

City Allocates \$1.2M in State Funding for Street Repairs

By Larry Altman

DUBLIN — The Dublin City Council on June 6 approved using about \$1.2 million in state funding to make repairs and spread a slurry seal on residential streets surrounding Silvergate Drive between San Ramon Road and Dublin Boulevard.

In a unanimous vote approving the consent calendar, the council triggered construction this summer, continuing through the fall and winter. The council did not discuss the item prior to its approval.

According to a city staff report, the funding comes from about \$1.8 million the city is projected to receive for fiscal year 2023-24 from the state for road maintenance and rehabilitation under Senate Bill 1, which former Gov. Jerry Brown signed into law to address needed maintenance on state highways and local streets.

The Road Repair and

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Costco Store Construction Delayed Until Next Spring

By Larry Altman

PLEASANTON — Tri-Valley residents looking forward to shopping at Pleasanton's first Costco store will have to wait a little bit longer.

Although developers are soon to break ground at the Johnson Drive site near the 680 Freeway and Stoneridge Drive, necessary roadwork for the project is delayed and won't be finished until next year. This means the discount warehouse likely won't open until the spring.

"The timing for opening of the Costco store is contingent on all of the necessary roadway improvements being completed," said Ellen Clark, Pleasanton Community Development Department director.

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The Jelani Noble Trio perform at the Bankhead Plaza in Livermore on Saturday, June 17 during a Juneteenth celebration. The national holiday is marked on June 19 to commemorate the emancipation of enslaved people in the U.S. The event was first celebrated in Texas, where on that date in 1865, in the aftermath of the Civil War, enslaved people were declared free under the terms of the 1862 Emancipation Proclamation. [See photo gallery at www.independentnews.com/multimedia] (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

Nonprofit Starts Eco-Friendly Fund

REGIONAL — Three Valleys Community Foundation (3VCF) is pleased to announce the launch of a Give, Grant & Grow Green Fund.

This focused field of interest fund was seeded with a generous lead gift from Jean King, a longtime Livermore resident. King has a history of volunteerism. She was named the Assembly District Woman of the Year in 2005 for her passion for the arts and the preservation of our environment. Contributions from this new fund will be distributed to nonprofits working to ad-

dress local environmental education, issues and opportunities.

"I am excited to contribute to the launch of this special Give, Grant & Grow Green Fund at Three Valleys Community Foundation," said King. "Safeguarding our precious resources and making a positive impact on our environment is one of the most important issues of our time. I believe that if we work collectively, we can make a difference. It's my sincere hope that we can help nonprofits desiring to make a difference in this

area."

Give, Grant & Grow Green at 3VCF will be a community benefit fund, designed specifically to support nonprofits, programs and opportunities in the environmental sector. As a 3VCF managed and directed fund, 3VCF's board of directors will oversee fund disbursements.

"Our sincere thanks to Jean King for her generous gift launching this important fund," said Kelly Bowers, 3VCF's CEO/President. "Green giving is more than

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Former Foster Child Shares His Story

By Dawnmarie Fehr

LIVERMORE — A longtime resident credits the City of Livermore with saving his life, and wrote a book — "Broken Boy" — to tell his story.

A ward of the foster care system since he was 5, Gino Medeiros spent his formative years in 1980s in Livermore, facing challenges most kids don't. From instability to abuse, Medeiros managed to overcome the hurdles life placed in his path and achieve happiness. Now facing his 53rd birthday, Medeiros has a family and personal peace. He said

his primary motivation for writing "Broken Boy" was to reach others in the foster system.

"I want to say that I've been through it, and I'm doing ok," Medeiros said. "Unfortunately, I am an exception to the statistics. I wrote the book as a labor of love for the kids who are currently languishing and for the people who are interested in becoming foster care parents or adopting from the system. A lot of the parents I (was placed with) came from a good place but didn't really understand what they were

getting into."

Medeiros said Livermore and the Livermore Independent have a special place in his heart. A former delivery boy for The Independent, Medeiros used to drop copies of the paper at his neighbors' doors. Later, in a 2009 letter to the editor, Medeiros put his gratitude to the community into words.

"Thank you for showing a very troubled, very scared and very lonely boy that he mattered," wrote Medeiros. "Thank you for making me one of you and helping me

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Commission Approves Draft

New Airport Policy Moves Ahead for Council Approval

Community Voices Concerns

By David Jen

LIVERMORE — A new Livermore airport development policy altering a long-standing city resolution limiting airport expansion will go before the city council for consideration on June 26.

Current Resolution No. 2010-058, adopted by a former city council in 2010, restricts development at Livermore Municipal Airport only to projects "in response to existing aviation demand" and prohibits the city from soliciting or encouraging "development of a large scale, stand-alone

air cargo operator." The new policy would allow the city to issue requests for interest, requests for qualification, and requests for proposal "if airport land and/or improvements exist or become available, in the city's sole discretion."

The Livermore Airport Commission, with Chair Adam Bertsch absent, voted 4-0 at its June 5 meeting to recommend to the city council that they approve the new policy.

Livermore Municipal Airport, with two parallel runways and home to 461

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The West Coast qualifying round for Nathan's Famous Hot Dog Eating Contest was held on June 17 at the Alameda County Fair in Pleasanton. Dereck Hendricks won the men's division by eating 32.5 hot dogs in 10 minutes, and Katie Prettyman won the woman's competition with 14 hot dogs in 10 minutes. The fair runs through July 10. For additional information, visit www.alamedacountyfair.org. [See photo gallery at www.independentnews.com/multimedia] (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

LVO Named a National Winner Group Gears Up for Opera in the Vineyard

LIVERMORE — The Livermore Valley Opera (LVO) is preparing for its Opera in the Vineyard event this Saturday in yet another showcase of its award-winning performances.

Last year, LVO was named the 2021 winner of The American Prize in the Professional Opera division for its March 2020 performances of Zemlinsky's "A Florentine Tragedy" and Puccini's "Gianni Schicchi." The American Prize is the nation's most comprehensive series of nonprofit competitions in the musical and theater arts.

"We are, of course, very proud of the LVO artistic team and the splendid work they do to bring world class opera to the Bankhead Theater in Livermore and to extend this work into our community and school engagement programs," said Keith Sawyer, LVO president. "We look forward to an exciting new 2023-2024 season featuring 'Of Mice and Men' and the 'Magic Flute.'"

Erie Mills, LVO artistic director, also expressed pride for the recognition.

"The entire double-bill

production was a labor of love and skill for all involved," Mills said. "It rarely happens when all the elements of a production share equal value. This time, the magic really worked!"

The American Prize is designed to recognize and reward the best performing artists, ensembles, composers, conductors and directors from nonprofit groups in the United States based on submitted recordings. The American Prize was founded in 2010 and is awarded annually in many areas of the performing arts.

The winning two one-act operas — one a tragedy, one a comedy — are rarely performed together. Based on fragmentary tales by two literary giants, Oscar Wilde in the first case, Dante Alighieri in the second. "A Florentine Tragedy" tells a tale of jealousy and commerce, while "Gianni Schicchi" is a farcical tale of a Mediterranean family as they fight over a dead relative's will, ultimately bonding over their love of money and hatred of Schicchi, who proves far smarter than all of them.

"Every once in a while, (See WINNER, page 9)



Dublin's Summer Concert Series opened on Thursday, June 15 with a performance by Careless Whisper. The series runs for eight weeks at the Emerald Glen Park Amphitheater on Thursday evenings during the Dublin Farmers Market. [See photo gallery at www.independentnews.com/multimedia] (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

Local Seniors Are Exercising To the Beat of Bollywood

By Dawnmarie Fehr

PLEASANTON — A group of Pleasanton seniors are enjoying a new fitness craze straight out of the pages of a Bollywood dance film. They are loving the way it makes them feel.

Called BollyX, the energetic exercise class was recently added to the Stoneridge Creek Retirement Community's activity schedule, and the eclectic mix of music and steps keeps residents grooving.

Instructor Shivani Rajnish said the response to her classes has been wonderful. The majority of the participants at Stoneridge Creek are in their mid- to late 70s.

"BollyX combines choreography with the hottest music from around the world," said Rajnish of the pre-cho-

reographed classes.

Bollywood is the film industry of India, with a unique style of movement and music. BollyX uses that energy to reach people around the world through fitness.

Rajnish has nine years' experience teaching BollyX. She started in Los Angeles where she earned her instructor certification; then brought her expertise to the Bay Area.

Stoneridge Creek resident Gina Gourley, 74, enjoys the combination of Indian and Arabic music mixed with American music.

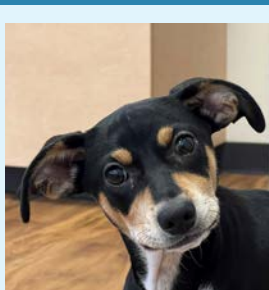
"It's a fun combo," Gourley said. "There's been a consistent group of 25-30 of us who attend regularly, and we enjoy the class immensely. We even have some who aren't ambulatory. They

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Sunset Competition Shines Gold on Livermore Wineries

By Laura Ness

The Sunset Wine Competition has announced its 2023 winners, and several Livermore wineries did quite well. Hats off to winemaker Darin Winton of Cellar 13 for scoring a Double Gold and 97 pts. for the 2019 Cellar 13 Winery Cabernet Sauvignon from Livermore Valley fruit. Hailing from the 3 Steves Vineyard on upper Greenville Road, the judges described it as rich, soft, round, dark, full of body, provocative, spicy and complex. The 2018 Cellar 13 Winery Chardonnay, also from Livermore Valley, scored Gold, 94 pts. and was touted for being a great food wine, with flavors of butter-scotch and apple pie. Winton sourced this one from Del Arroyo Vineyard. Winton said it was the first

time he had entered that particular wine in a competition and was pleasantly surprised. You can taste these wines and others under the Cellar 13 label at Pairings Wine Bar Restaurant in Pleasanton, every Sunday from noon – 5p.m. Concannon Vineyard did themselves and Livermore proud with a gold win and 91 pts. for the 2019 Concannon Vineyard Clone 7 Cabernet Sauvignon, which the judges described as pure and elegant, and exhibiting depth and a long finish. McGrail Vineyards winemaker Mark Clarin is also pleased with the gold and 91 pts. awarded to his 2020 McGrail Vineyards Estate Shamus Patrick Red Blend from the winery's Lucky 8 Vineyard. Judges noted the

scent of violets, the rich dark fruit on the palate, and the long finish. Winemaker and owner Bob Pruett of Pruett Farms, Livermore's newest winery, won a Double Gold and 95 pts. for their 2021 Pruett Farms Estate "Reverie" Reserve Chardonnay, which was barrel fermented in a special cooperage for an extra richness that wowed the judges. They appreciated its creamy, oaky California style and tropical fruit. The Pruett Tasting Room will formally open on July 8, but will hold soft openings every Saturday between now and then, from noon to 5p.m. Wente Vineyards also did quite well, with a Best of Class and 98 pt., for their 2019 Wente Vineyards Artist Series "Duetto," from Liver-

more Valley fruit. Described as chocolatey, oaky, and built to last, the judges praised its structure. Wente also scored a gold and 94 pts. for the 2021 Wente Vineyards Riva Ranch Vineyard Chardonnay from Arroyo Seco, which was noted for its pumpkin spice and lovely finish, prompting one judge to describe it as "autumnal." And not to be left out of the Chard party, the venerable 2021 Wente Vineyards Morning Fog Chardonnay, Central Coast, was awarded gold and 92 pts. hailed for its tasty notes of buttery popcorn and wet stone. 2020 Wente Vineyards Wetmore Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon from Livermore Valley received gold and 90 pts. with the acclaim "Nice

glass of Cab, solid, good winemaking." The 2018 Wente Vineyards Artist Series "Sonata" Estate was given Gold and 91 pts. and was lauded for being spicy and fun with a dark chocolate finish.



