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

Congressman Swalwell Declares Candidacy For President in 2020

Congressman Eric Swalwell announced his candidacy Monday night on CBS' "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert." He is the 18th Democrat declaring a run for President in 2020.

The announcement kicks off a 10-day national sweep with events planned in Florida, Iowa, South Carolina, California, Nevada, and New Hampshire. Locally, a kickoff rally will be held April 14 at 2 p.m. at Dublin High School, 8151 Village Pkwy, Dublin.

Last Tuesday, Swalwell made his first stop in Florida, where he held a Town Hall to End Gun Violence with Parkland-area families. Gun violence has been one of his issues. He supports universal background checks for all gun and ammunition purchases. He states that this action would do more to take guns away from domestic abusers, and would remove weapons of war once and for all. He declares, "I'm the only candidate calling for a mandatory national ban and buyback of military-style semiautomatic assault weapons."

An Iowa native, Swalwell is serving his fourth term representing the 15th Congressional District, which incudes Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton.

"I've been in Congress for six years. I see an America in quicksand, making zero progress on anything that matters. I hear from school children who are learning in fear because too many lawmakers love their guns more than they love our kids," Swalwell said. "We can no longer count on the same old people to solve the same old problems. Nothing

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United States Representative Eric Swalwell greets attendees of Dublin's Saint Patrick's Day Parade. (Photo-Doug Jorgensen)

Isabel Neighborhood

Council Looks to Revive Plan

By Bruce Gach

At the April 8 Livermore City Council meeting, an update of the Isabel Neighborhood Plan and Valley Link was presented. At the conclusion of the discussion, council unanimously voted authorization for staff to update the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Isabel Neighborhood Specific Plan, and directed staff to return at a later date with the documents necessary to consider readopting the plan.

Public speakers weighed in for and against steps that would lead to approval of the Isabel Neighborhood Plan.

The plan was adopted by the council last May. Its implementation was contingent on the extension of full BART to Livermore. When BART failed to move forward with the extension, the council voted to retract the approval of the plan.

The projected cost of BART to

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Sbranti Named Trustee on College Board

The Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Board of Trustees has appointed Tim Sbranti as the new trustee from Area 5, which includes the cities of Dublin, Pleasanton and Sunol.

Sbranti of Dublin will replace Carlo Vecchiarelli, who retired in February. Sbranti will serve as an appointed member of the Board until the next regularly scheduled election for governing board members in November 2020.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the governance of Chabot College in Hayward and Las Positas College in Livermore.

Sbranti has devoted his life to public service both as an educator and elected official. He is an educator with the Dublin Unified School District, a statewide leader in education, and currently serves on the Board of the California Collaborative for Educational

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Dublin's Five-Year CIP to Include Dublin Blvd. Extension

At its April 2nd meeting, the Dublin City Council considered updates to its 2018-2023 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP), adopted in fiscal year 2018-2019. The five-year plan includes about $13.9 million in funding to be spent through 2020-2021 for the design and development of a 1.5-mile extension of Dublin Boulevard from Fallon Road in Dublin to North Canyon Parkway in Livermore.

The extension would provide regional transportation relief for gridlocked I-580 freeway commuters.

Councilmember Arun Goel emphasized that this investment constituted the type of seed funding that would be normal for attracting regional and federal matching funds. The total project cost of $97 million for the extension reflects Dublin's anticipated responsibility. It covers the cost of the extension within the Dublin city limits, as well as about half the cost of the road within unincorporated Alameda County between the cities of Dublin and Livermore.

Livermore would cover the remaining cost of developing the road estimated to be $147 million. Livermore would fund the project within its city boundaries, as well as the other half of the development cost within the unincorporated county area.

The County has not expressed interest in funding the extension.

To better compete for federal funds, Dublin city staff explained that the city would be seeking an EPA environmental clearance. Once a CEQA environmental document were approved, the project would move to the Alameda County Transportation Commission for final design, given the project's regional emphasis.

Plans for the extension include four to six travel lanes, bike lanes, a class one trail, sidewalk, traffic

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SB 50 Draws Opposition And Support

SB 50, a controversial housing measure, cleared the State Senate Housing Committee on April 2. Tri-Valley cities have all voiced opposition to what they see as an attempt to erode local control over development.

San Francisco has made a move to register its opposition to the bill. The San Francisco Government Audit and Oversight Committee voted 2-1 to send a resolution opposing SB50 to the full San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

The bill, introduced by Senator Scott Wiener from San Francisco, aims to prevent local zoning laws from blocking housing construction near public transit and job centers. The legislation would keep cities from restricting density within a half-mile of a rail station and a quarter-mile of a

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Sandia Citizen Schools Encourage Interest in Science

By Carol Graham

Adriana Del Cid was thrilled to hear the children participating in Sandia National Laboratories' first-ever Citizen Schools event talking about sharing their new knowledge with siblings and friends.

"It was super exciting to hear students express their intentions of sharing their experiences. I heard one student looking forward to showing her younger brother how to make a paper airplane using the airplane demo sheet," said Del Sid, community relations intern at Sandia and event co-organizer. "Hearing this highlights the importance of having outreach events and field trips for students because it not only impacts the students attending, but also has the power to reach others in their lives to spark their curiosity in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics)."

The Citizen Schools event took place at Sandia National Laboratories in Livermore on the afternoon of April 4. Around 35 students from Oakland and San Jose participated.

"The purpose was for Sandia to host a STEM career exploration event to expose the students from underserved communities in the Bay Area to real-life STEM careers at a national laboratory," said Sandia Communications Specialist Michael Padilla. "The atmosphere was energetic as students were eager to learn what Sandians do on a regular basis, and excited to start the activities at the event."

Two lab tours took place in the Combustion Research Facility: the Heavy Duty Diesel Engine Lab Tour, led by Mark Musculus; and the Ultrafast Laser Diagnostics Lab Tour, led by Chris Kliewer.

Two hands-on STEM demonstrations were: a 3D Printing

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Certification of Stroke Care Center Sought

Stanford Health Care – ValleyCare submitted its application for certification of its stroke care center to the Joint Commission, the certifying entity.

Shaké Sulikyan, Executive Director, ValleyCare Charitable Foundation, stated, "We are waiting for information on a certification visit." She expects the visit to happen within the next two months.

The certification recognizes programs that make exceptional efforts to foster better outcomes for stroke patients. When the certification is complete, ambulances will be able to drive patients to ValleyCare instead of Eden Hospital in Castro Valley or John Muir in Walnut Creek.

Donations from the community have provided funding for new, cutting-edge equipment; training for front-line clinical staff members and Hospital employees; the addition of key roles to the Stanford Health Care – ValleyCare team; the implementation of new care and transfer protocols; and the launch of TeleNeurology and stroke-response procedures. Since its launch on December 17, TeleNeurology treatment has been provided for 40 patients who either walked into the Emergency Department or were inpatients.

Sulikyan says that donations have financed inpatient and acute care. However, more are still needed to fill the gap in rehabilita-

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The Foothill Falcons Varsity Softball team took first place in the Livermore High Softball 25th Annual Tournament the "Stampede," beating Sheldon High in a championship game 1 to 0. The event was dedicated to the memory of one of the co-founders, Marilyn Foscalina. She and her husband former LHS softball coach Charlie started the 3-day tournament as a way to raise funds for team equipment and supplies. (Photo-Doug Jorgensen)

PET OF THE WEEK

BLACK BART

Black Bart will only try to rob you of your love! He has so much love to give that his heart is enlarged and requires daily medication. Black Bart is affectionate and easy-going; he was fostered with a young child and seems to get along with just about anybody – especially someone who wants to give him a forever home! Black Bart will likely be on medication for life, but can still have a good quality of life. He should have a low-stress, low-activity lifestyle to ensure his heart doesn't have to work too hard. Meet Black Bart at Valley Humane Society, 3670 Nevada Street in Pleasanton. Open Tuesday through Saturday from 10am – 4pm. Visit valleyhumane.org or call (925) 426-8656 for more information.

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Maisie Rozelle meets a new acquaintance at Alden Lane Nursery in Livermore. (Photo-Doug Jorgensen)

Livermore Police Ask Drivers To Silence the Distraction

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month and the Livermore Police Department will be joining law enforcement agencies statewide stopping drivers who violate California's hands-free cell phone law.

During the month of April, the Livermore Police Department will have additional officers on patrol looking specifically for drivers on their phones.

Last year, LPD officers issued 646 citations to drivers texting, calling or performing another function on their phone. Distracted driving is dangerous, especially when it involves a cell phone. According to preliminary data from the California Highway Patrol (CHP), 66 people were killed and more than 6,500 injured in 2017 from distracted driving-related crashes.

"That text or phone call will never be worth losing a life over," said Livermore Police Department Sgt. Glen Robbins. "That is why curbing distracted driving is high on our priority list."

Under the most recent cell phone law that went into effect in 2017, drivers are prohibited from having a phone in their hand for any reason and can only use their phone in a hands-free manner. The phones must be mounted on the dashboard, windshield or center console, and can only be touched once with the swipe or tap of a finger to activate or deactivate a function. Drivers under the age of 18 are prohibited from any cell phone use while operating a vehicle. First-time offenders face a $162 fine.

If you need to make a call or text someone, pull over and park at a safe location. Consider putting your phone in a place you can't reach, like the backseat or trunk. If your phone has a Do Not Disturb mode, consider programming it to automatically enable the function when the vehicle is in motion.

Funding for distracted driving enforcement operations are provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

EXTENSION

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signals, landscaped raised median islands, bus stops, and city street utilities. The design and development phase funding outlined in the five-year CIP covers the cost of conducting the environmental review, preliminary engineering, design, and construction.

Funding for the project would come from Traffic Impact Fees, Measure BB Grants, and State Senate Bill 1 funds. Dublin would be spending approximately $82.5 million on its portion of the project after the five-year CIP window.

Precise roadway alignment would be completed in the Summer of 2019. The final cost allocation for each city would be considered by the councils once the alignment is set. The costs covered by each governing body will be defined by a Cooperative Agreement.

Cultural Arts Center Part of General Improvements

The updated CIP identifies $163 million in project costs over its five-year period. 45% of the projects are street improvements, 33% for parks, and 22% for general improvements. Included is $5.2 million of HVAC and roof replacement for the City Hall and Police Services Building, and $2.5 million replacement of the city's enterprise resource planning financial system. The library tenant improvement project would complete 5,150 square-feet of currently unoccupied space within the library building at a cost of $1.7 million. Site improvements to Dublin's Public Safety complex, including the demolition of two buildings, reconstruction of one building, and renovation of another building, would cost $2 million.

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Excellence (CCEE). As Mayor for the City of Dublin (2008-2014), he helped guide the City through some of its most transformative years. He served as the District Director/Deputy Chief of Staff for Congressman Eric Swalwell, and continues his local civic engagement as a board member on various non-profit organizations, including co-chair for the Education and Workforce Development Committee for Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group.

Tim Sbranti, former Mayor of Dublin, will serve as an appointed member of the CLPCCD Board of Trustees until November, 2020.

"We had six excellent candidates who are devoted to their community and we thank them for their interest in serving the District," said Edralin "Ed" Maduli, president of the Board of Trustees. "We are pleased with the selection of Mr. Sbranti. As a lifelong public servant, he has extensive experience in education, government at the local, state and federal level, knowledge of our community, and he will be a great addition to our Board and the District."

Sbranti will fulfill the responsibilities of a Trustee, including attending all board meetings and some college events, studying agendas and issues and participating fully in the governance of the District.

He was appointed following a process that included a review of applications and interviews with the current Board. Sbranti will be sworn in and begin service at the regularly scheduled board meeting, at Las Positas College, on April 16, 2019.

SWALWELL

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will change until we have a leader who is willing to go big on the issues, be bold with solutions, and do good in governing."

He told Colbert, "I'm ready to solve problems. I've done a lot. I can do more."

In a press release, he commented, "So we will go big, be bold, do good, to bring the promise of America to all Americans. The promise is a simple one: if you work hard, your blood, sweat, and tears should add up to you doing better for yourself and dreaming bigger for your kids. That's why I'm running for President."

He talked with George Stephanopoulos on Good Morning America, noting that he understands what families are going through. He grew up in a family living paycheck to paycheck. He still owes just under $100,000 in student loans.

Swalwell, 38, is co-chair of the House Democratic Steering and Policy Committee; founder and chairman emeritus of Future Forum, House Democrats' millennial engagement group; chairman of the Intelligence Modernization and Readiness Subcommittee of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence; and a member of the House Judiciary Committee.

He told George Stephanopoulos that as a member of the intelligence committee, he is knowledgeable about threats from inside and outside of the country.

He's the eldest of four sons of a retired police officer and a senior administrative assistant, the first in his family to go to college, and a former prosecutor and city councilman. He and his wife, Brittany, have a son, Nelson, and a daughter, Cricket.

Prior to election to Congress, he served as Mayor of Dublin. He defeated longtime Congressman Pete Stark to gain his seat in the House.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Recently, Swalwell led 140 of his House colleagues in opposing President Trump's proposal to cut America's investment in energy efficiency and renewable energy.

"Climate change is an urgent crisis threatening our environment, economy, and future," said Swalwell. "With bold investment in renewable and energy efficient technologies, America can lead the way in securing a greener, cleaner, and more prosperous future. But squandering taxpayer dollars on a manufactured crisis at the border, as the President's budget proposal would do, simply shortchanges our future."

The Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy's (EERE) research, development, and deployment programs focus on renewable electricity generation and sustainable transportation, as well as energy-saving homes, buildings, and manufacturing.

President Trump has proposed cutting EERE's funding from $2.379 billion in fiscal year (FY) 2019 to $696 million in FY 2020 – a 70 percent reduction.

For more information about Eric Swalwell's background and platform go to EricSwalwell.com.

This day is to honor the 50th anniversary of the Apollo Moon landing. NASA Ames will lead hands-on interactive science experiments for all to enjoy. Those who attend will learn about exciting developments in arts and technology and how STEAM plays an increasing role in diverse fields such as agriculture and virtual reality.

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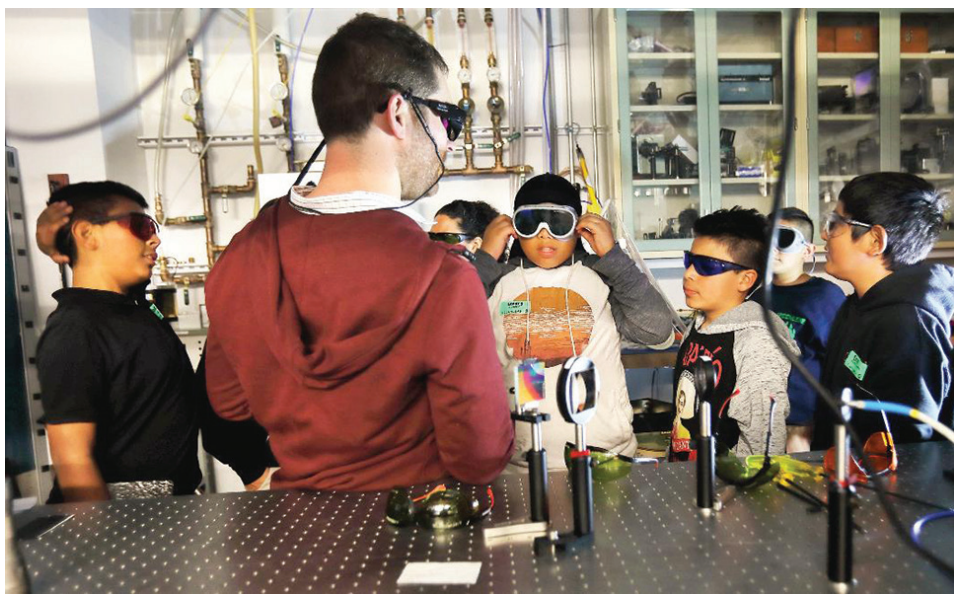

Middle-school students participated in hands-on demonstrations and took tours at Sandia National Laboratories' first-ever Citizen Schools event on April 4. (Photo - Dino Vournas)

Activity, led by Holly Gothard; and a Paper Airplane Design Demo, led by Raheel Mahmood.

"The most common question asked by students was, 'What's the biggest or coolest thing you've done at your job?'" Del Cid said. "The answers from each volunteer varied, but followed a common theme of appreciating the versatility of their jobs and the positive impact each project they work on has on the security and quality of life for individuals."

In addition, the event included a $15,000 check presentation from Sandia Lab Director Dori Elis to Citizen Schools Executive Director Maria Drake. Citizen Schools was a recipient of Sandia's 2019 educational success grant.

Citizen Schools is a national organization that partners with public middle schools in low-income communities to provide an expanded learning day rich with opportunities. Its mission is to reduce the opportunity gap in education; lower-income students miss out on the almost $8,000 students in upper-income families benefit from annually, including things like robotics camp, music lessons and academic tutoring. This year, Citizen Schools will serve more than 100,000 students in 28 communities nationwide to promote equal opportunity for all.

"Sandia also sponsors Family Science Nights, in conjunction with the Livermore Valley Education Foundation, each Wednesday throughout the school year at elementary schools around the greater Tri-Valley area," Padilla said. "Sandia sponsors Family STEAM (STEM plus Arts) nights as well, managed through Scientific Adventures for Girls in Oakland and Emeryville. Additionally, Sandia participates in Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory's STEM days, and various STEM fairs and events around the East Bay."

The Citizen Schools event at Sandia was organized by Community Relation Officer Kayla Norris, with a team of Sandian engineers who volunteered to participate in the activities.

"I am hopeful that students take away feelings of worth and a sense of empowerment and of being fully capable of obtaining an education in any field they dream of," said Del Cid. "As a student myself, I can testify that events like this truly make a difference in motivating students to feel capable of taking on challenging fields of study that may otherwise feel impossible without the proper motivation and personal examples in their everyday lives."

To learn more, visit www.sandia.gov, and www.citizenschools.org.

County's Stone Soup Food Drive Helps to Eliminate Hunger

Stone Soup is Alameda County's annual competition in which County departments strive to best each other in raising food donations for the Alameda County Community Food Bank, and in building inspired displays to capture public attention about hunger in the community.

At 11 a.m. Tuesday, the County Board of Supervisors judged the entries of 16 employee teams that constructed creative public displays focused on the themes of hunger and helping others with boxes, cans and sacks of non-perishable food items donated by County workers.

The Stone Soup effort is central to Alameda County's quest to eliminate poverty and hunger, one of six primary goals of the long-term Strategic Vision known as Alameda County Vision 2026.

County employees donated more than eight tons of food and more than $13,000 cash to the Food Bank in this year's Stone Soup Food Drive. That cash figure equates to nearly $100,000 worth of food for residents struggling with food insecurity, because the food bank can convert every $1 donated into $7 worth of nutritious food items.

This was Alameda County's 6th annual Stone Soup Food Drive, but 2019 marks the first time the effort has taken place outside the end-of-the-year holiday season. The timing was changed because the Food Bank typically finds it difficult to provide food for hungry residents during the first months of the year, after receiving an annual surge of donations during the holidays.

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EDITORIAL

85 Years of Parks And Open Space

The East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) is celebrating its 85th anniversary.

Special events and programs are planned to mark the milestone, including Free Park Fridays and a free multicultural festival.

EBRPD is the largest park district in the nation with 25 million visits annually to its 73 regional parks. Over 122,000 acres have been preserved for natural habitat and outdoor recreation in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. The parks provide public access to regional parks, shorelines, trails for hiking and biking, swimming, horseback riding, boating, fishing, picnicking, camping and nature discovery.

The Trust for Public Land has conducted studies that found open space and parks not only provide health benefits, but also economic benefits.

Happy Birthday EBRPD, and thanks for adding value to our lives.

Correction

In the April 4th "Valley Methodists Reaffirm Gay Religious Inclusion" article, the incorrect date was listed for an upcoming presentation by Alyssa Swanson, a transgender woman studying to be a deacon in the United Methodist Church. The event will be on Sunday, April 28, at Lynnewood United Methodist Church in Pleasanton.

SB 50

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high-frequency bus stop. It also raises height limits to roughly four stories within a half-mile of fixed-rail stops and about five stories within a quarter-mile of them.

Pleasanton has been particularly vocal in opposing SB 50. With two BART stations, an ACE commuter train station and Wheels Rapid bus service in their city, the measure is seen as a direct threat to local land-use control.

They believe that the ACE station, located in the downtown, would impact the character of the area if SB 50 rules were imposed.

