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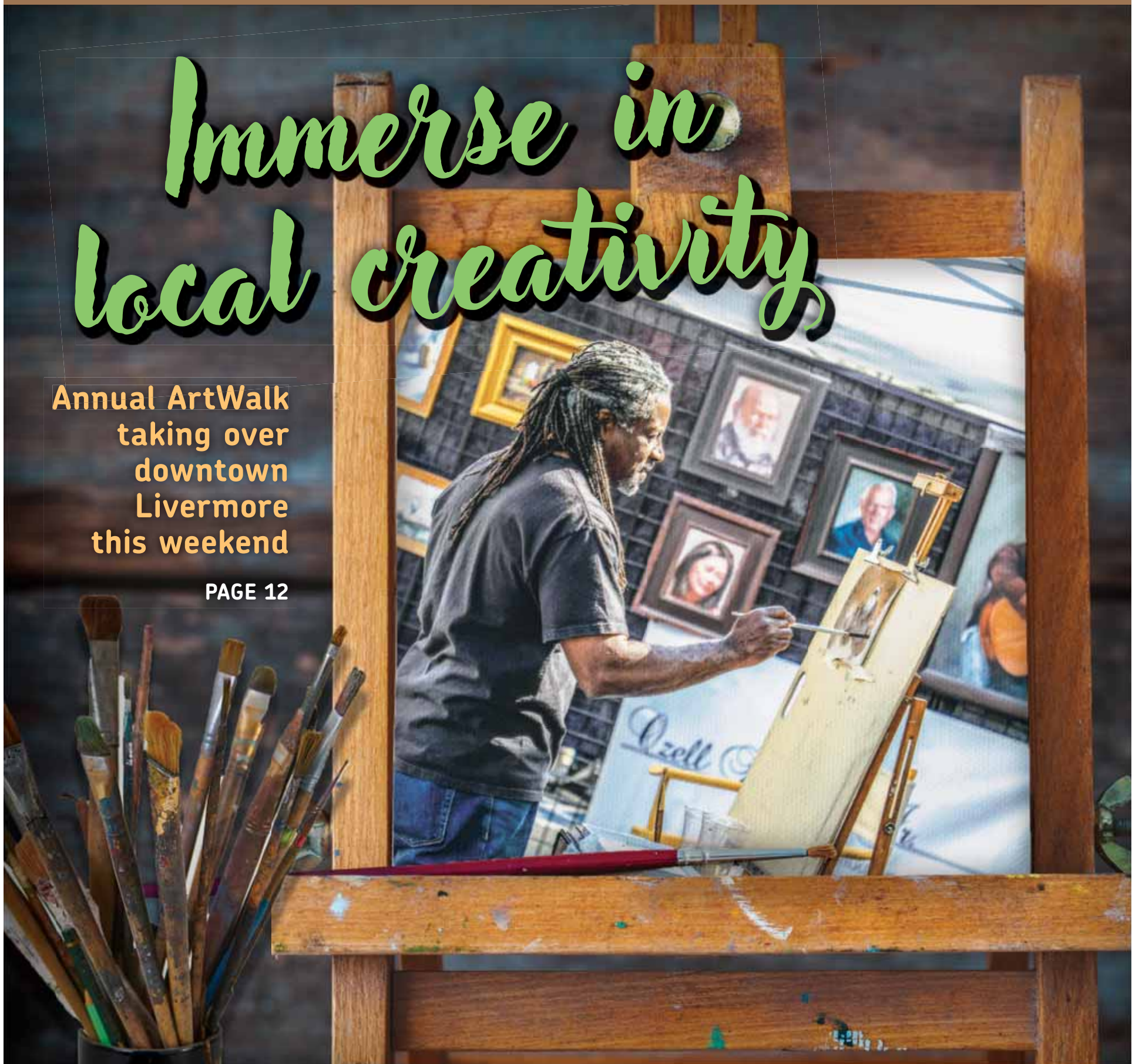
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WHAT A WEEK



By JEREMY WALSH

Expanding their REACH

One of the region's important nonprofits recently announced two major positive developments in its mission to support a truly underserved segment of the community.

Tri-Valley REACH, which provides affordable housing options for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to help them live as independently as possible, has just purchased a new townhouse in Livermore and is on track to add accessory dwelling units (ADUs) at two of its existing properties in Pleasanton.

That sets the stage for getting eight more residential tenants off its long wait list and into new housing units, a remarkable increase in such short order for a small nonprofit with 42 tenants currently among its properties in the two cities.

"This is an exciting period of growth for REACH," Pat O'Brien, the nonprofit's board treasurer, said in a press release on Tuesday. "These projects address the growing need for safe, affordable and accessible housing options within the Tri-Valley."

"At REACH, we are transforming a home beyond its brick and mortar. It's about creating a space for inclusion, where every modification and renovation paves the way for independence," O'Brien added.

To that end, the nonprofit is working to make key improvements to the 1,700-square-foot Camden Common townhouse built in 2016 with three bedrooms and 2-1/2 bathrooms. REACH is converting an existing den into a fourth bedroom, expanding the powder room into a full bathroom and adding a second access point to the master bathroom.

They hope to be in position for the tenants to move in by the end of December or early January, according to Kay King, the board chair.

O'Brien also pointed to the allure of the neighborhood toward encouraging a thriving independent lifestyle for tenants, with Camden Common located in Springtown with good access to restaurants, shopping and public transportation.

The rental fees will be income-based, like other REACH properties, meaning rates as low as \$350 per month that can help low-income adults with special needs achieve the reality of living on their own, according to the nonprofit.

The Livermore acquisition was a below-market-rate home presented

to REACH by the city government, with whom the nonprofit worked to buy two townhouses in Station Square in 2019. The deal in Camden Common closed in mid-August for \$321,500, according to home sales data compiled by California REsource and published in the Weekly.

The nonprofit specifically called out the support from Livermore Mayor John Marchand, City Manager Marianna Marysheva and city housing programs manager Fran Reisner for being "instrumental in propelling this acquisition forward." Susan Schall at Park46 Real Estate also waived all brokerage fees and commissions in support of the deal.

The other new endeavor for REACH, also being bolstered by local government, is the ADU installation being planned for two of its houses in Pleasanton: one funded by Alameda County and the other in financial partnership with the city of Pleasanton.

Both ADUs have received approvals from city planning officials, and the nonprofit is currently in the contracting stage of the process, according to King.

Although Tri-Valley REACH promoted the two projects publicly with a press release this week, the news was actually announced first to a group of supporters at its annual fundraising gala "REACH for Your Dreams" last month at McGrail Vineyards.

"It was a beautiful and heart-warming evening with the highlight being our charming and humorous REACH resident speaker, Connor, who shared how much he values his independence, how much he has learned and most of all, how he encourages anyone with a disability to try. He also added that he loves living in a REACH home and one of his roommates is now his best friend," King told me about the fundraiser.

"The event raised 60% more than previous years and guests were very excited and engaged in making donations toward the 'Fund A Need,' which focused on the Camden home improvements," she added. "All in all, a huge success!"

To learn more about Tri-Valley REACH or to contribute, visit www.trivalleyreach.org. ■

Editor's note: Jeremy Walsh is the editorial director for the Embarcadero Media East Bay Division. His "What a Week" column is a recurring feature in the Pleasanton Weekly.

About the Cover

Ozell Hudson Jr., a Livermore resident, is shown giving a live demonstration during a previous ArtWalk event. Actively involved in the local art scene, Hudson's work will be displayed at this year's event on Oct. 14. Primary photo courtesy Livermore Valley Arts; background photo courtesy Getty Images. Cover design by Kristin Brown.

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ASKED AROUND TOWN

Do you have any particular feelings about Friday the 13th and/or other superstitions that are associated with bad luck?



Portia Anderson

Office services assistant

I didn't grow up acknowledging Friday the 13th or Halloween. I've never even been trick-or-treating. As a kid, my mom took me to our church for what they called "Holyween" — for games, activities and candy. So I'm not really a believer in bad luck. But karma, absolutely.



Lee Ann Caldwell *Retired*

Many people associate Friday the 13th and black cats with bad luck, but it's the absolute opposite for me. My birthday is Oct. 13 so I associate the 13th with celebration, fun and good luck. And I definitely don't believe the "black cats bring bad luck" thing, especially because it makes it more difficult for them to get adopted. People should just expunge that thought from their heads.



Bill Caldwell

Retired NASA engineer

I don't believe in bad luck and look at the number 13 favorably. My wife's birthday is the 13th of October, and I chose number 13 for my varsity football jersey when we were dating in high school. So I'm all good with Friday the 13th and everything else having to do with the number 13.



Laura Dowgin *Lawyer*

My alma mater, Colgate University, has a unique association with Friday the 13th, and we consider it a lucky day. The story is that the school was founded by 13 men with 13 dollars and 13 prayers. The number 13 is in both the zip code and street address of the school, and there are 13 letters in its motto, Deo ac Veritati. Colgate alumni celebrate Colgate Day on every Friday the 13th. No triskaidekaphobia for the Raiders!



Erica Sanders

Lawyer

I'm not a particularly superstitious person, but I do think that every belief has an origin that should be respected. And I love when a Friday the 13th falls in October since it's already a spooky season because of Halloween. This Friday the 13th, I'll be going on a haunted graveyard tour. At my own peril!

—Compiled by Nancy and Jeff Lewis

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'TASTE' the wine

Livermore Valley Wine Community is gearing up for its rebranded showcase event "TASTE: The Livermore Valley Wine Experience" throughout the region next week.

Running next Thursday through Sunday (Oct. 19-22), the event will kick off with the Taste Our Terroir food-and-wine pairing competition with dessert bar at Garré Vineyard and Winery.

"Livermore Valley's premier food and wine affair spans four delectable days," organizers said. "Weekend events include intimate wine-tasting events at our local wineries with our award-winning wines and winemakers." To learn more, visit www.lvwine.org.

Fire Safety Expo

The Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department is hosting a free Fire Safety Expo this Saturday (Oct. 14) from 8 a.m. to noon at the fire training tower at 3333 Busch Road in Pleasanton.

The Livermore-Pleasanton Firefighters Foundation will start things off with a pancake breakfast beginning at 8 a.m.

"The event will feature giveaways, firefighter demonstrations, fire escape planning, information on fire safety and much more," officials said. "Families can experience a Fire Safety Trailer, learn how to use a fire extinguisher and see a Pleasanton Police K-9 demonstration. And don't miss the 'Dunk the Fire Chief' exhibit where attendees can attempt to dunk fire chief and command staff for a small fee."

CityServe benefit

CityServe of the Tri-Valley is holding its "An Evening Under the Stars" fundraiser with dinner, drinks and an auction to benefit the nonprofit next Thursday (Oct. 19) at the private residence of Mony Nop and Sophie Mao in Livermore.

"We're excited to invite our wonderful community members to our upcoming 'Under the Stars' fundraiser, where we'll come together to further our mission of caring, coordinating, and connecting Tri-Valley residents in need," organizers said.

For tickets and more information, go to cityservecares.org. ■

Corrections

The caption for the lead photograph in last week's story "Workday Rising conference draws largest crowd yet" misidentified the company official speaking onstage. The photo depicted Workday co-president Sayan Chakraborty. The Weekly regrets the error.

Intruder inside Fairlands for hours; knives found at scene after arrest

Principal says video showed man walking through open door while custodians cleaned school night before

By Christian Trujano

Details continue to emerge from authorities about how a man found hiding inside a room at Fairlands Elementary School last Friday morning had hopped over a fence and entered the campus through an open door the night before.

A community message from Fairlands principal Heidi Deeringhoff on Sunday also confirmed knives were the weapons that authorities allege the intruder had at the campus — although officials have said the man had no weapons in hand when arrested and nobody was physically

harmed during the incident that led to a schoolwide lockdown.

Revealing more about the sequence of events, Deeringhoff wrote that Fairlands staff were on their way to grab some items out of a storage room located in a "non-student area" on the second floor of the school when they found an unauthorized adult sitting in the room at around 10:47 a.m. Friday (Oct. 6).

Pleasanton Police Department Sgt. Sgt. Marty Bildt said the man was later identified as 32-year-old Rhodney Henderson, a transient out of Berkeley.

According to Deeringhoff, Fair-

lands staff had determined during a Friday debrief meeting that the intruder had climbed the gate near the multipurpose room and entered the school through an open door more than 12 hours earlier while the school's custodians were finishing their nightly cleaning.

Deeringhoff also stated that custodial safety checks occur every weekday in the morning and evening and that the "procedures will be reviewed and updated with personnel."

"District office staff reviewed our external video surveillance system and viewed one lone person climbing over the fence around 8:20 p.m.

