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Section A is filled with information about arts, people, entertainment and special events. There are education stories, a variety of features, and the arts and entertainment and bulletin board.

Immigration Issues Are A Topic of Concern

By Bruce Gach

According to speakers at a Livermore Immigration Forum, many immigrants end up in the U.S. because they are escaping warfare and religious persecution. In many cases this is due to U.S. intervention in their country.

The immigration topic is heated and regional because those here already feel that immigrants are taking over homes and jobs. However, most people who are here would rather be in their home country with their families and traditions.

The economy is another factor that drives immigration. People come seeking a better life.

The motivation for immigration and the experience of migrants in the United States was presented at the second Immigration Forum, Perspectives on Immigration, hosted by Livermore Indivisible Immigration Committee at Asbury United Methodist Church in Livermore on May 19.

Speakers Flavio Bravo, M.A. graduate in Migrant Study of University of San Francisco, Enrique Ramirez, Immigration Lawyer, and Spojmie Nasiri, Immigration Lawyer in Pleasanton presented their perspectives on U.S. immigration policies and their implementation. The session was moderated by Mel Chiong, Livermore Indivisible Immigration Committee member.

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Former Councilmember Appointed to Planning Commission

By Bruce Gach

At the Livermore City Council special meeting on May 30, applicants were interviewed for an opening on the Livermore Planning Commission. On a 4-1 vote, former Councilmember John Stein was chosen to fill the vacancy. Supporting Planning Commissioner Loretta Kaskey who last served in February, Council member Bob

Coomber voted no. Previous applicants at a February 21 Special Meeting who were not chosen for the two positions open at that time were reconsidered along with new applicants. Those wishing reevaluation were Loretta Kaskey, Bob Kluball and John Stein. The two new applicants were Paul Halvorsen and

Michael Miler. Since the questions asked were to be the same as those asked at the February 21 meeting, the council decided only to interview the new applicants.
YOUR EXPERIENCE
Can you tell about any experience you have that is relevant to

serving on the planning commission?
Paul Halvorsen mentioned working in a variety of retail, hospitality and customer-based career work. He noted that for six months during construction, he was the onsite landlord and representative contact for the San
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LARPD Uses Integrated Plan To Control Pests and Weeds

Harmful insects and weeds are controlled in parks using an integrated pest management strategy.

Bruce Azawa, Parks & Facilities Manager, provided an overview of the strategy at the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District Board of Directors meeting on May 29.

He said that first, the focus is on pest prevention. Pesticides are used as needed. Multiple control methods are utilized. The plan calls for identifying pests and monitoring them, setting thresholds to prevent and control them.

He added that pesticides are not automatically used to control pests. First staff looks at trying to prevent them from establishing.

They consider why a pest is

present; then look at ways to control an insect infestation or weeds.

Weeds represent the most prevalent pest the district deals with. They can be controlled using goats. When there are a lot of weeds, chemicals are used to control them.

Glysophate, the chemical that Roundup contains, is used the most. However, its use has been reduced by 20%. Azawa pointed out that the EPA found that there is no risk to humans; the spray is not considered carcinogenic. On the other hand, the World Health Organization maintains it causes cancer.

On staff, two state licensed pest control application experts are the

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PET OF THE WEEK



Dublin City Council Votes to Fly Rainbow Flag for 30 Days

By Ron McNicoll

The Dublin City Council unanimously approved flying the LGBTQ Rainbow Flag for 30 days. The flag will be flown from June 3rd until July 3rd, because the city missed the first two days of June, which is Gay Pride Month.

The council, the inaugural Dublin Gay Pride Committee and other residents in the audience trooped

out of the council meeting before midnight to hoist the flag on the city pole, which is lighted.

There will be a formal flag-raising ceremony, tentatively set for June 22, when most councilmembers will be available for the ceremony.

The council heard from 31 audience speakers commenting

on whether to fly the flag, with the overwhelming majority favoring it. Most of the LGBTQ supporters live in Dublin, as did the people who questioned the decision as favoritism, saying there is no need for the flag or the policy supporting it. The council approved the flag flying policy in a 5-0 vote before voting unanimously for the

city to fly the LGBTQ flag.

About two dozen speakers addressed the policy, with most backing it.

In effect, the policy states that it is up to the council to make decisions about what flags may be flown on the city pole. The First Amendment covers only an

(See RAINBOW FLAG, page 2)



Students square danced when Croce Elementary School in Livermore held its annual Hoedown on Tuesday, June 4, celebrating Livermore's western heritage. The hoedown is held each year during Rodeo Week in Livermore. This weekend marks the 101st Livermore Rodeo. Xtreme Bulls will demonstrate professional bull riding on Friday at 7 p.m. A parade will be held Saturday, June 8, in downtown Livermore starting at 10 a.m. The action moves to Robertson Stadium for a full weekend of events. For details on events and times, go to www.livermoreroдео.com. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

Baker Stresses the Importance of Working Together to Achieve Results

The ability to work with someone or some group you don't agree with, or even like, is something you need to know if you want the degree you receive today to have its full impact on your life. That was the advice given by former Assemblymember Catharine Baker to Las Positas College graduates.

Baker delivered the commencement

address at graduation ceremonies on May 25.

She went on to list the steps that she has found help her to work with everyone.

"The first step to working with people you don't agree with is going to take a reference to Game of Thrones, I'm afraid.

"In the very first episode, Jon

Snow, a young man about to leave home, perhaps forever, gives his young sister, Arya Stark, a thin sword, which she goes on to name Needle. She isn't sure what to do with it, and says as much, telling Jon she doesn't have any idea how to use it.

"He offers simple, uncomplicated advice: 'Use it or lose it.'"
(See WORKING TOGETHER, page 9)

Dublin School Board

Blackman Elected For Area 4

Voters in Area 4 of the Dublin Unified School District (DUSD) have chosen Gabrielle Blackman as the new school trustee.

The candidates included Blackman and Niranjana "Nini" Natarajan.

The unofficial final total saw Blackman with 488 votes and Natarajan with 215. Of the 5,368 registered voters, only 707 cast ballots in Area 4's four precincts. Most ballots were sent in by mail. The results were reported on the Alameda County Registrar of Voters website.

Blackman replaces Joe Giannini, who resigned last fall.

The school board in December appointed Natarajan in December. However, some voters petitioned the Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE) to have the appointment vacated, and an elec-

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Pleasanton to Launch 125th Anniversary Celebration

The City of Pleasanton will celebrate its 125th Anniversary beginning at the June 18 Council meeting. The community is invited to share in this council meeting, which will kick off the anniversary celebration.

The meeting will include a recognition of the city's history, a review of the very first council meetings minutes, and presentation of an original song by Pleasanton teen, Lauryr Hedges.

Refreshments will be served prior to the council meeting at 6:30 pm. All are invited to attend the anniversary celebration.

The 125th Anniversary will be celebrated through the summer at all programs, camps, and events. For more information visit: www.cityofpleasantonca.gov/gov/hot-topics/city_of_pleasanton_125th_anniversary.asp.



Football High School in Pleasanton honored its graduating seniors at a ceremony on Friday, May 31. Livermore and Granada High schools will hold commencement on Friday, June 7 at 6pm. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

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The second annual Wine & Wags event took place on June 2, where more than 20 local wineries partnered with eight Bay Area animal rescue organizations to host a day of wine tasting, dog adoptions and fun activities. (Photo – Doug Jorgensen)

COUNCILMEMBER

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Francisco Outlet Mall in Livermore interfacing with all the general contractors. Born here, he has seen old Livermore and has a “hunger and desire to see a newer and more modern city”.

Michael Miller pointed to his five years of experience working at Las Positas College handling issues related to building structures, facilities, traffic issues and procurement. This included looking at blueprints, architecture designs and working with engineers.

COMMUNITY GOALS

How would you meet

the community’s goals in reviewing site design and architecture of new site proposals?

Halvorsen observed that the Lennar development in the heart of Livermore would not have looked like Livermore. He pointed out that using guidelines, staff was able to increase Blacksmith Square. These are the changes that excite the citizens. Other considerations should include a focus from 4th Street to Railroad Avenue, expanding the area to create as vibrant an experience as is found on First Street. Designating those

areas for high-volume hospitality focused experiences would encourage economic growth.

Miller responded that his expertise in understanding the scope of projects, considering individual needs, making assessments and providing information to allow projects to proceed were his strong points.

DISAGREEMENTS

There will be four other planners as well as residents and builders, with whom you will be dealing. Each involves a range of personalities. How will you handle

ELECTION

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tion called.

When the Registrar found 75 valid signatures, as required by state school law, which calls for a lower number than state election law, the ACOE ordered the seat vacated and the election called.

The school district went to Area voting after an attorney for the Southwest Voter Education Project sent a demand letter requiring them to do so under a California civil rights law, or face a potentially expensive lawsuit.

Board members who voted for her, President Amy Miller, Megan Rouse, and Dan Cunningham, said they thought Natarajan, would bring fresh ideas to the board, as a newer resident on Dublin’s East Side. She

is a controller for a Bay Area company.

Blackman, a designer for an architectural firm, ran unsuccessfully in the 2016 school board election. This time, according to her campaign website, she had the endorsement of the Tri-Valley Democratic Club,

and former Assemblymember Catharine Baker.

Also endorsing her were Councilmember Arun Goel, DUSD trustee Dan Cherrier, who cast the lone vote for her when Natarajan was appointed, and Bobby Khullar, a candidate in the last Dublin council election.



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RAINBOW FLAG

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individual’s free speech; there is an obligation with it to hear everyone’s point of view. However, when a local government makes a decision about a flag, that is the government carrying out its own decision. Not all points of view must be heard, said City Attorney John Bakker.

Most of the speakers from the audience also favored flying the flag, saying it proclaims their concern for gay people’s safety and community acceptance.

One speaker, who was not a supporter, said he will be back to make his requests for his favorite organizations, which include a police memorial day and the National Rifle Association, which he mentioned has been around for 148 years. He feels they are worthy of commemoration.

Dublin was the first, and so far only, community among the five Tri-Valley cities proposing to fly the LGBTQ flag, said Haubert in advance of Tuesday’s meeting. Only six of 23 communities in the East Bay have flown the flag, none of them close to Dublin, he said.

News media based outside the Tri-Valley criticized Dublin for its insistence on developing a policy before making a decision about flying the Rainbow flag, said Haubert.

SCHOOL DISTRICT FLIES RAINBOW FLAG AT HEADQUARTERS

The Dublin Unified School District (DUSD) voted unanimously 3-0 at its meeting May 29 to acknowledge June as LGBTQ month. Board President Amy Miller read the resolution, which declares that all persons, including LGBTQ people, should have a safe work environment. The nation was founded on every person being created equal, each with the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

According to the trustees, Superintendent Dave Marken was allowed to fly the flag at district headquarters. The rainbow flag was hoisted on the flagpole there beneath the U.S. flag on May 31. A brief ceremony was held that included Kumagai, Marken, Miller, Trustee Megan Rouse, and Councilmember Jean Josey.

During the board’s discussion about when and where the Rainbow Flag should be flown, the board’s attorney, Harold Freiman, was asked by Rouse whether the board needed to set policy first.

Freiman said, “There

is no policy that says they can’t, and also no policy that says they should.”

Rouse said, I’m comfortable putting the flag on the pole and passing the resolution. When I read this, it really embodies what we are here for — to support our students and our staff.”

Trustee Dan Cherrier favored giving Marken direction to fly the flag, but he raised a question for Freiman, about selectiveness by the board. “Do we have to fly the flag of all groups if we fly the flag of one group? I don’t think you want to be flying the flag for White Supremacy,” said Cherrier.

Rouse said, “This (LG-BTQ) is not an interest group. It’s who we are,” a reference to the concept that people are born gay; it’s not a choice.

Freiman said, “There is a limited public forum concept, a constitutional free speech principle, usually at schools and school property. Once you open it, it makes it difficult for the next person. It’s always a slippery slope. If you can find a way to put it into the right basket, by opening the forum only to blank, for example only civil rights organizations, but even then, someone could say they are advocating for civil rights in a way people might find offensive.

“A classic example is once you fly a Rainbow Flag, then you have to fly the White Supremacy flag.

We’d all say that makes no sense, but these are the things that get tested,” said Freiman.

“But you could say ‘no’,” said Miller.

“You could say ‘no’, but potentially end in court concerning whether you have opened it to one group, and denied it (the forum) to another. Then you are limiting access based on belief and speech,” said Freiman.

“But groups are different. This is a characteristic about how we are born,” said Rouse. She asked whether staff could come back to set a policy for future requests, “put some parameters on it, that don’t interfere with what we are doing tonight?”

Cherrier and Miller said they don’t want to spend district time and money researching the legal in’s and out’s.

City Councilmember Shawn Kumagai told a reporter that City Attorney John Bakker addressed that same question May 21, when the council discussed the flag issue.

“Individuals have First Amendment free speech, their right to voice an opinion, without being subject to limits. But there is case law that when you exercise government speech, a city can exercise viewpoints it wishes to express. It’s our choice, on the city’s viewpoint,” said Kumagai.

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Excerpts from Swan Lake – part of the Spring Rep program – were performed at the Bankhead Theater by Valley Dance Theatre, with live musical accompaniment provided by the Valley Dance Theatre Pit Orchestra. The performance took place through the Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center (LVPAC), which hosts a broad range of arts and entertainment. See lvpac.org for more information. (Photo – Doug Jorgensen)

Swalwell Introduces Bill to Ensure That Presidents Can Be Held Accountable for Criminal Conduct

On May 10, House Judiciary Chairman Jerrold Nadler (D-NY), along with Representatives Ted Deutch (D-FL) and Eric Swalwell (D-CA) of the House Judiciary Committee, introduced the No President is Above the Law Act. The legislation would pause the statute of limitations for any federal offense committed by a sitting president, whether it was committed before or during the president's term of office. The goal is to ensure that presidents can be held accountable for criminal conduct and not use the presidency to avoid legal consequences.

"It's a basic American value that no one - not even the President - is above the law," said Congressman Swalwell. "While I disagree with the legal opinion that says a President cannot be indicted during their term in office, Congress can step up right now and change the law to ensure any President can be held accountable for crimes. I appreciate Chairman Nadler and Congressman Deutch introducing this bill with me today so that no President can evade punishment just by running out the clock. President Trump is living proof of the urgent need to close this loophole."

While some argue there is nothing to prevent a president from being indicted while in office, the Office of Legal Counsel (OLC) within the Department of Justice and others take the opposing view. In fact, Special Counsel Mueller cited the OLC opinion as the reason he believed he could neither accuse President Trump of a crime nor seek his indictment. He explained that "while the [OLC] opinion concludes that a sitting President may not be prosecuted, it recognizes that a criminal investigation during the President's term is permissible. The OLC opinion also recognizes that a President does not have immunity after he leaves office."

Most federal criminal offenses carry a five-year statute of limitations. Therefore, a president who is not prosecuted while in office

for a crime they may have committed—before or during the presidency—could end up escaping liability altogether if the statute of limitations runs out before their term is over, especially if elected to a second term.

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EDITORIAL

Levy Fine for Actions

Save The Hill Group filed the notice of a lawsuit on May 22. The lawsuit would force an environmental review of the Garaventa Hills development. The next day, earth moving equipment appeared on the hill where the development would be built and began performing excavation and ground disturbing activities.

The city Planning Department immediately stopped the work. The developer, Lafferty Communities, did not have the required permits to begin any work.

If it is determined that the environmental review of the project was inadequate, the requirements to mitigate the development should be reviewed to determine if they are strong enough.

At the very least, we believe that the city should levy a fine on the developer for beginning work without a permit.

Dublin City Council and School District Embrace Diversity

At its meeting last Tuesday, the Dublin City Council voted unanimously to fly the rainbow flag for 30 days in recognition of LGBTQ pride month, which began June 1st. In a show of support, the council hoisted the flag immediately after the vote was taken. On Tuesday, the council reversed its previous May 21st decision, when it voted 3-2 against flying the flag. The majority stated that they needed to adopt a flag policy first.

In social media posts and news reports, citizens criticized the hatred expressed at the May 21st council meeting by those who disparaged members of the LGBTQ community. In protest, the citizens called for a boycott of Dublin businesses, a petition to raise the flag at City Hall, and a campaign to fly flags at their homes.

As Councilmember Jean Josey observed

during the May 21st meeting, the negative comments demonstrated why the city needs to actively support the LGBTQ community. Josey, who works with students in the Dublin Unified School District, emphasized that the flag sends a message to youth struggling for acceptance and dealing with threats to their physical and emotional safety.

We commend the council for standing up for the LGBTQ community.

We also applaud the Dublin Unified School District trustees for their unanimous decision to acknowledge pride month, and for flying the rainbow flag at district headquarters.

Dublin's City Council and School District have shown that they celebrate diversity and inclusion, making Dublin a more welcoming community for all, a leader in the Tri-Valley.

MAILBOX

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The Initiative For Downtown Loretta Kaskey, Livermore

Livermore residents will get to let their preferences be known concerning the central park plan for our downtown with the coming initiative. The elements are all there: Stockmen's memorial park, Veterans

Way, a hotel not stuffed in a tight space but allowed to be centrally located and grand, more parking where it is needed, more open space usable for all, work force housing, cultural/science centers and theater. Livermore has supported superior award-winning design in its layout of the existing downtown. Our residents know we are a unique community committed to a love of science, the arts, wine, and rodeo—all teaming with a sense of place. Livermore is a destination; let's provide for a better plan. Don't settle for less. Support a plan that gives us what we deserve. I look forward to supporting this worthy objective.

A Truly Inclusive and Safe Community Takes Leadership, Not Acquiescence Stephen E. Wright, Dublin

The Dublin City Council patted itself on the back Tuesday, calling its city "inclusive" and "safe." This was right after some residents at a public hearing leveled several outdated and hurtful homophobic objections against a proposal by a gay council member to fly the rainbow flag over the city in June in support of gay pride month.

The speakers wrongly linked pedophiles to the LG-BTQ community, thought that explaining the rainbow flag to children means talking about gay sex, alluded to recruiting children, social engineering and engaged in trans slamming, etc.

It was disappointing that the council voted against flying the flag. But it was more disappointing that not one council member stood up for LGBTQ neighbors and refuted the essence of the verbal attacks. Yes, people had a right to say how they feel. Our city leaders also had the right – and moral obligation – to address baseless and unjust claims that maligned our neighbors.

A truly inclusive and safe community takes leadership, not acquiescence.

Boycott Cruelty Eric Mills, Coordinator, Action for Animals, Oakland

The annual Livermore Rodeo takes place June 8-9

this year.

Be aware that nearly EVERY animal welfare organization in North America opposes rodeos due to their inherent cruelty. As famed animal behaviorist Temple Grandin notes, "The single worst thing you can do to an animal emotionally is to make it feel afraid. Fear is so bad for animals, I think it's worse than pain." For most of the animals, the rodeo arena is merely a detour en route to the slaughterhouse.

The Cloverdale Rodeo near Vancouver boasts perhaps the most humane rodeo on the continent, a model for all others. Back in 2007, after a series of animal injuries and deaths, and constant protests, the Cloverdale Rodeo Committee dropped four of the most problematic events from the program: calf roping, team roping, steer wrestling, and the non-sanctioned "wild cow milking contest," all of which are featured at Livermore.

