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SUBMITTED BY JULIE RICHTER

A captivating exhibition featuring works by renowned contemporary artist Nathan Sawaya is now open in San Francisco at 1 Grant Avenue. Special to its Bay Area debut, the critically acclaimed collection features the world premiere of "Decisions," which is made of more than 112,000 LEGO bricks. In addition to the new artwork, guests can explore over 70 works made exclusively from one of the most recognizable toys in the world—the LEGO® brick.

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## Color life with a little imagination

BY STEPHANIE GERTSCH

"It's just so mesmerizing," says artist Tejal Shah. Even in their static finished form, there is a hypnotic quality to her epoxy resin art where delicate layers of green and white resemble undulating waves. Shah identifies as a mixed media artist. "Some artists just focus on one skill, and that's great, it's their way of expression. But for me, I love doing different things," she explains. Her life and art both reflect this attitude.

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# Washington Hospital Service League Offers Academic Scholarships

The Washington Hospital Service League has been in existence for 66 years—longer than the Hospital itself. During that time, countless community members have been introduced to Washington Hospital through the efforts of these volunteers. In addition to hours donated at the Hospital, the Service League contributes to the youth of the area through educational and scholarship opportunities.

The Service League’s scholarship program has awarded nearly \$365,335 in scholarships since its establishment in 1961. The first scholarship of \$150 was awarded to a nursing student training at Highland Hospital in Oakland.

Today, the Service League grants two \$1,000 scholarships annually, which are renewable for three additional years, based on the student’s academic performance and continued focus on health care. Additionally, a one-time scholarship of \$1,000 is awarded.

These scholarships are available to students in the Washington Township Health Care District—which includes Fremont, Newark, Union City, and parts of South Hayward and unincorporated Sunol—who are pursuing studies in a health-related field. Students who currently volunteer at Washington Hospital are also eligible. The scholarships are awarded each year to graduating high school seniors and/or current college students.



By providing scholarships, the Service League hopes to help students with their education and career goals, and in turn, hope they may someday be able to give back to the community by providing health care. Service League Scholarship

Chair Dian Zarzycki notes the pleasure they receive by giving assistance and support to budding doctors, nurses and other health care professionals in the local community.

Applications can be found online at <https://www.whhs.com/About/Community-Connection/Scholarship-Opportunities> or picked up at the main desk in the Hospital lobby at 2000 Mowry Ave.

Please see application for detailed requirements. Some qualifications for the Washington Hospital Service League scholarship include:

- U.S. citizen/permanent resident
- Resident of the Washington Township Health Care District or a current volunteer at Washington Hospital
- Age 22 or younger as of December 31, 2022
- Accepted into an accredited school, college, or university offering a bachelor's or higher degree in a health-related field
- Full-time student, able to provide required transcripts
- Contributor to the community with at least 100 hours of volunteer service or working in a health-related field
- Three letters of recommendation from the Director of Volunteer Services, employer, counselor/advisor, or teacher
- Not have been previously awarded a WHSL health career scholarship

Application deadline is Friday, April 1, 2022.

InHealth broadcasts on Comcast Channel 78 in Fremont, Newark and Union City and online at [www.inhealth.tv](http://www.inhealth.tv)



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The full schedule of InHealth programs listed below can also be viewed in real time on the Washington Hospital website, [www.whhs.com](http://www.whhs.com)

	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY		
	12/28/21	12/29/21	12/30/21	12/31/21	1/1/22	1/2/22	1/3/22		
12:00 PM 12:00 AM	Keeping Your Lungs Healthy	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 8, 2021	Aortic Valve Disease: Treatment Options Including TAVR	Diabetes Matters: Travel & Disaster Preparedness	Gastrointestinal Disorders	Endometriosis: Causes, Symptoms, Diagnosis and Treatment	Metabolic Disorders		
12:30 PM 12:30 AM	Fremont Bank Staying Healthy in 2021		How to Prevent Financial Elder Abuse/Fraud	Chronic Pelvic Pain in Women					
1:00 PM 1:00 AM	Stress Management		Mental Health Education Series: Crisis Intervention	Solutions for Weight Management	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 8, 2021	Early Detection and Prevention of Female Cancers	Hepatitis B and Liver Cancer: Prevention and Treatment		
1:30 PM 1:30 AM				Sports Medicine Program: Big Changes in Concussion Care: What You Don't Know Can Hurt You		Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 8, 2021		Peripheral Vascular Disease: What You Need to Know	
2:00 PM 2:00 AM	Medicare: What You Need to Know		Women's Health Conference: Reclaiming Your Confidence	Ortho Overuse Injuries: Prevention and Treatment			Mental Health Education Series: Mental Wellness		
2:30 PM 2:30 AM	Preventive Screenings: When and Why are They Important?								Chronic Kidney Disease: FAQ
3:00 PM 3:00 AM	How to Talk to Your Doctor	Mental Health Education Series: Family Support	Suffer From Sinus Problems?	Prostate Cancer: What You Need to Know		Sports Medicine Program: Think Running is a Pain? It Doesn't Have to Be			
3:30 PM 3:30 AM	How To Stop Disease Before It Starts				Fun Fresh Summer Cooking Demonstration		Diabetes Matters: Glucose Monitoring	Preventive Care: What You Need To Know	
4:00 PM 4:00 AM	Women's Health through the Years: Screening is Key to Aging Well	Keeping Your Brain Healthy	Advanced Treaments for Knee Pain	Intro to Radiation Oncology Therapy	Learn the Signs and Symptoms of Sepsis	Breathe Easier with Pulmonary Rehab	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 8, 2021		
4:30 PM 4:30 AM			Sports Medicine Program: Exercise & Injury					Women's Health Conference: Women & Stroke: Are You at Risk?	Diabetes Matters: Managing Diabetes During Adverse Conditions
5:00 PM 5:00 AM	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 8, 2021	Breathe Easier with Pulmonary Rehab	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 8, 2021	Healthy Gut, Healthy You	COVID-19: The Road Ahead	Oh My Aching Feet! Recognizing Common Foot and Ankle Problems			
5:30 PM 5:30 AM		Don't Let Hip Pain Win						Diabetes Matters: Italian Foods	Hernias: Causes Symptoms and the Latest Treatment Options
6:00 PM 6:00 AM		Interventional Radiology (IR) for Vascular Disease		Keeping Your Lungs Healthy	Food Pharmacy: Prescription for Colon Health	Diabetes Matters: Diabetes and Your Heart		Diabetes Matters: Diabetes and Kidney Health	Colon Cancer
6:30 PM 6:30 AM		Mental Health Education Series: Understanding Psychotic Disorders							
7:00 PM 7:00 AM	Strategies to Help Lower Your Cholesterol and Blood Pressure	Stroke: Warning Signs and Prevention	Why Does My Ankle Hurt? Causes & Treatment of Ankle Pain	Anxiety: Stop Negative Thoughts	Wound Care: The Latest Treatment Options	Shoulder Pain: Causes and Treatment Options	Women's Health Conference: Quality of Life Before and After Cosmetic Surgery		
7:30 PM 7:30 AM	Sick Feet?							Mental Health Education Series: Anxiety Disorders	When Your Heart Needs A Little Help
8:00 PM 8:00 AM	Learn the Signs and Symptoms of Sepsis	Women's Health: Depression, More Than a State of Mind	Palliative Care, an Extra Layer of Support	Treating Neck and Back Pain from Home					
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# Steps You Can Take to Start 2022 on a Positive Note

Local physician shares actual  
benefits of an  
“attitude of gratitude”

“It is possible to feel joyful in spite of another challenging year,” says Victoria Leiphart, MD. “Start by cultivating gratitude, which can open you up to joy.” Dr. Leiphart, a board-certified gynecologist at Washington Township Medical Foundation, has spent decades helping her patients live their healthiest and best lives.

For many, finding things to be grateful about over this past year may be difficult. “All of us have lost things as a result of the pandemic. The most unfortunate among us have lost family and friends, employment, or our homes,” says Dr. Leiphart. Nevertheless, she encourages people to focus on what makes them grateful. These can be simple, daily things, like the sound of a child laughing or the furry companionship of a favorite pet. For Dr. Leiphart, what fills her with appreciation and joy is being outdoors. She is grateful for her regular walks through her neighborhood, where she can feel the sun and fresh air and can exchange greetings with neighbors.

Dr. Leiphart is quick to point out that the benefits of gratitude are supported by science. Numerous studies have concluded that people have the capacity to increase their level of gratitude, which in turn has been shown to improve health, lower pain, and increase happiness.

“The studies are pretty clear that people who score higher in gratitude have better health,” notes Dr. Leiphart. “Feeling grateful improves mood, sleep, and even cardiovascular function.”

Dr. Leiphart describes a study done with patients suffering from chronic pain who were asked to keep a diary for a set period of time. Half of the patients were told to record what they felt grateful for each day. The other half were told to record their daily burdens. At the end of the study, the gratitude group reported feeling

10 percent less pain and more motivated to exercise. Another study she cites showed that patients who kept a once-a-week gratitude journal saw a 10 percent reduction in their blood pressure. A similar study showed a 30 percent reduction in depression among patients who kept a weekly gratitude journal. Other studies have shown that practicing gratitude can reduce PTSD and anxiety.

“In one of my favorite studies, participants were asked to keep a daily gratitude journal for one week, recording what they felt grateful for each day. At the end of the week, participants were found to be 2 percent happier than before—which doesn’t sound like much,” Dr. Leiphart says. “However, after a month, those same participants, regardless of whether they continued journaling or not, reported being 5 percent happier. And after six months, they were 9 percent happier—after just that one week of journaling.”

The amazing thing about gratitude, points out Dr. Leiphart, is that it can be increased with practice. Feeling grateful becomes easier and more fulfilling over time. “You don’t have to write in a journal every day. You could do it just once a week. Or not write at all and instead set time aside, perhaps right before bedtime, to think about the things that make you grateful,” she explains. In this way, gratitude can become a habit.

Another study that Dr. Leiphart likes to reference asked participants to write and personally deliver a letter to someone in their life that they had never properly thanked before. “If you really want to boost your gratitude score, consider fully thanking someone in a letter or in person,” she says.


Inspired by the study, she contacted a college professor who had had enormous influence on her nearly 35 years

prior. She began by sending an email, and eventually the two were able to meet for lunch. Dr. Leiphart shares, “I told her how much it had meant to me to have her believe in me, and believe that I could go to grad school and do whatever I wanted. It meant the world to her—and to me—that I was able to express to her how grateful I felt.”

Another personal step you can take to bring about greater peace of mind is to forgive people who have hurt you. “Forgiveness is another important part of taking care of your mental health,” says Dr. Leiphart. Forgiveness is similar to gratitude in that it acknowledges and brings into greater focus how people and their actions have affected us. The reason to forgive someone is to allow yourself to let go of the anger and hurt a person caused you. “Anger and resentment can be like poison,” she says. “But they are like drinking poison yourself and expecting it to make the other person sick. You do not need to forgive someone to make them feel better—forgive someone because you deserve to have peace within yourself. It allows you to move on”

Practicing gratitude could be the reset you need for the New Year. One of the most important pieces of advice Dr. Leiphart gives to her patients right now is to keep working on maintaining social connections. “Make staying in touch with people a priority,” she suggests. “And particularly, stay in touch with people in your life who have an attitude of gratefulness. If you are around people who express gratitude, it is easier to have those feelings yourself.”


To learn more about community services Washington Hospital provides, visit [whhs.com/AboutUs/Community-Connection](http://whhs.com/AboutUs/Community-Connection).



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# Lymphedema Services



**Washington Hospital Lymphedema Services**  
2500 Mowry Ave., suite 140  
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The Lymphedema Services staff at Washington Hospital is dedicated to helping each patient learn how to manage lymphedema and keep it under control. Through special massage techniques and knowledge of the latest treatment options, our lymphedema certified physical therapists help lymphedema patients regain control and take their lives back through quality, local care.





## Lymphedema Education Class

The Lymphedema Educational Series is offered to anyone who is interested in learning more about the lymph system and lymphedema. The class will cover general information about the function of the lymph system, including:

- Definition of lymphedema
- Risks for developing lymphedema
- Signs and symptoms of lymphedema
- Precautions
- Getting diagnosed
- Benefits of lymphedema therapy
- General nutrition guidelines
- Resources

**When:** Second Tuesday of every month  
**Time:** 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Washington Women’s Center Conference Room (Washington West, 2500 Mowry Ave.)

For class dates and more information, please visit [whhs.com/lymphedema](http://whhs.com/lymphedema) or call (510) 818-6758.



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# In-Person **SPRING 2022** **STUDENT ENROLLMENT EVENT**

Ohlone College, 43600 Mission Boulevard, Fremont

**JAN 10** **MON, 3:00-6:00PM**  
No entry after 5:00pm

**JAN 11** **TUES, 9:30AM-12:30PM**  
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## Painting to protect: combating climate change

BY NANKI KAUR

Over the past several decades, the worsening effects of climate change have not only taken a toll on the health of the Earth, but have also been affecting the organisms that inhabit it. A fifth-grade research project enabled Aanya Rangachary to realize how severely human activities can impact our home—from greenhouse gases and carbon emissions, to helpful practices like permaculture.

That's when Rangachary, a Bay Area seventh-grader and alumni of Fremont's Montessori school, decided that it was time to take action. Rangachary's business, Aanya's Art4Earth, is committed to battling climate change through the sales of reprints of her canvas paintings inspired by contemporary artists. "It was impactful in that it made me realize that climate change is an issue, and a man-made one at that," she explains. "I was convinced that if we caused climate change, we can and should reverse it."

Aanya's business Art4Earth has many intricate pieces to choose from, spanning from South-Asian-inspired works to abstract, modern-day creations. "I experimented with different styles of art, as my mom continued to introduce me to the styles of many inspiring contemporary South Asian artists," says Rangachary. "I was intrigued by the various distinct styles of art I saw. This inspired me to begin a series of paintings which would later become my interpretations of those artists." Aanya's Art4Earth operates online through social media platforms like Instagram and Twitter. Orders can be placed through the website, where customers have the ability to order reprints of her work as wall art, notebooks, greeting cards, or puzzles. Aanya's Art4Earth is currently donating 100% of the profits to organizations striving to combat climate change, such as the Coalition for Rainforests Nations, where Rangachary's donations were used to "avert 5,400 metric tons of greenhouse gases."



Though the business has grown these past few months, having an online business venture was not always smooth sailing for the optimistic student. "I think the biggest setback I have faced so far in the last few months is gaining publicity and promoting my work to increase sales." However, Rangachary's efforts to persevere

have connected her with various organizations, publications, and celebrities. "Another setback I faced initially," she adds, "was that most of my work...appealed to a niche audience. I then started to expand the subjects of my art to appeal to a broader spectrum of people." Rangachary's newer works include a series of Harry Potter-inspired paintings entitled the Harry Potter Collection, available for purchase on her website.

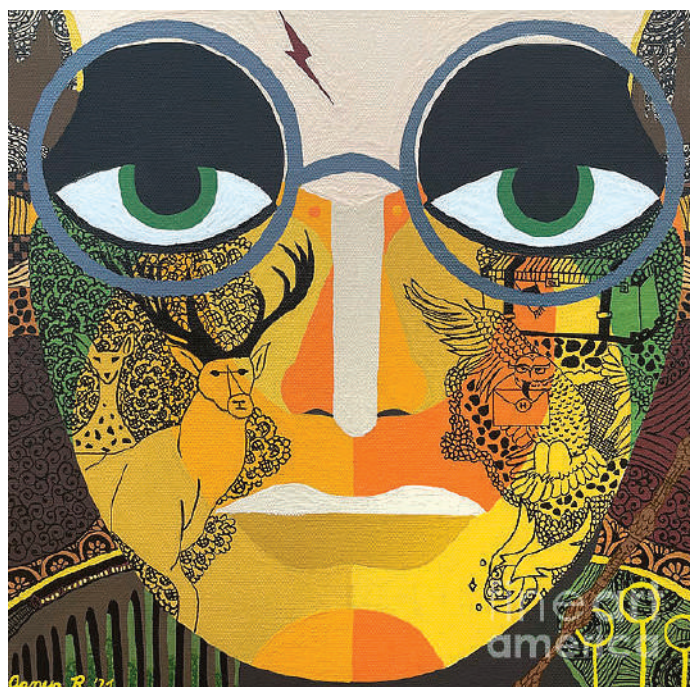
Hoping to increase her contributions to the environment, Rangachary aspires to "generate enough profit to be able to reach [her] initial goal of helping avert 10,000 metric tons of greenhouse gases soon." She also aims "to use sustainable materials for her artwork, such as black pens whose ink is made from upcycled carbon emissions." For other young creatives with ambitions to start businesses, Rangachary shares words of motivation: "Age doesn't matter—you are never too young to make a difference!"

Aanya's Art4Earth

Website: [aanyasart4earth.com](http://aanyasart4earth.com)

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It's our last issue of 2021, but there are still opportunities to end the year in style, or start 2022 on a good note. Check below for local New Year events.

**Brazen Racing New Year's Races**  
Friday, Dec 31 & Saturday, Jan 1  
7:30 a.m. Hiker division starts  
8:30 a.m. Half Marathon starts  
Race around Lake Chabot  
Lake Chabot Regional Park  
17600 Lake Chabot Rd., Castro Valley  
brazenracing.com  
Registration: \$50-95

**21st Balloon Drop**  
Friday, Dec 31  
11 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Hundreds of (biodegradable) balloons drop for an early New Year  
Chabot Space and Science Center  
10000 Skyline Blvd., Oakland  
(510) 336-7300  
<https://chabotspace.org/>  
Admission: \$24 adults / \$19 kids  
Balloon Drop participation for kids: \$10

**New Year's Eve Party**  
Friday, December 31  
7 p.m.  
India Community Center

525 Los Coches St., Milpitas  
[www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com)  
[www.indiacc.org](http://www.indiacc.org)  
For more info: [aparna@indiacc.org](mailto:aparna@indiacc.org)

**Hollywood Glitz 2022**  
Friday, December 31  
7 p.m.  
Tickets Starting From \$39  
Tickets @ <http://Sulekha.com/GLITZ>  
Royal Palace Banquet  
6058 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont  
(408) 579-9426

**New Year's Eve with Dirty Cello**  
Friday, December 31  
8 p.m.  
Blues meets bluegrass with a twist of classical  
Tickets: \$20-\$58 (\$20 student/military personnel)  
Bankhead Theater  
2400 First St, Livermore  
[www.livermorearts.org](http://www.livermorearts.org)

**New Year's Eve Spectacular!**  
Friday, December 31  
8 p.m. – 10 p.m.  
Improv comedy show  
Made Up Theatre  
4000 Bay Street, Fremont  
(510) 573-3633  
<https://madeuptheatre.com/>  
Tickets: \$20

**New Year's Day Farm Walk**  
Saturday, January 1  
1:30 p.m.  
Saunter around the farm and visit the animals  
Ardenwood Historic Farm  
34600 Ardenwood Blvd., Fremont  
[www.ebparks.org](http://www.ebparks.org)

# DUI checkpoint nets five arrests

SUBMITTED BY SGT. TASHA DECOSTA, HAYWARD PD

During a recent DUI checkpoint conducted at Foothill Boulevard and City Center Drive in Hayward, the Hayward Police Department screened 735 vehicles. Of those motorists stopped, three were arrested on suspicion of DUI, with the fourth motorist arrested for a felony DUI warrant and the fifth motorist arrested on suspicion of carrying a loaded firearm.

The checkpoint took place on Friday, December 17 from 8:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. the next day. Checkpoint locations are based on a history of crashes and DUI arrests. Hayward police officials said the primary purpose of checkpoints is not to make arrests, but to promote public safety by deterring drivers from driving impaired.

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- Friday, January 14: 2 pm - 7 pm
- Saturday, January 15: 10 am - 4 pm

Most books priced at \$1/ inch, some specially priced.  
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- Sunday, January 16: 12 pm - 3 pm

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We will provide the bags.  
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## Thank you, St. Gregorise!

SUBMITTED BY FREMONT HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Thank you to the parishioners of St. Gregorise Orthodox Church in San Lorenzo for holding a drive for our Homeless Care and Response programs. The church donated sleeping bags, socks, and undergarments that will be distributed to our unhoused neighbors. We are so grateful for donations like this from the community. They are always put to good use right away!

If you are interested in donating items, you can see our most up to date needs list at this link:  
<https://www.fremont.gov/DocumentCenter/View/46309/Clean-Start-Needs-List>



L-R: Friar Teji Abraham, Subin Konglathu, and Paula Manczuk-Hannay.

## Evacuated Afghan artists paint a mural in Albania's capital

BY LLAZAR SEMINI, ASSOCIATED PRESS

A group of Afghan artists evacuated after the Taliban seized power in their homeland painted a mural in Albania's capital Thursday to thank their host country, and urged the world not to forget their brethren back home.

The mural was painted by members of Artlords, an Afghan organization of volunteer artists, on a building in central Tirana, where scores of such works have been painted in recent years. "Thank you, Albania! We shall not forget," it wrote in Albanian, and "My homeland, tired of persecution," in Afghanistan's Pashto.

The work near central Skanderbeg Square showed a map of Albania composed of many sections, in a reference to Afghanistan's multiethnic character, and an Afghan man working. "This is one of the ways that we want to raise the voices of our (colleagues) who are taken hostage back home in Afghanistan," said Omaid Sharifi, co-founder of Artlords.

Most of their works in Afghanistan were destroyed by the Taliban, according to Sharifi, who called on "the people of the world (not to) walk away from what is happening inside our country." Sixty-two Artlords members are still in Afghanistan, eager to leave it at any moment, he said.

"We try to mobilize ourselves every day and tell our colleagues (in Afghanistan) to keep on fighting for your rights," said Yama Farhad, 28, one of the painters, who's housed at a resort in the northwestern coastal town of Shengjin together with his wife and two-year old son.

Albania has sheltered some 2,400 Afghan evacuees in hotels or tourist resorts. Some 150 of them have already left for other countries. The rest will stay in the small Balkan country for about a year until authorities in the U.S. and elsewhere finish processing their special immigration visas.

