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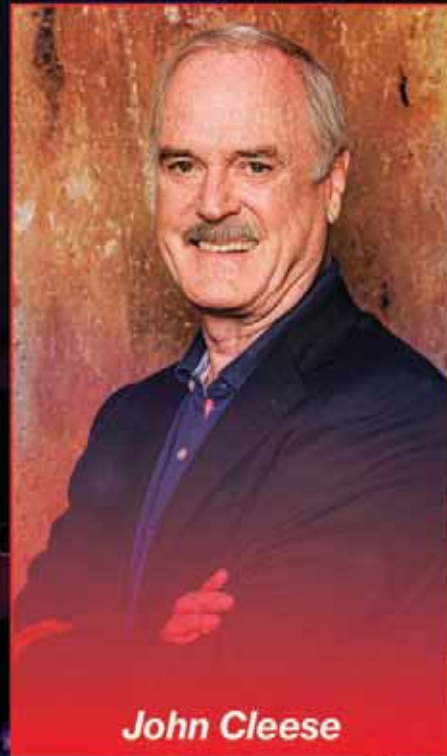
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# WHAT A WEEK



By JEREMY WALSH

## Watch what we flush

**M**y mind has been in the toilet lately. Wait, maybe “on the toilet” is a better way to put it — or perhaps “around the toilet” is more appropriate framing.

We’re weeks into the potty learning process with our 2-year-old son. He’s making considerable progress toward consistency ... but we’re not quite there all the way just yet. It’s fascinating (albeit at times frustrating) to experience as a parent, and I try to remember those words probably apply to his perspective as well.

“The potty” is also an omnipresent focus for us right now. That’s probably why the press release I got the other day from the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (aka Central San) stood out so much.

The agency — which provides sewer service from the northern Tri-Valley in parts of San Ramon and Danville through into Lamorinda, Walnut Creek and my neck of the woods in Pleasant Hill and all the way up to Concord and Martinez — was part of a collaborative statewide study whose results were released this month.

The title of the announcement says it all: “What’s Clogging the Pipes? The Largest Sewage Collection Study Has the Answers.”

The results are what you might expect (a bunch of materials we’re told not to flush down the toilet), but the specific percentages and takeaways are intriguing.

Reviewing items collected from caught in the pipes and collection systems at the two study sites, the analysts found that 52.8% of the materials were paper towels or other non-flushable paper products, 34.1% of the materials were wipes of a type explicitly labeled with a “Do Not Flush” symbol, 7.2% feminine hygiene products, 4.9% trash and 0.9% nonwoven wipes labeled as flushable.

These data points are critical in understanding how to direct consumer awareness efforts, according to Emily Barnett, communications and government relations manager for Central San.

“Central San has been dealing with the impacts of wipes in our sewer system and educating customers about their implications for about 15 years,” Barnett told me over the weekend. “To understand the success of the customer education outreach and identify what customers are flushing, you must see it firsthand,” she added. “It may

sound gross, but we are passionate environmental and public health advocates for our customers.”

Barnett said Central San was not shocked to see wipes so high up on the list — in fact it was money from wipes manufacturers that funded the study, which was done in accordance with California’s wipes labeling law Assembly Bill 818. That’s facial, cleaning and (as I’m very familiar with) baby wipes, which should never go down the toilet.

What did surprise Barnett and others was the significant percentage of paper towels in the sewer system. “Our hunch is that paper towels are being used to clean the bathroom, and instead of being thrown in the trash, they are being flushed down the toilet,” she surmised.

She said the study results will help inform new ways for Central San to educate its customers that “the toilet is not a trash can and only the 3 P’s — pee, poop and toilet paper — should be flushed.”

What’s clever about the campaigning from Central San and others, including Dublin San Ramon Services District, is it goes beyond asking people just to “do the right thing” by also highlighting the costs involved.

The study estimates local public agencies throughout the state are spending more than \$47 million per year overall fixing system problems caused by improper flushing.

DSRSD, which provides services in Pleasanton, Dublin and parts of San Ramon, spends the time and money to remove up to four tons of non-flushable products from its wastewater system per month, according to public information officer Erin Steffen.

So the Central San study very much echoes what DSRSD encounters at its treatment plant on a daily basis, Steffen said.

“When non-flushable products enter our wastewater system, they can build up and create clogs that lead to overflows which are expensive to address,” Steffen told me this week. “When these clogs are found in private sewer laterals, residents are responsible for the cost of removing the clog and cleaning up the mess, but when the clogs build up in the collections system, the agency — and its customers — end up footing the bill.”

Learn more about the study at flushsmart.org. And remember to think before flushing. ■

### About the Cover

Livermore Valley Arts released the 2024-25 season lineup for the Bankhead Theater this week. Check out the big names on the schedule, inside on Pages 12-13. Photos courtesy LVA. Cover design by Doug Young.

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## Is there a particular skill or ability that you want to master but just can't seem to, no matter how hard you try?



**Jennifer Arrizurieta**  
*Lawyer*

The skill of being completely present. In such a busy, crazy world with so many distractions I'm constantly trying to remember to be where my feet are. It's never easy and I am never 100% successful at it, but I try every day. Every few weeks I delete Instagram to not spend so much time distracted on my phone, but alas, every few weeks the app seems to be reloaded to my home screen.



**Andrew Orozco**  
*Operations manager*

My golf swing, for sure. I've been playing golf for many years, but I just still can't seem to figure out my swing and really get it right, no matter how hard I try.



**Maziel Martinez Orozco**  
*Marketing manager*

Well, I really love to swim, but I just can't seem to get the hang of diving into the water. I've tried and tried and tried, but to no avail. So I have to walk down the steps or a ladder in order to get into a pool to swim, instead of just diving right in, which is what I really would prefer to do.



**Demi Van Wijk**  
*Liquidity and cash management*

I've taken a few courses in Mandarin Chinese, hoping to learn to read and speak the language. However, and unfortunately, it seems like it's just not my language and I've had no success in picking it up. Oh well.



**Damian Martinez**  
*Marketing director*

I've spent much of my life trying to make the perfect salsa. I experiment with different ingredients, and different ratios and proportions of the various ingredients. But still, I never get the consistency quite right — and to add insult to injury, I always end up making too much of it.

—Compiled by Nancy Lewis

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## DIGEST

### State of the County

The Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce is hosting the annual State of the County address featuring Alameda County Supervisor David Haubert at its Wine Country Luncheon next Thursday (April 25) at Garre Vineyard & Winery in Livermore.

In his speech, Haubert “will give an update on vital issues happening in Alameda County,” according to chamber officials. Tickets are available online at [business.livermorechamber.org](http://business.livermorechamber.org) for the event that runs from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

### Housing solutions

The Tri-Valley Nonprofit Alliance is holding this year’s first meeting of the Anti-Poverty Collaborative next month, with a morning presentation focusing on the “State of Housing for Vulnerable Populations in the Tri-Valley.”

Keynote speakers will address “the urgent need for housing solutions for seniors, transitioned-age youth, people with disabilities, the homeless and the nearly homeless” while the ensuing panel discussion will focus on “insights on current trends, successful strategies and ongoing community needs,” according to organizers.

The free event runs from 10 a.m. to noon on May 2 at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore. Go to [tvnpa.org](http://tvnpa.org).

### Sunol potluck

The Sunol Wood Fire Oven Society is presenting the Sunol Community Spring Potluck this Saturday (April 20) at 2 p.m. in the Sunol Depot Gardens after a park workday event there.

The group will be providing focaccia pork and chicken sandwiches with homemade coleslaw and spicy sauce, while attendees are encouraged to bring another dish or dessert to share along with their own plates, utensils and drinks.

### Denim Day

Tri-Valley Haven has organized a local Denim Day event next week in Livermore as part of Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

In recognition of the international “day of action and awareness in which people are encouraged to wear denim to combat victim blaming and educate others about sexual violence ... Tri-Valley Haven hosts Denim Day to honor all survivors and combat victim blaming which unfortunately still happens all too often,” the nonprofit said.

The Denim Day march will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday (April 24) in downtown Livermore, with participants in denim walking up and down the First Street sidewalk from the Bankhead to L Street and back.

Learn more by visiting [trivalleyhaven.org](http://trivalleyhaven.org). ■

## Pleasanton school board approves new contract with teachers union

Trustees vow to make changes in process to improve future negotiations after volatile year

By Christian Trujano

Pleasanton Unified School District teachers will officially get the increases in their salary and health benefit compensation, among other things, they have been seeking for months following a unanimous vote by the Board of Trustees last week.

While the approval of the new contract was celebrated as a win for teachers throughout the district, board members agreed they need to hold some sort of governance workshop in the future to discuss this past negotiation process that almost led the Association of Pleasanton Teachers to strike and figure out how to rebuild the trust within the community.

“I don’t think I’ve ever seen, in the 50 years I’ve been in the district, this type of disagreement. This type of heartache,” Trustee Steve Maher said during the April 11 board meeting. “We need to dig in, get together, include our teachers ... our parents, and find out ways to move forward without going through this type of process

because it doesn’t benefit anyone — especially students, they are the ones that pay the price.”

Negotiations between the district and APT were going on for well over a year.

According to assistant superintendent of business services Ahmad Sheikholeslami, the two sides first sat at the negotiating table in February 2023, but what followed was a long year of trying to find common ground.

The district had been offering APT a salary increase of about 6% for most of last year while the APT was looking for a 15% increase, which is why in late October, the teachers union declared it was at an impasse in negotiations.

Since then, both sides went through the many stages of the negotiations process, including mediation and a fact finding session. After a 14-hour-long final meeting on March 11, the two sides finally came to an agreement.

“It was truly a marathon,”

Sheikholeslami said.

The agreement that the board approved last week included a 10% salary increase that will have an effective implementation throughout this year with the goal of getting to that full 10% by May 1. Teachers will also now get full Kaiser single health coverage by increasing the district’s contribution from \$5,000 to \$12,256.

“I reflected on the salary schedule. We are now one of the top tier districts in Alameda County as it relates to our teacher salaries,” Sheikholeslami said. “That should definitely help with both retention and attraction and that will make a difference in the years to come.”

The new contract also includes a payment increase from \$2 per day to \$20 per day for teachers who have classes that exceed the class size cap — which means the number of students typically allowed per classroom — effective July 1.

Other compensation changes in the agreement include an increase in masters, doctorate and national

board certification stipends from \$750 to \$1,000; \$5,555 for dual language immersion teachers who have a bilingual cross-cultural language and academic development authorization; special education stipend increases from \$1,500 to \$5,000; and \$225 per night payouts to fifth grade teachers who provide overnight supervision for elementary school outdoor education.

The last major compensation change in the contract will be for years of service credit.

Service credit refers to the number of years a teacher has been teaching which — in addition to their education — can be factored into a new district in order to land on a higher level on the salary scale. In Pleasanton, a teacher’s salary schedule, which determines how much they get paid, goes up to year 15. With every step up, teachers get a boost in their pay.

“We came to an agreement on the staff members that were hired prior

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A rendering of one of the residential buildings that was denied to be built at 5976 and 5994 West Las Positas Blvd. in Pleasanton.

## Commission denies WLP project

City staff say housing proposal goes against zoning designation; developer argues otherwise in bid to build 146 residential units

By Christian Trujano

Pleasanton’s Planning Commission has rejected an application to demolish two buildings on the corner of West Las Positas Boulevard and Hopyard Road in order to build 146 multi-family residential units.

However, the decision to deny the project wasn’t based so much on the specifics of the project, but more so on the legality behind whether or not the developer could build such a housing development on land based on the planned unit development

(PUD) zoning for that area.

“It’s sort of unhelpful, in a certain sense, to have very well seasoned attorneys on both sides, saying opposite things, and asking for five commissioners to sort it out,” Commission Chair Matt Gaidos said during the April 10 meeting.

The True Life Companies — a real estate development company based in Denver, Colorado — first submitted an application for preliminary review back in January 2023.

The proposed development sought to convert two

commercial buildings located at 5976 and 5994 West Las Positas Blvd. into 146 multi-family residential units which includes 38 accessory dwelling units. The 7.29-acre project site is currently occupied by general offices including medical offices.

After True Life submitted an application for design review and a vesting tract map last July, the city informed the applicant that the applications were incomplete but even more importantly, staff told True Life

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## Mayor Brown seeking reelection

Incumbent cites safety, water quality, budget among priorities

By Christian Trujano

Pleasanton Mayor Karla Brown is running for a third term as mayor after announcing her candidacy over the weekend.

Brown is the second person so far to throw their hat in the race after Councilmember Jack Balch announced his run for the position back in March.

“My work is not done,” Brown stated in her campaign launch press release on Sunday. “I will continue to work with the city manager to utilize the latest technology available to prevent property crimes and improve resident safety, while filling open positions with highly trained personnel.”

As for the city’s water issues, Brown said she plans on continuing to address PFAS — otherwise

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# Parents raise concerns over student use of racial slur

Pleasanton youth allegedly asking Black classmates for 'n word' passes

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

A couple with kids in Pleasanton Unified School District recently spoke out at a school board meeting to raise awareness about what they said has been an ongoing issue of students saying a racial slur and asking Black and African American students for a pass to use it.

Both of the parents said because they have three kids in Pleasanton schools, they want to ensure the district reviews its policies and finds a way to put an end to something that is directly affecting at least one of their kids.

"A few months ago, my seventh grader was having an off-day. He came in and I could tell something was wrong," Simon Atkinson, one of the two parents, said during the public comment period at the March 28 school board meeting.

"When I asked him what was up, he broke down in a flood of tears," he added. "He told me not only was he

hearing the 'n word' all day at school, like dozens of times; kids are coming up to him and saying 'Hey man can I get a pass so I can say it and be cool like the other kids.' That's not OK."

Lashawn Atkinson, Simon's wife, said she emailed PUSD Superintendent David Haglund back in December about the issue, asking for something to be done at a district level but she said no action was ever taken.

"At a minimum, PUSD needs to institute a district-wide policy that specifically addresses the 'n word' and says that it's not allowed on any of its campuses or anywhere PUSD is represented," Lashawn Atkinson said at the meeting. "Having it lumped in with other hate speech is not enough because this is the only racial slur (that) some people feel it's OK to say it if they ask permission first, or if they change the ending from 'er' to 'a'."

According to Haglund's superintendent report that was included

in the district's April 12 newsletter, he said that while he wasn't at the March 28 board meeting, he wanted to acknowledge the issue and assure the community that the district is working on reviewing its policies and regulations.

"This is completely inappropriate and angering to hear that it continues despite efforts to teach tolerance and sensitivity," Haglund wrote. "As a community, we can and must do better by these students — children who have been historically marginalized in this country and community."

He also said the district will work with school site leaders to support staff on how to intervene when any racist behavior is seen on any campus and that staff will soon bring the issue up at a future school board meeting so the public can know how policies will be implemented to prevent this from happening again.

Lashawn Atkinson added that the district needs to also specifically address the issue of asking for a pass to

use the racial slur because it is a form of bullying or harassment, even if the kids don't mean it that way.