As a result, the rodeo lost its professional sanctioning. But not to worry! Since the rodeo prize monies are so good, the major cowboys continue to come to compete, the crowds are bigger than ever, and the animal rights protests have nearly disappeared: WIN/WIN.

Other rodeos - Livermore and Rowell Ranch included - would be wise to consider this

humane compromise, or risk losing it all.

Public attitudes about the use/abuse of animals in entertainment are changing: recent bans on orca shows at Sea-World; demise of the Ringling Bros. Circus; ban on use of wild animals in circus acts in New Jersey and Hawaii (and soon in California, SB 373); and the 2018 ban on greyhound racing in Florida via ballot initiative. Can rodeos be far behind?

As Gandhi famously wrote, "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated." Clearly, there's work to be done.

A Better Option! A Great Initiative! Jan Brovont, Livermore

The Initiative which was recently filed is much better for Livermore and the Livermore residents than the one the city is pushing. The Initiative has more parking near Livermore Avenue, which will include the much-needed addition of more ADA parking, more open space which can be enjoyed by all, and give a much more pleasant setting for more shopping - present and future, retail and restaurants. I love the idea of seating for performances on an outdoor stage at the long-awaited Stockmen's Park. Let's make this 8.2 acres the true Jewel of Livermore; let's do

this right.

Thank You LPD Maurice Duenas, Livermore

On April 11, the Livermore Police Department did a minor decoy sting on 30 businesses in Livermore. On the next day, they told us on LPD Facebook and Nextdoor that five businesses failed the test and sold alcohol to minors. I think it's important we learn the places that do good and the ones that sell to children. I sent an email to the chief asking for details on who passed and failed, and the people arrested.

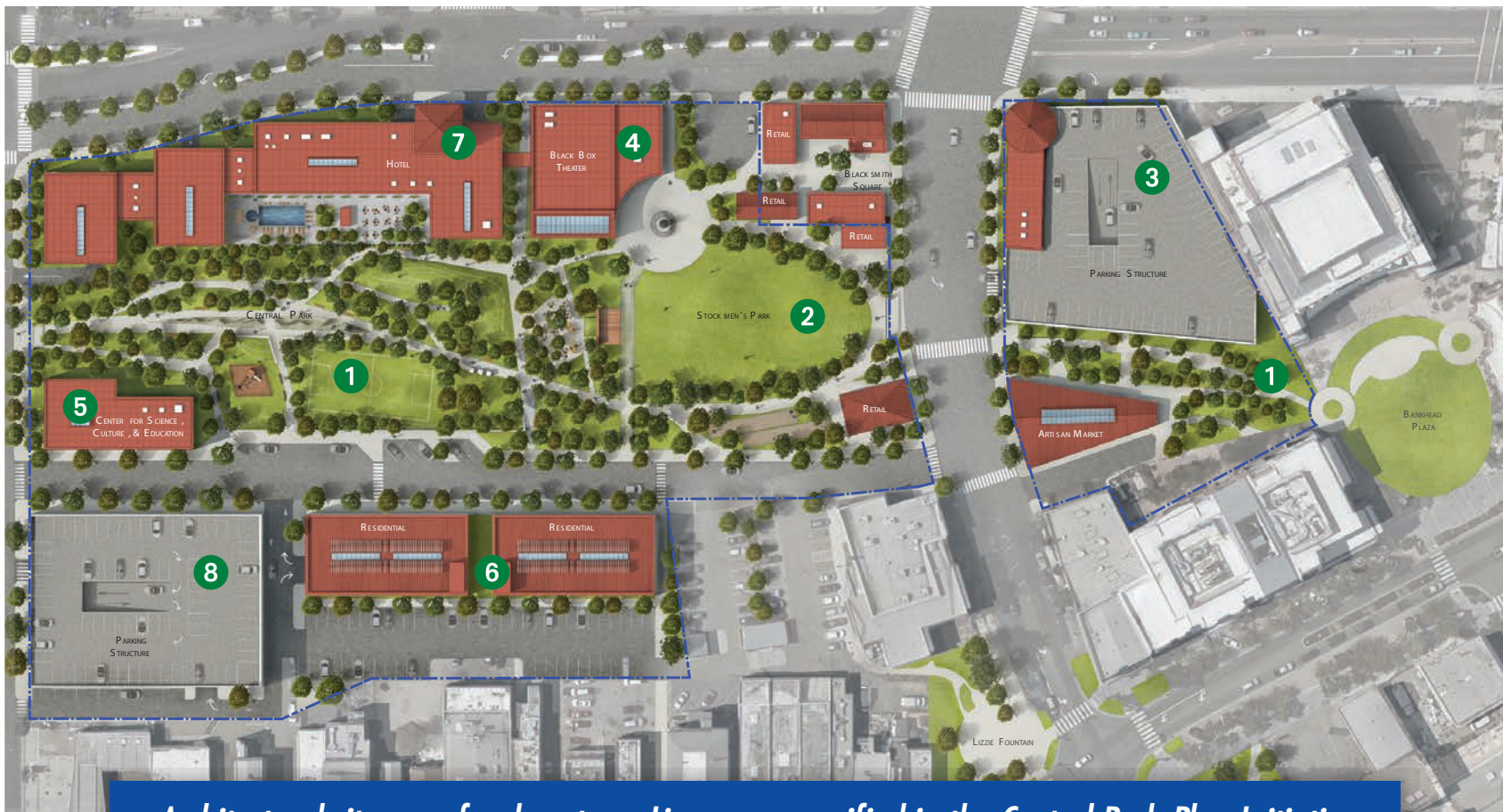
LPD had mix ups about sending me the information and it got delayed, but they were very good about sending me all the records of the businesses that passed and failed and the arrested people. There were five people arrested, and five businesses given tickets for the sales.

I think it's very good that LPD has done this and I hope that the places that sold the alcohol are closed and stopped for a long time, and that arrested people learn their lesson with large payments for tickets. I do not want my children to be able to go to stores or places to eat and get alcohol.

I suggested to Chief Harris that they tell us right away on Facebook and Nextdoor about

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THE LIVERMORE CENTRAL PARK PLAN



Architectural site map for downtown Livermore specified in the Central Park Plan Initiative

1 Signature Central Park to form a continuous expanse of greenery from the Bankhead Theater Park Plaza to L Street.

2 Retain Stockmen's Park to honor our ranching history and the service of Livermore's veterans.

3 Convenient Parking with new garages to offer 316 more spaces than the city plan near Livermore Avenue.

4 Black Box Theater with flexible seating for performance, education and cultural events.

5 Center for Science, Culture & Education for classes, performances and displays of science, art and history.

6 Affordable housing, in an appropriate location not covering the Central Park, to meet City needs.

7 Wine Country Hotel with up to 160 rooms, a resort destination.

8 L Street Parking Garage, a new, 3-story parking garage with convenient parking near L Street.



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Better Parks

The citizens' plan showcases a beautiful, activated Central Park, which will join with the lawn and other features in Stockmen's Park, to provide 3 acres of parkland stretching from the Bankhead Park Plaza to L Street. The City's plan only includes "a park (Stockmen's Park),"¹ 1.5 acres,² half of what the citizens' plan offers.

Better Parking

We need convenient parking near Livermore Avenue. The City's plan will result in 201 fewer available parking spaces³ than we have now in the Livermore Avenue area, while the Central Park Plan delivers 316 more spaces than the city plan provides!

Better Livermore

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to create a beautiful Livermore downtown for generations to come. The Central Park plan includes new cultural, restaurant, retail, educational, art and entertainment amenities.

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1. Council Meeting May 13, 2019 Agenda, Public Hearing Item 5.01, page 505, A Resolution approving Specific Plan Amendment 18-003; 2. Council Meeting September 24, 2018 Agenda, Public Hearing Item 5.05, page 557, Stockmen's Park; 3. Community Newsletter Summer/Fall 2018 #50, page 2. Downtown Interim Parking Timeline; City Council Meeting May 13, 2019, Item 5.01 Staff discussion of I Street garage; City Council Special Meeting, Budget Workshop Agenda, May 20, 2019, page 493, LVC Compactor Facility; Council January 29, 2018 Meeting Agenda page 39, Parking Requirements; Community Newsletter Special Edition 2 Winter 2018, page 2 (New Retail Uses), page 5 (Eastside Hotel Concept)

SPORTS NOTES



West Coast Kaos Defender Jayden Sanders is winning a ball and moving it up the field.

West Coast Kaos

West Coast Kaos U16G moved two games closer to a claiming the Norcal Premier NPL 1 league title over the weekend. On Saturday, Kaos went on a scoring tear, netting 8 on Almaden FC for an 8-2 victory. On Sunday, Kaos delivered another route to Vision Academy with a 5-1 victory.

In both matches, goals were scored by several Kaos players. Forward Maddie Del Prado racked up 5 goals in Saturday's game and 1 on Sunday. Alivia Garcia followed with 3 goals, one on Saturday and two on Sunday. Alivia Ganz, Anaya Shelton, Daisy Samuelson, and Kylee Gregory also claimed goals over the weekend.

Team Kaos has one more match to go to claim the league title and the opportunity to move to the Champions League in the fall. At present, Kaos is leading the pack with points and goals. The girls have scored 40 goals in 13 matches, 9 more than their closest competitor. Immediately following the NPL league play, Kaos will travel to Boise, Idaho, to compete in the U.S. Youth Soccer Far West Regional Championships. West Coast Soccer hosts successful college showcase. This year the games were held at the new Legacy Fields Sports Complex in Tracy, Calif. The Cup was designed to be a college showcase which is different from a normal tournament format. The showcase format gives all recruitable-age teams the opportunity to play four complete games so that college coaches can plan the games they want to attend and see the players they are interested in, and the win-

ner is crowned by the team with the most points after the four games. The showcase format allows the college coaches an opportunity to see players in a set time and location for multiple games which helps them get a solid evaluation of their talent. West Coast Soccer entered six teams in age groups U14-U18 with a final record of 18 wins, 2 ties and 3 losses, scoring 65 goals while only allowing 16 goals against. West Coast teams dominated the showcase age groups: Warriors 02, Kaos 03, Wicked 04, & Wildkat 05 all went undefeated. The newly created Krush combo 04/05 birth year team coached by Aduarie Dayak, former West Coast alumni did extremely well in their first showcase. West Coast's youngest team Krossfire 06G coached by Marlon Fernandez played up in the 05 bracket and came out on top winning the championship game 1-0. Several local college coaches were on hand to see the talent. "The fields were great and the environment was superb for me to see so many quality players all in one location," said Los Positas College Head Coach Andy Cumbo. Coach Paul McCallion, Head Coach for Notre Dame de Namur, stated, "I have been attending this event for many years, Troy Dayak is the Pied Piper for top talent in the area. I liked all of his teams; the style that they play suits the college game, I will be following up with college scholarship offers to the appropriate age group players." Dayak, born and raised in Northern California has dedicated most of his life to soccer, playing for the USA Mens National Teams and US Olympic Team, his 16 years as a

pro and Hall of Fame career for the San Jose Earthquakes has given him a unique perspective to help soccer grow in the area. "It's wonderful to be able to continue to build this event into a college showcase where our local players and teams can be seen and recruited by college coaches." Dayak has had success in the sport winning four national championships as a professional soccer player while also winning four national championships as a coach for West Coast Soccer Club. Dayak founded West Coast Soccer Club in 2011 where his original team went all the way to the national championship and won it the inaugural year. West Coast Soccer has consistently produced 90-100 percent of their senior graduating players into college programs. Now some of the players after graduating college have returned to coach and run strength and conditioning sessions for West Coast Soccer. Since their first senior graduating class West Coast has produced over 105 players that have gone to college on soccer scholarships, making them one of the most successful soccer programs in Northern California.

Next up, West Coast Soccer will be competing in US Club Regionals in Davis, Calif., and US Youth Soccer Regionals in Boise, Idaho, followed by a tour this summer to Europe for the 2019 Women's World Cup where West Coast 02, 03 girls will be playing international games vs. professional women's teams abroad, and attending both World Cup Semi Final matches while in France.



Coach Troy Dayak is giving instruction to West Coast Soccer Club's 05 Wildkat players at halftime.

Livermore Soccer Player on Cover of Sports Illustrated

The cover of the June edition of the Sports Illustrated magazine features Delaney Miskella, a local 8-year-old Livermore soccer player. The photo, showing youth paired with members of the U.S. Women's National Soccer Team, heralds the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup, which runs from June 7 through July 7.

Delaney plays soccer for the California Thorns and was chosen for a photo shoot with the National Team. Delaney comes from a family with an established soccer background. Her mother grew up playing in Livermore and went on to receive one of the first D1 soccer scholarships to college. She then played semi-pro for 15 years and has coached high school and youth soccer for 17 years.



8-year-old Delaney Miskella is pictured on Sports Illustrated, seen on far left.

Foothill High School Recognizes College-Bound Athletes



2019 Foothill Committed Athletes (Photo - Dylan Weiglein)

On Thursday, May 23, Foothill High School honored 21 athletes at the 2019 Committed Athlete Luncheon. The event was sponsored by Foothill Athletic Boosters and Eddie Papa's. The recruited seniors will go on to play at the collegiate level in 10 different sports, at either a two- or four-year colleges.

Foothill Principal Sebastian Bull spoke at the event and commented, "I am so proud to witness the excitement for these young student athletes as they begin the next chapter in their lives. The student athletes have represented Foothill with pride for four years and will be assets to their new campuses. As a school, we are proud of their accomplishments and want to remind these amazing student athletes that they will always be Falcons. We wish them the

best of luck on and off their playing fields."

Also speaking at the event was Foothill Athletic Director Dusty Collins, Girls Softball coach Matt Sweeney, Sweeney's daughter Danielle, who played soccer at the University of Oregon and started in all 80 of her collegiate games, as well as a number of other Foothill coaches who spoke to the group introducing and praising the dedication and achievements of each of the honored students.

The honored athletes (in alphabetical order), and the schools they will attend, include: Bella Aduaka (track & field, Cal Poly), Hope Alley (softball, University of Pittsburgh), Elisabeth Balicanta (swimming, Siena College), Jack Brice (basketball, Bethel College), Jonah Cooper (swimming, Ohio State University),

Calvin David (swimming, University of California at Berkeley), Stephanie Dunlop (not pictured) (cheer, Oklahoma State University), Ellen Ebbers (softball, Morgan State University), Jake Gebb (baseball, Chabot College), Amber Huk (tennis, Sonoma State University), Jacob Hvidt (lacrosse, Southwestern University), Peyton Raun (soccer, University of Pennsylvania), Josh Robinson (baseball, Ohlone College), Haley Roundtree (volleyball, California State University, Los Angeles), Joe Scalzo (baseball, California Lutheran University), Nicholas Skinner (swimming, Texas Christian University), Cory Steinhauer (baseball, University of Reno, Nevada), Matt Sugden (baseball, San Francisco State), and Russell Sullivan (track & field, American University).

Livermore Students Scheduled to Perform at Oakland A's Games

Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District students will perform the Star-Spangled Banner at three upcoming Oakland A's games.

On Friday, June 14, Element 116 Jazz Band will perform at 6:37 p.m. prior to a game with the Seattle Mariners. This game will include a fireworks show.

Single tickets are \$32. The Livermore High School Advanced Trombones will take the field on Tuesday, July 16, for a 7:07 p.m. performance prior to a game with the Seattle Mariners. Parking will be free. Single tickets are \$22.

Morgan Rogge, LHS Class of 2020, will sing on Thursday, August 22, at 6:37

p.m. prior to a game with the NY Yankees. Single tickets are \$38.

Seating is field level with half-price parking. Single game tickets can be purchased at www.groupmatics.events/group/LVJUSD. For information, contact Leslie Lemieux at 925-960-2919, or email llemieux@lvjUSD.org.

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FREE Concerts in the Parks
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MAILBOX

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the businesses that passed and failed and those that get arrested instead of having to send an email, as this is the public's right to know, and not to wait a long time. I had to wait to get the names. Chief Harris says, "Yes, I understand your question and agree with you. In the future we will try to provide more specific information to the public relating to the outcome of operations targeting the selling of alcohol to minors."

I thank the LPD for cooperating with us and keeping us informed on the bad and good things in detail, and mainly for protecting our children and society.

Climate Change: a Much Needed Priority
Ron Sadler, Livermore

Recently, my wife and I were shopping at a Livermore department store where we struck up a conversation with a lady in the checkout line. She had lost her home and place of employment in the Camp Fire in Paradise. She and her children were now living with a friend in Livermore, and she was in the process of purchasing new clothes to replace what she lost in the fire for a new job she was starting the next day.

She told us about her and her children's narrow escape out of Paradise the morning of the fire: how she had just dropped off her kids at school when she learned of the fire and had to return to the school to pick them up; how they were completely surrounded by fire as the flow of traffic came to a halt; how hot it was inside the car and about watching tires melt on cars that had been abandoned alongside the road; how her kids were screaming in fear for their lives; how an officer, who seemingly came out of nowhere, directed them to a side road that eventually led to their escape from the burning inferno they used to call home.

It occurred to me later that this lady and her children had become Climate Change Refugees. While it is true Climate Change did not start the Camp Fire, the dry and unhealthy condition of the trees and vegetation due to unprecedented warmer temperatures and drought over the last 15 years made that fire abnormally large and destructive.

This lady and her children are among the thousands of Climate Change Refugees that were displaced by the Camp Fire, and the hundreds of thousands of Climate Change Refugees worldwide displaced by the unusually-high number of hurricanes, tornados and floods, and the inability to farm because of extended droughts due to our warming planet.

The fact is Climate Change is going to get a lot worse, and there will soon be millions of Climate Change Refugees, unless we stop polluting our atmosphere with carbon dioxide from burning fossil fuels such as oil, coal and natural gas.

We are the species that has caused this problem, and we are the ones that need to fix it. Please, for the sake of our planet and all the creatures on it, reduce your use of fossil fuels, encourage others to do so as well, and tell officials at all levels of government that fighting Climate Change needs to be our top priority.

What's the Rush?
Robert W. Taylor, Livermore

With respect to the contentious downtown development, what's the rush? Let's get it done right. Are hotels bidding against one another for a chance to build downtown Livermore? If it's not happening now, it will happen when the need is greater. The result will be more affordable and better development for all of us. I support the citizens' initiative. It brings a chance for a better plan.

It Is Not True
Clark Streeter

Prior to the last general election, the Friends of Livermore Committee (FOLC) circulated

a petition to place a referendum on the ballot. The petition drive was successful, but the results were submitted too late to appear on the ballot.

The referendum proposed that several recent decisions regarding the downtown development be rescinded. The referendum specified that the proposals either be put to a vote of the electorate or that the City Council vote to accept the terms of the referendum. Rather than hold an expensive special election, the City Council chose the latter course of action, and simply accepted the proposed changes. The FOLC now seems to be claiming that their wishes and the wishes of the electorate were ignored. This is obviously untrue, since the City Council did precisely what was requested.