The National Endowment for Democracy, a U.S. nonprofit foundation, has organized the evacuation of 288 Afghans to Albania and their temporary residence in the country.

"(It's) a piece of art from our Afghan friends ... to thank the Albanian people, to thank the entire nation of Albania for their hospitality, their generosity," said Damon Wilson, NED's head. For years Tirana City Hall has supported artists to paint murals all over the city.

## King Tide Ride



SUBMITTED BY SILICON VALLEY BICYCLE COALITION

During winter months, the sun and moon align to create a gravitational pull upon our planet's waters that results in the highest and lowest tides of the year. Join Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition (SVBC) and community partners on Sunday, January 2 for a bike ride from Milpitas to Alviso. These areas are sure to be strongly impacted by sea-level rise in the coming decades.

We will ride as a group at 10 a.m. from Milpitas BART station to Alviso Marina County Park - about 6.5 miles - and then return for a total of 13 miles of riding. We anticipate spending 45 minutes to an hour at Alviso Marina County Park to

eat lunch, relax and see the sights in the area.

California Coastal Commission is on a years-long campaign to gather photographic evidence of King Tide impacts. To contribute to Coastal Commission's King Tide photo gallery, please visit: <https://www.coastal.ca.gov/kingtides/participate.html#tidemap>.

This ride is funded by Santa Clara Valley Water District, and hosted in partnership with local environmental organizations. We look forward to seeing you January 2!

**King Tide Ride**  
**Sunday, Jan 2**  
**10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**  
**Milpitas BART Station**  
**1755 S. Milpitas Blvd.,**  
**Milpitas**  
**[www.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)**

## Grant awards helping small businesses

SUBMITTED BY PAUL SANFTNER

There is good news for small business owners in San Leandro who have taken a financial hit during the COVID-19 pandemic. The city has allocated \$750,000 in grants from its share of the American Rescue Plan Act to be distributed through a new San Leandro Small Business Recovery Grant Program.

The program is aimed at brick-and-mortar, for-profit businesses in operation since before March 16, 2020, with 25 or fewer employees, and that lease or rent their commercial property directly from a landlord. Eligible businesses must be located in incorporated San Leandro. Through this program, around 50 small businesses will receive grants of up to \$15,000 each to be paid to their landlords to cover overdue rent accrued since the onset of the pandemic.

The program's goal is to assist businesses that were required to be closed or had limited operations for an extensive period during 2020, experienced a significant loss of revenue, a reduction in workforce, and that received little to no financial assistance in response to the pandemic. All small businesses are encouraged to apply if they think they might qualify. Additionally, training and ongoing services will be provided to support the continued operations and growth of the businesses beyond the pandemic.

Initial applications are due Tuesday, January 11. Details about the grant program are posted online at [www.sanleandro.org/767/COVID-19-Business-Resources](https://www.sanleandro.org/767/COVID-19-Business-Resources).

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# New city cohousing

SUBMITTED BY LEAGUE OF  
WOMEN VOTERS

The crisis in Bay Area housing continues to be a front-burner issue as we enter 2022. The League of Women Voters’ Bay Area League Day in February will focus on land-use planning involved in placing housing. In Fremont, a group called Mission Peak Cohousing Village has just completed the essential first step in implementing a creative approach to sustainability and reduced cost-of-living expense.

“The Bay Area housing affordability crisis is changing single-family home ownership as residents explore variations on the dream, turning to creative solutions like cohousing that offer community and cost-of-living advantages,” wrote Cecily O’Connor in the League’s Bay Area Monitor of August/September 2019.

Mission Peak Cohousing Village recently completed the purchase of a 1.23-acre parcel of land in the Irvington district of Fremont on which to build Fremont’s first cohousing community. Although the group hopes to be able to include affordable housing in its condominium development, most of the units will be individually owned, market-rate homes. Extensive shared resources and amenities – such as environmentally sustainable design, shared space for a garden, play area, outdoor dining space, guest accommodations, a workshop, etc. – is where residents typically realize ongoing savings. Cohousing communities almost always feature a common house with large kitchen and dining area in which to share meals three or four times a week. Community members can design the common house to suit other functions as well – perhaps including childcare, entertainment space, laundry facilities, music room, homework and work-from-home office space.

A distinctive aspect of cohousing developments is that the community of residents forms before the buildings are built. The future residents hire the architect and participate actively in designing the community to fit its own needs and values, emphasizing collaborative settings where people get to know and support each other.

“We will start working with our architect in February to layout the site and design our new community,” points out League member Evelyn LaTorre, one of the first to join Mission Peak. “We are very excited about having secured a site in a quiet residential area that will be within walking distance of the new BART station, Irvington Farmers Market, stores and services, as well as near Fremont Main library, medical facilities, and Central Park. I foresee less dependence on driving.”

Though many of the proposed units are spoken for, Mission Peak is still accepting “Explorers.” The group has scheduled walking tours of the site and vicinity for December 29 and January 16, with informational sessions interspersed. Those who join the group as Explorers by mid-January can participate in a series of workshops with cohousing pioneer Katie McCamant to learn the timelines, financing, and other steps to the project’s completion, expected in 2024. For more information, see [www.missionpeakcohousing.org](http://www.missionpeakcohousing.org) or call Jane Mueller at (510)792-4173.



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## Looking to open a cannabis business?

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF HAYWARD

Businesses and individuals that are interested in potentially operating a commercial cannabis business in Hayward can submit an application for screening starting Monday, January 3. Applications will be accepted through February 28.

The screening process is a pre-requisite to being invited to apply for a commercial cannabis permit and associated land-use approvals necessary to open a commercial cannabis business in the city. The process begins with a submission of a Preliminary Determination of Eligibility Application to the Planning Division of Hayward Department Development Services.

Screening entails a criminal background check and city staff evaluation of the applicant’s proposed business location, business and operating plans, and other criteria listed in the city’s municipal code.

At this time, Hayward is accepting applications for the following commercial cannabis activities:

- Cultivation

- Delivery, including non-storefront retail sales
- Distribution
- Manufacturing
- Microbusinesses
- Testing laboratory

Applications for new storefront retail dispensaries are not currently being accepted; however, non-storefront retail operations, as part of a commercial cannabis delivery operation, or ancillary storefront retail, as part of a commercial cannabis microbusiness will continue to be accepted until further notice.

For more information, including regulatory definitions of cannabis business types, visit the City of Hayward website at [www.hayward-ca.gov](http://www.hayward-ca.gov), then type “commercial cannabis permit program” into the search field and follow the link. Potential applicants with questions about the process should submit them in writing to Hayward acting Planning Manager Jeremy Lochirco at [Jeremy.lochirco@hayward.gov](mailto:Jeremy.lochirco@hayward.gov).

## EARTHTALK

### An environmental Jekyll & Hyde?

BY RODDY SCHEER AND DOUG MOSS

**Dear EarthTalk: Is Amazon.com an  
environmental hero or villain?**

-- J. West, Orange, California

Not surprisingly, Amazon.com’s environmental performance is a mixed bag. One charge often levied by critics is that Amazon’s low pricing and expedited shipping encourages customers to spend more on more unnecessary stuff, further exacerbating our already rampant consumerism. Likewise, critics charge that the company’s “Prime” service encourages customers to order single items that must be rush-shipped to them instead of combining multiple orders in bigger boxes, which would be more energy efficient.

Others criticize Amazon for introducing huge commercial operations into hundreds of otherwise residential and predominantly minority communities across the country. An analysis by Consumer Reports found that 69% of Amazon warehouses have more people of color living within a one-mile radius than the median neighborhood in their metro areas. Residents complain of increased air pollution from the preponderance of trucks and vans going to and fro, more dangerous walking and biking conditions for neighborhood kids, traffic congestions and significant upticks in noise.

In 2019 the company’s carbon emissions were in the spotlight when hundreds of employees (“Amazon Employees for Climate Justice”) called on corporate leadership to commit to net-zero pollution by 2030. For its part, Amazon reports it is moving quickly toward net zero carbon emissions. It won’t practically be able to get there until 2040, but the company is aiming to run on 100% renewable energy by 2030.

Other green initiatives from the e-tailing juggernaut include a \$100 million investment in nature-based climate solutions like reforestation

projects, a recent purchase of 100,000 fully electric delivery vehicles, and collaborations with manufacturers to improve and reduce packaging that has led to a 27% reduction in packaging weight and the elimination of 810,000 tons of packaging material since 2008.

Another area where the company garners green kudos is its leadership in cloud computing. Amazon’s servers no doubt use a lot of electricity (much of which is derived from renewables nowadays), research suggests that companies who move their server infrastructure to cloud-based services -- like industry leading Amazon Web Services -- could save 87% on energy. The upshot is that as more and more companies ditch their own servers, energy consumption and carbon emissions can decline rapidly.

And let’s not forget Amazon.com founder and former CEO Jeff Bezos’ \$10 billion pledge to fund global warming resilience and mitigation efforts around the world over the next 10 years. So far, the so-called Bezos Earth Fund, while not officially tied to Amazon.com but built on Bezos’ wealth stream from the company, has donated some \$947 million to various programs, organizations and research efforts working on climate and environmental justice issues -- and the philanthropic giving has just started.

#### CONTACTS:

- Amazon Employees for Climate Justice: [amazonemployees4climatejustice.medium.com](https://amazonemployees4climatejustice.medium.com).
- When Amazon Expands, These Communities Pay the Price: [consumerreports.org/corporate-accountability/when-amazon-expands-these-communities-pay-the-price-a2554249208/](https://consumerreports.org/corporate-accountability/when-amazon-expands-these-communities-pay-the-price-a2554249208/).
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# The Human Side of Homelessness: Steve

By VEENA KOMMU

*This article is a continuation to the series by Veena Kommu, a local high schooler who decided to talk to the homeless people in the Bay Area, and get their stories out to the public. Her goal is to separate their character from their circumstances.*

A small homeless encampment is hidden from the heavily used highway by a steep embankment on one side and small trees and bushes on the other. I walked to a small tent, sheltered from the wind but

not from the highway noise. Next to the tent is a steel frame with a speedball for boxing. As I approached, I met Steve sitting next to the tent. He agreed to talk to me about his situation.

Steve was staying in Hayward with his girlfriend, their kids and his cousin. All three adults had jobs and could afford an apartment together. He became homeless roughly six years ago when his relationship ended and his girlfriend asked him to move out. He did not go into the details of what led to their split.

However, the couple agreed Steve could still be in their kids' lives, and therefore he continues to live in the Bay Area. He moved into an apartment, but lost his job and was evicted when he couldn't make rent. His credit rating was affected. Finding a stable job became impossible without a permanent address and with bad credit. He works temporary jobs for now.

According to Steve, society has a very negative opinion about homeless people. He dresses decently and tries to be polite, greeting with "good morning" or "how are you." However, people look scared or uncomfortable, and they seem to indicate that he doesn't belong there. He thinks the stereotype of homeless people coming out of bushes with a knife is just wrong. He wants to convey that the homeless are more than what society seems to think of them. Homeless communities are like any other community; everyone is unique, at different stages in their lives, and have different struggles.

Steve has occasionally been to homeless shelters during cold winter days. He said that the ones he went to prioritized women or families with kids, as they should. He didn't like some of them since he had to leave early in the morning, and therefore prefers staying in his tent. He finds facilities around the city to shower, do laundry, have dinner, and get bagged lunches. He mentions Hope buses that come periodically to provide dental care and help people with diabetes. Tri-City Health has also been beneficial for him and his fellow homeless people.

Steve doesn't try to think about the social inequalities. He stays within his "do's

and don'ts" and "can and cannot." Fixing the world is not on his radar. He worries about staying warm and getting food. He takes care of his physical stress by exercising, especially speedball. He gets around on his bike. According to him, mental stress is what gets to you. Therefore, he addresses that by reading, writing in a journal, and talking to people. He strives for "peace of mind in a tornado."

When I asked Steve if he had any regrets, he pointed to one single day that changed the course of his life. He wouldn't discuss it; however, he takes personal responsibility for his present position. He thinks the last six years have been an uphill climb, but he is halfway up the hill, and he says that it is genuinely up to him to get out of his present situation.

When asked what he wants to do in the future, he said his goal is to get back into society. Currently, he spends three or four days a week with his kids. He recently attended his younger child's birthday and will be celebrating his older child's birthday in a couple weeks. His goal is to have a large enough place to have his kids over so that he can spend more time with them, take them for walks, and be involved in their lives. Steve dropped out of college; however, he wants to make sure that his kids complete college and are well settled in life.

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# Color life with a little imagination

Shah's first inspiration was her grandmother. "She used to teach crafts, drawing and painting in schools back home in India, in Mumbai...as a granddaughter I had the privilege to go with her to school and I saw her teaching kids." Not only was her grandmother a versatile artist in clay, henna, and paper crafts, she was a skilled teacher. "She knew how to teach all age groups...She would show first how to do it, ask me to do it, and give me really good feedback—where I'm falling back, where I could improve."

Her father was also a passionate artist, and Shah's parents encouraged her hobby, but art wasn't seen as a serious career option. "Back home there was always a strict expectation for kids. Art won't pay your bills." She did her Master's in Home Economics and worked as a teaching assistant for two years. However, a move to Toronto with her husband and daughter meant a drastic change.

"In the beginning when I moved my daughter was very young, one and a half years old. And there was nobody to look after her. My husband used to work almost 18 hours a day." Shah also worked full time as a technical recruiter. "You know how it is, to survive in the new country, everyone has to struggle at first."

After seven years in Toronto, the family moved to the Bay Area. Now with a young son as well as her daughter, Shah elected to stay home with them. While she was glad to have the chance to be with her children, parenting brought its own challenges. "Staying home all day, you can imagine how it is. Sometimes it's stressful too!" She remembers, "Sometimes I also got frustrated, depressed...But art is so mething that would keep me going.

I get refreshed when I do art. It's a big stress buster."

Shah started watching online videos and taking courses to get back into art. "I just spent my time sharpening my skills. It was all rusty because I hadn't touched those things for, I guess, ten, fifteen, or twenty years!"

In 2009 when her kids were older Shah went back to school and eventually earned a second Master's degree from Cal State East Bay, this time in Healthcare Administration. But art still called, and she began teaching after-school classes. The overwhelming positive response from parents and students rekindled some old passions. Shah thought, "OK this is me. I want to paint; I want to teach." So, she did. She kept teaching and also began promoting her own art.

While Shah also works in acrylic painting and abstract art, many of her distinctive pieces are made with an epoxy resin. Mixing resin and a hardener creates a clear liquid that can be poured and shaped. Adding color and overlapping different shades produces a striking contrast. Simple, right? Not so much. "The way you pour it, there's a technique, a skill," Shah explains. "And it's not easy, just like any other art. I had to go through many trials and errors to get here." She continues, "It's a very unpredictable material. You plan something and once you pour it, you see something different!"

On Shah's website "Color Ur Imagination" you can find coasters and cheese boards as well as wall décor. "I hear back from people who buy my pieces that they love having the piece in front of them. When they have their morning coffee they stare at it. And it gives them



good vibes." She prefers to create one-of-a-kind art that's functional as well as decorative, saying, "In the future, I'd love to see my art on clothing and other wearables."

2021 was a landmark year for Shah's art. In addition to winning an award of excellence from Pleasanton Art League, she participated in the Alameda County fair—going home with a first-place award for "Summer Beauties" and Judge's Favorite for her acrylic painting "Chloe." In 2022, she plans to exhibit at Big Break 2022, Express Imagination 2022; and at John Muir Health Center in Walnut Creek.

To aspiring artists, she says, "Once you have a hobby, you never know when your hobby will turn into passion or when you will use it in your life...I never knew I would turn [art] into my profession."

"There are challenges in life and there's no fun without challenges. And when you have success you can celebrate that. That you overcame those issues and you are here today."

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# Teen wins Ocean Awareness writing contest

By DHOHA BARECHE

Charleen Pan, a Freshman at Mission San Jose High School in Fremont, entered this year's Ocean Awareness Contest and won a bronze award for her reflective piece on California wildfires and the importance of environmental conservation. "I was shocked when I heard that my piece was selected to be featured in the contest's online gallery," Pan emphasizes.

It was in the 2020 California wildfire season when Pan came face-to-face with the devastating state of our environment. While Pan and her family lived far away from the nearest fire, she explains how it still impacted them: "I remember the smoke being very toxic and having to wear masks while being confined in our homes because it was unsafe to inhale the air." Pan was in fifth grade when she began to educate herself about the environment, and as a result, developed a passion for climate change. Channeling her advocacy



through writing, she joined her school's newspaper where she wrote about environmental issues. After two years of being part of the Hawk Editorial at Hopkins Junior High, she was hungry for

more opportunities to further her writing.

During the pandemic she spent her time writing a novel titled *The Moment I Have Been Waiting For*, which got published earlier this fall by Hopkins Writing Club. She also researched writing contests to enter over the summer. "There's a heavier emphasis on STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics) at my school, so I had to take it upon myself to find opportunities to write," states Pan. When she came across Ocean Awareness Contest, an opportunity that coupled both her interests in climate change and writing, she had to enter.

In her submission titled *In Our Hands*, she details her experience during the 2020 wildfire season and raises awareness about the severity of the climate change crisis while channeling optimism for a better future. When talking about the inspiration for her essay, she says, "I just sat down and poured all the thoughts and feelings I had when I first experienced the wildfires."

By conveying her raw emotions regarding a cause she's deeply passionate about, Pan succeeded at capturing the attention of the judges at Ocean Awareness Contest.

While Pan believes that climate change is inevitable, she has hope that we can reverse its effects if we act now. She concludes in her essay:

"Every situation has a bright side to it, and that's what we should be focusing on. We can't change what happened in the past, but we can do our best to stop it from happening in the future. I am going to do everything I can to ensure that future generations will get to live a beautiful life on this planet we call Earth. Will you join me?"

Links to Charleen Pan's writings:  
In Our Hands: A Teen's Thoughts on Earth's Future:  
<https://bowseat.org/gallery/in-our-hands-a-teens-thoughts-on-earths-future/>  
The Moment I Have Been Waiting For:  
<https://tinyurl.com/charleenpanbook>

## The graying of America

By JOHN GRIMALDI, ASSOCIATION OF MATURE AMERICAN CITIZENS

We're seeing more and more people with gray hair these days. But it's not only because the population is growing old at a fast pace as 10,000 boomer babies turn 65 each day and because the population will continue aging at that rate for some time to come. It's all about the stresses of the 21st century, not the least of which is the COVID crisis. As a result, more of us -- including those as young as 20 years old -- are being subjected to extreme pressures, which can also turn your hair gray, so say scientists.

Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC) tracked down the science of the "graying of America" and the good news is that it is not irreversible, at least for the youngsters. "All you have to do is calm down," says AMAC CEO Rebecca Weber, "and chances are you won't have to make a trip to the barber or a beauty salon for a dye job."

A recent study led by Dr. Martin Picard, Ph.D. at New York's Columbia University Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons, discovered you may prevent and even reverse the graying process by adopting a kinder, gentler and tranquil attitude. "That's the good news for those in the 20 to 30 age range but, sadly, not for senior citizens," quipped Weber, "with apologies to AMAC's 50-plus membership."

14 volunteers who participated in Picard's study kept diaries tracking their levels of stress and found that some of the gray hair of those who reported periods of reduced stress actually saw those gray hairs disappear. For example, the doctor cited one volunteer who, while on vacation, saw gray hairs return to their original color.

"Based on our mathematical modeling, we think hair needs to reach a threshold before it turns gray. In middle age, when the hair is near that threshold because of biological age and other factors, stress will push it over the threshold, and it transitions to gray. But, says Dr. Picard, "we don't think that reducing stress in a 70-year-old who's been gray for years will darken their hair or increasing stress in a 10-year-old will be enough to tip their hair over the gray threshold ... Our data add to a growing body of evidence demonstrating that human aging is not a linear, fixed biological process but may, at least in part, be halted or even temporarily reversed."

According to Scientific American magazine Picard's focus on gray hair began during a conversation with a fellow clinician some time ago. Picard told his colleague "If one could find a hair that was only partially gray -- and then calculate how fast that hair was growing -- it might be possible to pinpoint the period in which the hair began aging and thus ask the question of what happened in the individual's life to trigger this change. 'I was thinking about this almost as a fictive idea,' Picard recalls. Unexpectedly, however, his partner turned to him and said she had seen such two-colored hairs on her head. 'She went to the bathroom and actually plucked a couple -- that's when this project started.'"

*The Association of Mature American Citizens is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization representing membership in Washington, D.C. and in local congressional districts nationwide. More information is available on its website at [www.amac.us](http://www.amac.us).*

## THE ROBOT REPORT

### California suspends driverless car testing

By STEVE CROWE

Following an accident on October 28, 2021 while operating a vehicle in autonomous mode, Pony.ai's driverless testing permit has been suspended by California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). This is the first time the state of California has suspended such a permit.

The accident occurred at 10:50 a.m. on October 28 as the autonomous vehicle was being tested on roads in Fremont, California, which is where Pony.ai's U.S. headquarters is located. The full accident report is posted on the CA DMV website at [www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/file/pony-ai\\_102821-PDF/](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/file/pony-ai_102821-PDF/). Below is a description of the accident:

"On October 28, 2021, after turning right onto Fremont Blvd from Cushing Pkwy, the Pony.ai Autonomous Vehicle ("Pony.ai AV") performed a left lane change maneuver in autonomous mode. While performing the lane change, the Pony.ai AV came into contact with a center divider on Fremont Blvd. and the traffic sign that was posted on the divider. The Pony.ai AV suffered moderate damage to the front of the vehicle and the undercarriage. There were no injuries and no other vehicles involved. Fremont Police Department were called to report the incident and the damaged street sign. Pony.ai has subsequently worked with local authorities to resolve all issues related to the damaged sign."

There have been plenty of other reported crashes involving autonomous vehicles. But this incident stands out because the vehicle was operating in autonomous mode and didn't involve any other vehicle.

