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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.

DUSD Breaks Ground for Engineering, Science Bldg.

Dublin Unified School District officials broke ground for the Dublin High Engineering and Science Building, a move to further development of STEM programs.

School board members and administrators wearing hard hats and wielding shovels, lined up in front of an enlarged architectural rendering of the structure on Aug. 1.

The three-story, 47,000 square-foot building is expected to be finished by the opening of the 2020-21 school year, a district spokesperson said.

Space for science has been cramped with 17 teachers sharing 12 classrooms, according to the education news site OneDublin.org. Consequently, instructors don't have full use of a lab whiteboard, desk space or their own offices.

"Once completed, our new Engineering and Science Building will help us maintain the level of excellence in STEM disciplines we have become known for, while expanding opportunities for students and staff to succeed," Superintendent

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A multi-layer cake, created by Primrose Bakery, was enjoyed at the City of Pleasanton's 125th Anniversary on August 2. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

LARPD Planning to Upgrade Access to Board Meetings

The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District is considering improving access to its meetings.

Staff was directed by the Board of Directors to prepare an option that includes video on demand, as well as a way to select individual items to view, known as chaptering.

LARPD currently contracts services with Tri-Valley Community Television to record and broadcast certain meetings, typically regular Board of Directors meetings. The meetings are delay broadcasted on Comcast, AT&T, and U-verse at specific times, and are repeated a minimum of six times before the next meeting.

Options offered to the board include the following: Reduce level of service to meeting minutes only, no audio or video recording. Reduce level of service to audio

Growth Puts on Pressure to Expand Water Resources

By Ron McNicoll

Water shortfalls are expected to become more frequent in the next 20 years, Tri-Valley Water Liaison Committee members heard during their July 24 meeting.

Droughts are expected to continue to put stress on the water supply as they have in the past. However, new development in the Valley is likely to increase that

pressure with the number of homes and businesses predicted to grow from 260,000 in 2020 to 300,000 in 2040.

The committee includes representatives from water wholesaler Zone 7 Water Agency, and its retailers — Dublin, Pleasanton, San Ramon, Livermore, the Dublin San Ramon Services District (DSRSD) and the private California Water Service.

Water agencies have no control over land use and planning. They can't determine how many homes can be built. They're tasked with providing water for them as directed by the cities.

Water conservation can help, but it has its limits. It's hard to tell how consumers will respond.

During the last drought, customers cut consumption more than state mandates directed. But after it

passed, they turned on the taps and water use returned to pre-drought levels.

Amparo Flores, planning manager for the Zone 7 Water Agency, provided a graph that showed total demand plummeting from 50,000 acre feet in 2013 to 30,000 in 2015. An acre foot is the amount it would take to cover an acre with one foot of water. It can supply

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The McCalla, Alabama Little League Team, representing the Southeast Region, won the 2019 Intermediate 50/70 World Series title against Matamoros, Mexico, representing the Mexico Region, 9 to 5. The game Sunday, August 4th, held at Max Baer Park in Livermore, was the culmination of a week of games between United States and International teams. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

Livermore Works to Curb Homelessness

By Bruce Gach

Livermore is launching a pilot program to help reduce homelessness.

The city is using about \$800,000 it received from the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) from Alameda County to pay for it.

The Livermore City Council on July 29 unanimously approved the appropriation and directed City Manager Marc Roberts to sign agreements to start the program.

Vice Mayor Robert Carling and Councilwoman Trish Munro

have served on a subcommittee since December 2018 that has been looking into options to deal with homelessness. The group decided to address short-term solutions first, and work with the public on longer term plans later.

"We've had a very long narrative that talks about the deserving and the undeserving poor. We're stopping that," Munro explained. "We understand everyone is human and it is better for all of us as a society when we take that stand. We all have compassion for each

other. In Livermore, that's the approach we are taking."

Munro said organizations such as CityServe, Open Heart Kitchen and Monthly Miracles are already working on the situation in Livermore.

Livermore Human Services Program Manager Claudia Young reported that meetings took place earlier this year, one involving the general public and one with homeless neighbors. They discussed crisis intervention services, safe

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Manufacturing Workshop for High School Students

Twenty-seven students from secondary schools across the East Bay and Central Valley attended Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory's first manufacturing workshop for high school students, July 9-11.

During the workshop, the students were introduced to state-of-the-art tools and hardware used by LLNL machinists and engineers.

From talks, tours and interactions with veteran machinists and

graduates of the Laboratory's apprenticeship program, they learned about the modern design-to-manufacturing process and the future of manufacturing, as well as how the machines themselves work.

LLNL manufacturing engineering section superintendent Pete Schoenberger, who organized and led the workshop, said he was pleased to see the students observe actual machining operations and interact with current machinist

apprentices.

"On the tours, they saw some things that they've probably never seen before, and that's exciting," Schoenberger said. "I could see the wheels turning in their heads. That's the whole idea behind this."

Mike Prokosch, a recent LLNL retiree who started his career as an apprentice, led one of the tours, as well as giving a talk on the importance of teamwork in manufacturing.

SB 767 Off-Road Measure Goes to Final Committee

SB 767, a measure that would allow the state to sell the Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area

(SVRA) Alameda-Tesla Expansion Area for conservation purposes, faces its last committee hurdle.

The Appropriations Committee will take up the issue on August 12. If approved, the measure

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He said he didn't know what he wanted to be when he was in high school and hoped the workshop would raise the students' awareness of manufacturing technology.

"In hiring for the apprenticeship, we realized that a lot of students or potential apprentices were unaware of the pathway into the manufacturing trades," he said.

Today, in retirement, Prokosch serves on an advisory committee

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Hundreds of people gathered for a vigil Monday night to mourn the loss of Yaneli Morales, a 26-year-old Livermore pedestrian who was killed Sunday evening attempting to cross East Ave. near Jensen St. While the driver is cooperating with the investigation, LPD requests that individuals with information about the collision call Officer Chris Starr at (925) 371-4853. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

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Behavior at City Council Meetings Questioned

By Bruce Gach

Several people scolded elected leaders at City Hall on July 29 about comments made during the past few Livermore City Council meetings.

Tamara Reus said at the tone taken by the mayor, council members and people in the audience made the city look bad.

“What is happening to us? This is not worthy of our community,” she said. “Can we discuss our differences like adults, and disagree without being disagreeable? It is embarrassing and demoralizing. It discourages public input into the process.”

Cathy Streeter agreed. “The reason people come to these forums is to speak to all five of (the city council members) at once,” she said. “If we weren’t passionate about Livermore, we wouldn’t come here to speak.”

Jean King said elected leaders and members of the public commented about her contributions to political campaigns.

“My only special interest is for what I believe helps make Livermore special,”

she said. “I feel it is important to contribute my personal funds to causes and nonprofits in Livermore and the Valley.”

Sally Dunlop criticized the mayor for calling out names at the July 23 council meeting.

“That is very improper,” she said. “This is not a way to do things. This is public scolding, and everybody has an opinion. I hope you don’t do that again since it’s not very becoming as the mayor of the city.”

Asa Strout talked about hearing stories about misleading statements from initiative gatherers. “We expect honesty of our local news media. There is a lot of distrust. The theme in the local election should be honesty and transparency to make this discussion less contentious and more fact based.”

Karl Wente said everyone’s highest duty is to the U.S. Constitution.

“Civility — let it show,” he said.

Mayor John Marchand spoke about accusations on social media that the outreach process is discredited because he did not attend

any of the meetings. He said he didn’t participate because various groups asked him not to attend because he might bring a bias.

Councilmember Bob Woerner asked City Attorney Jason Alcalá what the law says about the right to record signature gatherers. Alcalá said it’s an evolving area of law.

“The First Amendment has tolerated the action if the conversation is happening in public. There’s a lowered expectation of privacy in public conversations since cellphones are so ubiquitous,” he said. “Videotaping public conversations is treated differently from what the law has previously discouraged, which is the surreptitious audio taping of a private conversation. The individuals who are signature gatherers are bound by the California elections code not to misrepresent, so they can have a lowered expectation of privacy. Those taping should not show the petitions themselves or the signatures, and not capture the voters who are being solicited. We are not advocating anyone go out and videotape.”

Livermore Civic Engagement Series Explores the Separation of Powers

Livermore Indivisible, as part of their Civic Engagement Series, will host a special presentation by Cheryl Cook-Kallio about the separation of powers under the United States Constitution. Learn about the origins of the idea of checks and balances, how the Constitution’s framers viewed its role, how it has evolved over the centuries and how it works in the present day. The presentation will be on Sunday, August

11, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Livermore Main Public Library, Rooms A and B, 1188 South Livermore Ave.

Former Pleasanton councilmember and Vice Mayor Cheryl Cook-Kallio is a James Madison Fellow in Constitutional studies and instructor of U.S. history and civic education. She has taught for 39 years in the Fremont Unified School District. Cook-Kallio currently serves as the State Coordinator for We The

People/Project Citizen, a program by the Center for Civic Education (a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to promoting enlightened and responsible citizens committed to democratic principles and actively engaged in the practice of democracy in the United States and other countries).

For more information, contact Mary at maryqkontrary@yahoo.com or visit <https://livermoreindivisible.org>.

Sandia Mathematician Wins Presidential Award



Irina Tezaur

A mathematician from Sandia National Laboratory’s Livermore site won a prestigious Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers.

Irina Tezaur, a principal staff member in Sandia’s Quantitative Modeling and Analysis Department, received the award at the White House last month.

The award citation recognized her development of

“new, impactful mathematical methods and computer algorithms” that allow “real-time analysis, control and decision making” in areas related to national security and to climate modeling.

Tezaur was born in Moscow. Her parents, both scientists, emigrated to the U.S. when she was 8. She earned bachelors and masters degrees in pure mathematics at the University of Pennsylvania before receiving her PhD in computational math and engineering from Stanford.

She joined Sandia’s Albuquerque site as an intern in 2007, became staff in 2011 and moved to Livermore in 2014.

She has published more than 20 peer-reviewed articles and more than 20 technical reports, white papers and conference papers. She

served as lead developer of several open-source computer codes.

Her mathematical methods have achieved efficiencies that speed the operation of highly complex computer codes in both defense and non-defense arenas.

In a key area of climate research, she has helped improve simulations of ice sheet dynamics that are essential to predicting future sea level rise.

Since 2012, she led the development of the land-ice component of a U.S. Department of Energy climate model, the Energy Exascale Earth System Model.

Often called E3SM, this model incorporates in its simulations the effects of climate change on infrastructure and human activities ranging from agriculture to the electrical grid.

Salmonella Warning for Dog Owners

Smoked pigs ears, a popular treat for dogs, may be carrying drug-resistant salmonella bacteria and should be considered unsafe for both dogs and their owners, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and the Food and Drug Administration.

In a joint statement, the two agencies called on stores to stop selling the pigs ears and owners to stop buying them.

Existing supplies should be kept securely away from children and pets. People who handle them should wash carefully with soap and warm water.

There have been 127 reported cases of salmonella infection in 33 states, with 46 hospitalizations, the agencies reported. There have been no reported deaths, but 24 of the illnesses have affected children under 5.

Salmonella infection can lead to serious gastrointestinal illness. The strains carried by the pigs ears are multiple drug resistant, meaning they may not respond to antibiotic treatment.

Both dogs and their owners are susceptible, according to the warning. Dog owners and children can get sick handling a sick dog even if the dog shows no

symptoms, according to the CDC and FDA.

No local veterinarians contacted by the Independent were willing to discuss the topic.

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DELTA TUNNEL

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was premature, especially for one of the state’s smallest contractors. Zone 7 buys 2 percent of the SWP water.

Zone 7 Karla Nemeth took an active role in planning for the twin tunnels during the Brown administration. She’s since left the agency and is now running the state department that is expected to build the project.

The five Zone 7 directors who supported the plan in 2017 said 80 percent of the agency’s water comes from the SWP. Long-range projections show it probably won’t dip below 50 percent, even if a broad portfolio of other water strategies were not developed.

So, the agency has a big stake in seeing that the Delta can be made more reliable as a conduit for water to Zone 7. The majority of its board members said there would be more flexibility to allow Zone 7 to bring in water from the Delta.

Now, court-mandated rules prevent flexibility in the timing of taking water to protect plant and animal species threatened by pumps pushing water out of the Delta.

Mallon stated that the DCA will work with all stakeholders, which include Delta residents, farmers and business people, who say the bypass will hurt the economy and divert too much fresh water away. They say the diversion worsens environmental degradation.

“We have no allegiance to any one thing,” Mallon said. “We will work with the stakeholders to embrace a wide range of goals.”

Mallon explained that there is a “healthy budget” for public engagement. There will be an effort to “take complex scientific and engineering concepts and present them in plain English.”

The DCA expects to have a draft environmental document next fall.

U.S. Rep. John Garamendi, whose district includes 200 miles of Delta territory, has proposed an alternative. Garamendi used to represent Livermore.

He calls his plan “Little Sip, Big Gulp.” The “Little Sip” refers to running part of the Delta conveyance along the Port of Sacramento Ship Canal west of the city. He said it would cost \$7 billion, based on a 2010 federal estimate.

The pipeline would permit a flow of 3000 cubic feet per second, which converts to 14,205 acre feet a day. One acre foot of water is enough to supply two households for a year.

Garamendi said that the 3000 cubic feet per second would be enough water to satisfy demand south of the Delta, which includes the Valley.

Each of the twin tunnels would have carried 9000 cubic feet per second. That’s

three times more than Garamendi’s pipeline.

Brown had estimated that the two tunnels would cost \$15 billion. Each would have carried 42,615 acre feet. An advantage of the twin tunnels plan was the ability to take one out of service for regular maintenance and repairs or to fix serious damage.

Zone 7 Director Dennis Gambis told Mallon that water customers are interested in the cost of the project. Mallon said estimates were prepared for the twin tunnels. Now DCA will have to figure out the cost of converting the two into one, but so far, there is not a “firm corridor” in which to locate the tunnel.

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The final Dublin Family Campout of the season was held over the weekend on August 3-4 at Schaefer Ranch Park in Dublin. (Photo – Doug Jorgensen)

Free Classes for Family Caregivers

Hope Hospice is offering its Family Caregiver Education Series at no cost to residents in the Tri-Valley and East Bay communities. The 14-class series covers a variety of topics and provides training, education, support, and resources relevant to family caregivers. Individuals anticipating becoming family caregivers in the future are welcome to participate.

Classes take place at the Hope Hospice office: 6377 Clark Avenue, Suite 100, in Dublin. Free parking is available. Hope offers this program for free, but donations are gratefully accepted. Upcoming classes:

UNDERSTANDING ADVANCED ILLNESS, Saturday, August 10, 10 a.m.–noon
This session looks at a variety of illnesses, and provides guidance in determining when curative care may become palliative (comfort) care. Caregivers receive useful information about prevalent co-existing medical conditions among the elderly and chronically ill. The featured speaker for this class is Hope Hospice Associate Medical Director Kuljeet Multani, M.D., a hospice and palliative care specialist. Pre-register with Debbie Emerson, at debbiee@hopehospice.com or (925) 819-6912. Following class is an optional caregiver support group; attendees may bring bag lunch. Those attending the support group but not the class should text Debbie upon arrival, as the building door will be locked after class is in session.

LIVING WITH DEMENTIA: PERSON-CENTERED CARE AND ENHANCING WELL-BEING, Monday, August 26, 1–2:30 p.m.
In this class caregivers learn how person-centered care and a focus on the components of well-being can contribute to the personal identity and overall health of both the family caregiver and the individual living with dementia. Pre-register with Jill Smith, RN, at jills@hopehospice.com or (925) 829-8770.

LIVING WITH DEMENTIA: SELF-CARE AND PREVENTING CAREGIVER BURNOUT, Saturday, September 14, 10 a.m.–noon
This session contains information about stress management and the importance of obtaining support and utilizing resources. A local Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) shares valuable information about anticipatory grief and coping with emotions. Pre-register with Debbie Emerson, at debbiee@hopehospice.com or (925) 819-6912. Following class is an optional caregiver support group; attendees may bring bag lunch. Those attending the support group but not the class should text Debbie upon arrival, as the building door will be locked after class is in session.


For general questions and further reading, call (925) 829-8770, or visit hopehospice.com/caregivers.

CORRECTION

A story in the August 1 issue erred in its reporting of the management of the Sunflower Hill development being built in Pleasanton.


The project is managed by Satellite Affordable Housing Associates and Sunflower Hill, not by Mid-Pen Housing.

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Transit Authority Receives Financial Award

For the 23rd consecutive year, the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA) has earned the prestigious Certificate of Achievement for Excellence Award in Financial Reporting. This award was received for LAVTA's excellence in financial reporting in their 2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) established this award in 1945 to encourage state and local government agencies to exceed the minimum requirements of generally accepted accounting principles in preparing their annual financial reports.

The award program as-

sesses whether the financial statements of participating agencies provide the detail necessary for users of the information to adequately evaluate the financial health of the organization.

For a copy of LAVTA's financial report, visit www.wheelsbus.com. For more information on GFOA, visit www.gfoa.com.

Fair Foundation Raises \$70,000 for Education Programs

Over 225 people attended a private garden party at the Alameda County Fair on June 28 to launch the Alameda County Fair Foundation, a 501 c (3) non-profit organization whose mission is to raise funds for capital projects and educational youth programs on the fairgrounds.

Attendees enjoyed an evening in the formal gardens with music, food and wine. Sponsors, including Fremont Bank, Butler Entertainment and West Coast Concessions, and private donors helped raise approximately \$70,000 for community projects.

Because of the generosity of sponsors and donors, the foundation was able to launch its first project, a state-of-the-art urban farm. Nearly two acres of land were dedicated to develop this hands-on educational experience for Bay Area youth.

SB 767

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would go to the full Assembly and then to the Governor's desk. SB 767 has been approved by all of the Senate committees and the full Senate.

Supporters are mounting an email and phone campaign to urge the Appropriations Committee to approve SB 767. Last year, this committee stalled the bill.

State Senator Steve Glazer introduced the measure. It was co-authored by Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan.

The City of Livermore, Livermore Area Recreation and Park District and the East Bay Regional Park District, as well as environmental groups, are supporting the legislation.

Current state plans opposed by local governments and environmental groups would add 3,100 acres in the Tesla area to the 1,575-acre Carnegie Off-Road Vehicle Park. Both sites are owned by the State. The General Plan and Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Carnegie SVRA were approved. Lawsuits have been filed challenging the author-

ity of the Off-Road Vehicle Commission to certify an environmental impact report and approve a general plan, as well as the adequacy of the EIR.

Off-road vehicle advocates say the area expands recreation opportunities for the growing number of users of dirt-bikes. Unless the plans were changed, all Terrain Vehicles and other motorized vehicles would be allowed to use the trails on the Tesla site.



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EDITORIAL

Homeless Programs

Homeless numbers are increasing according to data gathered by volunteers on Jan. 31 throughout Alameda County.

The count for Livermore showed 179 unsheltered and 85 sheltered homeless, for a total of 264. Most

of those found in Livermore once possessed living quarters in the city. A variety of factors led to their homelessness.

