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# WHAT A WEEK



By JEREMY WALSH

## Winners of character

The Pleasanton Community of Character Collaborative is set to celebrate the recipients of its annual Juanita Haugen Awards next week.

And what a standout group for 2024: Lynn Gatehouse, Wayne Johnson and local nonprofit Sunflower Hill.

“Their examples inspire each of us to remember these important values in our own lives and do what we can to make a difference in Pleasanton,” collaborative officials said in a press release announcing the winners last week.

The awards are named in honor of late former Pleasanton school board president Juanita Haugen, who helped create the collaborative and embodied the key traits they look for in each recipient: “the values of responsibility, compassion, self-discipline, honesty, respect and integrity.”

Each of this year’s honorees expressed gratitude when I reached out to them for reactions.

Gatehouse, a retired teacher of sixth grade at Harvest Park Middle School in Pleasanton who in recent years has been advocating for mental health awareness on the Board of Directors of the Alan Hu Foundation, told me she was “both honored and humbled to be recognized as worthy of the Juanita Haugen Community of Character Award.”

“I greatly admired Mrs. Haugen and had the benefit of her advice and support during my many years as a teacher and her many years as a Trustee in PUSD,” Gatehouse said. “I will strive to model Pleasanton’s Community of Character traits ... to further the mission of the Alan Hu Foundation to promote mental health, raise awareness, remove stigma surrounding mental disorders, and to support fundamental research for cures.”

“To be recognized with Wayne Johnson (our sons have been friends for over 30 years) and Sunflower Hill makes this award even more meaningful to me,” she added.

An avid outdoorsman and recently retired community pastor at Valley Bible Church, Johnson has been volunteering in the community for decades. Collaborative reps cited his efforts to help start basketball and softball leagues in the 1980s, to support senior programs, to lend time to meal service and food donation operations and more.

“I was first moved that our community would make the effort to honor individuals that make a difference in our community,” Johnson said of receiving news of

the collaborative’s choice.

“Secondly, I am very thankful that by being nominated for this award, it gives me an opportunity to acknowledge the thousands of individuals in our community that have stepped up, volunteered and participated in serving our local and greater community through events that I have been able to put in place over the years. We are blessed with a great community,” he added.

And this year’s organizational recipient is Sunflower Hill, a Tri-Valley nonprofit that focuses on providing residential, vocational and educational opportunities for local adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

“We’re thrilled to have been honored with the esteemed Juanita Haugen Community of Character Award,” Sunflower Hill development director Jennifer Oxe told me.

“At Sunflower Hill, we hold ourselves to the highest standards, echoing the values embodied by Juanita Haugen herself,” Oxe said. “We are dedicated to serving the needs of adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and ensuring that we create spaces and places where they can live, work, learn and thrive as part of the greater community.”

The collaborative also recently announced the 11 Pleasanton students who received this year’s Juanita Haugen Memorial Scholarships. (Yes, 11! More than double last year’s total due to increased fundraising and donations, according to the organization.)

Available to graduating seniors from each of Pleasanton’s three public high schools, the financial awards are given based on the student-applicant’s “commitment to the values of the Community of Character, their experiences, and things they’ve overcome as well as their service to their school, family and community,” organizers said.

The 2024 scholarship recipients were: Ishmeet Dhillon, Matteo Gable, Jessi Mejia Oropeza, Ajay Reyes and Madeline Zhang from Amador Valley High School; Valentina Avalos, Elias Badillo-Benard, Peter Bennett, Jake Grijalva and Colin Harrison from Foothill High School; and David Peregrina from Village High School.

The scholarship students will join the Juanita Haugen Award winners at a special recognition luncheon hosted by the collaborative next Wednesday (May 15) at the Veterans Memorial Building in Pleasanton. For tickets and more information, go to [bit.ly/cc-luncheon](https://bit.ly/cc-luncheon). ■

## About the Cover

Pianist Jason Lyle Black is returning to his hometown of Livermore this Sunday to perform his new show, “From Blockbusters to Broadway: 100 Hits of Stage & Screen.” Photo courtesy Jason Lyle Black.

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**When you're going through a difficult time for one reason or another, what brings you comfort?**



**Art and Carol Martin**  
*Both retired*

We turn to Jesus in prayer because he has all of the answers and a plan for our lives. We know that regardless of what difficulties we are going through in our lives, everything will turn out for the best.



**Maruti Tella**  
*Business operations*

I try to connect with nature in order to really be in the present and to reflect on myself and the future. Doing that gives me the time and space I need to find the solution to whatever is troubling me.



**Sandeep Penmetsa**  
*Engineering manager*

I reach out to my closest friends and family. And I try to listen to all of their perspectives. That helps me to figure out my own perspective and the best way I can deal with whatever problems I'm facing.



**Dave Lowry, with Logan**  
*Retired school teacher*

I look to my beautiful, wonderful wife Debbie. No matter what is going on, she always supports me and makes me feel good about myself and helps me through difficult times. With Debbie by my side, I know I can handle anything life throws at me.



**Nicole Carvalho**  
*Bar manager*

I just keep putting one foot in front of the other, knowing that it's better to move forward rather than to remain stagnant. I also try to keep my focus on all of the good things in my life.

—Compiled by Nancy and Jeff Lewis

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## DIGEST

### Rose Show

The 84th annual Pleasanton Rose Show returns to the Senior Center this Saturday (May 11) of Mother's Day weekend.

Roses grown in gardens in Alameda and Contra Costa counties will be exhibited; registration runs from 8-10 a.m. with the free show running from 2-5 p.m. (with awards presented at 2:30 p.m.), according to organizers.

To learn more, visit [pleasanton-roseshow.com](http://pleasanton-roseshow.com). The Pleasanton Senior Center is located at 5353 Sunol Blvd.

### Treatment plant tour

The Zone 7 Water Agency is recognizing Water Awareness Month in May, including offering free public tours of its Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant next weekend.

The hourlong guided tours — which will include drinks, treats and water-related promotional items — will focus on operations at the facility outside Livermore including upgrades completed in 2022 for increased storage capacity, modernized equipment and ozonation treatment.

The tours are set to run every half hour between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. next Saturday (May 18). Go to [zone7water.com](http://zone7water.com) for more details.

### AAPI Heritage Month

The Pleasanton community is set to join this weekend outside the Firehouse Arts Center in downtown to celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

The free event from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday (May 11) is set to feature a live performance by author-illustrator Eugenia You, a poem reading by the city's teen poet laureate Ishmeel Dhillon, arts and crafts activities, shaved ice and more, according to city officials. More information at [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org). ■

### Corrections

The May 3 What a Week column "Last supe standing" incorrectly described the nature of SRVUSD public communication regarding Superintendent John Malloy's departure. The district did not issue a press release, but rather answered our reporter's questions and sent a copy of the letter Board President Laura Bratt emailed to the community, which cited Malloy's exit as a resignation not a retirement.

We also recently learned that the March 15 cover story "Comfort cows" misattributed the source of certain photographs. Each photo was from the Sri Surabhi Go Ksetra Facebook page.

The Pleasanton Weekly regrets the errors.

## Investigation continues into crash that killed family on Foothill Road

PPD confirms electric car was not registered to parents; federal website shows history of steering complaints

By Christian Trujano

The Pleasanton Police Department has confirmed that the family of four who died in a single-vehicle car crash last month did not own the electric vehicle they were driving, and it now appears that same car might have previously had issues with losing control of the steering, according to a complaint filed with the National Highway Traffic

Safety Administration.

A spokesperson for VinFast — the vehicle's manufacturing company that is based in Vietnam — told the Weekly that the company could "neither confirm the authenticity of the complaint nor the information contained therein."

"VinFast is aware of this tragic accident in Pleasanton and our hearts go out to the family," the VinFast spokesperson said. "The

authorities are currently investigating the cause of the accident and will share their findings when their work is completed."

The Alameda County Coroner's Bureau has also confirmed that Pleasanton resident Rincy George, 41, was the fourth victim who died in the deadly April 24 crash that took place on Foothill Road near Stoneridge Drive around 9 p.m.

The coroner's bureau previously

identified her husband Tarun Cherukara George, 41, and their two children Rowan George, 13, and Aaron George, 9, as the other victims. Rowan was a student at Hart Middle School while Aaron attended Donlon Elementary School, Hart principal Caroline Fields stated in an email to the community last month.

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FILE PHOTO BY JEREMY WALSH

Mired in controversy in recent years, Federal Correctional Institution Dublin abruptly closed last week, with all female inmates taken away from the low-security prison.

## All inmates cleared out at Dublin women's prison

Federal facility closed in fallout from sex abuse scandal

By Bay City News Service

All inmates at the federal women's prison in Dublin have been relocated following its closure in the wake of a sex abuse scandal involving multiple officials, including the former warden, according to the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

As of May 1, the women were all either transferred to other prisons, released or transferred to "community placement," according to bureau spokesperson Randilee Giamusso.

"Each individual underwent a thorough assessment to determine the best placement for them with a goal to keep

everyone as close as possible to their expected release locations," Giamusso said in an email Monday. "We also ensured they had access to their legal representatives once they arrived at their receiving institutions."

The prison was abruptly closed after a wide-ranging sexual abuse scandal came to light.

Former warden Ray Garcia was convicted in 2022 and sentenced to nearly six years in prison for sexually abusing three inmates and lying about it, while former chaplain James Highhouse pleaded guilty to charges related to sexually abusing an inmate and was sentenced to seven years in prison.

Also, Nakie Nunley was sentenced last month to six years in prison on four counts of sexual abuse of a ward, five counts of abusive sexual contact and one count of making false statements.

Bureau officials didn't say how many women were transferred to other prisons or where those women are now located.

Giamusso said the closure is temporary and that no one will lose their jobs as a result.

"We will be conducting an assessment of the facility and our population needs to determine the next steps. We will provide updates as we have them," she said. ■

## Supervisors accept DA recall signatures

Board to debate election date at May 14 meeting

By Bay City News Service

The effort to remove Alameda County District Attorney Pamela Price from office took a step forward when the county Board of Supervisors accepted the certification of signatures to place a recall on an upcoming ballot.

After a nearly four-hour hearing featuring more than three hours of ardent public comment on April 30, the supervisors voted to essentially confirm the finding of county Registrar of Voters Tim Dupuis that proponents gathered enough valid signatures — 74,757 — to place the recall of Price on a ballot.

The board also voted to schedule a special meeting on May 14 to set a date for such an election and to decide if they want to call a special election or consolidate the recall with the November general election.

"Our office's preference, for a number of reasons, would be for you to consolidate," Dupuis said.

Firstly, the cost to run a special election would be between \$15 million and \$20 million, whereas



Pamela Price

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# After carjacking attempt, family raises concerns over Pleasanton Police Department response

Sunol market owner also struggled to reach 911 following robbery with same suspects earlier that day

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

Pleasanton resident Keith Bailey was minding his own business while doing some work on his car outside of his home on Neal Street early on a Saturday evening when he suddenly heard two gunshots coming from his neighbor's residence.

He then said he saw a man walking out of his neighbor's house and toward him. At first, Bailey said he didn't feel intimidated and even tried asking the man what had happened. That's when he said the stranger jumped into Bailey's car.

At that moment, Bailey ran back into his house to tell his wife to call 911. When he went

back outside, he said the assailant demanded the keys to the car and flashed his gun.

"That's when I really kind of freaked out," Bailey told the Weekly.

As Bailey paced around inside his home with the fear of not knowing if the suspect had made his way inside his house or not, he and his family were mainly wondering: Why weren't their 911 calls going through and what's taking the police so long to respond?

The attempted carjacking and ensuing suspect search that involved several police agencies near downtown Pleasanton on April 27 first started after a robbery took place at the Sunol

Corners Little Market.

Market owner Juan Pablo Alvarado said he remembers the moments during and after the robbery as being chaotic.

"It was a crazy situation," he told the Weekly.

After the robbery in Sunol, the suspects were believed to have traveled to Pleasanton where the incident involving Bailey unfolded. The Pleasanton Police Department was able to confirm on Monday that a primary suspect and an accomplice who got away from police in Pleasanton were in fact connected with the incident in Sunol.

Bailey said after the would-be carjacker flashed a gun, he ran back inside his house to protect his family where he quickly discovered that none of his kids or his wife had been able to get through to 911.

According to a screenshot of his daughter's phone call history, she began calling 911 at 5:25 p.m. April 27 and for five minutes, each of her 10 calls were canceled. One outgoing call went out at 5:31 p.m. but Bailey said even that one did not go through.

He even said that as his wife was hiding in their backyard, their daughter jumped over their fence and ran in order to get to a better area to call the police, thinking it was an issue with the reception.

"I don't cuss very often, but I was cussing up a storm," Bailey said. "I've never felt like that before. Once he flashed that gun, it scared the tar out of me and the only thing I could (think) I got to protect my family."

