes the Twin Valley District Committee for Scouts, Pleasanton Community of Character Collaborative, American Red Cross, Relay for Life and as a service missionary for the Pleasanton Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He helped with critical food distribution during the pandemic, and he recruited volunteers to assist with the storm damage cleanup at Sunol Glen School.

Mano is seemingly everywhere. And as the foundation put it, "Ken is very low-key, uses common sense, and expects no credit to himself for all the many activities he does to make Pleasanton become an even better community."

After learning of his upcoming recognition, I emailed Mano for his reaction.

"It is an honor to receive an award in Ed Kinney's name, he was a great community leader and Mayor in our early days in Pleasanton, one of the leaders in our city that I looked up to," he told me. "For me there have been four important areas of focus

in my life: family, church, community and work. Sometimes it's been hard to keep them in balance; early on, work was often in the forefront to the detriment of the others."

"There is a scripture which says '... when ye are in the service of your fellow beings ye are only in the service of your God,'" Mano added. "We need to be helping others by serving those in need, which includes the needy, seniors, immigrants, homeless, abused, hungry, children, those with illnesses and special needs. And there are many groups and individuals in our community who are doing great things to help others."

Utikal, a Tri-Valley native who picked Pleasanton as his home post-college where he and wife Erica are raising their daughters, had a long and varied professional career that eventually led him to downtown and co-creating SideTrack Bar + Grill.



Todd Utikal

His community service resume is just as diverse, but has become all the more prominent since 2020 when he spearheaded the founding of We Are Pleasanton, a group that raises funds to support local schools' equipment and facility needs. Utikal also co-chaired the winning Yes on Measure I bond campaign committee last year.

"I am very honored to receive this award," he told me by email about being named a Community Patriot.

"After 11 years in Rotary, I decided to focus my energy on teachers, students and schools. I love this town and I want our kids to feel pride in their schools," Utikal said. "We Are Pleasanton was just an idea in March of 2020, and it took off. I believed people would donate to tangible projects that impact large groups of students, and they did."

"Great people in our town helped raise \$478,000 for projects at Amador and Foothill, without a single fundraiser event, and then even more people got involved with the school bond, Measure I, raising \$395 million for future projects through the November election," he added. "A bit of thanks to my co-chair Bill Butler. It was a lot of work, but the results will impact our kids and our community for decades to come."

Congrats to both men. ■

About the Cover

Participants mix their dough during the Grainbakers spent grain bread-making class hosted by Pennyweight Craft Brewing in downtown Livermore on April 12. Photo by Christian Trujano. Cover design by Paul Llewellyn.

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Digital Media

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• Age Group: Middle School 11-14 Years,
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Streetwise

ASKED AROUND TOWN

How do you like to unwind after a very busy, stressful day?



Jennifer Katz

Office services assistant

Whatever time of the year it is, I like to walk in the park with my dog. I think of it as my "alone time" when I can reflect on the day I just had. But I also enjoy bumping into other people who also are walking their dogs so that I can meet them, and their fur babies, and say a friendly "Hello!"



Gabriella Driver

Corporate culture

Without fail, every day after work I write down three good things about my day so that I finish each day with gratitude and have a record of all of the amazing things I've experienced and accomplished. I also spend some time planning my adventures. I love the anticipation of getting ready to take a trip because it makes me feel so excited to be alive.



Teresa Cinnamond

Lawyer

I like to make dinner and cook for my family, whether it's just my husband and me, or all of our children too (we have three grown sons). I also prepare special food for our dogs. Making everyone feel nourished and cared for really helps me to relax. I also sometimes enjoy watching movies or dramatic series.



Dina Gumins

Chief strategy officer

I like to go for a nice long walk with my dog Charlie, come home from that and drink a big glass of water, and give Charlie a treat. Then we snuggle on the couch together. He is truly a tonic and really helps me to relax.



Daisy Khambatta

Lawyer

I like to work out and then go for a walk. And then when I get back home, I basically eat, read and go to sleep, always looking forward to embracing a brand new day.

—Compiled by Nancy and Jeff Lewis

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Compost giveaway

Pleasanton Garbage Service is holding a free compost giveaway event for Pleasanton residents from 9 a.m. to noon this Saturday (April 22).

The drive-thru event at the PGS headquarters at 3110 Busch Road will offer one bag of compost per household to those who show up, while supplies last; Pleasanton residency identification is required. "Just drive up, open your trunk or hatch and a PGS team member will load compost into your vehicle," officials said.

To learn more, go to pleasantongarbage.com or call 925-846-2042

PUSD meeting

The Pleasanton Unified School District is hosting its next community meeting on Tuesday (April 25) from 5:30-7 p.m. at Foothill High School. The Board of Trustees, Superintendent David Haglund and the executive team will be on hand to present and answer questions.

"We'll be discussing our recent elementary boundary adjustments including implementation timeline and process. We'll also be including a brief update on Measure I implementation," officials said.

Cassata at Firehouse

The Firehouse Arts Center is welcoming singer-songwriter, activist and transgender motivational speaker Ryan Cassata to the stage in downtown Pleasanton this Friday evening (April 21).

The New York native has become an award-winning performer, writer and public speaker with a particular focus on LGBTQ+ issues, including his personal experiences. His Firehouse appearance will include a pre-show meet and greet at 7:30 p.m., followed by the main performance at 8 p.m. Visit firehousearts.org.

'The Manic Monologues'

Las Positas College is presenting a live performance of "The Manic Monologues" next Friday (April 28) at 7 p.m. in the Mertes Center for the Arts' main theater.

"The show features a collection of monologues written by people who have experienced mental health challenges. These stories are brought to life by a talented cast of actors who use their craft to convey the range of emotions and experiences associated with mental illness," organizers said.

Performers will include a mix of LPC theater and psychology students, participants from a prior show recently at Stanford University and U.C. Berkeley psychology professor Dr. Stephen Hinshaw. There will be a brief panel discussion after the show, and wellness information tables and representatives will be onsite.

For more information, contact LPC professor and adviser Robin Roy at rroy@laspositas-college.edu. ■

Employee killed in shooting inside Home Depot in Pleasanton

Police: Theft attempt escalated into gunfire; suspects later detained by deputies in Oakland

By CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

A loss prevention worker died after being shot while trying to stop a theft in progress inside the Home Depot on Johnson Drive in Pleasanton on Tuesday afternoon, city police confirmed.

The culprits fled the scene initially, but police reported Alameda County Sheriff's Office deputies later detained two suspects in the case in Oakland.

Pleasanton police Lt. Erik Silacci confirmed in a statement Wednesday that Blake Mohs, a 26-year-old Tri-Valley resident and Home Depot employee at the Home Depot located on Johnson Drive,

was the victim who was shot after he intervened to stop an apparent shoplifter.

"We're heartbroken over this senseless tragedy," Home Depot spokesperson Beth Marlowe told the Weekly. "Blake was our associate and friend, and our hearts go out to his family and everyone who knew and loved him."

According to police, Mohs was initially transported to a nearby hospital in the area but had later succumbed to his wounds.

"I am devastated by the loss of Blake Mohs in yesterday's senseless shooting," Pleasanton Mayor Karla Brown said in a statement Wednesday morning. "Through his

service to Tri-Valley organizations, Blake was a model for others. To have a life cut short is heartbreaking and infuriating. I'm joined by the City Council in offering our deepest condolences to Blake's family, friends, loved ones, and to everyone impacted by this tragedy."

"Blake was a well-known member of the community who helped keep customers and staff safe," Silacci added. "He was involved in community youth programs and planned to be married in the summer. He is survived by his parents, brother and fiancée."

Pleasanton police identified the suspected shooter as Benicia Knapps, 32, and her accomplice as

David Guillory, 31.

Silacci alleged that detectives determined Mohs confronted Knapps while she attempted to steal merchandise from the store, she resisted and fired a gun at the employee before running to a getaway car driven by Guillory. According to police, Knapps' child was also inside the vehicle as they fled the scene.

After the shooting, Pleasanton police notified surrounding law enforcement agencies of the description of the shooter's vehicle. At around 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, deputies with the Alameda County Sheriff's Office located the car near the 7000

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Workers vote to unionize Starbucks in downtown Pleasanton

Shop becomes 19th in state to gain representation

By JEANITA LYMAN

Baristas at a Pleasanton Starbucks are the latest to gain union representation, as workers at the coffee chain throughout the state and country ramp up efforts to contend with what they say are unfair working conditions and practices.

Workers at the Starbucks store at Main Street and Rose Avenue in downtown Pleasanton approved unionization in an 8-4 vote that was finalized in the late afternoon on April 12, making the store the 19th in California to gain union representation for its staff.

"We're so excited that with our union, we now have a seat at the table in our workplace decisions. Whether you work at a Starbucks cafe or another retail store, we encourage you to join us in trying to create more workplaces by and for the workers," Elise Lester, a partner and organizer at the downtown store, said in a statement.

In particular, Pleasanton workers said in the statement that they were eager to join the growing efforts across the country by Starbucks workers seeking to contend with alleged cuts to hours, limited staffing, safety concerns and "refusal to bargain with the union in good faith."

In addition to joining the 18 other California locations represented by Starbucks Workers



CHUCK DECKERT

Employees at this Starbucks shop on Main Street in downtown Pleasanton have voted to unionize.

United, the downtown location will be among the approximately 300 stores with more than 7,500 workers represented by the recently launched union.

However, a Starbucks spokesperson said that unionization was not as popular a prospect for their workers nationwide as the growing number of unionized shops and outspoken leaders would suggest.

"As a result of the direct employment relationship preferred by more than 97% of our partners, we continue to work to reinvent and improve the Starbucks experience," a Starbucks spokesperson said.

Nonetheless, they said that they respected the rights being exercised

by union organizers. "We're aware that a subset of partners feel differently, and we respect their right to organize and to engage in lawful union activities," a Starbucks spokesperson said.

They also said they were seeking a relationship of mutual respect between union organizers and the internationally well-known coffee chain.

"We hope that all parties will respect our right to share factual information and our perspective with partners — just as we respect the union's right to do so — so that partners are able to make

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Housing Element deemed not compliant

City confident revisions will lead to state approval

By CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

Pleasanton's 2023-31 Housing Element is back under review as city staff are now working to address comments the city received last week from the California Department of Housing and Community Development in determining the document to be non-compliant.

"Throughout the development of the city's 6th cycle Housing Element, staff and the City Council were deliberate in identifying housing sites and presenting policies that would result in a compliant element," City Manager Gerry Beaudin said in a statement to the Weekly. "While HCD has noted areas for additional information or refinement, the city continues to be confident that the quality of the adopted Element will lead to its certification."

The City Council had adopted its state-mandated Housing Element on Jan. 26 after years of deliberation on which occupied and vacant sites to zone in order to meet the city's assigned Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) counts for new residential units within designated affordability categories.

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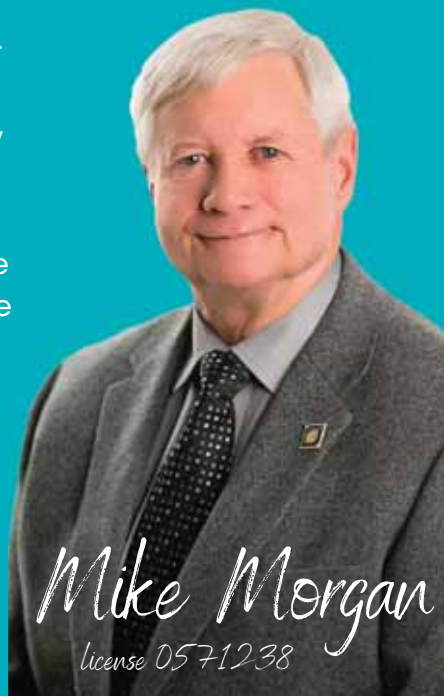
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City Council delays debate on call for voluntary 15% water use reduction

Pleasanton faces supply concerns with contaminated wells offline; hearing pushed to May

By CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

Pleasanton residents will have to wait another month to find out if the City Council will approve a resolution to declare a water shortage that would force the city to continue asking people to reduce their usage by 15% with city wells being shut down due to PFAS contamination.

According to a supplemental memorandum that City Manager Gerry Beaudin provided to the council prior to Tuesday's public meeting, the resolution was pulled from the agenda and moved to one of the two meetings in May because staff received additional information related to water conservation options that same day.