Thursday night," Deeringhoff stated.

Upon discovering the intruder on Friday morning, staff locked the school down and remained near the exits of the storage room to monitor the situation during the lockdown until PPD arrived around 10:55 a.m.

"As called for in the school's safety plan, students and staff remained in their classrooms with the doors locked, blinds closed and lights off," Pleasanton Unified School District Superintendent David Haglund said in a statement to the community on Sunday. "An all-clear was

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NICOLE GONZALES

The Lucky California store in Dublin is set to shutter its doors permanently on Nov. 3. The low customer levels on Monday afternoon (seen here) were emblematic of the difficulties the location experienced before the company's decision to close.

Lucky California in Dublin closing for good next month

Fallon Gateway store was first ground-up location under new brand concept when it opened in 2018

By Nicole Gonzales

Shoppers walking through the Lucky California in Dublin can find signs posted around the building informing them of the grocery store's imminent closure, directing them to shop at the Pleasanton or Livermore locations in the future.

The store in the Fallon Gateway, which was the first ground-up location of the company's Lucky California brand when it opened

more than five years ago, is reportedly closing due to low customer traffic while other regional stores have performed better. The grocer has been one of the anchors of the major shopping center in eastern Dublin, along with its retail neighbors like Target, PetSmart and DICK'S Sporting Goods.

"This location is unfortunately closing Nov. 3, while that is very soon there are still plenty of local Lucky stores to visit," Dublin

store manager Mitch Stuber told the Weekly. "The closure is permanent. However, people can still shop at our other Save Mart locations in Pleasanton, Livermore or San Ramon which aren't too far away either."

"We're sad to be leaving, but it's been a pleasure to serve the community," Stuber added.

The location is owned and operated by The Save Mart

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Kiyoi wins county Teacher of the Year

Amador educator advances to state competition

By Christian Trujano

Amador Valley High School's Kevin Kiyoi was named as one of the two Alameda County Teachers of the Year during the annual awards ceremony last week.

The math and science teacher in Pleasanton told the Weekly that while receiving the award during the event at the Castro Valley Center for the Arts on Oct. 5 was an overwhelming experience, having some familiar faces there to cheer him on meant a lot.

"I was fortunate enough to have a lot of support there," he said. "Colleagues, family, a good number of the school board came so I definitely felt supported."

Every year, school districts name a Teacher of the Year to represent the district at the countywide contest, with a chance to advance to the state or even national levels. The teachers who are chosen by



Kevin Kiyoi

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Council pushes out discussion on downtown parks renovation project

PDA requests more time to review concepts for Lions Wayside and Delucchi

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

The Pleasanton City Council has decided to table last week's discussion surrounding proposed improvements to the Lions Wayside and Delucchi parks until a later council meeting this year so the Pleasanton Downtown Association could have more time to provide input.

City Manager Gerry Beaudin told the council that while staff could work on getting the latest plans for the downtown parks on the agenda for next Tuesday (Oct. 17), there might be a chance that it would have to be rescheduled depending on the other items the council will have to hear at that meeting.

The council voted 4-1 in February to halt the Lions Wayside and Delucchi Park Master Plan update process, which was included as part of the downtown transportation corridor plan.

The master plan for both parks had originally started in 1993 — what followed was a decade of design contracts being approved and several designs being evaluated before the 2014 City Council adopted the original master plan.

Some of the original redesign proposals, which would have cost the city roughly \$14 million, included relocating the Kottinger Creek further east, relocating the Chan Henderson Bicentennial Bandstand to be on the west side of the creek and reorienting the bandstand to face toward a large open space on the downtown side of Lions Wayside.

Due to environmental regulatory issues with the original plan, staff had to then spend years designing and updating the conceptual plan before coming up with one in 2021 that met the regulatory requirements.

But after a decade of design work, evaluations and discussions, several council members on Feb. 7 thought the complete redesign was too costly — even though staff had said they didn't have the actual cost estimates — and that the designs were ultimately unnecessary.

Following the council's direction in February, staff were ready to present several recommendations from the Parks and Recreation Commission on Oct. 3 for a cheaper conceptual design plan that would utilize \$1.9 million from the Lions Wayside and Delucchi Parks Capital Improvement

Project budget.

The recommendations included moving the Chan Henderson Bicentennial Bandstand at Lions Wayside to the north side of the park in order to "create a stronger connection to the Firehouse Arts Center and a larger lawn area," according to last week's staff report.

The Parks and Recreation Commission also endorsed modernizing the bandstand to match the Firehouse Arts Center, even though it was equally split on either that option or the option of keeping the bandstand's look more traditional to compliment the "Victorian-style homes on First and Second Street."

The commission provided an alternative of only moving the bandstand about 10 feet further east from where it currently is located to "avoid encroaching on the regulatory agencies' jurisdiction." In this concept, the lawn space would be more limited.

The recommendations from the commission also came with requests that the council provide some direction on Phase 2 improvements, which wouldn't be funded with the existing \$1.9 million. Those improvements that the commission wants

the council to weigh in on are possibly constructing a playground, a restroom or a lawn with seating to provide more concert viewing areas.

But instead of discussing these options on Oct. 3, Vice Mayor Jack Balch made a motion at the beginning of the meeting to continue the item until the Oct. 17 meeting after the PDA sent a letter to the council earlier that day.

According to the correspondence, the PDA was set to discuss the design proposals for the first time during its Board of Directors meeting this week.

"The Board of Directors for the Pleasanton Downtown Association has carefully reviewed the staff report regarding the Lions Wayside and Delucchi Park Conceptual Plans," PDA Interim Executive Director Laura Brooks wrote in her letter to the council. "At this time, we formally request that this item be continued to the Oct. 17 City Council meeting so that the PDA has the opportunity to provide thoughtful comment on both the proposed conceptual plans and elements of Phase 2."

According to Beaudin, that date is possible but the challenge is that the Oct. 17 meeting is already slated to be a busy one and he doesn't want to delay other items that would be more time sensitive.

Beaudin did however say that he believes if the parks discussion doesn't get to the Oct. 17 meeting, it

should be back in front of the council sometime before the end of the year.

Mayor Karla Brown said that she does want the PDA to be aware of the proposed changes to the parks and clarified with Beaudin that the association was notified about the proposals back in September.

However, Brooks wrote in her letter that while the PDA doesn't want to hinder the progress of the project, she feels the PDA deserves the "opportunity to fully understand all elements of the proposed project and provide comment before this is moved into the next stage."

"The Lions Wayside and Delucchi Park Project has been a top priority for our organization for nearly 15 years," Brooks wrote.

"We have attended numerous council meetings and worked collaboratively with city staff through multiple rounds of community outreach, planning workshops, state and local governmental outreach and conceptual design development," she added. "We are champions for this project and want to see the eastern gateway of downtown become a beautiful and functional amenity for the entire community to enjoy for decades to come."

Originally, the staff report stated that the construction for whatever plan the council decides to go with will be tentatively scheduled to start next summer, with a projected completion date before the 2025 summer concert series. ■

Rotary ready for 30th annual Halloween Spirit Run

Costumes encouraged for fundraiser to support youth scholarships, community grants

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

It's once again time for Pleasanton residents to get their running shoes and spooky costumes ready as the Rotary Club of Pleasanton gets set to host its 30th annual Halloween Spirit Run later this month.

According to Rotary treasurer Kathleen Alameda, the popular downtown community event, which raises money toward funding student scholarships, is already expected to see over 800 total participants this year.

"We expect 750 entries for the 5K/10K and 75 for the kids' challenge," Alameda said.

The race, which begins at 8 a.m. next Sunday (Oct. 22), will start and end in front of Workbench True Value Hardware at 652 Main St. Participants can choose to either run or walk the 5K or 10K routes, which will go through downtown Pleasanton and the surrounding residential neighborhoods.

There will also be a kids' challenge on Main Street at 9:30 a.m. for ages 2 to 8 where they will receive a race T-shirt, goody bag and medal. Age group awards and a raffle will also be held at 10 a.m.

But the kids won't be the only ones receiving medals this year because for the first time, the organization will be handing out participation medals to all the runners to commemorate the event's 30th anniversary.

The first 750 participants in the 5K or 10K will also receive a long-sleeved T-shirt and a finisher's medal.

Steve Van Dorn, president of the Rotary Club of Pleasanton, told the Weekly that it is especially important to celebrate the race this year as it has been the organization's largest annual fundraiser having awarded over \$1 million in community

grants and scholarships to those in need up until now.

"Now in its 30 year, the Halloween Spirit run proceeds allow the Rotary Club of Pleasanton to provide scholarships to our disadvantaged youth, grants to our awesome nonprofits, wheelchairs worldwide to those that have no means to acquire one and funding for clean water and sanitation systems for children," he said.

Residents can pre-register online and in-person by visiting spiritrn.run.pleasantonrotary.org or going to Fleet Feet Pleasanton at 234 Main St. on Oct. 21. ■



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City celebrating Alviso Adobe Community Park anniversary

Festivities to spotlight different eras of historic property

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

The city of Pleasanton's Library and Recreation Department will be hosting a 15th anniversary celebration for the Alviso Adobe Community Park this weekend.

The free event, which will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday (Oct. 14), will feature a variety of festivities for all ages, including games, crafts and guided hands-on activities that will highlight the rich heritage of the property over the centuries before becoming a public city park in 2008.

According to recreation supervisor Maurice Mestizo, the different activities will not only focus on the three main eras in the park's history, but will also provide insight into the area's past — particularly the lives and experiences of the people who once called this region home.

"We're collaborating with Alfonso

Ramirez ... for Ohlone storytelling presentations and cultural exhibits, shedding light on the history and significance of the native peoples who settled and cared for this land," Mestizo said.

"We'll also offer corn husk doll making and a cattle roping station to give visitors a taste of life during the 'Rancho Period,'" he added. "Additionally, visitors can interact with Fiona, our resident plexiglass cow, to experience a glimpse of life on the Meadowlark Dairy during the 'Dairy Period.'"

Other activities will include apple pressing, a mini pumpkin patch, pumpkin decoration and light "carnival-esque" games.

According to a press release from the city, the area in and around the park has a long vast cultural heritage that tells the history of the Amador Valley beginning with the settlement

of Indigenous peoples and moving forward to the days of the Spanish ranchos.

Then in the early 20th century, it turned into the 153-acre Meadowlark Dairy before the city acquired the land in the early 1990s and later opened the space for the public to enjoy.

Mestizo said the city usually hosts a "Fall Festival" around this time of the year, but it had decided to instead host the anniversary celebration of the picturesque park because "we felt it was essential to celebrate another milestone at Alviso Adobe Community Park and showcase the beauty of this historic Pleasanton gem."

He also said that as custodians of the park, city staff felt a sense of responsibility to preserve the cultural heritage of the Amador Valley and of the park.

"This site holds a unique space



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The historic house, originally constructed in 1854, at the Alviso Adobe Community Park.

in California's history, from its Native American origins and the days of the Spanish Ranchos to its role as the home of the famous Meadowlark Dairy, the first certified dairy in California," Mestizo said.

City staff are asking residents and community members interested in attending, to register for the event at pleasantonfun.com. Parking will be limited, so the city is recommending people to carpool, bike or find alternative transportation. ■

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issued, and the school resumed as normal routines at around 11:20 a.m., thanks to the fast response of our staff and PPD."

According to Deeringhoff, Henderson did not fight back or

respond to staff and had remained in the storage room until PPD arrived.

"We are very grateful for the swift response from our students, staff, PUSD management and PPD," Deeringhoff said. "Our emergency procedures worked and all students and staff were safe. We will continue to reflect, refine, and work toward

strengthening our safety and emergency-related processes and appreciate your support."

According to the Alameda County Sheriff's Office Inmate Locator online, Henderson was arrested on several charges including second-degree robbery, second-degree burglary and weapons on school grounds.

The weapons in question were knives. There were also an iPad, headphones, food and tools found inside the storage room during PPD's investigation, according to authorities.

"A wrench and food items were found hidden in a back corner of a student bathroom stall which is located near to where the suspect entered the building," Deeringhoff stated in

her notice on Sunday. "Additional knives were found outside a classroom in an interior hallway hidden in the bottom of a box."

Investigators determined the intruder had three large kitchen knives taken from the school cafeteria, according to Billdt.

"He had access to the knives, but he didn't brandish the knives or threaten anyone with them," the sergeant told the Weekly. "The food wrappers he had around him when he was arrested was food he found at the school."

The ACSO Inmate Locator also cites an allegation of at least one prior felony conviction. Henderson's original bail amount, which was previously set at \$127,500, is no longer listed.

He was still booked at the Santa Rita Jail in Dublin with an arraignment date set for Wednesday, with results still pending as of press time.