"I realize when kids are asking for these passes, that their intent is likely not to bully or harass, but that's the impact that is having on our African American students," she said. "Intent doesn't minimize impact. Hearing the word in passing whether it's directed to that student or not is triggering. It can lead to feelings of inferiority and embarrassment that child will carry with them throughout their day and throughout their years at PUSD and beyond."

She also said that hearing the racial slur or being asked to get a pass from other students could affect Black and African American students' sense of belonging and that it's important to address this now because teachers need to be better equipped with ways of dealing with these cases.

"There are teachers that have heard it and look the other way because they don't know how to respond,"

she said. "At a minimum, they should be able to say 'Hey, you can't say that word, it's against our district policy.'"

She even cited the district's Local Control and Accountability Plan which states that the district must "work intentionally to uncover systemic barriers to equity and inclusion, and then work to foster an inclusive equity centered culture."

She asked what the district is doing to achieve this goal and said even though the district has its Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Task Force, she feels like the task force hasn't been doing anything other than listening campaigns that don't get any real work done.

"What I took away from the listening campaign was a parent who commented that we've had meetings like this before, and nothing ever changes," Lashawn Atkinson said. "To me, that makes the task force and listening campaign feel performative."

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## TEACHERS

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to July 2022 to receive credit for years of service up to the (15th year) that will be effective in July 2024 for those individuals," Sheikholeslami said.

But while the rest of the board celebrated what they said were much deserved raises, increased stipends and overall improvements to the teachers' contract, one big part of the discussion last week was how to make sure PUSD does better in bargaining with the union in the future and it doesn't get to the point where teachers, parents and students have to beg for the two sides to reach an agreement.

"Tonight we mark the culmination of countless, countless hours of negotiations," APT President Cheryl Atkins said during the meeting. "Our educators are looking forward to receiving their compensation and more importantly, to continue work that will bring us together as a district

rather than on opposite sides. This needs to be the goal continuing forward in all aspects from district and school sites."

Trustee Kelly Mokashi said that work has to start at the top with the board and the district. "We need to work together," she said.

Mokashi pointed out that much like in 2021, the teachers union authorized a strike if necessary this year as well, adding that this year the district needs to actively work on making change so they don't have to face these challenges in the future.

"It's not just going back to the sites and talking to the teachers in the schools and figuring out how we're going to work together moving forward," Mokashi said. "I would like a governance workshop, where we're going to work together talking collectively as a board, which includes the superintendent and the trustees, as well as our cabinet, and we're going to talk together about how we're going to move forward so we are not in this

position again next year."

The rest of the board agreed with Mokashi's idea as she said it will be important to include not just PUSD and the teachers but the parents and the rest of the community as well.

"This has been really a truly difficult experience and I want to talk about the process that we got to reach this agreement because I think we can improve things," Board President Mary Jo Carreon said. "We have to rebuild trust and I think we need better communication."

"What I'd like to see is when we have negotiations, if we could have joint communications instead of this is what one side says this is what the other side says," she added. "It's kind of like a battle, and it became divisive. I know that there are some districts that work together on messaging together and saying this is what we decided. I know it's hard to do, but I think we can do that."

However, another major part of the discussion as the board approved the

agreement was the financial strain it is going to put on the district's budget.

According to Sheikholeslami, the district will have to make about \$8.6 million of reductions in how much it spends on salaries and benefits. The board had already approved some resolutions back in February that identified a handful of positions across the district — from teachers and staff to administrators and managers — to be cut.

Sheikholeslami said that with the phased implementation of the various raises included in the district, along with plans to pull additional funds from things like the after school and summer programs, should help the district maintain its required 3% budget reserves.

However, as the board later voted on committing to fiscal solvency, Sheikholeslami also pointed out that due to other factors like state funding, the district would have to look at reducing its overall workforce by at least 30 positions.

"The right sizing means that as our enrollment has been decreasing, we need to adjust our staffing accordingly," he said. "That will be through every level of the organization."

"All of those staffing reductions will either be captured through the reduction of forces that the board has approved, and through the temporary contracts that we are not bringing back," he added. "There are not going to be any layoffs of permanent staff, it's going to be within those kinds of boundaries that we have that may look like less (class) sections at the secondary schools."

### In other business

Teachers weren't the only ones who got raises last week as the

board approved a 3.1% salary increase for management, which includes principals, vice principals, coordinators and other administrative staff.

Part of the agreement also included raising the district's health coverage contribution from \$10,284 to \$12,256. These compensation increases do not include the district's executive cabinet.

"We did look at comparables (and) we'd still remain competitive with the salary schedule with our local school districts in the Tri-Valley area," Sheikholeslami said.

However, part of the discussion for this item revolved around how management has in the past received increases when either the teachers or classified staff unions received raises. Classified staff will receive what's known as a "me too" clause raise, which is included in their contract with the district, but management doesn't have that sort of clause in their agreements, even though they have received similar compensation raises in the past.

Because of this, the board agreed to approve the 3.1% increase with the stipulation that the district will look at its budget over these next couple of months and return in October to see if they can give management a higher raise.

"I've heard a lot of celebrations tonight but my guess is that the management team is not celebrating," said Maher, who initially brought up the idea to bring this item back in October. "I know this is a cost move money wise but I'm concerned that our management may be feeling disrespected when you have me too clauses, other people are giving nice raises, then we say 3.1% (for them)." ■



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# A community gives back: 2024 Dublin Pride Week

Activities celebrate city and environmental awareness in week ahead

By NICOLE GONZALES

Families, students, city leaders and organizations are gearing up for the annual Dublin Pride Week, a celebration of community spirit coinciding with Earth Day.

From this Saturday to the next (April 20-27), residents of all ages are invited to join in a series of events and activities aimed at making a positive impact on the city and the planet.

“As Dublin residents come together to participate in Pride Week activities they demonstrate their pride in their community and their dedication to making a positive impact on the environment,” Dublin city spokesperson Shari Jackman said.

“By fostering a culture of volunteerism and environmental stewardship, Dublin Pride Week serves as a shining example of collective action for the greater good,” Jackman added.

At the heart of Dublin Pride Week is the Volunteer Day, scheduled for Saturday (April 20) at Emerald Glen Park from 8 a.m. to noon.

Hundreds of volunteers will participate in beautification projects at the park and throughout the city.

From cleaning up parks and trails to planting trees, there are opportunities for everyone to get involved in giving back to their community.

While all ages are welcome, Dublin city staff said safety regulations stipulate that those under 15 must be accompanied by an adult.

Additional events will be held at Emerald Glen Park this Saturday.

From 8 a.m. to noon, Amador Valley Industries will hold a compost giveaway while supplies last. Residents of Dublin will be able to take home one free bag of compost material. The giveaway will be a drive-thru event in the Emerald Glen Park parking lot off of Gleason Drive.

Another highlight is the Lawn to Garden Party, a collaboration between the city and Zone 7 Water Agency. This event offers participants the chance to transform parts of Emerald Glen Park into low-water gardens.

Volunteers will gain hands-on experience in lawn removal, sheet mulching, and the conversion of sprinkler systems to more efficient drip irrigation.

With guidance from staff, participants will learn about water conservation techniques and available

rebates, empowering them to make sustainable choices in their own homes.

Residents can also participate in a Prescription Drug Take-Back/Document Shredding/E-Waste Collection Event at Dublin Civic Center, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hosted by the Dublin Police Services, the event is meant to promote safe disposal of medications and electronic waste.

City of Dublin staff say only prescription pills, tablets, capsules and other solid drugs will be accepted, liquid prescriptions will not be eligible for disposal. DPS will offer an e-waste collection service and a document shredding truck at the event.

Throughout the week residents can engage with a number of city-sponsored activities.

Dublin partnered with the Children’s Emergency Food Bank to host a week-long supply drive. Donation drop off locations will be available throughout the city at various locations including



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The 2024 Dublin Pride Week from April 20-27 will include a number of free activities as a way to encourage community.

the Dublin Library, Civic Center, Shannon Community Center and The Wave.

New to this year’s festivities is the Care Package Supply Drive, organized in partnership with CityServe of the Tri-Valley. Donation receptacles located at city facilities will provide an opportunity for residents to support those in need by contributing essential supplies.

The sites include the Dublin Library, Civic Center, Shannon Community Center and The Wave.

The Plogging Challenge offers a way to combine fitness with

environmental action. To “plog” participants jog or walk while picking up trash along the way, raising awareness about stormwater pollution and contributing to a cleaner environment.

Dublin Pride Week culminates with the Household Hazardous Waste Collection event on April 27, offering residents the chance to dispose of hazardous materials safely and responsibly. Currently, the event registration is at capacity.

To find out more information about Dublin Pride week, visit [www.dublin.ca.gov](http://www.dublin.ca.gov). ■

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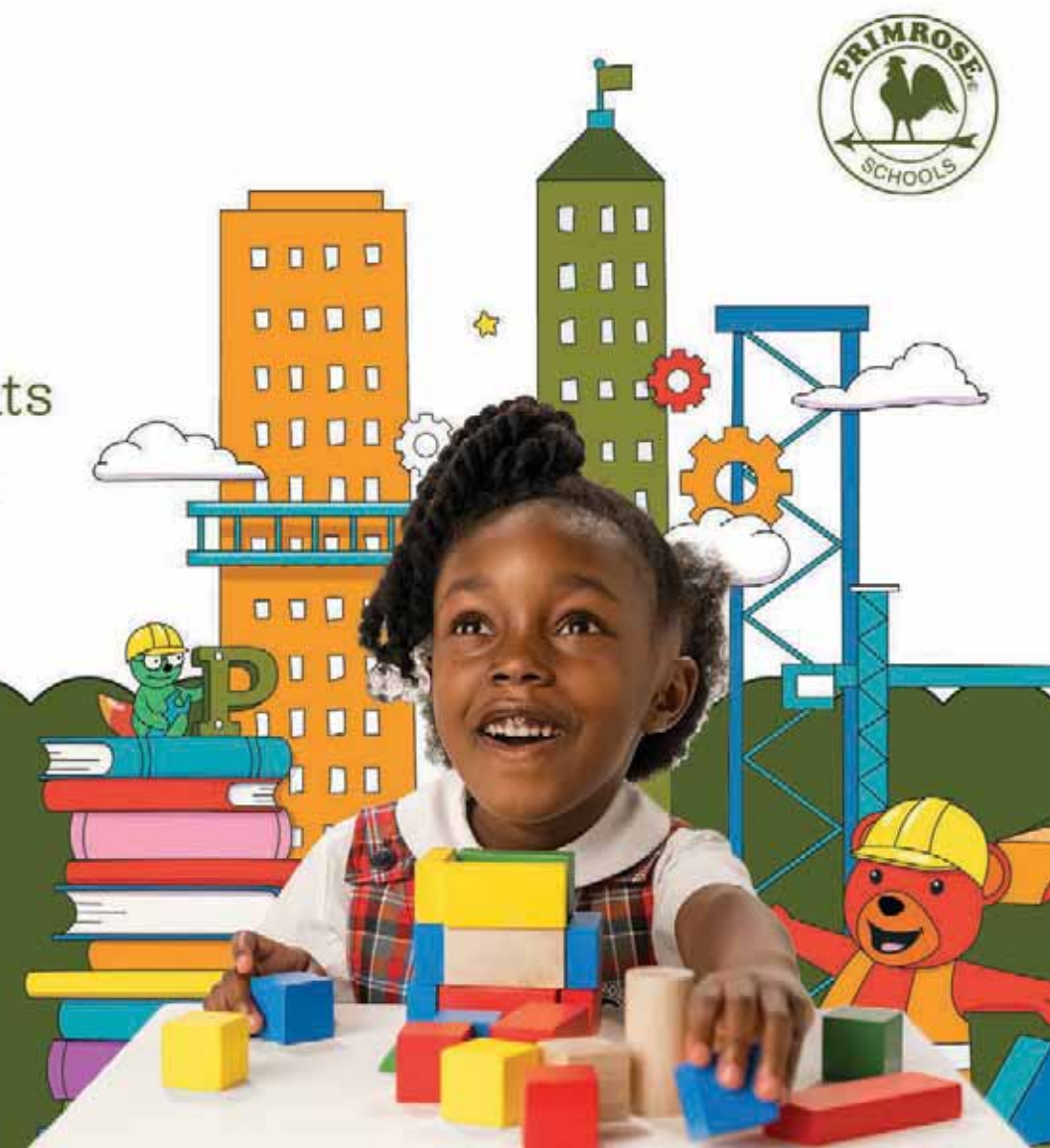
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# New educational farm could soon be coming to fairgrounds

Foundation looking to break ground later this year on recently named 'Safeway Barn'

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

The Alameda County Fair Foundation recently announced that it has partnered with Safeway to formally name the foundation's educational farm it plans to build at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton.

Valerie Shirk, executive director of the Alameda County Fair Foundation, told the Weekly that by naming it the Safeway Barn, the foundation is now one step closer to meeting the project's fundraising goals for this year in order to break ground on construction.

"We are thrilled to welcome Safeway to The Farm family," Jerome Hoban, CEO of the Alameda County Agricultural Fair Association, said in the fair foundation's April 10 press release. "The Farm brings a new era of

community enrichment. The Farm will be an invaluable educational resource, offering students first-hand experiences at the intersection of agriculture and technology. Together with Safeway, we are sowing the seeds of knowledge and inspiration into our community."

Shirk said the foundation was formed in 2016 with the mission of developing agriculture education projects and programs at the fairgrounds. She said that the foundation's Board of Trustees agreed to dedicate over 2 acres of the fairgrounds for the farm project in 2019.

After getting the approval from the county Board of Supervisors, the foundation kicked off the capital campaign for the farm in 2022 as its first attempt at creating an educational facility that emphasizes agriculture technology.

Shirk said the proposed location for the farm would be just inside the red gate in the grassy area, which is also known as AgVenture Park.

She said it's where people would typically find the racing pigs during the Alameda County Fair and that a paddock has been designed into the overall project in order to accommodate pig races in the future.

According to the Alameda County Fairgrounds website, the farm will have programming and curriculum on things like animal and plant sciences, renewable energy and water conservation, health and nutrition, and many other topics. It will also have live animals and crops; a modern barn, greenhouse and lab; and indoor classrooms with kitchens.

The overall goal of the farm is to be a field trip destination for students as well as a community resource, according to the foundation.

However, funding the construction of the project is still up in the air.

Shirk said the Alameda County Agricultural Fair Association will design, build and maintain the farm, but in terms of funding, that will depend on the county fair foundation.

"The Alameda County Fair Foundation is fundraising for



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A rendering of what the barn and petting corral would look like at The Farm at the fairgrounds in Pleasanton.

capital construction costs," Shirk said. "Funding sources include corporate and individual donors, grants, sponsorships and discretionary funds from elected officials. The Alameda County Fair Board has also committed \$500,000 towards construction."

In total, Shirk said the overall cost for the facility is approximately \$10 million and because of the high price tag, she said the construction will be spread out in four phases.