Bob Pruett with his double gold medal winning 2021 Pruett Family Estate "Reverie" Chardonnay. (Photo courtesy of Ray Fister)

Bob Vinn Set to Retire as Livermore's Longtime City Engineer

By Larry Altman

Livermore City Engineer Bob Vinn is set to retire June 30 after years of helping to transform the city's downtown core into a vibrant destination, making sure storm drains flowed and cars traveled on safe roads, and providing a hope that one day Valley Link trains will carry commuters over the dreaded Altamont Pass.

sure roadways are as safe as possible, while still efficiently allowing for the transport of goods and people," he said. "Traffic engineering is called an art, rather than a science, because it involves dealing with a lot of the public who are either driving or riding bikes," Vinn said. "Everybody has their own great ideas on how to make things better. And while most

ranged from huge jobs like the Vasco Road-Interstate 580 interchange and the Isabel Neighborhood Specific plan — which is set to build 4,100 residential units, parks, streets and more on the city's north side — to making East Avenue traffic improvements and evaluating whether a stop sign is necessary when residents complain about speeders on their street.

"It's got a lot of momentum moving forward and looks certainly a lot more likely than BART ever did." Vinn said the most challenging part of the engineering staff's jobs was gaining consensus among city council members and residents on the direction to take on projects, including the downtown.

ing our streets and sidewalks, Bob's accomplishments can be seen all throughout the city," Marysheva said. Livermore Planning Manager Steve Stewart added: "Bob's professionalism, impeccable taste in music and side gig as a guitarist in a local rock and roll band enabled him to transcend the highly technical demands of a city engineer and practice the art of translating City Council goals and priorities

into projects that promote Livermore's quality of life."

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Livermore City Engineer Bob Vinn is retiring on June 30. His future plans include time with his wife, and continuing to play guitar in his local cover band, "Rock on Tap." (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

Vinn, 62, who lives with his wife, Lynne, in Lodi, where she teaches kindergarten, is looking forward to ending his 65-mile commute, traveling in the couple's recreational vehicle, and playing guitar in his classic rock cover band, "Rock On Tap." "We play around Livermore all the time," Vinn said. "I like gardening. I have a two-acre property here on the outskirts of Lodi surrounded by vineyards. It's beautiful." Born in Japan, where his father served in the U.S. Navy, Vinn arrived with his family in Orinda when he was 4 years old. Engineering was literally in his blood. "My grandfather was an engineer, and I really liked and respected my grandfather," Vinn said. "When I was in the seventh grade, he said, 'Robert, I think you should become a civil engineer because you have the aptitude for it.' And so I said, 'OK,' and that was my career path." Vinn said he vaguely knew what the job entailed, but he knew it had something to do with roads and utilities. After graduating from San Francisco State and interning in the city of Brisbane, Vinn got his first full-time job in Hayward in 1987 as a traffic engineer. His job: "Making

people won't delve into how to design a structure for a building, they'll certainly have an opinion on how to design a roadway." Vinn held other engineering jobs in Fremont and at a private engineering firm, and landed in Livermore in 1999 as an associate transportation engineer. As he rose through the ranks, he expanded into general civil engineering and was promoted in 2005 to assistant city engineer in charge of development, along with transportation and traffic engineering. About 2 1/2 years ago, he was promoted to the top job of city engineer, overseeing a staff of 28 people. "Livermore is a great place to work," Vinn said. "The staff are generally really good, hard working people that are great teammates. There's a lot of different stuff, so you're not going to get bored working for Livermore. If you want to expand and do something that may not be in your direct group, generally there's a way to let people work on different things." Over the years, Vinn had a hand in or directed his staff of engineers and technicians in a variety of capital improvement projects across the city. These projects

included the downtown revitalization, working to avoid unnecessary negative impacts on businesses as construction begins on the L Street parking structure and other projects. For city council watchers, Vinn often described projects and made presentations, including the recent Capital Improvement Budget to make infrastructure repairs across the city. "I always appreciated Bob Vinn's expertise," Mayor John Marchand said. "He always provided the background and the information that I needed to make the best decisions for Livermore residents." City Manager Marianna Marysheva said Vinn's "leadership and dedication to the community will be missed and we will work hard to find an equally excellent replacement to lead our Engineering Division." "From Downtown projects like Stockmen's Park, Livermorium Plaza, and the I Street Parking Garage, to the city's flood response and mitigation efforts, to improv-

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County Seeks Input On I-580 Study

The Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) is inviting those who live, work, or travel along Interstate 580 to submit feedback on expanding transportation options and improving safety and access along the corridor through June 30.

Alameda CTC is the lead agency on development of an I-580 Transit and Multimodal Strategy from the Bay Bridge through the Altamont Pass. This study will explore ways to improve all types of travel along and near the corridor, including driving, taking the bus or train, biking, and walking.

To provide input, or to learn more about the study, go to tinyurl.com/3xfb6pr2.

Livermore Eagle Scout Troop 939 Celebrates 100 Year Anniversary

Livermore BSA Troop 939 will mark its 100th anniversary on Saturday, June 24, with an invitation-only dinner for current and past members and their families.

Eagle Scouts from Troop 939 also carried a banner in the Livermore Rodeo Parade this month proclaiming the 100-year milestone.

Initially chartered as Troop 1 in 1923, the unit was renamed Troop 939 in 1958, a year after becoming

a chartered troop under the First Presbyterian Church of Livermore. The troop is the second oldest in the Bay Area.

The troop has produced 99 Eagle Scouts, the highest rank in Scouting. To earn their Eagle badge, Scouts must earn at least 21 merit badges and complete a community service project.

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Dublin to Host Block Party, Kickball Tourney on Sat., July 22

Dublin will host an all-day Backyard Block Party at Don Biddle Community Park on Saturday, July 22, with an adult kickball tournament, curry cook-off, and a Family Fun Zone.

The kickball tournament

will begin at 8:30 a.m., with the block party officially getting underway at 11 a.m. Food and drink will be available for purchase.

The Family Fun Zone will include yard games, bounce houses, and face

painting. The curry cook-off judging begins at noon, with samples available for tasting for \$5 per person. Food and drinks will also be available for purchase. The block party ends at 3 p.m., with the championship kickball match

scheduled for 6 p.m.

The kickball tournament is for players 18 and older, with up to 12 players per team. There is a \$100 per team registration fee, with every team guaranteed at least two matches.



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EDITORIAL

Airport Policy Should be Revised without a Delayed Process

The City of Livermore risks straining the relationship between the airport and its surrounding residents and businesses. The airport's draft Leasing and Development Policy, which received a unanimous 4-0 vote of approval from the Airport Commission, is scheduled for city council hearing and possible adoption on June 26. One major concern with the draft policy is that it exceeds the airport development limits that were originally set by the city in 2010. Additionally, the draft policy raises doubts about the city's stance on process transparency and its efforts to reduce aircraft noise at the airport.

Exciting new ventures, such as zero-carbon aircraft and Las Positas College's aviation curriculum, await a development policy that can interweave public input with developer interests. But the current draft policy requires further revision to include the public in the proposal decision process, and to define acceptable changes to aircraft noise resulting from new development.

Resolution No. 2010-058, adopted in 2010, explicitly ties airport development to "existing aviation demand," with demand evaluated based on "tangible evidence" by the airport commission, a public advisory body.

The draft development policy, however, moves the decision process behind closed doors, relying on an Inter-Departmental Staff Review Team (IDSRT) to evaluate development proposals without public-hearing requirements. The IDSRT does not include the airport commission.

As it stands, the IDSRT will therefore be asked to determine if a proposal complies with Resolution No. 2010-058 — a

resolution that requires airport commission input — without the airport commission. This setup has spurred public concern over increases in aircraft noise from unnecessary projects.

While the requirement for public engagement plans is a step in the right direction, such plans serve only to notify the public of increased noise, without any feedback channels or noise controls required by the policy.

We agree with policy revisions pertaining to the airport's hangar waitlist practices — which were once fraught with political favoritism that resulted in lawsuits.

However, when it comes to expanding the airport, the new development policy should go beyond mere references to the 2010 resolution and spell out what guidelines and processes it will enforce to comply with that resolution, as it fosters development driven by the public and aviation demand. Development at the Livermore Airport could offer promising community initiatives, such as electrifying airplanes or providing classes for Las Positas College students. These projects have the potential to bring positive environmental and educational benefits to the community.

As for today, all aircraft should be required to use unleaded fuel as other cities have mandated.

There are revisions needed in this policy, and it's important to prioritize its completion without dragging out the process for years. Our airport provides indispensable training for pilots and air-traffic controllers, and serves as a key disaster relief and recovery facility. Its place in our community, however, relies on an open dialogue between the airport and its neighbors, a dialogue that any airport policy must respect.

MAILBOX

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Watching the A's Reverse Boycott

Kimball Shinkoskey, Former Tri-Valley resident

A's fans can protest in East Bay, and rural Nevadans can hate the proposal, but that will make no difference to the big money boys. They will do whatever they want, including buying state legislators and building a new baseball stadium.

It is quite a sight to see how the professional sports

industry can shake its magic wand and send a wobbling state legislature into special session. There, duly elected representatives are called to consider a 9-digit proposal for a new baseball stadium, because Las Vegas, you see, need more fun things to do.

This new stadium would house a large portion of the host city and many visitors from nearby out-of-state cities for 162 games a year, taking them away from the serious business of life for the remaining decades of their lives.

The good news is, the proposed new billion-dollar stadium, if built, will likely stand forever as a monument to Nevada's once sturdy existence, like the Coliseum in Rome, even long after American civilization implodes from within from too much emphasis on sport, and too little emphasis on the health, education, and welfare of its citizens.

Please Save the Date!!!

Donna Cabanne, Livermore

On Monday June 26th, the Livermore City Council will consider a new Airport Development and Leasing Policy. Did you know Santa Clara County and Kaiser Permanente commissioned a study of children living/attending school near the Reid-Hillview Airport? The findings released in August 2021 linked the ongoing use of leaded aviation gas with elevated lead exposure in children living near Reid-Hillview. The CDC states: "No safe blood lead level in children has been identified. Even low levels of lead in blood have been shown to affect IQ, ability to pay attention, and academic achievement."

Because of these findings, Santa Clara County banned the sale of leaded aviation fuel in January 2022.

What parallels can we draw between Reid-Hillview and Livermore Airport? The number of take-offs/landings at Livermore Airport was 193,612 from 2/1/2022 to 1/31/2023 --- roughly equivalent to Reid-Hillview Airport. 309,300 gallons of 100LL fuel were sold at Livermore Airport in the 12 months ending 1/31/23. 100LL fuel is the single largest source of airborne lead emissions, representing 70% of lead released into the environment.

The FAA invited Reid-Hillview to be a demonstration project examining best practices for airports transitioning to unleaded aviation fuel. Because of the similarities between Livermore and Reid-Hillview, shouldn't we ask the Livermore City Council to ban the sale of leaded aviation fuel and to apply to become the second demonstration project to accelerate the transition to unleaded aviation fuel?

Concerned about the health of our children??

Here's what you can do:
1. Please email the City Council and ask them to reject the airport development policy as written and to apply to the FAA to become a demonstration project:
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2. Share this information with your neighbors.
3. Please attend the Livermore City Council Meeting June 26th starting at 7pm ---Livermore City Council Chambers, 1016 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore. You can also attend by zoom. The zoom link will be printed on the June 26th agenda.

Your comments can be short: Reject the "Airport Development Policy as written" or "Modify the new Airport Policy to ban

leaded aviation fuel". Your personal experiences concerning airport noise and leaded fuel are powerful!!!

This Airport Policy will affect our quality of life for years. With your input, we can create a safer and more environmentally sound airport policy.

