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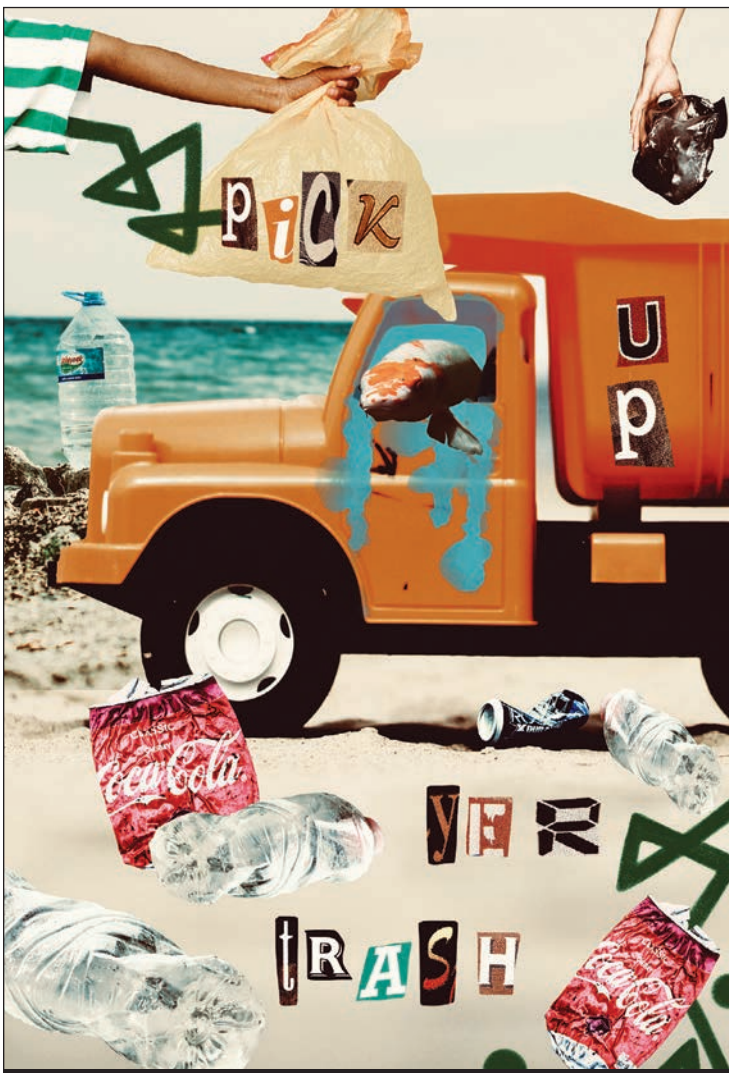
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Sun Gallery Presents Climate Change Exhibit

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Sun Gallery's 10th Annual Environmental Show "Climate Change: RE-Imagined" opened on January 27, and will run until March 18, 2023. Over 25 participating artists are in this year's exhibit, from Hayward, the Bay Area, and beyond.

Director Dorsi Diaz, a former climate change reporter for nine years with the SF Examiner, was very pleased with the turnout. "I am heartened to see so many creative activists, artists, writers, and the community coming together to learn more ways to and adapt to climate change... What we need now is a global effort to rapidly bring down emissions, and the employment of any and all feasible solutions. We need a concentrated national response like what happened in World War II, with everyone working together. It's an all-hands-on-deck movement for humanity, right now. Not tomorrow, but today. It's time to "RE-Imagine" our future."

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High schooler earns his wings



BY MADHIKA SINGH
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"Aviation is proof that given the will, we have the capacity to achieve the impossible."
- Eddie Rickenbacker

The ability to roam freely in skies like birds has eluded humans despite all the progress we have made, but flying a plane yourself comes pretty close. "No physical restrictions exist in the sky, and there are no fictitious boundaries or human constructs to obstruct your appreciation of nature or neuter your innate flame of exploration and curiosity," says Abeer Bajpai, a student at American High School in Fremont, who became one of America's youngest licensed pilots on his 17th birthday. An explorer by nature, his head was always in the clouds, yearning for the liberation afforded by flight.

"Since I've learned to walk, I have spent hundreds of hours each year playing mobile flight games and traveling to airports with my parents to spot planes," shared Bajpai. While he couldn't pilot a real plane as a child, Bajpai would compete against himself on a

flight simulator to achieve the smoothest landing possible. "As I grew older, I started to find myself completing flight ground school courses in my free time, and solving mock exams from old textbooks on flying," shared Bajpai.

With time, Bajpai took the next logical step in his journey and started taking flying lessons. "Even with all the knowledge I had accrued throughout my lifelong obsession with aviation, this was a challenging endeavor," he shared. "Pilots are tasked with not only flying the plane (to a very high degree of proficiency standards), but also communicating with air traffic controllers, navigating complex airspace, and constantly monitoring for potential hazards with aircraft systems and in the environment," added Bajpai.

Taking on this complex task and the immense responsibility of flying a plane solo required him to fundamentally alter his teenage brain. "You don't have time to be stressed, you must maintain rationality and determinedly commit to second-by-second, high-stakes decisions to stay afloat. This was the moment I graduated from a

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Local Chinese Dance troupe wows at Golden State Warriors' half time show

SUBMITTED BY CHRISTINA WANG
PHOTOS COURTESY OF LISA PERFORMING ARTS

On January 22, the Golden State Warriors welcomed a new and exciting performance to the Chase Center for their Lunar New Year Special Halftime performance, as a Chinese dance studio made history as the first to debut authentic Chinese dance styles at the arena. The studio, Lisa Performing Arts, brought a unique cultural experience to the game, mesmerizing the crowd with their traditional dance moves, props, and costumes.

The performance featured a diverse range of Chinese dance styles, including the graceful and fluid movements of the ribbon dance, powerful and dynamic handkerchief dance, and mesmerizing and intricate lantern dance. The dancers, dressed in traditional Chinese costumes, captivated the audience with their skillful dance techniques and precise movements.