The first phase, which Shirk said is estimated to cost \$2 million, will be constructing the barn, paddock and a petting corral. Phase two will establish plant life and an outdoor pavilion, phase three will be

adding the lab and classrooms and the final phase will be building the greenhouse.

The recent partnership with Safeway, Shirk said, helped meet the foundation's funding goals to break ground on the first phase this year.

"As both a community resource and a field trip destination, the farm will offer hands-on ways to learn where our food comes from," Shirk said. "The farm can also inspire the next generation of farmers: seeing the latest innovations will get kids excited about working with agriculture technology and dreaming up even better ways to produce our food in the future." ■



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## BROWN

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known as forever chemicals — which were found in the city's groundwater wells and the city's aging water system infrastructure.

"When PFAS ... were detected in parts per trillion (in) all three of the city's drinking water wells, we used extreme caution and closed all three wells," Brown told the Weekly. "So more infrastructure and capital expenditures were needed for the proper flow and pressure of our drinking water system."

Brown said the city would normally use funds from Pleasanton's water enterprise fund to pay for these improvements and infrastructure replacements but because the city had not adjusted its water rates since 2011, she and the City Council had to make the difficult decision to increase those rates last November.

She said those increases over this year and next year will bring in much needed money back into the water fund's reserve so the city can provide quality water services.

"As we rebuild our funding reserves, we will have the money to pay for the improvements such as the addition of new turn out pipe from Zone 7 supplies, to add

pipin in areas where the wells were, and additional pumps to balance water pressure in the system," Brown said.

A Pleasanton resident for more than 25 years, Brown was first elected as mayor in 2020 after defeating four other candidates. She was reelected in 2022 after running unopposed.

Before her tenure as mayor, she served eight years on the City Council, including two years as vice mayor.

Brown said during her first year serving as mayor during the pandemic, she not only worked with city staff and local hospitals to get outdoor COVID testing, vaccine and food distribution services running at the Alameda County Fairgrounds, she also listened to residents and businesses who were struggling during those economically challenging times.

"Pleasanton closed down Main Street and relaxed policies so businesses could utilize parklets and outdoor dining throughout Pleasanton," Brown said. "We got through it and most of our businesses survived due to the



Karla Brown

partnership that was developed together."

But the pandemic also took a toll on the city's economy and its budget, which is why Brown said she is committed to developing a sustainable city budget that will maintain as many services as possible, while also removing capital projects — such as the Ken Mercer Sports Park skate park and Century House renovation projects — to tighten the budget.

She also said she will continue to campaign for smart growth policies in order to meet state housing mandates and supports a balanced approach for local jobs and remote job options to improve residents' quality of life.

Brown said she will continue to refuse donations from builders and developers and will make sure she considers all sides of any issue in order to vote for what is best for Pleasanton as a whole.

"I take great pride in my contributions which helped to form Pleasanton as a highly sought-after community," Brown said in her press release. "Together we enjoy a beautiful and safe city, an historic downtown, scenic ridgelines, and a family-friendly community ready to help our neighbors."

More information about Brown's campaign is available at [vote4karla.com](http://vote4karla.com). ■

# Registrar says DA Price recall petition has enough signatures

Required amount of valid voter names met, even though nearly 50,000 others were tossed out

By BAY CITY NEWS SERVICE

There are enough valid signatures to call for a recall election of Alameda County District Attorney Pamela Price, the county registrar of voters said Monday.

Following the announcement, organizers of the recall campaign are urging the Board of Supervisors to “follow the will of the people.”

“Save Alameda For Everyone (SAFE) is thrilled to announce a significant milestone in its efforts to ensure accountability and transparency in the District Attorney’s Office,” the group said in

a statement sent out Monday evening. “After months of tireless grassroots organizing and community outreach, the Alameda County Registrar of Voters confirmed today that SAFE has successfully gathered enough signatures to trigger a recall election for Pamela Price, Alameda County District Attorney.”

On March 4, the Alameda County



Pamela Price

Registrar of Voters’ Office received 123,374 signatures supporting the petition to recall Price.

According to the registrar, each signature has been examined and the number of valid signatures was found to be sufficient to call for a recall election. The office said that nearly 50,000 signatures were disqualified, but the required amount of valid signatures has been met.

The registrar will certify its results with the Alameda County Board of Supervisors at the next regular meeting for which an item may be placed on the agenda, which is currently scheduled for April 30.

The proponents needed a minimum of 73,195 valid signatures. The number of valid signatures on the petition is 74,757. The total number of signatures disqualified was 48,617.

Brenda Grisham, SAFE’s principal officer, responded to the registrar’s news on Monday.

“Today marks a historic moment for our community,” she said. “The resounding support for this recall petition sends a clear message that the people of Alameda County demand accountability and ethical leadership from their elected officials.”

SAFE said in March that it’s a broad coalition of Alameda County residents, business owners, victims, victims’ families, and concerned citizens who have come together in the face of rising crime and what it says is a “failure by DA Price to hold perpetrators accountable.”

“DA Price is jeopardizing the safety of every resident and business in Alameda County, by failing to enforce the law, prosecute criminals, and keep violent offenders off our streets,” the group said.

Price did not immediately release a statement about the registrar’s announcement. ■

## DENIES

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that the property’s land use zoning does not permit residential development unless it’s a nursing home or assisted living facility.

“In this instance, the Hacienda PUD designates the subject parcel site lot 20 as garden office, which does not permit residential development, except nursing homes and assisted living facilities,” Diego Mora, associate planner, told the commission. “The applications for design review and vesting tentative tract map are inconsistent with relative general plan provisions and the applicable PUD zoning for the site.”

Even though True Life resubmitted its completed applications, staff said they needed to apply for a major planned unit development modification, which would have helped the project move forward.

However, True Life representatives including the company’s executive vice president Aidan Barry, told the commission they do not agree with the city’s stance and said that Pleasanton staff were actually in the wrong.

“I’m disappointed,” Barry said. “Normally at this point in my presentation, I would look you all square in the eyes and thank staff ... you and the team that has kind of been reviewing our project. But I can’t do that tonight. We’re in a very awkward position.”

Barry said the project should have been approved pursuant to Senate Bill 330 — which essentially reduces regulatory barriers for new housing developments — and that it would have provided Pleasanton “desperately needed housing.”

“The True Life Companies aims to provide attainable housing so that our children and grandchildren can live and prosper where we do,” Barry said.

He also said he was disappointed in how his company’s legal stance and narrative on why state law is in the developer’s favor with building

the project on that land was the last 20 pages of a staff report that is over 250 pages long.

“I don’t think you were able to grasp through that kind of presentation of the staff report exactly the nuances associated with state law that apply to this parcel and what we’re attempting to accomplish,” Barry said.

That’s why he brought Bryan Wenter, a land use attorney for The True Life Companies, to speak on why the company believes the project should have been approved and why it does not require a rezoning because of SB 330.

Wenter was actually involved in authoring SB 330 and said that he disagreed with what staff presented in their report.

“I think it’s incorrect on the facts, it’s incorrect on the law and it’s incorrect on state housing policy,” he said. “What your staff report does not squarely present to you is what your general plan actually says, which is that the mixed use business park land use designation that applies to this property expressly refers to the mixed use land use designation in the General Plan, which does allow residential development at 20 plus units per acre.”

Wenter said the city’s General Plan overrules the zoning designation that staff have been referring to as the reason why the project can’t be built there. In plain terms, he said the General Plan cannot defer to zoning in this case.

“The plan controls the zoning,” Wenter said. “The zoning doesn’t control the plan. All by itself, that is incorrect on the law irrespective of State Housing Law.”

He also said that the zoning designation, which does not permit residential development there unless it’s a nursing home or assisted living facility, is inconsistent with the city’s General Plan because nursing homes and assisted living facilities are not residential homes.

Because of these and several other of his arguments, Wenter explained to the commission how

the city needed to favor housing by approving the project and how the city could face some legal repercussions if the commission denied it.

“There’s consequences in getting it wrong,” he said. “If a developer has to sue because the project is unlawfully disapproved, and they prevail, you pay for the privilege of your own attorneys and you pay for the privilege of the developers attorneys ... In addition, there’s the possibility of \$10,000 per unit fines and a five times multiplier.”

But city staff still maintained their recommendation to deny the project and after the commission noted how most of them weren’t privy to make such nuanced legal decisions, they decided to side with city staff.

Commissioner Vivek Mohan mentioned that he thought the proposed development was a good project and had even asked if staff and the developer could come back in a few weeks so they can discuss things further. Staff, however, made it clear that additional time wouldn’t change things.

Commissioner Anurag Jain also pointed out the project fell short in other areas — for example there wasn’t a traffic environmental impact study conducted — which is why, aside from all the legal issues, he couldn’t support the project.

But he, like Mohan, also wanted to see if the city and developers could come back at a later time because of how much the city does desperately need housing in order to meet its state-mandated Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) numbers.

“We want more housing in this city,” Jain said. “We want it done in the right way and we’re not opposed to housing. In fact, we are running deficit on our RHNA numbers.”

Ultimately, the lack of traffic and environmental analysis coupled with all of the legal jargon and differing perspectives made it so that the commission decided against the project.

“The city may be taking some risk if this project is ultimately denied and litigation takes place, but that is apparently a position that the city is encouraging us to take,”

Gaidos said. “My indication would be to go along with staff’s recommendation to deny the project ... with the caveat that we could be wrong.” ■

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# Haubert reflects on new term on Board of Supervisors

Ready to work with peers, communities 'to achieve our shared vision for a better future'

BY NICOLE GONZALES

Following an uncontested race in the March 5 primary election, Supervisor David Haubert is embarking on his second term representing Alameda County's District 1.

Haubert will continue to represent the areas of Livermore, Dublin, and parts of Fremont, Sunol and Pleasanton. As one of five elected leaders on the board, Haubert plays a crucial role in overseeing the county budget, setting policy direction and awarding county contracts, among other duties.

Throughout his time on the board, Haubert has championed various issues, including homelessness, maintaining fiscal responsibility and advocating for improvements to traffic and roadways within Alameda County.

Haubert expressed gratitude and determination in an interview following the certification of election results.

"My goal for the upcoming term is to build on the progress we've made and continue working tirelessly to address the pressing issues facing our community," Haubert told Livermore Vine.

"I'm committed to finding innovative solutions ... I look forward to collaborating with my fellow supervisors and community stakeholders to achieve our shared vision for a better future," he added.

Haubert holds decades-long ties to the local government and leadership positions.

Haubert's public service dates back to 2002, when he was elected to the Dublin Unified School District Board of Trustees. He would spend 10 years

on the board, serving in both the president and vice president roles. In 2012, he transitioned to municipal governance by winning a seat on the Dublin City Council. Two years later, he was elected as the mayor of Dublin.

He was first elected to his current role as District 1 supervisor in 2020.

As part of his duties as District 1 supervisor, Haubert serves on the Alameda County Transportation Commission, the Livermore-Amador Valley Transportation Authority, and the Alameda County Local Area Formation Commission.

"We need to invest in infrastructure upgrades to alleviate traffic and improve public transportation. Additionally I'm committed to fostering economic development and job creation to ensure our community's resilience in the post-pandemic recovery," Haubert said. "My vision is to ensure that we continue to grow sustainably while preserving our unique character and sense of community."

His reelection campaign garnered support from local and regional affiliations including the Deputy Sheriffs Association of Alameda County, Livermore Pleasanton Firefighters Union, and the Livermore Police Association.

"Now more than ever, it's crucial that we come together as a community to address the challenges we face," Haubert said. "By working together, we can build a brighter future for all residents of Alameda County." ■



David Haubert

## SLUR

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Simon Atkinson said that while he and his wife have told their son to deny giving passes to kids that he considers friends and to tell them that using the word is not OK, the scenario keeps happening and it is violating his 13-year-old son's dignity.

"This is not a burden that not only my son is carrying, but every African American student in your district is carrying as well," he said.

Apart from the father giving the board ideas of ways to combat this issue — such as putting out statements and using other school district's policies as examples — Jill Carbone, a faculty member at Las Positas College, also backed the two parents by saying she agreed with

them and that PUSD needs to take action as soon as possible.

"This is a lightning rod issue and it's not going to get better if we ignore it," Carbone said. "For the immediate future, I expect the district to create a policy that the 'n word' will not be tolerated on our campuses as well as in extracurricular activities."

Like the Atkinsons, Carbone said that other districts that faced similar issues have found solutions and that it is time for PUSD to do the same.

"It is time for our district to take action against these repeated acts of racism and create a welcoming and equitable learning environment for all of our students," she said.

Board President Mary Jo Carreon said that she was "horrified" by what the Atkinsons shared and asserted that future discussions on the matter will be had. ■

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—Kay King, board chair, REACH

### Thank you, and an update

I wanted to send you a quick note to thank you one more time, for an article that Dolores Fox Ciardelli wrote on our social initiative HumanKIND Cookies ("Valley Views: Cookies for a cause" in March 2021).

At the time, I was 14 and my sister Sara was 16. We had started baking and selling cookies in 2020 (during the pandemic) to support families in need in our parents' home country. So many local people trusted us with their orders after the article was published, and four years later, we continue to sell our cookies to fund food and school supplies.

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—Mateo Molina

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—Andrea Wilson,  
executive director, PPIE

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—Lisa McNaney, executive director,  
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### Almost rodeo time

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Tickets for the 106th annual Livermore Rodeo on June 8 and 9 are now available online. See the world's top cowboys and cowgirls competing in bronc riding, barrel racing, roping, bull riding and much more.

Reserve your seats by going to [Livermorerodeo.com](http://Livermorerodeo.com) and then click on tickets to get started. Please help avoid ticket fraud by being certain you are on this site only. Tickets are not sold through any other sites. A limited number of Parking Passes and Mixer tickets are also available online.

We look forward to seeing you, your neighbors and friends, at the "World's Fastest Rodeo".

—John Lawrence, LSRA board member

### Thank you, Holiday Fund

On behalf of Axis Community Health, I would like to thank the Pleasanton Weekly for their generous donation of \$5,171 through the 2023-24 Holiday Fund. Your support is invaluable in furthering our mission to provide comprehensive health care services to medically underserved populations in the Tri-Valley area.

With your donation, we can further address our community's pressing

need for behavioral health services. As we witness a growing demand for mental health care, particularly among low-income and uninsured individuals, your contribution will make a tangible difference in bridging the gap in access to essential services.

The funds raised through the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund will be specifically allocated to providing critical behavioral health counseling services to those who lack insurance or are underinsured.

We would like to express our deep gratitude for Pleasanton Weekly's support, emphasizing the pivotal role your contribution plays in advancing our mission. Together, we are breaking barriers and promoting health equity, ensuring that everyone has access to the mental health services they need, regardless of their financial circumstances.

We look forward to continuing our collaboration to create a healthier, more resilient community for all!

—Liz Perez-Howe, CEO, Axis

### Holiday Fund makes a difference

We are deeply grateful for the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund's donation of \$5,171, which Valley Humane Society received via electronic wire transfer from the Embarcadero Media Foundation on March 20, 2024.

