

## SLD Files Petition on Downtown Eden Project

Community Group Aims For Supreme Court to Remove Legal Ambiguity

Eden Housing Calls The Action “Truly Disappointing”

LIVERMORE — The community group Save Livermore Downtown (SLD) recently filed a petition for review following the First District Court of Appeal’s decision regarding Eden Housing.

In a press release submitted by SLD spokesperson Jean King, the group stated that it believed the appellate court “erred when it ruled against SLD in its challenge to the City of Livermore’s May 2021 approval of Eden Housing’s residential project in the city’s Downtown Core.” On March 7, SLD filed the petition for review with the California Supreme Court requesting that the Supreme Court grant review

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## Council Adopts State-Required Housing Element

By Larry Altman

LIVERMORE — The city council on Monday unanimously approved its state-mandated “Housing Element” plan that identifies locations in the city to potentially build 4,570 residential units by 2031 to help California address its housing crisis.

The 342-page final document, in the works for more than a year, will serve as a guide for Livermore to develop its share of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Regional Housing Needs Allocation that last year identified the necessity for 441,176 housing units during the next eight years.

“The housing element itself does not require you to build housing,” said Jennifer Gastelum, a consultant from PlaceWorks, an urban

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## Commission Reviews City’s 2023 Priorities

By David Jen

PLEASANTON — As part of the city’s interim process for setting council priorities, the planning commission reviewed the draft council priorities for the upcoming 2023-24 fiscal year at its March 8 meeting.

“It feels very thorough, and I’m excited to see the wide-aperture approach to thinking about the opportunities for the city and to get holistic feedback,” said Commission Chair Brandon Pace.

Pleasanton’s first city-wide strategic plan, currently in development, will operate with a five-year cadence versus the traditional two-year plan, and better reflect the themes and goals of the city, according to the staff report.

“Our old process, while it served us well for over 17 years, we do think it set

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A portion of the path adjacent to Stanley Boulevard in Pleasanton collapsed over the weekend, following another string of atmospheric river storms. The slide resulted in the closure of eastbound vehicular traffic. One lane opened to traffic on Tuesday, March 14. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

## Stanford Continues Tri-Valley Expansion

By Ruth Roberts

REGIONAL — Stanford Health Care Tri-Valley recently hosted a virtual presentation, “Expansion in the Tri-Valley Community.”

Led by Mino Sastry, vice president of Service Lines and Market Development for Stanford Health Care, the discussion focused on the current accomplishments of the organization in the Tri-Valley and their growing plans for the future.

“The first thing we did was really get to know the Tri-Valley population,” said Sastry, noting that the process has involved extensive community outreach to determine the needs of the public.

That was about three and half years ago, and because of the strategic plan, said Sastry there are “exciting new things happening in the Tri-Valley.”

“What we have seen is the building of services ... we have continued to care for more and more families and patients year over year ... and the thrust is that more and more services are coming here so people don’t have to leave the Tri-Valley for quality care,” Sastry

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— Mino Sastry

continued.

According to Sastry, surgery services have grown from 11,000 a year to 17,000 from 2020 to 2023, a 54% growth, and clinic visits are up over 48% during the same time period.

Sastry touched on the ongoing projects and continuum of care.

“As demand grows, it

is important that the infrastructure catch up with the demand,” he said.

One of the ways Stanford Health Care will implement those changes is through a number of multi-year, multi-million-dollar upgrades, as well as improvements to various departments, including cardiovascular services and GI labs.

“While we are able to perform all of those things today, (there will be) an upgrade in the number and size of rooms and services,” Sastry reported.

Stanford is also undergoing a comprehensive master design plan, said Sastry, which will include over the next five to seven years, a complete expansion of the emergency department. The upgrades will include a newer emergency room, more intensive care unit (ICU)

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## Superintendent Addresses State of the District

By Dawnmarie Fehr

PLEASANTON — Superintendent Dr. David Haglund updated Pleasanton Unified School District (PUSD) families and stakeholders during the annual State of the District held at the Firehouse Arts Center in Pleasanton on Feb. 28.

Haglund took the opportunity to discuss the challenges and achievements of 2022, and gave an update on Measure I, passed by voters in November.

Haglund began by acknowledging the work to support students done by the Board of Trustees, Pleasanton City Council, and the district’s executive cabinet. He discussed the transition of the PUSD Board, thanking exiting board members Joan

Larson and Mark Miller.

“Much of the work we will talk about today is founded in the vision of those two and previous board members – like Valerie Arkin, who is now on the city council, and Jamie Yee – all of whom contributed to our vision and shaped projects you will be seeing this morning as we talk,” Haglund said during the presentation. “I’m grateful to have worked with them and others for the past six years.”

The vision included bond-funded projects, increased community engagement and ensuring students feel connected to their schools.

After welcoming incoming board members Justin Brown and Laurie Walker,

Haglund moved on to discuss the negative ramifications of distance learning, which he said are still being felt in classrooms.

“While the pandemic is behind us, the effects of remote learning and being isolated at home are ongoing,” he said. “Our teachers have been working diligently to meet students where they are at and give them the support they need to find success. It has been a huge lift, and we are grateful for their dedication.”

He said teachers continue to take guidance from the district’s organizational goals of personalized learning strategies, enhanced intervention and support, equity and inclusion, a professional

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## Dublin Honors Outstanding Citizens, Organizations

By Dawnmarie Fehr

DUBLIN — The City of Dublin recognized some of its most outstanding citizens and organizations during a ceremony held on March 1 at the Shannon Community Center.

The city named its winners in the categories of 2022 Citizen of the Year (Kristin Speck), Young Citizen of the Year (Yashas Shashidhara) and Organization of the Year (Above & Beyond Leadership & Education) – along with recipients of the Mayor’s Award (Katie Cheng) and the Mayor’s Legacy Award (Erik Bertelson).

**Citizen of the Year: Kristin Speck**

Every year, individuals who have made significant contributions toward improving the quality of life for Dublin’s residents are selected for the Citizen of the Year.

“It’s quite an honor to be recognized,” said Speck. “I’ve always enjoyed volunteering and giving back to the community ... I have enjoyed getting to know different people, because when you volunteer at different organizations, you are thrown in with people you might not otherwise get to know, so I like getting to know our community, and I

like helping to effect change in our community.”

Speck is a longtime Dublin volunteer and a fixture in the Dublin Unified School District, where she began volunteering at her children’s elementary school and continued until she ran for her area’s trustee seat on the school board last November. As a school board trustee, she continues her work in public service. She served on the Dublin parks commission for four years and continues her involvement in volunteering for the Briarhill Swim Team. She is also Dublin’s representative on the Tri-Valley Regional

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## BART’s Inspector General Announces Early Resignation

By Larry Altman

REGIONAL — BART’s Inspector General (IG) Harriet Richardson announced last week she will leave her post, saying the agency’s administrators and employee unions blocked her efforts to root out fiscal mismanagement, waste and conflicts of interest.

Her last day will be this Friday, more than four months before her four-year term was set to end. Her departure comes on the heels of Tri-Valley Sen. Steve Glazer’s resignation from a state senate committee asked to find ways to fund the financially troubled transit agency. BART could initiate significant cuts in service when it begins incurring a \$48 million deficit next year.

“I was tired of the challenges of working through the BART culture,” Richardson told The Independent. “It just reaches a point

where you say, ‘I’m done.’”

Richardson said BART’s administrators failed to fund her office so she could hire the staff to conduct her investigations, and BART’s unions made unprofessional demands, wanting her to capitulate to them.

“I simply can’t continue to be told ‘no’ on funding, where people say we welcome the independent oversight, but we’re just not going to give you money so you can do it,” Richardson said.

She added that she decided to resign early out of frustration.

“I’m not angry,” Richardson said. “I wish they would have acknowledged that they needed to be educated and really listened to what I had to say instead of just kind of blowing it off. ‘Oh, her again.’ I reached a point where I felt like they just felt like I was talking

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## City Approves Branaugh Housing Development

By David Jen

DUBLIN — The mixed-use Branaugh Property project received city council approval on March 7, the first of four development projects expected to benefit from the upcoming Dublin Boulevard extension project.

Adjacent to I-580 and the city’s eastern boundary, the 40-acre site will provide up to 97 homes including seven affordable housing units and about 528,000 square feet of industrial space. Led by BEX Development, the project plans to subdivide the site into four parcels: two for industrial uses, one for residential, and one smaller parcel for water treatment.

“This (development) is what we’ve envisioned on this parcel since the ’90s,” said Councilmember Jean Josey at the city council meeting. “I’m excited about the opportunity to bring additional jobs that are what we are looking for into Dublin.”

Mayor Melissa Hernandez lauded the project’s industrial space, a scarce commodity in Dublin.

“Knowing that Dublin Boulevard will be extended in years to come, you want to be able to offer those amenities to other busi-

nesses coming about,” said Hernandez.

BEX will pay an in-lieu fee to satisfy 40% of the project’s inclusionary unit requirement and build seven on-site affordable housing units to satisfy the requirement’s remainder.

The council voted unanimously to approve zoning and plan changes for the project along with a development agreement that detailed, among other things, the formation of two community facilities districts (CFDs), which generate revenue from special taxes. One district would fund mitigation impacts related to the Dublin Boulevard extension and the other would fund street maintenance within the development, such as storm drains and streetlights.

Although Qaadri voted for the project, he questioned if the district that would fund street maintenance should impose the tax on the entire property instead of just the residential parcel, as currently planned.

“I’m feeling a bit squeamish about the 97 or fewer units being burdened with the two CFDs,” said Qaadri.

“If it works out that way, less than a third of the acre-

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Kristin Speck, Dublin’s 2022 Citizen of the Year, is shown holding her award with Dublin City Council members, from left: Councilmember Jean Josey, Mayor Melissa Hernandez, Speck, Vice Mayor Michael McCorriston and Councilmembers Sherry Hu and Kashef Qaadri. (Photo courtesy of the City of Dublin)

### PETS OF THE WEEK



#### BENTLEY

Bashful Bentley is a beautiful blend of nestling, napping, and noshing. He is a one-eyed wonder, and as a senior dog, would be a great fit for someone who likes to stay home and snuggle! Learn more about Bentley and other cats and dogs at valleyhumane.org. Email info@valleyhumane.org to start the adoption application process. #ShareTheCare to help pets today!

(Photo - Valley Humane Society)

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Pleasanton played host to a Special Olympics basketball tournament this month, with teams from the Tri-Valley and beyond. More than 300 Special Olympics athletes competed in the annual East Bay Basketball Tournament on Saturday, March 4. Pleasanton was represented at the tournament by three teams which received gold and bronze medals along with several ribbons. (Photo - Ken Mano)

### Dublin to Host Red Cross Blood Drive

Dublin will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive at the Dublin Civic Center, 100 Civic Plaza, at 4 p.m. on Friday, April 7. To register, go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), and use the sponsor code "Dublin Community" or zip code 94568, or call 800-733-2767. To streamline the donation process, go to [redcrossblood.org/rapidpass](http://redcrossblood.org/rapidpass) on the day of the blood drive to complete the required reading and health questionnaire. The Red Cross asks anyone who feels unwell on the day of their appointment to postpone their donation. Blood drives will also be held in Dublin on June 2, Oct. 6, and Dec. 1.

### Dublin Student Creates All-Inclusive STEM Program

By Dawnmarie Fehr

Anit Annadi believes that special needs students are often overlooked when it comes to STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education, so the 16-year-old Dublin High School junior decided to create a program herself. "I enjoy taking STEM classes and the opportuni-

Selvaggio helped connect Anit with special education instructors across the district to help create a schedule and recruit volunteers. As a result, Anit, has built 13 after-school STEM classes which are taught to special education students in DUSD every two weeks.

Selvaggio said she is impressed with the teens'

student needs using a variety of different strategies. My students were very engaged and interested in the lesson."