A pilot program in Livermore would provide rotating sites for the parking vehicles in which the homeless are living. Each of the chosen areas would provide up to 20 vehicles seven nights a week, with

an overnight attendant, overnight restrooms and trash service.

While it's not a permanent solution, it will make life more comfortable.

The city plans to look at more long range programs in conjunction with Dublin and Pleasanton. We applaud the effort.

MAILBOX

(Opinions voiced in letters published in Mailbox are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of The Independent. The Independent will not publish anonymous letters. All letters are required to have the names of the persons submitting them and city of residence. Abusive letters may be rejected or edited. Frequent letter writers may have publication of their letters delayed. Letters should be sent by email to editmail@compuserve.com)

The New Stoic Party Gary M. Estee, Livermore

Our American two-party political system no longer works. Each party has become so hateful and adversarial that nothing gets accomplished. The main goals of all politicians have degenerated into the following: 1) Maintain their individual position (i.e. stay in office), and 2) Block (by any means possible) the actions of their counterparts. Each session Congress has devolved into a professional wrestling match, composed of mainly sweat and trash talk with no real accomplishment. Gone are the days when a politician's first responsibility was to support his (or her) constituency. Each one only vaguely recalls those that elected him (or her) when it comes time again to re-motivate them into making the same mistake by re-electing them.

I, therefore, demand a change to the system. My concept of adding one or more additional political parties to the works is nothing new, and I do not see much hope that it will occur within my remaining lifetime. I hope that this article might start the process in the right direction. A new party would need to begin at the lowest, grass-roots level spread by conversation and social media.

Simply put, my idea is to establish a new third political party called "The New Stoic Party" (NSP). It would be based on the stoic philosophy (or perhaps lifestyle) that existed in ancient Roman times. Stoicism is an ancient Greek philosophy (developed by Zeno of Citium around 300 B.C. as a refinement of Cynicism) which teaches the development of self-control and fortitude as a means of overcoming destructive emotions (www.philosophybasics.com/branch_stoicism.html).

The following five principles would be used in the behavior of all members of the NSP:

You can't change things outside of your control, but you can change your attitude.

Don't fall prey to modern society's materialistic nature.

Picture life without the people and possessions you have, to truly appreciate them.

Be genuinely cheerful in all your interactions.

Practicing your values beats preaching them.

The first step will be to communicate the basic concepts on stoicism to the American public. Get the word out to potential candidates and the electorate. The Internet is well populated with material on the principles and guidelines for living a stoic lifestyle (see references or just search for stoicism using Google). Next step is to start talking about the benefits of electing stoically-inclined candidates to offices at any government level. Start small at the city council level and continue to

vote for anyone demonstrating their use (based on performance, not promises) of the stoic principles. Also, if any existing politician publicly announces his (or her) intention to embody these concepts in their future activities, then they should be provided support if (and only if) their behavior clearly substantiates this promise. Finally, an effort would begin to organize the new party at the city, county, state, and national levels.

The Stoics often refer to the four cardinal virtues of Greek philosophy: prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. Or, if you prefer: wisdom, morality, courage, and moderation. (donaldrobertson.name/2018/01/18/what-do-the-stoic-virtues-mean/)

Just listing them clearly identifies the failings of our current set of political representative, especially at the highest position in the government. In my humble opinion, any politician that can demonstrate even one of these four virtues in his (or her) actions or life, should remain in office. Otherwise, they would be best employed building Trump's border wall.

Good Government For Dummies

David M. Williams, Livermore

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Why better governments? Innocent American gun deaths. The citizens of 22 other democracies live longer, while we pay twice as much for our healthcare than they do. Millions of children poorly educated. Massive governmental waste and debt. Dictatorships in this nuclear world. Too many accidents. Unnecessary exporting of jobs. Inadequate transportation and infrastructure. More medical research. Fewer fires. Too much crime. Hunger in this land of plenty. Improved governments of the people, by the people and for the people.

Appalled Allie Felker, Livermore

I have watched the downtown plan come together for two years now as my husband was a member of the steering committee in 2017. I have participated in City Council Meetings and researched the details of the City's downtown plan. I was impressed with the outreach process and the amount of compromise that went in to the creation of the plan. I was excited by the ability to create open space, while fulfilling the obligations of affordable housing. I was

looking forward to a boutique hotel that would support local businesses, especially the wineries I so adore.

You can imagine my frustration when I learned that a small group of individuals now threaten to hold that downtown plan hostage. Under the guise of promises for less housing, bigger parks, and more parking, the Friends of Livermore created Vibrant Livermore (now Better Livermore or the Community Group). Though their name changes their agenda has always been the same: prohibit development in the interest of creating a 2,000-seat regional theater. Now you may be reading this from your home and thinking, "Well, what if I want a theater? I don't want more housing in Livermore. We can't become like Dublin!" to this I have a few responses.

At what cost? The Central Park "Plan" (and I continue to use quotations as the lack of details remain astounding) would cost the taxpayers an estimated \$23 million. Perhaps that is worth it to you, but is it worth it to the businesses? In a statement during one of the City Council Meetings, Nancy Bankhead pointed out that the additional costs of upkeep for the park would fall on the merchants. As a friend to many downtown business owners I cannot support a plan that would not only remove revenue, but would even cost more to develop.

If you do not want to become like Dublin you will want to take a closer look at the Central Park agenda. With micro units at 450 square feet, the housing is even more dense than that of the Dublin Bart Area. This housing also fails to fulfill the affordability requirements.

And now we come to the issue of the hotel. Here is a quick summary; the City plan has the hotel on the East side next to the Bankhead. FoL has advocated for the hotel to go on the West side. Why does it matter? When the hotel went to bid there were five developers interested in the East side hotel, and none interested in the West side. A developer was chosen and the hotel was to be developed by 2020. FoL did not want the hotel next to the Bankhead so they purchased a referendum through the use of paid signature gatherers. This alone delayed the unveiling of the hotel until 2022.

During the city council meeting on July 22 it was revealed that Joan Seppala, owner of the Independent, contacted a separate hotel developer informing them that Presidio was backing out of the project and suggested that he would be asked to provide a viable option for the hotel plan. This developer was under the impression that Livermore did not currently have a developer (Presidio) lined up and that he would be the one asked to create the hotel plan. This misinformation made its way to a Senior Executive at Marriott who then contacted Presidio with great concern. All this misinformation was geared towards preventing the development of the downtown hotel.

This is why I am appalled. I fully recognize that Joan has done good things for our City. I am thankful for the spirit behind the Urban Growth Boundary. Still, I am appalled that someone would go so far to get their way. So, I ask you citizens of Livermore, is all this worth it? Are we willing to hurt downtown business for a theater four times bigger than the one we already bailed out? Please remember that the downtown plan is a compromise. There are elements that each of us will not love. There are elements I am not ecstatic about, but I realize that I will not get things entirely my way. The plan is done, let's move forward.

Editor's note: Ms. Felker's first submission of her letter to the editor contained

the following assertion, "We have just learned that FoL lied to a Senior Executive at Marriott stating that the developer for the hotel had backed out. If I were the developer, I would see this as a slap in the face." Because the first sentence was untruthful, she was asked to delete it, along with the follow-up sentence.

Ms. Felker answered that she would provide evidence to support her claim. She sent the statement shown in the second to last paragraph of her letter that replaces the above claim that a FoL member lied to a Senior Executive at Marriott.

In response to Ms. Felker's initial accusation, The Independent states that Joan Seppala has had no contact with anyone at Marriott.

The facts regarding Ms. Felker's replacement statement are these: During Ms. Seppala's extended conversations with a separate developer, he clearly understood then, and continues to understand now, that the city plans to move forward with Presidio's eastside hotel. Furthermore, this separate developer knows that Presidio has been given an Exclusive Negotiating Rights Agreement with the city. The developer states that he is only interested in a Livermore project on the condition that the city changes its plan to include a westside hotel, and Presidio declines to participate. Since these conditions do not exist at this time, there is no reason why either Ms. Seppala or the separate developer would contact a Marriott executive.

Majority Preferred West Side Hotel Jean King, Livermore

There has been interest in the results of the Livermore downtown outreach process as to whether the west side or the east side hotel was favored. Not everyone expressed a preference for the location of the hotel or included a hotel in a downtown plan.

There are two different results depending upon which citizen inputs are included.

Table 5 of the consultant's, PlaceWorks, report of the outreach gives the results of the public workshops and the online Concept tool. Of those who registered a preference for the location of the hotel, 109 preferred the west side while 59 preferred the east side which gives a preference of 65% or 2/3 for the west side hotel.

Another tool for the citizens to voice their preference was the online General Concepts and Four Concepts tools. If the results of these are included in the totals, then 255 preferred the west side and 88 preferred the east side location for the hotel, and the preference was 74% or 3/4 for the west side hotel.

The results of the outreach process was that the citizens preferred a west side hotel in Livermore's downtown.

The Homeless Games – Part XIX, Homeless Hooey Greg Scott, Livermore

The Livermore City Council just (7/29/2019) approved signing on to the expenditure of \$1,131,666 of HEAP (Homeless Emergency Act Program) funding where \$608,505 is for Livermore only; additionally, Livermore has part of the Pleasanton, Dublin, Livermore regional pool of \$494,870; and \$28,291 is for administration. Great advantages for Livermore will be implementation of safe parking, showers and laundry, trash service, storage and bio-hazard clean up – all in regard to the homeless. Any alleviation to the homeless plight is a great deed; however, where are we in ameliorating the overall homeless situation when all these monies are spent, as required, by March 31, 2021? Of course time is not of the essence if you are comfortable

with shelter.

Unfortunately, we do not really seem to think we need to deal with the overarching homeless problem. What we want to do is throw money at it thinking the dilemma will magically disappear and stop metastasizing. Two fundamental questions need to be asked: Where do we expect the homeless to go? And, what do we expect the unsheltered desperate to do? Safe parking is certainly a start for some in the short-term; however, do we have a picture how the short-term implementations are to fit into the medium and long-term resolutions?

Take the \$494,870 — nearly a half-million dollars — for the 'regional pool.' For what? Crisis Intervention Services. All well and good for the most part, however, what is it? What are to be the results and how are they to be qualified and quantified?

The plan is for client intervention services to deal with 125 clients. That is just less than \$4,000 total per client, or just under \$200 per client per month for the next 20 months. To do what? One thing is 'individual self-sufficiency plans.' What would be the rough outline of an 'individual self-sufficiency plan'? They are "individual" silly — stop asking! If we are talking about 'self-sufficiency,' then we are talking also about the market or marketplace and/or the 'state,' which is the federal or state government. How are homeless clients going to rent a small apartment in Livermore for over \$2,000 per month? Even if the homeless "client" is to pay 50% of their gross income for rent, what exactly is the pathway for the homeless for achieving the necessary revenue for this? Gee, the rough outline of an 'individual self-sufficiency plan' is pretty esoteric, is it not? Right. And so might be the qualifiable and quantifiable results for nearly a half-million dollars! Nothing quite like building the Tri-Valley Homeless Industrial Complex!

We are putting small, expensive Band-Aids on the homeless problem. Why be angry and frustrated about it? Ever watch a homeless person dying in front of you primarily from long-term homelessness? Ever watch a homeless woman with grand mal epilepsy have a seizure in a car she has been living in for over four years? And you are thinking the 'safe parking' is going to help her?

Unfortunately, in this case, no, but for others yes. Somewhere there is a disconnect in what the homeless situations are. 'Indoctrination' at safe parking is an aversion to many homeless who have surrendered copious amounts of personal information to achieve no results other than to justify the fatuousness of a service provider. There is definitely a void in resolving a lot of the circumstances. Oh yeah, who cares?

So rub your tummies and pat your heads Livermore — and throw large amounts of money at homelessness! It is all in the spirit of the hooey of The Homeless Games!

Appreciation for The Independent Mary Kay Berg, Livermore

We residents of the Tri-Valley are fortunate to be served by The Independent, a local newspaper which keeps us informed about issues and events impacting the quality of life in our communities. To the publisher and staff of The Independent, I say keep up your outstanding work!

When Will the Other Shoe Drop? John Lawrence, Livermore

When is this special interest group that is trying to derail the downtown development project going to drop their other well-polished shoe on the unsuspecting Livermore community? All their efforts to move development away

from the Bankhead Theater and to preserve more open space, is only part of their long term plans. Next will be their "reluctant willingness" to give up a big portion of the park they fought so hard for, but for their very good reason — to build a large regional theater in that location, as they proposed a few years back. Now it becomes clear why they are so willing to mislead the public about their activities and force their special interests on the Livermore community.

Livermore Science And Society Center Co-sponsored Talk Alan Burnham, Livermore

The August 1 article on Jamie Metzl's genetic engineering talk was excellent, but it did not mention that it was sponsored by the Livermore Science and Society Center. Here is why we did.

Technology has always been a double-edged sword, going back the earliest tools and weapons millennia ago. I've worked most of my career on fossil energy extraction and nuclear weapons, and I've thought about this a lot.

We are now entering the fourth industrial revolution, and the implications of technology are increasingly pervasive. Exploring those implications is one of reasons Monya Lane, Vaughn Draggoo, Jay Davis, and I are leading the Livermore Science and Society Center to build a science center across the street and just a few feet from the first transcontinental railroad—a product of the steam engine, which drove the first industrial revolution. That railroad was the transformational technology of its day, and the first train steamed through Livermore 150 years ago. Then there was the second revolution (steel, electricity, telecommunication, assembly lines, and automobiles) and the third (electronics and computers, automation, the internet, and antibiotics) and now the fourth (artificial intelligence, 3D printing, autonomous vehicles, nanotechnology, and biotechnology).

Livermore and the Tri-Valley have connections to all these revolutions, not to mention that we are one of only seven cities having an element named after us.

How will we adapt to this world that changes at an increasingly fast pace? The Livermore Science and Society Center can help. We envision a center where people of all ages and educational levels can explore and touch the scientific discoveries and rapid technological advances around us—a center that will help inform the science behind the headlines and provide forums for carrying out conversations about the defining scientific and societal challenges of our time. Solutions to the most vexing challenges facing us (from environmental change and sustainability, cyber security and privacy, energy security, biology and precision medicine) require integration of scientific and engineering knowledge with the important perspectives and expertise of the social sciences and humanities.

We were grateful to the Rae Dorough Speaker Series for the opportunity to co-sponsor our very first LSSC speaker — a timely topic that epitomizes the challenges we face.

Let's Talk About Parking Elizabeth Judge, Livermore

Livermore City Council's current plan for downtown includes a hotel (next to the Bankhead) on Livermore Avenue at Railroad. It used to have underground parking for patrons of its 133 rooms (now 125-135), plus staff of 60 and room for public parking. Remember? The city was

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to lease back the garage from the hotelier and call it public parking.

Now the hotelier has decided there will be only valet parking instead, due to the cost of underground parking. That means that this hotel will suck nearly 200 parking spots out of the current city garage and future adjoining I street garage, leaving residents with fewer spaces.

Furthermore, the hotel will want its valet parking to be in garage areas nearest Railroad so valet personnel may return to the hotel quickly. This leaves residents with the more distant parking places.

Taking away 200 spaces in the area nearest the Bankhead and the movie theater disrespects the first priority (parking) of the Public Outreach Process, and creates problems for those attending theaters and nearby restaurants.

Sign the new referendum to stop the agreement for this hotel and protect the Initiative (Central Park Plan)!

(As predicted, Council is delaying the vote on the Initiative by considering the ballot in November of 2020, not March. It has ordered a thirty-day \$100K study to be done on the Central Park Plan to highlight any and all possible costs to the city, hoping to discourage voters.)

Downtown Park: 4th Inning
Vic Avila, Livermore

While canvassing for signatures for either the initiative or referendum at the Farmers Market, I have encountered a few folks who have remarked, “I don’t want that rich lady to get her way” — or replies of that ilk. I have never met this “rich lady,” however I choose to stay on point and stick to the issues, rather than make personal attacks, which waste time, and are not the types of things your grandmother would approve of, if you know what I mean.

For those bitter, jealous or whatever regarding that rich lady, I suggest you read a short book, the bestseller “All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten.” Graduating from kindergarten can do a lot for your

soul and judgment. Give it a try. Making the downtown park attractive and alluring to people in the long term is a good investment, brings more people downtown, and creates more economic benefit long-term, than making the downtown park an economic development in the short term, and losing the opportunity for the long-term benefits. Put your mind in a neutral zone for a moment and think about it. Generations to come will enjoy the openness and ambiance of a true park, with ample parking.

Abuse of Power
Linda Milanese, Livermore

Enough with the petty name calling and misinformed arguments about square footage and who said what many years ago! Enough with attacking the paid signature gatherers as mercenary liars! I’ve talked to a number of them, and yes, they might offer some inaccuracies, but I think they’re doing a pretty good job of trying to follow the instructions they were given. Most of us who’ve lived it aren’t 100% in control of the facts.

I do know that people on both sides care about Livermore and want what’s best for downtown, and I hope we can find a peaceful solution. But I also know that signing that Developer Agreement (DA) at the last City Council meeting was clearly a strategic abuse of power on the Council’s part.

Now — although weary — I’m personally committed to gathering more signatures for the referendum that will hold off the DA, so people can vote first, before Council makes their own decision.

The Wine Country Hotel at the Bankhead
Alexandra Henkelman, Livermore

I was deeply disappointed to see that The Independent’s story on last week’s City Council meeting. While I’d like to think that the failure to list the title of the proposed ordinance — The Wine Country Hotel at the Bankhead — wasn’t an attempt to conceal the public benefits

of having Livermore’s first downtown boutique hotel, I’m not so sure. There is one feasible hotel location, and one interested developer. The debate over where to locate the hotel is over. Twenty five years of planning has gone into the building of a beautiful boutique hotel at this site. Investments have been made by local businesses, family-owned wineries, restaurants, and performing arts groups.

The continued delays have placed a significant burden on our community. Initiatives and referendums that attempt to impede, suspend, or cancel the hotel project threaten to delay the development of our beautiful downtown community for another 25 years. Deviating from the planned Wine Country Hotel at the Bankhead will require a new location, new developer, and new feasibility studies, not to mention new funding.

Let’s stop further delays and come together to build the Wine Country Hotel at the Bankhead now!

Health Care Proposal
Philip R. La Scola, Livermore

There have been many comments on the editorial page criticizing the Affordable Care Act but offering no alternative. I am offering an alternative that mirrors our current state and federal programs; State Unemployment Insurance and Federal Unemployment Insurance.

It is reported more than 80% of those who have health insurance receive it as a benefit of employment. As employers offer this benefit, I propose to make them as financially responsible for an employee’s health insurance as they are for an employee’s unemployment benefits.

Currently, health insurers are licensed by the states that set the standards for insurance companies doing business in the state. Some of this has been changed by the implementation of the Affordable Care Act.

A federal law change would allow health insurers to sell insurance in all 50 states. There would be no ceiling on the total benefits paid on a

policy for any illness; there is no such thing as a pre-existing condition. There is no full time or part time distinction.

Once an employee is hired and a member of a group insurance program, the employee can never lose health insurance coverage. This coverage would continue even if the employee was terminated from employment with cause.