This gift will make a real difference in the lives of animals in need, providing them with a second chance and a brighter future. On behalf of all of us at Valley Humane Society and the animals in our care, I want to thank you. This gift makes possible services and programs which change the lives of thousands of companion animals and the people who love them each year.

With the help of caring donors and community organizations like yours, Valley Humane Society has successfully facilitated the adoption of more than 100 animals into loving forever homes this year. In addition to these adoptions, we are thrilled to announce that we have performed 1,143 spay and neuter surgeries at Valley Humane's Phil Scholz Veterinary Surgery Center in the first two months of 2024.

Your generous gift will directly contribute to this essential work, ensuring that more animals receive the care and loving homes they need and deserve. Thank you for believing in our mission and for your continued support.

Together, we are making a difference in the lives of animals and creating a more compassionate world for all beings.

—Melanie Sadek, president,  
Valley Humane Society



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# 'A love letter to our community'

Livermore Valley Arts unveils stacked lineup for upcoming season at Bankhead Theater

By JEREMY WALSH

Are you a Monty Python fan? Or perhaps "Fawty Towers" or Harry Potter are more your bag?

Do you want to hear a Grammy winner who made hay from the land "Down Under"? Or another who made his mark recounting his memorable night "Walking in Memphis"?

Maybe you've always wanted to see "Shipooi", or a Mozart opera, or Mexican ballet, or Jim Henson characters, or Bollywood choreography performed on the stage in your lifetime. Or learn more about the rise and fall of the Sex Pistols, or one of the most infamous abductions of this century, or the experience of being an "American Idol" runnerup.

Or just looking to go to the theater "Because the Night" is calling you?

"When we say we have something for everyone, we kind of do," said Ruth Eggherman, director of marketing for Livermore Valley Arts.

The nonprofit organization, which operates the Bankhead Theater and Bothwell Arts Center in Livermore, this week unveiled the 2024-25 season lineup for its marquee venue in downtown — led by its trademark "Bankhead Presents" series while also highlighting performances coming up for the Bankhead's resident troupes like Tri-Valley Theatre Company and Livermore Valley Opera.

"This season is a love letter to our community," LVA Executive Director Chris Carter said in the

season launch press release.

"I so often receive notes or calls requesting return visits from a group or artists that have wowed audiences from the Bankhead stage," Carter added. "This season is a wonderful mix of genres that will not only continue to bring high-quality arts programming to the Tri-Valley but will also bring back many much-demanded return visit artists from over the years for the delight of our patrons."

The scheduling process begins about 18 months in advance, according to Carter. He said after giving first priority to its resident companies, whose dates are often reserved several years out, LVA focuses on Bankhead Presents with an eye toward Friday through Sunday slots for about four to seven shows a month. (Remaining dates are opened up to renters and other inquiries, he noted.)

"I work with about 30 different agencies representing thousands of touring artists. It's important to have good relationships with the agents so that they can learn more about our space and audience," Carter told Embarcadero Media Foundation.

"We have several conversations where I review their rosters of artists, and I inquire about certain ones and they also make suggestions. Much of it depends on what we feel will be a good fit based on our audience and size," he said.

"A typical offer includes a guaranteed fee along with some kind of

agreement about their rider — additional needs like meals, backline equipment, travel, hotel, etc. Our ticket structure is based on that fee. Sometimes we include bonuses or ticket splits. Every agreement is a little different," Carter added, offering a behind-the-scenes look at the booking process.

The hard work seems to have paid off. The stacked list of 2024-25 Bankhead Presents performances (at approximately 40 acts so far) speaks for itself.

The season kicks off on Sept. 7 with singer and actress Katharine McPhee, who finished in second place on "American Idol" in 2006, headlining the Brilliance at the Bankhead fundraising gala.

During the next week, the annual Rae Dorough Speaker Series starts with British singer John Lydon (aka Johnny Rotten, of groups including the Sex Pistols) telling stories of his life and career on Sept. 13.

It's an eclectic mix for the RDSS in the year ahead, with appearances set to include English comedian and actor John Cleese (Nov. 17), science journalist James Nestor (Jan. 23), teenage kidnapping survivor turned activist through her namesake foundation Elizabeth Smart (March 30) and "Star Trek" universe science adviser Erin Macdonald, Ph.D. (May 4).

Cleese, an alumnus of the Monty Python and Harry Potter series as well as a range of other well-known film and television roles, is among

the acts Carter is particularly thrilled to see come to Livermore in the new season.

"I'm excited about all the shows, but I'm probably most looking forward to Colin Hay who was the frontman for Men at Work, one of the biggest bands in the world in the '80s," he said. "Other new shows that I'm really pumped about are John Cleese, The Jayhawks, 10,000 Maniacs and comedian Gary Gulman. Oh and definitely Fraggles Rock Live."

Eggherman echoed the sentiment about Grammy winner Hay. "A solo acoustic set in the intimate Bankhead? That's a no-brainer," she told Embarcadero Media Foundation.

"I'm also excited to have Selected Shorts returning — it was so much fun last year, and I look forward to a whole new crop of actors reading us great short fiction," she said. "I'm also a self-proclaimed theatre geek; I'm looking forward to the return of L.A. Theatre Works and their new production, 'A Room with a View,' based on E.M. Forster's novel."

Another new standout on the schedule, according to LVA officials, is "Cosmic Odyssey: Immersive Encounters with the Universe," which will offer an outer space experience on the Bankhead stage on select dates in October and November.

"One will be able to find themselves surrounded by a vast 360-degree projection of the universe, bringing iconic NASA images to life with



Rhythm India: Bollywood and Beyond with

unprecedented realism and inspiring narration, witnessing the majestic swirls of distant galaxies, the fiery birth of stars and the serene beauty of our own Earth from orbit," LVA reps said. "In truly an unprecedented type of event at Livermore Valley Arts, our stage will become the portal to the cosmos, immersing viewers in the wonders of space exploration."

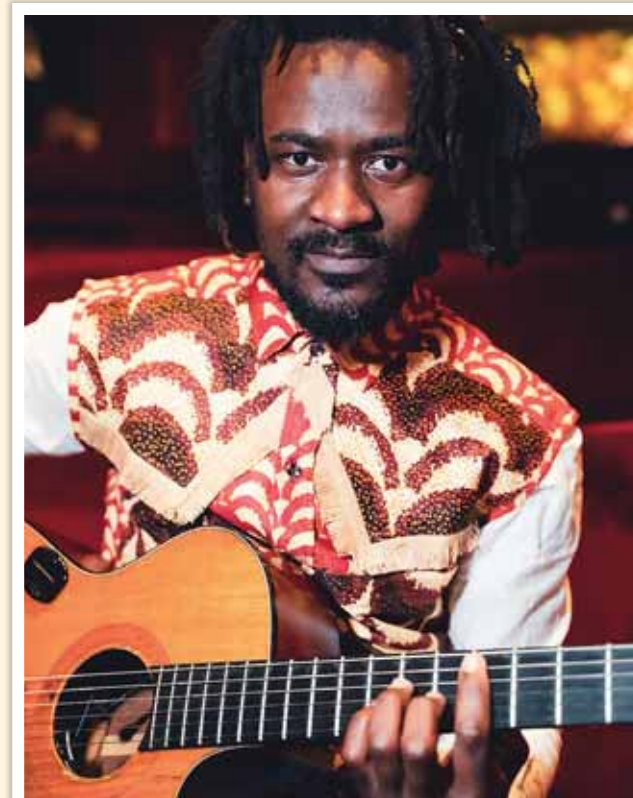
The next season serves to embody LVA's mission to "engage, enrich and inspire our diverse community" — especially at a time when entertainment could be extra-well embraced, according to Eggherman.

"As stress levels rise due to another contentious and bitter presidential election, Livermore Valley Arts is



COURTESY LVA

Audiences will be ready to get Mostly Kosher at the Bankhead on Dec. 23.



COURTESY LVA

Niwel Tsumbu is set to be among the performers at International Guitar Night's 25th anniversary tour stop in Livermore on Feb. 21.



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COURTESY LVA

take to the Bankhead Theater stage during Valentine's Day weekend 2025.



COURTESY LVA

The current lineup of alternative rock group 10,000 Maniacs is coming to Livermore on Nov. 23.

bringing comfort," she said. "We are offering command performances of some of our favorite artists, such as Marc Cohn, Funny Women of a Certain Age, God is a Scottish Drag Queen, Rita Rudner, International Guitar Night, Selected Shorts and Syncopated Ladies: Live!"

Nostalgia will play its role too, with acts like Forever Motown: So Good for the Soul (Sept. 20), Karla Bonoff & JD Souther (Sept. 27), Big 80s Live (Nov. 24), Doo Wop Project Holiday Show (Dec. 8), John Denver Tribute starring Jim Curry (Jan. 4) and Classic Albums Live — Stevie Ray Vaughan (Jan. 31).

Other notable shows will include the SF Comedy Competition on Sept.

19, "The Office Trivia with Todd Packer" starring David Koechner on Oct. 11, Ballet Folklorico Mexicano de Carlos Moreno on Oct. 20, the U.S. Air Force Holiday Band on Dec. 9, Tres Souls — Boleros De Navidad on Dec. 16, Texas Tenors on Jan. 17 and Rhythm India: Bollywood and Beyond on Feb. 16.

The Bankhead is also home to a handful of resident companies who will fill the stage with their creative talents in the upcoming year.

Livermore Valley Opera is performing "Daughter of the Regiment" in the fall and Mozart's "Don Giovanni" in late winter.

Tri-Valley Theatre Company will present its rendition of "The Music

Man" in July, as well as a yet-unnamed production in January, according to Eggherman.

"Del Valle Fine Arts has a full lineup beginning in October that includes Jon Nakamatsu and The Moanin' Frogs," she said. "The Livermore Amador Symphony has four concerts planned for their regular season that include Festive Fairy Tales and their season closing event is called Celestial Sounds."

"Pacific Chamber Orchestra has four concerts planned from September to June of 2025, including their popular Handel's Messiah. Finally, Valley Dance Theatre will be in the theater for a large part of December with their Nutcracker,

and every spring, they have a mixed repertory program," Eggherman added. "The resident companies really showcase the talent right here in our community."

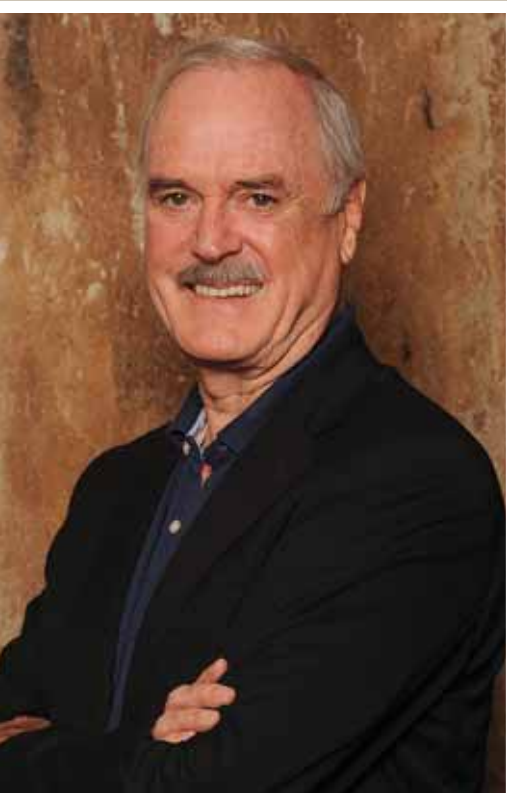
Encouraging and cultivating local creativity is an important part of LVA's programming each year, particularly with classes and workshops at the Bothwell Arts Center such as the familiar painting and drawing for kids and adults, along with jewelry-making sessions, piano lessons and a comedy workshop, according to Eggherman.

"We're not just about what's on stage; we're also about what's on the walls, what's happening at The Bothwell, what are kids in the art

camp creating and whether they feel inspired," she said, adding:

"At the same time, our vision is to be the catalyst of a dynamic and vibrant arts region. We work hard to collaborate and work with other venues, artists, educational institutions, wine growers, and travel and tourism organizations to help make the Tri-Valley a destination and a place brimming with arts and culture. I know it sounds cheesy, but that's what gets us up in the morning."

Tickets for the 2024-25 Bankhead Presents series are on presale for LVA members only now through May 1, when sales are opened to the general public starting at noon that day. Learn more at [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org). ■



COURTESY LVA

A Conversation with John Cleese" as part of the Rae Speaker Series on Nov. 17.



COURTESY LVA

John Lydon, aka Johnny Rotten, will kick off the RDSS on Sept. 13.



COURTESY LVA

Karla Bonoff will perform with JD Souther on Sept. 27.

## STUMPYCON CELEBRATES FOUR-LEGGED FRIENDS

Thousands of people and pooches expected to attend event at Pleasanton fairgrounds

BY NICOLE GONZALES

In a flurry of wagging tails, floppy ears, and boundless energy, StumpyCon is set to take Pleasanton by storm this Saturday at the Alameda County Fairgrounds.

Formerly known as Corgi Con, the event has become a staple in the hearts of dog lovers, celebrating the charm and charisma of “short-statured” pups.

Originally held in San Francisco since 2014, the convention made the leap to Pleasanton in 2023 after requiring more space.

“Moving to the fairgrounds has allowed us to expand and accommodate more attendees and activities. Plus, the spacious outdoor venue provides a perfect setting for dogs to socialize, play and have a great time,” said Cynthia Lee, the event’s founder and CEO.

“We’ve been able to offer more amenities and space for both our furry attendees and their human companions. There is plenty of parking, easier access and more room for vendors, activities, and dog-friendly attractions,” Lee added.

While corgis remain the stars of the show, the event has undergone a rebranding to include all dogs of a shorter stature — now dubbed StumpyCon.

Recognizing the diversity within the realm of small dogs, event organizers decided to broaden their horizons and embrace all breeds of a “shorter stature.”

“The decision to change the event name from ‘Corgi Con’ to ‘StumpyCon’ reflects our commitment to inclusivity and celebrating all breeds with short legs, not just corgis,” Lee said. “While corgis hold a special place in our

hearts and have been the inspiration behind our event we wanted to ensure that all dogs with similar characteristics feel welcome and represented.”

“By embracing the term ‘Stumpy’ to encompass a wider range of breeds, we aim to foster a sense of unity and belonging within the short-legged dog community. Whether it’s a corgi, dachshund, basset hound or any other adorable short-legged breed, they’re all equally deserving of recognition and celebration at StumpyCon,” Lee added.

“Our hope is that the name change will resonate with dog lovers of all backgrounds and encourage a more diverse gathering where everyone feels included. After all, it’s not about the breed (but) it’s about the shared joy and companionship that dogs bring into our lives.”

Lee said the event also provides a great opportunity for owners and dogs to connect with each other and celebrate their relationship.