Principal Lisa Dong and studio director Christina Wang expressed excitement about the opportunity to showcase Chinese culture at such

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Heart Disease Is the Number 1 Killer of U.S. Women

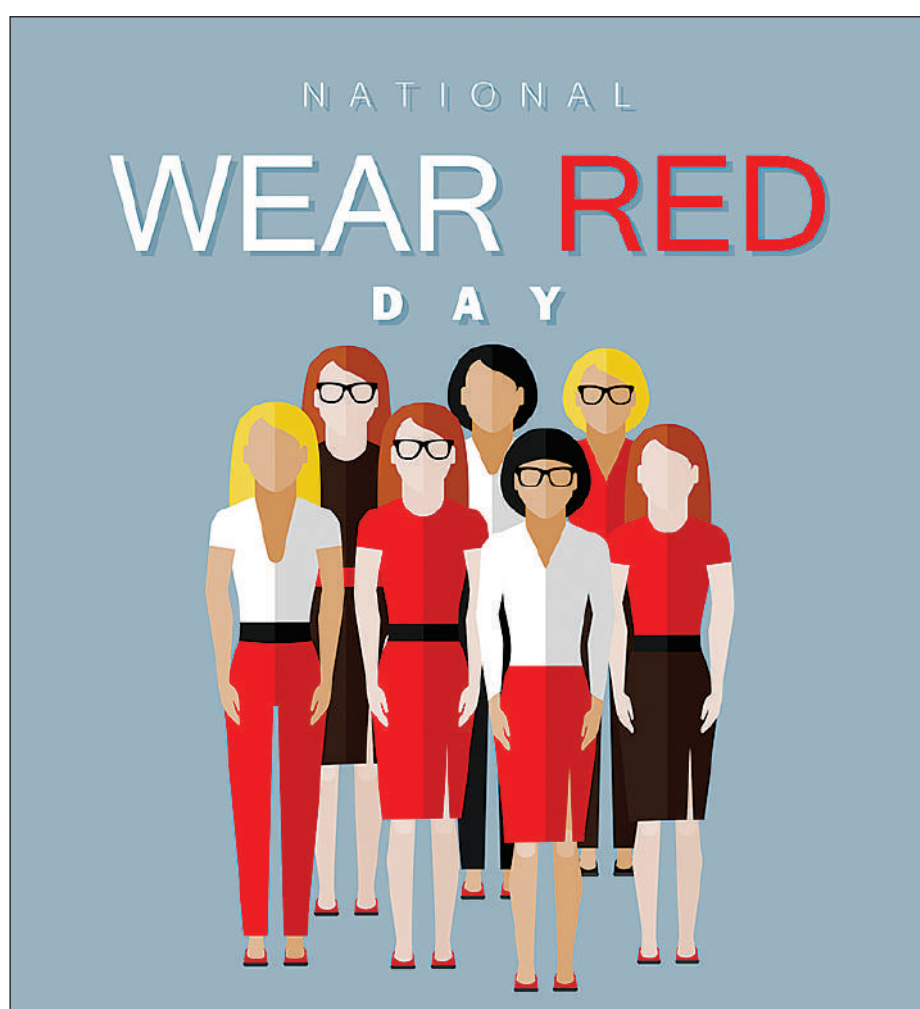
Go Red for Women Day Is February 3

Many people mistakenly assume that heart disease is just a men's health issue. Yet heart disease also ranks as the number one killer of American women. According to the American Heart Association (AHA), heart disease is responsible for more deaths in women than all types of cancer combined, including breast, ovarian, uterine and lung cancer. Unfortunately, many women are not aware of their risk factors for heart disease.

"For the most part, women's risk factors for heart disease are similar to those for men – including age, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, lack of exercise, obesity, diabetes, smoking and a family history of heart disease," says Nowwar Mustafa, MD, an interventional cardiologist with Washington Township Medical Foundation (WTMF). "There are some differences, however. For example, heart disease in women who have not gone through menopause is not as common as it is among men of the same age, perhaps because estrogen provides some protection against heart disease. After menopause, the risk of heart disease in women increases to match that of men."

The AHA notes that in the past, many of the major cardiovascular research studies were conducted on men, which adversely affected the diagnosis and treatment of women with heart disease. Thanks to educational efforts such as the AHA's annual Go Red for Women Day, observed this year on Friday, Feb. 3, women and their physicians are becoming more aware of the impact of heart disease among women. Also, in recent years, increased research on heart disease in women has revealed important differences in women's risks, symptoms and responses to treatments.

While women are not able to control some risk factors such as age, menopause



and family history, risk factors related to lifestyle choices are another matter.

"There are a lot of lifestyle choices that women can make to reduce their risks for heart disease," Dr. Mustafa explains. "Following a healthy diet with reduced saturated fats, getting enough exercise, managing your weight, avoiding smoking and limiting alcoholic beverages are all choices women can make. If a woman has a family history of heart disease, she might want to consider whether those people in her family with heart disease made poor

lifestyle choices and take measures to avoid making those same mistakes."

Dr. Mustafa adds that another "choice" women can make to reduce their risks for heart disease is to see their doctor regularly to monitor their blood pressure, cholesterol levels and blood sugar.

"Early detection of elevated blood pressure, cholesterol and blood sugar is important," he says. "High blood pressure, heart blockages due to cholesterol buildup and diabetes can all be asymptomatic in the early stages. But if those conditions are

diagnosed before they become dangerous, we do have excellent medications and other options for managing those problems."

Women's symptoms of heart disease, including heart attacks, may differ from men's symptoms, too.

"Symptoms of heart disease can be more subtle in women," says Dr. Mustafa. "In the case of a heart attack, for example, women don't always experience the classic symptom of crushing pain in the chest. Instead, they might experience sudden and unusual shortness of breath, as well as profound fatigue and indigestion or heartburn."

Women suffering a heart attack also may experience a range of other symptoms that are seemingly unrelated to heart pain, including:

- Nausea and dizziness
- Pain in the shoulder and upper back
- Atypical pain in the stomach or abdomen
- Cold, sweaty skin and paleness
- Swelling of the ankles or lower legs

"We don't really know why women can have different symptoms of heart disease and heart attacks than men," Dr. Mustafa acknowledges. "The important thing is that if a woman experiences any of these symptoms, or has any sign of chest pain or a sense of an irregular heartbeat, she should consult a physician right away. Women sometimes don't seek treatment, but they shouldn't assume that their symptoms could not be heart-related."