Community and Diversity

Trish Munro, Livermore

This past Saturday saw three very different events that represent Livermore past, present, and future. At the train depot—once a place for cross-country trains to stop, now in use for commuters to Silicon Valley—the Heritage Guild marked its fiftieth anniversary with a proclamation and stories of just how close that depot came to demolition. Just a few blocks away by the Bankhead Theater, Livermore celebrated Juneteenth with music and dancing, good food, education, and merchandise. Meanwhile, at Quest Plaza, families engaged in activities that demonstrated scientific principles to the next generation—and their parents.

The combination of these three events can remind us all of how Livermore is adapting to the 21st century. From the cattle ranchers, who formed the Stockmen's Association, to the LLNL scientists who made fusion happen in a controlled way, Livermore has striven to build community in a careful and intentional way. Often that sense of community develops through lively—sometimes loud—debate. Sometimes that debate spills into outright division or worse. The hate that a few have shown toward the LGBTQ+ community in the past weeks is not what Livermore should be about.

Yet this past Saturday showed Livermore at its hopeful best: a place where we can learn from our past history, nurture our present community, and build a better future for the new generation together. Here's to creating that future together.

Livermore Airport

Michele Keller, Brian Sullivan, Livermore

We were very unhappy to see that the new Livermore Airport Development and Leasing Policy does not substantively address the problems of noise and pollution that are causing my family to seriously consider selling our home on Arlington Road. We urge Livermore City Council to reject this policy as written. We don't want to leave our home, but for the health and comfort of our family, we will be forced to sell if there is no effort to improve the current levels of noise and pollution.

Livermore Airport Should Ban the Sale of Leaded Gas

Felicia Ziomek, Livermore

Attend the next City Council 6/26 meeting. Demand the City of Livermore test area children near Livermore Airport for lead poisoning. After children living near San Jose's Reid-Hillview Airport experienced blood lead levels similar to children in Flint, Michigan during the peak of its water crisis, the airport stopped the sale of 100LL leaded aviation gas, effective 1/1/2022. This was found after Santa Clara County commissioned a study of children living/attending school near the airport. The risk of elevated blood lead levels depended on the direction of the prevailing winds, and the child's residential distance from the airport. Children residing less than ½ mile from Reid-Hillview Airport were found to have blood lead levels higher than the levels found in children during the Flint, Michigan water system failures. Children ½ to 1 ½ miles away experienced a modest increase in blood lead levels. The CDC states: "No safe blood lead level in children has been identified. Even low levels of lead in blood have been shown to affect IQ, ability to pay attention, and academic achievement." The number of take-offs/landings at Livermore Airport

is roughly equivalent to Reid-Hillview Airport in San Jose. And 309,300 gallons of 100LL fuel were sold at Livermore Airport in the 12 months ending 1/31/23.

The proposed amended Livermore Airport Leasing and Development Policy doesn't suggest stopping the sale of leaded gas. This policy will be discussed by the Livermore City Council at 7pm on Mon., Jun. 26th. There was inadequate opportunity for the public to comment on it before being brought to the City Council, and the proposed changes are in opposition to prior city 2010 resolutions. The changes also allow increasing development of the airport, without reducing airport noise, without any public input. If increases in airport development increase landings/take-offs, that will increase nearby children's exposure to leaded gas.

Do: attend the City Council meeting on 6/26 at 7pm either live (Civic Center, 1016 S. Livermore Ave.) or via Zoom. (Zoom link included in the agenda on the city website.) Comments are limited to 3 minutes & you must complete a Speaker's Card. Email the City Council.

(LivermoreCityCouncil@LivermoreCA.gov). If unable to attend, send your comments to cityclerk@livermoreca.gov to have them included in the meeting notes.

Regarding the Livermore Airport and Expansion Plans

Bryan Zloty, Livermore

Our home (is) located at 410 Sheridan Circle and is in the direct approach flight path to the Livermore Airport. My wife and I regularly experience noise due to late-night flight arrivals (past 10:00pm), and during normal hours of operation, noise from incoming jets is often excessive; not to mention that on more than one occasion, I've found unexplained 'debris' on our property.

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Livermore city officials ceremonially broke ground on the L Street parking garage on Friday, June 16. The four-level structure is located on South L Street with primary access from Veterans Way. The new garage will add 452 parking spaces downtown and will include ADA, electric vehicle charging spots and bicycle spaces. Another 40 spaces will be in the adjacent surface lot. New parking technology will provide added convenience for drivers with signs displaying real-time parking availability and a parking app that communicates open parking spaces to drivers. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

Bill Includes DeSaulnier Safety Proposals

The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee last week approved a bill to reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) that includes several initiatives proposed by Mark DeSaulnier (D-CA). "I am pleased at the committee's bipartisan work in passing the (FAA) reauthorization, and am especially proud that seven of my initiatives were included in the bill that would help to protect American aviation workers' right to fair pay and good working conditions, improve the safety of the flying public by preventing near-miss incidents like the one we saw at (San Francisco International Airport) in 2017, and help airports become more resilient to the effects of climate change," DeSaulnier said. DeSaulnier represents California's 10th congressional

district, which include San Ramon and part of Dublin. DeSaulnier worked on the bill as a member of the House Subcommittee on Aviation, which has jurisdiction over civil aviation, including safety, infrastructure, labor, commerce, and international issues. H.R. 3935, also known as the Securing Growth and Robust Leadership in American Aviation Act, would reauthorize the FAA for five years. It passed the committee on a 63-0 vote and now goes to the full House for approval. A FAA reauthorization bill in the Senate has been referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Initiatives in the House bill introduced by DeSaulnier included measures to: Prevent foreign air carriers from receiving permits

to operate in the U.S. if they fail to follow fair labor standards. Address near-miss aviation incidents and improve by extending the length of time cockpit voice recorders capture audio from two hours to twenty-five; ensuring protections for the use of cockpit voice recorders only for safety investigations; identifying the need for airport surface surveillance and safety systems; and requiring data analysis of safety incidents to find and address underlying factors. Increase funding for airport resiliency projects to help airports prepare for the impacts of climate change. Require a review of International Civil Aviation Organization's best available technologies and standards for consideration of adoption in the United States.

Local Nonprofit Culinary Angels Hires New Executive Director

The local nonprofit Culinary Angels has hired a new Executive Director, Rusty Weekes who will be overseeing the operations of the organization and working closely with the board of directors and the Founder, Lisa McNaney. "I am very excited to be able to welcome Rusty into our amazing organization so that we can continue to help further evolve and grow our programs," McNaney said. Weekes has extensive experience with non-profit organizations and looks forward to his new role. "I am excited to join the Culinary Angels team as the executive director," said Weekes. "Lisa and the board, led by President Sue Bayer, have created a wonderful and successful organization that provides an important link for those who need it most. With the help and support of the Culinary Angels staff and volunteers we will focus on growing our recipient base, cultivating new corporate partnerships, and sharing the incredible story of the Culinary Angels. This shift will allow McNaney the chance to more fully focus on her founder role and spread the word about their mission in the marketing and communications capacity. "I expect to remain very active in the overall organization, tap into new resources and opportunities, and likely be able to spend more time in the kitchen," said McNaney. Culinary Angels provides meals to those going through a cancer challenge as well as to their caregivers. Meals are delivered free of charge throughout the cities of Livermore, Dublin, Pleasanton, San

Ramon and Danville. McNaney started the organization in 2016 after being a cancer survivor herself, losing her mom to cancer, and helping her 18-year-old daughter through breast cancer two weeks after she graduated high school. The local nonprofit has plans to expand their meal delivery services throughout the Tri-Valley so that more people affected by cancer can benefit from their healing meals.



Rusty Weekes

learn more about Culinary Angels, please visit www.culinaryangels.org.

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The Rotary Club of Pleasanton held their June TTT at The Cellar Door, where proprietor and longtime restaurateur Terri Terry brought together great food, unique California wines, hospitality and a welcoming spirit to newcomers and regulars alike. After their meeting, attendees headed to Firehouse Arts Center for the Black Music Month Tribute to Don Lewis. The free tribute event was offered as part of Pleasanton Library's Summer Reading Program. (Photo courtesy of the Rotary Club of Pleasanton)

REPAIRS

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Accountability Act of 2017 imposed increased taxes to provide a stable ongoing increase in state transportation funding that is slated to generate more than \$5 billion a year for state and local transportation improvements. Cities and counties are expected to receive \$1.5 billion annually.

The increased taxes included a 12-cent a gallon raise to the gasoline excise tax; a 20 cent a gallon increase to the diesel fuel excise tax; a "Transportation Improvement Fee" on vehicle registrations based on the market value of the vehicle; and a \$100 vehicle registration tax on zero-emission vehicles of model year 2020 and later. Each of the taxes increases annually based

on the California Consumer Price Index.

The funds must specifically be used for road maintenance and rehabilitation, safety projects, railroad grade separations, traffic control devices and other transportation projects, including pedestrian and bicycle safety work, transit facilities, and drainage and stormwater capture projects.

Streets slated for work include Alegre Drive, Amarillo Court, Amarillo Road, Barn Hollow Court, Bay Laurel Court, Bay Laurel Street, Betlen Drive, Buckeye Court, Calle Verde Road, Casa Linda Court, Castle Court, Castle Drive, Circle Way, Corto Court, Cresta Lane, Dillon Way, Estrella Court, Hansen Drive, Kings-

ton Place, Kolb Place, Ladera Court, Ladera Drive, Las Palmas Court, Las Palmas Way, and Luna Court.

Other streets include Mancini Court, Manzanita Lane, Mape Way, Meadow Court, Peppertree Road, Prow Way, Rampart Drive, Reilly Court, San Sabana Court, San Sabana Road, Shadow Drive, Shadow Place, Silvergate Drive, and Tina Place.

Slurry seal treatment will also occur on Tamarack Drive, between Village Parkway and Burnham Way and between Doreen Street and Brighton Drive. John Monego Court, Dublin Court, and Dublin Boulevard west of Silvergate Drive and Village Parkway will receive pavement overlays.

Amador Friends of Music Collecting Benefit Items

Those cleaning out their closets this summer can bag up soft donations such as clothes, shoes, and purses, and save them for early August drop off with Amador Friends of Music. A Saver's drop off will take place in August benefiting Amador High School student musicians. In addition to the items listed above, the organization will also be collecting items such as belts, backpacks, sheets, towels, and other linens. Toys, housewares, furniture, and books cannot be accepted. For more information, visit facebook.com/amadorfriendsofmusic.

BOLLYWOOD

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use walkers and such, but we all love Shivani's joyful approach, and her energy is just contagious."

Fellow resident Tom Addison, 81, agreed, noting the effort of coordinating hands and feet during the 45-minute cardio class is "firing new synapses" in his brain.

"It's good for me," he said. "It's a challenge, and you work up a little bit of a sweat."

Stoneridge Creek's Life Enrichment Director Susan Felice said the BollyX class was added this year because

the community is opening up after the coronavirus pandemic that forced so many in person classes to a virtual platform.

"Shivani has this engaging energy, and you might walk in feeling tired or glum, but you leave with a smile," Felice noted. We try to incorporate the various pillars of wellness into our classes, and this is social and physical. I love to pop in. Seeing everyone dance makes me smile."

For more information on BollyX, visit www.bollyx.com.

MAILBOX

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Obviously, we have concerns about plans to expand the airport.

If we had been aware of this, we would have seriously reconsidered our decision to purchase this home in December 2020...

If my work schedule will allow, I plan to attend the next city council meeting to express my concerns in person, as it seems that noise complaints go largely ignored...

Has Anyone Else Noticed That Democrats Have Gone Insane?

Barry Balanda, Livermore

If Democrats really cared, the schools in inner city mostly Black neighborhoods would be the finest most prestigious magnet schools in the good old U. S. of A. The Democrat-controlled School District Boards of Directors Democrats elevated to Management positions in the various Districts with Monstrous Pay and Re-

tirement packages. Democrats control the Teachers Union, which you would be inclined to believe favored quality education but doesn't. Inner City Schools are the evidence.