“StumpyCon is also a wonderful opportunity for dogs and their owners to strengthen their bond in a fun and supportive environment,” Lee said. “Throughout the event there are plenty of activities designed to facilitate interaction and connection between dogs and their humans from participating in games and competitions together to exploring the vendor booths.”

Following the success of the 2023 event, which drew over 5,000 humans and 2,000 corgis, expectations are high for another con.

“We see so many pet owners engage with other like-minded dog lovers, exchange tips and stories and forge new friendships based on their mutual love of furry companions. It’s a chance for both dogs and their owners to



STUMPYCON

Formerly known as Corgi Con, StumpyCon is a staple in the hearts of Bay Area small dog lovers.

socialize, make memories, and deepen their relationship in a lively and welcoming community setting,” Lee said.

StumpyCon will include a variety of activities for both human and canine guests to participate in. Highlights of the event include a costume contest, talent showcase and frisbee competition.

“Our costume contests always steal the show. When those dogs strut their stuff in their outfits, everyone absolutely loves it,” Lee said. “The agility courses are a hit too.”

“Guests can also expect a wider variety of food and drink options at StumpyCon thanks to the fairgrounds’ facilities. We’ve partnered with local vendors to offer more for both humans and dogs,” Lee added. “We’re thrilled to be part of the vibrant dog-loving community here and look forward to continuing to grow and evolve with our attendees’ feedback and support.”

Event tickets for the 2024 StumpyCon in Pleasanton, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday (April 20), are available to purchase on the Alameda County Fairgrounds website. ■

## Connecting with nature this Earth Day

Tri-Valley celebrates with community events and guided hikes

BY NICOLE GONZALES

As the globe gears up to celebrate Earth Day, communities across the Tri-Valley are preparing for a series of events aimed at fostering a deeper connection with nature and honoring our planet.

From guided hikes to volunteer projects, residents are encouraged to join in the festivities and take action to protect the environment. Although Earth Day is officially on Monday (April 22), many events will take place the corresponding weekend.

Livermore Area Recreation and Park District is set to kick off the Earth Day celebrations at Sycamore Grove Park on Saturday (April 20) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The park will come alive with activities for all ages, including crafts, guided hikes and volunteer projects.

One highlight of the day is a community volunteer project, where participants will work together to document plant and animal species in a designated area.

According to representatives from LARPD, the event is a reminder that “there is no Planet B,” urging everyone to take responsibility for the well-being of our planet.

LARPD staff will also lead volunteers through invasive species removal work.

Another outdoor recreation organization, the East Bay Regional Park District, will host a range of activities across regional parks in the area.

In Sunol, nature enthusiasts can join a wildflower exploration stroll led by park naturalists from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday. Staff will lead participants through the park and share information on wildflower blooms and native animals.

At Del Valle Park’s Arroyo Road Staging area, visitors will have the opportunity to participate in a wood duck box service activity from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

Led by instructor Josh Armosino, attendees will engage in hands-on conservation work, recording data, counting eggs, and setting up

equipment to support local wildlife.

“We’re thrilled to announce the Wood Duck Box Service activity at Del Valle Park for Earth Day,” Armosino said of the session. “It’s a fantastic opportunity for our community to come together and make a real difference for our local wildlife.”

“This event isn’t just about putting up nesting boxes, it’s about creating homes for wood ducks and supporting the delicate balance of our ecosystem right here in the East Bay,” he added.

This activity not only contributes to environmental preservation but also offers participants the chance to earn two hours of volunteer service.

“By joining this activity people are not only helping wood ducks thrive, but also learning about the importance of conservation and becoming stewards of our natural environment,” Armosino said. “It’s an opportunity to learn about the life cycle of wood ducks and the important role they play in our ecosystem. Building



EBRPD

Silver bush lupine, owl’s clover and California poppy are among the wildflower varieties in bloom at East Bay parks this spring.

and installing wood duck boxes isn’t just a one-time event — it’s an ongoing commitment to the well-being of our local wildlife.”

“Every box we put up is a step towards creating a more sustainable future for our parks and the creatures that call them home,” the naturalist added.

Beyond organized events, many of

the Tri-Valley’s various nature preserves are currently sprouting with wildflower blooms. From fields of poppies to lupines, the region’s diverse landscapes offer vibrant colors.

Visit Tri-Valley representatives recommend Mount Diablo State Park or Las Trampas Wilderness Regional Preserve, among others, as viewing locations. ■

# Chromatica preparing for world premiere of 'Transfigurations'

Danville chorus to showcase new works prepared specifically for them later this month

By JEANITA LYMAN

The eclectic, Danville-based chorale group Chromatica is gearing up for their annual performance season in the coming weeks, with this year's shows marking the world debut of brand-new music prepared specifically for the group by two renowned classical composers.

"Transfigurations" was created by Grammy winner Christopher Tin — who was the first-ever recipient of a Grammy award in 2011 for video game music for his work on the "Civilization IV" soundtrack — along with prolific choral composer and lyricist Tony Silvestri, commissioned by former chorus member Dan Peterson following his departure from the group and the San Ramon Valley.

While the six-movement work is brand new, it has been a long time coming according to Chromatica organizers, marking a major step in the group's evolution since its formation in 2011.

"It has been Chromatica's dream since its foundation 12 years ago to commission and perform major choral works well outside the normal repertoire for community choruses," artistic director David Huff said. "It was far beyond our expectations to be able to work with such remarkable composers and lyricists as Christopher Tin and Tony Silvestri."

"While this will be our third world premiere, it is certainly the most significant and marks a major milestone in Chromatica's development," he continued. "Together with the whole of Chromatica, I am enormously excited to bring this work to the public for the first time and hugely grateful to Dan and Maria Peterson for making this possible."

Following Peterson's donation of \$30,000 to commission an original work for the group amid his move away from the area and during

the beginning of the commission process, he became a widower with the death of his wife Maria, with the group proceeding to dedicate the new work and upcoming performance.

"Transfigurations" consists of six movements that embody — as the name suggests — transfigurations from one thing to another, such as life into light, life into dust, transfiguration of gender, the transformation of Christ and the transfiguration of the soul.

"The piece is based on material that Dan Peterson gave Tony Silvestri, basically musing on his life experiences, so Silvestri came up with this six set part of lyrics," Chromatica co-founder Chris Kenber said. "The piece is called 'Transfigurations' and the whole idea behind the piece is the constance of change — everything changes and everything is always changing."

Chromatica, too, has changed over the years, expanding from seven members at its inception to more than quadruple in size to its 35 members today. The group performs classical works from as far back as the 12th century to the modern day, with its youngest members in their early 20s and its oldest members in their 80s.

The piece and upcoming performances also serve as a return to the Bay Area for Tin, who grew up in Palo Alto and went on to graduate from Stanford University with a bachelor's degree in music composition and a master's degree in interdisciplinary studies with an emphasis on film. He left the area in 1999 for a graduate program in music composition for screen at the Royal College of Music in London.

"I'm very honored to be able to work with Chromatica," Tin said. "I was born and raised in the Bay Area, so getting the opportunity to work with a group so close to my hometown will be a treat. Charles Anthony Silvestri has



CHROMATICA

The 35-member chorale group Chromatica is preparing for the world premiere of their new piece 'Transfigurations' in Walnut Creek and Danville on April 27 and April 28, respectively.

delivered a truly thought-provoking suite of poems that I've diligently set to music, and I'm looking forward to working with the choir to transform them from mere notes on a page to a transcendent concert experience."

The piece starts off by encapsulating fire, then photons and their transference to heat, vegetation, and other products of sunlight. From there it turns towards the human experience in particular, showcasing the Ancient Greek myth of Iphis, the daughter of Telethusa who is threatened with death by her husband Ligdus if she were to give birth to a girl. Iphis is raised as a boy as a result, then ultimately transformed into a man by the goddess Isis.

"It starts with opera voices and as the transformation starts to occur, it shifts to lower voices and even the meter changes, so as the girl becomes a boy the music changes as well,"

Kenber said.

The piece goes on to encapsulate the transfiguration of Christ, then the spiritual lessons showcased by the 14th century Indian poet and mystic Kabir.

"You are the universe and the universe is you, so that's how the piece works out," Kenber said.

With Chromatica shows typically attracting between 150 and 200 attendees, Kenber said he estimated that the turnout for the group's upcoming shows would be approximately the same if not a bit larger.

"Transfigurations" debuts at 7 p.m. in Saint Matthew Lutheran Church at 399 Wiget Lane in Walnut Creek on April 27, followed by an April 28 performance in Peace Lutheran Church at 3201 Camino Tassajara in Danville. Tickets and more information are available at chromaticachorale.org. ■

# Livermore High wins national music festival

Band, orchestra, choir earn 23 combined awards

By BAY CITY NEWS SERVICE

Some Livermore students are celebrating after taking the top prize in a music competition featuring musicians from around the nation.

Music students from Livermore High School won the 2024 WorldStrides OnStage Heritage Festival music competition in late March. The festival brings together young musicians to offer mentorship, education and competition.

The school's musicians traveled to Anaheim in Southern California to compete against 35 ensembles from seven different states and came away with the competition's top honor for comprehensive music program excellence, the Festival Sweepstakes Award.

"When you listen to their performances, it's hard not to be blown away by the talent of our students," Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District Superintendent Chris Van Schaack said. "Livermore High has built an incredible music program, and the results of this

competition are a reflection of the dedication, commitment, and strive for excellence that our music students and educators share."

Justin Enright, Livermore High's music teacher and visual and performing arts department chair, along with vocal music teacher Brendan Lodge, worked on perfecting musical pieces with their students for several months in advance of the WorldStrides competition. After two days of competition, Livermore's band, orchestra, and choir ensembles earned 23 combined awards in a variety of categories, including six individual solo awards, and the Instrumental and Festival Sweepstakes Awards.

"The students performed with passion and excitement," Enright said. "Multiple adjudicators mentioned that what they most appreciated about our students was their undeniable love for music. That's all we can ask for!"

Prior to their competitive performances, students had the opportunity to attend mentoring sessions with



LHS

Livermore High students received six of 11 Maestro Awards given for outstanding solo performances at a competition in Anaheim on March 23.

music professors from the University of California, Irvine. Ensembles were able to perform and receive feedback during these sessions.

Yeonjun Kim, 12th-grade chamber orchestra student, said, "The feedback we received was extremely insightful and helped to build our confidence

going into the competition."

Students, parents and educators attended a private awards ceremony at Disneyland Park. ■

# Community Pulse

## POLICE BULLETIN

### Plagued by sex abuse, Dublin women's prison to shut down

The federal women's prison in Dublin will close, after a sex abuse scandal resulting in criminal convictions of at least seven former employees of the prison so far.

Federal Bureau of Prisons Director Colette S. Peters released a statement Monday, saying that over the past several years, the Federal Correctional Institution Dublin "has taken unprecedented steps and provided a tremendous amount of resources" to address problems at the facility, including culture, recruitment and retention, aging infrastructure and employee misconduct.

"Despite these steps and resources, we have determined that FCI Dublin

is not meeting expected standards and that the best course of action is to close the facility," Peters said. "This decision is being made after ongoing evaluation of the effectiveness of those unprecedented steps and additional resources."

Peters said planning for the closure is ongoing and more details will be available as the process continues. She said no employees will lose their jobs.

"The women currently housed at FCI Dublin will be transferred to other facilities, although for safety and security reasons we will not share timing of those transfers," Peters said. "As we determine placement, each woman will be assessed, and their programming needs will be taken into account. Per policy and practice, we will endeavor to keep them as close to their release locations as possible and ensure that they have access to counsel at their

receiving institution."

Those convicted of abusing prisoners at FCI Dublin include former warden Ray Garcia, who was convicted in 2022 and sentenced to nearly six years in prison for sexually abusing three inmates and lying about it. The group also includes former prison chaplain, James Highhouse, who pleaded guilty in February 2022 and was sentenced to seven years in prison for sexually abusing an inmate from May 2018 to February 2019.

Most recently, Nakie Nunley, 48, of Fairfield, was sentenced last month to six years in federal prison on four counts of sexual abuse of a ward, five counts of abusive sexual contact and one count of making false statements in connection to an investigation into wide-spread sexual abuse.

Nunley abused five women he was assigned to supervise who worked for UNICOR, a trade name for federal prison industries. He admitted that between March 2020 and November 2021, he engaged in sex acts with two prisoners, including having oral and vaginal sex with one victim and digitally penetrating another victim on multiple occasions. He also had sexual contact with three other prisoners.

He also retaliated against prisoners who complained about his



JEREMY WALSH

The main entrance to FCI Dublin.

conduct, prosecutors said. One victim approached Nunley about his conduct with another prisoner, and he threatened to have her transferred to another facility, where she would lose her job.

He also told another victim if she wanted to keep her job at UNICOR, she needed to pull down her underwear and bend over, after which he slapped her buttocks several times.

A U.S. district judge on March 15 ordered the appointment of a special master to oversee the prison, declaring it was a "dysfunctional mess." The order came four days after the appointment of a new warden and a sweep of the facility by FBI agents.

Rights Behind Bars, the California Collaborative for Immigrant Justice, and the law firm Rosen Bien Galvan & Grunfeld LLP are representing at least eight alleged abuse survivors and the California Coalition for Women Prisoners in a federal class action lawsuit filed in August 2023 against the Bureau of Prisons, FCI Dublin officials and several individual officers.

Their complaint says "Officers, supervisors, and leadership throughout FCI Dublin were and continue to be aware of the ongoing sexual abuse at the facility, and not only fail to prevent it but also affirmatively take actions that allow abuse to continue. Staff protect their abusive colleagues by failing to investigate claims or respond meaningfully, and by retaliating against those who report abuse ... It is this system of protection, conspiracy, and obstruction which allows the 'rape club' to continue."

—Tony Hicks, BCN

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## Randy Isaacs

October 5, 1964 – April 6, 2024

Randy Isaacs, known affectionately as "Big Red," died of a heart attack doing what he loved, hiking out in nature. He was 59 years old.

Randy was raised in Pleasanton, California, where he was a multi-sport student-athlete at Foothill High School, where he would later spend his career teaching, coaching, and mentoring students and players. Randy attended Columbia Community College in Sonoma, California and Chico State University where he continued to play basketball. He traveled to Australia where he coached a Women's basketball team and played internationally.

After returning to the United States, Randy began his teaching career in the Pleasanton Unified School District, eventually transitioning to his Alma Mater. Randy's career spanned 30 years and included teaching, coaching the Men's Varsity Basketball team, and also serving as Athletic Director. Foothill fans will remember Randy as "the voice of Foothill football."

Randy married the love of his life, Karen (Lapp) Isaacs and together they raised their twin daughters, Haley and Alyson, in the town that he loved.

Randy was preceded in death by his mother, Delsie Clayton, and step-father Darwin Clayton. In addition to his wife and daughters, Randy leaves behind his brother, Ed Isaacs, and sister-in-law, Terri Isaacs, as well as nieces, Stephanie (Robert) and Melissa, mother-in-law and father-in-law, Shirley and Walt Coltharp, sister-in-law, Debbie Wardell, and nieces and nephews, Christie (Ethan), Stephanie (Trevor), Billy, and Brad (Flor), and great nieces and nephews.