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Education Will Do Your Heart Good

Noted cardiologist will discuss heart-health tips at February seminar

February, the month of heart-shaped Valentines, is also American Heart Health Month – the perfect time to learn more about heart health and get your own heart in shape!

According to the American Heart Association (AHA), cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) – including coronary heart disease (CHD) – were listed as the most common underlying cause of death in the United States in 2019, the latest year for which data is available. That year, CVDs accounted for 874,613 deaths in the U.S., and CHD caused approximately 41.3 percent of those deaths.

“The good news is that a lot of heart disease is preventable, if people follow a healthy lifestyle and keep track of their risks for heart disease,” says Rohit Sehgal, MD, FACC, cardiologist at Washington Township Medical Foundation. “You cannot change inherent risk factors such as your age or family history of heart disease, but you really can control many risk factors associated with lifestyle choices.”

To help people learn more about preventive strategies to improve heart health, Washington Hospital is offering a free seminar featuring Dr. Sehgal on Thursday, Feb. 23. The seminar, “Staying Heart Healthy,” will be presented online through both Facebook and YouTube, beginning at 3 p.m. The seminar will include time for questions from participants.

“At the seminar, I want to provide simple guidance that people can take to heart,” Dr. Sehgal explains. “For example, I will discuss the importance of regular exercise and give the guidelines recommended by the AHA and other experts. In general, those guidelines call for moderate-intensity exercise for at least 30 minutes, roughly five times a week. It’s important to choose a form of exercise you enjoy, so that you will be more likely to continue exercising. As a side benefit, exercise is one of the best antidepressants, and it also helps lower your stress level.”

Dr. Sehgal also will focus the relationship between diet and heart health. “A healthy diet is key to good heart health,” he says. “There are a variety of heart-healthy diets, including the Mediterranean diet, which we can discuss during the seminar. Most food manufacturers have eliminated trans fats from their products, but it is still worth mentioning that trans fats, such as vegetable shortening and some fried fast



foods, are trouble for heart health. We also will talk about fish and poultry that can be part of a heart-healthy diet and ways to limit consumption of highly saturated fats found in red meats. Sugary drinks also are culprits that can contribute to heart disease.”

Regular exercise and a healthy diet also can help reduce additional risk factors – having diabetes and being overweight or obese, according to Dr. Sehgal. One tool for monitoring how well you are maintaining a healthy weight is to use an online body mass index (BMI) measurement. Your BMI involves a calculation based on your height and weight. Some BMI tools, such as the “Smart BMI Calculator” (www.smartbmiccalculator.com/) take additional factors into consideration, such as age, gender, ethnicity and diets.

“Many people have quit smoking over the past several decades, but smoking and use of other tobacco products still constitute a risk to your heart health,” Dr. Sehgal admonishes. “As for ‘vaping,’ it seems to be as addictive if not more so than smoking, and it still could pose a risk for heart disease and other health problems.”

Additional topics Dr. Sehgal will address in the seminar include:

- Scheduling regular checkups at least once a year to monitor risk factors such as blood pressure, blood sugar levels and cholesterol

- Limiting your intake of alcoholic beverages, with guidance as to what levels of consumption are considered “safe”

- Getting enough sleep, since sleep deprivation can increase the risks for heart disease, with recommendations for good “sleep hygiene” habits

- Managing stress, which can be a contributing factor in heart disease

“I believe stress is a contributing factor in heart disease,” Dr. Sehgal explains. “Stress is definitely a factor in older women who suffer Takotsubo cardiomyopathy, also known as ‘broken heart syndrome.’ This condition weakens the left ventricle, the heart’s main pumping chamber, usually as the result of severe emotional or physical stress. The ventricle actually changes shape so that it looks similar to a Tako-Tsubo pot, which is a Japanese fishing pot used to catch octopuses.”

“We also have seen more and more cases of patients dealing with the stress of the COVID-19 pandemic and consequent social isolation,” he adds. “As a result, we have seen a subsequent latent increase in heart disease. We will talk about ways to manage stress to lessen your risks for heart disease.”

Join the Seminar – Learn More

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“The good news is that a lot of heart disease is preventable, if people follow a healthy lifestyle and keep track of their risks for heart disease.”

–Rohit Sehgal, MD

To watch via YouTube, go to youtube.com/whhsInHealth. People attending via Facebook will be able to ask questions directly during the seminar. Those watching on Facebook or YouTube may submit questions in advance to communityoutreach@whhs.com. If you miss the live event, it will be archived and available for viewing within 24 hours on Washington Hospital’s Facebook and YouTube pages.

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The Rhode Island Department of Health says it was not able "to definitively confirm or refute the presence of Santa" in a young girl's home after she requested to have a partially eaten cookie and a couple of gnawed-on carrot sticks tested for DNA to see if Santa Claus is real.

The department tweeted on Jan. 23 that "we all agree that something magical may be at play."

The department said it found no complete matches to anyone in the Combined DNA Index System but said there was a partial match "to a 1947 case centered around 34th Street in New York City," referring to the movie "Miracle on 34th Street." It said it would need more DNA samples "from other known Santa encounters to make a definitive match."

The "good news" is that the lab did find the presence of DNA closely matching Rangifer tarandus, known as reindeer, when testing the carrots, the department said.

The girl, a Cumberland resident, had sent the cookie and carrot sticks to the town's police department to ask if they can be tested for DNA, Chief Matthew Benson said on Jan. 20. Benson forwarded the "evidence" to the state's Department of Health-Forensic Sciences unit for analysis.

American Library Association gets \$5.5 million Mellon grant

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The American Library Association has received a \$5.5 million grant from the Mellon Foundation that it will use in part to counter the surge in book banning over the past two years.

"At a time when libraries and librarians are facing immense pressure and scrutiny, it is affirming and deeply meaningful to have the support of community champions like the Mellon Foundation, who understand our plight and are willing to invest in our mission," ALA President Lessa Pelayo-Lozada said in a statement Jan. 24.