Other opposition comes from Housing Is A Human Right. In a press release, the organization states that it continues to strongly oppose the legislation. "Wiener, who is heavily funded by the real estate industry, still offers an insufficient effort to build more truly affordable housing; he's added another layer of gentrification-inducing transit-oriented development; and he's still vague about the bill's largely undefined 'jobs-rich' areas.

"Senator Wiener's amendments to SB 50 actually expand the bill's overreach across the state, even as more people start to understand its dangerous impacts," states Rene Moya, Director of Housing Is A Human Right. "The affordable housing requirements are woefully inadequate, as are the tenant protections."

Supporting the legislation is a statewide coalition of business, housing, labor and social justice organizations from across California that applauded the passage of SB 50 and four other pieces of housing legislation from various Senate committees this week. Each are planks in the 2019 California Housing Plan for Production, Preservation, and Protection (Three P)--a series of policy reforms that supporters believe will allow the state to build more housing at all income levels, while protecting tenants and low-income communities from unjust evictions and displacement.

Non-Profit Housing Association of Northern California (NPH), Silicon Valley at Home (SV@Home), the San Francisco Foundation, and TMG Partners are among the organizations from across California that have united to support the entire Three P agenda to squarely tackle the state's housing emergency.

"The 'Three P's' approach means working together to deliver more housing, while guarding against destruction of existing affordable homes and preventing more vulnerable people and families from falling into homelessness," said Michael Covarrubias, CEO, TMG Partners. "What's unique about the Three P approach is commitment of a broad set of leaders to support the entire package of solutions -- even when it means working across silos and traditional alliances - because the drivers of the housing crisis must be tackled simultaneously."

A press releasee relates that the three-pronged agenda grew out of a set of policy recommendations developed by "CASA," a panel of major employers, for-profit and nonprofit housing developers, labor and environmental leaders, public policy and affordable housing advocates, transportation experts, charitable foundations and elected officials. The 18-month long process that produced the CASA Compact was convened by Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Association of Bay Area Governments, bringing together Bay Area leaders to tackle the regional crisis head on.

One of Pleasanton's top priorities is to monitor and coordinate the city's response to various CASA proposals through the State Legislative cycle,

Area cities signed onto the Tri-Valley Cities Housing and Policy Framework, a collaborative effort by the cities of Pleasanton, Dublin, Livermore, San Ramon, and the Town of Danville to speak as one when it comes to state housing legislation. The Tri-Valley group is taking its first steps in a collective effort to work together on housing solutions for the Tri-Valley region, while still recognizing each community's individual perspective on how to best meet the needs of its local residents and business communities.

MAILBOX

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David LaPoint

Tom O'Neill, Livermore

A few weeks ago, I wrote a letter to the editor in which I wrote the following words about David LaPoint:

"LaPoint is a contrarian on global warming. He has an entirely original theory of what's going on in the sun. I am not competent to judge it. What interests me is that LaPoint identifies himself as a physicist. Contrarians are frequently people who are quite intelligent but who have never engaged in climatology. Frequently they posit a conspiracy among the world's climatologists. What strikes me is that they are very obscure as to what motivates this conspiracy. Where they see a conspiracy, I see the formation of a scientific consensus."

So what do we have here? I cite LaPoint as pretty much a loner. This does not seem a compliment. I say I cannot judge his work. This seems to disqualify me as a disciple. I note he self-identifies as a physicist; yet I've already noted that as a contrarian he makes judgments on climatologists. Am I not suggesting he has stepped outside the area of his expertise? I go on to suggest he seems among those who suspect climatologists of engaging in a conspiracy even though I find these contrarians "very obscure" regarding what motivates the alleged conspiracy. "Very obscure" is not usually a phrase one uses to promote another. The contrast between seeing "conspiracy" and seeing "scientific consensus" was offered by me to clinch the comparison I was making.

I was astounded therefore the next week to find a letter implying I am a disciple of LaPoint supposedly proven by the fact I was willing to compare him to the scientific community. In order to draw a contrast between the two, I was in fact comparing them. It's impossible to draw a contrast outside the framework of a comparison. I cannot contrast the music of Beethoven with the music of Wagner without comparing the two. I would have thought my critic would know that. Here though are words the critic wrote:

"Mr. O'Neill is going to compare my description of peer-reviewed science to the 'research' of David LaPoint? Two questions arise here: 1) Who is David LaPoint?; and 2) what peer-reviewed article(s) has David LaPoint published in reputable, peer-reviewed scientific journals? Perhaps Mr. O'Neill can inform me of this to bring logical premises(s) for his assertion."

Even as he condemns any comparison, here my critic himself pretty well repeats my original comparison. More inappropriately, he assumes I have taken on a burden with regard to LaPoint that I have never taken on. I am not LaPoint's disciple nor advocate; nor have I in any way claimed for LaPoint an equivalence to the scientific community of climatologists. My critic makes here a blunder of some importance for if he repeats this kind of thing frequently, he's likely to have trouble recruiting people to his scientific convictions. I think this would be sad, for as far as I can see, his scientific convictions are wholesome and urgently important.

Stop AB857

Rich Buckley,Livermore

Protect our northern state water sovereignty. LA is coming at us through the back door of a statewide publicly-owned bank. Contact your assembly person and stop AB857.

While I favor the formation of the right-sized Publicly Owned Bank, a statewide publicly-owned bank is the wrong size. One should hold a sense of shared interests with your neighbor when forming a publicly-owned bank.

Northern California interests do not empathize with Southern California growth needs at the level of degrading our own water quality. Our Delta health is more important than the LA Chamber of Commerce. LA is more apt to dominate any publicly-owned bank just as Germany and Deutsche Bank dominates the EU.

Find your Assembly Person State Representative here: findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov.

Please tell them No to AB857.

Valley Methodists Reaffirm Gay Religious Inclusion

Dave Gubera, Livermore

Ron McNicoll's article on April 4th in The Independent would have the reader believe that ANY church that does not promote the agenda of the LGBTQ community is "non-inclusive."

It is a true blessing for any person who feels the Holy Spirit pulling them towards Christ. The almost half page article on the front page of your April 4th edition included a big photo of the inside of the Methodist church. There is a cross inside the church. The Holy Spirit does not pull you to a cross but rather what the Christ represents.

Homosexuality or anything else that is not from God cannot stand according to God's word. What is God's word? God's word has been spoken, written and lived through Adam and Eve the prophets God's chosen people [the Jews] the apostles and even God's son, Jesus. Through the "Holy Spirit," Christians believe God's word can, and does, still manifest through believers daily. I challenge you to read the bible with an open heart and look for God.

God found me and saved me, but I have to accept change, his way. God is not our secretary. God changes us through the Holy Spirit daily through faith in him.

McNicoll's article would have the reader assume we can change what Moses, Jacob, Paul, all the prophets, Apostles, angels, and Jesus have been teaching us for millennia. Is it that we start forgetting 2019 years later?

Surely there are many different kinds of churches and beliefs and non-beliefs. My hope is that we can clarify what Christianity is and isn't. In this Easter season [the "Super Bowl of Christianity"], please go to a bible-based church if you call yourself a Christian. http://www.cuttingedge.org/ce1027.html

Pleasanton Downtown

Paul Ebright, Pleasanton

I've read Jeb Bing's March 22 editorial "Downtown Planning: Are developers now making the decisions?" Mr. Bing may be onto something.

The people elect five councilmembers to manage the city's services and development. During their electioneering, most, if not all, vowed to maintain the charm of downtown. I trust that they will adhere to their pledge. Pleasanton is a destination for folks all around the Bay. They come for shopping, the restaurants and the charm. Why would the council allow this charm to disappear? Ground-level residential units on Main Street? Four story apartment buildings? How about more traffic and less parking? When this gets to the planning commission, I would urge them to stop this foolishness right now and the same goes for the council. We must not allow developers to run the city.

As to the idea of spending $200 million to move city offices, the library, etc. wait a minute. There is a much more pressing need downtown. Regarding parking, why not build an underground multi-level garage? It could be put under Delucchi Park, or across the street under Lions Wayside Park. I can't imagine it would cost $200 million.

Yes, Ms. Allen, it is time for the public to become involved. The city can advertise their upcoming meetings, and should.

Citizens, if you like downtown as it is now, go to the meetings and voice your opinions. Send a note to Mayor Thorne or your favorite councilmember at 125 Main Street.

Livermore Sister City Group

William H. Shears, Livermore

What's going on with our sister city group?? I have lived in Livermore over 60 years. I was part of the Livermore Yotsukaido Sister City Organization at the conception in 1977. While I could never make the trip to Japan, I have hosted several delegates from Japan in my home during the early years. When my oldest granddaughter got selected to go to Japan in 2006 I was thrilled. I was very active in the preparation and thought the program was well run. Then in 2010 my second granddaughter got selected to go and once again I was excited for her. At that point a new person was running the program and I could not believe he could make it better, but he did. Organized, open and honest, and his passion for the program showed, and my granddaughter had a fantastic experience. She even got to host some Japanese students when they came the following spring. Last year my youngest granddaughter applied and was not accepted. When I attempted to inquire why a straight "A" student with a tremendous amount of community service was not selected I could not get an answer. I even went to the Mayor and was told that the city has no oversite of this group that represents Livermore. With hindsight being 20/20, I guess her not getting selected was a good thing.

From what I have been told, the program is now once again under new leadership. The new leadership has taken a more casual view to how the program should be run. The one thing that made me and my daughter feel safe about sending our student with this group was we never felt the students were not prepared or safe. This is not the case now. Many parents of my granddaughter's friends who went on the trip have told me stories about the complete lack of preparation and concern for safety. Since I have yet to get a response from the organization about these concerns, I feel I should not list them here.

My suggestion is if you are considering sending your student with this group you should speak to whoever is in charge of the organization and make sure they make you feel comfortable about them taking your student on this trip.

The Livermore Yotsukaido Sister City Student Ambassador Program is a wonderful program. I would sure hate to see anything jeopardize it because the people running it are not prepared to run it or are not understanding the seriousness of preparing these students and are not qualified to take young students out of the country.

The Homeless Games, Part XII – The Pathway

Greg Scott, Livermore

"We're doing the best we can do." This is Councilwoman Munro's comment in the last City Council meeting on the actions of the City of Livermore toward homelessness. Are we really this callous toward the plights of the homeless? Overall the best we can do is play games in regard to the homeless? Too many are suffering and there is too little progress on homelessness to make such a statement.

We hear also from the City Council that there are not enough resources to deal with homelessness. $17 million for the pork-barrel boondoggle Vineyard 2.0 and we do not have substantial resources? Over $250,000 in grant money for homelessness in the over $1.1 million in grants administered by City of Livermore for $100,000 and overseen by the 'paddycake' Human Services Commission, and there are not substantial resources?

There are always justifications and excuses to be made for The Homeless Games. By survey, the community is satisfied with what the City of Livermore is doing toward homelessness and the housing crisis? Are we really this oblivious? Homelessness and the housing crisis rips the social fabric of our community like a seam ripper and this is the best we can do?

We are on the pathway of actually doing something about the overall scale of the homeless problem when we realize what is key is reciprocity. We get reciprocity through a sense of belonging which involves obligations. Obligations come by purposeful living. Why do we not work toward this instead of a pathway toward banishment, exile, harassment, revolving arrests, disenfranchisement and other games toward the homeless?

Livermore continues to forsake its non-viticulture food-producing heritage. What a mistake. A model to emulate here could be one like The Homeless Garden Project in Santa Cruz, California. This is a great pathway to reciprocity. If we are keen on innovation, can we not have innovation in local food production and innovation toward solutions to homelessness such as a 'commons' on public land for a place for homeless to be? Without a commons, where do we expect the homeless to go?

We are not facing what homelessness is doing to us as individuals and to our community. It is another avoidance like what can happen to housing by amplification of weather-events by human-induced climate disruption. There are 243 homeless in Livermore and growing by the 2018 Point-In-Time Count. Presently 369 billion tons and accelerating of non-Greenland and non-Antarctic glaciers are melting globally each year. Do we think the housing/jobs balance in Livermore is acceptable when so many are commuting from so far away to work in Livermore? Each commuter in California is putting on average over 14 tons of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere per year. Maybe we can just avoid these problems and they will just go away. We continue playing tangential games of apathy, distraction and delusion, which are not adding to the strength, preparedness and resilience of our community.

(Credit to British economist Paul Collier's book: "The Future of Capitalism: Facing the New Anxieties," 2018, for some of the ideas here. Paul Collier is a centrist and a pragmatist, just in case ideologues out there were wondering.)

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Pleasanton Students Help Enact a New District-Wide Recycling Program

A student conducting a waste audit at Amador Valley High School (Photo – PUSD)

Students of all ages helped conduct audits of a full day's lunch waste at all 15 Pleasanton Unified School District (PUSD) schools, including the central office, during the first quarter of 2019. With training and guidance from the Go Green Initiative, a Pleasanton-based 501(c)3, PUSD students, teachers, principals, custodians and parent volunteers worked together to sort nearly 2,000 pounds of lunch waste into piles of trash, recycling and compost.

Each pile was bagged and weighed, and the volume in gallons was calculated. Each school used this data to determine how many blue recycling cans and green compost cans their school lunch area needed to hold the daily material. The schools purchased the bins with a grant from the Altamont Education Advisory Board. By Earth Day, April 22, all PUSD school lunch areas will be in compliance with PUSD's Integrated Waste Management Policy, adopted by the Board of Trustees in February 2018.

"For many years it has been a PUSD goal to educate global citizens. To commit fully to this we must work together to address one of the most glaring global issues – dealing with waste," said Superintendent David Haglund, Ed.D. "This project has garnered support from every stakeholder group in the district. We are incredibly proud of all the students who used their voice to advocate and help implement our Integrated Waste Management policy, and grateful for our District and school staff for their support in working with our students to make these collaborative efforts a reality."

This project was part of a District-wide environmental initiative inspired by a group of Amador Valley High School students.

"The high school students who helped advocate for and enact this policy deserve a lot of respect," says Jill Buck, founder & CEO, Go Green Initiative. "It took almost three years to bring this policy to fruition, and they were relentless in seeing this through."

Last year, Amador student members of the Local Leaders of the 21st Century Club advocated for the creation and implementation of an Integrated Waste Management Policy to assist the District in complying with new regulations and reducing the amount of waste produced in its schools. These students attended Board meetings to speak during public comment and collaborated with District staff to plan and implement the policy.

Of all the things I was involved with in high school, this project had the biggest impact on my life," says Varsha Madapoosi, President, Amador Local Leaders of the 21st Century Club. "I now understand what it takes to create good public policy and I hope to continue to pursue sustainability efforts in my future."

To see a video Amador students made about their waste audit, go to bit.ly/2P2pJH4.

District Office Open House

An open house will be held at Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan's District Office in San Ramon on Thursday, April 25, from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Connect with Bauer-Kahan and her staff about your thoughts and concerns for the community and receive help navigating State services. The district office is located at 2440 Camino Ramon, Suite 345, San Ramon, CA 94583.2

Early Voting for DUSD Special Vote-By-Mail Election Available

While no polling places will be utilized, early voting for the May 7 Dublin Unified School District Special Vote-By-Mail Election has been available at the Alameda County Registrar of Voters' Office since Monday, April 8. Office hours are 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. The Registrar of Voters' Office is located at 1225 Fallon Street, Room G-1, Oakland, CA 94612.

You can also vote early or drop off your ballot at the Accessible Voting Location for this election at The Wave – Community Room 4201 Central Parkway, Dublin, on Saturday, May 4th and Sunday, May 5th from 9:00a.m. – 3:00p.m., Monday, May 6th from 8:30a.m. – 5:00p.m., and on Election Day, May 7th, from 7:00a.m. – 8:00p.m.

The Vote-By-Mail period for this election is from Monday, April 8 through Tuesday, April 30.

Voters may request a Vote-By-Mail ballot at any time through Tuesday, April 30 for the May 7 Dublin Unified School District Special Vote by Mail Election, by one of the following ways: completing the application on the back of their Voter Information Pamphlet, sending an email, sending a written request via fax to (510) 272-6982 or (510) 338-4675, by mail to the Registrar of Voters' Office, or by calling the Registrar of Voters at (510) 272-6973 to request a ballot be mailed to you. Voters may also complete the online Vote-By-Mail application at www.acvote.org/voting/ways-of-voting. All Vote-By-Mail ballot requests must be received no later than Tuesday, April 30, by 5:00 P.M.

Only the registered voter himself or herself may apply for a Vote-By-Mail ballot. An application for a Vote-By-Mail ballot that is made by any person other than the registered voter is a criminal offense.

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WATCH OUT FOR FAKE OPEN SPACE

The Livermore Council's Downtown Plan portrays sidewalks and landscaping as public "open space." It even includes the site for the Black Box Theater.

Don't be fooled!

■ **30% of the City Council's public "open space" is fake.** The Council says that there are 3.54 acres of open space in their Downtown Plan. But a close analysis shows that the number actually set aside for public parkland is only 2.47 acres!

■ **The City is misleading citizens.** It seems to be using a legalistic term for "open space", that is, just space that is not taken up with buildings.[1] This is quite different from a publicly accessible park. When the City uses open space in its newsletter, citizens assume that the City is using the common meaning of "open space" – land available as public parkland.

■ **The City Council counts sidewalks in their "open space" total.** These include the sidewalks running from the new east/west street called Veteran's Way in between buildings to First Street.[2]

■ **Landscaping for residential apartments is also added into the Council's "open space" numbers.** One of the chief flaws of the Council's Downtown Plan is that a 130-unit apartment complex dominates the center of the site. The City is saying that landscaping for these private apartments should count as public open space for the rest of us.[3]

■ **Most surprising, the Council includes the proposed Black Box Theater site in its "open space" figure.** The Council has entered into an Exclusive Negotiating Rights Agreement with Shakespeare Associates for the development of a Black Box Theater on the very site that the Council is also checking off as "open space."[4] They can't have it both ways!

THERE IS TIME FOR A BETTER PLAN

The Community Group is committed to a plan with real open space and the grand Central Park that Livermore deserves. Let us know your ideas at VibrantLivermore.com!

1. City definition of Open Space: Any parcel or area of land or water that is essentially unimproved. Open space may be privately or publicly owned, and may be used for recreation or may be restricted from public use. http://www.cityoflivermore.net/civicax/filebank/documents/6104; 2. In its February 1, 2018 newsletter, the City shows sidewalks from Veteran's Way to First Street as part of its "open space" calculation; 3. In its February 1, 2018 newsletter, the City shows residential landscaping as part of its "open space" calculation; 4. In its February 1, 2018 newsletter, the City states that the Black Box Theater site is counted in its "open space" number.

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SPORTS NOTES

Livermore's Alyssa Queen slides into second. Livermore beat Freedom 8 to 0. (Photo-Doug Jorgensen)

The Falcon's Hope Alley steals second in the LHS Spring Stampede championship game against Sheldon High, with Falcons winning 1 to 0. (Photo-Doug Jorgensen)

Livermore Cowboys and the Foothill Falcons met in the semi-final game Saturday April 6; Foothill won 4 to 0. Foothill coach Matt Sweeney celebrates a Falcon home run. (Photo-Doug Jorgensen)

Dublin Gaels Mary Clingerman fields a Castro Valley fly ball. Castro Valley won 9 to 8. See more photos online at www.independentnews.com. (Photo-Doug Jorgensen)

West Coast Forward Jessie Sotelo streaked up the field to provide offensive firepower for U16 Karma.

West Coast Kurse 01G played some tough defense while scoring eight goals.

Livermore West Coast U10 Earthquakes took on Piedmont SC Highlanders on Saturday, March 30th. With great foot work of both offense and defense and the reliable hands of goalies, West Coast was able to jump out early and take the win 8-4! From left to right: Carter West, Brian Oliveira, Zach Dimas, Brody Thompson, Jude Malson, Conner Shenave, Daen Hansen, Finn Morrison, Julian McCall and coach Rob Hansen.

Tri-Valley Pure High School Ice Hockey To Open 2019 Season

Tri-Valley Pure High School hockey teams opened the 2019 season on Monday, April 8. The season will be a ten game tournament style to prepare in advance of the Championship in May. The league is comprised of 9 teams that include: Amador Valley Dons, Danville Wolves, De La Salle Spartans, Dublin Gaels, Foothill Falcons, Granada Matadors, Livermore-Dougherty Valley Cowboys, Monte Vista Mustangs, and San Ramon Grizzlies.