Livermore, Here We Go Again!
John Lawrence, Livermore

They're at it once again, wasting more public resources with special interest demands and what now looks like sour grapes over a lost council election and a failed effort to force a special ballot measure. This group changes names faster than wineries change labels. Starting as the Friends of Livermore (FoL), then Vibrant Livermore, followed by just Community Group and now reborn as Citizens for a Livermore Central Park (CLCP). This special interest group runs weekly attack ads against the City's downtown development plan, including creating alternative definitions for words and terms. They criticized the City for using a legal and common planning definition of "Open Space" instead of their creative explanation. Now CLCP has widened some open space in their plan and call it a "park," but insist that the City's open space or linear park is just landscaping. And they repeatedly claim that the City isn't listening to the "majority of citizens." Of course they don't disclose that their definition of "majority of citizens" is stacking public input meetings with FoL supporters and claiming this represents the entire community. CLCP also states that voters, not the City, should make the decisions of how the downtown plan should look. In spite of what their ads infer, a ballot measure will not put voting residents in charge of designing the development plan; it will only provide two alternatives: the City, and one from a special interest group. Apparently, for them, the concept of voters electing City Council members to make decisions on the public's behalf only counts when decisions match their thinking.

FoL/CLCP is funded primarily from one individual who also controls what Livermore residents read in a weekly paper. In the last two editions, CLCP has paid for 1 & 1/2 full-page ads that criticize the City and support their own special interest plan. There were also front-page ads promoting CLCP's petition efforts that were disguised as news articles. No wonder so many people are complaining about "fake news" and losing confidence in news providers.

After extensive input from citizens (including FoL), businesses, organizations and elected officials, our City's professional community planners developed a very well-designed plan (view at www.cityoflivermore.net). While no plan will meet everyone's needs, our City's plan accommodates multiple competing interests, meets complicated development requirements, and complements current and future development throughout the community. It is also especially good for downtown shopping, dining, entertainment and housing.

In reality, both plans make positive changes with many similar amenities. CLCP just wants it totally their way and are willing to eliminate critical

housing and waste hundreds of thousands of public dollars to get it. It's time again to say no to special interest and big money in politics by rejecting the CLCP petition and their on-going attack ads.

What Makes Livermore Special?
Walter Davies, Livermore

I have been a member of this community for 60 years! And, I have to emphasize that Livermore is truly a special place. When asked at a recent event what makes Livermore special, my answer was that the people who live here are engaged with the community. People are engaged with the arts, sports, schools, scouts, civic committees, work and study groups. Individuals are donating time, effort, funding and sweat equity to these organizations and many more, such as housing or shelter for vets, homeless, and special needs people.

We are in the process of determining the nature of the central core of this community for the next 40 - 50 - and more years to come. People want parking, a major destination hotel, along with an open space park as part of the ensemble. Housing will be a significant part of the final mix. I am convinced that there is time to create a better, more comprehensive plan. I will support an initiative that will allow that to happen.

Garden Club Thanks The Independent
Lois Barber and Dolores Bengtson, Presidents
LAVGC, Livermore

Members of the Livermore-Amador Valley Garden Club (LAVGC) send a hearty and enthusiastic thank you to The Independent for the generous coverage of the past year's club events. Supporting local non-profit organizations by covering their activities certainly strengthens the ability of these organizations to serve their communities.

Thanks to The Independent, our many service projects - Eden Garden, Sensory Garden, Hansen Park Rose Garden, Livermore First Street Pots, Arbor Day, Camp Arroyo children's Organic Garden, Penny Pines Plantations, Plant Sale and the very popular Seed Share - thrive. Those who find us via your press releases do

join us and become contributors to those service projects. Those projects beautify our world, nourish our tables and those of others, and educate our community on the value of gardening.

Without the support of the press, LAVGC would be hard-pressed to get the word out to the surrounding area about our activities and service projects. We always hope those attracted by the press articles regarding our meetings and events will attend a meeting or event, and find so much about our club worthwhile and enjoyable that they will join, thus adding another set of hands to the "many hands that make light work."

Again, on behalf of the entire LAVGC Club, our sincerest appreciation for your valued assistance.

What Livermore Residents Need To Know
Andrew Barker, Livermore

The most important thing for Livermore residents to know about the downtown initiative proposal is that it removes all explicit affordability requirements for housing in the Downtown Specific Plan. While the current plan calls for housing "affordable to a variety of incomes, serving the Livermore workforce," the initiative proposal replaces this language with a call for housing

for "residents who enjoy the dynamic downtown lifestyle," on page 8 of the initiative.

Livermore's community character includes a strong commitment to welcoming and helping neighbors who have trouble paying for the extremely expensive housing in the area. The initiative backers are dodging our obligations and damaging our historic character.

Livermore Voters, Your Voice was Heard
Robert S. Allen, District 5
BART Director, 1974-1988,
Livermore

Livermore voters, your voice was heard; BART belongs along the freeway, not downtown. First station at Isabel, not at Junction Avenue School. A Greenville station for ACE and Altamont Pass transfers.

Your rapid transit tie to the greater Bay Area may not be double track BART. Looks like it will be single track Valley Link. Not a one-seat ride, but no problem with a cross-platform transfer like Antioch has for BART.

When planners sought BART near downtown (2B), over 8,400 of you signed a petition seeking BART along the freeway, per a Livermore City Council vote in 1986. The planners persisted, until your petition qualified for the 2011

ballot. 2B was not to be!

BART's EIR to reach Isabel included \$656 million for yard, shop and cars that were not needed; it rejected a future extension to Greenville. Since the Board lacked enough time to amend the EIR before AB 758 took their funding away, they rejected it as too costly.

Here's wishing Valley Link success in expediting their project. Until it opens (2025?), a frequent freeway shuttle bus would be great.

Stockmen's Park and Downtown Plan
Vic Avila, Livermore

The City Council did not listen to citizen input on the downtown plan, voted to put the hotel "sardined" into the postage-sized spot on the east side next to the Bankhead Theater. I am in support of the new plan proposed and backed by an initiative effort that will double the amount of open space, add 316 more parking spaces than the council's plan near Livermore Avenue, where downtown activity is concentrated, and place the hotel on the west side, where its customers will have easier vehicular access, plus the hotel will be part of the mix of uses associated with the west side of the development. I encourage citizens to visit www.betterlivermore.com and view the new proposal.

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For First Time, Lasers Reveal Atomic Structure of Superionic Ice

Scientists from Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) used giant lasers to flash-freeze water into its exotic superionic phase and record X-ray diffraction patterns to identify its atomic structure for the very first time – all in just a few billionths of a second. The findings were reported May 8 in *Nature*.

In 1988, scientists first predicted that water would transition to an exotic state of matter characterized by the coexistence of a solid lattice of oxygen and liquid-like hydrogen, superionic ice, when subjected to the extreme pressures and temperatures that exist in the interior of water-rich giant planets like Uranus and Neptune. These predictions remained in place until 2018, when a team led by scientists from LLNL presented the first experimental evidence for this strange state of water.

Now, the LLNL scientists describe new results. Using laser-driven shockwaves and in-situ X-ray diffraction, they observe the nucleation of a crystalline lattice of oxygens in a few billionths of a second, revealing for the first time the microscopic structure of superionic ice.

“We wanted to determine the atomic structure of superionic water,” said LLNL physicist Federica Coppari, co-lead author of the paper. “But given the extreme conditions at which this elusive state of matter is predicted to be stable, compressing water to such pressures and temperatures and simultaneously taking snapshots of the atomic structure was an extremely difficult task, which required an innovative experimental design.”

The researchers performed a series of experiments at the Omega Laser Facility at the University of Rochester’s Laboratory for Laser Energetics (LLE). They used six giant laser beams to generate a sequence

of shockwaves of progressively increasing intensity to compress a thin layer of initially liquid water to extreme pressures (100-400 gigapascals (GPa), or 1-4 million times Earth’s atmospheric pressure) and temperatures (3,000-5,000 degrees Fahrenheit).

“We designed the experiments to compress the water so that it would freeze into solid ice, but it was not certain that the ice crystals would actually form and grow in the few billionths of a second that we can hold the pressure-temperature conditions,” said LLNL physicist and co-lead author Marius Millot.

To document the crystallization and identify the atomic structure, the team blasted a tiny iron foil with 16 additional laser pulses to create a hot plasma, which generated a flash of X-rays precisely timed to illuminate the compressed water sample once brought into the predicted stability domain of superionic ice.

“The X-ray diffraction patterns we measured are an unambiguous signature for dense ice crystals forming during the ultrafast shock-wave compression demonstrating that nucleation of solid ice from liquid water is fast enough to be observed in the nanosecond timescale of the experiment,” Coppari said.

“In the previous work, we could only measure macroscopic properties such as internal energy and temperature,” Millot added. “Therefore, we designed a new and different experiment to document the atomic structure. Finding direct evidence for the existence of crystalline lattice of oxygen brings the last missing piece to the puzzle regarding the existence of superionic water ice. This gives additional strength to the evidence for the existence of superionic ice we collected last year.”

Analyzing how the X-ray diffraction patterns varied for the different experiments probing increased pressure and temperature conditions, the team identified a phase transition to a previously unknown face-centered-cubic (f.c.c.) atomic structure for dense water ice.

“Water is known to have many different crystalline structures known as ice I, II, III, up to XVII,” Coppari said. “So, we propose to call the new f.c.c. solid form ‘ice XVIII.’ Computer simulations have proposed a number of different possible crystalline structures for superionic ice. Our study provides a critical test to numerical methods.”

The team’s data has profound implications for the interior structure of ice giant planets. Since superionic ice is ultimately a solid, the idea of these planets having a uniform rapidly convecting fluid layer no longer holds.

“Because water ice at Uranus and Neptune’s interior conditions has a crystalline lattice, we argue that superionic ice should not flow like a liquid such as the fluid iron outer core of the Earth. Rather, it’s probably better to picture that superionic ice would flow similarly to the Earth’s mantle, which is made of solid rock, yet flows and supports large-scale convective motions on the very long geological timescales,” Millot said. “This can dramatically affect our understanding of the internal structure and the evolution of the icy giant planets, as well as all their numerous extrasolar cousins.”

Co-authors include Antonio Correa Barrios, Sebastian Hamel, Damian Swift and Jon Eggert from LLNL, and Ryan Rygg, previously at LLNL and now at the University of Rochester. The work was partially funded by the Laboratory Directed Research and Development program.

Alumni Join Celebration of Marylin Avenue’s 60th Birthday



Alumni signed benches decorated by current Marilyn students, coordinating with the decade of their attendance at Marylin. Pictured are brother and sister Craig Rochin and Monica Bily Rochin. (Photo – Doug Jorgensen)

For sixty years, Marylin Avenue Elementary School has been a fixture of the Livermore community – a place where children in the neighborhood gathered to learn, play, and establish bonds that would last a lifetime. On May 23, during the school’s Open House, Marylin Avenue celebrated its 60th anniversary as an elementary school – bringing together community members, families, and alumni to recognize the school’s meaningful impact in their lives.

The multipurpose room in Marylin Avenue Elementary School evoked generations of memories. The walls were covered with six decades’ worth of photographs, newspaper clippings, t-shirts, letters from alumni, and the school colors – both the old orange and black colors, and the current teal and black. Down the center of the room, six benches represented each decade of the school, decorated by students, for alumni, parents, and staff to sign based on when they were associated with the campus.

The collection featured highlights of the school’s long history, depicting the enormous impact on its community over the years and representing countless connections – between friends, colleagues, teachers and students, and across generations. Friends stood giggling over their old yearbook, their own children playing around them in a space they once played within themselves.

In her remarks, Principal Denise Nathanson detailed how Marylin Avenue has changed over the years as it adapted to the 21st century. She noted its new STEAM Lab – for science, technology, engineering, arts, and math – and solar panels, as well as its new playgrounds. Nathanson also spoke on the school’s adoption of the Leader in Me program, which gives students skills to develop academic and personal goals that will help them promote positive changes in the world. “Our students are ready to take on the world,” Nathanson said. “Throughout all the changes, one thing has stayed the same: Marylin Avenue’s dedication to its students and

community.”

After Nathanson’s remarks, alumni were invited to share memories. One alumna spoke for many when she commented on the important relationships established as children. “I met my best friend in fourth grade, and we’re still friends now,” she said.

Her words resonated in the crowd of those who had just reconnected with friends not seen in years, between whom recollections were shared of fairs and carnivals past, of old playground games, of stories spoken and remembered – all fostered on the campus still cultivating new memories, lessons, and friendships. To cap off the event, all in attendance sang “Happy Birthday” to the beloved campus – honoring its place in the past, celebrating its place in the present, and wishing the best for its future.

The Livermore school district wishes to extend a special thank you to those who made the event possible: community members

Steve Goodman, Lori Olsen, Paula Martin, and Pam Ward; staff members Dianna Wooten, Deb Anderson, Nan Wyckoff, Danielle Wyckoff, and Denise Nathanson; PTO president Nancy Howe and Community Liaison Raquel Barker for setting up; and Marylin Office Specialist Laura Torres for collecting and archiving many of the yearbooks and photos.

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Seniors and Disabled on SSI/SSP are Now Eligible for CalFresh Benefits

Over 48,000 County residents have received a special message from the Alameda County Social Services Agency (ACSSA) in connection with CalFresh Awareness Month. Effective June 1, 2019 a 40-year old rule that prevented Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) recipients from receiving CalFresh has been changed by recent legislation that County officials and community members believe is long overdue. CalFresh is California’s largest food program, providing low-income individuals and families with monthly nutritious food benefits.

“We plan to get the word out to senior and disabled individuals and families who were previously ineligible that they can now apply for more of the assistance they need to make the difference between hunger and nutrition,” said Lori Cox, ACSSA director.

On June 4, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors will acknowledge the month of May as CalFresh Awareness Month by issuing its sixth annual CalFresh Awareness Month proclamation: CalFresh Expansion. Through events, social media, and a squad of “Senior Ambassadors,” ACSSA and its partners have begun to reach out to assist newly

eligible households with the enrollment process.

“We understand that the enrollment process may be challenging for seniors and persons with disabilities and we want to ensure that we provide all eligible individuals with enrollment assistance. Even before the official enrollment date of June 1, we have had a very robust response from the community wanting information on eligibility requirements and the enrollment process,” stated Andrea Ford, ACSSA Assistant Agency Director. “With the assistance of our community partners, we have begun to receive applications prior to the effective date. That is a direct indication of how eager people are to start accessing these nutritional benefits.”

Known federally as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), CalFresh assists qualified households and individuals in meeting their nutrition needs. In Alameda County 55,784 families and individuals currently rely on the CalFresh program to feed themselves and their families. Under the old rule known as “SSI Cash Out,” states could increase their SSP grant instead of allowing SSI/SSP individuals to participate in what was known then as the Food Stamp Program. However,

over time, the value of Food Stamps/CalFresh benefits have increased with the rate of inflation, while the SSI/SSP amount has remained stagnant and lost relative value.

The amount of CalFresh Food benefits a household receives is based on household size, income, and monthly expenses, such as housing, utilities, and medical costs. The average amount nationally for an older adult or person with disability is \$105 – \$110 per month. The range is \$15 – \$192 per month. CalFresh applications can be completed online at www.mybenefitscalwin.org or in person at any Alameda County Social Services Agency location, including an office in Livermore, located at 3311 Pacific Ave.

ACSSA continues to partner with the Alameda County Community Food Bank (ACCFB) to increase awareness, outreach, and enrollment in CalFresh. The ACSSA and the ACCFB will host CalFresh outreach and enrollment events to answer questions about enrollment and eligibility, and to educate and inform residents about the benefits of CalFresh and healthy purchase options.

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The Wheels Bus Shelter celebration and dedication gave Granada High art students a chance to unveil their mural "Sweet Stop", which beautifies an otherwise ordinary bus stop for the Livermore community. Pictured are student artists Jodi Bryant, Mae Noland and Bailei Ghanderson. (Photo – Doug Jorgensen)



The 7th annual Livermorium Day celebration was held last Thursday, recognizing the creation of element 116, which was named in honor of the city and a team of scientists from the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory. Livermore is one of only six cities in the world for which an element has been named that appears on the Periodic Table of Elements. (Photo – Doug Jorgensen)

IMMIGRATION

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Flavio Bravo kicked off the forum by citing the quote of Philippino undocumented journalist Jose Antonio Vargas, “We are here because you were there.” Bravo talked about U.S. intervention in Central America. El Salvador, during its twelve-year armed conflict, received over \$4.5 billion in aid from the Reagan administration. This money was not used for humanitarian purposes. Guatemala’s civil war, which lasted 36 years, received funding from the U.S. with little of the money used to help the affected population. Funds were also sent to Central American countries to support coups it favored.

He noted that President Obama’s response to the surge of unaccompanied children in 2014, negotiated with Mexico to deter the children at the U.S. southern border, and the current administration’s immigration policy have all failed to help families and children fleeing their countries for their lives.

Ramirez stated that immigrants who want to stay here or bring in family members face obstacles. He explained that people who are here, if they are working, paying taxes, and following laws, should be qualified to stay.

Difficult issues affect those who want to remain in the U.S. Children who were born in the U.S. and are therefore citizens, at age 21, can petition for citizenship for their parent(s), siblings or relatives not born in the U.S. However, that relative has to go back to his or her home country for ten

years before U.S. citizenship will be considered. The Trump administration wants to move away from all reunification of families with children or relatives who are over twenty-one, calling this chain migration.

Dreamers who were brought to this country as young children remain in limbo. DACA, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, has been termed too much of a divisive issue to be talked about by Congress at this time. These children cannot leave the U.S. to go to their countries of origin to visit since they may not be allowed back in.

Nasiri revealed that she came to the U.S. at age two. She and her mother were separated for 12 years due to the Immigration Resource Center rules. Now, with the current president and the conservative Supreme Court members, even though a person might be born a citizen or a lawful permitted resident of the U.S., if they were to leave the country, they might not be permitted back in the U.S., because residents and visitors from certain countries are blocked, the majority of whom are Muslim.

As a lawyer, she sees the struggles her clients are going through dealing with the immigration system. She continued to speak on the Muslim Ban. She was at the airport when the administration first implemented the Muslim Ban. She was uplifted by the empathy and solidarity people showed then. However, the ban was upheld by the Supreme Court. Ultimately the ban, which removes protections

for many immigrants and asylum seekers, and makes it more difficult for family members to immigrate, will hurt our economy, she concluded.

The U.S. administration recently added a merit-based rule, that may cause families to be separated. Work visas are being limited based on the premise that a job is being taken away from an American citizen. This policy will drive skilled people to other countries, according to speakers. Most individuals coming to work in the U.S. want to bring in their families. The new policies being proposed will stand in the way of that. Those petitioning for their spouses or even other family members, are told “no” when the filing goes to the U.S. Consulate in a country. The only possible way around this is to show that the U.S. citizen would suffer a severe hardship without the waiver.

Many countries are on temporary protective status because of a natural disaster, war, or other catastrophic occurrence in the country that allows citizens in those countries the ability to renew their work status in the U.S. The current U.S. administration is on a course to eliminate that status.

The forum was co-sponsored by Asbury United Methodist Church, Catholic Community of Pleasanton, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, La Familia Counseling, Muslim Community Center East Bay, OFA East Bay Central, and St. Bartholomew Episcopal Church.

REAL ESTATE NEWS & NOTICES

What Can You Buy For \$850,000

By Cher Wollard

After four years of double-digit inflation in Bay Area housing, prices are starting to stabilize.

In April, the median sales price for a new or existing home or condominium in the nine-county region was \$850,000, up 2.4 percent from the previous month but unchanged from April 2018.

The current median price for a home in Livermore as of June 1 is just under that mark, at \$824,888. In Dublin, it’s a little higher at \$880,000, while the median list price in Pleasanton is just over \$1.2 million.