"This transformational gift will enable ALA to expand its existing programs and establish new initiatives to better serve librarians and communities

across the nation," Pelayo-Lozada added. The ALA also plans to expand its scholarships and other programs for librarians of color and broaden efforts to increase literacy among adults.

"Libraries remain among the country's largest providers of adult basic education, literacy, and digital access and instruction," ALA Executive Director Tracie D. Hall said in a statement. "The Mellon Foundation's catalytic investment in our work allows us to continue to drive innovation and future-oriented thinking towards service areas that will ultimately help position libraries for long-term impact and their users for personal agency and socioeconomic mobility."

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Looking back on a century of Swiss Club

By STEPHANIE GERTSCH
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In 100 years, many things have changed in the Bay Area. Other things never do. Since 1925, Swiss Park in Newark has been welcoming immigrants looking to make a better life. The facility has been a place for people to gather, enjoy good food, hold dances and festivals, celebrate their culture—or learn about a new one. During tough years—WWII, and the Pandemic—Swiss Club went on hiatus, but the community has always welcomed it back. On January 23, Patricia Shaffarczyk of Washington Township Historical Society gave a presentation on Zoom on how the Club and its iconic hall got started and how they grew over the years.

The Club predated the building. Many Swiss immigrants – including Shaffarczyk's grandparents – came to the Bay Area during the late 1800s and early 1900s to work in the dairy industry. In 1925,

18 members formed the Aelpler Gruppe Swiss Club to keep alive traditions and community through dances, Jass (Swiss card game), and Schwingfests (wrestling competitions). Originally the club met in San Francisco. But by 1934, meetings were being held at Newark Pavilion, and the Swiss Park we know today opened in 1935.

Unfortunately, the lean years of the Depression made Club activities more difficult, and the Club closed entirely from 1942 – 1944 during WWII. However, by the mid-1940s, the Club saw a revival with the children of original members having grown up and started families of their own. Swiss Club participated in the 1946 Apricot festival, as well as in local 4th of July parades. For the 25th anniversary of Swiss Park in 1960, the club had a float in the Newark Parade.

In 1964, Aelpler Gruppe chartered a flight to Switzerland with 300 members on board. For many it was the first time to return to Switzerland in years, while for others, including Shaffarczyk herself, it was the first time ever. "It was the first time I was on an airplane!" she reminisces, laughing. "And it was also the first time to be able to visit the home of my grandparents. And I actually met one of my grandmother's sisters."

Through the rest of the 20th century and into the 21st, the Club continued holding activities and trying new ones,



remodeling the kitchen and adding a BBQ area, expanding the newsletter, and celebrating milestone anniversaries. In 1973, the German Language and Culture Club began holding fundraising dances at Swiss Park. In particular, 2015 was a significant year. Shaffarczyk explains, "The crown event of the decade was the 2015 Swiss Fest, a grand celebration that drew 100s of attendees for three days, celebrating with a championship Schwingfest, a Musikfest, and celebration of the 80th and 90th birthdays of the club and the hall." (First prize for the Schwingfest was a cow.)

During the pandemic, the Club suspended activities, just as they did during WWII. Now Aelpler Gruppe is holding events when safe, and looking to the Club's 100th Anniversary in 2025. This year, 2023, planned events are the Spring Dance in April, Swiss Camp in June, and Swiss National Day on August 5. Or you can learn how to play Jass on the second Sundays of each month.

Swiss Park in Newark continues to be a gathering place for people from all over the Bay Area. Shaffarczyk notes, "This is where we and others met our life partners, where we shared weddings, birthdays, food, music, and sports with friends. And where we say goodbye. It's our touchstone."

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Local tradesman saving soles – one shoe at a time

SUBMITTED BY EVE MARIE LITTLE

There is nothing worse than having your favorite pair of shoes break, wearing down the sole on those dress shoes that fit like a glove, or coming home to see that your dog has decided your slippers should be his chew toy. Before you toss those perfect shoes in the trash, reach out to Randall Armstrong and let him see if he can save those shoes.

A-1 Shoe Repair is a little heaven for all shoe owners in the Bay Area. The small business is located right off Central Avenue, just past the highway overpass in Newark. When one walks in, the scent of leather with the vintage aroma of shoe polish makes it very clear what type of magic happens at this one-man shop. But the best part of the whole store is the big smile and professional attitude from the tradesman himself, Randall Armstrong.

Armstrong has been involved in shoe repair his whole life. His father was in the same business, and at five years old, Armstrong was responsible for setting up the counters and displays. Anytime a client would come in, he quickly bounced up and informed his dad about the client's arrival. As Armstrong got older, he worked under his father as an apprentice every day after school, learning different techniques and designs. "My father both raised me and trained me, something that is so rare these days. And, oh boy, was that man a patient man," says Armstrong with a mild chuckle. He started working full-time right after graduating high school and has never stopped since.

Armstrong prides himself on his work ethics. "One of the big things my father taught me was that many shoe repair shops are the same; it is customer service that makes a particular one stand out. Just make sure to offer a quality job at a fair price and you will see those customers again," he stated. So, when his customers come in, he will carefully inspect the items and if he can't offer a quality repair, he will politely decline the business. "I make sure to take my time for quality work, and I refuse to rush. And if I have to rush or can't offer good results, I won't do it." Armstrong would rather be honest with his clients than gain a quick sale.

When asked about what else he repairs, Armstrong expressed that he mainly does shoes and definitely loves repairing high heels, calling them, his cup of tea. He is very proud that for around \$15 dollars, he can put life back into a woman's heels, especially her favorite ones and fit perfectly. He occasionally repairs other leather items such as luggage and purses, but not that often because he feels those products these days are made cheaply, that it is not worth the repair for low-quality items.

In Armstrong's opinion, there have definitely been changes in the shoe industry. In the past, shoes were built as pieces of art with attention to detail and quality material meant to last a long time. But he feels that nowadays, the multibillion-dollar shoe trade is just producing low-value "throw away" shoes that are manufactured differently and have a lot of unreparable items added to them compared to the 'good ole leather and rubber.'