The reason the water shortage declaration was initially going to be presented to the council — at the same meeting when drought restrictions were to be formally lifted — was because of infrastructure limitations that the city is facing, namely the lack of groundwater due to PFAS chemicals.

In 2019, the city-operated Well 8 was shut off after PFAS, otherwise known as forever chemicals, levels were detected in the groundwater. Then in 2022, the city's other groundwater wells, Nos. 5 and 6, were also take offline when city staff found that the PFAS levels in those wells also exceeded state safety levels.

Because Pleasanton took all three wells out of service, the city now is in a position where it can't produce the 3,500 acre-foot groundwater supply, roughly 20% of the city's water, which came from these wells, according to city staff, who were looking to continue the 15% reduction in potable water usage from residents.

According to the staff report for Tuesday's council meeting, the city will be fully reliant on the Zone 7 Water Agency's water turnouts — which are connections throughout the city to the agency's regional distribution system — to make up for the missing 20% that would have come from the groundwater wells. Zone 7-supplied water typically accounts for 80% of the city-provided

potable water supply.

However, Zone 7's supply will still not be enough to meet this summer's peak water demand, according to testing that was done by Zone 7 alongside the Dublin San Ramon Services District.

"The results show that the turnouts can produce enough flow to meet demands experienced during the current mandatory 15% drought conservation mandate," the city staff report states. "However, the turnouts cannot meet demand experienced prior to drought conditions, so continued conservation remains necessary to reduce summer peak water demand because of water distribution capacity limitations related to the city's groundwater wells not being in operation due to the detection of PFAS."

But while staff were planning to ask residents to voluntarily continue limiting their water usage, the resolution proposed Tuesday was also going to coincide with the announcements of the city, the state and Zone 7 all lifting their drought emergencies in light of the recent atmospheric river storms that drenched the Bay Area and most of California over the last couple of months.

On Oct. 5, 2021, the council adopted an ordinance declaring a local drought emergency and adopted a resolution declaring a Stage 2 water shortage, which mandated a 15% reduction in water usage.

Then on March 15, 2022, the council adopted a resolution activating Stage 2 drought rates to "achieve the mandatory water conservation target and to offset revenue loss to sustain the city's water enterprise."

But thanks to the recent rain and Sierra Nevada snowfall, the council unanimously voted to end the city's local drought emergency — which also got rid of the Stage 2 drought rates — to coincide with Zone 7 lifting its emergency declaration as part of its consent calendar during Tuesday's meeting.

The approved consent item also terminated the city's mandated 15% reduction in water usage.

City Councilmember Valerie Arkin, however, did ask about several questions that the council received from community members who were wondering why they would drop the mandatory 15% reduction in water usage.

"The state of California and Zone 7, who's our local water agency, are all lifting — or are in the process of lifting (the drought emergency), so we will be lifting the drought emergency at the same time," Beaudin said during the consent calendar item. "The need to conserve is still great ... This is the obligatory and required mandate to reduce water consumption and so (while) the need will no longer be there from a state or from a water agency perspective, it does not mean that we don't want to continue to use a precious resource like water in a conservative manner."

According to the staff report, however, the issue isn't that regional water supplies have been replenished thanks to the rain — the issue is that the city's water infrastructure is still limited due to the wells being inactive.

"Despite improved water supplies, the city is experiencing infrastructure limitations that reduce the amount of water available to the distribution system," the staff report states.

While the resolution to declare a water shortage for infrastructure limitations doesn't necessarily have any direct financial impacts, according to the staff report the continued water conservation will result in a reduction to the city's water enterprise fund.

"Staff will monitor the financial impact of the requested 15% water conservation and provide a near-term update to the City Council," according to the staff report.

The plan was also to have staff begin notifying water customers of the voluntary 15% water reduction through various marketing means if the council decides to approve the resolution as is during the May meeting when the item comes back to the dais. ■

SHOOTING

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block of Ney Avenue in Oakland and detained the suspects, according to Silacci.

A handgun was also recovered in a nearby intersection after the suspects fled from the scene, according to Silacci.

Police said that Knapps' child was released to relatives after the two suspects were arrested.



Benicia Knapps



David Guillory

According to the sheriff's Inmate Locator, Guillory is currently being held at the Santa Rita Jail and his

bail is set at \$255,000. It states that he is facing four charges including obstruction of justice, child abuse, evading with disregard to safety and evading by going on the wrong side of the road. The locator did not show any information on Knapps as of time of publication. ■

Editor's note: This story was evolving as of the Weekly's press deadline on Wednesday afternoon. Read the latest updates about the investigation at PleasantonWeekly.com.

Ex-principal sues PUSD alleging harassment, retaliation over disability

Conde claims Village leader targeted her unfairly; district has denied all allegations

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

A former school administrator is suing the Pleasanton Unified School District and Village High School principal Heather Pereira alleging discrimination, harassment and retaliation due to a disability during her time working at the alternative high school, according to court documents.

Terry Conde has been an educator for 33 years and had worked in the district's administration for 23 years before resigning from her position as vice principal at Village on Sept. 20, 2022. Prior joining the Village staff in May 2021, Conde served as the principal at Hart Middle School from 2010 to 2016 before she was reassigned to vice principal of Amador Valley High School heading into the 2016-17 academic year.

When she got reassigned to Village High in 2021, Conde was in the midst of treating a prior workplace injury which — according to the lawsuit she filed on Feb. 6 — has led to a series of events where the district and Pereira allegedly discriminated against her due to her disability.

"Defendants' refusal to accommodate plaintiff's disability was a substantial motivating factor of the district's decision to demote plaintiff and constructively terminate her employment," the lawsuit alleges. "Defendants refused to accommodate plaintiff's medical condition and instead intentionally created obstacles and hardships."

PUSD director of communications Patrick Gannon told the Weekly this week the district is "unable to comment on active litigation." The district, through its attorneys, have denied wrongdoing in legal responses to the lawsuit.

Conde's attorneys did not respond to a request for comment from the Weekly.

According to the lawsuit, the situation unfolded after Conde began her new role as vice principal.

During those first two months, Conde had been treating an injury to her thumb, which led to various medical appointments — all of which were known to the district as she had an ongoing worker's compensation claim, according to the lawsuit.

Then in August 2021, Conde was admitted to the emergency room due to excruciating head and neck pain, with associated tinnitus, according to the lawsuit. After taking some time off of work using sick leave, Conde said she returned

to work despite claiming that she experienced symptoms from September 2021 through January 2022.

The lawsuit states that as Conde underwent treatment and testing to determine the cause of her symptoms — which included extreme head and neck pain — she would occasionally work from home, which Pereira allegedly did not like.

"Ms. Pereira expressed her displeasure that Ms. Conde often had to work from home, even though Ms. Conde disclosed her medical condition and disabilities to Ms. Pereira and the district," according to the lawsuit.

Then on Dec. 6, 2021 Conde was diagnosed with elevated intracranial pressure — which according to the Johns Hopkins Medicine website is an increase in pressure inside your skull due to a brain injury or other medical conditions.

At the time of her diagnosis, Conde was prescribed medicine that would help remove spinal fluid from her blood and her doctor predicted a full recovery in six to nine months. But according to the lawsuit, the medication led to serious side effects such as drowsiness, cognitive impairment, speech problems and anxiety, among other things. Conde was unable to abruptly stop taking the medication as it could have given her seizures.

Conde reportedly informed Pereira and the district of her medication and the side effects after she was diagnosed. And when she returned to work in February 2022, she claims to have told the district about her doctor's plan to lower her medication dosage, which opened the possibility of even more side effects.

"Defendants admit that on February 11, 2022, they observed plaintiff's side effect of slurred speech," the lawsuit claims.

Conde says that she asked Pereira if she should go home given her side effects to which Pereira told her no and continued to allow Conde to work despite her experiencing symptoms and side effects which were noticeable to her peers, according to the lawsuit.

Then on Feb. 17, 2022, Conde claims that Pereira put her in the middle of "several high conflict situations with students" which led to Pereira filing a "notice of unprofessional conduct" with the district against Conde.

In the notice, the lawsuit alleges that Pereira "fabricated, embellished and made defamatory statements" against Conde related to

those events.

"The district used defendant Pereira's false and misleading statements to publicly disgrace plaintiff and ultimately demoted her, resulting in significantly reduced income and benefits, as well as physical and emotional distress," according to the lawsuit. "Plaintiff's reactions to medications were well beyond her control. Defendants used incidents, which are attributable to Plaintiff's medical conditions and medical treatments to impugn, harass, defame, discriminate and retaliate against her."

The lawsuit states that Pereira failed to take into account her medical issues and side effects from the medicine in that notice letter.

It also argues that Pereira, as an acting supervisor, should have sent Conde home upon seeing the side effects from the medicine affecting Conde's work — which would have helped prevent any issues that occurred during the Feb. 17, 2022 incident.

"Defendants acted in bad faith when they knew the details of plaintiff's medical conditions and disabilities and failed to meet their obligation under Fair Employment and Housing Act, Americans with Disabilities Act, Family Medical Leave Act and California Family Rights Act," according to the lawsuit.

Conde was then placed on paid administrative leave pending the outcome of an investigation into the alleged misconduct on Feb. 17, 2022, which is also when Conde alleges that the district failed in not allowing her to properly respond to that notice letter.

"The district and defendant Pereira incorrectly informed Plaintiff that she had 10 calendar days to respond to the February notice," the lawsuit alleges. "When in fact, the notice itself states plaintiff had 10 working days to issue a response. Defendants did this to ensure plaintiff had had as little time as possible to prepare and issue a response to the defamatory allegations."

Then before she could respond, the district told Conde on March 2, 2022 that they intended to reassign or remove her from her position, which Conde alleges violated her right to due process.

Conde did respond to the district six days later where she complained of illegal discrimination, harassment and retaliation, and providing full context to show that Pereira



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BART on track to hit 'fiscal cliff' by March 2025, officials say

Early budget projects \$300M+ operating deficits annually; station closures on the table

By ELI WALSH / BCN

BART is on track to run out of federal relief funds by March 2025, with estimated operating deficits of more than \$300 million per year over the next several years, according to the transit agency's preliminary budget.

In a presentation to the agency's governing board, Pamela Herhold, BART's assistant general manager for performance and budget, along with Michael Eiseman, the agency's financial planning director, outlined that BART's operating revenue remains hundreds of millions of dollars below where it was before the COVID-19 pandemic began, mostly due to a sustained lack of ridership at pre-pandemic levels.

BART is on track to use \$321 million in federal relief funding by the end of the current fiscal year on June 30 to close its budget gap.

The agency would then use an estimated \$376 million in the following 2023-24 fiscal year before exhausting its remaining \$206 million in funding during the 2024-25 fiscal year. That would still leave BART some \$143 million short of a balanced budget based on current projections, according to Herhold and Eiseman.

"We will continue to evaluate and develop opportunities to reduce spending or increase revenue with the goal of not impacting the service that we currently operate," Herhold explained to BART's Board of Directors.

BART budget officials have already shaved off or deferred several million dollars in projected spending over the next two fiscal years, including suspending roughly \$20 million in allocations to the agency's pension fund

and restricting overtime to recoup some \$16 million.

Even with those changes, the two budget officials said, preliminary projected costs will only drop by \$51 million over the next two years.

BART officials elected to switch to a rolling two-year budget approval process last year in an effort to improve the agency's long-term financial planning.

"These reductions are not choices we want to make, but we know we need to get our ongoing operating expenses down," Eiseman said.

BART is also facing higher-than-expected costs in its current fiscal year, with operating expenses projected to be \$15 million over budget, due mostly to overtime hours and reimbursements.

Fare revenue is also projected to be roughly \$500,000 below what the agency expected in its budget, with weekday ridership remaining mostly static around 40% of pre-pandemic expectations.

Herhold and Eiseman noted that the preliminary figures for the next two fiscal years are subject to change before the board discusses and approves its budget for the next two years in June.

The preliminary budget also did not include the expansion of funding for BART's internal investigation office from \$1 million to \$2.7 million, the addition of a new Office of Infrastructure Delivery and consideration of BART's current staff vacancy rate of 7.25%, below the expected 7.5% for the 2023-24 fiscal year.

BART would increase fares systemwide by a total of 11% over the next two years under the current

preliminary budget, a standard fare adjustment to keep up with inflation as measured by the U.S. consumer price index.