More than 20 volunteers currently teach over 100 students biweekly at six Dublin schools from elementary through high school. Anit said he is always looking to increase his impact and provide more students with the opportunity to explore STEM fields.

"We believe that all students should have access to quality education regardless of their background," he said. "We aim to create a fun and interactive learning environment that will help students retain the information they learn and apply it in the future."

The classes last 45-60 minutes and consist of a science experiment, followed by a lesson on the concepts behind the experiment. Classes often include a round of Kahoot, a game-based learning platform used to create trivia quizzes in classrooms.

Susan Lindahl is a special education teacher at John Greene Elementary in Dublin. She said her students were excited to have local teens visit their classroom for science experiments.

"The Science for the Bay team used a variety of engaging and fun activities at the students' level, and they learned science by doing science," said Lindahl. "The best part was watching the caring connection between my students and the teenagers. As special education teachers, we often say, 'Students don't care how much you know until they know how much you care.'"

For more information on Science for the Bay, visit [www.scienceforthebay.org](http://www.scienceforthebay.org). Donations can be arranged by emailing [scienceforthebay@gmail.com](mailto:scienceforthebay@gmail.com).



Members of the Dublin High Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) program visit with elementary school students who are participating in a new STEM education course designed for those with special needs. The program was created by Dublin High School Anit Annadi. (Photo courtesy of Anit Annadi)

ties I get in STEM fields in terms of clubs, and I didn't see the same thing for the special education kids," said Anit. "I wanted to help provide STEM opportunities for special education kids ... what we teach is not necessarily complicated. We simplify the topics and bring them to a level where the kids can be engaged and have fun while learning."

To develop the program in Dublin Unified School District (DUSD), Anit leveraged his resources as a member of Science for the Bay, a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating and inspiring a new generation of scientists. He first reached out to Ginger Selvaggio, DUSD assistant director of special education,

professionalism in communication and organization, and appreciates the interest and commitment to connecting all students to science through positive interactions and thoughtful lesson planning. Her enthusiasm is echoed by the teachers working with Anit and his team.

"Science for the Bay is an amazing hands-on experience for my students," said Murray Elementary special education teacher Jasmine MacDonald. "The program provides the opportunity to learn about a variety of science topics in a fun and interactive way. The volunteers teaching the lesson were able to adapt and modify the instruction to accommodate the level of

## Livermore Middle Schools Recognized As 2023 California Schools to Watch

Two Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District (LVJUSD) middle schools, East Avenue and William Mendenhall, have been designated as 2023 California Schools to Watch.

Sponsored by the California League of Schools, California Department of Education, and the California Middle Grades Alliance, the Schools to Watch program recognizes middle schools for efforts in helping students build confidence, develop new interests, and work toward achieving academic and life goals.

The program is sponsored nationally by the National Forum to Accelerate Middle Grades Reform.

The two LVJUSD middle schools were among 36 in California to receive Schools to Watch designation for the first time this year. They join the only other LVJUSD middle school, Andrew N. Christensen, which received Schools to Watch designation in 2022.

Another 40 California middle schools also had their Schools to Watch designations renewed this year, bringing the total number of schools currently recognized in the program to 186, according to the state Department of Education.

Schools must be reevaluated every three years to retain their designation.

"Middle school is a formative and sometimes challenging time for students," said LVJUSD Supt. Chris Van Schaack. "We are immensely proud that all three of our middle schools have been recognized for their efforts to create effective and sustainable systems of support that will help students excel both academically and socially."

East Avenue Principal Jesse Hansen attributed the recognition to the school's efforts to build trust, connection, and community with students; recognize students for positive behavior; and create school-wide strategies

to assess and respond to students' academic needs.

"When students feel a sense of trust and connection with their teachers, school staff, and peers, it leads to improved behavior and academic outcomes," Hansen said. "Asking for help related to their learning or with personal challenges is much more likely to happen when students feel that sense of belonging at school."

Mendenhall has also focused on strengthening interpersonal bonds between students and staff, the expansion of elective offerings, and increased participation in student-driven leadership activities and clubs, ac-

cording to Principal Tammy Rankin.

"We believe that all students should be supported and challenged in order to meet and exceed their educational goals," Rankin said.



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# EDITORIAL      Keep e-Bikes on Paved Trails Only

The proposal to allow e-bikes on local trails is raising a red flag for some environmentalists who are concerned the move will harm wildlife and their habitats by rolling over paved and unpaved trails causing erosion, vibrations and noise.

Locally, e-bikes are allowed on eight of the East Bay Regional Park District’ (EBRPD) paved trails, where they must adhere to a 15-mph speed limit set for all bicycles, both electric and conventional. The EBRPD board is looking into expanding the use of e-bikes in the district to include unpaved trails.

While The Independent supports the

goal to encourage more eco-friendly transportation methods, e-bikes used recreationally on unpaved trails would not be very friendly to our environment.

Some are against their use off-road for safety issues, as well as wildlife endangerment and the destruction of habitats. Others don’t see a lot of difference between bicycles and their powered counterparts.

Jim O’Connor, EBRPD’s deputy general manager, said the most important concern for the park district is the behavior of riders, whether they are on an e-bike or conventional bicycle. He said speeding and out of control riding will be addressed by

the park’s police department.

However, Jason Kahn, president of The Rewilding Institute, cited habitat destruction and animal endangerment or isolation – due to fear of crossing trails – as noteworthy concerns. He also pointed out that since e-bikes can go faster, they can also go farther, meaning more open space is impacted.

It seems prudent and appropriate for regulations to be put in place safeguarding the environment and wildlife while protecting the safety of the public as well. We strongly urge the EBRPD to keep e-bikes on paved trails only.

## Church Marks 100 Years in Livermore

The First Church of Christ, Scientist marked its 100th anniversary in Livermore this month.

Livermore residents began meeting in members’ homes for weekly Christian Science services in 1923, and in 1931 the First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston formally recognized the Livermore group as a Christian Science Society.

In 1948, the Christian Science Society purchased the present church property at the corner of Third and N streets for \$1,500.

The Mother Church in Boston recognized the local congregation as a branch church in 1960. Later that same year, the Livermore church added a Sunday school wing that included a Christian Science Reading Room facing N Street that is still in use today.

For those interested in learning more about the church, Melanie Wahlberg, a member of the Christian Science Board of Lecturers, will give a presentation at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 15, entitled “Giving Freely of Ourselves, and What We All Can Gain.”

For more information, go to [christianscienceschurch-livermore.com](http://christianscienceschurch-livermore.com).

## DEVELOPMENT

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age (will be) responsible for the full mitigation.”

City Manager Linda Smith explained that the majority of the streets will run through the residential parcel and that the developer may explore other ways to collect fees, such as a partnership with the homeowners association, as the project progresses.

While local craft unions raised concerns last month that the developer agreement avoided paying prevailing wages for construction, negotiations between BEX and the unions have since reached a resolution.

“We are pleased to report that we have a binding agreement with the applicant that addresses concerns raised in our comments, and our objections to the project are fully resolved,” said Jason Lindsey of the California District Council of Iron Workers. “The project will provide substantial construction workforce related community benefits. Local construction workers will build the project; local apprentices will be employed while learning their trade.”

Project timing will depend on the progress of the adjacent East Ranch residential development project, which will provide access from Central Parkway, and the Dublin Boulevard extension project, said Smith.

“You’ll likely see the residential piece coming at or prior to Dublin Boulevard Extension being done, so a few years from now, at the earliest,” she continued.

## MAILBOX

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### Livermore Council, Protect Your Residents

Laura Sylvan, Livermore

I am a young female who has been a homeowner in Livermore since 2016. Friday, March 10th I entered my garage alone at 3 pm. I found a homeless male passed out on the floor of my detached garage. Neighbor surveillance footage shows that he forced entry into our garage around 11 pm on 3/9 after stalking our neighbors’ homes for several hours. When police arrived, the man stated to police that he was sent from Asbury Method Church by someone named Jay or John to ask for work at our home. While I highly doubt that this man was sent by the church to break into our home or burglarize our belongings, I do believe that he was brought to my neighborhood due to the homeless outreach services offered by Asbury today.

The man was aggressive, verbally assaulting my husband, who told police that the man was wearing stolen clothing and shoes from our home. The man had urinated multiple times onto our belongings and ransacked the food and beverages in our garage fridge.

The physical damages incurred are worth several thousand dollars, but more importantly, I worry if I’ll

ever feel safe sleeping in my own home again. Asbury Church must take accountability for bringing unstable individuals in immediate proximity of residential homes and placing unnecessary risk upon all community members. Throughout the time I’ve lived in Livermore, I have seen the homelessness and petty crime increase and now I’ve been personally affected. Livermore is an incredible city, but I feel that increasing services for the homeless will increase their draw to this city and negatively impact the key attributes of why so many love living here.

The tiny home project will serve as a beacon for transient, addicted and unstable individuals like this man. Asbury property is surrounded by existing neighborhoods on all four sides; it is directly across East Ave. from our Community Center and within one mile of eight schools and daycares.

Livermore City Council members and Mayor Marchand, please help your residents. We are asking for your protection.

### Is This How We Want Our City to Be Known?

Joanne Berven, Livermore

In reference to Greg Scott’s letter on Homelessness, March 2nd, I am appalled by the treatment Richard French received at the hands of the City of Livermore. This definitely was not ethical treatment. Where is the Homeless Outreach? Definitely, sorely lacking. Why are the homeless still homeless? Maybe because if they have to leave their belongings to seek care, their belongings will be gone. One step forward, three steps backward. “Whatever you do for one of these least brothers of mine, you did it for me” Matt 25:40. Is this how we want our city to be known?

### Wake Up Democrats!

Richard Andrews, Livermore

I have been a registered Independent for over 12 years. I am also Liberal in my political inclination. That means I look at both sides of a political argument before making up my mind. Before being Independent, I belonged to both of the major parties at various times. I feel my responsibility is to my country and region, and not a political organization.

That is why I’ve always supported Steve Glazer. He is a moderate Democrat and fiscal conservative. He is also a proponent of the government(s) and their employees behaving in a manner responsible to the people. Something many other Democratic officials seem to have forgotten. RESPONSIBILITY means doing what is right, and making sure

government is for the people and not special interests... even if they throw money at you to curry favor. Yes, the Republicans still have Kevin McCarthy. But I’ll save that for another time.

When I read that Sen. Glazer resigned his position on the Senate Select Committee on Bay Area Public Transit because of the refusal of BART to have an IG look into their horrid conduct record, and that other Bay Area officials also refused to support a legal and necessary oversight, I was proud of him and ashamed of the others. They have failed us at every turn. The BART workers Union runs the show. When will the Democratic lawmakers get off their dead---es and protect we voters and not their cash registers? Shame on them, and thank you Senator Glazer.

### Livermore’s Voodoo Municipal Economics

Greg Scott, Livermore

“While the current fiscal year’s [City of Livermore] budget shows a deficit of \$6.4 million, the budget for fiscal year (FY) 2023-24 projects an increase in total sources and a decrease in total operating expenditures to bring the ending budgetary balance to zero.” (Larry Altman, “City Council Outlines Updated Strategy For Maintaining High Quality of Life”, The Independent, 3/9).

Would you, dear reader, care to make a wager based on the above quote?

We are going to build more housing, offices, businesses, and retail spaces and have “a decrease in total operating expenditures”? Is it to be less expensive to maintain more infrastructure in these inflationary times? The State of California had a \$25 billion fiscal year surplus and is projected to have a \$100 billion deficit, and Livermore is to buck the trend? Asset evaluations are increasing? What is happening with CalPERS (California Public Employees Retirement System) contributions?

CalPERS has around \$450 billion in assets and over \$150 billion in unfunded pension obligations - requiring higher contributions from members. Because of calls for collateral on its derivatives and private market positions, CalPERS is experiencing a reduced cash position and has reached its 22% limit on these private market investments because of the reduced valuations on its other assets (i.e., stock equities and bonds). CalPERS is now borrowing money to leverage its derivative (hedge) and private market holdings. What could possibly go wrong? On one \$6 billion private market transaction, CalPERS weathered a 10% “discount” for \$600 million. Do we think CalPERS employee and employer contributions are going down soon?