He said in the end, he never did find out who was able to call 911 but eventually somebody did get through and police made it to their house. However, Bailey said given how close his house was to the PPD headquarters, he was not happy with how long it took for officers to get there.

Alvarado also said that he had trouble calling 911 after the robbery in Sunol.

He said he got the same busy line message three times and finally, it was one of his customers inside the market who was able to get through to 911. Even then, Alvarado said it took about 15 to 20 minutes for authorities to get to the scene.

But he doesn't blame the deputies, he blames the 911 calling operation system for not working. "If the 911 system is not picking up, how are (officers) going to know?" Alvarado said.

PPD Lt. Erik Silacci told the

Weekly as far as getting through to 911, he wasn't sure how many calls got that busy signal but that when PPD has its several 911 lines overwhelmed, they have what are called rollover lines that they utilize.

He said in this case, however, it seems like it was a "technical issue with a few different causes and we are still trying to ascertain those causes."

One potential cause, Silacci said, that PPD is floating around is that because of the Interstate 680 closure that took place that weekend, additional cars on city streets could have affected the cell towers.

Bailey said that after speaking with investigators who gave him more of a detailed timeline of the response time, he still had his concerns.

According to Bailey, PPD told him that the first call came in at 5:19 p.m. but dispatch didn't receive the message until 5:25 p.m. He then said PPD didn't get to his house until 5:31 p.m., which is over the four-minute mark that PPD has set as its emergency response time goal.

"We have a few different metrics we use, but overall response time is from the time a call is ready for dispatch — after a call taker has spoken with the reporting party and put the necessary information into our ... system — until the time the first unit arrives on scene," Silacci said. "In this incident we were on scene within 6 minutes."

Silacci said PPD was also responding in support for the Sunol market incident and that getting from Sunol to Bailey's house took a few minutes, which seems to have contributed to the delayed response time. He also said that other officers stationed throughout Pleasanton were also delayed because it was a busy Saturday.

"While we try to get there in four (minutes), six is not that bad," Silacci said. "All in all that's not a really bad response time."

But for Bailey's family, who had been trying to get through to 911 for much longer, it still felt like an eternity.

He also said that when the police finally did get there, he didn't feel like they knew what was going on or what they were doing. He said at first officers didn't seem to know what address to go to and that they were spending more time setting up a perimeter and taking pictures of his car's license plate rather than checking in on his missing daughter who jumped the fence

and his neighbor where the initial shots came from.

It wasn't until later on that he found out through his neighbor that the suspect had jumped over the same fence his daughter leapt — although she jumped into his neighbor's backyard and the suspect jumped into the driveway area to get away — which only made him wonder why the police were not doing more.

"It's like they had no idea," Bailey said. "They didn't know what they were doing ... they seemed so confused and not knowing what was going on."

But Silacci said that PPD's main concern was locating any suspects who were armed and setting a perimeter. He said based on the information they had at the time they suspected there were two, possibly three, subjects running through neighbors' backyards and they knew that gunshots had been fired.

"We had at least three separate reporting parties, each providing us with information on direction of travel of the suspects, descriptions of the suspects and possible associated vehicles," Silacci said. "When officers did set a perimeter, they were able to get first-hand information from some of those same reporting parties."

Bailey said that overall he believes the case was mishandled and mentioned that in the past, PPD has responded quickly to other calls and done so in a better manner. This time, however, was different.

"When this is going on, we're calling and there's just nobody showing up," Bailey said. "It was an eerie, eerie feeling ... and of course scary at the same time."

For Alvarado, he said he just wished that there would be better communications between different agencies when responding to an emergency, especially for rural areas such as Sunol. He said that given there were California Highway Patrol cars at various exits on I-680 for the closure, they could have been called to respond quickly, but he also said that it first comes down to 911 operations getting better so those calls can quickly come through in the first place.

"I don't blame the police, I don't blame the sheriff," Alvarado said. "This time I blame the system."

As for the suspects involved in the Sunol robbery and the attempted carjacking, Silacci said no arrests have been made but investigators are working on leads to positively identify the suspects. ■

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# Caltrans schedules two partial freeway closures this month

Three I-680 lanes will be blocked off during two weekends between Dublin and San Ramon

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

Caltrans is planning to close three lanes of southbound Interstate 680 between Alcosta Boulevard in San Ramon and the I-580/I-680 connector in Dublin on two different weekends later this month as part of its overall southbound I-680 rehabilitation project.

According to the transportation agency, the first partial closure that will affect mostly the cities of San Ramon and Dublin is set to take place from 9 p.m. next Friday (May 17) to 4 a.m. the following Monday (May 20). The second partial closure will be during the same hour timeframe but on May 31 to June 3.

“During the closures, the contractor will replace a portion of the existing deteriorated roadway with new pavement on southbound I-680,” the transportation agency stated in a press release last week. “The work will repair deteriorating existing pavement and enhance motorist safety while reducing the number of nightly closures needed on the project. Each weekend closure will accomplish the amount of work that otherwise would require an estimated 40 nighttime closures.”

In case of rain, the agency said the closures will be rescheduled and the public will be notified.

Unlike the previous full closures the transportation agency carried out recently between Pleasanton and Sunol, these two new partial closures will keep two right lanes open throughout construction.

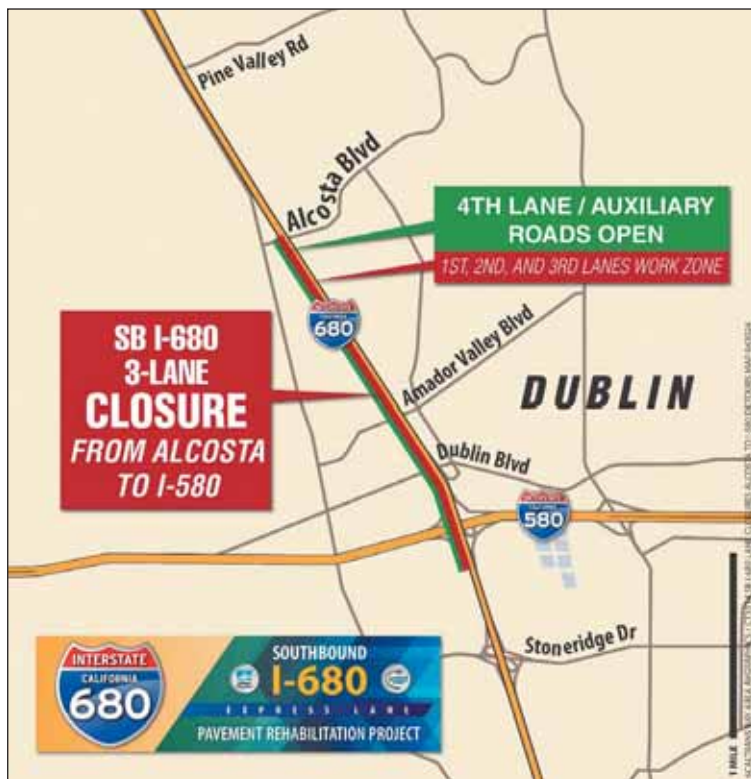
“Though lanes will be open, it’s best to avoid the area if possible,” according to Caltrans. “If you do access the freeway, please be aware of construction vehicles entering and exiting the construction zone and slow (down) for the cone zone.”

That’s why Caltrans stated it encourages drivers to take alternative routes in order to alleviate traffic congestion during each weekend.

Motorists going westbound on I-80 from Vacaville and Fairfield will be advised to remain on I-80 to southbound I-880. Those going south on I-680 near the Benicia-Martinez Bridge will have to take I-780 west to the I-80 and then to southbound I-880.

Caltrans also said I-680 southbound drivers in Concord can go on Highway 4 to I-80 to southbound I-880. Those on southbound I-680 in Walnut Creek can take State Route 24 to I-80 to I-880.

Apart from the three lanes being closed on southbound I-680, the far-left express lane and the left shoulder on northbound I-680 between Amador Valley Boulevard



CALTRANS

Map shows planned lane closure area for the upcoming weekend roadwork on Interstate 680 southbound between Dublin and San Ramon.

in Dublin and Alcosta Blvd in San Ramon will also be closed.

The southbound Saint Patrick Way onramp onto southbound I-680 in Dublin will also be fully closed.

However, the northbound I-680 and I-580/I-680 interchange connector will remain open and

unaffected by the partial closure.

“Caltrans is aware that the closures will impact the motoring public and measures are being taken to minimize inconvenience,” the transportation agency stated. “Caltrans thanks the motoring public in advance for your patience as we work to improve I-680.” ■

## TAKE US ALONG



### Teacher on holiday:

Pleasanton teacher Marianne Ottaway (right) visited her daughter Alisa studying abroad in Italy for the 2024 spring semester. While there, they took a day trip to visit the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Of course, they brought along something from home — the Pleasanton Weekly!

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## May Pleasanton Real Estate Market Update – Marching on

The Pleasanton real estate market continued its hot streak in April. While we saw an uptick in inventory, it remains well below normal levels, and the best listings are generally being snapped up quickly. The Spring market is definitely in full bloom right now.

Let’s take a dive into the numbers for April

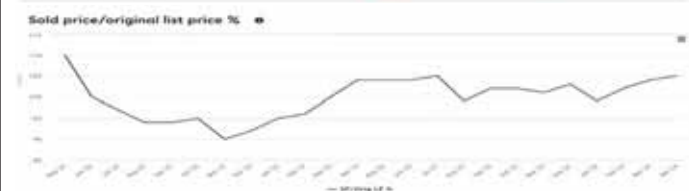
**Supply/Inventory:** We saw more homes come on the market in April which is normal. There were 41 single family homes available at the end of April. While this is 41% higher than March, it is still well below normal inventory levels. And this figure is down slightly from April of 2023, continuing to illustrate that we are in a historically low inventory market.

**Demand:** In April we again saw strong demand overall, although pending sales (homes under contract) fell slightly as compared to March (down 5.3%). Still this represents a 26% increase compared to April of 2023. Closed sales were up

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### Pleasanton Market Report Data for April 2024 Single Family Detached Homes

	APR 2024	CHANGE FROM MAR 2024	CHANGE FROM APR 2023
Homes sold	58	+40%	+81%
Homes for sale	41	+12%	+4.3%
Median days on market	8	-40%	+14%
Median price per square foot	\$898	+5.0%	+3.9%
Months of inventory	0.7	+2.1%	+4.7%
Median sold price	\$1,980,000	+1.6%	+1.0%
Homes under contract	54	+5.3%	+20%



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# 'An Evening with Tulsi Gabbard' set for June 18

Chamber presenting former congresswoman, as running mate buzz heats up

By JEREMY WALSH

Former presidential candidate and congresswoman turned political pundit Tulsi Gabbard is set for a speaker appearance in the Tri-Valley next month.

The Dublin Chamber of Commerce is presenting Gabbard's talk at the Bankhead Theater

as part of its 2024 Thought Leadership Speaker Series.

Gabbard, who served as a Democrat from Hawaii in the U.S. House of Representatives from 2013 to 2021, famously left the political party in 2022 to become an independent. Just last month, she released a new book reflecting on the experience entitled, "For Love

of Country: Why I Left the Democratic Party".

Also lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve, Gabbard was among the slew



Tulsi Gabbard

of Democratic hopefuls to run for the party's presidential nomination in the 2020 cycle. After leaving Congress, she has grown her national profile as a political podcast host and guest commentator on television. Her name has been linked in national news reports this year, including recent stories from USA Today and NBC

News, as a potential vice presidential running mate for presumptive Republican nominee Donald Trump.

"An Evening with Tulsi Gabbard" is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. June 18 at the Bankhead Theater in downtown Livermore. To learn more, visit [dublinchamberofcommerce.org](http://dublinchamberofcommerce.org). ■

## RECALL

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folding the recall into the November election would cost about \$4 million, he said.

Also, a special election would "compete for resources" with the general election, potentially leaving the county short on equipment and voting centers in November, he said.

"And I do want to make the board aware that there have been times when we have elections that get litigated, that judges have told us that we have to hold on to the equipment and not decommission it," Dupuis said. "And that would, if we were in a special election and we were told to hold on to any of the critical equipment for running an election, it would put at risk our

availability of resources and equipment for the consolidated election."

Dupuis' preference runs counter to the wishes of recall supporters, however, who have long said they'd prefer a special election be held as soon as possible.

Chris Moore, campaign manager for the anti-Price group Save Alameda for Everyone, said delaying a recall election longer than necessary will cost the county tax revenue as businesses close over crime concerns and people do their shopping and dining in other counties, in addition to the financial and emotional costs borne by crime victims, several of whom gave impassioned testimony.

"The will of the people want to see this vote come to an election and they want a special election as

soon as possible and that is what SAFE is asking," Moore said, adding they'd like to see an election in July or August.

Both supporters and opponents of the recall have leveled criticism at Dupuis for perceived missteps and a lack of transparency while navigating the recall rules.