The two fare increases of 5.5% in January 2024 and January 2025 would add an estimated \$26 million to BART's revenue pool, according to the agency's financial officials.

Some BART board members have been hesitant to support the fare increase, arguing that the rise would be too quick and would disproportionately hurt low-income riders.

Board Director Rebecca Saltzman suggested BART should raise fares by just 4% over each of the next two years, as the two 5.5% increases would raise the cost of a two-way trip between Berkeley and the Embarcadero in San Francisco by at least \$1.

"If you look at the revenue difference between the 4% and the 5.5%, considering the hole in our budget, it really is not significant," she said. "It's not like it's going to make or break our budget. Whichever one we do, either way, we're in trouble."

Members of the board also called

for a budgeted plan to increase revenue, including by making BART stations and trains safer and more reliable and increasing service on week-ends and outside of peak commute hours around which BART's service has been centered.

"We need the frequency to improve for folks to choose BART as an option other than Uber, other than taking a car," Director Mark Foley said. "So for me, this budget, while palatable, I can't accept it until I see what's the plan that goes with this to get riders into the system."

Board Director Debora Allen argued that additional service is an expense BART can't afford for now, but that the agency needs to prioritize the rider experience and simultaneously increase revenue and drive down costs.

"There are only two ways to impact the over \$300 million per year of deficits that this agency is generating," she said. "You can increase revenue; you can decrease costs. It is that simple, and we need to be focused on both."

Allen added that she hopes to see

at future budget discussions a list of specific "deep cuts" the agency could make that would meaningfully improve its current fiscal state, including cutting "levels of service, certain hours, certain lines (and) certain stations."

BART budget officials have previously argued that the agency cannot realistically cut its operating costs without sending BART into a "death spiral" because rail transit has high fixed costs — in BART's case, roughly 30% of its operating costs are fixed.

Eiseman argued at the agency's board meeting in early December that the cuts necessary to meet BART's current annual deficits would end service on the Richmond-Millbrae and San Jose-Daly City lines, close nine stations, reduce service to weekdays only and limit trains to arriving just once an hour.

The BART board is expected to hold its next discussion on its budget for the next two fiscal years on May 11. The board is set to adopt the budget on June 8, with the next fiscal year beginning July 1. ■

Livermore installs pilot pedestrian improvements along East Avenue

Debut of new safety measures met with some criticism online

By CIERRA BAILEY

The city of Livermore has reached a new milestone in its "Tactical East Avenue" initiative with the help of volunteers who installed pilot pedestrian safety improvements in the area last week. However, not all of the public feedback about the project has been positive.

The initiative is part of the ongoing East Avenue Corridor Study to enhance mobility and safety along East Avenue between South Livermore Avenue and South Vasco Road — an area identified as a priority corridor in the Livermore Active Transportation Plan.

From April 10-14, community volunteers were hard at work painting crosswalks and curb extensions and installing signage, among other tasks from Maple Street to Hillcrest Avenue. On the last day, the city hosted a grand-opening event to celebrate the new improvements at East Avenue Middle School.

The event was attended by city officials, community members, volunteers and the project team.

The newly placed safety measures will be evaluated for six months at the East Avenue intersections of Maple Street, 7th Street, Dolores Street, Jensen Street, Estates Street and Hillcrest Avenue. During the evaluation period, the city will monitor the project, collect data and solicit public feedback to determine how the project is functioning, according

to the project website.

The process the city is following is derived from Tactical Urbanism, a method of place-making that uses low-cost, temporary materials to offer the city and community members the opportunity to experience potential changes to the street before permanent improvements are made.

In the days since the installation was completed, some residents have expressed concerns about the measures via social media.

One social media critic, Ben Gordon, is a Livermore resident who frequently rides his bike to and from work. He shared his grievances in a community group on Facebook as well as in an interview with Livermore Vine.

Gordon said he commutes by bicycle from his home downtown to his job on Vasco Road and often travels down the entirety of East Avenue. "I agree completely with the foundation of the project," he said, noting that there is a need to improve conditions for pedestrians and cyclists in the area as it can be a harrowing journey to navigate. However, he is concerned about the "piecemeal" way that the new measures have been implemented.

"It's a good first step for pedestrians but their website made it seem like the project was meant to take into account cyclist and pedestrian safety on the same level," Gordon said, adding that the current improvements as they stand now only

benefit pedestrians but actually make it less safe for cyclists.

Specifically, Gordon addressed "a string of bollards" that he says make the lanes more narrow and difficult to navigate by bike. He also said that while the new curb extensions "on their face are a great idea," they create another obstacle for bicycles that have to go around the extensions that they cannot ride through.


"It's really unsafe for a cyclist to have to leave the shoulder and enter the flow of traffic to get around the extended curbs. So, I agree that something needs to be done but I think the piecemeal approach has made an unsafe environment for cyclists," he said.

Motorists on social media have also expressed frustration about the curb extensions, citing increased difficulty in making turns.

Gordon noted that he's only lived in Livermore since last August, so he didn't participate in the first phase of the East Avenue Corridor Study that included public outreach prior to the new measures being installed but he said he had previously read through the "Tactical East Avenue" website and got the impression that pedestrian and cyclist safety would be prioritized equally.

He said that while he thinks and hopes that improvements for cyclists will come down the line as part of the project, he's concerned about how the next six months are going to play out with the current measures in place. ■

THE CITY OF PLEASANTON



HIGHLIGHTS

Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Trails Committee Meeting

Monday, April 24, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.
Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd.

- Update to the Pleasanton Municipal Code for E-bikes
- Annual Bicycle and Pedestrian Collision Analysis

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the City Council Chamber – 200 Old Bernal Ave., via video/teleconference and will be broadcast live on Channel 29 and at <https://www.tri-valleytv.org> and <https://www.youtube.com/user/TheCityofPleasanton>.

- The City Council is scheduled to review and consider adoption of modifications to Objective Design Standards (ODS) for Housing Sites.

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Culinary Angels hosting second Courageous Cancer Fun Run

Participants challenged to run on their own over next week for a good cause

BY NICOLE GONZALES

The second annual Courageous Cancer Fun Run organized by Tri-Valley nonprofit Culinary Angels is set to take place throughout the week ahead starting this Saturday.

Funds raised from the event will go toward the group's goal of providing food resources to individuals grappling with cancer and their families. Held asynchronously, participants will be able to run wherever and whenever they would like to during the event.

Lisa McNaney, Culinary Angels' founder and executive director, spoke to the Weekly about the organization's mission and upcoming

fundraising event.

"We are a nonprofit organization that provides mostly organic, nutrient rich meals to people going through a cancer challenge, as well as to their caregivers. We deliver our meals free of charge throughout Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin, San Ramon and in Danville," she said.

The organization operates predominantly via volunteers with over 160 currently active participants. "It's amazing that so many wonderful people continue to want to align with us every week," McNaney said.

She explained the Courageous Cancer Fun Run event was created in 2022 by Dublin High School student Natasha Bercy in honor of her

father, Yannick Bercy, who once received meals from Culinary Angels during his cancer treatment before his death.

"(Natasha's) father was a cancer patient and so they aligned with our program, we would often bring them meals," McNaney said. "Unfortunately, he passed away at the age of 42 and she wanted to continue to honor him. They were both runners, they often ran together all over the Tri-Valley, and so we came up with this idea."

"It started as this really a personal endeavor that she wanted to have symbolized and kind of just continue to represent her relationship with her dad and the strength that he passed

on to her," McNaney added. "We're continuing this annual event to further honor everybody else who's experiencing a cancer challenge."

"(The run) is fun, it's easy and it's a really wonderful way to provide funds that will go directly into our program to continue to be able to provide meals to people who really need it the most," she said. "It's a feel-good thing, giving back and making a difference in the community locally. It's also a way for people who are already active and they want to challenge themselves."

Originally founded in 2016, Culinary Angels has served over 10,000 meals approximately to residents in need over the years.

Most of the produce used by the organization is thanks to partnerships with local farms and food markets in the area. They try to keep things as close and fresh as possible, according to McNaney.

In the future, McNaney hopes to expand the outreach of Culinary Angels to reach as many people as possible. The group hopes to increase the number of recipients served in 2023 by 40%.

To join the run, individuals can sign up via culinaryangels.racery.com and track their mileage over the course of the week, April 22-28.

Visit the Culinary Angels webpage culinaryangels.org for more information. ■

Dublin is 'Stronger Together'

City set for annual community Pride Week

BY NICOLE GONZALES

Residents of Dublin — both longstanding and new — will join together in celebration of their community from April 22-29.

The 38th annual Dublin Pride Week is set to take place with a number of events encouraging volunteer work, community-based events and environmental issues. The yearly weeklong celebration emphasizes what it means to be a Dublin resident and how one can help their community. This year's theme — "Dublin: Stronger Together!"

"Dublin Pride Week began in 1985 when it was first incorporated into

the Dublin St. Patrick's Day festivities," said Shari Jackman, city communications manager. "Its purpose was to strive to promote a positive image for the Dublin community. It was all about residents working to clean up around their homes and neighborhoods to help improve the community."

"Residents were encouraged to spruce up their yards, paint their homes or upgrade the interiors. The week focused on fix-it projects, and there was a special waste collection during the week that helped residents clean out and get rid of excess waste," Jackman added.

The week was then formed into a community-wide, project-themed event in 1998 known as "Dublin Pride, City Wide," according to Jackman. In 2000, city staff changed the event to late April to coincide with Earth Day.

This year, Dublin Pride Week will include a volunteer day, children's food bank drive, drug take-back event and more.

Volunteer Day kicks off the week this Saturday (April 22), when residents can visit a volunteer resource fair at Emerald Glen Park with dozens of local organizations seeking community involvement.

From 8 a.m. to noon at Emerald Glen the same day, Amador Valley Industries will host a compost giveaway. Visitors are welcome to take home one bag of free compost made from yard trimmings, food scraps and other organic materials.

Jackman said the city will also be continuing its poster and essay contest for students in grades K-12. "Students share their ideas about the theme through art or the written word," she said.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dublin Police Services will also be holding a drug take-back at the Dublin Civic Center.

"Residents are encouraged to drop off unwanted pharmaceuticals such as prescription pills, tablets, capsules and other solid forms of prescription drugs," Jackman said. "In addition

to helping in the fight against drug abuse, this event keeps medications out of our waterways."

Jackman said this year's theme, "Dublin: Stronger Together!," represents coming together with a common goal for the greater good.

"By participating in Dublin Pride Week activities, particularly on Volunteer Day, we hope that our residents feel a sense of pride in their community, and that they feel inclined to volunteer in other ways," she said. "There is something so satisfying in the knowledge that you've worked for something beyond yourself. Volunteering has been known to protect one's mental and physical health."

To find out more about Dublin Pride week, visit dublin.ca.gov/210/Dublin-Pride-Week. ■

STARBUCKS

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an informed, balanced decision regarding union representation," the spokesperson said.

They said the company would be closely following the National Labor Rights Board's guidance on working with unionized employees at the newly unionized Pleasanton store as well as others, and that they had complied with the board's guidelines for union recognition and bargaining.

Organizers at the downtown store, however, disagreed with much of the company's characterization of growing unionization efforts at its stores across the country, none of which have yet seen Starbucks come to the table to bargain with union organizers, they said.

With roughly 97% of Starbucks locations continuing to be non-unionized, Lester said that the statistic cited by the company's spokesperson was a "severe underestimate" of workers' support for unionization, given what she, colleague Tasha Fields and other union organizers at Starbucks locations said are widespread anti-union practices.

"The reason more stores are not unionized is because Starbucks has

developed a very clear method of union busting," Lester said.

She added that the number also failed to account for workers at locations that hadn't been successful in winning union representation.

Despite the vast majority of Starbucks locations not being unionized, Lester said that the increasing number of locations that are — which had grown to 300 as of last week — were not insignificant.

"7,500 workers is not a subset," Lester said. "300 stores is not a subset, and 300 communities like Pleasanton are not a subset of Starbucks, and even at our store alone, eight out of 12 partners is not a subset."

Fields contended that it was corporate leaders at Starbucks, not union organizers, who were mischaracterizing growing union efforts, and that the company's statement was "not consistent with our experience whatsoever."

Lester and Fields said that at their location, they and other union supporters had faced hostility from management that was aimed at shutting down union efforts, and which they said was consistent with the experiences they'd heard from other organizers at unionized locations.

