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# WHAT A WEEK



By JEREMY WALSH

## Safety in the air

There's been a lot of chatter recently about the future of the Livermore Municipal Airport — well, to be fair, isn't there always?

The city government, which oversees operations at the airport on the west end of town, has several irons in the fire, but the debate over one in particular caught my eye: creating a public safety complex.

And even that path is multi-pronged, as I found out, but the bottom line for those involved seems clear.

"The city is very interested in supporting public safety agencies that would like to operate from the Livermore Airport," Brandon Cardwell, director of innovation and economic development for the city, told me recently. "The airport has tremendous potential as a public safety resource, which is why staff has already begun conversation with agencies like East Bay Regional Parks Police and Fire about their needs and the potential for operational and infrastructure efficiencies with our local public safety agencies."

A similar high level of interest is true for Five Rivers Aviation, the fixed-base operator (FBO) at the airport, which has included a public safety complex among the components in its comprehensive development application.

"These projects help garner support from the community for the airport because they see real value to the community to have fire, ambulance, rescue and law enforcement resources being deployed here," Five Rivers owner Pete Sandhu, one of the most enthusiastic advocates for the Livermore Airport, told me earlier this month.

But the FBO's path to public safety and the city's path may not actually be one in the same. Only time will tell.

It's also relevant to remember this whole conversation is baked into the context of the city's Airport Land Use Study that got off the ground in February, but it's more like they're being cooked in the same oven but not the same dish.

After the controversial Kaiser Air proposal was abandoned in 2022, the Livermore City Council approved a new "airport leasing and development policy" the next year — opening the door for applicants to pitch plans to expand use of the airport.

Five Rivers walked through, submitting an extensive proposal in August 2023 to redevelop the airport with aeronautical and non-aeronautical uses (an important distinction when it comes to rules governing the municipal airport from the city and the Federal Aviation Administration).

It's a wow list introduced by

Sandhu, outside of the public safety component: business aviation including eight midsize and 20 large hangar bays, electric vertical take-off and landing (eVTOL) operations, hydrogen energy production, solar panels, and educational opportunities for flight schools, for air transport professionals and for Las Positas College (aviation maintenance technician, air traffic controller and flight training).

The public safety complex proposed by Five Rivers could include space for the aircraft of Cal Fire, the California Highway Patrol and East Bay Regional Park District. You may remember EBRPD moved some helicopter resources from Hayward to Livermore on a temporary basis last May, on a short-term lease that expires in about six months.

The city continues to review and process the exhaustive Five Rivers application, but for now it remains an all-in package. It remains unclear whether the company would be interested in carving out the public safety complex to advance on that component sooner — but Sandhu hasn't done so yet, although you could understand why.

Cardwell and local leaders like Livermore Police Chief Jeramy Young and Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Chief Joe Testa know timing could be critical to bringing together a multi-agency project, especially when state agencies are involved. Both chiefs told me they're excited about the prospect of more regional and state aircraft being stationed permanently in Livermore and the benefits that could bring to response time and response levels for the Tri-Valley and surrounding areas.

Those are among the reasons that Livermore officials are exploring the possibility of whether the city should go off on its own with a public safety complex at the airport, independent of what Five Rivers has proposed.

That question remains unanswered, but the fact it's even being asked shows city leadership isn't just sitting on its hands with a potential big opportunity right in front of them.

The answer on public safety expansion could also be informed by the Airport Land Use Study, which is expected to see a technical memo outlining the study findings released publicly in the next two months, according to Cardwell.

The overarching study is analyzing themes important to airport users, neighboring residents and other stakeholders such as growth and development, sustainability and innovation, community and engagement, and noise and safety.

That memo should elicit plenty more chatter when it comes out. Stay tuned. ■

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**Irlanda Suhay**  
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**Chris Suhay**  
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I'm very much looking forward to giving a gift to our daughter. She's 15, and unlike so many other children her age, she doesn't ever ask us for very much. So I want to give her absolutely everything she wants this year, probably in large part because she never asks for too much.



**Suman Guha**  
*Software*

I'm most looking forward to giving a lovely gift this year to my beautiful wife, of course. She is the one who really keeps me going and is my primary source of sustenance. There is no one in the world I would rather give a gift to than to her.



**Chandrima Mita**  
*Special ed teacher*

I know this might sound selfish but I'm really looking forward to giving the gift of "self-care" to myself. At this point in my life I find that I really need to be good to myself, and pamper myself occasionally, if I want to be any good to and for everyone else.

—Compiled by Nancy and Jeff Lewis



**Mpho Hansjee**  
*Social entrepreneur*

Gift-giving is my love language all year long. However, during the holiday season, I look forward to gifting my kids' teachers the most. They are superheroes through and through. They spend their days helping my kids grow both academically and socially, often thinking of all their classroom kids before themselves. For that reason, I love to go all out to spoil them.

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## DIGEST

### \$3M for Wheels

The Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority this month received a \$3 million grant from the federal government to expand a hydrogen fueling station to support growth of the Wheels bus fleet.

Part of the agency's effort to become a leader in clean hydrogen transit, construction on the station is set to break ground next year and finish in 2027 in conjunction with delivery of the first hydrogen fuel cell buses.

"This federal award will enable LAVTA to deploy hydrogen fuel cell buses over the next two years, enabling conversion away from fossil fuels faster by increasing the number of buses we will be able to support with hydrogen fuel sooner. The funding also allows LAVTA to successfully meet the state of California's climate goals while being a catalyst for good paying construction and clean-energy jobs in the Tri-Valley," LAVTA Board Chair and Livermore City Councilmember Evan Branning said.

### Small Business Day

The Pleasanton Downtown Association and the city of Pleasanton are encouraging people to "Shop Small and Support Local!" this holiday season, including Small Business Saturday, which arrives nationwide on Nov. 30, the day after Black Friday.

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### Cricket showcase

Some of the best young American cricketers are coming to the Tri-Valley this holiday weekend to compete in the seventh annual Thanksgiving Youth National Cricket Tournament.

Hosted by Cricket for Cubs, Dublin Cricket League and San Ramon Cricket Association, the tournament will feature 20 teams across three age groups for boys and girls (U11, U13 and U15), starting the day before Thanksgiving and running through Sunday (Dec. 1).

For more information about the 2024 Pleasanton-San Ramon-Dublin Youth Cricket Tournament, visit [psdyct.org](http://psdyct.org). ■

## Investigators can't find cause of Amador Valley small gym fire

Custodian's statement leaves more questions than answers, newly obtained records show

By Christian Trujano

Both the Pleasanton Police Department and the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department have ceased investigations on what caused the damaging fire in the Amador Valley High School small gym, leaving residents with questions unanswered about what really led to that late-night blaze eight months ago.

Especially given the fact one of the custodians working that night on March 17 told first responders he not only cleaned the garbage bin located in the corner of the gym

where the fire started, but he also noticed something off when first saw the smoke, according to an LPFD investigative report obtained by the Weekly this month.

"Mr. Garcia Norori (Custodian) states he had emptied the trash can located in that corner approximately two hours before he heard the fire alarm from the school ground," reads the LPFD incident report, dated April 3. "When Mr. Garcia Norori investigated, he found smoke coming from the gymnasium and noted that one of the doors was opened slightly."

The Weekly received a copy of the full report as part of an ongoing public records request for documents, emails and other materials involving Amador Valley principal Jonathan Fey, who went on an indefinite leave of absence just after the beginning of this school year without any explanation.

So far, the Pleasanton Unified School District has sent two batches of records — 51 pages total, none of which contained any information about the reason for Fey's absence since Aug. 14 — with more responsive records reportedly to

come next month.

The second batch of records, received on Nov. 18, includes the LPFD investigative report and other documents related to the fire that damaged Amador's century-old small gym on a Sunday night in mid-March — one of the major events to occur at the campus during Fey's tenure.

The report reveals that LPFD officially concluded the exact cause of the fire was "undetermined after investigation".

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GARRY MCLEOD/LLNL

The Hewlett Packard Enterprise El Capitan, an exascale supercomputer, at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in Livermore. With a peak performance of 2.79 exaFLOPS, El Capitan comprises more than 11,000 compute nodes and is 22 times more powerful than LLNL's previous fastest supercomputer, Sierra.

## World's fastest supercomputer

Prowess of LLNL's El Capitan verified at global conference

By Dan McMnamin / BCN

The world's fastest supercomputer is in the Bay Area at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

El Capitan, which officials at the federal lab said can perform 1.742 quintillion calculations per second, was verified as the world's most powerful supercomputer during the 2024 Supercomputing Conference being held this month in Atlanta. A quintillion is 1,000,000,000,000,000, or a billion billion.

The so-called exascale supercomputer was developed in collaboration with the National Nuclear Security Administration, the Hewlett Packard Enterprise "global edge-to-cloud company" and the AMD server CPU company.

LLNL officials said in a statement that the tech's purpose is "to advance nuclear weapon

science and scientific discovery, providing the vast computational power necessary to ensure the safety, security and reliability of the nation's nuclear deterrent without nuclear testing."

El Capitan will be a resource to the Los Alamos and Sandia National Laboratories along with Lawrence Livermore, which is located on the east end of the city of Livermore.

Lab officials said in the statement that the machine will be used to "further advance NNSA's core mission of maintaining an aging stockpile" of nuclear weapons while "simultaneously pursuing weapon modernization" of warheads currently under development.

Among the planned uses for El Capitan is "to model advanced high-energy-density physics experiments" like the "detailed understanding of material behavior

under extreme conditions."

LLNL Director Kim Budil said, "El Capitan's extraordinary computing capabilities will allow us to tackle complex challenges that were previously out of reach. We are proud to lead this achievement in partnership with industry, and advance society in ways that will benefit society and the nation as a whole."

Hewlett Packard Enterprise officials said in their own news release about El Capitan this week that its AI-driven scientific research "will support national security efforts and will accelerate both classified and unclassified studies on energy security, climate change, power grid modernization, drug discovery and other areas."

More information about the El Capitan system can be found at [www.llnl.gov](http://www.llnl.gov). ■

## Avelar named Pleasanton top cop

Foster City chief to take reins here next month

By Christian Trujano

The city of Pleasanton has selected Tracy Avelar, Foster City's current chief of police, as the Pleasanton Police Department's next police chief, the city announced on Monday.

Avelar, whose first day on the job in Pleasanton is scheduled to be Dec. 9, rose to the top during a competitive recruitment process because of her extensive experience in police leadership and innovation, according to the city's press release. She will become the first woman ever to lead the department on a permanent basis.

"Pleasanton holds a special place in my heart, and I am truly honored to step into the role of Police Chief for the City," Avelar said in the press release. "I have so much respect for the men and women of this department and look forward to working alongside them to continue building strong community partnerships, ensuring public safety, and fostering trust and transparency." Avelar will be the permanent



Tracy Avelar

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# Board greenlights Foothill campus renovation plans

Athletics, performing arts to be housed under one roof as part of \$70M Measure I project

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

The Pleasanton Unified School District Board of Trustees has approved a nearly \$70 million design-build agreement to construct a dual athletic and performing arts facility at Foothill High School — one of the marquee projects funded by the \$395 million Measure I bond.

In addition to the new facility that will connect to the existing competition gym, the design from Rodan Builders, Inc., a general contractor in Hayward, will look to completely reimagine that central part of the school with a new pathway, improved lawn seating, a new synthetic turf field and many more improvements.

“This is exciting times,” Board President Mary Jo Carreon said after the unanimous vote on Nov. 14.