Opponents allege Dupuis failed to follow county election rules that say he had just 10 days to certify the signatures and that recall supporters were inappropriately allowed to use signature gatherers who don't live in Alameda County.

Complicating matters is the fact that in March, county voters passed Measure B, a charter amendment that changes the recall rules to align with state election laws and it's unclear which should apply in this

case since recall supporters started their signature gathering prior to the March election.

Critics say Dupuis variously applied state rules at times and county rules at times, adding confusion to an already complicated process.

Price said on April 30 that the supervisors should have invalidated the signatures and prevented the recall from moving forward.

"The most unfortunate part is the citizens of Alameda County will be impacted by these actions. Today's vote attempts to thwart their right to have who they duly elected in office," Price said in a press release. "Additionally, the county already faces a \$54 million budget gap, and the Board's decision could add \$20 million more debt to that shortfall. This is irresponsible. A special

election should not even be on the table, this should take place on Nov. 5 during the general election."

Whatever the decision at their May 14 meeting, supervisors have said they expect to be sued by one side or the other, or maybe both.

"We're doing the best we can to follow the process and that is election law, and I will tell you that I think ultimately this feels like it's going to end up in court and one way or the other," said Supervisor David Haubert.

If Price is successfully recalled, the Board of Supervisors would pick a temporary replacement to serve out the remainder of her term in office. A permanent replacement would be selected by voters in the next election after that term expires. ■

## CRASH

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First responders attempted to render aid to one of the children but in the end, all four died at the scene.

In a follow-up interview, Pleasanton police Lt. Erik Silacci said the circumstances behind the crash are still under investigation but continued to say speed might have been a factor. He also said evidence from the scene indicated the vehicle hit a roadside pole, went airborne and struck a large oak tree that night.

"Speed was a factor just because of the level of damage to the vehicle," Silacci said. "That vehicle ... there's not much left of it"

The car caught fire, but investigators do not think the fire killed the family, according to Silacci. First responders had to put out the flames a second time after the car reignited, which Silacci said PPD has experienced with electric vehicle fires in the past.

He said investigators are still trying to figure out whether all of the occupants were wearing their seat belts.

"It's something that we're gonna have to see if we can determine through some investigation," he added.

Silacci said the father was behind the wheel during the crash but that the VinFast car was in fact registered to a friend, who was not involved in the incident.

And since the crash, a complaint was filed to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) on April 29 which talks about a 2023 VinFast VF8 that was owned by a person who said their coworker died along with their family on the same day as the April 24 crash. The consumer complaint location was also listed as Pleasanton.

The details of the complaint, which matches the April 24 crash, states the complainant was concerned their coworker who was driving their car might have experienced similar steering failures that the complainant had in the past.

"The contact stated that while driving at unknown speeds, the steering wheel automatically

maneuvered to the right direction, however, the contact was able to regain control of the steering wheel and maneuvered into the correct lane," according to the NHTSA complaint. "The contact stated that the failure occurred where the lane assist was turned on by default and it would automatically move the steering wheel."

Due to privacy considerations, the NHTSA said it could not confirm whether the vehicle owner complaint is connected to a specific crash or incident.

"For guidance, due to the Privacy Act, personally identifiable information is removed from the questionnaires before they are posted to our website," according to a NHTSA spokesperson. "NHTSA is

not able to provide any additional information on individual vehicle owner questionnaires."

According to the NHTSA, there have been nine complaints against the 2023 VinFast VF8 vehicle — seven of which were submitted between March and April. Some of those other complaints touched on similar issues where VinFast owners lost control of the steering wheel, had issues with the lane keeping sensor and the car speeding up too much.

Silacci said the department is still investigating the crash but said that he doesn't have any update on any communication with VinFast at this time.

The April 29 complaint stated that the manufacturer was made

aware of the crash, which matched the April 24 incident, and a case was opened. However, the VinFast spokesperson said the claim that "VinFast opened a case for this incident is not accurate."

"Regarding product quality, VinFast vehicles are designed and manufactured with safety as its top priority," the spokesperson said.

Silacci also added that the roadway on Foothill Road merges from a two-lane to a one-lane roadway in that direction and creates a curve, which could have contributed to the incident. When asked about the possibility of merging traffic being another factor in the crash, Silacci said it was something PPD is still investigating.

Flowers and other roadside memorials were set up near the tree along Foothill Road in the hours and days afterward to honor and remember the family.

This marked the second time in April that a Tri-Valley community was rocked by losing four members of a local family to a deadly crash. The father, mother and two children from the Negrete Guerrero family in Livermore were killed in a solo wreck on a highway in Manteca on the night of April 13; the other three of the young siblings survived that crash with moderate to major injuries. ■

*Editor's note: Editorial director Jeremy Walsh contributed to this story.*



CHUCK DECKERT

This was the scene along Foothill Road on the day after the fiery crash that claimed the lives of all four members of the George family from Pleasanton.



COURTESY TVNPA

Movie poster for the 2023 documentary "UnCharitable", which will be screened at the Bankhead Theater next week.

# 'Charity Reimagined' presentation at Bankhead

TVNPA hosting documentary screening, discussion with film's central subject

BY JEREMY WALSH

The Tri-Valley Nonprofit Alliance is presenting a special screening next week of the 2023 documentary "UnCharitable" followed by a conversation with the activist and author Dan Pallotta, who features prominently in the film.

The event next Wednesday evening serves to mark the 10th anniversary of the alliance while inspiring "new ways of thinking about the role and impact of nonprofits in society ... Pallotta is renowned for his provocative views on nonprofit funding and management, which he shared in his widely viewed TED Talks," TVNPA officials said in a press release.

"Imagine a world where nonprofits

have the funds they need," TVNPA CEO Kathy Young stated in the press release. "Consider the possibilities when nonprofits can competitively pay their staff, have up-to-date technology, and the resources they need to fulfill their true missions."

Drawing from Pallotta's efforts in the nonprofit field, "UnCharitable" — directed by Stephen Gyllenhaal — "exposes the dark side of philanthropy and introduces a radical new way of giving," according to the documentary's website.

TVNPA's "Charity Reimagined: An Evening with Dan Pallotta" is scheduled for next Wednesday (May 15) from 5:30-8:30 p.m. in the Bankhead Theater in Livermore. For more information, visit tvnpa.org. ■

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# New county judge among appointments from Newsom

Risher named to Alameda County bench; Clarke receives Contra Costa judgeship

BY BAY CITY NEWS SERVICE

California Gov. Gavin Newsom announced the appointment of 18 superior court judges on Friday. Bay Area appointments include one in Alameda County, one in Contra Costa County and one in Marin County. Each position pays about \$238,000 per year.

Alameda County resident Michael Risher was appointed as a judge for the Alameda County Superior Court. The position opened after the retirement of Judge Robert McGuiness.

Risher has been a sole practitioner and of counsel at the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Northern California since

2018. He worked at the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Northern California as senior staff attorney from 2013 through 2018, and as a staff attorney there from 2006 to 2013.

Risher served as deputy public defender at the Alameda County Public Defender's Office from 1998 to 2005. He worked as a law clerk for Judge Karen Nelson Moore at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit from 1996 to 1997, before working as a legal affairs advisor for the Lindesmith Center from 1997 to 1998. Risher earned his Juris Doctor degree from Stanford Law School and served as a lecturer there in 2015 and 2023.

He is registered as a Democrat.

Contra Costa County resident Stephanie Clarke was appointed to serve as a judge on the Contra Costa County Superior Court. The position opened after the retirement of Judge Jill Fannin.

Clarke has worked as a staff attorney at the First District Appellate Project since 2003, in addition to between 1991 and 1998, and was an adjunct professor of law and lecturer in law at the University of California College of the Law, San Francisco from 1994 to 2022.

Clarke served as the deputy state public defender in the Office of the State Public Defender from 1998 to 2003. She worked as a

contract attorney for the Law Office of Cesari, Werner and Moriarty in 1991 and as an associate at Bledsoe, Cathcart, Leahy, Starr and Diestel from 1989 to 1991. Clarke was deputy state public defender at the Connecticut Office of the State Public Defender from 1987 to 1989. She earned her Juris Doctor degree from the University of Connecticut School of Law, and served as a lecturer there in 1998.

She does not have a registered party preference.

Marin County resident Ahtossa Fullerton was appointed to serve as a judge on the Marin County Superior Court. The position opened after the retirement of

Judge Beverly Wood.

Fullerton has worked as a partner at Wasacz Hilley & Fullerton LLP since 2010, and worked as a sole practitioner between 2005 and 2009. She worked as an associate at Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP from 2000 to 2003 and at Lanahan & Reilly LLP from 1998 to 2000.

Fullerton earned her Juris Doctor degree from the Santa Clara University School of Law while also earning a Master of Business Administration degree from the Santa Clara University School of Business. She finished both degrees in 1998.

Fullerton is registered as a Democrat. ■

## Voters appear to reject SRVUSD parcel tax measures

Measures E and F below two-thirds threshold after Election Night

BY JEANITA LYMAN

Two parcel tax measures that would have funded operations at the San Ramon Valley Unified School District appear to have failed to meet the required threshold to pass according to the initial results for the special election that were released Tuesday evening.

Measure E, which would have replaced an existing \$144 annual parcel tax set to expire next year, garnered a 61.76% Yes vote and a 38.24% No vote in unofficial results released by the Contra Costa County Elections Division the night of the special election, with Measure F, a supplemental \$96-per-parcel tax, garnering support from 56.86% of voters and being

rejected by 43.14% of voters.

While a majority of voters favored both measures, neither measure was able to bring in the minimum two-thirds or 66.7% support necessary for approval as of the election night count.

Although Tuesday evening's results are unofficial, the special election was mail-only, with the only remaining

ballots left to count being those that are postmarked by May 7 but have not yet arrived. Ballots went out to voters on April 8.

The SRVUSD Board of Education decided in February to put the two measures on the ballot in a special election in a unanimous vote, indicating at that point that if the measures were to fail in the special

election, they would still have another chance to return to the ballot in a regular election ahead of the expiration of the existing bond measure in July 2025.

As of the initial count, a total of 21,897 of 107,257, or 20.42%, of eligible voters had participated in the special mail election for both measures. ■

## State's groundwater supplies boosted by active rainy season

'The result of hard work by the local agencies combined with dedicated efforts from the state'

BY BAY CITY NEWS SERVICE

California's groundwater supplies greatly benefited from last year's historically wet rainy season, according to a new report from the Department of Water Resources.

During the state's "water year," which runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30, California was able to capture 4.1 million acre-feet of "managed groundwater recharge" — roughly enough to fill Lake Shasta — on its way to increasing overall groundwater storage by 8.7 million acre-feet, according to DWR.

Managed groundwater recharge is the deliberate effort to divert water into underground aquifers and 3.8-million-acre feet of that recharge happened in the San Joaquin Valley, which accounted for 93% of the total managed aquifer recharge statewide, according to DWR's semi-annual groundwater conditions report.

"California is invested in preparing for weather extremes by maximizing the wet years to store as much water as possible in preparation for the dry years," Paul Gosselin, DWR's deputy director of sustainable water management, said in a news release Monday.

"The impressive recharge

numbers in 2023 are the result of hard work by the local agencies combined with dedicated efforts from the state, but we must do more to be prepared to capture and store water when the wet years come," Gosselin said.

The water storage boom was primarily the result of 2023 being ranked the eighth wettest year in the past half century, due to a series of 19 major "atmospheric river" storms that lashed the state and led to reservoirs topping out at nearly 100% of capacity.

This, combined with deliberate groundwater replenishment projects and naturally occurring aquifer recharge, allowed subsurface water levels to rise as cities and farms drew more heavily on reservoirs for their supplies.

Still, as the report points out, the state's groundwater sources are well below what they could be due to decades of over-pumping that outpaced Mother Nature's ability to refill them.

The 2023 groundwater numbers contrast sharply with those of 2022, when water use and drought led to a 6.4 million acre-foot drop in storage levels.

The state's 515 groundwater basins and subbasins, which have an estimated capacity of between



DWR VIA BCN

California DWR installs a groundwater monitoring well along the California aqueduct. The data is used to monitor changes in ground water levels.

850-million-acre feet and 1.3-billion-acre feet of water, contribute

about 40% of California's total water supply in an average year, and

up to 60% in a dry year, according to DWR. ■

# Tri-Valley Conservancy set to host Uncorked Showcase

Nonprofit's annual wine and conservation celebration returning for its 15th year

By JEANITA LYMAN

Organizers with Livermore-based Tri-Valley Conservancy are preparing for the viticulture and conservation group's annual Uncorked Showcase, with local wine, cuisine and entertainment on tap next week marking the event's 15th year.

In addition to Livermore Valley wines, the event is set to showcase the work of local chefs with both appetizers and main dishes, as well as the music of Tri-Valley funk-fusion band Sugar Bear at the Garré Vineyard in southeast Livermore.