Looking ahead, Haglund said in his notice to the community that while nobody was harmed during Friday's incident, counselors and social workers would be at the school and make themselves available for students and staff for any support needed when the campus reopened on Tuesday — following a scheduled off-day districtwide on Monday.

The superintendent also said that given the nature of the situation and how the situation raises "appropriate levels of concern at all school sites, we are actively collaborating with our site administrators to evaluate and enhance site safety protocols across the district."

In regard to the safety protocols that Haglund mentioned, PUSD communications director Patrick Gannon later told the Weekly, "We are gathering information to have a discussion about how we can enhance site safety protocols."

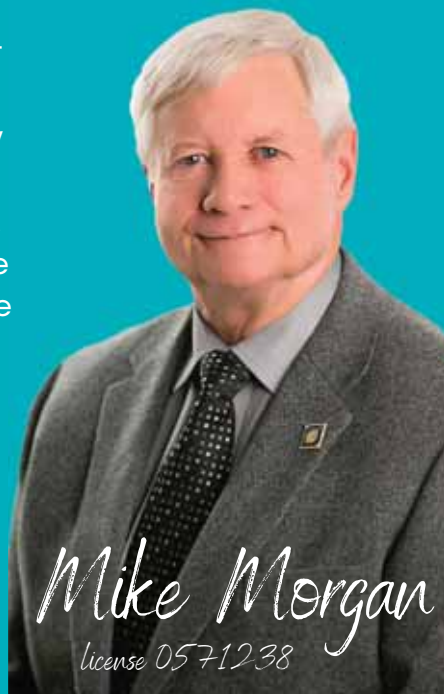
Asked about who tracks security footage from Fairlands, Gannon said, "The security cameras can be monitored remotely, however we don't have a staff member dedicated to monitoring them 24/7 — since the individual entered campus in the evening. The footage has and continues to be valuable to understand how the individual gained access to the campus."

Acknowledging that the district has been actively recruiting for additional nighttime janitors at Fairlands specifically, Gannon added, "I don't believe it was a lack of custodians that was the cause of the entry, however. There was an unlocked door while routine cleaning was taking place." ■

Editor's note: Pleasanton Weekly editorial director Jeremy Walsh contributed to this story.

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Pleasanton Unified officially moves into new HQ

Talks to begin about Educational Options Center, workforce housing at Bernal site

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

The Pleasanton Unified School District has mostly completed its transition to its new headquarters at West Las Positas Boulevard — with the exception of a few departments — and will be set to host the first school board meeting there on Nov. 9.

“The West Las Positas office provides centralized and professional spaces that will better enable staff to collaborate as a team and deliver effective service to site staff and our families,” PUSD Superintendent David Haglund said in a statement to the Weekly.

On July 14, 2022, the Board of Trustees gave the green light to acquire the two-building property, located on 5758 and 5794 West Las Positas Blvd. The district purchased the complex, also known as the Arroyo Center, from former owner ECI Four Arroyo LLC for a total of just under \$23.5 million.

The district was also presented with an updated lease agreement during the July 2022 meeting for the sole tenant currently renting a portion of the Arroyo Center, electron microscopy firm Gatan Inc. — which made the district the landlord of the lease. The company will begin paying the district about \$80,000 every month from now until 2027.

Those tenant payments coupled with a certificate of participation of \$30 million, which is a type of financing where an investor purchases a share of the lease revenues of a program, will be used by the district to pay for the space.

Since last year, district staff have been working with design teams and architectural firms to make general tenant improvements in order to begin moving staff from the Bernal Avenue headquarters to the new building in early August.

Currently, there are still three main departments that are still working out of the current district headquarters on the edge of downtown Pleasanton, at 4645 and 4665 Bernal Ave., one of which being the adult education programs. Maintenance, operations, transportation, graphics and the district warehouse will also remain at the Bernal site for the time being.

The Pleasanton Virtual Academy, which was located in the building at the very top of the Bernal site hill, moved down into where currently the purchasing and technology department is on the corner of Abbie and First streets.

The school board will also continue to host its meetings at the Bernal site for the remainder of this month while the board room at the new district office is under construction. The new meeting room is set to be finished soon and will host the board meetings starting Nov. 9, PUSD director of communications

Patrick Gannon told the Weekly.

PUSD is also planning on putting seven acres of the Bernal site — estimated in value between \$31 million and \$34 million — up for sale, which would help pay off the newly purchased Arroyo Center.

The plan for the three remaining acres of land, which includes Village High School, will be to construct a new Educational Options Center, Haglund said.

When district staff began moving out on Aug. 17, Village began moving students out of classrooms located at the top of the hill, to areas on the bottom where the district offices are currently located on the Bernal property.

The plan was to get the students out of the old buildings while Village staff and administrators continued to work with architects to come up with initial designs for the new

building, which was one of the main projects proposed in the \$395 million Measure I bond project list.

“With the passage of Measure I, Pleasanton voters funded the replacement of Village High School with a new Educational Options Center to serve the nearly 500 students enrolled at Village High School, Pleasanton Virtual Academy and our adult transition programs,” Haglund said.

He added that the move also paves the way to begin talks about addressing workforce housing by building some housing for staff at the Bernal site.

“As housing costs continue to rise, we have committed to investing in our certificated and classified staff by building housing that allows them to live within the community they serve,” the superintendent said.

While Haglund said there is still



PUSD

The front of the new Pleasanton Unified School District offices on West Las Positas Boulevard.

much work to be done in regards to the two projects, the transition to the new office space at West Las Positas represents the “first steps in making them a reality.”

“We are committed to working

collaboratively with site staff and our neighbors as plans are developed and the process of design and construction begins in the months ahead,” Haglund said in a Aug. 25 district newsletter. ■



Pleasanton VFW Post 6298

Announces Middle School and High School Scholarships for This Fall

For high school students, the VFW Voice of Democracy provides an opportunity to express themselves regarding democratic and patriotic themed topics. Each year, more than 25,000 high school students compete for \$2,000,000 million in scholarship money. The competition starts at the local level and moves to region, state and finally national competition in Washington, DC. **This year the topic is: What are the greatest attributes of our democracy?**



For middle school students, the VFW Patriot Pen essay contest gives students the chance to compete for more than \$1.4 million in prize money. Competition begins at the local level, moves to regional and state competition before moving to the final phase in Washington, DC. **This year the topic is: How are you inspired by America?**



Students can find more information and applications here: <https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/youth-scholarships>. Applications are due by midnight October 31, 2023. Mail them to: VFW Post 6298, PO Box 601, Pleasanton, CA 94566. For questions, text VFW member Roy Smith at 925.895.9880 or email at roy_smith711@comcast.net.

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Tri-Valley doctor will be first Black president of plastic surgery society

Dr. Williams has operated practice in Dublin for years

By JEANITA LYMAN

A Pleasanton resident and plastic surgeon with a longstanding practice in Dublin is set to become the American Society of Plastic Surgeons' first Black president, with Dr. Steven Williams beginning his term at the head of the organization's board at the end of this month.

Williams has been the society's president-elect since being appointed in 2022, after more than a decade of serving on the organization's Board of Directors and leading Tri-Valley Plastic Surgery in Dublin.

The Yale-trained surgeon found himself in the Bay Area after a foray into Silicon Valley that ultimately

brought him to the Tri-Valley, where he has lived in San Ramon and Pleasanton in the years since founding his Dublin practice.

"We very purposely chose the Tri-Valley area for our practice, and the reason why is obviously being near the South Bay, near San Francisco, near Oakland," Williams told the Weekly. "Those are major metropolitan areas with a lot of growth."

The central location, in addition to Williams' reputation as a top reconstructive surgeon, have also brought a wide range of customers through the practice, which he said is also something he likes about his field of medicine in particular.

"We obviously have patients of all ethnic backgrounds, of all ages,"

Williams said. "That's the wonderful thing about plastic surgery is we kind of operate on everybody."

This reality is in contrast to how plastic surgery is often portrayed in the media, and how it is regarded by laypeople, Williams noted.

"I think sometimes aesthetic surgery gets a bad rap due to the kinds of things we see on TV, but it's in my view a different form of self-care, and that's one of the reasons it's gotten popular," Williams said. "It's a way to take control and change things externally to match how they are internally."

While Williams and other plastic surgeons' doors are open to people from a range of backgrounds with a range of motivations, he said that feeling that one deserves the type

of self-care he offers isn't something everyone experiences equally — something that struck him after performing work on a nurse and friend of his.

"She said 'I want to thank you because I didn't think it was OK for me to want this for myself,' and that really struck me at such a deep level, that people in our society feel they don't have the right to feel how they want to feel," Williams said.

Williams has an eye toward addressing that and other inequities during his time as American Society of Plastic Surgeons president and throughout his career, with his upcoming presidency also symbolizing change for the long-standing organization.

"I'm the first African American president of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons, and they've been around for 93 years, so that's a long time and it's probably a little overdue," Williams said. "I really try to look at this as an opportunity to continue to pave the way



TRI-VALLEY PLASTIC SURGERY
Dr. Steven Williams, incoming president of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons.

and open doors."

It is for the benefit of his field and medicine more broadly, according to Williams.

"All medical specializations are really stronger when there's diversity within them, and that's because it's important for patients to be able to interact and relate," Williams said. ■

U.S. officials visit Altamont Creek Elementary

Livermore campus among 10 stops on Green Ribbon School tour

By CIERRA BAILEY

Livermore's Altamont Creek Elementary School was among the Bay Area campuses visited by top officials in school sustainability, environmental infrastructure, nutrition and school facilities from the U.S. and California departments of education.

The government leaders were joined by other state, local and school officials at the campus on Sept. 20 as part of the 2023 Green Strides Tour, which highlights schools, districts and postsecondary institutions that have exceptionally promoted health, implemented cost-saving measures related to environmental practices and created sustainable school environments, according a statement from the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District.

As a 2022 recipient of the U.S.

Department of Education's Green Ribbon School recognition, Altamont Creek was one of only 10 educational institutions selected for this year's Northern and Central California tour.

Those in attendance for the tour were guided through a variety of stations — led by students, staff and members of community organizations — that illustrated the many ways Altamont Creek has made environmental education part of its culture.

"We were excited to have students from our Green Team lead our stations, as they are well versed in our environmentally-conscious practices. These students lead by example and help to train and educate our younger students so that our sustainability practices are sustainable themselves," principal

Andrea Tapia said in the statement.

At Station 1, students explained their understanding of waste reduction and, along with support from Livermore Sanitation and StopWaste, challenged attendees to properly sort items into compost, recycle and landfill containers.

Station 2 included a visit to the school garden, also a certified wildlife habitat, where students shared about growing fresh fruits and vegetables, the importance of worm composting and their process for collecting temperature and air quality data.

The third station focused on health and wellness with students demonstrating how mindful breathing can help with emotional regulation.

Volunteers with Teaching Opportunities for Partners in Science discussed at Station 4 how weather and climate change awareness

is shared with students and families at family science nights, and gave visitors a look inside a mobile planetarium.

Lastly, at Station 5, students and Quest Science Center volunteers helped guests build sail cars and engage in hurricane simulations that demonstrated the importance of renewable energy and the necessity of building structures capable of withstanding Earth's changing climate.

"Today was an example of the power of hands-on learning. When our students are given the opportunity to demonstrate their skills and share their knowledge with others, they shine. I am continually amazed by their poise and understanding," science teacher Fenna Gatty said following the event.

The school district praised the school's staff and leadership who have

prioritized the adoption of "green" practices as well as Altamont Creek's network of community partnerships, including StopWaste, Livermore Sanitation, Fertile Groundworks, Quest Science Center, Tri-Valley Air Quality Climate Alliance, TOPS Science, Horizons, Livermore Area Recreation and Park District, Center for Environmental Health, Kat Weiss Landscaping and Patti Cole from Friends of Springtown Preserve.

"We recognize how fortunate we are to have such a supportive and generous, science-focused community. The community partners who came out today were not just here for the tour spotlight; they are valuable partners that continually give of their time and resources to help educate our students and families," LVJUSD Superintendent Chris Van Schaack said. ■

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their district submit an application and a series of essays in order to be considered for recognition at the county competition.

Two teachers are then chosen by a panel of educators local to those district areas to represent Alameda County for the 2024 California Teacher of the Year awards — the winners for the state competition will be announced in the coming weeks.

This year Kiyoi was chosen alongside Jessica Kerber, an English teacher at Encinal Junior and Senior High School in the Alameda Unified School District, to represent the county at the state level.

Three other local educators who won Teacher of the Year in their

respective districts were honored at last week's ceremony but did not advance in the competition: Irene Lucero from East Avenue Middle School in Livermore, Chelsie Avila from John Green Elementary School in Dublin and Randy Barnard from the Tri-Valley Regional Occupation Program.

