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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.

Stanford-ValleyCare Certified As Primary Stroke Care Center

By Jeff Garberson

Stanford Health Care-ValleyCare Hospital in Pleasanton has been certified as a primary stroke treatment center.

The designation makes it possible for stroke victims in the Livermore-Pleasanton-Dublin area to be treated locally and quickly with top quality medical care.

Until now, residents and visitors experiencing stroke had to be

transported to distant centers for the needed medical care.

Primary stroke center certification came last week from an organization called the Joint Commission, which evaluates healthcare institutions and programs nationwide with the goal of assuring consistent, high standards.

The Joint Commission carries out these evaluations in a wide range of medical fields which includes neurology, the discipline

in which stroke medicine generally falls.

Its evaluators carried out on-site assessments of the local hospital's stroke care program in August.

They measured hospital performance against more than 100 standards for the care of stroke patients. In many cases, these standards include time as a criterion, since successful stroke treatment depends heavily on fast response.

Evaluations included such cru-

cial issues as how long it took for patients with stroke symptoms to receive a tomographic brain scan; how quickly stroke victims received a clot-dissolving medication called tPA; and the quality of care administered within those time frames.

Rick Shumway, President and CEO of Stanford Health Care-ValleyCare, said the organization is "proud to receive this certification...(which) allows us to provide

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Juul Support For Referendum Campaign Now In Question

Will Juul Labs Inc., the giant San Francisco e-cigarette company, drop its support for a referendum aimed at overturning Livermore's ban on the sale of vaping products?

The question arose early this week after Juul withdrew support for a comparable referendum in San Francisco.

The San Francisco referendum, called Proposition C, is intended to overturn that city's ban on sales of e-cigarettes and vaping products starting in January.

According to the Associated Press, Juul had spent nearly \$19 million on the referendum before it ended financial support following top-level managerial changes. AP reported that Juul was the referendum's only financial supporter.

How Juul's action will affect the effort to overturn Livermore's ban, which the City Council passed in June, was unclear at the time the Independent went to press. Juul did not respond to inquiries.

Following Livermore's ban, Juul spearheaded a signature gathering campaign that forced a referendum presently scheduled for next March.

To Livermore Mayor John Marchand, that referendum is a cynical effort to subvert the public will. "The City Council listened to many community members, parents, teachers, and students who were concerned about the growing vaping crisis," he wrote in an email.

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Signatures Validated for Hotel Accord Referendum

A referendum effort from a citizens' group seeking to overturn a Livermore City Council agreement with a hotel developer gathered well over the number of signatures required to put the question before voters on a future ballot.

The Alameda County Registrar of Voters validated the signatures collected this summer following the council's July 29 development agreement with Presidio Companies, of Davis. The Alameda County Registrar took a random sample of 500 signatures from the 10,203 gathered. The Registrar found 137% valid signatures, or 7,244; 5,269 were required.

The signatures were certified on Sept. 20, City Clerk Sarah Bunting said.

The next step is for the City Council to decide whether to withdraw the hotel development agreement or to place the referendum on

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A brush fire reported around 1:35 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 1, burned 14 acres near the N. Livermore Avenue exit on the north side of Interstate 580. Crews responding included the Alameda County Fire Department, Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department, Cal Fire and Camp Parks Fire. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

Drop in PUSD Bond Sale Interest To Save Money for Taxpayers

Pleasanton Unified School District (PUSD) sold the second issuance of Measure I-1 bonds at 2.64% on Aug. 20, which will save taxpayers money.

It was a dramatic drop in the interest rate in only one week. When the school board approved the sale at its Aug. 13 meeting, the interest rate was at 3.1%, but there was a prediction by the district's financial department that the rate would go down, and the district should prepare for it.

Several factors helped create the favorable drop for PUSD, said a district spokesman. One factor is that the district carries a higher reserve than the 3% minimum required by state law for school districts. Another was past economic performances and the continued rise in the district's tax base. Also, Moody's Investors Service gave it a very high rating.

The district had \$90 million worth of bonds to sell, but potential investors liked the district's cre-

dentials so much that the offering received \$224 million in orders.

Taxpayers have been paying \$49 per \$100,000 of assessed property valuation for Measure I-1; for example, a homeowner with property valued at \$1 million pays about \$490 annually. However, that amount is expected to drop with the lower interest rate. The district did not have an estimate about how much lower that would be.

Talk on Fourth Industrial Revolution To Be Held

We are on the brink of a fourth industrial revolution that will produce rapid and momentous changes to our society and economy, according to a technology leader who will speak next Thursday at Livermore's Bankhead Theater.

Every person and organization will be affected by the changes, and those who plan for them are

far more likely to prosper than those who do not, according to the speaker, Jonathan Reichenthal.

Reichenthal is an author, teacher and podcast host with nearly 30 years of experience advising governments and companies about emerging technologies and trends.

His talk, titled "The Fourth Industrial Revolution: Winners and

Losers," is scheduled to start at the Bankhead at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10. It is part of the Rae Dorough Speaker Series.

Reichenthal believes there have been three industrial revolutions to date, with the fourth just starting to emerge.

He traces the first to the industrial revolution, the second to the digital revolution, and the third to the current AI revolution.

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Dublin Breaks Ground for All-Abilities Playground

Dublin broke ground Tuesday for the city's first all-abilities playground at Dublin Sports Grounds, 6700 Dublin Blvd.

The city is spending \$4 million on the project to develop The Imagine Playground at Dublin Sports Grounds. The city's planning process included extensive outreach to teachers and therapists who work with special needs children. The community also participated.

Other changes incorporate an all-inclusive picnic area, upgraded landscape, parking facilities and pathways to improve accessibility and connectivity to other park features, including the sports fields, and a new restroom compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The park will also feature a public art piece, "Conversations," a sculpture by internationally recognized Tucson-based artist Barbara Grygutis, which was approved by the city council.

Working with the city, Assemblywoman Rebecca Bauer-Kahan secured \$1.4 million in California Department of Parks and Recreation grant funding for the remodeled 19,000-square-foot playground. "This will provide an accessible playground for all our children to enjoy," she said.

Construction is expected to begin this year and be completed by summer 2020.



Assembly member Rebecca Bauer-Kahan, second from left, is pictured with Dublin City Councilmember Shawn Kumagai, Vice Mayor Melissa Hernandez, Councilmember Jean Josey, and Mayor David Haubert. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

Kaiser Unions Optimistic that Members Will Approve Offer

Kaiser Permanente management and a coalition of three health care worker unions reached tentative contract agreement before a seven-day strike planned for Oct. 14.

Labor and management negotiators reached agreement on Sept. 25, but the contract must be ratified by a vote of union rank and file. Voting is scheduled to be finished by the end of October. If approved, the contract will be retroactive to Oct. 1.

SEIU spokesman Sean Wherley said he expects membership to agree to the contract.

The agreement will affect 85,000 Kaiser workers in Cali-

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Pleasanton Police Chief Announces Retirement



Police Chief Dave Spiller

After 17 years of service to the City of Pleasanton, Police Chief Dave Spiller has announced his retirement, effective November 14. Chief Spiller began his ca-

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From Moscow to Livermore: A Sandia Computer Scientist Tells of Her Compelling Journey

By Jeff Garberson

The road to Livermore has been long but rewarding for Irina Tezaur. Today she is an award-winning computer scientist at Sandia National Laboratories, but in 1992, when her parents emigrated from Russia, she was 8 and spoke no English.

Her parents, both PhD scientists, settled in what was then a Russian-speaking suburb of Detroit.

There, with the help of a sponsor, they found work, but nothing commensurate with their educations.

Her computer scientist mother got a basic programming job – not exactly challenging for someone with her background, but at least it was in her professional field. For a time her father, a physicist in the field of optics, had to work as a janitor.

In the international community where they settled, Tezaur went to school with other children who did not speak English, schools that employed tutors in languages like Arabic and Russian.

As difficult as those early days might have been, Tezaur looks back at her family's experience in the U.S. as something of an American Dream.

Within a few years, Tezaur's parents found more rewarding jobs and were able to stretch their finances to buy a 2,000-square-foot house in a nearby town.

She herself graduated from an Ivy League school, earned a PhD at Stanford and now is a computer scientist at the Livermore campus of Sandia National Laboratory.

Her abilities and contri-

butions were recognized this summer when she was given a prestigious Presidential Early Career Award for helping find ways to make complex computer programs run faster and more efficiently.

Computer modeling is the heart and soul of much of today's science, but programs can be prohibitively time-consuming and expensive to run as investigators try to understand nature in ever-finer detail. As fast as today's supercomputers are, some of the biggest programs can take weeks or even months to run.

In a recent article in the Sandia Lab News, Tezaur described the challenge of trying to coax computer models to simulate large and tiny objects at the same time.

"Models are really hard to build when there are different scales involved – that is, when you have an object that has really small pieces together with really large pieces," she said.

"If you use the smallest scale everywhere to ensure that your simulation is able to resolve everything, you will end up with a really crazy amount of computations."

She and mechanical engineer Alejandro Mota found a solution by extrapolating from methods developed by 19th century German mathematician Hermann Schwarz for dealing simultaneously with two different kinds of geometry.

Her efforts at streamlining computational processes have contributed to Sandia's core nuclear weapons mission but also to climate

research.

Since 2012, she has been a lead developer on the land-ice component of a U.S. Department of Energy climate model, the Energy Exascale Earth System Model. She has helped improve simulations of ice sheet dynamics that are essential to predicting future sea level rise.

Not surprisingly for the daughter of two scientists, Tezaur showed early proficiency in mathematics as a secondary school student.

Urged by her parents, "It was never really an option for me not to do well in that area," she said.

For college, she went to the University of Pennsylvania, where she majored in mathematics. This was "pure" math as emphasized by the Penn math department at that time. Her advisor was a Russian mathematician interested in fractals.

At the same time, she wanted to experience math applied to practical problems, so she took actuarial classes through Penn's Wharton Business School. While she learned that an actuarial career was not for her, she also concluded that she didn't want to stay in pure mathematics. She would gravitate toward something that she now calls "impactful," perhaps research that could prove to benefit society.

At Penn she did well enough to have choice between two prestigious graduate schools, Princeton and Stanford. She visited both and decided on Stanford, in part because students there "seemed much happier."

Perhaps more importantly, the Stanford program, known as the Institute for Computational and Mathematical Engineering, was flexible and interdisciplinary.

"I would be able to work with people in many departments. I didn't know what I wanted to do at the time and I thought having more options would be a positive."

As it turned out, one of her Stanford professors had a consulting contract with Sandia's main branch in Albuquerque. In time, this connection opened a summer internship opportunity in the branch of computer science in which Tezaur has made her contributions.

The Sandia project was called computer model reduction -- an effort, as she describes it, to "use fewer resources to solve the same modeling program."

As a Sandia intern from 2007 to 2011, she found that she liked not only the work but the location, and the people she interacted with. She found herself ever more attracted to research, especially on this kind of "impactful problem that was of interest to national security."

She became a full-time employee at the Albuquerque site in 2011, moving to the Livermore site in 2014. She married early the following year. She and her husband, a senior research engineer at Stanford who also does computational modeling, live in Union City.

Today, she still visits the Albuquerque site from time to time because so

much of the Laboratory's model streamlining work goes on there. On the other hand, communication programs like Skype make it convenient and economical to work productively at a distance and reduce the need for travel.

From national defense projects to climate research, she finds the collaborative atmosphere at Sandia helpful and creative. She is quick to give credit to others.

"For these large, high-impact projects, you need people from a lot of different areas coming together and working together because no one is going to know everything."

"These problems are very complicated."

She appreciates the "ton

of resources" available at the laboratory -- "way more than I ever had in academia, in terms of computing platforms, access to supercomputers including new up-and-coming architectures."

On the other hand, "I think the biggest resource is the people. There are a lot of very smart people who have a lot of expertise in different areas. They are very open to sharing, to collaborate and explore new ideas."

"The things I have received recognition for -- it's far from just my own work. It would not have been possible without collaborations and without all these people who have 'been there' to talk to and brainstorm with, and who have supported me."

REFERENDUM

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a future ballot. The matter is set to go to the council at its Oct. 14 meeting.

The citizens' organization, called the Protect the Central Park Vote, launched a referendum effort after the council signed off on a development agreement with Presidio, the developer

selected to build a 135-room hotel as part of the city's downtown Livermore plan.

According to the citizens group, their reasoning for reversing the council's decision is that the purpose of the development agreement is to obligate the city to build the hotel on the east side of

Livermore Avenue, as specified in the city's downtown plan. The group's alternative downtown plan provides for a 160-room hotel on the west side of Livermore Avenue.

The citizens' group does not want the development agreement to interfere with their initiative plan that in-

cludes the west side hotel before people have a chance to vote on the initiative in November 2020.

Third Annual "#LivValBiz" Awards Celebrate Local Businesses

More than just a hashtag, the Third Annual Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce business awards was a celebration of what member businesses brought to Livermore. Chamber CEO-President Dawn Argula welcomed over 200 attendees to the Sept. 26 luncheon.

"The #LivValBiz Awards bring the focus back to you, by recognizing our member businesses and organizations that have a special role in supporting the Chamber and being a catalyst for business growth and champions for a strong community," Argula said.

Keynote speaker Catharine Baker, former California Assembly member, noted how unique it was to have the five Tri-Valley Chambers all working together to enhance the future of their cities and businesses. "Your own solutions will be more balanced, more lasting and have a greater impact for your community", she said.

Steve Larranaga, Chamber Board of Directors President, presented the Ambassador of the Year Award to Shiela Fagliano, for representing the Livermore Chamber of Commerce and strengthening the local economy. Fagliano, Community Relations Manager at Livermore Sanitation, laughed when her vast experience of cutting ribbons at ribbon-cutting ceremonies was mentioned.

The Economic Development Award for Recruiting and Creating Jobs that Drive Innovation and Change went to Comcast, which has in-

vested over \$5 million in Livermore over the past 30 years.

Sean Marler, co-owner of the BratPak Kamp and Kafe and lifelong dog lover, accepted the Emerging New Business Award. A certified dog obedience trainer, Marler called his business "doggy day care."

Winning the Best in Hospitality Award, Concannon Vineyards, a Valley winery for over 135 years, was complimented for enhancing visitor experiences and encouraging return visits to the Valley.