The main event is set to be a selection of wines produced in the Livermore Valley wine region, with samples aimed at accommodating all kinds of palates regardless of their experience level with wine, according to TVC organizers.

Attendees can vote in a people's choice award for their favorite red, white and rosé selections of the evening, as well as compete for raffle prizes.

While the Uncorked Showcase

is in its 15th year, TVC is now in its 30th year of seeking to promote and preserve Livermore Valley vineyards as well as other agricultural lands and open spaces throughout the Tri-Valley as a land trust.

The organization now preserves and stewards more than 5,000 acres of agricultural and open space throughout the Tri-Valley, most recently turning its attention towards Tesla Park in a joint letter with more than 30 other organizations this week calling for the area's preservation as a state reserve.

"This vital ecological link is home to a diverse array of plant and animal species, making it a biodiversity hotspot that holds statewide significance," TVC organizers said in their announcement Monday. Tesla Park also holds immense cultural importance as the ancestral lands of Indigenous tribes from the East Bay Ohlone and Central Valley Northern Valley Yokuts."

Currently, the California State Parks system is classifying and determining an official name for the



Wine, food and friends of Tri-Valley viticulture are set to return next week for Tri-Valley Conservancy's 15th annual Uncorked Showcase. COURTESY TVC

sprawling open space in southeast Livermore, with a decision tentatively expected by this fall.

In the meantime, conservation and wine enthusiasts can gather

just adjacent to the Tesla Park area next Thursday (May 16) starting at 5 p.m. in Garré Vineyard's Bella Rosa Event Center at 7986 Tesla Road in Livermore for this year's

Uncorked Showcase. Tickets — with proceeds going towards TVC's conservation efforts — and more information are available at [trivalleyconservancy.org](http://trivalleyconservancy.org). ■

## County supes pass key provision to allow youth vote in two school districts

Teens in Oakland, Berkeley will now be able to cast ballots in school board elections

By BAY CITY NEWS SERVICE

After years of delays, 16- and 17-year-olds in Oakland and Berkeley will finally get a chance to vote in school board elections.

With an eye toward the upcoming November general election, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors voted last week to approve a \$113,000 contract increase with a third-party election

services company and to add six positions in the Registrar of Voters' office.

The supervisors' approval comes four years after 68 percent of Oakland voters approved Measure QQ, and eight years after Berkeley voters approved Measure Y1, both of which authorize the youth vote in those cities.

"I am fully supportive of this

effort to make sure that we meet the voters' directives after eight years," Supervisor Lena Tam said on April 30.

The decision will allow the county's elections officials to add the necessary software upgrades and "to provide year-round support for youth voting, elections processing, canvassing, voter file maintenance, special election billing and youth voting

activities," according to a report from Registrar of Voters Tim Dupuis.

Prior to the vote, Sara Tiras of the Oakland Youth Commission urged supervisors to move forward with the plan.

"Our City Council members, our mayor, they've expressed their unwavering support over the last four years and their expectation that you, the Board

of Supervisors and the registrar, need to get this implemented by the next election," Tiras said. "In addition, we've recently launched a civic engagement curriculum in our Oakland high schools to get our youth informed, registered and ready to vote."

"We are not here today talking about whether the youth vote is right or wrong, we are not here to talk about whether the election system can or cannot be modified," said Pecolia Manigo of Oakland Rising Action prior to the supervisors' decision. "You have a choice to help move this process forward, to adhere to the will of the voters." ■

## SRVUSD picks former district official as new superintendent

Cammack to step down from Fremont Unified, return to San Ramon Valley this summer

By JEANITA LYMAN

The San Ramon Valley Unified School District has secured a successor for the district's outgoing superintendent, with the Board of Education announcing a familiar name as their pick for the position Friday.

CJ Cammack, current superintendent at the Fremont Unified School District, is set to take the reins at SRVUSD following the departure of current SRVUSD Superintendent John Malloy on July 1.

The move means a return to the district for Cammack, who previously served as assistant superintendent of human resources



CJ Cammack

at SRVUSD. He left that position in 2015 to work as deputy superintendent of human resources at the Martinez Unified School District for one year before taking the reins

as superintendent there starting in 2016. He later moved to the Fremont school district in 2020.

"I am thrilled to return to San Ramon Valley Unified School District," Cammack said in an announcement from the district. "Through expanding existing relationships and building new ones, I am excited to engage with students, staff, families, and community members to continue the District's work around the Learner Profile. I am deeply humbled and profoundly grateful for the opportunity to serve and lead this excellent district."

The news comes following two special board meetings the

previous weekend, in which the board had been scheduled to interview candidates for the superintendent position that came up for grabs following the announcement of Malloy's departure in February.

"With the Board's strong commitment to SRVUSD's Strategic Directions and careful analysis of our community survey and partner group feedback, the decision to select Mr. Cammack as our next Superintendent was clear," SRVUSD Board President Laura Bratt said in the district's announcement. "His exceptional track record of making district-wide improvements that benefit all students, his expertise in

community-building, and his reputation for strengthening the student learning experience makes him the best choice for our district."

The terms of Cammack's contract are not yet known, with the trustees set to finalize and vote on the contract and appointment at their next regular meeting on May 14.

Approval would make SRVUSD the first of the four Tri-Valley school districts with superintendent departures to fill the position. Sunol Glen, Livermore Valley and Pleasanton are at other stages of their respective recruitment processes. ■



**Top of page:** Jason Lyle Black performs with a full band on stage during a past performance. (Photo courtesy Black). **Left:** Black describes the style of his show as a symphony type of experience with few instruments on stage. (Photo by Elias Jessop). **Below:** A look back at Black performing in a childhood piano recital. (Photo courtesy Black).

## Famed pianist Jason Lyle Black to c



BY CIERRA BAILEY

**P**iano virtuoso and Livermore native Jason Lyle Black is set to take the Bankhead Theater stage on Mother's Day to debut his new show, "From Blockbusters to Broadway: 100 Hits of Stage & Screen."

Those who attend Sunday's performance will see and hear the new arrangements by Black for the first time before he takes the show on tour later this year.

"The biggest thing about the new show is that I'm writing for more than piano now, so I'm bringing my drummer out from Nashville with me," Black told the Weekly in an interview.

"This new show builds on a lot of what I did before which was a show around Broadway and so on — so it's still in that same world but all-new music and just kind of a bigger sound," he said,

adding that songs from "Pirates of the Caribbean" and "Phantom of the Opera" are examples along with music from iconic bands like The Rolling Stones and AC/DC, to name a few.

Black said that one thing he strives to communicate with audiences is that his show is very fast-paced as he traverses through 100 songs on stage, which is a much different and more lively experience from a traditional piano recital.

"It's almost like a 'Name that Tune' type of experience for people because there's just so much music that you hear and recognize," the Granada High School grad said.

In addition to drums, Black also has live projections on stage as well as some unique tricks up his sleeve like playing the piano backwards.

Black said the last time he played at the Bankhead was in 2020, right before the pandemic shutdown, and he's excited for the homecoming show more than four years later.

While his parents have long roots in Livermore with decades spent in the area, they've since



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## for Mother's Day

debut new touring show on hometown stage

retired and moved out of state, but Black said they will be coming back to town to see the show on Sunday, creating a full circle moment and reunion with other friends and loved ones who remain local.

Without wanting to give away any spoilers, Black also noted that he will be taking time out in the show to commemorate Mother's Day and he has an "emotional moment" planned for the audience.

Reflecting on the last time he was in Livermore and the state of the arts industry post-pandemic, Black said there has been a "wonderful comeback."

"Obviously, there was a lot of loss in the arts, specifically, from the pandemic — venues that closed down permanently and people that had to leave the industry just because they couldn't survive that long without any work. But then, some of the flip side of that has been

**'One of my passions now is creating that really cinematic, symphonic sound with a surprisingly small stage.'**

**Jason Lyle Black,**  
Pianist

just a huge enthusiasm for return to live entertainment," Black said.

Since doing more touring in recent years and developing his new show, Black said he typically describes the style as a symphony type of experience with just a couple of instruments on stage. "One of my passions now is creating that really cinematic, symphonic sound with

a surprisingly small stage," he said, adding that he still includes several intimate moments of just him and the piano in the mix too.

"I like to bring kind of a classical grade experience but to the everyday audience. I want it to be sophisticated and powerful and artistic but still very accessible," he said.

Black's performance this Sunday (May 12) is set to begin at 3 p.m. Tickets and more information are available at [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org). ■



**Top right photos:** Growing up in Livermore, Jason Lyle Black participated in various activities including winning a state spelling bee in the sixth grade and playing the trumpet (as well as piano) during his adolescent years. (Photos courtesy Black). **Above:** In addition to piano, Black's upcoming show at the Bankhead will feature drums and live projections. (Photo courtesy Black).

## Bush preparing for final concert

### VCC director departing Tri-Valley after more than 25 years

BY JEANITA LYMAN

Valley Concert Chorale is getting ready to say goodbye to their longtime artistic director, with the group's upcoming spring concert marking his final show at the head of the organization.

John Emory Bush has led the group since 1998, when he first came across the job opening while serving in multiple capacities in the Bay Area music scene.

"I was living in San Francisco at the time and dividing my time between several organizations — the San Francisco Conservatory, where I was a vocal coach and accompanist, and San Francisco Concert Chorale, which is a chamber choir, then I became the conductor and head of the chorale department at Notre Dame University," Bush told Embarcadero Media Foundation. "Then I saw at the conservatory that this position was announced, that Valley was looking for a new conductor, so I applied and got the job."

While he continued to work in the San Francisco music scene for two years after coming to VCC, Bush found his home in the new position, and proved to be the perfect fit.

"We were seeking a new director who could take the chorale to the next level of musical excellence, someone who had credentials and experience to achieve that goal, and that is what John has done for

us these past 25 years," VCC member Pam Grove, who was on the selection committee that hired Bush, said in an announcement from the group on April 17.

Two years into the position though, Bush found another home — this time in Texas, where he has lived for the past 23 years while making weekly trips to the Tri-Valley.

"I accepted the job and lived in California the first two years, and then the Episcopal cathedral became available here in Dallas," Bush said. "I landed that job, so it was just a matter of wondering if this could work from Texas and commuting, and obviously it's worked because I've done it for 23 years."

Bush is now preparing for his final work trip to California and for his final show with VCC — a spring concert called "Something on the Lighter Side."

"It's going to be a lot of fun," Bush said. "This is not a classical program at all. It's a light program. If you want to treat your mother or your grandmother to something special where they're going to laugh and have fun, this is the program to go to because it's just a lighter program — from Elton John to The Beatles to Nat King Cole, we're covering a real variety."

Other popular musical acts showcased in the upcoming performance are set to include Billy



Longtime Valley Concert Chorale artistic director John Emory Bush is retiring from the position after his final show with the group this Saturday. COURTESY VCC



The Valley Concert Chorale poses earlier this season. The group's next show, "Something on the Lighter Side", is set for this Saturday at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Dublin. COURTESY VCC

Joel, Simon and Garfunkel, and music from Walt Disney productions, with accompaniment from guitar, bass, and drums in addition to piano.

"If chorale music was not a typical thing they might come to, this is

the one they should try," Bush said.

While the upcoming performance and VCC's spring shows overall have a lighter tone aimed at appealing to a wide audience, Bush emphasized that he seeks to spread the same joy he finds in chorale music to audiences at all of the shows throughout his career.

"I have really appreciated his amazing ability to construct a musical program that builds on the strengths of each piece of music while creating an overarching experience that leaves me, as a singer, inspired and enriched," Board President Sarah Allendorf said in VCC's announcement last month.

VCC is set to begin the search for Bush's successor this summer, with Jerome Lenk, director of music and liturgy and organist at Mission Dolores Basilica, taking the position on an interim basis until then.

"I know for sure that there's so much talent in the Bay Area that they're going to find a great musician, and I just want them to be able to take it from where it is now to the next level of musicianship and quality of performances," Bush said. "So that's just a matter of finding somebody that has a good

amount of experience, but that is not at retirement age so they can stay with the group for a while and just build on what I've established over these 25 years."

While Bush is retiring from VCC, he is set to continue work in Texas, where he currently serves as director of music for the First Methodist McKinney. However, he doesn't anticipate saying goodbye to the Bay Area forever.

"I still will enjoy coming to the Bay Area, because it was my home for eight years, so it's kind of like a second home," Bush said. "And I will really enjoy coming back there when it's convenient and it's on my time to do the things that I really like to do, and maybe pop in for a concert and hear what's going on. So it will really be a pleasure just to be there and listen and enjoy so much of the Bay Area's culture and atmosphere and the wonderful music and arts scene."

"Something on the Lighter Side" is scheduled for 7:15 p.m. this Saturday (May 11) in Resurrection Lutheran Church at 7557 Amador Valley Blvd. in Dublin. Tickets are available at [www.valleyconcertchorale.org](http://www.valleyconcertchorale.org). ■

# Encore Players to present second run of 'Jake's Women'

Opening night set for Saturday at Bothwell Arts Center in Livermore

BY CIERRA BAILEY

The Encore Players are bringing back their production of "Jake's Women" to Livermore this month following its previous run in August 2022.