Tri-Valley Minor Hockey Association hosted their Pure High School Hockey League season kick-off meeting at the end of February at the San Ramon Community Center in San Ramon, CA. Players, coaches, team managers and parents from all nine teams attended the meeting. Discussion included changes in supplementary discipline, code of conduct policy for players, coaches and parents, introduction of Chris Brown as the new league Commissioner, and how the game will be called by the referees in the Pure High School Hockey League this season. The Club invited a special guest–Bret Hedican, a former NHL player, Stanley Cup Champion, US Olympian, and San Jose Sharks Broadcaster. Hedican gave a motivational presentation by incorporating his life story making it to the NHL and playing on the US Olympic hockey team. After his speech, Hedican was presented with the Tri-Valley club jersey. He also stayed after the meeting to sign autographs and take pictures with the Tri-Valley high school hockey players and families.

All high school teams competing in the league hit the ice last month to open the preseason with exhibition games. Last year's champions, the Amador Dons, played two exhibition games and came out undefeated. They beat Granada Matadors 7-2 with two goals each from Justin Fulmer, Joey Demeo and Gabe Zirogiannis and an additional goal by Monte Sage. Granada's Ryan MacIntire had two goals and Anilyssa Quindipan and Carson Mcdowell each one. The second game marked the first time the Amador Dons and De La Salle Spartans faced off since the playoff championship game last May, where Amador won the 2018 championship title. De La Salle fell to Amador 5-2. Amador's Michael Cassetti had a hat trick with three goals and Rae Kerton scored her first goal of the season, along with Pranav Chandra. Goals from De La Salle came from Michael Takahashi and Jack Jupina.

The first regular game of the season, Livermore Dougherty Valley vs. De La Salle Spartans, is Monday, April 8th at 7pm. All games are played at Dublin Iceland, 7212 San Ramon Rd. Public is welcome to come watch and cheer on local high school teams. A full game schedule and more information about the league is posted at www.trivalleyminorhockey.com/pure.

West Coast Soccer

This past weekend, the West Coast **Karma 03** Girls team tied Castro Valley 1-1 in a Spring League match played at Tennyson High School. The match was a battle of the unbeaten teams for first place. The first goal was scored by Allison Rickman off a corner by Francesca Pereira putting West Coast up 1-0. In the second half, Castro Valley scored on a set piece just outside the eighteen with fifteen minutes to go to tie the game. West Coast Karma played California Northstars winning the game 2-0. Karma's attack was relentless and the team was finally rewarded when Jessie Sotelo stole the ball from the center back and placed the ball in the top shelf with a beautiful shot.

The second goal was scored from the right side of the penalty area and was placed with precision inside the front post by Allison Rickman in the second half. The shutout was completed by a strong back line consisting of Ycela Ochoa, Chloe Ironside, Maddie Long, Kelsey Brum and Ciara Lucas. Controlling the midfield was Melanie Nguyen, Francesca Pereira, Kylee Gregory and Jazmine Staples. Leilani Staples sealed the shutout in the net. Karma has given up one goal the past three games and is tied for first place.

The Norcal NPL Game of the Week was played in Livermore between West Coast **Warriors** and Players North 02. Players North came into the game sitting top of NPL 1 with 8 wins and no losses. The Warriors sit third in league but defeated second-place San Ramon NPL last game. The U17 Girls West Coast Warriors showed amazing tactical awareness holding the Players North team that has outscored their previous opponents 22-4. Warriors were able to keep Players North to minimal shots and created more scoring opportunity, out-shooting the Nevada-based team in the first half with outstanding counter attacks from Heather Tarabini, Madison Del Prado and Jaden Hall. Work from Kaitlin Carlton, Isabel Mello, Mia Mendoza, Caitlyn Garrison, Isabella Saveedra, and Xiana Dominguez controlled the midfield and moved the team as a unit. Shared effort was made by Arianna Moore, Jordan Brown-Mundey, Lindsey Plant and Leila Krummen-Ganz, whose defensive skills stopped Players North from reaching the net. The half ended in a 0-0 deadlock.

Players North started the second half determined to get the ball past the Warriors' goalie, but the Warriors' solid team defense produced easy saves by GK Morgan Blankenship. Players North punched a long-range toe poke that hit the crossbar and rebounded to an attacker for a goal, but West Coast Warriors fought back, moving into a more offensive attack scheme. Jaden Hall crossed a beautiful ball to Maddie DelPrado to tie the score, ending the NPL game of the Week 1-1.

West Coast **Kurse 01G** started spring league on fire. A fast start saw the Kurse jump out to an early lead led by Captain Monique Reil, who will be attending college on a soccer scholarship at Muskingum University this fall. It was West Coast Soccer who displayed superior play and control of the game. The offensive attack came from Alexi Ochoa, Allyson "Taz" Thompson, Kailey Matta, Sierra Dazhan, Katie Reid and Kaya Scott, who had three goals and a "hat trick". Excellent passing combinations from Alina Garcia, Alexi Ochoa, Kailey Matta, Maria Rebolledo and Sabrina Rogers, provided the assists. Goal keepers Amia Harris and Jessica Zagoric, defenders Alyssa Williams, Kelsey Brumm, Ycela Ochoa, Taz Thompson, Maria Rebolledo, and Sabrina Rogers helped obtain the shutout for West Coast.

The **Mountain House Earthquake 2009** boys battled the Ballistic United SC 09 boys on Sunday, earning their first win of the season 7-1. The Earthquakes played their game with great possession, during the first half and ended the half with a 1-0 score with a goal from Jackson Adams assisted by Dino Shang.

During the second half, they came out with fierce determination. The Earthquake defenders were on fire as Yusif Khalil, Avi Nukala, CJ Nelson, and Marcos Malogan battled Ballistic and shut down many opportunities they had. Cruz Legoretta also made some great saves on goal.

The boys continued with their perseverance and drove the ball up the field several times scoring all around. It started when Masyn Neubel made a huge kick from the midfield over the goalie's head. Rujal Sah drove the ball down and scored. Then, on a corner kick from Connor Giuliacci, Dino Shang scored. The midfield held strong as Avi, Connor, Jackson, and Jarren all had several shots on goal, making the Ballistic goalie work hard. The Earthquakes earned a penalty kick and Yusif Kahlil scored. The momentum kept coming and Dino and Rujal both scored another goal each before the whistle blew. This was an exciting win for the Earthquakes and their first of the season.

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Conor Forde leaps to catch a line drive for the Livermore Baseball 50/70 Black team in a game against Pleasanton. Conor made the catch for all three outs of the inning, with a pop-up, a slow line drive (shown), and then a hard line drive, which was far too quick for a photo to be taken. (Photo – Bill Nale)

Pictured is Jaxen McLaren of Granada High School Varsity Lacrosse making a goal against Monte Vista.

West Coast MH Earthquakes 09 defeat Ballistic United 7-1.

Pictured are Ryan Bond and Zach Sousa of Granada H.S. Junior Varsity Lacrosse.

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Livermore Junior Football League Registration

Livermore Junior Football League Football and Cheer registration is currently open. LJFL is open to all players ages 6-14 as of August 31, 2019. Registration is open until May 31st. Our motto is "Everyone Plays and Everyone Cheers." to register and for more information please visit our website at www.LJFL.org.

Livermore Junior Football League is hosting an information night about our football program on Wednesday, May 8th in the Civic Center Library Community Rooms. Players 6-11 6:30-7:30, players 12-14 7:30-8:30. For more information please visit our website at www.LJFL.org

Livermore Junior Football League Cheer is hosting an information night about our cheer program on Tuesday, May 28th at 6:30 in the Civic Center Library Community Rooms. For more information please visit our website at www.LJFL.org.

Granada High School Lacrosse

The Granada High School boys junior varsity lacrosse team has had a busy season so far. Ben Operin and Damien Stiles lead on the total number of shots taken, Brennan Geier leads on shots efficiency, and Operin with the top goals. Jackson Snodgrass leads with goal efficiency. Goalie Cole Nichols has the highest percentage of goals saved. Zach Sousa, Ryan Bond, and Clark Disu have the highest number of assists, Nick Hall has the highest number of ground balls, and Jake Fields, Hall, and Wesley Short have the most takeaways. Disu and Hunter Barbero lead in the number of face-offs.

The Granada High School boys varsity lacrosse team is in their last month of the season with Angus Stewart, Jaxen McLaren, and Alex Faith leading in goals, Matthew Larson, Josh Bailey, RJ Mata, and Faith with the top goal efficiency rate. Matt Hall, Stewart, Gregory Short and Faith have the top number of ground balls with Short and Hall leading in takeaways. Paul Curbelo leads in the number of face-offs won with Nicolas Gottero and Larson close behind in face-off efficiency. Defenseman Ryan Patchen has been substituting for injured Goalie Tovin Loth.

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Harlem Wizards to Visit Livermore High Schools

The world-famous Harlem Wizards will visit Livermore High School on Thursday, April 25th, and Granada High School on Friday, April 26th, both at 7:00 PM, for an evening of great fun and fundraising. The Wizards will play a game against a team of administrators, teachers, community leaders, and community members. Proceeds will benefit Livermore public schools through the Livermore Valley Education Foundation.

The event will feature a variety of fun interactive extras to complement the Wizards' dazzling demonstration of hoops artistry: Pregame "Wiz Kids" warm-up, contests, comedy, awesome slam dunks, audience participation, merchandise giveaways, and more. The game will conclude with the Wizards' signature dance extravaganza that will have the crowd on their feet.

Says Dana Rowley, President of LVEF, "This is the fourth year for our fundraiser with the Harlem Wizards, and every year has been more fun and entertaining than the last. We love being able to bring such high-quality entertainment to our area while raising money for the schools. It's really just a win-win."

Founded in 1962, the Wizards have played over 15,000 games throughout the US that have raised over $25 million for schools and charitable causes. The Wizards have also played in over 25 foreign countries on five continents.

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The idea for the Wizards started in 1959, when legendary basketball showman Goose Tatum approached Howie Davis to organize a tour for Goose's "Harlem Stars." The Stars had a short but successful run that opened Howie's eyes to the enormous potential of "show" basketball. Three years later, Howie launched the Wizards. Howie Davis was a larger-than-life entrepreneur, impresario, promoter, and visionary whose passion for sports, entertainment, and philanthropy culminated with his creation of the Harlem Wizards in 1962.

Under Howie's leadership, the Wizards grew into a choice basketball destination for some of America's best basketball talent. As the team's reputation spread, professional athletes from across the sports spectrum took notice and joined the Wizards' roadshow, including: Connie Hawkins, one of the top 50 NBA players of all time; Nate "Tiny" Archibald, a member of the NBA Hall of Fame; Elvin Hayes, one of the top 50 NBA players of all time; Hawthorne Wingo, a New York Knicks fan favorite; Mario Elie, a three-time NBA champion; Nancy Lieberman, a WNBA star and Hall of Fame member.

NFL Hall of Famer Lawrence Taylor, World Series MVP Donn Clendennon, and Harlem Globetrotter superstar Marques Haynes also played for the Wizards.

Tojo Henderson a Wizards great holds the world record for career span in professional basketball. He started in 1965 and retired 50 years later in 2015. He still serves in a promotional capacity with the Wizards.

Howie was a champion of racial equality, and viewed the Wizards as a vehicle to provide economic opportunity to African Americans. He even was the first to break the color barrier with a football team playing in North Carolina.

Today's Wizards roster features an all-star lineup of master basketball showmen, including:

- Eric "Broadway" Jones and Dwayne "Swoop" Simpson, former Globetrotter showmen
- "King Arthur" Lewis, an Academic All-American at Bowie State University
- Arnold "A-Train" Bernard, a highly acclaimed trickster and 7-year Globetrotter veteran who was featured in a Nike commercial
- James "The Roadrunner" Tyndal, a diminutive speedster who is fast enough to dribble through NY City traffic!
- Devon "Livewire" Curry, FIBA'S former #1 ranked USA 3-on-3 player
- Lamarvin "Showtime" Jackson, a world-class dunker
- Jordan "Ice" Southerland, finished 2nd on TNT Dunk King-One of top dunkers in the world
- Leon "Space Jam" Sewell and Brandon "The Werm" Lacue, featured on TNT's "The Dunk King" reality competition series. Werm has won four Sprite slam dunk contests
- Rashaan "The Rocket" Barner, one of the greatest dunkers in Wizards' history, who is now a very funny show-starter and stopper.

Since Howie Davis founded the Wizards 56 years ago, the team has undergone tremendous change. Howie's son Todd and grandson Rick now run the operation, fundraising revenue has grown exponentially, and the team has expanded into new geographic markets.

Through all the changes, the team's commitment to Howie's original mission has remained constant: to deliver world-class family-friendly entertainment while raising money for great causes.

Tickets are priced as follows: Student Admission $13, General Admission $15, Reserved $26, Courtside Plus $45.

Courtside Plus ticket holders receive first or second row seating and meet privately with selected Wizard players before the game for a meet-and-greet and show. Only a limited number of Courtside Plus tickets are available.

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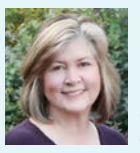

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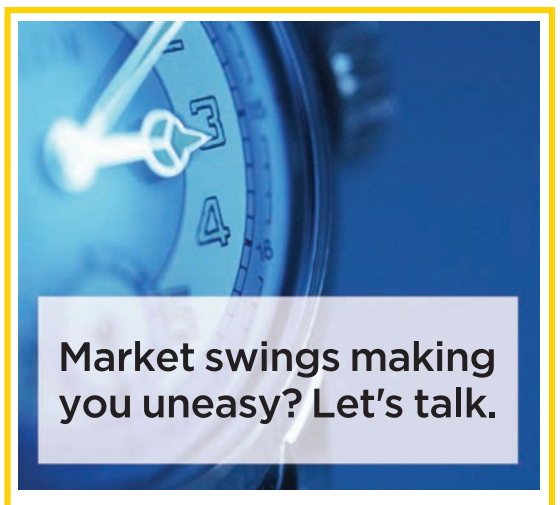

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The Livermore Art Association hosted its annual Spring Art Show at the Barn on April 6 & 7. Visitors enjoy Jan Watling's 3D artwork – and first-place winner – "Colors of the Valley." (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

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Las Positas Takes Best of Show For Verdelho At Tri-Valley Conservancy Uncorked 2019

By Laura Ness

Make that two big wins in a row for Brent Amos of Las Positas Vineyards, who earlier this year took Best Red honors at the San Francisco Chronicle Competition. Now he can add Best White and Best of Show, in a unanimous decision, for the Tri-Valley Conservancy's annual Uncorked! Wine competition, for the 2018 Las Positas Verdelho. This brilliantly made white wine captivated the medal round judges right from the start. It had plenty of stiff competition, though, in the Other White category, which really showed that the Livermore Valley has some white winemaking chops beyond Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc. White varieties are becoming more common in wine parlance.

Amos also brought home Gold for the 2016 Las Positas Petit Verdot, as well as Silvers for the 2016 Coccineous and the 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon, bringing his total to five for Uncorked 2019.

While we're discussing brilliant other whites, Rodrigue Molyneaux's excellent Pinot Blanc, made by winemaker Meredith Sarboraria, also scored Gold, a first for RM.

Meredith is to be acclaimed for making the wine that took Best Red at this year's Uncorked, the 2016 Trifecta from Stony Ridge. She should get credit for the following medal winning wines at Uncorked, all produced during her stay at CV/SR: 2017 Crooked Vine Pinot (Silver), 2016 Crooked Vine Petite Sirah (Gold, Best of Class), 2015 Stony Ridge Zinfandel (Silver, BOC), 2016 Crooked Vine Cabernet Franc (Silver) and 2016 Crooked Vine Cabernet (Silver). Add to that impressive rap sheet a Silver for the 2016 Rodrigue Molyneaux Sangiovese and Bronze for the 2016 Rodrigue Molyneaux Cabernet Franc. She comes out the overall medal winner this year, with nine.

Current CV/SR consulting winemaker, Chris Sorensen, gets kudos for finishing off and bottling some of the wines Meredith began. He returned in 2018 as winemaker of record. Garry Rodrigue and then assistant winemaker, Jeff Finch Jr, also deserve credit for the 2016 RM wines.

Aaron Luna, of Fenestra Winery took Best of Class and Double Gold for the 2017 Fenestra barrel-fermented Chardonnay. He also made the Best of Class Rosé this year, the Gold medal winning 2018 Garré Rosato di Sangiovese. Luna started consulting for Garré in 2016, bottling the 2014 and 2015 vintages. Additionally, he scored Gold for the 2014 Fenestra Conjugation, Silver for the 2018 Garré Chardonnay (steel fermented), Silver for the 2015 Garré Sangiovese, as well as Silvers for the 2018 Fenestra Sauv Blanc and for the 2018 Fenestra rosé He earne seven medals for Uncorked 2019.

All three of Uncorked's winning winemakers this year have worked or currently work, in the case of Luna, at this bastion of originality, Fenestra on Vallecitos Road, begun by Lanny and Fran Repogle back in 1976.

Larry Dino at Cuda Ridge took home 5 medals this year, including two Best of Class awards (Petit Verdot and Cabernet over $40), netting two Golds, two Silvers and a Bronze. The winemaking team at Wood Family also had a five-medal showing this year, with two Golds, two Silvers and one Bronze. Right behind them was the Nottingham/Vasco Urbano Cellars team with one Best of Class (Nottingham Sauv Blanc) and four medals total.

Laura Mercier of the Tri Valley Conservancy has championed this competition since its inception, tirelessly pursuing a quest for excellence while recognizing the efforts of Livermore Valley winemakers and growers in a way that the entire community can appreciate and enjoy. This year, she was assisted by Georgie Saucedo, who sight unseen came in and orchestrated the entire affair, albeit with help from a pool of volunteers who largely work behind the scenes to execute all the critical details. The result was a well-attended Uncorked celebration event at The Palm Event Center, accompanied by a comprehensive printed program, listing all the medal-winning wines, the first of its kind.

2019 LIVERMORE UNCORKED! BEST OF CLASS WINNERS

Sauvignon Blanc: 2018 Nottingham Cellars

In addition to this attention-getting Sauvy from Collin Cranor, Craig Ploof and team at Nottingham, both Fenestra and Occasio scored Silver for their racy 2018 Sauv Blancs.

Other Dry Whites: 2018 Las Positas Verdelho (Double Gold)

This is the first time a Verdelho has taken Best White and Best of Show at this competition. This is the third time a white wine has won Uncorked. A red has taken it 5 times, and a rosé, once. Gold in this category also went to 2018 Las Positas Albarino and 2018 Rodrigue Molyneaux Pinot Blanc, with Silver going to Garré's 2018 Chardonnay, made by Aaron Luna.

Barrel-Fermented Chardonnay: 2017 Fenestra (Double Gold)

Winemaker Aaron Luna nailed this Chardonnay with a perfect marriage of ripe fruit and restrained, yet firmly present, oak. Gold also went to 2017 Wente Vineyards Morning Fog and 2017 Wood Family "Para Mas Amigas," with Bronze going to 2017 Occasio and 2016 Ruby Hill Reserve. For the judges, finding just that right balance of oak that lets you know you're tasting a barrel-fermented Chard, was the key to Gold. There was no middle ground here.

Rosé: Garré Vineyard & Winery 2018 Rosato di Sangiovese

This was a fairly strong category, and Aaron Luna honed a knockout Sangio sipper to best the rest. Gold also went to 2018 Wood Family "Pink Pearl" (Grenache), and Silvers to Darcie Kent's 2018 Victories (Malbec), Fenestra's 2018 Rosé of Grenache and Syrah and Concannon's 2018 Rosé of Petite Sirah, with Bronze going to Occasio's 2018 Rosé of Grenache.

Other Reds: 2017 Steven Kent "Amphora" Sangiovese, Home Ranch

The lone Syrah in this group, the 2016 Vasco Urbano "Henry," also scored Gold, with Silver's going to two other Sangio's: 2015 Garré and 2016 Rodrigue Molyneaux, along with a Silver for the juicy 2017 Crooked Vine Pinot Noir. One of the judges said, "I'd actually give it a Gold, as I didn't think Livermore could do Pinot Noir!" We expected a bigger mix in this category, but it was gratifying to see Sangiovese getting more recognition: it does beautifully here, and Steven Mirassou really delivered a juicy, loveable rendition with this wine from estate grapes.

Merlot, Malbec, and Petite Verdot: 2016 Cuda Ridge Petite Verdot, Double Gold

With all the focus on Bordeaux varieties in Livermore, we struggled with how to divide them up so wineries could show off their best efforts. Clearly, Petite Verdot is a really strong contender in this Valley and Merlot can be a beauty, but Malbec sadly failed to rally enough support in the prelim round to make it to the finals. Joining Larry Dino in the Gold medal circle here was Brent Amos of Las Positas for his 2016 Petit Verdot. Bringing home Silvers were the 2016 Cuda Ridge Merlot, 2015 Leisure Street Merlot and 2015 Omega Cellars Petite Verdot.