The Robot Report reached out to both CA DMV and Pony.ai on December 13, 2021 for more information about the reinstatement process. Neither organization responded, however, Reuters obtained the following statement from the DMV: "On Nov. 19, the DMV notified Pony.ai that the department is suspending its driverless testing permit, effective immediately, following a reported solo collision in Fremont, California, on Oct. 28."

Six months ago, Pony.ai became the eighth company to receive a driverless testing permit in California. The other companies are Apollo, AutoX, Cruise, Nuro, Waymo, WeRide and Zoox. Cruise, Nuro and Waymo are the only companies with permits allowing them to deploy autonomous vehicles in commercial operations. Cruise and Waymo are developing robotaxis to transport passengers, while Nuro is developing an autonomous delivery vehicle.

#### Pony.ai IPO falls apart

Pony.ai is a startup that operates in both China and the U.S. Most of its operations, including its autonomous trucks, take place in China. It hoped to go public in the U.S. via a merger with a special purpose acquisition company (SPAC) that would have raised an additional \$1.2 billion in funding.

But in August 2021, Pony.ai suspended those plans with VectoIQ Acquisition. According to Reuters, this deal fell through after Pony.ai "failed to gain assurances from Beijing that it would not become a target of a crackdown against Chinese technology companies."

Pony.ai recently lost at least three key executives following the merger of its autonomous car and truck R&D teams. Zhenhao Pan was the CTO of Pony's trucking business; Youhan Sun led planning and control for Pony's trucking business in the U.S.; and Sun Haowen, former head of planning and control for Pony's autonomous driving in China.

#### Expanding in China

Pony.ai was granted a license by the city of Shenzhen to start autonomous driving tests on the city's open roads. The 12-square-mile pilot zone in Beijing covers major subway stations, residential areas, and tech parks. With the addition of Shenzhen, Pony.ai said it now performs autonomous driving tests or autonomous services in seven Chinese cities.

On November 25, 2021, Pony.ai announced it received approval to run paid autonomous robotaxi services in southeastern Beijing. Beijing, China's capital city, is the first Tier-1 city in China to approve robotaxi commercialization, allowing self-driving companies to charge for their autonomous services.

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## The Search For Goldilocks Planets

Hey there!  
I'm Goldilocks!  
You probably have heard my story:  
I went into the home of the Three Bears and found a bowl of porridge that was not too hot, not too cold, but just right!

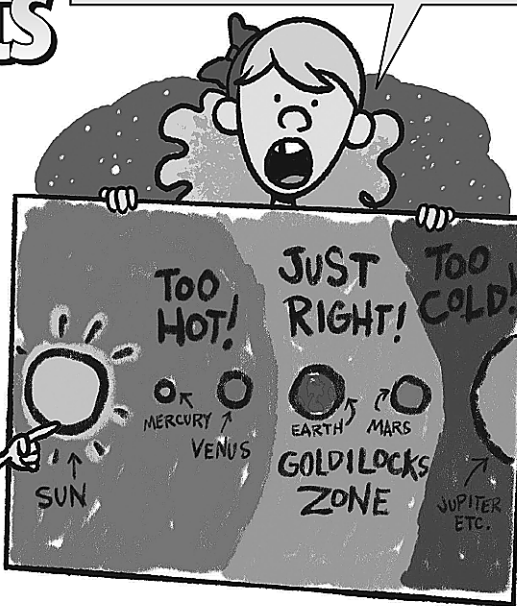


Because of my well-known story, scientists use the name Goldilocks to describe a planet that is just right for life as we know it on Earth!

If a planet is too close to its sun, it's too hot for life. But if a planet is too far away from its sun, everything is frozen. Around many stars there's a Goldilocks Zone where there is the potential for water on a planet's surface.



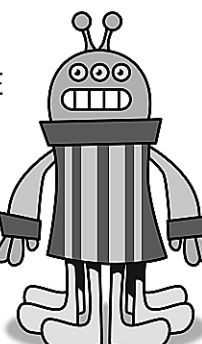
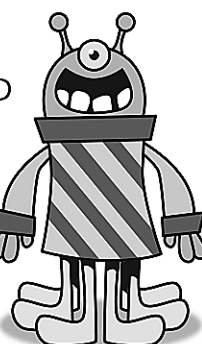
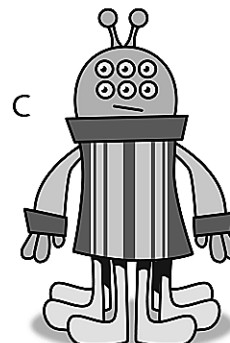
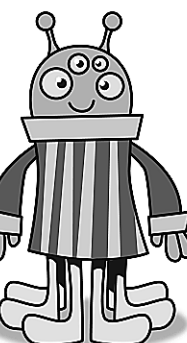
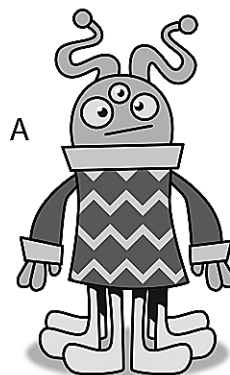
Earth is a "Goldilocks" planet. It's neither too hot nor too cold for liquid water, which is a key ingredient for life. Part of what makes Earth just right is its distance from the sun!



## Kid Scoop Together:

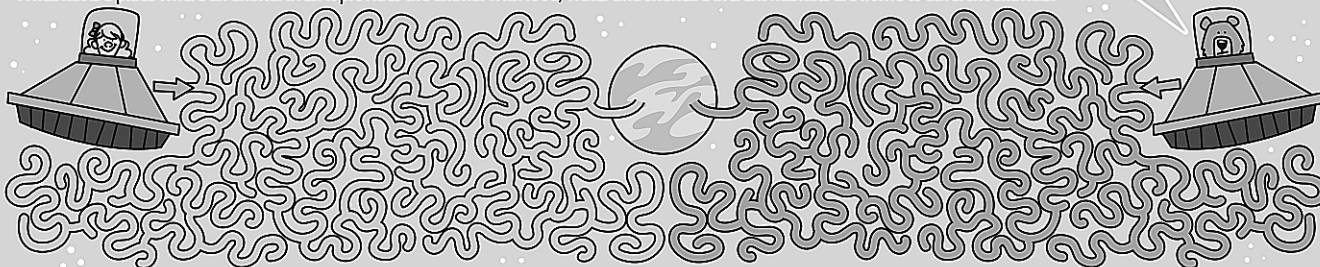
### Zott or Nott?

Circle all the aliens from the planet Zott using these clues:  
Aliens from Zott each have at least three eyes, but no more than six. They have antennas, but never curly or wavy ones. Their clothes have stripes, but only vertical ones.



## Goldilocks planets have habitats that are healthy for life.

A habitat is a place where an animal lives. It provides the animal with food, water and shelter. Different habitats are home to different animals.



### Are we there yet?

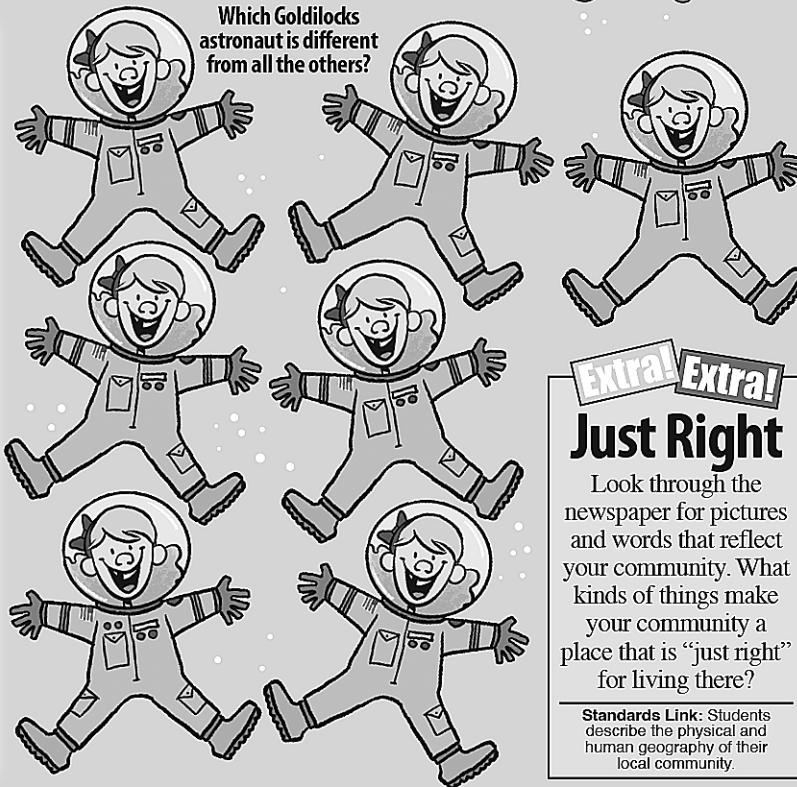
Which Goldilocks planet is the closest to Earth? **Proxima Centauri b** (also called Proxima b) is a planet orbiting in the "Goldilocks" zone of the red dwarf star Proxima Centauri. Discovered in 2016, it is about 4.2 light years from Earth.

Until faster ways of traveling through space are discovered, it would take you a long time to reach Proxima Centauri b from Earth using current spacecraft. How long? Circle every other letter to find the answer.

**QVEBVUELNFTPYAFX  
IDVLEMTJHYOBUNSTA  
RNVDWYDEAATRG**

S \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Which Goldilocks astronaut is different from all the others?



### Extra! Extra! Just Right

Look through the newspaper for pictures and words that reflect your community. What kinds of things make your community a place that is "just right" for living there?

Standards Link: Students describe the physical and human geography of their local community.

## Kid Scoop Puzzler

**Kepler-16b** is a distant planet that exists just outside a Goldilocks zone. It was first discovered in 2011.

Some scientists have given it the nickname Tatooine, Luke Skywalker's home planet in *Star Wars*. Why does Kepler-16b remind them of Tatooine? Use the secret code!

1=B 2=I 3=N 4=O 5=R 6=S 7=T 8=U 9=W

2 7  
4 5 1 2 7 6  
7 9 4 6 8 3 6

## Double Double Word Search

GOLDILOCKS  
POTENTIAL  
PORRIDGE  
DISTANCE  
PLANET  
EARTH  
RIGHT  
STORY  
WATER  
JUST  
ZONE  
COLD  
BOWL  
FOOD  
HOT

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

E S J P A R P F E S  
C C E U E R O A T A  
N C T T S O R O E C  
A E A O D T R F O R  
T W N O H Y I L B I  
S K C O L I D L O G  
I R W A Z T G E W H  
D R P L A N E T L T  
S L A I T N E T O P

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

## FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

### Make It Better

Newspapers are called watchdogs of the community, investigating and reporting on things that need changing or improving. Look for an article about something that needs to change in your community and write a letter to the editor.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Students write persuasive letters citing evidence.



## Write On!

### Cold Poems

Write a poem about the cold. What's the best part of winter weather? Do you enjoy cold weather or do you prefer the warmer days of spring?

## Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **POTENTIAL**

The adjective **potential** means something that might happen someday, a possibility.

Noah had the **potential** to be a great soccer player.

Try to use the word **potential** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.





City of Fremont Holiday Closure Scheduled for Dec. 23 - 31, 2021

Police, Fire Services Not Affected

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many City offices continue operating at reduced physical staffing. As in years past, the City of Fremont will be implementing a Holiday Closure for many non-public safety City services. Some City offices will be closed from Thursday, Dec. 23 through Friday, Dec. 31, 2021. The Holiday Closure is scheduled for Dec. 27, 28, and 29, 2021, while City holidays are observed on Dec. 23, 24, 30, and 31, 2021. City offices participating in the Holiday Closure will re-open for business Monday, Jan. 3, 2022. This closure will not affect police and fire services.

Offices that are taking part in the Holiday Closure include:

- City Hall, 3300 Capitol Ave., Building A and Building B (Administrative offices)
- Fire Administration, 3300 Capitol Ave., Building A
- Development Services Center, 39550 Liberty St.
- Maintenance Center, 42551 Osgood Rd.
- All Community Centers and Recreation Buildings

- Age Well Centers at Lake Elizabeth and South Fremont
- Fremont Family Resource Center (FRC) Administration, Suite A110
- Tri City Animal Shelter, 1950 Stevenson Blvd.

**During the Holiday Closure:**

- The Fremont Police Department and Fremont Fire Department will continue to provide public safety services.
- Parks and Recreation Registration Desk, 3300 Capitol Ave., Building B will be open for walk-in registration of recreation programs from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Dec. 27, 28, and 29, 2021.
- Parks and Recreation Division will offer camps and other programs at some facilities following our COVID-19 Safety Plan. Visit [www.RegeRec.com](http://www.RegeRec.com) for more info.
- A minimum number of City staff will be available in an on-call status to provide emergency maintenance services such as responding to storm-related issues.
- Regularly scheduled street sweeping will occur on Dec. 27, 28, and 29, 2021; weather permitting.

No street sweeping on City-observed holidays. (Dates for make-up street sweeping will occur on December 29 and 30.)

- No changes to garbage, recycling, and yard waste collection by Republic Services both weeks.
- The City's online permitting portal, Citizen Access, will be unavailable starting Dec. 22, 2021, at 12 p.m. through Jan. 3, 2022 at 8 a.m. Online requests for permits and building inspections will be unavailable during this time. This includes Planning, Building, and Engineering permits. Please take this into consideration when planning for your project.
- Afghan Elderly Association will provide limited services. Clients should contact their Health Promoter for additional information.
- Youth & Family Services will have on-call crisis counselors to respond to youth referred from the Alameda County Crisis Receiving Home.
- Most FRC agencies are working during the City's holiday closure and will be closed according to their own holiday schedule. Call the agency that you are visiting ahead before traveling to the FRC for their status. Phone list: <https://www.fremont.gov/DocumentCenter/View/44052/FRC---Agency-Re-Opening-Status-100821?bidId=>)
- Animal Field Services will be limited.
- The Fremont Tennis Center will be open for public play, weather permitting. There will be some limited holiday public hours; call 510-790-5510 for more information.

- Covia/Home Match will provide appointments by video call or phone. Call 510-574-2173 or email [cfuchshuber@covia.org](mailto:cfuchshuber@covia.org) for more information.

Many City facilities and programs experience a reduction in service demand during the Holiday Closure dates. The City anticipates a further reduction in demand in some areas due to the pandemic.

For more information, visit [www.Fremont.gov/HolidayClosure](http://www.Fremont.gov/HolidayClosure) or call 510-284-4093.



Holiday Closure: Construction and Development Services Not Available



During the City's Holiday Closure, all construction and development services will be unavailable.

- The City's online permitting portal, Citizen Access ([www.Fremont.gov/CitizenAccess](http://www.Fremont.gov/CitizenAccess)), will be unavailable starting Wednesday, December 22, 2021, at 12:00 p.m. through Monday, January 3, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. Online requests for permits and building inspections will be unavailable during this time. This includes Planning, Building, and Engineering permits. Please take this into consideration when planning for your project.
- To schedule a building inspection for Monday, January 3, 2022, the City's Building Inspection Scheduling Line will be available starting Wednesday, December 29, 2021. The phone number is 510-494-4885.
- General email accounts and phone lines will not be monitored. Staff will not be responding to emails received during the Holiday Closure. Community members should avoid sending any emails during this time.
- The City's Development Services Center will be closed and reopen on Monday, January 3, 2022.

When planning for your construction or development project, please consider that these services will be unavailable during the Holiday Closure.

Christmas Tree Composting

Every year, Fremont residents buy thousands of Christmas trees that end up in landfills if they are not properly composted. You can reduce the environmental impact of the holiday season by planting a live tree or decorating with a reusable tree. Christmas trees are only compostable if they are free of all decorations, tinsel, nails, and tree stands (including wooden stands nailed to the bottom of the trunk). Any tree that is flocked with artificial snow contains fire retardant and cannot be composted. Additionally, trees that have decorations or tinsel cannot be composted and will be disposed of in the landfill. There are several different ways you can dispose of your holiday tree in Fremont:

**Gutter (Single-family homes only)**

- Curbside tree collection dates are Monday, January 3, 2022, through Friday, January 14, 2022.
- If your tree is less than 6 feet in length, place the whole tree in the gutter on your collection day.
- If your tree is over 6 feet in length, cut the tree in half and place both halves in the gutter on your collection day.
- Make sure your tree is in the gutter, not on the sidewalk.

- Check that your tree is free of all decorations when placed in the gutter; this helps keep our storm drains litter-free.

**Green Organics Cart**

- Cut compostable tree so that pieces fit loosely in your green organics cart with the lid closed.
- Place the cart at the curb on your scheduled collection day.

**Garbage Cart**

(Please use this as your last option; compost your tree first, if possible.)

- If the tree contains flocking or decorations, cut it up so pieces fit loosely in your black garbage cart with the lid closed.
- Place the black garbage cart at the curb on your scheduled collection day.

If you live in a multifamily complex, please contact your property manager to learn how your tree can be properly composted.

For more information, contact the City's Environmental Services Division at 510-494-4570 or [environment@fremont.gov](mailto:environment@fremont.gov).



Do Your Part to be a Good Neighbor



Being a good neighbor fosters a sense of community and enhances the quality of life in Fremont. To remind residents what it means to be a good neighbor and how to comply with City requirements, the City is sharing some helpful tips to follow.

- Bring in your garbage, recycling, and compost bins from the curb within 24 hours.
- Keep the front of your property free from overgrown weeds/vegetation.
- Keep the front of your property free from garbage or debris and overgrown trees that obstruct the public right-of-way.
- Keep your property, sidewalks, and streets free from debris and hazardous materials that can harm waterways such as cigarette butts, oil, and chemicals.
- Keep fences in good repair. If you share a fence with your neighbor that needs to be fixed or replaced, work with your neighbor. Neighbors are equally responsible to maintain the boundaries between their properties.
- If you have trees or plants growing into your neighbor's yard/property, make sure to trim them regularly.
- If you want to install an outdoor structure like a shed or cabana, check with the City's Planning and Building staff to determine if the location of the proposed structure is okay and if a building permit is required.
- If you are undergoing construction activity on your home, follow the City's ordinance regarding construction hours. If you are hiring paid contractors to do the work, construction should only take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays and holidays. Construction on Sundays is not allowed. If you are doing the work yourself or with unpaid volunteers, construction should only take place from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on the weekend.

If a concern arises, discuss it with your neighbor in a calm and considerate manner. Bring up how it affects you and/or the neighborhood and work together to find a solution. If there is still an issue about a code compliance issue, the City's Code Enforcement team can provide support. For more information, visit [www.Fremont.gov/CodeEnforcement](http://www.Fremont.gov/CodeEnforcement).

Remember that doing your part to be a good neighbor benefits the entire community. You can help keep Fremont a safe and desirable place to live, work, and play!



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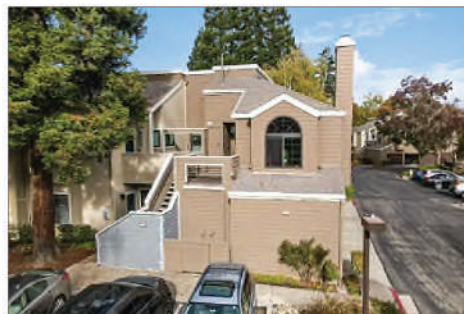
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# Home & Garden

## Terrarium: unique winter gardens

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Create a garden under glass to enjoy or give as a gift to new, experienced and even reluctant gardeners. This self-contained system makes it easy to be a successful gardener with minimal care.

Purchase a terrarium or repurpose something hiding on a shelf in the basement, garage or shed. Even a cool glass container, cloche or bell jar turned open side down and placed on a shallow planting tray will work. Just glue a decorative doorknob or handle on the top for easy access.

Use closed terrariums like this when growing tropical plants. They thrive in the high humidity and moist soil. Leave the top off or use open containers like glass vases, or mason jars for cacti and succulents. Use a cacti and succulent mix for these drought tolerant plants.

They prefer the lower humidity and drier soil that open terrariums and cacti potting mix provide.

Once you have the container, you need to fill it with potting mix, plants, and other decorative items. Consider a layer of decorative stone, twigs, sea glass or sand at the bottom for added color and interest. Some gardeners include a layer of charcoal to help absorb any odor. The key is not overwatering as the decorative stone and charcoal won't prevent waterlogged soil from killing your plants.

Consider covering the stone layer with black landscape fabric to prevent the potting mix from filtering through and covering up these items. Cover this with a layer of well-drained potting mix for tropical plants, and succulent mix for drought tolerant plants. Add contours to the soil level if space allows for added interest.



Select a variety of plants of different heights, textures, and colors to create an attractive terrarium garden. Many garden centers now sell small specimens perfect for these mini gardens.

Low growing tropical plants such as baby's tears, creeping fig, moss, and ivies make excellent groundcovers. Small specimens of dracaenas, crotons, palms and podocarpus make nice upright features. Fill in the middle ground with ferns, nerve plants, polka dot plants and more.

Once assembled, terrariums are relatively easy to manage. Moisten the soil and cover. Crack the lid open if condensation builds up on the glass. Then replace the cover and monitor the soil moisture and condensation. Add additional moisture carefully. A turkey baster is an easy way to water only the plants in need of a drink.

Place your terrariums in a bright location away from direct light. Heat can build up in this covered ecosystem and cook your plants when placed in a sunny location.

Now is the perfect time to gather or purchase fun glassware, planting and decorating supplies, and, of course, plants. Then take a break from the hectic holiday season to plant up a few decorations and green gifts for your loved ones.

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- Install a rain barrel and harvest rainwater from downspouts.
- Inspect your landscape and home regularly for leaks and make repairs if needed.
- Collect water in the shower while waiting for it to warm. Use this water for plants and landscape.

Visit [acwd.org/conserve](http://acwd.org/conserve) for more water saving ideas and rebate information.

We wish everyone a happy and healthy new year!