The nonprofit theater group's earlier performance of the popular Neil Simon play came after multiple postponements due to the COVID-19 pandemic. When they were finally able to bring an audience in, the show played one weekend only with masks required for the audience and the crew.

And while the turnout was good overall, attendance was limited as some theatergoers were not ready to return to indoor events, according to a statement from the group.

After a number of requests to produce the show again now that pandemic restrictions are lifted, the cast is preparing to hit the stage starting this weekend.

"It's a pleasure to participate in 'Jake's Women' for a second time, as Encore Players presents this funny, poignant play to the community for

a longer run," said Lea Blevins, who plays Jake's first wife. "My castmates continue to make this show entertaining with its sharp humor and emotions many of us can identify with."

The play follows the story of Jake, "a novelist triggered by marital crisis who struggles to sort out distinctions between the fictional world where he is most comfortable and the real-life world that consistently eludes his control," according to the Encore Players' statement.

The show promises an evening of laughs as Jake straddles the line between fiction and reality while navigating his true desires.

The cast includes residents of Livermore, Pleasanton, Fremont, Brentwood, Mountain House and Pleasant Hill: Bob Cowgill stars as Jake along with the leading women played by Lesleyann Coker as Maggie, Marsha Howard as Karen, Maren Haws as Edith, Blevins as Julie, Ashley Sami as young Molly, Alexandria Lobao as older Molly and Desty Olson as Sheila.

"I hope audiences will join us for this witty take on modern relationships and discover how



COURTESY ENCORE PLAYERS

The Encore Players cast of "Jake's Women" is set to hit the stage at the Bothwell Arts Center in Livermore this weekend.

Jake comes to grips with himself and the loves of his life," said director Jim Lobao.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. May 11, 17 and 18; and at 2 p.m. on May 12 and 19.

"Jake's Women" will be performed in the East End of Bothwell Arts Center located at 2466 8th St. in Livermore. Tickets are \$25 and are available at [www.livermorearts.org](http://www.livermorearts.org). ■

## Museum on Main unveils summer programming schedule

Family Days return starting in June; walking tours spotlight downtown history

BY JEREMY WALSH

The Museum on Main is hoping to help residents of all ages become more aware of and involved in the history of Pleasanton through its upcoming summer schedule of events.

The programming centers on the return of its popular experiential Family Days outside in front of the downtown museum from June to September, along with a fresh set of storytelling in the field as part of the Charles Huff Free Walking Tour Series — named in honor of the late local historian and architect who often led similar tours himself.

"For each Family Day, we aim to provide families with fun, educational and hands-on activities during the long summer days," said Rachel Brickell, education director for the museum.

"On the (walking) tour, attendees will explore Pleasanton's various historical neighborhoods and learn about the architecture and backstories of some of the town's most notable buildings," museum officials added in a recent press release.

The first Family Day is scheduled for June 1 around the theme of "Old Time Toys and Games" — offering kids and their parents or grandparents the chance to play with older wooden toys, retro toys and optical illusion toys, museum officials said. Participants will also be able to make a toy of their own.

Like all of the Family Days this year, the initial one will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will be held in conjunction with the Pleasanton



COURTESY MUSEUM ON MAIN

Kids get hands-on experience with nature and history at the Museum on Main's Family Days, returning throughout this summer.

Downtown Association's First Weekends on Main event.

The other Family Days themes are "Retro Pleasanton" ("step back into 1950s Main Street") on July 6, "Explore Nature with East Bay Parks" on Aug. 3 and "Celebrate Community" (a cultural diversity celebration in partnership with the Uyghur community) on Sept. 7.

The 2024 Charles Huff Free Walking Tour Series also kicks off in June, with each installment starting at 9 a.m. in front of the museum and lasting about two hours. They will go off rain or shine, and comfortable shoes and a hat are recommended, according to museum reps.

The schedule is: "A Storied Past: Exploring the Buildings in Downtown Pleasanton" on June 19 and June 22, "If These Walls Could Talk: Exploring Downtown's Historic St. Mary Neighborhood" on July 13 and July 17, "If These Walls Could Talk: Exploring Downtown's Historic Second Street Neighborhood" on Aug. 10 and Aug. 21, and "A Storied Past: Exploring the Buildings in Downtown Pleasanton" again Sept. 19 and Sept. 21.

For more information, visit [museumonmain.org](http://museumonmain.org) or call 925-462-2766. The Museum on Main is located at 603 Main St. in downtown Pleasanton. ■

## 'An Afternoon or Evening with Coretta Scott King'

Scholar-actor Jimerson to portray civil rights icon

BY JEREMY WALSH

Tri-Valley audiences will have the chance to hear the story of famed civil rights figure Coretta Scott King — at times in her own words — in the next installment of the Pleasanton Museum on Main's Ed Kinney Speaker Series.

Scholar-actor Rebecca Jimerson will portray King at the Firehouse Arts Center for two shows next week, with a webinar replay set to drop the following week. A central voice in the American movement of the 1950s and '60s, King helped create and perform in the "Freedom Concerts" of the era as well as assisted in planning marches, speeches and boycotts with her husband Martin Luther King Jr., often participating alongside him or in his stead.

"We are excited that Rebecca Jimerson will be sharing Coretta Scott King's inspiring and powerful story with our audience. It will be fascinating to hear about her contributions and how she used music to support the civil rights movement," said Rachel Brickell, the museum's director of education and the coordinator for the speaker series.

The monthly programs bring well-researched performers to the Firehouse stage to portray historical figures in the Chautauqua style, meaning the actor stays in character for the rehearsed portion of the show and an initial round of Q&A before stepping out of character to answer final questions as themselves.

Tickets remain on sale for next week's live performances of "An Afternoon or Evening with Coretta Scott King" — at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday (May 14). A virtual viewing on May 21 will also be available for purchase. To learn more, visit [museumonmain.org](http://museumonmain.org). ■



COURTESY MUSEUM ON MAIN

Scholar-actor Rebecca Jimerson in character as Coretta Scott King.

# Community Pulse

## POLICE BULLETIN

### Two people killed in Livermore hotel room; suspect remains at-large

Two people were shot to death inside a room at the La Quinta Inn in Livermore late last month, and the prime suspect remains at-large, according to city police.

Revealing details about the homicides for the first time five days later, the Livermore Police Department confirmed the grisly discovery at the center of the major police presence at the hotel on the morning of April 27 and said they have identified the man they believe is responsible.

The suspected gunman is 30-year-old Yonston Vazquez of Oakland, according to Livermore police. He is still on the lam and should be considered armed and dangerous, authorities said in a press release that asks for the public's help in locating the man.

The deaths represent the city's first two homicides of 2024, according to the department.

Officers responded to the La Quinta Inn by Wyndham Livermore on Southfront Road — near the Greenville Road freeway interchange — at around 6:45 a.m. that Saturday after receiving a report of a shooting at the hotel, police said.

Inside a room, officers found a 26-year-old Oakland woman and a 21-year-old Hayward man dead from gunshot wounds, police said. Authorities later identified the male victim as Christopher Vera and the female victim as Lizabeth Rodriguez.

The department's criminal investigations bureau soon took over the case and developed information identifying Vazquez as the suspect, according to police, who said it was later determined that Vazquez knew one of the victims.

Vazquez remained at-large, as of press time Wednesday, according to police.

"Livermore Police will not be releasing any more information as the investigation is ongoing," the department said while also urging anyone with information about Vazquez's whereabouts to call LPD's anonymous tip line at 925-371-4790.

—Jeremy Walsh

### In other news

• A Pleasanton resident has been hospitalized and is in critical condition after police allege his wife stabbed him during a domestic dispute on Monday at the

Hacienda Commons Apartments.

The Pleasanton Police Department arrested the adult female who was later booked into Santa Rita Jail on suspicion of attempted murder, assault with a deadly weapon and felony domestic violence, Lt. Erik Silacci stated in a press release on Tuesday.

"This isolated case of domestic violence is actively under investigation and the police department extends its support to the affected family during this challenging period," Silacci said.

PPD received a call around 12:30 a.m. Monday from a woman reporting she stabbed her husband during an altercation, according to Silacci.

Officers responded to the apartment complex, located in the 4900 block of Owens Drive, where they immediately administered aid to the husband.

Silacci said the man was transported to a local trauma center where he currently remains in critical condition.

Pleasanton police said they would not be releasing the names of the two people because of the ongoing investigation and due to confidentiality laws governing domestic violence cases.

—Christian Trujano

• The nation's largest funeral company has agreed to pay \$23 million to settle charges that it used deceptive marketing practices related to its prepaid cremation services in California, including at its location in Livermore.

Service Corporation International denied wrongdoing but agreed to stop the deceptive practices and pay restitution to victims to resolve the civil complaint brought by the state and three counties, Attorney General Rob Bonta announced on May 1.

Prepaid services allow a person to pay for their cremation while they are still alive. The money is to be held in trust, with a full refund available at any time before use.

Texas-based SCI, which operates in California as the Neptune Society and the Trident Society, was accused of violating the state's unfair competition law and false advertising law by misrepresenting its prepaid cremation services in several ways, Bonta said in a press release. The three Neptune Society locations in Alameda County are in Livermore, Castro Valley and Oakland, while Trident Society has a location in Fremont and a crematorium in Oakland, according to prosecutors.

"When consumers purchase pre-need funeral services, they expect — and the law requires — their funds to be safe and protected until those services are utilized," he said.

The penalty includes \$5.75 million each to the state of California and the counties of Marin, San Francisco and Alameda, whose district attorneys joined in the civil complaint.

Alameda County District Attorney Pamela Price said the settlement would compel the company to follow the law and would bring relief to victims.

"Neptune Society's and Trident Society's pervasive price manipulation and deceptive marketing affected all their consumer negotiations and contracts for pre-need services, demonstrating how their unlawful business practices were a result of decisions made at the highest levels of the companies," Price said.

SCI has faced numerous lawsuits and penalties in multiple states and at the federal level, including others that alleged false advertising. The company did not respond to a request for comment.

The company was accused of deceiving customers by using various tactics, such as including a disclaimer advertising its prepaid services as refundable for up to 30 days, when state law places no time limit on refunds.

The company also packaged merchandise and cremation services together in a single "Standard Plan" but placed only a fraction of

payments into trust.

By claiming the price included non-refundable merchandise, the company tried to shortchange customers who later requested a refund, according to the attorney general's office.

The company agreed to stop selling its Standard Plan unless it placed the entire amount in trust. It also agreed to provide written notice to customers of their rights under state law, including their right to not pay for extra products or services to purchase pre-need cremation services.

SCI will also pay full restitution to anyone who did not receive a full refund after requesting one.

San Francisco District Attorney Brooke Jenkins said the settlement should deter other companies from using similar tactics and noted that the pre-need cremation industry has long been a source of complaints by consumers, many of them elderly.

—Bay City News Service

• Investigators with Dublin Police Services are currently working alongside the U.S. Postal Inspectors Office and pursuing leads as they seek the suspects in a reported robbery targeting a mail carrier this week.

DPS officers responded to the scene at approximately 4:30 p.m. Monday following the incident

at Obispo Court in southwest Dublin in which a U.S. Postal Service carrier said she had been approached from behind by two masked men who took her mailbox key and cellphone, with one allegedly pointing a gun at her.

No injuries were reported in the altercation.

The culprits fled on foot and have not been located by police since, despite a subsequent DPS search of the area. Police are asking anyone with information on the robbery to call DPS Sgt. Chris Haendel at 925-833-6670.

—Jeanita Lyman

• Livermore officers recently arrested a man for possessing multiple handguns while having a warrant for weapons possession, police said Monday.

Police performed a traffic stop around 4:30 p.m. May 1 on a Ford Ranger for allegedly speeding on Patterson Pass Road.

A records check on the driver found he had an active warrant for a weapons charge. Police searched the vehicle and allegedly found multiple handguns, including one that was loaded.