Whether or not the employee is eligible for unemployment insurance, the employee can draw on funds similar to unemployment insurance to maintain coverage with a limited version, catastrophic version, of the previous group policy with a deductible of no more than \$1,000 for a family. This would be continued until the employee is re-employed.

This benefit would be funded by employers in the same way unemployment insurance is currently funded — with a quarterly tax to the state (SUI) and an annual tax to the federal government (FUI). It can be called State Unemployment Health Insurance and Federal Unemployment Health Insurance.

In addition, all employer paid health insurance not recovered by a employee payroll deduction would be taxable with that portion of an individual’s taxes used to fund this program. If an individual stops looking for a job, that individual would be immediately come under an arm of Medicare or state aid program.

Employers would choose the coverage for their employees much as they do today; it can be as comprehensive based on what they believe is competitive in the marketplace. If certain coverages are excluded in the employer plan, these options would be offered, and employees who want that coverage can pay for it with a payroll deduction.

No doubt there is going to be resistance to this proposal by employers. My intent is to make this tax neutral. This could be done by allowing employers either a tax credit or a reduction in the percentage rate on wages paid for good experience such as is allowed for them now when

employee terminations are minimal and draws on their unemployment funds are less.

If you are a small company employer, one, up to fifty employees, you must offer health insurance to your employees if you, as the employer, have health insurance. Insurance companies can offer this type of group policy to small companies as a whole segregated by zip codes.

If you are a single proprietor with no employees, you can apply for the same group policy as if you had employees. You are qualified by being in business for a profit and filing a Schedule C as part of your tax return. You cannot be denied because of any pre-existing condition as you are joining a group based on your zip code.

This is a basic outline of my alternative. It takes the government out of health care and puts it back in the hands of our citizens.

Right to Democratic Process
Johnna Thompson, Livermore

Lately, opponents of the Central Park Plan have been promulgating some falsehoods about the plan and its supporters that cannot be allowed to go unchallenged.

The first is that the Central Park Plan is all about getting a 299-seat theater that Joan Seppala supposedly wants on the downtown lot. I don’t know who dreamed up such a weirdly precise seat number for a phantom theater that nowhere appears on the Initiative that has qualified for the ballot.

Another falsehood is that the Central Park Plan would fill the downtown center with high-density housing. The Plan allows for 84 units of small, entry-level apartments. The City’s plan, on the other hand, places 130 units of apartments on the downtown lot, across L Street from the 222 units of apartments the city has already approved for the former Groth Brothers car lot. I know that if I were living in one of those 222 units, I’d rather be looking across the street to a park than be looking at another 130 apartments.

Finally, those of us Livermore residents who have volunteered to gather signatures have been characterized as a small, special-interest group of Joan Seppala acolytes. We are, in fact, a diverse group of people who joined in common cause to advocate for the downtown plan that a sizable majority of the people who participated in the outreach workshops favored — one that gives us more open space in our already congested downtown core, that provides more convenient parking, and that puts the hotel between L Street and S. Livermore Avenue, where there is more room for it.

As for me, I felt powerless to do anything to change what the city council had chosen to pursue in complete disregard of all the citizen input they had spent half a million dollars to solicit through the outreach process. When I discovered that there were others like me who were unhappy with what the council was planning for downtown, and that there was a process we could follow to try to change the city’s course, I joined in, grateful that our democratic system permits citizens the right to petition for redress of grievances.

I am nobody’s puppet; I’m just a Livermore resident exercising my right to participate in direct democracy.

Continued Harassment
Eugenia Reuschel, Livermore

Dear Joan Seppala and Minions,

Imagine my surprise when I leave town for one week to be with family and come home to yet another referendum. Additionally, the volumes of reports and videos of lies and harassment being conducted by your paid signature gatherers is staggering. I’m curious, do you think the never-ending barrage of your temper tantrum to get your way is going to succeed?

Perhaps it is time for Livermore to come together and have a little referendum of our own. A special gift. To what extent does the Bankhead re-

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Protect The Central Park Plan



5 Reasons To Sign The New Petition!

1 A Bigger, Better Park. The Central Park plan provides a 3-acre park, including Stockmen’s Park, twice the size of the park in the city’s plan.¹

2 More Convenient Parking. The citizens’ plan brings 316 more spaces than the city plan provides in the Livermore Avenue area, where they are most needed.²

3 More Appropriate Housing. Both plans bring affordable housing to the downtown center, but the Central Park plan has just 84 3-story units off the Central Park, compared to 130 3- and 4-story units located on the park area in the city plan. In the Central Park Plan, 46 affordable units will also be available on Pacific Ave.

4 A High-Quality Hotel. A real Wine Country destination hotel of up to 160 rooms with a fine restaurant and other amenities, compared to a 133 room lower brand hotel without a restaurant. The top level hotel would become the face of our community and wineries, and contribute higher tax revenues to the city.

5 Financially Feasible And No Delays. The Central Park plan is financially achievable and won’t cause delays in renovating our downtown.

1. Council Meeting September 24, 2018 Agenda, Public Hearing Item 5.05, page 557, Stockmen’s Park; 2. 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



Triton Water Polo Club. Pictured from left are: Coaches Jesse Figueroa and Andre Weiglein, players Ryan Weiglein, Murphy Fenzl, Jack Kost, Ian Jones, Dylan Weiglein, Drake Southern, Nathan Williams, Sanjay Menon, Eugene Kruger, and Moises Ambriz, and Coaches Alex Lazzereschi and Dominic Scalise (missing Jackson Koempel).



The U17 girls of West Coast Kaos shined for college coaches in two summer showcases. Kaos crushed the competition at the Rage Showcase to finish first in the Super Group division. The girls also went undefeated at the Silverlakes Showcase in Southern California, finishing one point shy to end up third in a field of 24 teams. Picture is Kaos at Silverlakes.



West Coast 04 Krush Show Strong in First Tournament of the Season

The new West Coast Krush 04 team had a strong showing in their first tournament of the year at the Breaker's Cup last weekend in Aptos, finishing with one win, two ties and a loss.

Krush began the weekend facing off against Cal Cougars SC. Cougars took a 1-0 lead into halftime, after scoring late in the first half. Krush and Cougars battled in the second half, with score remaining unchanged, until the end of the game. A penalty called against the Cougars earned Krush a free kick, taken by Allyson Thompson. Thompson's well-placed kick found Kira Korsak, who headed the ball from outside the six-yard box into the net the last seconds of the game, tying the game. Final score 1-1.

Later Saturday afternoon, August 3, Krush met Turlock Academica

Jrs. 04 on the pitch. A close match throughout, the score was deadlocked at 0-0 until Turlock broke the standstill, scoring with just under 10 minutes remaining in the game. Down, but definitely not out, Krush responded one minute later with a goal of their own. Carly Singleton passed the ball back to Susan Contreras. Contreras then sent the ball towards the goal, briefly finding Mia Howard before Brooke Gale intercepted the rebound and scored. The game ended in a 1-1 tie. Sunday morning, August 4, Krush went up against tournament host team Santa Cruz County Breakers 2004G. Krush took a 1-0 lead into halftime after a goal from Taryn Tinsley, assisted by Emami Araya. Krush added to their total in the second half, with Tinsley scoring her second goal of the game,

this time with an assist from Singleton. Final score 2-0 Krush.

Krush's final opponent of the tournament was Ajax United 04G Green. Although Krush once again played hard throughout the game, in the end they fell to the eventual tournament winner 0-3. "Our West Coast Krush girls had a solid start to the season. I'm really looking forward to working with these young ladies," said Head Coach Adair Dayak.

West Coast Kaos

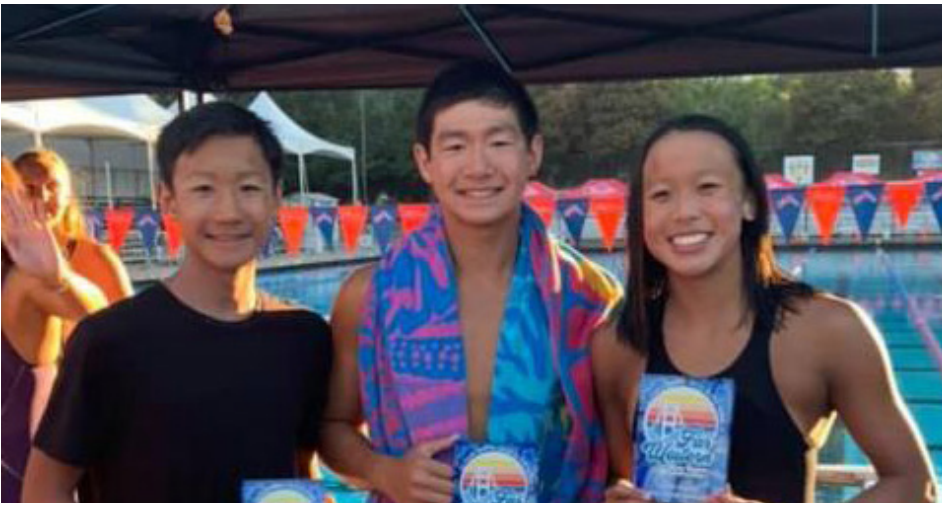
West Coast Kaos U17G – The ladies of West Coast Kaos capped their summer college showcase series by taking top honors at two major competitions. The girls crushed the competition at their at the Rage Showcase in Pleasanton and at the Silverlakes Summer Showcase in Norco, Calif.

Kaos finished first out of a field of eight teams bracketed in the Super Group at the Rage Showcase. After four matches, Kaos scored 12 goals, beat three opponents, and earned 28 points to claim first place in the top competitive bracket. The girls outplayed Three Rivers Soccer Club from Washington, Strikers ECNL from SoCal, Slammers FC from SoCal, and crushed Palo Alto Blue in their final match, winning 5-1.

This past weekend, Kaos traveled to Southern California to compete in the Silverlakes Summer Showcase. The girls played three matches and went undefeated. They scored 11 goals and earned 26 points to finish 3rd in a field of 24 teams. Kaos beat out Players FC from Las Vegas 1-0, Beach FC 4-1, and Eagles DPL 6-2.



The Pleasanton Seahawks swim at 'Far Westerns' in Moraga.



Three swimmers from the Pleasanton Seahawks swim team were awarded High Point winners for their accomplishments at the 2019 Pacific Swimming Far Western Long Course Championships in Moraga, Calif. The meet was held on July 25-28, 2019, and there were 71 teams represented. The Seahawks who took home awards for High Point winner are: Ethan Wang, age 14 with 52 individual points; Alex Ren, age 16 with 45.5 individual points; and Sydney Lu, age 15 with 43 individual points. The Pleasanton Seahawks scored a total of 702 points and finished in second place overall.

Kaos had a busy summer which started with an undefeated spring NPL season earning them a promotion to the Norcal Premier League Champions Division, they earned a ticket to the compete in the Far West Regionals in Boise, Idaho, scored their way to top honors at the Rage, and went undefeated at the Silverlakes Showcases.

Additionally, some of the girls had an amazing experience traveling to Europe for the Women's World Cup competition.

Kaos now looks forward to their fall season and more opportunities to shine in front of college coaches.

Follow Kaos and the other girls and boys teams of West Coast Soccer Club at www.westcoastsoccerclub.com, on Facebook, and Twitter.

Triton Water Polo Club U18 Boys Win Championship in the Junior Olympics Bronze Division

Congratulations to the Triton Water Polo Club for their fantastic finish to the club's inaugural summer season. The Tritons U18 Boys team won the Bronze Division championship on July 23 at the Junior Olympics in Orange County. With players from both Amador Valley and Foothill High Schools, the Tri-Valley Tritons beat Carlsbad 9-7 in the championship game, and finished the tournament with an overall 8-2 record. The Tritons' weekend started off with two losses on Saturday, one of which ended in a shootout. Then the team went on to win

eight consecutive games on their way to the championship, playing against opponents from Nevada, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Texas, and California. The Junior Olympics celebrated its 50th year, and is the largest youth water polo event in the country, with over 500 teams earning their spots through a highly-competitive qualifying tournament in June.

Registration for the Triton Water Polo Club winter season will open on September 14th for boys U12, U14, U16, and U18 age groups. Information about the Triton Water Polo Club can be found on www.tritonwaterpolo.com.

Pleasanton Seahawks Swim at 'Far Westerns' in Moraga

The Pleasanton Seahawks swim team had many swimmers qualify for and compete at the 2019 Pacific Swimming Far Western Long Course Championships on July 25-28, 2019. The four-day trials and finals meet with multiple relays was held at Campolindo High School in Moraga. The Seahawks received second place out of 71 teams, with 704 points. Representing the Pleasanton Seahawks: Francesca Rong Lin, (9) with 9 new best times; Madison Wainwright (10); Oryan Liu (10) 1BT; Kealan Tupper (10) 3BT; Christopher Wang (10) 3BT; Lawrence Wong (10); Ziyue Yang (10) 2BT; Brooke Bennett (11) 7BT; Lillyana Caples (11) 2BT; Sydney Goldstein (12) 3BT; Emmy Loftus (12) 2BT; Natalie Mak (11) 8BT; Maria Zhang (12) 1BT; Ashwin Anugraham (12) 1BT; Benjamin Ohr (12); Jeremy

Ting (11) 3BT; Songrui Wu (11); Faith Carroll (14) 5BT; Aria Harris (14) 1BT; Breuklynn Harris (14) 4BT; Francesca Hawkins (14) 4BT; Kaitlin Lee (13) 5BT; Cynthia Li (13) 1BT; Florence Rui Lin (14) 6BT; Emma Wang (13) 1BT; Chloe Xu (13) 1BT; Devyn Caples (13) 4BT; Yassin Dwidar (13) 6BT; Jason Jiang (14); Hayden Tupper (14) 9BT; Ethan Wang (14) 11BT; Samuel Wang (13) 1BT; Andrew Xiao (14) 1BT; Lauren Jhong (15) 2 BT; Olivia Kim (15) 8BT; Sydney Lu (15) 9BT; Emily Tsai (15); Crystal Wang (15) 4BT; Gwyneth Wong (16); Jai Channon (15) 1BT; Joey Huang (15); Raymond Li (16) 2BT; Alex Ren (16) 12BT; Nicholas Tung (16) 3BT; Andrew Wang (16) 4BT; Elisabeth Balicanta (17); Caroline Eckel (18) 1BT; Daniela Hawkins (18) 2BT; Miranda Heckman (18); Mackenzie Lee (17); Claire Suen (17) 1BT; Mattias Blanco (18) 2BT; Taito daCosta (18) 2BT; Calvin David (18) 4BT; Do Hyun Eun (17) 3BT; Lleyton Plattel (17); and Tyler Lu (19) 2BT. Congratulations to the Pleasanton Seahawks on a great championship meet.

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ceive funding, considerations, below market rents, and have an outstanding note to the City of Livermore? Maybe the harassed citizens should put it to a vote as whether any support at all should be allowed? See, you've more or less told me and shown me you'll go to any lengths, how far do you think you can push the citizens?

You don't have a plan. It's a picture, no more no less. Your initiative was basically a zoning change to increase housing density. If passed, every single existing component will have to go out to RFP AGAIN! More delays=More money. You have no hotelier and even if you did, he or she would have to go through the new RFP process. Really, who's going to want to do business with us after you went after the existing hotelier? You are trying to hide a 30,000 square-foot theater in your "Plan" when the city's vetted plan calls for 12,000 square feet. The larger park was previously looked at by the finance sub-committee and shown to be fiscally impossible to complete and provide upkeep without special assessments. You haven't had a meaningful discourse with the Stockmen's Association. You have not gained support of the local businesses that will be affected by your fantasy. You also have REFUSED to provide a financial breakdown, both short and long term of what your supposed "Plan" will cost. In short, you've had your architect engage in not-to-scale fantasy drawings with no meaningful way of implementation. Make no mistake if you get your way, the citizens might just choose to put funding to a referendum. We won't need paid signature gatherers, we have unity.

Joan Seppala, you are leaving a legacy of division. Your example is one of white, monied privilege seeking to dominate and control the everyday citizens of Livermore. You use your money, you use people, and you use this town as your own personal fiefdom. Stop, just stop!

City's Workshops Were Flawed Jan Brovont, Livermore

Regarding the data about the preference of the hotel on the east side or west side, the City's workshops were flawed.

True story, I was there — this happened at my table.

As far as the money the City has spent, you are correct they have spent a lot — \$500,000! — much of it on the Steering Committee meetings and workshops. But they still did not listen to how people voted at the workshops, and that was flawed at best. I will explain.

The workshops were to have eight people, who did not know each other, who would listen to Mr. Early from PlaceWorks, who the

city hired to speak about the Downtown Plan at both the Steering Committee meetings and the workshops. Afterwards, each table would have 1, ONE, map to fill in where they wanted structures placed. Example, maybe pink for the hotel and green for the parking, etc.

The table I was at had eight people like they asked, and we did not know each other. One gal wanted the hotel on the east side, and the other seven of us, me included, wanted it on the west side. She wouldn't change her mind, and neither would we. After a while we were running out of time and other tables were turning in their maps. So we called for some assistance, which was from a city employee who was there to deliver and gather the maps, and maybe answer a few simple questions. That person let us seven keep our map with the hotel on the west side and gave her, her OWN map.

Bottom line: seven people had one vote as we had one map, one person had one vote as she had her OWN map. So in the tally of maps her one

map stood for one person and our one map stood for seven people. Remember each map was one vote.

This may or may not have been the only time this happened, we won't know as there were no names on the maps. But that means it was slightly flawed or more flawed. How many more times could that have happened?

So yes, voting on it with a ballot would be best for the entire town, not just a few.

Voters' Voices Deserve to be Heard Susan Putnam, Livermore

I am concerned by Mayor Marchand's statements on the downtown referendum process noted on a NextDoor posting entitled "Save our Downtown." The highlight of the referendum plan is a Central Park for the people of Livermore and more open

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space for generations to come vs. more housing, more cars, and more concrete.

The mayor failed to acknowledge this in his multiple posts, instead referencing a 2,000-seat theater and a downtown BART station several times which are not part of anyone’s plan. Further, by not providing a budget and a schedule for the current council-approved plan, the mayor allowed NextDoor members to become confused over false cost comparisons, square footages and time delays, which were erroneously cited or exaggerated on NextDoor. The mayor noted that the challenging plan is due to a “small wealthy special interest,” which completely ignores the voices of over 8,000 Livermore residents who signed in favor of a Central Park plan.

The mayor also stated that the current council-approved plan was a result of input from Livermore citizens, yet the approved plan does not address the residents’ stated priorities for more open space and easy-access parking. Why are the mayor and the council so afraid to let the voters have a voice? Why do they not make a budget and a schedule public so the voters can know and assess the true costs and timing for the current plan?

The voters want to make their own choices. The referendum supports the democratic process for Livermore and deserves the appropriate acknowledgement and respect from elected officials.

Transparency and Honesty Still Wanted
Asa Strout,
CEO of Unify Livermore

Another week has passed and more misleading information about the Downtown Plan is being spread by The Independent newspaper and signature gatherers.

In the August 1 edition of The Independent newspaper there was an article titled, “Can Westside Downtown Hotel Developer Be Found If City of Livermore Interested?” This article is more Op-Ed than news, with no author attributed to the article. With no author it makes one

wonder who wrote it and why weren’t they given credit. Was it the staff, the editor, or the owner? Unless The Independent wants to be truly transparent and share that information, the public will never know.