The cost of borrowing money is increasing. Municipalities tend to borrow money before property tax monies arrive. This means more operating expenditures, though the City of Livermore seems to have plenty of money to loan to a hotel project and for “loans”

that are not really “loans” to the downtown Eden Housing Project.

Perhaps, we are not headed toward a recessionary hard landing, a soft landing, or any landing at all in the City of Livermore’s economic playbook. I just wonder how much jet fuel we need to be snorting to think we are going to be fiscally soaring, when “[t]he Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. reported in February that U.S. banks’ unrealized losses on available-for-sale and held-to-maturity securities totaled \$620 billion as of Dec. 31, up from \$8 billion a year earlier, before the Fed’s rate push began.” (WSJ, 3/10/2023).

### New Leadership In the House

Owen Brovont, Livermore

The founding generation of our country never envisioned an autocratic or incompetent Presidency or a lazy, incompetent, or subservient congress, or a Supreme Court that rules on the basis of its dominant ideology. The flaws exposed in the last two years of governance in America lie not in the Constitution, but in the people elected to office and their dedication to maintaining the primacy of their political party over the health and welfare of America. It was George Washington who warned against political parties. He said, “However, [political parties] may now and then answer popular ends. They are likely in the course of time and things to become potent engines, by which cunning, ambitious, and unprincipled men will be enabled to subvert the power of the people and to usurp for themselves the reins of government, destroying afterwards the very engines which have lifted them to unjust dominion.”

The last several years of the Biden administration and the out-going Speaker of the House, proved the cogency of Washington’s warning dramatically. It remains to be seen what the new leadership in the House of Representatives will do to recover a semblance of what the founders tried to create. What is needed is a well-defined set of principles and goals by which the citizens recently elected to the House will abide. These principles and goals must also prevent the creation of the autocracy that the current President appears to favor; we need a reaffirmation of Federalism; we need it now!

For a society to remain strong, stable, and continue to develop creatively, everyone, that is every citizen and legal resident, who resides in this country, must pull his or her own weight, but if the case is such that he or she cannot because of illness or inability, society should provide sufficient support until such time as they can provide for their own needs. Any person capable of working at a job or profession who does not fulfill this requirement is clearly a parasite syphoning off unearned resources, and does not deserve to receive social support, because he or she is living off the labor and efforts of others – that is clearly a form of theft! Everyone must contribute or

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Livermore Accepting Applications for Teen Academy

Livermore will offer a three-week program for teens 16 and older this summer to learn about personal finance, job-hunting skills, and how to be an engaged and informed citizen. In addition to a series of workshops, the Livermore Teen Academy will also include a short internship with the city. During the internship, totally 24 hours, participants will be paid \$15.50 an hour. The academy will run from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, June 12 to June 30. The workshops will be held at the Livermore Civic Center Library, 1188 S. Livermore Ave. Participants will report to assigned sites, based on their areas of interest, on internship days. Participants must Livermore residents and planning to attend high school in the fall. They must be 16 or older by the first day of the program. To apply, go to library.livermoreca.gov and click on the “teens” button. Selected applicants will be invited to participate in an interview. Past participants in the academy are not eligible. For more information, contact Nathan Brumley at 925-373-5572 or njbrumley@livermoreca.gov.

BART

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just to talk. They didn’t want to hear it. That part was clear.”

Richardson’s abrupt departure and Glazer’s resignation from the Senate Select Committee on Bay Area Public Transit just a week after he was named to serve on it followed BART’s revelation that once federal pandemic aid runs out, the agency must either locate new funding sources or find itself with more than \$1.2 billion in debt by 2032.

Glazer, who was instrumental in pushing for a ballot measure in 2018 that included establishing an IG to conduct oversight of BART, credited Richardson with finding “tens of millions of dollars in fraud, conflict of interest and wasteful financial practices” at the agency. He said that given the circumstances, he was not surprised Richardson announced her departure before her term ended.

“Ms. Richardson carried out her work even when the BART Board and management were determined to undermine her investigations,” Glazer said in a statement. “They repeatedly refused to provide her office with the full power and authority that she requested to do her job.”

Glazer cited an Alameda County Grand Jury report last week that said BART’s management, Board of Directors and labor unions sought from the beginning of her term in 2019 to undermine her independent watchdog role by limiting her access to information and employees.

“Harriet Richardson has been a stellar example of a public servant who works for the good of the people,” Glazer said. “The first-ever Inspector General for BART after the post was created in 2018, Harriet carried out her job with professionalism and an objective pursuit of the truth, no matter where it took her. She displayed tenacity and independence with an auditor’s green-eyeshade level of scrutiny, performing admirable work under adverse circumstances.”

Thomas Rubin, a certified auditor who formerly worked as a chief financial officer for other transit agencies, described Richardson as extremely well qualified and professional to serve as IG.

“What happened, of course, is that BART was never happy with the idea of having any oversight at all,” Rubin said. “Many of the BART stakeholders — and by that I mean the labor unions and many of the consultants and contractors that do a lot of business with BART — also were not very happy with the concept of oversight.”

Rubin cited Richardson’s investigations that found BART spent \$350,000 on a program that assisted only one homeless person.

“I believe that BART and the BART leadership have been concentrating on protecting themselves rather than doing what is best for the taxpayers and for the people who rely on BART to get around and, frankly, everybody else in the Bay Area that is trying to move people and goods,” Rubin said. “They have severely limited the staff and the budget.”

Last month, Glazer authored another bill in the state legislature to make the IG stronger, requiring BART officials to give the watchdog access to records or face jail time. That bill is still going through the legislative process.

In leaving his own post on the newly formed transit committee, Glazer — whose district includes Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin and Sunol — accused other Bay Area leaders of not stepping up to fix the fiscal oversight problems with BART or supporting the IG. He said he would only support greater transit funding when those problems were fixed.

In February, BART officials said its ridership had dropped 70% since the pandemic, and many employees have continued to work remotely. Customers also cited concerns about crime and homeless people on trains and in stations.

Fares, officials said, were not enough to sustain the agency and that if new funding was not found soon, the agency would face devastating cuts that would impact the Bay Area’s quality of life.

BART suggested increasing revenue and decreasing expenses, reducing overtime for employees and improving service to bring back riders. Cuts might include running trains an

hour apart, shutting down at 9 p.m., closing some stations and lines, eliminating weekend operations and reducing its workforce.

In 2018, BART’s board narrowly defeated a proposal to extend BART service to Livermore. The proposal would have extended the BART rail line by 5.5 miles along the 580 freeway from the Dublin/Pleasanton station to a station to be built near the Isabel Avenue interchange. The project would have included improvements to the local bus system with key connections to Livermore. Proponents said it would reduce congestion on freeways and greenhouse gas emissions. Livermore residents had been paying taxes for the BART extension for 40 years prior to the 2018 decision.

In 2020, the City of Livermore requested that the Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) transfer to Valley Link the \$400 million designated for the extension to Livermore; ACTC granted the request. Valley Link, the Tri-Valley San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority, would establish a passenger rail line from the Dublin/Pleasanton station through Livermore to Stockton in San Joaquin County.

Rubin questioned whether BART and other transit agencies should be spending billions of dollars on rail lines when more people are working remotely since the pandemic and the occupancy rate of office buildings in San Francisco is down 30% of what it was before COVID-19.

“Why don’t they look at long haul commuter express bus service, which has a number of advantages, including it’s a lot less expensive, and can be done far, far quicker,” Rubin said. “You don’t have to wait till you’ve got tens of billions of dollars in the ground already spent before you get the first idea of whether it’s going to work or not. You can start with one or two or three bus lines serving a corridor, see if it works, and if it does, expand it to the next one and keep going. ... Why do we need to be studying multi, multi billion dollar improvements when it looks like the demand is going to be disappearing and may never come back?”

Dublin Sponsors Reading Programs

Dublin will celebrate literacy this month with two projects: One City, One Book and Books in the Park.

Students in Dublin elementary schools will be reading “Manjhi Moves a Mountain,” written by Nancy Churin and illustrated by Danny Popovici.

The book tells the true story of a man in India who spent 20 years, using only a hammer and chisel, carving a path across a

mountain that divided his poor village from a larger, more prosperous village on the other side that offered schools, marketplaces, and a hospital.

Published in 2017, “Manjhi Moves a Mountain” received the South Asia Book Award in 2018 and the Northern Dawn Lights Award for Best Nonfiction Picture Book in 2020.

During the Books in the

Park program, a picture book will be left on a bench in each of the city’s 25 parks for families to find and read aloud together.

The books should then be left on the bench to be found by other families to discover.

The programs are sponsored by the city and the Dublin Unified School District and are funded by Dublin businesses and organizations.

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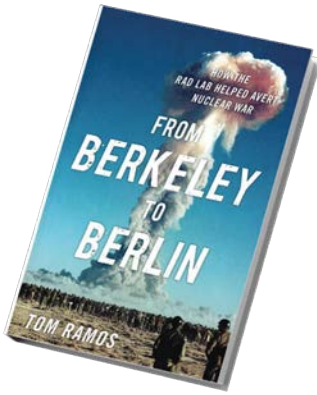
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EDEN

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of SLD’s case.

In response, Linda Mandolini, Eden Housing president and CEO, said it is “truly disappointing that, after two years of lawsuits and consistent losses, Save Livermore Downtown continues to take meritless legal actions with the aim to stall the Downtown Livermore project.”

“If these suits hadn’t been filed, we would now be welcoming 130 families to their new homes,” Mandolini continued. “Given the scope and scale of the affordable housing crisis we face in the Bay Area and California, it is tragic that groups like SLD continue to look for (California Environmental Quality Act) loopholes to derail housing that would help so many individuals and families in dire need of a place to call home. These lawsuits, not only hurt the people who really need a home, they also continue to make it harder for our local businesses to hire local workers.”

PRIORITIES

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some expectations with the community that once an item got put on the work plan, it would get done, and wholly completed in that two-year timeframe,” said Assistant City Manager Pamela Ott. “And that wasn’t always the case.”

Previously, the city council also added projects to the priority list as they arose in discussion and, as a result, the list suffered from insufficient fiscal analysis and consideration, continued the report.

“Additionally, by starting project requests, the city council has not had the opportunity to consider requests in the context of longer-term policy goals,” the report stated.

The commission unanimously recommended that the city council approve a priorities list of 11 projects

King noted that the California Supreme Court has discretion to determine which appellate decisions it will review and the grounds for that Court’s review are narrow. As a result, she stated that SLD focused its petition on a legal issue in its case that meets those grounds.

“SLD’s petition addresses important questions of law related to the level of deference courts are to give to cities and counties approving housing projects and the findings that must be made as part of those approvals,” the release stated.

“The petition recognizes that there are various lines of appellate opinions about what it means for a project to be ‘consistent’ with an applicable land use planning document, such as a general plan or a specific plan, and that those cases are challenging to reconcile with one another,” the SLD release continued. “In addition, the petition notes that recent amendments to the

state’s Housing Accountability Act (HAA) may have muddied the waters on this issue even further, presenting an issue that has never been considered by the California Supreme Court.”

As SLD wrote in its petition:

“The tension between the very real need for housing, which the HAA seeks to address, and the need for consistent compliance with objective local development standards should be addressed by this Court to provide clarity not only for local agencies, but also for housing developers and concerned citizens. Accordingly, the court should use this opportunity to clarify the scope of a local agency’s ability to use objective standards in its general and specific plans to guide the design of new housing development projects and ensure that such projects are designed consistent with the agency’s policy decisions. Doing so would ensure that disputes over the interpretation

and application of development standards are minimized and would allow housing projects to be appropriately shaped by the local agency’s land use authority. If this Court grants review, it could issue guidance that would create a level playing field that local agencies, project developers, and local communities could all understand. Further, as discussed below, the Court could use this case to articulate a construction that addresses both the goals of the HAA and the need to maintain consistency with local planning documents. By removing ambiguity over applicable standards, the Court would actually streamline the development of critically needed new housing.”