Red Blends: 2016 Stony Ridge Trifecta (Petite Sirah, Cabernet, Syrah)

Blends are always a strong suit, and once again, the uniquely Livermore "trifecta" topped the charts. This wine has historically done really well at competitions, and no wonder, as it strikes all the right chords across a broad spectrum of palates. Congrats to Meredith Sarboraria for executing another in a long line of winning Trifecta's. Gold also went to the 2014 Fenestra Conjugation, another classic favorite, while winemaker Jesse Plautz picked up Gold for his 2016 Ruby Hill Mirage. Silvers went to Mark Clarin for the 2016 McGrail Shamus Patrick Red Blend, as well as to the 2015 Las Positas Coccineous, which means "scarlet." It's a blend of Tempranillo, Syrah, Petite Sirah and Malbec. Plautz scored Bronze for the 2014 Rubino Salute.

Zinfandel: 2015 Stony Ridge

Another feather for Sarboraria, this 2015 Zin, which she made, scored a Silver. The judges asked why there weren't more Zins in Livermore. People still think of Livermore as a hot growing region, which Zin requires, but as Collin Cranor is fond of saying, "Livermore: it's not as hot as you think!" There is very little Zin to be had in Livermore at this point. The other entrant in this lonely category, a 2016 from The Singing Winemaker, scored Bronze.

Cabernet Franc: 2015 Darcie Kent "Stone Patch"

Although these were, for the most part, nicely made, they either wandered too close to Cab Sauv or exhibited astringency without having that signature "green" element that screams "Franc!" Silvers went to the 2016 Nottingham Cellars "The Hill," 2015 Crooked Vine and 2016 Cuda Ridge, while the 2016 Rodrigue Molyneaux Chateau Molyneaux and 2016 Wood Family Francs took Bronze.

Cabernet Sauvignon, Under $40: 2016 Page Mill

Only four wines made it here from the prelims. The Best of Class Cab here was joined by two other Silver medalists: 2015 Eagle Ridge and 2016 Entropy, while the 2016 Cuda Ridge took home Bronze.

Cabernet Sauvignon, Over $40: 2015 Cuda Ridge Reserve

If there was anything more disappointing than the under $40 Cabs, it was the over $40 Cabs. Even though there were 7 of them, only one Gold medal could be found among them. Larry Dino has to be doubly proud of that. Silvers went to 2016 Crooked Vine, 2015 3 Steves, 2016 Ehrenberg Cellars "Schmidt," 2015 Nottingham Cellars Micro Lot Reserve, 2015 Las Positas and 2016 Wood Family "Especial." It's noteworthy that the judges uniformly expressed that the wines in this category tried too hard.

Petite Sirah: 2016 Crooked Vine

One would expect nothing less than brilliance in Petites from Livermore, and there were some beauties. It was a dead heat between the two gold medalists, with the 2015 Darcie Kent Madden Ranch "Big Petite," losing BOC by a hair. Silver went to the 2016 Wood Family Casa de Vinas, and Bronze to winemaker, John Evan, of John Evan Cellars, for the 2014 "El Capitan."

An interesting side note here: when the judges were voting for Best Red, the first round was a tie between the Trifecta, the BOC Cab Franc and the BOC Petite Sirah. The over $40 Cab Sauv came in second. In a final shootout between the top three, the Trifecta got three votes, the Cab Franc two and the PS one.

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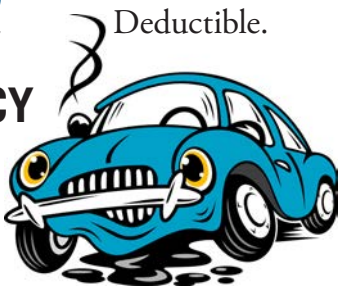
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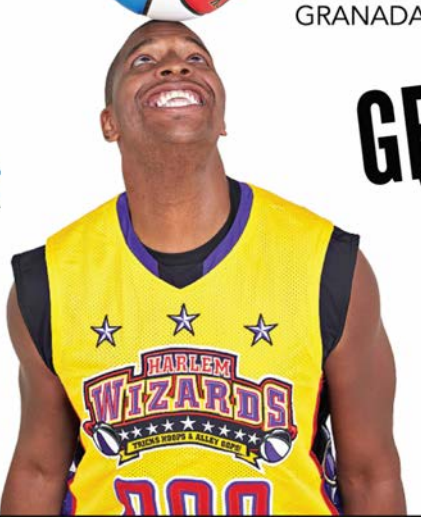

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OBITUARIES

Carol Lee Oxsen
May 22, 1934 – Mar. 20, 2019

Carol Lee Oxsen passed away peacefully on March 20, 2019.

Carol Lee Oxsen was born on May 22, 1934, along with her twin brother Philip Clarke in Livermore, Calif.

She is preceded in death by her father Carl, her mother Mary (Matie) Clarke, brother Buddy and sister Margaret. She went to elementary school at St. Michael Catholic School, and graduated in 1952 from Livermore High School. She met the love of her life Robert Oxsen at a high school dance. They were married after high school, and raised their children in Livermore and Pleasanton.

She is survived by her husband Robert, brother Philip Clarke, daughter Cheryl Oxsen-Kitchens, sons Tony Oxsen (Laurie) and David Oxsen (Suzi), six grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

She enjoyed hunting, fishing and golfing, and loved to travel. She was a stay at home mom until her kids reached their teen years, then she went to work for the Livermore school district as a teacher's assistant, then worked as a teller at Wells Fargo Bank.

Toward the end of her life she suffered from various health problems and was in and out of assisted living facilities prior to her death.

The committal was held at St. Michael Cemetery in Livermore on April 4.

Joan Catherine Hannity-Williams
Dec. 7, 1941 - Mar. 25, 2019

Joan was born in New York to Josephine ("Jo" nee Collins) and Hugh J. Hannity on December 7, 1941. Joan was preceded in death by her mother and father. She is survived by her sister, Pat Hannity-Curcija of Pleasanton, Calif., and cousins Eileen Heapes, Patricia Rossignol, and Kerry Guite, all of Puyallup, Wash.

Joan was a free spirit from birth. Her parents worked for the Atomic Energy Commission, which began Joan's traveling. Shortly after her birth, her family moved west to Tacoma, Wash., and later to North Richland/Pasco, Wash. After a short time spent in Arco, Idaho, the family -- Jo, Joan, and Pat-- moved to Livermore, Calif., where Jo was employed at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. As an adult, her travels included Hawaii, Italy, Ireland, Germany and Amsterdam. Joan loved the outdoors and took long hikes with her dog(s).

Graduating from Livermore High School in 1960, Joan immediately joined the Air Force and continued her traveling as she was stationed in Texas, Alabama and Massachusetts.

After the AF, Joan worked in San Francisco, Calif., and then decided to enroll in the Highland School of Nursing, in Oakland, Calif. She graduated from Highland in 1966. Joan's nursing license took her to many places including Valley Med in San Jose, Calif., Dominican in Santa Cruz, Calif., and a one-year assignment in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Later, she earned an AA in Business, a Pharmacy Technician Certificate, and a Medical Records Certificate.

Joan spent ten years in Anchorage, Alaska, working for the Public Health Hospital. During her stay in Alaska, she changed careers and worked for the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and later transferred to Phoenix, Ariz. Moving to Tacoma, Wash., she worked for Madigan Army Hospital, purchased a house, and met her future husband, Doug Williams. They were married in 1985 and moved to Sandy, Ore.

Joan retired and bought an RV and hit the road. Never without a dog, cat or both, they traveled with her. She took a trip to Italy with a group of college students with the intent to learn Italian and sightsee. She "settled" in 2012 when she moved to Pleasanton, Calif., to be near family.

Joan was also active as a volunteer and as a social advocate.

She volunteered at the Discovery Shop and was a Big Sister. Additionally, Joan had two girls in India and Guatemala who she supported through the Christian Children's Foundation.

There will be no local service, but a mass will be said at her final resting place in Tacoma.

Robert Eugene Strout
Oct. 6, 1927 – Mar. 30, 2019

It is with a heavy heart that the family of Robert (Bob) Eugene Strout would like to make known his passing after a brief illness on March 30, 2019, at the age of 91. Bob was an amazing man and a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and great great-grandfather. Family and friends will miss him immensely.

Bob was born on October 6, 1927, to Stephen Leroy Strout and Candace Francis Ely Strout in Arlington, Neb. He spent his early childhood in Nebraska and at the age of 6, Bob, his mother and older sister relocated to Burley, Idaho.

Bob was a U.S. Navy veteran. In 1943, at the age of 16, he enlisted in the Navy and fought in WWII. He served on a LCT, the TB10, a landing craft tank in North Africa that ferried men and equipment onto the beaches during the third wave of D-Day to invade Europe in France. In 1946, he was honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy and spent the next 18 months attending an electronics school in Philadelphia. Upon completion he moved back to Burley, where he met and married Dorothy Mae Ramsey. Bob and Dorothy moved to California where Bob worked in the electronics field. On January 4, 1960, Bob began employment at Sandia National Laboratories in Livermore, Calif. He worked at Sandia for 29 years before retiring in 1989.

Bob was a man of many talents. In 1961, while working full time at Sandia, he and Dorothy built a house in Livermore in just under six months.

After the death of his wife Dorothy in 1974, he met and married Maurine Fawn Cardon in 1976. Upon their retirement in 1989, they moved to Springville, Utah. After Maurine's death in 2015, Bob had a house built in Burley and moved into it in 2016.

Bob Strout is preceded in death by his first wife Dorothy, his second wife Maurine, his parents Candace and Stephen, his daughter Barbara Lowry and his sister Francis Helen Strout. He is survived by: his children Cheryl Strout, Rob Strout (Tammy), Stephen Strout, and Wendy Walker (George); his stepchildren Marie Smith (Terry), Julie Johnson (Wayne), Carla Smith (Dell), Brent Gillette, and Lawrence Gillette; and 34 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren and three great great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in Burley, Idaho, at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints – Burley Idaho West Stake Center, 2420 Parke Ave. Burial will be in Gem Memorial Gardens. A viewing will be held on Friday, April 12, from 6-8 p.m. at Rasmussen-Wilson Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley, and at the church on Saturday from 1-1:45 p.m.

Kathleen Susan Lawson
Resident of Livermore
July 8, 1959 - Mar. 31, 2019

Kathleen Susan Lawson entered into our loving Lord's hands on March 31, 2019. She was born on July 8, 1959, in Castro Valley, Calif. She was such a beautiful person, inside and out. Kathy was always there for everyone, and insisted on being there for anyone in need. She was a wonderful baker and cook, and always had homemade cookies and treats to share. Her kindness and loving nature is unprecedented.

She spent many years as a Special Education Aide, devoting herself and love to the special needs of children and adults. Her love, kindness and devotion to them was so beautiful. Her intelligence was amazing, and her sense of humor made her so fun to be around. She will be deeply missed by her family and all who knew her.

She was predeceased by her mother Annette, stepfather Warren, sister Nancy, brother Thomas and great-nephew Kasey. She is survived by her very loving husband Paul, her devoted son Michael, her best friends and sisters Debby, Maxine and her wife Donna, her father Earl, her nephew Jesse, her niece Samantha, her great-niece and nephew Katelyn and JD, their mom Shelly, and close friends Tomey and Linda. She is also survived my many loving extended relatives.

Kathy will be laid to rest with her loving family at Holy Sepulchre in Hayward, Calif.

Callaghan Mortuary is honored to be serving the Lawson family.

An online guestbook is available for condolences at www.callaghanmortuary.com.

Virginia Mae Bing
Oct. 22, 1918 – Mar. 10, 2019

Virginia Mae Bing passed away in her home, surrounded by family, on March 10, 2019. She was 100 years old. Ginny was born in Columbus, Ohio, on October 22, 1918, to Herman and Ester Buchsieb. Ester later remarried James Farley and had two more daughters and one son.

Ginny was fun-loving, loved to dance and was the life of the party. In her early adult years, she did a little modeling and had her picture in the local newspaper. She was a career woman when few other women were. She held various secretarial positions, eventually ending up at the Case Institute of Technology, employed as a secretary in the Physics department. It was at Case where she met George Bing, a graduate physics student. She typed his dissertation and this must have led to love. They married in May 1951. After graduation, George accepted a job at the recently opened Lawrence Livermore Rad Lab. They moved to Livermore, Calif., in 1954 with Mark, a son from George's previous marriage, and their first son James, born in 1952. Twin sons David and Robert were born soon after the move. Christopher, the youngest son, was born in 1959.

Ginny devoted herself to family life and when time permitted became an active member in numerous organizations, often performing leadership roles. Her longtime memberships included the Livermore Symphony Guild, Friends of the Vineyard, Valley Memorial Hospital, the Heritage Guild, and Oakland Museum. Virginia donated to numerous additional organizations and nonprofits. There was always a special place in her heart for the nuns of St. Francis.

In 1961, the family relocated briefly to Washington, D.C., so that George could work at the Pentagon. In 1967, the family again relocated to Mons, Belgium, while George worked for the department of defense. Ginny immersed herself fully into this new environment and culture, learning French and making long-term lasting friendships with the locals. Back to the states in 1970, Ginny used her newly acquired European cooking skills to entertain family and friends. She enjoyed the simple pleasures of home, family and her garden.

In her later years, Ginny became interested in documenting her life, so she joined a local creative writing group. These stories all survive and she enjoyed the family reading them back to her in her later years. In 2006, Ginny survived a severe stroke, leaving her unable to speak and with very limited mobility. In October of last year, Ginny, George and family, gathered in celebration of her 100th birthday. She only needed a little help blowing out 100 candles. George passed away less than a month later.

Virginia is survived by her sister Esther (Eddie) Burns, her daughter-in-law Cathy (son Mark deceased in 2005) and sons James (Janet Sawyer), David (Deanna), Robert (Lori), and Christopher (Jan Wax), six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews, and her companion cat Tom. Ginny was fortunate to have the compassionate care of several caregivers throughout the years. Our special gratitude goes out to Edward, Bertha and Raven.

A private family inurnment will follow at a future date.

Callaghan Mortuary is honored to be serving the Bing family.

An online guestbook is available for condolences at www.callaghanmortuary.com.

Cleotilde M. Alvarez
Resident of Livermore
July 1922 – Mar. 2019

Cleotilde "Tillie" M. Alvarez was born in Gila Bend, Ariz., on July 26, 1922. She emarried her husband Louis Alvarez in 1958, moved to California with Louis and her children in 1962, and settled in Livermore in 1969.

After a brief illness, we said goodbye to our loving mom Tillie, on Sunday, March 31, 2019, who was surrounded by her children and family. Tillie was 96 years old.

Tillie was preceded in death by her husband Louis, her mother Angela Murrieta, her father Saturnino Murrieta, and her brother Robert Murrieta.

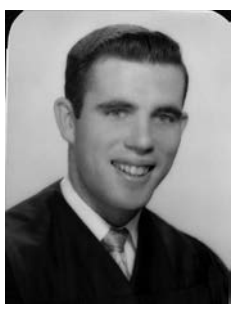
She is survived by her daughters Angela Ornela (Jose), Anna Diaz (Rodrigo), son Louis Alvarez (Mark), grandchildren David Alvarez (Valerie), Reina Rodriguez (Ismael), Alejandra Ornelas, Cecilia Diaz, Danielle Ornelas, Anthony Diaz, and great-grandchildren Christian Cortes, Juliana Alvarez, Ismael Rodriguez Jr., and Emiliano Rodriguez. Tillie is also survived by sisters-in-law Sylvia Jimenez, Yolanda Sanchez (Arquin), Mary Montano and Rosa Rodrigues (Paul), as well as nieces, nephews, cousins and friends in Arizona, California, and various parts of the U.S. and Mexico.

Tillie lived and worked in various locations in California and Arizona, worked in the fields, canneries, a floral shop, a grocery store, and as a nurse's aide at the Arizona County Hospital where she met her soulmate, Louis. Tillie was a devoted wife, and loving mother, grandmother, aunt, cousin and friend. She was an active member at St. Michael Catholic Church and an auxiliary member of the Legion of Mary.

One of Tillie's fondest memories as a child was going to school and playing sports such as running races and playing softball. She loved traveling with Louis, visiting various members of the family both near and far. She did arts and crafts during the holidays and also made tamales for Christmas. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren gave her so much joy.

Visitation will be from 6 - 8 p.m. with a rosary/vigil at 6:30 p.m. at St. Michael Church, 458 Maple St., Livermore, on Monday, April 22. Funeral mass will be held on Tuesday, April 23, at 11 a.m., at St. Michael Church, as well. Interment will be at St. Michael Cemetery with a reception to follow. The family would prefer donations made to Hope Hospice of Dublin in lieu of flowers. "Hope is always there."

James Owen Duffy
Jim, a longtime resident of Fremont, passed away from complications from Alzheimer's disease on September 25, 2018.



Born in Sacramento, Calif., to Owen Duffy and Margret Toth, he and his three brothers (Joe, Charlie and Owen) were orphaned when Jim, who was the oldest, was 10 years old. The four boys went to live on the McGowan Dairy Farm and were raised by their foster parents, "Pops" and Anna McGowan. Upon graduation from Wheatland High School, Jim traveled south to San Luis Obispo to attend Cal Poly College where he majored in Dairy Manufacturing. Upon graduation he went to work in the dairy industry in the San Francisco Bay Area with Safeway, Speckles, Golden Rich, and Lucky stores. Jim met Marlene Peeks at a dance in Oakland and they were married in November 1958. They have two sons, Richard and Patrick. The family settled in the Glenmore section of Fremont in 1963, where Jim lived until the last two weeks of his life. While raising their boys, the family traveled all over the West Coast from Victoria, Canada, to Ensenada, Mexico. Jim enjoyed building furniture, home improvement projects, automotive repairs, and tinkering. After the boys were out on their own, Jim and Marlene traveled all over the United States with their travel trailer. Jim also enjoyed fishing at various lakes throughout California. His favorite lake to fish was June Lake in the Eastern Sierras where spent four weeks every summer and where he made many friends.

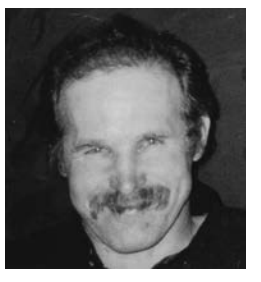
Jim is survived by his wife Marlene, sons Rich (Brenda) of Pleasanton and Pat (Lisa) of Livermore, as well as grandchildren Arlinda Duffy, James (Aubrey) Duffy, Holly Duffy, and Bill Duffy, and great-granddaughter Charlotte.

Private services were held on October 1, 2018, at the Chapel of the Roses (510-797-1900), and burial at the Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

Daniel Joseph Lowe
July 28, 1958 – Apr. 2, 2019

On Tuesday, April 2, 2019, Daniel Joseph Lowe, age 60, passed away from respiratory issues in Tracy, Calif., where he had been a resident for almost 20 years. He was born July 28, 1958, in Livermore, Calif., to Henry Pete Lowe of Porum, Okla., and Eleanor Maxine Spengler of Aiken, Minn. He spent most of his younger years going to school in Livermore but graduated from Amador Valley High School in Pleasanton in 1977.

While most people knew him by the name "Danny,"



he was always "Poppo" to his girls. He loved to fish, even if it got away, and hunt deer, antelope, pheasant, duck and wild boar. He was a great carpenter but an even better mechanic and welder. He could fix almost anything with the right tools. He was kind, funny and ornery all wrapped up in one, but touched the hearts of so many.

He leaves behind his two daughters Nicole Ayubi, 38, and Rachelle Grisham, 36, son Robert Henry Lowe,16, seven grandchildren, beloved dog Tip, both his brothers, Gary and Bruce Lowe of Livermore, and sister Sharon Beckham of North Carolina.

Funeral services will be held at noon on Saturday, April 13, 2019, at Callaghan Mortuary, 3833 East Avenue, Livermore, Calif.

Please send flower arrangements to Callaghan mortuary and donations to https://bit.ly/2UEbgql. A celebration of life will be hosted at his daughter's home following the services.

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

Ron Goodman
April 2019

Ronald Goodman went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in his home on April 2, 2019, surrounded by his wife of 59 years, Valery, and his children, Sandie, Robyn, Lynda and Bob.

Ron was born in Yuma, Ariz., and spent his youth in Southern California. He earned his undergraduate degree from Wheaton College in Illinois and his master's degree from San Jose State University. He served two years in the Navy aboard a destroyer, the U.S.S. Ingersoll, in the Korean War. He met Valery in San Francisco. Later they were married in August 1959. They moved to Livermore in January 1961. Ron worked as a physicist for Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory for 35 years, working with nuclear fusion.