"Educators create that magical space that makes a difference — a space where students can explore and discover better versions of themselves, Alameda County Superintendent of Schools Alysse Castro said in an Oct. 6 press release. "I am grateful for our teachers in this county and commend the work that they do in drawing out our students' best each and every day."

Kiyoi was previously recognized as the 2023 Pleasanton Unified

School District Teacher of the Year after 20 years at the district and for his work with the Amador career technology education (CTE) department and for his work on the district's Equity Committee, where he is involved in getting more disenfranchised students interested in computer science.

And after the ceremony on Oct. 5, he is now more interested in sharing some of the practices he does at Amador to policymakers throughout the state.

"One comment that somebody made (during the ceremony) was 'You're doing some really innovative things in the classroom, we need to get this to a state level and figure out how to get this curriculum in everybody's hands,'" Kiyoi said. "So that's kind of putting a little bug in my ear ... who are the

right people to talk to, and maybe we can start spreading ideas?"

"It's wonderful for Pleasanton to be successful, but looking at the future there's so much stuff that we're going to need in terms of people who can work with artificial intelligence, and who are innovators," he added. "We need more than just Pleasanton to be a part of that conversation."

And while Kiyoi dabbles in an array of different projects around campus from advising the Amador Girls Who Code Club, to hosting computer programming family events for Pleasanton's African American and Latino students after school, his main goals has been and continues to be one thing: help all students realize their potential in whatever career they choose.

In the end, whether it's computers

and tech or some other career path, he said his goal is to do "whatever we can do to ... diversify the students that are in the classes to push kids to dream bigger."

"What I'm really trying to do is to get kids to consider options for careers," he said.

He also said that it was never his main goal to win this award and that even when he was delivering his speech at the awards ceremony, he almost felt a little guilty being there because of the fact that teaching has never felt like work because of how much he loves his job.

"I'm just having fun. I'm just enjoying what I'm doing," Kiyoi said. "I want to make sure that I'm ... giving the best experience to every other student and every other parent's children that comes through the class." ■

Innovation Tri-Valley elevates Marcel to new permanent CEO

Has served as interim leader for past month

By CIERRA BAILEY

Katie Marcel has officially taken over the reins as the permanent CEO of Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group after serving in the role on an interim basis for roughly one month.

The decision to move forward with Marcel as the chosen candidate was made by ITV's executive board following "a robust executive search process," according to a statement from the organization.

"Katie Marcel has demonstrated leadership in economic development efforts and fundraising development in a variety of sectors including the recent Shakespeare and Performing Arts Regional Company's (SPARC) capital

campaign that added \$3 million for their new facility. She has an exciting commitment to shared leadership, DEI, strengthening our Tri-Valley brand, growing our partner base and fueling new collaboration," ITV Executive Board Chair Stephanie Beasley said.

"We're honored to have her serve as the next strong leader for Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group," she added.

Marcel began her career at a talent management agency in New



Katie Marcel

York City and later developed a wealth of community leadership experience in the Tri-Valley with her tenure at SPARC, Livermore Downtown Inc. and in service to numerous boards and commissions, including the Livermore Commission for the Arts.

Prior to taking on the CEO position, Marcel served as ITV's director of brand marketing since 2021, using media, innovative events and new programming to elevate the Tri-Valley brand.

Since her official start as CEO on Sept. 25, Marcel now leads ITV's efforts to deliver initiatives in the Tri-Valley 2040 Vision Plan as crafted by more than 1,000 participants from all across Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

The 2040 Vision Plan includes 24 recommendations outlining how the community sees itself in the year 2040 including new projects dedicated to clean energy, walkable green communities and ensuring a highly trained tech workforce.

"I strive to connect dots, people and ideas to create bold beginnings and impact movements in our innovation ecosystem. I'm energized by what is emerging here," Marcel said. "The stories we tell about how this region delivers impactful, global solutions is truly exhilarating work and I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to grow and steward the Tri-Valley brand."

ITV's CEO search committee included Beasley along with founding ITV board chair John Sensiba and co-chair of ITV's diversity,

equity and inclusion council Beth McCormick. The committee invited candidates from across the United States into the process, aiming to attract "a diverse and competitive candidate pool," according to the organization.

Marcel succeeds Lynn Naylor who had served in the role since 2018 until departing from the organization at the end of August to take on a new role as president of CommonTerra, an emerging foundation established by the Sholl-Freede family that is the charitable arm of the family's MadaLuxe Group, North America's largest distributor of premier European fashion brands. According to its website, CommonTerra is "committed to establishing a more responsible, equitable and sustainable world." ■

LUCKY DUBLIN

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Companies, the parent enterprise of Lucky. Save Mart runs over 60 grocery locations in the greater Bay Area.

Unlike many other Lucky stores, the Lucky California location in Dublin featured many of Save Mart's premiere customer services such as a floral center, an expansive deli, a tasting bar, a hot food bar and a bakery.

"Our store here has offered shoppers more than just typical grocery items — you can pick up fresh flower arrangements, in-house made sushi and deli meals, or fresh produce that's been grown locally," said Stuber, who has worked with Save Mart since 1995 when he began as an assistant manager.

As a Lucky California brand, the location had sought to represent

the cultures of the Bay Area and California, according to Stuber.

"Being a specifically branded store, this location tailors its signs, products and general store environment to Dublin and its community. Lucky California locations, like the San Ramon store too, are always going to be community-driven and people can see their towns or cities reflected back in those ways," he said.

Lucky has been a member of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce since it opened in March 2018 at the shopping center at the intersection of Dublin Boulevard and Fallon Road, right off Interstate 580. It was the first Lucky California brand store constructed from the ground up, according to Save Mart.

"We hope our customers will understand. This location has not seen the growth that our neighboring stores have. The hope is

that all employees will not be too affected by the closing, and that they'll be offered new positions in nearby stores," Stuber said. "As the November date draws near, we'll continue to post signs and offer closing sales to visitors."

Earlier this year, the company announced closure plans of other stores in Millbrae, Novato, Larkspur and Milpitas for various reasons.

"Save Mart has always celebrated diversity, and the work put in by our staff members. I've been working with them for a long time and every store I've managed has felt like a family. We really try to connect with our customers," Stuber said. "I would tell shoppers to look out for more announcements about other stores to see what we have coming up." ■

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IMMERSE IN LOCAL

Annual ArtWalk taking over downtown

BY NICOLE



More than 200 local artists, craft makers and performers are set to showcase their talents this weekend as part of the 22nd annual Livermore ArtWalk. Guests can visit for free and enjoy a day of entertainment, music and art.

Held Saturday (Oct. 14) from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. the festival will take over parts of First Street near the Bankhead Theater and Livermorium Park. This year's events highlight not only visual arts, but live performances of dance, drumming and rock music.

"This is our 22nd ArtWalk, so that just shows you how beloved this event is to the community and to the artists who participate. It's always a lovely day," said Anne Giancola, director of the ArtWalk.

Giancola expressed that this year will be even bigger due to the city of Livermore allowing additional closures on First Street for the event.

"This year ArtWalk will be super easy to get around. It will be an especially great year because the city generously allowed us to close First Street between South Livermore and Maple Street. This helped us welcome more artists and will create a better flow of foot traffic," Giancola said. "There will be lots of artists and live music in various areas. It's just going to be a lovely festival feeling."

Founded by local artist Linda Ryan over two decades ago, the ArtWalk has seen hundreds of creators and given them a space to showcase their work and connect with community members.

When asked why she joined the organizing team eight years ago, Giancola said it was simply out of love for the local art community.

"It is near and dear to my heart to be able to get artists in front of the public eye; they can make some sales and generate interest in fine art and handmade crafts," Giancola said. "This is a really wonderful community event that really puts visual arts

first and foremost. It always makes my heart sing to see what a great time everybody is having and how happy the artists are to participate in this."

Giancola shared that a key aspect in organizing the event was making sure it was highly accessible to visitors. The close proximity to public transportation options, free parking and free entry all contribute to its high turnout numbers.

"We're really close to the bus station and there is also free parking. As always, our mission is to serve the community and the artists," she said. "It's super accessible and will be very easy to get to and to walk around."

This year, Livermore Valley Arts received an additional grant from the city that enabled them to increase outreach for the ArtWalk.

"I feel the city has really been behind this and understands the importance. The city is financially supporting this as well as giving us some good resources, so it's been a really good collaboration," Giancola said.

The ArtWalk will feature art from local veterans and high school students in the Bankhead lobby, according to the director.

"We do this every year because it's always important to be reaching out to other communities and to include everybody in the art that we're showcasing," Giancola said. "So half of the lobby will be filled with the area's high school art and the other half of the lobby art will be from veterans from the community living center."

"It's amazing to see the art that these groups make, from ceramics to photography. They're really some amazing artists, it blows me away," she added.

Giancola described the festival as "welcoming", saying anyone can find something to enjoy about the event.

"The live music is probably what draws you in first, and then you'll see canopies and bright colors and people walking their dogs around too. There's something for everybody — and

The annual Livermore ArtWalk offers the opportunity for dozens of artists to display a downtown also features live local entertainment, activities for families, art demonstrations (Photos courtesy Livermore Valley Arts)



LOCAL CREATIVITY

Downtown Livermore this weekend

GONZALES

‘It always makes my heart sing to see what a great time everybody is having.’

Anne Giancola,
Director of the ArtWalk

everybody’s budget too,” Giancola said. “Keeping the holidays in mind, it’s also a great way to find nice locally made gifts.”

ArtWalk artists are selected by a group of LVA staff members who then choose which to feature in the event. Those who have previously hosted booths at the event are given the chance to participate first before new creators are admitted.

“As new artists apply, they send me images of their artwork or tell me a little bit about what they do,” Giancola explained. “We try to mix it up and have variety in the types of arts and handicrafts there. There will be anything from wearables and useful art all the way through to fine art or pieces you can hang in your living room.”

“The artists are all very friendly to each other and help each other out. It’s a really heartwarming day,” she added.

Tuan Essence, a Dublin resident, is one of the featured artists at this year’s ArtWalk event. Essence creates acrylic portraits, landscapes and abstract pieces.

“My favorite part of the event is getting to meet and talk with all the people that come by. You have the chance to see an artist face to face, which can be different than buying in a store or online,” Essence said. “It makes the experience and artwork that much more meaningful.”

Essence has been engaged with several artistic organizations in the Tri-Valley previously. He has given acrylic painting demonstrations at the Bothwell Arts Center

and had his work displayed at the Firehouse Arts Center in Pleasanton.

He feels strongly about the ArtWalk, saying it’s a rare opportunity to meet other local artists and see their work.

“Making connections with other artists is also very important. Events like these let us easily support each other, get to know each other and also buy each other’s work,” Essence said. “I’m grateful the ArtWalk allows us to have such an open space to share art and community together.”

“I’m looking forward to seeing fellow artists and hopefully meeting new people who like my work,” Essence added.

Aside from the visual arts on display, guests can see live entertainment at Livermorium Park or the Bankhead Plaza. Each location will have a full lineup of performers.

Livermorium Park will feature performances by the Encore Players, Cal State East Bay Chamber Orchestra and readings from regional poets laureate.

The Las Positas Jazz Combo band, Six Penny Irish Band and others are set to light up the Bankhead Plaza area.

“There will be live music and we have all kinds of family activities. Kids can come up and do things like face paint or adults can try out art materials. It’s a really fun day and is easily accessible for anybody to get here,” Giancola said.

To find out more about the Livermore ArtWalk, visit the LVA website at livermorearts.org. ■

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and sell their work. The festival features live music, food, and more.



'Conversation Banners for Youth Engagement'

Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council unveils student-painted works at Firehouse ceremony

By Christian Trujano

More than 250 Pleasanton students recently participated in a banner-making project curated by the Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council in order to help the kids and teens regain a sense of community after the pandemic years' impact on their mental health.

The five artworks, which were dubbed the "Conversation Banners for Youth Engagement", were unveiled to the public on Sept. 30 at the Firehouse Arts Center where members of the community, city officials and youth who helped paint the banners all gathered to admire the students' hard work of the past year.

"The students consistently expressed that they were very happy with this project. It was very positive," Kelly Cousins, president of the PCAC, told the Weekly. "The kids also expressed support for one another's work and ideas ... they felt like they made new friends."

In July 2022, PCAC submitted a grant request to the city's Community Grant Program Civic Arts Category for just over \$6,000 to help fund the project after seeing the success of a similar project in Livermore, according to PCAC grant writer Jan Coleman-Knight.