Introducing the award for Manufacturer of the Year to Topcon, John Marchand, Chamber member and Livermore mayor said, "when our businesses succeed, our community succeeds."

Pinot's Palate won the Dream Big Small Business

Award. Owner Leslie Warren described her business as a place to meet new people, old friends, paint and have a fun experience.

Wendy Gutshall accepted the Awesomeness Award for Safeway. "Over \$25 million in food and financial support were given by Safeway last year in Northern California alone. We appreciate this award," she said.

Commenting on this year's winners, Sonja Gividen, 2018 Ambassador of the Year said, "It's an honor to be part of such a dynamic group of businesses and individuals."

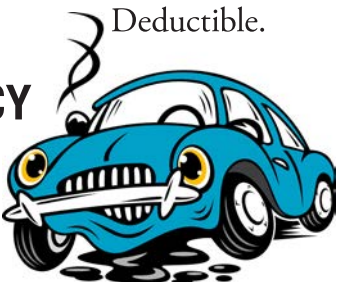
The event, held at Wente Vineyards, marked the end of the Livermore Chamber's yearly luncheon series which educates and informs the audience on many topics of importance concerning the local, regional, state and federal economy.

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Visit Tri-Valley Hosts Annual Luncheon

By Carol Graham

Tourists to the Tri-Valley spent more in 2018 than they did the previous year; 51 tour operators in China selling the Tri-Valley produced just under 7,300 room nights and generated about \$2.38 million in media coverage.

That was just some of the good news shared by Visit Tri-Valley during their annual luncheon, this year themed "Up, Up and Away," held Sept. 18 at the Shannon Community Center in Dublin. Visit Tri-Valley is a destination-marketing organization working to raise awareness of the region and increase overnight tourism to maximize economic impact.

"If there's one message I want to pass along, it's that the hospitality industry has a huge economic benefit for everybody, every region, every community and every political jurisdiction," said keynote speaker Joe D'Alessandro, president of the San Francisco Convention & Visitors Bureau. "We have to work together, and continue to spread the message about Northern California and the Bay Area being a fantastic place to visit. Then we will benefit from the job creation, the spending and the tax revenue that hospital-

ity creates."

The luncheon was attended by more than 200 local business people, residents and dignitaries, including five mayors – John Marchand of Livermore, Jerry Thorne of Pleasanton, David Haubert of Dublin, and past and present Danville mayors Newell Americh and Robert Storer — who starred in this year's uproarious video presentation of Visit Tri-Valley's annual report.

"We have had an absolutely amazing, wonderful year with our incredible team at Visit Tri-Valley," said Robin Fahr, director of marketing and communications. "On our website, we are now attracting more than a quarter million visitors a year, and the new number one search phrase on our site is 'dog friendliness.'"

For outdoorsy, recreation-loving Tri-Valley visitors, the annual report's statistics likely come as no surprise: in 2018, the number of visitors reached 1.53 million; tax receipts totaled more than \$74 million, while annual travel spending increased by 4% to \$680 million; and hotel occupancy – the Holy Grail of tourism prosperity – hovered at 74%.

Correlating the valley's vitality with that of San

Francisco, D'Alessandro said, "We saw our tenth year in a row of record-breaking numbers. We have the highest hotel occupancy in the nation, and the highest revenue per available room in the nation. For the first time ever, we passed New York."

Yet despite the optimistic report, D'Alessandro noted that the economy may be slowing. "We don't see a huge downturn right now, but we are starting to see a little softness through the whole state, and similar things on the East Coast and all over the country. It's the way the economy generally is performing globally," he said.

For hospitality industries, the international market is key. In San Francisco, 61% of all visitor spending comes from international tourists.

"Our top markets are: Number one, China, and number two, the UK. Then it jumps back and forth between Europe and Asia – Germany and South Korea, or Japan and France," D'Alessandro said. "The market we're seeing the biggest growth in is India. We think India will actually surpass China in less than five or six years. Strategically, you have to look at markets collectively so that you're

focusing on both traditional and growth markets."

Asked how Visit Tri-Valley can best work with his organization, D'Alessandro emphasized the importance of working as a unit.

"I'm a firm believer in regional cooperation," he said. "We have to get involved with each other's promotional activities and extend the range of our dollars to make them work harder. We can only do that collectively. Visitors don't see our borders. The international market especially doesn't see the geographic boundaries as limitations. They love to experience all of America, and collectively, if we focus on this together, we can all win."

The annual luncheon also provides an opportunity for Visit Tri-Valley to recognize local partners in the hospitality industry. This year's Spirit of Hospitality award was given to Kevin Goebel, general manager of the DoubleTree by Hilton Pleasanton at the Club. The Partner of the Year award was given to Pedego Electric Bikes/Umigo Indoor Kart Racing in Livermore.

To learn more, or watch the "Up, Up and Away" video, go to visittrivalley.com.

Renowned Business Leader Speaks at Innovation Tri-Valley Regional Summit

As the Tri-Valley continues its ascendancy as a technology and innovation powerhouse, Lenny Mendonca, the Governor's Chief Economic and Business Advisor, served as the keynote speaker at the Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group luncheon on Sept. 23, inspiring new ideas about housing, inclusion, and sustaining economic growth in the future.

"I am pleased to be in the Tri-Valley where you are proactive in planning for the future together," said Mendonca. "In order to have an economy that continues to grow, it is imperative to be mindful of every community, every sector, and include them in our vision of success."

Earlier this year, the Governor's Office launched Regions Rise Together, a statewide initiative focused on achieving inclusive and sustainable economic growth across California's many regions. Regions Rise Together is led by Mendonca and Kate Gordon, Director

of the Governor's Office of Planning and Research. The initiative is also partnering with CA Forward and the California Stewardship Network. Regions Rise Together ensures that the Governor's California for All slogan is a strategy that results in sustainable and inclusive growth across the state.

While in Pleasanton, Mendonca noted that as the Tri-Valley continues its ascendancy as an innovation hub, nearly 70% of job growth in the state in recent years took place in coastal counties, including the Bay Area. Helping to bring more jobs and investment to inland areas is part of the goal of Regions Rise Together.

The goals of Regions Rise Together run parallel to the efforts of Tri-Valley leaders working to deliver the Valley Link light rail project, which can lessen the grueling commute of 85,000 inland residents who come cross the Altamont Pass daily from the San Joaquin Valley, traveling to

or through the Tri-Valley to get to work.

Regions Rise Together is engaging in conversations throughout the state where communities are discussing how to revitalize their downtowns by attracting more investment, jobs and residents. Locating new businesses and homes in a more concentrated pattern within existing communities and near transit is important to protect agricultural land and open space.

Adam Van de Water, Economic Development Director for the City of Livermore, said, "In the Tri-Valley this means connecting our jobs and housing with high quality rail connections and continuing to plan transit-oriented neighborhoods around planned stops between the Dublin/Pleasanton BART station and the Central Valley."

Regions Rise Together and the Valley Link light rail project are both essential elements of the community-wide discussion and vision planning for the Tri-Valley

region in 2040.

Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group is a business-led organization that has engaged the Bay Area Council Economic Institute to convene meetings that will ultimately produce a 2040 Innovation Tri-Valley Vision Plan for the region.

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Appreciation to Roanna Bennie for a Job Well Done

When Barry A. Russell, sixth president of Las Positas College, stepped down in 2017, Vice President of Academic Services Roanna Bennie stepped up and smoothed the way as the college’s interim president. Although her contract in that role has been extended three times, Bennie recently announced that she would not be applying for the permanent position as the institution’s president.

It was an announcement that the faculty, students

and the community met with sadness. Bennie has been a popular administrator, who ably guided the college through a period of major state-mandated changes to California’s community college system.

“With each new challenge, Ms. Bennie responded with a positive attitude, tackling each project head on,” says colleague Diane Brady. “People especially appreciate her frequent and open communications with the campus; she fosters an inclusive environ-

ment where everyone’s voice can be heard.”

It is hard to overstate the importance of Bennie’s respectful inclusiveness. Bennie brought clarity and steadfastness to a role that’s vital to the college, which in turn is vital to the community.

As we say farewell to a highly-esteemed interim president, we wish Bennie much continued success, and thank her for her role steering the college and community towards the future.

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Common Sense Parking Maryann Brent, Livermore

If you have ever been in Livermore between 5 and 7:30 p.m. on any day of the week, you must have noticed the predatory parade of vehicles trolling for parking. Of course, parking is not the most glamorous of subjects, but it is super important in a society where transportation independence via automobiles dominates. It also happens to be the #1 priority identified by the City’s own 2017 outreach sessions.

The Bankhead Theater is in the center of our downtown’s entertainment, shopping, restaurant and services hub. A parking structure, enhanced with amenities, next to the Bankhead would provide the needed parking spaces for these businesses which First St. (on-street) parking and the Railroad Ave. parking structure cannot supply. And central parking opportunities are especially appreciated by those using wheelchairs, walkers or crutches.

Therefore, it shows abundant common sense to build an enhanced parking structure adjacent to the Bankhead Theater for its patrons and the nearby businesses on First St. However, the City Council wants to build a hotel next to the Bankhead. If you agree that Livermore should have a parking structure enhanced with facilities next to the Bankhead Theater, please inform a member of the City Council.

Catherine Kuo for Dublin School Board Kerrie Chabot, Dublin

Dublin residents have the opportunity to vote for the best possible school board member this November.

Catherine Kuo has demonstrated a commitment to our community and to our students for 20 years. Not only is she invested in her neighborhood school as a school site council member and PFC President, but she is also a regular attendee at school board meetings, speaking as an advocate for all Dublin’s students.

In recent years the district has made errors in negotiations with developers which have had an impact on our schools, resulting in overcrowding and lack of needed facilities. Dublin’s current bond debt is enormous compared to nearby districts. And although Dublin has excellent teachers, engaged parents,

and successful students, we need to do more. Catherine has the intellect as well as work experience to solve problems and work collaboratively with the District. I am confident Ms. Kuo will propose solutions that are best for all of our kids and the community.

Please vote for Catherine Kuo for Dublin Trustee on November 5th.

Athena League Of Equality Gary Estee, Livermore

Our American two-party political system doesn’t work. My previous letter advocated the creation of a new political part based on ancient Roman Stoicism. However, a major deficiency in the system still exists.

I feel that an additional political party is vital to the FUTURE rejuvenation of the American political world. This new party would provide the platform for all actions leading to the equalization of women in all areas. Call it “The Athena League of Equality.” It is named for the Greek Goddess of wisdom and war.

Granted it is only a mere man that is composing this letter, but the problems resulting from the male domination of the world for the past several thousand years are clear to all readers of either history or the modern media. So I must apologize to all female readers for my masculine point of view and inherent bias.

In general, the ALOE Party would work to ensure the following rights and privileges be made available to all women in the world: right to vote, right to serve in government, right to own and control her own property, right to a good education, legal and civil rights as married women, better jobs and equal pay, and to be treated equally in all aspects of life.

The following steps are needed: 1) Each state would need its top ranking political women to choose amongst themselves for one “Matron of the State” who would spearhead that state’s ALOE efforts, 2) They would collect a list of candidates and offer the overall Party Leadership to the best choice [possibly Michele Obama, Hillary Clinton, or Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez], 3) The Party would begin to gather members from the grass-roots level and develop local groups based on city or county areas, 4) Funding could be acquired from association with naturally-related vendors of approved products, and 5) Then plans would begin to be made and men would need to watch out.

Parking Is A Problem Glenn Stewart, Livermore

In 2014, City staff worked with the consulting firm of Nelson Nygaard to develop a Downtown Parking Management Study to evaluate strategies and actions that can be undertaken to ensure convenient, available parking continues to be provided Downtown.

The study found that it’s difficult to find available

parking in the highest demand areas, that some employees park for long periods near businesses, and that redevelopment will remove most of the surface parking on the development site.

The study provided 14 strategies including enforcement of time limit signs to an employee parking program.

After the 2017 downtown development public outreach program, residents still cited the lack of parking as their number one concern.

Livermore concurred and published a newsletter on Downtown Re-Development Parking, stating that “There’ll be an estimated 1,623 to 1,728 parking spaces – a significant increase from the 1,148 spaces prior to construction.”

Today, parking downtown is the worst ever. Try finding a parking space on First, Second and Third Streets, between McLeod and L Streets, between 9 and 5 without driving around the block a couple of times looking for a space.

Last heard, the hotel developer found that constructing underground parking for 100 vehicles under the hotel is cost prohibitive, and that the City is creating parking spaces on North I St. adjacent to the existing parking garage for valet parking.

With 222 condos being built on the SW corner of Railroad Ave. and L St., and with the City of Livermore contemplating building 130 condo units on the SE corner, we can only hope that the builders provide two parking spaces per condo unit under the buildings.

Even with underground condo building parking, there doesn’t seem to be enough parking spaces for residents, guests and vendors, and the inevitable overflow parking from condo buildings always winds up as street parking and public garage parking.

Veterans Way is our new mid-block street between Livermore and Railroad Ave. with approximately 30 street parking spaces adjacent to the 130 condos. Not much of a chance for the general public to park in these street parking spaces.

With a proposed 5-story, 500 vehicle parking garage on L St. scheduled to be built in 2019/2020, one can’t but help think that some vehicles from the two condo buildings at Railroad Ave. and L Street will park in the free parking garage.

The idea of free parking downtown may already be a thing of the past. The future suggests revenue coming from parking enforcement, parking meters and automated parking garages to help pay for downtown revitalization.

The Homeless Games, Part XXII – Connected Thinking Greg Scott, Livermore

I would like to thank Jan Brovont for the letter “Things to Think About” (The Independent, Sept. 26, 2019). Much appreciation for at least expressing something in regard to the homeless situation. Not that I really care to be dissecting, but I am going to be dissecting anyway.

Brovont wrote “47% of the homeless in the USA live in California.” There is no factual basis for this. This would mean nearly one-out-of-two homeless in this country live here in California. Not true. It is a bit less than one-out-of-four, which is all too high. California is 12%, or just under one-out-of-eight of the population of the United States, so the California homeless representation is double (not quadruple) the state’s population representa-

tion by percentage. My basis is the Point-In-Time (PIT) Counts for the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development’s “Annual Homeless Assessment Report” (AHAR), which is published every December. I think what happened here is a confusion on the statistic. “47%” comes from the fact that 47% of the unsheltered homeless population of our country is in California, not 47% of the entire homeless population is in California. This means that nearly one-out-of-two unsheltered homeless in the United States are in California, or four times California’s population representation by percentage.