Officers arrested a 46-year-old Stockton man on suspicion of several weapons violations and the warrant. He was transported to Santa Rita Jail. ■

—Bay City News Service

## POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

### May 3

#### Missing person report

■ 7:11 a.m. at Vintage Circle and Stanley Boulevard

#### Theft

■ 8:07 a.m., 3800 block of Vineyard Avenue; auto theft

■ 11:09 a.m. on the 6000 block of Johnson Drive

#### Vandalism

■ 8:28 a.m. on the 1000 block of Kottinger Drive

#### Fraud

■ 10:46 a.m. on the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

### May 2

#### Theft

■ 12:36 a.m., 4100 block of Suffolk Way; catalytic converter theft

■ 7:05 a.m., 7600 block of Driftwood Way; theft from auto

#### Robbery

■ 1:13 p.m. on the 3500 block of Bernal Avenue

### May 1

#### Warrant arrest

■ 7:36 a.m. on the 4500 block of Chabot Drive

#### Domestic battery

■ 9:09 a.m. on Santa Rita Road

#### Theft

■ 11:01 a.m. at Navalle Court and Arbor Drive; auto theft

■ 11:11 a.m. on the 4600 block of First Street

■ 2:44 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

■ 5:06 p.m., 3100 block of Chardonnay Drive; auto theft

#### Fraud

■ 11:14 a.m. on the 000 block of Castlewood Drive

#### Alcohol violation

■ 11:26 p.m. on the 4500 block of Chabot Drive

### April 30

#### Theft

■ 7:34 a.m., 6300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; auto theft

■ 10:21 a.m., 5500 block of West Las Positas Boulevard; catalytic converter theft

■ 5:29 p.m. on the 11500 block of Dublin Canyon Road

■ 9:29 p.m., 1700 block of Santa Rita Road; shoplifting

#### DUI

■ 11:29 p.m. at West Las Positas Boulevard and Owens Drive

### April 29

#### Theft

■ 8:39 a.m., 7000 block of Commerce Circle; theft from auto

■ 8:54 a.m., 4300 block of Railroad Avenue; auto theft

#### Warrant arrest

■ 12:29 p.m. at West Las Positas Boulevard and Hopyard Road

#### Trespassing/prowl

■ 1:06 p.m. on the 5900 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

#### Burglary

■ 1:23 p.m. on the 3400 block of Boulder Street

#### Domestic battery

■ 6:33 p.m. on Valley Avenue

#### Drug violation

■ 11:39 p.m. on the 5200 block of Hopyard Road

### April 28

#### Drug violation

■ 9:35 a.m. on the 2100 block of Rheem Drive

#### Assault/battery

■ 10:56 a.m. at Bernal Avenue and Vintage Drive

#### Theft

■ 12:34 p.m. on the 2000 block of Valley Avenue

■ 7:13 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

#### Burglary

■ 4:14 p.m. on the 1500 block of Whispering Oaks Way

#### Criminal threats

■ 5:47 p.m. on the 000 block of Benjamin Court

### April 27

#### Domestic battery

■ 4:18 a.m. on Touriga Drive

#### Theft

■ 10:54 a.m., 1900 block of Palmer Drive; theft from auto

■ 5:36 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

#### Vandalism

■ 7:09 p.m. on the 4400 block of Valley Avenue

#### Warrant arrest

■ 11:45 p.m. on the 5200 block of Hopyard Road

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## GUEST OPINION

By JULIE TESTA

# The crisis is housing affordability

On April 22, a Los Angeles County Superior Court judge ruled Senate Bill 9 unconstitutional for five “charter law” cities.

The court found, “no evidence to support the assertion that the unzoning permitted by SB 9 would result in any increase in the supply of below market-rate housing,” and “there is also virtually no evidence that substantially lower costs trickle down to lower two-thirds of households.” The judge concluded, “SB 9 is therefore unconstitutional” and a violation of the “home rule” doctrine, meaning local control.

This court ruling signals an opportunity for more California cities to follow the lead of the five courageous “charter law” cities who stood up against state overreach.

The 150 state laws that erode local democracy have not and will not make housing more affordable for those who need it most.

Pleasanton residents are beginning to see the impacts of the California legislature’s overreach on local authority; it will get much worse. They are rightfully angry that their elected officials cannot stand up for constituents due to threats of lawsuits from developers and our own state attorney general.

Cities have succeeded in producing market-rate housing, but that has only made housing less affordable. Pleasanton produced 300% of



our last Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) cycle market-rate housing targets and did better than most cities on affordable units. But the state housing mandates are unrealistic and require billions of dollars in subsidy, nearly all cities could not get close to meeting their unfunded affordable housing RHNA mandates. The result of state overreach is transferring local authority to for-profit development interests.

The new RHNA cycle target numbers have doubled without justification — proven by a legislative audit; few California cities will be able to achieve inflated state mandates. There are now more homes per person in California than there have been since 1991. California’s market-rate housing stock had grown 3% since 2020, even as California’s population had declined.

California does not have a “housing crisis” caused by an insufficient supply of housing. There is an affordability crisis due to growing income and wealth inequality and other economic factors such as making housing a profit-driven commodity, instead of an investment in a “home”. Houses are now corporate investments. Individuals and families can’t compete with foreign dollars and corporate offers.

My colleagues and I support affordable housing. We would like to create communities where housing is affordable, but low-income affordable housing requires subsidy. Pleasanton’s subsidy alone is \$2 billion to \$3 billion, money which does not exist.

The state must stop scapegoating cities. Cities did not cause the affordability crisis, nor do they have the resources to correct it. The State Legislature must have the courage to address economic factors and powerful special interests. It is time to acknowledge fundamental limitations of their market-driven housing policies and end this war on our communities.

A court ruling that SB9 is unconstitutional due to its lack of affordability should serve as warning that state housing laws are a failure at producing housing that is affordable. ■

*Editor’s note: Julie Testa is in her second term on the Pleasanton City Council, serving as vice mayor for 2024. She is also executive director of California Alliance of Local Electeds (CALE), a networking group of councilmembers who meet weekly to discuss issues affecting cities statewide. She is an advocate for the proposed constitutional amendment that seeks to return authority of land use and zoning to cities in California, as outlined at [ourneighborhoodvoices.com](http://ourneighborhoodvoices.com).*

## LETTERS

### Take the airport survey

The Livermore Municipal Airport is often taken for granted or misunderstood, but meets some very real needs in the community and region. LVK is a general aviation (GA) airport. These airports fill in the gaps that commercial and military airports leave, including training pilots, acting as bases during emergencies and more.

Here’s what LVK does:

1. Flight instructors at LVK train pilots to fly the commercial planes we rely on for business and pleasure travel. Many of the people doing the essential maintenance crews that keep commercial planes flying were trained at LVK.

2. LVK is one of the regional centers for emergency operations. It hosts the civil air patrol, our civilian air volunteers. During major fires, such as those in 2017 or 2020, it acts

as a base for helicopters, enabling a quicker response for water drops. It will be an essential base in the case of other emergencies — earthquakes, for example.

3. LVK also hosts the Alameda County Sheriff’s air squadron. This squadron provides aerial support for local agencies and collaborates with other emergency bodies across the region.

4. While LVK serves the community in important ways, it also meets local needs for small planes that are housed in LVK’s hangars or that stop to refuel. These private planes are small, single or twin engine planes, although a small percentage are business jets.

The online survey on LVK, our Livermore Airport, closes on Friday (May 10). Here’s the link: <https://polco.us/n/res/vote/livermore-ca/livermore-airport?>

—Trish Munro

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## PLEASANTON PREPS

By DENNIS MILLER

### Recapping Amador's solid showing at NCS swimming meet

Also: Foothill volleyball advances to semis; Dons' season ends in quarters

The Amador Valley swim and diving teams had a solid number of swims in the North Coast Section meet at the Concord Community Pool on May 3-4.

In the team competition, Amador was second on the boys' side with 209 points, not far behind De La Salle who took its second straight NCS title with 236 points.

The Amador girls were fifth with 154 points. Carondelet was the winner with 310 points.

On the girls' side, Rylee Hutchinson — just a sophomore — led the way winning the 500 freestyle in a 4:55.15, an All-American consideration time. It was an amazing race as the 20-lap race was decided

by 0.01 seconds, as Hutchinson out-touched Dublin's Kaitlin Lee.

In the prelims, Hutchinson swam 4:52.85 which is an All-American automatic time. She was also third in the 200 free with a 1:49.59. Both times qualified her for this week's CIF State meet in Clovis.

Another sophomore Lillyana Caples was strong in both events, finishing third in the 500 free in 4:59.54 (state consideration time) and 14th in the 200 free in 1:56.11.

Freshman Francesca Lin got seventh in the 500 free going 5:04.82 (state consideration time) and she won the consolation final in the 200 free in a 1:54.55.

Other notable swims came from junior Elayna Ling (8th, 100

butterfly, 57.28, state consideration time; 6th in the 100 breaststroke, 1:05.63, a state consideration time).

Junior Namya Sarup was 13th in the 100 breast, with a 1:07.34. The 400-free relay of Caples, Lin, Ling and Hutchinson got sixth, and Hutchinson, Caples, Ling and Nicole Xu teamed up to get seventh in the 200-medley relay. Both are state consideration times.

On the boys' side, senior Devyn Caples got second in the 200 individual medley in an All-American consideration time of 1:49.52. In the 500 free, he was third. In his qualifying heat, he went 4:28.09 which is an All-American automatic time.

Freshman Cade Vieler was fourth in the 200 free and 100 backstroke. Senior Andrew Lillie was seventh 500 free (4:41.44). In the prelims, his time of 4:38.16 was a state meet consideration time.

Sophomore Oryan Liu was eighth in the 200 IM (1:56.26) and 13th in the 100 breast (59.58).

Amador was strong in the relays as well, finishing second in the 200-medley relay with Vieler, Caples, Oryan Liu and Lillie getting an All-American consideration time of 1:33.76 (state automatic time). Caples, Tupper, Lillie and



PAUL BROOKHART

Max Riter of Amador Valley with the spike against Deer Valley in NCS play.

Vieler teamed up to get third place in the 400 free relay.

Finally, diver Ben Lentz got second on the 1-meter board.

#### Foothill volleyball

After getting a bye in the first round, the Division I top-seeded Falcons beat Berkeley 25-18, 26-24, 25-17 to advance to the semifinals of the NCS tournament.

Five seniors led the way with Yun Bae (32 assists, 5 kills, 3 aces), Casey Collins (12 kills, 8 service points), Caden Stedman (8 kills, 3 blocks), Kayan Vohra (7 kills, 4 blocks) and Noah Mitzenmacher (9 receptions, 8 digs) getting it done.

#### Amador Valley volleyball

The Dons had a mixed week, winning one NCS match, then losing the second to end their season.

The win was 25-18, 25-18, 25-22 over Deer Valley. Highlights came from Max Riter (17 kills, 9 digs, 3 aces), Parker Brookhart (10 kills, 3 blocks, 7 service points), Nick Nayak (3 aces, 12 service points), Aidan Husejnovic (5 kills, 3 blocks) and Ryan Yu (27 assists).

In the quarterfinals, Amador fell 30-28, 27-25, 25-16 to Castro Valley.

The key stats were: Riter (22 kills, 2 aces, 2 blocks, 11 digs), Brookhart (40 assists, 1 block), and Husejnovic (9 kills, 2 blocks).

Amador won its first-round match in a convincing manner, with Riter and Brookhart shining offensively and defensively. In the quarterfinals, the Dons had multiple set points in the first two sets but could not get wins.

Amador Valley concluded with a 21-11 season. ■

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Senior Associate Scientist sought by Amador Bioscience, Inc. for a position based in Pleasanton, CA. Must have a Bach. deg. in biology, immunology, chemistry, pharm. or related and 2 yrs. exp. as scientist, chemist, research associate or related in the pharm. industry. Duties include: Assist in developing & validating bioanalytical methods for biological sample testing, data QC, & data reporting; Perform routine sample analysis in a timely fashion to meet client timelines. Must have knowledge of regulated bioanalysis, experience in a regulated GCP/GCLP environment. Salary: \$86k - \$88k. Send resumes to: francesca.kalend@amadorbio.com

Scientist II sought by Amador Bioscience, Inc. for a position based in Pleasanton, CA. Must have a Ph.D. deg. in biology, immunology, chemistry, pharm. sci. or related and 1 yrs. exp. as Scientist or related. Duties include: Develop, validate, conduct, & troubleshoot UHPLC & LC-MS analytical methods to quantitate large molecules & metabolites in biological fluids; Author and/or review key regulatory documents, laboratory data, & technical reports. Must have knowledge of regulated bioanalysis, experience in a regulated GCP/GCLP environment LCMS or tandem Mass-Spec method development, and validation for PK and/or biomarker analysis. Salary: \$120k - \$125k. Send resumes to: francesca.kalend@amadorbio.com

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## Black hired at Granada

Ex-Gaels coach taking over Mats' football program

By CIERRA BAILEY

The Granada High School varsity football team is welcoming a new head coach for the 2024-25 season.

After coaching at Dublin High School — his own alma mater — for five years, Brandon Black will represent a new mascot, bringing his more than 20 years of experience coaching high school football to Livermore where he has lived for the past decade.

"We are thrilled to have Coach Black lead our football program at Granada High School. His energy, coaching philosophy, and leadership qualities are great additions to the positive culture at Granada High School," principal Clark Conover said in a statement from the school district.

Black expressed enthusiasm to be working in the city where his

family resides and within the same district that his children attend school.

"I have a strong desire to teach, coach, and make a difference in the community where my family lives. Granada has great kids, fantastic leadership, and incredible community support. I am grateful to be here," Black said.