One of the biggest things Armstrong emphasizes to his clients is the importance of quality shoes and their proper upkeep. "You only get one set of feet in your entire lifetime, and you are on them for hours each day. Spend the time and money to invest in a good pair of shoes so they can take care of you."

Randall Armstrong can be found at A-1 Shoe Repair off Central Avenue in Newark, Tuesdays through Saturdays.

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Earth Day poster and writing contest

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF HAYWARD

City of Hayward is now accepting environmentally-themed works of art from K-12 grade students as a part of its annual "Earth Day Poster & Writing Contest." Interested participants can submit an original poster, poem, or essay about Earth Day for the chance to win up to \$200 in gift cards.

The contest gives students an opportunity to express their unique views on water and energy conservation, renewable energy, active transportation, sustainable food, recycling and composting, a litter-free environment, and environmental justice. Students must be a Hayward resident, HUSD student, or student within the City of Hayward to participate.

Two winners for poster entries and two winners for poem/essay entries will be selected from each grade category. Grade categories are: K-1st Grade, 2nd - 3rd Grade, 4th - 5th Grade, 6th - 8th Grade, and 9th - 12th Grade. Entries will be judged on originality, clarity, and expression of theme. In each category, first place winners will receive a \$200 gift card and second place winners will receive a \$150 gift card. Teachers of the winning students will also receive gift cards. Students who submit winning entries will be invited to attend a City Council meeting to receive their prize and a certificate of achievement from Mayor Mark Salinas.

Poster & Writing Contest submissions are due Friday, March 17. To qualify, all entries must follow the contest rules, which can be found at <https://hayward-ca.gov/discover/news>.

Earth Day Poster & Writing Contest
For K – 12th Grade students
Submission Deadline: Friday, Mar 17
<https://hayward-ca.gov/discover/news>

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SUBMITTED BY ALAMEDA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Alameda County Water District (ACWD) is accepting submissions for its fourth annual WaterClips Student Video Contest through March 31. The theme for this year's contest is "The Benefits of a Water-Efficient Garden."

Six students in grades six through 12 at middle schools and high schools in Fremont, Newark and Union City will be chosen to win scholarships up to \$500. Students can compete as individuals or as teams. The 30-second videos can be live action, animation, personal testimonial or other formats, but must focus on the 2023 WaterClips theme.

For complete contest rules and submission details, visit the WaterClips website at www.acwd.org/waterclips.



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Tri-City History - Street Names #1: Decoto Road

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

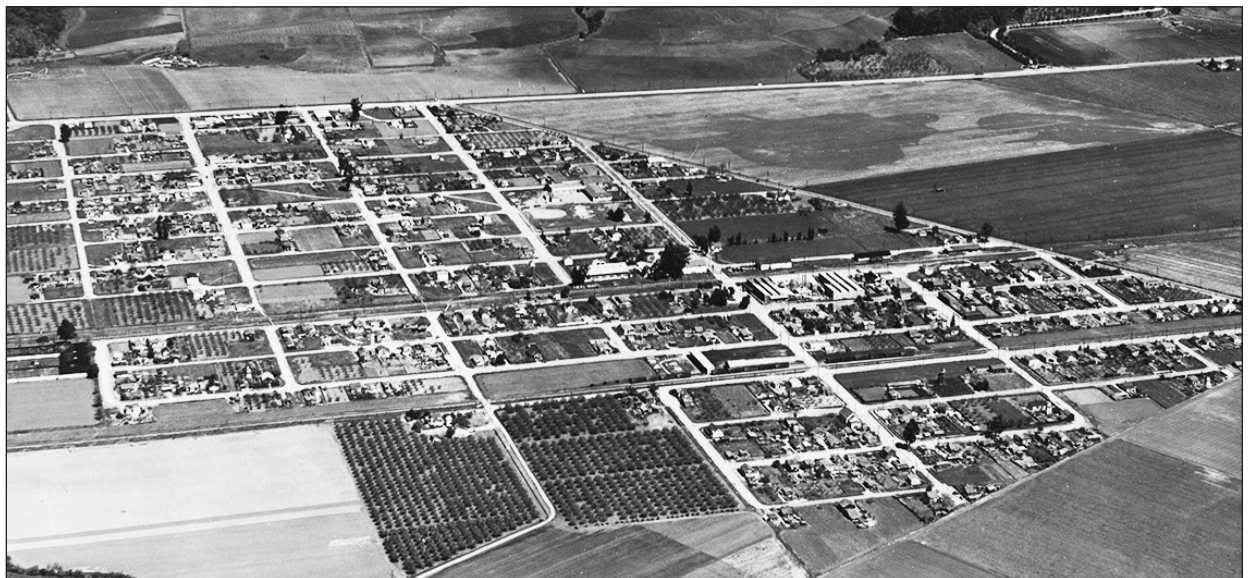
Editor's note: Last year, we enjoyed many vintage photos of from the Washington Township Museum of Local History, showing life in the Tri-City of yesteryear. In 2023, the column returns with a new theme: Street Names! Each month, we'll learn the history behind one of our familiar local streets.

Decoto Road: A street that runs from the San Francisco Bay waters to the East Bay hills, and through all three of the Tri-Cities - Fremont, Newark, and Union City.

Decoto Road is named for the trio of brothers who once settled in the present-day district of Decoto in Union City. In 1867, Ezra Decoto, along with his brothers Adolphus and John, purchased from Jonah C. Clark 334 acres of land between Hayward and Niles. The brothers settled in and began farming operations there. Soon thereafter, the railroad took an interest in the land. The brothers, at a profit, sold 284 acres of their land to the Central Pacific Railroad.

Two of the three brothers moved to other parts of the Township. Ezra, however, stayed on the family farm with his wife, Janet Decoto (nee Lowrie), with whom he fathered eight children. The Central Pacific quickly sold most, but not all of the land to the newly formed Decoto Land Company. A townsite was laid out by the Decoto Land Company, and aptly named Decoto. Streets were set out and named, and the land covered in trees. Today this area is known as the Decoto Neighborhood, a section of the greater Union City.


Let's explore local history together! Have a topic or idea you'd like us to look into? Email us at info@museumoflocalhistory.org.