“19% of the homeless in the USA live in Los Angeles,” is also stated by Brovont. Though closer, it too is not accurate and not clearly defined. Is it the City of Los Angeles or do we mean here the entire County of Los Angeles? The name is construed the same, however the entity is not. This would be like equating Oakland with all of Alameda County. If what was referred to was the County of Los Angeles, then the statistic would be just under 11%, or one-out-of-nine in the United States, not nearly one-out-of-five. Still, altogether way too high.

Not to nitpick here, however I need for you all to be lucid on the homeless problem and its scope. These statistical exaggerations are not the fault of Brovont, as they are the propaganda recently of the Trump Administration and President Trump trying to belittle California liberals on homelessness. It is not that California liberals do not deserve to be belittled on the California homeless problem so much as it is that President Trump does not know squat about homelessness, nor do I think he really cares. The Trump Administration has used California homelessness as political attack. The Administration’s proposed solutions and critiques are ludicrous. If you want to be schooled on the Executive Branch’s bunk then read the 41-page “The State of Homelessness in America” by The Council of Economic Advisers, September 2019, though having your favorite libation would be much more productive.

“San Francisco spent \$300,000,000 on about 10,000 homeless last year.” Yay Jan Brovont! Definitely in the ballpark on that one! It is followed with “Yet there still is a growing problem.” This is where I would recommend that The Independent start an “Understatement of the Issue Award.” Brovont won it!

“In the years past, Livermore had a fair amount of vehicles which had bumper stickers reading this: “When guns are outlawed, then only outlaws will have guns.” (Brovont). Yes, and: “When homelessness is outlawed, then at least the homeless will be sheltered.” Though arresting our way out of homelessness is not going to work either.

“Who fuels your adventure and makes home sweet home? Trains!” (Brovont again). Yup, tell that one to a homeless person. Maybe give the homeless person a bag of Fritos while you are doing so. The plant growth substance, zeatin, in corn (Zea mays) is not very well digested by humans anyway. The naturalist Alexander von Humboldt proposed in the beginning of the nineteenth century that everything is connected to everything else. I wonder when we are going to connect our thinking on homelessness and realize that we are all connected to homelessness.

Working Toward a Cure Les Mahler, Livermore

The idea behind (my) books is to place them in the hospital’s gift shops, where they can set their own prices and keep the money to help families or fund the cure for cancer research. With the book signing (on Oct. 5 at Mozart, Einstein & Me in Livermore), all the money made goes to UC Davis.

I know most people think that as a cancer patient myself, there’s nothing more I can do; the books are just a small part of my continuing effort to help pediatric cancer patients. I’ve organized grape stomps, and donated \$20,000 to \$30,000 to pediatric cancer research through stompout-kidscancer. I’ve also helped pediatric cancer patients get more out of life other than treatment. A young Oakland Children’s Hospital patient fighting brain cancer, Andrew is a big fan of Thomas the train, so found Thomas Train at Roaring Camp in Santa Cruz and got four tickets for the family to enjoy the day. A little girl in Colorado, an illustrator’s granddaughter

who was struggling with leukemia, couldn’t walk. She loved dancing, so I bought four tickets to Denver Opera so family could see “The Nutcracker” for Christmas.

Now 37 years as a journalist forced into retirement on disability (lung, brain, spinal cord lacrimal gland cancer, blind in the right eye, emphysema, and a stroke) I’m writing children’s books to fund cancer research for a cure.

I’m hoping to organize a grape stomp in Lodi (with the Sacramento Kings) and Livermore (with East Bay firefighters) and hoping to organize a stomp between CAL and Stanford (the BIG STOMP next year). So, my cancer journey has not reached its end in my efforts in helping the youngest of cancer patients.

Oh, and as a last act of giving, I donated my body to UCSF’s whole-body donations, adenoid cystic carcinoma is a rare cancer, only 1,200 patients per year; it’s considered rare, incurable and fatal. Chemo doesn’t do anything.

REVOLUTION

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troduction of the steam engine in the 1700s. Dramatic workplace changes altered entire societies, from living patterns to education to agriculture and health, he believes.

The introduction of electricity a century later drove the second industrial revolution, whose effects are still with us, he believes.

“Without electricity, there’s no such thing as the modern world,” he said in a recent interview. “It’s powering everything that’s happening right now.”

We are experiencing the third industrial revolution today, he says. It began with the introduction of computers and has proceeded in waves, such as dramatic changes in communication technologies and the growth of electronic commerce.

Only about half the world has participated in this revolution, however, Reichenthal said in a recent talk. “It’s very different to have 3.6 billion people connected (via the Internet) versus a number approaching 8 billion.”

The fourth industrial revolution is beginning to emerge from the third as more of the world is connected, he believes.

The new revolution will see not merely continued growth of digital technologies, but their exponential rise and application everywhere.

Commercial and communications trends that once took decades are starting to happen within days and hours, he says.

As an example, he cites decreasing lengths of time for different industries to reach a client base of 50 million people.

It took 64 years for the airline industry to develop 50 million customers, he says. It took 12 years for the mobile phone industry to see that many customers; one year for the Chinese messaging app WeChat; and 19 days for the augmented reality game Pokemon Go.

He observed that a few lines of innovative code introduced in Silicon Valley can drive changes in computer controlled systems all over the world in hours.

Industries and nations that foresee and take advantage of opportunities in robotics, artificial intelligence and additive manufacturing will prosper. For example, he forecasts the economic rise of Vietnam, the Philippines and Nigeria.

He believes that governments will be forced to change the way they provide services, as constituents demand the convenience of digital communications and processing. He cites California’s DMV, with its long lines and paperwork filled out by hand, as an example of an agency that will eventually have to be streamlined.

On a topic that is currently driving passions around the world, he believes that businesses and governments will be forced to factor in extreme weather, flooding and other consequences of climate change as they plan for the future.

Reichenthal is the former chief information officer for Palo Alto, one of the top digital cities in the U.S. He has won a variety of awards and honors for his technology forecasting.

For example, according to an online biography, he was named one of the top 20 most influential chief information officers in the U.S. in 2016. The following year, he was chosen one of the top 100 CIOs in the world.

He is a writer and an adjunct professor at San Francisco State University. His work has been featured in broadcast media as well as in print, including NBC and CNBC television, CBS and National Public Radio, the Wall Street Journal and Computerworld magazine.

He is cohost of the podcast, “Drinking Wine Talking Tech.”

Tickets for his Bankhead talk are available online at <http://raedoroughspeaker-series.org/speaker1/>. They may also be purchased at the Bankhead Theater box office, 2400 First Street, Livermore, Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 6 p.m., or by calling (925) 373-6800.

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Savannah Skinner, 10, from Jackson Avenue School in Livermore, was the only school striker for the climate at Livermore City Hall on Sept. 27. Skinner's mother, Deborah Fields, asked her daughter a few questions about why she thought it was important to make a stand in front of City Hall. "Because we are in a climate crisis and adults aren't taking it seriously and it's my generation that will be taking the consequences," Skinner told her mother. And what does she hope will happen as a result of children demonstrating for the environment and against global warming? "Well, I hope that adults will get educated, stop using fossil fuels and reduce big company pollution," Skinner said.

KAISER
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fornia, five other states and the District of Columbia, including 24,000 employees in the Bay Area and 560 in the Valley. The union represents hundreds of job classifications, from maintenance and service workers, to optometrists and pharmacists.

Highlights of the agreement include raises of 3% in each of the contract's four years for workers in California, Oregon, and southern Washington.

In the remainder of Washington state and in Colorado, Hawaii, Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia, workers will have raises of 3% the first year, and 2% plus a 1% lump sum the following three years. In those states, workers will have the ability to turn the lump sum into regular raises, if the company achieves certain financial performance benchmarks, according to a management news release.

Another accomplishment for workers is what the union called a "ground-breaking workforce development program to provide educational opportunities for thousands of workers to receive a free education" connected to helping

fill an expected shortage of hundreds of thousands of licensed healthcare jobs. Kaiser will provide \$130 million for the program over the four years of the contract.

The new contract also restores the cooperative relationship that both sides said had been in operation in past years, until the SEIU strike threat.

Wherley, the union spokesman, said the contract will "revitalize the longstanding worker-management partnership, and accomplish a set of goals to make sure Kaiser is the best place to receive and give care."

Arlene Peasnell, interim chief human resources officer for Kaiser, said that "this agreement is a testament to the dedication, compassion and skill those employees bring to work every day." She said Kaiser has a "track record to solve problems together to improve the care and service offered to our members and patients."

"We may disagree at times, but we have always been able to work through our challenges to align on common goals," Peasnell said.

CORRECTION

In the Sept. 26 edition of The Independent, the date of the Missing Man Ministry banquet was incorrect. The banquet takes place on Sunday, Oct. 6.

A Conversation with Alameda County Sheriff Ahern

Livermore Indivisible's Immigration and Human Rights Committee will host "A Conversation with Alameda County Sheriff Ahern" on Friday, Oct. 11, from 3 to 5 p.m., at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 678 Enos Way, Livermore.

Topics may include but are not limited to ICE policies, training for interacting with mentally ill inmates, perspective on domestic terrorism, perspective towards minorities and asylum seekers, Urban Shield, Deadly Force Standards, AB 392, immigration detainees, budget and allocation, and agency challenges and resolutions.

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SPORTS NOTES



West Coast Soccer U18 girls win back-to-back games.



Fusion's U16 Girls Bronze Select celebrate a goal by Tati. Fusion tied Red Star 3-3.



Pleasanton Rage 05 ECNL

Livermore Fusion Soccer Club

On September 22, Fusion SC's 2007 (U13) Girls Maroon earned a 2-1 State Cup victory over West Coast Soccer Kryptonite 07 PRE-NPL. Aubrie P and Carli D scored first half goals for Fusion, whose defense was superb, allowing only a PK goal to West Coast. "It was a very exciting game," said Coach Ben Graham. "The girls played great, worked very hard and played together beautifully as a team."

Fusion Players of the Week

Fusion Soccer Club's Players of the Week are Dana and Kameron. They earned this honor by being Fusion's Rec & Select players who best exemplify the Club's Word of the Week: Leadership. Dana plays for the U12 Strikers and Kameron for the U14 G.O.A.T.S.

Fusion's 2004 (U16) Girls Bronze

On September 14, the team traveled to Los Altos to face Red Star Soccer Academy. Adversity shadowed the team even before the opening whistle, as only 11 players suited up, with no substitutes available. In the first half, Fusion scored on a curling corner kick from Alyssa, but trailed at halftime 1-3. Moreover, the team lost a player to injury, meaning they would play the second half shorthanded. The situation looked bleak for the maroon & gold Remarkably, Fusion rallied in the second half. Sam, Reese, Cassidy and Kamila led a valiant defensive effort, and Julianna and Tati scored, as Fusion came back to tie 3-3. Congrats to Coach Maurice Vigil and girls on a "muscular" performance.

Pleasanton Rage 05 ECNL

After a disappointing loss to San Juan SC 05 last weekend, Rage bounced back with a dominant performance on September 28, against Placer United 05 NPL with a score of 6-0. Emma Fuller (2), Cameron Amaral (2), Karlee Lywandowsky and Sally Binder all contributed with goals. Once again, the Rage defense held it down with another impressive shutout. After the game, coach Phillippe Blin said, "It's the attitude of the players, not their skills, that is the biggest factor in the determining whether you win or lose. It's not whether you get knocked down, it's whether you get back up." Rage is back in action this past weekend against Davis Legacy 05 ECNL and West Coast Wild Katz 05 NPL.

West Coast Soccer Club

West Coast 02 Girls NPL team won back to back games by shutout. Saturday, West Coast traveled to Santa Cruz and beat the Breakers 2-0 with goals from Bailey Gualco started the scoring five minutes into the game on a one vs. one with the keeper with a great pass from Erin Strain. The second goal was scored via penalty kick by Aryana Jones. The net was patrolled by Lia Bedford solidifying the shutout. Sunday, was the first game of state cup preliminary play at Hotspurs and West Coast won again by a score of 3-0. The scoring began in the forty second minute by Jessie Sotelo from an assist that started with Alyson "Taz" Thompson then Susan Contreras. The second goal was scored by Anaya Shelton from Jessie Sotelo with a De Bruyne type cross. The final goal was scored by Shelton as well from a through ball by Alondra Higareda. Leilani Staples and a strong defensive effort keyed the shutout.

West Coast Soccer's U16 Wicked girls team dominated the Central Valley Surf Champions Cup and brought home the Championship in the 04 Super Group Division. West Coast teams traditionally do well in the local tournament held throughout multiple locations in the Central Valley. This year was no different as the Wicked girls swept the competition to bring home the tournament crown. West Coast defeated Walnut Creek Surf 4-1 and Turlock Academy 1-0 to position them at the top of the standings after Saturday's games. West Coast put on an attacking clinic as they took care of Mavericks 5-0 to set up the championship game against a tough IR Academy Purple. The Wicked offense was led by the extremely talented front line of Anaya Shelton, Zusetta Zamora, Aryana Jones, Kaya Scott, Bailey Gualco

and Miette Sessoms. The midfield was controlled by Makeila Yancey, Maddie Herrera, Miranda Valle & Alexi Ochoa. Defenders Sabrina Rogers, Andrea Castillo, Allyson Thompson, Mariah Hinojosa, Niella Sessoms held down the back line and limited scoring opportunities, while youngster Jordan Oshana minded the Wicked net for all four games. West Coast out played and outscored IR Academy for a 2-1 result with goals from Kaya Scott & Bailey Gualco, West Coast Soccer's Mary Jane Anzo received player of the tournament award for her outstanding leadership and play. "Winning the Champions Cup Tournament is a great way to keep our momentum going, we will enjoy it for now but the team must refocus on a grueling Champions League play ahead." Says Coach Troy Dayak. Wicked are currently undefeated in NPL Champions League and have the first round of State Cup ahead. West Coast Wicked are back in league action on Saturday against Cal Odyssey.