Boy Scouts was an important part of Ron's life. He earned his Eagle Scout as a young man and rejoined scouting when his son, Bob, became active as a scout. He served as the scout master for Troop 900 for several years. Ron was also very active in the Order of the Arrow and earned the Vigil Honor as well as being the lodge adviser. The San Francisco Bay Area Council honored Ron with the Silver Beaver Award, a council level distinguished service award, for his many years of service at the troop and council levels. Ron was also involved in the White Stag leadership development program serving as assistant quarter master and association president. He was awarded the Silver Stag Award which is given to individuals who have demonstrated outstanding contributions, qualities of leadership, spirit and service to the program. Fifty or more years of Ron's life were spent in the various scouting programs shaping the lives of the youth involved in them.

Other hobbies Ron enjoyed were playing the trumpet, photography, listening to big band music, camping, leather tooling, woodworking and spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife, four children and nine grandchildren, and his sister Barbara.

The memorial service for Ron was held at Valley Community Church in Pleasanton on Saturday, April 6. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made to Angels Hospice at 19830 Lake Chabot Rd., Unit B, Castro Valley, CA 94546 or www.angelshospice.org.

Ron left a legacy of service to his church, community and family and will be greatly missed.

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

Bike to Work Day Challenges Tri-Valley Commuters to Ride

The Bay Area's 25th Annual Bike to Work Day will take place on Thursday, May 9. This premier bicycling event takes place throughout Northern California with special events occurring in all nine Bay Area counties. Bike to Work Day is just one day of many events taking place in May as part of National Bike Month. Take the healthy commute and join thousands of Bay Area commuters as they bike to work or to transit.

On May 9, Energizer Stations will be set up all over the Bay Area to celebrate Bike to Work Day. An Energizer Station at the East Dublin/Pleasanton BART station will be jointly hosted by Hacienda, the City of Pleasanton, the City of Dublin, Veeva Systems, Dublin Cyclery and BART. Cyclists who stop by the East Dublin/Pleasanton Energizer Station will receive free t-shirts, while sizes and quantities last; a free Cycling Commute Companion; a canvas tote bag filled with great cycling gear/give-aways/snacks, and more. Participating cyclists can also receive a free bike safety check courtesy of Dublin Cyclery. The Energizer Station will be open between 6:30 - 9:00 am in the plaza area just outside the turnstiles. The East Dublin/Pleasanton BART station sits in the middle of Interstate 580 and is easily accessed by Owens Drive from Pleasanton and by Dublin Boulevard from Dublin.

Pledge to ride your bike to work or wherever you need to go on Bike to Work Day, and you will also be entered in a drawing to win a $10 voucher to Mike's Bikes. Register at bikeeastbay.org.

This year's Bike to Work Day Happy Hour has grown to two locations in the Tri-Valley. McKay's Taphouse and Beer Garden in Pleasanton, along with World of Beer at Hacienda Crossings Shopping Center in Dublin will be the local 2019 Happy Hour Sponsors. Come join the party and re-fuel with tasty refreshments and special discounts on beverages. Cycling-loving community business partners will add to the festivities with additional activities. The Tri-Valley Bike to Work Day Happy Hours will be held from 5:30 - 7:00 pm at McKay's Taphouse, 252 Main Street, Pleasanton, and from 4:30 - 6:30 pm at World of Beer, 4920 Dublin Boulevard, Dublin. Bike parking will be available.

On Thursday, May 9, and throughout Bike Month this May, hundreds of thousands of people will pedal in celebration of bicycling as a fun, sustainable and healthy way to get to work. See how your business can engage with your employees and communities: sponsor Bike to Work Day, become a business member, request an employer toolkit, nominate a Bike Commuter of the Year, or host a one-hour bike education workshop at your work place. For more information, go to bikeeastbay.org.

A number of bike-related events are occurring throughout the community over the next few months. Many will also offer an opportunity to enter the raffle to win prizes. The City of Dublin is showcasing National Bike Month with Urban Cycling workshops, Bike to Work challenges, Community Rides, and incentives for biking to local Farmers Markets. See dublin.ca.gov for more information. In addition, Bike East Bay regularly offers a wide variety of classes, cycling club activities and workshops.

Take the Love to Ride Bay Area Challenge and recruit friends, neighbors and co-workers to form teams of 1-8 individuals and win prizes. This challenge kicks off on May 1st and continues throughout the month of May. Start a team or join an existing team. Teams can have up to eight riders and can be composed of anyone (colleagues, friends, family, etc.). Each individual and team will earn points by riding and by encouraging others to ride. In addition to team winners, awards will be given for top male/female rider, most trips ridden by male/female riders, the top male/female new rider, and the top male/female encourager. To participate: first, register on the website (lovetoride.net/bayarea); second, create a team or join an existing team; third, ride a bike anywhere, anytime, during the month-long challenge, and record your rides on the website or with the app to earn points; and fourth, join in the prize drawing.

There are several resources available for people interested in cycling. See www.511.org/biking/commute/work and www.mtc.ca.gov/getting-around for cycling resources in your area. The Pleasanton Bikeways Map has information on the Pleasanton Bikeway network and can be found through the City of Pleasanton website, under Getting Around. For more information on Bike to Work Day, just call 511 and use the voice-activated system to ask for bicycling information.

EXTENSION

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The CIP includes the design and construction of a 13,000-square-foot Cultural Arts Center on the first-floor of the Dublin Civic Center building, currently occupied by Dublin Police Services. The Arts Center would serve as a multi-use facility offering cultural, educational, and social opportunities. The $5.8 million project is scheduled to commence between 2020-2022.

Council Must Decide on Development of Fallon Sports Park

Assistant Administrative Services Director, Lisa Hisatomi, asked the Council to decide what path forward it would take with the proposed $10.4 million Phase 3 development of Fallon Sports Park. Phase 3 represents the final stage of the park's design—the construction of 14 acres known as the Upper Terrace. Options in the concept design include a cricket field, sand volleyball, and multi-sport batting cages.

Hisatomi warned the council that there is insufficient cash flow from Public Facility Impact Fees to fund the entire CIP. She asked the council to decide, in particular, how to proceed with the Sports Park. Hisatomi said that the city would need to identify additional funding to construct all of the proposed projects. These include Don Biddle Community Park, Jordan Ranch Neighborhood Square, phase 1 of Wallis Ranch Community Park, the Cultural Arts Center, and Library Tenant Improvements.

The projected fee income is based on development projects proceeding as planned. CIP projects may need to be reevaluated should a slowdown of projected development activity occur.

Hisatomi called on the council for direction on Fallon phase 3. If it decided to proceed with a portion of the project, other park projects could also move forward. If the council chooses to greenlight the complete $10.4 million Fallon phase 3, then the other projects would need to wait to be funded until after the five-year CIP window.

Additional park projects are contingent on Traffic Impact Fees, direct funding from developers, and other sources. The CIP also contains the following park projects: Clover Park and Sunrise Park, Dublin Sports Grounds All-Abilities Playground, Heritage Park Cemetery improvements, and Tassajara Hills Neighborhood Square.

The updated five-year CIP will be presented again, incorporating council feedback, at the May 21 meeting.

Easter Services

First Presbyterian Church Livermore
2020 Fifth Street, Livermore, CA 94550
925-447-2078
www.fpcl.us

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Palm Sunday, April 14
8:30 Chapel & 10:00 Sanctuary
Childcare available

Maundy Thursday, April 18
7:00 pm, Sanctuary -*Childcare available*

Good Friday, April 19
7:00 pm, Sanctuary -*Childcare available*

Easter Sunday, April 21
9:00 am & **11:00 am**, Sanctuary
Children's Program, 9:00 am
Childcare (3 mo. - 5yr), 11:00 am

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Chancel Choir Cantata

EASTER SUNDAY
April 21 at 9:00am & 10:30am
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 556605

The following person(s) doing business as: Fearless Wheelmen, 3626 Dunsmuir Circle, Pleasanton, CA 94588, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Thomas Garrett, 3626 Dunsmuir Circle, Pleasanton, CA 94588. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Thomas Garrett, Founder. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 18, 2019. Expires March 18, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4506. Published March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 556285

The following person(s) doing business as: DKL Consulting, 5200 Iron Horse Parkway, #550, Dublin, 94568, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Daniel Szigeti 5200 Iron Horse Parkway, #550, Dublin, 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: 4/1/2018. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Daniel Szigeti, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 18, 2019. Expires March 18, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4506. Published March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 556368

The following person(s) doing business as: World's Most Intelligent Man, 1152 Stealth St. Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Son Tien Dinh, 3014 san Juan Blvd, Belmont, CA 94002. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Son Tien Dinh, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 12, 2019. Expires March 12, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4508. Published March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 556559

The following person(s) doing business as: Quality Magic Cleaning Services 911 Lambaren Ave, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Alberto Ruiz, 911 Lambaren Ave, 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: 03/15/2019. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Alberto Ruiz Torres, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 15, 2019. Expires March 15, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4509. Published March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 556671

The following person(s) doing business as: Protein Research, 1852 Rutan Drive, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Berkeley Nutritional MFG Group, 1852 Rutan Drive Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: March 9, 2009.Signature of Registrants: /s/: Nina Betts, Vice President of Finance. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 19, 2019. Expires March 19, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4511. Published April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 556769

The following person(s) doing business as: Roof Max, 7610 National Dr, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Yorkshire Roofing of Northern California, Inc, 7610 National Dr., 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: January 14, 2014, .Signature of Registrants: /s/: Kenneth Falconi, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 21, 2019. Expires March 21, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 45112. Published April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 556936

The following person(s) doing business as: Metro Security, 5716 Preston Ave, Livermore, CA 94551, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Sulaiman Omar Noory and Waseem Latifi, 609 S Tradition St, Tracy CA 95304. 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 Registrants: /s/: Sulaiman Noory, General Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 25, 2019. Expires March 25, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4513. Published April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2019

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The business records of the following customers of RECORD XPRESS OF CALIFORNIA, LLC dba Access Information Protected located at 5785 Las Positas Road, Livermore, CA 94551 have been abandoned: MASTER LIQUIDITY FUND LLC. All records will be shredded 9 days after publication of this notice. Anyone claiming to have an interest in the records should contact Access Information Protected in writing at the following address: 500 Unicorn Park Drive, Suite 503, Woburn, MA 01801, Attn: Legal Department, Tel. No. (888) 869-2767 (Client Support); email: Margaret.Applin@accesscorp.com. The Independent Legal No. 4516. Published April 11, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 556831

The following person(s) doing business as: Delta Solar, 260 Maple St, Livermore, CA 94550, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Caeton Roche, 260 Maple St, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by an individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Caeton Roche, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on March 21, 2019. Expires March 21, 2024. The Independent Legal No. 4514. Published April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2019

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CARMEN E. CUNHA Aka CARMEN CUNHA Case No. RP19012026

Attorney or Party Without Attorney: William Broderick-Villa SBN 277919 Curtis Legal Group, A Prof. Law Corp. P.O. Box 3030 /1300 K St., Suite B Modesto, CA 95353 Telephone NO.: 209-521-1800 Fax NO.209- 572-3501 E-Mail Address: WBroderick-villa@CurtisLegalGroup.com Attorney For: Alex Zamora SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA 2120 Martin Luther Kink, Jr. Way, Berkeley, California 94704 Branch Name: Probate

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Carmen E. Cunha aka Carmen Cunha.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Alex Zamora in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda. The Petition for Probate requests that: Alex Zamora be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

(X) The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: 05/06/2019 TIME: 9:31 AM Dept 202. at: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA County of Alameda 2120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way Berkeley, CA 94704 Berkeley Courthouse / Probate Division.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California Law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (Form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

(X) Attorney for Petitioner: William Broderick-Villa P.O. Box 3030 / 1300 K Street, Suite B Modesto, CA 95354 209-521-1800

The Independent Legal No. 4515. Published April 4, 11, 18, 2019

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. RG19013354

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,

COUNTY OF ALAMEDA TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner:
Belen Consuelo Pulgar de Figueira
filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present Name:
Belen Consuelo Pulgar de Figueira
Proposed Name:
Bela P. Fig

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
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Date: 5/24/2019
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CA 94550 Dated: April 3, 2019
/s/: D Drew, Clerk of the Superior Court
The Independent Legal No. 4517 Published April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2019.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. RG19013360
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner:
Jorge Manuel Figueira Feria filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present Name:
Jorge Manuel Figueira Feria
Proposed Name:
Jorge M. Fig

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
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2250 First Street, Livermore, CA 94550 Dated: April 3, 2019
/s/: D Drew, Clerk of the Superior Court
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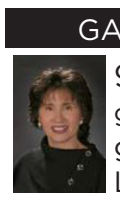
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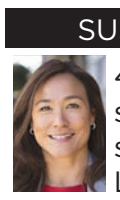
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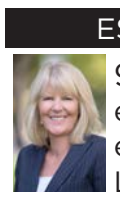
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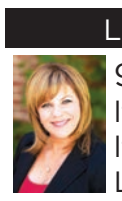
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ISABEL

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Isabel amounted to $1.6 billion; cost of the Valley Link project to North Lathrop was estimated at $1.8 billion. Mayor John Marchand noted that BART's plan covered five miles of track, while the Valley Link project included 42 miles of track.

Ashley McBride Assistant Planner discussed the Isabel neighborhood plan that was reviewed by the city council in May 2018. The council adopted the plan, which encompassed 1100 acres, contingent on the full BART extension. The plan's Environmental Impact Report was certified contingent on approval of BART's development of an Isabel station. The city provided extensive public outreach – over fifty meetings with residents and property owners, over 800 participants and over 3000 survey responses.

The four residential neighborhoods would include townhomes, garden-style apartments, center and core housing with multi-story apartments and condominiums. Also proposed, a mix of uses and amenities, pedestrian and bike networks, access to open space, three parks and a retail area along a main street. A business park would be built on the edge of the planning area. High quality office development would be centered around the Valley Link station. At the end of the build out in 2040, just under 4100 new housing units would have been developed, and commercial development supporting over 9000 jobs. Twenty-five percent of the housing would be subsidized affordable workforce housing. The two areas presently owned by BART would be dedicated to office uses. Three scenic corridor amendments would be subject to height limits.

Supplemental EIR documentation would be required to move forward with an update of the plan. Staff requested a state grant to offset the cost. They asked for the plan to continue during this interim period with its mix of housing, businesses, and community uses. If the plan were approached piecemeal, some of the infrastructure and amenities might not be possible. The current plan also supports the state's housing rules.

If the supplemental EIR were not approved, Councilmember Trish Munro wanted to know the cost the city would have to incur. McBride estimated $175,000. In addition, Munro asked what would happen if the council did not approve the project. Vinn stated that funds for Livermore's jurisdiction were available since the project would substantially increase housing stock. If the council did not approve the project, then any future funding would be problematic.

Marc Roberts, City Manager, added that if the city did not start now planning what it wants to see here, ultimately the community would see something very different. There could be a checkerboard of warehouses where the neighborhood core in the plan was visualized. Parts of the open space or trails would not be completed, because they would not be financially feasible.

Councilmember Bob Woerner asked about the 4100 new units planned and the average number of people per unit. Is this increasing our average number of people per unit? Roberts answered that the number of persons per unit would still be 1.8 to 2.0 persons. This is a twenty-year plan. The growth requirements are approximately 200 units per year, which is consistent with what is currently developed on average. There would be more developments in this part of the community than in other parts. This is not increasing the amount noted in the General Plan buildout.

Woerner advised that approval of the plan is only contingent on Valley Link coming to Livermore. Taking this step will improve the chances of Valley Link becoming a reality.

Michael Tree, executive director with the Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority, stated that he believes the bulk of funding will come from the State Transit and Inner-City Rail Capitol Program for Congested Corridors or from special legislation. Housing is an important element and key in the scoring for the competitive funding for transportation dollars.

Vice Mayor Robert Carling asked whether the other cities involved in Valley Link are having similar discussions. Tree replied that Tracy has asked city staff to come back with a plan. River Islands has an amendment in place for their station.

In the public forum, Michael Ferrucci, President of the Board of Directors of Citizens for Balanced Growth, stated, "It is difficult at best for our group to imagine, comprehend and justify why it would be a good idea at this time to resurrect the Isabel Neighborhood Project." He reminded the council that they committed that if Livermore did not get BART, there would be no plan.

Donna Cabanne wondered why staff was trying to "retrofit this plan to a possible Valley Link transportation plan". A Valley Link connection "does not require 4095 housing units". This does not address the traffic gridlock that 12,000 new Livermore residents would create going to schools, grocery shopping, etc. We have empty business space in the city right now. Building housing on existing infill sites is preferable.

John Stein voiced his opinion that the proposed area was the worst place to locate residential units because of noise from aircraft and the freeway. The area also has the highest level of air pollution in the entire Bay Area created by the exhaust from diesel trucks. He also mentioned the airport protection area. He stated that the airport commission and Pilot's Association were against this project.

On behalf of Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group, Splend Splendorio noted that Valley Link was their number one infrastructure project. The Isabel plan provides housing of various types, as well as access for employees to enter the area from other cities. He concluded, the state will have housing bills. "Transportation in the Tri-Valley area will be tied to housing and maybe more housing than we will be comfortable with".

Dawn Argula, President and CEO of the Livermore Chamber of Commerce supports the Isabel Neighborhood Plan. The supplemental 175,000 dollars is small in the world of infrastructure and transportation projects. The Valley Link project is one of the highest priorities for the chamber, as well as for the newly formed Tri-Valley Chamber of Commerce Alliance composed of the five Tri-Valley Chambers of Commerce. "The rail connection is a game changer. We will be able to reap the benefits of the industry that is attracted here." She concluded, "Stay the Course."

Carling noted that consideration of public testimony would be more relevant once the City has finished updating the EIR. It is good to make the city eligible for funding from the state and not from city coffers. "If we don't do this, the likelihood of getting Valley Link would be pretty small."

Councilmember Bob Coomber added that there is a circular argument here. Funding for the rail link is not going to happen unless the state knows there will be housing. Housing is contingent on the rail link being built. Moving forward is necessary. The 4000 units of housing is planned anyway.

Munro agreed that when you have the opportunity to do a complete plan, you can control what it is going to look like. That's what this does.

Woerner said that the decision tonight is not whether or not we are going to do the project. We are preserving our options. The key step to preserve our option is to authorize the EIR.. There is no downside to this right now.

Mayor John Marchand addressed some of the public comments made. There are 80,000 cars coming over the Altamont every day and many of those cars are going to the BART station. With Valley Link, parking will only be needed for Livermore residents, since presently the bulk of these cars are from the other side of the hill. With no housing built at the Isabel area, there will be no reason for a station at that area.

The $400 million Measure BB funds for transportation have to stay in this corridor. With additional money sources, there is almost $600 million for this project. There is a lot of momentum. The people who don't want this project "look a lot like us." The people who want this project are younger. The younger generation does not want yards. They want something that's affordable, livable and has quality of life. In Livermore, we don't have a plan for younger people, and we need these people to work here. This will give us the ability to attract job sites for this population, many of whom are working in the tech sector. "This is forward thinking."

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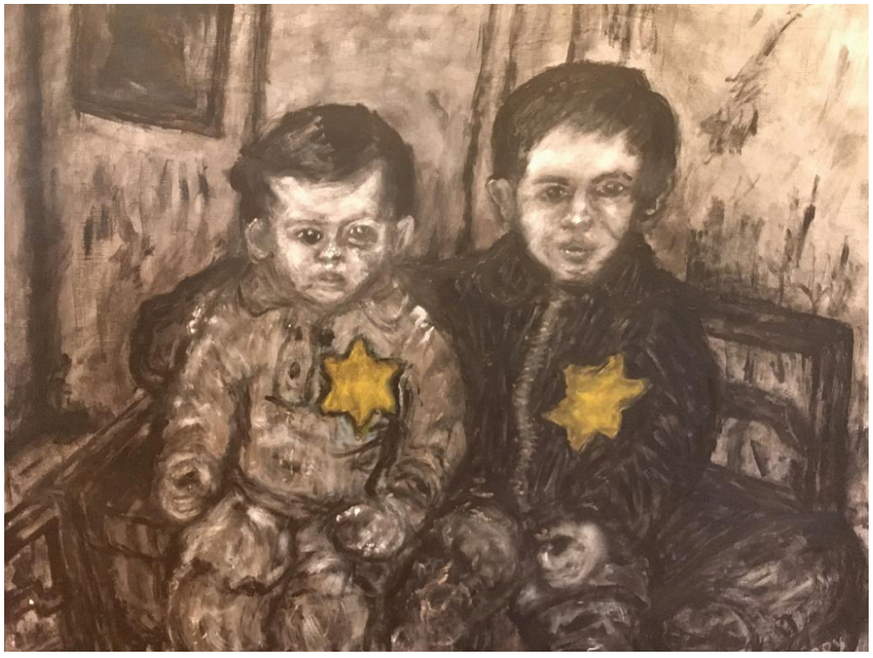

Painting (top photo) of two brothers in Kovno Ghetto is based on a photo in the Holocaust Museum archives. Lower photo is of artist Larry Lagin.