Coleman-Knight told the Weekly that the project's goal was to look at engaging with students through creating these banners and see how "that could be really important in terms of helping the youth in Pleasanton who significantly had suffered under isolation and the pandemic."

"What we really tried to do was contact different youth groups and engage them in collaboration and cooperation, and offer them a positive expression and a creative process and as a result, increase the communication among these groups," Coleman-Knight said.

The unique five-foot-by-three-foot banners

were hand-sown by local Tri-Valley artist Thomasin Dewhurst who was hired by the PCAC to not only create the canvases, but also to help the different elementary, middle and high school students address mental health issues indirectly through art.

"I am very supportive of mental health, but using the actual words, I find, brings with it some stigma and distress," Dewhurst told the Weekly.

That's why she said she had aimed to create a "feeling of the wonderful natural ability of the young people," by having the students create the banners so that they could enter a nurturing and collaborative space of their own.

"The students demonstrated that they are very able to help themselves and each other to reach a state of self-confidence, joy and hope," Dewhurst said.

She did that by spending time at different schools like Village High School, Hart Middle School and Alisal Elementary School — just to name a few — both during and after school hours to work with the kids.

Four of the banners were funded through the grant while the fifth one, which the theme of the banner was about mental wellness, was funded out-of-pocket by the PCAC.

The other banners touched on themes such as holding space, indigenous land acknowledgement and environmental awareness. There was even one that the Pleasanton Unified School District Mariachi Orchestra, Estrella de Pueblo had painted, which Cousins said was special because of the student who said that it was beautiful to see the colors of their culture on something that they helped curate.

"The process itself was great," Cousins said. "We were happy about how enthusiastic the kids were about the process and they learned



something about art, too."

"It wasn't just simply how to paint a banner and use all the colors and all that sort of thing," she added. "It was engaging in the whole process. That was very rewarding for us."

One example of that high level of engagement was when Coleman-Knight went to Alisal with Dewhurst to teach them about the Ohlone tribe and other Native American communities while the students broke off into groups to help paint the land acknowledgment banner.

"The fourth-grade students at Alisal engaged in a conversation with Ms. Jan Coleman-Knight and artist Ms. Thomasin Dewhurst about the plants, animals, tools and people indigenous to Pleasanton," Alisal vice principal Julie Berglin told the Weekly. "Dewhurst shared the design concept to the students who added their individual contributions to the banner by coloring items represented within the unique design. Students loved the process and were especially proud of their artistic contribution to the banner project."

Pleasanton City Councilmember Valerie Arkin, who spoke during the Sept. 30 event where all the banners were displayed, told the

Weekly that as a person who has always supported the arts and as a former PUSD board trustee, she really like the idea of addressing kids' mental health issues through projects like these.

"There is research out there that participating in art, having kids express feelings with art ... it really does help the mental health of students and how they can help cope with their feelings," Arkin said.

"It's also been shown that kids can bounce back from adversity easier when they have that outlet," she added. "It does a lot of great things to help our students' social, emotional health and that's probably one of the reasons I've always been in favor of the arts in our schools and supporting that in our whole entire community."

According to Cousins and Coleman-Knight, the banners are being considered as "temporary art pieces" and said that they will continue to be displayed around the community at events like the last weekend's Hispanic Heritage Celebration at the Alviso Adobe Community Park on Oct. 7 and the upcoming Native American Heritage Month celebration on Nov. 18, also at the Alviso Adobe. ■



COURTESY PCAC

Top of page: Tri-Valley artist Thomasin Dewhurst helps Hart Middle School students creating a banner dedicated to mental wellness. Above: The PUSD Mariachi Orchestra poses with the banner that they painted at the unveiling ceremony. Left: Dewhurst works with fourth-grade students at Alisal Elementary School paint a land acknowledgment banner.

Local mom seeks to support families after baby daughter's death

Nonprofit There With Care provides everyday help for parents of critically ill children

By JEANITA LYMAN

More than a year after the death of her only child who succumbed with a critical illness while hospitalized as an infant last year, Danville resident Blair Patzner is seeking to aid other families in the Bay Area who find themselves in the same position she and husband Brett were in during their daughter Chloe's short lifespan.

The Patznors became first-time parents on Dec. 29, 2021 with the birth of their daughter, and were eager to bring her home and kick off their lives as a family of three. But Chloe experienced medical complications early.

"She was fine except for she needed a surgery on her jaw, so we were told this because we noticed she was having these little quick dips in oxygen and then she'd go back up," Blair Patzner told the Weekly. "They had an expert come look and they were like 'it's no big deal; it happens when they're six to eight weeks in the womb forming.'"

The family opted for long-term specialized care at Stanford Children's Hospital, where the parents stayed at the Ronald McDonald House and spent nearly 24 hours a day at their daughter's hospital bedside. It was there that they first connected with There With Care, and eventually began taking the

nonprofit's organizers and volunteers up on their offers to help in any way possible as time wore on.

"We were so thankful to get into Ronald McDonald, and that's how we met Lisa, because she reached out right away," Patzner said. "She said, 'I'm with this organization called There With Care and we wanted to provide you with essentials that you might need.'"

While Patzner said she was slow to respond and ask for help initially, spending nearly a year away from home led the couple to need essential items that they hadn't considered, which There With Care volunteers always promptly provided.

"Everything they did for us I just look back and I'm like wow — they provided us with so much stuff, never asked us for a dime, never asked us for anything, just were always there for us," Patzner said.

The family's emotional, physical and material needs increased substantially following Chloe's terminal diagnosis in March 2022, with support from There With Care enabling them to spend every last moment together before the baby's death at 8 months old on Aug. 28, 2022.

"She was so strong," Patzner said. "She fought so hard. Even to the day she died she fought so hard and she was so strong."

Patzner sought to spread the

word about There With Care to other families she encountered during the months she spent at Chloe's bedside at Stanford Children's Hospital, and she said that she was always planning to volunteer with the organization.

While the initial plan had been to do so sooner, hopefully after bringing her daughter home from the hospital, Patzner said that she is now in the process of bringing that plan to fruition more than a year after Chloe's death. With her return to the workforce bringing her back to Palo Alto, Patzner said she was hoping to help support other families with children in the same hospital her family had spent months at.

"I said I'd be more than willing if you're open because now I cover that area for work, so I can do drop-offs and whatever you need," Patzner said. "Now that I've walked the walk of being in that hospital and being in their shoes, I want to return the favor and help in any way I can. And my husband does too."

Patzner said she was still early in the volunteer onboarding process when speaking with the Weekly in September, but was looking toward expanding her presence and providing the same support to families that had been critical to her and her husband's short time with their daughter.



COURTESY THERE WITH CARE

Brett and Blair Patzner spent a majority of their daughter Chloe's short life at her bedside at Stanford Children's Hospital before her death in August 2022.

"They just kind of fell out of the sky onto our lap," Patzner said.

There With Care serves the Bay Area at large, offering support to families of critically ill children such as the Patznors throughout the region as well as in Colorado and the Middle Tennessee region. Its representatives announced that they had served their 10,000th family on Aug. 29 — one day after the anniversary of Chloe Anne Patzner's death — in the 18 years since their inception in Boulder,

Colorado, in 2005.

"It's humbling to think about the 10,000 families who have allowed There With Care to provide community and care during one of the most frightening times in their lives," CEO and founder Paula DuPré Pesmen said in a statement. "We have learned that showing up and stabilizing a family with support during a fragile time makes a lasting, impactful difference."

Learn more about the organization at therewithcare.org. ■

Stage set for 'Fall at the Firehouse'

Mix of entertainment on the schedule at downtown Pleasanton theater

By JEREMY WALSH

Comedy, magic and — of course — music are on tap at the Firehouse Arts Center in Pleasanton during the coming weeks.

In spotlighting the "Fall at the Firehouse" series lineup, which



COURTESY FIREHOUSE ARTS

Comedian Kellen Erskine performs in Pleasanton on Oct. 13.

includes a Grammy Award winner and multiple nominees, Pleasanton city officials said the five upcoming shows at the downtown theater feature artists who "represent a diverse range of talent and each bring a unique flair."

Kicking off the performances will be comedian Kellen Erskine, who is known for his appearances on Comedy Central, "Conan," "Jimmy Kimmel Live!," "America's Got Talent" and the Amazon series "Inside Jokes."

Erskine's show, which is best suited for attendees 18 years old and up, is set for this Friday (Oct. 13) at 8 p.m.

Two days later, Andy Amyx will mix comedy and magic in an afternoon show fit for the whole family.

"His standup magic show, 'The Magic of Andy Amyx,' combines elegant sleight of hand and manipulation with amazing feats of illusion, comedy and audience participation. Audiences of all ages are left in awe and laugh in delight

as they become part of the show," Firehouse officials said. Amyx will take the stage at 2 p.m. Sunday (Oct. 15).

Grammy-nominated vocal jazz ensemble *säje* — featuring Sara Gazarek, Amanda Taylor, Johnaye Kendrick and Erin Bentlage — will be in concert next Thursday (Oct. 19) at 7:30 p.m.

"These world-renowned artists, composers and arrangers have come together to explore, create, and celebrate the music that moves them," Firehouse reps said. "With impeccable vocal arrangements and a unique musical flair, they transport listeners to a world of smooth jazz and soulful tunes."

"Blending classical finesse with contemporary creativity," Grammy-winning violinist Mads Tolling and Grammy-nominated pianist John R. Burr will perform a live concert of their recent duo album "Ramblin'" next Saturday (Oct. 21) at 8 p.m., according to Firehouse reps.



COURTESY FIREHOUSE ARTS

Vocal jazz ensemble *säje* will bring their Grammy-nominated sound to the Firehouse Arts Center with a concert on Oct. 19.

And closing out the fall season will be "Always on My Mind — A Country Songbook" with Nashville musician Andy Kahrs and a special guest appearance by Nick Crossen. The eclectic set at 7:30 p.m. Nov.

9 will include covers of hits from Glen Campbell, Willie Nelson, Sam Cooke and more.

For tickets and additional information, visit www.firehousearts.org. ■

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POLICE BULLETIN

BART announces new Police Chief Kevin Franklin

A new BART police chief has been selected after a nationwide search, according to BART General Manager Bob Powers.

Interim Chief Kevin Franklin has been promoted to permanent chief, Powers said on Oct. 1. Franklin had been made interim chief in May.

“Chief Franklin is a life-long BART rider with an intimate knowledge of the system and its police department,” Powers said in a statement released by the agency. “Kevin was instrumental in BPD’s new deployment strategy that has significantly increased the presence of uniformed police personnel on trains and in stations. He is not only detail-oriented, but a creative thinker with a deep commitment to our community. I am confident his leadership will help BART continue to improve the safety of our riders.”



Kevin Franklin

BART is attributing several safety improvements to Franklin, including the highest year-to-date arrests since the pandemic and an average response time to priority calls of four minutes.

According to BART, Franklin is an Oakland native who has been on the force for 27 years. He began his career with the Oakland Police Department.

BART also said that Franklin and his family climbed aboard on the agency’s first day of transit, way back in 1972 when he was only 3 years old.

—Bay City News Service

In other news

• The FBI’s San Francisco office warned the public recently against a new scam called “The Phantom Hacker” that targets older adults.

In the new scam, swindlers pretend to be tech support staff, bank employees and government officials and contact older adults to deceive them into thinking that foreign hackers have infiltrated their financial account, the FBI said in an advisory.

Federal agents said the scam works in three steps. First, a scammer posing as a customer support representative from a legitimate tech company reaches out to a victim through a phone call, text, email, or a popup window on their computer and gives instructions to call a number for “assistance.”

Once the victim calls the phone number, scammers tell the victim to download a software program, which gives them remote access to the victim’s computer. Scammers pretend to run a virus scan on the

victim’s computer and falsely claim the computer either was or is at risk of being hacked.

Scammers then tell the victim to open their bank accounts to determine if there have been any unauthorized charges, deceiving victims to reveal which account can be targeted. Then, they tell the victim that they will receive a call from their financial institution’s fraud department with further instructions.

Scammers posing as representatives of the mentioned financial institution then contact the victim and falsely inform them their computer and bank accounts were accessed by a foreign hacker and the victim must move their money to a “safe” third-party account, such as an account with the Federal Reserve or another U.S. government agency.

Victims are then told to transfer their money via a wire transfer, cash, or wire conversion to cryptocurrency, often directly to overseas recipients. The victim is told not to inform anyone of the real reason for the transactions. Transfers to the scammers take over a span of days or months, according to the FBI.