On Saturday, West Coast Warriors U19 Girls geared up to play the #3 ranked team in NorCal, Ceres Earthquakes. Arianna Moore got things rolling for West Coast with a nice assist to Mia Mendoza putting WCS up 1-0. Next, Jaden Hall would find Mia again to make the score 2-0. West Coast would find the net 2 more times in the first half with goals from Jaden Hall and Heather Tarabini for a half time score of 4-0. Midfielders Kaitlin Carlton Ashleigh Ward, Melanie Nguyen, Francesca Pereira and Fayth Hinojosa kept the ball moving while making great passes up and down the field. During the second half West Coast Warriors would score three more times with one goal from Heather Tarabini and the other two goals coming from Mia Mendoza who orchestrated a four goal "haul" game. Earthquakes would turn up the heat but were unable to get through Warriors stingy defense led by Leila Ganz, Ari Moore, Holly Mcritchie, Jordan Brown and Linsey Plant who held the #3 state ranked Earthquakes scoreless. Goalie Tori Morfin registered the shutout win with a final score of 7-0. West Coast Warriors faced Earthquakes East Valley who came out firing to score the first goal. The lead would not last long as Jaden Hall found Heather Tarabini for a score to tie the game at one a piece. Beautiful passing by Fayth Hinojosa Kaitlin Carlton, Jessa Lyons continued to keep the ball in play. Defender Julianne Munoz made a run up the sideline and crossed to Heather Tarabini to take the lead before the half at 2-1. Second half both teams would continue a back and forth battle but West Coast 01 Jaden Hall flew up the middle of field to put the ball in the back of net strengthening the lead to 3-1. West Coast defense kept Earthquakes to a scoreless second half solidifying the 3-1 win. On Sunday, West Coast faced a tough Revolution SC, although Revolutions goalie proved to be extremely stingy throughout the tournament midfielder Fayth Hinojosa got things started with a beautiful shot right over Revolution goalies fingertips putting WCS up 1-0. Revolution played a quick restart and hit a nice shot to tie the game up 1-1 before the half. Second half West Coast offense came out firing and again midfielder Fayth Hinojosa put the moves on the revolution defense to find Caitlin Garrison who scored on left side of goal giving West Coast the lead at 2-1. Great defense by Leila Ganz, Ari



Fusion's 2007 U13 Girls Maroon celebrate the team's 2-1 victory over crosstown rival West Coast.



Dana of the U12 Strikers.



Kameron of the U14 G.O.A.T.S.



West Coast Warriors U19 Girls win Surf Champions Cup.

Moore Jordan Brown Lindsey Plant and Julianne Muniz held revolution offense scoreless the remainder of game. Jaden Hall solidified the win for a final score of 3-1. Championship Game, West Coast Warriors faced off once again against East Valley Earthquakes for the Championship match of the tournament. East Valley with something to prove would come out fast and aggressive but it was the speed of West Coast forward Jaden Hall crossing to Heather Tarabini again to give West Coast a 1-0 lead. Jaden Hall was a nuisance on opponents outside backs and slotted another beautiful cross this time to Ashleigh Ward who perfectly placed the ball in the back of net increasing the lead to 2-0. Asleigh Ward scored again with another shot just before the half to put West Coast 3-0. Second half the EV Earthquakes managed to get a goal off a loose ball in the box from a corner kick making the score 3-1. West Coasts offense iced the Earthquakes defense and the match by scoring twice more with goals from Mia Mendoza and Jaden Hall for a final score of 5-1 in the Championship match. "I'm just so proud of these young ladies, I have coached them for many years now & this will be our last Central Valley tournament together as our team is made up of seniors and will be graduating next year. I will miss them so much" said Head Coach Troy Dayak. West Coast Warriors 01 will be back in action next weekend for NPL Champions League play.

Granada High School JV Football

The Matadors took on the Grizzlies after the bye week, which may have caused the Mats to come out of the gates slow. Before you could blink, the Grizzlies took a commanding lead as they went up 28-0 by the half. While the score started off against the Mats, they kept fighting. Some of the highlights included good runs by Daniel Waxman (30), Kobe Jerusalem (33), and Leif Jensen (22), lead by the offensive line of Calvin Seely (66), Tanner Parker (58), Logan Tucker (74), Marc Fontanilla (77), Kaleo Gomes (56). In addition, Alex Clouser (34), #58, Eric Hall (5), and #22 each had some run stopping tackles on defense. The Mat's tightened up in the 2nd half and kept the Grizzlies scoreless. Some key plays included a big run back by #5, multiple runs by #22, including a 2 yard TD run. XP was good. Logan Tucker (74) stood up in the 3rd with some run stopping tackles, as did Kaleo Gomes (56), and Stephen Geyer (6). #34 stopped a Grizzlies drive with a diving interception. And, the passing game came to life as Brandon Shah (1) threw several passes for 10, 15, and more yards to the likes of Mathieu Rocheleau (26). In the end, the Grizzlies early scores proved too much as the Mat's lost 28-7.

Foothill High School Water Polo

This week was a big week for the Varsity Boys Foothill Falcons Water Polo team. While still working through not having a pool to practice in, the team accomplished victories in their league game and a third place finish at the annual Foothill/Amador tournament. On September 26, Foothill played a league game vs. Dougherty Valley, winning 12-9. Offensively the game was spread out throughout the

team with Sanjay Menon and Eugene Kruger each scoring four goals, Daniel Kim scoring two goals, and Ian Jones and Jesse Goodman each putting one away for the team. Goalie Moises Ambriz had a great game with 11 saves and 4 steals. Defensively, Eugene had three steals and Sanjay and Ian both had two steals. The Falcons closed out the week on a high note with a third-place finish at the annual Foothill/Amador tournament. On September 27, the Falcons won both of their games versus Benicia (11-6) and Irvington (16-5). On September 28, they came up short against Acalanes, one of the top teams in NCS. Sanjay Menon led the team on offense throughout the weekend with 13 goals. Daniel Kim also had a breakout weekend with 12 goals of his own. Moises played great with over 30 saves and a goal of his own to add to the Falcon offense.



The Livermore Cowboys hosted the Monte Vista Mustangs on Sept. 27. Although the Cowboy's #23 intercepted a pass (pictured), Monte Vista won, 26 to 3. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)



Daniel Kim takes a shot to help the Foothill polo team attain third place in the annual Amador/Foothill Tournament. (Photo - Luree Jones)



West Coast Soccer Wicked U16 Surf Champions Cup Super Group Champions.



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"Catoberfest" Aims to Find Forever Homes for Felines



The East Bay SPCA will host "Catoberfest" Oct. 2-6. The East Bay SPCA is helping feline friends find forever homes during its

"Catoberfest" celebration. On Oct. 2-6, all adult cats will have their adoption fees waived and all kittens will have a reduced \$50 adoption fee. "Even though the weather is starting to turn, our kitten season is still in full effect," said East Bay SPCA VP of Operations Karalyn Aronow. "In this month alone, we have taken in 181 kittens. While some of these kitties are still in foster, others have been fully vaccinated and altered, and are available for adoption. "One of the challenges

with having so many adorable kittens available is that our older cats are often overlooked by potential adopters. Even though we have many amazing adult cats looking for their forever homes, they still have a harder time getting adopted during kitten season." All cats and kittens adopted from the East Bay SPCA go home spayed or neutered, vaccinated and micro-chipped. The East Bay SPCA is located at 4651 Gleason Dr., in Dublin. Visit eastbayspca.org.

Pleasanton City and Chamber of Commerce To Host Women in Business Luncheon

The Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce and the City of Pleasanton are partnering to promote local business through innovation and entrepreneurship. "Women in Business, An Economic Development Luncheon" is set for Tuesday, Oct. 29, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at Casa Real at Ruby Hill Winery. The annual event will feature a fresh spin and focus on women in business, with keynote speaker Anna Dapelo-Garcia, founder and president of Lean In Latinas, and Inclusion, Diver-

sity & Health Equity Leader with Stanford Health Care. Dapelo-Garcia has received numerous awards and most recently was honored by the Silicon Valley Business Journal with a Latino Leadership Award. She was named Woman of the Year by the Women's Health Care Executives, and has been featured in Forbes and on National Public Radio (NPR). At the luncheon, economic driver awards will be presented to dynamic companies headquartered in Pleasanton whose products and services are innova-

tive, address identifiable need, attract investment, substantially impact the local economy, and show significant continued economic promise. According to Chamber President and CEO Steve Van Dorn, this will be the first time the Chamber and City have presented economic driver awards to Pleasanton companies which are all led by women. Casa Real at Ruby Hill Winery is located at 410 Vineyard Ave. in Pleasanton. Tickets for the luncheon are \$45. Visit pleasanton.org.

Las Positas College Presents Science And Engineering Speaker Series

Las Positas College and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory present the 10th Annual Science and Engineering Speaker Series - Theory to Practice: How Science is Done. The talk, National Atmospheric Release Advisory

Center: Interdisciplinary Science in Support of Public Safety, takes place on Monday, Oct. 7, from 6 to 7:15 p.m. It will feature speaker Jessica Osuna, Ph.D., Atmospheric Scientist, National Atmospheric Release Advisory Center, Atmospheric,

Earth, and Energy Division at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. The event, free and open to the public, takes place at Las Positas College, 3000 Campus Hill Drive, Building 2400, room 2420.



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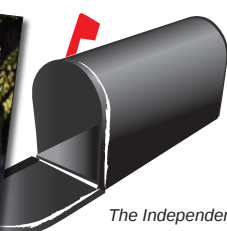
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On Sept. 28, Native American Day kicked off a month of free community cultural events at the Bankhead Theater Plaza in downtown Livermore. Next up will be Cheza Nami's Taste of Africa on Oct. 5, and the Filipino Barrio Fiesta on Oct. 6. (Photos - Doug Jorgensen)

Tri-Valley Nonprofit Alliance Celebrates Its Five-Year Anniversary

The Tri-Valley Nonprofit Alliance (TVNPA) celebrated its 5th anniversary by hosting a dinner at the Blue Agave Club in Pleasanton on Sept. 12. Billed as the "Power of Mission" dinner, the event honored TVNPA for its role in bringing Bay Area nonprofits together to collaborate, share resources, network and grow.

"We appreciate those who came out to celebrate TVNPA and our mission to strengthen our communities by strengthening our nonprofits," said TVNPA President & CEO Kathy Young. "It's extremely gratifying to reflect on how much we have accomplished in our first five years."

Supervisor Scott Haggerty was the evening's guest of honor. A passionate champion of nonprofit causes, Supervisor Haggerty was recognized for his early support of TVNPA and for more than two decades of service to Alameda County.

"The impact that TVNPA has made in just five years is remarkable," noted Supervisor Haggerty. "I'm honored to have played a part in launching TVNPA and look forward to continued success from this great organization."

TVNPA Co-Founder Mony Nop received the first-ever TVNPA Power of Mission award for his contributions to the organization and for his other community service.

Community Health & Education Foundation, Topcon Positioning Systems, Mony Nop Real Estate, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and California Water Service sponsored the event.

To learn more, visit www.tvnpo.org.

JUUL

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After the City Council passed the vaping ordinance, Marchand said, "Juul then hired an army of signature gatherers who lied to voters to get thousands of signatures in order to repeal the council's action." The council placed the matter on the March 3, 2020 ballot. The city's ordinance remains on hold until voters make their decision.

The American Lung Association has warned that e-cigarettes are not safe. Hundreds of reported illnesses and 16 deaths have been linked to their use.

Juul claims that it does not market to young people and that its products are healthier alternatives to conventional smoking, but the federal government is investigating the company's

advertising claims.

The FDA is stepping up campaigns to educate youth about the dangers, and the White House has announced its intention to remove from the marketplace most flavored e-cigarettes, considered especially attractive to teenagers. Under this proposal, only tobacco-flavored vapes would be sold.

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POLICE CHIEF

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reer with the Pleasanton Police Department in 2002 as a lieutenant and was appointed captain in 2003. In 2011 Spiller was selected to serve as the City's sixth police chief.

During nearly two decades of law enforcement service to the City of Pleas-

anton, Chief Spiller modernized the department's training, technology and equipment, and has developed partnerships with numerous neighborhood, community and regional stakeholders including non-profits, community groups, and surrounding law enforcement agencies.

"The safety and quality of life in Pleasanton is a direct result of Chief Spiller's outstanding leadership for the last 17 years," said city manager Nelson Fiahlo. "He served and led every day with compassion, integrity and responsiveness to our city. Dave's extraordinary

vision and professionalism will be missed, and we wish him the very best in his retirement."

Spiller has served in every sworn rank of the police profession – from officer to chief. Prior to his tenure with Pleasanton, Chief Spiller served in the San Diego

and Mountain View Police Departments. He earned an associate degree in administration of justice from De Anza College, a bachelor's degree in organizational behavior from the University of San Francisco, and a master's degree from Saint Mary's College in public

sector leadership. Dave is also a graduate of the California Command College and Senior Management Institute for Police at Harvard University.

The recruitment process for his replacement will begin shortly and is anticipated to take three to six months.

STROKE

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some of the very highest levels of neurovascular care available in the region to the many stroke patients that need it most, at the most critical times."

Speed is vital

For years, stroke was the third leading cause of death in the U.S., but advances in diagnosis and treatment have improved outcomes and lowered its ranking to the fifth leading cause of death, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Americans experience nearly 800,000 strokes per year, some 140,000 of them fatal.

Successful treatment depends heavily on speed.

Only about one-fifth of stroke victims reach appropriate care fast enough that doctors can expect to prevent or reduce serious complications, according to Dr. Prasanth Krishnomohan, medical director of neurology at Stanford-ValleyCare.

Until now, someone in the Livermore-Pleasanton area who suffered a possible stroke might be rushed by ambulance to a distant stroke treatment center, perhaps in

Walnut Creek or Fremont.

Informal anecdotes from emergency response crews suggested that a potential stroke patient was being transported out of the Tri-Valley every day or two, costing precious time before full treatment could start.

Sometimes well-meaning friends and family members would drive stroke victims to Stanford-ValleyCare, only to have emergency room physicians send them via ambulance to a distant stroke center.

Given the new certification of Stanford-ValleyCare, emergency crews that once raced past will be able to bring the patients to Pleasanton for local diagnosis, faster treatment and improved chances of a healthy outcome.

Blood flow blocked

Most strokes occur when blood flow in the brain is blocked, often by a clot broken loose from some other part of the body. These so-called ischemic strokes represent upwards of 85% of all strokes.

Not many years ago, the most common treatment

for stroke was no treatment – wait and see how the patient recovered. In 1996, the federal Food and Drug Administration approved the use of tPA, a drug that helps break up clots.