"Basically our store manager was

pretty upset, and any of our no votes she kind of latched onto, and from there there was really a lot of emotional manipulation and targeting as well to people who she knew or believed to be voting yes," Fields said.

Fields and Lester said that the shift in attitude was a dramatic one that came on quickly as union organizing ramped up at their store and spurred discussions amongst workers.

"We've heard from other union organizers that store managers are

made to feel like failures if their stores unionize," Lester said. "I do think that a lot of that pressure our store manager. I do think a lot of managers are thrown under the bus by corporate."

Fields and Lester said that much of the stress and uncertainty that they had faced during organization efforts was now off their chests, given the protections they now enjoy via union representation. They also credited their customers and the Pleasanton

community at large for supporting their efforts during the early, uncertain stages.

"I grew up in Pleasanton, and I think what really demonstrates solidarity to me was seeing our regular customers ... asking us questions about how it was going, and just saying they support us and are proud of us, I think even more so in such a small community was what demonstrated solidarity more than anything," Lester said. ■



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David H. Roberts

January 1, 1946 – April 4, 2023

David Henry Roberts (Dave) was welcomed into this world on New Year's Day 1946 in South San Francisco CA by parents Benjamin Max Roberts and Eva Daisy Roberts. When Dave was a toddler, his family moved to Tracy CA where his father was a founding partner in the Tracy Garbage Company. Tracy was a good place for Dave to grow up...he could walk into the tomato fields with a salt shaker and eat right off the vine. He would become a pole vaulter at Tracy High, land his first job working at a gas station, remodel a 36 Ford as a very young man, and begin his 40 year career as a mechanical technician at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.



Dave's artistry, meticulous attention to detail and ability to build just about anything with elegance was admired by friends and colleagues at the Lab where he made critical contributions to the large laser projects of Shiva, Nova, Beamlet and NIF. When Edward Teller came to the lab to sign copies of his biography *Energy and Conflict*, a young Dave stood in line to have a copy signed for his dad. He couldn't believe that Edward Teller actually wanted to chat with him and find out what it was like to be a mech tech at the lab. But he did. And everyone who knew Dave understood why...Dave was just plain wonderful to be around. Whether you were his biking buddy, his golf buddy, his car buddy, his work colleague or his neighbor, he listened, he helped, he offered wise counsel, then he smiled that beautiful smile and you found yourself wanting to stay near him.

That was the case with his wife Candyce, when he captured her heart the first time she saw him at the Hungry Hunter in Pleasanton—she was a waitress and he was the happy, handsome customer smiling “that smile”. The two became one on June 10, 1978 and over the next 44 years they had the most splendid times together running, mountain biking, and backpacking from the Eastern Sierra to Moab. A reluctant foreign traveler, Dave finally gave into his wife's joy as “travel planner” and they headed off to Italy, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania and Canada where they discovered their favorite golf courses. In the end, all they needed or wanted was a walk in the sun through Pleasanton's Kottinger Park...right outside their own front door.

A car enthusiast and mechanic at heart, Dave bought a '67 Shelby 350GT Mustang when he was 21 years old and followed that up with a '68 Porsche 912, a 1958 Porsche Speedster, and a '64 356 C Model Porsche he bought for Candyce. When he retired at age 59, he devoted 10 years to creating a 356 Porsche Outlaw out of a rusty 1963 Porsche 356 B. It was the most elegant piece of art he ever made but he rarely talked about it, letting others do that for him. On the other hand, he was never shy about sharing his faith in Jesus and a loving Father. Dave knew where he came from and he knew where he was going—he always said if he had a headstone it would say, “Go home. I'm not here.” Candyce can still hear him singing his own song...“All who believed in him, all who received him, He gave the right to be children of God. He gave us love, He gave us life, He gave us eternity.”

During his 2 year battle with Mesothelioma, Dave was deeply touched by the prayers and love of his wonderful friends, neighbors and nurses...he considered them all a gift from God. Dave's faith in the God who loved him remains his greatest gift to us.

David Roberts was preceded in death by his father Benjamin Max Roberts, mother Eva Daisy (Rosaia) Roberts, brother William (Bill) Roberts and is survived by his wife Candyce (McCarney) Roberts, nieces Pamela, Stacy and Christina and many loving cousins in the Rosaia family.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Kottinger Park in Pleasanton on June 10, 2023 at 2 pm. Memorial contributions in Dave's name may be given to Christian Encounter Ranch in Grass Valley or Next Step Pregnancy Center in Livermore.

PAID OBITUARY

HOUSING

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The document serves as a plan to address Pleasanton's mandated RHNA tally of 5,965 new units — 2,758 of which are targeted toward lower-income households — over the next eight years through the rezoning of 19 sites for housing.

The city had resubmitted the Housing Element on Feb. 14 so that state officials could review and approve the document. And while HCD officials found that most of the document complied with State Housing Element Law statutory requirements, a notice letter from HCD sent to Beaudin on April 10 noted that the city needed to make some additional revisions in order for the document to be certified.

“The comments address three major topics: information to demonstrate viability of some of the non-vacant housing sites; program modifications to address environmental and regulatory constraints to housing development; and enhancement of Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) policies and programs,” assistant city manager Pamela Ott told the Weekly. “Staff is currently reviewing the comments provided by HCD and will be meeting with their staff in coming days to discuss comments and the scope of needed revisions.”

Ott said that staff will be resubmitting the Housing Element as soon as possible, but that the timing of that will depend on the nature and the scope of the revisions that staff need to make.

In terms of the sites inventory, the changes that HCD outlined in the notice letter are that the city needs to better demonstrate the potential for redevelopment at specific sites such as the 10.68-acre Pleasanton Unified School District headquarters on Bernal Avenue and the 7-acre PUSD Vineyard site, located between Thiessen Street and Manoir Lane.

“The element includes a site-by-site assessment of the extent existing uses impede additional development and, in many cases, the element demonstrates the potential for

redevelopment,” according to the April 10 notice letter from HCD. “However, in other cases, the element does not describe affirmative owner interest or should further evaluate the extent existing uses impede additional development.”

Other examples listed in the letter include the Hacienda Terrace and Muslim Community Center properties, which the Housing Element originally described as being viable sites due to the owners being interested in “evaluating future development or interested in rezoning.”

“These are not affirmative statements of interest in residential development in the planning period,” the notice letter states. “The element should either clarify interest or include additional analysis to demonstrate the potential for redevelopment.”

Apart from providing more evidence and context into potential sites for redevelopment, HCD is also looking for more clarity on the timelines for developing housing on those sites.

As for program modifications for the planned unit development process, the notice letter also outlined issues that might arise depending on the results of the city having to re-analyze its sites list.

Kevin Burke, of the pro-housing advocacy group East Bay for Everyone, explained why he thinks HCD did not like Pleasanton's development process, based on the notice letter.

“Pleasanton forces mixed-use and lower-density developments to go through a planned unit development process where it can impose basically arbitrary discretionary standards,” Burke told the Weekly. “HCD does not like this and wants to give developments a pathway using ‘objective’ standards — something written down where you and I can agree whether a building complies or not.”

“No taller than 30 feet is objective,” he added. “Compatible with other neighborhood uses is not objective because we can disagree.”

The notice letter finally recommended that the city should relook at the document's fair housing

opportunities and consider “areas of relatively higher income in addition to highest resource and concentrated areas of affluence.”

“While the element includes meaningful actions toward affirmatively furthering fair housing (AFFH), these actions should add or increase numeric targets and geographic targeting should be fine-tuned to better promote inclusive neighborhoods,” the notice letter states.

According to the letter, promoting housing mobility removes barriers to higher opportunity areas and enhances access to housing choices.

“Among other factors, the city is predominantly a racially concentrated area of affluence, higher resource and highest median incomes in contrast to the rest of the region,” the notice letter states. “As a result, the element should include a significant and robust suite of actions (not limited to the RHNA) to promote housing mobility and increasing housing choices and affordability throughout the City.”

While Pleasanton staff continue to work on addressing these and other issues in the notice letter including water supply certainty due to the increase in housing and other environmental constraints such as easements and property conditions, Burke said that the city must take note that they are now subject to the builder's remedy.

The builder's remedy has been a big talking point in the current Housing Element cycle throughout the Tri-Valley. It means that if a jurisdiction fails to adopt a compliant update by the statutory deadline — Jan. 31 for the Bay Area municipalities — local governments could lose the authority to deny certain development proposals based on inconsistencies with their zoning and General Plan requirements, if presented with a proposed development that meets state affordable housing rules.

“They also cannot receive a number of different affordable housing and transit grants from HCD, which are only awarded to cities with compliant Housing Elements,” Burke said. ■

CONDE

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was not being truthful in her letter — however just two days later the district agreed to reassign or remove her position, the lawsuit states.

The lawsuit also states that the district denied Conde's right to appear before the Board of Trustees and state her case in hopes of overturning the decision.

She was then demoted to a teaching position at Harvest Park Middle School for the 2022-23 school year where she stayed a couple of months before submitting her resignation on Sept. 20, 2022, which became effective the following month.

According to the lawsuit, PUSD also actively sought to strip Conde of her teaching and administrative credentials in a response letter on Oct. 14, 2022.

“Plaintiff suffered discrimination, harassment, and retaliation, as described herein, and in violation of several California statutes,” the lawsuit states. “As a result of defendants' continued discrimination, harassment and retaliation against plaintiff, she has suffered immense physical and emotional distress.”

In a response to Conde's lawsuit filed by PUSD on March 30, the district denied all of the allegations of discrimination and harassment and has also claimed that Conde was “careless and negligent in and

about the matters alleged in the complaint.”

PUSD's response to the allegations also denies any wrongdoing, negligence or liability on their part but also states that “should it be determined that defendants are liable, then defendants further allege that plaintiff also contributed to her own injuries and losses, if any there were.”

The district, according to Conde's lawsuit, is also claiming it acted within its discretion by demoting her and claims that it would have demoted her regardless of the Feb. 17, 2022 incident.

Conde is asking for a jury trial — as of now there is no set date for a court date. ■

POLICE BULLETIN

Pleasanton man among 3 charged in killing of young girl in shooting

Three suspected gang members, including one from Pleasanton, have been charged in the shooting death of a 5-year-old girl along an East Bay freeway on April 8, according to authorities.

Humberto Anaya, 29, of Fremont, Kristo Ayala Valderrama, 25, of Pleasanton, and Emmanuel Sarango, 27, of Fremont were arrested in Santa Cruz hours after the shooting took place along Interstate 880 in Fremont.

Eliyanah Crisostomo was shot in the heart as she was riding in a vehicle with her family to a family dinner.

"There is no reason young children should die on our Bay Area freeways," Alameda County District Attorney Pamela Price said in a statement last Friday. "This behavior is absolutely unacceptable. We will not stand for gun violence and these three defendants will be held accountable for their despicable actions."

Prosecutors allege that Anaya, Ayala Valderrama and Sarango are Fremont Sureno gang members who believed they were shooting into a car of rival gang members. Five other people were

in the car with Eliyanah.

Each suspect has been charged with killing Eliyanah as well as other offenses. The three were driving a red Honda Accord and are alleged to have shot at another person in Fremont about 15 minutes earlier.

In shooting Eliyanah, the suspects flashed gang symbols, prosecutors said. Fremont police believe the other shooting was also gang-related.

Anaya, Ayala Valderrama and Sarango are in custody in Santa Rita Jail in Dublin. Anaya and Ayala Valderrama were expected to enter pleas yesterday at the East County Hall of Justice in Dublin, with results pending as of press time. Sarango was scheduled for entry-of-plea earlier in the week.

All three defendants have been charged with murder, assault with a semiautomatic firearm and seven counts of shooting at an occupied motor vehicle. Ayala Valderrama and Anaya also face felony charges of carrying a concealed weapon in a vehicle and carrying a loaded firearm on their person in a city.

The civil complaint from the DA's Office does not include any gang, gun or vulnerable victim enhancements or special allegations.

—Keith Burbank, BCN

In other news

• An out-of-county judge will decide whether Alameda County Superior Court Judge Mark McCannon will be disqualified from presiding over the trial of Delonzo Logwood, who is accused of killing three people in Oakland in 2008, officials said Monday.

Logwood's trial was supposed to start Monday, but McCannon rescinded the order to bring in the jury.

Both McCannon and Logwood's attorney said that a judge from outside Alameda County will decide whether to remove McCannon from the case.