Black looks forward to developing strong relationships and a positive culture within Granada football that will result in team success and a sense of pride for the Matadors' community, according to the district's statement.

In his new role, Black is taking



Brandon Black

over from Marc Moses who was promoted to varsity head coach in 2022 after leading the junior varsity team at Granada for 11 years.

District officials declined to comment on details regarding Moses' departure, however, they noted that, "despite the longevity of some coaches in our district, all coaching contracts are one-year contracts. This allows our administrators annual opportunities to make changes if desired, and for coaches to either reapply or not based on what best suits their personal and professional lives."

The news of Black's move to Granada comes after the Dublin Unified School District announced the hiring of former NFL player Napoleon Kaufman as Dublin High's new head varsity football coach last month. ■

## Entertainment

**ROY ROGERS AND THE DELTA RHYTHM KINGS** Experience the unparalleled mastery of Roy Rogers, renowned as one of the world's foremost Delta slide guitarists with a musical legacy spanning over four decades. 8 p.m., May 10. Tickets \$25-\$55. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

**COMEDIANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT** The Comedians with Disabilities Act brings authentic and traditionally unheard voices to the forefront and shines a spotlight on a variety of disabled and outrageously funny comedians. 8 p.m., May 11. Tickets \$20. Visit [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org).

**JAKE'S WOMEN BY NEIL SIMON** America's premier comic playwright makes another hilarious foray into the world of modern relationships. The wildly comic and sometimes moving flashbacks played in his mind are interrupted by visitations from actual females. 7:30 p.m., May 11, 17, 18. 2 p.m., May 12, 19. Tickets \$25. Bothwell Arts Center. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

**SOMETHING ON THE LIGHTER SIDE** Join Valley Concert Chorale as they lighten things up a bit with a salute to Nat King Cole and the musical world of Walt Disney. Additional selections from Billy Joel, Simon and Garfunkel, the Beatles and Elton John. 7:15 p.m., May 11. Resurrection Lutheran Church, Dublin. Visit [valleyconcertchorale.org](http://valleyconcertchorale.org).

**JASON LYLE BLACK: FROM BLOCKBUSTERS TO BROADWAY** From Blockbusters to Broadway: 100 Hits of Stage & Screen features viral piano sensation and Livermore's own Jason Lyle Black. Accompanied by live drums and closeup video, this is a musical spectacular that is not to be missed. 3 p.m., May 12. Tickets \$25-\$55. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

**CREATURES OF IMPULSE** Creatures of Impulse-As-If! A Totally Improvised 90s Musical, goes back to the 1990s where teens in the show talk about overalls, grunge, sega genesis and more in a show that is guaranteed to be all that and a bag of chips. May 16-18. Tickets \$10. Visit [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org).

**JOURNEY REVISITED** Founded in 2011, Journey Revisited dedicates themselves to replicating the classic Journey sound through their spectacular live performances. These exceptional musicians cover all of the fan favorites. 8 p.m., May 17. Tickets \$35-\$79. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

**PLEASANTON COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND** The Pleasanton Community Concert Band performs at the Pleasanton Farmers' Market 9 a.m.-12 p.m., May 18. Visit [pleasantonband.org](http://pleasantonband.org).

**IMAGINATION: A MATINEE FILLED WITH FANTASY AND DREAMS** Join for a matinee filled with fantasy and dreams with music from Into the Woods, Queen, Willy Wonka, Man

of La Mancha, Seussical and La La Land. 2 p.m., May 19. Tickets \$10-\$25. Visit [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org).

## Talks

**AMADOR VALLEY QUILTERS** Kathryn Pellman, speaker at the next Amador Valley Quilters meeting, discusses her whimsical series of small, playful, single frame cartoons featuring long limbed and knobby kneed Fashionistas that invoke fashion illustration. 1:30-3:30 p.m., May 11. Visit [amadorvalleyquilters.org/Wordpress](http://amadorvalleyquilters.org/Wordpress).

**LIVERMORE-AMADOR GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY** Bob Trapp will discuss Researching the Genealogy of Mayflower Families at the next Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society meeting. 7-8:30, May 13. Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Ct., Pleasanton. Visit [l-ags.org](http://l-ags.org).

**AN AFTERNOON OR EVENING WITH CORETTA SCOTT KING** In partnership with her husband, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., she assisted in the planning of marches, boycotts and speeches all over the country. Chautauqua scholar Rebecca Jimerson will portray King in this Ed Kinney Speaker Series. 2 p.m. & 7 p.m., May 14. Tickets \$15-\$25. Firehouse Arts Center. Visit [museumonmain.org](http://museumonmain.org).

**TRI-VALLEY WRITERS** The Tri-Valley Writers May Speakers are Editors Eva Barrow and Lila LaBine who will present "Get Ready to Publish: Selecting the Right Editor for Your Writing Project". 2 p.m., May 18. Las Positas College. Register by May 16 at [trivalleywriters.org](http://trivalleywriters.org).

**MEET AUTHOR JACE CARLTON** Jace Carlton will discuss his book "Letting Go". 5:30 p.m., May 18. Towne Center Books, Pleasanton.

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

## Exhibits & Shows

**PLEASANTON ROSE SHOW** Alameda and Contra Costa county residents can enter their home-grown roses for a chance to win. Registration and admission are free. Exhibitor registration 8-10 a.m.; Event 2-5 p.m., May 11. Pleasanton Senior Center. Visit [pleasantonroseshow.com/how-to-enter](http://pleasantonroseshow.com/how-to-enter).

**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](http://museumonmain.org).

**SILICON VALLEY HORSE SHOW** Watch top West Coast horses including Saddlebreds, Morgans and Hackney Ponies compete for prize money and ribbons. The show supports We Ride Too, an equestrian outreach program for Alameda County youth. May 16-19. Visit [alamedacountyfair.com](http://alamedacountyfair.com).

**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, a stunning tribute to a dream of love, friendship and peace among all people. Free and open to the public. Thursdays through Sundays, 1 p.m.-5 pm., through May 19. Bankhead Theater.

**FRESH WORKS XII ANNUAL JURIED EXHIBITION** The Harrington Gallery presents 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](http://firehousearts.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. 2155 3rd St.

**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.

## Food & Drink

**LIVERMORE VALLEY CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL** The 8th Annual Livermore Valley Craft Beer Festival returns to the athletic field at Las Positas College, home of the event beneficiary, the LPC Fire Service Technology program. The festival includes NorCal breweries, local food vendors, live bands and demonstrations by firefighting students. 1-5 p.m., May 11. Visit [lvcbf.com/beer-festival](http://lvcbf.com/beer-festival).

**LIVERMORE VALLEY UNCORKED SHOWCASE** Tri-Valley Conservancy presents its 15th Annual Livermore Valley Uncorked Showcase where guests can sample award-winning Livermore Valley AVA wines, complemented by cuisine featuring appetizers and a variety of main-course food. 5:30 p.m., May 16. Bella Rosa Event Center at Garré Vineyard & Winery. Visit [trivalleyconservancy.org](http://trivalleyconservancy.org).

## PET OF THE WEEK



EAST BAY SPCA

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Hi! I'm Charlie, but you can call me Chuck. I am so glad to meet you! I love people, cheek scratches, lap time, talking and purring. The volunteers at the shelter say that I'm super soft. I'm also a curious cat who loves to play games. If you're looking for a friendly and fun cat then you're in luck. Come meet me at the East Bay SPCA Dublin Adoption Center and find out for yourself just how soft I am. Visit [eastbayspca.org](http://eastbayspca.org).

## Outdoors

**MOTHER'S DAY FAMILY HIKE AT DEL VALLE** Celebrate mom by spending time in nature on this short hike into the hills, some on paved paths and other portions less stroller-friendly. 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., May 12. Meet at the Visitor Center for this drop-in program. \$6 parking fee.

**TAKE YOUR MOTHER ON A HIKE** Join LARPD on a hike to spend nature time with your mother. 9-11 a.m., May 12. Sycamore Grove Park, 1051 Wetmore Rd. Livermore. Visit [larpd.org](http://larpd.org).

**RANGER PROGRAM: TRACKS, SCAT AND SIGNS** Receive an introduction on how to identify tracks, scat, and signs on this LARPD hike through Sycamore Grove Park and learn what local animals roam in the park. Weather permitting. 10-11:30 a.m., May 18. Visit [larpd.org](http://larpd.org).

**BUMBLE BEE HIKE** Join an LARPD Ranger for a hike at Sycamore Grove Park to explore the world of bumblebees. Expect a leisurely 1-mile walk, weather permitting. 2-3:30 p.m., May 25. Visit [larpd.org](http://larpd.org).

**NIGHT HIKE WITH A RANGER** Join a Ranger on an after-hours walk to learn about nocturnal animals and their adaptations on this 1 mile relaxed pace walk. Canceled if raining. 7:45-9:45 p.m., May 25. Sycamore Grove Park. Register at [larpd.org](http://larpd.org).

## Teens

**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](http://eugeneoneill.org).

**PLEASANTON POLICE TEEN ACADEMY** Learn about the world of law enforcement alongside dedicated staff members where participants will learn about patrol procedures, dispatch, SWAT, K-9 and much

more. This three-week program is free to local teens ages 14-18. Tuesdays to Thursdays, June 11-27. For more information visit [pleasanton.seamlessdocs.com/f/teenacademy](http://pleasanton.seamlessdocs.com/f/teenacademy).

## Government

**PLEASANTON CITY COUNCIL** Pleasanton City Council Meetings are held in the City Council Chambers, 200 Old Bernal Ave. The next meeting is 7 p.m., May 21. Visit [cityofpleasantonca.gov](http://cityofpleasantonca.gov).

**LIVERMORE CITY COUNCIL MEETING** The Livermore City Council meets the second and fourth Monday of the month unless otherwise noted. The next meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m., May 13. Visit [cityoflivermore.net](http://cityoflivermore.net).

## Seniors

**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](http://spectrumcs.org/senior-services/meals-on-wheels).

**LUNCHES 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.

**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.

**SOLE MATES WALKING GROUP** Sole Mates Walking Group is Wednesdays, 8:45-10 a.m. Participants must be able to walk 2.5 miles and keep a moderate pace with the group. For the monthly schedule visit the Pleasanton Senior Center information desk.

**TECH TUTORING AT THE PLEASANTON SENIOR CENTER** Get help using the internet, email, photo editing, sending attachments, smart phones, tablets and more. 9 a.m. and 10 a.m., Wednesdays. Bring own device. Drop-in fees apply \$3.00R/\$3.50NR. Call 925-931-5365.

# Public Notices

CALLIPPE PRESERVE GOLF COURSE  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 605573

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

1.) Callippe Preserve Golf Course , located at 8500 Clubhouse Drive 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):

PLEASANTON GOLF, LLC  
5341 Old Redwood Hwy STE 202

Petaluma, CA 94954

State of Incorporation/Organization: DE/CA  
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on January 24, 2004

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on April 16 2024. (PLW May 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2024)

JERSEY TAILS  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 605537

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

1.) JERSEY TAILS , located at 789 Bonita Ave Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

ASWINI SUKUMAR  
789 Bonita Ave

Pleasanton, CA 94566

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 April 12 2024. (PLW May 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2024)

SMART SHADES COMPANY  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 605478

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

1.) SMART SHADES COMPANY , located at 6635 DUBLIN BLVD B2, DUBLIN, CA 94568, ALAMEDA County. Mailing Address: 2700 SALISBURY WAY, SAN RAMON CA, 94582.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

MOHIT ADIANI  
2700 SALISBURY WAY

SAN RAMON CA, 94582

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 April 10 2024. (PLW Apr 26, May 3, 10 and 17, 2024)

GAME KASTLE  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 605753

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

1.) GAME KASTLE , located at 3911 Washington Blvd, Fremont CA, 94538, Alameda County. Mailing Address: 351 El Portal Way, San Jose, CA 95123

This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company.