Additionally, there is no news in this article, just speculation — cherry-picked quotes from the mayor and City Staff, and a bias toward the initiative. The quote attributed to City Staff mirrors what was shared during a council meeting but is missing a key detail. In the meeting City Staff shared that the developer decided not to pursue a west side hotel after getting a complete picture of the situation. Not the one-sided lie that was previously told to them. You can see this video for yourself on Unify Livermore’s Facebook page (www.facebook.com/unifylivermore).

As for the signature gatherers, they are in front of our local grocery stores and knocking on our doors, intentionally lying or truly misinformed by those hiring them and repeating what they are told.

We were told those individuals who were lying were fired by leaders of the initiative/referendum, but Councilmember Carling saw the same person collecting signatures for the referendum. Stories are also being shared on social media how signature gatherers are not being honest with the information that is being shared to Livermore citizens. If we knew the script that was being shared to the signature gatherers, we would be able to easily identify when the signature gatherers are going off script. Until then the expectation will be that they are on script and we are being told this misinformation intentionally.

Right to Vote
Bernard Cabanne, Livermore

The Mayor has chosen to make some comments concerning the Sierra Club on NextDoor that have been inaccurate and or confusing.

Let’s set the record straight. It is true the Sierra Club did not endorse Mayor Marchand in the last election; we did

NOT endorse his opponent either. To receive a Sierra Club endorsement, individuals must complete a rigorous process that includes a written application and an interview. Candidates are selected if they meet certain criteria on a number of issues; we never endorse or decline endorsement based on a single issue.

Furthermore, Sierra Club members may speak on any issue at City Council meetings or in any public format as an individual. Sierra Club members do NOT give up their constitutionally protected rights by joining. Many Sierra Club members, including myself, have spoken in support of the Livermore Central Park Initiative, defending our right to vote. When addressing the public at recent Livermore City Council meetings, I have never stated I was representing the Sierra Club. I have the first amendment right to speak at public meetings that is NOT restricted by membership in any organization, club or group.

Trying to muddle the issues, attacking individuals, and attacking the press or various organizations does not solve the downtown issue. We have earned the right to a public vote for all voters on the downtown plan without city council interference.

Exercise your right to vote by signing the referendum. This will guarantee a vote without financial constraints imposed by the council’s decision to prematurely sign development agreements before our initiative vote. Signing the referendum does not tell you how to vote; it simply allows you to vote on the initiative without council obstruction. Defend your right to vote unimpeded by signing the referendum.

Why We Need a Referendum
Tamara Reus, Livermore

People may not understand why a referendum is circulating right now to stop the Council’s development agreement with Presidio to develop a hotel on the east side of Livermore Avenue.

The Citizens for a Livermore Central Park gathered

enough signatures to place the Central Park Plan on the ballot to allow a vote on a better plan for downtown Livermore, with a large Central Park, more parking where it is needed most, and other amenities to promote a quality downtown destination.

The City Council feels threatened by this initiative. They decided to move ahead with their planned hotel on the east side of Livermore Avenue knowing full well that the Central Park Plan allows for a west side hotel and would put parking where the east side hotel is slated to go. The Council’s clear goal is to render the Central Park Plan an impossibility before it is voted on.

What difference will it make if people get to vote on a better plan if there is a hotel already under construction on the east side of Livermore Avenue? People will be confused and discouraged from voting. Their right to enact legislation by initiative will be rendered meaningless. This is an abuse of power by the Council. It is a means of suppressing voters and discouraging them from voting. Voter suppression is no small matter. It is going on around the country, and now it is going on in Livermore.

In order to stop the hotel from moving forward, and protect the right of the people of Livermore to a full and fair vote on the initiative, it is necessary to referend the development agreement for the east side hotel.

Regardless of how people feel about the Central Park Plan, no one should tolerate manipulation of their voting rights by a government entity. Sign the referendum and protect your right to a true vote on the Central Park Plan.

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Disappointed
Livermore Citizen
Yolanda Meider, Livermore

I moved to Livermore 6+ years ago and feel very pleased with our decision. My husband and I got involved in our community by volunteering. We decided to also get involved in the city's request to attend workshops for the downtown plan and the Isabel Plan.

After attending various city council meetings regarding the downtown plan, I am so very disappointed. Had I known that the west side for the hotel was never really an option — only the east side for the hotel pushed by city council — we would never have been involved.

The hotel was not the only issue of concern for the downtown plan. Why waste our time if you already knew the outcome? I thought by going to the workshops for the downtown plan that city council was interested in Livermore citizens' views.

My husband and I voted for the city councilmembers serving at this time, but the downtown plan is a separate issue, and our vote does not reflect their decision. At the time, the council was campaigning on the concept of the downtown plan, with no mention that the east side hotel went along with their campaign.

I saw firsthand how disturbing the downtown plan issue has affected the citizens of Livermore. I saw it at the city council meetings and an incident at Target in Livermore. An adult male provoked the individual getting signatures. The adult male said, "Who is paying you? Is Joan Seppala paying you?" The man kept up his provocation, then I stepped in to get this person to just move on. A woman behind me started her rant and was giving the finger gestures. I spoke to her regarding her behavior and how unbecoming it was. Apparently, she was confused on the whole issue and later apologized.

City council is aware of how the downtown plan has

affected the citizens of Livermore, and as far as I know, no attempt has been made to ease the disturbance.

Why are we not working together to get the true facts about the downtown plan and vote accordingly?

The Bankhead is
A Place for the Arts
Nancy Bankhead, Livermore

My name is Nancy Bankhead and my family gave the money for the naming rights to the Bankhead Theater. It was a gift to my mother, Evelyn Bankhead, who has since passed. She loved the arts. I went to many concerts as a child at Livermore High School. It was the only place in Livermore with an auditorium. Now we have a wonderful place: the Bankhead Theater.

I have been to many city council meetings over the last two years. At the last two meetings, I was very upset about what was said about the leadership of the Bankhead. It was horrible! The Bankhead is one of the BEST things that ever happened to Livermore.

Scott Kenison, the day-to-day manager, works very hard to get great shows into the building. He brings some of the best talent to Livermore.

Many things have been said at city council meetings that are misleading. Referendums and initiatives are tearing us apart. Some city council members, Bankhead (LVPAC, Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center) board members and community members have put the Bankhead in the middle of a political fight! That is not right. The Bankhead is not a place for politics; it is a place for the ARTS.

I for one decided, I do not want to be a part of this. As of last Thursday, July 25, I resigned from the board of directors of LVPAC, operators of the Bankhead Theater.

The downtown should bring the community together. The people of Livermore should not be torn apart by this.

Niles Canyon Stroll and Roll

On Sunday, September 22, Niles Canyon Road will close to allow full access to hikers, runners and bicyclists in the 3rd Niles Canyon Stroll and Roll. Automobiles will be barred from a stretch of Niles Canyon Road, between Mission Boulevard in Fremont and Main Street in Sunol, from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. (From 7 to 8 a.m., the road will be open to bicyclists only.)

The event also raises awareness about a proposed new public trail through the scenic canyon. Alameda County Supervisors Scott Haggerty and Richard Valle have been leaders in the push for a Niles Canyon recreation trail. Event participants will have the chance to discuss proposals

to enhance public access to Niles Canyon with staff from Alameda County and the East Bay Regional Park District. A 2017 project study suggested that a 10-foot-wide paved pathway running mostly along the north side of Niles Canyon Road would be the preferred way to enhance access to the canyon for pedestrians, bicyclists and possibly equestrians. An in-depth environmental review of the trail proposal is now being planned, with the study expected to begin sometime next year.

Organizers of this year's Stroll and Roll are preparing for as many as 10,000 people to participate.

To learn more, visit www.84strollroll.com.

WATER

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enough water for two typical households for a year.

By 2018, demand rose to about 42,000 acre feet.

Flores's presentation projected a shortfall of 8,000 acre feet in 2030 if no new water supply sources were added. That shortage would climb to 10,000 acre feet by 2040.

The Zone 7 study recommends the committee continue to look into all potential ways to improve the water supply. That includes supporting the Delta Fix, which has been reduced to one tunnel. It also suggests continuing to help pay for studies of the proposed Sites Reservoir and the expansion

of Los Vaqueros Reservoir for potential storage. Other recommendations include exploring potable reuse and a regional desalination project, undertaking a regional conservation study, enhancing public education and possible revisions to Zone 7 water reliability standards.

The current policy would meet 100 percent of demand 90% of the time, and at least 85% of demand 99% of the time.

Committee members agreed cities and agencies should continue to investigate options to try to meet the future water needs of an expanding population.

HOMELESS

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parking, biohazard clean up, mobile hygiene units, restrooms, storage, and trash.

Young noted that the short-term priorities were to provide dignity to homeless neighbors, establish policies and programs that would have an immediate impact and maximize resources.

The city has to spend the HEAP money by March 31, 2021 and come up with a 30% match. The money will provide for services to help take care of individual needs, rental assistance, subsidies to prevent eviction, homelessness reduction and other improvement projects.

Livermore will work with CityServe to provide outreach, case management and support for clients on the road to self-sufficiency.

The city is engaged with five faith-centered groups, the Area Recreation and Park District and the school district to provide rotating sites for parking seven nights a week.

The groups expect 20 vehicles will use the areas each night. The number of parking spaces will be evaluated and might change, depending on location, Young said.

The groups plan to have an overnight attendant, restrooms and trash service at each parking site. Shower and laundry services at Asbury United Methodist Church and Cornerstone at Vineyard Christian Fel-

lowship will be expanded with paid staff to coordinate services.

Storage, such as small individual lockers or bigger bins, is also being arranged with an attendant to oversee access at sites that are yet to be determined.

The Livermore Police Department plans to work with those who are homeless to provide information and expectations, and to encourage proper use of services.

The city expects to help provide biohazard cleanup and work to educate the community about the services.

"Looking for a way to give some quality of life is vital. There are a huge number of people who are in and out of homelessness," commented Evan Branning, a member of the Human Services Commission.

He said he believes homelessness can be tackled, but it is a process that takes time and a lot of resources.

There are five shelters in the Tri-Valley — all in Livermore.


"For every person lifted out of homelessness, three people are going into homelessness. It's going to take resources," Mayor John Marchand said. "We're starting small to find out what works, and then move ahead with programs."

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Paula Ann Beckwith Robinson 1933 – 2019

Paula was born on October 1, 1933, in New London, Conn., to Arthur Mortimer Beckwith and Laurette Josephine (Gilmore) Beckwith, and died on July 24, 2019, in Boise, Idaho.



Paula met her future husband, Cadet Glenwood E. “Robbie” Robinson, on a snowy night in February 1951 on a blind date to attend a basketball game at the U. S. Coast Guard Academy. After he resigned from the Academy, they were married on April 11, 1953, and moved to Idaho where he finished his education at the University of Idaho. After graduation, Robbie worked for the General Electric Company in the nuclear industry, first in Washington and later in California. They settled in Livermore and Paula worked in several different jobs before going to work at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

After several years, Paula and her three daughters became active in the International Order of Rainbow for Girls. Paula was instrumental in the institution of Livermore Assembly. At one point, Paula was the “Mother Advisor” of the Livermore Rainbow Assembly and received the Grand Cross of Color for her outstanding service to the organization and the Livermore community. Paula was also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and served as “Worthy Matron” of Semper Fidelis Chapter. Paula was also a proud member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. Having been raised in New London, she grew up sailing. She was also an avid reader, and enjoyed playing duplicate bridge and bowling.

After they both retired, Paula and Robbie moved from California to Meridian, Idaho, and they became members of the Grace Anglican Church in Boise.

Paula was preceded in death by her parents, brother Gordon Beckwith and sisters Doris Stehm and Diane Whelan, as well as a great grandson, Nolan Pickering. She is survived by her sister Joan Shallow; husband Robbie Robinson; daughters Carol Holman, Dorothy Trumpp and Patty (Charles) Crohare; grandchildren Erin (Justin) Wentworth, Kyle (Kaitlin) White, Jennifer Trumpp, Falan Groth, Cortney (Kevin) Brazil and Jason (Natalie) Trumpp; and great-grandsons Atticus and Phoenix White.

Services in Idaho and California are pending. Contributions in her name can be made to your favorite charity.

G. Cook Story 1945 - 2019

Cook Story passed away peacefully on July 18, 2019, in Livermore, Calif., due to stroke complications and heart failure.



Cook was born and raised on the family farm near Marietta, Ohio. He attended Ohio State University and graduated with highest honors in 1969, earning dual BS / MS Degrees in Mechanical Engineering. He moved to Livermore to begin a career at Sandia National Laboratories. He earned a Ph.D. in Materials Science from University of California, Davis in 1980. He was a member of the Technical Staff and worked on the design and development of weapons systems and components, earning many awards and patents in Heat Transfer and Inertia Welding. He retired in 2001 and remained on staff as a consultant, with a career spanning over 35 years with Sandia Labs.

Cook was a man of many interests, skills and talents, and was always busy. He loved traveling the world and

meeting new people. He was a woodworker, a photographer and an avid reader. He loved working in his garden and “playing in the dirt.” He was a hunter and an expert marksman. He was a Lewis & Clark enthusiast and all things Mountain Men. He became a winemaker and won many medals and awards for his wines. He enjoyed the theater and spent many years as a subscriber with the American Conservatory Theater in San Francisco. He was devoted to exercising and biking, and worked out every day. He was an avid sports fan and enjoyed watching the Bay Area teams as well as his beloved Ohio State Buckeyes. He loved entertaining, and just being with family and friends.

Cook is survived by his wife of 50 years Sue, sister Roberta (Russ), brother Mike (Sheila), sister Rebecca (Jeff), brother-in-law Don (Cindy), sister-in-law Nancy (Don), beloved granddaughter Erin (Eric), and many nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held August 17 at 1 p.m., at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1020 Mocho Street, Livermore. Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Cross Lutheran Church or Hope Hospice (6377 Clark Ave. Suite 100, Dublin, CA 94568).

What an extraordinary life, what an amazing husband and friend, what an incredible man.

Callaghan Mortuary is honored to be serving the Story family. An online guestbook is available for condolences at www.callaghanmortuary.com.

Kristin Lynn Brewer

Kristin Lynn Brewer sadly passed away July 26, 2019. Her loves were her family, her friends and her animals.



Kristin’s work at Safeway as a florist, brought her great joy. Kristin’s customers were her extended family. You could always count on Kristin to bring you a smile and a heart full of joy.

Kristin’s smile will be greatly missed by her husband Harold, her son and wife Jagger and Christie Brewer, her sister and husband Tammy and Johnny Dunson, mother-in-law Lona Brewer, and Kirstin’s parents Don and Karen Breithaupt. Also her puppies Teko, Miss Gracie and Chuckie.

Services will be held August 16, at 2 p.m., at Tracy Memorial Chapel, 5 West Highland Ave. in Tracy, with a reception following.

Gwendolyn Logette

Jan. 10, 1923 – July 24, 2019
Resident of Pleasanton

When the conductor said “All Aboard” for the beginning of her journey, Newfoundland was the first of five stops that would comprise her 96+ years of a well-lived life. At the outset she was accompanied by her parents James and Beatrice Mercer, and five brothers: Ralph, Graham, Malcolm, Philip and Leslie — all of whom predeceased her.

After graduating high school, Gwendolyn did office and clerical work, and helped Graham in his brokerage business until 1955, when she went on a trip with Graham to Montreal, and while there met and fell in love with her husband-to-be Trevor. She stayed on and later that year they were married. The couple spent a short time in Montreal and later that year they moved to New Liskeard in Northern Ontario. That winter she was bitterly cold. A favorite winter sport was outdoor curling on natural ice. They both took up the sport, and she followed it avidly when it became an Olympic event.



The fourth stop on her journey was in London, Ontario, where during the next decade her three children Barry, Tracey and Richard were born.

In 1968 the family moved to Pleasanton, which became

her fifth and final stop. At the beginning of her more than half century life there, she was active in the Pleasanton Newcomers Club. She enjoyed bowling, and her other interests included interior decorating and current events. She was blessed with good health and travelled extensively until she was in her 90s. She decided to stop travelling during what was the be her last trip to Las Vegas; airport security demanded she take off her boots.

In addition to her husband and three children, she is survived by two granddaughters Samantha Rockhill and Jenee Logette.

Josephine (Jo) E. Waters May 17, 1924 - July 30, 2019

Jo passed away peacefully on July 30, 2019, of congestive heart failure at her residence in Pleasanton with her loving daughter Gwen Seymour by her side.



Jo was born in Arkansas and moved to Hayward, Calif., when she was a young woman, where she lived many years before moving to Penryn, Calif., to be close to her son and his family — then continued on living in Pleasanton for the last 16 years to be close to her daughter and her family.

Jo retired from working as a hospital administrator for Bay Area Nursing Homes who served all over the Bay Area. She enjoyed music and dancing very much and attended as many dances as she could. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends at gatherings and attended church wherever she resided, while making many friends in the process. She loved to cook, bake, crochet, sew, needlepoint and work crossword puzzles.

Jo is survived by her daughter Gwen Seymour, son-in-law Chuck Seymour, sister-in-law Flo Burnside, sister-in-law John Burnside and 21 grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by all of her family and friends.

A service will be held in memory of Jo Waters at Valley Community Church, 4455 Del Valle Parkway, Pleasanton, on August 24, 2019 at 1 p.m.

Callaghan Mortuary is honored to be serving the Waters family. An online guestbook is available for condolences at www.callaghanmortuary.com.

Jean Talbot

Jean Talbot, aged 87, passed peacefully into heaven with family by her side.



Born in Rolfe, Iowa, to Roy and G. Sally Schonberger, Jean grew up on the farm and attended Des Moines Township. She held accounting jobs at Berkeley Labs, Liberty House, TAP Plastics, and Ideal Storage.

Jean blessed many with her generosity, and cared for many family and friends in her home in Livermore. She enjoyed camping and travelling with family.

She is survived by children Lori (Brad) Briegleb and Chris (Connie) Talbot, stepdaughter Tanna Orr, brother Jack (Mary Rae) Schonberger, grandchildren Alana Briegleb, Tony, Jennifer and Gina Talbot, Ian Overaas, Sean McNamara, and Brian Bay, and great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her parents Roy and Sally, and sisters Joyce O'Donnell and B. Joan Hood. We are grateful to Jack, his wife Mary Rae Lehman, and Ace Hospice for the care they gave Jean in her last days.

Jimmy Berry McCraw Feb. 4, 1945 – Aug. 1, 2019

Jimmy, 74, was born in Honolulu, Hawaii, to the late Joe and Ann McCraw on February 4, 1945. He was the second of three children: Wayne, Jimmy and Launa. At age 8, he lost his mother. In 1953 his father married Kay, who had two other

children: Ethel and Teddy, and later the couple had Jorene.

When Jimmy was a boy, they moved to Alameda, then Castro Valley, and in 1958 moved to Livermore, Calif. Jimmy graduated in 1962 from Livermore High School. He enlisted in the Air Force in 1964 and served until 1968. He then worked in construction, for PG&E, and in 1972 got his dream job as a Livermore firefighter. He retired as a Captain after 30 years of serving his community.