Globalist Republicans are equally at fault.

The Airport was there first. Take any complaint you have about noise from airplanes up with the City Council in office at the time. You knew the Airport was there when you bought the house. Stuff it.

Rodeo is the expression of a rough tough way of life that helped the Human Race achieve the highest standard of living to date. This standard is coveted by everyone who doesn't already live here. Why else would all those millions be streaming across our southern border? In the midst of such chaos, Eric Mills, Oakland Coordinator, Action for Animals, complains about "Wild Cow Milking," an activity which is more hazardous to the Cowboy than to the Cow.

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COSTCO

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Clark said a key component of the improvements involves relocating a utility conduit trench along Johnson Drive. PG&E is on track to begin the work in July with completion set for late March.

“There will be continued minor local disturbance, but no significant disruptions or commuter delays are expected,” Clark said.

The Costco store project is proceeding, Clark explained, with its building permits under review and Costco’s plans awaiting an update. The city expects to issue a permit this summer and work should begin soon after.

“Costco has indicated that construction of the new store will require approximately seven to eight months to complete,” Clark said.

The Costco store is expected to be about 160,000 square feet with parking for nearly 760 vehicles and a service station.

The massive store will anchor the Johnson Drive

Economic Development Zone (JDEDZ), filling in about 40 acres of vacant land in an area the city hopes to turn into a thriving commercial corridor that includes two hotels.

First approved in 2017, the Costco store has long been in the making. In 2018, Pleasanton entered an agreement with the Costco company to share the costs of roadway improvements and purchase of a right-of-way around the site. Estimated at \$21.5 million at the time, inflation, lawsuits and a ballot measure delayed the project and upped the cost. Last year, the city estimated the price tag at nearly \$34 million. The Pleasanton City Council agreed to go forward with the plan.

Clark said the hotels are nearing completion. The 122-room Springhill Suites is estimated to be cleared for occupancy in September, with the 110-room TownePlace Suites set for December.

“We understand there will be a start-up phase for

employee training, etc., with the hotels opening for guest stays after that,” Clark said.

The Costco and hotels are expected to create about 300 full-time, part-time and temporary jobs and bring in about \$1.5 million in tax revenue.

“Completion of the Costco and hotels in the coming months will be an exciting milestone for the city, after many years of effort and partnership to develop and implement the JDEDZ,” Clark said.

Mayor Karla Brown said Pleasanton is “delighted with the revitalization of long-vacant properties in the Johnson Drive area, the nearing completion of the SpringHill Suites and TownePlace Suites hotels, and the future Costco.”

Brown continued, “All these projects will bring significant additional revenues to the city in the form of increased sales tax and hotel tax, supporting a balanced budget, and funding critical services plus facilities for Pleasanton’s residents.”

NONPROFIT

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making a charitable donation. It is an investment in local nonprofits that promote environmental education, sustainability and stewardship, among other green initiatives, as well as in the work that’s underway to create a cleaner, healthier world and future.”

Bowers added, “We welcome contributions from other local leaders and residents who care about this important cause and look forward to impactful and inspirational grantmaking.”

The new fund joins a number of other community benefit and regional causes supported by 3VCF addressing such issues as youth mental health, school facilities improvement and flood disaster relief and recovery.

In addition, 3VCF’s first grantmaking via the Power of Collaboration Corporate Challenge campaign is set for summer-fall 2023. 3VCF will host a State of Giving

28, 2023, in the Mertes Center for the Arts at Las Positas College, where the state of philanthropy in the region will be discussed and multiple community impact and action grants will be awarded to eligible nonprofits. The Foundation Catalyst and lead event sponsor is Fremont Bank.

Key corporate donors and sponsors for the Corporate Challenge already include: Lead Donor and Foundation Visionary: Amazon; PG&E; Sensiba LLC; Anchor Health Care Founding Partner; John Muir Health; Stanford Health Care Tri-Valley; Lead Foundation Builder: Cal Water Services; Topcon Positioning Systems; and Lead Foundation Friend: Heritage Bank of Commerce; ENGIE; Monarch Tractor and Barry & Wynn Architects, among others. Since inception in November 2021, Three Valleys Community Foundation

Advised Funds and has served as the fiscal sponsor of the annual Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund, We Are Pleasanton Fund, Dublin Fallen Officers Fund, the Sunol Relief and Recovery Fund, the Danville Area Youth Mental Health Outreach Initiative Fund, and IMPACT Diablo Valley Grant and Support Funds. Under the 3VCF umbrella, more than \$450,000 in direct grants to nonprofits have been distributed to date.

More information on the new 3VCF Give, Grant and Grow Green Fund can be found on Three Valleys Community Foundation website, 3vcf.org. Tax deductible donations can be made online directly to the fund or can be sent by mail. For more information on this new fund or any 3VCF community partnership opportunity, contact Kelly Bowers at kbowers@3vcf.org.

FOSTER

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to believe in myself. Livermore and the kids of East Avenue Middle School is where my life truly began, and I will carry all of you with me for the rest of my life.”

The idea for “Broken Boy” was born of a long-time internal desire to help others and tell his story, but a conversation with famous author and poet Maya Angelou fueled the flames and Medeiros began writing. The story came out slowly. Some parts were difficult to put into words, and the project was sometimes superseded by other parts of Medeiros’s life. Eventually, everything was on paper, and he found a publicist to help him through the editing stages. One person who helped him as a beta reader was his biological cousin on his mother’s side, Stacy Atkins-Salazar. The two connected when Medeiros reached out in his 20s and now have a close relationship.

“Gino gives a detailed and factual account of an extremely difficult childhood, while at the same time holding back a bit on his emotional reactions to it,” said Atkins-Salazar. “This allows the reader to discover their own emotional connection to his story. ‘Broken Boy’ is well written, engaging, heart wrenching, funny and eye opening. It is a short and easy read that is filled with unimaginable stories and life lessons.”

Those who have lived in Livermore since Medeiros’s time may remember a scandal centered around his one-time foster family, the Mircis. Anne and Joe Mirci were well-known educators in Livermore, and became even more well-known when Anne Mirci shot and killed her husband Joe’s mistress. The event took place at the beginning of Medeiros’s freshman year at Granada High School, an already difficult year because his friends from East Avenue Middle School all went to Livermore High School. Anne Mirci had decided Medeiros should go to Granada, a decision he is now thankful for. As tensions escalated after the shooting, Medeiros felt only love and support from the community.

“It was like the community of Livermore circled the wagons and said, ‘You’re not getting this one; this one’s ours,’” Medeiros said. “It was surreal that so many people knew me and cared about me.”

By the end of high school, Medeiros had left the Mirci household and was living with Judith Welsh, the woman he came to consider his mother. Welsh adopted him 30 years later when Medeiros was 50, and he dedicated “Broken Boy” to her.

One of Medeiros’s former social workers, Kathee Shatter, said the title of the

book is apt.

“He was faced with a lot of challenges, and he reacted to them in his own personality – as anyone would – but he kept fighting for himself and trying, even given the challenges in life,” said Shatter.

hopes his honesty about the abuse he suffered and how he overcame it is helpful to his target audience.

“These kids need to know that it is not your shame,” he said. “Give it back to the person who created it. That takes a lot



Gino Medeiros and his foster mom, Judith Welsh. (Photo courtesy of Gino Medeiros)

Once she was no longer his social worker, Shatter did not stay in touch with Medeiros, but the two did connect later in life. Shatter said she helped her former charge understand some of the decisions made on his behalf while he was in foster care.

“It is complex, and you have to work hard and sometimes you have (a) ‘devil and the deep blue sea’ decision. Neither is great, but you have to choose,” said Shatter.

As he prepares for publication of his book, Medeiros is researching his options for going through a publisher and putting the book out on his own. He said in telling his story, he held nothing back, and

of work. I talk about everything from being molested by my maternal grandfather to being beaten by Anne, because nothing is off limits, because it’s not my shame. I didn’t do it; I was the victim.”

For more information, visit www.ginomedeiros.com.

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City of Livermore Moves Fireworks Show Back to Robertson Park

The City of Livermore's Salute to the Fourth of July fireworks show will take place at Robertson Park on Tuesday, July 4.

While the most recent fireworks shows have been hosted downtown by Livermore Downtown Inc. atop the parking garage on Railroad Avenue, the city has decided to move the show back to Robertson Park to offer better crowd management and safety. Livermore Downtown Inc. remains an active partner in this year's event.

The event is free to attend, but parking onsite requires a pre-paid parking pass. Parking passes will not be available to purchase at the event. Parking passes can be purchased at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/parking-for-4th-of-july-firework-show-tickets-635629604257>

Entry gates open at 4 p.m. and close at 8:30 p.m., with the fireworks show beginning at 9:30 p.m. and lasting 20 minutes. Fire-

works will be launched from the softball fields and gates will reopen after the show has ended.

Visit the city website for a site map and detailed information about parking restrictions in the surrounding neighborhoods: www.livermoreca.gov/fireworks

The first 2,000 people in attendance will receive an American Flag fan courtesy of sponsor Marcel Orthodontics. Attendees can enjoy live music from local band "Foam Riders of Livermore," and everyone is encouraged to bring food from their favorite local restaurant or enjoy food trucks at the event. Consumption of alcohol and possession of open containers of alcohol is not allowed. Pets, glass containers and pop-ups are also not permitted.

The Livermore High School Varsity Dance Team and Varsity Girls Basketball team will fundraise as they provide an activity zone for kids from 5 to 8 p.m.

Their kids' zone will offer cash-only children's activities including face painting, games and more. They'll also have water and glow sticks for purchase. Look for the activities tents on the map.

The event is free for pedestrians and bicyclists. Pedestrians and bicyclists should use the path/sidewalk entrances (reference map on website). Pedestrians will not be allowed to use the Robertson Park roadway entrance at Concannon Blvd. and Arroyo Road.

Robertson Park is located at 3200 Robertson Park Rd. **Important reminder:** All fireworks are illegal in the City of Livermore, including "Safe and Sane" fireworks that may be legal to purchase in other cities. The city council recently approved amendments to the City's fireworks ordinance (Chapter 9.40) to include a social hosting provision. The social hosting provision goes into effect June 22, 2023. The provision holds

the property owner or person in charge of hosting a gathering where fireworks

are being discharged liable for their guests' actions on their property. The provi-

sion applies when the guest using the fireworks cannot be identified.



Livermore's Fourth of July celebrations will take place at Robertson Park on Tuesday, July 4. The fireworks show is moving from downtown, above, to the park this year to accommodate larger crowds and ensure safety measures. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)



Mikayla Marinko, a 2023 graduate of Livermore High School where she was president of the poetry club, has been named Teen Poet of the Third Trimester by Livermore Poet Laureate Peggy Schimmelman. Schimmelman said Marinko's poem "Zoo" has "an emphatic, emotional 'spoken word' quality that expresses the frustrations many students sometimes feel about their educational environment." Marinko will receive a painting and a \$42 gift certificate from the Pinot's Palette franchise in Livermore and a certificate of accomplishment from the city. (Photo courtesy of City of Livermore)

Toucan Jam to Lead Off Friday Night Concerts

Bay Area favorite Toucan Jam will lead off this summer's Friday Night Live concerts, presented by McGrail and Winery on June 23.

The winery, 5600 Greenville Road, Livermore, will host local bands every other Friday through Aug. 18.

Tickets to the Friday Night Live concerts are \$12, with a discount for McGrail wine club members and are available online at mcgrailwinery.com.

Seating will be on the winery's front lawn and guests may bring their own food and non-alcoholic beverages.

The winery will also be selling wine, with food available from Yellowhammer Wood Fired catering and Aldo's Italian Ice & Gelato.