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

SOUTH SAN JOSE GAMES ASSOCIATION LLC  
351 El Portal Way

San Jose, CA 95123

State of Incorporation/Organization: CA

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 04/01/2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on April 23 2024. (PLW May 10, 17, 24 and 31, 2024)

MLFOX, LLC  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 605669

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

1.) MLFOX, LLC , located at 9104 Longview 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):

MLFOX, LLC  
9104 Longview Drive

Pleasanton, CA 94588

State of Incorporation/Organization: California

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on May 13, 2022

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on April 18 2024. (PLW Apr 26, May 3, 10 and 17, 2024)

PRO-TECH MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 605834

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

1.) PRO-TECH MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR , located at 21500 Eden Canyon Road Castro Valley, CA 94552 , Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

DAVID TURK  
21500 Eden Canyon Road

Castro Valley, CA 94552

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on August 1989

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on April 25 2024. (PLW May 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2024)

WANN NETWORKS  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 605887

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

1.) Wann Networks , located at 1401 Red Hawk Cir Apt N203, Fremont, CA 94538, Alameda County. Mailing Address: 39120 Argonaut Way #383, Fremont, CA 94538.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

BRYAN WANN  
39120 Argonaut Way #383

Fremont, CA 94538

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 April 29 2024. (PLW May 10, 17, 24 and 31, 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)

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)

ROMO'S CLEAN WASH  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 605609

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

1.) Romo's Clean Wash , located at 7279 Newcastle Lane, Dublin, CA 94568, Alameda County. Mailing Address: PO BOX 2212, Dublin, CA 94568.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

JOSE ROBELO  
PO BOX 2212

Dublin, CA 94568

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 02/10/2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on April 16 2024. (PLW Apr 26, May 3, 10 and 17, 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)

MOONFLIGHT  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 605716

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

1.) Moonflight , located at 2105 Eagle Ave, Alameda, CA 94501 , Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

MAYANK THANAWALA  
2105 Eagle Ave

Alameda, CA 94501

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 April 22 2024. (PLW May 3, 10, 17 and 24, 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)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

Case No.: 24CV072226

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Maya Kalyan and Sharath Rathinakumar filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

DEV SHARATH to DEV M SHARATH

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: 06/21/2024, 9:30 a.m., Alameda Superior Court Rene C. Davidson Courthouse Department 1B of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda located at 1225 Fallon Street, 2nd Floor, 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: 04/17/2024

THOMAS NIXON

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(PLW Apr 26, May 3, 10 and 17, 2024)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

Case No.: 23CV037469

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Shiraz Eaton filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

SHIRAZ EINAV EATON to SHIRAZ HAREL

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: 06/21/2024, 9:30AM, Dept 1B 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: 04/17/2024

THOMAS NIXON

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(PLW Apr 26, May 3, 10 and 17, 2024)

this county:  
PLEASANTON WEEKLY  
Date: 06/12/2023

Sandra Bean  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
(PLW Apr 26, May 3, 10 and 17, 2024)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

Case No.: 24CV071473

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Ernest Marcelin Roberts filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

ERNEST MARCELIN ROBERTS to ERNEST MARCELLIN ROBERTS

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: 05/31/2024, 9:30 a.m., Dept. 1B of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda located at 1225 Fallon 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: 04/15/2024

Thomas J. Nixon

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(PLW Apr 26, May 3, 10 and 17, 2024)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

Case No.: 24CV073982

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Lyra Dietrich filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

LYRA DIETRICH to LYRA DELA ROSA

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: 08/02/2024, 9:30AM, 1B 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: 05/02/2024

Thomas Nixon

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(PLW May 10, 17, 24 and 31, 2024)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

Case No.: 23CV037469

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Shiraz Eaton filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

SHIRAZ EINAV EATON to SHIRAZ HAREL

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PLEASANTON WEEKLY

Date: 05/02/2024

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JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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# Real Estate

## Majority of recent sellers 'regret waiting to sell'

New survey shows 2024 could see more inventory as homeowners adjust their expectations

**By SILICON VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS**  
A new survey from Realtor.com and Censuswide reveals that an overwhelming majority of recent home sellers appear to have some regret about waiting to sell their homes. About 79% of those surveyed nationwide said they believe they would have been able to take advantage of a hotter housing market had they listed their homes sooner.

As more homeowners have realistic market expectations this year, 2024 could prove to be a good time for some to sell, according to the survey.

Of the homeowners who said they plan to sell their homes sometime this year, more than 80% have been considering a sale for between 1 and 3 years, according to the survey, which offers insight into how potential and recent sellers feel about their home sales.

"Plenty of homeowners have been eagerly waiting for mortgage rates to come down so that they can sell their current home and more affordably upgrade to a new one," Danielle Hale, chief economist at Realtor.com, said. "With mortgage rates expected to ease slowly throughout the year, some

potential sellers are planning to get off the sidelines in 2024 and make a move, with the majority expecting to buy a new home at the same time that they sell their current one."

### Is the wait over?

Almost three-quarters of potential sellers plan to purchase a home at the same time, down from 85% this time last year. Sellers might be less enthusiastic about purchasing due to still-high mortgage rates.

Of the prospective sellers who plan to buy a new home this year, 79% said they felt locked into their current home due to their low mortgage interest rate. Of those who feel locked into their rate, 50% say they plan to wait until rates come down, while 29% say they need to sell soon for personal reasons, such as family (24%), the need for more space (23%), to downsize (23%) and marriage, children or divorce (18%).

Survey respondents said finances are among the factors behind their decision to sell, with 24% saying they want to make a profit and 21% saying they want to take advantage of recent price gains.

Sixty-four percent of potential sellers who

plan to buy expect the mortgage rate on their new home to be the same or higher than their existing rate, and 81% of sellers who think their new rate will be higher say they're concerned about how much home they can afford.

### What about interest rates?

"Hindsight is always better than foresight. You can't time the market," Eileen Giorgi, president of the Silicon Valley Association of Realtors, said. "In a high-interest rate environment, sellers need to seriously consider their reasons for selling. There is no cookie-cutter recipe. Every situation is different."

Those locked in a very low-mortgage interest rate and not in a hurry to move, may wish to stay in their current home for now, she said. Those who want to sell so they can buy another home, may consider how the numbers figure into their budget with higher interest rates and the net proceeds they receive from the sale of their home. With some adjustments, you may be able to make it work and take advantage of the low inventory rather than wait till interest rates come down when you will likely be up against more competition from other sellers, Giorgi said.

"It's a personal choice," she added. ■

## SALES AT A GLANCE

### Pleasanton (Feb. 13-23)

**Total sales reported:** 12  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$925,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$2,350,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,620,874

### Livermore (Feb. 13-23)

**Total sales reported:** 22  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$439,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$2,240,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,224,181

### Dublin (Feb. 13-23)

**Total sales reported:** 15  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$770,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$2,325,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,349,199

### San Ramon (April 1-12)

**Total sales reported:** 26  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$580,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$3,392,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,640,000

Source: California REsource

## HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during Feb. 13-23 for Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin.

### Pleasanton

**2193 Crestline Road** Herzer Trust to A. & D. Finn for \$1,150,000  
**3753 Grillo Court** Winsby Family Trust to S. & A. Nandi for \$1,825,000  
**3703 Hawaii Court** Gosti Family Trust to S. & P. Nimmagadda for \$1,360,000  
**7890 Knollbrook Drive** Max Wealth Investments LLC to S. & H. Sharma for \$1,825,000  
**7910 Spyglass Court** Maples Family Trust to Cheney Family Trust for \$1,875,000  
**3621 Dunsmuir Circle** B. Khamsehpour to R. & N. Mehta for \$2,055,000  
**2574 Heatherlark Circle** T. Lie to S. & S. Sasubilli for \$1,240,000  
**4612 Mirador Drive** E. Liu to A. & R. Puthenpurukal for \$2,350,000  
**1811 Tanglewood Way** A. & T. Smith to Spence Trust for \$2,228,000  
**253 Tomas Way** Mark Anderson Living Trust to B. & K. Damodharan for \$1,347,500  
**282 Trenton Circle** A. Sivaraman to Jair 2013 Family Trust for \$1,270,000  
**4100 Veneto Court** R. Donnahoo to M. Khaliki for \$925,000

### Livermore

**1186 Aster Lane** Ferrier Family Trust to N. & K. Suresh for \$950,000  
**798 Camden Common** K. & A. Goswami to D. & N. Prakash for \$950,000  
**711 Central Avenue** Shah Living Trust to Lakshmi Family Trust for \$1,850,000  
**5884 Felicia Avenue** E. Cutler to A. & A. Awadalla for \$1,625,000  
**1670 Helsinki Way** K. & M. Williams to M. & K. Yen for \$1,377,000  
**5261 Lenore Avenue** S. & K. Schindler to S. & J. Rachuri for \$1,250,000  
**907 Miranda Way** C. & K. Clark to A. & J. Webber for \$1,301,000  
**941 Murdell Lane** Bell-Westcott Trust to A. & S. Patel for \$1,200,000  
**1087 Murrieta Boulevard #234** Derego Living Trust to P. & M. Flores for \$439,000  
**1320 Anza Way** Maccario Living Trust to K. & B. Balachandran for \$1,230,000

**51 Bellington Common #507** J. Acosta to J. & A. Sink for \$800,000  
**706 Catalina Drive** Swanson Trust to M. Williams for \$1,101,000  
**1970 Chalon Glen Court** Chatterjee Family Trust to J. & G. Dhaliwal for \$2,240,000  
**1451 Chaparral Way** Walton Family Trust to Y. & L. Fukazawa for \$1,400,000  
**2341 College Avenue** M. Arno to M. Smith for \$875,000  
**22 Diamond Drive** Rodriguez Trust to F. & A. Suvarna for \$1,310,000  
**1491 Fox Creek Court** Berglund Family Trust to Dana Denardi Trust for \$1,207,000  
**4298 Grove Court** Geren Family Trust to C. & T. Allyn for \$1,750,000  
**2315 Harewood Drive** Garvis Family Trust to K. & N. Firke for \$2,010,000  
**1766 Jennifer Drive** Crouch Living Trust to H. & A. Kumar for \$1,350,000  
**332 Michell Court** H. Dhaliwal to S. Sabharwal for \$1,175,000  
**5523 Wisteria Way** J. Renkenberger to A. & A. Chavez for \$850,000

### Dublin

**6897 Brighton Drive** Shin Trust to Red Sequoia Partners LLC for \$910,000  
**3724 Central Parkway** B. Emami to A. & H. Hue for \$930,000  
**4250 Clarinbridge Circle** Lee Living Trust to M. Kim for \$878,000  
**5501 De Marcus Boulevard #249** T. Chan to M. & M. Abdelmalek for \$770,000  
**7888 Ironwood Drive** Aaron Family Trust to N. & T. Beig for \$1,250,000  
**6890 Mansfield Avenue** V. Hosakeri to N. & Y. Wu for \$1,320,000  
**5572 Metropolitan Way** N. Firke to J. & H. Chan for \$1,549,000  
**7200 Mount Veeder Road** A. & O. Sobande to S. & R. Talluri for \$2,100,000  
**3307 Vittoria Loop** A. & D. Dharm to S. & R. Divgan for \$1,740,000  
**7822 Bloomfield Terrace** Schaub Family Trust to S. & D. Rangeneni for \$2,325,000  
**6981 Calistoga Lane** R. & C. Poda to S. & R. Kam for \$1,085,000  
**7422 Larkdale Avenue** Feil Family Trust to R. & K. Geraghty for \$1,633,000

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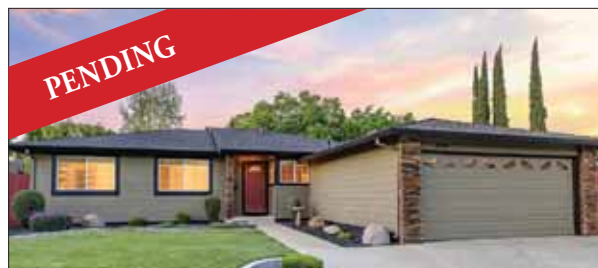
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**GOLDEN EAGLE**



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**2173 INVERNESS COURT, PLEASANTON**  
3 BD | 2.5 BA | 2,520 SQ. FT. | 6,475 SQ. FT. LOT  
**LISTED FOR \$1,848,000**

**ORINDA**



**PENDING**

**12 RICHARD COURT, ORINDA**  
4 BD | 3 BA | 2,415 SQ. FT. | .46 ACRES  
**LISTED FOR \$2,195,000**

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**PENDING**

**921 LAGUNA STREET, LIVERMORE**  
3 BD | 2 BA | 1,519 SQ. FT. | 6,500 SQ. FT. LOT  
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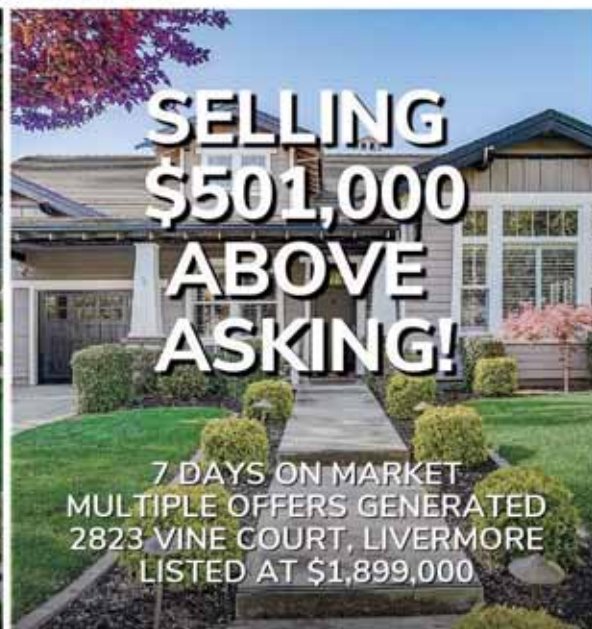
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