In 1975 he and Judi settled in Manteca where they raised their family until 2014. They then moved to their mountain property, where they built their dream cabin.

Jimmy is survived by his loving wife of 46 years Judi, and their children Tami De Jong and her husband Duane, Dustin McCraw and his wife Heidi, and Joey Glendenning and her husband Ansel. He was Papa to grandchildren Devon, Logan, Miller and Lacy. Jimmy is survived by his younger sister Launa Lindbeck, and his sisters-in-law Dixie Skundberg and Elsie Martin.

Jimmy reunited with his parents and his siblings Teddy, Wayne, and Ethel in Heaven on August 1, 2019.

Jimmy had a great love for the Lord and shared that love with others! He loved his family and people in general (where everyone was his neighbor). He also had a love of fishing and being on the mountain. His final resting place will be on the mountain that he loved so much!

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 10, at West Point Community Covenant Church at 22264 Hwy, 26, West Point, Calif.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to Jimmy’s church (at above address), or your favorite charity.

Janice Marie Freitas Marino 1943 - 2019

Janice Marie Freitas Marino was born February 11, 1943, in Hanford, Calif. On August 2, 2019, Janice lost her battle with an autoimmune disorder, passing peacefully at home, surrounded by family.



Janice grew up on Tesla Road with her best friend and only sibling Judi Freitas Irwin, and loving parents Laura and Alfred “Fritz” Freitas. Before graduating from Livermore High School, knock-out beauty Janice met the love of her life Frank “Ky” O. Marino, and the couple married at St. Michael Church, laughing their way through 58 adventurous years together.

Because her husband served as a San Francisco County Watershed Keeper, Janice enjoyed a special existence — living remotely beside awe-inspiring reservoirs in Yosemite and Sunol, riding horses up and over mountains. She free-range raised children — three girls and one boy, her proudest and happiest accomplishments.

A loyal, fun-loving and proud Portuguese woman, her children grew to know her as a best friend and fearless traveling companion during adulthood.

Smart and driven, Janice turned to the working world during mid-life and found true friends, fun times and financial success in real estate. As a real estate broker, she founded Buena Vista Properties and worked there until she died.

Janice had a passion for: cooking, traveling anywhere on earth her girls suggested, and retreating to the family ranch on Mines Road and cabin in Long Barn. She loved raw Pismo Beach clams, shopping, swimming at the Livermore Tennis Club, cream puffs, documentaries on Netflix, the San Francisco Symphony, good red wine, God, Jesus, and of course the Virgin Mary.

Funeral Services for Janice will be held on Monday, Au-

gust 12, at St. Michael Church in Livermore. The Visitation and Rosary will be held at 11 a.m., and the mass begins at noon.

Abraham Josue Ibarra Sept. 24, 2009 – July 31, 2019

My beloved and precious son, Aman:



God sent the angels to give you your wings to fly to God’s kingdom, where there is no more pain and no more suffering. I will no longer take you to that cold place where you would shake with fear when you saw the white gowns — looking at me, talking to me with those beautiful eyes full of love, light and peace. Your eyes were imploring me to get you out of that place, but it was necessary to take you there to save your life, my little white bird.

We will no longer run around in the mornings. There is no more fear of the winter, my love, my precious son.

You have left physically, but you remain in the wind, in the song of the birds, in the sigh of the night, and in the awakening of the day.

Your sister, brother and I will remember you always.

I love you, Abraham!
Mama

Visitation on Thursday, August 8 at 2 p.m., followed by Rosary at 4 p.m. Funeral mass will be held on Friday, August 9, at 10 a.m. All at St. Michael Church, 458 Maple St., Livermore.

Marlyn Jane Diaz Oct. 1, 1955 – July 21, 2019

Mrs. Marlyn Jane Diaz died peacefully in her home on Sunday, July 21, 2019, after a valiant battle with ovarian cancer. She was 63 years old.



Marlyn is survived by her mother, Maria Fortes; husband, Jimmy Diaz; child, Kaycie Kaeding; grandchild, Korver Kaeding; and siblings, Sam Fortes, Adrian Fortes, Eileen Quero, and James Fortes from Livermore, Calif.

Marlyn was born on October 1, 1955, in Livermore, to Semplicio and Maria Fortes. She graduated from Livermore High School in 1973 and Heald College in 1974. Marlyn began working for Sandia National Laboratories as a Work Study Trainee — Accounting Division in 1972, while still in school. She held many positions through the years and retired 36 years later in 2008.

She married Jimmy Diaz, the love of her life, in 1975 and they were married 44 years. In 1985, Marlyn and Jimmy welcomed their child Kaycie into their home. Marlyn became a grandmother in 2019 when Kaycie had her baby Korver.

Marlyn was accomplished at business management and often used her organizational skills for hosting large family celebrations and trips. Her passions were camping with family, dancing to her favorite disco music, and jogging. She is remembered as a generous, witty and loyal woman who deeply loved her family and friends. Helping others and keeping family together were key ideals Marlyn held throughout her life. She was an active and dedicated member of St. Michael Catholic Church and the Livermore Filipino-American (Fil-Am) Organization.

Her viewing is scheduled on August 22, 4 - 6 p.m., at Callaghan Mortuary in Livermore; rosary 6 - 7 p.m.; and final viewing from 7 - 8 p.m. Her funeral is scheduled on August 23 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Michael Catholic Church, with a reception to follow at Elks Lodge in Livermore. Fr Alfonso Borgen will officiate the ceremony. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Marlyn’s life. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Kaycie Kaeding at 1639 Fifth Street, Livermore, CA 94550 for American Cancer Society Bark For Life event.

Donations also may be made online for team #MarsStrong - Bark For Life of Silicon Valley North, on the American Cancer Society webpage. The family would like to thank Dr. Kavitha Raj, Stanford Health Care, Hallway Healthcare, and Kaiser Permanente for their effort and dedication.

Callaghan Mortuary is honored to be serving the Diaz family. An online guestbook is available for condolences at www.callaghanmortuary.com.

Ernest (Ernie) Hodges Sept. 20, 1926 - July 30, 2019

Ernest (Ernie) Arthur Hodges, 92, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 30, 2019, at his residence in Livermore — with his loving wife Audrey Lea Hodges by his side.



Ernie was born in Springfield, Mich., to Herbert Logan Hodges and Elsie Mae Amos Hodges. The family moved to California when he left the Army. He was employed by the US Post Office in Richland, Wash. Then he changed jobs and went to work for Hanford Operations Office as a courier. Then he transferred to Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, where he was employed by the US Atomic Energy Commission as a security specialist. He was employed at the Lab for over 50 years.

Ernie is survived by Audrey, his loving wife of 54 years. Ernie has three sons Dale Hodges, Vincent Hodges and Jeffrey Hodges; one daughter Linda Bishop; one stepson Jimmy Pierce; two stepdaughters Johnna Smith and Phyllis Pierce-Adkins; and 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Ernie was preceded in death by two stepsons Clarence Louis and Claud Homer Pierce.

A viewing will be held at Callaghan Mortuary, 3833 East Ave., Livermore, on Wednesday, August 14, at 11 a.m., followed by a memorial service at noon. A graveside service at 1 p.m. will take place next door at Memory Gardens, 3873 East Ave. Following will be a Celebration of Life Memorial at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1501 Hillcrest Ave. Refreshments will be served at this time. We welcome you to come and share your memories with everyone.

Callaghan Mortuary is honored to be serving the Kirkman family. An online guestbook is available for condolences at www.callaghanmortuary.com.

Lindsay Augusta Kirkman

July 10, 1981 – July 16, 2019

Lindsay Kirkman grew up in Livermore. She graduated from Livermore High School, class of 1999. While at LHS, she enjoyed raising and showing animals with the school’s FFA Chapter.



Shortly after graduation, Lindsay received her cosmetology license. She had a successful career as a hair stylist for almost 20 years.

Lindsay loved San Francisco and spent a decade living and working there before returning to Livermore.

Her interests included traveling, dancing, running, and fostering rescue cats. She especially loved spending time with her friends and family.

Lindsay is survived by her father Ken; her sister Keely and niece Kinsey; her grandmother Tressie; and her aunt and cousin Priscilla and Brian Maxwell.

She is preceded in death by her mother Cyndee, and grandparents John and Virginia Finley and Elbert Kirkman.

Lindsay’s big smile and kind heart will be remembered by all who knew her.

A memorial will be held Saturday, August 10, at 2 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, 2020 Fifth St., Livermore.

Environmental Action Summit To be Held in Pleasanton

Students from around the Tri-Valley are partnering with the Go Green Initiative and the Citizens Climate Lobby to host a summit that empowers young people to take action against climate change.

The Youth Environmental Action Summit (YEAS) will be held on September 7th from 4 to 7 p.m. at the multi-purpose room at Amador Valley High School, 1155 Santa Rita Rd, Pleasanton. Students from middle school through college are invited to attend this engaging and empowering summit.

The summit will have booths covering a variety of topics that relate to the impacts of and solutions for climate change: public health, water conservation,

transportation, organizing clubs, public speaking, and much more. Attendees will have the chance to visit each booth before attending a breakout session.

Youth of the Tri-Valley are invited to participate in the program, which will include dynamic speakers, fun games, booths, and snacks. Attendees will learn about how climate change affects the local community and what steps can be taken to mitigate its effects.

Adults can support the summit through sponsorship or tax deductible donations.

For more information on the program, sponsorship, and registration, please visit: <https://trivalleyyeas.wixsite.com/yeas2019>.

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dent Dave Marken said.

The first level of the building will include five engineering classrooms, a weight room, a maintenance room and shop space. The second floor will have three science classrooms and multi-use areas. The third level will feature four science classrooms and three labs.

The school board unanimously approved \$31.5 million for construction, with \$1 million from Measure C

and the rest from Measure E. Midstate Construction, of Petaluma, won the contract.

“As our community has grown, Dublin residents have shown their willingness to invest in their schools,” Board President Amy Miller said. “The Dublin High School Engineering and Science Building is one of the investments they have made, and one I believe will deliver an exceptional return on investment for students, staff and the community.”

WORKSHOP

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Bay Area high school students got an up-close look at the many precision tools used at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. (Photo – Courtesy of LLNL)

for local high schools and junior colleges.

“We recognized at the junior college level, where we were focusing, it was already too late, so we decided we needed to kick it down one level to the high schools and help juniors and seniors be more aware of the career pathways and the opportunities.”

He considers Livermore to be fortunate in that both Livermore and Granada high schools still have machine shop classes, which have been discontinued in many communities due to liabilities and cost.

Granada High School shop and machine tool teacher Don Danner encouraged his students to attend the workshop. Five took advantage of the opportunity.

He found that the workshop was valuable, not only

for his students, but for himself as well.

To Jesus Gonzalez, a third-year apprentice from Hayward, “It’s great that these young (high school) students are being shown that there are different trades out there in which they could use the skills they have.”

One of many students who received that message was Lauren Graham, a Foothill High junior, who has long wanted to be an engineer and took the workshop to expand her knowledge base.

“I really never thought about how they made parts before... It’s not just robots doing the same thing over and over. There’s more thought that goes into it,” she said.

“It made me understand how people are involved in

the process. It really shows you how you can have any career you want... It’s good to see your options.”

Another local participant, Jorja Burbano, a sophomore at Granada High, said she has family members working at LLNL and had often thought about pursuing a career in manufacturing.

She enjoys hands-on work. She was thrilled to visit the shop’s main bay, where she gawked at high-tech machines like the horizontal boring mill, engine lathe and hydropress.

“There is a lot of new technology here, and all the computer programming that goes into everything was mind blowing to see,” she said.

“Everyone seems so passionate about their jobs here and are always experimenting. It doesn’t seem like anything gets old very fast.”

Some students had to make a serious effort just to attend. Berkeley High School students Eliot Wachtel, Noah Dilworth and Erik Lovekin journeyed from Berkeley as a group, making the two-and-a-half hour trip to Livermore via BART, bus and bicycle.

Wachtel, president of Berkeley High’s robotics club, had used machines and lathes before during a summer workshop at Laney College.

“I really want to learn more about machining. I’m

constantly looking for ways to learn more about the stuff I’m interested in, and I’m really interested in making stuff and in engineering.”

Dilworth, who recently graduated from Berkeley High, will begin engineering studies at UC-San Diego in the fall. He was interested in the workshop because he wanted to see what kinds of careers exist in manufacturing.

“It’s been cool just to learn about the different jobs and how they are interconnected,” he said.

“I don’t really know exactly what I want to do, but I know I like these machines, I like making things and finding out about how all these things work.”

The workshop concluded on July 11 with a ceremony and certificates for the students. Schoenenberger, the workshop leader, said he was surprised to have 100 percent of the students attend all three days.

“The workshop far exceeded my expectations,” he said.

“The kids interacted well with each other and everyone involved. They were actively engaged in conversations with journeymen machinists as well as current apprentices while touring the lab’s machine shops.

“It took a lot of people to make this event successful and to all of them I am very grateful.”

REAL ESTATE NEWS & NOTICES

Common Ways to Hold Title to Property

By Cher Wollard

When purchasing a home, you’ll have lots of decisions to make: where to look for a home, how to finance it, what home to make an offer on, how much to offer, which title/escrow company to use, what date you want to close the transaction.

Then when your offer is accepted, you’ll need to choose inspectors and determine which, if any, repairs you’ll ask the seller to make.

For most of these decisions, your Realtor will be beside you as a trusted advisor, helping you select the wisest course of action for you and your family.

Some issues, though, are outside the purview of real estate agents. Some issues, such as how to take ownership – also known as holding title or vesting of title – to the property once it is yours, are legal matters best left to attorneys with input from your tax advisor.

In fact, this is one decision about which it would be improper for either agents or escrow officers to advise you.

Your escrow officer likely will give you a handout explaining the various ways of holding title, however, to help you decide which is best for your situation.

How you hold title is no small matter. Your decision will determine who may sign certain documents and has repercussions for real property and income taxes, inheritance and gift taxes, transferability of title, exposure to creditors’ claims, and what happens to the property when one party dies.

The following is a list of common ways to hold title to real estate.

Sole Ownership (ownership by one person or entity):

- A Single Man/Woman – If you are not legally married or in a domestic partnership, title would read, for example, Harriet Homeowner, a single woman.
- A Married Man/Woman or a Domestic Partner – If you are legally married or in a legal domestic partnership but are acquiring title in your name alone, the title company will require your spouse or partner to disclaim or relinquish rights, title and interest to the property. For example, Bruce Buyer, a married man, as his sole and separate property.

Co-Ownership (ownership by two or more persons):

- Community Property – In California and some other states, real estate acquired during the marriage by a married person is presumed to be community property, and thus owned equally, unless otherwise stated. Title is held by “the community” of husband and wife. Each party has equal management and control of the entire property. Either spouse’s creditors can lay claim to the property. When one person dies, the surviving spouse is entitled to half ownership of the property; the other half goes to the decedent’s heirs. This form of ownership is allowed only for legally married couples. For example, Taylor and Riley Smith, spouses, as community property.
- Community Property with Right of Survivorship – Like Community Property, but this method of holding title means the surviving spouse has sole ownership of the property.
- Joint Tenancy – Similar to Community Property with Right of Survivorship, but for two or more people who may or may not be married. For example, Bruce and Bill Buyer, a married couple, and Harriet Homeowner, a single woman, as joint tenants.
- Tenancy in Common – If you want to own property with one or more other people, either equally or not, perhaps adding and dropping co-owners at various times, you may want to hold title as Tenants in Common. In this situation, each “tenant” owns a share of the property and is entitled to a comparable portion of any income derived from it and must bear an equivalent share of expenses. You may sell, lease or will to an heir your share of the property. For example, Harried Homemaker, a single woman, as to an undivided ¾ interest, and Bill

Buyer, a married man, as to an undivided ¼ interest, as tenants in common.

Other ways of vesting title:

- A Corporation – Legal entities, such as corporations, which are created under law, may hold title to real property. Corporations consist of one or more shareholders, but are regarded as a separate entity from the shareholders. Title remains with the corporation until the property is sold or the corporation dissolved and its assets disbursed.
- A Partnership – Similar to a corporation, a partnership is an association of two or more persons who conduct business for profit as co-owners under the Uniform Partnership Act.
- Trustees of a Trust – A trust is an arrangement in which legal title is transferred to a trustee, who holds and manages the property for the benefit of the beneficiaries named in the trust. You may have a family trust, for example, in which you and/or your spouse are the trustees until you die, at which time the designated successor trustee takes over. Title to real estate included in the trust is held by the trustee. As an example, Taylor Smith, trustee of the Smith Family Trust.
- Limited Liability Companies (LLC) – These legal entities are similar to corporations and partnerships, and are governed by an operating agreement.

If you hold title as sole owner or tenant in common, your property or share of property become part of your estate when you die.

In 2016, the state created the Revocable Transfer on Death Deed – sometimes referred to as a “poor man’s trust” – to allow property owners to designate one or more beneficiaries to inherit your property without creating a trust or a will. As with any legal documents, there are pros, cons and lots of fine print, so be sure to consult your attorney before going this route.

If you do not have an attorney, your trusted Realtor may be able to refer you to one.

No matter how you plan to hold title, if you are considering buying real estate, contact your local Realtor today.