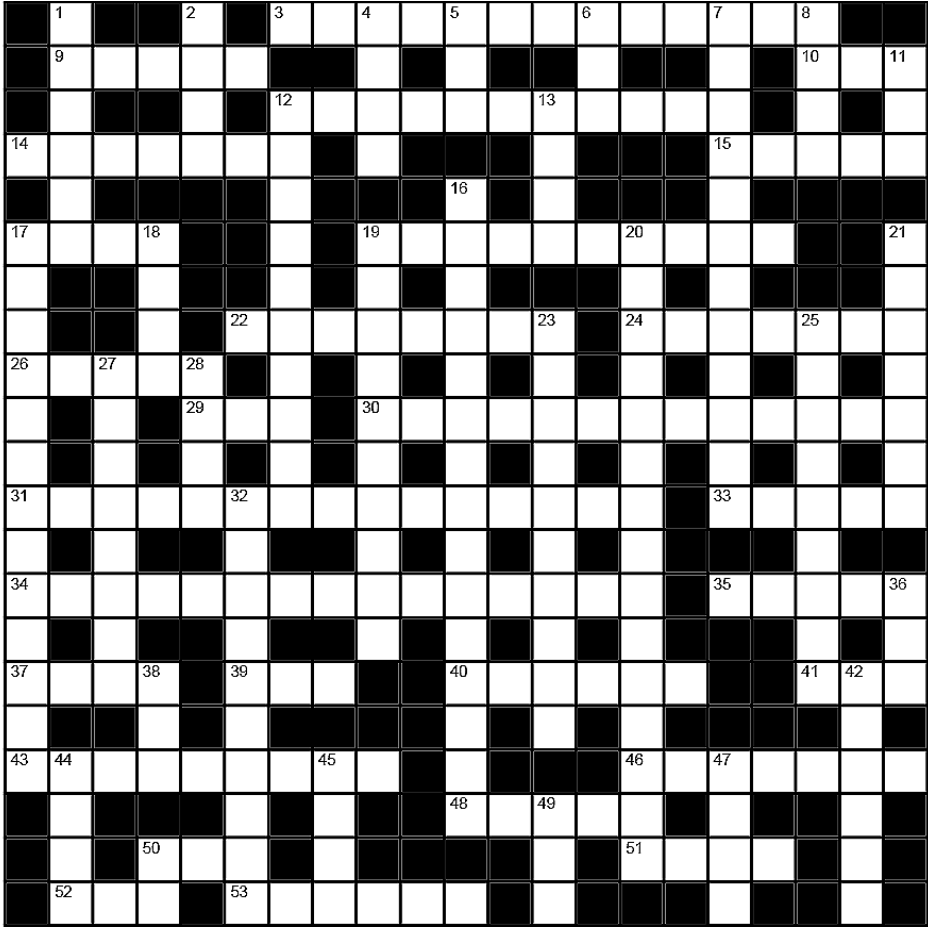
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## Crossword Puzzle



- Across

3

Combination punch? (13)

9

Doesn't ignore (5)

10

Arctic bird (3)

12

Repeatedly (4,3,4)

14

Pipe type (7)

15

O. Henry device (5)

17

Cartel city (4)

19

Assumed (10)

22

Attractive (8)

24

Now and then (2,5)

26

Earthy colour (5)

29

Dr.'s org. (3)

30

Cop's postarrest recitation (7,6)

31

Shrink (15)

33

Injures (5)

34

Bakery offering (9,6)

35

Not set (5)

37

Tanners catch them (4)

39

Air hero (3)

40

Wiggle room (6)
- 41

That, in Toledo
- 43

Update (9)
- 46

Disgruntled (2,1,4)
- 48

Israeli desert (5)
- 50

Fr. title (3)
- 51

Audio effect (4)
- 52

Dump (3)
- 53

Forward (6)
- Down
- 1

City near Los Angeles (6)
- 2

In \_\_\_\_ (harmonious) (4)
- 4

Manhattan Project scientist (4)
- 5

Grazing ground (3)
- 6

Aussie hopper (3)
- 7

Hit the jackpot (6,2,4)
- 8

Kind of palm (4)
- 11

Singer Starr (3)
- 12

Items in étagères (6,4)
- 13

Last name in fashion (4)
- 16

Newspaper feature (9,6)
- 17

Prism output (5,8)
- 18

Munich's river (4)
- 19

Free (10)
- 20

Choice words (2,2,11)
- 21

Stops (7)
- 23

Runners (10)
- 25

Indian princess (9)
- 27

"Wow!" (4,4)
- 28

A head (4)
- 32

Rembrandt, for one (3-7)
- 36

Ming of the Houston Rockets (3)
- 38

Go after (3)
- 42

They make you stand tall (6)
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\_\_\_\_ and aahs (4)
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Camera accessory (4)
- 47

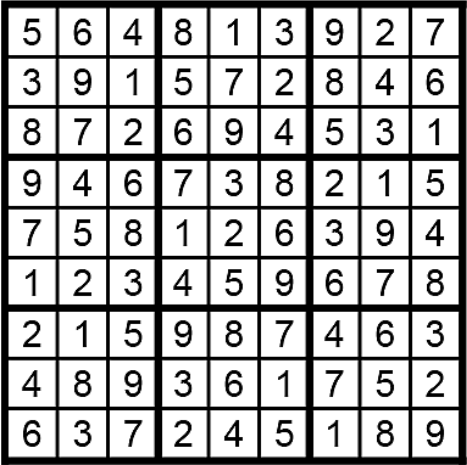
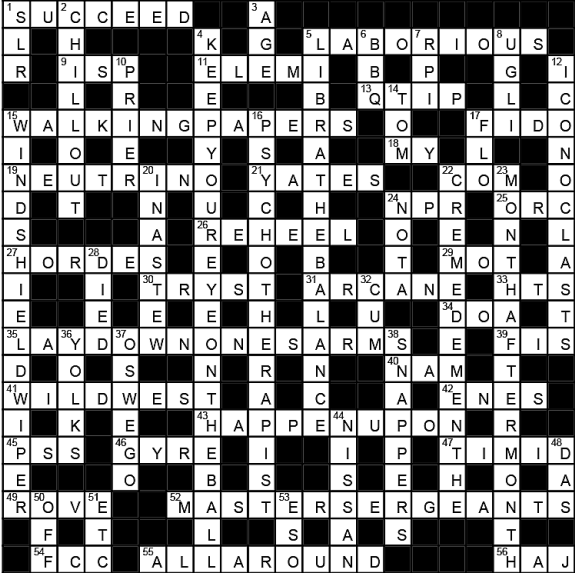
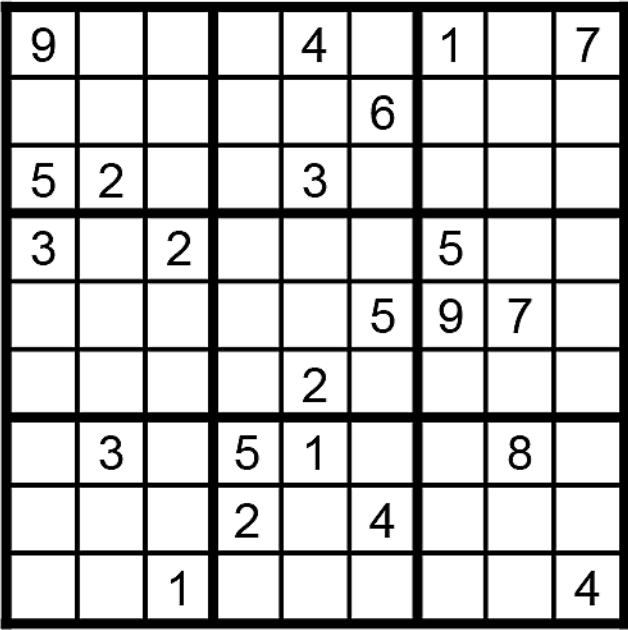
"But, \_\_\_\_ was ambitious, I slew him": Brutus (4)
- 49

Econ. figure (3)
- 50

... (2)

## Sudoku:

Fill in the missing numbers (1 – 9 inclusive) so each row, column and 3x3 box contains all digits.



## Tri-City Stargazer FOR WEEK: DECEMBER 28, 2021

All Signs: Since 2019, Jupiter has been in signs ruled by Saturn, which brought restrictions to travel, hardships and a restructuring of beliefs. This week, Jupiter enters Pisces for the first time since 2010, which will create more interest in dream work, spiritual retreats, the arts, dance, music and theatre. Jupiter in Pisces will encourage compassion, sympathy and spirituality. By New Year's, people will start to feel empowered with love and understanding, as well as a stronger sense of reality.

### Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20):

With the Sun at the top of your chart, you look fabulous in the eyes of others. This week a discussion with a boss or a parent will be intense. Easy does it. You will identify strongly with your beliefs about politics, religion or racial issues. This could prompt arguments! Instead, be open to the increasing influence that will manifest for you this year, one that encourages spirituality and the exploration of your inner world.

### Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20):

Your desire to explore ideas, places and other cultures continues to be strong. Meanwhile, something will prompt an increased interest in understanding how societies work. You might investigate or advocate legal matters. You will have a strong desire to travel, but will Covid restrictions permit this? Disputes about shared property, insurance issues and inheritances will arise for some of you. As Jupiter moves into your House of Friendships this year, you will enjoy warmer interactions with others and more involvement with groups and organizations. You'll also be more popular!

### Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20):

As Jupiter changes signs this week, it starts to move to the top of your chart. This is excellent news! People will view you as successful, even if this isn't true. However, in most cases, something real will create this impression. You will get a promotion, a raise, an

award – something will radiate success! Be patient with others, especially with disputes about shared property. Likewise, be patient if you are dealing with someone who has different values. Mars opposite your sign this week will make you easily irritable with others.

### Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21):

Very likely, you will have an intense discussion with a close friend or partner this week. It could be a power struggle connected to your work because you are gung-ho to work hard now. Or perhaps it is connected to your increasing desire to travel and “get away from all this.” You will also start to have more chances to explore opportunities in publishing, the media, medicine and the law and higher education. Many of you will want to go back to school or take a course. Perhaps you will write that book or finish that screenplay?

### Leo the Lion (July 22-August 22):

As the holiday season starts to wrap up, you're swinging into work mode. Many of you will pare down and streamline something related to work. You will also have a strong desire to improve your health now. The good news is that Jupiter, the sign of wealth and expansion, is now entering one of your Money Houses. This means you will more easily attract money to you from other sources, especially through partners. Likewise, it will be easier to get a loan or a mortgage this year.

### Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22):

For you, the holiday season is still going strong because you're in party mode. Perhaps your family continues to enjoy gatherings and fun times? This strong interest in light hearted, playful matters could involve sports as well as the arts and the entertainment world. You will seek escape if possible, because increased chaos and activity on the home front might be a lot to deal with. The really good news is that Jupiter will now be opposite your sign for the first time since 2010, beautifully improving your relations with others.

### Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22):

Your focus on home, family and your private life, continues. Be patient with family members, especially this week because intense discussions will encourage disputes. You like to control what's happening at home because the ambience of your home is important you. Nevertheless, as a member of the human tribe, you know this is not always possible. Sometimes it's better to go along to get along. This could be one of those times.

### Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21):

This continues to be a busy, fast-paced time for you. You're enjoying schmoozing with others; nevertheless, this week, you might find yourself at odds with someone because you want to convince them to agree with you. You are strong willed and like to control a situation. But what is your long-term objective? If you want

to be happy this week, maybe the way to achieve this is to lighten up when dealing with others. Jupiter is going into the most fun part of your chart this year. Vacations! Romance! Good times!

### Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21):

Right now, there are four planets in your Money House. Obviously, your personal wealth is on your mind. This might provoke an intense discussion with someone about your money or something you own. And with fiery Mars in your sign, you'll be coming on like gangbusters! Physical exercise is a good idea now to blow off some steam. Meanwhile, lucky Jupiter is moving into the part of your chart related to home and family, which means your living situation will improve this year. You might also expand your family!

### Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19):

You continue to hold all the cards because the Sun is in your sign along with Mercury, Venus and Pluto. This week, Mercury in your sign will line up with Pluto in your sign, which will make you a force to contend with! Others might feel threatened by you. You might also become preoccupied with a particular point of view, which makes you fail to see the bigger picture. Be aware that these things are within your control. For your own peace of mind be forgiving with others.

### Aquarius the Water Bearer (January 20-February 18):

This is a busy time of year for so many; nevertheless, a handful of planets are actually “hiding” in

your chart, which means you're happy to take a backseat. You will prefer to work alone or behind the scenes. Actually, this influence will help you to do any kind of research because you have the focus and the mental endurance. Furthermore, you're motivated! Physical competition in sports might be a factor right now. Meanwhile, Jupiter is starting to move into your Money House, which means you will soon get richer!

### Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20):

This continues to be a popular week for you. In fact, many of you will be hanging out with younger people more than usual as well as artistic, creative people. Mars at the top of your chart arouses your ambition, and this makes you want to lead others and persuade them to agree with you. You have to ask yourself how much this really matters. Lucky Jupiter is about to enter your sign for the first time since 2010. Your world is going to become major horseshoes!



By Georgia Nicols  
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CASTRO VALLEY   TOTAL SALES: 14						
Highest \$: 1,680,000		Median \$: 1,229,000				
Lowest \$: 800,000		Average \$: 1,189,143				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD\$	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
3448 Lenard Drive	94546	800,000	3	1552	1957	10/1/21
19216 Center St #A	94546	820,000	3	1602	1987	9/29/21
18740 Dubin Court	94546	875,000	4	1367	1957	10/1/21
18498 Joseph Drive	94546	915,000	3	1585	1958	9/27/21
2962 Massachusetts St	94546	950,000	3	1829	1977	9/28/21
9338 Crow Canyon Rd	94552	1,160,000	3	1612	1960	9/30/21
19225 Lakeridge Road	94546	1,208,000	3	1834	1987	9/30/21
18406 Carmel Drive	94546	1,250,000	3	1560	1956	9/30/21
18437 Magee Way	94546	1,260,000	4	2061	1952	10/1/21
18801 Carlton Avenue	94546	1,270,000	3	2236	1988	9/30/21
5492 Sontura Court	94552	1,400,000	3	1712	1978	9/27/21
16997 Lamont Court	94546	1,430,000	-	2208	1976	9/27/21
7787 Coolidge Court	94552	1,630,000	5	2875	1999	9/27/21
3236 Somerset Avenue	94546	1,680,000	6	3025	1926	9/28/21

FREMONT   TOTAL SALES: 58						
Highest \$: 2,890,000		Median \$: 1,350,000				
Lowest \$: 379,000		Average \$: 1,314,888				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD\$	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
38500 Paseo Padre Pkwy #313	94536	379,000	1	750	1970	9/30/21
37345 Sequoia Road	94536	388,000	1	593	1986	9/29/21
4080 Fennel Terrace	94538	435,500	3	1091	2010	10/1/21
3909 Stevenson Blvd #8c	94538	520,000	3	1340	1972	10/1/21
4640 Balboa Way	94536	600,000	2	969	1969	9/30/21
226 Hackamore Cmn	94539	610,000	2	878	1984	9/27/21
38740 Tyson Lane #314b	94536	790,000	2	1188	2000	9/28/21
62 Shaniko Cmn #90	94539	800,000	3	1150	1987	10/1/21
3361 Howard Common	94536	828,000	3	1168	1971	9/27/21
36865 Niles Boulevard	94536	910,000	3	1165	1947	9/27/21
24 Blue Coral Terrace	94536	940,000	3	1354	1987	9/28/21
47352 Mission Falls Ct	94539	965,000	-	-	0	9/30/21
195 Sycamore Street	94536	970,000	3	1357	1957	9/27/21
34924 Belvedere Terrace	94555	1,020,000	3	1555	1985	9/27/21
38775 Crane Terrace	94536	1,020,000	3	1438	1985	9/29/21
43145 Grandbrook Park Ct	94538	1,025,000	3	1281	1961	9/27/21
39538 Blacow Road	94538	1,075,000	3	1620	1964	9/27/21
2781 Barrington Terrace	94536	1,146,000	1	1296	1988	9/27/21
39762 Blacow Road	94538	1,150,000	3	1585	1961	10/1/21
2500 Tassajara Terrace	94538	1,155,000	3	1712	2014	9/30/21
38781 Stonington Ter	94536	1,156,000	2	1001	1987	9/29/21
38908 Sailfish Cmn #Cmn	94536	1,165,000	3	1648	1995	10/1/21
40829 Raduno Terrace	94538	1,200,000	-	-	0	9/28/21
3640 Kay Court	94538	1,230,000	3	1232	1955	9/30/21
4753 Hilo Street	94538	1,239,000	3	1148	1960	9/29/21
4406 Rustica Circle	94536	1,248,000	3	1387	1997	9/28/21
4442 Inyo Court	94538	1,270,000	4	1948	1961	9/28/21
41717 Gifford Street	94538	1,300,000	3	1622	1958	9/30/21
4159 Converse Street	94538	1,350,000	3	1092	1956	9/28/21
38784 Stonington Ter	94536	1,350,000	3	1474	1987	9/29/21
4613 Stratford Avenue	94538	1,350,000	4	1556	1962	9/30/21
42633 Newport Drive	94538	1,353,000	3	1000	1958	9/30/21
40200 Antigua Rose Ter	94538	1,375,000	3	1917	2008	9/27/21
36751 Marlowe Street	94536	1,380,000	3	1453	1976	9/28/21
1230 Litchfield Avenue	94536	1,390,000	3	1306	1994	10/1/21
360 Rivercreek Drive	94536	1,400,000	3	1416	1989	9/28/21
38840 Florence Way	94536	1,400,000	4	1413	1962	9/28/21
4896 Omar Street	94538	1,405,000	3	1347	1962	9/27/21
35211 Santiago Street	94536	1,430,000	3	1256	1965	10/1/21
620 Heirloom Terrace	94536	1,433,000	3	1740	1997	9/27/21
35451 Cabrillo Drive	94536	1,461,000	4	1387	1966	9/30/21
2401 Corriea Way	94539	1,484,000	3	1386	1972	9/30/21
5157 Waller Avenue	94536	1,500,000	3	1384	1962	9/30/21
3855 Campbell Place	94536	1,510,000	3	1453	1977	9/27/21
34273 Auckland Place	94555	1,510,000	4	1400	1968	10/1/21
4405 Calypso Terrace	94555	1,530,000	3	1811	1992	10/1/21
5996 Roxie Terrace	94555	1,590,000	3	1727	1988	9/27/21
1297 Valdez Way	94539	1,600,000	4	2946	1971	9/29/21
5439 Fiesta Road	94538	1,600,000	5	3464	1962	10/1/21
4367 Torres Avenue	94536	1,700,000	4	1740	1962	9/27/21
1201 Valdez Way	94539	1,800,000	3	1956	1971	10/1/21
45552 Cheyenne Place	94539	1,880,000	4	1531	1969	10/1/21
285 Tuolumne Drive	94539	2,017,000	4	1787	1978	10/1/21
35601 Gleason Lane	94536	2,041,000	-	2191	1979	9/28/21
4359 Lombard Avenue	94536	2,100,000	4	2284	1963	9/29/21
41675 Marigold Drive	94539	2,100,000	4	1590	1961	10/1/21
64 Delegado Court	94539	2,800,000	4	2775	1975	9/30/21
701 Boar Circle	94539	2,890,000	4	2743	1990	9/29/21

HAYWARD   TOTAL SALES: 48						
Highest \$: 1,550,000		Median \$: 907,500				
Lowest \$: 228,000		Average \$: 904,469				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD\$	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
723 Medford Avenue	94541	228,000	3	1034	1958	9/28/21
260 Industrial Pkwy #25	94544	340,000	1	686	1973	9/29/21
655 River Oak Way #41	94544	355,000	1	531	1985	9/27/21
260 Sunset Blvd #17	94541	460,000	2	926	1981	9/27/21
26088 Kay Avenue #220	94545	465,000	2	795	1985	9/28/21
3110 D Street	94541	550,000	3	1069	1952	9/28/21
21109 Gary Drive #113	94546	660,000	2	1245	1981	9/30/21
22853 Arnold Court	94541	675,000	3	1130	1949	9/27/21
3238 Guillermo Place #23	94542	720,000	2	1634	1983	9/30/21
2322 Sleepy Hollow Ave	94545	725,000	3	1260	1959	10/1/21
181 Briarwood Drive	94544	735,000	3	1549	1973	9/29/21
23427 Santa Clara Street	94541	760,000	3	1041	1950	9/27/21
1924 Florida Street	94545	775,000	3	1000	1955	9/29/21
2035 Florida Street	94545	815,000	3	1000	1955	9/30/21
26541 Greta Lane	94544	820,000	4	2074	2020	9/27/21
329 Williams Way	94541	823,000	3	1726	2011	9/28/21
1320 E Street	94541	850,000	-	2016	1977	9/30/21
710 Harmony Drive	94541	852,000	3	1320	1942	9/29/21
27513 La Porte Avenue	94545	852,500	3	1119	1955	9/28/21
22602 Templeton Street	94541	860,000	4	1648	1950	9/28/21
29843 Baltic Court	94544	865,000	3	1415	1985	9/28/21
1327 Radcliff Lane	94545	890,000	3	1374	1959	9/28/21
24437 Michelson Street	94545	905,000	3	1723	1991	9/30/21