Randy will be deeply missed by life-long friends, his community of coaches and teachers, and Tom and Pat Hansen, who were instrumental throughout Randy's life.

Karen, Alyson, and Haley, as well as the entire Isaacs family, would like to express their deepest gratitude for the many expressions of love and support given during this difficult time.

A Celebration of Randy's Life will be held Saturday, May 4th, at 2 p.m. in the Foothill High School Gymnasium.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to support the Randy Isaacs Scholarship Fund, which will be awarded to a community college student via the Foothill High School Athletic Booster Club. Link: <https://tinyurl.com/randyisaacs>.

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## Jacklynn Del Duco

November 16, 1950 – February 22, 2024

Jacklynn "Jacki" Del Duco, nee Fiorio, passed away on February 22, 2024, in Pleasanton, California, at the age of 73. She was born on November 16, 1950, in Pleasanton, California.

Jacki was known for her funny, kind, and generous nature. She had a passion for baking, cooking, painting, and crafting; hobbies that brought her joy and creativity throughout her life. She enjoyed spending time with her family and always loved celebrating holidays and special events. Her friendships, some lifelong, were also very important to her.

She is survived by her daughter Gena Ruggeri, son-in-law Dominick Ruggeri, grandson Rocco Ruggeri, daughter Tony Werner, and grandson Johnny Werner, her brother Gary Fiorio, sister in law Melinda Fiorio and many nieces and nephews. Jacki was preceded in death by her husband John Del Duco, father Jack Fiorio, and mother Patricia Fiorio.

A resident of Pleasanton and later Livermore, Jacki attended Pleasanton Elementary School, graduated from Amador Valley High School in 1968, and attended Chabot College. She stayed involved in the local community including being a long-time 4-H leader.

Her memorial service will be held on May 10, 2024, at 11:00 AM at the Veteran's Memorial located at 301 Main Street, Pleasanton, 94566.

May her memory be a blessing to all who knew and loved her.

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**In other news**

• The Livermore community has been reeling after four members of a local family died over the weekend in a horrific car crash in Manteca that has also left three young surviving passengers hospitalized, including two who were rescued from the burning minivan by passersby.

Friends and family have identified the husband and wife who were killed along with their preteen and infant sons on GoFundMe pages to support the survivors, but the formal identifications from the San Joaquin County Medical Examiner's Office were still pending as of press time Wednesday. The California Highway Patrol confirmed the vehicle was registered out of Livermore.

"The loss ... has left us shattered, with unimaginable pain and uncertainty about the future. As family and friends, we are struggling to come to terms with this devastating loss," family wrote in organizing a GoFundMe. "(They) had cherished dreams for the future, especially after the recent addition of their precious baby ... Their plans to move into a larger home with their growing family were abruptly cut short by this tragedy."

According to the CHP Stockton area office, the group of seven people were traveling in a 2011 Toyota Sienna minivan westbound on Highway 120 east of the Van Ryn Avenue interchange in Manteca just after 10 p.m. Saturday (April 13) in damp conditions.

The family was on their way back

home passing through Manteca after attending a quinceanera in Modesto that day, according to a GoFundMe organizer.

The man behind the wheel lost control for unknown reasons, and the minivan struck the center median, continued moving westbound in the grass area between the two sides of the highway and ultimately became airborne while traversing the Van Ryn Avenue undercrossing, according to the CHP. The minivan then struck the overpass, overturned and caught fire.

Bystanders who witnessed the crash pulled four of the juvenile passengers from the fiery wreckage, two of whom survived (a 14-year-old girl and a 9-year-old boy) while the two others were pronounced dead at the scene, a 12-year-old boy and a 4-month-old boy, according to authorities.

The father who was driving and the mother who was a passenger also died in the crash. The woman was not wearing her seat belt at the time, according to the CHP.

A 6-year-old girl also survived the crash and was transported to UC Davis Medical Center with major injuries, according to the CHP. The other two injured kids were taken to area hospitals as well.

The cause of the crash remains under investigation, according to the CHP, noting that it was not yet known whether drugs or alcohol were factors.

In the days after the devastating wreck, two GoFundMe campaigns began to make the rounds on Livermore social media channels — the validity of one was soon publicly

questioned, although its organizer later said he was authorized by a family member and now working to get the proceeds of the two accounts combined into one. The efforts in total have raised more than \$20,000 to date.

—Jeremy Walsh

• A plan to create a civilian oversight board and inspector general for the Alameda County Sheriff's Office was delayed until at least the end of the month after two county supervisors said they needed more time to consider two competing proposed ordinances.

But navigating a web of previously planned vacations made finding a date for the introduction and first reading of the ordinances difficult.

The county is seeking to create the oversight board and an inspector general for the sheriff's office to comply with Assembly Bill 1185, which outlines steps for jurisdictions to take to create additional checks on law enforcement.

The board's Public Protection Committee recommended creating the oversight mechanisms in July 2023. It noted that the county's Santa Rita Jail was placed under a federal consent decree in 2022 because of a class action lawsuit that identified several problems with mental health care services, overuse of isolation, and disciplinary problems, among other illegal conditions. The jail is run by the sheriff's office.

Supervisor David Haubert said the matter before the board on April 2 was not clear and asked for a delay to consider the ordinances. Supervisor Lena Tam agreed and said she had

been contacted as recently as the day before by advocates of an oversight board with lingering questions.

"We're still having a dialogue on questions that I think can best be resolved if we had that time," Tam said.

Haubert's first suggestion of April 16 was rejected because County Counsel Donna Ziegler will be on vacation. The board's next meeting will be April 30, but Tam said she would be in Italy. She tentatively offered to join remotely if that was the date the board decided upon.

The board will choose between dual ordinances that were authored by supervisors Elisa Marquez and Nate Miley. One simply outlines the

creation of a sheriff's oversight board, an inspector general's office and inspector general.

The other adds specific language that would restrict current and former law enforcement personnel from serving on the oversight board, as well as out-of-county residents. It would create an independent legal counsel for the inspector general, and "strongly encourage" a member of the sheriff's office to attend each oversight meeting. It would also authorize the inspector general to hire an executive director.

The agenda item was set for April 30, barring further delays. ■

—Thomas Hughes, BCN

**Robby Perkins Sr.**

March 24, 1963 – April 6, 2024

Robby Perkins Sr. (Robert A. Perkins III), 61 passed away peacefully on April 6th, 2024. Born on March 24th, 1963, Robby lived an exciting and full life and enriched so many people's lives. He was well loved by those who knew him.

Robby was a well-known businessman managing high technology and bio technology companies. He was fluent in German, Spanish, and English, and grew up in Chicago and New Orleans. He was born into a disadvantaged home, briefly raised by his grandparents, and was later raised as a young man by "The Mercy Home for Boys." He graduated from St. Ignatius High School with honors earning a 4-year full scholarship to Stanford University's Undergraduate program. After graduating with a BA in Economics and International Relations, Robby gave his life to the US Peace Corps stationed in Costa Rica, as serving others was his lifelong mission. Robby furthered his career obtaining a master's in business administration from Harvard's School of Business. Upon graduation, he met and married the love of his life Rocio Arango, and they now have two beautiful children all of whom lived in California. Robby took great pleasure of working in several reputable companies such as Deloitte and Touche, Goldman Sachs in Germany, Boehringer Ingelheim and Molecular Devices. When he was not working, you could find Robby in his garden or cooking wonderful heritage flavors. From a path otherwise untreaded by many Men, Robby used his faith in God and his family's unwavering support to carve a tapestry that now others may follow. He led a wonderful life and filled the hearts of so many who knew him. He is survived by his devoted Wife Rocio Arango, Son Robby Perkins Jr., Daughter: Dara Perkins Arango Perkins, Sisters: Reva Goins, Dara Barron, Thea Marie Perkins, Brother: Shawn Perkins and dog Kobe.

A second service for Robby will be held in Chicago, Illinois. On Sunday, April 21st, 2024 from 3:00PM to 5:00PM CST, with a visitation service at Sullivan Funeral Home & Cremation Services (60 S. Grant St., Hinsdale, IL, 60521). On Monday, April 22nd, 2024 a funeral mass service will occur at Mercy Home For Boys & Girls at 10:00AM CST (1140 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL, 60607) followed by a reception at Mercy Home. Afterwards, Robby will be carried to rest at Queen of Heaven Catholic Cemetery & Mausoleums (1400 S. Wolf Rd., Hillside, IL, 60162).

The family asks in lieu of flowers, Robby would have loved a donation in his honor for those children presently living at Mercy Homes for Boys, the orphanage that meant so much to him as a young boy. <https://www.mercyhome.org/>



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**POLICE REPORT**

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

**April 11**

**Drug violation**

■ 1:09 a.m. on the 4500 block of Chabot Drive

**DUI**

■ 1:52 a.m. on the 500 block of Main Street

**Theft**

■ 8:34 a.m., 6000 block of Sunol Boulevard; auto theft

■ 7:46 p.m. on the 4300 block of Foothill Road

■ 11:19 p.m., 11900 block of Dublin Canyon Road; theft from auto

**Assault/battery**

■ 11:38 a.m. at Hacienda and Stoneridge drives

**Graffiti offense**

■ 5:50 p.m. on the 3700 block of Stoneridge Drive

**April 10**

**Theft**

■ 10:31 a.m., 6700 block of Bernal Avenue; auto theft

■ 6:03 p.m. on the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

■ 8:01 p.m., 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

**Vandalism**

■ 1:58 p.m. on the 4400 block of Black Avenue

**April 9**

**Fraud**

■ 6:38 a.m. on the 6700 block of Bernal Avenue

■ 11:25 a.m. on the 300 block of Main Street

■ 12:06 p.m. on the 5400 block of Blackbird Drive

■ 1:34 p.m. on the 4000 block of Francisco Street

**Theft**

■ 7:04 a.m., 5100 block of Hopyard Road; theft from auto

■ 9:13 a.m., 000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

■ 2:28 p.m. on the 000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

■ 7:15 p.m., 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

■ 8:52 p.m. on the 4700 block of First Street

**Robbery**

■ 3:52 p.m. on the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

**Burglary**

■ 10:39 p.m. on the 4700 block of Willow Road

**April 8**

**Burglary**

■ 3:18 a.m. on the 5500 block of Johnson Drive

**Robbery**

■ 7:30 a.m. on the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

**Theft**

■ 7:33 a.m. on the 3700 block of Ashwood Drive

■ 10:04 a.m., 5700 block of Gibraltar Drive; theft from auto

■ 12:08 p.m., 4200 block of Rosewood Drive; shoplifting

■ 1:25 p.m., 9800 block of Foothill Road; theft from auto

■ 4:54 p.m., 000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from structure

■ 6:36 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

■ 9:12 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

**Vandalism**

■ 12:11 p.m. on the 2100 block of Rheem Drive

■ 4:37 p.m. at Bevilacqua Court and Del Sol Avenue

■ 6:11 p.m. on the 1200 block of Quarry Lane

**Domestic battery**

■ 12:22 p.m. on Magnolia Circle

**Fraud**

■ 7:31 p.m. on the 2800 block of Longspur Way

**April 7**

**Theft**

■ 8:54 a.m., 3900 block of Payne Road; theft from auto

■ 9:27 a.m., 5600 block of Owens Drive; theft from auto

■ 5:20 p.m. on the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

**Domestic battery**

■ 10:42 a.m. on Stoneridge Mall Road

**Vehicle tampering**

■ 2:54 p.m. on the 6000 block of Johnson Drive

**Alcohol violation**

■ 3:56 p.m. on the 4400 block of Black Avenue

**April 6**

**Burglary**

■ 3:53 p.m. on the 7500 block of Maywood Drive

**Theft**

■ 4:14 p.m. on the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

**Assault/battery**

■ 5:21 p.m. on the 5800 block of Parkside Drive



## PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

# Amador boys' volleyball sweeps Falcon Invite Tournament

Also: Highlights from baseball, lacrosse and softball action in EBAL

It was an up-and-down week for the Amador Valley boys' volleyball team the week of April 8.

The week started with a 3-2 loss to Livermore as the Dons were missing some key players. Highlights came from Nick Nayak (16 kills, 14 digs), Aidan Husejnovic (14 kills), Ryan Bury (13 kills, 14 digs) and Aidan Lam (42 assists).

From there everything went great for the Dons, as they rebounded with a 25-19, 17-25, 27-25, 25-13 win over San Ramon Valley on Senior Night at Amador.

Highlights were from Max Riter (18 kills), Aidan Lam (30 assists, 14 service points), Bury (5 kills, 8 service points), Husejnovic (5 kills) and Nayak (3 blocks).

Then on the weekend, Amador

captured the title of the Falcon Invite Tournament at Foothill, going 5-0 and beating Castro Valley in the finals.

Riter led the team with key kills, earning tournament MVP.

Ryan Yu stepped in as setter due to injuries and illnesses and had a phenomenal tournament. Parker Brookhart, Husejnovic, Nayak and Ryder Kuckien all made outstanding plays throughout the tournament.

### Foothill volleyball

The Falcons kept their unbeaten EBAL season going with a pair of wins.

Foothill started the week with a 3-0 sweep of Dublin. Highlights came from Yun Bae (14 assists, 9 kills, 7 service points), Casey Collins (9 kills,

7 service points, 6 digs) and Kayan Vohra (7 kills, 3 blocks).

Next came a thrilling 26-24, 26-24, 35-33 win over Livermore. The Falcons got great plays from Josh Salonga, Noah Mitzenmacher and Cameron Hitchan.

Then in their invitational, the Falcons fell in the semifinals to Castro Valley. Four seniors — Vohra, Mitzenmacher, Collins and Caden Stedman — played well.

### Amador Valley baseball

The Dons did something no one else has been able to do this year, handing Granada its first loss of the season when they beat them 5-2 on April 10.

Matthew Foley went the distance on the hill, allowing only two earned runs and six hits.

Aaron Solomon had two hits, one double and drove in a pair. Kyle Barbera had two hits, one a double, and drove in a run.

Later in the week, the Dons fell 8-2 to the Mats.

Amador got a good showing from starting pitcher Jason Alonso who went four innings, allowing three hits and a pair of runs. Brennan Baptist



PAUL BURKHART

The Amador Valley boys' varsity volleyball team celebrates after winning the Falcon Invite at Foothill.

pitched two innings while giving up no earned runs, hits or walks.

On the hitting side, Amador had five players get at least a hit in Solomon, DJ Van Fleet, Alekh Shah and Foley. Barbera posted two hits for the Dons.

### Foothill boys' lacrosse

The Falcons went on the road and came away with a 17-5 win over Dougherty Valley.

Leading the scoring were junior AJ Becker with four goals, junior Darrin Lau with three goals and senior Wyatt Lam with three. Sophomore Ethan Lam and senior Tyler Walsh each had one score.