That Livermore home priced at \$824,888 is a three-bedroom, two-bath home on a 4,000 sq.ft. lot in Magnolia Common, off Central Avenue. The home is just under 2,000 sq.ft. and was built in 2014. It features upgraded flooring and counter tops, extra storage in the garage.

The home in Pleasanton closest to that city’s median price is a brand new two-story zero-lot-line house with four bedrooms and three baths, being constructed by Meritage Homes. Located on Stanley Boulevard, this home is expected to be completed in September. Offered at \$1,211,350.

Dublin has two homes at its median price point of \$880,000: a 1,138-sq.ft. three bedroom, two bath detached home built in 1962 on a 7,416-sq.ft. lot on Kilrush Road in central Dublin; and a four-bedroom, three-bath five-year-old townhouse located on Tralee Village Drive off of Dublin Boulevard.

The lowest-priced homes currently listed are three one-bedroom, one-bath condos in Dublin, priced in the mid-\$300,000s; a one-bedroom, one-bath condo near downtown Pleasanton, listed at \$409,000; a two-bedroom one-bath condo on Murrieta Boulevard in Livermore offered for \$410,000.

The most expensive properties include two vineyard properties off Highway 84. One is a vineyard and winery with 21 acres and a 5,287-sq.ft. home on Kalthoff Common in Livermore, priced at \$7.9 million. The second is a 35-acre estate with a 7,000-sq.ft. home on Ruby Hills Boulevard listed for \$7.499 million.

The highest-priced home in Dublin is a 5,205-sq.ft. home in Dublin Ranch with views of the golf course, priced at \$1.8 million. This home boasts five bedrooms and five-and-a-half baths, a marble foyer and soaring ceilings.

If you are not looking for a home at any of those priced points, you may be wondering: What can I buy in the Valley for the price of a median Bay Area home?

The Multiple Listing Service, used by Realtors to share information about homes on the market, shows 35 homes in the three cities priced between \$825,000 and \$875,000.

In Livermore, 12 of the 155 homes on the MLS are in this price range: one condominium, one townhouse and 10 detached homes.

The condo is a brand new three-bedroom, three-bath home with a two-car garage on Tranquility Circle in the Sage Community. It is priced at \$828,000. At 2,169 sq.ft., this is the largest home offered in this price range in Livermore.

The townhouse, also in Sage, was built in 2016 and is a little smaller at 2,006 sq.ft. It includes four bedrooms and three baths, plus a two-car garage. The upstairs loft has been configured as a fifth bedroom. It is priced at \$874,000.

Most of the detached homes in this category are located in established neighborhoods throughout Livermore, but they do include one newer three-story zero-lot line home near Downtown, with four bedrooms and three baths, priced at \$825,000, to a two-bedroom, one-bath country home on 12 acres on San Antonio Valley Road, priced at \$850,000.

That two-bedroom house is the only country property in this category.

The next largest lot is on Susan Lane near Big Trees Park. It boasts a four-bedroom, two-and-a-half bath two-story home with sideyard access, and is priced at \$859,000.

In Dublin, more of the 118 homes on the MLS fall into this price range – 16. Two are condos, four are townhouses and 10 are detached homes.

Sizes range from a 1,246-sq.ft. single-story detached home in Echo Park with three bedrooms and two baths, built in 1964 and priced at \$865,000, to a 2,342-sq.ft. three-story, 14-year-old townhouse in Dublin Ranch priced at \$874,868. (The smaller home has added living space that is not included in the square footage.)

In fact, that townhouse is the largest home in the three cities in this category.

Seven of the 10 detached homes were built in the 1960s.

One of the condos – a three-story unit built on Cadence Avenue built by Brookfield Homes – is brand new. Priced at \$869,880, it has three bedrooms and two-and-a-half baths in 1,691 sq.ft., plus a garage.

In Pleasanton, only five of 138 homes are in this price range, and only one of those is a detached home. The others are a duet and three townhouses.

The detached home, at 1,075 sq.ft., is the smallest unit in this price range in the three cities. It has three bedrooms and two baths and is situated on a 3,700-sq.ft. lot on Trenton Circle, off of Stanley Boulevard, priced at \$849,950. The home features a solar energy system that is owned, not leased, so energy costs should be very low.

The duet, a three-bedroom, two-bath unit in Northway Downs, features hardwood floors, an updated kitchen and a back yard. It is priced at \$869,000.

The townhouses are all three-bedroom, two-bath units with garages, located in Hyde Park, Pleasant Village and Stoneridge.

If you are thinking about buying or selling a median-priced home – or a home of any price – contact your local Realtor today.

Cher Wollard is a Realtor with Berkshire Hathaway Home-Services Drysdale Properties, Livermore.

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Date: 08/14/18 Clerk, by: Lindsey Stringfellow, Deputy.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 558439

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Signature of Registrants: /s/: Tony Souza, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on April 25, 2019.

Expires April 25, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4548. Published May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 558179

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO. 558862-558863

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 559017

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pany. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: September 28, 2016. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Yenifer Yang Johnson, Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on April 29, 2019. Expires April 29, 2024.

The Independent Legal No. 4554. Published May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT **FILE NO. 55906**

The following person(s) doing business as: Senior care Authority, 1452 N. Vasco Rd., #123 Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): All Biz Franchise, LLC., 6413 Almaden Way, Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Duangdao Piyantalee, Principal. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on May 10, 2019. Expires May 10, 2024.

The Independent Legal No. 4555. Published May 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27, 2019.

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The Independent Legal No. 4556. Published June 6, 13, 20, 27, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT **FILE NO. 559697**

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2019. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Keith Britto, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on May 28, 2019. Expires May 28, 2024.

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The Independent Legal No. 4558. Published June 6, 13, 20, 27, 2019.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: **JOHN H. LORIO** **Case No. RP19020566**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: JOHN H. LORIO.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: ANN GREENBERG in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA. The Petitioner for Probate requests that: ANN GREENBERG be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. (X) The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. (X) The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Date: JULY 8, 2019

TIME: 9:31 AM Dept 202. at: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA County of Alameda 2120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way Berkeley, CA 94704 Berkeley Probate Court. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California Law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (Form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. (X) Attorney for Petitioner: JAY ROADARMEL, 1181 SANTA RITA ROAD. STE 207, Pleasanton, CA 94566 (925)-271-5646.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT **FILE NO. 558994**

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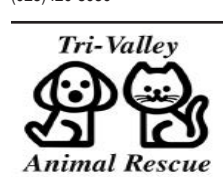
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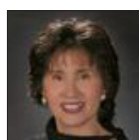
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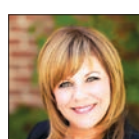
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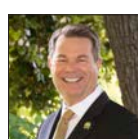
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Rally for Love

“We Are Community,” Theme of June 9th Event at Bankhead Plaza



An estimated crowd of 500 came to the 2017 Rally for Love event, which will return to the Bankhead Park Plaza on June 9. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

The 3rd Annual “Rally for Love” will be held Sunday, June 9th from 1–3 p.m. at the Bankhead Park Plaza in downtown Livermore.

This year’s theme is, “We are Community.” There will be music, speakers, and opportunities to establish relationships that make the community more connected, safe, and loving. Several public officials will be attending.

State Senator Steve Glazer, Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan, Livermore Mayor John Marchand, and Dublin City Council Member Shawn Kumagai are scheduled to join the rally this year.

“We are happy to see that the spirit of inclusion is spreading through the

Tri-Valley. Dublin’s City Council just approved a June Pride Month proclamation. The Livermore City Council passed a proclamation in April supporting a culture of welcome, inclusion, and respect. We invite our community members to celebrate our diversity with love and respect and learn more about each other’s culture and perspectives,” said lead organizer Shana Peete.

Inspiration for this event began with an interfaith group in Livermore, “Embracing Diversity.” The group’s goal aims to promote and celebrate diversity in the Tri-Valley communities, honoring the human and civil rights of all persons, irrespective of age, race, religion, gender,

gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, or economic status. Tri-Valley Interfaith Interconnect also sponsors the event.

The “Rally for Love” is planned as a peaceful, family-friendly, non-partisan gathering to honor and celebrate diversity, and to demonstrate solidarity with

those who feel vulnerable. It is sponsored by Asbury United Methodist Church, the Bankhead Theater, and Tri-Valley Interfaith Interconnect.

To learn more, see the event listing for “Rally for Love Tri-Valley” on Facebook.

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Anastasia, a Retelling of the Classic Tale in Dance

After committing treason, the once loyal confidant Rasputin has been banished from Russia forever by the Tsar Nicholas II. Young Anastasia is the pride and joy of the royal family and this is not lost on Rasputin. With a magic wand and her minion Bartok close at hand, Rasputin seeks revenge and separates Anastasia from her family. Rasputin is caught and sent to The Underground to join other villains of ill repute. Anastasia, while searching the palace for her family, suffers a fall, leaving her with amnesia. The young princess finds herself living in an orphanage, not knowing who she is or where she comes from.

Ten years pass and the royal family still hopes to find Anastasia. A reward is offered by The Empress and Anastasia's childhood friend takes on the task of finding her long-lost friend. Will she succeed in returning Anastasia to her family? Will Bartok find a way to release Rasputin from The Underground and thwart the hopes of a happy reunion?

The Ballet Division at Livermore School of Dance proudly presents a very family-friendly telling of the classic tale of "Anastasia". Dancers of all ages will perform classical and contemporary styles of ballet, complete

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A scene from 'Anastasia'



photo by Glenn Kubiak - 2014

Jim Hurley and Night Harvest to Open Tuesday Tunes Concerts

Tuesday Tunes opens its 2019 summer series on Tuesday, June 11 at 6:45 in front of the Bankhead on the Shea Homes Stage. Livermore native Jim Hurley and his original jazz quartet, Night Harvest, will play jazz and world music.

Tuesday Tunes is organized by The Livermore Cultural Arts Council. Shea Homes is the lead sponsor of this series, with additional sponsorships by Fremont Bank, TriValley Conservancy, UNCLE Credit Union, Uncle Yu's at the Vineyard, and The Independent. The full schedule can be found at www.lcac.org.

Jim can also be heard with The Front Porch Drifters, featuring winemaker Karl Wentz. The combined Las Positas College orchestra, jazz band and dance department performed Hurley's Modern American Nutcracker for their 2013 Holiday concert. Jim collaborated in October 2014 with alumni of Rod Stewart, Jefferson Starship and The Tubes as Whoggrass, for a unique show at S.F.'s Hardly

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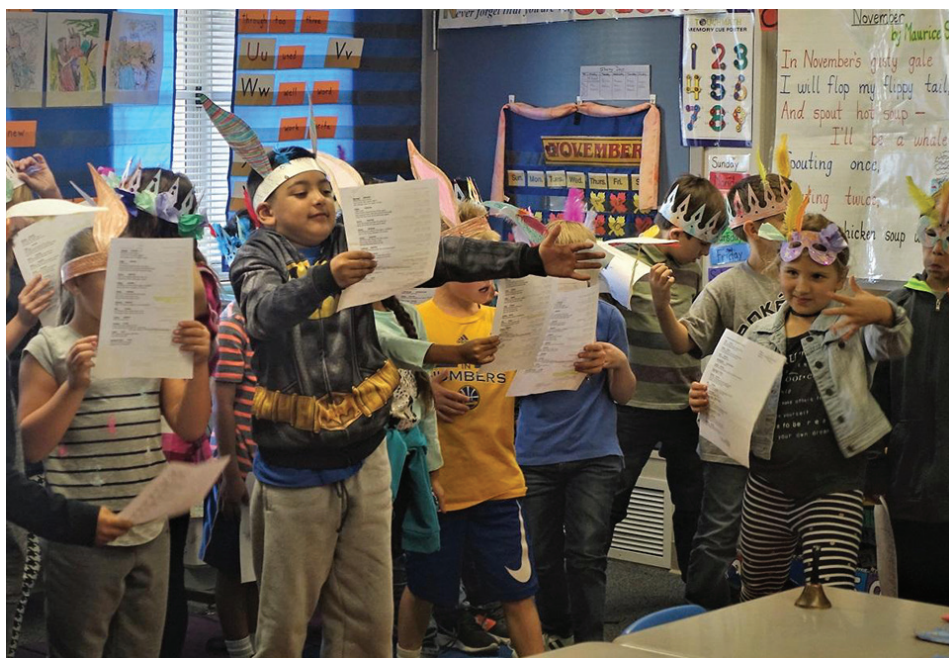
First Concert On June 7

Retroactive will kickoff the Concert in the Park series in Pleasanton.

The group brings its pop 60's through today hits to Concert in the Park on Friday, June 7th.

The Pleasanton Downtown Association's (PDA) Concert in the Park series will

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Rancho Elementary



Altamont Creek

Photos of So Wise So Young program courtesy of LSF and LVJUSD

LVEF Partners with Livermore Shakespeare to Bring the Bard to Students

Wearing paper crowns and donkey ears, second grade students perform warm-up exercises before their final classroom performance of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* – one of William Shakespeare's beloved comedies where supernatural and mortal characters collide in a series of misunderstandings, mistaken identities, and mischief. Already quite familiar with the setting and context of the play, students were absorbed in embodying their characters, loosening up as they followed the lead of their teaching artists at the front of the class. Students let their arms sway up and down, projecting their voices, getting into the mind set of a noble fairy queen or a bumbling actor with a donkey's head – characters both fantastical and human; a perfect fit for imaginative second graders dipping their toes into the work of Shakespeare for the first time.

The Livermore Valley Education Foundation (LVEF) has supported academics, athletics, and the arts in the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District (LVJUSD) since 1991. One of the partnerships that LVEF has nurtured for students, with the Livermore Shakespeare Festival (LSF), is the So Wise So Young program. The program brings teaching artists to LVJUSD second graders who read and learn about the works of William Shakespeare while preparing to act out a scene from *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The program incorporates the play into the English Language Arts curriculum, allowing

students to gain exposure to the Bard's work early in their education in a way that allows them to play with the material, experience the fun they can have with language, and understand the story in its historical context.

By the time students are ready to perform their scene as a class, they display a keen understanding of their roles, where they belong on the stage, and what they mean as they deliver lines full of Shakespeare's famously extensive vocabulary. While practicing the play increases the scope of student appreciation for language and verse, they also learn lessons in empathy as they inhabit their "character bodies" – in which they develop a sense of becoming someone else and appreciate the unique drama of another individual different than themselves.

LVEF – with its focus on allowing the arts to flourish in Livermore schools – funds around half the cost of the program. "LSF is honored to be a part of this great example of a successful community partnership," said LSF Managing Director Katie Marcel. "Through a generous grant from the LVEF, Livermore Shakes is able to offer an equitable program to all of the second graders in the LVJUSD. We are so proud of this partnership, and hope that through the success of this program our community can find other opportunities for the nonprofit sector, the school district, and outside funders to augment the curriculum for our local kids."

LVEF President Dana Rowley stated, "LVEF is involved in funding a variety of music and arts programs at LVJUSD, and So Wise So Young has been one we've remained committed to over the years. This program is our single biggest investment in the arts in the school system because we see it as having a widespread positive influence on students. This is something they'll remember throughout their education. The results at the end of the program are very impressive – the students' ability to engage on the subject will influence their outlook on Shakespeare for the rest of their lives."

Students are encouraged through So Wise So Young to connect with its playfulness, and the fantastical elements of the plays along with the personal.

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take place every Friday night through August 30th, featuring an eclectic mix of music from classic rock, blues and big band to today's hits.

The free concerts run from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and takes place at Lions Wayside Park on the corner of First Street and Neal Street.

While guests are allowed to put out blankets and chairs (at their own risk) in Lions Wayside and Delucchi Parks, they are asked to wait until the morning of the concert to do so. The

use of rocks to hold down blankets is prohibited, as large rocks can damage lawn-mowing equipment. Also, the use of plastic tarps, which can burn the grass, is not allowed.

Neal Street will be closed between Lions Wayside Park and Delucchi Park. The street will be closed from 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm. The parks will be closing promptly at 9:30 pm coinciding with the opening of Neal Street.

For a complete list of performers, go to www.pleasantondowntown.net

ANASTASIA

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with music from Dmitri Shostakovich, Scott Joplin, Gioachino Rossini, Elton John, and many other popular artists.

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Shelly Schoendienst and Liz Roberts. Dancers ages 2 through adult may take classes with the Ballet Division in ballet technique, pointe, floor barre, and creative movement. Master

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Performances of Anastasia are Friday, June 14th and Saturday, June 15th at 6:00 pm and Sunday, June

16th at 2:00 pm at The Livermore High School Theater.

Tickets to "Anastasia" are \$10/\$12/\$16 each and are available at <https://26657.danceticketing.com>.

Teen Poets for the Month of May Announced

Livermore Poet Laureate Cynthia Patton has selected two Teen Poets of the Month for May 2019. The theme was Freedom. Shae Hill was selected for the poem "Free as a Bird" and Diane Le was selected for "All I Want Is To Be Free." Both are sophomores at Granada High School in Lisa Jost's class.

FREE AS A BIRD

Free as a bird, they said
Now our wings have been clipped
Life, Liberty and Property, they said
Now it is shackled to society's fence
A place without judgement, they said
Now the predators attack without opposition
The ability to choose, they said
Now the choice is already made
Like a bird, women used to fly, they said
Now flying is reserved for men

ALL I WANT IS TO BE FREE

Like a bird, she is free
Her hands are tied
And her eyes bound
But she is free
Born in a world of hatred
She never believed in hope
Like the fairytales she read
Freedom was only a fantasy
All I want, she said
Is to be free

Five teens received honorable mention: Tida Ngov for "An Idea," Iris Flores for "Freedom," Jaci Hammons for "Spring Cleaning," Cody Marinko for "Crimson," and Andrew Roller for "Freedom?" Ngov is a sophomore in Lisa Jost's class at Granada High School. Flores, a junior, and Hammons, a senior, attend Del Valle High School in Carlie Wiedmeier's class. Marinko and Roller, both

sophomores, are students of Alexa Malloy at Livermore High School.

There were 60 submissions in May, making the contest extremely competitive. Patton says, "We offered more awards than typical this month, and even so, we had to eliminate many, many wonderful poems. The diversity and quality were outstanding. Way to go, Livermore teens."

The Teen Poet of the Month Program will return in September 2019.

LARPD Nature Programs Are Now Fee Based

Beginning in June, most weekend programs offered by the LARPD rangers will be fee-based. For years, the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District has offered free weekend nature programs for park visitors. Even as neighboring park agencies moved to a fee-based reservation system for public programs, the district continued to offer these programs free of charge. However, with the rising costs of operating LARPD's open space parks, the decision was made to charge a nominal fee for weekend programs.

People are encouraged to sign up for these programs on the LARPD website or call (925) 373-5700 to register. Visitors can also drop-in to a program and pay there, but by registering in advance, you can help ensure that the program you wish to attend will be held. Programs are subject to cancellation if there are not enough people pre-registered.

Summer Stargazing

Saturday, June 8, 8:00 PM: Join Ranger Glen to look through a telescope and hear stories about the constellations! We will walk into the park as the sun sets, enjoying the crescent moon as it follows the sun below the western horizon. We'll stop at our telescope to enjoy a closer view of some celestial objects. The walk will be approximately two miles round-trip on paved and unpaved trails. Meet at the Wetmore Road Entrance (1051 Wetmore Road).