TPA, commonly called alteplase, stands for tissue plasminogen activator. It works by stimulating the production of plasmin, an enzyme that helps dissolve blood clots.

The less common type of stroke is hemorrhagic, caused by a burst blood vessel in the brain.

Whichever type of stroke occurs, rapid treatment is crucial, since without blood, brain tissue begins to die fast. According to the American Heart Association and American Stroke Association, 10% of brain function may be lost every 30 minutes without adequate blood supply.

It's vital to know which kind of stroke to treat, since tPA administered to break up a clot could make a hemorrhagic stroke worse. Hemorrhagic stroke may be treated by inserting a tiny mechanical device, like a coil, to stop further rupture of the vessel,

or by surgery.

In the years after tPA was introduced for ischemic strokes, it was found that the drug was mainly effective if administered within three hours. It could also help a smaller number of patients if given after three hours, and up to 4.5 hours, following a stroke.

Advances in telemedicine, including high definition video and software that makes medical records available while ensuring patient privacy, have also led to major strides in stroke care.

Neurologists who specialize in stroke need not be present at every hospital, but can diagnose and treat stroke victims from a distance, provided appropriate cameras and treatment facilities are in place.

Krishnomohan, expects most stroke patients at the Pleasanton facility to be treated by resident neurologists, but if they are unavailable, specialists at Stanford's main Palo Alto center provide 24/7 medical backup.

Stanford-ValleyCare will be able to treat the great majority of stroke patients, he said. Perhaps 10% will

be sent to Palo Alto for specialized care, such as neurosurgery or a thrombectomy, in which doctors thread a catheter into the brain to remove a clot.

ValleyCare Charitable Foundation

In addition to validating the quality of the Stanford-ValleyCare stroke program, the certification also reflects the success of the Campaign for Stroke Care, a fund-raising effort launched last year by the ValleyCare Charitable Foundation.

Shaké Sulikyan, Executive Director of the Foundation, thanked the community for its "unprecedented contributions... We know that timely access to acute stroke care can be the difference between a full recovery, a lifetime of disability, or death.

"We are thrilled to put in place the necessary components to provide acute care to patients in the Tri-Valley," she said.

Krishnomohan echoed her enthusiasm. "We are really excited to bring this service to the community," he said. "It has been a lot of

work from a lot of people. We want to really thank everyone in the community who has supported this program."

The Foundation will continue its fund-raising, Sulikyan said. She invited the community "to join us in celebrating this amazing milestone by donating to the Campaign for Stroke Care and helping to raise the final \$340,000 and cross the Campaign finish line."

Sulikyan expressed particular gratitude to Lynn and Joan Seppala, owners of the Independent, who contributed major funding to the Foundation. Lynn Seppala suffered a major stroke at age 46.

Adding to Sulikyan's call for continued community donations, the Seppalas issued a joint statement of their own: "Let's make sure that Stanford Health Care-ValleyCare can offer the best possible care for our friends and neighbors, sparing them from much of the damage and trauma that we experienced 27 years ago when Lynn experienced his stroke."

OBITUARIES

Donna Elaine Leggett Momb

Feb. 8, 1926 – Aug. 31, 2019

On Saturday, Aug. 31, 2019, Donna Elaine Leggett Momb passed away peacefully at the age of 93.

Donna was preceded in death by her children, Daniel Momb and Lori Canonica. She is survived by her daughter-in-law, Pat Carter; grandchildren, Andrew and Jessica Momb and their spouses, Elizabeth Momb and Mike Keigher; step-granddaughter and spouse, Debra and Tim Burg; great-grandsons Luke, Liam, and Aiden; sisters, Lois Graves, Shari McDonald, and Sandy Hanson; and sister-in-law, Erma Leggett.



Donna was raised in Detroit Lakes, Minn., and lived in Fargo, N.D., and Fairbanks, Alaska, before moving to the Bay Area in 1954. She worked in payroll for J. C. Penney and the Mount Diablo Unified School District, from which she retired. She was an avid gardener and loved to sew.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 7, 2019, at Callaghan Mortuary, 3833 East Ave., Livermore, followed by a reception at Casa Orozco at 325 S. L St., Livermore. Donna's ashes will be interred at Egelund Church Cemetery in Rochert, Minn. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Hope Hospice, 6377 Clark Ave., Dublin, CA 94568.

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

Joseph d. Balser

Mar. 29, 1942 – May 27, 2019

Joseph delucenay Balser, age 77, passed away on Monday, May 27, 2019, surrounded by his loving family and grandchildren. He was born on March 29, 1942, in Hudson, Mich., to Ernest and Mary Josephine Balser.



He attended Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis., before moving to Livermore where he worked at Kaiser Aluminum and the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory as a metallurgist.

Joseph is survived by his wife Barbara; children Jason Balser (Stacey) of McKinney, Texas, Jarrod Balser (Melissa) of Livermore, Lianna Barnett (Michael) of Tracy, and Alicia Blalok (Tim) of Livermore; and seven grandchildren Camryn, Aubrey, Lillian, Robert, Laura, Grace, and Madeline.

Joseph was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter Laura, and his sister Elizabeth.

Private services were held previously at St. Michael Catholic Church.

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

Roberto Balbago Martinez



Roberto Balbago Martinez – 49er faithful, trusted advisor and avid traveler – passed away peacefully in his sleep on Monday, Sept. 23, 2019.

Roberto will be greatly missed and fondly remembered as a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend.

A viewing will take place from 5 to 8 p.m., with a rosary at 7 p.m., on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at Callaghan Mortuary, 3833 East Ave.,

Livermore.

A Memorial Mass will take place at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 10, at St. Michael Church, 458 Maple St., Livermore.

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

Virginia Mae Freie

Jan. 10, 1937 – Sep. 28, 2019

Virginia Mae Freie, 83, of Livermore died on Saturday, Sept. 28, 2019, at New Haven Central Care Home in Livermore, from Alzheimer's.



Virginia was born January 10, 1937, in Waverly, Iowa, the daughter of Lawrence and Mary (Roehling) Pipho. She and her five sisters grew up on her family's farm in rural northeast Iowa. She graduated from Tripoli High School in 1955.

In 1963 she married John Freie and they settled in Livermore, Calif. Virginia initially worked in the Admitting Office of the newly-opened Valley Memorial Hospital. She then devoted her time to raising her two sons Lawrence and Thomas. After they were grown, she worked in several Tri-Valley retail positions. Later she joined her two sisters at the patent law firms of Irell & Manella in Menlo Park and Morrison & Foerster in Palo Alto, working in the records department, and retired in 2000.

During retirement she enjoyed doing various arts and crafts, making blankets for friends and for the Neonatal Unit of Stanford Children's Hospital. She and John also enjoyed traveling the U.S., visiting all 50 states.

Virginia is survived by her husband; two sons Lawrence (Julie) Freie of Rosville, Calif., and Thomas (Julia) Freie of Phoenix, Ariz.; four grandchildren and two great grandchildren; sister Elaine Knutson of New Hampton, Iowa;

two brothers-in-law Gaylon Warner of Williston, Fla., and Mike Pruisner of Waverly; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, and sisters Lavonne, MaryAnn, BettyLou and Deborah.

On Friday, Oct. 4, at St. Michael Catholic Church, a Visitation and Rosary service will begin at 2 p.m., followed by a Celebration of Life at 3 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the National Alzheimer's Association or Hope Hospice of Dublin, Calif., in her memory.

Louis "Rusty" Hewitson

Longtime Pleasanton resident, Louis "Rusty" Hewitson, died at age 75 after a long battle with pancreatic cancer. Funeral and burial services will be held in San Diego where he resided. There will be a memorial mass at St. Augustine Church, Pleasanton, on Friday, Nov. 8, at 11 a.m. Please see Rusty's complete obituary at dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/san-diego-ca/louis-rusty-hewitson-8868204.

John David Stevens

John David Stevens (known to all as David), 76, died on Friday, Sept. 13, 2019, in Fairfield, Calif.



David was born to Lloyd and Hilda Stevens in Ashland, Ill. After graduating from MacMurray College with a Bachelor of Arts, David married Carol Sue Tomlin at Peter Cartwright United Methodist Church in Pleasant Plains, Ill. After their marriage, he and Carol left their farm life and moved to California where David continued his education at Pepperdine University, earning an MBA. David was a manager and scientist at Safeway Corporation in Pleasanton for 45 years. His most important career was being a devoted husband to wife Carol for 48 years, father to his three

children, Kristian Albert Stevens, Kara Nan Stevens, and Justen Tomlin Stevens, and grandfather to Philip Stevens and Kai Albert Stevens.

David was an active tennis player, a fan of Sherlock Holmes stories, and loved traveling with his family across the United States and Europe.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 4, 2019, at Peter Cartwright United Methodist Church in Pleasant Plains, with burial at Pleasant Plains Cemetery. The Buchanan & Cody Funeral Home in Ashland is in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be left at buchanancody.com.

Gary Andrew (Drew) Hargiss

July 21, 1946 – Sep. 22, 2019



On Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019, Gary Andrew "Drew" Hargiss of Livermore passed away peacefully at the young age of 73 while at the VA hospital in Palo Alto. Diagnosed in 2017, he fought a long and hard battle with cancer due to Agent Orange. Drew was born on July 21, 1946, to Gerald and Lavinia (nee Raust) Hargiss in Bend, Ore. He was raised in Castro Valley and graduated from Castro Valley High School before being drafted into the Army in November 1965.

His Tour of Duty lasted from 1965 to 1967. Drew served with the 4th Infantry Division while in Vietnam, and was awarded several commendations and medals. He was a proud veteran and was honored to serve his country.

Drew was also proud of his career at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory as a Senior Mechanical Technician, and of his contributions and work on many projects while there, including the NIF Project at Site 300.

In his younger more rowdy days, Drew loved the rodeo and even spent time competing as a bull rider – a moment in time he referred to as "the good ol' days." He eventually settled into more relaxing hobbies such as tinkering in his garage, listening to country music, and working with wood – restoring and building furniture.

Drew is best remembered for his quick wit, infectious smile and generous spirit, but was also known for his tough-as-nails view in life. He taught the "school of hard-knocks" and any whiners got the lesson to "buck up or shut up." Even so, friends and family always knew that Drew had a tool to fix anything from a broken chair to a skinned knee. He was truly a man of many talents. Drew is survived by his wife Mary Hargiss, son Donald Blair, and daughter Selena Dudley, as well as stepchildren, Victoria and Allen Choate. He leaves behind his twin brother, Gerald Hargiss, and sister, Nancy Hargiss. He also leaves behind a herd of grandchildren and a heap of nieces and nephews.

Drew will be buried with military honors at the San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery in Santa Nella, Calif. Rest in peace Ya Old Fart! We love you and will miss you.

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Case No. RP19035338
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or both, of: **SCOTT BRYAN GILL**. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: **JAY ROAD-ARMEL, ATTORNEY AT LAW** in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA. The Petition for Probate requests that: **BEN GILL** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. **SCOTT BRYAN GILL**. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: **Date: October 23, 2019**
Time: 9:31 AM Dept 202.
at: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
County of Alameda
2120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way Berkeley, CA 94704 Berkeley Courthouse. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California Law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (Form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. (X) Attorney for Petitioner: **JAY ROADARMEL, 1811 SANTA RITA RD, STE. 207 Pleasanton, CA 94566 (925)-271-5646.** The Independent Legal No. 4642 Published Sept

26, October 3, 10, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 563019

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Camden Glushenko tried out the new slide at Big Trees Park in Livermore on Sept. 30. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

Congressman Swalwell Introduces Bill to Protect Energy Security

Rep. Eric Swalwell (CA-15) recently introduced the Securing Energy Critical Elements and American Jobs Act to help the United States develop the technical expertise and production capabilities to assure a long-term, secure and sustainable supply of energy critical elements (ECEs).

ECEs are crucial for manufacturing a variety of advanced technologies, including cell phones, laptops, jet engines, gas and wind turbines, nuclear reactors, and solar panels. A shortage of these elements could significantly impede Americans’ ability to afford and use these important technologies and would hurt the nation’s global competitiveness and national security. A reliable domestic supply of ECEs, including rare earth

elements (REEs), will be crucial for long-term success and growth. Unfortunately, the United States is currently import-dependent on many of these ECEs.

“Ensuring a reliable, responsible and stable supply of energy critical elements is vital to our national, energy and economic security,” said Swalwell. “Most energy critical elements may not have household names, but the products they create do. If we want to keep leading the world in technological advancement and create more American jobs, we must secure these energy critical elements and their production.”

China now produces 80% of the world’s REEs supply, and 75% of permanent magnets containing REEs. In 2010, China temporarily

cut off rare earth supplies to Japan, the European Union, and the United States – highlighting the potential consequences to the U.S. for relying so heavily upon China for these assets.

In 2013, the Department of Energy (DOE) established a limited-term Critical Materials Institute to help ensure a reliable supply of these elements, but neither this institute nor an underlying, ongoing ECEs research program have ever been properly authorized.

The Securing Energy Critical Elements and American Jobs Act would prevent the DOE from discontinuing this work by requiring in permanent law, and it would add improvements to the department’s current program. Specifically, the bill would reinvestigate research

and development on energy critical materials in order to use them more effectively, and would seek methods to substitute and recycle critical materials by: promoting collaboration and research opportunities in the field of ECEs for researchers and students from DOE laboratories, industry, and institutions of higher education; directing the coordination of federal agencies to promote a stable supply of ECEs; requiring DOE to develop and update a strategic plan every two years for how it intends to carry out the ECEs program established by the bill; and creating a Critical Materials Information Center within DOE to serve as a central repository for its ECE efforts.

Psychologist Speaks To Climate Change Group About Clear Communication

By Bruce Gach

Climate change discussions can be approached with more civility if the parties understand the moral reasons for being concerned. That was the message presented to the Tri-Valley Citizens’ Climate Lobby during their September video by NYU social psychologist Jonathan Haidt. Haidt is the author of “The Righteous Mind: Why Good People are Divided by Politics and Religion.”

Those who base their attitudes mainly on moral considerations are more likely to listen if presented with a practical message including data. Morality includes care, fairness and liberty which allows a person to think freely about a subject before politics and religion become a controlling part of the subject, Haidt said.

When approaching an appeal to morally caring about climate change, include a sense of pride about the country’s natural beauty, patriotism and being a guardian toward decreasing the damage to the environment, he said. Doing this within the early parts of a climate conversation should help keep

the discussion on a positive basis.