Future concerts will feature the bands Sound Decision, Luna Fish, and East Bay Grooveline.

TRI-VALLEY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Now to Tuesday, June 27 UPCOMING SUPPORT GROUPS

When grieving the loss of a loved one, people may feel overwhelmed by the ebb and flow of emotions. Hope Hospice's grief support services help adults and youth learn to process these feelings and find ways to move forward in a positive direction. Hope's grief support services are free of charge, but registration in advance by phone is required at 925-829-8770 on weekdays, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A brief assessment is required. Support groups are currently being conducted online by Zoom video conference, and services for young children are temporarily paused until in-person group gatherings can continue. General Grief runs May 8 to June 26, on Mondays, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.; Spousal and Partner Loss runs May 9 to June 27, on Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. or Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3 p.m.; and Loss of a Child runs from May 8 to June 26, on Mondays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. For Teens Group, call for dates. Groups are offered once per quarter. Those who cannot make the next sessions should call the office to put your name on the interest list for the following quarter.

Now to Aug. 22 TUESDAY TUNES

The Livermore Cultural Arts Council will host concerts on the Shea Homes Stage in Livermore Plaza by the Bankhead Theater, from 6:45 pm to 8:15 p.m., on Tuesdays from June 13 to Aug. 22, with no 4th of July concert. The family-friendly series continues June 20 with "Dirty Cello," and "Frankie Bones Project" on June 27. Restarting July 11, the lineup is "LunaFish," "John and Lynn Take 2," "Chris Bradley Band," "The Hurricane Band," folk singer songwriter "Michael McNevin, "Sacred Fire," and "Jeff Bordes & Friends w/ Matt Axton." Formore information, visit icac.org.

Friday, June 23 2023 JUNETEENTH CONCERT SERIES

The Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir (OIGC) is proud to announce a powerful and inspiring series of concerts to celebrate Juneteenth, featuring performances in Berkeley, Livermore, and San Francisco. This concert series celebrates the resilience, joy, and strength of the African American community through the power of gospel music. The three concerts will take place on June 16 at the Freight & Salvage in Berkeley, June 23 at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore, and June 25 at the Great American Music Hall. Each concert will feature the OIGC performing a variety of gospel music styles, from traditional to contemporary, and paying tribute to the Freedom Songs of the Civil Rights movement. The event takes place from 8 to 10 p.m., at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., in Livermore. For more information, call 510-839-4361 or visit oigc.org. Tickets for all seating range from \$22 to \$30. For tickets, visit oigc.org/tickets.

Saturday, June 24 MUSIC FOR ORGAN AND CHOIR

Trinity Lutheran Church will offer first-class performances to the local community for an affordable, donation-based cost. Free parking is provided (also accessible by BART and bus.) Preconcert talks with Luke Mayernik and members of the Echavez family are scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m., with the musical performance at 7 p.m., at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1225 Hopyard Road, in Pleasanton. Suggested contributions are \$20 for general admission; and free for students and children are free. No one will be turned away. Proceeds will support the artists and the church's ongoing concert series. For more information, call 510-512-2623, email stonemusique@gmail.com or visit tclpleasanton.org or facebook.com/TLCpleasanton.

June 25, July 30, and Aug. 27 TOUR HAGEMANN RANCH

Take a self-guided walking tour of historic Hagemann Ranch at your own pace, without the crowds, and view the renovated buildings dating from 1869. During the tour, attendees can speak with knowledgeable docents and learn the history of this unique historic site. The horses and goats will be available for visits from 2 to 5 p.m.

Wednesday, June 28 BUSINESS POLICY IN WASHINGTON DC WITH CONGRESSMAN MARK DESAULNIER

From 9 to 10:30 a.m., join in a discussion with Congressman

Mark DeSaulnier to learn about current issues in the district and business policy in Washington DC. DeSaulnier represents the 10th Congressional District, which covers East Dublin and Camp Parks, as well as the neighboring cities of San Ramon, Walnut Creek, Lamorinda, Concord and Brentwood. This is a great opportunity to meet and get to know our newest representative. The event takes place at Dublin Holiday Inn, 6680 Regional St., in Dublin. Admission is \$50 for members, \$60 for nonmembers, and \$550 reserves a table for eight. Registration closes on June 20, at 4:30 p.m. Sponsorships are available. For more information, call 925-828-6200.

Saturday, July 8 Minna Fu 6th Annual Piano Recital

As part of Fundraiser for Music for Minors II, come and enjoy one hour of piano pieces from different musical periods by Bach, Beethoven, Liszt, Chopin, and Muczynski. A reception will follow. Admission is free. Pleasanton's Minna Fu began playing the piano at age 5 and is currently a 6th grader and choir pianist at Hart Middle School. As winner of the Livermore-Amador Symphony Orchestra Competition for Young Musicians, Minna performed as piano soloist with the Orchestra at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore in April 2023. In the same month, she also performed as soloist with the Diablo Symphony Orchestra at the Leshner Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek. For a video of prior performances, visit rb.gy/4zjta. For more information, call 925-846-6363, email szujanfu@gmail.com, or visit rb.gy/u4s77.

Saturday, July 8 MEDICARE HEALTH FAIR

A free, comprehensive health fair for Medicare beneficiaries is happening from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Dublin Senior Center. Offered services will include Medicare Part D Assistance for money-saving prescription drug cost tips, a thorough review of medications, vaccines, blood pressure, cholesterol, diabetes, bone density, fall risk testing, and more. For more information, call CityServe Senior Services at 925-294-0558.

Tuesday, July 11 NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING

Join Dublin Police Services for a Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Watch meeting from 6 to 7 p.m., at Shannon Community Center. Neighborhood Watch aims to bring together the community's interests in crime deterrence, volunteerism, and neighborhood preparedness. Neighborhood Watch is a "team" approach in which residents work with each other, with City staff, and with Police Services to reduce crime in Dublin. When neighbors organize and watch out for each other, crime is drastically reduced.

Saturday, July 15 2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW

Mark the calendars for the 2nd Annual Car Show with cool cars, a bounce house, sensory-friendly activities, games, and more, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., at Valley Community Church in Pleasanton. This is an adaptive and inclusive event for people of all ages with disabilities/special needs and their families.

ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES TOPSCIENCE

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

ONGOING WEEKLY EVENTS PLEASANTON FARMERS MARKET

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

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

The Unitarian Universalist Church is welcoming to all. Join in on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for music, singing, and conversation. The church is located at 1893 North Vasco Road, Livermore CA 94551. For more information, visit uucil.org.

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OBITUARIES

Manuel R Moreno 1921 – 2023



Manuel R. Moreno, 101, of Livermore, California passed away to join his beloved wife Dalila on May 2, 2023.

Manuel, fondly known as Manny, Sarge, Gramps, Papi, Grandpa, Papa, Pampa, Abulito, and Dad was the guiding light and patriarch for all his family. Five children, 13 grandchildren and 17 great and great-grandchildren would grace his life with their love and devotion. He is survived by his five children: Carmen Ohlmeyer, Richard Moreno, Robert Moreno, Cindy Coakley and Cathy Reinhardt. Surviving siblings Virginia Thomas, Ray Moreno, Tom Moreno, and Andie O'Dell, preceded in death by his sister Margaret Franco and brothers Pablo Moreno, Diego Moreno and Sebastian Moreno.

Manny was born in 1921 and enlisted in the draft at 18. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII and traveled the world liberating our country. He served in the European Theater in the Third Infantry Division and the 15th Regiment Association. Landing in Anzio, Sicily and later liberated Rome. He earned three purple hearts and a Bronze

Star for his bravery in action. He was later stationed in Panama where he met the love of his life Dalila. He finished his career at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory for 20+ years in the Security Sector.

"La Familia" was Manny's message to all of us. "To have a successful marriage and family life, you should cherish every moment and take care of each other."

Manny lived his life with discipline, integrity and an open heart for family. Manny and Dalila settled in Liver-

more and raised their five children in that home. They resided there for 60 years. Their home was filled with love, kindness and was the home base for holidays, birthdays, parties and summer vacations for the grandkids. Putting family first is the principle Manny and Dalila continually taught us through their love, devotion and acceptance. Manny's years in the U.S. Army conditioned his intense discipline. He lived by the motto: "Can Do" which was the 3rd Divisions motto. Once in a lifetime does a person like Manny exist. Manuel's legacy will live on for generations to come.

A vigil service will be held July 3 at 4pm at Callaghan Mortuary (Livermore)

The burial will be held July 5 at 9:30 a.m. at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery, 5810 Midway Rd. Dixon, California.

In lieu of flowers a donation to the Disabled American Veterans (DAV).

Callaghan Mortuary is honored to be serving the Moreno family. An online guestbook is available for condolences at www.callaghan-mortuary.com.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Steven Lawrence Alvililar March 13, 1983 – June 10, 2023



Steven unexpectedly passed away while sleeping on June 10, 2023. He was born on March 13, 1983, in Hayward, California. He lived in Livermore where he graduated from Granada High School in 2001. He then attended Las Positas Community College where he earned his AA and transferred to San Francisco State where he earned his BA in Childhood Education. In 2021 he moved to Hammond, Oregon where he quickly became Mr. Astoria.

He leaves behind a huge amount of family and friends that will love and miss him dearly. He always had a huge heart, loved his cousins and friends. He was our personal big ol' teddy bear.

Left to carry on his legacy are Michael Alvililar-father, Denise Alvililar-mother, his brothers-Robert, Eric and Bryon Alvililar. His sister-in-law- Rochelle Alvililar, his grandmothers- Hilda Alvililar and Jackie Partain. His seven aunts and uncles- Debbie and Frank Martinez, Kim Thien, Shawn Alvililar, Janet and Scott Mullaly, Marie Frager-Partain. Also, his nephews Alex and Nicolas, and his 21 cousins-Brittany and Bobby Williams and their three children Bo, Levi and Anderson; Alex and Amber Alvililar, Benjamin Alvililar, Christina Martinez, Andrew Thien, Janelle and Grant Cysewski, Melissa and Kollin Wadsack, Kyle Mullaly, Hailey and Shane Milburn, Brody Beck, Colton Beck and all of his many loving friends.

He was a restaurant manager at 'By the Sea' in both Seaside and Astoria, Oregon. He loved music and had a large music album collection. He also enjoyed wrestling and the Oakland A's, but most of all he loved being with his family and friends.

A celebration of life for Steven will be held Saturday, June 24, 2023, at one of his favorite local Livermore bars, R Place, from 1 – 4 p.m.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Larry Woodruff 1938 – June 10, 2023

Lawrence "Larry" Woodruff, 85, of Livermore California passed away unexpectedly on June 10 at the family cabin in Strawberry, California, due to health complications. Larry was born in Long Beach, CA in 1938, to Ruth and Lawrence Woodruff.

After graduating from Hayward High School in 1956 and earning a BS in mechanical engineering at UC Berkeley in 1961, Larry and his college sweetheart Sylvia Reberiego married in 1962. After brief stints at Boeing in Seattle and Lockheed Martin in San Jose, Larry enrolled at UC Davis and completed a PhD in 1969. From there he went on to a successful career in national defense, including positions at Lawrence Livermore National Lab, TRW, and as a political appointee in at the Department of Defense in the Pentagon. Larry retired from LLNL as Associate Director in 1993.

He is survived by his wife Sylvia, daughter Tracey, son-in-law Andy Madeira, and grandchildren Xavier, Max and Isabelle. Larry was predeceased by his son, Scott. Larry touched many lives with his wit and enthusiasm for adventure. His dedication to the families he was born into, married into and collected during his long life was recognized by all. A memorial and celebration of his life will be held at the Pinecrest Chalet on Wednesday, July 5 from 3 to 6 p.m. Please see Larry's online memorial at larry-woodruff.forevermissed.com for more memories, to leave messages, and for more details.