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**Art show
returning;
entries
welcome**

SUBMITTED BY FREMONT ART ASSOCIATION

Members of Fremont Art Association (FAA) are busily preparing for the group's annual juried art show, set to return this spring after three years of COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.

Entries from new and emerging local artists are being accepted through March 1 for the show which will run April 2 through April 29 at FAA gallery on Niles Boulevard in Fremont.

To enter, artists must complete an online entry form and upload a digital image of each art piece. Entry fees for FAA members are \$25 for first entry and \$20 for each additional entry; nonmembers pay \$30 for first entry, \$25 for each additional entry. Entry forms, art specifications and entry rules are available on the FAA website at www.fremontartassociation.org/aas.

This year's Juror will be Lauren Jade Szabo a Los Angeles born artist who lives and works in the Bay Area. She graduated with a BFA in Illustration from California College of the Arts with distinction,



and received an MFA Fellowship from San Francisco Art Institute for graduate study in painting. Her work has been exhibited internationally and is in private collections in Europe, South Africa and the United States.

Awards will be decided on by the Juror from two and three-dimensional artworks submitted prior to the show opening. The show will award a total of \$1,510 in cash prizes. There will be three awards of excellence at \$370 each. The Members Choice award and the President's Choice award are \$200 each. There will also be up to three Special Recognition awards.

**Fremont Art Association
55th Annual Art Show
April 2 -- 29
Artist entry deadline: March 1
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**TCNPC
February
Meeting**

SUBMITTED BY
TINA FERNANDEZ STECKLER

Tri-City Nonprofit Coalition is now in its second year; to help this community resource best serve local nonprofits, its February Zoom meeting will focus on strategic planning. If you would like to share your thoughts, provide feedback, and advocate for your nonprofit's needs, register for our February 8th Zoom session. Topics of discussion include:

- Past TCNPC presentations you found the most helpful
- Topics/learning areas that are most meaningful to you
- Speaker/presenter recommendations
- Additional information you'd like to see on our website, newsletters, and social media
- Suggestions for enhancing TCNPC's signature event -- our 4th of July Parade After Party
- Options for a membership structure, and what that would look like (levels, benefits, etc.)

• How else can we be a resource to YOUR nonprofit?

TCNPC will also conduct a survey to include as much input from our communities as possible and then present a plan to make suggestions a reality.

Once you register at <https://tinyurl.com/TCNPCFeb2023Zoom>, you will receive a confirmation email with meeting details and the Zoom link.

Questions? Use our contact form at <https://tcnpc.org/contact/>.



**TCNPC February Meeting
Wednesday, Feb 8
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February is "Mission Model Month" at Old Mission San Jose

SUBMITTED BY
GARY DORIGHI

Every year 4th Graders around California work with their parents to create amazing models of Old Mission San Jose. Sometimes, these treasures are donated to us after fulfilling their school assignment. This year, we're keeping the best of the best and placing them on display for the month of February. Bring your kids to be dazzled by these works of art surrounded by true historical artifacts and items from the 19th century.

Need Mission Project info? Our Mission San José 4th Grade Packet has it all: *The Story of Mission San José* booklet, five color postcards, Mission Church guide sheet, and welcome brochure. All items are available in our Gift Shop or order on our website. We also have educational material for all the California Missions.

While you're here, take a self-guided tour that explores the Mission Museum, Church, historic cemetery; and concludes in our beautiful garden. Mission San Jose, the 14th of the 21 California Missions, has been recognized by the National Register of Historic Places and the California State Historic Landmarks Commission. (To learn more, watch our 18-minute educational video in the gift shop.)



The museum was formerly the living quarters or *Convento* for the padres. Constructed in 1809, it is the oldest standing adobe building in Alameda County and displays historical treasures from the pre-Columbian era, Mission era, and Rancho period. Many consider the beautifully reconstructed 1809 Church to be the highlight of their visit, and it includes many original artifacts. You can follow our handy guide sheet to identify its many treasures.

A walk through the historic cemetery reminds us of prominent early settlers such as Livermore, Bernal, and Alviso. And the Garden contains plants primarily from the Mission period, including our 200-year-old olive trees.

Docent-led tours of the Mission are offered on Saturday, Feb 11 and Sunday, Feb 12.



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Bill banning sale of kangaroo parts introduced in Oregon

ASSOCIATED PRESS

A bill that would ban the sale of kangaroo parts has been introduced in the Oregon Legislature, taking aim at sports apparel manufacturers that use leather from the animals to make their products.

Soccer cleats are one of the only products made from kangaroo leather that are routinely sold in Oregon, KLCC reported. The measure would impact Nike, which is based in Oregon and the state's largest employer.

"It's unconscionable that millions of native wild animals in Australia have been killed for the sake of high-end soccer cleats worn by a subset of elite soccer players," Democratic Oregon Sen. Floyd Prozanski, who introduced the bill, said in a news release issued Jan. 23 by animal rights groups. "I understand this legislation may have financial impact on some Oregon shoe manufacturers, but in the balance Oregon should be standing on the humane side of this issue. There are other materials that can be used in making these high-end cleats."

In the news release, the Center for a Humane Economy, Animal Wellness Action and the Animal Wellness Foundation welcomed the move. "It's time for these shoe manufacturers to evolve their business model to eliminate extreme animal cruelty in their product offerings," said Rene Tatro, a board member of the Center for a Humane Economy.

Nike didn't respond to KLCC's request for comment, but the

company told ESPN last month that it uses kangaroo leather in a "small portion" of its soccer shoes and that it "works with leather suppliers that source animal skins from processors that use sound animal husbandry and humane treatment, whether farmed, domesticated, or wild managed."

Oregon's bill would make it a crime to buy, receive, sell, or commercially exchange "any product containing a part of a dead kangaroo."

Lawmakers in Connecticut have introduced a similar bill this session. A federal ban on kangaroo products was proposed in the U.S. House in 2021, but was not approved. The ban on "k-leather" would not be without precedent: California enacted a ban on kangaroo-based products in the 1970s.

The commercial harvest of kangaroos in Australia is legal. More than 1.3 million kangaroos were killed for commercial purposes in the country in 2021, KLCC reported, citing the Australia Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water. The agency said that number represents less than one-third of the "sustainable quota," which is the amount it considers could be killed without putting any of the four main kangaroo species at risk.