Scammers will continue to emphasize the victim’s funds are “unsafe” and they must be moved to a new “alias” account for safeguarding, the FBI said. Some victims have reportedly lost their entire life savings to the scheme, according to the FBI. ■

—Gabe Agcaoili, Bay City News

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

Oct. 8

Graffiti offense

■ 9:23 a.m. on the 3700 block of Vineyard Avenue

Auto theft

■ 11:01 a.m. on the 3400 block of Norton Way

Warrant arrest

■ 11:24 a.m. on the 1800 block of Santa Rita Road

Assault/battery

■ 3:50 p.m. on the 2900 block of Moreno Avenue

Oct. 7

Theft

■ 12:20 a.m. on the 7900 block of Hillsboro Court

■ 4:52 p.m., 5800 block of Valley Avenue; theft from auto

■ 5:55 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

■ 6:49 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Vandalism

■ 10:07 a.m. at Santa Rita Road and Stoneridge Drive

Warrant arrest

■ 10:45 a.m. at Danbury Park and Trimmingham drives

■ 11:56 a.m. on the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

Oct. 6

Theft

■ 6:31 a.m., 7000 block of Johnson Drive; theft from auto

■ 6:41 a.m., 3400 block of Andrews Drive; theft from auto

POLICE REPORT

■ 8:03 a.m., 5100 block of Hopyard Road; auto theft

■ 9:19 a.m., 5500 block of Johnson Drive; theft from auto

Burglary

■ 7:21 a.m. on the 5900 block of Gibraltar Drive

Trespassing/prowling

■ 10:55 a.m. on the 4100 block of West Las Positas Boulevard

Fraud

■ 3:15 p.m. on the 100 block of Main Street

Drug violation

■ 10:15 p.m. on the 6000 block of Johnson Drive

Oct. 5

Vandalism

■ 12:33 p.m. on the 4100 block of Hopyard Road

Theft

■ 1:31 p.m., 7000 block of Johnson Drive; theft from auto

■ 3:11 p.m., 2700 block of Stoneridge Drive; auto theft

■ 3:11 p.m. on the 1400 block of Stoneridge Drive

Graffiti offense

■ 1:58 p.m. at Bernal Avenue and Foothill Road

Oct. 4

Vandalism

■ 8:06 a.m. on the 6400 block of Hansen Drive

Fraud

■ 10:38 a.m. on the 000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

■ 2:48 p.m. on the 3000 block of Badger Drive

Graffiti offense

■ 11:41 a.m. on the 7000 block of Johnson Drive

■ 4:13 p.m. on the 3100 block of Bernal Avenue

Assault/battery

■ 6:43 p.m. on the 4800 block of Willow Road

Robbery

■ 7:40 p.m. on the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Oct. 3

Theft

■ 7:15 a.m., 5300 block of Owens Court; auto theft

■ 8:16 a.m., 2700 block of Stoneridge Drive; auto theft

■ 8:39 a.m. on the 5500 block of Springhouse Drive

THE CITY OF PLEASANTON



HIGHLIGHTS

City Council Special Meeting

Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the Remillard Conference Room Operations Service Center– 3333 Busch Road., 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>.

- Accept a report on the Water Supply Alternatives Study, approve the design and construction of two new wells as the preferred water supply alternative, establish a new Capital Improvement Project – Two New City Wells (Wells 9 and 10 and Associated Pipelines) CIP No. 24174, and appropriate funds from the Water Fund
- Continued from October 3, 2023 – Approve Lions Wayside and Delucchi Parks conceptual plan and approve a professional services agreement with Callander Associates Landscape Architecture, Inc. in the amount of \$115,000 to prepare construction documents for the Lions Wayside and Delucchi Parks Project, CIP No. 06716
- Review the proposed recommendations regarding commission and committee reorganization and deferral of the fall 2023 recruitment

Economic Vitality Meeting

Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 7:30 a.m.

The meeting will be held at the Remillard Conference Room Operations Service Center– 3333 Busch Road

- Receive Update on City Commissions & Committees Restructure
- Receive Adopted Citywide Strategic Plan
- Receive Presentation on Business Assistance and Support Programs & Activities

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Marilyn Joyce Slade

January 9, 1930 – October 3, 2023

Our beloved mother, grandmother, and aunt passed away peacefully in her home.

Born in Milwaukee, WI, Marilyn attended the University of Wisconsin, earning a BS in Childhood Development and Education. Here she met and married John Slade. They raised five children, each born in a different state.

She started her career as a librarian, and continued her education, earning a Masters Degree in Library Science at Rutgers University. Her professional career also included information management at AT&T.

After living in nine states and fifteen residences, Marilyn and John retired in Pleasanton. They were married for 63 wonderful years.

She loved writing poetry and short stories, reading books, and traveling extensively in the US and abroad. She was involved in many clubs and activities, including Friends of the Pleasanton Library, AAUW Wordsmith Writing Group, Tri Valley Writers Club, VIP Club at the Pleasanton Senior Center, and the Encore Luncheon Group.

Marilyn is survived by her children, Scott Slade (Sara) of Sunnyvale, Holly Moen (Jim) of Davis, Nancy Kraemer of Pleasanton, Douglas Slade (Debbie) of Stafford, VA, and Carolyn McCarthy (Kevin) of Rumson, NJ. Also surviving are thirteen grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.



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PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

If this is it, what a ride for Crawford with hometown Giants

Foothill alum won 2 World Series, 4 Gold Gloves with SF

Where Brandon Crawford ends up next year is still up in the air, but it does appear the Pleasanton native and legendary San Francisco Giants shortstop has played his last game for his hometown team.

Farhan Zaidi, the president of baseball operations for the Giants, has made it known that Marco Luciano will be Giants shortstop moving forward.

Crawford is a free agent for the first time in more than a decade with the organization. If he decides to keep playing, the 36-year-old would be a tremendous stabilizing influence for a young team with talent.

If Crawford hangs up his cleats, it will certainly be a well-earned retirement.

The 2005 Foothill graduate, who excelled in both baseball and football, went to UCLA for baseball and then played in the minor leagues before spending 13 years in San Francisco.

He won a pair of World Series titles with the Giants and was the best defensive shortstop in Major League Baseball for a long time, winning four Gold Gloves and making three All-Star teams.

In my mind — and those who know me well can confirm — his greatest accomplishment is he made me not root against the Giants! A lifelong Oakland A's fan, I almost took as much joy in a Giants loss as an A's win.

Then Crawford became a pillar of the Giants organization and

that dislike dissipated. Don't get me wrong: There was not going to be any orange and black in my wardrobe, but I would watch the occasional Giants game.

When he won his two World Series, I was happy for him, sitting there with a smile on my face when Crawford and the Giants were celebrating.

He was that kind of student-athlete — one you rooted for. He should be an inspiration for every single youngster today who has dreams of playing professional sports.

As he did when he was playing shortstop for the Giants, Crawford always made things look easy and effortless.

He was one of the best safeties I saw play high school football and when the Falcons needed a quarterback his senior year, Crawford made the smooth transition and was one of the best in the East Bay Athletic League.

To this day I am convinced he would have been a Division I safety and likely an NFL one as well.

When Crawford likely played his last game for the Giants on Oct. 1, it was a sad day for all Giants fans — and even this A's fan. It wasn't just that a Giants legend would be leaving the team, but the team also lost one of the great people in professional athletics.

Best of luck moving forward Brandon, and thank you for all the memories.



COURTESY SF GIANTS

Pleasanton native Brandon Crawford, shown here during the 2021 MLB season, likely played his final game for the San Francisco Giants this month after 13 years with the club.

Foothill girls' volleyball

The Falcons went out and swept a pair of EBAL matches to run their win streak to 25 matches.

The Falcons beat Dublin 25-11, 25-10, 25-17 in one match. The highlights came from Kaycie Burdick (12 digs, 11 kills), Sophia Burdick (10 digs, 5 kills) and Kait Vogel (8 service points, 5 digs).

The other win came against Livermore in a 25-9, 25-8, 25-14 final. This time the highlights came from Sophia Zhang (13 service points, 10 digs), Maddy Snodgrass (5 kills) and Nisa Kincaid (4 kills).

Amador tennis

In the 6-3 win over Dublin, the Dons got wins from Montana Parkinson-Lubold, Neha Reddy and Megha Reddy in singles.

The Amador Valley doubles teams swept the competition with Sanvi Sharma/Aditi Deshpande, Alayna West/Bella Cheng and Avital Belau/Rhea Anand all getting the job done.

In a tough loss to Foothill, Parkinson-Lubold kept her winning ways on a roll. Sharma and

Deshpande combined to get a doubles win for the Dons.

Student Athlete Community Foundation event

Ani Murugesan always wanted to give back to young athletes as he was going through Foothill, and he has kept it going in college at UC Davis.

The latest event for the 2021 Foothill graduate's nonprofit took place on Sept. 30 at Foothill when the current varsity players at Foothill ran a free basketball camp for ages 7-13.

The event was for all skill levels and was free with a donation of school supplies. In a partnership with the Oakland Unified School District, all the donations went to them.

This time they got 25 kids to the camp and collected 200 packs of donations that added up to 8,000 school supplies that are being delivered to Oakland this week. ■

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Warriors bringing WNBA expansion team to Bay Area

Franchise to play at Chase Center starting in 2025

By KILEY RUSSELL / BCN

The first new Women's National Basketball Association team in 15 years is coming to the Bay Area as part of the Golden State Warriors organization, team and league officials announced last week.

The expansion team, whose name has not been disclosed, will play home games at Chase Center in San Francisco starting in 2025 while its head office and practice facility will be in Oakland.

"We have been interested in a WNBA franchise for several years, due in part to the rich history of women's basketball in the Bay Area, and believe now is the ideal time to execute that vision and build upon that legacy," Warriors co-executive chairman and CEO Joe Lacob said in a news release on Oct. 5.

Game tickets are not yet on sale but fans can pay \$25 to place their names on a waiting list to buy season tickets, according to the team's website.

"Joe Lacob, (Warriors owner)

Peter Guber and their leadership team know how to build and operate a world-class organization, as witnessed by the immense success the Warriors' franchise has enjoyed from both a business and basketball perspective over the last decade," said WNBA commissioner Cathy Engelbert. "Their interest in joining the WNBA family is yet another sign of the league's growth potential."

More information about the new team can be found at wnba.com/goldenstate. ■

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Entertainment

KELLEN ERSKINE COMEDY Kellen was named one of TBS's Top Ten Comics to Watch in 2017 and has garnered over 50 million views with his clips on Dry Bar Comedy. 8 p.m., Oct. 13. Tickets \$25-\$35. Visit firehousearts.org.

PERUVIAN DANCE AND MUSIC Enjoy Peruvian dance and music and learn about Peruvian art, culture and the traditions of the diverse Indigenous and Afro-Peruvian communities. 3 p.m., Oct. 13. Rincon Library.

OF MICE AND MEN Livermore Valley Opera presents this tragic story of two displaced migrant ranch workers in California during the Great Depression. The drama and powerful music will grip your heartstrings. Oct. 14-15. Tickets \$20-\$105. Visit livermorearts.org.

THE MAGIC OF ANDY AMYX 2023 Andy Amyx is a world-class magician whose amazing talents have been seen by audiences around the world. Audiences of all ages are left in awe and laugh in delight as they become part of the show. 2 p.m., Oct. 15. Tickets \$15-\$25. Visit firehousearts.org.

COURTYARD CONCERT JUSYB Up and coming artist JusyB makes his debut performance celebrating his debut EP *Want&Reality*. Justin Beasley demonstrates vulnerability, perseverance and love through his voice, his artistry and passion for performing in the music he sings. 5:30 p.m., Oct. 19. Tickets \$10. Visit livermorearts.org.

SÄJE AT THE FIREHOUSE Born out of close friendship and deep admiration, these world-renowned artists, composers and arrangers have come together to explore, create and celebrate the music that moves them. 7:30 p.m., Oct. 19. Tickets \$35-\$75. Visit firehousearts.org.

MADS TOLLING & JOHN R BURR: RAMBLIN' Two-time Grammy Award winner Mads Tolling and Grammy nominee John R. Burr perform in a live performance of their new duo album. 8 p.m., Oct. 21. Tickets \$20-\$30. Visit firehousearts.org.

TELEGRAPH QUARTET, STRINGS Del Valle Fine Arts presents Telegraph Quartet, strings, winners of the 2016 Naumburg competition and the 2014 Fischhoff Competition and now quartet-in-residence at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. 7:30 p.m., Oct. 21. Tickets \$55. Visit livermorearts.org.

THE BIG BOUNCE AMERICA Spend time with family and friends in a magical, candy-colored wonderland of action-packed inflatable adventure. Individual sessions are available to suit all age groups from toddlers through to adults only. Oct. 21-22, and 27-29. Tickets \$35-\$45. Visit alamedacountyfair.com.