According to King, SLD expects the city and Eden Housing to oppose SLD’s petition later this month, and assuming they do, SLD will respond to their arguments in early April. SLD believes California Su-

preme Court review would provide an opportunity to clarify existing law, and that the Court should grant the petition so SLD can demonstrate how the city inappropriately determined that the Eden Housing project was consistent with the city’s Downtown Specific Plan.

King concluded in the release, “We look forward to the Court’s review of the petition.”

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totaling \$2.6 million.

While the city has already allocated funding for the majority of these projects, including \$1.3 million to update its water and sewer master plans, staff expects that projects for pesticide management, Americans with Disabilities Act compliance, homelessness and affordable housing fees will require an additional \$325,000 from the city’s General Fund.

The list also included the city’s water supply alternatives investigation; diversity, equity and inclusion plan; and human services needs assessment; totaling \$760,000 of already allocated funds.

And Pleasanton’s Water Enterprise fund will need to contribute an additional \$180,000 to update the city’s utility rates and con-

nection fees.

Ott also looked forward to incorporating diversity, equity and inclusion principles in the new plan.

“We want to make sure that we are hearing from all the members of our community: those who’ve engaged with us before and those who have not been engaged with us before,” said Ott. “By making sure we hear those voices, the effort would be, ‘Does the plan that we put together reflect who we are as a community?’”

Prior to the strategic plan’s council adoption this fall, the city will hold two pop-up meetings, eight focus groups and town halls in April and May to gather community feedback. Two strategic planning workshops will follow this summer.

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**Livermore  
Accepting Entries for  
Poetry Contest**

Livermore Poet Laureate Peggy Schimmelman is now accepting submissions from Livermore residents for Poetry in a Test Tube, the city’s seventh annual science poetry contest. There are four age divisions: youth (K-5), middle school, high school, and adult. First, second, and third-place poems will be selected in each division, with the winning poets receiving \$75, \$50, and \$25, respectively. There are no restrictions on the style or length of the poems, but they must relate to the general theme of science. Poems must be submitted by email to Poet Laureate@LivermoreCA.gov by Friday, April 7. Submissions must include the author’s address, phone number, title of the poem, and division. Student entries must also include school and grade level. There will be an awards ceremony and public reading of the winning poems at the Civic Center Library, 1188 S. Livermore Ave., at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25, 6:45 p.m.

**DISTRICT**

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culture and community engagement. The district also renewed its focus on student mental health and wellness, promoting equity and inclusion, and diversifying their workforce. Negative effects from the pandemic – such as loss of job or income, and little to no social interaction – are being studied across the globe, and Haglund said one glaring deficit is simple social skills in younger students in kindergarten through second grade.

“Social norms of interacting together, how to hold a pencil and function in a classroom, were missing when schools returned to in person learning,” Haglund said, noting that teachers had to address these gaps in learning and behavior. “This is life changing work we are engaging in and the amount of stress on the student and adult sides coming out of the pandemic have been almost insurmountable, so we have seen transitions, and they are not positive ones. We need to continue focusing on that.”

He discussed the management team’s work to address those needs at the beginning of the year, guided by the new equity policy the board adopted at the beginning of 2022. New programs were put in place, like the Boost Program, and a fresh focus on cultural diversity to make students feel connected to their schools.

In addition to focusing on fresh ideas on campus, the district offered education choices to support a variety of learning styles through the Educational Options Department and Pleasanton Virtual Academy. Haglund said there are options for students who prefer a different environment than a traditional school setting or require more flexibility. As part of the effort to support all students, PUSD is one of 30 California school districts partnering with University of California San Francisco to pilot a universal dyslexia screening program to assist efforts in providing support to developing readers.

The district also expanded access to Career and Technical Education (CTE) and vocational training to offer more career options to high schoolers.

“When we are talking about a career, we don’t just mean taking a job somewhere,” Haglund said. “We are talking about a trade that pays well and is a pathway some of our students have been very interested in.”

Haglund covered the district’s two active bond measures – I1, a \$270 million bond passed in 2016 and nearly complete, and I, a \$395 million bond passed in 2022 and meant to cover large scale projects state funding doesn’t cover.

Haglund said some recently completed I1 are re-

**HONORS**

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Occupation Program board. As part of the award, the city will contribute a \$300 donation to Speck’s favorite nonprofit organization.

**Young Citizen of the Year:  
Yashas Shashidhara**

Young Citizen awards are given to student leaders in grades one through 12 who are focused on helping classmates and residents of Dublin.

Young Citizen of the Year Shashidhara was part of the Mayor’s Council and helped host a drive to collect more than 1,000 pounds of batteries. He created an app to help teens and young adults struggling with sobriety and partnered with local mental health organizations to bring those services to all students in need. His nominator and friend, Anish Kataria, said Shashidhara wasn’t just impressive in his accomplishments, but also in his character.

The city will also donate \$300 to Shashidhara’s favorite nonprofit.

**Organization of the Year:  
Above & Beyond Leadership & Education (ABLE)**

Dublin recognizes nonprofit organizations each year that have substantially benefitted the city’s residents.

This year’s winner, ABLE,

offers public service opportunities and leadership skills development. Member Hubert Tan said the city’s award recognizing the group’s public service is an honor. President Braden Ou, a 16-year-old junior at Quarry Lane High School, said ABLE’s focus is Dublin youth.

“As an organization, we are mainly trying to tutor people, as well as clean parks and help create a better experience with the youth of Dublin,” Ou said. “We are primarily youth-led with our events. We try to create our own events and initiatives; we come up with our own ideas, execute them and run them, and we have been doing fairly well. We gain experience and have our parents advise us from the

side to make sure we aren’t running off the tracks.”

Co-President Emily Mao initiated the group’s tutoring program to raise funds for their projects. She said ABLE recently donated \$500 to the Ukrainian Heritage Club of Northern California to support relief efforts for Ukraine.

The City of Dublin awarded ABLE a \$500 cash prize.

**Mayor’s Award (Katie Cheng) and Mayor’s Legacy Award (Erik Bertelson)**

Dublin Mayor Melissa Hernandez bestowed the Mayor’s Award and Mayor’s Legacy Award to the winning recipients.

According to a press release from the city, the Mayor’s Award is presented to someone whom the mayor

believes “has worked tirelessly on behalf of the Dublin community in the previous calendar year.” The Mayor’s Legacy Award is presented “to a group or individual to recognize extraordinary, long-term dedication to the Dublin community.”

Cheng served three years as student representative on the Dublin Unified School District Board of Trustees and helped found the California Student Board Member Association.

“Her intelligence and drive will suit her very well when she attends Stanford University in the fall,” Hernandez said of Cheng.

“I also had the distinct pleasure of honoring Erik Bertelson with the Mayor’s Legacy Award,” Hernandez

continued. “As director of the Wells Middle School Band, Bertelson has been an integral part of the Dublin community since 1979.”

The release further noted, “For the past 44 years, he has taken budding musicians and created a magical experience with the Wells Band. His bands have won countless trophies, and many of his students have gone on to careers in music. He has truly brought an abundance of joy to the community throughout the years.”

For more information on all nominated individuals and groups, visit [www.dublin.ca.gov/volunteers](http://www.dublin.ca.gov/volunteers).

For more information about ABLE, or to donate, visit [www.abovebeyond-leadership.org](http://www.abovebeyond-leadership.org).

**TRI-VALLEY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Thursday, March 16  
BROADWAY CHORUS REHEARSALS**

The chorus will soon be starting rehearsals for the Spring Concert. This is a non-audition chorus, so if you love to sing, this is the place for you. The first rehearsal will be March 9, at 7 p.m., at Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Ave., in Livermore. Those interested are welcome to come to the first rehearsals to observe. For more information or to sign up, visit [eastbaymusicals.org](http://eastbaymusicals.org).

**Saturday, March 18  
TRI-VALLEY WRITERS CHAPTER OF  
THE CALIFORNIA WRITERS CLUB**

Jim Azevedo will present “Indie Publishing: What’s the Big Deal?” at the Tri-Valley Writers March meeting, at Las Positas College, room 2470, at 3000 Campus Hill Drive, in Livermore. He will explain how the union of D2D and Smashwords legitimized the indie author movement, and ensured more writers will achieve their dreams of becoming published. Check-in begins at 1:30 p.m. To RSVP and pay, email [treasurer@trivalleywriters.org](mailto:treasurer@trivalleywriters.org) by March 16, then register at [bit.ly/3CpDOUC](http://bit.ly/3CpDOUC). Prices are \$10 for CWC adult members; \$12 for nonmembers; \$5 for student members ages 14 to 22); and \$8 for student nonmembers.

**Saturday, March 18  
HOUSE CONCERT IN LIVERMORE:  
THE ERIK JEKABSON QUARTET**

From 2 to 4 p.m., Livermore Jazz Society will host the The Erik Jekabson Quartet. To request a seat, email [info@livermore-jazzsociety.org](mailto:info@livermore-jazzsociety.org) or visit [bit.ly/3fz0T7j](http://bit.ly/3fz0T7j). If seats are available, attendees will receive an email invitation with the concert address. Seating capacity is limited, so advance notice is highly recommended. For the livestream, refer to the ‘Events’ page of the website listed above. Suggested donation is \$20 per person, but donations of any amount are most welcome.

**Saturday, March 18  
DEL VALLE FINE ARTS PRESENTS MUSICA PACIFICA**

Musica Pacifica explores the works of composers who struggled with keeping their composure, at 7:30 p.m., at the Bankhead Theater with “Hijinks of the High Baroque: Composers Behaving Badly.” Hear quirky and appealing music stories that shed light on the crazy lives of composers such as Veracini and Leclair—whose brilliant compositions belie their darker sides. The program includes a virtuoso violin sonata by the “unstable genius” Veracini, an engaging recorder sonata by Handel, a flamboyant harpsichord piece by French composer, Royer, a haunting chaconne by Rameau, and an elegant trio sonata by Leclair, all framed by two of Telemann’s delightful Paris Quartets replete with their own musical hijinks.

**Saturday, March 18 and Sunday, March 19  
VALLEY CONCERT CHORALE CELEBRATES 60TH SEASON**

The Valley Concert Chorale is celebrating its 60th anniversary with concerts highlighting America’s well-known contemporary choral composers. “Choral Currents: Celebrating American Composers” takes place on March 18, at 7:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Ave., in Livermore; and March 19, at 4 p.m., at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1225 Hopyard Road, in Pleasanton. Featured composers include Norwegian-born American composer Ola Gjeilo; young American composer Jake Runestad; Grammy Award winner Eric Whitacre; Dan Forrest; and Daniel Elder. Tickets are \$30 for general admission, \$10 for high school and college student tickets with valid student identification, and free for children. For more information or tickets, visit [valleyconcertchorale.org](http://valleyconcertchorale.org) or call 925-866-4003.

**Sunday, March 19  
2023 SHAMROCK 5K FUN RUN, WALK**

The annual Shamrock 5K Fun Run and Walk will begin at 8:30 a.m., on Dublin Boulevard across from the Dublin Civic Center (100 Civic Plaza). All participants will receive a commemorative t-shirt, if registration is received by March 3. The top three finishers in each age group from the competitive division will receive a medallion and a Dick’s Sporting Goods gift certificate. Following the race, a celebration will be held with refreshments, entertainment, and prize drawings. For more information, visit [dublin.ca.gov/funrun](http://dublin.ca.gov/funrun).