DA Price called for McCannon to be disqualified from the case after he rejected a plea deal of 15 years for Logwood, who was 18 years old at the time of the killings. He faced 75 years to life if convicted under the original charges.

Following McCannon's decision, Price and defense attorneys on April 5 sought to remove McCannon from the case.

Price has also sought to disqualify McCannon from any case the District Attorney's Office prosecutes.

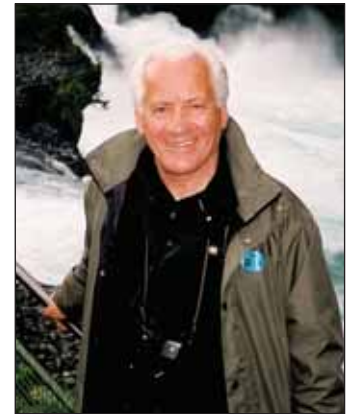
McCannon "overstepped his boundaries as a judicial officer and has created a firestorm of prejudicial comments that do not, in my view, serve justice," Price said in an April 5 video posted to social media. ■

—Keith Burbank, BCN

Frank Francesco Roselli

July 25, 1934 – April 6, 2023

Frank Roselli was called to be with God and passed away peacefully on April 6, 2023. Frank lived an amazing and storied life that started with humble beginnings as the son of farmers in Italy then saw him emigrate to America where he became a famous chemist.



Frank "Francesco" was born in the summer of 1934 in Colombara, Italy, a small suburb of the village of Frontone in Le Marche region of central Italy. As a boy he worked in the nearby fields of San Savino with his parents Iolanda and Arduino Roselli. Frank went to college at the prestigious Istituto Technico Industriale Montani in Fermo, Italy and studied chemistry. He worked initially in Italy, then later for some major chemical companies in America.

Though living in the United States, Frank always remained connected to his Italian roots and attended many Italian picnics and dances that were part of a strong Italian-American culture in California at the time. It was at one of these picnics that Frank would meet his soul mate and love of his life, Aurora Pialorsi. They married in 1959, honeymooned in Mexico City - then would travel the world side by side for the next 64 years!

Frank, Aurora and their daughter Pia lived in Redwood City for many years. Frank's career as a chemist continued to thrive with a number of his chemical compounds earning US patents at prestigious companies like Diamond Shamrock and Koppers Chemical. Frank developed a reputation as the "godfather" of chemical polymers development. As Frank was nearing retirement age, he had a second career as a sought after chemical consultant for new start up companies that were eager to design applications for his various compounds, and wanted to leverage Frank's expertise. One of these companies had Frank involved in the building of the new San Francisco Bay Bridge.

Frank & Aurora moved to Napa Valley where they found a beautiful spot with a view that reminded him of the hills of San Savino, Italy where he roamed as a boy and could not resist this new opportunity. It also came with land for a vineyard, which aligned with one of his favorite hobbies as a home winemaker. Together they designed a beautiful Mediterranean style house overlooking the vineyards. The new home was dubbed "Villa San Savino" in honor of his parents and his life back home in Italy. They lived in Yountville, CA for 30 years, before moving to Stoneridge Creek in Pleasanton to be closer to their daughter Pia, son in law Don Murphy and their two granddaughters Molly and Penny.

Frank was a proud member of many Italian-American clubs including the Leonardo DaVinci Society, Museo Italo-Americano, Pacific Musical Society, Cenacolo, and the Italian Catholic Federation.

Frank lived a long, full, and beautiful life. His strong faith in God and love for his family was always his trusty guide. He will be forever missed and never forgotten by his family and many friends. We are all grateful to have had him in our lives for so long.

Frank is survived by his wife of 64 years, Aurora Roselli. His daughter Pia Roselli Murphy, his son in law Don Murphy and his two loving granddaughters Molly and Penny Murphy.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents Iolanda & Arduino Roselli, brother Natalino

Donations: In lieu of flowers or gifts, the family requests you honor Frank's life and memory by making a donation to the: Frank Roselli Educational Scholarship Fund

Information at: www.sansavinovineyards.com

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POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

April 14

Theft

- 3:54 a.m., 2700 block of Camino Segura; catalytic converter theft
- 5:49 a.m., 5500 block of Johnson Drive; auto theft
- 6:41 p.m., 2500 block of Corte Facil; catalytic converter theft
- 8:57 p.m., 2600 block of Stoneridge Drive; theft from auto

Fraud

- 11:23 a.m. on the 4100 block of Walnut Drive

Vandalism

- 1:50 p.m. on the 7300 block of Stonedale Drive

Assault/battery

- 4:35 p.m. at Owens and Johnson drives

April 13

Vandalism

- 7:13 a.m. on the 4200 block of First Street
- 8:34 a.m. on the 5600 block of Owens Drive
- 9:39 p.m. on the 7200 block of Beaumont Court

Theft from structure

- 8:42 a.m. on the 000 block of Vintage Circle

DUI

- 7:20 a.m. at Parkside Drive and Hopyard Road

April 12

Theft

- 1:45 a.m., 3900 block of Grand Canyon Court; catalytic converter theft
- 7:54 a.m., 3800 block of Old Santa Rita Road; auto theft

- 10:27 a.m., 3500 block of Kings Canyon Court; catalytic converter theft

- 1:55 p.m. on the 6400 block of Calle Esperanza

- 3:03 p.m., 3300 block of Stoneridge Creek Way; auto theft

- 3:19 p.m., 7900 block of Stoneridge Drive; theft from auto

- 3:28 p.m., 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from auto

- 8:36 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Domestic battery

- 1:53 a.m. on Vintage Circle

Burglary

- 2:06 p.m. on the 7900 block of Paragon Circle

April 11

Drug violation

- 7:59 a.m. on the 1400 block of East Gate Way

Domestic battery

- 8:53 a.m. on West Las Positas Boulevard

Theft

- 10:21 a.m. on the 100 block of Valley Avenue
- 7:21 p.m., 1000 block of Nolan Court; bicycle theft

Warrant arrest

- 11:04 a.m. on the 7000 block of Pleasanton Avenue

Weapons violation

- 1:02 p.m. at Owens Drive and Johnson Court

Burglary

- 8:12 p.m. on the 5600 block of Ellis Court

April 10

Graffiti offense

- 6:10 a.m. on the 4500 block of First Street

Drug violation

- 9:28 a.m. on the 5900 block of Gibraltar Drive

Theft

- 10:08 a.m., 5700 block of Johnson Drive; shoplifting

- 4:20 p.m., 6000 block of Johnson Drive; shoplifting

- 7:36 p.m., 5800 block of Owens Drive; auto theft

- 9:59 p.m., 3700 block of Hopyard Road; auto theft

- 10:59 p.m., 3100 block of Santa Rita Road; shoplifting

Domestic battery

- 11:20 a.m. on Stoneridge Mall Road

Fraud

- 5:34 p.m. on the 1300 block of West Lagoon Road

Assault/battery

- 6:03 p.m. on the 300 block of Main Street

Vandalism

- 9:19 p.m. on the 2600 block of Stoneridge Drive

April 9

DUI

- 8:28 a.m. at Valley Avenue and Crestline Road

Auto theft

- 10:42 p.m. on the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

April 8

Fraud

- 11:33 a.m. on the 000 block of Vintage Circle

Theft

- 12:01 p.m. on the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

- 5:43 p.m., 4500 block of Rosewood Drive; theft from auto

- 6:18 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting



Rising to the challenge

Spent grain bread-making classes aim to ‘reboot’ small breweries still recovering from pandemic

STORY AND PHOTOS BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

On most nights at Pennyweight Craft Brewing, patrons of the downtown Livermore pub might find themselves enjoying one of the many handcrafted beers or food from the indoor food truck that serves as a kitchen.

But last week, the building was filled with guests who participated in one aspect of the beer-making process that doesn't pop up as often at the brewery — baking bread.

“I'm a nurse so it's nice to have something

that you can just kind of let loose at the end of the day and it doesn't require you to think too hard and you can just do something fun,” Livermore resident Soly Winters said.

Winters was referring to the sold-out Grainbakers spent grain bread-making classes that she attended at Pennyweight on April 12 along with 46 others — half of whom were Livermore residents who had never been to the establishment before that day.

Grainbakers is an on-the-road bread course that was founded by Caitlin Jewell, a former

brewery owner, who said the brewery-based baking classes that she teaches not only help bring new customers to these small breweries, but they also help educate people about spent grain.

Spent grain is produced when the malt from a brewery has already been used to make beer.

Jewell, who owned a brewery in Boston before it shut down due to financial struggles resulting from the pandemic, said that breweries typically get rid of somewhere between 250,000 to 500,000 pounds of spent grain a year.

She said that when she and her husband, who is also a brewer, ran their business before they moved to Pleasanton, she had begun teaching classes on how to use spent grain to bake bread as not only a way to help breweries get rid of the product but to also increase their revenue.

“It's a bit of entertainment to bring in business on slow nights of the week, and, more importantly, to bring in first-time guests who might now go try a new brewery,” Jewell said.

She said the class also helps teach people more about the beer-making process and how spent grain, especially in Livermore, is usually donated to local farmers to be used as food for livestock. She said in places like where she lived in Boston, they would need to get rid of the spent grain by paying a commercial composting company to take it away.

Apart from that, Jewell said spent grain is

great to use in baking because it has a lot of protein and the texture is perfect for making bread that incorporates the flavors of the grains used for beer.

For Winters, who lives just around the corner from the brewery and is a common patron, it was her second time taking the class. She said she already loved Pennyweight and she enjoyed the idea of being able to support the business while also doing something fun.

“I think Caitlin is so awesome and the bread is phenomenal,” Winters said. “If we don't support (Pennyweight), they won't have these cool kinds of

things to go to that are off the beaten path ... like something different to do on a weeknight that's not just the norm.”

The class consisted of an introductory period where people got a chance to mingle, drink and learn more about the brewery during a tour of the space.

Pennyweight, owned and operated by Chris Guy, first opened right as the pandemic first hit hard in March 2020. Guy, a 15-year-long resident of Livermore, said that he had first quit his construction job in 2015 to follow his passion and dream of brewing beer.

“I fell in love with homebrew, I don't know, probably 10 years ago now,” Guy said. “I just fell in love with the science of it. I love the fact that you could turn water into drinkable beer that was good.”

But as he finished the nearly two and a

‘I keep saying, I'm on a mission to help ... It's really important.’

Caitlin Jewell,
Grainbakers instructor



Top: Participants in the Grainbakers class at Pennyweight Craft Brewing in Livermore on April 12 pour water and beer into big mixing bowls before they begin kneading their dough that they took home to bake. **Above:** Grainbakers, the traveling spent grain bread-making class, uses the money it makes from ticket sales to buy and provide all of the materials and ingredients that are used for each class.



All 46 students in the bread-making class toast on the outdoor deck during a tour of the Pennyweight on the edge of downtown Livermore.

half years of construction and opened up the brewery, he quickly found himself trying to dig out of a financial hole that was worsened by the pandemic.

"It's been a struggle and a half, to be honest," Guy said. "I knew this was gonna be the craziest, hardest thing I've ever done in my life."

He said that even apart from the pandemic, his journey of building his business from the ground up — quite literally given that he constructed most of the renovations on his own given his construction background — he still had a lot of challenging curveballs thrown at him.

"Honestly, it's just been 'adapt and adjust' every single day, week, every month," Guy said.

That's why he said he was extremely grateful for Jewell's bread-making class.

"What Caitlin does, it's just, it's another by-product of the brewing process. So in order for this not to end up in a landfill, she's created this amazing event (that) interacts with the community," Guy said.

"We got a lot of first-timers here tonight," he added. "And there's a lot of Livermore addresses on first-timers tonight, which is just crazy cool."

One of those first timers was Pleasanton resident Terri Boyle.

Boyle, who had never been to the brewery before, went to the class to spend time with her longtime friend and fellow Pleasanton resident Anne Myers, who had been to Pennyweight for her birthday before.

Both women said that the class was a way for them to get out of the house and hang out while doing something fun, even if they weren't the most experienced bakers.

"I love it," Boyle said as she viciously kneaded her dough. "I think Chris has done a

wonderful job ... I love how he recycled and repurposed a lot of the materials that were used (to build the place)."

Boyle was referring to the mezzanine in the second floor of the brewery, which was constructed by using repurposed wood from the prior rock-climbing business that occupied the building, and from benches that used to sit at Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area.