645 Moss Way	94541	905,000	4	1982	2014	10/1/21
26024 Eldridge Avenue	94544	910,000	3	1486	1954	10/1/21
616 Santina Drive	94541	920,000	3	1723	2016	10/1/21
1037 Gomer Street	94544	930,000	3	1565	1956	9/29/21
26692 Campeche Street	94545	940,000	3	1582	1959	9/30/21
878 Irvin Court	94541	940,000	3	1162	1952	10/1/21
190 Saint Andrews St	94544	945,000	3	1878	1955	9/30/21
25373 Villager Lane	94544	958,000	4	2184	2020	9/30/21
28106 Thorup Lane	94542	973,500	3	1819	1987	9/29/21
220 Spring Harvest Rd	94544	980,000	4	1962	2019	9/29/21
1271 Walpert Street	94541	995,500	-	-	0	9/28/21
1022 Redstone Place	94542	1,025,000	3	2393	1962	9/27/21
2039 Nina Court	94541	1,035,000	4	2070	1964	9/28/21
1275 Walpert Street	94541	1,050,000	-	-	0	9/29/21
24232 Nora Circle	94545	1,082,000	3	1632	2018	10/1/21
1816 June Marie Court	94541	1,150,000	4	2412	1991	9/28/21
28131 Dobbel Avenue	94542	1,170,000	3	1612	1978	9/30/21
2507 Coldstream Way	94545	1,170,000	4	1835	2008	9/30/21
24798 Joe Mary Court	94541	1,200,000	4	2654	1978	10/1/21
2518 Oakes Drive	94542	1,250,000	4	2108	1957	9/28/21
28533 Anchorage Lane	94545	1,300,000	3	2196	2009	9/28/21
27750 Autumn Court	94542	1,300,000	-	2650	1970	9/30/21
27980 Edgecliff Way	94542	1,350,000	-	2694	1970	9/30/21
2314 Hidden Oaks Drive	94541	1,405,000	4	2860	2002	9/30/21
28760 Vista Grande Dr	94544	1,550,000	4	3150	2019	10/1/21

MILPITAS   TOTAL SALES: 16						
Highest \$: 1,500,000		Median \$: 1,291,000				
Lowest \$: 90,000		Average \$: 1,141,344				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD\$	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
685 Singley Drive	95035	90,000	5	2115	1972	11/19/21
440 Dempsey Rd #243	95035	392,000	1	676	2007	11/16/21
125 Parc Place Drive	95035	865,000	2	1038	2005	11/18/21
39 Terfidia Lane	95035	942,000	3	1428	1989	11/19/21
428 Galaxy Court	95035	1,012,500	3	1240	1970	11/18/21
1257 Coyote Creek Way	95035	1,115,000	3	1370	2014	11/16/21
1248 Glacier Drive	95035	1,230,000	4	2029	1970	11/15/21
548 Maple Avenue #7	95035	1,280,500	5	1633	1960	11/18/21
2069 Joshua Tree Circle	95035	1,301,500	3	1737	2020	11/16/21
40 Berylwood Lane	95035	1,350,000	2	1498	1987	11/15/21
997 Courtland Court	95035	1,410,000	3	1763	1981	11/19/21
2202 Yosemite Drive	95035	1,420,000	3	1264	1970	11/15/21
256 La Honda Drive	95035	1,433,000	3	1475	1977	11/15/21
1212 Monte Drive	95035	1,450,000	3	1990	1991	11/15/21
1459 Lassen Avenue	95035	1,470,000	4	1451	1963	11/19/21
434 Cross Street	95035	1,500,000	3	1898	011	18/21

NEWARK   TOTAL SALES: 12						
Highest \$: 1,400,000		Median \$: 961,250				
Lowest \$: 743,000		Average \$: 1,030,417				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD\$	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
6205 Joaquin Murieta Ave #A	94560	743,000	2	1357	1981	10/1/21
6035 Joaquin Murieta Ave #A	94560	750,000	3	1408	1984	9/30/21
6232 Jarvis Avenue	94560	871,000	2	1168	1968	9/27/21
9420 Ocen Park Way	94560	873,000	-	-		0 9/30/21
37649 Salt Grass Road	94560	940,500	-	-		0 9/30/21
38994 Primula Terrace	94560	945,000	3	1503	2016	9/27/21
36840 Locust Street	94560	977,500	3	1350	1955	9/27/21
36177 La Salle Drive	94560	1,050,000	3	1118	1960	10/1/21
5906 Smith Avenue	94560	1,215,000	4	1468	1986	9/30/21
6184 Honeysuckle Drive	94560	1,300,000	4	1899	1965	9/30/21
8088 Wells Avenue	94560	1,300,000	4	2285	2006	9/30/21
7799 Hazelnut Drive	94560	1,400,000	3	1700	1964	9/29/21



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## GET FIRED UP WITH ENCAUSTIC!

**SUBMITTED BY**  
**LINA MELKONIAN**  
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**DANA HARRIS SEEGER**

Fremont Art Association is thrilled to kick off the New Year with Dana Harris Seeger as guest artist at its virtual General Meeting and Art Demo on Wednesday, January 5 at 1 p.m.

Harris Seeger is an accomplished artist and educator. She holds an MFA in pictorial art from San José State University and a BA in painting from Anderson University. She has exhibited her work nationally, winning numerous awards. In 2014, she co-founded an art studio and school in San Jose called School of Visual Philosophy. In 2016, Harris Seeger was named one of KQED's 10 Bay Area

"Women to Watch." In 2020, she became Santa Clara County Artist Laureate, and most recently was chosen as one of six Creative Ambassadors for the City of San Jose. Today, Harris Seeger taps into her teaching background, insights, and experience in cultivating a vibrant creative community.

In her demo, "Get Fired Up with Encaustic," Harris Seeger will explain her process and create several encaustic paintings using a variety of techniques such as collage, scratching, image transfer, and mixed media oil painting on the surface of and embedded in layers of wax. While this exciting process takes time and practice to master, she believes that the results are well worth the effort.

Harris Seeger's work is contemplative and distinctive. The presence of memories and

the sense of nostalgia are palpable in her creations populated with typewriters, fans, old cameras, and other gadgets. For Harris Seeger, these objects encapsulate a time when quality and design were considered long-lasting. Their compelling presence in her work represents the coexistence of the past and present and the circularity of time.

You may view Harris Seeger's works at:  
[www.danaharrisseegeer.com](http://www.danaharrisseegeer.com)  
and learn about School of Visual Philosophy at: [www.schoolofvisualphilosophy.com](http://www.schoolofvisualphilosophy.com).

The January 5 meeting (free to attend) will be held via Zoom. Participants must register in advance and will receive the Zoom link via email. All details may be found on the Fremont Art Association webpage: [www.fremontartassociation.org/monthlymeetinganddemo](http://www.fremontartassociation.org/monthlymeetinganddemo).



**Fremont Art Association general meeting/demo artist**  
**Wednesday, Jan 5**  
**1 p.m. - 3 p.m.**

Via Zoom, link will be provided upon registration  
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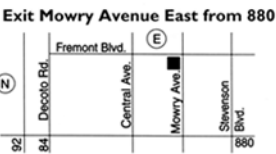
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\$ = Entrance or Activity Fee  
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Call to confirm activities shown in these listings.

## CONTINUING EVENTS

**Mondays January 3 – February 7**  
**Introduction to Drawing**  
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
Increase your abilities to draw or render what you see  
Age Well Center Lake Elizabeth  
40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont  
<http://bit.ly/AgeWellClasses>

**First Tuesdays, December-January**  
**Exploring the World of Wine**  
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  
Learn more about wine origins  
Age Well Center South Fremont  
47111 Mission Falls Ct., Fremont  
<http://bit.ly/AgeWellClasses>

**Tuesday – Sunday, October 9 – February 13**  
**Color into Line: Pastels from the Renaissance to the Present**  
9:30 a.m. – 5:15 p.m.  
More than 80 works spanning five centuries  
Legion of Honor  
100 34th Ave., San Francisco  
[Legionofhonor.org](http://Legionofhonor.org)

**Wednesday, November 10 – Thursday, January 6**  
**50 Faces**  
Thursday – Sunday, 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Portraits of famous people in contemporary mosaic  
Bankhead Theatre Gallery  
2400 First St., Livermore  
[www.LivermoreArts.org](http://www.LivermoreArts.org)

**First Wednesdays, November - April**  
**Talkin' Dirt**  
7 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Free webinar on gardening, hosted by LEAF  
Via Zoom  
RSVP at [Fremontleaf.org/talkindirt](https://bit.ly/3hsOGKG)  
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**Wednesdays, January 12 – February 16**  
**'Train Your Brain' Virtual Book Club**  
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Read and discuss books on Parkinson's Disease  
Via Zoom  
(510) 675-5600  
[www.unioncity.org/parkinsons](http://www.unioncity.org/parkinsons)

# Arts & Entertainment

**Second Thursdays, September 9 – June 9**  
**Cafe Dad**  
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Support for fathers to support each other and obtain resources  
Virtual meetings via Zoom  
<https://husd-us.zoom.us/j/91644497730>  
For more information contact:  
[ep101@husd.k12.ca.us](mailto:ep101@husd.k12.ca.us)

**Thursday, March 18 – Monday January 3**  
**Immersive Van Gogh**  
9 a.m. – 11 p.m. (times vary)  
Walk-in exhibit with digital projections and music  
SVN West San Francisco  
10 South Van Ness Ave., San Francisco  
Tickets: \$24.99 - \$39.99  
[www.vangoghsf.com](http://www.vangoghsf.com)

**Saturday, December 11 – Friday, December 31**  
**Crippsmas Place**  
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## UPCOMING Events

**Sunday, December 26 – Thursday, December 30**  
**Advanced Coding Camp**  
9 a.m. – 10 a.m.  
Learn advanced coding skills. Free program for grades 3-8  
Scratchathon on 12/30 from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
Register: [www.tinyurl.com/yobeaw-inter2021](http://www.tinyurl.com/yobeaw-inter2021)  
[info@yobeaw.org](mailto:info@yobeaw.org)

**Friday, December 31**  
**Hollywood Glitz 2022 \$**  
7 p.m.  
Live performance by Bollywood Singer Raghav, belly dancers and more!  
Tickets: [www.sulekha.com/glitz](http://www.sulekha.com/glitz)  
Royal Palace Banquet  
6058 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont  
(408) 579-9426

**Friday, December 31**  
**New Year's Eve Party \$**  
7 p.m.  
Featuring musician Ramesh Maraj  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/new-years-eve-party-2022-tickets-215946691367>  
India Community Center  
525 Los Coches St., Milpitas  
For more info: [aparna@indiacc.org](mailto:aparna@indiacc.org)

**Friday, December 31**  
**New Year's Eve with Dirty Cello \$**  
8 p.m.  
Blues meets bluegrass with a faint twist of classical  
Tickets: \$20-\$58 (\$20 student/military personnel)  
Bankhead Theater  
2400 First St, Livermore  
[www.livermorearts.org](http://www.livermorearts.org)

**Tuesday, January 4**  
**Clear Captions Information Table**  
10 a.m.- 12 noon  
Free call captioning phones for individuals with hearing loss  
Age Well Center Lake Elizabeth  
40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont  
<http://bit.ly/AgeWellClasses>

**Wednesday, January 5**  
**Fremont Art Association general meeting/demo artist**  
1 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
Demonstration by guest artist Dana Harris Seeger of encaustic painting  
Via Zoom: link provided upon registration  
<https://www.fremontartassociation.org/monthlymeetinganddemo>

## St. Nick's of Niles Benefit Bash

SUBMITTED BY  
FREMONT  
HUMAN SERVICES  
DEPARTMENT

On December 12th, supporters of St. Nick's of Niles Benefit Bash braved the rain to attend the event in support of Giving Hope 2021. Through the generosity of Niles Cafe, donations were accepted for weeks leading up to the event, and when the venue had to move indoors because of the weather, they were happy to offer space. This is the 12th year the event was held. It was one of the most successful ever, raising over \$7,000! Funds raised help provide gifts for wish lists that were not sponsored and help replenish our urgent needs fund. Human Services Department is grateful for St. Nick's of Niles' dedication to bringing joy to our neighbors when they need it most.

If you are interested in making Giving Hope part of your year-end giving, visit our website: <https://www.fremont.gov/giving-hope>





# Biden touts savings on insulin and other drugs for Americans

By RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

President Joe Biden pledged on Dec. 6 that his social agenda legislation would deliver tangible savings on prescription drugs for all Americans. Relief that consumers have clamored for is now in sight, he asserted. But first the bill has to pass Congress, where plenty of obstacles remain in its path.

Biden tried to shift the focus to pocketbook provisions overlooked in the political machinations over his \$2 trillion legislation, which deals with issues from climate to family life and taxes. Even before concerns over rising inflation, polls consistently showed support from Americans across the political spectrum for government action to lower drug costs.

“It’s safe to say that all of us can agree that prescription drugs are outrageously expensive in this country,” Biden said at the White House. “I’m committed to using every tool I have to lower prescription drug costs for Americans consistent with the drug companies getting a fair return on their investment,” he added.

But even if Biden and his fellow Democrats succeed in their final push to pass the legislation, a major political difficulty awaits them: Dividends from their prescription drug provisions won’t show up right away, while the pain of rising costs is real and present. Democrats will have to point to promised, not actual, savings in next year’s midterm elections.

The biggest policy change -- a system for Medicare to negotiate prices for prescription drugs -- won’t begin to deliver lower costs until 2025, and then only for a selected set of 10 medicines, as well as insulin products. The number of drugs subject to negotiations would build with time, reaching 100 in six years and continuing to grow by 20 a year.

**Other provisions would take effect earlier.**

- Copays for insulin would be limited to \$35 a month, starting in 2023. Biden called the high cost of insulin “one of the most egregious examples” of overpriced medicines. He was introduced at the White House by a young woman, Iesha Meza, who couldn’t afford insulin for her Type 1 diabetes and was hospitalized in a coma.
- Drugmakers would be required to pay rebates to Medicare if they raise prices faster than inflation, starting that same year. That provision would benefit people with private insurance as well.
- Medicare recipients with high drug costs would finally get a cap on their annual financial exposure, \$2,000 starting in 2024.
- Shingles vaccines and other shots covered under Medicare’s “Part D” pharmacy benefit would

be cost-free to consumers, starting in 2024. The social legislation has passed the House and is pending before the Senate, where it could come to the floor as early as the week of Dec. 13. Some of the key prescription drug provisions face parliamentary challenges under Senate rules. The powerful pharmaceutical industry is maneuvering to strip out as much as possible. Drug companies oppose the entire bill, arguing that limits on their ability to set prices would stifle investment that fuels innovation. In a statement following Biden’s speech, Stephen J. Uhl, head of the industry lobby Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, said that “a damaging bill jammed through a partisan process will not provide patients struggling to afford their medicines meaningful relief”

But a recent overview of the legislation from the nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation found that Medicare negotiations would “put downward” on premiums and out-of-pocket costs for seniors, and other provisions of the legislation would also reduce out-of-pocket costs for those who are privately insured.

Biden said the industry has lost the pricing debate with the American people. “This is not a partisan issue,” said Biden. “Diabetes, Alzheimer’s, cancer -- so many other diseases. They don’t care whether you are a Democrat or Republican. We need Congress to finish the job,” he emphasized.

Core provisions of the Biden bill draw from earlier legislation that was supported by then-President Donald Trump but failed to advance. Those include the cap on out-of-pocket costs for seniors and penalties on drug companies that raise prices faster than inflation.

The \$35 monthly copays were also introduced under Trump through regulation, and are now available in a limited though growing number of Medicare prescription plans. Biden would greatly expand access and benefits.

Meanwhile, Medicare recipients are about to get an unwelcome illustration of the impact of high drug costs.

About half of next year’s \$21.60 increase to Medicare’s “Part B” monthly outpatient premium is due to the program’s need to financially prepare for a pending coverage decision on a \$56,000-a-year Alzheimer’s drug called Aduhelm. Notices have already gone out to millions of seniors telling them their cost in January will jump to \$170.10.

Sen. Bernie Sanders, the Vermont Independent, is asking the Biden administration to hold back on that increase, a painful hit ahead of any benefits from the prescription drug legislation. But Biden did not address the issue in his speech on Dec. 6, and the Democrats’ bill is currently silent on it as well.

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# Dictionary.com anoints allyship 2021 word of the year

By LEANNE ITALIE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Allyship, an old noun made new again, is Dictionary.com’s word of the year.

The look up site with 70 million monthly users took the unusual step of anointing a word it added just last month, though “allyship” first surfaced in the mid-1800s, said John Kelly, the site’s associate director of content and education.

“It might be a surprising choice for some,” he told The Associated Press ahead of the Monday, Dec. 6 unveiling. “In the past few decades, the term has evolved to take on a more nuanced and specific meaning. It is continuing to evolve and we saw that in many ways.”

The site offers two definitions for allyship: The role of a person who advocates for inclusion of a “marginalized or politicized group” in solidarity but not as a member, and the more traditional relationship of “persons, groups or nations associating and cooperating with one another for a common cause or purpose.”

The word is set apart from “alliance,” which Dictionary.com defines in one sense as a “merging of efforts or interests by persons, families, states or organizations.”

It’s the first definition that took off most recently in the mid-2000s and has continued to churn. Following the

summer of 2020 and the death of George Floyd, white allies -- and the word allyship -- proliferated as racial justice demonstrations spread. Before that, straight allies joined the causes of LGBTQ oppression, discrimination and marginalization.

“This year, we saw a lot of businesses and organizations very prominently, publicly, beginning efforts to promote diversity, equity and inclusion. Allyship is tied to that. In the classroom, there is a flashpoint around the term critical race theory. Allyship connects with this as well,” Kelly said.

In addition, teachers, frontline workers and mothers who juggled jobs, home duties and child care in lockdown gained allies as the pandemic took hold last year.

Without an entry for “allyship,” Kelly said the site saw a steep rise in lookups for “ally” in 2020 and large spikes in 2021. It was in the top 850 searches out of thousands and thousands of words this year. Dictionary.com broadened the definition of “ally” to include the more nuanced meaning. The terms “DEI” and “critical race theory” made their debuts as entries on the site with “allyship” this year.

What it means to be an authentic ally has taken on fresh significance as buzz around the word has grown louder. One of the aspects of allyship, as it has emerged, is how badly it can go.

Among the examples of how to use the word in a sentence cited by

Merriam-Webster is this one written by Native activist Hallie Sebastian: “Poor allyship is speaking over marginalized people by taking credit and receiving recognition for arguments that the unprivileged have been making for their entire lives.”

As global diversity, equity and inclusion executive Sheree Atcheson wrote in Forbes, allyship is a “lifelong process of building relationships based on trust, consistency and accountability with marginalized individuals and/or groups of people.” It’s not, she said, “self-defined -- work and efforts must be recognized by those you are seeking to ally with.”

Allyship should be an “opportunity to grow and learn about ourselves, whilst building confidence in others,” Atcheson added.

Among the earliest evidence of the word “allyship,” in its original sense of “alliance,” is the 1849, two-volume work, “The Lord of the Manor, or, Lights and Shades of Country Life” by British novelist Thomas Hall: “Under these considerations, it is possible, he might have heard of Miss Clough’s allyship with the Lady Bourgoine.”

Kelly did some additional digging into the history of allyship in its social justice sense. While the Oxford English Dictionary dates that use of the word to the 1970s, Kelly found a text, “Allies of the Negro” by Albert W. Hamilton, published in 1943. It discusses extensively the

potential allies of Black people in the struggle for racial equality:

“What some white liberals are beginning to realize is that they better begin to seek the Negro as an ally,” he wrote. “The new way of life sought by the liberal will be a sham without the racial equality the Negro seeks. And the inclusion of the Negro in the day-to-day work, in the organization, the leadership and the rallying of the support necessary to win a better world, can only be done on the basis of equality.”

On the other side of allyship, Kelly said, “is a feeling of division, of polarization. That was Jan. 6.” Allyship, he said, became a powerful prism in terms of the dichotomy at a chaotic cultural time during the last two years.

Other dictionary companies in the word of the year game focused on the pandemic and its fallout for their picks. Oxford Languages, which oversees the Oxford English Dictionary, went for “vax” and Merriam-Webster chose “vaccine.” The Glasgow, Scotland-based Collins Dictionary, meanwhile, plucked “NFT,” the digital tokens that sell for millions.

While Merriam-Webster relies solely on site search data to choose a word of the year, Dictionary.com takes a broader approach. It scours search engines, a broad range of text and taps into cultural influences to choose its word of the year.





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## ‘Train Your Brain’



SUBMITTED BY ROBERT MAGBANUA

The effects of Parkinson's Disease (PD) are felt far beyond the individual. Your friends, family and caregivers both young and old are also impacted. The City of Union City – Parkinson's Exercise Program is hosting a free virtual book club that will tackle three different books to serve as the basis for a conversation about what lifestyle and environmental factors can heavily influence your life.

Led by longtime PD advocate Ann Boylan and Parkinson's Exercise instructor Carmen Davis, this virtual book club is a great way to socialize and learn through the latest research and lived

experience of others. Even if you can't keep up with the readings, Union City invites you to join in on the conversation. Sessions are open to all individuals with PD, friends or family members, or caregivers of someone with PD.

**‘Train Your Brain’ virtual book club**  
**Wednesdays, Jan 12 – Feb 16**  
**6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**  
**Via Zoom**  
**To sign up contact:**  
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**[www.unioncity.org/parkinsons](http://www.unioncity.org/parkinsons)**

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1619 Via Chorro	94580	853,000	3	1565	1955 9/28/21
16114 Silverleaf Drive	94580	881,000	3	1572	1997 10/1/21
1750 Via Sarita	94580	930,000	3	1284	1952 9/29/21
1023 Delano Street	94580	970,000	4	2059	1951 9/30/21

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ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD	SSQFT	BUILT CLOSED
34757 Alvarado Niles Rd #3	94587	522,000	2	903	1972 10/1/21
4441 Callecita Court	94587	525,000	2	875	1971 9/30/21
35560 Monterra Ter #301	94587	605,000	3	1200	2001 9/29/21
4250 Comet Circle	94587	650,000	3	1125	1972 9/27/21
4288 Comet Circle	94587	715,000	3	1137	1972 9/28/21
33401 Soares Ranch Ter	94587	920,000	2	1479	2019 9/29/21
1835 Baylor Street	94587	1,165,000	3	1064	1960 10/1/21
419 Riviera Drive	94587	1,250,000	3	2016	1965 9/30/21
4529 Ojai Loop	94587	1,365,000	3	1385	1984 10/1/21
4321 Palmdale Street	94587	1,500,000	4	1970	1986 9/30/21
33030 Soquel Street	94587	1,730,000	4	2275	1980 9/30/21
32728 Fowler Court	94587	1,915,000	4	2327	1985 9/27/21
35971 Bronze Street	94587	1,915,000	5	3162	2005 9/28/21

### Honor Roll

Milwaukee School of Engineering, Wisconsin  
Fall 2021 Dean's List

• **Garin Jankowski of Fremont**

Iowa Wesleyan University  
Fall 2021 Dean's List

• **Derek Marrufo of Fremont**

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Fall 2021 new enrollees

• **Josephine Huang of Fremont**  
• **Sena Kim of Fremont**  
• **Caleb Kotsubo of Fremont**  
• **Sarah Najarian of Hayward**  
• **Rebekah Stockinger of Hayward**  
• **Brooke Ung of Fremont**

## Optimist Club Girls' Basketball Classic

SUBMITTED BY DARRYL REINA

33rd annual Newark Optimist Club Girls' Holiday Basketball Classic will be held at Newark Memorial High School Event Center on December 28 - 30. The three-day event features both girls'

varsity and junior varsity division. Eight games will be played each day.