Rosemary Tootle

Jan. 2, 1943 – June 6, 2023



Rosemary Tootle of Livermore passed away on June 6, 2023. Her family was near her at the time of her passing.

Rosemary's parents came to this country from Switzerland in 1938 and settled in San Francisco where Rosemary was born Jan. 2, 1943. Her family continued to be involved in the Swiss American community in the area. In 1955, her parents took her and her sister back to Switzerland where they lived for eight months and then returned to the U.S. and made their home in Fremont. Rosemary graduated from Washington High School in 1962 – she was very proud of her Swiss Heritage, which she passed onto her kids and grandkids.

She remained in Fremont until her marriage to John Tootle in 1966 when she moved to Livermore. During their marriage Rosemary and John were involved in a few different clubs which included a square-dancing club, the Eagle Square, and a club for Department 56 collectables.

In February, Rosemary and John celebrated their 57th

wedding anniversary. Rosemary herself enjoyed painting, crocheting, embroidering and going for drives. She loved creating blankets, potholders, and pillowcases with her crocheting and embroidering. Rosemary retired from Lawrence National Laboratory in 2003 after 23 years of service. After she and John retired, they were blessed to be able to travel. They enjoyed multiple cruises and road trips.

One thing she was very proud of was that she was able to visit all 50 states. In 2007, she was also able to take her family to Switzerland and share the beautiful country with her kids, their spouses and her grandkids. It was a trip she talked about with so much happiness.

Rosemary is survived by her husband John Tootle, her daughter Emaline McDaniel (Tootle), her son Josef Tootle, and son-in-law Charles McDaniel. Her grandchildren: Annamarie Bernal (McDaniel) and her husband Justin Bernal, Clayton McDaniel and his wife Katelyn McDaniel, and Claire Tootle. Great Grandchildren: Casen Bernal, Easton Bernal and Bennett McDaniel. She is also survived by her sister Christine Ciardella (Fuchslin) and many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews.

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

WINNER

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the perfect production is handed to you, and this was one of those moments," said Layna Chianakas, stage director for the double-bill operas. "The perfect cast and production team was assembled, and the synergy was palpable. I am confident enough to know that I had a large hand in the success of the piece, but modest enough to realize that with-

out the incredible cast, Jean Francois Revon's set design, Alex Katsman's deftness in front of the orchestra, Eric Mills' great leadership and countless others' skill and guidance, this prize would not have been awarded to this deserving company. I feel very blessed to have been a part of that perfect moment in time."

David (Volosin) Katz,

founder and chief judge for The American Prize, shared his congratulations when the 2021 winners were announced.

"We hope that your selection as a winner of The American Prize will be as much of an inspiration to you as your music-making was to us," Katz said. "May it help bring additional attention to your company's consider-

able musical gifts."

In upcoming news, LVO will present its Opera in the Vineyard summer programs this year at the Garre Vineyard & Winery, 7986 Tesla Road, Livermore. The first of two outdoor programs will be on Sunday, June 25, and will feature tenor Sergio Gonzalez, baritone Ryan Bradford, soprano Hope Briggs, and mezzo soprano

Molly Mahoney. A second program will be held on Sunday, Aug. 27.

"Family traditions and a deeply rooted heritage are the backbone of Garre Vineyard & Winery, welcoming visitors as family to enjoy the experience of Old Italy," said Gina Molinaro-Cardera, daughter of winery owner Bob Molinaro.

Baritone Robert Mellon,

who debuted for LVO as the lead in both prize-winning operas, is returning to LVO to perform in "Celebrate! An Evening of Favorite Operatic Ensembles," Oct. 9 and 10, at the Bankhead Theater. Also returning for "Celebrate!" is soprano Liisa Dávila who sang Nella in "Gianni Schicchi."

For more information, visit LVOOpera.com.

AIRPORT

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aircraft, owns 83 acres of on-airport, undeveloped land and 66 acres of off-airport, undeveloped land. Most of the on-airport land is located directly south of the runways, with the off-airport land sitting to the west.

In addition to tying development to demand, the 2010 resolution also requires that the city "aggressively foster the reduction of aircraft noise through voluntary noise reduction efforts, especially during night hours." Local self-formed groups, such as the Livermore Airport Citizen's Group (LACG), have said this mandate stands at odds with more development and subsequent increases in aircraft activity.

"When you have new facilities at the airport, you're actually encouraging more traffic coming to the airport, more traffic leaving, and there is a major incentive for the developer to increase the amount of traffic," said a LACG representative, who declined to state their name.

Airport Manager Michael Musca said at the meeting, "(The resolution) is specifically addressed as a compliance piece. Every sentence, paragraph doesn't refer to the resolution, but it is in there as the attachment,

and it's referred to as it being compliant with." Musca did not return calls by press time to explain how it is compliant with the resolution when it changes it.

According to the draft development policy, all proposals are required to comply with Resolution No. 2010-058. The degree of compliance with the resolution, as well as with the overall development policy and the city's General Plan, will be decided by an Inter-Departmental Staff Review Team (IDSRT) consisting of the airport manager, the director of public works, and representatives from the community development department, the city manager's office and the city attorney's office.

Vice Chair Darin Bishop voiced concerns that the IDSRT might prove too insular, and included in his motion to approve the policy a requirement that a member of the airport commission also sit on the IDSRT.

Bishop explained that while commission members must live in Livermore, no such requirement exists for the IDSRT. He also referenced a KaiserAir proposal last year, which included Boeing 737 airliners and

a U.S. Customs Facility at Livermore, that surprised both the public and the commission.

"I think that if we had had airport commission advisory earlier in the (KaiserAir) process, we might have avoided a lot of trouble," said Bishop. "We don't even hear about these things until they're done projects presented at a meeting and (we) vote on it."

But Assistant Livermore City Attorney Tara Mazzanti suggested that the Brown Act, which requires that public bodies conduct discussions publicly, may conflict with IDSRT review, especially if an applicant requires a confidentiality agreement with the city.

The issue will go before the city council for interpretation, replied Bishop.

The new policy also risks filtering out smaller, community-focused development projects in favor of larger, profit-driven ones, said Pete Sandhu, owner of Livermore's fixed-base operator Five Rivers Aviation, LLC.

"If you make this such an onerous process, it's going to cost millions of dollars to get permits done," said Sandhu. "Community-friendly projects aren't money-making projects ... The only de-

veloper that could possibly velop and persist through this gauntlet is going to be something that has a substantial (return on investment). Education and solar panels can't hold a candle to Boeings and jet fuel."

A development project led by Sandhu currently awaits the lifting of a development moratorium at the airport, which in turn awaits an approved development policy. Some of these projects include solar-powered charging stations for both battery-electric and fuel-cell-electric aircraft at the airport; enhanced disaster response in partnership with CalFire and the California Highway Patrol; and an educational hangar in partnership with Las Positas College.

Project delays, in the form of extensive checks and balances, or in the form of drawn-out policy revisions, will reduce the chance of these projects coming to fruition, continued Sandhu, who has already tried for over a year to move the project forward.

LACG also expressed dissatisfaction with the draft policy's comment process.

According to a report released by the city, the city

received over 120 written comments on the policy, many focused on noise and transparency. The airport staff responded to a portion of the submissions with this written statement: "Comment noted. No specific alternative language or deletions provided."

Several comments also called for policy steps to reduce the use of leaded aviation fuel at the airport, citing the adverse health effects of lead exposure on residents close to the airport and children in nearby schools.

The airport staff also did not make any policy changes in response to a comment from the City of Pleasanton, which read, "The City of Pleasanton is concerned that the policies do not adequately utilize or reflect the 2010 Livermore City Council Resolution as it relates to expansion of airport activities and associated impacts, nor thoroughly articulate how the public and interested parties will be provided notification of major improvements or other planned expansion."

Bishop added that his written comment "didn't even make the cut on public comments" and is not included in the comment compilation released by the city.

Hangar Waitlist Policy

The airport commission also recommended city council approval of an updated hangar waitlist policy that replaces a subjective scoring system with a chronological one more inline with aviation industry standards.

The current waitlist policy relies on a point system based on the discretion of the Airport Manager and has drawn criticism of favoritism in the past, including a 2021 lawsuit from airport hangar tenant XL Aviation that called the policy "arbitrary and capricious." In that case, XL Aviation filed a Request for Dismissal, which was accepted by the court on June 4, 2021.

Livermore's waitlist for large box hangars, as of April 30, still includes applicants from as far back as 1991.

The new policy requires that the airport maintain three waiting lists, one each for small T-shaped hangars, box hangars and large box hangars, and serve applicants in the order that they joined the list. However, providers of essential services — such as avionics, airframe or engine repair — will receive higher priority if the airport recognizes a need for such services.

Channel TV30 Honors Outstanding High School Athletes

By Phil Jensen

Local Channel TV30 has presented its annual Outstanding High School Athletic Awards. Its 12th annual awards show highlighted athletes from Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton. The 37 athletes were recipients of awards during this school year from the weekly show Tri-Valley Sports Final.

The Coach of the Year is Dusty Collins, Foothill's boys and girls volleyball coach. Collins led both teams to second-place finishes in the North Coast Section Division I playoffs this school year, and the boys team also won the East Bay Athletic League title.

"In nearly three decades at Foothill, his success has been remarkable," said Tri-Valley Sports Final Co-host Ian Bartholomew in a Tri-Valley Community Television press release. "The girls' teams have won seven league titles, two NCS championships and one Northern California title. In addition, his boys teams have won four NCS and nine league championships. But more important than the wins are the ways Coach Collins has impacted the players' lives both on and off the court."

The following is a list of the award-winning athletes (listed alphabetically by sport):

FALL SPORTS

Boys cross country

Roland Ruckmann-Barnes – Granada: Ruckmann-Barnes won the EBAL championship race and placed fourth in the NCS Division II championship race. The Cal-bound senior led the Matadors to team titles in both races. He also placed 10th in the California Interscholastic Federation Division II state championship race, leading Granada to a second-place finish.

Football

Jake Goldsworthy – Amador Valley: Goldsworthy, a junior, was a second-team all-EBAL Mountain Division selection this past season. He rushed for a game-high 148 yards, including the game-deciding one-yard touchdown, in a 14-7 overtime victory over Foothill. In total, Goldsworthy rushed for 1,108 yards this season and scored eight touchdowns.

Elijah Hodgers – Livermore: The first-team all-EBAL Valley selection rushed for 1,239 yards on 143 carries (an 8.7 yards per carry average) and scored 13 touchdowns on the ground in nine games. The senior also had 18 catches for 230 yards and a TD.

Dominic Johnson – Livermore: Johnson, a first-team all-EBAL Valley pick, caught 33 passes for 967 yards (a jaw-dropping 29.3 yards per catch) and 11 touchdowns during the regular season. The senior also returned eight kickoffs for 146 yards.

Chris Lawson – Foothill: The EBAL Valley Division Offensive and Defensive Most Valuable Player, Lawson caught 53 passes for 867 yards (a 16.4 yards per catch average) and 13 touchdowns. Defensively, he had 48 solo tackles, two tackles for loss and an interception as a defensive back.

Adam Moore – Dublin: A first-team all-EBAL Valley pick, Moore caught 42 passes for 665 yards (a 15.8 yards per catch average) and also scored 11 receiving touchdowns. The DVC-bound senior added 285 yards rushing and five scores on the ground.

Brady Nassar – Amador Valley: The EBAL Mountain Division Co-Defensive MVP, Nassar is San Diego State-bound. The defensive end had seven sacks and 20 tackles for loss this past season.

Brady Steadman – Dublin: The first-team all-EBAL Valley pick rushed for 982 yards on 159 carries (a 6.2 ypc average) and scored seven touchdowns in nine games. The Cal State Fullerton-bound senior also caught seven passes for 80 yards and had a couple of punt-return scores last season.