It's those first impressions that Jewell said really drive the spent grain baking class and is really why she only

works with small, locally owned and independent family breweries.

"I keep saying, I'm on a mission to help small breweries reboot after the pandemic (because) getting people back out is harder than it looks — even with great beer," Jewell said. "Getting people to have an excuse to go out — It's really important."

She also said that while her company gets the revenue from the ticket sales, they don't charge the brewery any money and she also uses a lot of the money she makes to invest in social media advertising for all the breweries that she works with in the Tri-Valley, to the South Bay and even to the Peninsula.

And while she said seeing the satisfied customers laugh and enjoy the class is nice, it is equally as nice seeing the brewery owners' faces light up at how much money they made on typically slow nights.

"They're just grateful to have something that's truly related to their business and it's fresh and not paint night, or trivia," Jewell said.

The spent grain class will be returning to Pennyweight on May 24. To learn more about the class and to register for the event, visit their website at www.grainbakers.com. ■

'Honestly, it's just been "adapt and adjust" every single day, week, every month.'

Chris Guy,
Owner, Pennyweight
Craft Brewing



Top: Longtime friends Terri Boyle (left) and Anne Myers (right) took the class together in order to reconnect and spend some time together in a fun way. **Above:** Caitlin Jewell (far left), a former brewery owner and founder of the Grainbakers class, gives participants advice on how to properly knead their dough.

Earth Day at the park



Sunol and Del Valle activities include guided hikes, crafts, games and more

BY NICOLE GONZALES

The East Bay Regional Park District, one of the largest outdoor recreational systems in the nation, has planned a variety of activities to honor and appreciate all things nature this coming Earth Day, including here in the Tri-Valley.

From guided walks to scavenger hunts, local district parks Sunol Wilderness Regional Preserve and Del Valle Regional Park have no shortage of Earth Day-themed events to partake in this weekend.

"Earth Day at Del Valle" takes place at the park in Livermore on Saturday (April 22) from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Participants are to meet at the Arroyo Mocho picnic area, where plenty of Earth Day-centric events for families, individuals and children will be happening.

"The programs that we are planning include a guided walk along the east shore trail, a scavenger hunt, crafts, and then we will have a table set up about animals native to Del Valle," said Alex Collins, Del Valle supervising naturalist.

Due to previous storm damage, Del Valle Park has been closed for visitors but plans to reopen on Earth Day.

Collins reflected on the meaning of the holiday for park staff and regional residents.

"Earth Day is a time to be reminded of the fact that we are not

only living here (on the planet), but we are a part of this ecosystem as well. The hope is to get people excited about spending time in nature," she said. "It's an opportunity for people to spend time in nature and deepen that connection. Whether it's fishing or boating or swimming or going for hikes, (Del Valle) is a place where people can connect or reconnect with nature in general."

Collins encouraged the public to visit their local district park, not just for Earth Day but as often as possible.

"To people who live in Alameda and Contra Costa counties, the East Bay Regional Park District is here for you. These are your parks," Collins said. "We really encourage people to spend time outside and explore new parks."

In light of the recent closures, Collins urged interested visitors to check the park's alerts website page to ensure no unexpected delays have occurred.

At Sunol, an "ASL Earth Day Walk" will be held Saturday (April 22) from 2-4 p.m.

Participants will meet at the Sunol Visitor Center on Geary Road to begin the hike. They will follow along the Valley Floor Trail through Camp Ohlone Road.

Sunol park naturalist Ashley Houts spoke to the Weekly about Earth Day's significance to the park.

"Earth Day is very important to the parks because it's a day for us to reflect on our relationship with the land and our relationship with these open spaces that people love and connect to," Houts said.

"Earth Day is a time for all of us to get outside and enjoy nature. We know that there's a lot of healing benefits to being outside, even 10 to 15 minutes a day can help us lead healthier lives," Houts added.

Houts explained the ASL Walk was created to welcome deaf residents on a guided and interpreted tour of the park's nature. Park staff opted to host the walk for a second year in a row due to its previous success.

"It's something that we did last year and because it was so successful, we decided to have it on Earth Day and make it a celebratory time to be outside and enjoy nature," Houts said.

The guided hike is free for all to attend and will be accompanied by two professional American Sign Language interpreters.

"We've grown to be the largest regional park district in the country. We want everyone that lives in the East Bay to feel welcome in our parks, so we try to do that in a number of ways," Houts explained, emphasizing the park's commitment to accessibility. "We have multiple languages on our exhibits inside our visitor centers. We host all sorts of events for different communities and we partner



EBRPD

Del Valle Regional Park in Livermore has planned its reopening for Earth Day this Saturday. The park experienced sudden closures in February and March due to storm-related damage.

with organizations around the Bay Area to lead programs for folks with varying abilities."

According to Houts, engaging with a naturalist during one of the park's guided walks may be the best way to interact with the park, its plants and animals. The experience tends to be more memorable and educational, she said.

"When you visit with a naturalist, like with programs on April 22, you learn so much more and forge a deeper connection with their park," Houts said. "It just really makes people feel a deeper connection and also remember their time in the parks

a little bit more when they interact with a naturalist."

Before the ASL Walk is set to take place, staff will also be hosting a guided wildflower walk at 10 a.m. the same day.

"(The wildflower walk) will be a short walk through the valley floor to learn and identify some of the different species that are here now," Houts said.

All Sunol and Del Valle activities are free for the public to attend and do not require registration. To find out more information about the EBRPD and the various outdoor activities, visit www.ebpd.org. ■

PPIE's Run for Education back in full stride

After modest offerings last year, event returns with more courses, family-friendly options in 2023

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

The Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation's 11th annual Run for Education is returning to the Alameda County Fairgrounds later this month with a revamped kids course and more family-friendly activities than last year's run.

"I'm super excited for our kids area," PPIE Executive Director Andrea Wilson told the Weekly. "Last year, with our first year out of COVID, we didn't get a chance to beef it up as much as we wanted to. So this year, it's going to be really fun and really engaging for our kids."

PPIE's signature fundraising event, which is typically a popular one among families and residents, will be held next Sunday (April 30) starting at 7:50 a.m. with the 10K. The 5K run will then start at 8 a.m. along with a brand-new 2-mile run.

All of the runs will begin and end at the fairgrounds at separate, mutual finish lines. Food and goodies will be provided by Lucky.

Wilson said that apart from the runs, PNC Bank will be sponsoring a quarter-mile kids obstacle course within the fairgrounds designed for ages three to 10 that will start at 9:15 a.m.

The run, which first started in 2012, is the foundation's main

community fundraiser, and according to Wilson, typically brings in over 2,500 walkers and runners. According to PPIE's website, last year's run — which was the first one in person since the pandemic — raised over \$100,000 for Pleasanton Unified School District schools.

"It is our largest fundraiser of the year. And it raises the money to support the work that we do with all 15 of our PUSD schools," Wilson said. "We do a lot of school site specific events, but this is the only one that kind of brings the whole school community and the greater Pleasanton community together to really support our school district and celebrate the great work that we do."

To date, the event has raised over \$1 million, according to the website.

And while PPIE will also be offering a virtual race for those who want the option, Wilson said that she is excited that COVID restrictions and overall fears are much lower compared to last year.

"I think last year, we wanted to be back in person and there was still a lot of talk ... like do they wear masks or, you know, how do we handle all this," Wilson said. "But this year, I think ... people have, in a sense, put it behind them and are



Dozens of kids participated in last year's kids challenge during the PPIE Run for Education, which was the first time the foundation held the event since the pandemic first started. This year's event is set for April 30.

really ready to get back out and just be together."

She said that they are also already trending to have more participants than last year's run.

"I think that we are going to exceed our numbers from last year," Wilson said. "It's going to be a super fun morning and I'm really excited."

After the run, there will be a carnival-style portion of the event where there will be vendor booths, an award ceremony, music and refreshments.

Prior to the run, participants will have to pick up their run packets, their bibs with their numbers, T-shirts and goodie bags at Amador Valley High School the

day before, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 29.

For parking, participants can pay the \$15 fee beforehand so entry goes smoother or they can also pay the fee at the fairgrounds entrance, however Wilson said cash or Apple Pay will not be accepted — only credit or debit card. To learn more, visit ppie.org. ■

Have a laugh in Livermore

'Late Nite Catechism' this week; 'Funny, Flawed & Fabulous' follows May 5

BY NICOLE GONZALES

An upcoming pair of comedy shows at the Bankhead Theater aim to entertain, amuse and give audiences a solid laugh.

The downtown Livermore venue welcomes "Late Nite Catechism" and Faith Alpher's "Funny, Flawed & Fabulous" this spring as part of a series of independent comedy shows.

One of the longest running shows from Chicago, "Late Nite Catechism" comes to the Bankhead this Friday

(April 21) at 8 p.m. The story draws from real life experiences of Catholic Sunday school students and turns the show into an immersive, interactive version of the real thing.

The New York Times has referred to the show as "inspired, well-written and hilarious."

"It is very popular. It's been around for years and has been all over the country. It's a great show, so we're really looking forward to that as well," said Ruth Eggherman, director of marketing with Livermore Valley Arts. "It has a little bit of fun with

Catholicism and will be like going to a class at Catholic school."

For the show duration, audience members are referred to as "students" and are often asked to interact or answer questions from the performer for small prizes such as glow-in-the-dark rosaries and laminated saint cards.

While "Late Nite Catechism" pokes fun at the Catholic experience, Eggherman said it can be universally enjoyed by all.

Two weeks later, esteemed local actor, comedian and radio host Faith Alpher takes to the Bankhead stage with her "Funny, Flawed & Fabulous" one-woman show.

Alpher, whose performance is scheduled for May 5 at 8 p.m., is known for a storytelling and engaging style of stand-up comedy. Her standup set is expected to draw on personal challenges, motherhood and Alpher's dislike of peanut butter.

An American sign language interpreter will be present for the show.

"I feel like we all could use a laugh right now and that's what these shows provide. We need to make fun of not just ourselves or each other, but the environment we're in right now," Eggherman said.

"Oftentimes, we need to just make fun of it or laugh at it or, or more importantly just experience laughter with other people. People usually

come out of those (comedy) shows with their cheeks hurting from laughter," she added.

When discussing the comedy shows, Eggherman expressed an appreciation for the Livermore venue.

"It is really a nice place to be. When you walk in the theater, every seat is a great seat. It feels very intimate," Eggherman said of the Bankhead. "It's just great to go out, see a show and be in a community with other people at the theater

who are also enjoying this show and being moved by it."

Eggherman teased additional upcoming comedy shows at the Bankhead that are soon to be announced. "We have more comedy coming over this summer. And a lot of it will be focused on empowering women which is really cool," she said.

For tickets and more information about Livermore Valley Arts, visit its website at livermorearts.org. ■



LVA

Faith Alpher will perform "Funny, Flawed & Fabulous" on May 5.



LVA

"Late Nite Catechism" comes to the Bankhead on April 21.

'Art Made Easy' on display

The Pleasanton Senior Center next Monday is hosting the opening night reception for this year's "Art Made Easy" exhibit, which features the works of students who participated in the

city-sponsored watercolor class taught over six weeks by Pleasanton artist Charlotte Severin at the Firehouse Arts Center. The exhibit, which also includes paintings by Severin, highlights the talents of Cindy Alvarez, Cynthia Altman, Claudia Curran, Betty Nostrand, Trish Adams, Gerri Vegas, Janice Cantua and Henry Murakami (whose "Mission" is shown). The exhibit opening at the Senior Center runs from 7-9 p.m. Monday (April 24); the public can also access the showing Tuesdays through Fridays.



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Employment

Senior Software Engineer

Senior Software Engineer – Microservices (Mineral Inc.; Pleasanton, CA): Analyze product roadmap & gather all requirements to formulate appropriate architecture required to provide system functionality. Salary range: \$183,310-\$205,000. Telecommuting from anywhere in the USA permitted. Send resume to careers@trustmineral.com Req. 23-EngSM.

Software Engineer - Robotics

Omron Robotics & Safety Technologies, Inc. has opening for Software Engineer - Robotics in Pleasanton, CA. Design & develop integrated robotics solutions for solving real-world manufacturing & logistics problems. Email resume to Sally.nguyen@omron.com ref. job #33. \$112,000- \$122,500

To place an ad or get a quote, call 650.223.6597 or email digitalads@pawebly.com.