Nathan Herrero, a project manager for SVA Architects — a Pleasanton based architect firm that partnered with Rodan Builders — told the board that based on the project’s incremented schedule, construction should be done by 2027.

“The idea would be basically two (and a half) school years from now, we turn over all of this,” Herrero said.

Two years ago, Pleasanton voters approved the Measure I general obligation bond to fund major infrastructure projects such as this one, which has been dubbed the “Campus Renovation Project for Foothill High School.”

The board previously approved the project as part of the district’s

Measure I bond implementation plan, which served as an outline for the bond’s project list. The total amount for the design build project is \$69,959,143, which falls within the project’s budget under the implementation plan.

Last year, the board hired CASA Studio, a design firm, to develop documents needed for the first step in the design build process.

Aaron Kael, executive director of PUSD’s facilities and construction department, told the board that since then, community members provided input on those documents during multiple public meetings.

Kael said those documents were the “backbone of the project” and that they acted as guidelines for what the community envisioned the project to look like.

The district issued a request for qualifications (RFQ) this past April and after representatives from Foothill, business services, facilities and Van Pelt Construction Services vetted the 12 firms who responded to the RFQ, the list was narrowed down to three firms.

Those three firms attended several meetings where they solicited input from stakeholders before submitting their design proposals and budgets and presenting those submissions to a selection committee.

Kael said the committee — made up of site staff, administrators, district staff and trustees Steve Maher and Kelly Mokashi — chose Rodan Builders based on past history with the firm, the design, cost, scheduling and phasing.

Herrero said the firm spent time analyzing the campus to make sure

the proposed project fits within the campus and said in many ways it will make the campus feel more open.

“We’re really freeing up a lot of space within the campus for circulation and outdoor areas,” he said. “We think we’ll really improve the life of the campus.”

The design includes a renovated large gymnasium designed to seat 1,100 attendees, a new weight room, new fitness room, new team rooms, new lockers, a new auditorium with 413 seats, a choir room, a band room and support spaces — all under the same roof.

The project will also renovate the existing practice gym and Building H (which houses art classrooms and the student center); construct a new multi-use athletic field; create tiered steps using the grass area next to the facility and create a new pathway.

Trustee Justin Brown said he liked the facility at a high level but he also questioned the noise of music, theater and sports being all under one facility.

Staff assured Brown that with the help of an acoustical engineer, the firm made sure not to put noisy programs next to each other and that there will be barriers and buffers for the noise — there will also be sound locks specifically for the new auditorium.

Student trustee Filipp Dmitriev also voiced concerns he had about the shared bathrooms in the facility’s main lobby. Kael and Herrero described it as a single, shared-gendered restroom with 12 individual stalls that are more like rooms



An early rendering of the exterior of the new facility coming to Foothill High School.

because the surrounding stall walls extend to the ground. The sinks for everyone would be outside the stalls but in the same shared room.

Dmitriev said he was worried about how that could potentially lead to harassment, which is why he suggested splitting the 12 stalls in half to create separate-gendered restrooms. Staff said they could revisit the bathroom plans because it is still early in the project.

Carreon’s main concern was about the size of the theater having only 413 seats. Even though the similar renovation project for Amador Valley High School hasn’t been finalized, staff said that the new proposed theater is estimated to have more than 500 seats but they explained that the firm’s reasoning behind the different sizes was that it is best to have different spaces to cater to different needs by the community.

She also shared the same concerns

Dmitriev had about the logistics of all those sports and arts programs sharing the same space.

But Foothill principal Sebastian Bull said the proposed facility is much better than what they currently have — a single multipurpose room that is packed nonstop throughout the day.

He said while there might be a couple of days out of the year when there might be a game in the gym going on at the same time as a theater performance, at least this new facility has a barrier they can put down in the middle of the lobby.

“Currently, we only have one multipurpose room and one gym,” Bull said. “Things can not fit in all those at the same time anyways so now this is expanding more spaces for a lot of events.”

The first phase of the project is set to start with demolishing the locker rooms next summer, Herrero said. ■

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# Council postpones debate on city manager's severance terms

Some say Beaudin deserves year of pay and benefits if fired while others argue now is not right time

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

The Pleasanton City Council did not end up voting on what would have been a procedural consent calendar move to increase City Manager Gerry Beaudin's severance package amid some criticism from the public.

Under the proposal, Beaudin's contract would have been amended to provide an extra six months of severance so that should a future City Council terminate the contract without criminal cause, his salary, medical and dental insurance will be covered for a full year.

Mayor Karla Brown, who signed the staff report, told the line of people who spoke on the topic during public comments at last week's council meeting that staff did have a presentation ready to go and that the council was going to discuss the item after Vice Mayor Julie Testa



Gerry Beaudin

originally pulled the item from consent — which are items considered routine in nature and typically approved by a single vote.

But shortly after the item was pulled from consent, Councilmember Jack Balch asked to continue the item, saying he needed "additional time to think about it" after he received a public comment earlier that day regarding the item.

Most of the people who spoke during the Nov. 19 council meeting defended Beaudin, saying he at least deserves a better severance package in lieu of a salary increase for all of the work he has done over the past two years.

"I think he has proven himself a great leader," Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council president Kelly Cousins said during the meeting.

However, a couple of residents like Vin Pohray said that while he doesn't have anything personal against Beaudin, he doesn't think increasing the city manager's severance package is the best idea.

Pohray said a typical severance package equates to two weeks per year an employee works at a job. In

a supplemental written comment he submitted on Tuesday, Pohray said "most employers offer 1 week (per year as severance."

He said the six months currently being given to Beaudin equates to 13 years of service and that giving him the full year sets a bad precedent for other employees who might want the same thing and in addition, the extra severance — if Beaudin is fired from his position — would be costly to the city.

"The current package that is on the board adds roughly around \$400,000 to the outgoing bill of someone we may be letting go of," Pohray said.

But as the staff report states, Beaudin, who received a positive evaluation from the current council during the summer, is not being recommended for a raise due to the city's fiscal constraints.

The report states that "adjustments to management staff classifications, including the city manager, will require near-term evaluation to keep pace with the market" — which is the argument Cousins made during her comments.

Pleasanton's city manager has an

annual salary that is 7% less than the average pay among his peers in comparable Bay Area cities, including a lower rate than Livermore's Marianna Marysheva and first-year Dublin City Manager Colleen Tribby — whose contracts also include a 12-month severance stipulation. According to those peers' employment contracts with their respective cities, they each received 12 months severance right off the bat.

Cousins also said she believes this past election season has a lot to do with people not wanting to give Beaudin the severance package increase.

"Given the malice and misinformation that we saw in the past election where Mr. Beaudin has been maligned along with the majority on the council, I think he needs to have this kind of reassurance," Cousins said.

Other residents like Linda Garbarino and Sandy Yamaoda — who along with Cousins have all aligned themselves mostly with the council majority in the past — also said Beaudin is one of the most honest people who deserves the increase.

Cousins said especially during these upcoming times of budget reductions, the city cannot afford to lose Beaudin just because the city couldn't compete with surrounding agencies.

"These terms of the city manager's employment contract are recommended to be updated in the agreement to be consistent with the best practices represented in the survey data of the 16 comparison cities," Brown's staff report states.

But for residents like Rick Schempp, the main issue was that he felt the council snuck the item into the consent calendar without allowing for input from the public.

He said the timing of putting the item on last week's agenda after the recent elections seemed odd given that Beaudin's performance evaluation was held back in summer and he thought it would be best to wait until the new council is sworn in before voting on the item.

"The optics on this matter are not good," Schempp said. "This could be viewed in a more positive light by the residents if the matter was handed over to the incoming mayor and council." ■

## Councilmember Hu wins Dublin mayoral election

Nearly 1,000 votes ahead of newcomer Evans; Josey finishes 3rd, Costello 4th

BY JUDE STRZEMP

Dublin Vice Mayor Sherry Hu is poised to take the City Council's helm after maintaining a persistent lead in the mayoral race.

Hu, who is coming to the end of her fourth year in a regular council seat, announced victory in recent days — having gathered 36.35% of the vote (9,264 ballots) in the four-candidate contest, according to the latest results tally from the Alameda County Registrar of Voters' Office.

"I am deeply honored to be elected as Dublin's new Mayor," Hu said in a statement. "My priorities of public safety, economic growth, quality community programs, and support for education resonated strongly with voters. I am eager to collaborate with my fellow Councilmembers to make Dublin a city we are all proud to call home."

While an estimated 17,675 ballots across all of Alameda County remain uncounted, as reported on the

California Secretary of State website, any switch-up in the Dublin mayoral order is unlikely since Hu leads with about 1,000 votes over second-place Tom Evans, who has clocked in with 8,268 votes (32.44%).

"The mayoral race was not a runaway victory. No one candidate received a majority," Evans said. "I ran in order to offer Dublin voters a change in how the city of Dublin handles certain aspects of government, particularly with land use. Apparently, only 32% were comfortable with change and the rest were happy with the local government of the past 4-6 years."

"The top three candidates each had ample support, but in the end more people picked Sherry Hu than either of the other two," Evans added. "I assume that voters agree with, for the most part, her tough stand against crime, her support of annexing and developing land between Dublin and Livermore, her support of parks, reducing

affordable for-sale housing in exchange for small land parcels, adding thousands of dollars to future new-home residents' property tax bills in order to help the developer."

Fellow Councilmember Jean Josey, who is polling in third at 7,130 votes (27.98%), is set to continue her leadership as-is after campaigning for mayor in the middle of her second term on the council.

"While the outcome is not what my campaign wanted, I am so grateful for the support along the way," she wrote in a Facebook post on Nov. 7. "Please know that in my final two years on City Council, I will continue to work for all of Dublin."

Fourth-place candidate Shawn Costello said he was disappointed to lose but appreciative of the support he did receive.

"I'm happy with the votes that I got," said Costello, with 825 votes, or 3.24%. "Thank you very much to everyone for voting for me."

Hu will succeed Michael



CHUCK DECKERT

Dublin City Councilmember Sherry Hu won the election to become the city's next mayor.

McCorriston, who stepped in as interim mayor in June after Melissa Hernandez resigned her mayoral position to join the BART Board of Directors. McCorriston opted

to run for reelection to his prior council seat rather than for a full term as mayor in the Nov. 5 election, winning the District 1 post unopposed. ■

## CHIEF

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replacement for former chief David Swing, who left the agency back in April in order to take a new job at the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority. She will be directly succeeding Gina Anderson, Newark's former police chief, who has been

PPD's interim leader for the past seven months.

Avelar first joined the Foster City Police Department in 2002 and moved her way up the ranks to become the first female lieutenant, captain and police chief in that city's history.

During her time there, she oversaw various departments such as youth services, crime prevention,

hiring and other day-to-day operations, according to the press release. She also managed other programs such as field training, SWAT and traffic enforcement and while she was captain, she was responsible for administrative and operational divisions, overseeing dispatch, records, investigations and budget preparation.

"Chief Avelar has a proven track

record of leadership and innovation in law enforcement, and we are excited to welcome her to Pleasanton," City Manager Gerry Beaudin, who made the final hiring decision, said in the press release. "Her dedication to community engagement, public safety and operational excellence will be a great asset to our city."

Avelar is also currently the

president of the California Police Chiefs Association and has served on the San Mateo County Police Chiefs and Sheriff Executive Board, according to the city.

She holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice management and a master's degree in homeland security from the Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security. ■



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# Sunol parent Choin claims victory in school board race

Former trustee Jergensen fails to get enough votes in attempt to rejoin dais after being recalled

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

Sunol Glen School parent, resident and substitute teacher Erin Choin has declared victory in the race against previously recalled trustee Ryan Jergensen for the open seat on the Sunol Glen Unified School District Board of Trustees.

The two were competing for the four-year seat formerly held by former trustee Linda

Hurley, whose two-year term was set to end this year but was cut short when she and Jergensen were recalled by a majority of voters in July.

As of the latest election results count released by Alameda County, Choin was ahead by 58.29% (369 votes) while Jergensen trailed behind with 41.71% (264 votes).

"After the November 15th vote update, almost every ballot has been counted and there are not enough outstanding to change the current lead I have," Choin told the Weekly on Nov. 19. "The community has acknowledged me as the winner of the election with the



Erin Choin

information we have."

Jergensen told the Weekly this week that despite the current results, he still holds the school close to his heart and everything he has done in the past as a board member and community volunteer has always been for the kids and the community.

"I always wanted to do what is best for the kids and the community as a whole. My supporters and many in the community understand that, and I thank them very much," Jergensen said. "If the county certifies Erin as the newest board trustee, I hope she will do as she promised and listen to all citizens, and help all citizens feel welcome."

Choin is a parent of three children who have attended Sunol Glen for the past five years.

She recently moved to Sunol two years ago because she loved the community and area so much and she wanted to thank that same community for placing their trust in becoming their next trustee.

She said over the past few months, engagement with residents has been "positive and hopeful," which shows how much they all care about the continued success of the school.

"My election win is a win for the families at the school and the students and teachers as well," Choin said. "The Sunol community voted for a committed school volunteer to assume the role and responsibilities of being a school board trustee and I take that role seriously."

Choin, who was also one of the people to work on the campaign to recall Jergensen and Hurley, had been very vocal at school board meetings throughout the past year about what she claimed to be examples of bad governance from Jergensen, which is why she joined the recall efforts.

Jergensen was first appointed to the board in 2021 to replace former trustee Denise Kent-Romo, who resigned one year into her second full term because of health issues. He was then formally elected in 2022 to serve another four years on the board.

But ever since the later half of 2023, Jergensen — along with

Hurley — had been under scrutiny by dozens of community members, teachers and local elected officials after the then-trustees voted in favor of a flag resolution in September 2023 that limited the school to only fly the U.S. and state flags on district grounds.

Many parents, students and Sunol Glen School employees spoke out for months — Choin included — calling the two trustees out because certain flags like the LGBTQIA+ Pride flag were now not allowed at the school. They also criticized Jergensen for several instances of bad governance.

Jergensen pointed to that contentious past as one of the reasons he might have failed to connect with more voters this fall.

"Unfortunately, I was accused of falsehoods, and smeared unjustly and falsely by fellow citizens and outsiders," Jergensen said. "I feel bad for my supporters who were treated badly and for how the community

was divided by those factions."

However, he said he remains hopeful for the community and that civil discourse along with civil interactions in any manner will be the best way to move forward after the election.

"We need true kindness, understanding, patience, and empathy for those with differing views to help all feel truly welcome on neutral ground, and avoid contention," Jergensen said. "I will continue to do my best to avoid focusing on the negative and move forward hopeful for Sunol, hopeful for each student, each family, and each resident."

As for Choin, she said as she gets set to get started in her new role she plans to attend a California School Board Association conference in order to learn more about that role and to network with others.

"I am honored to serve our school," Choin said. "I look forward to working with the rest of the board and the superintendent." ■

## FIRE

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On March 17, the LPPFD responded to a commercial fire alarm at the small gym just before 8 p.m. Shortly after, it was elevated to a second alarm fire as firefighters worked to put out the fire in about 30 minutes with the help of the Alameda County Fire Department unit.

The incident report detailed when firefighters first arrived at the school and the entire process of putting it out, but one of the key pieces of information from the report was in the investigation portion.

That's where LPPFD noted down Norori's statement about the garbage bin — a detail not previously shared to the public.

"The garbage can is completely melted and burned," according to the LPPFD incident report.

But the report also left a lot of factors undetermined.

"No obvious sources of ignition are noted," the report states. "No obvious odors of accelerants noted. No sheen to the water noted due to class A foam covering the area."

LPPFD couldn't find out the heat source, what item — if any — ignited the flames and any other factor related to the cause of the fire. It also stated that there were no human factors.

And even though the LPPFD report stated that police "conducted interviews of school employees and gathered video surveillance footage," PPD Lt. Nicholas Albert told the Weekly last week that no arrests have been made.

"I can tell you that the investigation is not active, and no individuals were ever arrested, charged, or cited

regarding this fire," Albert said.

When asked if the police department's investigation found out anything about the cause of the fire, Albert pointed to LPPFD's investigation.

Patrick Gannon, director of communications for PUSD, told the Weekly after receiving the LPPFD report, the district also conducted its own internal investigation.

"While our investigation did not yield substantive information as to the cause of the fire, PUSD's insurance provider informed us that the damage was covered under our policy," Gannon said.

The fire caused \$150,000 in property loss, according to the LPPFD incident report.

According to the minutes from a Board Facility Committee on May 15, the district was looking at an estimate to fix or replace the gym.

A separate Q&A document from the Sept. 26 Board of Trustees staff report states that the district's insurance company was still investigating the incident and staff would meet

with inspectors on Oct. 10.

"Funds recovered from insurance will be used to enhance the existing Measure I project to build a new performing arts and gymnasium for Amador Valley High School," Gannon said.

Notably, Fey called out the city's and state's inspectors in a YouTube video posted on March 22 where he addressed many things such as details regarding the fire, why administrators decided to open school the day after and the issues with the inspectors that led to the school being without power for a couple of hours.

Fey explained how a school's power grid needed to be shut off and turned on in small portions, which wouldn't have been a problem if the city and state inspectors had decided who had jurisdiction over the school.

"The back-and-forth between the two inspectors was completely unexpected and was the cause for the delay in getting the power turned back on," Fey said in the video. ■



CHUCK DECKERT

The fire and water damage left behind after a fire broke out at the small gym at Amador Valley High School on March 17.

## THE CITY OF PLEASANTON



### HIGHLIGHTS

#### City Council Special Meeting

Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at 6:55 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the City of Pleasanton Council Chamber – 200 Old Bernal Ave.

- Authorize an increase to the FY 2024/25 Geological Hazard Abatement Districts operating budgets; Approve plans and specifications, award a construction contract to Brannon Corporation in the amount of \$258,970 with an approximate 10 percent contingency of \$25,898 for the Geological Hazard Abatement Districts Maintenance project, and approve the budget amendments

#### City Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the City of Pleasanton Council Chamber – 200 Old Bernal Ave.

- Receive Biannual Update regarding Police Department operations, services and activities
- Introduce an ordinance amending Municipal Code Chapter 17.16 regarding Tree Preservation

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# Holiday Fund underway

*Weekly's annual giving campaign supports 10 critical Tri-Valley nonprofits*

BY JEREMY WALSH

The Pleasanton Weekly, and its sister publications Livermore Vine and DanvilleSanRamon, are welcoming the return of the annual Holiday Fund, a time when our news family focuses our attention on those in need in the Tri-Valley to raise money and awareness for safety-net nonprofits in your community.

The 2024-25 giving campaign will benefit 10 organizations: Axis Community Health, CityServe of the Tri-Valley, Culinary Angels, Goodness Village, Open Heart Kitchen, Pleasanton Partnerships in Education (PPIE), Sunflower Hill, Tri-Valley Haven, Tri-Valley REACH and Valley Humane Society.

"Health, housing, food, education — our 10 beneficiaries serve the Tri-Valley and its residents in such critical areas," said Gina Channell Wilcox, publisher of the Pleasanton Weekly and president of Embarcadero Media Foundation's East Bay Division.

"As a nonprofit ourselves, we are particularly sensitive to the needs of these organizations — and to the significance that the financial donations and public awareness represent for their causes," Wilcox added. "We humbly ask residents, businesses and other community partners to consider contributing to all of these impactful charities through our 2024-25 Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund."

Now is as good a time as any to donate, with Giving Tuesday

arriving next week and the end of the tax year barely a month away.

Contributions to our fundraising drive will support crucial programs like the Axis Bridge crisis intervention initiative, the Caring Hotel Network project spearheaded by CityServe, the tiny home community of Goodness Village, the new Open Heart Food Bank and the ongoing services for domestic abuse survivors, low-income residents and homeless families provided by Tri-Valley Haven, a new recipient for our 2024-25 campaign.

Every single dollar raised during the Holiday Fund will be given away as grants split evenly among the beneficiaries.

The program is being managed by Embarcadero Media Foundation, which means that 100% of the money raised will go directly to the 10 designated nonprofits with all donations fully tax deductible as well as eligible for corporate matching where applicable thanks to our foundation's own charity status. We cover all administration and other expenses

at no cost to the Holiday Fund.

Visit [PleasantonWeekly.com/holiday\\_fund](https://PleasantonWeekly.com/holiday_fund) to help spread some cheer this holiday season.

## Axis Community Health

As the only community health center in the area, Axis Community Health devotes its time and energy to "improving the health and well-being of vulnerable, low-income, and historically underserved individuals in the Tri-Valley area ... to ensure that everyone has access to high-quality healthcare, regardless of their ability to pay."

The need is imperative this time of year when families can face heightened financial pressures, according to Axis CEO Liz Perez-Howe.

"We are honored to be selected by the Pleasanton Holiday Fund. At Axis Community Health, we believe that access to healthcare is a fundamental right, not a privilege," Perez-Howe told the Weekly.

"This recognition supports our work to serve as a lifeline for the most vulnerable members of our community, ensuring they have the care they need to thrive, especially during the holiday season when challenges can feel overwhelming," she added.

Money raised through the Holiday Fund will go toward the nonprofit's Axis Bridge crisis intervention services, which support urgent mental health care needs for publicly and privately insured individuals in the region.

"With suicide and 5150

psychiatric holds at some of the highest rates in Alameda County, the need for timely, accessible mental health services is critical," Axis officials said. "The funds will help Axis Community Health continue to offer rapid, effective interventions that support individuals and their families through moments of crisis, ensuring they receive compassionate, stabilizing care when they need it most."

## CityServe of the Tri-Valley

"At CityServe, we work with over 6,000 people a year, providing the care coordination-support and resources they need to transition from instability to independence," officials with the nonprofit told the Weekly. "CityServe focuses on solutions that are not just temporary fixes but lasting, transformative changes."

Focusing on coordinating services for people experiencing homelessness — or on the brink of it — as well as seniors programming and residents facing other needs in the Tri-Valley, CityServe will put all of its Holiday Fund contributions toward a new partnership initiative: Caring Hotel Network.

Working with Visit Tri-Valley and nine local hotels, the CityServe program places individuals and families in temporary hotel accommodations, particularly during winter weather, to provide stability as the nonprofit's care coordinators then come in to help craft a personalized plan for obtaining permanent housing and



TRI-VALLEY REACH

Clockwise from top left: CityServe volunteer serves soup to clients in the Tri-Valley. Friday volunteers admiring their work at Sunflower Hill Garden at Hagemann Ranch in Livermore. T-RADD celebration event organized by Tri-Valley REACH.

other critical services.

“Imagine this: your investment in CityServe isn’t just a donation; it’s a powerful, strategic move to create sustainable, positive change in our own neighborhoods,” CEO Christine Beitsch-Bahmani said.