Tyler Trudeau – Livermore: Trudeau, a first-team all-EBAL Valley selection at quarterback, completed 121 of his 218 pass attempts for 2,172 yards, 24 touchdowns and only three interceptions during the regular season.

Girls tennis

Montana Parkinson-Lubold – Amador Valley: Parkinson-Lubold won the NCS Division I singles title with a 6-1, 6-3 victory over Montgomery's Caroline Beard. Parkinson-Lubold was also the EBAL singles champion.

Girls volleyball

Paige Bennett – Foothill: Bennett, a first-team all-EBAL selection, produced 587 kills, 408 digs, 52 aces and 40 blocks for the Falcons last season.

Rachel Grier – Dublin: Grier, a first-team all-EBAL selection, was a force in the middle of the court for the Gaels. The senior is headed to the University of New Hampshire.

Charlotte Kelly – Amador Valley: A first-team all-EBAL selection, Kelly slammed 318 kills with a 59-percent kill percentage and also had 47 total blocks for the Dons.

Sam Riter – Amador Valley: Riter, a second-team all-EBAL pick, served 58 aces and also produced 207 digs for the Dons.

Katie Salonga – Foothill: Salonga, a first-team all-EBAL pick, had 881 assists, 214 digs, 61 aces and 82 kills for the Falcons.

Girls water polo

Erin Brown – Amador Valley: The EBAL Player of the Year saved 76-percent of her opponents' shots last season at goalkeeper. The Colorado State-bound Brown also had 34 assists and 11 goals as the Dons reached the NCS Division I championship game.

Evelyn McLaughlin – Amador Valley: McLaughlin, a first-team all-EBAL player, scored 104 goals this past season. The Santa Clara University-bound McLaughlin also had 19 assists and 22 steals.

WINTER SPORTS

Boys basketball

Courtney Anderson Jr. – Dublin: A first-team all-EBAL selection, Anderson led the Gaels in scoring (16.4 points per game) and also averaged 1.1 steals per game.

Donovan Cooks – Dublin: The second-team all-EBAL selection paced the Gaels in assists (4.2 per game) and steals (1.5 per game), and the senior also averaged 11.6 points per game.

Tyler Harris – Granada: The 6-foot-7 senior forward was a key starter for the Matadors in their NorCal championship run. In the CIF Division I Northern Regional championship game, the second-team all-EBAL selection scored a game-high 18 points, including 10 in the fourth quarter, in a 60-47 win over Salesian-Richmond. Harris is headed to the University of Portland.

Andrew McKeever – Granada: The 7-0 Saint Mary's College-bound senior was outstanding for the Matadors this season, as they advanced to the CIF Division I state championship game. The first-team all-EBAL selection averaged over 19 points and 12 rebounds a game.

Mehki Thomas – Dublin: Thomas, a 6-foot-5 senior shooting guard, averaged 12.2 points per game, 4.5 rebounds per game and 1.2 steals per game for the Gaels.

Girls basketball

Alexa Pletschette – Granada: The first-team all-EBAL selection averaged nearly 15 points a game and led the Matadors in assists and steals. The Chabot College-bound senior shooting guard helped the Matadors reach the NorCal Division III semifinals.

Boys wrestling

Jayson Victoria – Granada: Victoria qualified for the CIF state championships in dramatic fashion, winning the new NCS second-place match, this year in the 138-pound division,



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with a first-round pin of Kennedy-Fremont's Casey Jackson. Before that, he barely lost the championship match 3-2 in double overtime to De La Salle's Atri Feizi.

Maxwell Wise – Foothill: Wise won the NCS 145-pound championship match in dominating fashion with a 17-0 technical fall over John McKenzie of Archie Williams. He won all of his matches in the section tournament by either pin or technical fall. Wise also was the EBAL 147-pound champion.

Girls wrestling

Lauren Nguyen – Granada: Nguyen, a junior, won the NCS 101-pound championship match 6-4 over Savannah Talmadge of Northgate. Nguyen also was the EBAL 101-pound champion.

SPRING SPORTS

Baseball

Oliver de la Torre – Amador Valley: The Cal-bound right-handed pitcher was 6-1 with a 1.71 earned run average and struck out 56 batters in 41 innings pitched. The senior also batted .303 with 11 RBI. He was an honorable-mention all-EBAL selection.

Joshua Morano – Granada: Morano, a senior right-handed pitcher, was 8-2 this season with a 0.53 ERA and 94 strikeouts in 66 innings pitched. He was named the EBAL Pitcher of the Year. He also batted .276 with 15 RBI.

Carston Pearson – Dublin: Pearson, a first-team all-EBAL selection at outfielder, batted .467 with nine doubles and 11 RBI. The senior also stole 17 bases.

Boys golf

Kush Arora – Amador Valley: Arora, who is Stanford-bound, tied for second individually at the CIF state championships with a five-under-par 66 at Poppy Hills Golf Course. Arora also was the medalist at the NCS Division I championship tournament with an outstanding score of 65, as the senior led the Dons to a third-place team finish. Arora was also the medalist at the EBAL championships.

Brandon Knight – Foothill: Knight qualified for the CIF NorCal tournament with a third-place finish at the NCS Division I tournament. The senior's score of 67 was only two strokes behind the champion Arora. The Colorado-bound Knight finished tied for third at the NorCal tournament and placed 15th at the state tournament.

Softball

Delaney Aumua – Granada: Aumua, a first-team all-EBAL selection, batted .472 with eight home runs and 30 RBI. The sophomore first baseman also scored 26 runs and hit six doubles.

Alex Mello – Granada: The first-team all-EBAL selection had a 1.16 earned run average, striking out 110 batters in 108 2/3 innings, as the Matadors reached the NCS Division I semifinals. She is headed to the University of Hawai'i-Manoa.

Boys track and field

Alexander Franco – Dublin: Franco won the 400 meters at the NCS Meet of Champions (48.65 seconds) and also anchored the Gaels' 1600 relay team to victory. The Cal Poly-bound senior also won both events at the EBAL championships.

Boys volleyball

Nate Clinton – Amador Valley: Clinton, the EBAL Player of the Year, had a match-high 17 kills and also had four blocks in the Dons' 22-25, 25-22, 25-23, 25-20 victory over Foothill in the NCS Division I championship match. Clinton is Stanford-bound.

Landen Meonske – Foothill: Meonske, a first-team all-EBAL selection, produced 831 assists, 114 kills, 61 aces, 32 blocks, and 192 digs this past season. The senior setter is headed to California Lutheran University.

Kevin Zhu – Dublin: Zhu, a first-team all-EBAL selection, averaged over five kills a set with a 42-percent kill percentage. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology-bound senior also had a nearly perfect serve-receive rating of 2.4, and he also averaged 5.2 digs per set.



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The Amador High School boys volleyball team celebrates winning the East Bay Athletic League title. (Photo - Doug Jorgensen)

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The following person(s) doing business as: California Solar and Storage Association, 3011 Dohr Street, Berkeley, CA 94702 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): California Solar Energy Industries Association, 1107 9th St, Suite 820, Sacramento, CA 95814. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/1/1992. Signature of Registrant/s/: Donald, S. Perry, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on April 27, 2023. Expires April 26, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5502. Published June 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023.

11460 Winding Trail Lane, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 1/1/1992. Signature of Registrant/s/: Donald, S. Perry, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on April 27, 2023. Expires April 26, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5502. Published June 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023.

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The following person(s) doing business as: Da Boccery, LLC, 175 Vineyard Ave., Livermore, CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Da Boccery, LLC, 2300 First St., Suite 220, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Michael Nader, CF0. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on May 24, 2023. Expires May 23, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5503. Published June 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598208

The following person(s) doing business as: Playway Learning Center, 4617 Gerrilyn Way, Livermore, CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Simran Sahni, 4614 Gerrilyn Way, Livermore, CA 94550; Sameer Tador, 4614 Gerrilyn Way, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by a Married Couple. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Simran Sahni, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on May 25, 2023. Expires May 24, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5498. Published June 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598419

The following person(s) doing business as: Mejia Cleaning Service, 1716 90th Ave, Oakland, CA 94603 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Salvador Mejia, 1716 90th Ave, Oakland, CA 94603. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 1/1/23. Signature of Registrant/s/: Salvador Mejia, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 5, 2023. Expires June 4, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5505. Published June 15, 22, 29, July 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 597350

The following person(s) doing business as: A Little Cherry on Top, 640 Moraga Drive, Livermore, CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Jennifer Valle, 640 Moraga Drive, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 2/1/22. Signature of Registrant/s/: Jennifer Valle, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on April 20, 2023. Expires April 19, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5499. Published June 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598434

The following person(s) doing business as: Livemore Diablos Baseball 2024, 784 Lido Dr., Livermore, CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Melissa Seita, 784 Lido Dr., Livermore, CA 94550; Todd Lindgren, 1123 Norfolk Rd., Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by an Unincorporated Association - Other than a Partnership. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Melissa Seita, General Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 6, 2023. Expires June 5, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5506. Published June 15, 22, 29, July 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598159

The following person(s) doing business as: Products Mardel, 2963 Ladd Ave, Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Products Mardel LLC, 2963 Ladd Ave, Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 5/5/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Jacqueline Lopez, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on May 24, 2023. Expires May 23, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5500. Published June 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598022

The following person(s) doing business as: Livemore Motor Sports, 3555 First Street, Suite B, Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Livemore Motor Sport, Inc., 5464 Bianca Way, Livermore, CA 94550. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Leticia Villarreal, Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 13, 2023. Expires June 12, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5511. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

istrant/s/: Jose Luis Alvarez Anaya, President, Secretary. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on May 18, 2023. Expires May 17, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5507. Published June 15, 22, 29, July 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598557

The following person(s) doing business as: 1. Robert J. Tisdale, DVM, Inc.; 2. Fremont Veterinary Care; 3. Fremont Pet Hospital, 43391 Ellsworth St., Fremont, CA 94539-8165 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Fremont Vet, Inc., 43391 Ellsworth Street, Fremont, CA 94539 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: 6/8/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Sapri Kota, General Counsel. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 9, 2023. Expires June 8, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5508. Published June 15, 22, 29, July 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598550

The following person(s) doing business as: Spatial Thoughtware, 980 Riesling Drive, Pleasanton, CA 94566-7220 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Pierre Pierre, 980 Riesling Drive, Pleasanton, CA 94566-7220. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Pierre Pierre, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 9, 2023. Expires June 8, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5509. Published June 15, 22, 29, July 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598504

The following person(s) doing business as: Sunlight Optometry, 2800 Dublin Blvd, Target Optical Dublin East #F702 Dublin, CA 94568 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Rachel Kaneta OD LLC, 2108 N St. Ste N, Sacramento, CA 95816. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Rachel Kaneta, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 8, 2023. Expires June 7, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5510. Published June 15, 22, 29, July 6, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598504

The following person(s) doing business as: Cerebrotonic Media LLC, 8070 South Lake Drive, Apt. B, Dublin, CA 94568 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Cerebrotonic Media LLC, 8070 South Lake Drive, Apt. B, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Leticia Villarreal, Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 13, 2023. Expires June 12, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5511. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598355

The following person(s) doing business as: Embarcadero Cove Marina, 31 Embarcadero, Oakland, CA 90606 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Almar Management, Inc., 2459 W 208th St, Ste 204, Torrance, CA 90501 This business is conducted by a Corporation. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Jim Hayes, COO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 1, 2023. Expires May 31, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5512. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598314

The following person(s) doing business as: Kluball Travel, 2999 Rodeo LN, Livermore, CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Teri Klubal, 2999 Rodeo LN, 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: 10/23/1994. Signature of Registrant/s/: Alfonso Guzman, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 14, 2023. Expires June 13, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5516. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 23CV034938