Cher Wollard is a Realtor with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Drysdale Properties, Livermore.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 560882

The following person(s) doing business as: Joe Sprouts, 6701 Koll Center Parkway - Suite 250, Pleasanton, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Citrus Stone, LLC, 4892 Bernal Ave, Apt. O, Pleasanton, CA 94566. 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: July 1, 2019. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Alexandre C. Munaretto, President, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 3, 2019. Expires July 3, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4584. Published July 18, 25, August 1, 8, 2019.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. HG19026250

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Fnu Namra 1672 Arrowhead Ave Livermore, CA 94551 (925) 225-2814, filed a petition with this court

for a decree changing names as follows:

Present Name: Fnu Namra
Proposed Name: Nimra Nazar

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

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 8/23/19
Time: 11:00 AM
Dept: 17

The address of the court is: Alameda County Administration Building 1221 Oak Street Oakland, CA 94612
A copy of this Order To Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation printed in this county: The Independent Newspaper 2250 First Street, Livermore, CA 94550 Dated: July 9, 2019 /s/: Wynne S. Carvill, Judge of the Superior Court. The Independent Legal No. 4586 Published July 25, August 1, 8, 15, 2019.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. HG19026252

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner: Fnu Tahoorra 1672 Arrowhead Ave Livermore, CA 94551 (925) 339-2477, filed a petition with this court

for a decree changing names as follows:

Present Name: Fnu Tahoorra
Proposed Name: Tahura Nazar

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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 561222 to 561224

The following person(s) doing business as: 1.Creedside Center for Spiritual Formation, 2.Lead Bold, 3.The Dairy, 1660 Freisman Road, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): James Chris Coli, 1660 Freisman Road, Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by a Corporation. 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/: James Chris Coli, Senior Pastor/CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 15, 2019. Expires July 15, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4588. Published 25, Aug 1, 8, 15, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 561306-561308

The following person(s) doing business as: 1.Goodguys Merchandise, 2.Goodguys General, 3. Goodguys Garage, 1071 Serpentine Lane, Pleasanton, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Goodguys Merchandise, LLC,

1071 Serpentine Lane, Pleasanton, CA 94566. 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: May 24, 2019. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Marc C. Meadors, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 17, 2019. Expires July 17, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4589. Published 25, Aug 1, 8, 15, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 560808

The following person(s) doing business as: DaBomb Guitars, 5410 Carnegie Loop, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Dwayne Thaele, 5410 Carnegie Loop, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by an Individual. 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/: Dwayne Thaele, Founder. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 2, 2019. Expires July 2, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4590. Published 25, Aug 1, 8, 15, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO.560539

The following person(s) doing business as: Zilla Boyz Clothing, 603 Hazel Street, Livermore, CA 94550,

is hereby registered by the following owner(s): John Ray Brunell. This business is conducted by an Individual. 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/: John Ray Brunell, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 12, 2019. Expires July 12, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4591 Published 25, Aug 1, 8, 15, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO.561412

The following person(s) doing business as: Green Valley Landscape & Maintenance, 1751 4th St, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Samuel F. Fernandez, 1751 4th St, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by an Individual. 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/: Samuel F. Fernandez, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 22, 2019. Expires July 22, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4592 Published 25, Aug 1, 8, 15, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 561433

The following person(s) doing business as: RICH RESULTS Marketing & Promo-

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STATEMENT OF WITHDRAWAL OF PARTNERSHIP OPERATING UNDER FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. 547159

The following person(s) has/have withdrawn as a general partner(s) from the partnership operating under the fictitious business name: Ms. Carmen's Kinder Casa, 860 Herman Ave, Suite# 102, Livermore, CA, 94551. The full name(s) and residence address(es) of the withdrawing partner(s): Vicente S. Meneses, 6364 Altamar Circle, Livermore, CA 94551. Registrants: /s/: Vicente Meneses, Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 24, 2019. The Independent Legal No. 4594 Published Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO. 561559

The following person(s) doing business as: Butler and Batter, 577 Windermere Circle, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Lisa Corti, 577 Windermere Circle, Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 7/25/19. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Lisa Corti, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 25, 2019. Expires July 25, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4595 Published Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 561078

The following person(s) doing business as: Livermore Butcher Shop, 282 South L Street, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Livermore Butcher Shop, 282 South L Street, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by a Corporation. 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/: Andrew Cusimano, President/CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 10, 2019. Expires July 10 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4596 Published Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 561565**

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 560867**

The following person(s) doing business as: Grafo Mini Mart, 1309 Portola Ave, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Ana Molina Martinez, 1127 W Sonora St, Stockton, CA 95203. This business is conducted by an individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: July 8, 2019. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Patrick Brian Denney, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 3, 2019. Expires July 3, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4598 Published Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 561517**

The following person(s) doing business as: Beckman Investment Securities, 4049 First Street, Suite 141, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Kenneth L. Dammel, 22994 N Lower Sacramento Road, Acampo, CA 95220. This business is conducted by an individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: July 7, 2019. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Kenneth Dammel, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 24, 2019. Expires July 24, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4599 Published Aug 8, 15, 22, 2019.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 561657**

The following person(s) doing business as: Silicon Valley Consulting Group, 2858

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 561500-5001**

The following person(s) doing business as: 1. Livemore haryman Services 2. Denney Handyman Services, 4753 Apple Tree Cmn, Livermore, CA, 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Patrick Brian Denney, 4753 Apple Tree Cmn, Livermore, CA, 94551. This business is conducted by an individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: July 8, 2019. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Patrick Brian Denney, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 24, 2019. Expires July 24, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4601 Published Aug 8, 15, 22, 2019.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 561543-544**

The following person(s) doing business as: 1. Laura for Dogs 2. LFD Dog Training, 2090 Ponderosa Dr, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Laura Anne Enos, 2090 Ponderosa Dr, Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by an individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: August 27, 1997. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Laura Enos, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 25, 2019. Expires July 25, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4602 Published Aug 8, 15, 22, 2019.

**STATEMENT OF
ABANDONMENT OF USE OF
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
ORIGINAL FILE NO. 505220**
The person(s) listed below have abandoned the use of the following fictitious business name(s). Fit For Life, 8647 Galindo Dr, Dublin, CA 94568, Registered Owner(s): Jeffery King, 8647 Galindo Dr.

Dublin, CA 94568. The fictitious business name statement was filed on 5/20/15 in the County of Alameda. This business was conducted by an individual. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Jeffery King, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 30, 2019. The Independent Legal No. 4603. Published August 8, 15, 22, 2019.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 561758**

The following person(s) doing business as: S&S Partners, 3910 Gorham Court, Dublin, CA 94568, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Youngho Seo, 3910 Gorham Court, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by an individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: July 25, 2019. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Young Seo, Managing Director. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 31, 2019. Expires July 24, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4604 Published Aug 8, 15, 22, 2019.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 561758**

The following person(s) doing business as: Uptown Pup Mobile Grooming, 7048 Lancaster Rd, Dublin, CA 94568, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Monica Cain, 7048 Lancaster Rd, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by an individual. 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/: Monica Cain, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on July 17, 2019. Expires July 17, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4605 Published Aug 8, 15, 22, 2019.

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. HG19029156**

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Solar Energy Academy Offers Students Hands-On Industry Experience

By Carol Graham

Sixteen-year-old Angela Traugott understands the nature of change. “When we consider change in a general sense, it’s not a matter of whether or not change should happen. Change is a given; it’s inevitable,” said the senior at Livermore’s Vineyard School. “What we need to

The five-day academy, held July 15-19 this year, gives students exposure to four careers: marketing, project management, design-engineering, and finance. Students meet solar professionals, conduct independent research, and participate in hands-on activities. Along with gaining an understanding of solar

skills. I was able to learn what being a good manager meant and how to apply the skills to other situations.” Not only is the academy free, but upon successful completion, student participants receive a \$150 stipend. The 2019 Solar Energy Academy is provided by SunPower Corporation, managed by the Contra Costa Economic Partnership, and co-sponsored by Las Positas College and the Pleasanton Unified School District.

“SunPower is the number one commercial solar energy provider in the U.S.,” said Renée Solari, senior program manager for SunPower Horizons. “For years, we’ve been bringing reliable energy solutions and cost savings to schools, colleges and universities across the country. In 2009, we recognized that we could make a greater impact in how we change the way our world is powered by being bringing activity-based education to our education customers. We’ve had an active partnership with over 50 school districts to bring solar science to the classroom, bring students out of the class for in-the-field learning, and provide professional development for educators.”

The 2019 Tri-Valley Solar Energy Academy included 11th and 12th grade students from the Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin and Fremont school districts. “Jobs in the solar industry include installation, project management, engineering, marketing, financing and everything in between, and are needed from rural areas to cities to deliver clean, affordable, renewable energy in all 50 states,” Solari said. “The summer Solar Energy Academy gives students an inside look into the many different job opportunities in solar, so that they can tailor their education for a career in the field, if they choose to do so.”

Mason Garofalo, a 17-year-old student at Foothill High School in Pleasanton, also attended this year’s academy. “It’s critical to learn about the solar energy industry because it is an alternative to fossil fuels, it is sustainable, and it is increasing in popularity,” Mason said. “By participating in the solar academy, I was able to gain valuable information about the industry and work experience, along with communication skills. My favorite part of the academy was presenting to the panel of judges, as it mirrored a workplace sales pitch.” The program concludes with participants sharing their knowledge with an audience of school officials, community members and family. “When I walked into the academy, I had no idea that we were to create a presenta-

tion about what we learned throughout the week and present it to judges,” Angkitha said. “Though it was a bit of a challenge to squeeze the work into a week, it was well worth it. I learned how to time-manage properly and to present with vigor. I will definitely use some of what I took away from the academy in my school setting.” Along the way, students enjoyed notable surprises and created positive memories. “Something that surprised me about solar power is just how efficient it is,” Angkitha added. “I couldn’t believe one hour of sunlight could power the entire earth for one whole year. It goes to show how applicable solar power is, and how it could help revolutionize the world. My favorite memory from the academy was when we got to solder to make a

solar notebook. It was intriguing that such a simple project could help us charge our phones.” For Angela, a favorite part of the academy was visiting SunPower’s headquarters in San Jose. “We were able to meet and chat with people who worked in a number of different jobs at SunPower,” she said. “It was fascinating getting to speak with people of varying backgrounds and careers, and I was very grateful that these people, especially the CEO, were able to take the time out of their day to visit us.” SunPower plans to host the 3rd Tri-Valley Solar Energy Academy in the summer of 2020. The application process typically begins in March and runs through early June – or whenever all the spots are filled. To learn more, visit us.sunpower.com/horizons.



John Crosby helps Haven Decker solder a USB connection to a solar charging notebook. (Photo – Doug Jorgensen)

do is to get on the right side of change, to adapt to it and do our best to move it in a direction that benefits everyone. In a practical sense, that means investing more time and effort in clean energy industries, like the solar industry, to make life better for not only our generation, but for the generations to come.” Angela was one of 30 local students who participated in the 2nd annual Tri-Valley Solar Energy Academy this summer at Las Positas College. “While I knew of the importance of clean energy, solar power admittedly wasn’t a field that I was all too familiar with, so I was excited to learn and experience something new,” she added. “I learned a lot about solar energy — how we harness it, how it benefits the environment, and how it benefits us. I also gained skills and knowledge I can apply to other areas of my life.”

technology, students develop professional skills, and make deeper connections about the applicability of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) disciplines. Angkitha Anguraj, 16, said, “I chose to participate in the academy because it seemed like a wonderful opportunity to explore disciplines like marketing, teamwork, and electrical engineering. Since I am interested in Aerospace Engineering, I hoped the academy would give me insight into electrical engineering.” Yet Angkitha gained more than technical knowledge. “The most important skill I gained is leadership,” said the Dublin High School student. “Working with team members I had just met and creating a product as one, furthered my communication skills and, subsequently, my leadership

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Pedrozzi Scholar Returns from Youth Orchestra European Tour

Livermore musician, David Davisson, recipient of the Pedrozzi Foundation's 2019 Charles Amirkhanian Music Scholarship is also a member of the internationally acclaimed San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra. He and fellow SFSYO members recently returned

from a European tour, performing at six different venues in four different countries. This diverse group of talented, young musicians, from throughout the greater Bay Area, was, in the words of a Berlin Tagesspiegel critic, "brilliant and absolutely electrifying."

Davisson, a flutist, was a principal member of the Livermore High School Symphonic Band and performed with several local orchestras prior to joining the SFSYO in 2017. He attributes his grit, more than his talent, to his success as a musician. Grit, defined as, perseverance and passion

for long-term goals, by renowned psychologist and neuroscientist Angel Duckworth, drove Davisson to practice three to four hours a day. It served him well as he prevailed during the highly competitive SFSYO audition process.

While performing for the first time at San

Francisco's Davies Symphony Hall, Davisson had a moment of clarity and inspiration, leading to his decision to pursue music as a career rather than a hobby. His Pedrozzi Foundation scholarship helps make that decision a reality as he pursues a degree in flute performance at Rice Uni-

versity's Shepherd School of Music.

The Pedrozzi Foundation awards scholarships to graduates of the Livermore schools, and Davisson is one of 115 students who were collectively awarded \$443,500 this year. In May, he shared his musical talent with fellow Pedrozzi Scholars and their family and friends during the organization's annual recognition event. Additionally, he, like his fellow Pedrozzi Scholars, expressed gratitude that a community foundation and generous donors are helping to fund his education.

A philanthropic Livermore couple endowed the Charles Amirkhanian Music Scholarship with a \$100,000 donation in 2016. They named the scholarship in honor of Charles Amirkhanian, a native Californian, composer, percussionist, sound poet and radio producer who co-founded the "Other Minds Music Festival" in 1992. Amirkhanian is internationally recognized for his dedication to the encouragement and propagation of contemporary music in all its forms for audiences of diverse traditions, generations and cultural backgrounds. Inspired by Amirkhanian, this generous couple is thrilled to help turn Davisson's hobby into a career. They look forward to following that career, "perhaps as a flutist with the San Francisco Symphony," they muse.



San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra Photo Stefan Cohen

Art and Music Events to Echo Woodstock's Message

On August 17, 2019, fifty years after crowds at the Woodstock Music Festival closed the State Thruway in New York, the Bankhead Theater and Bothwell Arts Center will offer art and music events that echo the festival's message of peace, love and community. In the morning, the Bothwell Arts Center will host an Open Studio session from 11:00am to 2:00pm where visitors can interact with working studio artists, view art demonstrations and participate in making 1960s-style crafts. The event is free and open for all ages and abilities to enjoy.

In the evening, Livermore-based band LunaFish returns to the Bankhead Theater with authentic psychedelic rock music of the 1960s and 1970s in a "Return to Woodstock" concert. With their classic rock style and vocal harmonies, LunaFish reimagines music from what has been called the most innovative period of rock and roll, featuring top hits from artists such as Jimi Hendrix, Janis Joplin, Eric Clapton, and Jefferson Airplane. Together with friends and guest artists, LunaFish will help audiences "Return to Woodstock" that evening at 8:00pm. Sponsored in part by Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center, tickets for the concert are priced at just \$20.

Steered by founders Jeff Fish and Chris Gattuso-Fish, LunaFish made its debut in 2008 at Livermore's Tuesday Tunes outdoor concerts. The group is made up of long-time friends including drummer Bill Ziegler, Michael Fine on bass, Don Bott on keyboards, as well as Kurt Stahl and Tom Rose on guitar. Gattuso-Fish describes the group as not just bandmates but family and they rely on that sense



LunaFish

of family to connect with their audience too, encouraging them to sing along, dance in their seats or just tap their toes. Jeff Fish suffered a brain injury from a medical accident in 2011 and can no longer play guitar, but he continues to be the band's leader and inspiration, creating set lists, suggesting arrangements, and providing invaluable,

expert feedback. This will be the second year LunaFish has performed a summer show at the Bankhead in August. Their first show in 2018 was nearly sold out.

The Bankhead Theater is located at 2400 First Street in downtown Livermore. Tickets are available at the box office, online at www.lvpac.org or by calling 373-6800.

Revamped Museum on Main in Pleasanton Reopens

The Museum on Main has reopened to the public. The Museum was closed for 6 weeks in order to allow the Museum to renovate its permanent history gallery and to do some other building upgrades by the City of Pleasanton. The previous exhibit had not had a facelift 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's three-dimensional objects, images and archives.

"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. We were intentional about providing different levels of engagement for a variety of lifelong learning styles to help visitors understand the importance of our community history."

Furthermore, two years ago, the Museum's Board of Directors voted to join the History Relevance project. This project, initiated by the American Association for State and Local History- a national museum membership

organization, lays out the basic precepts that underlie the missions of history museums. These are:

- History - both knowledge of the past and the practice of researching and making sense of what happened in the past - is crucially important to the well-being of individuals, communities, and the future of our nation.
- History enables people to discover their own place in the stories of their families, communities, and nation.
- History teaches critical 21st century skills and independent thinking. The practice of history teaches research, judgment of the accuracy and reliability of sources, validation of facts, and the awareness of multiple perspectives and biases.
- History lays the groundwork for strong, resilient communities.
- History, saved and preserved, is the foundation for future generations. History is crucial to preserving democracy for the future by explaining our shared past.

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.

In addition, the Museum will open its newest temporary exhibit, Pleasanton at 125. Since the town's incorporation in 1894, Pleasanton's municipal government has tackled all sorts of challenges, from dusty streets and stray livestock to securing a steady water supply to balancing rapid development with a high quality of life. As the city has grown and new needs have arisen, its residents have expanded and reshaped their government to meet those challenges. We will look back on a century and a quarter of Pleasanton's experience of self-government. The exhibit will run through the end of the year with a short 2-week break while the Museum does its annual Ghost Walk Phobias exhibit.

The Museum on Main is located at 603 Main Street in historic downtown Pleasanton. It is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. For more information about current exhibits and programs, visit the Museum's web site at www.museumonmain.org or call (925) 462-2766.

Charged Particles to Close Out Tuesday Tunes



Charged Particles at the Cloverdale Performing Arts Center. (Photo by Moe Gardere)

The Livermore Cultural Arts Council's wraps up this summer's Tuesday Tunes with the Bay Area's favorite trio, Charged Particles, playing funky Latin jazz mixed with classical music.

Now in its 28th year, the acclaimed band has toured in Indonesia, Canada, and England, and will soon tour Italy, Switzerland, and Austria. The group performs about 150 concerts per year, mostly in California. As a very special treat, they will be playing on the Shea Homes Stage in the Livermore Plaza adjacent to the Bankhead Theater, August 13th at 6:45 pm. Shea Homes is also the major sponsor of "Tuesday Tunes".

Charged Particles features three of the country's virtuosos in the acoustic and electric jazz arena. Mur-

ray Low is a keyboard wizard with dazzling Latin-jazz technique and imaginative improvisational skills. Aaron Germain is an inventive and sophisticated acoustic and electric bassist. Along with fiery drummer Jon Krosnick, these players are making some of the most electrifying jazz in the country today.

Downbeat Magazine called the band "something special" and "inventive, invigorating, mesmerizing, beautiful, virtuosic, and lyrical." Jazz Times magazine said they're "an enormously talented trio". Today's most exciting and creative music crosses stylistic boundaries and blends diverse traditions to create engaging new sounds. Charged Particles does just that. The group's performances are adventures for their audiences, taking them on a journey

Encore Players to Perform at Library

Livermore's community theater group, Encore Players, will perform a few scenes from John Cariani's play *Almost, Maine* on Sunday, August 18, 2019, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Civic Center Library, 1188 South Livermore Avenue.

There is no charge for this event.

Almost, Maine takes place in a remote, mythical, almost-town on one cold, clear, slightly surreal Friday night during the Northern Lights. The somewhat quirky townspeople explore love and loss through a series of witty, whimsical, poignant scenes. Sometimes magical moments occur to people in a heartbeat.

Encore Players presented *Almost, Maine* at the

Bothwell Arts Center last May. The director of the play, Ray Spooner, has this to say, "This play is a very deeply thoughtful piece on life and relationships. People at various stages of their own lives will see themselves reflected in one or more of these vignettes."

Meet the Encore Players actors, directors and members to learn how a small theatre company puts on a production--from auditions to construction, to marketing, to rehearsals and to show time.

This program is part of the Friends Authors and Arts Series, supported by the Friends of the Livermore Library.

For additional events, check the library's website at www.livermorelibrary.net.

through the emotions of life through music. Their original compositions are mixtures of complex orchestration and elaborate improvised solos. Toe-tappers, romantic ballads, and surprise twists and turns are all parts of a musical evening with this group of masters.

Additional funding comes from Fremont Bank, The Independent, Tri-Valley Conservancy, UNCLE Credit Union and Uncle Yu's at the Vineyard. Concert-goers should be aware that the City Municipal Codes prohibit the use of alcohol in public places.