**Wednesday, March 22  
RECIPES FOR HEALTHY EATING**

From 10 to 11:30 a.m., Tri-Valley adults age 60 or older who have been diagnosed with diabetes or prediabetes can attend Alameda County Public Health Department and CityServe Senior Services Division’s presentation on Recipes for Healthy Eating with Diabetes. The event takes place at the Pleasanton Senior Center’s main classroom, located at 5353 Sunol Blvd., in Pleasanton. Attendance is limited to the first 25 registrants. To register, call 925-294-0558 or email [seniors@cityservecares.org](mailto:seniors@cityservecares.org).

**Wednesday, March 22  
RECIPES FOR HEALTHY EATING WITH DIABETES**

From 10 to 11 a.m., CityServe of the Tri-Valley, Alameda County Public Health, the City of Pleasanton and others will host Recipes for Healthy Eating with Diabetes for Tri-Valley residents aged 60 or better who have been diagnosed with prediabetes or diabetes at Pleasanton Senior Center’s main classroom, 5353 Sunol Blvd., in Pleasanton. Event attendance is limited to the first 25 adults who register. To register, call 925-294-0558 or email [seniors@cityservecares.org](mailto:seniors@cityservecares.org).

**Saturday, March 25  
LIVERMORE VALLEY CAMERA CLUB FREE PRINT GIVEAWAY**  
Members of the Livermore Valley Camera Club are looking for

new homes for some of our competition photos. These mounted and mated photographs cover a wide variety of subjects, including color, monochrome, nature, creative, and travel. They vary in size up to 16”x20” and are usually (but not always) on white mats. Those looking for something to decorate their walls won’t find a better deal. All images are absolutely free, with a limit of three per household. For more information, visit the Livermore Public Library, 1188 S. Livermore Ave., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Saturday, March 25  
SPRING USED BOOK & MEDIA SALE**

Friends of Dublin Library, Inc. invites all to shop for bargain books and audio-visual materials at their Spring Used Book & Media Sale. Most items are priced are \$.50 to \$2. Funds from sales go toward purchasing the library’s materials and supporting its programs. The event takes place Saturday, from 9 to 11 a.m. for members only, with memberships available at the door starting at 8:30 a.m.; Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., with the sale open to all; and Sunday, from 1 to 4 p.m. for Bargain Day, with the sale open to all. Bargain Bag-o’-Books patrons can fill a paper bag (provided) with books for only \$5, while Special Bargains offers half off on specially priced items. For more information, visit [dublinfriends.org](http://dublinfriends.org).

**Sunday, March 26  
PASSOVER OPEN HOUSE**

Curious about Jewish culture? Come to Tri-Valley Cultural Jews’ free Outdoor Passover Jewish Cultural School Open House at 10:30 a.m., in Pleasanton. Attendees will learn about Passover traditions from around the world and make some homemade matzoh. Jewish Cultural School meets twice a month for kids aged 5 to teens. Masks are required. For more information, email [culturaljews@gmail.com](mailto:culturaljews@gmail.com), call 925-399-8029 or visit [trivalleyculturaljews.org](http://trivalleyculturaljews.org).

**Saturday, April 1  
LIVERMORE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
11TH ANNUAL CRAB FEED**

The Livermore High School Alumni Association will host their 11th annual Crab Feed at 6 p.m., at Robert Livermore Community Center 4444 East Ave., in Livermore. The dinner will feature crab, pasta, salad, bread and dessert, with chicken available upon request prior to event, and a no-host bar. For tickets, visit [bit.ly/3XQ2tia](http://bit.ly/3XQ2tia). For more information, email [Ihslumniassoc@gmail.com](mailto:Ihslumniassoc@gmail.com) or call 925-724-4251.

**Saturday, April 15  
TRI-VALLEY WRITERS CHAPTER OF  
THE CALIFORNIA WRITERS CLUB**

Connie Post will present “Finding your creativity in the Between Places” at the Tri-Valley Writers April meeting. She will explain how to find creativity by going beyond descriptions to find hidden meaning in unexpected places. Join in at 2 p.m. at Tri-Valley Writers’ new meeting location, Las Positas College, room 2470 at 3000 Campus Hill Drive, in Livermore. Check-in begins at 1:30 p.m. To RSVP and pay, email [treasurer@trivalleywriters.org](mailto:treasurer@trivalleywriters.org) by April 13, and register at [bit.ly/3CpDOUC](http://bit.ly/3CpDOUC). Tickets for CWC adult members are \$10; nonmembers are \$12; CWC student members ages 14 to 22 are \$5; and student nonmembers are \$8.

**Saturday, April 29  
TWIN VALLEY BSA SCOUTS’ LIVERMORE LUAU FUNDRAISER**

From 5 to 8 p.m., at El Sol Winery, located at 8626 Lupin Way in Livermore, the Twin Valley BSA Scouts’ present the Livermore Luau Fundraiser. The event will feature kalua pig, shoyu chicken, teriyaki beef, lomi-lomi salmon, rice mac salad, green salad, and haupia, as well as music, wine, auction, and raffle. Tickets are \$70. For more information, call 925-577-0724 or email [tvdistrictchair@gmail.com](mailto:tvdistrictchair@gmail.com).

**Monday, May 8 to Tuesday, June 27  
UPCOMING SUPPORT GROUPS**

When grieving the loss of a loved one, people may feel overwhelmed by the ebb and flow of emotions. Hope Hospice’s grief support services help adults and youth learn to process these feelings and find ways to move forward in a positive direction. Hope’s grief support services are free of charge, but registration in advance by phone is required at 925-829-8770 on weekdays, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A brief assessment is required. Support groups are currently being conducted online by Zoom video conference, and services for young children are temporarily paused until in-person group gatherings can continue. General Grief runs May 8 to June 26, on Mondays, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.; Spousal and Partner Loss runs May 9 to June 27, on Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. or Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3 p.m.; and Loss of a Child runs from May 8 to June 26, on Mondays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. For Teens Group, call for dates. Groups are offered once per quarter.

**ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES  
TOPSCIENCE**

TOPScience is a group that partners with elementary school science teachers to enhance learning for both students and teachers. It is an opportunity to pass on skills and knowledge while having fun and contributing to schools in Livermore. For more information or to volunteer, contact Art Krakowsky at [artkr@sbcglobal.net](mailto:artkr@sbcglobal.net) or 925-455-0486.

**ONGOING WEEKLY EVENTS  
PLEASANTON FARMERS MARKET**

Open Saturdays, from 10 to 1 p.m., at Main Street and West Angela Street. Seniors 60 and over are welcome for specialized shopping from 9 to 10 a.m.

Email non-profit events to [calendar@independentnews.com](mailto:calendar@independentnews.com) for newspaper calendar and visit our website [www.independentnews.com](http://www.independentnews.com) to promote all events online.



# OBITUARIES

## Clara Marie George March 26, 1941 – Feb. 19, 2023



Clara Marie George, 81, passed away peacefully at her home in Livermore surrounded by her family, from the results of a stroke. She always maintained a positive disposition in her 10-year struggle with Parkinson's disease.

Clara was born in Oakland, California and grew up in Berkeley. She attended St. Joseph Parochial School and St. Joseph High School. Clara graduated from The College of Holy Names (CHN) in 1963. Her first job was in recreation services with the American Red Cross at the Fort Ord Army Base hospital. After the hospital was closed due to a meningitis outbreak, she taught for a year at St. Felicitas Parochial School in San Leandro.

Clara returned to CHN to earn a teaching credential. She then taught fourth grade at Dublin Elementary School for five years until the birth of her first child. As her sons grew older, she resumed her teaching career with the Livermore Valley Unified School District and taught as a home instructor and as a substitute teacher.

Clara was an active member of St. Michael Catholic

Church and she volunteered at the St. Michael School. Clara co-chaired the annual Parish Festival for several years. She was the coordinator for the Home Bound Ministry for over 20 years and was a long-time member of Golden Friends.

Clara loved to bake and was well known for her homemade bread. She regularly baked bread for her family and often gave loaves of her bread as presents to friends for their birthdays. Her rule was that she could never have too many chocolate chips in her cookies and other baked goodies.

Clara believed that travel would enrich her children's

lives, so she accumulated the funds to take her then teenage sons and husband on a 4-week trip to Europe and England. She enjoyed camping and traveling with her husband in their travel-trailer to destinations throughout the western U.S. and Canada. Her favorite place to visit was Yosemite. Her last trip was a visit to Disney World and a Panama Canal Cruise from Florida to San Diego with her family.

Clara is survived by Jim, her husband of 52 years, sons Paul (Andrea) and David (Jeff); granddaughter, Emily, brother, Ronald (Anne) Seymour; nieces Francine and Margaret Mary. Clara was predeceased by her parents, Manuel and Frances (Tavares) Felix, brothers James and Manuel Tornos; sisters Betty Goulart and Rita Felix. Thank you to Clara's caregivers, Anne, Zenaida and Mary, and also to Hope Hospice for their support.

A memorial Mass will be held at St. Michael Church in Livermore, on Wednesday, March 22 at 10 a.m. Visitation will be before Mass, starting at 9:30 a.m. in the church. Committal follows at St. Michael Cemetery.

## Leonard R. Smith Aug. 4, 1945 – Dec. 17, 2022



It is with deep sadness that we write about the passing of Leonard just before Christmas last year. It was expected but not really. Leonard was born in Washington, DC and spent his young life in Ft. Hunt, Virginia. During this time, he attended a small one room school until the age of 9 when his father and mother, Percy Edward Smith and Julia Olive Chowning Smith, moved to California and settled in Daly City. He became a big city kid and enjoyed life with his older brother and sister, Edward Smith and Marcia Smith.

After spending four years at San Francisco State studying and graduating with a degree in business, he worked on a ship with the Merchant Marines, with destinations to Hawaii and sailing down the coast of South America. With that background, he discovered a passion for travel and hitchhiked through Europe for six months before coming home and trying to settle down. One day shortly after Europe, he read an advertisement on a matchbook cover for a 9-month computer course at Control Data Institute. That computer course gave him his future career path – he succeeded in the computer industry for more than 40 years.

Len and his wife Lorelei “Lea” Smith met and married, and after living for a few years on the Peninsula in the Bay Area, they found their dream home in Livermore where his two children, Christina and Garrett, were born and raised. He was always a strong supporter of his family, and we considered him our “rock” who was always there to lean on

for support. Both of his children gifted us with our precious grandchildren, Kellen and Ronin Beltz and Oliver and Scarlett Smith, all born within four years of each other. Over the last 12 years of being grandparents we shared some of our fondest years with family trips and holidays together.

Len retired in 2010 after more than 25 years at Bank of America, where he was a dedicated computer systems analyst. His career brought him much pride and he was valued as a team member and leader for his analytical skills. But the best was yet to come – after retirement, it didn't take long for his other passions in life to be fulfilled. He joined and became an active member of the SIRS group (Sons in Retirement) where he volunteered in many positions over the next 12 years. He also joined the Livermore Amador Valley Garden Club, and only just “retired” from both of those groups this last year. The pride of retirement was topped off after meeting Richard and Wanda Finn, and volunteering at their farm at

least two days a week, growing vegetables that were then donated to his church, the First Presbyterian Church in Livermore. He soon became the “tractor guy” driving the little orange “Kabuta,” rototilling fields and turning the mulch piles. He did it all at the farm, from planting and harvesting to packing the produce for distribution on Sunday mornings.

Len is survived by his family and friends, including an extra special group known fondly as the “Faith Group.” They meant so much to Len and Lea and supported us emotionally and physically over all the challenges life brings through more than 25 years. We are deeply sad, but ever so thankful for all the support over the last few years with his health issues. He had an undying determination to persist and overcome those health issues. He was able to finish a flagstone pathway in his yard, move 60 lb. bags of cement out of the rain that Sunday and then draw up a design for his beloved gates that will carry the sign, “Designed by Len, and built by those who love him.” As you look around his home, you'll see all the treasures he built, both inside and outside.