Starting a dialogue based on a carbon tax or changing manufacturing methods will affect the dynamic and encourage negative results, because, Haidt explained, these topics concern control by government and politics. Moral values are no longer being considered.

“The Green New Deal is perfectly crafted to turn off as many conservatives as humanly possible,” he said. “Solution aversion studies revealed that a politician’s evaluation of scientific evidence concerning world temperatures rising was very different depending on whether the implications were politically desirable or not.

“Always find something that the other person is discussing about climate change as being correct. That will put pressure on the person to agree that part of your information is valid. Keeping the conversation friendly can affect and even change viewpoints,” Haidt said.

For more information, join the Tri-Valley Citizens’ Climate Lobby on Facebook.

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World Renowned Illusionist Set to Thrill Firehouse Audiences

Pleasanton's Firehouse Arts Center offers an intimate setting for world-renowned illusionist Alex Ramon's two performances of "IMpossible," his newest show featuring up-close illusions and mysteries. Tickets on sale now for the shows on Saturday, Oct. 12, at 8 p.m., and Sunday, Oct. 13, at 2 p.m.

Ramon's charisma and

charm while interacting with his audiences, his creativity, showmanship, and unparalleled energy, combined with the intimate nature of "IMpossible," makes it the Bay Area magic experience of the season.

Ramon has mesmerized millions world-wide with his innovative magic, and earned top awards and praise from his professional

peers, including the coveted Lance Burton Award, SAM Presidents Award, and the IBM Presidential Citation. While still in his teens, the Richmond, California, native was named National Champion Magician by the World Magic Seminar, and San Francisco Bay Area's Best Stage Magician. He's been seen on national and international

television, and has even made Whoopi Goldberg levitate. Additionally, Ramon was voted National Stage Magic Champion by the World Magic Seminar in Las Vegas.

At age 23, Ramon caught the eye of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey, and became the second youngest Ringmaster and the first magician to hold the

honored role in the 139-year history of The Greatest Show on Earth. Starring as the Magical 'Zingmaster,' Ramon created illusions that included disappearing elephants, levitating members of the audience, and transforming a man into a tiger, all while being surrounded by the 360-degree audience.

After Ringling Bros., Ramon developed "ILLUSION FUSION," the #1 attraction in Lake Tahoe, according to Yelp and TripAdvisor.

Reserved seating tickets are \$22-32. Purchase tickets online at www.firehousearts.org, or call (925) 931-4848. The Firehouse is located at 4444 Railroad Ave.



Disney Live's star magician and Ringling Brothers' famed Zingmaster Alex Ramon will perform two shows at the Firehouse on Oct. 12 and 13.

Experts Discuss Preparing for End-of-Life Issues

On Saturday, Oct. 12, Hope Hospice will offer a free presentation for family caregivers, "Facing End-of-Life Issues and Handling Grief and Loss."

No matter how thoroughly one has prepared for the inevitability of death, when the time comes it still can be a shock to the system. Family caregivers will receive information about what to expect in the final days of life, transitioning to palliative (comfort) care, hospice services, and making funeral arrangements. Additionally, the complexities of grief and loss will be examined,

and participants will be provided with coping strategies for themselves and their families.

This session's speakers are: Theresa Marcelo, LVN, Community Liaison, Hope Hospice; Deanna Moser, Family Service Director, Graham-Hitch Mortuary; and Michele Shimamura, LMFT, Grief Support, Private Practice.

The class takes place at the Hope Hospice office, 6377 Clark Ave., 2nd floor, Dublin. Coffee and light refreshments are served at 9:45 a.m., and the class is in session from 10 a.m. to

noon. An optional caregiver support group convenes after class from 12:15 to 1:45 p.m.; attendees may bring their own bag lunch if desired.

Registration is required; space is limited. Classes in Hope's Family Caregiver Education Series are offered to the community at no cost, though donations to Hope Hospice are gratefully accepted and allow us to continue to offer this free service to others.

To learn more, visit hopehospice.com/family or call (925) 829-8770.



The 5th Annual DOGtoberfest takes place on Sunday, Oct. 13, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Robert Livermore Community Center Park, 4444 East Ave., Livermore. Hosted by the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARP), DOGtoberfest features canine demonstrations, pet vendors, rescues, food trucks, and dog contests including costumes, tricks, ugliest dog and a pet/owner lookalike competition. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

POPS Shoots for the Moon at October 25 Concert

On Friday, Oct. 25, the Livermore-Amador Symphony Guild is presenting its annual POPS Concert, this year themed "POPS Shoots for the Moon" to honor the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing.

The show, beginning at 8 p.m., will include Blue

Moon, Moon River, By the Light of the Silvery Moon, and selections from film The Right Stuff and Apollo 13. The evening features a special appearance by Element 116, a chance to conduct the symphony, a sing-along, wine, a raffle and silent auction, and awards for the best

moon-themed costumes.

Tickets are \$50, and the concert takes place in the Cresta Blanca Room of the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave., Livermore.

To learn more, visit livermoreamadorsymphony.org or call (925) 447-6454.

Livermore Veterans Militaria Needed

To celebrate the centennial of Livermore Post 47, The American Legion is asking area veterans to share their stories, photos, uniforms and militaria with fellow citizens. The Legion is staging a showcase of veterans' service to the nation in the main hall at the Veterans Memorial Building, 522 South L Street, Livermore, in November.

Veterans may help by lending their military gear and photos of themselves in uniform from any era and any branch of the service for

the two-day show.

Though there are thousands of veterans in the area, many friends and neighbors know little about their record of service. All veterans, enlisted or commissioned, share this in common: At one point in their lives, they raised their right hands, swore to defend the Constitution, and thereby wrote a check for any amount — up to and including their lives — for the benefit of all who live in the USA. Regardless of what their rank was, what their branch of service

was, or what their job was, this is a chance for veterans to share the public images, stories and physical artifacts from their service.

Responses are requested quickly so the showcase can be properly planned in time for the event. Contact "California American Legion Post 47" on Facebook, email calegion.post47@gmail.com, or call Post Commander Roy Warner at 925-980-6938 or Post Adjutant Bill Bergmann at 925-443-2330.

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Local Author Releases Science Fiction Novel

Local author Ed Miracle recently released his science fiction novel *Maker Messiah* in paperback and ebook formats on Amazon. Set partially in Tracy, Livermore, Oakland and Berkeley, *Maker Messiah* presents the turbulent story of a new technology that dethrones the world's power elites while it empowers ordinary citizens. Are these Maker machines a Trojan horse to destroy civilization,

or is their creator a secular messiah bent on releasing humankind from its seven billion existential ruts?

The author believes readers will enjoy *Maker Messiah* because "It's more than the sum of its parts. It's a vision to die for."

Ed Miracle lives with his wife in an adobe house they built together near Livermore. Miracle is a university graduate who served six years in the U.S.

Navy Submarine Service. Now retired from his computer systems career at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, he continues to support his community as a volunteer firefighter and emergency medical responder. His award-winning personal narrative "Submarine Dreams" and sample chapters from *Maker Messiah* are available as free downloads from www.ed-miracle.com.

Children's Book Signing in Livermore

On Saturday, Oct. 5, from 1 to 5 p.m., author Les Mahler is holding a book signing of his first book, "A Hole in his Socks." The signing takes place at Mozart, Einstein & Me, 2156 First St., Livermore.

After 37 years as a journalist covering politics, Mahler, 69, was told his career as a journalist was over; in 2007, he was diagnosed with adenoid cystic carcinoma of the right eye. Yet instead of quitting writing, Mahler put away his pen and notepad and started writing children's stories,

with the idea that each book published and sold would fund research into a cure for pediatric cancer.

"No child should suffer through cancer," Mahler said.

By 2012 the cancer metastasized to his brain and lungs, and he was diagnosed as being at stage 4, and given just a few years to live; however Mahler is

now in his 13th year and is a cancer survivor.

"Hole in his Socks" is a story about a bird and an elephant in a tug of war over the elephant's socks; the bird needs the yarn to build a nest for her children, while the elephant adores the socks given to him by his rhinoceros friend—"a friend without end."

Dublin Author to Speak at Library



Author Eve Sprunt

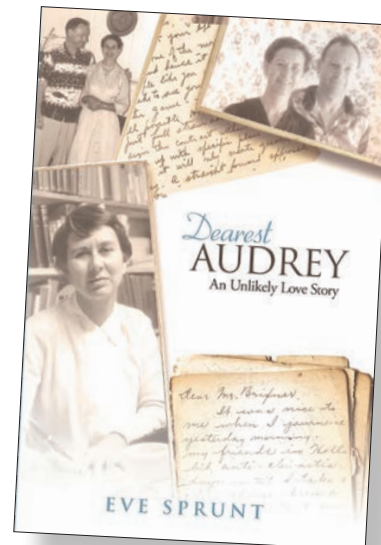
Eve Sprunt, a member of the California Writer's

Club Tri-Valley Branch and resident of Dublin, will be participating in the Dublin Library's Second Annual Local Author Showcase on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Dublin Public Library, 200 Civic Plaza.

Sprunt will be selling and autographing copies of her book, "Dearest Audrey, An Unlikely Love Story." While her book reads like fiction, it is the true story of her aunt, who was an old-maid English professor at Mills College in Oakland when in

1956 she accepted a Fulbright grant to spend her sabbatical teaching at the University of Karachi in Pakistan. Audrey's experiences in Pakistan dramatically changed her life in ways she never anticipated.

Visit dublinlibrary.wordpress.com/2019/08/31/indie-author-day.



VA Mobile Medical Outreach in Pleasanton

Pleasanton Library will host the VA Palo Alto Rural Mobile Medical Outreach team to facilitate free examinations, consultations, and referrals for veterans on Thursday, Oct. 10, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

No appointment necessary; medical team and enrollment specialists will

be on site, and additional VA resource information will be available. The VA will return to the library in November, and monthly visits will resume in January 2020. Veterans uncertain of their benefits eligibility are encouraged to visit as requirements have changed, and VA healthcare may complement

current medical coverage.

Veterans should bring an extra copy of military discharge papers (Form DD-214) and a list of current medications. For more information or assistance with obtaining proof of service documents prior to the event, contact the library's information desk, 925-931-

3400 x4 or jeseltine@cityof-pleasantonca.gov. The City of Pleasanton Library has been a member of Veterans Connect @ the Library, a statewide outreach to Veterans sponsored by the California State Library, since 2013. The library is located at 400 Old Bernal Ave.

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18th Annual ArtWalk in Downtown Livermore

The 18th Annual ArtWalk will turn downtown Livermore into an “art district for the day” on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event, sponsored by Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center, celebrates the many ways the arts bring the community together in a showcase that features handmade and original works by over 200 artists, as well as live music, performances, hands-on crafts, and fun raffle prizes.

The “Building Bridges” community art project will be featured at the center of the event, on the stairs leading to the Bankhead Plaza. A visual expression of how art unites a community, the project is made up of small visuals submitted on 5-inch by 7-inch postcards that show what people love most about Livermore. The cards could be submitted by anyone during the past month at the Bothwell Arts Center in any format, including drawing, painting, photography, multi-media, poetry, and more.

For nearly two decades,

the annual ArtWalk has offered an opportunity for artists to interact with visitors as they explore a broad range of works ranging from contemporary to classical, abstract to realism, pottery to jewelry, and mixed media. Art is shared in booths spread across the downtown area, from the Bankhead Theater lobby to the Livermore Art Association Gallery at Carnegie Park, clustered along parks, sidewalks, galleries, wine bars, restaurants and shops. The event highlights all that downtown Livermore has to offer and honors art as the theme of the day.

McLeod Street will be closed between First and Second Streets for displays and free art activities for the young and young-at-heart. Artist Nana-Dicta Graves will offer a mini-workshop to make hats from recycled materials, and Way Up Art & Frame will offer the opportunity for everyone to experiment with art materials.

Art not only unites the community, it involves the

whole community. Veteran artists led by Bud Donaldson, and as well as high schools in the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, will display their work in the Bankhead lobby. This year, there will also be a booth by a group of teens who are launching a project called The Butterfly Effect, as well as a booth by “Choose Love,” a program developed by educators to promote self-empowerment, resilience, connection and optimism among students. The Gallery at the Bankhead is exhibiting “Where Art & Nature Meet” through October, featuring over 60 works that express the many wonders of the natural world, as seen through the eyes of local artists. Other community organizations and family-friendly activities and demonstrations will also be available during ArtWalk.

Throughout the day, live music performances will be presented on the plaza and at the Wine Arbor at Livermore Park. Sponsored by the Livermore Cultural Arts



Council, the Wine Arbor offers visitors an opportunity to enjoy music while they rest in the shade and savor a glass of wine from Big White House Winery and John Evan Cellars.

Most artwork is available for purchase. To encourage people to invest in art and artists, those who purchase more than \$200 in art, jewelry, crafts or other products during ArtWalk are eligible for a special drawing to win a hand-painted wooden box filled with three Gold Medal-winning Livermore Valley wines. In addition, all visitors can participate in fun raffles every hour for restaurant gift cards, tickets, and an UpTown Girlz Salon basket.

More information and entry forms will be at the three ArtWalk information booths. To help everyone see all there is to see, bicycle rickshaws powered by All Together Mobile Bike Rentals, will be available to visit all parks and participating galleries.



Eugene Onegin Opera Opens at the Bankhead Theater



From the opening scenes of *Eugene Onegin*, Tchaikovsky's music lays bare the Russian soul. The opera features haunting leitmotifs and beautifully turned musical phrases throughout. It is also the first Livermore Valley Opera production sung in Russian.

Eugene Onegin opened on Sept. 28 at the Bankhead Theater, with two upcoming performances on: Saturday, Oct. 5, at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, Oct. 6, at 2 p.m. Tickets range from \$20 to \$90. Included in the ticket price are engaging lectures held one hour before show time, along with LVO's traditional artists' reception in the lobby immediately following each performance.

The Bankhead is located at 2400 First St., Livermore. To learn more, visit www.LVOpera.com, or call the Bankhead box office at (925) 373-6800.