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Library and Schools Partner for Students with One Card



Students using student ID card to check out library materials



Students sitting at a study table

Photos courtesy of LVJUSD, taken at the Livermore Civic Center Library

Students exploring the Library of Things



As Livermore students receive their Student Identification (ID) cards at the start of the new school year in August, they will also be receiving a new library card. The Student One Card is a result of a partnership between the City of Livermore Library and the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District (LVJUSD) that provides all middle and high school students with access to the books, materials, databases, and online services that are available to Library patrons.

Nathan Brumley, Livermore Public Library's Supervising Librarian for Youth Services, and Philomena Rambo, LVJUSD's Director of Community Engagement have worked closely with both Library and LVJUSD staff to create this program in our community. "The school district and the library are natural partners. The tremendous resources available through the Livermore Library are only valuable to students when they are fully utilized," said Brumley. With the Student One Card, in addition to being able to check out books, students will be able to participate in online test prep and practice tests for PSAT, SAT, ACT, and AP Exams; use and download eBooks, online audio books, and magazines 24/7; use online databases (research websites that normally charge a fee); participate in an online foreign language course; avail themselves of Tutor.com online support, and more. All of these services are at no charge.

The Student One Card began as a pilot program for LVJUSD freshman at the start of Trimester 2 during the 2018-19 school year. Immediately, 650 new library accounts were added, meaning that 62% of LVJUSD freshmen did not have a library card until their ID card gave them the Student One access. Between March and June,

2019, during the pilot period, LVJUSD freshmen checked out 3,548 physical materials. In addition, the Library has seen an increase in the use of eBooks and eAudiobooks, as well as an increase in database use.

Sherry McGowan, Granada High School Librarian, introduced students to the rich research capacity available to them through databases that the Livermore Library offers. She said "I'm so proud of the partnership between LVJUSD and the Livermore Public Library, giving our students seamless access to the resources they need and want. It makes it so easy to point students to the resources

at the public library, when their access is immediate and universal. My freshman students were so excited when I told them about using their ID cards as library cards; I'm glad to know the program is expanding to all students!"

City librarians are expanding their outreach to LVJUSD schools by coming to schools to teach students directly how to use databases and other library services. "We are grateful for the expert support of our City librarians and are eager to collaborate to expand

our students' understanding of the wealth of resources the library provides," said Rambo.

In 2016-17, with a grant from the California State Library, the Pacific Library Partnership (PLP) and North-Net Library System (NLS) joined forces to support The Student Success Initiative. The Initiative created a pilot program of partnerships between school districts and 15 local public libraries that expanded in 2017-18 with a statewide grant with 51 participating libraries. In 2018-19, it has further expanded to over 60 libraries.

Role Players Ensemble to Stage The Glass Menagerie



Photo from rehearsal

Role Players Ensemble presents *The Glass Menagerie* by Tennessee Williams. Winner of the Best American Play Award. Presented as part of the 20th annual Eugene O'Neill Festival. Performance are August 30-September 15, 2019, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm; Sundays at 2 pm at The Village Theatre, 233 Front Street, Danville.

This season is being called "Enter The Stranger." A series of compelling plays will be presented that feature strangers entering a world and dramatically changing everything. First up is *The Glass Menagerie*. The Wingfield family lives in the shadow of the husband/father who left them to fend for themselves. Struggling to get

by, mother Amanda lives in her southern belle past. Son Tom lives for the day he can escape and live a life of adventure. Daughter Laura lives in the comfort of her menagerie of little glass figurines that help her shut out the world. Into this little Wingfield world walks a young man who upsets everything. *The Glass Menagerie* was Tennessee

Williams' first great success and launched his career.

It is Directed by Chloe Bronzan with Artistic Director: Eric Fraisher Hayes.

The cast includes Terry Bamberger, Randal Chun, Lisa Danz, Michael Ghysels, Robert "Bo"

Golden, James Goode, Matt Hammons, Filip Hofman, Megan Larsen, and Kathleen Qiu.

Tickets are \$20-\$35; online at www.RolePlayersEnsemble.com; at Danville Community Center, 420 Front St, Danville; at the

Theatre box office 1 hour before the show, or call (925) 314-3400.

Free sneak Ppeek Monday Aug 19 at 6:30 pm at Danville Library, Mt. Diablo Room, 400 Front Street.

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Queen Nation
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Music of Queen
August 28 • 7:30 pm

Beer Fest in Dublin

On August 10th, World of Beer Dublin is traveling around the world with a WOB Beer Fest inside the Entertainment Village in Hacienda Crossings Shopping Center featuring beer, music and fun. The Beer Festival will feature nine different beer stands, highlighting more than 10 breweries. Enjoy the beer alongside a live DJ, and arts and crafts for the kids.

For \$20, five beer tasting tickets will be included, with a five-ounce tasting cup. Outdoor games will be featured including beer pong, cornhole toss and a WOB Pretzel eating contest. Some featured breweries at the event will include, Altamont Beer Wroks, Shaddow Puppet, Lagunitas, Dust Bowl, Fort Point Brewery, Alpine, Green Flash, Sieera Nevad, Belching Beaver and more.

WOB Dublin has partnered with Art Buzz Kids to entertain your kids at an additional charge. In addition to all the beer and games, there will also be brand-new Patron Zone Patio. Help make your own drinks using the bike-powered margarita blender on the patio.

For more details and to buy tickets, visit <https://www.facebook.com/wobdublinca/>



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Art in the Park Planned

Art in the Park, hosted by the Livermore Art Association Gallery, will take place Sunday, August 18, Carnegie Park, 2155 3rd Street Livermore, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm adjacent to the Sunday Farmers Market

Spend a Sunday morning browsing through hand made, local art & crafts created by 10 members of the Livermore Art Association Gallery and approximately 15 invited guests. Visit with the artists. Learn how to do some nifty little projects. Put a handprint on the new Gallery flag. Then, after a leisurely stroll through the Farmers Market for some produce & goodies before they close down at 2:00, come on back to choose some of that artwork.

A few of the artists and crafts persons taking part will be LAA Gallery members Jim and Peggy Kervin: glass beads, jewelry, and anklets; Maryann Kot: pencil artwork, felt crafts; Judy Rice: watercolor paintings & children's books; Ray Skillen: wooden toys & woodcrafts; Charlene Stark: wire wrapped jewelry; Jan Watling: quilled snowflake kits; Emily Chin: pressed flower art and several other gallery members.

Guest artists showing will include Lucinda Bender: jewelry & gourds; Cheryl Bloomfield: landscape oil paintings; Irene Busch: semi-precious stone jewelry; Leta Eydelberg: acrylic and watercolor paintings; Carol Hart: acrylic and watercolor paintings; Rita Ann Hart: jewelry and jewelry kits; Ruzanna Kirakosyan: ribbon embroidery on canvas; Liz Marshall: mixed media art; Kim Peck: paper crafts & handmade cards; Esperanza Phoenix: SW



beautiful gifts and novelties. The space is shared with the Livermore History Center so you will also be able to talk to a docent about your memories or ask questions.

Information at www.LivermoreArtAssociation.org. LAA Gallery 925 449-9927 or Gallery Director Peggy Kervin at 209 531-4026. Regular Gallery Hours: Wednesday-Saturday, 11:30 to 4:00 and Sunday 10:00 to 2:30.

Esperanza Phoenix Handmade Teepee (top left); Jim and Peggy Kervin: glass (lower right); Ray Skillen: wooden toys (top right)

sunsets and teepee; Barbara Reynolds: unique photography; Steve Rossi: gigantic oils on canvas; Judy Smalls: clay jewelry and others totaling about 25 artists in the show.

The LAA Gallery will be open during the show. If you haven't been in for awhile, you will be delighted with the quality of the art and the



Tri-Valley Youth View, Produced by Students, Airing on TV30



TV30 Summer Campers working together to produce an episode of "Tri-Valley Youth View," a show representing the work of students who attend the first session of camp the week of June 10 - 14.

Tri-Valley Youth View, an hour special TV program produced by middle and high school students who attended one of the TV30 Summer Camps is currently airing on TV30 and on the station's website at tv30.org. This is the eleventh year Tri-Valley Community TV has offered a TV Summer Camp. Each summer there are two sessions of this unique TV camp.

This premiere episode of Tri-Valley Youth View represents the work of students who attended the first session the week of June 10 - 14. Eleven students from all over the Tri-Valley participated in the five-day camp. "TV30 is the only place in the greater Bay Area that students can gain this type of hands on experience in an actual broadcast environment and see their program broadcast

on television," said Melissa Tench-Stevens, Executive Director at TVCTV.

"Students also have the rare opportunity to interact with professionals who share their time to be interviewed. In the last ten years students have kept in touch with us and due to their TVCTV experience, have decided to make media their career. We truly appreciate the time that Tri-Valley professionals extend to be interviewed and interact with the students," she added.

The hands-on TV Camp provides an introduction to the technical and talent aspects of studio and field production. Tri-Valley Youth View was written and produced by students from grades six to twelve. Campers researched and wrote questions, acted as crew for all the production

positions and were talent for the program.

Guests on this new episode of Tri-Valley Youth View included Tim Sbranti, Athletic Director, Dublin High School; Dr. Rishi Sawhney, Oncologist, Stanford Health Care-Valleycare Cancer Center; Dave Goulart, owner, Aqua Hero Pool & Spa; Carlo Sendaydiego, City of Livermore Traffic Engineer; Melanie Sadek, Executive Director of Valley Humane Society; Paul Spence, Community Development Director, City of Livermore; and Catherine Cheda, General Manager, Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham.

The program is available to view anytime via video on demand at tv30.org. It is also broadcasting on Comcast TV30 and AT&T U-Verse.

Girl Scout Gold Award Granted to Sierra Randel For Bothwell Arts Center Mural

Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center noted that Sierra Randel of Girl Scout Troop 30049, service unit 332, has been awarded the Girl Scout Gold Award for painting a mural on the Bothwell Arts Center. The Gold Award is the highest award a Girl Scout can earn, and requires a well-developed plan and extensive work hours on a project designed to solve the root issue of a community problem. Randel led a team of volunteers in painting the large and striking mural, located on the back of the Bothwell building at 2466 Eighth Street in Livermore. Clearly visible from Bothwell Park and the surrounding streets, the mural depicts a zipper opening to “unzip” the building, out of which spills symbols representing all the arts, such as paint brushes, a violin, a dancer, and drama masks.

Randel began the project in the summer of 2018 under the guidance of her advisor Anne Giancola, Manager of the Bothwell Arts Center. Over the course of the project she devoted more than 100 hours towards its completion. Together with Giancola, Randel identified as the project’s problem: the Bothwell lacked visual identity and presence, despite being a vibrant and busy arts center with a lot to offer everyone in the community. A wide range of art, dance, theater and music lessons, classes and events for all ages are offered throughout the year, but nothing on the building indicated those activities. Randel concluded that a colorful, large-scale mural on the side facing the park would give the Bothwell greater life, vibrancy, identity and brightness in an otherwise industrial façade in the neighborhood.

In order to quantify the success of the project, before starting the mural Randel interviewed 50 people chosen at random in Bothwell Park. After the mural was complete, she interviewed another 50 people. She was very pleased to find a noticeable change in perception. Many people interviewed before the project did not know what the building was used for. After the mural was painted, all 50 people interviewed could identify the arts represented.



Sierra Randel and mural

There were also many positive responses regarding the mural as a cheerful addition to the park.

As part of the project, Randel solicited and received in-kind donations of paint, brushes, and other supplies from such businesses as Orchard Supply Hardware and Dick Blick Art Supplies. She also worked a booth during the 2018 ArtWalk Livermore, explaining the mural process and helping children with hands-on arts and craft projects. Once the materials were ready, Randel recruited and led

the team of 11 volunteers to complete the painting of the mural. During the process, she filmed over 60 hours of footage of the mural being created and then edited it down to a 10-minute time-lapse YouTube video titled, “Unzip-ping the Arts (Gold Award Mural Time-lapse)” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4bwtmJrijcs>. Randel officially earned the Girl Scouts Gold Award in June 2019 for her mural project.

Grief Support Groups Available for Children and Teens

Hope Hospice is offering grief support groups for children and teens at no cost to residents in the Tri-Valley and neighboring East Bay communities. Groups meet at the Dublin office during the school year on the first and third Thursdays, 6 to 7:30 p.m. The next session is September 5, 2019, through May 21, 2020.

Consistent attendance is recommended to foster camaraderie and trust, but a specific start date is not mandatory.

The youth program requires an initial brief assessment and pre-registration. Interested parents/guardians should reach out in advance to Hope’s Grief Support Center to schedule. Please call (925) 829-8770 or email griefsupport@hopehospice.com.

A parent or caregiver must remain on-site while the youth is attending group. That’s why Hope offers a support group for parents/guardians that runs concurrently.

There, participants share experiences and resources, such as tips related to struggles with concentration in school or behavior issues.

Group meets at the Hope office: 6377 Clark Avenue, Dublin 94568. Free parking on-site. Hope offers this program for free, but donations are gratefully accepted and help us to continue to offer the service to others.

ART & ENTERTAINMENT

ART/PHOTO EXHIBITS

Livermore Art Association

Gallery, located in the Carnegie Building, offers art classes, unusual gifts, art exhibits and information pertaining to the art field, 2155 Third Street, Livermore. The gallery has been open since 1974 and is run as a co-op by local artists. Hours are Wed.-Sat. 11:30 to 4 pm and Sunday 10 to 2:30 pm. 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.

Man on the Moon: 50th Anniversary of the Lunar Landing Exhibit, July 10-Sept. 9. Bankhead Theater Gallery, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvoac.org

"Play Date!" Themed Fine Art Exhibition: August 2 through September 14 in the Harrington Gallery at the Firehouse Arts Center in Pleasanton. 7 Bay Area Artists: Carolyn Crampton, Susan Else, Dimitry Grudsky, Martin Hsu, Diana Krevsky, Hugo Kobayashi and Joshua Nissen King. **YOUNG @ ART:** Class for young people ages 5-11. Thursday, August 29, 4:30-5:45 p.m. Register at www.pleasantonfun.com, Code 13959. **DEMO & BOOK SIGNING:** Wednesday, August 28, 4-5:30 p.m. Martin Hsu presents his illustrated children's book *Metta*, an intimate collection of artworks

to inspire compassion and loving-kindness, with wisdom by Rumi. Regular gallery hours: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday from 12:00-5:00 p.m.; Saturday 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Harrington Gallery at the Firehouse Arts Center in Pleasanton, 4444 Railroad Avenue.

Art Reception: Where Art and Nature Meet, 1-3 p.m. Sept. 21. Exhibit Dates: Sept. 11 through Oct. 28. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

MEETINGS/CLASSES

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



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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

Grill and Chill at Cedar Mountain Winery -- August 10 -- 5-8pm featuring Dawn Brown. Music - Wine - BBQ Grilling. B.Y.O.F. (bring your own food to grill). We supply the grill with hot coals. You bring BBQ tools, side dishes, plates, and utensils. Wines by the glass/bottle, non-alcoholic beverages, snacks, cheese and crackers will be available for purchase. Plus Port Sundaes. Call the Tasting Room for more information at (925) 373-6636 Fee is \$5 per/person. (cash collected as you park!) All fees go to the band.

Las Positas Vineyards, August 10 and 11th featured food pairing flight will be Chocolate Truffle & Wine Pairing flight; offering our Reserve Flight. Tasting Room hours are open 11:30am-4:30pm. For more information, contact curt@laspositasvineyards.com Friday August 16th Evening in the Vineyards featuring Evan Thomas Blues Revue; wine and artisan pizzas available for purchase (sorry no outside food or beverages permitted) to purchase tickets visit www.laspositasvineyards.com. Space is limited.

Fun Fridays at Wood Family Vineyards. Live Music Acoustic Wednesdays each and every Wednesday. Tasting Room opens

at Noon with music from 4-7pm. 8/14 - Kinetic/Lite; 8/21 - Jack Quigley; 8/28 - Brian Skinner. Fun Fridays each and every Friday. 8/9 - Truth without Fear; 8/16 - Sunny and the Black Pack; 8/23 - Michelle Lambert; 8/30 - Kinetic NRJ Tasting room opens at Noon with music from 5-8pm. Thursday - 8/1 - A special evening with Singer songwriter Stevie Rae at Wood Family Vineyards from 4 - 7pm. 2407 Research Dr., Livermore.

Charles R Vineyards, 8195 Crane Ridge Road, Livermore. www.charlesvineyards.com 925-454-3040. Ukulele Jam & Open Mic with Steve Kritzer Saturdays, August 24 and September 28. 1:00pm to 4:00pm Music sheets will be provided, or email Steve at steveonstrings@gmail.com for a PDF of the songs in advance. Bring a picnic, kids are welcome, and wine is available for purchase by the glass or bottle. An Open Mic session will give those with more expertise a chance to strut their stuff.

Charles R Vineyards 4th Friday Free Summer Concert Series 6 to 9 p.m. August 23 - Rick Spitaleri - Danceable rock and roll from the 60s through today; Summer Celebration and Wine Club Release Saturday, August 17, 1:00pm to 4:00pm we'll supply the cake to celebrate

our 13th Anniversary! Live music from 1-4pm with Math Class, a band with the drive and excitement of new and retro rock tunes. Wine Club members will be picking up their August collection of specially selected wines, and Bonnie will provide a unique food and wine pairing for members to savor. 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.

Harvest Wine Festival, noon to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 1. Wine tasting, entertainment at wineries. 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.

NorCal Vocal Jazz Academy (5:00pm Free Public Concert), Aug. 10. Las Positas College, 3000 Campus Hill Drive, Livermore. www.laspositascollege.edu/theater/events.php

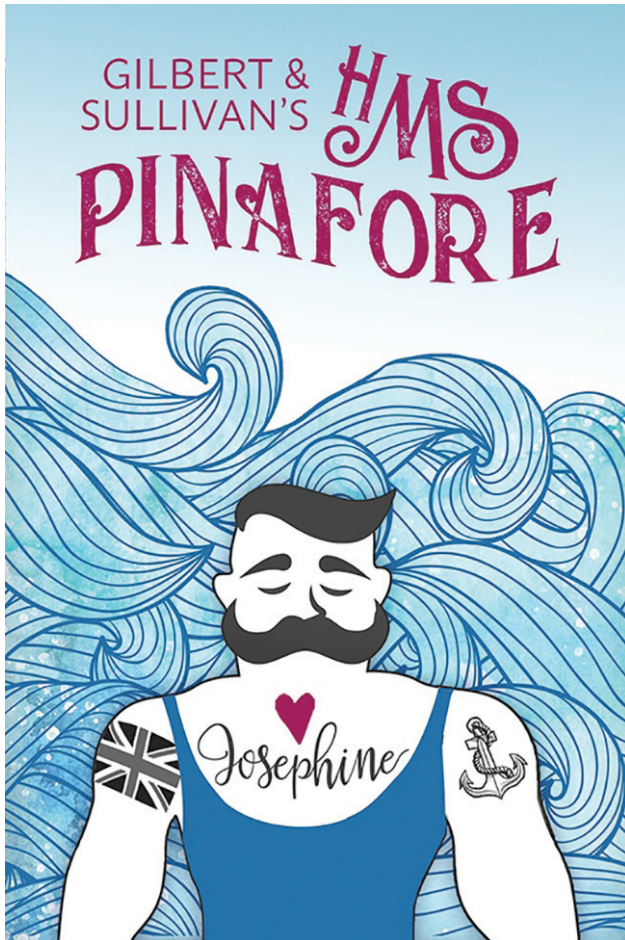
The Family Stone, 8 p.m. August 10. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore; www.lvpac.org or call 925-373-6800.