The U.S. listed several types of kangaroos as "endangered" from the mid-'70s until the mid-'90s, but the animal is considered to have "recovered."



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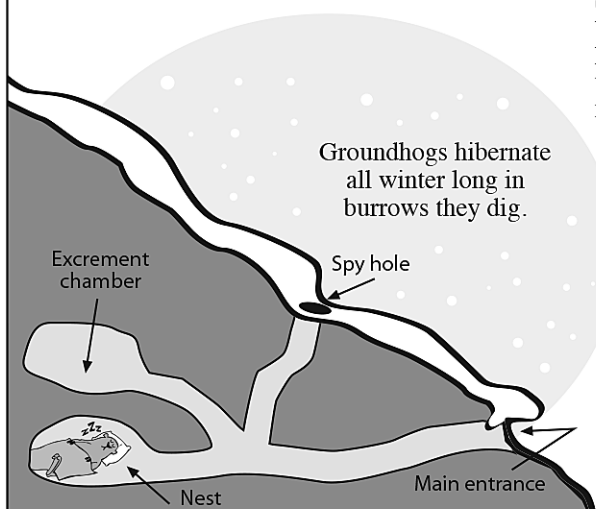
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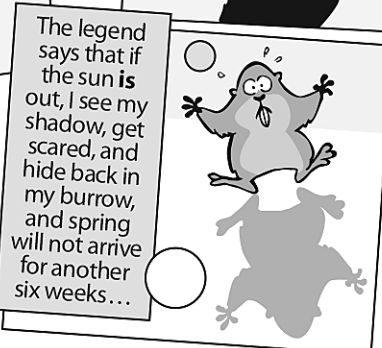
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WAKE UP, PUNXSUTAWNEY PHIL!

On February 2, weather forecasters all over the United States look to the town of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania for a little advice. Legend says that the groundhog named Punxsutawney Phil can foretell the weather!



Groundhogs hibernate all winter long in burrows they dig.



Oh oh! Phil's snoring shook this story out of order. Number the panels from 1-5 in the correct order.

Shadow Search

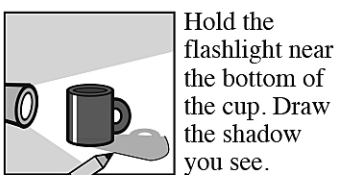
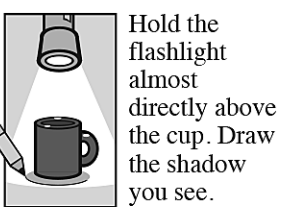
Find the shadow that matches Phil exactly.



Why do shadows change size?

Robert Louis Stevenson said a shadow is like a rubber ball because it grows and shrinks throughout a day. Try this experiment to find out why shadows change size.

Stuff you'll need: cup, pencil, flashlight, paper



Think About It: What time of day would Punxsutawney Phil have his long shadow?

Early Morning Noon

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple-step directions.

Standards Link: History: Students understand the traditions, events and legends associated with special days.

Extra! Extra!

Guess What!

Here is a guessing game to play with one or more friends. Each player cuts out shapes and pictures of objects from the newspaper and holds them up, one at a time, in front of a light source. Take turns guessing what kind of shape or object is casting the shadow.

Standards Link: Physical Science: Objects can be described in terms of their physical properties (shape).

SMART FUN AT HOME

One important thing to understand when you read is **cause and effect**.



For example, in the legend of Groundhog Day, when the groundhog sees his shadow, he goes back in his burrow. In this case, the **effect** is that the groundhog goes back in his burrow. That is what happens. What **causes** him to go back in his burrow? Getting frightened by his shadow.

Try It!

1. With a parent or learning buddy at home, select an article from today's newspaper. Read the headline. Discuss what you think caused the news reported in the headline.

2. The headline usually tells what happened. This is called an **effect**. Read aloud to your learning buddy the first paragraph of the article. Does this tell you the **cause**? Read the rest of the article aloud. After each paragraph, stop and discuss what you have learned about what caused the news reported in the headline.

Complete the following:

HEADLINE (effect):

CAUSE(s):

NAME:

NAME OF LEARNING BUDDY:

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Distinguish between cause and effect in text.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Spell a message to Punxsutawney Phil by solving these math problems. Use the number code to see what letter belongs under each answer.

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+ 530	+ 362	+ 1,211	+ 213

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+ 234	+ 1,226

○	○
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Number Code
531 = A 3,989 = P
734 = E 1,931 = U
3,433 = K 1,720 = W

Standards Link: Math/Number Sense: Find the sum of whole numbers to 10,000.

Double Double Word Search

GROUNDHOG WEATHER SHADOWS BURROW BROWN LOUIS CHAMBER SPRING SOURCE FOOD WEEKS PHIL FEBRUARY SIX WAKE

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



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

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **BURROW**

The noun **burrow** means a hole or tunnel that animals dig for use as a home or shelter.

Climbing out of its **burrow**, the groundhog yawned.

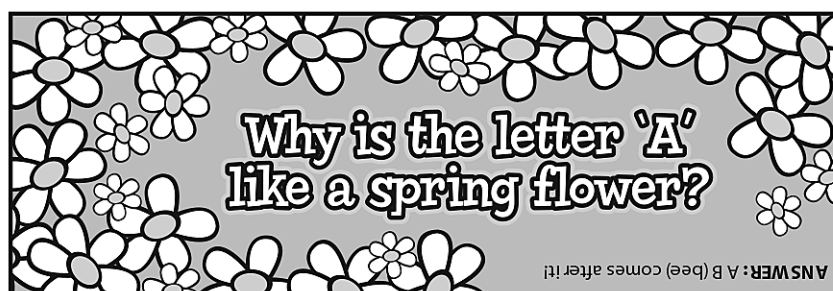
Use the word **burrow** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Weather Adjectives

Look through the newspaper and choose five adjectives that describe weather. Then look through the newspaper for a picture or cartoon to illustrate each of these adjectives.

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify and use adjectives in writing.