(Photos - Doug Jorgensen)



SHORT NOTES

Sip by Harvest Moon at Rodrigue Molyneaux Winery

Sip by Harvest Moon at Rodrigue Molyneaux Winery takes place on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 12:30 to 7 p.m. Attendees will enjoy live music from 4 to 7 p.m., and winemaker Meredith Sarboraria will give harvest update talks at 2 and 5 p.m. There will be a harvest sale on RM Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot. Please note: tasting flights are not available after 5 p.m. for the evening event. RM is located at 3053 Marina Ave., Livermore. www.rmwinery.com

Free Shredding for Pleasanton Residents

Back by popular demand, the City of Pleasanton will be hosting a free document-shredding event on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Civic Center parking lot located at 123 Main Street.

Pleasanton residents with proof of residency will be allowed to bring a maximum of two banker boxes per vehicle. All documents are shredded on-site. Entrance will be through the driveway from Bernal Ave., between Main St. and the Pleasanton Police Department.

Tri-Valley Cultural Jews Sukkot

Tri-Valley Cultural Jews Sukkot takes place on Sunday, Oct. 13, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Poxon-Hudson Home, 2383 Lancaster Ct. in Hayward. Attendees will build a sukkah and enjoy a potluck brunch to celebrate the harvest holiday, and activities will be available for children and adults. Guests are asked to bring a dish to share (with all ingredients listed), a branch for the roof of the sukkah, and a piece of fruit or gourd to hang. Those with hammers or power drills are welcome to bring them to help build the sukkah.

The cost is free for members, and \$10 for nonmembers aged 13 and up.

Comedian Nina G to Speak at Livermore's Civic Center Library

Comedian Nina G is a professional speaker, storyteller, educator, and the author of "Stutterer Interrupted: The Comedian Who Almost Didn't Happen." On Sunday, Oct. 13, at 2 p.m., Nina G will speak at Livermore's Civic Center Library, 1188 S. Livermore Ave., to share a free afternoon of stories, comedy and insights.

Tri-Valley Fly Fishers Invites Everyone To Regular Monthly Meeting

Tri-Valley Fly Fishers (TVFF) invites everyone, at no charge, to the regular monthly meeting to hear Dave and Mary Ann Dozer present a session on building and fishing

bamboo rods. Dave Dozer of Bamboo Pursuits is a highly-regarded bamboo rod maker who will share key elements of making a bamboo rod and what makes fishing bamboo a unique experience.

Mary Ann Dozier, a fishing guide and an FFF Certified casting instructor, will share the benefits of cutting the learning curve and solving casting problems with a certified instructor. Visitors are welcome to this fun-filled evening. Monthly meetings feature guest speakers who share their knowledge of the sport. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month, September through June, at the Livermore-Pleasanton Rod and Gun Club, 4000 Dagnino Rd., Livermore.

Encore Players Auditions for Thornton Wilder's "Christmas Dinner"

Encore Players auditions for Thornton Wilder's "Christmas Dinner" take place on Monday, Oct. 7, and Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 6:30 p.m., at Asbury Church, 4743 East Ave., Livermore. Auditions will be cold readings from the script. Attending one evening is sufficient; no appointment is needed.

"The Long Christmas Dinner" showcases nine decades in the lives of several generations of one family, during their Christmas dinners. Wilder breaks the boundaries of time as we measure it, and invites us to partake of "one long, happy Christmas dinner" — past, present and future. As generations appear, have children, and depart, only the audience appreciates what changes, and what remains the same.

"The Long Christmas Dinner and Other Selected Works by Thornton Wilder" will be performed by Encore Players December 6-8, at the Bothwell Arts Center.

Visit encoreplayers.net, or contact Martie Muldoon at martiemtm@yahoo.com.

The Livermore Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary Annual Holiday Craft Show

The Livermore Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary is hosting their annual Holiday Craft Show on Saturday, Nov. 9, at 527 N. Livermore Ave., from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. All are invited to shop for handmade treasures, take a chance on a raffle, have lunch, and purchase delicious baked goods. Proceeds go to the local food bank and animal shelter. For more information, call Evy Barr at (925) 980-7216.

American Association of University Women Events

The Tri-Valley branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) is hosting two events: one for high school girls in grades 9, 10 and 11 on Tuesday, Oct. 8; and another for girls in grades 9-10 on Thursday, Oct. 17. Both take place from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave., Livermore.

Diane Keller, a former college advisor, will present essentials for young women and their parents considering applying to college. Topics include creating a college list, what colleges evaluate, college admission requirements, researching colleges and paying for college. Tickets are \$5 at Eventbrite.com.

Lynnewood United Methodist Church Winter Schedule has Begun

Lynnewood United Methodist Church offers a friendly congregation where all are welcome. Their winter schedule has begun, with Sunday services held at 9 and 10:30 a.m. Childcare is provided. Lynnewood is located in Pleasanton at 4444 Black Ave. Visit www.lynnewood.org or call (925) 846-0221.

"Gender Revolution" To Be Shown

The Social Justice Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Church in Livermore (UUCiL) will show the movie "Gender Revolution" on Sunday, Oct. 13, from noon to 3 p.m., with a forum discussion to follow the movie. UUCiL is located at 1893 North Vasco Rd. in Livermore. Visit uucil.org.

Faith and Environmental Concerns

"How Does Your Faith/Congregation Address Environmental Concerns?" will be the topic of this month's Interfaith Interconnect Religion Chat on Wednesday, Oct. 9, from 5 to 6:15 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, 2020 Fifth St., Livermore. The event is free and open to all.

The two speakers are Gaurav Rastogi, interfaith leader at Livermore Shiva-Vishnu Temple and board and faculty member of the Hindu Community Institute; and Bhawana Kamil, a philosophy teacher at Evergreen Valley College and an active member of the Muslim American Society, whose interests include social justice, service, interfaith, and environmental work. Following the speakers, there will be time to discuss the topic in small groups.

Religion Chat is a monthly interfaith forum held on the second Wednesday at one of Interfaith Interconnect's 20 participating congregations in Livermore and Pleasanton.

Interfaith Interconnect's mission statement is "To enrich, inform and educate ourselves and others about the great diversity of faiths and cultures in our Valley."

Email interconnect@gmail.com or visit the group's Facebook page.



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Celebrating 1,000 Bicycles for the Community

What measures 20 inches, is hot pink and lime green, and has the word “Trouble” splashed across its frame? It’s the one thousandth bike that was donated to a deserving community member — thanks to the work of students in the Del Valle Bicycle Repair Program.

What began as an after-school program six years ago has to date trained 125 students in bicycle mechanics. Paul Grasseschi, founder of the program, said the underlying philosophy is to “take something that doesn’t work, something someone else tossed out, and make it useful again.”

On Sept. 18, students and Grasseschi unveiled the one thousandth bike amid cheers and confetti as Jerry Schweickert from Kids Bike Lane was presented with “Hot Pink Trouble” to give to a child needing a bicycle.

“This program teaches students critical thinking and problem solving, and gives them a chance to work with their hands,” said Grasseschi. “Even more, it teaches them how to put other people before themselves.”

Spencer Rodrigues, an 11th grader at Del Valle, spoke on behalf of the students in the program, acknowledging that this work is shared by many.

Representatives from American Legion Post 237, Knights of Columbus, Kids Bike Lane, and Bike Angels United joined the celebration. The program is a true community effort, with support from the Livermore Police Department and surrounding police departments. The celebration concluded with a tour of the Del Valle Bike Shop, a classroom resembling a professional bike shop repair.



Community members, Del Valle Bicycle Repair students, Mayor John Marchand, Superintendent Kelly Bowers, Principal Erik Taylor, and LVJUSD Board Trustees



Spencer Rodrigues, Del Valle Bike Program student and speaker at event

Del Valle Principal Erik Taylor said, “Beyond the practical learning taking place with this program, our students also learn that there are people in our community in need who do not have a means of transportation to get to school or a job. Our students provide this independence for them.”

His sentiments were echoed by Superintendent Kelly Bowers, Ed.D., who said, “I’m incredibly proud of our staff at Del Valle for their commitment to students and for continuously looking for innovative ways to engage them in learning while fostering a heart of service.”



Jerry Schweickert from Kids Bike Lane, and Del Valle Bike Program student Francisco Morales

ART & ENTERTAINMENT



ArtWalk, Oct. 12

ART/PHOTO EXHIBITS

ArtWalk, the Tri Valley's premiere one day art festival on October 12. Over 200 artists display their works surrounded by boutique shops, wine tasting rooms and restaurants in historic downtown Livermore. Live music and artists will be at all the parks downtown. The Bankhead Plaza will have cultural arts groups performing between 12 and 4 pm. An LVPAC free event. lvpac.org, 925-373-6800.

Livermore Art Association Exhibit at Civic Center Library

The Livermore Art Association is showcasing the works of diverse artists at its exhibit titled "Show of Champions," in the Civic Center Branch of the Livermore Public Library, 1188 South Livermore Ave. The exhibit, located in the front hall of the library, will remain on display throughout the month of September. More than 30 works are shown, and all of the participating artists have won awards for their artwork. The exhibit includes artwork using oils, acrylics, pastels, printmaking, drawings, and photography.

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.

Art Reception: Where Art and Nature Meet, 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, and adults. Projects include all kinds of drawing, painting, print making and sculpture. Contact Peggy 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: 925-373-9638 - microangel@earthlink.net.

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

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

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

Ukulele Circle, Meetings held the last Saturday of each month from 12 noon-1 p.m. at Galina's Music Studio located at 1756 First Street, Livermore.

MUSIC/CONCERTS

POPs Shoots for the Moon, on Friday, Oct. 25 at 8 p.m., presented by the Livermore-Amador Symphony Guild, honoring the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing. The evening features selections from films The Right Stuff and Apollo 13, an appearance by Element 116, a chance to conduct the symphony, a sing-along, wine, a raffle and silent auction, and awards for the best moon-themed costumes. Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave., Livermore. Visit livermoreamadorsymphony.org or call (925) 447-6454.

Retzlaff Estate Winery, Live music every Sunday. 12:00 - 4:30. 1356 S. Livermore Ave. 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.

COMEDY

Nina G, professional speaker, storyteller, educator, and the author of "Stutterer Interrupted."

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Free Comedy Show every Thursday at Sanctuary from 7:30-9:00 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.

ON THE STAGE

Open Mic Events at the Bankhead, Oct. 30, from 6 to 9 p.m. Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center (LVPAC) has announced that StarsDay, the new free open-mic event, will be extended through October 2019. Designed to encourage local musicians, vocalists and spoken-word artists to share their talents with the community, StarsDay takes place the last Wednesday of each month in the outdoor courtyard of the Bankhead Theater. Any musician, artist or group can sign up to perform, and will be assigned

a time slot based on space available. Two microphones will be available for use, but musicians are responsible for bringing their own instruments and any other equipment needed. The Bankhead House Band "Force of Magic" will also perform. Admission is free, and beverages and snacks will be available. Entry to the courtyard is through the gate to the right of the Bankhead Theater box office, located at 2400 First St. in downtown Livermore.

AUDITIONS

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Pleasanton IGNITE!, Oct. 5



Livermore Airport Open House, Oct. 5

MOVIES

"Gender Revolution" will be shown by the Social Justice Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Church in Livermore (UUCiL) on Sunday, Oct. 13, from noon to 3 p.m., with a forum discussion to follow the movie. UUCiL is located at 1893 North Vasco Rd. in Livermore. Visit uucil.org.

"Angst: Raising Awareness Around Anxiety" hosted by Axis Community Health on three Wednesday nights in coming months. The screenings will be followed by an audience discussion with input from a panel of professionals. "Angst" tell the stories of kids and teens who discuss their anxiety and its impact on their lives and relationships, as well as how they've found solutions and hope. The film includes a special interview with Olympian and mental health advocate Michael Phelps. Screenings: Livermore' October 23, at 6:30 p.m., at The Vine Cinema, 1722 First Street; Dublin, November 13, at 6:30 p.m., at the Center for Performing Arts and Educa-

tion, 8151 Village Parkway. www.axishealth.org.

Dublin Picnic Flix, Free Summer Movie Series at Emerald Glen Park. Movies will begin at dusk usually 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Food trucks and other snack food vendors will be on site starting at 7 pm. Attendees are encouraged to dress warmly and bring low-back chairs and blankets. Pets are not allowed. Lucille's Smokehouse BBQ in Dublin (7202 Amador Plaza Road) is offering 15% off take-out orders to enjoy while watching the movie (print and present flyer from website).

MISCELLANEOUS

Livermore Airport Open House.

The event features parachute demonstration jumps, military/warbird fly-bys, Kid Zone activities, representatives from local flight schools, Livermore Pleasanton Fire Department Safety House, classic cars, wine tasting and food trucks. This year, the 23rd annual event takes place on Oct. 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at 680 Terminal Circle. Parking and admission are free. www.cityoflivermore.net.

Taste of Africa. The Cheza Nami Foundation presents its 8th annual Taste of Africa extravaganza on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., in downtown Livermore. The free outdoor festival is a celebration of culture and diversity offering food, music and activities, including children's crafts, face painting, vendor booths, and a travelling art exhibit. www.chezanami.org

IGNITE! 2.0 Art + Innovation. As the sun goes down, Ignite lights up. The free event takes place under the stars outside the Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., in Pleasanton. Held on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 5 to 9 p.m., the festival features hands-on activities for all ages, including light installations, innovative art displays, computer technology, music and robotics.

Filipino Barrio Fiesta will honor Filipino American History Month. Sunday, Oct. 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The 4th annual event will feature youth music and dance performances by Maddie B, Joseph Galang, Mini Mix'd and Freestyle Dance Collective. A "Heart of My People"

award will be presented to young entrepreneur Simone Hufana, creator of the first coloring book representing women of color, "Color Her Story." Artifacts and script will be exhibited by Bayani Art and Kristian Kabuay, along with an historical display by the Bulosan Center for Filipino Studies, and Filipino food, crafts and activities.

Sip by Harvest Moon at Rodrigue Molyneaux Winery takes place on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 12:30 to 7 p.m. Attendees will enjoy live music from 4 to 7 p.m., and winemaker Meredith Sarboraria will give harvest update talks at 2 and 5 p.m. 3053 Marina Ave., Livermore. www.rmwinery.com

Bent Creek Winery, October 16, Wine Wednesday as the last TGIT of the season. Featuring: Mojo Swingers. 5455 Greenville Rd., Livermore, 925-455-6320

Museum on Main Annual Ghost

Walk, a two-hour guided tour of Pleasanton's most haunted sites along Main Street in the downtown area. A volunteer team of ghost hosts lead groups, while actors play the roles of the various ghosts around town. Tours depart the museum every 30 minutes between the hours of 6 - 8 p.m. on: Friday, October 18; Saturday, October 19; Friday, October 25; and Saturday, October 26. Costumes are highly encouraged! Tickets are \$20 for adults, and \$15 for children 12 and under. Tickets may be purchased online at www.museumonmain.org, by phone at 925-462-2766, or in person at Museum on Main, 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.