Class #7150.201 (adult), Fee: \$10

Class #7150.202 (child under 18) Fee: \$1

Children must be accompanied by a paid adult.

Beat the Heat Hike

Saturday, June 15, 8:00 AM: Wildlife doesn't like the heat any more than we do, so join Ranger Darren to get an early start. We'll walk one to two miles through the Nature Area and look for wildlife along the way. Bring water and a camera if you like. Meet at the Arroyo Road Entrance (5049 Arroyo Road).

Class # 7152.201, (adult) Fee: \$5

Class # 7152.202, (child under 18) Fee: \$1

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Howl at the Moon Hike

Sunday, June 16, 7:00 PM: Join Ranger Amy for a hike where we will howl at the rising (almost) full moon! We'll go about five miles round-trip and return after dark. Kids age 8 and up are welcome. Meet at the Wetmore Road Entrance (1051 Wetmore Road).

Class # 7001, (adult) Fee: \$10

Class # 7002, (child under 18) Fee: \$1

Children must be accompanied by a paid adult.

Snakes

Sunday, June 23, 2:00 PM: Snakes are under-appreciated for the role they play in nature. Join Ranger Dawn to learn about these slithering (but not slimy!) critters. There will be live specimens for us to see and enjoy.

Meet at the Arroyo Road Entrance (5049 Arroyo Road).

Class # 7003, (adult) Fee: \$5

Class # 7004, (child under 18) Fee: \$1

Children must be accompanied by a paid adult.



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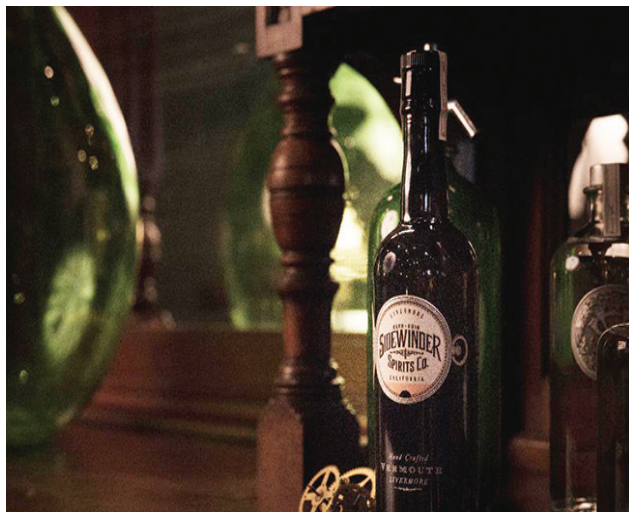
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Occasio Winery Rolls Out New Gin, Wines

By Laura Ness

John Kinney and Dave Hendrickson have been hard at work perfecting the three new gins they are set to bottle, now that they have label approval on two out of



Pictured are new products available at Occasio.

the three. “Learning the TTB rules for distillates takes a little navigating,” admits Kinney. “We’ve learned a lot about how to do spirit labels. Wine labels are pretty much interchangeable between front and back, but spirits rules are very strict.” They’ve got special bottles with glass stoppers lined up for silkscreening and are pretty excited about the contents.

The first gin, called Dry Gin, is their juniper forward example, pretty typical and market-friendly. The second is called Botanical Gin, with very amped up aromatics, owing to a more floral presence, including influences from cucumber and roses. Kinney says it is quite reminiscent of Hendricks gin, known for its essence of Damask rose.

The third gin is dialed between the juniper and herbaceous types, with a good deal more complexity. “It’s not dominated by any one element,” says Kinney. “Instead, it will take on a little sweetness and color from a short rest in a red wine barrel. Winemaker Dave (Hendrickson) wanted to add a little color, so we decided on red. He went to Europe earlier this spring to look at different barrel-aged gins.”

They plan to bottle about 60 cases of each of the first two and 23 or 24 of the barrel-aged gin, which Kinney thinks might be a harder sell.

“If you call your gin either ‘dry’ or ‘botanical,’ says Kinney. You don’t need formula approval from the TTB. But if you put it in a wine barrel, then you need formula approval!”

If you haven’t had their Eau de Vie and grappa yet, you’re missing out, and if you weren’t lucky enough to try the sweet vermouth that they sold out of very rapidly, you’ll be pleased to know that they’re increasing production. It’s even better, says Kinney, because this year’s Sauvignon Blanc, the 2018 from the Ghielmetti Vineyard, is better than ever. “It’s outstanding and we’ll be making more dry vermouth again, too.”

He pauses to digress on grape versus wine prices. “Livermore’s problem is that wine prices have their sweet spot between \$20 and \$30,” he notes, which doesn’t cover the cost of farming or making good wine. “Yet, the fees are going up for all government agencies and the city is adding extra fees as well. In fact, everything is going up in price except bottles. Rent is going up. Storage costs are increasing. We haven’t done a price increase in years. Our Cabernet is still \$30 (fact check: the 2015 is actually \$35) and our new Sauv Blanc is \$25, while many other wineries are going to \$28 for SB.”

Kinney notes that spirits have some significant advantages over wine in that they never go bad. You can bottle on demand, with no vintage dating necessary. He economizes by buying glassware in bulk. Wine has to be constantly topped off, whereas with spirits, this isn’t an issue. “When we sell spirits, we don’t have to put them into inventory and pay tax on them until we sell them, unlike wine.”

In fact, he says, we are going to have to do something about the business model of winemaking. “People expect everything for free in the wine business. At a brewery, you don’t expect a refund of your tasting fee when you purchase. We give away a lot of wine. We still have to pay

sales tax on it, plus we have to pay someone to pour it. We give too much wine away. At Sidewinder, we do not have a free tasting model.”

Spirits are winning more mindshare with Kinney and Hendrickson. Sidewinder is sitting on a 10-year old example they plan to bottle later this year. For now, the dry and sweet vermouths, both \$29, the Grappa (\$29) and the Eau de Vie (\$35) are available under the Sidewinder label.

They’ve also embarked on a whiskey program, and by September, will legally be able to call it “bourbon.” This spirit is actually a high rye bourbon, which means it is comprised of at least 20-30% of rye in the mash bill. By law, bourbon must be at least 51% corn, with the remaining 49% of the mash bill usually comprised of wheat, malted barley or rye. Rye is the boldest, most flavorful of the grains, while wheat is typically more mellow. Bulleit is a popular high rye, and Makers Mark represents to many the pinnacle of smoothness derived from high wheat. Kinney says they also have a rye whiskey in barrel that needs another year before it’s ready. Meanwhile, they’re busy formulating some single malt, for which they have already obtained barrels.

Kinney is particular excited about the partnership they’ve developed with the only floor malting shop in Northern California, Admiral Malting, which happens to be on Alameda Island. Kinney explains that floor malting is the key to a robust, earthy flavor favored by the whisky makers of Europe: think Scotland. The organic barley grain, which comes from the Sacramento Valley and Tule Lake in California, is gently germinated on the floor by hand, to develop distinctive flavors that no other germination method can produce. It is then kilned for a rich, freshness you can really taste. “Floor malting is a lost art these days,” observes Kinney. “There’s a local biome that develops in environments like this. Like on the Isle of Skye (Scotland), where when you open the big bay doors, the sea air rushes in. It’s not quite the same, obviously, but it does produce a unique flavor, and we want to work with small artisan producers dedicated to their craft.”

They have recently unveiled three new wines. Get ready to embrace winemaker Dave’s latest 2017 Founder’s Chardonnay (Del Arroyo Vineyard, \$38), 2018 Rosé of Grenache (Fong Vineyard, \$25) and 2018 Sauvignon Blanc from Ghielmetti Vineyard (\$25).

On June 22, Kinney will present “The History of Livermore in Three Wines,” a session he deems necessary to debunk the misinformation surrounding the winegrowing lore of Livermore. “We have all been told that Livermore Valley is one of California’s oldest wine regions, that the Spanish missionaries planted the first wine grapes in the 1760s, and that Robert Livermore planted the first commercial vines in the 1840s. But, of course, none of this is true. In fact, Livermore Valley was a latecomer to viticulture,” insists Kinney.

The actual history of Livermore Valley is much more interesting. It is the story of the land, the people, and the railroad. Says Kinney, “In this class, we take a step into Livermore’s past and discover the factual history of our Valley as told through the story of three wines. Ticket includes a guided wine tasting accompanied by a classic California menu item from the 1890s.”

Garden Club Meeting June 13

Both time and location will change for the June meeting of the Livermore-Amador Valley Garden Club. Because it is the final meeting until September, the Thursday, June 13, event will begin with a potluck dinner, starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Robert Livermore Community Center, located at 4444 East Avenue in Livermore. Participants are asked to bring either a sweet or a savory dish to serve eight people.

After the potluck dinner, guest speaker Jennifer de Graaf will speak on "Fire Here?! A Primer for

Understanding Our Own Risks and Opportunities." A landscape architect and lifetime gardener, de Graaf has found that it is best to challenge both her students and her clients to understand how things work, rather than just telling them what to do.

This approach has led her to the goal of helping people understand the reasoning behind the "defensible zone," how fires move, why the recommendations we often read can be misleading, and what we all can realistically do about it. She emphasizes that every-

one can do something, regardless of how much land they steward, or where they live. She will be discussing typical fire behavior, the synergies (and sometimes tension) between fire and the environment, plus how we can select and care for plants to make them as low-risk as possible.

Starting again next autumn, the garden club will meet the second Thursday of each month, September through May, at Alisal School. These meetings start at 7:00 p.m., and visitors are welcome. Visit the website, www.LAVGC.org, for more information.

Museum to Close for 6 Weeks

The Museum on Main in Pleasanton will close temporarily for 6 weeks to the public beginning on June 17 in order to allow the Museum to renovate its permanent history gallery and to do some other building upgrades. The current exhibit has not had a face-lift in nearly 20 years.

The overall goal of the new exhibit is to use better ways to tell the stories and history of the community while allowing greater access to the collection-three-

dimensional, images and archival. The Museum will reopen on Friday, August 2 in conjunction with the community celebration of the City of Pleasanton's 125th Anniversary.

"With the development of new technologies, there are more interactive ways to tell our history and to engage our visitors," said Executive Director Jim DeMersman. "This new exhibit will bring us into the 21st century and make us more of a destination in

downtown Pleasanton. In order to get this done in a timely fashion, we needed to close the Museum."

The Museum Board, staff, volunteers and community members have been working with S2 Exhibit Designs for the past 2 years on a design for this new exhibit. It is primarily being funded through the generosity of the Jean Jones Endowment along with private contributions from individuals, organizations and corporations.

TUESDAY TUNES

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Strictly Bluegrass Festival.

Jim began his music education in local public schools. He later studied violin with Dr. Madeline Schatz, a student of Jascha Heifetz, and earned his B.A. Music from Humboldt State University in 1981.

He has performed with Queen Ida's Grammy-winning Bon Temps Zydeco Band, Deep Purple guitarist Ritchie Blackmore, the Trans-Siberian Orchestra with Jon Anderson from Yes, Dan Hicks, Al Stewart,

Josh Groban, Smokey Robinson, Stanley Jordan, Zhao Hui, the Waybacks, Tempest, and Ancient Future.

He has appeared on Saturday Night Live, at the New Orleans and Monterey jazz festivals, the Philadelphia, Winnipeg and Strawberry folk festivals, a few stadiums, some European castles, and numerous other venues, large and small, in 15 countries. His playing is featured on many dozens of recordings.

Night Harvest re-brands

as The Surly Jackasses to back singer/songwriter Suzanna Spring.

Jim also serves as Artistic Director and instructor for Music Pathways, a non-profit music education foundation, affiliated with Livermore Valley Education Foundation.

Next up on June 18 is Matt Finders and Friends playing Jazz, Blues, Funk and Latin. As always, the City of Livermore's Municipal Code regulates alcohol in public areas.

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Kayaking & Pole Walking at Various Parks
Plus many more fun activities for kids and families!



Group photo of Pedrozzi Scholarship winners.

Pedrozzi Scholarship Recipients Announced

The Pedrozzi Foundation recently awarded \$443,500 in scholarships to 115 local scholars. Since 2008, the Pedrozzi Foundation has awarded \$4.44 million to 1,226 Livermore students. Of the 2019 Pedrozzi Scholars, seventeen percent will be the first in their family to attend college. These scholars will be attending community college, undergraduate, graduate, and trade schools in the upcoming school year.

The annual Scholar Recognition Event at the Bankhead Theater brought together people from across the community to celebrate with the 2019 Pedrozzi Scholars. The evening also included recognition of the fourteen new Pedrozzi Young Scholars for their academic achievement. The Pedrozzi Young Scholar program promotes equity in opportunity for high achieving students from Marilyn Avenue Elementary School by providing support throughout the students' middle and high schools years.

The number of Pedrozzi Scholars continues to grow each year as generous members of the Livermore community fund scholarships as a form of giving back and to honor peers, family members, and friends. This year there were nineteen scholarships funded by community members.

The David F. Christeson GHS Class of 2005 Memorial Scholarship was awarded to artist Jodi Bryant of Granada High School who will be pursuing a degree in illustration as she continues her formal art training. Dave and Laurie Christeson established the scholarship in honor and memory of their son David who was an avid reader, writer

and aspiring chef who embraced a creative approach to achieving dreams. This inaugural scholarship award coincides with the Christeson's daughter's, Alex's, graduation from Granada.

Through a substantial donation, a retired Livermore resident again funded a Promise Scholarship, which will allow Jordan Goodwin to pursue her college dreams without a huge financial burden. The donor researched national scholarship foundations but realized that the Pedrozzi Foundation could most effectively facilitate her philanthropic goals. This generous community member was overjoyed to learn of Goodwin's plans to attend UC Berkeley as a Political Science and African American Studies double major. While at Berkeley, Goodwin hopes to continue her extracurricular passions by joining an intramural soccer team and playing flute in the Cal marching band.

Mony Nop, former Livermore police officer, real estate agent, and community leader, he chose to fund a community college scholarship through the foundation he established, Rising Young Leaders. Nop is grateful for the educational opportunities available to him once his family immigrated to the United States, therefore, he wanted to support a student who, like him, is the first-in-family to attend college.

Supporters Mim John, Alan and Mary Burnham, Howard and Elaine Storms, the Rotary Club of Livermore, Board Past President Kathy Coyle, and Board Treasurer John W. Houghton, Jr. continue to annually fund scholar-

ships. As a mechanical engineer, Houghton is thrilled that Joshua Lyons, recipient of the John W. Houghton, Jr. STEM Scholarship, will be pursuing a mechanical engineering degree at Purdue University. In expressing his gratitude to Mr. Houghton, Lyons wrote, "Thank you again for your generosity and confidence in my present and future abilities. I hope that I will reflect positively on you as a donor and on the Pedrozzi Foundation through my values of achievement, integrity, and responsibility."

Flutist David Davisson, who will be pursuing a degree in Flute Performance at Rice University, was awarded the Charles Amirkhanian Music Scholarship. The endowed scholarship fund was established by an anonymous Livermore couple in honor of Amirkhanian: composer, percussionist, sound poet, radio producer and co-founder of the Other Minds Music Festival.

Through the endowed scholarship fund they established in 2018, Bryan Balazs and Lori Souza funded five Pedrozzi Continuous Achievement Scholarships, which provide additional support to Pedrozzi Scholars at community colleges. This generous couple shares, "One of the important things we've learned from the work of the Pedrozzi Foundation is that community college students often struggle to complete their educational goals to earn a degree or complete their certificate or transfer program. We wanted to help students address this challenge, and we created the Pedrozzi Continuous Achievement Scholarship (PCAS) to further help Pedrozzi Scholars towards the completion of their community college goals. We wanted this endow-

ment to provide additional resources where we believed it to be most needed.” Aaron Specht, a 2019 PCAS recipient and 2011 Granada High School graduate, dropped out of Las Positas College (LPC) when he attended directly out of high school. He has since returned to LPC with a renewed focus which comes with maturity and personal grit. He now flourishes in school and effectively utilizes the wide variety of student support and success services on campus. Specht says, “Having help with the financial burden of going to school full-time while working part-time to support myself, allows me to spend more time on my studies, setting me up for a successful future.”

Carol Perry also provided additional scholarship support to two 2016 Pedrozzi Scholars, Jared Brandley and Martin Vega-Martinez. Carol is impressed with how both young men have not let obstacles prevent them from reaching their goal of earning a bachelor’s degree.

To promote vocational training, the Foundation partners with ABC NorCal to award tool scholarships for apprentices in one of the five ABC NorCal construction trade training programs. Longtime donors Jay and Mary Davis funded a tool scholarship in honor and memory of Jack Garabaldi, a former Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory mechanical technician. Jay says, “Jack was a Southern Pacific engineer before joining the lab and was just magic in both designing and building mechanical systems.”

Contact the Foundation at 925-456-3700 or info@Pedrozzi.org; visit Pedrozzi.org to learn more.

2019 Pedrozzi Scholars:

Pedrozzi Young Scholars: Leslie Amaya Hernández, Kimberly Arizmendi, Carlos Cabrera, Jorge Carrillo, Daniela Cristóbal-Salazar, Alondra García Dimayuga, Eduardo Ibarra Gudiño, Alana Manan, Jesse Peterson, Jonathan Ramírez Chavarria, Itzayana Reyna, Hannah Riddle, Giselle Vera, Guillermo Zambrano

Community College Scholarships: Jesus Alvarez, Yulisa Avina Alfaro, Daryl Calhoun-Bishop, Kayla Campbell, Jeremy Dyson, Pauline Evangelista, Abdul Karim, Nicole Keithly, Jack Kilner, Madeline Lovdahl, Brennan Mock, Jonathan Mulrooney, Gabriel Navarro, Tahoori Nazar, Sarah Peters, Diana Pinzon, Amanda Popelar, Olivia Powers, Alejandra Quezada, Christopher Sanchez, Aaron Specht, Jenna Stewart

Apprenticeship Tool Scholarship: Cody Albright, Giovanni Cruz, Ryan Hunt

Undergraduate Scholarships: Aidan Ackerman, Lilly Ackerman, Ciara Acosta, Elisabeth Aigeldinger, Gabriel Akins, Anna Bailey, Kinga Bihari, Isabella Bjorklund, Jodi Bryant, Isabella Carrano, Kaitlyn Clevenger, Abigail Cowan, Edison Cummings, David Davison, Taylor Detelefsen, Indira D’Souza, Grant Dufek, Caden Emry, Aidan Epperly, Alec Faith, Elizabeth Garcia, Sfurti Gaudani, Michelle Gile, Austin Gnecco, Christopher Gonzalez, Jordan Goodwin, Jessica Guzzo, Caleb Hardesty, Abigail Harnish, Lindsay Harnish, Brandon Harvey, Alexandra Hendrickson, Katherine Hottinger, Blanchard Kenfack Jr, Samantha Kwan, Jane Lai, Kyle Lam, Matthew Larson, Loreli Litney, Christine Liu, Joshua Lyons, Zack Macintire, Devon Maheshwari, Colleen McCandless, Bridgette Meyer, Mackenzie Miller, John Mollitoris, Lauren Moore, Praneeth Nandamuri, Savanna Nelson, Caleb Nieto, Anna Nostrand, Jennifer Padilla, Avery Perreault, Ashley Porter, Grace Post, Nathan Prisbrey, Emily Rogers, Caitlin Rokov, Lizeth Rosales, Zoe Russ, Eva Salazar, Sarah Sanchez, Elizabeth Schwegler, Frank Silva Jr., Lindsey Simpson, Colby Smith, Sierra Solorio, Ariella Stewart, Trenton Testerman, Mychaela Thomas, Daniel Tolentino, Eustyn Trinh, Tabitha Turner, Veronica Valenton, Skylar Vinson, Rebecca Wheeler, Jason Wigginton, Kyle Wohlgenuth, Brodie Wolf, Kristen Wong, Anya Worley, Madison Wright, Ashley Zhuang

Graduate Scholarships: Kamran Abri Lavasani, Paige Dunlop, Anne Marie Puso, Dayne Sasaki, Kelsey Thorne, Sarah Wilkinson



NCL, Inc. Livermore Chapter Class of 2019. (From Left to Right) Bottom Row: Tabitha Turner, Emily Rogers, Annabelle Stine, Grace Roberts, Kennedy Griffith, Abby Harnish, Lindsay Harnish, Kalea Bartolotto. Top Row: Mae Noland, Allison Scher, Tori Trautwein, Caitlyn Quartaroli

National Charity League Graduates First Class

National Charity League, Inc., Livermore Chapter (NCL, Inc.), announced the graduation of the Senior Class of 2019. Over the course of 5 years, this class of 21 Livermore mothers and daughters have given 1740 hours of their time to local charities serving our community.