Multiple Positions

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LETTERS

Thank you, Holiday Fund

Thank you to all Pleasanton Weekly readers who gave generous contributions to the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund.

Unrestricted funds go directly to supporting our mission of providing equitable food access and building a food secure tomorrow. We celebrate the impact that you have helped make on our organization and the Tri-Valley community.

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month and to express our gratitude, we would like to say an extra thank you to everyone who dedicated themselves to give by volunteering time with us. It is because of generous gifts of your time, talent and treasure from good-hearted people like you that we are able to make a significant difference in the lives of people experiencing food insecurity.

Ensuring access to nutritious food is more important than ever. For those who are food insecure, we know that the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the need for food assistance.

In 2022, Open Heart Kitchen served 454,820 total meals to our Tri-Valley community, and we are continuing to see that level of need in our prepared meal and grocery distribution programs. Our organization is a safety net resource for many who are now facing the end of emergency SNAP benefits and increasing food prices.

Open Heart Kitchen is here to rise to the challenge of ending hunger in our community and we will continue to help our clients become

food secure and find stability.

With gratitude,

—Denise Bridges, CFRE
Development director,
Open Heart Kitchen

Response to Around the Valley

I am writing as a longtime Pleasanton resident and very disappointed the Pleasanton Weekly publisher has started writing biased articles without presenting all of the facts.

I think spending \$10 million to \$14 million to relocate a creek at Lions Wayside Park is a wasteful use of taxpayer money, today and in the future.

I would prefer the Leadership program in Pleasanton to be similar to Dublin and Livermore. Those neighboring cities do not contribute \$10,000 or \$24,000 in city employee time to subsidize a chamber of commerce program. This misuse of our money has been going on too long, and it's time for a change.

\$2 million has been earmarked for a skate park. These funds are flexible and if needed, they can be reappropriated for other projects.

Finally, I have lived in Pleasanton for many years. I have raised my family here, and I support the leadership of the mayor and council majority.

—Paulette Post

A recall can't come soon enough

Alameda County District Attorney Pam Price is doing everything she said she was going to do — she's coddling criminals and lying to and hurting victims.

Now she's using word-salad doublespeak about her plans to drop enhancements and not even seek jail time for the murderer of a 2-year-old toddler who was shot and killed in his infant car seat in the back of his car as two gangs did a gun battle on I-880.

Additionally, Pam wrote a scathing, condescending letter to his parents and the Chinese community — you can find it on Twitter — who are upset with her plans.

This pro-criminal, anti-victim crap has got to stop. How do you do "restorative justice" for someone who was murdered — hold a seance and have the victim's ghost tell the murderer how being violently killed made them feel?

If you look at the Alameda County voting map, most of the Tri-Valley didn't vote for her, but she did well in Berkeley, Oakland, San Leandro and Hayward. She has to be in office 90 days before an official recall petition can be filed. I'm sure it will happen, and it won't come soon enough.

Pleasanton City Councilmember Julie Testa officially supported Pam Price. I wonder if she still does? Maybe we should recall her as well.

—Frank Lynn

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PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

Amador celebrates 26 athletes committing to college programs

Also: Highlights from baseball, volleyball, hockey, lacrosse and swimming

The Amador Valley Athletic Boosters recognized 26 Dons athletes who signed to take their games to the collegiate level last week.

The list includes Sam Riter (Harvey Mudd College, volleyball), Nate Clinton (Stanford, volleyball), Kush Arora (Stanford, golf), Jaclyn LaHa (Virginia, golf), Keira Howard (Naval Academy, golf), Jiya Sanchu (Brown, rugby), Nate Cominsky (Cal, rugby), Scott Garman (Cal, diving), Oliver de la Torre (Cal, baseball), Tyler Kubo (Occidental, baseball), Emma Fuller (San Diego State, soccer), Brady Nassar (San Diego State, football), Miles Tucker (Wyoming, football), AJ Johnson (Western Oregon, football) and James Rothstein (Army/West Point, football).

Rounding out the Dons' list are Lilli Chau (Cal Poly, swim), Anna Shackelford (St. Olaf, swim), Hayden Tupper (Emory, swim), Aubrey Tran (Carleton, swim), Florence Linn (Claremont Mudd Scripps, swim), Sophie Jetton (Southern Oregon, wrestling), Alena Helms (Chapman, softball), Kate Corsaro (Lewis and Clark, lacrosse), Paige Morgan (Claremont McKenna, lacrosse), Evelyn McLaughlin (Santa Clara, water polo) and Colton Cash (Cal Lutheran, basketball).

Amador baseball

The Dons split games with Dublin last week.

On April 12, the Dons went into Dublin and beat the Gaels 7-1 behind the pitching of Oliver de la Torre, who allowed one run and one hit, and struck out four. Tyler Kubo came in for one inning to close it out. Mitch Kreider, Braden Whitworth

and Matthew Foley all drove in runs for Amador, with Kreider blasting a two-run homer in the seventh.

Two days later the Gaels gained a measure of revenge with a 2-1 win at Amador.

Foley started on the hill, going five innings, allowing one run on seven hits, striking out five. Amador scored first with Dublin tying it in the third. The Gaels got the winner in the ninth inning.

The Dons had six hits, with Riley Borges getting three, Kreider with two and Evan Berry with one.

Amador boys' volleyball

The Dons kept their roll going, winning their lone East Bay Athletic League game, then going 5-1 in a tournament at Bellarmine.

Against San Ramon Valley, Amador took the match with Nate Clinton (15 kills, 11 digs), Nick Nayak (12 kills), Colin Bowers (45 assists), Max Riter (13 digs, 3 blocks), Parker Brookhart (11 service points) and Luke Melvin (11 service points, 3 aces) leading the way.

In the tournament, Amador had straight set wins last Friday against South Pasadena and Gunn. On Day 2, they beat Bellarmine, Clovis West and St. Francis. In their finale, Dons lost to Clovis East 2-1.

Clinton, Melvin, Bowers, Bryce Nohava and the tandem of Spencer Thiel and Aiden Husejnovic played well.

Foothill boys' volleyball

The Falcons split league matches, losing to Dublin and then beating Livermore.

In the 3-0 loss to Dublin, the Falcons got highlights from Tyler

Keala (11 kills, 4 digs), Zach Seraj (10 kills, 5 kills) and Kayan Vohra (5 kills, 3 blocks).

In the win over Livermore, highlights came from Landen Meonske (16 assists, 4 service points), Casey Collins (10 service points, 5 kills) and Micah Gawel (6 kills).

In their own tournament, the Falcons went 3-1, falling to Castro Valley 2-1 in the semifinals, losing 20-18 in the third set.

Amador boys' lacrosse

The Dons played three games, going 2-1 last week.

In an 11-7 win over Livermore, Will Coultrip (6 goals, 1 assist) and Owen Heck (2 goals, 5 assists) led the offense. Grant Thompson and Braden O'Donnell were great in faceoffs. Tommy Balestreri collected four ground balls and forced two turnovers.

In a 13-8 loss to SRV, Hunter Selkow (3 goals, 2 assists) led the way, while Sebastien Diligent (2 goals), Coultrip (2 goals) and Brady Macisaac (2 assists) also played well. Matteo Gervasoni stepped up on defense.

In a loss to Piedmont, Coultrip (2 goals) and Heck (1 goal, 1 assist) each had two points, led the way along with Jalen Alami and Macisaac. Max Quarneri and Dillon Duke each had two forced turnovers.

Amador hockey

The Dons kicked off their season splitting games. They fell in their first game to the combined team of De La Salle/Clayton Valley. Justin Bures (2 goals, 1 assist) and Brett Patzer (1 goal, 2 assists) led the way, while John Super added two assists.

playing in the league in 2024.

The four soccer stars, who all have Bay Area ties including each hailing from Santa Clara University, spoke on April 4 about their efforts to bring a pro women's team to the region starting nearly three years ago following the announcement of another NWSL expansion team, Angel City Football Club in Los Angeles.

"LA is doing this, why aren't we doing it?" Osborne said the women were asking themselves as the

group got to work to bring a team to the Bay Area.

The new team's majority investor is Sixth Street, an investment firm with stakes in European soccer clubs like Real Madrid and FC Barcelona as well as the pro basketball team the San Antonio Spurs.

"We here in the Bay Area are innovators, we're thinkers, we're creators," Chastain said. "The Bay is where champions come to play, that is our call to action." ■

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AVHS BOOSTERS

Amador Valley student-athletes who this spring committed to play at collegiate programs honored at Boosters event on April 10.

The Dons next beat Monte Vista 4-3, with Patzer scoring all four goals. Cora Kerton and Preston Elliot each had two assists.

Amador swimming

The Dons took all four levels in a meet with Granada last Friday. Highlights from the meet included:

JV girls: Abigail Jones won the JV girls' 100 individual medley, 50 butterfly, and was part of the winning 400 freestyle relay.

JV boys: Jac Jorgenson won the 100 free and the 100 breaststroke. He was part of the winning 200

medley and 200 free relays.

Varsity girls: Although there was no double winner for varsity girls, they did sweep both the 50 free and 100 breast. Nicole Xu won 50 free Elayna Ling won 100 breast.

Varsity boys: Senior Hayden Tupper won the 50 free in a season best 22.03 and the 100 free. He was also part of the winning 200 medley relay. ■

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.

We're looking for a few interns

We are seeking local high school or college students with an appetite for news and an interest in learning about print and digital media for internship opportunities. The interns will research stories, do interviews and help with fact checking and rewrites for the award-winning Pleasanton Weekly, LivermoreVine.com and DanvilleSanRamon.com. They will also be introduced to the other aspects of publishing, including advertising and production.

During the internship period, the intern will be an integral part of the team, participating fully in the process of gathering and presenting news.

Candidates must be responsible, have good writing skills, be available 10 to 12 hours a week and have reliable internet access. Internships require an academic sponsor. Applicants should send a resume, a cover letter explaining your interest and links to at least three examples of journalistic work to editor Jeremy Walsh at jwalsh@embarcaderopublishing.com by noon April 23.



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california
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA
Case No.: 23CV029834
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: Linda Marie Smith filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
LINDA MARIE SMITH to LINDA SMITH D'AMBROSIO
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING: 05/23/2023, 9:30 a.m., Dept. 14 of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda located at 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612.
A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county:
PLEASANTON WEEKLY
Date: 03/09/2023
none listed
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
(PLW Apr 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the marriage heretofore subsisting between Leslie-Anne Plettner and Deborah Susan Meyer is annulled due to fraud and lack of parental consent. The marriage of Leslie-Anne Plettner, (formerly of 3250 Wyman Street, Oakland, California [94619-9999]) and Deborah Susan Meyer (living at 3250 Wyman Street, Oakland, Ca 94619) is null and void through the authority of Divine Harmony Temple.
(PLW Apr 14, 21, 28 and May 5, 2023)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
HOWARD LIM
Case No.: RP23139585
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of HOWARD LIM.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: LINDA SUE LIM HOSCHLER in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda. The Petition for Probate requests that: LINDA SUE LIM HOSCHLER AND MEILEE LIM 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 April 26 2023 at 9:45 AM in 201 of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING 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 are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58 (b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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Exhibits

BAY AREA FIGURATIVE EXHIBIT
This exhibition highlights the significance of the Bay Area Figurative Movement showcasing a number of contemporary artists working in this unique style. Now through April 23. Bankhead Theater.

EXHIBIT AT MUSEUM ON MAIN "She Sang Me a Good Luck Song: The California Indian Photographs of Dugan Aguilar" is a statewide traveling exhibition filled with stunning photographs revealing the richness and vibrancy of contemporary Native California cultures. On display at Museum on Main now through May 27.

JURIED EXHIBITION AT THE FIREHOUSE The showing is made of up 72 artworks created within the past year by many of the region's most creative artists and selected for the exhibition by juror Ashley L. Voss, owner and director of Voss Gallery in San Francisco On display now through June 10. Harrington Gallery.

Entertainment

LATE NITE CATECHISM Late Nite Catechism is an uproarious piece of theater that takes audience members back, sometimes nostalgically, sometimes fearfully, to the children they once were. 8 p.m., April 21. Tickets \$30-\$60. Visit livermorearts.org.

RYAN CASSATA AT THE FIREHOUSE Ryan Cassata is an award-winning singer-songwriter, actor, performer, published writer, LGBTQ+ activist and transgender motivational speaker. 8 p.m., April 21. Tickets \$15. Visit firehousearts.org.