BANKHEAD PRESENTS JOHN TESH - BIG BAND LIVE This highly

anticipated concert features Tesh's signature style, blending contemporary and traditional big band music in a spectacular performance that will have you tapping your feet and humming along. 3 p.m., Oct. 22. Tickets \$55-\$85. Visit livermorearts.org.

MISS FAYE CAROL JAZZ CONCERT Community members are invited to enjoy an afternoon of live jazz music with the dynamic Miss Faye Carol, accompanied by pianist Joe Warner. 2 p.m., Oct. 22. Livermore Civic Center Library.

DISNEY'S MOANA JR. This thrilling and heartwarming coming-of-age story follows an adventurous teenager who is inspired to leave the safety and security of her island home on a daring journey to save her people and discover the truth about her heritage. 6 p.m., Oct. 26. Tickets \$25.50. Visit livermorearts.org.

PIRATES OF EMERSON Pirates of Emerson Haunted Theme Park returns to the Alameda County Fairgrounds for scary good fun. This walk through event is Northern California's premier haunted attraction. Now to Oct. 31. Visit alamedacountyfair.com.

Outdoor Recreation

WATER EXERCISE AT DOLORES BENTSON AQUATIC CENTER Water exercise classes support the body and reduce risk of muscle or joint injury through the buoyancy of water and mitigation of gravity. Classes in deep and shallow water offered. Visit cityofpleasantonca.gov.

PICKLEBALL LESSONS IN PLEASANTON Pickleball is a fast, fun, social sport and great exercise for all ages and athletic backgrounds. It is now offered through Lifetime Activities at Pleasanton Middle School. Visit lifetimeactivities.com.

Festivals & Exhibits

ARTWALK LIVERMORE A community celebration of the arts, ArtWalk returns to Downtown. Handmade and original works by over 200 artists can be enjoyed, as well as live music, cultural arts demonstrations and crafts for children. 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Oct. 14.

FIRE SAFETY FAIR Join the Fire Safety Expo for a free pancake breakfast, games, prizes, live fire demonstrations and fire safety information. There will be a dunk tank and monies raised/donated from the event will go to support the Livermore-Pleasanton Firefighters Foundation. 8 a.m.-12 p.m., Oct. 14. 3333 Busch Road, Pleasanton. Visit lpfire.org.

PRIDE FEST LIVERMORE Pride Fest Livermore returns to the Bankhead Plaza with a celebration for the

PET OF THE WEEK



EAST BAY SPCA

Meet Snow

A gorgeous gentle giant with personality to spare, Snow is a Siberian Husky at 1 year and 8 months old. He can be a bit nervous at first, but once he's warmed up, all he wants to do is shower you with kisses. He's a quirky guy in search of a loving, patient home. Meet him at East Bay SPCA's Dublin Adoption Center. His adoption fee is waived. Learn more at eastbayspca.org.

whole family. Free and open to the public. 12-3 p.m., Oct. 21.

AIA DUSSERA DIWALI DHAMAKA Celebrates Diwali (Festival of Lights) with a Fireworks Display, Ravan Dahan, plus vendor booths featuring arts, crafts and clothing from India. There will be food booths and a Cultural program featuring Bollywood dances. Noon-11 p.m., Oct. 21 at the Alameda County Fairgrounds.

LIVERMORE ART ASSOCIATION The Livermore Civic Center Library will showcase artwork from the Livermore Art Association,

"Nature's Gifts" Oct. 1-31. Visit livermoreartassociation.org.

Talks

LET'S TALK BATS Join an LARPD ranger to discuss the basics of the world's only true flying mammal and their cousins around the world. 5 p.m., Oct. 14. Register larpd.org.

RANGER TALK ON MOUNTAIN LIONS Join an LARPD ranger and learn about the cat of 1,000 names, the mountain lion. Discuss their lineage in North America, evolutionary adaptations that make them

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Employment

Safeway Inc. hiring Automation Engineer (Mobile) in Pleasanton, CA. May telecommute reports to Pleasanton. Must have legal right to work in US. EOE. Subj. to bckgrnd check. \$168,418/yr. Email resume TA.Applications@albertsons.com. Attn: M. Ferreira. Ref # 0907VG

Workday, Inc. is accepting resumes for the following positions at various levels in **Pleasanton, CA:**

Business Intelligence Analyst (20637.2279): Create and maintain certified metric definitions. Salary: \$116,646 - 165,200 per year, 40 hours per week.

Site Reliability Engineer (SRE) (20637.1319): Support Workday Planning Cloud data processing infrastructure, working with technologies like Docker, Kubernetes, AWS, Azure and Terraform. Salary: \$154,523 - \$183,600, 40 hour per week.

Sr Associate Software Engineer (Distributed Systems) (20637.2160): Provide distributed software engineering involving Read and Write processing for Workday applications. Salary: \$149,600 - \$224,400 per year, 40 hours per week.

Site Reliability Engineer (20637.1641): Maintain the reliability and availability of our customer environments. Salary: \$132,870 - \$183,600, 40 hours per week.

Workday pay ranges vary based on work location and recruiters can share more during the hiring process. As a part of the total compensation package, this role may be eligible for the Workday Bonus Plan or a role-specific commission/bonus, as well as annual refresh stock grants. Each candidate's compensation offer will be based on multiple factors including, but not limited to, geography, experience, skills, future potential and internal pay parity. For more information regarding Workday's comprehensive benefits, please go to workday.com/en-us/company/careers/life-at-workday.html

Interested applicants submit resumes by mail to: J. Thurston at Workday, Inc., Attn: Human Resources/Immigration, 6110 Stoneridge Mall Road, Pleasanton, CA 94588. Must reference job title and job code.

Software Engineer for Roche Sequencing Solutions, Inc., Pleasanton, CA. Telecommuting permitted up to 1 day/wk. Req: Bachelor's in Comp Sci, Comp Engr, or rlted + 4 yrs exp. Expected salary range for position based on primary location in CA is \$181,272 to \$199,400 per yr. Actual pay w/in range determined based on experience, qualifications, geographic location & other job-related factors permitted by law. Discretionary annual bonus may be available based on individual and Company performance. Position qualifies for benefits detailed at Benefits (<https://roche.ehr.com/default.aspx?CLASSNAME=splash>). Apply: <http://applyroche.com/202309-120083> (Job ID: 202309-120083)

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stealthy hunters and maybe even share some personal stories about these majestic creatures. 2 p.m., Oct. 15. Sycamore Grove Park. Visit larpd.org.

TRI-VALLEY WRITERS Chris Hennessy will present How to Build Your Writer’s Platform Using Storytelling Crossover Tips. Hennessy has been a full-time independent filmmaker, author and speaker in Northern California since 1990. Register by Oct. 19 at trivalleywriters.org. Las Positas College, 2 p.m., Oct. 21.

INTRODUCTION TO MINDFULNESS WORKSHOP This free webinar with Diana Winston, director of mindfulness education at UCLA, will include 15 minutes for questions and answers following Winston’s presentation. RSVP by Oct. 23 at alanhufoundation.org. Webinar 6-7 p.m., Oct. 24.

HACIENDA PARK TOASTMASTERS Hacienda Park Toastmasters Club meets in-person and virtually

via Zoom. Overcome fear of speaking in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. Visit haciendapark.toastmastersclubs.org.

Galas

CHEST OF HOPE GALA EVENT Chest of Hope, whose mission is to build community awareness about domestic violence and empower the lives of the people they serve, is hosting their 4th Chest of Hope Gala. Dinner, dancing, live and silent auction. 6 p.m., Oct. 14. Tickets \$110. Garré Vineyard. Visit chestofhope.org.

Farmers’ Markets

PLEASANTON FARMERS’ MARKET The Pleasanton Farmers’ Market is Saturday year round, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. W. Angela St. Visit pcfma.org/pleasanton.

LIVERMORE SUNDAY FARMERS’ MARKET Gather for music, food and fresh local and organic products

directly from producers. Support small businesses and local sustainable agriculture. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Sundays. Between J St. and L St.

Seniors

SENIOR CENTER DAY TRIPPERS This Pleasanton Senior Center day adventure is at Olivina in Livermore. Olivina makes true extra virgin olive oil from olives grown on the historical estate. 1-2:30 p.m., Oct. 15. Cost \$15. Call 925-931-5365.

SOLE MATES WALKING GROUP Join the Sole Mates Walking Group 8:45-10 a.m., Wednesdays at the Pleasanton Senior Center.

TECH TUTORING AT THE SENIOR CENTER One hour, one-on-one tutoring sessions are available at the Pleasanton Senior Center, Monday 11 a.m. Wednesday 9 and 10 a.m. \$2.50R/\$3NR. Call 925-931-5365.

PERSONAL TECHNOLOGY USERS GROUP The Personal Technology Users Group through the Pleasanton Senior Center meets on the fourth Thursday of every

month via Zoom. 10-11:30 a.m., Oct. 26. Visit sites.google.com/site/pleaseniior.

WOODSHOP AT THE PLEASANTON SENIOR CENTER Use their tools and equipment to complete a project while an experienced woodshop monitor is there to help and guide. Must bring your own wood and pass a safety test before using equipment. 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday. \$5.75R/\$6.75NR.

MEALS ON WHEELS Meals on Wheels provides home delivered meals (60+). Call 925-931-5385 for more information.

Government

PLEASANTON CITY COUNCIL The next Pleasanton City Council Meeting is 7 p.m., Oct. 17. Visit cityofpleasantonca.gov.

LIVERMORE PLANNING COMMISSION The Livermore Planning Commission meets the first and third Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is 7 p.m., Oct. 17. Visit cityoflivermore.net.

Public Notices

EVMOD LLC
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 601130
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) EVMOD LLC, located at 37390 Cedar Blvd, Unit E., Newark, CA 94560, Alameda County. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
EVMOD LLC
37390 Cedar Blvd, Unit E., Newark, CA 94560 California
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 07/15/2023.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on September 29 2023.
(PLW Oct 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2023)

COLES MARKET
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600563
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Coles market, located at 4277 First St. Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County. This business is conducted by: a Corporation.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
B MAROK ENTERPRISES INC
600 MARIE ANGELA DR TRACY CA 95377 CA
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 01/01/2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on September 05 2023.
(PLW Sep 22, 29, Oct 6 and 13, 2023)

DURASNARE
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 601182
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Durasnare, located at 1807 Santa Rita Road, Suite H128, Pleasanton CA 94566, Alameda.
This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
Troce LLC
1807 Santa Rita Road, Suite H128 Pleasanton, CA 94566 California
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above

on 08/19/2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on October 03 2023.
(PLW Oct 13, 20, 27 and Nov 3, 2023)

DIABLO FABRICATORS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600442
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Diablo Fabricators, located at 7055 Commerce Circle Ste C Pleasanton, CA 94588, Alameda County.
This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
Kitchen Experts of Pleasanton, LLC
7055 Commerce Cir Ste. C Pleasanton, CA 94588 California
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 08/01/2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on August 30 2023.
(PLW Oct 13, 20, 27 and Nov 3, 2023)

DENICA'S REAL FOOD KITCHEN
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600733
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) DENICA'S REAL FOOD KITCHEN, located at 4503 ROSEWOOD DRIVE PLEASANTON, CA 94588, ALAMEDA COUNTY.
This business is conducted by: a Corporation.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
DENICA'S INC.
6058 DOUGHERTY ROAD DUBLIN, CA 94568 CALIFORNIA
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on September 13 2023.
(PLW Oct 13, 20, 27 and Nov 3, 2023)

MILI'S HANDCRAFTS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600618
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Mili's Handcrafts, located at 3932 Alma Ct. Pleasanton, CA 94588, Alameda County.
This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
SRYAM LLC
3932 Alma Ct. Pleasanton, CA 94588 CA
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.
This statement was filed with the County

Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on September 07 2023.
(PLW Sep 22, 29, Oct 6 and 13, 2023)

FLETCHER TOWERS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600974
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Fletcher Towers, located at 6088 Sunol Blvd, Suite 111, Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County.
Mailing Address: PO BOX 70, Pleasanton, CA 94566
This business is conducted by: an Individual.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
PHILLIPS YEE
6865 Corte Munras Pleasanton, CA 94566
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 09/22/2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on September 22 2023.
(PLW Oct 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2023)

GK CONSTRUCTION
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600777
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) GK Construction, located at 8351 Regency Drive. Pleasanton. CA 94588, Alameda County.
This business is conducted by: an Individual.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
GARY KNOWLES
8351 Regency Drive. Pleasanton, CA 94588
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on September 14 2023.
(PLW Sep 29, Oct 6, 13 and 20, 2023)

HEARTS FORWARD
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600597
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Hearts Forward, located at 600 Canyon Oaks Drive, unit D, Oakland, CA 94605, Alameda County.
This business is conducted by: an Individual.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
CHARLIE REBICH
600 Canyon Oaks Drive, unit D, Oakland, CA 94605
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on September 06 2023.
(PLW Sep 22, 29, Oct 6 and 13, 2023)

VALUE PRINTING COMPANY
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600741
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Value Printing Company, located at 4552 Alhambra Drive Fremont, CA 94536, Alameda.
This business is conducted by: an Individual.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
MICHAEL DARDIS
4552 Alhambra Dr. Fremont, CA 94536
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 12/01/2000
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on September 13 2023.
(PLW Sep 22, 29, Oct 6 and 13, 2023)

MA. T AFRICAN SERVICES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600386
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) MA. T African Services, located at 755 Rose Avenue Apt. 13, Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda.
This business is conducted by: an Individual.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
AUGUSTINA A-FURHMAN
755 Rose Avenue Apt. 13 Pleasanton, CA 94566
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 08/25/2023.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on August 26 2023.
(PLW Oct 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2023)

SUPERIOR FENCE AND RAIL OF EAST BAY
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600572
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Superior Fence and Rail of East Bay, located at 6678 Sierra Lane Dublin, CA 94568, Alameda County.
This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
CAL EAST LLC
670 Sycamore Rd. Pleasanton, CA 94566 California
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 04/25/2023
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LIVERMORE VALLEY JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Regular meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at the District Office, 685 East Jack London Blvd. The next meeting is Oct. 17. Visit livermoreschools.org.