**Culinary Angels**

The nonprofit Culinary Angels offers food support for patients and caregivers at a juncture when nutrition is at its utmost significance: cancer treatment.

Preparing nutritious, delicious, organic meals “crafted with quality ingredients to provide nourishment, comfort and hope during difficult times”, Culinary Angels sees its mission as “rooted in care and compassion” in a time of need.

“Contributions to the Holiday Fund will directly help us prepare and deliver these free healing meals, ensuring no one feels forgotten during this season of giving,” Culinary Angels officials added.

“Our inclusion in the Holiday Fund is a testament to the incredible support from our community,” first-year Executive Director Mansoor Sakhiy said. “It reflects the heart of what we do: serving with love, compassion, and a commitment to making a difference in the lives of cancer patients and their caregivers.”

**Goodness Village**

Goodness Village operates the affordable community of tiny homes near CrossWinds Church in Livermore to help formerly unhoused neighbors in the Tri-Valley regain their footing in a safe and supportive environment where they can “live independently, heal and thrive”.

The organization is also working to build out its programming and services for residents in its community.

“The holidays are a time for

connection, and at Goodness Village, we see firsthand how simple acts of kindness — whether it’s sharing a meal, offering a gift card, or helping with supplies — can make a profound difference in our neighbors’ lives,” Executive Director Kim Curtis said.

“These contributions don’t just meet practical needs; they remind our residents that they are valued and supported by the community. Together, we can create a season of joy, dignity, and hope for everyone,” Curtis added.

**Open Heart Kitchen**

2024 was a big year for Open Heart Kitchen, which helps in the fight against food insecurity by providing prepared meals, groceries and shelter to people in need in the Tri-Valley: The nonprofit opened its Vineyard Resource Center at the beginning of the year and is welcoming its Open Heart Food Bank at the end of the year.

“Open Heart Kitchen is honored to be a beneficiary of the 2024-25 Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund. Our selection is an affirmation of our work and the benefit it brings to thousands of individuals and families in the Tri-Valley who struggle to make ends meet,” Executive Director John Bost told the Weekly.

“While the holiday season can be a time of joy for many, it is also a time that amplifies and highlights the pain and suffering of others,” Bost said. “As more and more is being asked of Open Heart Kitchen, we continue to listen, grow, and rise to meet the call of compassionate service to our most vulnerable neighbors. Opening the Vineyard Resource Center in January and now Open Heart Food Bank at the end of 2024 are just two of the ways we are elevating our mission to meet the dual crises of

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# Holiday Fund

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VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY

Charlie the kitten finds a forever home after a stay at the Valley Humane Society shelter.



PPIE

PPIE contributed to the launch of the Wellness Center at Harvest Park Middle School, creating a safe space for students to thrive.

## HOLIDAY FUND

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hunger and shelter head on.

“Thank you, Pleasanton Weekly readers and supporters, for putting your confidence in our movement to help individuals and families build better and brighter futures,” he added.

### PPIE

The Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation, better known as PPIE, supports student learning opportunities by enhancing Pleasanton Unified School District offerings, with assistance from residents, businesses, educators and the community at-large.

“We look to support all Pleasanton students by helping bridge funding gaps not met by the state and giving everyone an enhanced educational experience,” PPIE officials said. “We continue to see a need for increased mental health support for our students and look to be able to continue to help in this area, among others.”

Executive Director Andrea Wilson added, “PPIE is thrilled to be once again included in the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund. This dedication by the Weekly to continue to support the amazing charities in our area is what sets them apart. We are proud to be a part of such a generous community.”

### Sunflower Hill

With a direct and galvanizing mission, “Sunflower Hill creates places and spaces where adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) live, work, learn and thrive as part of the greater community.”

A longtime beneficiary of the Holiday Fund, money raised in this year’s campaign will go toward the operations and programming at the Sunflower Hill Garden at



GOODNESS VILLAGE

Free quarterly haircuts, courtesy of Zack Bias (barber) and Erica Santos (stylist at Revival Hair Studios), are provided quarterly to help Goodness Village neighbors look and feel their best.



TRI-VALLEY HAVEN

Tri-Valley Haven’s holiday programming includes soliciting toy and gift donations to benefit families in need.

Hagemann Ranch in Livermore and the Sunflower Hill at Irby Ranch housing community in Pleasanton.

The 1-acre garden in Livermore offers educational, vocational and life-skills training for adults with autism, down syndrome, cerebral palsy and other chromosomal abnormalities. Some 90% of the fresh, organic, culturally relevant produce is donated to other local nonprofits to help address food insecurity, according

to Sunflower Hill.

Its Irby Ranch affordable apartment complex for I/DD residents continues to be a benchmark in the Bay Area — and Sunflower Hill has its sights set on two other similar communities in Dublin in the near future.

“We are so grateful and excited to be selected as a beneficiary of the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund,” said Jennifer Oxe, operations director at Sunflower Hill. “The Pleasanton Weekly has been an incredible supporter of Sunflower Hill for many years, and the community’s generosity during the holiday season is truly inspiring.”

“Sunflower Hill depends almost solely on donations, and they are vital to sustaining the impactful programs we offer for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities,” Oxe said. “Support from the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund helps us continue to provide our Hands-On Garden Programs and enrichment activities at Irby Ranch, creating opportunities for residents and participants to build life skills, develop friendships, and feel a true sense of belonging — often for the first time.”

### Tri-Valley Haven

Tri-Valley Haven supports survivors of domestic and sexual violence, as well as residents and families who are low-income or homeless, through its shelter, counseling



CULINARY ANGELS

Volunteers pack nutritious, organic meals for Culinary Angels clients.

and other services.

The need is paramount, even in a seemingly affluent area like the Tri-Valley, year-round but especially during the holiday season and winter months.

“At Tri-Valley Haven, we work to bring hope and support to our community, especially during the holiday season,” officials with the nonprofit said. “This year, we are providing holiday meals for Thanksgiving and beyond, ensuring families in need can gather and celebrate. Additionally, we are helping spread joy by gifting toys, clothing, and essential items to families facing hardships.”

Executive Director Christine Dillman told the Weekly, “Being selected for the Holiday Fund is both an honor and a tremendous opportunity to extend hope and resources to the most vulnerable in our community during this special season.”

### Tri-Valley REACH

“It’s with great honor that we have been selected as a Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund beneficiary again” said Kay King, Tri-Valley REACH board chair. “Our hearts are full, your generosity enables us to provide safe and affordable housing that paves the way to independence for adults with I/DD. We are proud to be the only nonprofit in the Tri-Valley providing these transformational housing opportunities. Thank you for helping us make a lasting impact.”

For more than 30 years, Tri-Valley REACH leaders and volunteers have worked together to build inclusive, affordable housing opportunities for adults with I/DD to live independently in local neighborhoods.

The nonprofit acquires existing homes — and recently has pursued new accessory dwelling units

(ADUs) too — and then rents them to qualifying individuals in the low- or very-low income brackets.

“REACH’s shared homes promote inclusivity by fostering connections between residents and their neighbors, while residents learn to do day-to-day necessities of living independently, such as cooking dinner and setting out their recycling,” officials said. “This year’s Holiday Fund will play a crucial role in expanding REACH’s capacity to serve more community members by adding another ADU to an existing Tri-Valley property.”

“Beyond housing, REACH also supports T-RADD athletics by sponsoring scholarships for sports participation and hosting community-building events like end-of-season gatherings. Every REACH activity is designed to promote inclusion both inside and outside the home,” they added.

### Valley Humane Society

Supporting those who support their humans, Valley Humane Society “creates a brighter future for cats and dogs by encouraging and strengthening the bond between people and pets.”

Valley Humane Society operates its shelter, veterinary services, animal therapy, pet food and other programs reliant on local grants and community contributions, which makes efforts like the Holiday Fund so vital to the Pleasanton-based nonprofit.

President Melanie Sadek said, “Valley Humane is honored to be selected this year. As an animal welfare organization, we don’t receive federal or state funding; community support keeps our programs running. Thank you for recognizing the need to care for companion animals and promoting the incredible benefits they give to us humans.” ■



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## CENTENNIAL ART

### Sunol teacher gives students chance to celebrate school's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday

BY CHRISTIAN TRUJANO

With the Sunol Glen School's 100th birthday celebration coming up next April, art teacher Heather Cass wanted to do something special to commemorate such a significant milestone in the small school's long history.

"Our school definitely takes pride ... of being there in Sunol and being such an integral part of Sunol," Cass said.

That's why when she saw students' artwork from decades ago scattered around the inside of the school, she knew the perfect project for her elective class made up of sixth, seventh and eighth graders.

"I asked them to draw the front of the school as kind of a way to honor our 100th year," Cass said.

A second-year art teacher, Cass recently got her teaching credential and decided to work at Sunol because she had previously served there as a substitute teacher and she wanted to give back to the school that gave her so much.

So when she saw art pieces from students over 10 years ago, she thought her elective students could put their one-point perspective art lesson to use by drawing the front of the school. She said she told her kids to have fun with it and that they could incorporate the centennial aspect in any way they wanted to, which really made each piece unique.

After the students finished their drawings, Cass had everyone who works in Sunol unanimously vote on their top three favorites based on just the art and not names — students also voted on best and most improved based on past student feedback.

In the end, the three pieces with the most votes were from eighth grade students: Aiyana Colombage, Angad Mann and Cassian Cox Solozano.



Cass said she was already excited about the school's centennial and to be able to give her students the chance to be a part of the school's history meant a lot to her.

Sunol Superintendent-Principal Shay Galletti said she also shared the same sentiment.

"We are very much looking forward to the school's 100-year birthday and planning

a community-wide celebration on April 26, 2025," Galletti said. "The students' artwork reflects each student's connection to the school and its history. Being part of the school's centennial celebration is meaningful for everyone — it's a chance to honor 100 years of tradition while looking ahead to the future."



COURTESY HEATHER CASS

Left: Sunol Glen School art teacher Heather Cass' elective students hold drawings they made in honor of the school's upcoming 100th birthday. Above: One of the top finishers, by eighth grader Aiyana Colombage.

Cass said apart from displaying the pieces of art at the school, she plans on doing additional things with their drawings but didn't want to give away too much just yet until she finalizes those next steps.

"We plan to use this art for many upcoming events as well as fundraising efforts in 2025," Cass said.

She also said that she didn't want the main takeaway from this art activity to be the winners of the competition. Even though those who won are gifted artists who deserve the recognition, Cass said art is about improving and growing.

She said it is important to showcase the work of all students and that at the end of the day, she just wanted her kids to recognize how great their school is in the context of its 100th birthday.

"All kids should be proud of their school and feel joy and be excited about what they create," Cass said. "Not all art is the same." ■

## Livermore High music director receives jazz educator award

Enright has 'elevated the arts in our community'

BY JUDE STRZEMP

Justin Enright, music director at Livermore High School, won the Frank Sumares Outstanding Jazz Educator Award for his dedication to teaching and promoting jazz music.

His efforts were acknowledged by the California Music Educators Association Bay Section on Nov. 15, adding him to the ranks of regional instructors with the accolade.

"I am humbled by this recognition from CMEA Bay Section. It is an honor to have my name added to a list of Bay Area colleagues who I look up to and deeply respect," Enright said in a statement.

Named after the jazz educator and

musician Frank Sumares, the award goes to exceptional instructors of jazz techniques who advocate for the appreciation of jazz culture and history.