The Class of 2019 is the first senior class of the 5-year-old Livermore Chapter of NCL, Inc. to graduate. In addition to serving the community’s philanthropies over the course of 5 years, these young women completed a senior class project for the charity Unravel Pediatric Cancer. They donated hand knit beanies for children receiving chemotherapy. These hats keep the children’s heads warm, even as their hair falls out due to the treatment’s side effects.

To accomplish this, the Chapter’s class of 2019 collected yarn and hat looms. Twelve senior girls knit at least 2 hats each, but some were able to knit more. At the end



Working on hats.

of the project 60 hats were donated. This was in addition to the 905 hours of service these teens contributed to 37 charitable organizations in the Tri-Valley community over the course of the last 5 years.

“It was a fun project. But the best part was knowing that the hats we made would help comfort a kid undergoing a difficult treatment,” said Lindsay Harnish. “It felt good knowing we could help children facing cancer.”

Vice-President of Philanthropy and chapter co-founder Debra Morris agreed. “This was a special project for the girls’ last year in high school. They chose a charity that spoke to their hearts where they felt they could personally make a difference. Helping kids through the tough fight against cancer inspired them. These hats were made with hope and love.”

ART & ENTERTAINMENT

Artist Series Features the Bold

Fortune Favors The Bold: An Artist Series hosted by Fortune Emporium, aims to bring fresh faces to Livermore's creative community.

The works of Phil Leonard, known artistically as Syrium, will be featured in an upcoming show.

He is a multidisciplinary artist based in Hollister. Using a broad range of mediums including sculptural works and fine art, he is best known for his intricate paintwork inspired by the lowrider and custom cars of the 60's and 70's.

According to Fortune Emporium, his ability to reshape 2D and 3D objects with precise brush strokes has given him a unique and easily identifiable voice in the art community. His intricate lines and shading create unparalleled dimension.

His work will be on display from June 29 - July



28, 2019. An artist reception will take place on June 29 from 6-9pm at 2222 Second Street in Livermore.

To learn more about Fortune Emporium, contact Nadia Breiz at 1.415.828.2246, via email at nadia@fortuneemporium.com, or visit www.fortuneemporium.com.

ART/PHOTO EXHIBITS

Livermore Art Association Gallery, located in the Carnegie Building, offers art classes, unusual gifts, painting rentals, art exhibits and information pertaining to the art field, 2155 Third St., Livermore. The gallery has been open since 1974 and is run as a co-op by local artists. Hours are Wed.-Sun. 11:30-4 p.m. For information call 449-9927.

Members of the Pleasanton Art League Public Art Circuit are currently exhibiting art at five businesses in the area. Viewing locations are: The Stanford Health Care Dermatology Clinic, 1133 E. Stanley Blvd. Suite 111, Livermore; Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce at 777 Peters Street, Pleasanton; Sallman, Yang, & Alameda CPA's at 7077 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 183, Pleasanton; The Bagel Street Café at 6762 Bernal Ave., Pleasanton; and The Bagel Street Café at 4101-A Dublin Blvd., Dublin. If interested in becoming a member of the Pleasanton Art League or for

information regarding the Public Art Circuit, call John Trimmingham at (510) 877-8154.

California Art Club exhibit of Bay Area Parks: Outdoor Treasures. June 14-July 20. Opening Reception: Saturday, June 15, 1:00-3:00 pm. Harrington Gallery, Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org

EBOS - East Bay Open Studios June 15, 16, 22 and 23 from 11 am. to 6 pm. Meet artists and see how some of the art is made. Free catalogs available at Way Up Art and Frame, 1912 2nd. Street and Bothwell Arts Center 2466 Eight Street in Livermore and the Firehouse Art Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue in Pleasanton. It can also be downloaded from the website eastbayopenstudios.com.

33rd Annual Art Under the Oaks celebration the weekend of July 20 and 21. Event combines art, wine, food, live music and family fun for all ages. Alden Lane Nursery, 981 Alden Lane, Livermore. Free

admission.

MEETINGS/CLASSES

PAL and LAA meeting, 7:30 p.m. June 10. Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th St., Livermore. Guest artists will be Laura Marion demonstrating portraits in water based oil. No admission charge. All are invited.

The Young Artists' Studio has openings in its 2018 - 2019 school year art classes. Artist Peggy Frank offers small group, individualized instruction in art to students ages 7 through high school. She also works with adults. Projects include all kinds of drawing, painting, print making and sculpture. Home schoolers and high school students working on advanced portfolios are welcome. Peggy has been an art instructor in the Livermore Valley for many years. Contact her at (925) 443-8755 or email frank.a@comcast.net.

Figure Drawing Workshop, every Friday 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Artists bring their own materials and easels. Open to all artists. Professional artist models (nude). No instructor. Students under 18 need written parental permission to attend. Cost \$20 per session. Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th St., Livermore. Coffee, tea and refreshments are available. Call or e-mail Barbara Stanton for more info about the workshop, 925-373-9638 - microangelo@earthlink.net.

Preschool Art classes: Thursday mornings 9:45-10:45. Children aged 3-5 are welcome to join this class. Classes cover drawing, painting, print-making, sculpture and ceramics. For further information, contact Thomasin Dewhurst at (925) 216-7231 or thomasin_d@hotmail.com or visit <http://childrensartclassesprojects.blogspot.com/>

Art Classes, For children, teens and adults. Beginner to advanced. Drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture and ceramics taught by highly experienced artist and art instructor, Thomasin Dewhurst. Week-day and weekend classes, Home school classes, Special classes during school breaks offered. (925) 216-7231 or email thomasin_d@hotmail.com for further info.

Piano and keyboard lessons, For children to adult. Beginner to early intermediate level. Half-hour private classes or small group classes offered. Twice-yearly recitals. (925) 216-7231 or email thomasin_d@hotmail.com for further info.

Ukulele Circle, Meetings held the last Saturday of each month from 12 noon-1 p.m. at Galina's Music Studio located at 1756 First St., Livermore. Confirm participation by calling (925) 960-1194 or via the website at www.GalinasMusicStudio.com. Beginners are welcome. Bring some music to share with the group. Ukuleles are available for purchase. Small \$10 fee to cover meeting costs.

WINERIES

Fun Fridays at Wood Family Vineyards. Live Music 5 to 8 pm, tasting room opens at noon. 2407 Research Dr., Livermore.

Bent Creek Winery, TGIT. (Thank Goodness it's Thursday), June 6, Live music in the Vineyard featuring the 3 Jazz Guys 5pm-8pm at 5455 Greenville Rd., Livermore. Food available from the Noche Mexicana Antojitos food truck

Rodrigue Molyneaux Winery Teacher Appreciation Weekend, June 8 & June 9, 12:30 PM - 5 PM. K-12 teachers and retired K-12 teachers, with a valid ID, will receive a free tasting. 3053 Marina Ave, Livermore. www.rmwinery.com

Charles R Vineyards 4th Friday Free Summer Concert Series June 28 - Jack Quigley Souled Out! - Serving up a gumbo pot of acoustic blues, rock and soul; July 26 - Chris Ahlman - Singer Songwriter, playing acoustic pop, folk and rock; August 23 - Rick Spitaleri - Danceable rock and roll from the 60s through today; September 27 - The Spencer James Band - A remix and a mashup of great blues and rock 'n' roll. 8195 Crane Ridge Road, Livermore, www.CharlesRVineyards.com 925-454-3040.

Taste Our Terroir in Livermore Valley Wine Country, July 25 - July 28, Livermore Valley Wine Country. Food and wine affair at Casa Real. Friday through Sunday, wineries across the region host ten food and wine events including Port tastings, a hike in the vineyard, honey tasting and more. Livermore Valley Winegrowers Association, www.lvwine.org/

MUSIC/CONCERTS

Retzlaff Estate Winery, Live Music every Sunday. 12:00 - 4:30. 1356 S. Livermore Ave, Livermore. <http://retzlaffvineyards.com>

Chris Bradley's Jazz Band appears regularly at: Old Mexico Bar & Grill in Livermore/on Portola Avenue--

the 2nd Tuesday each month from 7:30-9:30--Dance floor, full bar, small cover.

Dave Moore Band, performs June 14, 9 p.m. R-Place, 2562 Old First St., Livermore.

Lee DeWyze 8 p.m. June 22. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

Piano Men: The Music of Elton John & Billy Joel Featuring Kyle Martin, p.m. June 22. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Derik Nelson & Family, 8 p.m. July 12. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore; www.lvpac.org or call 925-373-6800.

Jessica Fichot Sun., July 14 at 7:00 p.m. Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th Street, Livermore. Enchantingly Original Chanteuse Chanteuse and songwriter. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

New Christy Minstrels, 8 p.m. July 26. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore; www.lvpac.org or call 925-373-6800.

How Lucky Can You Get? The Songs of Kander & Ebb performed by Tielle Baker, 2 p.m. July 28. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

ON THE STAGE

Disney's Beauty and the Beast Jr. Bay Area Children's Theatre presents Based on the original Broadway production. June 27 and 28. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

As You Like It, free Shakespeare in the Park presented by San Francisco Shakespeare Festival, Saturdays and Sundays at 7:00pm June 29-July 14 Amador Valley Community Park, Santa Rita & Black Avenue, Pleasanton.

Livermore Shakespeare Festival, July 3 to August 4, Wente Vineyards Estate Winery, The Tragedie of Othello and The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridges) (Revised). www.LivermoreShakes.org.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre, July 20, 27 and Aug. 3 at 8 p.m. and July 21, 28 and Aug. 3 and 4, 2019 at 2 p.m. his family. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

COMEDY

Free Comedy Show every Thursday at Sanctuary from 7:30-9 pm in the Skylight Room at Sanctuary, 2369 First St. in Livermore.

Free comedy show every Thursday at Rebel Kitchen & Libations, 2369 First St., Livermore 7:30pm.

Mahatma Moses Comedy Caravan, World's Only Indian-Jewish Stand Up Comedian. 5 p.m. June 23. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Sklar Brothers, Sat., July 13, 8:00 p.m. post-modern take on a stand-up comedy duo. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

DANCE

Xtreme's Favorite Things, Dance Company performing in their end of year showcase. 11 a.m. June 22. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

MOVIES

Classic Film Series, Pleasanton Public Library, 6 p.m. first Thursday of the month with host Steve Chiolis. This year's theme is FOG CITY - films about San Francisco. Films are free. No registration is required. The films are screened in the Pleasanton Library large meeting room. Everyone is welcome to attend. Some films are mature in content and may not be suitable for children. For more information or assistance, contact the Pleasanton Public Library at (925) 931-3400, extension 4. 400 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton.

Star Trek: The Wrath of Khan (1982 movie) June 19, 7:30 p.m. all tickets \$5. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

Livermore Civic Center Library: Chasing the Moon sneak-peek screening, 7 p.m. July 3. 1188 So. Livermore Ave., Livermore.

Apollo 13 (1995 movie) July 10, 7:30 p.m. all tickets \$5. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

OPERA

Livermore Valley Opera Opera In The Vineyard #1 at Nella Terra Cellars, Sunol, special Father's Day Edition, June 16th. Tickets and information at www.livermorevalleyopera.com

Ao Li: An Evening of Favorite Arias, 8 p.m. June 29. Firehouse Arts Cen-

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ter, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848. **Livermore Valley Opera**, Opera In The Vineyard #2 at Retzlaff Vineyard, Livermore, July 14th, includes "Arias a la Carte". Tickets and information at www.livermorevalleyopera.com

MISCELLANEOUS

Hagemann Ranch Open House.

Tours of the 140+ year old ranch and free, family friendly seasonal activities. The last Sunday

of each month, 1-4 PM. Go to www.livermorehistory.com for the monthly program. 455 Olivina Ave., Livermore.

A Writers Meetup for adults 18 and older meets on the first Tuesday of every month, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Livermore Civic Center Library, 1188 S. Livermore Avenue, Livermore, CA. There is no charge and no sign-up needed to attend this informal gathering. Hosted by local writer and NaNoWriMo (National Novel Writing Month)

participant Sydney Dent. To learn more about this program check the library's website at livermorelibrary.net or call the library at 925-373-5500.

Political Issues Book Club meets the 4th Tuesday of each month, and reads books about issues and trends that are driving current affairs in both the national and international arenas. Topics that have been covered include politics, governance, economics, military affairs, history, sociology, science, the

climate, and religion. Contact Rich at 872-7923, for further questions.

Livermore Rodeo Parade, June 8, 10 a.m. downtown Livermore.

Livermore Rodeo, June 8 and 9 at Robertson Park Stadium. Gates open at 11:00am. Grand Entry at 3:00pm. World's Fastest Rodeo. www.livermorerodeo.com

Museum on Main, An Afternoon or Evening with... Nathaniel Hawthorne: Tuesday, June 11th, 2pm; Tuesday, June 11th, 7pm; Firehouse Arts Center. Tickets at

www.museumonmain.org or (925) 462-2766.

2019 Alameda County Fair -- June 14 -July 7. live Action Sports shows, big name concerts and Live Horse Racing. For more information and schedules, visit www.AlamedaCountyFair.com

Valley Bonsai Society 10th Annual Bonsai Show at Alden Lane Nursery, Livermore, Saturday, June 16 and Sunday, June 17 from 10 am to 4 pm. www.valleybonsaisociety.com/ **Museum on Main**, An Evening with...

Prime Minister Winston Churchill: Tuesday, July 9th, 7pm; AMADOR THEATER. Tickets at www.museumonmain.org or (925) 462-2766. **amie Metzl, Hacking Darwin**, Rae Dorrough Speakers Series, 7:30 p.m. July 15. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

Little League® Intermediate Baseball World Series, July 28 – August 4, 2019. Livermore, Max Baer Park. www.littleleague.org/world-series/2019/5070/

Author to Discuss How to Compose "Stunning Sentences"

Prize-winning author Nina Schuyler will speak to local writers and interested members of the public about "How to Write Stunning Sentences" on Saturday, June 15.

The audience will learn how to master the art of writing sentences that "do more than move the story along," according to Schuyler. A description of her talk notes that attendees will learn to create suspense and elevate emotion at the sentence level among many other things. "It's not necessarily what your English teacher would teach," she added.

Schuyler's presentation is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. at the Four Points by Sheraton, 5115 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton, with check-in at 1:30 p.m. The talk is hosted by the Tri-Valley Branch of the California Writers Club (CWC).

The session is open to people who make advance reservations and pay a fee at the door. Cost for CWC members is \$14; for non-members, \$18. Student fees are \$6 for members and \$10 for non-members. Anyone interested in the program or CWC may attend with no obligation to join. Reservations can be made by sending a message via e-mail to reservations@trivalleywriters.org no later than Wednesday, June 12.

Schuyler is the author of "The Translator," winner of the 2014 Next Generation Indie Award for General Fic-

tion. Her first novel, "The Painting," was nominated for the Northern California Book Award and named a Best Book by the San Francisco Chronicle. She is also the author of "How to Write Stunning Sentences," published in 2018 by Fiction Advocate. She teaches creative writing in the graduate program at the University of San Francisco. Visit www.ninaschuyler.com for more information about Schuyler.

The CWC Tri-Valley Branch invites writers of all genres and experience levels to learn about their craft at its monthly meetings. For more information about the CWC Tri-Valley Branch, contact Lani Longshore at president@trivalleywriters.org or visit www.trivalleywriters.org.



Nina Schuyler

VA Mobile Medical Outreach at the Pleasanton Library

The Pleasanton Library will host the VA Palo Alto Mobile Medical Outreach team to facilitate free examinations, consultations, and referrals for veterans. Additional VA resource in-

formation will be available. The event will run from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 13. The library is located at 400 Old Bernal Avenue. The VA will return to the library monthly through November 2019.

Veterans uncertain of their benefits eligibility are encouraged to visit as requirements have changed, and VA health

care may complement current medical coverage. VA representatives will provide information or assistance with questions and enrollment for VA care.

Veterans should bring an extra copy of military discharge papers (Form DD-214) and a list of current medications. For more information or assistance with obtaining proof of ser-

vice documents prior to the event, contact the library's information desk, 925-931-3400 x4 or jeseltine@cityofpleasantonca.gov.

The City of Pleasanton Library has been a member of Veterans Connect @ the Library, a statewide outreach to Veterans sponsored by the California State Library, since 2013.

Concert at the Library

A free concert of dance music in the style of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Harry James, Les Brown, and Benny Goodman will take place June 9 at 2 p.m. at the Pleasanton Library.

Performing will be Nightlife Big Band, a 17 piece Big Band that has played together in the Tri-Valley area for over 35 years.

This concert will be held in the library's large meeting room and is free.



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Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society Presents a Family History Workshop, Saturday, June 8, 2019, Noon until 4:00 PM, Livermore Family History Center, 950 Mocho St., Livermore. COST: No charge. Visitors welcome. For additional information contact: Tom Mathews, L-AGS Program Chair, email: program@L-AGS.org

Amador Valley Quilters friendship group "Out of the Boxes" will present a lecture, panel discussion, and trunk show featuring their unique art quilts at the June 8, 2019 general meeting. Their work has been shown at both AVQ shows and at the "Quilting in the Garden" event at Alden Lane in Livermore. The Amador Valley Quilters meet the second Saturday of the month from 1:30 to 4:00 PM at Pleasanton Middle School, 5001 Case Ave. Pleasanton. www.amadorvalleyquilters.org

Widowed Men and Women of Northern Cal. June 9, noon, Lunch in Danville, RSVP to Marsha by June 6 at 830-8483. June 15, 1 p.m. general meeting and birthday luncheon in San Ramon, RSVP to Marsha, by June 12 at 830-8483. June 23, 1 p.m. hamburgers, pie and ice cream celebration, RSVP by June 20 to Hilda, 398-8808. June 27, 1 p.m. luncheon in Pleasanton, RSVP by June 24 to Gloria 846-8329.

Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated, a "Silver Award Club," meeting June 13. Special Guest Speaker: Rochelle Conner will talk about Why Faith Matters in Today's Culture. Beeb's Sports Bar and Grill Banquet Room (At the Las Positas Golf Course), 915 Clubhouse Drive, Livermore. (925) 455-7070. Social time 6 p.m., meeting 6:45 p.m. Reservations due by June 11, 2019 Call: Jo Molz: Cell / Text: 925-367-6155 Include all names and a phone # or email: rjm911@sbglobal.net TWRWF Members: \$ 30.00; Guests: \$ 35.00. www.trivalleyrepublican-womenfederated.org

Singles Happy Hour Party. Single Professionals are encouraged to meet new friends Sunday, June 9, 2019, 4-6pm, at Coco Cabana, 4500 Tassajara Road, Dublin. The cost is \$10 at the door, which includes: Complimentary light appetizers, served at 4pm, as long as they last. Fun Mixer Game, with prizes. This event is co-sponsored by The Society of Single Professionals, the world's largest non-profit singles organization; and many singles meetups. Anyone wishing more information about this and many more events for singles may visit www.thepartyhotline.com or call 415-507-9962.

The Fifth Annual Hope 100 Golf Marathon accepting player registrations. Join Hope Hospice for a fun and challenging day where you will be among an exclusive group of passionate golfers completing 100 holes in one day, all for a great cause! The event takes place September 30 at

Castlewood Country Club in Pleasanton. Each golfer commits to raising \$2,500, with net proceeds benefiting Hope's patient care and grief support programs in the East Bay and Tri-Valley areas. You can pay your own \$2,500 entry fee directly, or encourage friends and family to collectively support you and cover the fee. Register at hope100golf-marathon.com. For registration questions or sponsorship inquiries, contact the Hope Hospice Development Department at (925) 829-8770.

Livermore Lions Club meets for dinner every third Thursday of the month at 6:30pm at Emil Villa's Restaurant, 3064 Pacific Ave. in Livermore. Lions are the world's largest service organization. Livermore Lions support the needs within the community and state, the nation and the world. Funds provided to support the homeless, the fire victims, and the hurricane and earthquakes victims. Charities include: Canine Companions, Blind Centers, and the Ear of the Lion. Check out our website (livermorelionsclub.org) for up-coming projects and events. All are welcome to meetings and to participate in activities.

Dress a Girl Around the World, an invitation to make simple dresses for girls in third world countries. Meetings are once a month. The next meeting is June 22, from 9 am to 3 pm at St. Michael's Hall, Corner of 3rd and Maple St., Livermore. Bring sewing machine or serger, iron, ironing board, scissors, along with helping hands. (Those planning to stay all day should bring a bag lunch.) Always accepting cheerful cotton fabric donations. Those who can't make the Sew-Fest but would like to sew, arrange for kits that can be sews at home. Questions? Suzanne Beck, 925-352-8447 or suzbeck@yahoo.com

Master Gardeners talks, Demonstration Garden, 3575 Greenville Rd., Livermore. trained Master Gardeners are on site at to answer question and give tours of the garden 9:30am-11:30am on the second Saturday of the month; talks on seasonally appropriate topics. All Talks are 10 am- 11 on the second Saturday of the Month Mar-Nov. June 8 Citrus- Varieties and Care; July 13 Irrigation How much water do I really need to apply; Aug. 10 Soil- why does it matter so much; Sept. 14 Firescaping in a Suburban environment; Oct. 12 Propagation: Seed Saving; Nov. 9 MG Plant Favorites- Winter interest

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Tri-Valley's Connections Support Group, meets every Wednesday, from 7:15pm - 8:45pm at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton. This group provides support and education for anyone experiencing a mental illness. For further information, visit www.nami-trivalley.org or contact Kendall @ 925-872-0170.

Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Jose Maria Amador, Pleasanton Chapter. The local Jose Maria Amador chapter meets on the second Saturday of the month from September to May, with a short business meeting and a program. DAR was founded in 1890 to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism. Its members are descended from the patriots who won American independence during the

Revolutionary War. DAR is one of the world's largest and most active service organizations. DAR members are committed to volunteer service having served more than 12.5 million hours in communities throughout the world during the past three years. For more information, please visit <https://josemaria.californiadar.org/> or contact Debbie Janes at jmadar.regent@gmail.com.

Grief support meetings. 7:30 pm at St. Elizabeth Seton, 4001 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton, on June 13 and 27, July 11 and 25 and August 8. Please call Eleanor at 846-8708 for more information. All are welcome regardless of religious affiliation.

National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Josefa Higuera Livermore Chapter. Meets September through May on the first Saturday of each month. DAR was founded in 1890 to promote education, historic preservation, and patriotism. Its members are descended from patriots who supported and/or fought for American independence during the Revolutionary War. With nearly 185,000 members in approximately 3,000 chapters worldwide, DAR is one of the world's largest and most active service organizations. For additional information, visit <http://jhl.californiadar.org>.

Tri-Valley Parkinson's Support Group - those with Parkinson's or a variant diagnosis plus their care partners meet at the Pleasanton Sr. Center on the 2nd Sat of every month from 10am-12Noon. Hear speakers on a variety of related topics and to share challenges, solutions, and triumphs! Contact mary.behrendt@comcast.net or 925-462-5081 for more information. No cost.

Pleasanton Amer. Leg. Post 237 located at 301 Main St. is looking for few good veterans to join us. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 1900 hr. or consider joining us for coffee/donuts every Saturday 0700-0830. All veterans all welcome to join us at coffee. You qualify to attend if you served. Come and meet other veterans and you will hear and see nothing has changed since you were discharged. We enjoy new faces and guarantee you will enjoy being around veterans. Please consider coming and joining your comrades, because there still fun to be around. Lock and Load. Ready on the right ready on the left. Visit our post at americanlegionpost237@comcast.net

AA If you want to drink, that's your business. If you want to stop, we can help. Call Alcoholics Anonymous 925-829-0666

Native Daughters of the Golden West, (California born Women) is a fraternal and patriotic organization founded on the principles of: Love of Home; Devotion to the Flag; Veneration of the Pioneers; Faith in the Existence of God., Angelita Parlor No. 32, Livermore, meet first Monday of the month, 6:30 PM, I.O.O.F Hall, 2160 First St., Livermore (easy entrance from back of building) Rec. Sec.: Shelley Buchberger, 925-698-4345- website: NDGW.org

Scottish country dancing in Livermore. Enjoy the lively reels and jigs and graceful strathspeys that are the traditional social dance of Scotland. Make new friends and have fun while you exercise. Join us Mondays 8:00 to 10:00 pm at the Livermore

Veteran's Hall, 522 South L Street, Livermore. No prior dance experience or partner required. We welcome new dancers at any time. Call Margaret Ward at (925) 449-5932 or Sheena MacQueen at (925) 784-3662 for more information.

Wednesday Night Run with Sunrise Mountain Sports, every Wednesday night (rain or shine) at 6:30PM. Start/End Location: Sunrise Mountain Sports 2184 First Street Livermore. The run/walk will start at 6:30PM, but come hang with us around 6PM to socialize/warm-up/change. There are a variety of distances starting at 2 miles and they go up to 9 miles. The most popular is the 3.5 mile course (that does have two water fountains along its route). Dogs, kids, and people of all paces are welcome. More information located on Sunrise's Facebook Event Page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/237597100263100/>

The City of Pleasanton Library's Literacy Program is searching for patient, caring volunteer tutors to help adults practice and improve their English reading, writing, and conversation skills. Volunteers will work one-on-one with students, lead small group conversation practice, conduct citizenship test preparation, or lead book clubs. No advance preparation is needed. Find more information contact the Adult Literacy team literacy@cityofpleasantonca.gov / 925-931-3405.

Livermore Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), Post 7265, seeking returning Veterans from foreign conflicts who are interested in staying engaged with other Veterans and their families. The VFW is one of the strongest Veterans organizations in America but is in serious decline because of lack of membership. Meetings on the first and third Mondays of each month with a light dinner social at 6:00pm followed by a business meeting at 7:00pm at the Veteran's Memorial Hall, 522 So. L. St. (corner of So. L & 5th Street-enter on 5th St.). For more information contact Commander Hank Jean: 480-585-8970 or Service Officer Ron Gillette: 925-443-4444.

Tri-Valley Haven - Individual Counseling & Group Therapy Openings, For over forty years, Tri-Valley Haven, a non-profit agency, has provided shelter and counseling for survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence, and their children in the Tri-Valley. The Haven provides free, professional individual and group therapy for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and poverty. For more information on Tri-Valley Haven's Support Groups and Individual Counseling, please call: (925) 449-5845.

Docents for the Livermore History-Mobile. Volunteers interested in Livermore history and/or like working with children (mostly 3rd graders) are needed. Mission is to teach children the history of Livermore and instill in them a sense of pride in the city. There will be training. Time commitment could be as little as a few days a year. There are usually have 3 docents at each school. If interested, call Nancy Mulligan, 925-443-3076 or E-mail n.mulligan@comcast.net.

Sing for fun, Music Sing-a-Long, sing familiar tunes with other folks along with piano accompaniment. The words of the songs will be provided. No musical experi-

ence needed. Most Mondays, from 11:00-12:00 at the Robert Livermore Community Center. Small fee.

Counter Point (Addiction Family Support Group) free faith based, Christ centered (Al Anon based) program designed to help individuals with family members who suffer from alcoholism and drug addiction. Meet Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at St. Michael Elementary School (345 Church Street, Livermore). For further information, contact Rachel at (510-501-1411).

Tri-Valley Geeks, group of adults who get together for events like board games, movies and fan conventions. Meetings every Tuesday at 5:30 for dinner and board games. A schedule of upcoming events can be found on Facebook at: [Facebook.com/groups/TriValleyGeeks](https://www.facebook.com/groups/TriValleyGeeks). Text Melody Evenson at 925-209-1214 for more information.

Golden Circle Seniors, meetings Mondays at 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center in the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave. Sewing, knitting and crocheting all year, saving items for the annual bazaar in November. Ninety-five percent of the proceeds are donated to local charities.

Pleasanton Lions Club, dinner meetings every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. 530 Inklings Coffee Shop in the Wardrobe Room, Pleasanton. Check website for meeting updates pleasantonlionsclub.org. Pleasanton Lions Club is a non-profit organization that seeks to identify needs within the community and work together to fulfill those needs. For more information or to get involved visit pleasantonlionsclub.org. All are welcome.

Have you been affected by someone's drinking? Al-Anon and Alateen offer hope and strength for families and friends of problem drinkers. www.AlanonTriValley.org, 925-277-7661, help@AlanonTriValley.org.

Recovery International Support Group meets 1300 S Livermore Avenue, Livermore, at 2pm every Sunday except holidays. No RSVP needed. Contact: Ken 510-754-4599 or Barbara 916-335-8836

Ethos 1010 Murrieta Blvd., Suite B, Livermore. Free and confidential services related to pregnancy include guidance and referrals, baby clothing, and diapers. Call (925) 449-5887 for an appointment.

Meals on Wheels Volunteers are needed to deliver fresh meals to homebound seniors in Livermore or Pleasanton one day per week, Monday-Friday between 10 am-12 p.m.. For more information, please call (925)483-1989.

Rotary Club of Livermore Valley invites interested individuals to attend its morning meeting. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 7 am in Beeb's Sports Bar & Grill at the Las Positas Golf Course, 915 Club House Drive, Livermore. For more information, go to www.livermorevalleyrotary.org/ or contact Frank Vallejo, President of Rotary Club of Livermore Valley, at 925-595-2004 or FVallejo@CalWater.com

Del Valle Folk Dancers: beginning and experienced dancers are welcome. Balkan, Israeli and other world dances, easy line and circle dances, no partners required, casual dress. \$3 per session (first time free). Tuesdays 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Bothwell Arts Center (West end), 2466 8th Street,

Livermore. Information: George Pavel (925) 447-8020 or george.pavel@gmail.com

Square Dance Lessons in Livermore, 7 p.m. at Del Valle High School, 2253 5th Street. All ages welcome. Dancing Thursdays weekly from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. No partner or special attire needed. For more information call Margaret 925-447-6980 or mmiller1435@gmail.com.

Shepherd's Gate New Life Thrift Store, open at 4014 East Ave. Hours will be 9-7 Monday through Friday, 9-5 Saturday, closed Sunday. Donations can be left at 4014 East Ave in the rear of the building, 9:30 AM to 5 PM M-F, 8-2:30pm Sat, closed Sundays & holidays.

Italian Catholic Federation, meets 3rd Friday of the month, 6 p.m. St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 4001 Stoneridge Dr., Pleasanton. Anyone who loves all things Italian is invited to meet to celebrate the Italian heritage with monthly dinner meetings and holding charitable events. The group supports Children's Hospital research, college scholarships and other charities. For information, contact Judy Wellbeloved, president, 462-2487.

ClutterLess Self Help Support Group (CL) is a non profit, peer based, all volunteer, self help in-person support group for people with difficulty discarding unwanted possessions. Meetings at Parkview, 100 Valley Avenue, (main entrance), 2nd Floor Activity Room, Pleasanton, every Monday 7 - 8:30 pm (except postal holidays). www.clutterless.org (national) or www.Clutterless-eSastBay.org for more info.

Questers is an international organization of lovers of antiques, collectibles, and history who encourage preservation and restoration of historical landmarks. At chapter meetings, members learn about antiques, share and view members' collections, visit historic sites, museums and antiques shops and help non-profit organizations with restoration and preservation work. Chapter meets the 4th Tuesday monthly from September to May. New members are invited to join the local Amador Chapter. If interested call President Rickie at 925-292-8123 or e-mail rffgiono@comcast.net.

Tri-Valley Stargazers Astronomy Club. Feed your wonder about the Night Sky and the Cosmos by joining us on the 3rd Friday of the Month for our club meeting. Unitarian Universalist Church, 1893 N. Vasco Rd., Livermore. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. talk starts at 7:30 p.m.. For more info visit us @ <http://www.trivalleystargazers.org/>

Ravenswood Historical Site, 2647 Arroyo Road, Livermore, Docents in 1890s costumes give free guided tours beginning at noon, on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Each tour includes the 1885 Cottage and the 1891 Main House, and the beautifully landscaped grounds. For information on the Ravenswood Progress League (RPL) or the volunteer Docent Program, please call the Docent Coordinator at (925) 443-0238.

Sons in Retirement (SIR) is a social group of retired men who join together to better enjoy their leisure time. Activities include golf, bridge, photography, travel, fishing, biking, wine tasting, and technology.

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The Tri-Valley Branch serves men living in Pleasanton, Dublin, Livermore, and San Ramon. The group meets for lunch on the first Thursday of each month at the San Ramon Golf Club, 9430 Fircrest Lane, San Ramon. Please read more about the Tri-Valley SIR at www.trivalleysir.org and the Statewide SIR at www.sirinc.org/. For information or to attend a meeting, call Carl Churilo, 925-967-8177.

American Legion Post 47 in Livermore is looking for veterans in the Livermore area who are interested in performing community service for young people and promoting veterans affairs. Interested veterans will meet with other like-minded veterans for camaraderie and support of veterans' causes. The American Legion is the largest federally chartered veterans organization that is the veterans lobby and voice to congress. The Livermore American Legion Post 47 meets the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Veterans Memorial Building, 522 South L Street, Livermore. Enter the building from the ramp on the 5th Street side. For more information go to <http://www.calegion.org/> or contact Bill Bergmann at calegion.post47@gmail.com or (925) 443-2330 or Roy Warner at 925-449-6048.

Eric's Corner is a free support group for people who are dealing with a diagnosis of Epilepsy. Everyone is invited to attend these meetings. Meetings are held at 5725 W. Las Positas Blvd., second floor, Pleasanton. We meet from 6:30 - 8:00 on the third Thursday of each month. For more information please visit us at ericscorner.org

Assistance League® of Amador Valley invites all visitors to join this dedicated group of volunteers, reaching out to those in need in the Tri-Valley and having fun doing it. Regular meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Parkview, 100 Valley Ave., Pleasanton. For more information, see our website, www.amadorvalley.assistanceleague.org, e-mail assistanceleagueamadorvalley@yahoo.com, or call (925) 461-6401.

Operation: SAM "Supporting All Military" is a 501(c)(3) non profit military support organization based in Livermore. S.A.M. has been in operation since January 2004. It is dedicated to the continued morale support of deployed troops. For information or donations, visit www.operationssam.org, email operationsam@comcast.net

Pleasanton Newcomers Club, open to new and established residents of the Tri-Valley. Activities include a coffee the first Wednesday of the month, a luncheon on the second Wednesday of the month, Bunco, Mah Jongg, walking/hiking groups, family activities, and monthly adult socials. Information, call 925-215-8405 or visit www.PleasantonNewcomers.com

Community Resources for Independent Living (CRIL) offers services to help people with disabilities and supports them to live independently and participate in their community for as long as they are willing and able to do so. CRIL maintains offices in Hayward, Fremont and Livermore to provide information and referrals and provide community education at senior centers and affordable housing complexes to residents of Southern Alameda County. The Tri-Valley

office is located at 3311 Pacific Avenue, Livermore 94550 and can be reached by phone at (925) 371-1531, by FAX at (925) 373-5034 or by e-mail at abril.tamayo@cril-online.org. All services are free.

Livermore Peripheral Neuropathy Support Group meets every fourth Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. in the third floor movie room at Heritage Estates Retirement Community. The address is 900 E. Stanley Blvd., Livermore All are welcome. Contact is Lee Parlett 292-9280.

DBE Daughters of the British Empire, John McLaren's Roses of Britain Chapter in the Tri-Valley meets at 11:00 a.m. on the 3rd Thursday of every month at Castlewood Country Club. DBE was founded in 1909 and is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization made up of women of British or British Commonwealth heritage and ancestry with a focus on charity and fellowship. Those interested in helping with "the cause," enjoying social activities, and forming long-lasting friendships, contact Edith Caponigro at 925-998-3500 or Jenny Whitehouse at 925-621-8946 for additional information.

Tri-Valley Triathlon Club (TVTC), Information on programs and memberships, training philosophies and schedules, and all things TVTC, an all inclusive triathlon/marathon/endurance training program. www.trivalleytriclub.com.

Pleasanton Military Families is a Pleasanton based support group for those who have a loved one serving in the Military. The group gathers at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month to share concerns, fears, and to celebrate the joys that are experienced. There is no better support than being surrounded by others who know what you are going through. Three times per year, the group collects supplies and sends care packages to the troops. Contact PMFSG.ca@gmail.com for the location of the next meeting.

Livermore Military Families, a support group for families in Livermore who have a loved one serving in the Military, is intended to be a safe place for family members to come and share their experiences and concerns with others who understand what they are going through. All family members are welcome to attend meetings. Meetings on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Livermore Veterans Memorial Building, 522 South L Street from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. For more information, call Tami Jenkins, 925-784-5014 or email livermoremilitaryfamilies@yahoo.com.

RELIGION

First Presbyterian Church, 2020 Fifth Street, Livermore. 8:30 a.m. Contemplative Service in the Chapel and 10:00 a.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary and children's program For more information www.fpcl.us or 925-447-2078.

Tri-Valley Bible Church, 2346 Walnut St., Livermore, holds Sunday worship at 10 a.m. with Sunday school for all ages at 9 a.m. Children's classes during adult worship service. AWANA children's program Wednesdays at 6 p.m. 449-4403 or www.TriValleyBibleChurch.com.