Holocaust Memorial Exhibit to Feature Artwork, Video Excerpts, And Informational Displays

For three days in late April, a Holocaust Memorial Exhibit will be offered at the Bothwell Art Center sponsored by the Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center, in conjunction with the Tri-Valley Chabad Center of Pleasanton. The exhibit has been designed to coincide with Yom HaShoah, "Holocaust Remembrance Day," which is observed to honor and commemorate the six million Jews who perished during the Holocaust. It is free and open to the public April 28-30, 2019, from 9:00am to 5:00pm daily.

The Holocaust Memorial Exhibit is the vision of local artist Larry Lagin, a former Lawrence Livermore Lab scientist who co-led the engineering team for the National Ignition Facility (NIF), one of the world's largest nuclear fusion research programs, before retiring in 2014. The exhibit features Lagin's paintings based on photographs from the archives through a use agreement with the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington D.C. To enhance the experience, the paintings are supported by excerpts from their online Holocaust Encyclopedia, a commemorative video from the Holocaust Memorial Museum, as well as video excerpts of Holocaust survivors used with permission from the University of Southern California's Shoah Foundation Institute

Lagin visited the Holocaust Museum in 1995 shortly before coming to the Lab from Princeton University. According to Lagin, the visit had a profound impact on him and served many years later as an inspiration, when he returned to his former passion for art. While taking art classes shortly after retiring, he saw a Holocaust sculpture at the Palace of the Legion of Honor in San Francisco, which led him to look at the Holocaust Museum's photo archive. When he came upon two photographs of Jewish children wearing Jewish stars, he first sketched, then painted them. His initial work led to a series of 20 paintings over the course of the next few years.

Lagin says he felt the Holocaust victims in the photos "were calling out to me" and says he wanted "to honor them and to pay my respects for them" though his work. Of the original 20 works in the series, 14 will be on display. Three color portraits of local Holocaust survivors were also part of the series, but were gifted to the subjects by the artist. None of the remaining paintings are for sale.

Now a resident artist at the Bothwell Arts Center, Lagin believes that "science and art are very similar; both are creative and involve journeys of exploration." Over 20 years ago, he was responsible for bringing the popular "Science on Saturday" program to Livermore from Princeton and he continues to focus on educational outreach. Lagin especially hopes that high school students, their parents and teachers will come to the

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Magnetic Sibling Sound Comes to the Firehouse Stage

Harmony-rich original folk music and acoustic pop come to the Firehouse Arts Center Theater in downtown Pleasanton on Friday, April 19 at 8:00 p.m. In their only Northern California performance on the current national tour, the Oshima Brothers' set list will include tracks from their 2016 album, and a whole host of new material.

Oshima Brothers live concerts are full of dynamic vocals, electric and acoustic guitars, octave bass, loops, and percussion. The duo hails from rural Maine, raised in a musical family, and have been creating and performing since they could hold instruments.

The Brothers: younger brother Jamie is the band's producer, recording/audio engineer, and filmmaker. In addition to singing, he plays electric guitar, bass, drums, keyboard, mandolin, banjo, and fiddle. Jaime has been recording songs and making videos in his home studio, Tiny Room Studio, since he was twelve. "Senior" member Sean is the band's songwriter, publicist, business manager, stylist… and chef. He sings and plays rhythm guitar, harmonica, and cajón.

Oshima Brothers

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Quarteto Nuevo

Quarteto Nuevo Brings a Unique World Fusion Sound

Quarteto Nuevo to perform Friday, April 26, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. The second event in this season's new "Bothwell Presents" series, Quarteto Nuevo will bring a unique world fusion sound to the relaxed and intimate performance space at the Bothwell Arts Center. Their distinctive instrumentation richly colors music that infuses Western classical, Eastern European folk, Latin and jazz with an organic contemporary feel. The group was described by The Los Angeles Times as taking "eclecticism to far reaches with warmth and lyricism."

Quarteto Nuevo's members include Damon Zick on the soprano saxophone and woodwinds, Kenton Youngstrom on acoustic guitar, Jacob Szekely on cello, with percussion by Felipe Fraga. The four master-musicians effortlessly blend their individual styles, creating emotionally-charged soundscapes that represent very different world cultures. Their wide-ranging repertoire includes music from Heitor Villa-Lobos' "Bachianas Brasileiras" and Chick Corea's "Children's Song No. 6 to traditional Macedonian "Gadjarsko" and original works.

The members of Quarteto Nuevo bring broad expertise and varied backgrounds to the group. Each has performed and recorded with symphonies and orchestras nationwide, as well as with such legendary artists as Dave Brubeck, Rush, John Tesh, Ellie Goulding, and many others. Szekely has said, "We lean toward jazz because we love it, but we're all steeped in classical music." They unite different musical influences, improvising on core melodies to craft a unique fusion.

The "Bothwell Presents" series features smaller groups and innovative artists in an intimate, less structured setting. Tickets for all events in the series are just $20 each.

Tickets are available at www.lvoac.org or 373-6800.

Photo shows activity at last year's Innovation Fair.

50th Anniversary of Moon Walk to Be Celebrated As Part of Innovation Fair

Presented by Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center, the Third Annual Livermore Innovation Fair "Building for the Moon and Beyond" will be held Saturday May 4, 2019 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Bankhead Theater. A free, family-friendly event, this year's theme honors the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 Moonwalk with a continued exploration of the many ways imagination, art and technology intersect in the world around us.

For 2019, BitsBytes&Pixels will present a new computer animation film festival, seen for the first time in the Tri-Valley. Part of the world renowned Computer Graphics Conference, SIGGRAPH, the film festival features award-winning short films, groundbreaking computer animation and visual effects technology. The event will be paired with an exhibit of artwork created by Livermore school students.

Inspired by the hands-on maker movement, the Innovation Fair is designed to energize students in grades K-12 and help make a connection between the five STEAM disciplines (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math.) More than 50 interactive scientific displays, visual art, and technology experiments will be spread across the plaza and inside the Bankhead Theater. The lively environment is equal parts science fair, high-tech exhibition, art show and community celebration. Hands-on workshops presented by NASA Ames Research, robotics testing, Artificial and Business Intelligence and the popular Virtual Reality Theater experience will be offered throughout the day.

The event is free. However, online registration is recommended to ensure entry. In prior years, more than a thousand students, as well as family members and friends attended this unique opportunity to discover and explore new innovations. The Innovation Fair is made possible through major sponsors, Topcon Positioning Systems, ThoughtSpot, Lawrence Livermore National Security LLC, Black Lab R&D, and Lam Research. For more information visit www.lvpac.org/education

The Bankhead Theater is located at 2400 First Street in downtown Livermore. Online registration is available at www.lvpac.org.

Livermore Stories at the Library

The Livermore Public Library and the Livermore Heritage Guild present Then & Now: Livermore Stories, a quarterly, free, local history lecture series.

Will Bolton, curator of the Duarte Garage and Lincoln Highway Museum, will give a lecture entitled "The Duarte Garage" on Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Library Community Rooms.

Bolton will discuss the history of the iconic garage and its role in the Lincoln Highway. Built by Frank H. Duarte in 1915, the garage served countless travelers on the country's first transcontinental highway, which stretched from Times Square to San Francisco's Lincoln Park.

Future dates for Then & Now: Livermore Stories programs are, July 17 and October 16, 2019. All of the lectures will take place in the Civic Center Library Community Rooms at 7:00 p.m.

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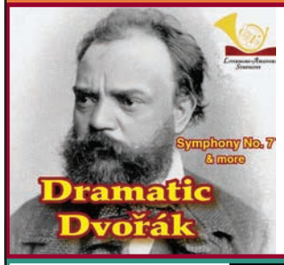

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Bridge Over Troubled Water

May 18 Concert To Benefit The Alan Hu Foundation

The newly formed Alan Hu Foundation will present a benefit concert, “Bridge Over Troubled Water”, to promote mental health, raise awareness and remove stigma surrounding psychiatric disorders, and support fundamental research for cures. Xiaofang Chen and Chih-Ching Hu created the foundation in memory of their son, Alan, who took his own life in 2018 at the age of 15, due to mental disorders.

Alan, a gifted student and talented cellist, played in the string orchestras while he attended Amador Valley High School and Harvest Park Middle School. Local board members, Marsha McInnis, Mark Rahman and Lynn Gatehouse agreed that a concert would be a fitting tribute to Alan’s memory, and an appropriate way to introduce the foundation to the community. Amador Valley High School music teacher Mark Aubel stepped up to plan the program and direct the concert, which will include student ensembles from both Amador Valley High School and Harvest Park Middle School. Many of Alan’s friends and classmates will be playing in the concert. Featured soloists will be professional musicians and teachers, Brady Anderson, Abraham Becker, Yuting Chen, Beth Tomlin and Ewen Tsai.

The concert will take place on Saturday, May 18, 2019 at 4:00 PM at Lynnewood United Methodist Church, 4444 Black Avenue, Pleasanton. In addition to the musical performances, there will be a silent auction, and representatives from local mental health organizations to provide resources and answer questions. Doors open at 3:30 PM. Though there is no charge for admission, donations are encouraged and will be gratefully accepted. RSVP by May 10, 2019 at http://alanhufoundation.org/events/benefit-concert-for-alanhu-foundation/

For further information and to donate to The Alan Hu Foundation, visit the website, http://alanhufoundation.org/helping.

Smokey Joe's Cafe - Musical Revue Features Iconic Rock 'n Roll Songs

Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre will stage Smokey Joe's Cafe - The Songs of Leiber & Stoller April 27 to May 12.

Performances will be at the Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

Words & Music by Jerry Leiber & Mike Stoller. Leiber and Stoller, as much as anyone, virtually invented rock 'n' roll, and now their songs provide the basis for entertainment that illuminates a golden age of American culture. In an idealized '50's setting, the classic themes of love won, lost and imagined blend with slice-of-life emotions.

This musical theatrical revue features 40 of the greatest songs of the past century, including show-stopping classics like "On Broadway","Stand by Me","Jailhouse Rock","Hound Dog","Love Potion No. 9","Spanish Harlem","Yakety Yak", and "Charlie Brown." It celebrates the music of the legendary song writing duo, Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller. Their generation-defining songs provided hit after hit for icons like Elvis Presley, Ben E. King, The Coasters, and The Drifters.

Directed and Choreographed by Christina Lazo. Musical Direction by Sierra Dee. Produced by Kathleen Breedveld.

Cast includes Ken: Dave J Abrams*; Michael: Dominic Lessa; Adrian: Justin Sabino; Victor: The T; Fred: Chris Poston; B.J.: Tanika Baptiste;;Pattie: Elizabeth Curtis; Brenda: Vida Mae Fernandez; DeLee: Katherine Dela Cruz; and Swing: Courtney Jacobs.

(* Member of Actors Equity Association, the Union of Professional Actors and Stage Managers in the United States.)

For tickets visit the Firehouse Arts box office at 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton, go on lie www.firehouse-arts.org or call 925-931-4848.

For more information, visit the TVRT website: www.trivalleyrep.org.

Two Poets Featured at Poetry Reading Hosted by Poet Laureate at Ravenswood

Livermore Poet Laureate Cynthia Patton will host another Poetry at Ravenswood on Sunday, April 14, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Ravenswood historic site, 2657 Arroyo Road, in Livermore. Featured poets are Deema Shehabi and Joshua McKinney.

Shehabi is a poet, writer, editor, and playwright. She is the author of Thirteen Departures From the Moon and co-editor with Beau Beausoleil of Al-Mutanabbi Street Starts Here (PM Press), which received the Northern California Book Award’s NCBR Recognition Award. She also co-authored Diaspo/Renga with Marilyn Hacker. Her two plays, “Light not Touched by Fire” and “A Handful of White Petals,” were performed by the Arabian Shakespeare Company’s New Works Festival, and in 2018, she won the Nazim Hikmet Poetry Competition.

McKinney is the author of four books of poetry: Small Sillion (Parlor Press, 2019), Mad Cursive (Wordcraft of Oregon, 2012), The Novice Mourner (Bear Star Press, 2005), and Saunter (University of Georgia Press, 2002). His work has appeared in literary journals such as American Letters & Commentary, American Literary Review, The Antioch Review, Boulevard, Colorado Review, Denver Quarterly, The Kenyon Review, New American Writing, and many others. He is the recipient of The Dorothy Brunsman Poetry Prize, The Dickinson Prize, and a Gertrude Stein Award for Innovative Writing. He is co-editor of the online eco-poetry zine, Clade Song. He teaches poetry and literature at California State University Sacramento.

The event will begin with readings by the featured poets, followed by an open mic, book signing, and reception. Admission is $5. Refreshments will be served.

The Ravenswood Poetry Series was created in 2005. Sponsored by the City of Livermore, the continuing series has featured many notable poets over its fourteen-year existence. It continues quarterly on the second Sunday of April, July, and October from 5 to 7 p.m. For more information contact LivermorePoetLaureate@gmail.com.

Western Affair 2019: Celebrating Cattle, Corks, and Conservation at Wente

California Rangeland Trust is hosting its annual A Western Affair gala this summer, bringing together urban and rural communities to conserve our state's precious rangelands and the benefits they provide. In partnership with the Wente family— a family with long and rich history in both wine-making and ranching— this year's event will be hosted at Wente Vineyards in Livermore, on Saturday, June 29. There will be an exclusive VIP wine blending class and reception on Friday, June 28.

"Like the Wente family, many ranchers and vintners have found ways to nurture both cattle and vines in harmony. This year's gala will highlight how both contribute significantly to our economy, are stewards of healthy soils, produce the local food we enjoy, and provide the iconic landscapes we cherish," said Rangeland Trust CEO Nita Vail. "And since red meat and red wine go so well together, we will have a culinary experience like no other."

A Western Affair 2019 will draw about 400 people from throughout the state. This evening will bring the spirit of the West to life with a dinner, a silent auction featuring a collection of specialty items, a live auction packed with one-of-a-kind experiences, and live country music and dancing to cap off the night. Funds raised through this event will reach far beyond the ranching community. By helping to conserve privately-stewarded open space, Californians will forever have peaceful restorative views, cleaner air and water, healthy local food, and valuable habitat for wildlife to thrive.

This event is expected to sell out quickly. Guests are invited to purchase tickets or tables by visiting www.rangelandtrust.org/a-western-affair-2019 or calling (916) 444-2096.

Livermore Library to Host 30's Board Game Night at Eight Bridges

The Livermore Public Library will host a 20's & 30's Board Game Night at Eight Bridges Brewing on Thursday, April 18, 2019, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. This program is free and no registration is required. Eight Bridges Brewing is located at 332 Earhart Way in Livermore.

All featured games are available to check out from the Library of Things, a service that offers non-traditional items for check-out—such as board games, robots, and telescopes. Library of Things items can be checked out for two weeks.

20's & 30's Programs at the Livermore Public Library are designed for individuals aged 20 through 39. For more information or to view future Livermore Public Library 20's and 30's programs, visit the library's Meetup group at www.meetup.com/20s-30s-Programs-at-Livermore-Public-Library.

Dave Rocha Trio: Adventures in Jazz! will take place at the Pleasanton Library at 2 p.m. on April 28. Adventures in Jazz is a musical program that is fun, entertaining, and educational. Performed by talented and experienced jazz musicians, the show opens wide the doors of jazz music to young minds. All ages welcome, best for elementary age through middle school. Performance will take place in the Large Meeting Room, 400 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton. For information, contact the Children's Desk - (925) 931-3400 ext. 3.

EXHIBIT

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exhibit, and will be offering a special reception for high school students on Monday evening, April 29th.

Since the exhibit contains some audio-visual materials which are partly graphic in nature, the exhibit is most appropriate for high school age and above. Two receptions are to be offered, an opening reception on Sunday, April 28th at 6:00pm and the reception for high school students on Monday evening. Kosher refreshments for both receptions will be provided by Tri-Valley Chabad. Special group viewings can also be arranged in advance.

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For special group viewings, contact Anne Giancola (agiancola@lvpac.org) or Larry Lagin (llagin@comcast.net).

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Ed Kinney Community Patriot Awards Go to Sarah Banholzer and Jorge Victoria

Friends, acquaintances, and family members are invited to a champagne reception 5:30-7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 29, at Museum On Main in Pleasanton to honor this year's recipients of the Ed Kinney Community Patriot Award: Sarah Banholzer and Jorge Victoria.

Now in its fourteenth year, the Ed Kinney Community Patriot Award honors the memory of the former mayor, who also was the Master of Ceremonies for "Celebrating Freedom and its Evolution since the Revolution," the all-volunteer Fourth of July celebration held in Lions Wayside Park. The planning team for that event, plus the past recipients of the award, select each year's awardees.

"Ed was an inspiration to those of us who worked with him on this and other projects," said W. Ron Sutton, founder of the Fourth of July community celebration. "He exemplified loyal service in the development of his community, both as an elected official (former mayor and city council member) and as an everyday citizen volunteer – a community patriot.

"One of the ways we wish to honor Ed's memory in perpetuity is by annually presenting the Ed Kinney Community Patriot Award to individuals who have exhibited the service behavior entitling them to be called Community Patriots," Sutton explained, adding, "Remember, it is individuals who change the world."

Pictured are Sarah Banholzer and Jorge Victoria

Past recipients of the award gather at an annual dinner meeting to select the next awardees. Each year, Ed Kinney Community Patriots also are honored at the Independence Day celebration, held midday July 4 in Lions Wayside Park.

Complimentary portraits of the awardees were taken by Christina Gray of Bella Luna Studios. At the reception, master of ceremonies will be Brad Hirst, himself a past recipient of the award. Sponsors for the event are Gina Piper, Realtor, and ACCUSPLIT Make A Difference Programs. The awards program is under the auspices of Make A Difference, Today & Always (501C3).

Award sponsor is Tony Macchiano. Refreshment sponsors are Bob Molinaro of Garre' Winery, and Eric Nostrand of Hopyard American Grill and Ale House.

Other past recipients are (in chronological order): Jack Dove, Roger McLain, Hank Gomez, Juanita Haugen, Charlotte Severin, Bob Athenour, Rebecca Bruner, Howard Neely, Barbara Hempill, Ken Mercer, Brad Hirst, Dave & Rosiland Wright, Chuck Deckert, Joanie Fields, Bob & Pat Lane, Jan Batcheller, Tony Macchiano, Harry Miller, Christine Steiner, Eric "Otis" Nostrand, Bob Silva, Dolores Bengtson, John Sensiba, Bob Butler, Marjean Gerton Rivara, Betty Nostrand, Rosemary Young, Herb Ritter, and Nancy & Gary Harrington.

Special guests at the event will be Roberta Kinney, Ed's wife, plus their two sons, Brad and Scott.

Museum On Main is located at 603 Main Street, on the west side of the Pleasanton arch sign.

SARAH BANHOLZER

Sarah Banholzer is the first Community Patriot who is still in high school, but she has a background that would be good for many people's lifetime accomplishments.

Sarah was born in Pleasanton, the only child of Teri and John Banholzer. She has lived in the same downtown Victorian house her whole life. She is a junior this year at Amador Valley High School and editor of the school paper, The Amadon. She plays volleyball for the high school and also for the club volleyball team, which means she plays all year round.

Sarah has started the local Make-A-Wish club project and coordinates their fundraising events to raise money towards the goal of $10,000 to grant some child's wish. So far, they have raised $5,000. She is on the teen board of the Greater Bay Area Make-A-Wish Foundation and also helps with events on that level.

Sarah loves to do crafts, so at the holiday season she makes various crafts, like colorful paper ornaments and succulent containers shaped like birdhouses. She sells these on a Facebook page to raise money to buy gifts for the children that have to spend Christmas at the University of California – San Francisco's Benioff hospital. This project is especially meaningful to Sarah because she was diagnosed with leukemia when she was four years old and was treated at that hospital.