He's earned the title since Enright joined LHS in 2016, the school's jazz band and orchestra has grown in size and achievement, according to district officials.

"It means a lot to have the hard work and dedication of the Livermore High School jazz students recognized in such a public way," Enright told Livermore Vine.

Just this year, the LHS musical ensembles and Enright were awarded the top honors of Festival Sweepstakes and Instrumental Sweepstakes

at the 2024 WorldStrides OnStage Heritage Festival. In doing so, they exceeded more than 35 other ensembles from across the nation.

Prior to those victories, the LHS band and orchestra students were invited to perform at Carnegie Hall in New York City as part of the National Band and Orchestra Festival in 2023.

"His dedication to fostering a dynamic jazz program has enriched our students' musical experiences and elevated the arts in our community," LHS principal Roxana Mohammed said in a statement. "This honor is a testament to his passion and commitment to excellence in music education." ■



COURTESY JUSTIN ENRIGHT

The LHS jazz band and orchestra have excelled under Justin Enright's instruction, according to district officials.

# Too \$hort, WAR revealed as fair concert headliners

2025 Alameda County Fair opens June 13

By JEREMY WALSH

Bay Area rapper Too \$hort and soul-funk-R&B band WAR have been announced as the initial headliners for the 2025 Alameda County Fair's Big O Tires Summer Concert series.

WAR, known for 1970s hits like "Low Rider", "Spill the Wine" and "The World is a Ghetto", has performed at the Pleasanton fair multiple times in the past and will be returning next year as the opening night act on June 13.

Too \$hort, one of the early pioneers of West Coast rap who made a name with his own work as well as collaborations with the likes of Tupac Shakur, Notorious B.I.G. and Snoop Dogg, will take the stage at the fairgrounds on the evening of June 25.

"The Big O Tires Summer Concert series is one of the main highlights of the Alameda County Fair," fair marketing director Kristin LaPorte said in a press release Nov. 21. "Guests can look forward to 17 incredible shows hitting the stage at 8 p.m. We're especially excited with the return of WAR performing on opening day of the fair."

The remaining concert acts are expected to be revealed intermittently during the coming months, as officials work to generate momentum toward next summer's fair that runs on Wednesdays through Sundays from July 13 to July 6. Concerts will be held every night in the amphitheater, except for Independence Day when the fair typically closes early.

Concert tickets will go on sale for season pass-holders on Dec. 18, with general public sales to open up on



COURTESY ALAMEDA COUNTY FAIR

Too \$hort is performing at the Alameda County Fair in Pleasanton on June 25.

Dec. 20. Discounted tickets for the fair itself are available for this week for Black Friday and Cyber Monday. To learn more, visit [alamedacountyfair.com](http://alamedacountyfair.com). ■

## TAKE US ALONG



**Anniversary in Vancouver:** Michelle and Michael Miller celebrated their 30th anniversary this August in Granville Island in Vancouver. "We moved to Pleasanton four months before we got married and have lived here for all 30 years," Michelle told the Weekly.

To submit your "Take Us Along" entry, email your photograph to [editor@pleasantonweekly.com](mailto:editor@pleasantonweekly.com). Be sure to identify who is in the photo (names listed from left to right), the location, the date and any relevant details about where you took your Weekly.

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## POLICE BULLETIN

### Cops collar suspected organized retail thieves accused of hitting Lucky store

Three people were arrested in Livermore last week for allegedly stealing nearly \$9,000 worth of grocery products.

At about 8:45 p.m. Nov. 19, a

woman walking her dog flagged down a Livermore officer to say that three people had just stolen from the Lucky store on Portola Avenue, according to police. They were last seen running into a nearby neighborhood.

At the same time, officers noticed a white Honda CRV leaving the area. The vehicle had dark tinted windows, a violation of window tinting laws, police said. A records check revealed that the registered owner of the vehicle lived in San Francisco.

Officers conducted a traffic stop, and during the stop, allegedly observed a large quantity of unopened toothpaste boxes on the floorboard, along with tote bags that appeared to be full.

Police said the suspects admitted to stealing items, including laundry detergent, toothpaste, makeup, shampoo, deodorant, razors, beef jerky, and coffee from Lucky, with plans to sell the stolen property. They also allegedly admitted to stealing from Safeway on First Street earlier that evening.

According to police, Lucky employees scanned and itemized the stolen merchandise, totaling 707 items valued at over \$8,500. At Safeway, the suspects allegedly stole 34 items worth more than \$480. All stolen property was returned to the respective retailers.

Arrested were Anita Lopez, 20, Trevon Williams, 20, and Marahco

Marshall, 22, all from San Francisco.

All three were arrested on suspicion of organized retail theft, receiving stolen property and conspiracy to commit a crime.

—Katy St. Clair, Bay City News

### In other news

• Budget cuts have led to slightly reduced hours for Alameda County Superior Court clerks' offices.

As of mid-month, the clerks' offices at the county's eight courthouses close at 2 p.m. on Fridays instead of 3 p.m., according to court officials.

The shorter hours were part of a cost-savings plan necessitated by a \$4.3 million cut in state funding for the current fiscal year, according to a news release court officials sent out.

The new hours coincide with a mandatory furlough program requiring most employees to take off one Friday every month without pay.

People will still be able to use the court's online filing system and the drop-boxes outside each clerk's office to file documents.

In addition to the furloughs and reduced clerks' office hours, the court has also instituted a hiring freeze for more than 100 positions, a "soft freeze" on all other positions that prevents jobs from being filled for 90 days after they become vacant and a voluntary non-paid time-off program during Christmas week.

"We appreciate that early closures are inconvenient for the public and we regret having to institute such a change," Presiding Judge Thomas Nixon said in a statement. "Unfortunately, at present reducing the hours our offices are open on Fridays is essential to ensure our reduced staff can process all documents that are submitted in a timely and efficient manner."

—Bay City News Service

## Janice Chapman Treuhaft

May 25, 1936 – November 18, 2024

Janice Chapman Treuhaft, who was born May 25, 1936 in Bluewater, NM, passed away unexpectedly Monday, November 18, 2024 in Pleasanton, CA at the age of 88. Janice was a loving mother of 6 children, 25 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren. She was a kind, caring and cherished neighbor and friend and loved by all.

Janice found her sweetheart and husband, Robert Eugene Treuhaft in 1956 in Southgate, California. "Bob" lived next door to her twin friends Meryl and Myrna and she asked him to take her for a ride in the sky (knowing he had his pilot's license). The following year they were married and sealed for time and all eternity in the Los Angeles Temple and spent the next 44 years together raising their six children, serving tirelessly in their many church callings, supporting and attending school and sports activities along with traveling around the country visiting their extended family until Bob passed away in 2001.

Janice was a dedicated "Scout Mom" and was determined that each of her sons would become Eagle Scouts, which they did. She wanted this accomplishment for them, not for herself, to prepare them to be the best they could be. She also taught her only daughter the love of creating through sewing, cooking and in taking music lessons, encouraging her to develop her talents and share them with others. A love which her daughter treasures to this day.

Janice loved to read and could always be found marking passages in The Reader's Digest along with church periodicals and scriptures. She was never without something to read and share. She relished cards that were sent to her and never forgot to send cards for every occasion to her children and grandchildren whom she adored. Ironically, she never sent nor read an email in her life but relied solely on the good old fashioned USPS to bring her wishes to others. No occasion ever passed without a card from her.

Being a teacher in the primary or nursery at church was her joy. She loved sharing that joy through stories, lessons and creations. Every Christmas she created ornaments by hand for everyone. She worked fervently creating annual ornaments, stopping only briefly to fluff up a meowing cat or run off to her tai chi class. Even when she passed there was a Santa ornament in process on her sewing machine, with several made and more being cut out, spread all over her bed. Tirelessly serving was her true calling in life and she was happiest when serving others.

Her beautiful spirit will be greatly missed by her family and all those who knew her. Janice was preceded in death by her husband Robert "Bob" Treuhaft, her parents, Hyrum Ellsworth Chapman and Katherine Burk Chapman and grand-daughter Ginger Chelle Abbott. She is survived by all six of her children, Mark, Neil, Kili, Loyd, Erik and Dean, 24 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren who are spread throughout the country from coast-to-coast.

A memorial service will be held at 9:00am on Friday, December 6, 2024 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Pleasanton, CA with the interment immediately following at Los Gatos Memorial Park, Los Gatos, CA where she will be laid to rest next to her beloved husband.

PAID OBITUARY

## POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

### Nov. 23

#### Theft

- 9:24 a.m., 5800 block of Owens Drive; auto theft
- 3:08 p.m., 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; bicycle theft

#### Trespassing/prowl

- 6:42 p.m. on the 4400 block of Sandalwood Drive

#### Fire

- 7:46 p.m. on the 3000 block of Boardwalk Street

### Nov. 22

#### Theft

- 8:48 a.m., 3200 block of Vineyard Avenue; bicycle theft

- 10:18 a.m. on the 4400 block of Denker Drive

- 11:19 p.m., 5100 block of Monaco Drive; auto theft

### Nov. 21

#### Vandalism

- 10:22 a.m. at Haleakala Road and Valley Trails Drive
- 4:13 p.m. on the 5600 block of Gibraltar Drive

#### Warrant arrest

- 11:10 a.m. on the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

#### Fraud

- 11:59 a.m. on the 3500 block of Kirkcaldy Street
- 1:34 p.m. on the 4100 block of School Street

#### Shoplifting

- 2:03 p.m. on the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive

### Nov. 20

#### Theft

- 5:07 a.m., 6700 block of Bernal Avenue; shoplifting
- 8:32 a.m., 1300 block of Brookline Loop; theft from auto
- 11:22 a.m., 5100 block of Golden Road; auto theft
- 4:17 p.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 4:59 p.m. on the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road
- 7:06 p.m., 4200 block of Rosewood Drive; shoplifting

#### Graffiti offense

- 12:13 p.m. on the 5300 block of Sunol Boulevard

#### Burglary

- 12:45 p.m. on the 1300 block of Greenwood Road
- 7:46 p.m. on the 5700 block of Dimas Court
- 8:04 p.m. on the 2600 block of Lylewood Drive

#### Domestic battery

- 4:49 p.m. on Hopyard Road

#### Vandalism

- 10:38 p.m. on the 5700 block of Stoneridge Drive

### Nov. 19

#### Theft

- 7:57 a.m. on the 3600 block of Dunsmuir Circle

- 11:55 a.m., 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

- 12:49 p.m. on the 3600 block of Andrews Drive

#### Fraud

- 12:18 p.m. on the 7300 block of Elmwood Circle
- 2:59 p.m. on the 3100 block of Chardonnay Drive

### Nov. 18

#### DUI

- 2:26 a.m. at Stoneridge Drive and I-680

#### Theft

- 8:43 a.m. on the 9900 block of Longview Lane
- 9:26 a.m., 6700 block of Paseo Catalina; auto theft
- 3:56 p.m., 2500 block of Santa Rita Road; auto theft

### Nov. 17

#### Alcohol violation

- 5:04 a.m. on the 5500 block of West Las Positas Boulevard

#### Theft

- 12:02 p.m. on the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road
- 3:20 p.m., 5700 block of Johnson Drive; shoplifting

#### Domestic battery

- 2:20 p.m. on Chocolate Street

#### Burglary

- 3:01 p.m. on the 6500 block of Arlington Drive
- 5:34 p.m. on the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

#### Warrant arrest

- 8:47 p.m. at Pimlico Drive and Guthrie Street

### Nov. 16

#### Theft

- 8:26 a.m. on the 3900 block of Stoneridge Drive
- 4:32 p.m. on the 4200 block of Rosewood Drive

#### Vandalism

- 8:57 a.m. on the 800 block of Rose Avenue

#### Domestic battery

- 1:13 p.m. on West Las Positas Boulevard
- 5:45 p.m. on Hopyard Road



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By DENNIS MILLER

### After stunning run to NorCal championship, Foothill girls' volleyball falls in state final

Also: Amador Valley football beats Windsor to book spot in Division II title game against O'Dowd

The result was not what they had hoped for, but for the Foothill girls' volleyball team, it was all about the journey — and then some.