JAZZ AT INKLINGS Featured soulful jazz vocalist Rhonda Benin performing with the Matt Finders Trio. 5:30-7 p.m., April 22. Free reservations at email info@pleasantonjazzsociety.com.

PIANIST DANIEL GLOVER Concert pianist Daniel Glover performs musical selections in celebration of Rachmaninoff's 150th birthday. 7:30 p.m., April 22. Tickets \$30 Visit valleyconcertchorale.org. First Presbyterian Church.

MOSTLY KOSHER AT THE BANKHEAD This critically acclaimed Klezmer Rock band brings ravenous klezmer beats and arresting Yiddish refrains. 3 p.m., April 23. \$20-\$65. Visit livermorearts.org.

BANKHEAD PRESENTS VILLALOBOS BROTHERS Acclaimed as one of today's leading Contemporary Mexican ensembles, audiences can expect to be swept away by their high-energy performance. 7:30, April 27. Tickets \$20-\$35. Visit livermorearts.org.

LAS POSITAS COLLEGE HOSTS LIVE PERFORMANCE "The Manic Monologues" at the Mertes Center for the Arts main theater. The event is sponsored by the LPC

PET OF THE WEEK



VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY

Meet Sphere

Say hello to Sphere, the small and spunky puppy who's searching for a special someone to share his snuggles and silly moments with. Let this little ball of energy bounce into your life and brighten up your day! Learn more about Sphere and other cats and dogs at valleyhumane.org. Email info@valleyhumane.org to start the adoption application process.

Foundation and is free and open to the public. 7 p.m., April 28.

MUSIC CITY HIT-MAKERS: FROM NASHVILLE WITH STRINGS These Nashville songwriters have written hit upon hit for the likes of Carrie Underwood, Kenny Chesney, Chris Stapleton, Tim McGraw and many more. Hear stories behind some of the biggest Nashville hits performed by the songwriters themselves. 8 p.m., April 28. Tickets \$20-\$65. Visit livermorearts.org.

SONG OF THE NIGHTINGALE Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre presents Song of the Nightingale, a magical, musical romp that reminds us that true beauty and worth is always found within. April 29-30; May 5-7 and 12-14. Tickets \$25-\$42. Visit firehousearts.org.

EAST BAY JAZZ HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STARS The East Bay Jazz High School All-Stars is an after-school program for high-caliber musical performance and education for high school jazz musicians. 3 p.m., April 30. Tickets \$18-\$28.

Veterans

VETERANS EVENT Pleasanton Library will host the VA Palo Alto Mobile Medical Outreach team to facilitate examinations, consultations and referrals for enrolled veterans. The drop-in event will run from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., April 24 in the library parking lot.

VA MEDICAL OUTREACH AT DUBLIN LIBRARY Team members can help veterans and their families with enrollment in VA healthcare, appointments with primary care physicians, referrals to specialists, mental health, hearing, physical therapy and more. 10 a.m.-2 p.m., April 27.

Volunteer

DUBLIN VOLUNTEER DAY Dublin Pride volunteers help with senior assistance, non-profit support, school and park beautification and creek clean-up projects. April 22. Visit dublin.ca.gov.

LIVERMORE LIBRARY RECRUITING YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTEERS The Livermore Public Library is looking for young adult volunteers to assist

with the 2023 Summer Reading Program. Interested teens must be entering the 6th through 11th grades, attend orientation and commit to volunteering during June 1-Aug. 16. Contact beangelo@livermoreca.gov. Applications accepted through May 5.

VOLUNTEER WITH OPEN HEART KITCHEN Open Heart Kitchen exists to meet the immediate need of hunger within the Tri-Valley community, while also seeking ways to eliminate systematic inequalities leading to hunger. To learn more, visit openheartkitchen.org/volunteer.

Auditions

AUDITIONS FOR FOOTLOOSE Las Positas College's Theater Arts program announces auditions for its upcoming summer production of "Footloose", the stage musical based on the hit 1984 film. Auditions are open to anyone over the age of 15 with no prior experience necessary. Visit laspositascollege.edu/theater/auditions.php.

Festivals

FIRST WEEKEND ON MAIN Every first weekend of the month come to downtown Pleasanton and enjoy street closures for roaming historical downtown, events and outdoor dining. May 5-7.

PLEASANTON'S SUMMER WINE STROLL Sip, shop and stroll during Pleasanton's annual Summer Wine Stroll where downtown locations become tasting rooms. Each guest receives a commemorative wine glass and event map. 5-8 p.m., May 6. Visit pleasantondowntown.net/events.

Outdoors

RUGGED MANIAC RACE The Rugged Maniac course is the ultimate playground for adults offering over 25 obstacles over 3.1-miles that include a 3-story water slide, a muddy adventure and tons of epic challenges along the way. 9 a.m.- 1 p.m., April 22. Visit alamedacountyfair.com.

County staff offer options to stem expected evictions

‘We believe evictions will spike ... We will see a huge amount of displacement’

BY KEITH BURBANK / BCN

Evictions may exceed 5,000 on an annual basis in the near-term in Alameda County following the end of the county’s eviction moratorium April 29, according to the Alameda County Community Development Agency.

That would match the rate in Contra Costa County and Santa Clara County following the end of their moratoriums.

Shortly before the COVID-19 pandemic, evictions were as high as 4,000 annually in Alameda County. Evictions were below 500 in the 2020-21 fiscal year, the lowest in at least the past four years.

“We believe evictions will spike,” said Michelle Starratt, director of the county’s Housing and Community Development Department. “We will see a huge amount of displacement.”

The result will be an increase in homelessness, county staff said in a report last month provided to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors.

Staff in the report made three recommendations to the county’s top leaders that can be implemented now.

One, supervisors can continue to provide funding for the Alameda County Housing Secure program, which provides legal services

to prevent displacement of residents.

Two, supervisors can create a program to prevent foreclosures on some rental housing providers who are facing hardship because their tenants haven’t paid rent.

Alameda County’s eviction moratorium lasted 37 months while federal resources were available for only 15 months.

An estimated \$120 million is what Alameda County tenants currently owe, according to the county.

A survey by the Housing and Community Development Department showed that the average amount owed to rental housing providers is \$20,000.

County staff identified two sources of funding to make 150 payments of \$20,000 each to housing providers — \$1 million could come from the federal American Rescue Plan Act, while \$2 million could come from Boomerang funding, which in 2020 was money for housing and homelessness following the end of redevelopment agencies in California.

Third, the county could use money from the American Rescue Plan Act to provide monetary support to at-risk community members such as newcomers, refugees and asylum seekers. They may be in need because they have low income, the moratorium is expiring and COVID-19 and health care



KEITH BURBANK/BCN

Property owners and supporters rallied Feb. 28 in front of the Alameda County Administration Building in Oakland to demand an end to the residential eviction moratorium.

funding is drying up.

That will “conflate to create a crisis,” county staff wrote in the report.

Supervisors could develop additional programs to help housing providers and tenants. County staff suggested possibly providing a resource center with staff to assist small rental

housing providers in small claims court.

The county’s top leaders could also create a mediation program for tenants and provide funding for tenants who have unpaid rent from March 31, 2022, to the end of the eviction moratorium. Federal emergency rental assistance ended March 31 of last year. ■

OPEN HOMES THIS WEEKEND

PLEASANTON

228 Spring Street \$1,188,000
Sat/Sun 12:00-4:00 2BD/2BA
Investment Real Estate 925-963-0569

5274 Crestline Way \$1,438,000
Sat/Sun 1:00-4:00 3BD/2BA
KELLER WILLIAMS- TRI VALLEY 925-963-1984

PLEASANTON

1923 Nicosia Court \$3,299,000
Sat/Sun 12:00-4:00 4BD/3.5BA
Armario Homes - Keller Williams Tri-Valley 925-302-2626

Agents: Submit open homes at PleasantonWeekly.com/real_estate

HOME SALES

This week’s data represents homes sold during March 13-17 for Pleasanton, Livermore, Dublin and San Ramon.

Pleasanton

565 East Angela Street Three Z Investments to Turner Trust for \$1,640,000

6294 Camino Del Lago H. Kharbanda to B. & K. Subramanian for \$2,200,000

4170 Cortina Court Bryant Trust to Z. & J. Shan for \$990,000

4397 Evelyn Court G. Robert to M. & R. Shah for \$1,100,000

2704 Laramie Gate Circle D. Yee to S. & V. Devanathan for \$1,611,000

4121 Moller Drive Edwards Family Trust to D. & X. Zhang for \$1,330,000

8354 Moller Ranch Drive Mehta Living Trust to P. & D. Chakraborty for \$2,275,000

8015 Mountain View Drive #D Kuchulis Family Trust to S. & D. Paulson for \$510,000

3352 Muscat Court Daftari Trust to A. & S. Sharif for \$1,400,000

659 Rowell Lane A. & T. Briner to Varma Family Trust for \$2,040,000

5804 San Carlos Way Faler Family Trust to A. & O. Schober for \$1,665,000

1007 Shotwell Court Lee Family Trust to N. & P. Malhotra for \$3,000,000

7321 Stonedale Drive Redwood Holdings LLC to L. & S. Gurumurthy for \$1,065,000

3891 Vine Street R. Galley to D. Pahuja for \$758,000

Livermore

1928 5th Street D. & R. Angel to D. Miller for \$1,010,000

3952 Dartmouth Way J. Maxson to R. Galley for \$1,000,000

1590 De Leon Way Silva Family Trust to M. & J. Gilfry for \$1,340,000

976 Desconsado Avenue Scott Family Trust to K. & J. Gorski for \$1,245,000

335 Kensington Common Sottile Family Trust to B. & G. Wilgus for \$835,000

277 North L Street K. Hoffman to Bay Area Executive Re & Dev Gr for \$600,000

657 Lorren Way Mcdonald Living Trust to B. & C. New for \$1,065,000

360 Mcleod Street Dague Family Trust to Lewis Living Trust for \$1,300,000

4138 Milton Way L. & G. Pesqueira to A. & A. Bog for \$1,700,000

1139 Olivina Avenue Vinod Trust to M. & M. Rabony for \$785,000

3754 Oregon Way J. & K. Cantwell to S. & R. Mundra for \$910,000

428 North P Street Lee 2012 Family Trust to C. & M. Arias for \$820,000

1360 Rincon Avenue D. Bernal to P. & S. Kruger for \$950,000

Dublin

5448 Bellevue Circle P. & D. Chakraborty to N. & G. Thosani for \$1,755,000

8367 Cavalier Lane D. Shue to M. & P. Biswas for \$1,040,000

Source: California REsource

JUST LISTED- Pleasanton OPEN Sat. and Sun. 1-4



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Dublin

SOLD
Sold for \$2,200,000

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Pleasanton

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THIS SATURDAY
4/22 1-4PM**

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SOLD

**7774 OAK CREEK COURT,
PLEASANTON**

4 BD + DETACHED OFFICE/STUDIO
2 BA | 2,004 SQ. FT. LIVING SPACE
SOLD FOR \$1,875,000
MULTIPLE OFFERS RECEIVED

SOUTH LIVERMORE



SOLD

**1141 RIESLING CIRCLE,
LIVERMORE**

3 BD + OFFICE AREA | 2.5 BA
2,617 SQ. FT. LIVING SPACE
SOLD FOR \$1,509,000

DOWNTOWN PLEASANTON



SOLD

**1027 ROSE AVENUE,
PLEASANTON / PARCEL**

24,678 SQ. FT. LOT
SOLD FOR \$1,500,000
MULTIPLE OFFERS RECEIVED

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4471 LINDA WAY, PLEASANTON
REPRESENTED SELLERS



SOLD \$1,829,000

66 EDGEWAY COURT, DANVILLE
REPRESENTED SELLERS



SOLD \$2,500,000

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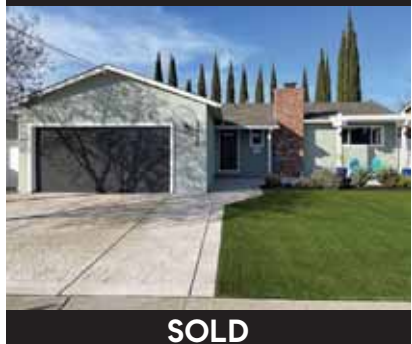
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