Opening round schedule for Tuesday,  
December 28 is as follows:

**Junior Varsity Division**  
**9:00 am - Foothill vs. Castro Valley**  
**10:30 am - Irvington vs. Menlo-Atherton**  
**12 Noon - Miramonte vs. Napa**  
**1:30 pm - Santa Teresa vs. Newark Memorial**

**Varsity Division**  
**3:15 pm - Castro Valley vs. Menlo-Atherton**  
**4:45 pm - St. Patrick - St. Vincent vs.**

**Lick-Wilmerding**  
**6:15 pm - Sequoia vs. Santa Clara**  
**7:45 pm - Napa vs. Newark Memorial**

**Newark Optimism Club Girls' Basketball Classic**  
**Tuesday, Dec 28-30**  
**Newark Memorial High School**  
**Event Center**  
**39375 Cedar Blvd., Newark**

**Admission: \$7 adults, \$5 students & seniors 62+, 10 & under free**



# Tri-City History Queries No. 12

BY KELSEY CAMELLO, FOR THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUSEUM OF LOCAL HISTORY

Q: Can you tell me 10 things about Tri-City history that I don’t already know?

A: Yes, I can!

The building at the corner of Smith and Vallejo Streets (3939 Smith St.) in Alvarado has been utilized in various capacities. It was first home to a local merchant (Fred Harvey), followed by a manager of a sugar factory. The building was then aptly named “The Holly House.” Union City purchased the building and turned it into the original Holly Community Center. It became a senior living facility, and finally a multi-use commercial building. Now owned by Filipino Community of Alvarado and Vicinity, the building houses Union City Chamber of Commerce and other businesses.

There is (or was) more than one Bay Area town named Alviso. First, there’s the waterfront town that still sits at the southernmost tip of the Bay. Second, a now defunct town was located between Centerville and Alvarado, east of Newark. The town was settled by Augustin Alviso and his brother-in-law Thomas Pacheco in 1844. The school district in Alviso remained intact until 1964, when schools were unified under the brand-new Fremont Unified School District.

The largest diameter landmark tree in

the City of Fremont is in Centerville. This California Pepper Tree is located at 37767 Fremont Blvd. (at Pepper Tree Apartments, of course). It is so large that some branches require steel supports to prevent damage. It was likely planted during the Mission Period and was given historic landmark status in 1972.

Decoto has had a school in the exact same location for 138 years. Decoto Public School was built in 1883 on H Street. In 1929, a new school was built on the same site. In 1947, 500 children were enrolled, with construction planned for additional classrooms. What remains of that school still operates today as the New Haven Adult School. The property is bordered by H St., 8th St., G St., and 6th St. in Decoto.

Drawbridge is known as the sinking ghost town on the Bay. Many do not know that its early popularity was due in large part to providing a prime spot for game hunting (before salt ponds forever altered the wetlands). Beginning in the 1880s, hunters from Oakland and San Francisco who were bound for Santa Cruz would get off the train early, in Drawbridge. The town grew to about 90 homes and cabins by the 1920s. In the 1950s, the town began sinking into the Bay. By 1963, less than five people were left. Then, in 1970, Southern Pacific demolished the old rail station, and in 1972 the town became part of SF Bay Wildlife Refuge (Don Edwards).

Five Corners isn’t the only historic intersection in Irvington. The intersection of Washington Blvd. and Driscoll/Osgood Rd. holds a rather rich history itself. At



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various times the site held a massive brick winery (Gallegos – Palmdale), a pickle factory (Irvington Packing Company), a college (Washington College / Anderson Academy / Curtner Seminary), and a railroad terminus and depot.

General John C. Fremont and his troops camped all over California, but Mission San Jose is where he set down roots. He left \$3,000 with the American consul at Monterey, along with instructions to purchase Mission San Jose and the land surrounding it, but the consul purchased land in Mariposa instead. Fremont was incensed, until he learned that his new land was laden with gold!

The largest employer in Newark was once a stove plant – Wedgewood Stoves. Before it closed in 1957, the factory employed 500 people. Founded in 1882, James Graham Foundry first produced cast iron railroad parts. It later produced coal-, wood-, and finally gas-burning stoves. The Wedgewood name was known across the United States for quality and durability.

At one time, Niles was home to a unique establishment called The International Kitchen. Located just a half mile south of the town of Niles on Niles-Centerville Road (where Mowry Ave. and Mission Blvd. intersect – then

recorded as 555 Peralta Blvd.), this restaurant served up to 2,000 dinners on a typical Sunday. The business opened in 1937 as a gift shop, but quickly expanded to include first a small restaurant, then a large dining area, banquet rooms, lawn and garden areas, a cocktail lounge, and a larger gift shop. Each day featured a unique dish representing a different foreign nation. A 1960 fire destroyed the building, which was later rebuilt. By the 1970s, however, the restaurant had closed forever.

Hidden Valley Inn and Dude Ranch, two miles south of Mission San Jose, was the place to visit in Warm Springs. Formerly owned by Leland Stanford, and later marketed as a health resort, it eventually became a popular spot for large parties and those seeking fine drinks and dining. Visitors could enjoy recreational swimming and horseback riding, live music, and dancing. The 1869 hotel was under consideration for historic preservation when a mysterious fire burned the structure to the ground in 1992.

Have a local history question of your own? Email us at [info@museumoflocalhistory.org](mailto:info@museumoflocalhistory.org). Be sure to include “Tri-City History Queries” in the subject line.

## The International Kitchen



## Residential parking permits to expire

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF HAYWARD

Heads-up to Hayward residents who live in one of eight neighborhoods throughout the city where residential parking permits are required: your current permit will expire Friday, December 31.

But there’s good news: the city has implemented a new way to apply for and renew those permits, and it can be done online by visiting the new City of Hayward Parking Permit Portal at <https://hayward.permitinfo.net/>.

The portal, managed by Data Ticket, will ask visitors to set up an account, which entails adding vehicle information, the applicant’s name, telephone number, email address and selecting an address within the applicable parking area. Users also will be asked to select a password to access their online account in the future for renewals, vehicle changes and other updates.

Proof of residency within the applicable parking permit area is required and must be uploaded to receive a parking permit. Upon review and verification of proof of residency and vehicle registration, the permit will be mailed to the applicant within seven business days.

For details, visit the Residential Parking Permit Program page on the City of Hayward website at [hayward-ca.gov/services/permits/residential-parking-permit](http://hayward-ca.gov/services/permits/residential-parking-permit), or call Data Ticket customer service at (800) 479-1834.

## Fremont Fire Department Log

SUBMITTED BY FREMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT

Tuesday, December 21

• At about 1:20 p.m. firefighters knocked down a fire at the Tesla plant at 45500 Fremont Boulevard. The fire was isolated to a boiler room on the third floor of

the administration building. Two people suffered smoke inhalation injuries and were taken to a hospital for treatment. Firefighters determined that large filters for the HVAC system caught on fire; an investigation into the cause of the blaze is underway.



# OPINION



WILLIAM MARSHAK

## TGIF

While some seek to simply motivate without reasonable tenets, such actions depend on misdirection, misinformation and faulty logic. An educated public is less likely to blindly follow mindless, nonsensical, self-serving arguments that lead to societal decay and moral bankruptcy.

The year 2022 is an election year in which we, the public, are asked to weigh in on who represents us when deciding governing policies. While on a day-to-day level, there is much to distract from regulatory decisions, they are important and, in many cases, directly impact our wellbeing. In California, the primary election date of June 7, 2022 seems distant and of no immediate consequence, but for politicians vying for office, the sprint toward ballot box success has already begun. They will soon be inundating your consciousness – in person, by mail and media - with appeals for support, including your money. Slogans and catchy tag lines will dominate, but rhetoric without rational arguments to support them are empty gestures, often pandering to basic instincts of fear, envy and class distinction.

Unfortunately, some people involved in politics choose to engage in theatre rather than clear and concise plans to address issues and problems. Blaming “others” for personal or societal ills is a tired, disreputable game of misdirection that has been used throughout human history. It has led myriad populations into disastrous situations that only serve the ambitions of a few and bring misery to most others. The antidote for the scur-

rilous practice is an educated electorate and open conversations that explore and expose common reality.

Some of our local politicians aspire to expanded responsibilities in regional, state and national offices where it is easy – and unfortunately commonplace - to lose sight of basic struggles of the general population. Due to demands of office, opportunities for contact with constituents and reality checks are reduced, leading to isolation and undue influence of money, power and prestige. There is only one, true check on this innate danger; that of a well-educated, informed and active (voting) constituency that will pay attention to issues and demand reciprocity from their elected officials.

This New Year, resolve to follow at least one major issue – voting rights, climate, child care, homelessness, tax reform, etc. - through the governmental process and ask your representatives to pay close attention to you and your concerns. It is through this pledge, that the equilibrium of a free society is achieved and retained.

Let's make this a Happy New Year!

William Marshak  
PUBLISHER

This Friday marks not only the end of a traditional work week, but the final day of the year 2021 as well. Typically, a coda of the year reflects positive accomplishments of the previous twelve months within a nostalgic theme. Hope and resolutions for the New Year spring from past imperfections and a pledge to do better during the next solar cycle.

In this case, COVID has been an overriding melody throughout the year, joined by additional natural and man-made catastrophes. But, in spite of this, Tri-City Voice has also recorded many positive accomplishments of individuals, government, private and public organizations as well. There appears to be light at the end of the pandemic tunnel and, with perseverance and continued adherence to health guidelines, some semblance of normalcy is beginning to return.

Lessons learned from the severe constrictions of a world-wide crisis include realization that the essence of a free society is universal education of its population. Restriction of thought leads to irrational and irresponsible action.

## Amid drought, California advances big new reservoir project

BY ADAM BEAM, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Amid a severe drought, California regulators on Dec. 15 voted to advance what could be the state's first major new water storage project in decades, despite warnings from tribal and environmental groups that it would hasten the extinction of multiple species of salmon.

The vote by the California Water Commission ensured that the Sites Reservoir project will remain eligible for about \$800 million in taxpayer money, representing about 20% of the project's roughly \$4 billion price tag.

The reservoir is one of seven water storage projects scheduled to receive funding from a voter-approved bond in 2014. Most of the money would go to expanding existing reservoirs or building water recycling programs.

But the Sites Reservoir is different because it would flood a valley in California's coast range mountains to create a new lake that supporters estimate would be enough to supply 3 million households per year when filled to capacity.

California has not built a major new reservoir since 1979. Since then, multiple

droughts have strained the state's water supply and renewed calls for more ways to capture and store water from the state's major rivers and streams.

“The Sites Reservoir project is not going to solve all of our problems,” said Jerry Brown, executive director of the Sites Reservoir Authority, and who is not related to the former California governor with the same name. “If we do absolutely nothing, I can guarantee you things will get worse.”

The California Water Commission on Dec. 15 said the project is feasible, meaning it has met all of the requirements to remain eligible for public funding. There are still many steps ahead for the project to receive the public funding, approval by the Water Commission before the end of the year was required for the project to maintain its eligibility.

Environmental and tribal groups complained that the Water Commission acted prematurely in saying the project was feasible, especially since environmental reviews required by state and federal law have not been completed.

Most of California's major reservoirs are connected to rivers and rely on gravity to fill them with water that comes from snowmelt in the mountains. The Sites Reservoir would have water pumped to it from the nearby Sacramento River.

The idea behind the reservoir is to take water from the river only when it has extra water to give, such as during large storms like one last October that set a single-day Sacramento rainfall record. Environmental groups say that doesn't make sense because all of water in the rivers has a significant purpose.

“There is no such thing as excess water in the environment,” said Steve Evans, rivers director for the California Wilderness Coalition. “That water is needed for fisheries and water quality in downstream ecosystems and every time you take it out of the system you are having an environmental impact.”

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Milpitas City Council

December 14, 2021

- Presentations:**
- On her retirement Jane Corpus, Assistant Finance Director was presented with a key to the city.
  - On his retirement Assistant Fire Marshal Jaime Garcia was presented with a key to the city.
- Consent Calendar:**
- Adopted a resolution declaring that approximately 1.07-Acres of City Owned Land “Exempt Surplus Land” under the Surplus Land Act.
  - Considered the Environmental Impact Report and Addendum for the Lower Penitencia Creek Improvements Project; adopted the Findings of Fact.
  - Approved the execution of a Right-Of-Way Agreement with the Santa Clara Valley Water District for the Purchase of Easements and City Owned Land for Lower Penitencia Creek Flood Protection Improvements Project.
  - Approved the execution of a Stormwater Management Facilities Operation and Maintenance Agreement for Anton Milpitas 730 LLC at 730 E. Capitol Avenue.
  - Received the September and October 2021 reports for unhoused services.
  - Authorized the execution of a Professional Services Agreement

- with Our City Forest to administer the Lawn Bust Milpitas Pilot Program.
- Public Hearings:**
- Following a public hearing adopted the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update and adopted the Negative Declaration/Initial Study for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
  - Following a public hearing adopted Urgency Ordinance amending sections of the Milpitas Municipal Code relating to urban lot splits and two-unit projects to comply with Government Code. Determined that the ordinance to be statutorily exempt from CEQA.
- Public Safety:**
- Appointed Jaime Garcia as Interim Assistant Fire Marshall.
- Community’s Services:**
- The Council denied the approval of the Assignment and Consent and Fourth Amendment to the Franchise Agreement with MSI for the purpose of Assignment of Contract. Vote: Aye 0 Nay 4 (Tran, Phan, Dominguez, Chua) Abstain 1 (Montano).
- Community Development:**
- The recommendations regarding the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Workforce Development Program were approved.

Rich Tran (Mayor)	Aye	Nay	1
Carmen Montano (Vice Mayor)	Aye	Abstain	1
Anthony Phan	Aye	Nay	1
Karina Dominguez	Aye	Nay	1
Evelyn Chua	Aye	Nay	1

College district seeking new board member

SUBMITTED BY MUJEEB DADGAR

Applications are being accepted to fill an open Board of Trustees seat with Chabot-Las Positas Community College District. The candidate chosen will represent Area 3, which includes South Hayward and Union City and will serve as an appointed member of the board until the next general election in November, 2022.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the governance of Chabot College in Hayward and Las Positas College in Livermore. Board members are seeking a candidate who has the ability and time to fulfill the responsibilities of a trustee, including attending all board meetings, attending select college events, studying agendas and issues, and participating fully in the governance of the district.

The deadline to file an application is Monday, January 24; applications can be submitted electronically or in writing. The board will hold a study meeting on Tuesday, February 1, to interview finalists and provisionally appoint the new trustee. A swearing-in ceremony will take place at the board’s regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 15, at the district office in Dublin.

Application materials are available on the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District website at [www.clpccd.org](http://www.clpccd.org). For more information, contact Kelly Costello, Executive Assistant, Chancellor's Office at (925) 485-5217 or send an email to [KCostello@clpccd.org](mailto:KCostello@clpccd.org).

Governor announces Actions to protect Californians from COVID-19

SUBMITTED BY THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR’S PRESS OFFICE

Governor Gavin Newsom announced new booster requirements and testing measures (<https://bit.ly/3H3jNr6>) to better protect all Californians as the Omicron variant becomes the dominant COVID-19 strain in the nation. The COVID-19 booster requirement for health care workers will mitigate potential staffing shortages while helping to safeguard the state's hospital capacity and protect the health and safety of Californians. Combined with the new federal policies announced yesterday, these actions will help ensure everyone in California has access to testing throughout the holiday season and that K-12 public

school students can return to school safely.

"As the Omicron variant spreads rapidly across the country and circulates in all regions of the state, we're taking immediate, proactive steps to protect Californians with boosters and expanded access to testing," said Governor Newsom. "The state is also redoubling our efforts to keep kids safe and keep schools open. We will help prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our communities by making at-home testing kits available to every K-12 public school student as they head back to the classroom from winter break."

By February 1, 2022, health care workers and all employees in high-risk congregate settings, including nursing homes, will be required to get their booster. In the interim, all health care staff

Electricity customers to transition to 100% renewable

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF HAYWARD

Hayward electricity customers served by East Bay Community Energy (EBCE) will transition in January to energy that is 100% renewable, produced entirely from California solar and wind energy. The new product, called Renewable 100, will help Hayward achieve its ambitious greenhouse gas reduction goals.

All accounts not enrolled in discount programs (such as CARE, FERA, or Medical Baseline) will be automatically enrolled in the Renewable 100 product in January. The exact date will depend on each customer's billing cycle. Renewable 100 energy costs an additional one cent per kilowatt-hour above PG&E rates -- about \$4-to \$7 more per month for a typical home and varies more widely for businesses based on the amount of power used.

Customers may switch to EBCE's less expensive Bright

Choice product at any time. Bright Choice is sourced from a power mix that includes 40% renewable energy. Customers can also choose to opt out of EBCE altogether and return to PG&E-derived sources of electrical power. More information about EBCE in Hayward is available at <https://ebce.org/hayward/>.

Customers on lower income-qualifying discount programs such as CARE or FERA or Medical Baseline will automatically remain on Bright Choice service. To learn if you are eligible for any of these programs, visit [www.EBCE.org/Paying-Bills/](http://www.EBCE.org/Paying-Bills/).

EBCE will host a series of online webinars via Zoom for residential and commercial customers to review the upcoming changes and answer questions. For webinar schedule and registration details, visit <https://ebce.org/news-and-events/>.

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that have not received their booster must test for COVID-19 twice weekly until they are up to date on their vaccines.

To help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in our schools, the state is also increasing the availability of at-home COVID-19 tests across California so K-12 public-school students can be tested as they return to school from winter break. In early December, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) distributed approximately 2 million tests to schools for this purpose. CDPH will expand those efforts by providing 1-2 rapid tests for every student. CDPH will work with local education and health partners to distribute those test kits as quickly and efficiently as possible.

"As we fight Omicron, there is nothing more important for our kids than keeping schools safely open — that means deploying rapid tests," said State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond. "Over the holiday break, CDE will be working closely with the Governor and California's public health and emergency management personnel to get testing supplies to families, districts and schools."

To ensure every Californian has access to testing, the state will also be expanding antigen test availability and expanding hours of operation at state-sponsored OptumServe sites that are already at capacity. Today, 90% of the population lives within a 30-minute driving distance of a site. Over the course of the pandemic, the state has established 6,288 testing sites statewide, comprising 31% of the nation's testing sites. In support of this effort, since August, the state has purchased over 12 million over-the-counter tests. CDPH is distributing an additional 6 million tests to community partners serving disproportionately impacted Californians and 4 million to local health jurisdictions.

California has led the nation's fight against COVID-19, implementing the most robust vaccination and testing programs in the country. To date, California has administered over 64 million vaccination doses and over 116 million tests, with an average turn around of just 48 hours. In recent months, Governor Newsom implemented a series of measures to slow the spread of COVID-19, including first-in-the-nation vaccine and masking measures requiring that workers in health care settings be fully vaccinated, announcing plans to add the COVID-19 vaccine to the list of vaccinations required to attend school in-person when fully approved, requiring masking in schools and implementing a standard that all school staff and all state workers either show proof of full vaccination or be tested. These decisive actions have resulted in California being labeled the safest state to live in during COVID-19 (<https://cbsloc.al/3qoTDZ9>) and a national leader in preventing school closures (<https://nyti.ms/3H35iUi>).

"California's determination to use every available tool to keep our children safe during this pandemic has allowed us to keep schools open and case rates low – a key to their physical and mental health as well as learning," said Dr. Linda Darling-Hammond, State Board of Education President. "Ensuring boosters and testing in the new year will continue this commitment to keeping our children's welfare front and center."

While we are still learning about the severity of illness caused by Omicron, it is clear that individuals who are up to date on their vaccines, including a booster, are most protected. To help slow the spread of COVID-19, Californians are encouraged to get vaccinated, get boosted, wear a mask indoors and get tested if sick.



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Anna Francis Keller Arington passed away on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at the age of 108. She was the third of four children, born October 19, 1913 in Kansas City, Missouri. She lived her last 83 years in Fremont.

After going on a blind date, set up by one of her friends, she met her husband, J. Lee Arington. They dated a few months and Lee asked her to marry him. Together, they raised three sons in Fremont, and were blessed with grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They celebrated their 73rd wedding anniversary before Lee passed away in 2007.

Anna was known for her loyalty to friends, her sensible advice and quick wit. She was a member of the Snails Walking Group, Rebekah Lodge and the Centerville Presbyterian Church. She was an accomplished baker and was known for her fabulous pies. She enjoyed playing Bridge and gardening. Anna believed family and friends were the most important part of her life.

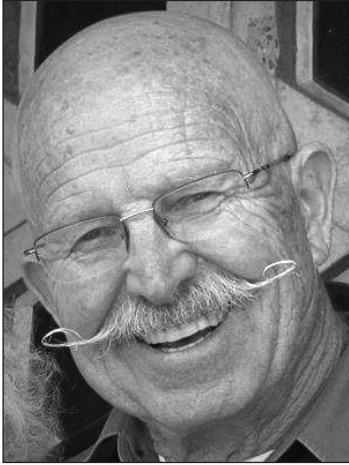
Anna is survived by her three sons, Richard Arington (wife Marita) of San Jose, Donald Arington (wife Nancy) of Walnut Creek, and Robert Arington of Fremont, as well as six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held by the family.