Halloween Brew Crawl, in Downtown Pleasanton on Saturday, Oct. 26 from 5-8 p.m., Adults can have Halloween fun too! Sip on craft brews and

cider all while enjoying tasty bites and live music along the way strolling through over 25 downtown locations! Visit pleasantondowntown.net.

Holiday Craft Show, hosted by The Livermore Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary, on Saturday, Nov. 9, at 527 N. Livermore Ave., from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. All are invited to shop for handmade treasures, take a chance on a raffle, have lunch, and purchase delicious baked goods. Proceeds go to the local food bank and animal shelter. For more information, call Evy Barr at (925) 980-7216.

Hagemann Ranch Open House.

Tours of the 140+ year old ranch and free, family friendly seasonal activities. The last Sunday of each month, 1-4 PM. Go to www.livermorehistory.com for the monthly program. 455 Olivina Ave., Livermore.

A Writers Meetup for Adults 18 and older meets on the first Tuesday of every month, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Livermore Civic Center Library, 1188 S. Livermore Avenue, Livermore, CA. There is no charge and no sign-up needed to attend this informal gathering. Hosted by local writer and NaNoWriMo (National Novel Writing Month) participant Sydney Dent. Leran more at Livermorelibrary.net or call the library at 925-373-5500. .

Political Issues Book Club

meets the 4th Tuesday of each month, and reads books about issues and trends that are driving current affairs, both national and international Topics that have been covered include politics, governance, economics, military affairs, history, sociology, science, the climate, and religion. Contact Rich at 925-872-7923.



Pleasanton Halloween Brew Crawl, Oct. 26

BULLETIN BOARD

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Facing End-of-Life Issues and Handling Grief and Loss, hosted by Hope Hospice on Saturday, Oct. 12. A free presentation for family caregivers will take place at the Hope Hospice office, 6377 Clark Ave., 2nd floor, Dublin. Coffee and light refreshments are served at 9:45 a.m., and the class is in session from 10 a.m. to noon. An optional caregiver support group convenes after class from 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. Registration is required; space is limited. To learn more, visit hopehospice.com/family or call (925) 829-8770.

San Ramon Women's Club Holiday Fantasy, November 3, Crow Canyon Country Club, El Capitan Dr, San Ramon, noon - 4:30 p.m. \$65 donation includes great dinner, wonderful prizes, holiday trees and wreaths, and optional casino. Details and reservations at dsrwomensclub.com.

Tri-Valley Fly Fishers (TVFF) invites everyone, at no charge, to the regular monthly meetings featuring guest speakers who share their knowledge of the sport. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month, September through June, at the Livermore-Pleasanton Rod and Gun Club, 4000 Dagnino Rd., Livermore.

Grief Workshop will be held on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. through Oct. 24, at St. Elizabeth Seton, 4001 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton. Pre-registration is required. Call Eleanor at (925) 846-8708 for more information. All are welcome regardless of religious affiliation.

Tri-Valley Trailblazers are sponsoring a free presentation, "Pine Nut Wild Horse Advocates," on Wednesday, Oct. 9, 7 p.m., at the Livermore Library. TVT focuses on all matters that pertain to the use, enjoyment, care of or improvement of horses, safety and horsemanship, and the preservation of and enhancement of trails. www.facebook.com/TVTrailblazers, and www.facebook.com/Wildhorseadvocates.

How to Write a Book in Six Weeks is a fast-track class that teaches writing secrets and techniques to turn prose into page-turners. It covers all prose genres: fiction, memoir and nonfiction. Classes take place on six Thursdays, Sept. 12 to Oct. 17, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave. The course is \$110, and includes professional editing by instructor Barbara Flores, an award-winning four-time author. To register, call (925) 373-5700 or visit www.larpd.org.

Livermore Valley Coin Club, Meetings held 3rd Tuesday of each month. If you enjoy collecting coins or other numismatics this is the place for you. The meetings incorporate shared numismatic knowledge,

various club raffles, a Coin of the Month and a club coin auction. For information contact: Gary Antone (925) 373-6758

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

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.

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 - 11 am on the second Saturday of the month Mar-Nov.; Oct. 12 Propagation: Seed Saving; Nov. 9 MG Plant Favorites.

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), DAR was founded in 1890 to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism. Its members are descended from the patriots who won American independence during the Revolutionary War. DAR is one of the world's largest and most active service organizations. DAR members are committed to volunteer service having served more than 12.5 million hours in communities throughout the world during the past three years. For more information, please visit <https://josemaria.californiadar.org/> or contact Debbie Janes at jmadar.regent@gmail.com. **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 Josefa Higuera Livermore Chapter**. Meets September through May on the first Saturday of each month. 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 Senior Center on the second Saturday of every month from 10am - noon. Hear speakers on a variety of related topics and 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. Visit our post at americanlegionpost237@comcast.net

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

gov / 925-931-3405.

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

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

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

Sing for fun, Music Sing-a-Long, sing familiar tunes with other folks along with piano accompaniment. The words of the songs will be provided. No musical 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 (AI 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/TriValleyGeeks](https://www.facebook.com/groups/TriValleyGeeks). Text Melody Evenson at 925-209-1214 for more information.

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

Pleasanton Lions Club, meets

every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Inklings Coffee Shop, 530 Main Street, 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, free and confidential services related to pregnancy include guidance and referrals, baby clothing, and diapers. 1010 Murrieta Blvd., Suite B, Livermore. Call (925) 449-5887 for an appointment.

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

Rotary Club of Livermore Valley invites interested individuals to attend its morning meeting. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 7 am in Beeb's Sports Bar & Grill at the Las Positas Golf Course, 915 Club House Drive, Livermore. For more information, go to www.livermorevalleyrotary.org/ or 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 rjfgiono@comcast.net.

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

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

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

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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 ericcorner.org

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

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

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

Community Resources for Independent Living (CRIL) offers services to help people with disabilities and supports them to live independently and participate in their community. CRIL has offices in Hayward, Fremont and Livermore, providing information and referrals, 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. Phone: (925) 371-1531, fax: (925) 373-5034, e-mail: 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 925-9280.

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 Tam Jenkins, 925-784-5014 or email livermoremilitaryfamilies@yahoo.com.

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Tri-Valley Cultural Jews Sukkot takes place on Sunday, Oct. 13, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Poxon-Hudson Home, 2383 Lancaster Ct. in Hayward. Attendees will build a sukkah and enjoy a potluck brunch to celebrate the harvest holiday, and activities will be available for children and adults. The cost is free for members, and \$10 for nonmembers aged 13 and up.

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; 10:30 a.m. adult Bible study/Sunday school. For information, call 925-447-1246.

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

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

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

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

Trinity Church, 557 Olivina Ave., Livermore. New Sunday Worship Services & Children's Ministry times now at 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Small Groups also meet on Sundays, and during the week at various times/locations. Trinity Student Ministries (7-12th Grade) meet on Sundays at 9 a.m. and on Weds. eve. from 7-9 p.m. Awana meets Sundays from 3:30-5:30PM trinitylivermore.org or 925-447-1488.

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 Scala 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 contact Father Augustine Lewton at 925.400.8119 or

pateraugustine@gmail.com

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.jewishtrivalley.com. Rabbi Raleigh Resnick.

Well Community Outreach Center ministry provides meats, canned and dry goods, toiletries, and school supplies (only available prior to the start of the school year). Those with an immediate need or who would like to donate nonperishable food items, call the office at (925) 479-1414 to begin the process. Wednesday and Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., and Thursday 4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Pick up by appointment only. The Outreach Center will be open every 4th Saturday to distribute bags from Fresh and Easy Market and Sprouts. This will be on a first come first serve basis between 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 2333 Nissen Drive, Livermore.

Lynnewood United Methodist Church

offers a friendly congregation where all are welcome. Their winter schedule has begun, with Sunday services held at 9 and 10:30 a.m. Childcare is provided. Lynnewood is located in Pleasanton at 4444 Black Ave. Visit www.lynnewood.org or call (9925) 846-0221.

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, Sacrament meeting 12:40; 8203 Village Parkway, Dublin: Tri-Valley Young Single Adult Ward 12:30.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Grace Missionary Baptist Church, meets at 1759 Locust St., Livermore. (925) 667-1610. www.gracembc.com. Sunday School, 9:45 am; Sunday Worship, 11 am. Relevant and refreshing Bible teaching. Pastor: Jeff Barger.

Discovery Church of the Nazarene

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

Asbury United Methodist Church

4743 East Avenue, Livermore. A Reconciling Church, where all are welcomed. Sunday Worship time is at 10:00 a.m. Children's and youth groups Sunday School during worship services and Sunday evening Middle School and High School Youth Groups. Children are welcome at all services, and childcare in the nursery. Caregivers Support Group will meet 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 Ahabah 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: Oct. 20, Nov. 17); Time: 3:30 pm St. Michael Catholic Parish, 458 Maple St.; Potluck reception to follow in the parish hall. Check <https://stmichaellivermore.com/Filipino> for details

Tri-Valley Cultural Jews - Jewish

Culture School The school-wide curriculum for the 2019-2020 (Jewish year 5780) will be "Jewish Ideas." It will cover topics like Jewish views of Justice, Learning, Family, Being a Mensch, Israel or Diaspora and the Jewish Community. Contact culturaljews@gmail.com, or call 510-384-8756 with any questions.

Milestones

Tressie Kirkman Turns 100

Family and friends gathered to celebrate the 100th birthday of Tressie (Richards) Kirkman on September 14. A longtime Livermore resident, she has lived at the Heritage Estates for several years. Tressie graduated from San Jose State College in 1940 and taught Home Economics at Livermore High School for nearly 30 years.



Tressie Kirkman is pictured with Margaret Sorensen, who was in Kirkman's first home economics class as a freshman. Sorensen is proud to say she 'received the only A+ that Kirkman ever awarded a student.

Fairlands Principal Reunites with Former Kindergarten Student

The start of the school year brought two Pleasanton educators together in a special way after more than 20 years. New Fairlands' Principal Heidi Deeringhoff began her career in Pleasanton schools in 1995 as a kindergarten teacher at Lydiksen Elementary School. In 1998, she had Megan Soldati in her class.

"One of the things I remember about Megan is that every time I did a read-aloud, as soon as I showed the front book cover she would raise her hand and shout, 'I know that book,'" said Deeringhoff.

As Soldati grew older, she'd go back to volunteer in Deeringhoff's classroom, even as a college student.

"I have great memories of being in Heidi's kindergarten class way back when," Soldati said. "I even still have my book box we

created together."

After graduating college, Soldati worked in the private sector. However, she quickly realized teaching was where her heart has always been. In Deeringhoff's first year as Principal of Fairlands Elementary School, she encountered Soldati teaching kindergarten in a classroom of her own.

"I knew from a young age I wanted to be a teacher, and Heidi always welcomed me back in her classrooms to visit, read, or work with students," Soldati said. "Now I'm also an educator, and Heidi's been an incredible mentor and friend — helping me navigate this wild first year of teaching. I love that it's come full circle: 1998 at Lydiksen, where she was my K teacher and I was her student; now 2019 at Fairlands where I'm the

K teacher and she's the principal. It's still pretty surreal at times! I feel totally lucky that she's the one leading us at Fairlands and supporting me throughout this journey."

Added Deeringhoff, "I felt like she was destined to

be a teacher. I'm so glad that we have people like Megan going into education who want to make a difference and realize the importance of connecting with her students."



Heidi Deeringhoff and Megan Soldati

Livermore High Alum Receives DOE Graduate Fellowship



Peter Lalor

A former Livermore High School student is attending graduate school at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) this fall on a U.S. Department of Energy fellowship.

Peter Lalor, a 2015 Livermore High graduate, is one of around six percent of applicants to receive the DOE Computational Science Graduate Fellowship (DOE

CSGF). Lalor is studying toward a doctoral degree in nuclear engineering.

The fellowship, administered by the Krell Institute of Ames, Iowa, is funded by the DOE's Office of Science and the National Nuclear Security Administration. Each year, the program grants fellowships to support doctoral students whose education and research focus on using high-performance computers to solve complex science and engineering problems of national importance. Since it was launched in 1991, the DOE CSGF has supported 481 students at more than 65 universities.

DOE CSGF students receive full tuition and fees plus an annual stipend and academic allowance, renew-

able for up to four years. In return, recipients must complete courses in a scientific or engineering discipline plus computer science and applied mathematics. They also must perform a three-month research practicum at one of 21 DOE laboratories or sites across the country.

The fellowship and related practicum experiences are effective workforce and recruitment tools for the national laboratories. Nearly a quarter of all DOE CSGF alumni work or have worked in a DOE lab setting. Others pursue careers in academia, industry or government, where they introduce and advocate for computational science as a tool for discovery.

Livermore Civil Air Patrol Cadet Earns Earhart Award

Cadet Eric Beal, currently serving as the Cadet Commander of the Tri-Valley Composite Squadron 156 in Livermore, has earned the Amelia Earhart Award.

Only three percent of the 22,000 Civil Air Patrol

cadets nationwide earn the Amelia Earhart Award. The award is given to cadets who have completed the first 11 achievements of the cadet program. Cadets must pass a comprehensive exam covering aerospace topics and

leadership theory, complete staff duty reports, mentor other cadets in aerospace training, pass a physical fitness exam, and lead moral leadership discussions.

The award is named in honor of the pilot who lost her life while attempting to be the first woman to circumnavigate the globe.

In addition, Civil Air Patrol First Lieutenant Nikolay Zhrebnekov was honored with Civil Air Patrol's California Wing Historian of the Year. This makes him the first member of the new Tri-Valley Composite Squadron 156 in Livermore to be awarded a prestigious "Of The Year Award" by the California Wing of Civil Air Patrol.

To learn more, visit www.GoCivilAirPatrol.com or www.CAP.news.



Cadet Eric Beal is presented with the Amelia Earhart Award.



Lt. Nikolay Zhrebnekov receives the California Wing Historian of the Year Award.