While on a trip to Washington, D.C. Sarah found a cute ornament made out of recycled magazines in the gift shop, and she bought it. As they were walking down the street a bit after leaving the shop, Sarah stopped and said, "Mom, I have a great idea! We can make those ornaments and sell them and use all of the money to buy more gifts to take to the

hospital." That year (2012) the family made and sold over 200 ornaments out of magazines and recycled Christmas cards and made $1,100 in donations. The next year, it grew into a much bigger project. They had her Girl Scout troop and friends help out, made over 500 ornaments, and raised $2,500. Since then, they have made and sold crafts and also baked goods, so that they were able to provide each child in the hospital with a wonderful gift that Santa hand-delivered to them on Christmas Eve.

In fifth grade, Sarah was given an assignment to describe her life in a five-word memoir. Her phrase was "Be Strong and Give Back Happiness," and that has become Sarah's motto in life. In 2014, she started the "Be Strong and Give Back Swimathon," held at the Pleasanton Swim Club, for swimmers of all ages to swim laps and have sponsors. The swimathon takes place every April/May and has raised over $60,000 for the UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital.

Sarah meets with the hospital staff each year to determine what programs the monies will fund. In the past the monies have been used to purchase audio/visual equipment for the CHO show, which is a variety show put on by hospital employees each week and aired over the hospital TV so patients can watch and interact. Funds also have provided life-size medical dolls that are used by the Child Life Specialists to help demonstrate different medical procedures to the children that will be getting that procedure. Another purchase she funded was Buzzy Bees, which are a device that distracts the child while they are getting a blood draw or other needle poke. Funds Sarah raised also have provided pill cases that the discharge nurse can put in all of the patient's medicines for the week, so that the caregiver just has to copy that the following weeks.

Sarah was able to allocate some of these funds for an emergency that arose a couple summer ago: The donor that had been funding a summer week-long camp for oncology patients was was not able to do so, and the camp was going to be cancelled for these kids if the money wasn't found. Be Strong and Give Back Happiness Swimathon proceeds funded the camp for these kids. When the hospital had called to ask Sarah if she would be willing to use some of her funds for this, her face went from sad when listening to the problem to pure joy when they asked for her participation. Her response was an immediate "Yes!"

The Make-A-Wish club is special to Sarah because she received her wish when she was five years old – to go to Disneyland!

In the Fall of Sarah's sophomore year, she started organizing the Make-A-Wish Club, but within weeks she was diagnosed with Lymphoma. She would miss the rest of her sophomore year and have home schooling to complete her courses. Sarah was able to return to school on time as a junior, resuming her many school activities.

The fundraising events for the Make-A-Wish club this year have been a face-painting and hair-braiding booth at the AVHS Pigskin Roast, a Thanksgiving Pie Sale, and Christmas Caroling at the Farmers' Market.

Sarah has a website where you can learn more about her many, many activities www.BeStrongAndGiveBackHappiness.com

Asked what she likes most about Pleasanton, Sarah said that she likes the community aspect of knowing so many people\. On the flip side, she had to think quite a while, but she wishes her high school was not quite so crowded, especially her math classes.

JORGE VICTORIA

Jorge Victoria was born in Mexico and came to the United States in the mid 1950's when his parents filled out the paperwork to immigrate here. Jorge was 9 years old then. After moving to the U.S. he learned English in school, but also continued to speak Spanish, his native language, through the years. Knowing two languages has been of benefit to Jorge and many others as it has helped to bridge an understanding between cultures.

He finished his primary, high school and college education in the U.S.A., and for a while lived in Hayward. Eventually, in 1983, he and his wife Sylvia moved their family to Pleasanton. His brother already lived here, and Jorge and Sylvia thought Pleasanton would be a good place to also raise their family. Jorge and Sylvia raised two daughters and one son in Pleasanton, and now they have five grandchildren as well.

Jorge worked for 25 years at Lawrence Livermore Lab as a mechanical designer. Jorge retired eight years ago, but his volunteer work for the Pleasanton Sister City Association in the community has not stopped. A little over 26 years ago, one of Jorge's daughters read about the Sister City Foreign Exchange program between Pleasanton and Tuluncingo, Mexico. She wanted to be an exchange student, which began Jorge and his family's involvement in the exchange program. First they hosted an exchange student here in their own home, and then their daughter became one of Pleasanton's exchange students to Tuluncingo. The program is reciprocal, so his daughter was able to live in the home of her exchange sister's family in Tuluncingo.

From that point forward, Jorge has continued volunteering because he saw the benefits, not only for his daughter, but also for so many people who had participated in the Pleasanton and Tuluncingo exchange. Jorge has worn many hats in his 26 years of service with the Pleasanton-Tulancingo Sister City Association. He has been Board President on multiple occasions, plus chair of many other related committees. As he says, the Sister City Association is always on his mind, in one aspect or another.

During his years of service he has helped raise over $260,000 through the annual barbecue fundraiser, which helps provide the money needed for many Pleasanton students to participate in the exchange program. He has worked on the Cinco de Mayo Celebration, the Christmas Holiday Parade, the Fair Parade float, the Community Posada (re-enactment for Pleasanton at the Veterans Hall at Christmas), plus the student exchanges each year. He has worked on many ways to help further the Exchange Program in general. Last but not least he has been going to Mexico almost every year with the 5-day adult visiting cultural delegation from Pleasanton. (This year, former mayor Tom Pico will be traveling with Jorge and Sylvia along with about 25 other adults representing the delegation from Pleasanton in April.) Jorge also helps coordinate the delegation from Tulancingo when they return the 5-day visitation.

The Pleasanton-Tulancingo Sister City Association has worked with the local Rotary clubs to provide wheelchairs to Mexico, and with the Pleasanton Lions Club to provide eyeglasses to Mexico for those in need. The organization also has helped the Pleasanton community when called upon to provide translation. Through the years, Jorge also has volkunteered for other youth organizations locally, including the softball league and Boy Scouts. He was Scout Master of Troop 916 for many years.

Jorge says he will always support the exchange program between Pleasanton and Tulancingo because he sees the benefit to so many children and adults – the value of friendship, the value of pride in Pleasanton and Tulancingo that is shared, the broadening of understanding of one another and the two cultures. Jorge also sees the confidence that the exchange program has given to young people that lasts their lifetimes. Since Jorge has been involved, the exchange program has served over 300 teenagers.

Jorge's wish is that more people who live in Pleasanton would get involved in the Sister City program and become part of continuing the legacy.

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New Art Exhibit and Opening Reception at Blackhawk Gallery

The Alamo Danville Artists' Society will host the opening of Blackhawk Gallery's new Exhibit 'Reflections'.

A gala reception will be held on Saturday April 27 from 5 to 7 pm, with wine and hors d'oeuvres. The exhibit will be on view seven days a week from Friday, April 26 to Sunday, July 7, 2019. The reception and exhibit are free and open to the public.

The 'Reflections' exhibit features one guest artist and forty member artists. Guest artist Aimee Bosschart will be showing her hand-built ceramics. Members' artworks include paintings, drawings, sculptures, ceramics, photographs, and wearable art.

The exhibit is curated by Debby Koonce, Kerima Swain and Beverly Turner.

The Blackhawk Gallery is located at 3416 Blackhawk Plaza Circle in Danville in the Blackhawk Plaza.; (925) 648-8023.

Regular Gallery hours are Monday-Saturday 10am-8pm and Sunday 11am-6pm. Holiday hours: 5/27 Memorial Day hours 10am-5pm; 7/4 Independence Day hours 10am-5pm;

Information can be found at https://adas4art.org/blackhawk_gallery

For more information, contact Blackhawk Gallery Director Kerima Swain at swain.kerima@gmail.com.

ART/PHOTO EXHIBITS

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

Members of the Pleasanton Art League Public Art Circuit are currently exhibiting art at five businesses in the area. Viewing locations are: The Stanford Health Care Dermatology Clinic, 1133 E. Stanley Blvd. Suite 111, Livermore; Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce at 777 Peters Street, Pleasanton; Sallman, Yang, & Alameda CPA's at 7077 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 183, Pleasanton; The Bagel Street Café at 6762 Bernal Ave., Pleasanton; and The Bagel Street Café at 4101-A Dublin Blvd., Dublin. If interested in becoming a member of the Pleasanton Art League or for information regarding the Public Art Circuit, call John Trimingham at (510) 877-8154.

Solo photography exhibit "Kerry Joy McGehee: Photography" through April 11th, represented by SLATE Contemporary Gallery (Oakland). There will be 19 photographs on display at the San Ramon Valley Conference Center. Sixteen are N. California landscape images, including many taken in Livermore. I The San Ramon Valley Conference Center is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. 3301 Crow Canyon Rd., San Ramon.

Alamo Danville Artists' Society Blackhawk Gallery's new Exhibit 'Artistry' on view seven days a week to Sunday, April 21, 2019. Guest artist Jean Cherie will be showing her Raku sculpture pieces. Members' artworks include paintings, drawings, sculptures, ceramics, photographs, and wearable art. The Blackhawk Gallery is located at 3416 Blackhawk Plaza Circle in Danville, Blackhawk Plaza. (925) 648-8023. For more information, please contact Blackhawk Gallery Director Kerima Swain at swain.kerima@gmail.com

Wearable Art, Bankhead Theater Gallery Exhibit March 5 through April 20. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org.

Shangrila, original artwork painted by Tibetan monks from Shangrila, China. Theater Founders Room March 6 - April 27. Closing reception, April 27 at 1:30 - 4:30. www.bothwell.lvpac.org/events

Fresh Works XI, April 27 to June 1, 2019. Opening Reception Saturday, April 27 at 1 to 3 pm. Exhibition opportunity for emerging and established artists who reside or work in the greater Bay Area, with the focus of the exhibition being on new works. Harrington Gallery, Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton, www.firehousearts.org

"Walk of the Wearables" Runway Show/Art & Wine Intertwined, Saturday, April 27, from 1:30 – 4:30 pm. Gallery at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore. Free

11th annual Figurative Art exhibition, sponsored by the Livermore Art Association and the Bothwell Arts Center. May 3, 4, 5. Artists reception and award St., May 4, noon to 4 p.m. Bothwell Arts Center, located at 2466 Eight St. in Livermore. Free admission.

47th Annual Art in the Vineyard, Livermore Art Association, Sunday, May 26, 2019 11:00 to 5:00, Wente Vineyards Estate Winery, 5565 Tesla Road, Livermore. www.livermoreartassociation.org

MEETINGS/CLASSES

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

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

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

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

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

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

WINERIES

Fun Friday's at Wood Family Vineyards. Live Music 4 – 7 pm in March and April switching to Summer hours in May 5 – 8 pm. April 12th Frankie Bones Project; April 19th The Foam Riders; April 26th The Breedloves. . 2407 Research Dr., Livermore:

Charles R Vineyard wildflower and wine walk April 13, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be three wine and food pairing stations on the walk around the hill top, and the hike will end back at the tasting room with some Port and decadent bites. Club Members $25, Public $35. www.brownpapertickets.com or call 800-838-3006. Annual Tax Relief Dart Board Fu, noon to 4:30 p.m. April 14. Take a shot at the dart board to win discounts on wines. Taste the Vino de Amor Port paired with a Port Brownie. 8195 Crane Ridge Road, Livermore. www.charlesrvineyards.com

Las Positas Vineyards, April 13th & 14th featured food pairing flight will be newest International Cheese & Wine pairing flight. Tasting Room hours are open 11:30am-4:30pm. For more information, contact curt@laspositasvineyards.com

MUSIC/CONCERTS

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

Chris Bradley's Jazz Band appears regularly at: The Castle Rock Restaurant in Livermore/on Portola Avenue-- the 2nd Tuesday each month from 7:30-9:30--Dance floor, full bar, small cover.

Mista Cookie Jar, April 13, 2 p.m. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Livermore-Amador Symphony, April 13, prelude talk 7 p.m. concert begins, 8 p.m. Rimsky-Korsakov: Capriccio espagnol, G. Kahn: Cello Concerto, Dvo□ák: Rondo for Cello and Orchestra. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

Pleasanton Community Concert Band, Spring Concert April 14, 2:00 pm — 3:15 pm. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org

Spring Vocal Concert, Las Positas College Main Stage, April 18. Chamber Choir and Vocal East Jazz Ensemble spring concert. 3000 Campus Hill Dr., Livermore. http://www.laspositascollege.edu/performingarts/index.php

Ragtime to Jazz: The Music of James Reese Europe, 7:30 p.m. April 18. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore; www.lvpac.org or call 925-373-6800

Oshima Brothers. In concert Friday, April 19, 8:00 p.m. at Firehouse Arts Center in downtown Pleasanton. Harmony rich blend of contemporary folk and acoustic pop. Dynamic vocals, electric and acoustic guitars, loops and percussion. Set list include tracks from their 2016 debut album, plus much more. Note: Only Northern California show on current national tour. Reserved Seat Tickets $15 - $25. Tickets available at www.firehousearts.org, 925-931-4848, or at the center Box Office, 4444 Railroad Avenue, in downtown Pleasanton. Free parking.

Jazz Combos Concert, Las Positas College Main Stage, April 25. 3000 Campus Hill Dr., Livermore. http://www.laspositascollege.edu/performingarts/index.php

Quarteto Nuevo, 8 p.m. April 26 Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th Avenue, Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

A Tribute to Jimmy Buffet Show, 8 p.m. April 27. B West Coast Performing Arts Presents Celebrate the tropical paradise of the music of Jimmy Buffett as Garratt Wilkin and the Parrotheads recreate an actual Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefer event. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

The Drifters, May 3, 8 p.m. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

ART & ENTERTAINMENT

Telegraph Quartet, strings, May 4, 8 p.m. Del Valle Fine Arts Concert. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

San Francisco String Trio – The Sgt. Pepper Project, May 12, 3 p.m. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

Keb' Mo' - Grammy Award Winning Blues Master, 7:30 p.m. May 15. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

Celebrating New Music, Las Positas College Main Stage May 16. End-of-the-year concert features world premieres by student composers. 3000 Campus Hill Dr., Livermore. http://www.laspositascollege.edu/performingarts/index.php

Pacific Chamber Orchestra, Beethoven: The Heroic, Sunday, May 19, 3 p.m. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

G.I. Blues: The Elvis Presley Songbook, May 26, 2 p.m. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Jim Anderson & The Rebels, May 26, 2 p.m. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

John Waite, 8 p.m. May 31. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore; www.lvpac.org or call 925-373-6800

A 60-member company of dancers and musicians, Gamelan Sekar Jaya makes its return to Pleasanton on Saturday, April, 27, at 2 p.m. Pleasanton Public Library. Gamelan Sekar Jaya is a company of musicians and dancers, based in the San Francisco Bay Area, specializing in the performing arts of Bali. Founded in 1979, Gamelan Sekar Jaya has performed throughout California, the US, and Bali. 200 free tickets will be distributed in the Children's area beginning at 1:30 p.m. This program made possible through the generous support of Friends of the Pleasanton Library. For information, call the Children's desk, (925) 931-3400 ext. 3. All ages welcome.

ON THE STAGE

High School Music Collaborative: Originality 2.0; Live, Local, and Original - Youth Music Festival 2019, April 18, 7:30 p.m. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

The Mystery of Irma Vep at Village Theatre, 233 Front Street, Danville, April 12-28. Role Players Ensemble. Fri. & Sat. 8 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. www.villagetheatreshows.com

High School Music Collaborative: Parental Control; Parents just don't understand... how great it'll be - Youth Music Festival 2019, April 13, 7:30 p.m. Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848

Smokey Joe's Cafe, April 27-May 12, Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Theater for Young Audiences, Las Positas College Black Box, May 4-12.2 Live performance for children and their families,. 3000 Campus Hill Dr., Livermore. http://www.laspositascollege.edu/performingarts/index.php

Encore Players spring production Almost, Maine. May 10-12 at the Bothwell Arts Center in Livermore. Almost, Maine comprises nine quirky short plays that explore love and loss in a remote, mythical almost-town called Almost, Maine. https://encoreplayers.net/

COI: Mafia-Esque: The Musical 2019 An Improvised Whodunit? Musical! Tuesday, May 14 - Saturday, May 18 , Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

COMEDY

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

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

Late Nite Catechism, April 12, 8 p.m. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

The Capitol Steps, May 5, 5 p.m. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

Best of San Francisco Comedy Competition, 8 p.m. May 10. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First Street, Livermore; www.lvpac.org or call 925-373-6800.

DANCE

Vineyard Ballet Academy presents 'The Firebird and the Princess' 5:45 pm May 25. Amador Theater, Pleasanton. Tickets at www.firehousearts.org or 931-4848.

Valley Dance Theatre Spring REP 2019. May 25 at 7 p.m., May 26 at 2 p.m. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

MOVIES

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

A Star is Born (1954 movie), 7 p.m. May 15. A young and struggling singer who has nearly given up on her dreams of success, Ally (Judy Garland) steps up at a critical moment. Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. www.lvpac.org, 373-6800.

CHORAL

Broadway Treasures: From Then 'til Now (Annual Benefit Concert), Saturday, May 4, 2019, 3:00 pm. benefit for the Valley Concert Chorale, includes tea, coffee and cakes in an informal setting while listening to the music from Broadway favorites including Paint Your Wagon, My Fair Lady, Beautiful - The Carole King Musical, and Disney's Aladdin, Lion King, and Frozen. Bothwell Arts Center, Livermore. http://www.valleyconcertchorale.org

AUDITIONS

Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre Announces Auditions: "The Fantasticks" "Try To Remember" a time when this romantic charmer wasn't enchanting audiences around the world. The Fantasticks is the longest-running musical in the world. Director: Lexie Lazear, Choreographer: Erin Carrino, Musical Director: Sierra Dee, Producer: Kathleen Breedveld. Auditions at Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre, 1020 Serpentine Lane, Suite #101, Pleasanton. By Appointment Only: Monday April 29th and Tuesday April 30th, 7:30pm to 9:00pm Contact the Producer at: kbreedveld@trivalleyrep.org to make an appointment. 16-32 bars of a Broadway Standard or up-Beat tempo. Bring an audition form with all rehearsal conflicts and a current headshot and resume. Be prepared and dressed to move and have cold readings from the script. Rehearsals begin approx. Mid-September 2019. Performances begin November 2nd and run Fridays through Sunday's until November 17th, 2019. Competitive Stipends will be available. There may be one AEA Tier 1 Guest Artist contact available. Detailed role information and audition form at: https://www.trivalleyrep.org/shows/the-fantasticks

MISCELLANEOUS

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

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

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

59th annual Mt. Diablo Iris Society spring show and plant sale, Saturday, April 13, 2019 between 1:00 and 5:00, and Sunday April 14, 2019 from 9:00 to 4:00 at Alden Lane Nursery, 981 Alden Lane, Livermore. This is a judged show of many colorful and different varieties of iris cultivars. It will also feature flower arrangements, demonstrations, and a photo contest open to public contributors sponsored by Mike's Camera of Dublin. Admission is free. For additional information, call Mary Sindicic at 925 606-0355 or email MtDiablolris@gmail.com.

Spring Eggstravaganza, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 20. egg hunt, Flopsy and Peter Rabbit for photos, participate in crafts and games. Emerald Glen Park, 4201 Central Parkway, Dublin. Children must purchase a ticket in advance to participate. Dublin Parks and Community Services Department at (925) 833-6645.

Bunny Hop Scavenger Hunt, 10 a.m. to noon April 20, Downtown Pleasanton, Children 10 years and younger are invited to participate. Children will receive a goody bag and adults will receive a list of clues and locations to lead them to goodies throughout downtown at over a dozen participating businesses. www.pleasantondowntown.net

Treasures of Japan, May 4 and 5, Free, two-day event includes taiko drums; demonstrations in ikebana, kendo, bonsai, Japanese fashions and Japanese language. Also included Japanese tea ceremony, Japanese games, origami and music Japanese Arts and Culture Exhibits, Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., Pleasanton www.PleasantonArts.org

5th Annual Livermore Valley Beer Festival, Sat., May 11, 1 – 5 PM, Shrine Event Center, 170 Lindbergh Ave, Livermore. 2019 Music Line-up: Highway Poets – 12pm – 12:50pm: Simple Creation – 12:50 – 1:40pm; Megan Slankard – 1:40pm – 2:50pm; Lucas Ohio – 2:50pm – 3:50pm. Benefiting Shriners Hospitals for children. Tickets and information at http://lvcbf.com/beer-festival/

Wine Stroll, 5 to 8 p.m. May 11, Downtown Pleasanton. Over 20 downtown locations, sample wine and tasty bites while musicians perform live music throughout Main Street. Pleasanton Downtown Association, www.pleasantondowntown.net

79th Pleasanton Annual Rose Show, May 11, 2 to 5 p.m. open to the public and admission free. Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., 2:30 PM - Awards ceremony. www.pleasantonroseshow.com

Annual Ho'ike Luau, May 18, doors open 1:30 p.m. Shrine Event Center, 170 Lindberg Ave., Livermore Halau Makana Lani presents; accompanied by Faith Ako. $40 adults, $10 youth 10 and under. Ticket includes lunch late. Information at www.wegothula.com

28th Annual Livermore Downtown Street Fest, May 18- May 19, Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Along First Street from the Livermore Cinema down to N Street. The side Streets have unique experiences and activities. The best of the Livermore Valley's wineries and breweries will be creating Pop Up Tasting Room experiences. Livermore Downtown Inc. www.livermoredowntown.com/events

Museum on Main, An Afternoon or Evening with… King Henry VIII: Tuesday, May 21st, 2pm; Firehouse Arts Center. Tickets at www.museumonmain.org or (925) 462-2766.