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### Robert Allan Baker

October 15, 1933 – December 22, 2021  
Resident of Fremont



Robert (Bob) Allan Baker passed away on December 22, 2021, at home in Fremont with his wife, Marilyn and daughters, Lee Ann Dreffs and Karen Courtney by his side. He was born on October 15, 1933, in Los Angeles, to Eileen (nee Jacobson) Baker and Nicholas Baker and was one of three siblings.

He joined the Air Force in 1952 and was stationed at Parks Air Force Base. He was awarded National Defense and Good Conduct medals and honorably discharged in 1956. He met his wife, Marilyn Anne Hendricks at a USO dance while he was serving in the Air Force, and they were married at All Saints Church in Hayward on August 4, 1957. Bob was an avid bowler, loved to dance, go deer hunting and camping, and sang in the choir at Holy Spirit Church for many years.

Bob was very social and being of service was important to him. He volunteered for the Boy Scouts and spent summers at Wente Boy Scout Camp teaching gun safety. He was awarded the Boy Scouts of America Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service to youth on February 2, 2002. He was Scout Master of the blind troop in Fremont and the Touch of Gold Award was presented to him on May 10, 2008, for his outstanding service and leadership in scouting for youth with special needs and disabilities.

Bob was a proud member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and received the Elk of the Month and Elk of the Year awards. He also enjoyed bartending at the lodge. He volunteered at Kaiser Permanente in Fremont after retiring from Leslie Salt after 35 years of employment.

Bob joins his son Robert Allan, Jr., and his great-granddaughter Cassidy in heaven, and is survived by his wife, Marilyn, his daughter Lee Ann Dreffs, her husband, David Dreffs, his daughter Nancy Baker, his daughter Karen Courtney, her husband Travis Courtney, his son Jeffrey Baker, his grandchildren Sarah, Emily, Nicholas, James, Jayme, Juliet, Justin, London, Landon, and his great-grandchildren Cody and Henry.

There will be a Rosary for Bob at 6:00pm on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at Chapel of the Roses, 1940 Peralta Blvd, Fremont, and a Catholic Mass at 12:30pm on December 29, 2021 at Holy Spirit Church, 37588 Fremont Blvd., Fremont. Burial at 2:30pm at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, 26320 Mission Blvd., Hayward. Celebration of Bob's life is following the burial at 4:00pm at the Fremont Elks Lodge, 38991 Farwell Dr., Fremont.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Veterans First Fly Fishing, P.O. Box 8114, Fremont, CA 94537, <https://www.nccffi.org/vfff>, or Fremont Elks Lodge Purple Pig Fund, <https://chea-elks.org/major-project/purple-pig>, or Tri City Volunteers Food Bank, <http://www.tri-cityvolunteers.org>.

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Rene Joseph Chikhani

April 9, 1936 – December 18, 2021

Resident of Fremont

On the morning of Saturday December 18th 2021, Rene Chikhani passed away after a long 2 year battle with cancer. Rene was surrounded by his family and loved ones in his final moments. Rene was a husband, a son, a brother, a father, and a grandfather. He leaves behind his wife of 58 years Nawal, as well as 4 kids, and 7 grandkids. Rene was the second child of five kids, he is survived by his brother Reiad and sister Mona.

Rene Chikhani was born in Beirut Lebanon on April 9th, 1936. He and his family left Lebanon, and moved to America when he was young in search of a better life.

Rene ended up in Cleveland, Ohio as a teenager, working at a gas station to help support his family. During his senior year of high school, Rene moved to Youngstown, Ohio to help take



care of his Aunt after her husband became ill.

When Rene turned 18 he was drafted to the U.S Army where he was an engineer, and a proud member of the Fort Huachuca rifle team.

Rene would enjoy a highly successful career as an engineer.

In 1987 while working for Ampex, Rene invented a system for recording and reproducing radar signal information that helped identify large aircrafts from smaller aircrafts.

Above everything else Rene Chikhani was a provider. Rene constantly sacrificed his time, energy and efforts into making the lives of those around him better. His final moments were symbolic as he was surrounded by the family that he and his wife Nawal built from the ground up.

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# Park It

By NED MACKAY

New Year in the East Bay Regional Park District continues the welcome trend toward in-person interpretive programs, with some enjoyable activities scheduled for the first weekend in 2022.

Naturalists at Ardenwood Historic Farm in Fremont plan to start the year with an easy walk around the grounds starting at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 1. Enjoy the weather, visit the farm animals and discover something new at the farm.

Two-mile “Farm Walkabouts” are also scheduled at Ardenwood from 10:30 a.m. to noon on Sundays, January 2, 16 and 30. The naturalists will lead a search for interesting plants and wildlife, and tell stories of the people who lived and worked at Ardenwood. Meet at the train station. And a top-making workshop is on the Ardenwood calendar from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 2. Make your own top and complete in a skittles tournament for prizes.

Ardenwood is located at 34600 Ardenwood Blvd., just north of Highway 84. For information on admission fees and park hours, visit [www.ebparks.org](http://www.ebparks.org) or call (510) 544-2797.

At the Environmental Education Center (EEC) in Tilden Nature Area near Berkeley, there’s a “Naturalist’s Trail” program from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, January 2. Tilden naturalists also lead Monday birding walks in various regional parks from 9 a.m. to noon. It’s a great way to get some fresh air with friendly people. The next one is on January 3. Meet in Shimada Friendship Park at the end of Marina Bay Parkway in Richmond.

EEC is located at the north end of Tilden’s Central Park Drive, next to Little Farm. For information on programs, call (510) 544-2233.

While you are at Tilden, Regional Parks Botanic Garden is a great place to visit. The garden has sections devoted to every botanical region in California, so even in winter, there’s always something in bloom. Garden hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. It’s located at the intersection of Wildcat Canyon Road and South Park Drive, next to the Brazil Building. For information, call (510) 544-3169.

King tides are the highest tides of the year, and give us a sense of what may happen in the future as sea levels rise due to climate change. You can see the results of king tides locally during the first three days of January at Radke Martinez and Bay Point Regional Shorelines on Carquinez Strait in northern and northeastern Contra Costa.

At Martinez the peak of the king tide is at 11:27 a.m. on January 1, 12:18 p.m. on January 2, and 1:10 p.m. on January 3. At Bay Point the peak hours are 11:32 a.m., 12:23 p.m. and 1:16 p.m. respectively. You can get involved as a citizen scientist to record the king tides with California King Tides project. For more information, visit [coastal.ca.gov/kingtides](http://coastal.ca.gov/kingtides).

Looking ahead, the park district plans to honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by celebrating a 27th annual Day of Service from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday, January 17 at Martin Luther King Jr. Shoreline in Oakland. Participants will help to clean up the shoreline and improve wildlife habitat. Preregistration is required to reserve a time slot for yourself or your group. Details will be available soon at the park district website: [www.ebparks.org](http://www.ebparks.org).

Besides the calendar of upcoming events and programs, the park district website is a great source of information for activities and projects that you can enjoy on your own time. And the website has just been redesigned, though the address is the same. So, by all means check it out for nature lore, tips on regional park explorations, and more.

# Draw your own City Council map

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF UNION CITY

Based on updated information from the 2020 Census, Union City is updating the City Council district boundaries and is asking residents for input. City officials are accepting suggestions, ideas and proposed boundary lines from residents who can prepare their own district map amendments using online mapping tools posted on the city’s website.

To get started, residents should visit [www.unioncity.org/414/by-district-elections](http://www.unioncity.org/414/by-district-elections) and follow the link to mapping tools. Residents also can request a paper map for pickup at City Hall during normal business hours. To be considered by the City Council, proposed maps must be submitted to the city by Tuesday, January 11.

Delivery options for maps:

- Hand-deliver or mail to City Clerk, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, 94587
  - Fax to (510) 475-7318
  - Scan or photograph the document and email to: [CityClerk@unioncity.org](mailto:CityClerk@unioncity.org)
- For questions, please contact the City Clerk at (510) 675-5448.

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# News and Notes FROM AROUND THE WORLD

SUBMITTED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF MATURE AMERICAN CITIZENS

Christmas cream cheese shortage

Apparently, the double whammy of the COVID-19 pandemic and the disruption of the supply chain has resulted in a severe shortage of cream cheese, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC). To make matters worse, the Philadelphia Cream Cheese plant located in Lowville, New York near the Canadian border, one of the biggest of its kind, has been hit with a water shortage. Meanwhile, the demand for cream cheese has increased this Christmas season as more and more of us are eating breakfast at home due to the pandemic. So, the company is offering users an opportunity to receive a \$20 compensation. For details, visit their YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=AoC\\_a0bVurU](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AoC_a0bVurU).

They live in a real gingerbread house

The Hoffman family of Yalecrest, Utah has a thing for gingerbread houses, says AMAC. In fact, they live in a real-life gingerbread house. Not long ago they realized that their red brick Tudor abode had the makings of an authentic gingerbread house and so they decided to add the necessary trimmings

for the Christmas season and, sure enough, they turned their home into a holiday treat that looks good enough to eat. See their home sweet home on YouTube: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=-7j7OJBjc0zk](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-7j7OJBjc0zk).

Naked Santa Run

SantaCon -- gatherings of youngsters dressed to one degree or another like Santa Claus -- has become an annual tradition in many U.S. cities. In New York City, thousands of Kris Kringles walked the streets on December 11 this year, reports AMAC. Meanwhile, in Budapest, Hungary they have their own tradition. It’s called the Naked Santa Run in which athletic youngsters deck out in Santa hats and red swimsuits and engage in a two-mile jog through the city streets. This year the 18th annual Santa Claus jog raised money for the local Better Childhood fund. See video from the Naked Santa Run on YouTube at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=rd-0acOEQhA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rd-0acOEQhA).

*The Association of Mature American Citizens is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization representing membership in Washington, D.C. and in local congressional districts nationwide. More information is available on its website at [www.amac.us](http://www.amac.us).*

# Jesus Rodriguez Buzo

Resident of San Jose

April 22, 1931 – December 15, 2021

Jesus Rodriguez Buzo, 90, of San Jose, California, passed peacefully on Wednesday the 15th day of December 2021. Jesus was known by those close to him as “Jessie” or “JB.” Jesus passed peacefully at his son and daughter-in-law’s (Fred and Laura Buzo) home surrounded by his wife, children, and grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Nellie. He is survived by his children, Socorro Rodriguez, Rachel Arteaga, Bernie Rodriguez, Jesse Rodriguez, Fred Buzo, and Waldina Valencia. He is survived by his grandchildren, Rosbelina Buzo Ward, Denise Buzo Rodriguez, Elyana Buzo Rodriguez, Aaron Rodriguez, Tyson Rodriguez, Nikolas Rodriguez, Tolentino Buzo, Zoie Valencia, Aidan Buzo, Natalia Buzo and Miguel Valencia. He is also survived by 6 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his first grandchild, Juan Lorenzana (1973 – 2016); his father, Jesus Buzo (approx. 1900 – 1936); his mother, Raquel Rodriguez Ortega (1909 – 1989), and by his brothers Albino and Jesus Buzo (deaths approx. between 1933 - 1939).

Jesus was born on April 22, 1931 to Raquel Rodriguez and Jesus Buzo in the village of La Cañada de Caracheo, Cortazar, Guanajuato, Mexico. Jesus was the eldest of three boys. By the time Jesus reached the age of 8, he lost his father and both brothers.

In the late 1940s, Jesus joined the Bracero Program and began his life in the US. His first stop was Jackson, Mississippi. He then moved

from state to state to meet the labor needs of the agricultural industry. The work was difficult and the conditions were downright deplorable, but he persevered and worked hard to make a life for himself here. He became fluent in English and taught himself math skills that would make anyone believe that he had graduated high school (though he only had a 2nd-grade education). In the 50s, he met the love of his life at a dance being held at the San Jose Civic Auditorium (where Perez Prado and his Orchestra were performing). Jesus said that at first, Nellie rejected his offer to dance, but he persisted, asking her two more times that night before she finally said yes - a fateful yes that led to a 65-year marriage filled with the truest of love. In time, they began a family and Jesus worked to make sure they were always taken care of.

Jesus left fieldwork behind, working for 10 years at General Motors in Fremont, before eventually starting his own trucking business. He was in the trucking business for 30 years. He proudly became an American Citizen in 1992. Relishing in his civic duty as a citizen, he never missed an election in 30 years.

After serious health issues, Nellie pleaded with Jesus to retire. He reluctantly retired at age 75. He spent the majority of his remaining 15 years living peacefully in San Diego, with his wife and close to their baby daughter’s family. He doted on his wife and his youngest daughter’s family until the effects of Alzheimer’s began to set in. Even with advanced Alzheimer’s,

he neither forgot the village from which he came nor the first time he met Nellie all those years ago.

Throughout his life’s hardships, the death of his father and brothers by age 8, back-breaking work as an immigrant, congestive heart failure, laryngeal and skin cancer, sudden advanced Alzheimer’s, Jesus remained the most jovial and content human you’d ever want to meet. You would never know the hardship he had been through because he was just so happy to be where he was, here and now, surrounded by the family and pets that he adored and listening to his beloved Rock n’ Roll.

The family will be holding a viewing and celebration of life on Tuesday, December 28, 2021. The viewing will start at 10:00 am and the celebration of life memorial service will start at 11:00 am. The viewing and memorial service will be held at Berge Pappas Smith; Chapel of the Angels, 40842 Fremont Boulevard Fremont, CA 94538. Following the services, the family would like to invite guests to a luncheon at a location to be announced following the services.

Burial to follow on December 29 at Noon at the Irvington Memorial Cemetery in Fremont, CA. Jesus will be laid to rest alongside his father-in-law, Jose Alfredo Rodelo (1916 - 1977), and his son-in-law, John D. Arteaga (1957 - 2021).

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Jesus’ honor to JW House in Santa Clara or the ASPCA.



## Fremont Police Log

SUBMITTED BY YANNETH CONTRADA, FREMONT PD

### Monday, December 13

• At about 10:06 p.m. an elderly woman in her car in the parking lot of 7-Eleven, 4193 Central Ave. was accosted by two females who took the vehicle and left her behind. A short time later, CHP located the vehicle abandoned on the northbound I-880 ramp at Thornton Avenue. The incident is being investigated as a carjacking.

### Tuesday, December 14

• At about 11:00 a.m. employees at CVS, 46445 Mission Blvd. confronted a man inside the store who was acting suspiciously. The man threatened to "shank" an employee and pulled out a knife that had been clipped to his front pocket. The suspect, identified by police as Rakim McKenzie, 44, was arrested on suspicion of brandishing a weapon.

• At about 2:20 p.m. officers located a stolen vehicle at the Arco gas station, 43500 Grimmer Blvd. and made a high-risk vehicle stop. A man, identified by police as Michael Bullock, 35, was arrested on suspicion of auto theft.

• At about 8:08 p.m. a catalytic convertor theft attempt occurred at the Stevenson Place Apartments, 4141 Stevenson Blvd. A witness was able to take a video of the suspect who was later identified. A warrant was issued for the suspect, later identified by police as Robert Lee, 29. He was arrested by an outside law enforcement agency on suspicion of theft.

### Wednesday, December 15

• At about 6:32 p.m. officers responded to an active fight at a Union 76 gas station, 4190 Mowry Ave. Upon arrival officers located two suspects, later identified by police as Ronnie Choate, 24, and Christopher Boscano, 41, both of Oakland. It was determined a robbery had occurred inside the business and an employee was involved in an altercation with the two suspects who were arrested on suspicion of robbery.

### Friday, December 17

• At about 12:48 p.m. officers located a stolen vehicle in the parking lot of Target, 39201 Fremont Blvd. A high-risk traffic stop was made and a woman, identified by police as Maria Posada-Valderrama, 30, of Mountain View was arrested on suspicion of auto theft.

## Newark Police Log

SUBMITTED BY NEWARK PD

### Thursday, December 2

• At 5:44 p.m. officers responded to a report of a vehicular hit and run in the area of Cedar Boulevard and Thornton Avenue. Upon arrival, officers located and arrested a 24-year-old Hayward man on suspicion of hit and run driving and driving without a license. He was booked at Santa Rita Jail.

### Friday, December 3

• At 11:43 p.m. Community Services Officer Lau investigated a report about a burglary to a vehicle in the 5000 block of Mowry Ave. While checking the area, Lau located 11 backpacks that appear to have been dumped and is working on identifying and contacting the property owners.

### Saturday, December 4

• At 11:19 p.m. Officer Riddles made a vehicle enforcement stop in the 5000 block of Thornton Ave. While waiting for assistance from another officer, the driver fled the traffic stop at a high rate of speed. Officers are conducting investigative follow up.

### Sunday, December 5

• At 3:56 a.m. officers responded to a report of a person causing a disturbance and making criminal threats the 4000 block of Windermere Dr. Officers developed a tactical plan and approached the location and contacted people at the location and learned the suspect had fled the area prior to their arrival. The incident is still under investigation.

• At 4:06 a.m. officer Herrera investigated four vehicle burglaries that occurred in the 35000 block of Dumbarton Ct.

### Thursday, December 9

• At 3:45 p.m. Officer Arroyo responded to a trespassing report in the 7000 block of Thornton Ave. Upon arrival, Arroyo arrested a 29-year-old man on suspicion of trespassing. He was booked at Santa Rita Jail.

### Friday, December 10

• At 1:56 p.m. officers responded to a report of in-progress vandalism in the area of Newark Boulevard and Bellhaven Avenue. Officer Soto tried to contact a 27-year-old suspect, who did not respond to his commands. The reporting party declined persecution, but the suspect was arrested on suspicion of obstructing a peace officer and was booked at Santa Rita Jail.

### Sunday, December 12

• At 7:54 p.m. officers Riddles and Swadener investigated nine auto burglaries that occurred in the 38000 block of Cedar Blvd.

• At 11:34 p.m. officers responded to a report of a disturbance in the 37000 block of Spruce St. Upon arrival, a 40-year-old woman fled on foot from officers. After a short foot pursuit, officers caught up to her and arrested her on suspicion of public intoxication and resisting arrest. She was booked at Santa Rita Jail.

## CHP Log

SUBMITTED BY CHP HAYWARD

### Wednesday, December 22

• At about 11:10 a.m. CHP responded to a report about a crash on southbound I-880 north of the Stevenson Boulevard exit in Fremont. Officers determined four vehicles were involved in the crash. The driver of one vehicle died at the scene and a passenger was taken to a hospital for treatment of injuries. It was not immediately determined if drugs or alcohol were factors in the incident. The identity of the driver who died was not immediately released. An investigation is continuing. Anyone with information is asked to call the Hayward CHP office at (510) 489-1500.

## Police: Stolen Ohio bridge found, man facing theft charge

### AP WIRE SERVICE

A 58-foot-long (18-meter) pedestrian bridge stolen from an Ohio city last month has been found and a man is facing charges, police said.

Akron police said investigators acting on tips and other information Friday afternoon found the missing span partially disassembled on property in Sharon Township in neighboring Medina County. A man has been arrested and charged with felony theft, police said.

The Akron bridge, described as a Lego-like structure, once crossed a river in Akron's Middlebury Run Park near Goodyear's world headquarters. It was taken down in 2003-04 as

part of a wetland restoration project and was stored on park property with plans for it to be reused for a Battered Women's shelter project.

Police discovered on Nov. 3 that someone had removed the treated deck boards of the 10-foot-wide (3-meter-wide), 6-foot-tall (2-meter-tall) structure. On Nov. 11, they found that the metal frame had been taken.

A 63-year-old man was charged with felony theft, according to Akron police and court records. Authorities allege that he paid a trucking company for crane service and the firm picked up the bridge and took it to Medina County.

The suspect was scheduled for arraignment later this week in Akron Municipal Court. An official said Monday he has no attorney yet; listed phone numbers for him were not in service.

The bridge is expected to be shipped back to Akron in coming days, police said.

## BART Police Log

SUBMITTED BY LES MENSINGER AND BART PD

### Saturday, December 18

• At 8:14 a.m. a person identified by police as Jontori Lee, 27, of Berkeley was arrested at Hayward station on suspicion of arson. Lee was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

• At 9:33 a.m. a woman identified by police as Tippy Thornton, 56, of Hayward was arrested at Hayward station on suspicion of battering the station agent and on outstanding warrants. She was issued a prohibition order and booked into Santa Rita Jail.

• At 5:06 p.m. a man identified by police as Frank Coleman, 37, of San Francisco, was arrested at San Leandro station on suspicion of being out of compliance with transient registration rules, probation violation and resisting arrest. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

• At 5:56 p.m. a man identified by police as David James, 39, of Oakland was detained at Fremont station on suspicion of fare evasion.

A record check showed an outstanding warrant. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

### Monday, December 20

• At 7:29 a.m. a man identified by police as Diondre Stewart, 27, of Oakland was arrested at San Leandro station on a no bail warrant charging robbery. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

### Tuesday, December 21

• At 6:50 p.m. a man identified by police as Jason Handy, 39, was arrested at Warm Springs/South Fremont station on suspicion of threatening a train operator and public intoxication. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

### Wednesday, December 22

• At 5:47 p.m. a man identified by police as Michael Bechere, 39, of Hayward was stopped at Hayward station on suspicion of fare evasion. A record check showed at \$180,000 warrant issued from Alameda County. He was arrested and booked at Santa Rita Jail.

### Wednesday, December 23

• At 6:30 a.m. a man identified by police as Melvin Monk, 32, of Oakland was detained in the parking structure at Hayward station. A record check showed an outstanding warrant. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

### LETTERS POLICY

The Tri-City Voice welcomes letters to the editor. Letters must be signed and include an address and daytime telephone number. Only the writer’s name will be published. Letters that are 350 words or fewer will be given preference. Letters are subject to editing for length, grammar and style.

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Sharing our culture and history in the Tri-Cities and surrounding area Meetings: Third Saturday Except Dec, Feb, June, July 5:30pm Newark Library 510-793-8181 [aachstricity.org](mailto:aachstricity.org) Welcome!