At one point, the Falcons stood 7-4 and thoughts of a league title were being called into question. A CIF Northern California title and a spot in the CIF Division I state title game would have elicited a laugh and a conversation about reality.

But Friday night, there the Pleasanton girls were, down in Southern California, facing Palos Verdes for the D-I title. It didn't go as planned as Palos Verdes won the championship with a 25-11, 25-13, 25-23 decision, the Falcons never gave up the entire season.

"I'm having a really difficult time

putting words to this season," Foothill coach Dusty Collins said. "But this group definitely needs to get recognized for their amazing accomplishments this year."

And that includes dealing with the cruelest blow of the season last week.

The day before the state title game, the Foothill family was rocked to the core when Collins' father passed away unexpectedly. The family lives in Southern California and his dad was expected to attend the championship match.

"The team knew what I was going through personally with the loss of my dad," Collins said. "They were all so sweet and showed what amazing and compassionate human beings they all are. I am so honored to have coached them this season."

To get to the state title game, Foothill had to beat Redwood for the second time in two weeks (they beat the Giants in the first round of the North Coast Section playoffs) to win the NorCal title.

They did just that with a 25-18, 25-19, 14-25, 25-17 victory.

Kaycie Burdick, a day after being named the East Bay Athletic League's Most Valuable Player had that kind of night with 25 kills and 18 digs.

Other highlights came from Lulu Hoenninger (7 kills, 5 blocks), Paige Nelson (32 assists, 8 digs), Kaitlyn Vogel (11 digs, 6 kills), Sophia Burdick (9 kills, 7 digs) and Olivia So (18 digs, 2 aces).

The NorCal title was the first since 2006, a year in which the Falcons also ended up as the state runner-up.



STANLEY FUNG

The Foothill girls' volleyball players with their runner-up trophy at their hotel in Southern California following their State D-I championship game.

In the state title game, Burdick Vogel, and Hoenninger each had seven kills, with Nelson adding 15 assists.

#### D-II NCS football

Amador kept its amazing second half of the season alive, knocking off Windsor by a 38-29 final in the NCS Division II semifinals.

The win puts the No. 2-seeded Dons into the final against No. 4 Bishop O'Dowd. The game is set for a 7 p.m. kickoff this Friday (Nov. 29) at Dublin High.

O'Dowd advanced to the D-II finals by upsetting top-seeded Liberty 23-15 last Friday, a week after defeating Monte Vista 31-28 in the first round.

The Dragons present a balanced attack with quarterback Devin Wilson having thrown for 1,698 yards with 19 touchdowns with three interceptions. University of Washington commit

Deji Ajose has been the top receiver with 43 catches for 744 yards.

"(O'Dowd) doesn't look as physical on either side of the ball, but they are fast and you can't simulate that speed," Amador Valley coach Danny Jones said. "Their offense goes through (Ajose) — he's very good."

When it's time to run the ball, the Dragons turn to Saliou Sow who has 1,264 yards and 12 touchdowns.

This year has been all about the excellence of quarterback Tristan Ti'a and receiver Anthony Harrington, as the two have been destroying opposing defenses.

But last week in the win over Windsor in a rainstorm, the Dons got a rushing performance they have been searching for all season.

Behind the power game of Ismael Duenas and Vince Maiorana, the Dons gained over 300 yards on the ground in the win. ■

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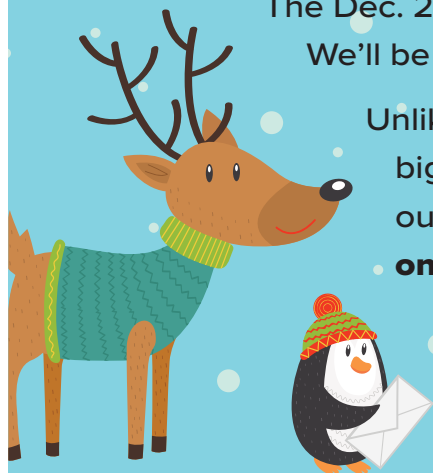
Just like Santa, we're planning to deliver something special later this month.

We will wrap up the year with a special double edition combining the Dec. 20 and 27 issues.

The Dec. 20 Pleasanton Weekly will be the final newspaper delivered in 2024.

We'll be back in print on Jan. 3.

Unlike Santa, though, our journalists will not rest for long after the big day. Just because there will be no paper delivered Dec. 27, our staff will still be working and you can **keep up with the local news on PleasantonWeekly.com.**



Happy Holidays!

Pleasanton Weekly

## Entertainment

### TWAS A GIRLS NIGHT BEFORE

**XMAS** Guaranteed to resonate with anyone who has survived the holiday season, this musical includes classic Christmas songs and contemporary hits that will have everyone singing and dancing along. 7:30 p.m., Nov. 29. Tickets \$55-\$75. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

### GOD IS A SCOTTISH DRAG QUEEN -

**CHRISTMAS SPECIAL** This show blends together the nostalgia of holidays gone by, a hilarious and laugh-out-loud look at the holidays of today and a heartwarming and perfectly sweet peek at holidays yet to come. 8 p.m., Nov. 30. Tickets \$30-\$60. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

### HOLIDAY YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL

Performed by the High School Music Collaborative, this festive event promises to fill the heart with holiday cheer and musical joy, featuring a delightful mix of original and classic holiday songs. 2 p.m., Nov. 30. Tickets \$13. Visit [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org).

### HANDEL'S MESSIAH

Pacific Chamber Orchestra's performance of Handel's Messiah is a perfect way to welcome the holiday season. Be awed by the soaring rich vocal tones, the acclaimed soloists and the thunderous 50 voice chorus. 3 p.m., Dec. 1. Tickets \$25-\$85. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

### HOLIDAY SING-A-LONG

Join The East Bay Musical Society for a matinee filled with classic holiday songs to ring in the festive season. 2 p.m., Dec. 1. Tickets \$13-\$28. Visit [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org).

### HSMC CABARET - TRUE TALES

This show brings to the stage songs from musicals based on true stories. 7 p.m., Dec. 6. Visit [firehousearts.org](http://firehousearts.org).

### SEEDS OF MUSIC ACADEMY

Join for a night of inspiring performances by 5 hard working bands spanning a wide age range and expansive and eclectic repertoire. 7:30 p.m., Dec. 6. Tickets \$5-\$10. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

### FESTIVE FAIRY TALES

Join the Livermore-Amador Symphony for an evening full of joyful sounds of the holiday season. Music to warm the heart for the holidays. 8 p.m., Dec. 7. Tickets \$30-\$44. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

### DOO WOP PROJECT HOLIDAY SHOW

Join in the fun as these talented boys spread holiday cheer with their smooth harmonies and infectious energy, making it a jolly good time for everyone. 3 p.m., Dec. 8. Tickets \$25-\$95. Visit [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

## Santa

**LETTERS TO SANTA** Write a letter to Santa and he'll write back. Drop off at Robert Livermore Community Center and write the child's name and address clearly so Santa knows where to mail his letter. 4446 East Ave. 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays to Fridays through Dec. 13.

**PET PHOTOS WITH SANTA** Bring your pets to pose with Santa at Stoneridge Shopping Center, located on the

lower level. 6:30-7:30 p.m., Dec. 1. Visit [simon.com](http://simon.com).

### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Santa Claus is coming to Dublin and families are invited to enjoy a hot breakfast followed by the arrival of Santa Claus. Santa will pose for holiday photos following each session. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., Dec. 7. \$15R/\$18NR. Shannon Community Center Visit [dublin.ca.gov/289/Holiday-Events](http://dublin.ca.gov/289/Holiday-Events).

### PHOTOS WITH SANTA AT STONERIDGE

The ultimate holiday tradition, pictures with Santa Claus awaits now through Dec. 24 at Stoneridge Shopping Center in Pleasanton. For available dates and times, visit [simon.com](http://simon.com).

### CARING SANTA IS COMING TO

**STONERIDGE** Exclusively for children with special needs. Reservations are required for this private sensory-friendly photo experience. 9-10:30 a.m., Dec. 8. Visit [simon.com](http://simon.com).

### SENSORY SANTA

Sensory Santa allows children with autism and other disabilities to meet Santa in a fun, inviting and sensory-friendly environment that suits their unique needs. 5-7 p.m., Dec. 13. Visit [larpd.org](http://larpd.org).

### VISITS WITH SANTA AT THE SQUARE

Visit Santa on Black Friday and every weekend in front of the large, beautifully decorated Christmas tree for a magical holiday experience filled with joy, a photo and a free gift from Santa from 12-4 p.m., through Dec. 22. City Center Bishop Ranch.

## Festivities

### SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

Small Business Saturday is an exciting event to celebrate and support local businesses in Pleasanton. Downtown Pleasanton businesses will participate offering special discounts on shopping, dining and services. 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Nov. 30. Visit [pleasantondowntown.net](http://pleasantondowntown.net).

### THRIFT FEST

Thrift Fest is a celebration of vintage & maker vendors featuring clothing from years gone by as well as featuring one-of-a-kind jewelry, collectibles, home goods and more. 12-6 p.m., Nov. 30. Visit [alamedacountyfair.com](http://alamedacountyfair.com).

### DUBLIN HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

Experience the festive energy and lighting of the holiday tree at the Dublin Civic Center where local school choirs and bands set the stage with amazing performances. 6 p.m., Dec. 5. 100 Civic Plaza.

### PLEASANTON DOWNTOWN'S MAGICAL

**HOLIDAY EVENING** Stroll Downtown Pleasanton's Main Street and enjoy shopping specials, dining, live music and free photos with Santa & Mrs. Claus at the Museum on Main. Embrace the festive spirit and create unforgettable moments with family and friends at this enchanting event. 5-8 p.m., Dec. 6.

**HOLIDAYS IN THE VINEYARDS** Join for a Livermore Valley Wine Country tradition and celebrate with Holidays in the Vineyards, and Toys for Tots, where wineries showcase decorated tasting rooms with special wines,

arts, crafts, holiday music, activities and more. 12-4:30 p.m., Dec. 7-8. Visit [lwine.org](http://lwine.org).

### HOLIDAY VILLAGE IN THE PARK

Join Livermore Downtown Inc. as they transform Carnegie Park into a magical holiday village like a Hallmark Christmas movie. 4-8 p.m., Dec. 6.

### SPIRIT & SWEATER STROLL

The Spirit and Sweater Stroll is the perfect opportunity to soak up the festive atmosphere and connect with the community where guests enjoy spirits and craft cocktails at a number of downtown Pleasanton locations. 5-8 p.m., Dec. 14. Visit [pleasantondowntown.net](http://pleasantondowntown.net).

## Parades

### PLEASANTON HOMETOWN HOLIDAY

**CELEBRATION** The City of Pleasanton Hometown Holiday Celebration begins at 5 p.m. Dec. 7 with a parade of floats, marching bands, community groups and more. 6:45 p.m., tree lighting with musical entertainment and a special appearance by Santa.