Mitch Polzak & The Royal Deuces with Special Guest Mads Tolling. 8 p.m. August 10. Rockabilly, Honky Tonk and Bluegrass. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Keiko Matsui, 8 p.m. August 16. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore; www.lvpac.org or call 925-373-6800.

Lunafish "Woodstock Revisited", 8 p.m. August 17. Bankhead

ART & ENTERTAINMENT



Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore; www.lvpac.org or call 925-373-6800.

Queen Nation, 7:30 p.m. Aug. 28. Firehouse Art Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue in Pleasanton.

Brilliance at the Bankhead with Matthew Morrison, 8 p.m. Sept. 7. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

Stephen Bishop, 8 p.m. Sept. 7. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Meri Bhavna, 4 p.m. Sept. 8. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Night of the Living Prog, 8 p.m. Sept. 13. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Midnight Flyer, Sept. 14 - Sept. 15. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

The Glenn Miller Orchestra, 3 p.m. Sept. 14. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

Pacific Chamber Orchestra, Symphony #9 - Beethoven, 3 p.m. Sept. 15. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

Marc Broussard, 8 p.m. Sept. 28. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

ON THE STAGE

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.

Golden Follies: Trip the Light Fantastic, 2 p.m. August 17 and 18. Firehouse Art Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue in Pleasanton.

H.M.S. Pinafore, Lamplighters Musical Theatre August 24 and 25. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

The Glass Menagerie, Role Players Ensemble. August 30-September 15, 2019, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm; Sundays at 2 pm The Village Theatre, 233 Front Street, Danville www.RolePlayersEnsemble.com.

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.

In the Better Than Therapy Tour, Mary Carouba and Regina Stoops, August 17, 7:30 pm. Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

San Francisco Comedy Competition, 8 p.m. Sept. 20. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

DANCE

Tango Del Cielo, Sept. 21 - Sunday, Sept. 22. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

MOVIES

Pleasanton Movies in the Park, fun activities and games! All movies are free and begin at dusk: Incredibles 2, August 8. Amador Valley Community Park, 4301 Black Ave. (behind the Dolores Bengtson Aquatic

Center)

Dublin Picnic Flix, Free Summer Movie Series at Emerald Glen Park. Incredibles 2, August 30. Movies will begin at dusk usually 8:30 - 9:00 p.m. Food trucks and other snack food vendors such as kettle corn will be on site.

Royal Wedding (1951), Bankhead Presents Classic Film, 7 p.m. Sept. 18. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

OPERA

Eugene Onegin, Livermore Valley Opera, Sept. 28, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 29, 2 p.m. Oct. 5, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 6, 2 p.m. Tchaikovsky's best-loved opera. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

AUDITIONS/COMPETITIONS

Livermore-Amador Symphony Association's 47th Competition for Young Musicians.

Application deadline is Sunday, September 8, 2019. (Applications will be accepted starting September 5, 2019.) Competition open to instrumentalists and vocalists who reside in Alameda County, Contra Costa County, the city of Tracy, or the community of Mountain House. The selection, one movement of a concerto, should have the minimum length of about 10 minutes. All instruments will be considered. Students are eligible through the age of 19 (being 19 at the time of concert performance February 22, 2020). Two young musicians will be chosen to perform as soloists with the symphony on February 22, 2020 in the Bankhead Theater in Livermore. Each winner/soloist awarded \$500. Applicants must submit a completed application form, a non-refundable fee of \$20 and a recording of their playing (submitted link to YouTube via email). Additional information at www.livermoreamadorsymphony.org

or by contacting the competition chairperson at (925)525-6070.

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. 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 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. .

Museum on Main, An Afternoon or Evening with... Pablo Picasso: Tuesday, August 13th, 2pm; Tuesday, August 13th, 7pm; Firehouse Arts Center. Tickets at www.museumonmain.org or (925) 462-2766.

Fertile GroundWorks Taste for Giving Fundraiser - Sunday, September 8, 2019 at The Barn in Livermore 4 to 8 p.m. at 3131 Pacific Avenue. Food, beer, wine and music plus auctions and drawings for all. Early bird tickets, \$65.00 each or sponsor a table of 8 for \$480.00, available through Brown Paper tickets now through August 31st <https://bpt.me/4287415>
154th consecutive Scottish

Highland Gathering and Games, Aug. 31 and Sept. 1.

Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton. Celebrate the very best of Scottish culture, competition, cuisine and entertainment. www.caledonian.org/

The Cutting Edge Management of Concussions, 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 12. ValleyCare Speaker Series. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. www.lvpac.org or 373-6800.

Splatter, a colorful splash of water, wine, art and music at Dublin's Emerald Glen Park. The 8th Annual Splatter festival will be held Saturday, September 14, 2019, from noon to 8:00 p.m. Admission and parking are free. <http://dublin.ca.gov/1145/Splatter>

Taste of Downtown, Sunday, Sept. 15, noon to 5 p.m. Livermore. Sample Wines, Beer & Culinary Treats, and More. Downtown restaurants will offer culinary; Downtown shops will be host to a tasting of wines and beers. Live entertainment and shopping specials. Tickets and information Livermore Downtown, Inc. www.livermoredowntown.com

Museum on Main, An Afternoon or Evening with.. William

Clark: Tuesday, September 24, 2pm; Tuesday, September 24th, 7pm; Firehouse Arts Center. Tickets at www.museumonmain.org or (925) 462-2766.

30th Nostalgia Day Car Show, The Altamont Cruisers - September 29, 2019. Downtown Livermore. Opening ceremonies 9 a.m. www.altamontcruisers.org

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Amador Valley Quilters, Michelle Pearson will present a lecture and trunk show of her original quilts at the August 10, 2019 general meeting. She has drawn upon her experiences as an avid world traveler to inspire ideas for her creations. The Amador Valley Quilters meet the second Saturday of the month at Pleasanton Middle School from 1:30 to 4:00 PM. However, this meeting will be at Phoebe Hearst Elementary School, 5301 Case Avenue, Pleasanton, due to renovations at the middle school. www.amadorvalleyquilters.org

Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated, A "Silver Award Club". Meets August 8, 2019. Speaker: Scott Bennett will talk about "SHELL GAME: A Military Whistleblower's Report to Congress". Beeb's Sports Bar and Grill Banquet Room, 915 Clubhouse Drive, Livermore, (925) 455-7070. Social time 6 p.m. meeting 6:45 p.m. Reservations due by August 6, 2019. Call: Jo Molz: Cell / Text: 925-367-6155 include all names and a phone # or email: jm911@sbcglobal.net. Members \$30, guests \$35. www.trivalleyrepublican-womenfederated.org

Livermore Community Blood Drive: Friday, August 16, 12-6:00 p.m., Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Avenue. Every single day, Bay Area hospitals need over 300 units of blood to keep sick and injured patients alive. Please come donate, bring a friend or family member to the drive and give the gift of life to our friends and neighbors who need it. Register at www.redcrossblood.org and use ASBURY925 as the Sponsor Code, or call Thomas Petty at 925-980-8164 for more information.

PFLAG meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 14th, 2019 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the Amador Valley High School library.

Widowed Men and Women of Northern CA, Aug. 11, 1 p.m. general meeting and birthday luncheon, RSVP by Aug. 8 to Marsha 830-8483. Aug. 17, 1 p.m. in Dublin, RSVP by Aug. 15 to Marge 828-5124. Aug. 25, 1 p.m. lunch in Dublin, RSVP by Aug. 22 to Ruby 462-8636.

Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society meeting Aug. 12, 7 p.m. Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Court, Pleasanton, guest speaker Bill Hewitt Restoring and documenting an. Old Cemetery. No Charge - Visitors welcome. For additional information contact: Julie Liu, Program Chairperson, email: program@L-AGS.org

5th Annual Matthew Yount Memorial Scholarship 3-Stick Golf Tournament- Hosted by Pleasanton Lions Club: August 9, 2019 at Pleasanton Golf Center located in the Alameda County Fairgrounds, 4501 Pleasanton Ave. Check-in at 2:30pm., Shotgun Start at 3pm. All skill levels welcome. Following golf, guests will enjoy beverages & Cabana Dave's barbecue dinner in the pavilion, silent auction, raffle & closest to the pin contest Admission Cost- \$ 85: Golf, beverage, and dinner \$ 50:

Student Price or \$40 Dinner Only. Sponsorship opportunities available also- Large Banner \$1000 or Individual Hole Sponsorship for \$200. For more information or to reserve your spot contact Greg Yount at yountbz@yahoo.com or call (925) 730-3874. Tournament Proceeds will benefit scholarships to students at each of the three Pleasanton high schools and Cal Poly SLO with annual study abroad scholarships.

Valley Children's Museum, a community based, non profit, children's museum for children 3 to 10 years old, offering fun and educational STEAM based play activities. Located in Emerald Glen Park, Dublin, off Gleason Dr. Open Thursdays 4 to 8 pm during Dublin Farmer's Market & third Saturday of the month. Volunteer opportunities for teens and seniors. For more info visit <http://www.valleychildrensmuseum.org> or contact Linda Spencer, 925-683-4741 or linda@valleychildrensmuseum.org

Castlemont High School All Classes Reunion Saturday, September 7 from 10am to 4pm at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunaol Blvd. Bring own food and beverages, no alcohol allowed. Entrance is \$15. ea. or \$10. ea for Castlemont Alumni Association members. For more information contact Greg Hickey 925-461-1381 or whizman@prodigy.net

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 benefitting 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 hope100golfmarathon.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 6:30 pm 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.

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. Aug. 10 Soil- why does it matter so much; Sept. 14 Fireescaping 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 <http://josemaria.californiadar.org/> or contact Debbie Janes at jmdar.regent@gmail.com.

Grief support meetings. 7:30 pm at St. Elizabeth Seton, 4001 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton, 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 HistoryMobile. 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 experience needed. Most Mondays, from 11:00-12:00 at the Robert Livermore Community Center. Small fee.

Counter Point (Addiction Family Support Group), a free faith based, Christ centered (Al Anon based) program designed to help individuals with family members who suffer from alcoholism and drug addiction. Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm at the St. Michael Convent building, first floor (375 Maple 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/TriValley-Geeks](https://www.facebook.com/groups/TriValley-Geeks). 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. BottleTaps - 3020 Bernal Ave Suite 160, 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 (RI) is a weekly self-help group, led by a trained, peer volunteer leader, for people who want to reduce their stress. There is no charge Anyone 18 or older is welcome; just drop in. Meetings every Sunday 2:00 to 3:30 PM at Arbor Vista library room, 1300 South Livermore Avenue.. Call Barbara, 916-335-8836 or Dave, 415-948-9462.

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 History 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 Jill Duerig / 1-510-378-7243 / jillduerig@hotmail.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.ClutterlessEastBay.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 rfgiono@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

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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. 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.assistance-league.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.operationsam.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.Tri-ValleyBibleChurch.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 Concanon 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 Kilcare 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.pathwaycommunitychurch.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.jewishtri-valley.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 stfranciscangligian.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. Caregivers Support Group will meet August 10, 10:30 to noon in the Fireside Room. This group meets the Second Saturday of each month. This group is open to people in the community. For more information, contact the church office at 925-447-1950. 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."

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.

Tagalog Mass: 3rd Sunday of the month (remaining dates for the year: 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

Tri-Valley Cultural Jews - Jewish Culture School curriculum for the 2019-2020 (Jewish year 5780) will be "Jewish Ideas." Jewish views of Justice, Learning, Family, Being a Mensch, Israel or Diaspora and the Jewish Community. First session will be on September 8 from 10:30-12:30 at Aran's Art Studio in Castro Valley. Students who attend this first day will paint mezuzahs and hear stories. Enrolled students paint for free; others pay \$10 per mezuzah. Space is limited. RSVP to culturaljews@gmail.com, or call 510-384-8756 with any questions. Throughout this school year, students will be encouraged to discuss among themselves and with their parents topics related to these themes. The younger children will enjoy crafts related to the concepts; older children will learn the history and literature surrounding these Jewish ideas. Both classes will learn songs on these themes. Jewish Culture School is open to children aged 5-14 and culminates in a Brit Mitzvah ceremony.

Milestones

BetterPT Offers Health Care Options

BetterPT, a healthcare technology platform company providing end-to-end digital connectivity between physical therapists (PT), patients, and physicians, and BlueJay Mobile Health, a full-service mobile technology company transforming healthcare delivery and care team coordination through AI-powered telehealth, announced a partnership to bridge patients, PTs and healthcare providers through the full continuum of care. Through this collaboration, BetterPT connects patients with the right clinics via its streamlined point of entry, and BlueJay Mobile Health facilitates online patient engagement and care.

The partnership enables patients needing physical therapy to quickly access care through BetterPT's platform and healthcare providers to provide better care through BlueJay's AI-powered patient engagement. With BetterPT's interoperable application, patients can find clinics in their local area that best fit their needs, accept their insurance and immediately request an appointment, all with a few clicks. BetterPT's inbound patient management (IPM) solution offers operational efficiencies to clinics, helping to cut down administrative burden and paperwork. BlueJay Mobile Health's comprehensive technology facilitates online patient and provider engagement, including PT assessments, treatment programs, and outcomes tracking, as well

as interdisciplinary coordination to improve patient outcomes and reduce costs.

For more information, visit www.BetterPT.com.

EDUCATION

Names of students who have made the Scholastic Honor Roll spring term 2019 have been announced by Oregon State University. Students on the Honor Roll included:

Dublin: 3.5 or Better: Callan M. Jackman, Sophomore, Psychology; Alison M. Jones, Senior, Computer Science.

Livermore: Straight-A Average: Michael G. Branco-Katcher, Junior, Pre-Nuclear Engineering. 3.5 or Better: Dominic J. Giuliano, Sophomore, Pre-Bioengineering; Melissa I. Nunes, Sophomore, Human Development and Family Science.

Pleasanton: Straight-A Average: Kamryn J. Brown, Senior, Public Health; Kelley E. Dixon, Senior, Human Development and Family Science; Shannon Y. Gray, Senior, Human Development and Family Science; Emily K. Meier, Senior, Biology. 3.5 or Better: Lacy M. Dagen, Senior, Sociology; Owen T. Markley, Junior, Pre-Computer Science; Sebastian G. Perry, Junior, Kinesiology; Zachary J. Pinard, Senior, Environmental Sciences; Olivia L. Smith, Senior, Ecological Engineering. Julia A. Wilcox, Junior, Kinesiology.

The University of Utah congratulates 8,465 students who received their academic degrees on May 2, 2019. The following local students earned degrees:

David Ostler of Pleasanton, CA, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology

Hannah Bagot of Pleasanton, CA, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Health Promotion and Education

Rachael Morley of Pleasanton, CA, graduated with a Doctor of Pharmacy
Josh Paul of Pleasanton, CA, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Economics

Benjamin Morgan from Livermore is one of 190 student-athletes selected to the College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin (CCIW) Academic All-Conference team for the winter and spring seasons. This was announced on Thursday, July 18. He graduated from Carthage College on May 26, 2019. The formal send-off was held in the Field House of the N. E. Tarble Athletic and Recreation Center.

Roger Williams University announced that Emeline Young, of Livermore, CA, graduated with a M.S. in Historic Preservation in May as part of the Class of 2019.

NEW FACES

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

A son to Christine Andreoth and Colton Fields of Livermore on July 4, 2019.

A daughter to Eleni and Perry Sakkaris of Sunol on July 4, 2019.

A son to Yue Zheng and Wei Guan of Pleasanton on July 10, 2019.

Drivers for Survivors Expands to Area; Volunteers Sought

Drivers For Survivors (DFS), a nonprofit organization that provides free transportation service and supportive companionship from suspicious findings through completion of treatments, expanded its service area, once again, to East Alameda County on July 1, 2019.

More volunteer-companion drivers are needed in Dublin, Livermore, and Pleasanton.

Sign up to be a Volunteer Companion Driver. They rely on volunteers to drive clients to and from oncology-related appointments, while, providing supportive and caring companionship at a most challenging time. Drivers are only required to meet a minimum of providing one ride every three months of their choosing.

DFS was launched December 2012, by a cancer survivor, Sherry Higgs. In February 2010, Sherry Higgs was diagnosed with a rare and potentially life-threatening breast cancer called Inflammatory Breast Cancer (IBC). Her survivorship has given her the desire to be an agent of change, which has set her on a mission to assist cancer patients. This passion has led to the creation of a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable public organization, Drivers For Survivors. Sherry's story and the evolution of this growing nonprofit has caught the attention of media coverage throughout the bay area.

Drivers For Survivors has entered its seventh year of operations. Volunteer-Companion drivers have supported more than five-hundred cancer patients with deep needs going through treatment and has provided close to nineteen thousand rides!

The program is funded by the Alameda County Transportation Commission, through Measure B and Measure BB tax dollars; Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310, Eden Health District, charitable individuals, organizations, and businesses within the communities they serve and beyond.

If interested in volunteering, sign up at <http://driversforsurvivors.org/volunteers> or email us at volunteer@driversforsurvivors.org. Website: <http://driversforsurvivors.org/>. Monetary donations: <http://driversforsurvivors.org/donate/>.

For further questions, please call (510) 579-0535.

East Bay Realtors Award Scholarships

The Bay East Association of REALTORS® Foundation recently awarded scholarships in the amounts of \$1,500 to \$2,000 to area students attending colleges and universities in the Fall of 2019.

Nearly 200 scholarship applications were received from students residing in the East Bay. The following scholarship recipients were selected based on their academic achievements, extracurricular activities, and community involvement:

Meraf Amare, UC Irvine; Kristen Chan, UCLA; Ellen Ebberts, Morgan State University; Zalma Gallardo, UC Berkeley; Tatum Hal, Claremont McKenna College; Zuhair Imaduddin, Cornell University; Stanley Jiang, Boston University; Calvin Kamson, Vanderbilt University; Michael McKinley, Brigham Young University; Samantha Smithies, UCLA; Nicolette Trucc, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo; Sara Tsai, UC Berkeley; Ryan Walton, UCLA; Nathan Wilson, UC Berkeley; Wesley Wong, Yale University; and Judy Yu, UC Santa Cruz

Primrose School to Hold Open House

The Primrose School of Livermore will hold an open house on Saturday, August 10th, 2019, featuring tours of the school and information on their research-informed time-tested Balanced Learning approaches. The Primrose School of Livermore is part of a national system of accredited private preschools that provides early education and childcare experience for children and families. The school serves families from Livermore, Dublin, Pleasanton, Mt. House and other surrounding towns. The Open House is from 10 a.m. until noon and is free and open to the public.

The Primrose School of Livermore is located at 2901 Las Positas Road, Livermore. Free Parking will be available onsite for attendees use.

For more information, call the school at 925-215-7372 or visit its website at www.PrimroseLivermore.com.