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF ALAMEDA
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: Diana Gyle James filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
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The address of the court is: Alameda County Administration Building 1221 Oak Street Oakland, CA 94612
A copy of this Order To Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation printed in this county: The Independent Newspaper 2250 First Street, Livermore, CA 94550
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located at 5976 W. Las Positas Blvd. Ste. 118, Pleasanton, CA 94588 will be voluntarily terminating the Provider's participation in Medicare effective July 1, 2023, to provide Home Health Services. Persons have questions regard this notice should contact info@homewithmission.com. The Independent, Legal No. 5515. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

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The following person(s) doing business as: 1. La Pinata #2 Restaurant; 2. La Pinata #1 Restaurant 2699 Merced ST, San Leandro, CA 94577 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): The Guzman Corporation, 2699 Merced ST, San Leandro, CA 94577. 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: 10/23/1994. Signature of Registrant/s/: Alfonso Guzman, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 14, 2023. Expires June 13, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5516. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598512

The following person(s) doing business as: A&E Motors, 27901 Huntwood Ave Apt 109, Hayward, CA 94544 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Ajmal Mizada, 27901 Huntwood Ave Apt 109, Hayward, CA 94544. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Ajmal Mizada, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 8, 2023. Expires June 7, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5520. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 597821

The following person(s) doing business as: Codesproutsclub, 283 Summertree Dr., Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Redriverport LLC, 283 Summertree Dr., Livermore, CA 94551. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: 5/10/2023. Signature of Registrant/s/: Sangeeta Das, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on May 11, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5517. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598618

The following person(s) doing business as: A Cut Above Catering, 658 Curlew Rd., Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): JW'S World LLC, 658 Curlew, CA 94551. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/:

istrant/s/: Denise Irene Williams, Managing Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 13, 2023. Expires June 12, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5518. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 598526

The following person(s) doing business as: Bennie's, 45128 Warm Springs Blvd Unit 225, Fremont, CA 94539 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Congyi Wang, 45128 Warm Springs Blvd Unit 225, Fremont, CA 94539. This business is conducted by an Individual. The date on which the registrant first commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above: N/A. Signature of Registrant/s/: Congyi Wang, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on June 8, 2023. Expires June 7, 2028. The Independent, Legal No. 5519. Published June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2023.

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME ORIGINAL FILE NO. 544987
The person(s) listed below have abandoned the use of the following fictitious business name(s). West Coast Strategic Consulting Services, 2323 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94612. Registered Owner(s): Nada Djordjevic, 4220 Montgomery 306, Oakland, CA 94611. The fictitious business name statement was filed on 5/14/2018 in the County of Alameda. This business was conducted by an Individual. Signature of Registrants: /s/: Nada Djordjevic, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on May 5, 2023. The Independent Legal No. 5501. Published June 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023.



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Gordon Corsie



Livermore's Junior Girl Scouts from Troop 33148 have just completed their Bronze Award Project. The girls researched which tools would be beneficial to support social emotional learning. They then created Calm Down Kits that were distributed to four Livermore elementary schools. (Photo courtesy of Andrea Tapia)

Livermore Library to Host Author Jeff Colvin

Livermore Public Library will host author Jeff Colvin to discuss his new book *Avoiding Apocalypse: How Science and Scientists Ended the Cold War* on Sunday, July 23, at 2 p.m. in the Civic Center Library Storytime Room, 1188 S. Livermore Ave.

Registration is not necessary to attend this free program.

Avoiding Apocalypse: How Science and Scientists Ended the Cold War tells the little-known story of the worldwide scientists' boycott of the Soviet Union that set-in motion an astonishing sequence of events.

Starting simultaneously with the rise to power of an obscure Soviet bureaucrat named Mikhail Gorbachev, the boycott led not only to the end of the Cold War, but also to the end of the Soviet Union itself.

Colvin spent the past 45 years as a research physicist, helping to develop the science that made a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT), one linchpin of the Cold War stand-down discussed in his new book, *Avoiding Apocalypse*, technically possible. Colvin has authored and co-authored nearly 100 peer-reviewed scientific publications. In

collaboration with Jon Larsen, Colvin wrote what has now become the standard graduate-level textbook in the new field of physics that grew out of the Cold War era nuclear weapons development. He played a leadership role in organizing the scientists' boycott and aiding dissident and refusenik Soviet scientists. Colvin held an appointed position in the U.S. Department of Energy in Washington, D.C. during the George H. W. Bush administration. He lives part-time in Livermore, California and part-time in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania with his wife, Mary Frances.

Tri-Valley Haven to Offer Weekly Support Group

Tri-Valley Haven will sponsor a weekly in-person support group for adult victims of domestic violence beginning Monday, June 26, and running through Monday, Aug. 14.

Tri-Valley Haven is a Livermore-based nonprofit that provides support services for

victims of domestic and sexual abuse and homelessness.

The confidential support group sessions, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., will be conducted by licensed professionals and will cover healthy boundaries, safety planning, red and green flags in relationships, and coping

skills.

Registration is required. Participants will be provided with the meeting location after a pre-screen interview with a counselor.

To register, or for more information, call 925-667-2607 or email sharon@tri-valleyhaven.org.

San Ramon Hospital Donates Cereal to Food Bank

San Ramon Regional Medical Center has donated nearly 6,000 servings of breakfast cereal to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano.

Collected during the medical center's annual Healthy Over Hungry Cereal Drive, which ran from June 5 to June 15, the donations will help provide local children and adults with a

healthy breakfast.

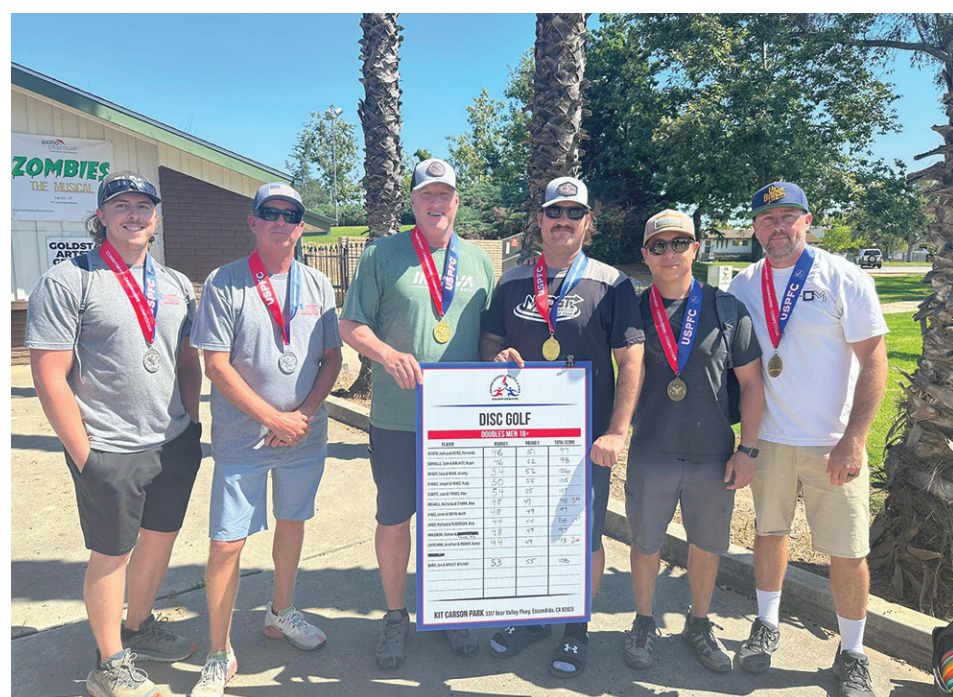
The medical center noted that good nutrition, including whole grain cereals, is essential to good health, and summer is a particularly tough time for many families because children can no longer rely on school meals.

"We understand the health issues children face from hunger and poor nutrition," said medical center

CEO Warren Kirk. "Many households rely on food banks and other food programs to have access to the healthy meals they need to thrive. We recognize the importance of beginning each day with a nutritious breakfast and, through this drive, we are proud to help many in our community struggling with food insecurity."



Nearly 6,000 servings of breakfast cereal were recently donated by the San Ramon Regional Medical Center to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano. The donation was part of the medical center's annual Healthy Over Hungry Cereal Drive. (Photo courtesy of San Ramon Regional Medical Center)



Alameda County Fire Department's Alex O'Hara competed for the second year at the U.S. Police and Fire Championships in Disc Golf, taking the bronze in the Singles 18+ Division and the bronze in Disc Golf Doubles with his partner, Nick Gruwell from Riverside Police Department. The games are organized by the California Police Athletic Federation, which strives to meet their core values of providing a venue for physical fitness and camaraderie between law enforcement and firefighting communities. For more information, visit cpaf.org/uspfc. (Photo courtesy of International Association of Firefighter Local 55)

Inner Wheel Club of Livermore Ready to Help Those in Need

The Inner Wheel Club of Livermore is off and running for 2023 to 2024 with a new board of directors.

The new board consists of President Ellen Bell; Vice President and Membership Patty Crohare; Secretary Anita Thompson; Treasurer Adele O'Brien; Foundation Chair Karen Cowan; and past President Madeline McMenamin.

The club installed the new board on May 24, holding a dinner at a member's home and sharing dinner and friendship all around.

The Inner Wheel Club of Livermore was proud to donate assistance to the Turkey Earthquake Relief Fund, as well as to donate books to CAPE Headstart and warm socks to Tri-Valley Haven. The club is

working on its 2023 Giving Fund Grants and will be announcing them soon.

Club representatives are always looking for new members to join this dynamic group to help the Livermore Community be better and stronger. To attend a meeting, email Pattea19@gmail.com for meeting dates and locations.

Tuesday Tunes Continues Its Summer Concert Series

The Livermore Cultural Arts Council presents "The Frankie Bones Project" in its free concert series "Tuesday Tunes 2023", June 27 at 6:45 p.m., on the Shea Home Stage in front of the Bankhead Theater. Shea Homes is a major sponsor of "Tuesday Tunes."

He takes what many

would call "standards" and finds a way to make them his own, covering the likes of Jimmy Buffett, Paul Simon, and The Beatles. He just released his first CD of original music "Living in a Bottle."

Through August 22, LCAC brings family-friendly free entertainment each

Tuesday (Except for the Fourth of July) with additional funding from Fremont Bank, Uncle Credit Union, Uncle Yu's at the Vineyard, and The Independent.

Next up is the local favorite LunaFish on July 11. City Municipal Codes restricts alcohol consumption in public places.

Amador Valley Industries to Collect Textiles, July 3 - 7

Amador Valley Industries (AVI) will pick up used textiles for disposal from Dublin residences during the week of July 3 -7. Call ahead to schedule a pickup.

Residents must call AVI at least one week before the collection event. Place acceptable textiles in a clear

plastic bag and leave the bag curbside before 5:30 a.m. on the day of the scheduled collection. Bags must be visible at the curb. Textiles will be collected by a separate driver who may service the block earlier or later than regular trash pickup.

Residents of multi-fami-

ly complexes should contact their property manager to schedule a pickup with AVI. Acceptable items are clothing, shoes, stuffed animals, bedding, and towels. Wet or moldy textiles or those that contain blood, human biowaste, or toxic chemicals are not allowed.

Rep. Swalwell Visits Aboard USS Theodore Roosevelt

Rep. Eric Swalwell (D-CA) recently spent two days at sea aboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt, a Nimitz-class, nuclear-powered, aircraft carrier.

Swalwell's press office said the congressman landed aboard the carrier and met with both sailors and command leadership, while observing flight operations.

"It was an honor to meet with the men and women of our Navy who work each and every day to keep us safe at home and abroad," Swalwell said. "Aircraft carriers remain the nation's preeminent power projection platform and the cornerstone of our Navy. Our naval superiority and readiness are the best deterrents

against a Chinese invasion of Taiwan, or any act China would take against the United States."

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