We miss you so much but find comfort in knowing you are now “flying free” in spirit. Should anyone wish to make donations in his memory, feel free to send them to the SIRS group (Roger Grimm c.o. SIR, Branch 101, 3034 Chateau Way, Livermore, California, 94550, <https://sirinc2.org/branch101/>) or the First Presbyterian Church (2020 5th Street, Livermore, CA, 94550, [www.fpcl.us](http://www.fpcl.us)).

## STANFORD

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beds – growing from the current 23 ICU beds to 38 over the next five to seven years.

State-of-the-art imaging technology, which will allow for the highest quality pulmonary and lung cancer screenings, will also be implemented.

“Those who previously had to travel to (Palo Alto) or San Francisco can now be served here,” said Sastry.

Stanford will also be expanding its clinical footprint.

“We have two medical office buildings across from the hospital now, and they will get reconfigured to support the growth we expect,” Sastry said.

Those plans include four procedural rooms, which are different from operating rooms. Procedural rooms deal more with the outpatient side of things and should be

built over the next two and a half years, added Sastry.

Last summer, they opened a new 6,300-square-foot cardiovascular unit on West Las Positas Boulevard, just two blocks from the main hospital, and increased exam rooms from nine to 20. Two weeks ago, Sastry added, the upgrades to the cancer center were implemented, including advanced radiation treatments. There will also be an expansion to the infusion center for chemotherapy and an increase from 14 infusion bays to 30. The first phase is expected to open in March 2024 and the second by July 2024.

“This will allow us to serve more patients in a given month and year by providing more access,” said Sastry.

Other advances to come,

said Sastry, will include the ongoing analysis of what the community needs, what services need to be earmarked. In Livermore this summer, there will be an expansion of their eye clinics, which will treat advanced glaucoma and major eye diseases. Also coming online soon will be advanced reconstructive plastic surgeries designed to support breast reconstruction and other types of services.

“As Stanford grows their programs, you start to attract a lot more specificity and surgical specialists,” said Sastry. “And that's really the methodical approach we have been taking over the past several years ... Once you come to our facility, we are hoping to take care of you right here and not send you anywhere else. That is our goal.”

## EBRPD Hiring Lifeguards

The East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) plans to hire more than 50 lifeguards this year for a dozen facilities, including lakes, lagoons, and swimming pools. The seasonal positions are full-time from May through September. Starting pay is \$20.78 per hour. Applicants must be at least 16 years old. To qualify, applicants must be able to swim 550 yards in under 10 minutes, carry a rescue board 50 feet, retrieve three dive rings under four to seven feet of water, tread water for two minutes using only their legs, and retrieve a 10-pound brick from underwater. The district has scheduled several testing dates this month: March 18 and 19 at San Leandro High School, March 25 at the Buchanan Swim Center, and March 26 at Castro Valley High School. For more information, go to [ebparks.org/public-lifeguard/jobs](http://ebparks.org/public-lifeguard/jobs).

## HOUSING

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planning firm that helped write the document and is consulting on the city's next 25-year General Plan. “The housing element identifies opportunities where there's land available to accommodate future growth.”

The council approved the document with little discussion. Last month, the California Department of Housing and Community Development deemed Livermore out of compliance with state housing laws and potentially facing fines for failing to meet the Jan. 31 deadline to submit its report. Gastelum said Livermore's Housing Element plan was recently deemed in compliance and would be sent to Sacramento last Wednesday morning.

Last year, ABAG said Livermore's housing share for 2023-2031 increased 67% from the 2,729 units required during the eight-year period from 2015. Overall, ABAG showed Bay Area cities and communities showed a need for 135% increase in housing creation following decades of inadequate development.

As a result, the shortage of available housing resulted in dramatic home price increases that left many Californians unable to afford mortgages and rents literally out in the cold.

Although cities are not required by state law to build the units, they must maintain land properly zoned to accommodate residential development or issue building permits. The plan also must include a variety of options to address all income levels. Last year, Tricia Pontau, Livermore's City Planner, said the city had fallen short in its housing aims for lower income residents.

According to statistics within the report, Livermore's RHNA includes the need for 1,317 units deemed affordable for people with “very low income”; 758 units for those with “low income”; and 696 units for residents with moderate incomes. Very low income was described as 50% or less of the median family income in the region, or \$68,500 or less for a family of four. Low-income housing units would target those with 51% to 80% of the area median income, or \$68,501 to \$109,600 for a four-person household. Moderate income was deemed \$109,601 to \$150,700 for a family of four.

Livermore's RHNA also called for 1,799 housing units for people with “above moderate incomes, or \$150,700 for a family of four.

Gastelum explained that very low and low income dwellings would require multi-housing projects on land that could accommodate 30 units an acre. Moderate income housing would include attached houses, duplexes or triplexes; Above moderate income would market rate single family homes.

“The housing element includes a very lengthy land inventory section where we have identified that there are enough sites to accommodate growth,” Gastelum said. The document also reveals the city is anticipating Livermore residents will develop 325 accessory dwelling units, commonly referred to as granny flats, on their properties during the next eight years.

Livermore's Isabel Neighborhood Specific Plan, which covers 1,138-acres in the northwest part of the city, or 6.6% of the entire city, will go a long way toward meeting the Housing Element's numbers. The project calls for the construction of nearly 4,100 homes of various sizes, including 25% that must be deemed affordable. “We want there to be a

surplus,” Gastelum said. “We want to make sure that we set you up in a position for you to be able to approve good developments that will allow for more housing to come into the community. But if it doesn't quite meet the exact numbers that we have, there is some wiggle room for you to approve things as they come along as you see fit.”

Gastelum said state housing officials were very interested in the Isabel project, wanting details on the sites available within the specific plan and asking “how the city staff works with developers to actually make things come to fruition.”

The document was expected to be sent to the state this week to undergo a 60-day certification process. After the 60 days, city staff could make revisions if necessary.

City Councilmembers expressed appreciation for the work that went into the document, which includes detailed assessments of the city's populations, its workforce and employers, ethnicities, income levels, housing availability, schools and specialized groups such as seniors and the disabled.

Council member Ben Barrientos noted that some cities are completing their documents, but learning the state rejected their efforts. Livermore's staff and consultant worked with state officials along the way to make sure that did not happen.

“I appreciate the work you did and I know we're ahead of the curve because you people did it the right way,” Barrientos said. “I appreciate what you've done.”

Speaker Alan Burnham said the plan should “be better.”

“The writer seems to be obsessed with environmental injustice,” Burnham said. “The document also suffers from logical flaws, and it tries to relate differences in neighborhood on racial discrimination, when better reasons exist, such as education, Prop 13 and age. Steph Curry didn't oppose high-density housing in his backyard because of racism.”

Another public speaker, John Stein, urged the council to adopt the Housing Element, “not because it's a perfect document, but because the alternative is dreadful.”

“The developer's remedy would allow a halfway house to be built next to a school, a condominium project to be built on public protected open space or a six-story apartment to be built in a single-family neighborhood,” he said, referring to Builder's Remedy. This act allows housing developers to circumvent local zoning requirements if cities lack compliant housing elements.

He added, “I think the pendulum has swung too far.”

### DOWNTOWN PARKING

In other business, the council voted to renegotiate a proposed staff-negotiated five-year agreement with Trilateral LLC to lease 27 parking spaces for \$100 each per month at the vacant Bank of the West building at 2287 Second St. The proposed lease called the city to spend \$250,000 for lot improvements, including demolishing the former bank's drive-through area to create another 23 spaces. The potential 50 spaces would cost the city \$5,000 a month.

The city's staff contended the lease agreement would provide additional downtown public parking necessary during construction of the L Street garage, the expansion of Blacksmith Square and the eventual construction of Eden Housing, which remains under litigation. Each project would reduce available parking downtown.

During a discussion over approving the lease, Council members Evan Branning, Bob Carling and Brittni Kiick rejected the proposal to use public funding to demolish part of Trilateral's building and then pay the company up to \$5,000 a month for the spaces.

“The contract as written has us spending a quarter of a million dollars on some repairs and amendments to the lot for temporary parking,” Branning said. “In my opinion, that's not necessarily the best use of city funding. Looking at the contract it requires us to do the \$250,000 worth of repairs and upgrades for the additional slots. I would lean towards directing staff instead to negotiate the deal where we work out an agreement where we can lease the current spots that are available and have the option to do the extension if we find there's the need for additional parking.”

Kiick said she opposed the deal because public money was being used to make improvements to private property.

“My main concern is that \$250,000 is being spent to make improvements to a building that is not a public building,” Kiick said.

Mayor John Marchand, who supported the lease agreement, said the deal was to maintain a promise made by the City Council years ago as it created downtown revitalization plans to “never have less parking in the downtown than we started with.”

In the end, however, Marchand joined his colleagues in unanimously asking the city's planning staff to renegotiate the deal and return later for approval.

### LIVERMORE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

The council also voted unanimously to extend the suspension of development at Livermore Municipal Airport until the city adopts an airport leasing and development policy. The suspension began last July, shortly after KaiserAir dropped a controversial plan to develop a 45-acre parcel at the airport. City Manager Marianna Marysheva said city staff is working on the policy but did not indicate when it would be completed.

Speaking to the council before the vote, Pete Sandhu, who runs Five Rivers Aviation at the airport, encouraged the city to speed their process to develop the policy because it is delaying projects he has proposed. Sandhu said he hoped to develop an aviation maintenance technician program with Las Positas College to train students; to create facilities for battery and hydrogen fuel cell powered aircraft; and to saturate the airport with solar panels to produce electricity for electric aircraft that he is working on developing.

### SHORT TERM RENTAL PERMIT FEES

The Council approved fees for short-term rental permits of \$220 for new permits and \$160 for annual renewals. The city requires owners who rent properties for less than 30 days to obtain the permits, which will cover staff and other costs for processing.

The permits are required as part of the city's 2020 ordinance that established rules for short-term rentals, including stipulations that they don't create a public nuisance or have activity “detrimental to public health or safety.”

The permits will pay for staff time and for Granicus, an online firm that will be paid \$14,000 annually to manage the online application process and notify neighbors to comment 15 days before any action is taken. The permit process begins April 1.





Livermore High's Vincent Betonio jumps for a spike against Amador's Luke Melvin and Spencer Thiel during a March 9 match at Livermore High School. Amador won 3 matches to 0. [See photo gallery at [www.independentnews.com/multimedia](http://www.independentnews.com/multimedia)] (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

## Granada Baseball Defeats Cardinal Newman High 4-3

By Nathan Canilao

The Granada High School baseball team was defeated by Cardinal Newman High School 4-3 on March 8. The Matadors suffered their first loss of the season with the defeat.

Senior Ben Johnston batted 1 for 3 and recorded one RBI. Senior Joshua Morano pitched 5 2/3 innings and allowed five hits while striking out nine batters.

The Matadors got on the board in the first inning as they brought in a run to take a 1-0 lead. In the third inning, the Cardinals scored three consecutive runs to take a 3-1 lead.

Granada started to gain momentum in the fourth and fifth innings. The Matadors scored one run in each inning and eventually tied the game at three at the top of fifth.

Cardinal Newman struck back and took the lead at the bottom of the fifth as they scored a decisive run to take a 4-3 lead. The Cardinals shut out the Matadors the rest of the game and took home the victory.

With the loss, Granada dropped to 3-1 on the season. The Matadors will face Dougherty Valley High School in their first league game on March 17 on the road.

## Granada High's Journey Ends at State Title Game

By Phil Jensen

Granada High School boys' basketball coach Quaran Johnson took a few moments to compose himself before a press conference after the California Interscholastic Federation Division I state championship game Friday night.

of the year or after we lost some tough games that people may have thought that we should have won. But we kept believing."

That belief propelled Granada to its first state championship game in school history. But the Knights proved to be too

"At halftime, I felt like if we can make the adjustment that we needed to make, then we'll make it a game," Johnson said.

Notre Dame (27-10) led by only four points at the end of the first quarter (18-14) but expanded the lead to 39-27 at halftime at Golden 1 Center.