Memorial Day Ceremony - Mon., May 27, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., Pleasanton. Pleasanton Community Concert Band will play.

BULLETIN BOARD

(Organizations wishing to run notices in Bulletin Board, send information to PO Box 1198, Livermore, CA 94551, in care of Bulletin Board or email information to editmail@compuserve.com. Include name of organization, meeting date, time, place and theme or subject. Phone number and contact person should also be included. Deadline is 5 p.m. Friday.)

Livermore Community Blood Drive: Friday, April 19, 12-6:00 p.m., Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Avenue. Every single day, Bay Area hospitals need over 300 units of blood to keep sick and injured patients alive. Please come donate, bring a friend or family member to the drive and give the gift of life to our friends and neighbors who need it. Register at www.redcrossblood.org and use ASBURY925 as the Sponsor Code, or call Thomas Petty at 925-980-8164 for more information.

Amador Valley Quilters member Sujata Shah will be the featured speaker at the April 13, 2019 general meeting. Sujata was recently the Guest artist at QUILT San Francisco 2019. She will present a slide and trunk show of her unique quilt designs that include the rich colors and handcrafted textiles of India. The Amador Valley Quilters meet the second Saturday of the month from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at Pleasanton Middle School, 5001 Case Avenue, Pleasanton, www.amadorvalleyquilters.org

Tri-Valley Democratic Club meeting Monday, April 15. Meet Evan Branning, candidate for California State Senate District 7. Learn more about Evan's candidacy and his background as a community volunteer and activist. The Club will then consider endorsing him. We will next discuss the many Democratic presidential candidates. This is a round table (with no table) discussion aimed at increasing knowledge of the various candidates. Meetings are held at the IBEW Hall, 6250 Village Parkway, Dublin. Doors open at 6:30 for a dessert potluck and conversation prior to the 7:00 PM meeting. For more information about the Tri-Valley Dems check our website, trivalleydems.com or our Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/TriValleyDems/ or contact maryqkontrary@yahoo.com with questions. Free event

Widowed Men and Women of Northern CA, April 18, 1 p.m. lunch in Dublin, RSVP to Hilda by April 16 at 398-8808. April 24, 12:30 p.m. Lunch in Fremont, RSVP by April 22 to Vickie at 510-656-1166. April 28, 1 p.m Bosco's Bones & Brew in Sunol, RSVP by April 25 to Ruby at 462-9636.

Singles wine tasting party, Single professionals of all ages are invited to meet new friends who appreciate fine wine, Saturday, April 20, 2019, 4-6pm, at Pat Paulsen Vineyards, 5143 Tesla Road, Livermore. $10 at the door includes 3 free tastes, accompanied by light food to cleanse the palate. This event is co-sponsored by The Society of Single Professionals, the world's largest non-profit singles organization; VinVillage; and many singles meet ups. More singles parties at www.thepartyhotline.com.

Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Jose Maria Amador, Pleasanton Chapter. The local Jose Maria Amador chapter meets on the second Saturday of the month from September to May, with a short business meeting and a program. DAR was founded in 1890 to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism. Its members are descended from the patriots who won American independence during the Revolutionary War. DAR is one of the world's largest and most active service organizations. DAR members are committed to volunteer service having served more than 12.5 million hours in communities throughout the world during the past three years. For more information, please visit https://josemaria.californiadar.org/ or contact Debbie Janes at jmadar.regent@gmail.com.

Life Transitions for Aging Adults (LTAA) St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 1315 Lomitas Ave, Livermore; . The Science Behind Social Connections in Aging. Tuesday, April 23, 1:00 – 2:30, Borromeo Hall. Doors open at 12:30 for social time ..All are welcome to attend. For information: Molly Fisher 925-449-8849

LHS Class of 2021 One of the biggest events in most high school students lives are to attend their Prom. The Class of 2021 is starting their fundraising early. Their goal is to raise monies to off-set high Prom Ticket prices. The first Fundraising Activity is "Mom's Sip & Shop" on Wed. April 17, 2019, from 7 - 9 p.m.. A fun evening of sipping award winning wine, shopping a number of vendors and sharing lots of laughs. Vendors include: Rustic Beauty, Pampered Chef, LuLaroe, Shiny Things, Makarons & More, Kitchy Klutches and a number of others. Being held at Eagle Ridge Vineyard, 10017 Tesla Rd., Livermore. Contact your Sophomore student for more information."

Dress a Girl Around the World, an invitation to make simple dresses for girls in third world countries. Meetings are once a month. The next meeting is April 27, from 9 am to 3 pm at St. Michael's Hall, Corner of 3rd and Maple St., Livermore. Bring sewing machine or serger, iron, ironing board, scissors, along with helping hands. (Those planning to stay all day should bring a bag lunch.) Always accepting cheerful cotton fabric donations. Those who can't make the Sew-Fest but would like to sew, arrange for kits that can be sews at home. Questions? Suzanne Beck, 925-352-8447 or suzbeck@yahoo.com

Looking for folks interested in organizing, running, and building a daylong LGBT+ Pride event in early October. All ideas, inspirations, and positive contributions are welcome at this community kick-off meetup. Meet us at Panama Bay Coffeehouse on Tuesday, April 23, at 6pm.

Registration for the Fifteenth Annual Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour, on Sunday, May 5, 2019 from 10:00 to 5:00, is now open. This award-winning, self-drive tour features thirty seven Alameda and Contra Costa county gardens that are pesticide-free, water conserving, provide habitat for wildlife, and contain 60% or more native plants. Four of these gardens are located in Livermore. Pre-registration for the Tour is required. $10 to purchase the garden guide; donations requested. www.BringingBacktheNatives.net, (510) 236-9558

Grief support meetings. 7:30 pm at St. Elizabeth Seton, 4001 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton, on April 11 and 25, May 9 and 23, June 13 and 27, July 11 and 25 and August 8. Please call Eleanor at 846-8708 for more information. All are welcome regardless of religious affiliation.

The Masonic Lodge of Livermore is having an Open House on April 27. Learn about the building on the corner of South Livermore Ave and First St. in Livermore. Questions about the Masons, come by for information. 119 South Livermore Ave., 2 to 4 p.m.

Sunol 4-H Pancake Breakfast, 8 a.m. to noon Sunday, April 14, 11601 Main Street, Sunol. Adults: $10.00; Child: $5.00.

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

Jewelry Donations Needed. The American Cancer Society Discovery Shop in Pleasanton is holding its semi-annual jewelry event to be held April 26-28, 2019. The Discovery Shop is requesting donations of necklaces, bracelets, rings and watches. Take a moment to peek in your jewelry box and donate some of your unused vintage, designer, costume and precious jewelry. Help make a difference in the fight against cancer. Donations are accepted at the shop Mon.-Fri. 10-5; Sat. 10-4; Sun. 12-4. The Discovery Shop is located in the Mission Plaza at 1989 Santa Rita Road, Suite E., Pleasanton. Contact Kelley Meno at 925-462-7374 for more information.

Writing Club for Young Adults led by young adult author J.L. Powers will meet from 6:30 to 8:30 pm on the third Thursday of the month: April 18, and May 16, 2019. The meetings will be held at the Civic Center Library, 1188 South Livermore Avenue, Livermore. The club is free. No registration is required. Aspiring writers may attend each meeting or as many or few as wanted. Teen Space page on the library's website: www.livermorelibrary.net, or contact Teen Services Librarian Jennifer Mosel at 925-373-5576.

The 2019 Livermore Fil-Am Scholarship applications are now open! Three scholars will be selected for the $1000, $750, and $500 awards. Those who will be graduating this June 2019 from either Livermore High School or Granada High School, please have them see their school counselor for the application. They can also contact an officer or board member. They must be a member of Livermore Fil-Am to qualify. If not, membership applications are available. Scholarship applications are due by Apr. 30. Winners announced on May 13 and presented on May 18.

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

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

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

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

Scottish country dancing in Livermore. Enjoy the lively reels and jigs and graceful strathspeys that are the traditional social dance of Scotland. Make new friends and have fun while you exercise. Join us Mondays 8:00 to 10:00 pm at the Livermore Veteran's Hall, 522 South L Street, Livermore. No prior dance experience or partner required. We welcome new dancers at any time. Call Margaret Ward at (925) 449-5932 or Sheena MacQueen at (925) 784-3662 for more information.

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

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

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Tri-Valley Connection Support Group, meets Wednesdays, 7:15pm - 8:45pm at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton. This group is for anybody experiencing a mental illness, for education and support. Visit www.nami-trivalley.org, or contact Kelley Thorpe Baker, (714)296-3444.

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

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

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

Counter Point (Addiction Family Support Group), Counter Point is a free faith based, Christ centered (Al Anon based) program designed to help individuals with family members who suffer from alcoholism and drug addiction. We meet Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship (348 North Canyons Parkway, Livermore across from Costco) and Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at St. Michael Elementary School (345 Church Street, Livermore). For further information contact Kent (925-243-0211) or Rachel (510-501-1411).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Del Valle Folk Dancers: beginning and experienced dancers are welcome. Balkan, Israeli and other world dances, easy line and circle dances, no partners required, casual dress. $3 per session (first time free). Tuesdays 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Bothwell Arts Center (West end), 2466 8th Street, Livermore. Information: George Pavel (925) 447-8020 or george.pavel@gmail.com

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sons in Retirement (SIR) is a social group of retired men who join together to better enjoy their leisure time. Activities include golf,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

RELIGION

WINGS (Women in God's Spirit), a faith enriching ministry for women of all ages and life stages, meets Thursday mornings, 9:30 – 11:30 am through May 9, 2019 at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Borromeo Hall, 1315 Lomitas Avenue, Livermore. The theme is Reflecting the Light of Christ to the World. Guest speaker "highlights" include Father Mark Wiesner, Pastor of St. Charles Borromeo; Tiffany Hoover – Theatrical Performance on the life of Dorothy Day; Graham Wiseman – Mental Health Advocate for Youth; and others. All are Welcome. For a list of presenters or to learn more about WINGS: stcharleslivermore.org/WINGS Questions: Janet Schott 925-373-9346 or Phyllis Clearwater 925-337-4299

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

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

Unitarian Universalist Church, 1893 North Vasco Road, Livermore. Sunday Service 10:30am. Church of the open mind, loving heart and helping hands. All are welcome. Childcare, and religious education for children as well as adults are offered. For more information, visit www.uucil.org or call 925-447-8747.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

St. Charles Borromeo, 1315 Lomitas Ave., Livermore. Meditation groups following the John Main tradition, every Monday 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. For details, contact Claire La Scola at 447-9800.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

. **Lynnewood United Methodist Church** at 4444 Black Ave. offers a friendly congregation where all are welcome. Worship at 9 or 10:30 a.m. on Sundays with Sunday school for youth and adults at 10:30 a.m. and childcare at both services. Contact Pastor Henry Kim at 846-0221, send an email to office@lynnewood.org or visit www.lynnewood.org.

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

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

Asbury United Methodist Church 4743 East Avenue, Livermore. Palm Sunday, April 14 at 10 a.m. Celebrating Palm Sunday and Confirmation together this year. Maundy Thursday, April 18 at 6:30 p.m. Asbury will host a joint worship service with Lynnewood UMC and Grace UMC at Asbury. Worship will begin at 6:30pm. Childcare will be available for the portion of time that the service is in the Sanctuary. Contact the church office by Tuesday, April 16th if you will need childcare. Good Friday, April 19 at 8 p.m. Tenebrae Worship includes a Reader's Theater Drama of the last days of Jesus's life. The Faith Choir will provide special choral music; there will be congregational singing; and a special viola solo. Easter Sunrise 6 a.m. outside at the fire pit in the Garden of Grace (weather permitting. If raining, in the Chapel). First Service of Easter 8 a.m. in the sanctuary led by the Asbury Band with Easter music, scriptures and hymns. Childcare in the Nursery for ages 5 and under. Second Service of Easter 10 a.m. in the sanctuary with the Faith Choir, special Easter music, scriptures and hymns. Childcare for children ages 5 and under in the nursery. Following Worship Services Children's Moment, Pre-K through 5th grade and Middle School & High School will have Sunday school. Labyrinth area Easter Egg hunt. For more information about other opportunities visit www.asburylive.org or call 925-447-1950. Asbury UMC can also be found on Facebook at "Asbury UMC Livermore."

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Unity of Tri-Valley, an inclusive spiritual community for people of all faiths and backgrounds. All are welcome. 7567 Amador Valley Blvd., Suite 108, Dublin. 10:00 am Sunday service. Rev. Dinah Chapman, Minister. www.trivalleyunity.org. 925.829.2733

Center for Spiritual Living Livermore Valley - Join us on a journey of individual and collective spiritual awakening. Sunday service at 10:00 a.m. Youth and teen programs offered as well. All are welcome. Meeting place Parish Hall, 678 Enos Way, Livermore. For more information contact revharriet1@yahoo.com or visit us at http://csllvlighthouse.org.

Easter Week Services

GraceWay Church will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday, April 21, at 10 a.m. at 1183 Quarry Lane.

The Easter celebration will conclude Holy Week services at GraceWay. Worship on Palm Sunday, April 14, will be at 10 a.m.

Each morning during Holy Week, there will be morning reflections with

Good Friday service will be held at 7 p.m. and focus on remembering that Jesus willingly suffered and died as the ultimate sacrifice for our sins.

The Easter service will celebrate that Jesus' death and resurrection arrested death and those who accept the gift of God's grace through Jesus live forever free.

An Easter egg hunt for the toddlers through sixth graders will follow the service.

For more information, go to www.gracewaylife.org or call (925) 846-4436.

Milestones

Silver Beaver Awarded

John Wiedemeier (pictured at right), a resident of Livermore, was awarded the Silver Beaver on February 2, 2019 at the San Francisco Bay Area Council Annual Recognition Dinner.

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest award a local council can present to an adult of the Boy Scouts of America. This award is given to those who implement the Scouting program and perform community service through hard work, self sacrifice, dedication, and many years of service.

John was previously awarded the District Award of Merit, Distinguished Commissioner, and President's Volunteer Service Award. He is a 3rd generation scouter joining BSA in 1971 in Hawaii. He achieved the rank of Eagle Scout as a boy in the Bay Area and served as a missionary in Japan.

He graduated from Brigham Young University and has worked as a technologist in the Server and Storage Industry working with companies all around the world. John and his wife Paula have 4 children and two grandchildren.

Two Maids & A Mop Partnering with Tri-Valley SOCKS to Raise Funds for Cancer Research

Two Maids & A Mop of Livermore is partnering with Tri-Valley SOCKS for the 14th annual Bras for the Cause breast cancer walk. Walkers wear decorated bras as they do an 8k(5 mile) walk through Pleasanton to help raise awareness and funds for local breast cancer charities and research.

The walk will take place on Saturday, April 13 at 7 p.m. at Amador Valley High School. Participants can register online beforehand at www.trivalleysocks.org or at 5 p.m. at the location on the night of the walk. A minimum of only $200 in donations is required to walk. Donations are encouraged to be made online before the walk as well. Many bra decorating awards are given at the Finishers Party after the walk is completed.

Two Maids & A Mop Livermore will have a table set up during registration for the walk from 5pm to 7pm. During this time, there will be raffle baskets that include a 20% off cleaning coupon. A signup sheet will also be available for walkers to write down their contact information, if interested in the cleaning services.

The partnership with Tri-Valley SOCKS is an opportunity for Two Maids & A Mop to live out its mission to help the community it serves beyond residential cleaning services. To learn more about the Bras for the Cause walk, visit http://www.trivalleysocks.org.

Knit This Purl That Opens in Livermore

The Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce welcomed business owners Sandy and Jim Rowney in late March with a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the opening of Knit This Purl That with customers, Chamber board members and Ambassadors at their new space located in Livermore.

Formerly located in Pleasanton, Knit This Purl That relocated to 358 South Livermore Avenue, maintaining easy access for its loyal customers. The shop features top quality domestic and imported yarn, classes, workshops, and supplies for new and seasoned knitters and crocheters. Sandy Rowney also offers a monthly free instruction class.

According to the Craft Yarn Council website, nationwide 38 million consumers enjoy this craft including 20 and 30 year olds, and celebrities such as Julia Roberts, Sarah Jessica Parker and others. Improved mood, relaxation and stress reduction are some of the positive benefits experienced by those that take up this hands on skill working with a rainbow of yarn colors and textures to produce clothing, accessories and every day household items.

For more information on Knit This Purl That visit http://www.knitthisonline.com .

Warriors Themed Vitality Bowl

Vitality Bowls in Livermore has partnered with the Santa Cruz Warriors and created a special bowl for their partnership - VB blend, raspberries, blueberries, strawberries, broccoli, multi vitamin; Topped with organic Granola, strawberries, blueberries, pineapple, Coconut shavings and Bee pollen.

NEW FACES

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

A son to Tiffany and Michael Siegling of Pleasanton on March 17, 2019.

A daughter to Anna and Michael Carley of Dublin on March 18, 2019.

A son to Shawna and Randy Nielsen of Livermore on March 21, 2019.

EDUCATION

The following students have been selected for inclusion on the Dean's List for academic achievement during the Fall 2018 semester at St. Lawrence University. Abbie R. Cooper of Pleasanton. Cooper is a member of the Class of 2022. Madison E. Cring of Pleasanton. Cring is a member of the Class of 2021. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have completed at least four courses and have an academic average of 3.6 based on a 4.0 scale for the semester.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) student-athlete Madison Perez of Dublin has been recognized by the Liberty League for her efforts in track & field last week.

At the Goucher College Track & Field Classic in Baltimore, Md., Perez won the 800 meter dash and was part of the victorious 4x400 relay team to earn Liberty League Track Performer of the Week. She finished the 800 in 2:25.79 to win the 17-competitor event, which saw the runner-up cross almost a second behind her (2:26.67). In the relay, Perez ran the opening leg for a squad that finished in 4:26.86, which was nearly a second ahead of the runner-up team's time of 4:27.48. There were six teams in the 4x400. For Perez during the recently completed indoor season, she competed in the 800, 1000 and 4x400 relay. She had her best 800 time at the conference meet in late February when she ran a 2:19.70 to finish third. Perez ran the 1000 once, finishing third at the Utica College Blue and Orange Invitational in early February (3:05.73), and the 4x400 six times. The unit's top time was 4:16.06 when it was fifth at the league meet.

Anh Nguyen, majoring in Computer Science from Pleasanton, CA, was among the students named to Augustana College's 2018-19 winter term Dean's List.

Names of students who have made the Scholastic Honor Roll Winter term 2019 have been announced by Oregon State University. A total of 1,371 students earned straight-A (4.0). Another 4,728 earned a B-plus (3.5) or better to make the listing. To be on the Honor Roll, students must carry at least 12 graded hours of course work.

Students on the Honor Roll included:

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

Livermore: Straight-A Average: Dominic J. Giuliano, Freshman, Pre-Bioengineering; Matthew S. McLean, Post Baccalaureate, Computer Science. 3.5 or Better: Michael G. Branco-Katcher, Junior, Pre-Nuclear Engineering; Melissa I. Nunes, Sophomore, Human Devel and Family Science.

Pleasanton: Straight-A Average: Kamryn J. Brown, Senior, Public Health; Lacy M. Dagen, Senior, Sociology; Kelley E. Dixon, Senior, Human Devel and Family Science; Shannon Y. Gray, Senior, Human Devel and Family Science. 3.5 or Better: Madi Dagen, Freshman, University Exploratory Studies; Emily K. Meier, Senior, Biology; Collin H. Miller, Senior, Finance; Jackson D. Miller, Sophomore, Pre-Computer Science; Ryan D. Ostroff, Freshman, Pre-Elect & Computer Engineer. Jackson G. Perry, Freshman, Pre-Computer Science; Annabell K. Schulz, Senior, Psychology; Julia A. Wilcox, Sophomore, Kinesiology.