Unitarian Universalist Church, 1893

North Vasco Road, Livermore. Sunday Service 10:30am. Church of the open mind, loving heart and helping hands. All are welcome. Childcare, and religious education for children as well as adults are offered. For more information, visit www.uucil.org or call 925-447-8747.

Congregation Beth Emek, Center for Jewish Learning, Prayer and Community in the Tri-Valley. 3400 Nevada Court, Pleasanton. Information 931-1055. Rabbi Dr. Laurence Milder, www.bethemek.org.

Tri-Valley Cultural Jews, affiliated with the Congress of Secular Jewish Organizations (csjo.org). Information, Rabbi Judith Seid, Tri-Valley Cultural Jews, 485-1049 or EastBaySecularJews.org.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Livermore, services 10 a.m. every Sunday. Sunday School for students (ages 3-20) is held at 10 a.m. every Sunday. The church and reading room are located at Third and N Streets. The Reading Room, which is open to the public, features books, CDs and magazines for sale. For information, call (925) 447-2946.

Sunset Community Church, 2200 Arroyo Rd., Livermore. Sunday worship service at 9:30 a.m. Hispanic service starts at 2 p.m. Nursery and children's church provided. A "Night of Worship" first Sunday of each month at 6 p.m. Wednesday night program for all ages at 7 p.m. Information, call 447-6282.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church Sunday Service 9:30 a.m. 1020 Mocho St., Livermore. Information, 447-8840.

Our Savior Lutheran Ministries, 1385 S. Livermore Avenue, Livermore. 9 a.m. worship (semiformal); 10:30 a.m. adult Bible study/Sunday school. For information, call 925-447-1246.

Calvary Tri-Valley, Sunday Services at 243 Scott Street, Livermore, 10:00am. www.calvarylivermore.org or 925-447-4357.

Granada Baptist Church, 945 Concannon Boulevard, Livermore. Services: Sunday school - 9:45 a.m.; worship service - 11 a.m. All are welcome. 447-3428.

Seventh-day Adventist Church, 243 Scott Street, Livermore. 925-447-5462, services on Saturday: Sabbath school 9:30 a.m., worship 11 a.m. www.livermoresda.org/ All are welcome.

Faith Chapel Assembly of God, Pleasanton, 6656 Alisal Street. Sunday school for all ages at 9:30 a.m., Worship at 10:35 a.m., Nursery, Children's Church (ages 3-12) at 11:15 a.m., Wednesday Women's Bible Study will be taking a break, Senior Adult Ministry every other month. Call for date and time and other church programs at 846-8650.

Trinity Church, 557 Olivina Ave., Livermore. New Sunday Worship Services & Children's Ministry times now at 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Small Groups also meet on Sundays, and during the week at various times/locations. Trinity Student Ministries (7-12th Grade) meet on Sundays at 9 a.m. and on Weds. eve. from 7-9 p.m. Awana meets Sundays from 3:30-5:30PM trinitylivermore.org or 925-447-1848.

St. Charles Borromeo, 1315 Lomitas Ave., Livermore. Meditation groups following

the John Main tradition, every Monday 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. For details, contact Claire La Scola at 447-9800.

St. Innocent Orthodox Church, 1047 Serpentine Lane #300, Pleasanton. Sunday Liturgy at 10 a.m. For details, go to www.stinnocent.net or call Fr. John Karcher at (831) 278-1916.

St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Road, Pleasanton, Services on Sunday, 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. Children's Sunday School & Chapel at 10:15 a.m. All are most welcome to come and worship with us and to enjoy our hospitality. For more information call the church office 925-462-4802.

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 678 Enos Way, Livermore, (925) 447-3289. www.saintbartsLivermore.com. Sunday service with Rev. Andrew Lobban, pastor and priest, 10:00 am Eucharist with music, childcare and Godly Play children education.

Little Brown Church, United Church of Christ 141 Kilkare Road, Sunol. 10:30 a.m. worship. All are welcome here. www.littlebrownchurchofsunol.org 925-862-2580

Pathway Community Church, 1055 Serpentine Lane, Pleasanton. Contemporary Worship Service, Sunday, 10:30 am. Children, youth, adult programs. Biblically based practical messages, nondenominational. All are welcome. www.pathwaycommunity-church.org (925) 322-1222.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 486 S. J Street, Livermore. Sunday worship at 9:00 am, followed by Bible Study/Sunday School at 10:20 am. For more information, visit www.goodshepherd-livermore.org or call (950) 371-6200.

Bethel Family Christian Center, 501 North P Street, Livermore, Pastors are Don & Debra Qualls. Weekly ministries: Sunday 10 a.m. - Teaching Sessions; Sunday 10:25 a.m. - Holy Grounds Fellowship; Sunday Worship Service 10:45 a.m. - Elementary aged children go to Kid's church following worship, nursery available; Wednesday 7 p.m. - Back to the Point Bible Study; all ages; Friday 7 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery; in the dining hall; 925-449-4848.

Valley Bible Church, Pleasanton, 7106 Johnson Drive, Services at 9:00 and 11:00. 925-227-1301. www.thecrossing.org

Valley Bible Church, Livermore, meets at 10:00 am Sunday at 6751 Southfront Road, Suite 6749, Livermore. Phone 925-227-1301. www.thecrossing.org.

Cedar Grove Community Church, 2021 College Ave., Livermore. Worship Services 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. www.cedargrove.org or call 447-2351.

Chabad of the Tri-Valley, 784 Palomino Dr., Pleasanton. 846-0700. www.jewishtrivalley.com. Rabbi Raleigh Resnick.

Well Community Outreach Center ministry provides meats, canned and dry goods, toiletries, and school supplies (only available prior to the start of the school year). Those with an immediate need or who would like to donate nonperishable food items, call the office at (925) 479-1414 to begin the process. Wednesday and Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., and Thursday 4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Pick up by appointment only. The Outreach Center will be open every 4th

Saturday to distribute bags from Fresh and Easy Market and Sprouts. This will be on a first come first serve basis between 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 2333 Nissen Drive, Livermore.

Lynnwood United Methodist Church at 4444 Black Ave., Pleasanton, offers a friendly congregation where all are welcome. Summer worship schedule one service at 9:30 a.m. Childcare provided. Contact the church office 846-0221, send an email to office@lynnwood.org or visit our website at www.lynnwood.org.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - Livermore Stake: Sunday services -1501 Hillcrest Ave: Sycamore Grove Ward 9:00 am; Windmill Springs Ward 10:30 am. 950 Mocho St: Valley View Ward 9:00 am; Vineyard Hills Ward 10:30 am; Del Valle Branch (Spanish) first meeting 11:40, Sacramento meeting 12:40; 8203 Village Parkway, Dublin: Tri-Valley Young Single Adult Ward 12:30.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints: Pleasanton 1st Ward: Sunday at 1 p.m., 6100 Paseo Santa Cruz. Pleasanton 2nd Ward: Sunday 1 p.m. at 3574 Vineyard Ave. Pleasanton 3rd Ward: Sunday 9:30 a.m., 3574 Vineyard Ave. Pleasanton 4th Ward: Sunday 9:30 a.m., 6100 Paseo Santa Cruz. Dublin 1st Ward: Sunday 9:30 a.m., 8203 Village Parkway.

John Knox Presbyterian Church, 7421 Amarillo Rd., Dublin. Sunday worship service at 9:30 a.m. Sunday school for ages 3-18 during worship. Adult education Sundays at 11:00 a.m. Jr. High youth group Sundays 4:00-6:10 p.m. High school youth group Sundays 5:50-8:00 p.m. www.jkpcdublin.org (925)828-1846.

St. Francis of Assisi, 193 Contractors St., Livermore. Sunday School (all ages) - 8:30 AM. Communion - 9:30 AM. 925-906-9561 stfrancisanglican.church.

Center for Spiritual Living Livermore Valley - A Lighthouse to the world. Sunday service at 10:00 a.m. Youth and teen programs offered as well. All are welcome. Meeting place Parish Hall, 678 Enos Way, Livermore. For more information contact revharriet1@yahoo.com or visit us at <http://cslvlighthouse.org>.

Tri-Valley Church of Christ, gives away clothing and other items every Monday 10-12. Donations are also accepted on Mondays between 10-12. 4481 E. Avenue, Livermore.

Christ Church (a nondenominational evangelical church formerly meeting in Pleasanton), Now meeting at Arroyo Mocho Elementary School, 1040 Florence Rd., Livermore. Worship service at 9:00 a.m.; Educational Classes for all ages at 11:00 a.m. visit: www.christchurch-trivalley.org or call 925.846.0665.

GraceWay Church worships at 10 a.m. Sundays at 1183 Quarry Lane in Pleasanton. Services include band-led worship music, Bible-based messages and Sunday School for pre-schoolers and elementary through high school students. Infant care is provided. www.gracewaylife.org (925) 846-4436.

Grace Missionary Baptist Church, meets at 1759 Locust St., Livermore. (925) 667-1610. www.gracembc.com. Sunday School, 9:45 am; Sunday Worship, 11 am.

Relevant and refreshing Bible teaching. Pastor: Jeff Barger.

Discovery Church of the Nazarene, 5862 Las Positas Road, Livermore. Pastor Curtis Lillie, 925 449-5256. Community Breakfast (free) served every Sunday at 9:30 AM. Worship Service, Sundays at 10:45 AM

Asbury United Methodist Church 4743 East Avenue, Livermore. A Reconciling Church, where all are welcomed. Sunday Worship time is at 10:00 a.m.. Children's and youth groups Sunday School during worship services and Sunday evening Middle School and High School Youth Groups. Children are welcome at all services, and childcare in the nursery. For more information about other opportunities visit our website at www.asburylive.org or call 925-447-1950. Asbury UMC can also be found on Facebook at "Asbury UMC Livermore," where you can find our most updated information and worship sermons.

Gateway Church, 811 Marilyn Avenue, Livermore. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 11:00 a.m. Worship. For more information visit gatewaylivermore.org or call Larry Trummel at 449.1444.

Grace Missionary Baptist Church in Livermore invites members of the community to Wednesday evening study, "Discovering the Bible." Currently, the subject is, "The Holy Spirit and His Work." The church address is 1759 Locust Street in Livermore. Wednesday Bible Study begins at 6:30 p.m. www.gracembc.com

Celebration Church, 1135 Bluebell Drive, Livermore. 925-455-4250. Sunday Service: 9:45am; children's programs: 9:45am; Spanish service at 1:00pm; Jr. & Sr. High: Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30pm. For more information or weekday Bible study and Prayer group schedules, go to www.celebrationcc.org. Welcome home.

Brit Abahab Messianic Congregation, worship every Saturday, 11 a.m. at 193 Contractors Ave., Livermore. Congregation and Jews and Gentiles. Liturgy presented in both Hebrew and English. Families are welcome. Blessing of bread and wine (or grape juice) follows each service and all are invited to Oneg, a fellowship meal.

Asbury United Methodist Church 4743 East Avenue, Livermore. A Reconciling Church, where all are welcome is starting a A Caregivers Support Group. Second Saturday of the month from 10:30 - Noon in the Fireside Room. The group will be facilitated by Pastor Kathy, some Stephen Leaders and others with experience in this area. This group is open to people in the community as well. For more information, please talk with Pastor Kathy. www.asburylive.org or call 925-447-1950. Asbury UMC can also be found on Facebook at "Asbury UMC Livermore," where you can find our most updated information and worship sermons. All are welcome..

Tagalog Mass: 3rd Sunday of the month (remaining dates for the year-June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, Oct. 20, Nov. 17); Time: 3:30 pm St. Michael Catholic Parish, 458 Maple St.; Potluck reception to follow in the parish hall. Check <http://stmichaellivermore.com/Filipino> for details

Milestones

EDUCATION

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) student-athlete Madison Perez of Dublin and Amador Valley High School has been selected as the Liberty League Women's Track & Field Rookie of the Week, the conference has announced. This is the first weekly rookie award in her career.

A freshman mid-distance runner, Perez won the only event in which she competed, the 800 meters in the multi-divisional Capital District Classic at RPI. She had a time of 2:21.60 and defeated 34 others, including the runner-up who was from Division II Franklin Pierce University by .18 (2:21.78). Rensselaer was first among the 14 programs that scored, totaling 136 points.

Perez, a biomedical engineering major, has run the 800 in five outdoor meets and has two victories, including in March when she won at Goucher College with a time of 2:25.79. She established her best time two weeks ago with a 2:18.61 at Bucknell University.

The conference's Track Performer of the Week in late March, she has also competed on the Engineers' 4x400 relay team, helping the squad to a win at Goucher (4:26.86), fifth at MIT (4:26.48) and eighth at Bucknell (4:08.38).

Oregon State University will hold its 150th commencement on Saturday, June 15, beginning at 10:30 a.m. in Reser Stadium. Local graduates include the following:

Livermore: Hannah G. Coe, Master of Science, Mechanical Engineering; Megan N. Hill, Bachelor of Science, Psychology; Matthew S. McLean, Bachelor of Science, Computer Science; Taryn J. Zumwalt, Bachelor of Science, Management.

Pleasanton: Kamryn J. Brown, Bachelor of Science, Public Health; Kelley E. Dixon, Bachelor of Science, Summa Cum Laude, Education, Bachelor of Science, Summa Cum Laude, Human Development and Family Sciences; Christopher B. Gandy, Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering; Shannon Y. Gray, Bachelor of Science, Magna Cum Laude, Education, Bachelor of Science, Magna Cum Laude, Human Development and Family Sciences; Collin H. Miller, Bachelor of Science, Finance. Annabell K. Schulz, Bachelor of Science, Psychology; Danielle M. Taylor, Bachelor of Science, Psychology.

The following students were named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2019 semester at Grove City College. Alisa Randall, a Accounting major, has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2019 semester. Alisa is a 2016 graduate of Homeschool and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Randall (Katja) from Livermore. Nathaniel Bennett, a History major, has been named to the Dean's List with High Distinction for the Spring 2019 semester. Nathaniel is a 2017 graduate of Homeschool and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Bennett (Daisy) from Pleasanton.

Students at Lehigh University attained Dean's List in Spring 2019. This status is granted to students who earned a scholastic average of 3.6 or better while carrying at least 12 hours of regularly graded courses. They include Kairan Gu of Pleasanton, and Rachel Son of Dublin.

Tessa Mullins, a resident of Livermore, CA, has been named to the Emerson College Dean's List for the Spring 2019 semester. Mullins is majoring in Communication Studies. The requirement to make Emerson's Dean's List is a grade point average of 3.7 or higher.

Lena Costello, of Dublin, was named to Susquehanna University's dean's list for the spring 2019 semester. The dean's list recognizes students who achieve a grade point average of 3.4 or higher out of a possible 4.0 for the semester. To qualify, students must com-

plete a minimum of 12 semester hours. Costello is a music vocal performance major in the Class of 2020. A 2016 graduate of Holy Names High School, she is the daughter of John and Sylvia Costello.

In May, 26 students of Biola University's Spring 2019 class were honored with membership into Epsilon Kappa Epsilon, Biola's honors baccalaureate society. The honors society is exclusively offered by invitation only, by which students are selected by their departmental faculty and honored at their commencement ceremony.

The following local residents were inducted into Biola's EKE society: Taylor Lawsen of Livermore and Tyler Muser of Pleasanton.

Abbie R. Cooper of Pleasanton has been selected for a Bradley R. Evers Outstanding First-Year Student Award. Cooper is a member of the Class of 2022 and is majoring in biochemistry. Cooper attended Amador Valley High School.

Michael Marlett, of Livermore, received a Bachelor of Arts degree, magna cum laude, from the College of the Holy Cross at its 173rd commencement on May 24.

Local students graduated from Clemson University at spring 2019 commencement ceremonies. They are:

Madison P. Duval of Pleasanton, who graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Language and International Health

Morgan A. Fiske of Pleasanton, who graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting

Josh D. Revay, of Livermore, has graduated from McKendree University with a BA degree in sociology. The university held its 179th commencement exercises on May 11 at the Lebanon, Ill., campus for students who completed their degree requirements in December 2018, and May and July 2019. Graduates at the Radcliff, Ky., campus receive their diplomas on June 1. The Class of 2019 includes 663 graduates of the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Business, School of Education, and School of Nursing and Health Professions. They hail from 25 states and nine countries.

On May 5, 2019, Muhlenberg College held its annual Honors Convocation designed to honor and celebrate leadership and scholarly excellence and achievement. The awards recognize select members of the faculty and student body for their contributions to the College, to their peers and to their disciplines.

Grace Wilkins, Class of 2019, from Livermore received The Harry C. and Mary M. Trexler Trust Pretheological Prize. It is awarded to a senior pre-theological student selected as having demonstrated outstanding academic ability, character, and fitness for the ministry to aid and encourage in the continuation of studies.

Students received degrees from Campbellsville University during three commencement ceremonies May 3 and 4. A total of 2,592 students received degrees upon completion of all requirements for graduation during the 2018-19 academic year. There were 2,011 students receiving master's degrees; 255 receiving bachelor degrees and 12 were awarded associate degrees:

Ashok Chidirala of Dublin, Master of Science in Information Technology Management
Srikanan Dasari of Dublin, Master of Science in Information Technology Management
Thadishetti Kumar of Dublin, Master of Science in Information Technology Management
Swetha Manda of Dublin, Master of Science in Information

Technology Management

Pavan Pannasa of Dublin, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Sai Reddy Kunduri of Dublin, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Pullaiah Vutla of Dublin, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Ravichandra Guttikonda of Dublin, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Nagarjuna Tandra of Dublin, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Abhishek Tangudu of Dublin, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Praneeth Challa of Dublin, Texas, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Ravindra Ramsey Muvva of Livermore, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Avinash Yandrapu of Livermore, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Abhishek Gaikwad of Livermore, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Ravindranath Kandlagunta of Pleasanton, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Vidya Peddineni of Pleasanton, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Jangireddy Bojja of Pleasanton, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Gulmohar Chayande of Pleasanton, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

AbhishekReddy Erra of Pleasanton, Master of Science in Information Technology Management

The following local residents were recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society.

Ashleigh Bohling of Livermore, California, was initiated at California State University, Chico.

Diego Cardoso of Pleasanton, California, was initiated at California State University, Chico.

Stephen Dougherty of Pleasanton, California, was initiated at Saint Mary's College of California.

Kiala Ellingson of Pleasanton, California, was initiated at Saint Mary's College of California.

Claire Helmer of Pleasanton, California, was initiated at California State University, Long Beach.

Ryan Hightower of Livermore, California, was initiated at University of California-Davis.

Gerald Jeffs of Dublin, California, was initiated at Saint Mary's College of California.

Halle Niklewicz of Livermore, California, was initiated at California State University, Sacramento.

Leslie O'Neill of Pleasanton, California, was initiated at Saint Mary's College of California.

Liane Sponberg of Livermore, California, was initiated at California State University, Long Beach.

James Yarnell of Livermore, California, was initiated at California State University, Sacramento.

NEW FACES

The following babies were born at Stanford Health Care -ValleyCare Medical Center in Pleasanton:

A daughter to Sarah and Allen Swanson of Livermore on April 15, 2019.

A daughter to Tessa Gonzales and Enoch Kline, III of Livermore on April 19, 2019.

A daughter to Jacqueline Lickus and Octavio Laos of Pleasanton on April 27, 2019.