A free throw by Granada's Andrew McKeever capped a 9-0 Matadors run and narrowed Notre Dame's lead to 44-38 with 2 minutes, 4 seconds left in the third quarter. McKeever, who produced 12 points and grabbed nine rebounds in the game, later scored inside with 51 seconds left in the period as the Knights took a 48-40 lead into the final quarter.

Notre Dame then outscored Granada 9-0 in the first 3:55 of the fourth quarter. Tyler Harris, who paced the Matadors with 17 points and 10 rebounds, broke the scoreless streak with a three-pointer. But after that, Granada was only able to cut the lead to single digits on the final shot of the game, a three-quarter-court buzzer-beating shot by Matai Faiapa'u.

"They're a well-coached team," said Notre Dame coach Matt Sargeant about Granada. "They played phenomenally well through their big and he was a load to deal with. ... It was tough to execute our game plan

against him (McKeever)."

Notre Dame attacked the key and got Granada in foul trouble, as McKeever and Harris both fouled out in the final five minutes of the game.

Granada senior Nate Keaney had an excellent shooting game - he scored 16 points, including 4 for 6 three-point shooting and 6 for 9 field-goal shooting overall.

"He's a tough dude, he's always been a tough dude, he's always been reliable," said Johnson about Keaney.

Caleb Foster was a thorn in Granada's side all game. The 6-foot-5 guard, who is Duke-bound, broke a 42-year-old Division I boys record for most points in a game with 33. He was 12 for 17 from the field and also had a game-high six assists.

Granada had a magical run through the CIF Nor-Cal Division I bracket. The ninth-seeded Matadors upset eighth-seeded Sacred Heart Cathedral-San Francisco 65-58, No. 1 seed Clovis West 70-62 in overtime, No. 4 Archbishop Riordan-San Francisco 69-57 and No. 6 Salesian-Richmond 60-47 to reach the state championship game.

"I don't know about that other locker room, but these kids are like family to me," Johnson said. "Ninth seed, 16th seed, it didn't matter, we were going to fight, we were going to battle."



Granada's Nate Keaney jumps over the Norte Dame defense for 2 points during the CIF Division 1 title game on Friday, March 10. Granada lost to Notre Dame-Sherman Oaks, 67-58. [See photo gallery at [www.independentnews.com/multimedia](http://www.independentnews.com/multimedia)] (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

"It hurts, as you can imagine," he said emotionally after the Matadors' 67-58 loss to Notre Dame-Sherman Oaks. "The team fought extremely hard all year. A lot of people probably ruled us out back in the beginning

tough to overcome, as they shot 66.7 percent from the field in the first half to hold a 12-point lead at halftime, then stopped the Matadors (26-11) for no points in a key 4 minute, 47 second stretch of the second half.

## Las Positas College Water Polo Coach Selected to Attend NCAA Women's Event in Denver

By Matt Schwab

Las Positas College interim women's water polo head coach Kate Faix Bennett has splashed into the spotlight.

She was selected among 100 coaches nationwide to attend the NCAA Women Coaches Academy in Denver, in May.

Faix Bennett was also nominated by Hawks assis-

tional initiative that seeks to highlight women worldwide who made a difference in the sport.

"It's been a great week," Faix Bennett said recently. "... I have put a lot of work into growing our water polo program. I'm excited to represent LPC at this academy for women in collegiate athletics."

The NCAA Women Coaches Academy, co-hosted by WeCOACH and the NCAA, is a multi-day growth and development program designed for collegiate women's coaches in all sports and collegiate levels. Faix Bennett is among four coaches from the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCCAA) selected for the academy.

"What I hope to gain from the experience is the ability to empower all our women athletes," Faix Bennett said. "Give our students and athletes the opportunity to see women in the ranks of coaches and administrators who give them a voice and support them in their collegiate experience."

Las Positas head swimming and diving coach Jason Craighead gives Faix Bennett high praise.

"Kate has been at the forefront of building the women's water polo program

here at LPC, and in the community as well," Craighead said. "She has continued to increase her involvement and presence both locally and across the state, to help build and support opportunities for women in sport, particularly water polo. She has an unmatched presence and brings tremendous character to everything she does."

A busy woman, Faix Bennett is also the Las Positas men's water polo assistant coach, men's and women's swimming and diving assistant, and co-assistant Athletic Director along with Craighead. If all that weren't enough, she teaches at the college and is her kids' swim team manager with the Rhonewood Sharks. Kate and her husband, Dan, have two young children, Blake, 7, and Charlotte, 6.

At Las Positas, she has the opportunity to interact with top female athletes in a picturesque college setting. The Hawks have competitive women's teams in soccer, volleyball, basketball, water polo, and swimming and diving. Proactively, she has scheduled the first overnight trip for the women's water polo team in the fall.

"I think it's really cool that I have the opportunity to support all of the women in all of the sports," she said.

Faix Bennett, who started playing water polo in junior high school, lettered in the sport for four years in high school and then played at Sonoma State, where she earned a Bachelor's degree in Kinesiology with a concentration in Exercise Science and a minor in Psychology. She also was an assistant coach at Sonoma State while injured as a player.

After moving to Livermore she continued coaching with the Livermore Lazars,

and was head coach for the Livermore High varsity and JV teams.

Now she's ready to make a splash in Denver, for the college and women athletes.

MEN'S BASKETBALL: Las Positas sophomore Jordahn Johnson was selected to the California Community Colleges Men's Basketball Association (CCCMB-CA) All-State Team for the second time.

Johnson (6-8, 230) finished the season ranked 27th

in the state in scoring at 18.0 points per game and sixth in rebounding at 11.6. He had an overall 3.33 GPA. He has received offers from Cal Poly Humboldt and Cal State Dominguez Hills.

The Hawks (19-11) advanced to the CCCAA Nor-Cal Regional Finals as the 13th seed, upsetting No. 4 Yuba 79-74 in the second round. Their season ended with a loss to No. 5 West Valley, 88-75 in the "Sweet 16."



Kate Faix Bennett, left, Las Positas College interim women's water polo head coach, seen here with Las Positas head coach Jason Craighead. (Photo courtesy of Kate Faix Bennett)

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## Foothill Loses First Game of Season to Acalanes

By Nathan Canilao

The Foothill High School baseball team lost to Acalanes High School 3-0 on March 8. The Falcons lost their first game of the season with the defeat.

Juniors Elija Lammle and Austin Harris as well as sophomore Landon Comerford recorded all three of Foothill's hits. Senior Tyler

Gebb pitched five innings, allowing three runs and striking out three batters.

The Dons got on the board early in the game. In the second inning, Acalanes scored all three of their runs to take a 3-0 lead.

For the rest of the game, the Falcons could not get runners to cross home plate. Dons' pitcher Henry Souza pitched five innings

and did not allow a hit while striking out three batters.

Despite a solid defensive performance by Foothill, they could not get batters on base and eventually fell to Acalanes.

The Falcons were shut-out for the first time this season in their game against the Dons. Foothill dropped to 3-1 with the loss.

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ABANDONMENT OF USE OF  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
ORIGINAL FILE NO. 543567

The person(s) listed below have abandoned the use of the following fictitious business name(s). Motorcycles Unlimited, 880 San Martin Place, Fremont, CA 94539. Registered Owner(s): Dave Shears, 880 San Martin Place, Fremont, CA 94539. The fictitious business name statement was filed on 4/11/2018 in the County of Alameda. This business was conducted by an Individual. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Dave Shears, Owner, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 5956334

The following person(s) doing business as: RC Products, 39270 Paseo Padre Parkway #100, Fremont, CA 94538, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Bruce Creedy, 39270 Paseo Padre Parkway #100, Fremont, CA 94538. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 5/17/2017. Signature of Registrant/s/: Bruce Creedy, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 3, 2023. Expires February 2, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5390. Published February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595564

The following person(s) doing business as: J+C Creamery, 219 Blackstone Cmn, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Jeremy Vadurro, 219 Blackstone Cmn, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by a Married Couple. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/15/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Jeremy Vadurro, Co-Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 15, 2023. Expires February 14, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5391. Published February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595361

The following person(s) doing business as: Triple CrownD Ranch, 6162 Bay Hill Ct, Dublin, CA 94568, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Katherine Dwiggins, 6162 Bay Hill Ct, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 01/01/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Katherine Dwiggins, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 6, 2023. Expires February 5, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5392. Published February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595608

The following person(s) doing business as: Dublin Nissan, 3800 Kaiser Rd, Dublin, CA 94568. Mailing address: 4200 John Monego CT, Dublin, CA 94568, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): East Bay Infiniti, Inc., 4200 John Monego CT, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 3/18/2019. Signature of Registrant/s/: Inder Dosanjh, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 15, 2023. Expires February 14, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5393. Published February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595619

The following person(s) doing business as: Sreed's Tax and Bookkeeping Services, 4753 Paula Court, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Sreedharan Vallachira Pisharath, 4753 Paula Court, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/2/2022. Signature of Registrant/s/: Sreedharan Pisharath, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 16, 2023. Expires February 15, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5394. Published February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595333

The following person(s) doing business as: Nitty Gritty Paralegal Services, 2385 Bluebell Drive, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Tipcro LLC, 2385 Bluebell Drive, Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed

above: 1/1/2021. Signature of Registrant/s/: Jamica Tipton, Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 3, 2023. Expires February 2, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5395. Published February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595633

The following person(s) doing business as: 1. Pellucid Finance Corporation; 2. Pellucid Finance; 3. Pellucid, 1119 Miller Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94708, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Pellucid Finance Corporation, 1119 Miller Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94708. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/6/23. Signature of Registrant/s/: Andrew Hollingsworth, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 16, 2023. Expires February 15, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5396. Published February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595451

The following person(s) doing business as: Why Why Bird, 1676 Paseo Laguna Seco #93, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Carina King, 1676 Paseo Laguna Seco #93, Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Carina King, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 8, 2023. Expires February 7, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5397. Published February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595485

The following person(s) doing business as: 1. Sacred Grove Wellness; 2. Sacred Grove; 3. Sacred Grove Traditions, 385 14th ST, Apt 582, Oakland CA 94612, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Asatu Hall, 385 14th ST, Apt 582, Oakland CA 94612. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 12/1/2022. Signature of Registrant/s/: Asatu Hall, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 9, 2023. Expires February 8, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5398. Published February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2023.