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A Center for Positive Living Rev. Donna Caldwell invites all people to attend our 11:00 a.m. Sunday Services 20121 Santa Maria Ave., Castro Valley For classes & other activities 510/538-1416 [www.unitycv.org](http://www.unitycv.org)

A-1 Comm. Housing Svcs. A HUD Approved Agency **Credit and Money Mgmt. Workshop** Presented on Zoom For dates, go to our website Please register at [www.a1chs.org](http://www.a1chs.org) call 510.674.9227

### Are you troubled by someone else's drinking?

Al-Anon and Alateen Family Groups are here to help! Al-anon has but one purpose, to help families and friends of Alcoholics. We have Zoom meetings during the Shelter in Place. For a full meeting list, please visit <http://alanond17@weebly.com> You can also email [easyduz@gmail.com](mailto:easyduz@gmail.com) or call us at 510.276.2270 for more info.

**ARE YOU LOOKING TO IMPROVE YOUR PUBLIC SPEAKING SKILLS? Grow as a leader? Build your confidence? Newark Toastmasters can help** It's FREE to attend via Zoom Every Tuesday 7am - 8:0am Info: [wmfitts@yahoo.com](mailto:wmfitts@yahoo.com) [proficka@gmail.com](mailto:proficka@gmail.com) [www.1118.toastmastersclubs.org](http://www.1118.toastmastersclubs.org)

### FREMONT COIN CLUB

Established 1971 Meets 2nd & 4th Tues 7pm At the Fremont Elks Lodge 38991 Farwell Dr., Fremont Guests Always Welcome, Enjoy Show N Tells, Drawings Auction, Refreshments [www.fremontcoinclub.org](http://www.fremontcoinclub.org) 510-366-1365

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2950 WASHINGTON BLVD, FREMONT,CA

We welcome you and your family into the life of Fremont First, regardless of your skin color, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental capacity, religious background, family configuration, economic means or immigrations status. Check out our website: [www.firstchurchfremont.org](http://www.firstchurchfremont.org) See our website to meet us on Zoom

### The Friendship Force of the San Francisco Bay Area

Experience a country and its culture with local hosts; meet global visitors. African guests in 2022 Travel to Aust/NZ in 2022 **Enjoy our many Bay Area events.** [www.ffsfb.org](http://www.ffsfb.org) [www.thefriendshipforce.org](http://www.thefriendshipforce.org) Call 510-363-0531

### A-1 Comm. Housing Svcs. A HUD Approved Agency

**1st Time Home Buyers Workshop** Presented on ZOOM Learn the process of homeownership. Down Payment Assistance Please register [www.a1chs.org](http://www.a1chs.org) or call 510.674.9227

### SAN LEANDRO HISTORICAL RAILWAY SOCIETY

is open to the public each Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm. Located at 1302 Orchard Ave, San Leandro, Ca. Outdoor & indoor model trains will be in operation. Information: Eugene 510 963-2965 Model train donations: Bob 510 566-3499

# Table Tennis Camps

## SUBMITTED BY ICC TABLE TENNIS CENTER

India Community Center Table Tennis is accepting registrations for all levels of players for Table Tennis Winter Camps. Camp will take place from January 3-7 and will be divided into entry/intermediate and advanced levels.

Entry/intermediate camp is from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, for players 5-14 years old.

Entry/intermediate level: At any age, basics are important. Hand-eye coordination and basic drills will be part of this camp. It's equally important for kids to enjoy the sport, so fun will be the focus.

Advance level camps are from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, for players six and older. Players of the same level will be combined in this camp to promote healthy competitive atmosphere.

Advanced level: This camp is meant for tournament/league players of any level who have learned the basics, but have yet to hone their rallying and consistency skills. Many new strokes will be added to their arsenal in this camp, such as, approach shots, serve returns and net game. This session will start with drills aiming at stroke perfection, footwork and positioning followed by matches or match-like situations. Tactical, equipment tips and fitness will also be a part of this class.

### Table Tennis Camps

Monday, Jan 3 – Friday, Jan 7

Registration deadline: Sunday, January 2

Beginner Level  
9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Non-members \$349; members \$339  
Advance Level  
3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
Registration \$300

Table Tennis Sports Center  
1507 N. Milpitas Blvd.  
[www.indiacc.org/tabletennis](http://www.indiacc.org/tabletennis)  
[sports@indiacc.org](mailto:sports@indiacc.org)





## PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CITY OF FREMONT  
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF FREMONT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL. SAID PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY AT 3:00 P.M., ON TUESDAY, JANUARY, 18, 2022, AT WHICH TIME ALL PARTIES AND INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE VIA TELECONFERENCE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(E) (ASSEMBLY BILL 361). INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING BY TELECONFERENCE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON THE MEETING AGENDA POSTED ONLINE AT [WWW.FREMONT.GOV/429/ZONING-ADMINISTRATOR-HEARINGS](http://WWW.FREMONT.GOV/429/ZONING-ADMINISTRATOR-HEARINGS) AT LEAST THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

**MATHNASIUM – 39650 Liberty Street, Suite 160 – PLN2021-00417** - To consider a Zoning Administrator Permit to allow the establishment of an educational tutoring facility within an existing multi-tenant office building located in the City Center Community Plan Area, and to consider a finding that the project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities.

Project Planner – Hang Zhou, (510) 494-4545, [hzhou@fremont.gov](mailto:hzhou@fremont.gov)

\* NOTICE \*

If you challenge the decision of the Zoning Administrator in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Zoning Administrator at, or prior to, the public hearing.

CLIFFORD NGUYEN  
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



CNSB 3540167

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CITY OF FREMONT  
PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FREMONT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL. THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD VIA A TELECONFERENCE ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M. THIS PUBLIC HEARING WILL NOT BE HELD IN-PERSON. A PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE LOCATION WILL NOT BE PROVIDED FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. THE CITY HAS DEEMED IT NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO LIMIT THE ATTENDANCE OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES TO PREVENT OR MITIGATE THE EFFECTS OF CORONAVIRUS 2019 (COVID-19). ACCORDINGLY, SAID PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE AND MADE ACCESSIBLE TELEPHONICALLY OR OTHERWISE ELECTRONICALLY TO IMPOSE AND PROMOTE SOCIAL DISTANCING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(E) (ASSEMBLY BILL 361). INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING BY TELECONFERENCE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON THE MEETING AGENDA POSTED ONLINE AT [FREMONT.GOV/PLANNINGCOMMISSION](http://FREMONT.GOV/PLANNINGCOMMISSION) AT LEAST THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

**GUADALUPE PARISH – 41933 Blacow Road – PLN2021-00176** - To consider a Tentative Parcel Map and Conditional Use Permit Amendment to split one parcel into two parcels, with one containing all existing church facilities and the other containing only excess vacant land, at 41933 Blacow Road in the Irvington Community Plan Area; and to consider exemptions from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to, without limitation, CEQA Guidelines Section 15315, Minor Land Divisions; CEQA Guidelines Sections 15104, Minor Alterations to Land; and CEQA Guidelines Section 15181, in that the project is consistent with the general plan and zoning. Each of the foregoing provides a separate and independent basis for CEQA compliance.

Project Planner – Courtney Pal, (510) 494-4532, [cpal@fremont.gov](mailto:cpal@fremont.gov)

\* NOTICE \*

If you challenge the decision of the Planning Commission in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

JOEL PULLEN, AICP, SECRETARY  
FREMONT PLANNING COMMISSION



CNSB #3541086

## CIVIL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 21CV003780

Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA  
Petition of: JAGDEV SINGH ALIAS JOGDEB SINGH for Change of Name  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
Petitioner JAGDEV SINGH ALIAS JOGDEB SINGH filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
JAGDEV SINGH ALIAS JOGDEB SINGH to JAGDEV SINGH

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

Notice of Hearing:  
Date: 01/21/2022, Time: 11:00 A.M., Dept.: 17, Room: N/A  
The address of the court is 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: TRI CITY VOICE  
Date: NOVEMBER 22, 2021  
DESAUTELS  
Judge of the Superior Court  
12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-353959#

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 21CV000357

Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA  
Petition of: for Change of Name  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
Petitioner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
NOAH WALKER to NOAH FARRER

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

Notice of Hearing:  
Date: 02/04/2022, Time: 8:00 A.M., Dept.: 17, Room: N/A  
The address of the court is 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: WHAT'S HAPPENING TRI CITY VOICE  
Date: OCTOBER 19, 2021  
JUDGE DESAUTELS  
Judge of the Superior Court  
12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3539071#

AMENDED ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 21CV003383

Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA  
Petition of: NISAR AHMAD for Change of Name  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
Petitioner NISAR AHMAD filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
NISAR AHMAD TO NISAR AHMAD AHMADI  
FNU MADINA TO MADINA AHMADI  
FNU MASHA TO MASHA AHMADI  
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may

grant the petition without a hearing.  
Notice of Hearing:  
Date: 01/21/2022, Time: 11:00 A.M., Dept.: 17, Room: N/A  
The address of the court is 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: WHAT'S HAPPENING TRI CITY VOICE  
Date: DECEMBER 2, 2021  
JUDGE DESAUTELS  
Judge of the Superior Court  
12/14, 12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4/22

CNS-3536324#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAMESFICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 5845075  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**FREMONT INDUSTRIAL BUSINESS CENTER, 5486 JONATHAN DR., NEWARK, CA 94560**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
G.D. OVERAA, 200 PARR BLVD., RICHMOND, CA 94801  
G.D. OVERAA GRANDCHILDREN TRUST, TRUSTEE 1976, 200 PARR BLVD, RICHMOND, CA 94801  
G.D. OVERAA FAMILY TRUST TRUSTEE 1976, 680 BASILICA CT, SUISUN CITY, CA 94585  
Business conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1981

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ GERALD D OVERAA  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on DEC 15, 2021

NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11, 1/18/22

CNS-3541679#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584879  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**THE CLEAN BEE, 4249 BAINE AVE., FREMONT, CA 94536**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
RAEHEL TAYLOR MORGAN 4249 BAINE AVE., FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA  
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11-11-2021  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ RAEHEL MORGAN  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on DEC 08, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be

**Saturday  
JAN 8<sup>TH</sup>  
2022**

Community participation is available via Zoom on  
January 08, 2021, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. here:  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87666408030>

You may join the Committee Meeting via Zoom by calling  
1-669-900-6833 and entering access code 876 6640 8030.  
Dial \*9 to raise your hand when you wish to speak, and  
dial \*6 to unmute when you are requested to speak.

Questions? Contact the District Secretary's Office at  
(510) 464-6080 or by email at [Redistricting@bart.gov](mailto:Redistricting@bart.gov).

For more Redistricting information please visit us on the  
BART website at [www.bart.gov/redistricting](http://www.bart.gov/redistricting)

BART provides service/accommodations upon request to persons with disabilities and individuals who are limited English proficient who wish to address Committee matters. A request must be made within one and five days in advance of Board/Committee meetings, depending on the service requested. Please contact the Office of the District Secretary at (510) 464-6083 for information.

## SAVE THE DATE!

BART Invites The Community To Provide Input  
On The Redistricting Of It's Nine BART Districts.



Bay Area  
Rapid Transit

## Agenda:

- ☐ Q&A Discussion
- ☐ Presentation of Draft BART Districts

- Mapping Tools
- Draft Maps
- Redistricting Information

filed before the expiration.  
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12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11, 1/18/22

CNS-3541678#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584483  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**EL GALLO MAINTENANCE, 410 BLOSSOM WAY, HAYWARD, CA 94541**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
ANTONIO VILLEGAS-MOSQUEDA, 410 BLOSSOM WAY, HAYWARD, CA 94541  
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11/1/2021  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ ANTONIO VILLEGAS-MOSQUEDA  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on NOVEMBER 22, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3539601#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584486  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**EXOTIC NAILS, 6251 JARVIS AVE., NEWARK, CA 94560**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
EXOTIC NAILS & BEAUTY LLC, 6251 JARVIS AVE., NEWARK, CA 94560 (CALIFORNIA)  
Business conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 09/20/2021  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ NHUNG C. TRAN  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on NOVEMBER 22, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3539070#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584569  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**MERCY MAIDS, 3442 SCHOOL STREET, OAKLAND, CA 94602**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
MEHERET T. TADES, 3442 SCHOOL STREET, APT #4, OAKLAND, CA 94602  
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on NOVEMBER 29, 2021  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ MEHERET T. TADES  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on NOVEMBER 29, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3539069#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584927  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**SOUSA'S DISCOUNT FOOD & LIQUORS, 1584 WASHINGTON BLVD., FREMONT, CA 94539**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
PREM MOKTAN, 636 UNIVERSITY ST, HEALDSBURG, CA 95448  
BIDHYA MOKTAN GIRI, 636 UNIVERSITY ST, HEALDSBURG, CA 95448  
Business conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ PREM MOKTAN  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on DECEMBER 9, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28/21

CNS-3535153#

12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3537917#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584607  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**MINIVOLLEY CORPORATION, 12 SNYDER WAY, FREMONT, CA 94536**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
MINIVOLLEY CORPORATION, 12 SNYDER WAY, FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA  
Business conducted by: A CORPORATION  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ MINIVOLLEY CORPORATION, DAT HABA  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on NOV 30, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
12/14, 12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4/22

CNS-3537102#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584682  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**SHOP SHEET, 350 MAIN ST, STE H 10, PLEASANTON, CA 94566**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
JOY PRATT, 2063 MAIN ST #307, OAKLEY, CA 94561  
IMRAN ABBASS, 1171 FRUITWOOD CT., TRACY, CA 95371  
Business conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 12-1-2021  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ JOY PRATT  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on DEC 01, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.  
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12/14, 12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4/22

CNS-3535856#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584360  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**NEW LIFE SKILLS CENTER / FAYETH GARDENS, 25391 CAMPUS DR., HAYWARD, CA 94542**, County of ALAMEDA  
MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 924, SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577  
Registrant(s):  
VELDA GOE, 25391 CAMPUS DR., HAYWARD, CA 94542  
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ VELDA GOE  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on NOV 12, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28/21

CNS-3535154#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584478  
Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**TMT GOODS, 39257 MARBELLA TERRAZA, FREMONT, CA 94538**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
MEHJESA AHMEE OH, 39257 MARBELLA TERRAZA, FREMONT, CA 94538  
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ MELISSA OH  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on NOV 22, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28/21

CNS-3535153#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 584565

Fictitious Business Name(s):  
**PUTT DQ CONSULTING, 4372 NAGLE WAY, FREMONT, CA 94536**, County of ALAMEDA  
Registrant(s):  
BRIAN HOLLIS PUTT, 4372 NAGLE WAY, FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA  
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on SEPTEMBER 2021  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)  
/s/ BRIAN HOLLIS PUTT  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on NOV 29, 2021  
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28/21

CNS-3535149#

## GOVERNMENT

NOTICE OF INTENT  
TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE  
DECLARATION FOR THE PROPOSED  
ALAMEDA RESERVOIR IMPROVEMENT  
PROJECT IN THE CITY OF FREMONT

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and the "Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970" as amended to date, this is to advise you that the Alameda County Water District (ACWD) has prepared a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Alameda Reservoir Improvement Project (Project). The Project is located at 585 Shoshone Court, in the City of Fremont, Alameda County, California.

The purpose of the Project is to replace the roof and roof framing system and seismically upgrade the Alameda Reservoir (reservoir). The proposed work includes roof replacement, replacement of the reservoir's valve stem extension, installation of a new forced air ventilation system, and installation of new ventilation and interior lighting. The construction window for the Project is September 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023.

The Draft IS/MND is available for public review and may be viewed online at:  
<https://www.acwd.org/DocumentCenter/View/4246/ACWD-Alameda-Reservoir-Draft-IS/MND>

The 30-day public review period is from December 23, 2021, through January 22, 2022.



PUBLIC NOTICES

ndependent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 01/31/22 at 9:45AM n Dept. 202 located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WAY, BERKELEY, CA 34704

**MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE:** The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk n the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first ssuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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BSC 220989  
12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3541295#

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: RUTHANN BAKER AKA RUTHANN BAKKER**  
**CASE NO. RP21118272**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of RUTHANN BAKER AKA RUTHANN BAKKER.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by REBECCA BAKKER in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that REBECCA BAKKER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 01/31/22 at 9:45AM n Dept. 202 located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WAY, BERKELEY, CA 34704

**MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE:** The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk n the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first ssuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority

may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner  
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9048 BROOKS ROAD S NO 101  
WINDSOR CA 95492  
BSC 220988  
12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3541188#

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GARY JAMES LAND**  
**CASE NO. RP21118286**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: GARY JAMES LAND  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by DAVID HANKS in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA. The Petition for Probate requests that DAVID HANKS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on JANUARY 31, 2022 at 9:45 A.M. in Dept. 202 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704.

**MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE:** The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: TRACY S. REGLI,  
ACUNA REGLI, 3478 BUSKIRK AVE.,  
STE. 300, PLEASANT HILL, CA 94523,  
Telephone: 925-906-1880  
12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3540893#

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ANNIE MAE AGBAGLO**  
**CASE NO. RP21118356**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: ANNIE MAE AGBAGLO  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by JULIE MENACK in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA. The Petition for Probate requests that JULIE MENACK be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The Petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions,

however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on 1/31/2022 at 9:45 A.M. in Dept. 202 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704.

**MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE:** The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: JONATHAN T. THOMPSON, 1615 BONANZA STREET, SUITE 305, WALNUT CREEK, CA 94596, Telephone: 925-935-5566  
12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3540383#

**NOTICE OF HEARING - GUARDIANSHIP OR CONSERVATORSHIP**  
**CASE NUMBER PH015084**

CONSERVATORSHIP OF THE PERSON OF DAVID ERIC BROWN

1. NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT: ROGER L. BROWN HAS FILED FOR APPOINTMENT OF PROBATE CONSERVATOR OF THE PERSON OF DAVID ERIC BROWN FOR SUCCESSOR CONSERVATORS.

2. YOU MAY REFER TO DOCUMENTS ON FILE IN THIS PROCEEDING FOR MORE INFORMATION.

3. THE PETITION INCLUDES AN APPLICATION FOR THE INDEPENDENT EXERCISE OF POWERS BY A GUARDIAN OR CONSERVATOR UNDER PROBATE CODE SECTION 2590.

4. A HEARING ON THE MATTER WILL BE HELD

DATE: 04/14/2022 TIME: 9:30 A.M. DEPT.: 202  
2121 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704

**MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE:** The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

VONNAH M BACHER, ESQ.  
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2777 ALVARADO STREET, SUITE E  
SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577  
510-351-5345  
12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3540126#

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JEAN THERESE GISLER AKA JEAN T. GISLER AKA JEAN GISLER**  
**CASE NO. RP21118140**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: JEAN THERESE GISLER AKA JEAN T. GISLER AKA JEAN GISLER

A Petition for Probate has been filed by JOE C. BETCHART in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.

The Petition for Probate requests that JOE C. BETCHART be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The Petition requests LIMITED authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice

or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on JANUARY 12, 2022 at 9:45 A.M. in Dept. 202 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94607.

**MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE:** The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: JEFFERY LEVI / KEVIN RODRIGUEZ, WENDEL ROSEN LLP, 1111 BROADWAY, 24TH FLOOR, OAKLAND, CA 94607, Telephone: 510-834-6600  
12/21, 12/28/21, 1/4/22

CNS-3538662#

**NOTICE OF AMENDED PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF SARA SALCIDO ACUNA AKA SARA S. ACUNA AKA SARA S. BEVACQUA**  
**CASE NO. RP21112387**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: SARA SALCIDO ACUNA AKA SARA S. ACUNA AKA SARA S. BEVACQUA

AN AMENDED Petition for Probate has been filed by GLORIA ACUNA in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.

The AMENDED Petition for Probate requests that GLORIA ACUNA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The AMENDED Petition requests the decedent's LOST will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on 01/06/2022 at 2:00 P.M. in Dept. 201 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704.

**MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE:**The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first

issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner: GLORIA ACUNA, 39676 BRUNING STREET, FREMONT, CA 94538, Telephone: 510-490-5334  
12/14, 12/21, 12/28/21

CNS-3537899#

TRUSTEE SALES

T.S. No. 17-20453-SP-CA Title No. 170449915-CA-VOI A.P.N. 475 -0179-073-01 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 07/19/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, (cashier's check(s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation), drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Kirnbir Singh Grewal and Birinder Kaur Grewal, husband and wife as joint tenants Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation Recorded 08/03/2006 as Instrument No. 2007, regarding title, possession and re-recorded 08/13/2019 as Instrument No. 2019156199 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Alameda County, CA. Date of Sale: 01/25/2022 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the Fallon Street entrance to the County Courthouse, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, CA 94612 Estimated amount of unpaid principal and interest: \$1,068,966.31 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 2128 Sunspire Dr Union City, CA 94587 A.P.N.: 475 -0179-073-01 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)(2923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property, then, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call or visit this Internet Web site www.ndscorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 17-20453-SP-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 12/17/2021 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany & Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 820 San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 855-219-8501; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com By: Rachael Hamilton, Trustee Sales Representative 12/28/2021, 01/04/2022, 01/11/2022 CPP351804  
12/28/21, 1/4, 1/11/22

CNS-3540320#

Track and field holiday giving

SUBMITTED BY LEE WEBB

Mission Valley Track and Field Club is a non-profit organization based in Union City that trains people all ages and abilities.

The club also serves seniors, youth, war veterans, special Olympians, para-Olympians, and Olympians in need. During the holiday season we are giving back to these groups in need. We are looking for donations and any information on groups in need that would benefit from these donations.

Welcomed donations include:

- Clothes – all sizes and types
- Gift baskets

- Bedding – blankets, pillows
- Books, educational items

- Towles, washcloths
- Toys – new and used

- Food for Christmas meals
- Sports equipment

- Gift certificates/gift cards

Cooking utensils

- Toiletries

Please submit donations by January 1. For further information, contact Lee Webb at (510) 304-7172.



Mission Valley Track and Field holiday giving

Deadline: Jan 1  
(510) 304-7172

Missionvalleytrackandfield.com

lwebb@nhusd.k12.ca.us



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It's Safe to see your  
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