### LIVERMORE SIGHTS AND SOUND

**PARADE** Enjoy floats and performances by local businesses, bands, schools, clubs and more. Tree Lighting to immediately follow. A Livermore tradition not to be missed. 6 p.m., Dec. 7.

## Talks

### LIVERMORE-AMADOR GENEALOGICAL

**SOCIETY** J. Mark Lowe, a professional genealogist and educator, discusses how Land Plats of an ancestor's land will likely include his surrounding neighbors. A closer examination gains an understanding of their lives and places them with their community and local events. 7-8:30, Dec. 9. Congregation Beth Emek. Visit [l-ags.org](http://l-ags.org).

### AMADOR VALLEY QUILTERS HOLIDAY

**TEA** Join to celebrate the holidays and distribution of quilts made by Amador Valley Quilters to receiving agencies. After brunch the beneficiaries speak followed by a parade of quilts. 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Dec. 14. For potluck assignments visit [amadorvalleyquilters.org/WordPress](http://amadorvalleyquilters.org/WordPress).

### 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

### BACK TO THE MOON AND THE

**STARS BEYOND** This captivating and educational art exhibit merges space exploration history with modern advancements in astronomy taking visitors on a visual journey through time. Experience this free exhibit at the UNCLE Credit Union Art Gallery at the Bankhead Theater. Now through Jan. 5.

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of gadgets, both recognizable and strange, will be on display illustrating how industrialization transformed every American household in the 19th-century. Now through Jan. 11. Visit [museumonmain.org](http://museumonmain.org).

### PLEASANTON ART LEAGUE EXHIBIT

The Harrington Gallery welcomes back the Pleasanton Art League (PAL) for their 17th Annual Fall Members Show exhibition featuring approximately 80 works of all mediums. Now through Dec. 21. Visit [firehousearts.org/gallery](http://firehousearts.org/gallery).

## Outdoor Rec

### WOODLAND WONDERLAND AT DEL

**VALLE** Join after school to learn about a plant or animal of the oak woodland. No registration, adult participation required. 3-4 p.m., Friday. Visitor Center.

### RANGER PROGRAM: DECEMBER

**BIRDS** Join LARPD and take a short, easy walk through the Arroyo side of the park and look for birds in this beginner level walk. 10-11:30 a.m., Dec. 7. Free. Sycamore Grove Park, Arroyo Entrance. Register at [larpd.org](http://larpd.org).

### HOLIDAY ORNAMENT MAKING

Join LARPD and get creative with some holiday ornament making. The event is free and all materials provided. 12-2 p.m., Dec. 7. Sycamore Grove Park, Reservable Picnic Area. Register at [larpd.org](http://larpd.org).

## 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., Dec. 3. Visit [cityofpleasantonca.gov](http://cityofpleasantonca.gov).

### PLEASANTON PLANNING COMMISSION

The Pleasanton Planning Commission meets the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. The next meeting is 7 p.m., Dec. 11. Visit [cityofpleasantonca.gov](http://cityofpleasantonca.gov).

### LIVERMORE CITY COUNCIL

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., Dec. 9. Visit [cityoflivermore.net](http://cityoflivermore.net).

### LIVERMORE VALLEY JOINT UNIFIED

**SCHOOL DISTRICT** Regular meetings

begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at the District Office, 685 East Jack London Blvd. The next meeting is Dec. 10. Visit [livermoreschools.org](http://livermoreschools.org).

## Support

**SOUPER TUESDAY** Local volunteers serve warm soup during the chilly months. Grab and go or stay inside to connect with others and learn about local resources. 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Tuesdays. CityServe Care Center, 3311 Pacific Ave., Livermore. If interested in volunteering visit [cityservecares.org](http://cityservecares.org).

### COMMUNITY MEAL PROGRAM

Open Heart Kitchen serves free meals (first-come, first-served) that are nutritious and freshly prepared. 12-5 p.m., weekdays, Vineyard Resource Center, 450 N Livermore Ave, Livermore.

### TRI-VALLEY HAVEN HOLIDAY

**DONATIONS** Requested donations of cash, gift cards, new toys and gifts for children, teens, women, men and seniors are needed. Drop off 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Dec. 2-6 and 9. A tax-deductible receipt will be provided. Asbury Church, 4743 East Ave., Livermore. Visit [trivalleyhaven.org](http://trivalleyhaven.org).

### RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN DUBLIN

The City of Dublin will host an American Red Cross blood drive in the Bray Community Room at the Dublin Civic Center. To make a donation, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), and use the sponsor code, "DublinCommunity". 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Dec. 6. 100 Civic Plaza.

## Volunteer

### VOLUNTEER FOR CITYSERVE

CityServe is looking for committed and enthusiastic volunteers to serve the community by working with local nonprofits and Mercy Space Partners. For more information visit [cityservecares.org](http://cityservecares.org).

### VOLUNTEER WITH EAST BAY

**REGIONAL PARKS** Choose from projects such as habitat restoration, shoreline clean-up, trail and garden maintenance, bird box prepping and more. Visit [ebparks.org/volunteer](http://ebparks.org/volunteer).

### VOLUNTEER AT OPEN HEART

**KITCHEN** Volunteers at Open Heart Kitchen help create a more food secure future in the Tri-Valley. Visit [openheartkitchen.org/volunteer](http://openheartkitchen.org/volunteer).

# Public Notices

## STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

File No. 417210

The following person(s)/registrant(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name(s). The information given below is as it appeared on the fictitious business statement that was filed at the County Clerk-Recorder's Office. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME(S):

EYE FOR DESIGN

835 Palomino Dr. #1

Pleasanton, CA 94566

FILED IN ALAMEDA COUNTY ON: 10/24/2008

UNDER FILE NO. 417210

REGISTRANT'S NAME(S):

CRYSTEL MARIE SQUIER

835 Palomino Dr #1

Pleasanton, CA 94566

THIS BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED BY An

Individual.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Alameda County on November 05 2024.

(PLW Nov 15, 22, 29 and Dec 6, 2024)

## STREAMIND HEALTH

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610618

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

1.) Streamind Health , located at 1355 Carlotta Ave Berkeley, CA 94703, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: a Corporation.

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

PEDIATRIC PSYCHOLOGY PARTNERS, PC

1355 Carlotta Ave

Berkeley, CA 94703

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 November 14 2024.

(PLW Nov 29, Dec 6, 13 and 20, 2024)

## ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE STUDIO

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610643

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

1.) ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE STUDIO , located at 5653 Stoneridge Drive, Suite 101, Pleasanton, CA 94588, Alameda County.

Mailing Address: 5122 Corona Court

Pleasanton, CA 94588.

This business is conducted by: a Limited

Liability Company.

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

ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE STUDIO LLC

5122 Corona Court

Pleasanton, CA 94588

State of Incorporation/Organization: California Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on November 15 2024.

(PLW Nov 29, Dec 6, 13 and 20, 2024)

## 2SCOOP-A-DOO

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610420

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

1.) 2Scoop-A-Doo , located at 25800 Industrial Blvd Ste 152 Hayward, CA 94545 , Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

TIMOTE MANOA

25800 Industrial Blvd Ste 152

Hayward, CA 94545

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 10/21/2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on November 01 2024.

(PLW Nov 29, Dec 6, 13 and 20, 2024)

## QUARTERHILL USA

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610379

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

1.) Quarterhill USA , located at 2142 Rheem Drive, Suite B, Pleasanton, CA 94588, Alameda County. Mailing Address: 5844 John Hickman Pkwy, Ste. 125, Frisco, TX 75034

This business is conducted by: a Limited

Liability Company.

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

ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION CONSULTANTS,

LLC

5844 John Hickman Pkwy, Ste. 125

Frisco, TX 75034

State of Incorporation/Organization: Delaware Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 8/3/2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on October 31 2024.

(PLW Nov 22, 29, Dec 6 and 13, 2024)

## 1ST TECHS

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610488

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

1.) 1st Techs , located at 4095 Vineyard Ave Apt #8 Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

CHRIS RUSSO

4095 Vineyard Ave Apt #8

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 November 06 2024.

(PLW Nov 22, 29, Dec 6 and 13, 2024)

## PACIFIC DAS

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610776

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

1.) Pacific DAS , located at 5653 Stoneridge Drive Suite 109 Pleasanton, CA 94588, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: a Corporation.

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

BOBCOMM INC.

5653 Stoneridge Drive Suite 109

Pleasanton, CA 94588

State of Incorporation/Organization: California Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 4/25/2019

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

(PLW Nov 29, Dec 6, 13 and 20, 2024)

## PROFIX SOLUTIONS

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610548

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

1.) Profix Solutions , located at 1719 64th Steet, Suite B Emeryville, CA 94530, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

SHEILA REPUNTE

1719 64th Street, Suite B

Emeryville, CA 94530

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11/07/2024

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

(PLW Nov 22, 29, Dec 6 and 13, 2024)

## XX ESTATES

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610069

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

1.) XX Estates , located at 8390 Golf Links Rd Oakland, CA 94605, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

IVAN KRAUSE

8390 Golf Links Rd

Oakland, CA 94605

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 09/27/2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on October 18 2024.

(PLW Nov 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2024)

## POTSU POTSU PAPIER

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610541

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

1.) Potsu Potsu Papier , located at 60 Forest Lane Berkeley, CA 94708, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

KIMBERLY LEE

60 Forest Lane

Berkeley, CA 94708

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 November 08 2024.

(PLW Nov 15, 22, 29 and Dec 6, 2024)

## INFINITE IRIE

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610350

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

1.) Infinite Irie , located at 3018 Modesto Ave Oakland, CA 94619, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: a Limited

Liability Company.

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

INFINITE IRIE LLC

3018 Modesto Ave

Oakland, CA 94619

State of Incorporation/Organization: California Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 10/5/2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on October 30 2024.

(PLW Nov 15, 22, 29 and Dec 6, 2024)

## SCHOOL OF ROCK - PLEASANTON

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610440

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

1.) School Of Rock - Pleasanton , located at 3059 Hopyard Road, Suite D, Pleasanton, CA 94588, Alameda County. Mailing Address: 1304 Oak Vista Way, Pleasanton, CA 94566

This business is conducted by: a Corporation.

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

READY TO ROCK INC.

1304 Oak Vista Way

Pleasanton, CA 94566

State of Incorporation/Organization: California Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on November 04 2024.

(PLW Nov 15, 22, 29 and Dec 6, 2024)

## EMBARC DISPENSARY

### EMBARC ALAMEDA CANNABIS DISPENSARY

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610055

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

1.) Embarc Dispensary , 2.) Embarc Alameda Cannabis Dispensary , located at 1616 Webster Street Alameda, CA 94501, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: a Limited

Liability Company. Mailing Address: 440 N Barranca Ave #8433 Covina, CA 91723.

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

ALAMEDA PATIENTS GROUP LLC

1616 Webster Street

Alameda, CA 94501

State of Incorporation/Organization: CA Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 01/23/2021

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on October 18 2024.

(PLW Nov 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2024)

## QUARTERHILL

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610384

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

1.) Quarterhill , located at 2142 Rheem Drive, Suite B, Pleasanton, CA 94588, Alameda County. Mailing Address: 5844 John Hickman Pkwy, Ste. 125, Frisco, TX 75034

This business is conducted by: a Limited

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

ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION CONSULTANTS, LLC

5844 John Hickman Pkwy, Ste. 125

Frisco, TX 75034

State of Incorporation/Organization: Delaware Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 8/3/2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on October 31 2024.