Freshmen Grady DeMichiel, James Moira, Aaden Lee and Karter Williams each put one on the board.

Graham Zander went coast-to-coast from his defensive spot for his first goal of the season.

Solid defense by seniors Zander, Jake Patterson and Josh Taylor, and strong performances by goalies Alex Morgan and Aden Lane kept the Wildcats at bay all night.

### Foothill softball

The Falcons went 2-1 on the week, beating Monte Vista and Carondelet and losing to California.

In the win over Monte Vista, Sophia Burdick, Jordan McCafferty, Kaycie Burdick, Marissa Anderson, Ellie Novitske and Alexia Sponsell all had multi-hit games.

Anderson had a double, home run, and drove in four. Kaycie Burdick drove in a pair, as did Sponsell, who also had a home run. McCafferty also drove in a run.

Paige Bennett got the win in the circle, allowing only one hit and striking out three in five innings.

In a 12-2 win over Carondelet, Kaycie Burdick had a double, a home run and drove in three. Kayla Springer had a solo shot, and Sophia Burdick added a pair of hits.

In the 8-7 loss to Cal, Kaycie Burdick had another home run, a double and drove in a pair. Springer added another home run and drove in three.

McCafferty had three hits and drove in a run, with Novitske adding three hits, and Amanda Bilter chipping in with a pair of hits.

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# Public Notices

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA Case No.: 24CV069302

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Hyun Woo Nam filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

KYUHYEON NAM to MAY KYUHYEON NAM KYUHYEOK NAM to MATTHEW KYUHYEOK NAM

KYUHOON NAM to HOONIE KYUHOON NAM THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING: 05/28/2024, 10:00 a.m., Dept. 14 of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda located at 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA, 94612.

A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county:

PLEASANTON WEEKLY

Date: 03/29/2024

Thomas I. Nixon

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(PLW Apr 12, 19, 26 and May 3, 2024)

SUMMONS Case No. 23CV051197

(CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT (A VISO AL

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The name and address of the court is (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Alameda County Superior Court 1220 Fallon Street Oakland, CA 94612

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(El nombre, la dirección y el numero de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

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DATE (Fecha): 11/14/2023

Clerk, by **D. Franklin**, Deputy (Secretario)

(Adjunto)

(PLW Apr 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2024)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

OF:

WILLARD E. JOHNSON, AKA WILLARD

EDWARD JOHNSON, DECEASED

Case No.: 24PR069585

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of WILLARD E. JOHNSON, AKA WILLARD EDWARD JOHNSON, DECEASED.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: LISA J ENNIS in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda.

The Petition for Probate requests that: LISA J ENNIS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate.

The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on May 10 2024 at 9:45 AM in Dept. 202 of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, located at 2120 Martin Luther King Jr Way, Berkeley CA 94704.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58 (b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request

for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner in Pro Per:

Lisa J Ennis

522 London Street

San Francisco CA 94112

415-608-0279

(PLW Apr 12, 19 and 26, 2024)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

OF:

KEANTE JAMES HOYETT

Case No.: 24PR062900

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of KEANTE JAMES HOYETT.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: DELICIA WHATLEY in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda.

The Petition for Probate requests that: DELICIA WHATLEY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 12 2024 at 9:45am in 201 of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, located at 2120 Martin Luther king jr way Berkeley ca 94704.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58 (b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner in Pro Per:

DeLicia Whatley

600 central Ave

Alameda, ca 94501

415-960-5125

(PLW Apr 19, 26 and May 3, 2024)

PRIMED 4 COLLEGE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 605105

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) PRIMED 4 COLLEGE , located at 1227 Hampel St. #1, Oakland, CA 94602, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

APRI MEDINA

1227 Hampel St. #1

Oakland, CA 94602

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 March 26 2024. (PLW Apr 19, 26, May 3 and 10, 2024)

JUNBI LIVERMORE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 604992

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) JUNBI LIVERMORE , located at 3046 W JACK LONDON BLVD, LIVERMORE, CA 94551, ALAMEDA County. Mailing Address: 11040 BOLLINGER CANYON RD STE E#450, SAN RAMON, CA 94582.

This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

HAPPY DRAGONS, LLC

11040 BOLLINGER CANYON RD STE E#450

SAN RAMON, CA 94582

State of Incorporation/Organization: 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 March 21 2024. (PLW Apr 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2024)

CASTRO GARDENS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 605444

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) Castro Gardens , located at 3636 Castro Valley Blvd STE 3, Castro Valley, CA, 94546, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: a Joint Venture.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

MAX MORRIS

2516 San Carlos Ave

Castro Valley, CA 94546

KAITZ PROPERTY HOLDINGS LLC

774 Mays Blvd STE 10 PMB 143

Incline Village, NV 89451

NEVADA

CAROLYN CALIGIURI

3636 Castro Valley Blvd STE 3

Castro Valley, CA, 94546

PATRICIA PASCOE

3636 Castro Valley Blvd STE 3

Castro Valley, CA, 94546

GWENDOLYN MORRIS

3636 Castro Valley Blvd STE 3

Castro Valley, CA, 94546

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 9/18/1973

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on April 09 2024.

(PLW Apr 19, 26, May 3 and 10, 2024)

JUICE AND JAVA EXPRESS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 604960

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) JUICE AND JAVA EXPRESS , located at 55 W ANGELA ST #101 PLEASANTON, CA 94566, ALAMEDA County.

This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

NOURISHEATS BRANDS LLC

4271 HEALDSBURG WAY

DUBLIN, CA 94568

State of Incorporation/Organization: CA

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/19/2023

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on March 20 2024.

(PLW Apr 19, 26, May 3 and 10, 2024)

ELEMENT DENTAL CARE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 605118

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) Element Dental Care , located at 7137 Dublin Blvd #A, Dublin, CA 94568, Alameda County. Mailing Address: 4639 MARGARET

ADELE LANE, Tracy, CA 95377

This business is conducted by: a Corporation.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

RAJWANT KAUR BHATTI DENTAL

CORPORATION

4639 MARGARET ADELE LANE

Tracy, CA 95377

State of Incorporation/Organization: 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 March 26 2024.

(PLW Apr 19, 26, May 3 and 10, 2024)

A CLEAR WAY

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 605391

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) A Clear Way , located at 3803 Muirwood Drive 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):

AKFDESIGN LLC

3803 Muirwood Drive

Pleasanton, CA 94588

State of Incorporation/Organization: California

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 4/1/2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on April 08 2024.

(PLW Apr 19, 26, May 3 and 10, 2024)

E-Z CARE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 604265

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) E-Z CARE , located at 2891 Diavila Court 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): HARMONY SUPPORT SERVICES LLC 2891 Diavila Court Pleasanton, CA 94588 State of Incorporation/Organization: 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 February 26 2024. (PLW Apr 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2024)

KLASSY THOUGHTS LLC

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 604236

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) Klassy Thoughts LLC , located at 6200 Stoneridge Mall Road, Suite 307, Pleasanton, CA 94588, Alameda County. Mailing Address: 3819 Vineyard Ave Apt 86, Pleasanton, CA 94566.

This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

KLASSY THOUGHTS LLC

6200 Stoneridge Mall Road, Suite 307

Pleasanton, CA 94588

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 February 26 2024. (PLW Apr 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2024)

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 604988

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) Community Association Management , 2.) Community Association Financial , located at 6088 Sunol Blvd, Suite 100, Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

ALVAND CAM LLC

6088 Sunol Blvd Suite 100

Pleasanton, CA 94566

State of Incorporation/Organization: CA

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 06/14/1999

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on March 21 2024.

(PLW Mar 29, Apr 5, 12 and 19, 2024)

TITAN ELECTRICAL SERVICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 605044

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) Titan Electrical Services , located at 4207 Mirador Drive Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: a Corporation.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

TITAN ELECTRICAL SERVICES

4207 Mirador Drive

Pleasanton, CA 94566

State of Incorporation/Organization: California

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 03/22/2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on March 22 2024.

(PLW Mar 29, Apr 5, 12 and 19, 2024)

10XCAREER LLC

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 605027

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) 10xCareer LLC , located at 1060 Bartlett Place, Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

10XCAREER LLC

1060 Bartlett Place

Pleasanton, CA 94566

State of Incorporation/Organization: California

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

This statement was filed with the County

# Public Notices

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LAVENDER LEMON DROP VINTAGE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604793  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
1.) Lavender Lemon Drop Vintage, located at 7550 St Patrick Way Apt #607, Dublin, CA 94568, Alameda County.  
This business is conducted by: an Individual.  
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):  
KIRSTEN LOWN  
7550 St Patrick Way Apt #607  
Dublin CA, 94568  
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 March 13 2024.  
(PLW Mar 29, Apr 5, 12 and 19, 2024)

TRI VALLEY CONSTRUCTION AND DESIGN FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 605046  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
1.) TRI VALLEY CONSTRUCTION AND DESIGN, located at 4207 Mirador Drive Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County.  
This business is conducted by: a Corporation.  
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):  
TRI VALLEY CONSTRUCTION AND DESIGN  
4207 Mirador Drive  
Pleasanton, CA 94566  
State of Incorporation/Organization: California  
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 03/22/24  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on March 22 2024.  
(PLW Mar 29, Apr 5, 12 and 19, 2024)

ODYSSEY TABLETOP FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604779  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
1.) Odyssey Tabletop, located at 2445 8th Avenue Apt #1 Oakland, CA 94606, Alameda County.  
This business is conducted by: an Individual.  
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):  
CHRISTOPHER PIRKLE  
2445 8th Avenue Apt #1  
Oakland, CA, 94606  
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 02/21/2024  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on March 13 2024.  
(PLW Mar 29, Apr 5, 12 and 19, 2024)

SPOILED BEAUTY GLAM LLC FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604235  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
1.) Spoiled Beauty Glam LLC, located at 6200 Stoneridge Mall Road, Suite 307, Pleasanton, CA 94588 Alameda County, Mailing Address: 3819 Vineyard Ave., Apt 86, Pleasanton, CA 94566  
This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.  
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):  
SPOILED BEAUTY GLAM LLC  
6200 Stoneridge Mall Road, Suite 307  
Pleasanton, CA 94588  
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 February 26 2024.  
(PLW Apr 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2024)

The deadline is Sunday at 11:59 pm. Visit [PleasantonWeekly.com/legal\\_notices/](https://PleasantonWeekly.com/legal_notices/)  
For assistance email [LegalNotices@PleasantonWeekly.com](mailto:LegalNotices@PleasantonWeekly.com).

# Calendar

## Entertainment

**BANKHEAD PRESENTS KEVIN POLLAK** Join for a night filled with uproarious moments as Pollak takes center stage with his unique brand of humor, guaranteeing attendees an unforgettable and laughter-filled experience. 8 p.m., April 19. Tickets \$25-\$70. Visit [livermorearts.org](https://livermorearts.org).

**THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL YOUTH EDITION** This one-hour edition of the hit musical featuring irresistible characters is set to make a splash with audiences young and old. April 19-21; 25-28. Tickets \$10. Amador Theater. Visit [firehousearts.org](https://firehousearts.org).

**ACCLAIMED GUITAR DUO THE QUITTERS** This fine duo performs original music and covers with polished, intricate guitar parts with lyrics that tell interesting stories laced with humor. 7 p.m., April 20. Trinity Lutheran Church. Visit [trinitypleasanton.org](https://trinitypleasanton.org).

**AN EVENING WITH PAULA COLE** Don't miss this chance to witness one of music's greatest talents in person. With her soulful voice and electrifying stage presence, Paula Cole is sure to leave you breathless. 8 p.m., April 20. Tickets \$25-\$75. Visit [livermorearts.org](https://livermorearts.org).

**MIMI FOX B3 TRIO** Guitarist Mimi Fox presents a new project featuring original pieces and finely crafted arrangements of Wes Montgomery's famous compositions. Joining her are Brian Ho and Lorca Hart. 8 p.m., April 20. Tickets \$20-\$30. Visit [firehousearts.org](https://firehousearts.org).

**EAST BAY JAZZ HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STAR SPRING CONCERT** This is an after-school program for high-caliber musical performance where students develop skills, gain real-world performance experience and share their love of music with the East Bay community and beyond. 3 p.m., April 21. Tickets \$10-\$28. Visit [firehousearts.org](https://firehousearts.org).

**COMEDY AT THE STAGE DOOR LOUNGE** Prepare to be rolling on the stage laughing as the Bankhead transforms the stage into an intimate comedy club where the stand-ups and the audience members are all on the stage. 7:30 p.m., April 26. Tickets \$25-\$70. Visit [livermorearts.org](https://livermorearts.org).

**DEL VALLE FINE ARTS PRESENTS ILYA YAKUSHEV** Ilya Yakushev has performed worldwide with famed orchestras at such storied venues as Carnegie Hall and Davies Symphony Hall. This performance will honor Rachmaninoff's 150th Birthday and the 100th anniversary of Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue. 7:30 p.m., April 27. Tickets \$35-\$55. Visit [livermorearts.org](https://livermorearts.org).

**LIVIA SOHN AT THE BANKHEAD** In this Pacific Chamber Orchestra concert be thrilled by the incomparable Livia Sohn who fills every note of the romantic Bruch Violin Concerto with captivating purity and precision. 3 p.m.,

April 28. Tickets \$25-\$85. Visit [livermorearts.org](https://livermorearts.org).

## Exhibits

**SPRING ART SHOW 2024** The Livermore Art Association presents its annual Spring Art Show, a premier showcase event for over 60 years. 10 a.m.- 4 p.m., April 20-21. Free. Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th St., Livermore.

**LIMITED EDITION CHAGALL PRINTS & SYMBOLIC ART** On display this spring at the UNCLE Credit Union Art Gallery this exhibit significantly features 12 lithographs created by artist Marc Chagall in a stunning tribute to a dream of love, friendship and peace among all people. Free and open to the public. Thursdays through Sundays, 1-5 p.m. Through May 19. Bankhead Theater.

**IMAGINATION EXPRESSED 2024** The Pleasanton Art League annual showcase of recent works by artists of Pleasanton and the Tri-Valley is on display at the Museum on Main. Visitors can enjoy works produced in a wide variety of media including painting, watercolor, colored pencil, photography, printing, ceramics and more. Through May 11. Visit [museumonmain.org](https://museumonmain.org).

**FRESH WORKS XII ANNUAL JURIED EXHIBITION** An incredible celebration of different artistic practices, this mixed media group show includes approximately 80 works. Through May 18. Visit [firehousearts.org](https://firehousearts.org).

## Talks

**AUTHOR KENT HECKENLIVELY** Meet author Kent Heckenlively at Towne Center Books for a discussion of his book "The King of Italy". 2 p.m., April 21. 555 Main St., Pleasanton.

**WINE COUNTRY LUNCHEON - STATE OF THE COUNTY** Alameda County Supervisor David Haubert will give an update on vital issues happening in Alameda County, presented by the Livermore Chamber of Commerce. 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., April 25. Garre Vineyard & Winery. Visit [livermorechamber.org](https://livermorechamber.org).