STATEMENT OF  
ABANDONMENT OF USE OF  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
ORIGINAL FILE NO. 569360

The person(s) listed below have abandoned the use of the following fictitious business name(s). Fit Focus Personal Training, 2452 Windsor Place, Livermore, CA 94550. Registered Owner(s): Nonda Ebbinghaus, 2452 Windsor Place, Livermore, CA 94550. The fictitious business name statement was filed on 4/11/2018 in the County of Alameda. This business was conducted by an Individual. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Nonda Ebbinghaus, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 15, 2023. The Independent Legal No. 5399. Published March 2, 9, 16, 23 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 596005

The following person(s) doing business as: 1. Better World School of Music; 2. Better World Music School, 22793 Foothill Blvd, Hayward, CA 94541, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): BWSM Services LLC, 22793 Foothill Blvd, Hayward, CA 94541. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/1/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: William De Miranda, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 3, 2023. Expires March 2, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5400. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595703

The following person(s) doing business as: Hacienda Cafe, 4305 Hacienda Dr Ste 160, Pleasanton, CA 94588, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Big Boy Cafe LLC, 5862 Newfields Ln, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/22/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Viet Truong, Managing Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 22, 2023. Expires February 21, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5401. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595963

The following person(s) doing business as: G Unit Stores, 19770 Laurelwood Drive, Castro Valley, CA 94552, is hereby

registered by the following owner(s): Thisarini Sherika De Silva, 19770 Laurelwood Drive, Castro Valley, CA 94552. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Thisarini Sherika De Silva, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 2, 2023. Expires March 1, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5402. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595526

The following person(s) doing business as: Vueto, 4288 Dublin Blvd Suite 212, Dublin, CA 94568, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Jesse Erin Yuen, 1137 Crystal Cir, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Jesse Yuen, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 14, 2023. Expires February 13, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5403. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595891

The following person(s) doing business as: Wezen Staffing, 2498 Livorno CT, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Wezen Alle Solutions, Inc., 2498 Livorno, CT, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/17/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Kawajot Khurana, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 27, 2023. Expires February 26, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5403. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595895

The following person(s) doing business as: ZRC Catering LLC, 49103 Milmont Drive, Fremont, CA 94538, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): ZRC Catering LLC, 548 Market Street #254339, San Francisco, CA 94104. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 12/1/2022. Signature of Registrant/s/: Roger LU, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 28, 2023. Expires February 27, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5405. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595930

The following person(s) doing business as: Prime Homestays Services, 1134 Saddleview CT, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): DADS Visionary Venture LLC, 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 945811. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Darrell Foss, Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 1, 2023. Expires February 29, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5406. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
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FILE NO. 595926

The following person(s) doing business as: Prime Homestays, 1134 Saddleview CT, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): DADS Visionary Venture LLC, 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 945811. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Darrell Foss, Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 1, 2023. Expires February 29, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5406. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595978

The following person(s) doing business as: Danny Kang, Inc., 450 Min Street Suite 207, Pleasanton, CA 94588, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Danny Kang, Inc., 322 Sunster DR, Danville, CA 94506. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 1/18/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Wuojin Kang, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 2, 2023. Expires March 1, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5408. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595870

The following person(s) doing

business as: Reztch Network, 3310 Giovanni Way, Dublin, CA 94568, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Reztch Networks LLC, 3310 Giovanni Way, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/27/23. Signature of Registrant/s/: Omid Reza Farakesh, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 27, 2023. Expires February 26, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5409. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595532

The following person(s) doing business as: Alameda County Cattlewomen, 4118 Cross Road, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): 1. Pamela Jones, 1452 No. Vasco Rd. # 204, Livermore, CA 94551; 2. Tami Viera, 4118 Cross Road, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by an Unincorporated Association - other than a Partnership. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Pamela Jones, General Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 14, 2023. Expires February 23, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5410. Published March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 596150

The following person(s) doing business as: 1. Angel's Love Senior Agency; 2. Inquisitive Scents, 7574 Honey Court, Dublin, CA 94568, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Josephine Panlake, 7574 Honey Court, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Josephine Panlake, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 8, 2023. Expires March 7, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5411. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 596144

The following person(s) doing business as: Super Pretty Rocks, 1311 Park St. Pmb 606, Alameda, CA 94501, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Melissa Balick, 1668 11th St. B, Oakland, CA 94607. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 1/3/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Melissa Balick, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 8, 2023. Expires March 7, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5412. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 596164

The following person(s) doing business as: Angel's Workwear, 14317 E 14th ST, San Leandro, CA 94578, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Borders Apparel LLC, 14317 E 14th St, San Leandro, CA 94578. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 3/1/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Andres Angel, Partner/Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 9, 2023. Expires March 8, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5413. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 596095

The following person(s) doing business as: 1. The Moment Wine Bar; 2. Cabfrancapalooza, 256 McLeod Street, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Momentous Hospitality, Inc., 256 McLeod Street, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Steven Mirassou, Vice President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 7, 2023. Expires March 6, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5414. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 596051

The following person(s) doing business as: Long Hill IT, 3700 village Terrace Apt.179, Fremont, CA 94536, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): John Karas, 3700 Village Terrace Apt.179, Fremont, CA 94536. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: John Karas, President. This statement

was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 6, 2023. Expires March 5, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5415. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595921

The following person(s) doing business as: Smile.Play.Learn Preschool, 557 Olivina Ave, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Mazzei Group LLC, 3736 Fallon Road #123, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Emily Mazzei, Managing Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 28, 2023. Expires February 27, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5416. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 596054

The following person(s) doing business as: Brows by Neci, 922 Larkspur Dr., Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Anecia Villarreal, 3025 W. Christoffersen Pkwy, Turlock, CA 95382. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 11/14/2022. Signature of Registrant/s/: Anecia Villarreal, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 6, 2023. Expires March 5, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5417. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595748

The following person(s) doing business as: Go de Viaje, 4995 Charlotte Way, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): RMN Consulting Inc., 4995 Charlotte Way, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Connor Schetzel, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 16, 2023. Expires February 15, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5422. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595603

The following person(s) doing business as: 1. Griffin; 2. Griffin One; 3. Bay Area Murals, 3246 Magnolia St., Unit B, Oakland 94608, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Griffin One Design LLC, 3246 Magnolia St., #B, Oakland 94608. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/15/23. Signature of Registrant/s/: Sean Griffin, Owner/ President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 15, 2023. Expires February 14, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5419. Published March

16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595814

The following person(s) doing business as: Tri-Valley Outreach, 4024 Cid Way, Pleasanton, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Pamela Lung, 4024 Cid Way, Pleasanton, CA 94566. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 10/10/2022. Signature of Registrant/s/: Pamela G. Lung, President, CEO, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 24, 2023. Expires February 23, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5420. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 596228

The following person(s) doing business as: Martins Communications, 361 Virginia Drive, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Joe Martins, 361 Virginia Drive, Livermore, CA 94587. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Joe Martins, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 10, 2023. Expires March 9, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5421. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
FILE NO. 595634

The following person(s) doing business as: Crew Studios, 6105 Honeysuckle Dr., Newark, CA 94560, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Crew Studio LLC, 6105 Honeysuckle Dr., Newark, CA 94560. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Connor Schetzel, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 16, 2023. Expires February 15, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5422. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

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The following person(s) doing business as: RB&R Investments, 554 Boulevard Way, Piedmont, CA 94610, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Robert L. Sommers, 554 Boulevard Way, Piedmont, CA 94610. This business is conducted by a General Partnership. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Robert L. Sommers, General Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on February 15, 2023. Expires February 16, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5423. Published March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

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# The Bankhead Theater to Feature Diverse Range of Artists Over Next Two Weeks

The Bankhead Theater in downtown Livermore will offer a broad range of concerts over the next two weeks, beginning tonight, Thursday, March 16, with singer-songwriter Ron Artis II.

Artis was the eldest of 11 children and grew up in Hawaii playing guitar and piano

Ron Artis II show begin at \$20.

The following evening, Friday, March 17, the Bankhead will host The Fabulous Thunderbirds, with co-founder Kim Wilson on vocals and harmonica.

Starting out as a Texas blues band in 1974, The Fabulous Thunderbirds opened

laboration between Mexican singer Sonia De Los Santos and the Americana bluegrass folk duo, The Okee Dokee Brothers. The bilingual program will include songs that span the musical traditions of North America designed to illustrate the collective power of singing together and learning from each other.

Justin Lansing and Joe Mailander, the Grammy-winning, plaid-shirted Okee Dokee Brothers, have celebrated the outdoors with such albums as “Can You Canoe?,” “Saddle Up,” and their latest release, “Songs for Singin’,” which invites listeners to join the chorus and sing along.

They will be joined on stage by De Los Santos, who has been touring the world with Grammy-award winning Dan Zanes and Friends.

In 2015, De Los Santos released her first solo album, “Mi Viaje: De Nuevo León to the New York Island,” a collection of songs reflecting her experiences growing up in Mexico, moving to another country, and learning about other cultures.

The album received the Parents Choice Foundation’s Gold Award. Her second album, “Alegria!,” released in 2019, was nominated for a Latin Grammy Award.

Tickets for the 7:30 p.m. performance begin at \$20.

Closing out the month, on Saturday, March 25, the Bankhead will present English musician and composer Peter White, known as one of the most versatile and prolific guitarists in contemporary jazz.

As a youth growing up outside London, White learned to play several instruments, including trombone, clarinet, piano, and guitar. In 1975, when he was 20, White was invited to join singer-songwriter Al Stewart as a keyboardist for a tour of England, Scotland, and the U.S.

That began a 20-year association that included working in the studio on Stewart’s signature hit, “Year of the Cat,” and co-writing several songs, including Stewart’s 1978 hit, “Time Passages.”

He also opened for such artists as Linda Ronstadt, Billy Joel, and Queen.

After fifteen years as a

backup musician and session player, White launched a solo recording career with the 1990 release of “Reveille-Vous,” French for “Wake Up,” a title chosen in honor of his French mother. The album became a favorite among contemporary jazz radio stations and White maintained an ambitious release schedule for the next 30 years, including “Groovin’,” released in 2019.

White was named Best Guitarist at the National Smooth Jazz Awards for four consecutive years, from 2000 to 2003, and in 2007, he won the Canadian Smooth Jazz Award for Best Musician.

Tickets for the 8 p.m. performance begin at \$20.

Tickets for all performances are available online at [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org) or by calling 925-373-6800.

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The Ronstadt Revue, featuring Gesenia Gerena, above, and Special Guest John Beland, will perform at The Bankhead Theater in Livermore on Wednesday, March 22.

(Photo courtesy of the Bankhead Theater)

in a family band headed by his father, Ron Artis. The senior Artis, an artist as well as a musician, died of a heart attack in 2010.

In 2014, Artis II started his own band, Ron Artis II & The Truth, with his brother Stevon on drums. The band focuses on playing original songs covering a range of genres from Delta blues and Gospel to reggae and soul.

The band’s debut full-length album, “Soul Street,” was released in 2018.

“To me, music is about giving,” Artis once said. “When I’m performing, I let go of everything. I look out into an audience and feel: ‘What do they need right now?’ We as artists have been given a gift, and gifts are meant to be shared.”

Tickets to the 7:30 p.m.

for the Rolling Stones, Eric Clapton, and Carlos Santana. In 1986 the band released its most commercially successful album, “Tuff Enough,” which topped out at No. 10 on the Billboard Hot 100.

“We started as a straight blues band,” Wilson said recently. “We now incorporate a mixture of a lot of different styles. We’re an American music band, and we’re much higher energy than we were before.”

In 2000, The Fabulous Thunderbirds became the first band ever to livestream a concert on the Internet using high-definition cameras.

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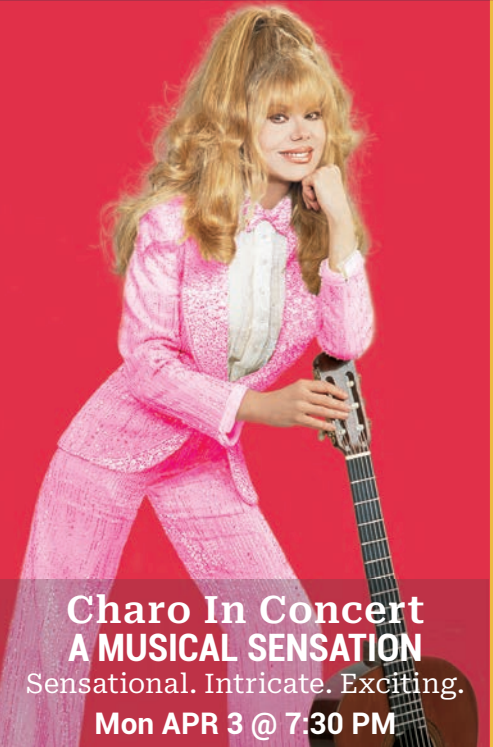
On Sunday, March 19, the Bankhead will present “Somos Amigos - Songs on Common Ground,” a collaboration between Mexican singer Sonia De Los Santos and the Americana bluegrass folk duo, The Okee Dokee Brothers.

Although Ronstadt has retired from performing, the Ronstadt Revue captures the breadth of her 40-year career with songs like “You’re No Good,” “Blue Bayou,” “When Will I Be Loved,” “Perfidia,” “Different Drum,” and “Heat Wave.” Ronstadt has sold more than 100 million albums that encompass the genres of country, rock n’ roll, Latin, Motown, and Broadway.

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