(PLW Nov 22, 29, Dec 6 and 13, 2024)

## PAWS OF PLEASANTON

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610272

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

1.) PAWS OF PLEASANTON , located at 3128 Santa Rita Road, Suite B, Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: a Corporation.

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

PAWS OF PLEASANTON, A VETERINARY

CORPORATION

3128 Santa Rita Road, Suite B

Pleasanton, CA 94566

State of Incorporation/Organization:

CALIFORNIA

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11/07/2019

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda on October 25 2024.

(PLW Nov 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2024)

## EMBELLISHED DESIGN

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 610113

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

1.) Embellished Design , located at 3263 Vineyard Ave. Spc. 99, Pleasanton, CA 94566, Alameda County.

This business is conducted by: an Individual.

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

EMILY WARREN

3263 Vineyard Ave. Spc. 99

Pleasanton, CA 94566

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on October 20 2024

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

(PLW Nov 15, 22, 29 and Dec 6, 2024)

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

Case No.: 24CV077196

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Julissa Vanessa Soto Banuelos filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

JULISSA VANESSA SOTO BANUELOS TO JULISSA VANESSA SOTO

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: 01/10/2025, 9:30 AM, Rene C. Davidson Courthouse of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda located at 1225 Fallon St., 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: 05/28/2024

Thomas I. Nixon

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(PLW Nov 29, Dec 6, 13 and 20, 2024)

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

Case No.: 24CV098242

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Edward Vu Giovanni filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

EDWARD VU GIOVANNI to GIOVANNI HIEN NGUYEN

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: 3/21/2025, 9:30AM, Wiley W. Manuel of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda located at 661 Washington St., Oakland CA 94607 .

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: 11/5/24

Thomas I. Nixon

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(PLW Nov 22, 29, Dec 6 and 13, 2024)

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

Case No.: 24CV098951

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

## Election's impact on residential real estate could vary

'Looking at the big picture, I see an uptick in the housing market during 2025,' Bay East president says

**By Devin Davis**  
The 2024 U.S. presidential election results may impact real estate differently at the national, state and local levels.

Lawrence Yun, chief economist of the National Association of Realtors, shared his perspective on what the election, and other

economic trends, mean for the real estate market during the 2024 NAR convention in Boston.

Yun expects the Federal Reserve to make several interest rate cuts. He said that while rates were near 4% during Donald Trump's first term as president, it is unlikely they will return to those levels. Yun

anticipates rates will settle in the 5.5% to 6.5% range.

Yun added home sales depend on a combination of jobs and rates and stock market conditions point to an acceleration in job growth.

Prior to the election, Jordan Levine, chief economist of the California Association of Realtors, predicted interest rates could drop into the high 5% range through 2025 and into 2026. Following the election, Levine updated his prediction and said rates increased slightly. If and when rates do drop, Levine said they likely won't decrease as dramatically as California home buyers would hope.

Asked about the near-term future of real estate markets in California, Levine said, "My mantra of, 'don't wait for rates' remains true. Buy as soon as you can."

Yun and Levine both predicted moderate growth in home sales prices and project sales activity to increase between 10% and 11% during 2025.

Locally, real estate market momentum has been building during the months leading up to the election with consistently more homes listed for sale compared with the late summer and early fall of 2023.

Barbara Clemons, president of the Bay East Association of Realtors, said people still want to buy homes and live in the Bay Area regardless of the election results.

Clemons said, "Bay Area residents, and people who want to call the Bay Area home, are often very politically aware. They are also aware that this is a great place to be a homeowner, no matter who wins elections."



Devin Davis

She concluded, "There are lots of factors that go into someone deciding to both buy and sell a home. Looking at the big picture, I see an uptick in the housing market during 2025." ■

*Editor's note: Devin Davis is a public affairs specialist for the Bay East Association of Realtors, which is based in Pleasanton.*

## Employment

Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. seeks a Scientist II, Chemistry, in Pleasanton, CA to Work in the laboratory on synthesis of oligonucleotides on DNA synthesizer (primers, PCR probes, and LNA/L-DNA hybrid oligos) \$104915 - \$114500. See full req's & apply online: <https://jobs.thermofisher.com/global/en> R-01290858.

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## HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during Sept. 9-13 for Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin, and Oct. 28 to Nov. 1 for San Ramon.

### Pleasanton

- 3206 Anastacia Court** Jones Living Trust to S. & S. Bieszcztat for \$1,760,000
- 3897 Brockton Drive** G. Maran to S. & V. Sabbisetty for \$660,000
- 3758 Kamp Drive** Routt Trust to Y. Li for \$1,080,000
- 1712 Martin Avenue** H. You to G. & H. Vijendran for \$3,100,000
- 529 Rose Avenue** N. White to A. Laurence for \$888,000
- 4742 Sutter Gate Avenue** 4742 Sutter Gate Avenue LLC to N. Hoang for \$1,650,000
- 3875 Vine Street** G. Merritt to Y. & P. Hu for \$685,000

### Livermore

- 521 Andrea Circle** T. Larsen to Bungarz Family Trust for \$990,000
- 644 Canterbury Avenue** Lebsack Trust to M. & A. Dhamal for \$1,350,000
- 83 Diamond Drive** C. Zavala to M. & G. Joglekar for \$1,205,000
- 932 Dolores Street** R. Guel to M. & A. Lamont for \$692,000
- 4340 Drake Way** C. Perkins to Opendoor Property Trust for \$1,108,000
- 5576 Idlewild Avenue** L. & J. Carlson to C. & V. Vaithi for \$965,000
- 268 Louis Court** Lawson Trust to L. & D. Helweh for \$1,322,000
- 3575 Madeira Way** C. & B. Rosenstein to M. & J. Couris for \$971,000
- 1121 Miranda Way** C. & J. Scialabba to E. & R. Lee for \$1,125,000
- 1085 Murrieta Boulevard #121** G. Faith to D. Aguilar for \$350,000
- 203 Northwood** Landon Living Trust to J. Tsui for \$685,000
- 576 North O Street** Jamke Limited to J. Kaur for \$820,000
- 1761 Prima Drive** C. Morrison to Perez Trust for \$2,233,000
- 833 Seminole Drive** Muriel Living Trust to H. Raintree for \$1,060,000

- 897 Tranquility Court #9** S. Tariq to J. Lam for \$955,000
- 817 Tranquility Court #12** M. Tran to R. & J. James for \$850,000
- 879 Whithorn Court** Huang Trust to Z. & G. Liu for \$1,620,000

### Dublin

- 9538 Albert Drive** H. Han to M. & S. Basu for \$2,550,000
- 7506 Amarillo Road** Santos Family Trust to Luxe Developers LLC for \$1,310,000
- 7461 Brookdale Court** K. Llewellyn to S. & D. Darby for \$200,000
- 7743 Canterbury Lane** M. & J. Osburn to I. Andal for \$1,300,000
- 8784 Edenberry Street** P. & R. Reyes to J. & P. Valappil for \$1,250,000
- 2519 Encanto Way** D. Le to Shah Trust for \$2,620,000
- 4327 Fitzwilliam Street** M. Tae to J. & E. John for \$920,000
- 7936 Jade Circle** Nowell Living Trust to C. & J. Xie for \$1,267,500
- 7611 Quail Creek Circle** M. Eitelberg to House Santos LLC for \$1,708,000
- 5872 Southbridge Way** R. Abraham to K. & J. Ghafoori for \$1,500,000
- 4815 Volterra Drive** R. Arora to Vurukonda Living Trust for \$2,450,000

### San Ramon

- 9725 Alcosta Boulevard** Bay Property Solutions LLC to K. & V. Shastri for \$2,197,000
- 6057 West Branch Road** S. & N. Heddadji to S. & V. Chayanam for \$1,829,000
- 1374 Cassata Terrace** Toll West Coast LLC to Mark 2015 Family Trust for \$1,241,000
- 3104 Cedarwood Loop** T. & A. Checketts to M. & Y. Manabe for \$1,265,000
- 40 Centennial Way** J. & R. Durrenberger to Kallarakka Living Trust for \$1,800,000
- 1018 Conley Terrace** Toll West Coast LLC to C. & M. Zaleski for \$1,248,500
- 254 Copper Ridge Road** R. Cooper to Ramani Trust for \$700,000

- 90 Dos Rios Place** J. & D. Foushee to A. & K. Ghosh for \$1,886,000
- 612 Guaymas Court** J. Hutton to M. & A. Tangudu for \$1,115,000
- 5032 Lakeview Drive #101** Foreverhome Properties LLC to N. & A. Shorey for \$880,000
- 449 Pine Ridge Drive** L. Quan to L. Chon for \$802,000
- 5116 Rowan Drive** Sriram Family Trust to Frisella Living Trust for \$1,649,000
- 532 Van Buren Place** Stockhaus 2014 Family Trust to S. & K. Rachamalla for \$1,475,000
- 1427 Venice Terrace** Toll West Coast LLC to M. & M. Louie for \$1,407,000

Source: California REsource

## SALES AT A GLANCE

### Pleasanton (Sept. 9-13)

**Total sales reported:** 7  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$660,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$3,100,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,403,285

### Livermore (Sept. 9-13)

**Total sales reported:** 17  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$350,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$2,233,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,076,529

### Dublin (Sept. 9-13)

**Total sales reported:** 11  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$200,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$2,620,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,552,318

### San Ramon

(Oct. 28-Nov. 1)  
**Total sales reported:** 14  
**Lowest sale reported:** \$700,000  
**Highest sale reported:** \$2,197,000  
**Average sales reported:** \$1,336,000

Source: California REsource

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A photograph of a young child in a dark jacket and patterned pants, standing in a field of fallen autumn leaves. The child is reaching up, and many leaves are captured in mid-air around them, creating a sense of joy and movement. The background is a soft-focus field of trees with vibrant yellow and orange foliage.

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**5551 Anita Court,  
Livermore  
SOLD - \$1,785,000**

A COMMENT FROM KRIS:

A dear friend asked if I would help their parents find a home closer to them so grandparents could be closer to family. In a short time we were able to secure the perfect home. Cheers to Roger and Valerie on their new home.



**2304 Greenberry Court,  
Pleasanton  
SOLD - \$1,845,000**

Kris is the perfect balance between tough and charming. When you are making a big financial, personal and emotional decision, you want someone who will be a good listener, a strong negotiator and who is respected by their peers. Kris meets all of those expectations.

—RICH & SABRINA, 2010 BUYERS/2024 SELLERS



**5943 Arthur Drive,  
Pleasanton  
SOLD - \$1,860,000**

A COMMENT FROM KRIS:

My sellers came to me as a referral. I had previously sold several family members their homes and now it was time for me to do my magic for Don and Lisa. They were amazing to work with, always showing pride of ownership when a buyer looked at their home.



**6259 Corte Fuego,  
Pleasanton  
SOLD - \$2,260,000**

A COMMENT FROM KRIS:

It was great to once again represent Russ and Jess in selling a home. They eagerly listened when I counseled them on home preparations, even taking the tasks to a higher level. At each buyer visit, the home was perfect, boasting pride of ownership at any time.



**816 Waverly Common,  
Livermore  
SOLD - \$1,060,000**

Kris is knowledgeable, listens, has excellent communication skills and works hard behind the scenes. She always knew where we were in the process and kept me up to date. This is the second time I have had the pleasure of working with her and she was as excellent as I remembered.

—JUSTINE, SELLER



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