**THEN & NOW LIVERMORE STORIES** Historian Alan Frank will give a presentation entitled "Livermore in the Wild Old Days" where he will discuss Livermore historical events that are not likely to be found in history books. 7 p.m., April 30. Livermore Civic Center Library.

**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](https://haciendapark.toastmastersclubs.org).

## Students

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN SCHOLARSHIPS** The Livermore-Pleasanton-Dublin American Association of University Women awards scholarships to

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## PET OF THE WEEK



EAST BAY SPCA

### Meet Shenandoah

A 5-year-old German Shepherd tripaw, Shenandoah will steal your heart! Despite facing a severe hind leg fracture, her resilient sweet nature remained untouched. Now, after a life-saving amputation, she's thriving even more, embracing life on three legs with joy and grace. She's ready for her forever home, and her adoption fee is waived. Visit the East Bay SPCA Dublin Adoption Center to meet this incredible tripaw. More info at [eastbayspca.org](https://eastbayspca.org).

qualified applicants each year who will be either 2nd or 3rd year college students during the upcoming academic year. The deadline to apply is May 1. Visit [lpd-ca.aauw.net/activities/scholarships](https://lpd-ca.aauw.net/activities/scholarships).

**MASTER CLASS IN ACTING AND PLAYWRITING** This free 10-day Studio Retreat in June for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors, at Tao House in Danville, provides a more thorough understanding of playwright Eugene O'Neill. Participants gain valuable, hands-on insight into what the careers of working actors, playwrights, directors and stage designers actually entail. Visit [eugeneoneill.org](https://eugeneoneill.org).

## Farmers' Markets

**PLEASANTON FARMERS' MARKET** The Pleasanton Farmers' Market is Saturday year round featuring vendors with seasonal fruits and vegetables, plus artisan goods. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. W. Angela St.

**LIVERMORE THURSDAY FARMERS' MARKET** The Livermore Thursday Night Farmers' Market is 4-8 p.m. at Carnegie Park with over 60 vendors. Rain or shine.

**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. to 1 p.m., Sundays. Between J St. and L St.

## Seniors

**ANDROID TRAINING** Free Android Training at the Pleasanton Senior Center. 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., April 22. Call 925 931-5365.

**PLEASANTON RIDES** Pleasanton Rides is a door-to-door, shared-ride transportation service for Pleasanton Seniors. Mondays to Fridays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 925-398-1045.

**PLEASANTON PEDALERS AT THE SENIOR CENTER** Pleasanton Pedalers Cycling is Tuesdays and Thursdays,

9:00 a.m. at the Pleasanton Senior Center.

**SPECTRUM MEALS ON WHEELS** Spectrum Meals on Wheels provides home delivered meals (60+). Call 925-931-5385 for more or visit [spectrumcs.org/senior-services/meals-on-wheels](https://spectrumcs.org/senior-services/meals-on-wheels). Meals on Wheels, Pleasanton, Pleasanton.

**LUNCHEES AT THE SENIOR CENTER** Senior Lunches (60+) are served in the Main Hall, 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Mondays to Fridays. Call Open Heart Kitchen at 925-500-8241 for more information.

## Volunteer

**VOLUNTEER FOR EARTH DAY** Join by removing plastics from shorelines and parks and various other Earth Day projects. 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., April 20. Find a park near you by visiting [ebparks.org/volunteer](https://ebparks.org/volunteer).

**VOLUNTEER AT OPEN HEART KITCHEN** Open Heart Kitchen offers individual and group volunteer opportunities in Dublin, Pleasanton and Livermore. Volunteers at Open Heart Kitchen help create a more food secure future in the Tri-Valley. Visit [openheartkitchen.org/volunteer](https://openheartkitchen.org/volunteer).

## Support

**VA MEDICAL OUTREACH** Pleasanton Library will host the VA Palo Alto Mobile Medical Outreach team to provide veteran benefits review, enroll veterans for care with the VA Palo Alto Health System, answer questions about VA services and provide medical care referrals for enrolled veterans. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., April 22.

**ZOOM CONNECTION RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP** The NAMI Zoom Connection Recovery Support Group is 7-8:30 p.m., May 1. Email Cyndi Hackett for the Zoom meeting link at [tchrcyd@mac.com](mailto:tchrcyd@mac.com).

**FEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM** The City of Pleasanton Recreation Department provides a Fee Assistance Program for residents who would like to participate in recreation programs, but may not have the financial means. For more information contact Recreation Services at 925-931-5340.

## County opens application period for first-time homebuyers assistance program

AC Boost offers up to \$210,000 in loans for low- to moderate-income households looking to buy home

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors recently opened the final application period for the AC Boost Down Payment Assistance Loan Program, which helps low- to moderate income households afford to buy a home in the county.

According to a March 27 press release from Hello Housing — a nonprofit organization that focuses on equitable housing solutions for underserved communities — the program will offer loans up to \$210,000 per household.

“With over \$39.9 million disbursed and 233 households now homeowners, AC Boost has shown our commitment to accessible homeownership,” Nate Miley, president of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, said in the press release. “As we launch this

final round, we’re not just continuing a program; we’re nurturing a vision of inclusive homeownership in Alameda County, especially with the significant \$14.9 million impact in District 4.”

The final application window will close on May 15.

The program, which is managed by Hello Housing, is administered by the Alameda County Housing and Community Development and is funded through the \$580 million Measure A1 bond that Alameda County voters approved in 2016.

According to the press release, the program intends to break down the various barriers that come with affordable home ownership for low- to moderate-income households.

“With policy adjustments like increased debt-to-income limits, AC Boost is breaking

down long standing barriers experienced by underrepresented homebuyers, advancing equitable homeownership in Alameda County,” Hello Housing President Jennifer Duffy stated in the press release.

According to a Nov. 4, 2022 blog post from the U.S. Office of Economic Policy, the homeownership rate for white households in the second quarter of that year was 75% compared to 45% for Black households, 48% for Hispanic households and 57% for households of any other race.

It stated that the Black and white gap in homeownership in 2020 has been the same since 1970, which shows how the benefits of homeownership have not been shared equally.

That’s why the AC Boost program aims to create a foundation for financial stability and increase access to economic opportunities for future generations.

“I had always dreamed of owning my own home but thought it was unattainable due to being a low-income public assistance recipient,” Ronni Tate, a participant in the AC Boost program, stated in the press release. “I feel extremely honored to be a part of the AC Boost program, which made

homeownership affordable for me.”

Eligible buyers must currently live or work in the county or must have been displaced from a home in the county in the last 10 years, according to the press release. First responders, educators and licensed childcare providers will have a preference.

The \$210,000 loan limit will be available for households that earn less than 100% of the area median income and a \$160,000 loan limit will be available for households that earn between 100% and 120% of the area median income.

Loans will be shared appreciation loans that come with no interest and no monthly payments, according to the press release. Eligible home buyers must be qualified for a first mortgage from a participating lender and must not have owned a principal residence in the last three years.

Those interested are encouraged to submit a pre-application at the AC Boost website by May 15 to enter a lottery system. After the lottery, applicants will have to attend a program workshop before they can submit a full application. Once they are reviewed for eligibility and approved, they can then begin looking for a home. ■

### SALES AT A GLANCE

#### Pleasanton (Jan. 16-26)

Total sales reported: 6

Lowest sale reported: \$1,250,000

Highest sale reported: \$3,400,000

Average sales reported: \$2,029,166

#### Livermore (Jan. 16-26)

Total sales reported: 17

Lowest sale reported: \$445,000

Highest sale reported: \$2,050,000

Average sales reported: \$1,099,264

#### Dublin (Jan. 16-26)

Total sales reported: 11

Lowest sale reported: \$320,000

Highest sale reported: \$1,490,000

Average sales reported: \$1,096,999

Source: California REsource

### HOME SALES

This week’s data represents homes sold during Jan. 16-26 for Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin.

#### Pleasanton

**608 Neal Street** Lowrey Trust to 3G Concepts LLC for \$1,250,000

**3552 Rathbone Way** B. Krishnaswamy to Lehman Trust for \$1,625,000

**2163 Shadow Creek Court** Toll West Coast LLC to Q. & H. Cal for \$3,400,000

**929 Gray Fox Circle** Hensen Family Trust to N. & B. Krishnaswamy for \$2,900,000

**2732 Maria Street** K. Khanna to A. & H. Soundararajan for \$1,600,000

**6334 Shorewood Court** Ridge Trust to Verma Trust for \$1,400,000

#### Livermore

**1787 Carnation Circle** E. Ledesma to S. Bartholomew for \$765,000

**5868 Flora Common** B. Walston to A. & P. Shinde for \$1,250,000

**5624 Idlewild Avenue** L. Liming to J. & M. Neelamegam for \$960,000

**5452 Lenore Avenue** P. Mineo to T. & J. Rondot for \$849,000

**1087 Murrieta Boulevard #331** Perez Trust to E. Torres for \$445,000

**426 Rincon Avenue** Reding Family Trust to J. & M. Lacey for \$745,000

**1764 Tourmaline Court** P. & M. Mcginley to L. & K. Wu for \$1,875,000

**1454 Arlington Road** B. Sullivan to R. Dhindsa for \$1,100,000

**5512 Berwind Avenue** Morales Living Trust to P. & J. Leow for \$1,260,000

**2124 Buckskin Road** I. Agricola to J. Kohl for \$600,000

**1310 Calais Avenue** Tints LLC to R. & V. Ragula for \$1,320,000

**4891 Charlotte Way** J. & A. Dimits to Opendoor Property Trust I for \$1,192,500

**243 Covellite Lane** C. & H. Wilson to B. Kennedy for \$1,050,000

**488 Hummingbird Lane** Cox Family Trust to L. & C. Cheng for \$1,168,000

**1541 Melanie Way** Thasanatorn Trust to N. & D. Silva for \$1,368,000

**197 Northwood Commons** Carpenter Trust to P. Khullar for \$690,000

**91 Obsidian Way** Stimpfig Family Trust to S. & G. Marques for \$2,050,000

#### Dublin

**7638 Canterbury Court** Hoey Trust to P. Putta for \$1,220,000

**7645 Donohue Drive** Opendoor Property Trust to Adluri Trust for \$1,178,000

**4251 Escudo Court** Pathuri Family Trust to R. & G. Nagaraju for \$1,432,000

**5826 Hillbrook Place** Stallion Living Trust to Y. & J. Shao for \$1,490,000

**3921 Madbury Court** M. Lin to S. & N. Kandiraju for \$1,349,000

**3290 Maguire Way #108** H. Du to G. Beck for \$320,500

**7319 Starward Drive #35** A. Eldeeb to X. & Y. Liu for \$550,000

**3662 Whitworth Drive** M. Leung to P. Caro for \$920,000

**3518 Capoterra Way** T. Lee to W. & M. Li for \$1,355,000

**7470 Oxford Circle #52** K. King to S. & T. Vidyasankar for \$782,500

**3184 Vittoria Loop** Y. Liu to X. & Q. He for \$1,470,000

Source: California REsource

## 406 Oak Lane, Pleasanton

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Come by to see this beautiful, vintage home in the Castlewood area. The home boasts a 1.25 acre lot with a seasonal creek! The setting is gorgeous, private, and so peaceful. The home features vaulted ceilings in the living room, dining room, kitchen, and master bedroom. Windows throughout the home are placed to provide maximum views. The master bedroom window offers a view of the creek and the sound of the babbling waters. This home was built for entertainment as the living spaces are very expansive and feature beautifully refinished hardwood floors. The covered porch is perfect for outside dining and relaxing. This is Castlewood at its best with a single story home and private drive. There is plenty of room to add an office, additional unit for inlaws, etc. This home was part of a larger estate owned by Carl Friden, owner of Friden Calculators. He entertained friends at the estate, including Robert Oppenheimer and Dr. Lawrence.

Thank you,

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.46 ACRES

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**SUNSET WEST**



**921 LAGUNA STREET,  
LIVERMORE**

3 BD | 2 BA  
1,519 SQ. FT.  
LIVING SPACE  
6,500 SQ. FT. LOT

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**1699 BIVAR COURT,  
PLEASANTON**

4 BD | 2 BA  
1,368 SQ. FT.  
LIVING SPACE  
.23 ACRES

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ESTATES**



**663 ROMEO COURT,  
PLEASANTON**

5 BD | 3 BA  
APPROX. 3,700 SQ. FT.  
LIVING SPACE  
.47 ACRES

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**THE PERCH**



**7934 REGIONAL  
COMMON, DUBLIN**

3 BD | 3 BA  
1,584 SQ. FT.  
LIVING SPACE

**LISTED FOR \$1,098,888**

**GOLDEN EAGLE**



**2173 INVERNESS COURT,  
PLEASANTON**

3 BD | 2.5 BA  
2,520 SQ. FT.  
LIVING SPACE

**LISTED FOR \$1,848,000**

**WELLINGTON  
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**5375 BLACK AVENUE #4,  
PLEASANTON**

2 BD | 2 BA  
1,245 SQ. FT.  
LIVING SPACE

**JUST SOLD FOR \$830,000**

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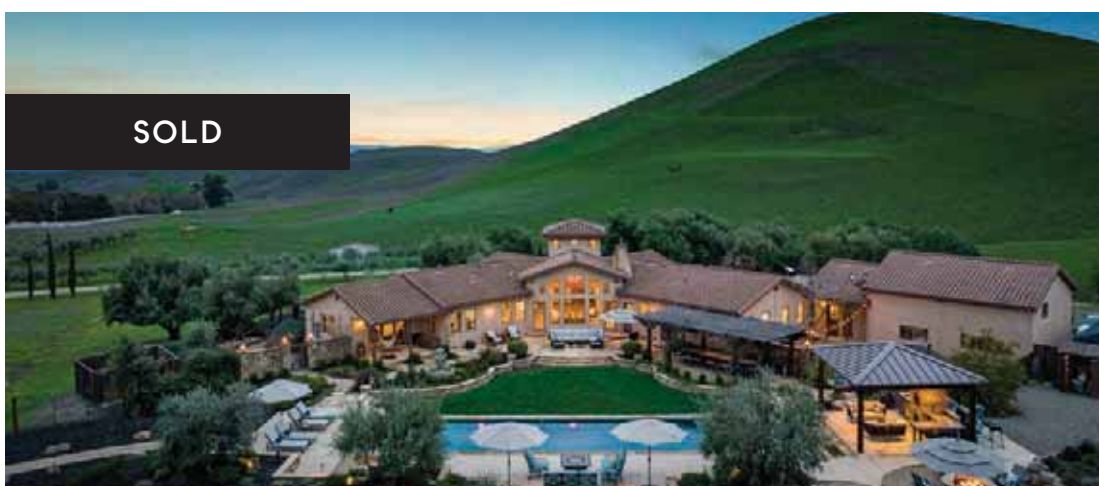
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5 BED | 5.5 BATH  
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PENDING

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PLEASANTON  
4 BED | 4 BATH  
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LISTED AT \$2,899,000



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