Support

HOT MEALS FREE OF CHARGE Open Heart Kitchen serves free hot meals to anyone who is struggling to make ends meet. Monday-Friday, 1:15-3 p.m. at the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave.

FREE SHOWER & LAUNDRY SERVICES Monday-Wednesday, 12-4 p.m., Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Ave, Livermore.

GENERAL GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS Hope Hospice offers grief support groups by Zoom video conference. Call 925-829-8770 to register and obtain the login link. General Grief, Mondays, 6-7:30 p.m., Now to Nov. 6. Visit hopehospice.com/services/grief-support.

ALLG SOLUTIONS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600751
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) ALLG SOLUTIONS, located at 4349 DIAVILA AVE, PLEASANTON, CA 94588, ALAMEDA.
This business is conducted by: an Individual.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
PINHAO QIU
4349 DIAVILA AVE PLEASANTON, CA 94588
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.
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VINOCONS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 600759
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Vinocons, located at 43575 Mission Blvd. #502 Fremont, CA 94538, Alameda.
Mailing Address: 44560 Montclair Ct., Fremont, CA 94539
This business is conducted by: an Individual.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
GREGORY GREEN
44560 Montclair Ct. Fremont, CA 94539
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.
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- Fictitious Business Name
- Abandonment of Fictitious Business Name
- Name Change
- Partnership Withdrawal or Dissolution
- Petition to Administer Estate - Probate Hearing
- Notice of Bulk Sale
- Legal Summons
- Trustee Sale

The deadline is Sunday at 11:59 pm. Visit PleasantonWeekly.com/legal_notices/

For assistance email LegalNotices@PleasantonWeekly.com.

HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during Sept. 8-15 for Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin, and Sept. 15-22 for San Ramon

Pleasanton

- 6219 Camino Del Lago** Xia Family Trust to M. & R. Joshi for \$1,910,000
- 7670 Canyon Meadow Circle #A** P. & P. Vasquez to T. & J. Chang for \$550,000
- 7670 Canyon Meadow Circle #D** W. Gay to M. & W. Guastamachio for \$490,000
- 4192 Cid Way** S. Dana to V. & G. Singh for \$1,456,000
- 6155 Club House Drive** Kuo Family Trust to D. & C. Trehan for \$3,900,000
- 4685 Cochise Court** L. & K. Granberg to K. Otts for \$770,000
- 1107 Mills Court** N. Pan to V. & D. Jayakody for \$1,515,000
- 295 Mission Drive** J. & R. Maas to Souza Trust for \$1,835,000
- 3214 Monmouth Court** K. Smekalin to A. & V. Achar for \$1,610,000
- 3547 Norton Way** H. Principe to J. Amant for \$760,000
- 7295 Valley Trails Drive** Wiedel Family Trust to P. & A. Jahadakar for \$1,207,500
- 2833 Whitney Drive** Marquez Family Trust to E. & B. Kang for \$1,350,000

Livermore

- 375 Basswood Common #7** L. Yoone to A. & K. Shantaraman for \$998,000
- 2193 Bella Vista Place** B. & A. Scherer to Brahmst Trust for \$2,450,000
- 625 Bethal Place** Zca Homes LLC to A. & N. Bansal for \$1,165,000

- 5321 Celeste Avenue** E. Phew to M. Waters for \$915,000
- 1833 Cerro Vista Place** S. & T. Ambus to D. & S. Ferreira for \$1,800,000
- 343 Charlotte Common** D. Santisteven to K. Ta for \$1,030,000
- 755 Chippewa Way** D. Williams to J. & A. Lawson for \$1,241,000
- 831 Dakota Court** Sutton Living Trust to S. & S. Gorantla for \$950,000
- 324 Edythe Street #218** Wallace Family Trust to P. & M. Pinney for \$1,100,000
- 975 Murrieta Boulevard #13** P. Liu to J. Yang for \$450,000
- 1932 Parkside Court** Bjd Living Trust to C. & G. Kooshla for \$1,750,000
- 3997 Portola Common #2** Teafatiller Family Trust to H. Kobayashi for \$860,000
- 2956 Siena Road** Iacomini Family Trust to R. & T. Kollamparambil for \$1,800,000
- 796 Tranquility Circle #1** J. Flores to L. Sison for \$1,040,000

Dublin

- 2509 Amantea Way** E. Lai to N. & D. Patel for \$2,268,000
- 2616 Briceburg Way** V. Anand to M. & J. Chen for \$1,367,500
- 5588 Campbell Lane** S. Louka to B. & X. Wang for \$1,190,000
- 7362 Carneros Lane** D. & D. Schucker to B. & K. Francisco for \$1,715,000
- 3237 Central Parkway** Costanzo Family Trust to S. & G. Tambar for \$1,435,000
- 7478 Oxford Circle #48** Y. Huang to A. & A. Gawel for \$900,000
- 6380 Sussex Court** Q. Yong to S. & M. Itanna for \$925,000

- 4856 Swinford Court** F. Song to S. & S. Chitkara for \$1,065,000
- 4012 Tryon Place** R. & N. Durgadathan to A. & S. Nadig for \$1,425,000

San Ramon

- 614 Abrigo Court** N. & V. Dimitrov to A. & R. Mathal for \$1,225,000
- 321 Arrowleaf Street** Sridhara 2014 Trust to L. & C. Xin for \$2,165,000
- 3008 Ascot Drive** Cornell Family Trust to D. & S. Mathew for \$2,099,000
- 2251 Ashbourne Drive** E. & S. Teele to K. & D. Ravindran for \$3,315,000
- 2010 Bent Creek Drive** Bumanlag Trust to M. & L. Valle-Yanez for \$2,050,000
- 2170 Canyon Crest Avenue** S. Bondalapati to W. & A. Fagiri for \$1,770,000
- 3821 Crow Canyon Road** Bailey Trust to J. & G. Yu for \$910,000

- 2504 Goldenbay Avenue** K. Morse to P. Kalapala for \$1,188,000
- 361 Laconia Way** Frahm Family Trust to L. & W. Gong for \$1,274,000
- 5002 Lakeview Drive #101** Walker Living Trust to Y. & Q. Chen for \$919,000
- 118 Lyndhurst Place** C. Abadir to J. & Z. Yang for \$3,380,000
- 3033 Oakham Drive** D. Spoolman to J. & V. Jain for \$1,950,000
- 3021 Oakham Drive** Bora Investments LLC to S. & C. Dasgupta for \$2,220,000
- 225 Reflections Drive #14** N. & B. Holmlund to N. Duggirala for \$504,000
- 230 Rio Grande Court** Oneill Trust to D. & A. Holtz for \$1,950,000
- 236 Riverton Place** Olivera Living Trust to Patels Family Trust for \$1,425,000

Source: California REsource

SALES AT A GLANCE

Pleasanton (Sept. 8-15)

Total sales reported: 12
Lowest sale reported: \$490,000
Highest sale reported: \$3,900,000
Average sales reported: \$1,446,125

Livermore (Sept. 8-15)

Total sales reported: 14
Lowest sale reported: \$450,000
Highest sale reported: \$2,450,000
Average sales reported: \$1,253,500

Dublin (Sept. 8-15)

Total sales reported: 9
Lowest sale reported: \$900,000
Highest sale reported: \$2,268,000
Average sales reported: \$1,365,611

San Ramon (Sept. 15-22)

Total sales reported: 17
Lowest sale reported: \$504,000
Highest sale reported: \$3,380,000
Average sales reported: \$1,770,000

Source: California REsource

Join us for our First Time Home Buyer & Investor Seminar

Thursday, October 19th | 5:30–7:00pm
 5199 Johnson Drive Suite 100 | Pleasanton

Learn the ins and outs of being a first time home buyer or investor in today's market!

This informative event will be the perfect opportunity to get all of your questions answered while you enjoy drinks and appetizers!



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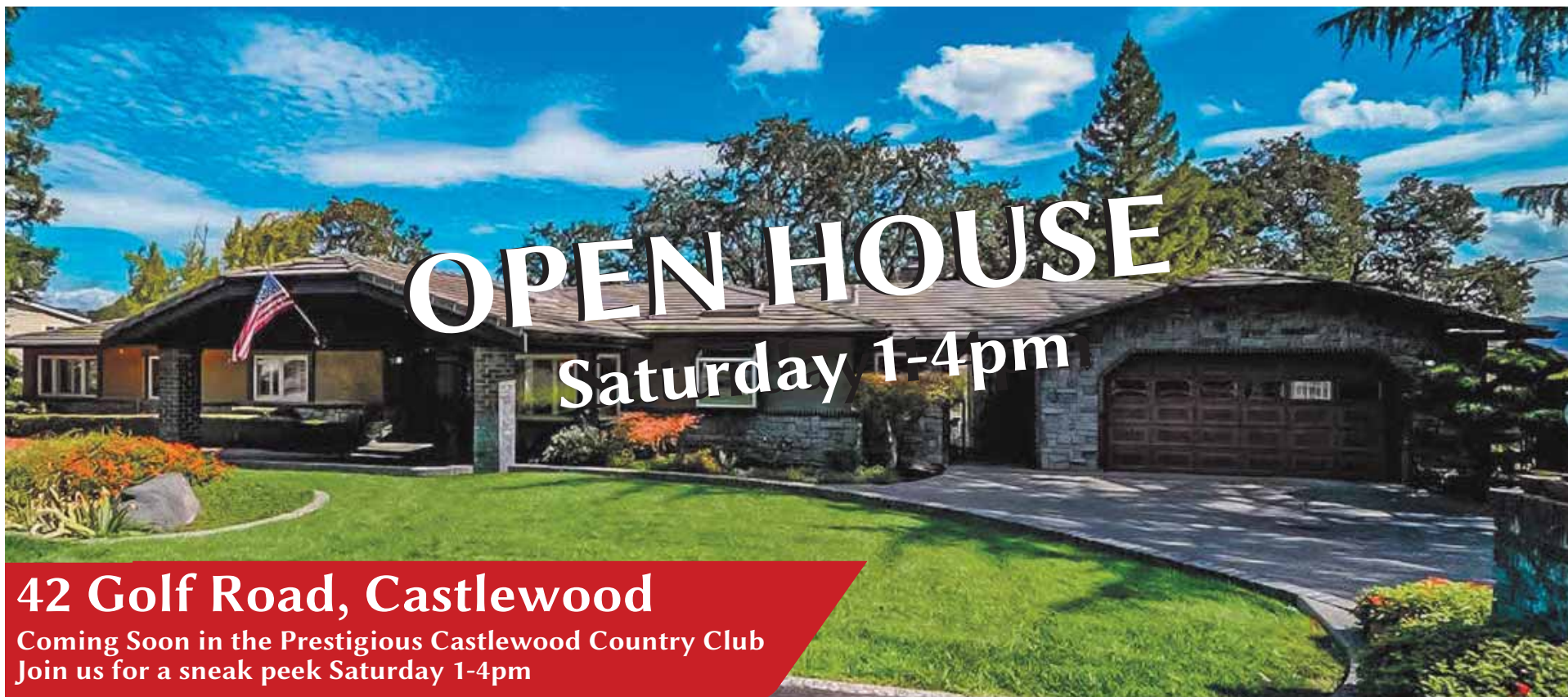


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