Write On!

When is it spring?

How do you know when winter is over and spring has begun? Write a paragraph explaining how you know.

Park It: Coyote Hills Watershed Program

BY NED MACKAY

Although the recent winter storms have caused a lot of damage in the East Bay Regional Parks, lots of nature education programs and other enjoyable activities are still scheduled.

Before visiting a regional park or participating in a program, be sure to check “things-to-do” at the Park District website, www.ebparks.org, to be sure that your desired program and park access are available. Unless otherwise stated, the programs described in this column are all drop-in, free of charge, and registration is not necessary.

Here are some special activities planned in coming days in your Regional Parks:

Appropriately in light of the storms, “Water, Water, Everywhere” is the theme of a program scheduled from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, February 4 at Coyote Hills Regional Park in Fremont with naturalist Erin Blackwood.

The group will explore the Coyote Hills watershed, discover where everyone’s water comes from, and learn how we are connected to and responsible for our watersheds. Participants will make their own paper watershed, and use a watershed model to find ways to protect our water. The program is for ages seven and older; parent participation is required.

Coyote Hills is located at the end of Patterson Ranch Road off Paseo Padre Parkway. There’s a parking fee of \$5 per vehicle at the Patterson Ranch Road

entrance. However, at the time of writing Patterson Ranch Road is closed to vehicle traffic, though open to pedestrians and bicycles. Vehicle parking is available for a fee at nearby Dumbarton Quarry Campground.

For information on the program and park status, call (510) 544-3220.

“Fish Tales” is the theme of a program from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Sunday, February 5 at Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area in Pleasanton with naturalist Gisselle Hernandez. The plan is to discover the diversity of fish that inhabit the park’s water, and learn about the long evolutionary path of fish to the present day. The program is for ages 10 and older.

Shadow Cliffs is at 2500 Stanley Boulevard east of downtown Pleasanton. Meet Gisselle at the Lakeside Picnic Area. For information, call the Del Valle Visitor Center at (510) 544-3146.

It’s storytime in the Delta from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 4 at Big Break Regional Shoreline in Oakley with naturalist Miriam Klingler. All ages are welcome; parent participation is required. Meet at the three-dimensional Delta Discovery Experience map; bring a blanket and snack to hear a Delta-themed story.

Big Break is at 69 Big Break Road off Oakley’s Main Street. For information, call (510) 544-3050.

Many waterbirds spend the winter along the East Bay shorelines. You can learn more about them and observe them in

action during a birding walk from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 5 at Radke Martinez Regional Shoreline in Martinez with naturalist Jessica Kauzer.

The walk is an easy one-mile stroll on flat, unpaved paths. Meet Jessica in the first parking lot off North Court Street, across the railroad tracks from downtown Martinez. Bring binoculars if you have them; some will be available for loan. For information, call Black Diamond Mines at (510) 544-2750.

Naturalist Anthony Fisher will lead one of his birding walks from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Monday, February 6 at Briones Regional Park. Meet Anthony at the park’s Bear Creek staging area, which is on Bear Creek Road about five miles east of Camino Pablo/San Pablo Dam Road near Orinda. For information, call (510) 544-2233.

Learn all about sheep and the wool they provide during a “Wooly Lambs” program from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, February 4 at the Environmental Education Center in Tilden Nature Area near Berkeley with naturalist Jenna Collins. During the program, make your own mini-sheep from wool, to take home.

The center is located at the north end of Tilden’s Central Park Drive, accessible from Grizzly Peak Boulevard in Berkeley via Canon Drive. For information, call (510) 544-2233.

These are just a few of the programs scheduled in the East Bay Regional Parks. For the full list, visit www.ebparks.org/things-to-do.

News and Notes FROM AROUND THE WORLD

SUBMITTED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF MATURE AMERICAN CITIZENS

The catch of the day

It’s a good guess that 12-year-old Campbell Keenan is going to be telling his grandchildren and maybe even his great grandchildren this story, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC). The Keenan family was visiting Florida recently and Campbell’s mom decided to take him fishing. They chartered a boat and off they went. The youngster cast his line when they were about a mile offshore. He got a bite and, with the much-needed help of the charter boat’s captain, Paul Paolucci, almost an hour later Campbell landed an 11-foot long, 700-pound great white shark. Great white sharks are protected to the point where you are not even allowed to take them out of the water if you hook one, so Paolucci pulled it close enough for him to tag it and released it back into the ocean. But Campbell has enough photos and videos of the event to last him a lifetime. See video of Campbell pulling in the shark on YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=WTqm67Pubc0.

Duh?

Criminals can be cunning but then again, once in a while, the police come across bad guys and gals who virtually turn themselves

in, according to AMAC. For example, a pair of burglars who apparently were having a tough time carrying off their loot called 911 for help. The Associated Press reports that “while talking to deputies, the female suspect told them that she had called 911 for the purpose of having law enforcement help them move their belongings from the house they were burglarizing. They also wanted to get a ride to the airport so they could spend the weekend in New York,” according to the Polk County Sheriff’s Office.

It was a horse, of course

Donna Bevan made a double take when she pulled up into a drive-thru lane of a McDonald’s in New South Wales, Australia recently. There, sitting in the back seat of a car in the next lane was a horse, says AMAC. Donna wasted no time saving the encounter on video -- including a brief conversation with a passenger in the car who explained that the horse was excited because he knew he was going to have his ice cream. See video of the horse in the drive-thru lane on YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZwsP2N2po9A.

The Association of Mature American Citizens is a nonprofit, nonpartisan advocacy organization representing membership in Washington, D.C. and in local congressional districts nationwide. More information is available on its website at www.amac.us.

Upcoming ‘Excellence in Education’ Gala

SUBMITTED BY KATHY KIMBERLIN

Fremont Education Foundation will hold their annual “Excellence in Education Gala” on Friday, February 24 at the Fremont Downtown Event Center. This year’s theme: Candy Land! Start planning your candy- and sweet-themed attire, or just come to have fun and fundraise for Fremont Unified School District teacher grants. **This Year’s honorees are:** Crispsmas Club (Crispsmas Place) - Community Honoree Curriculum & Instruction Department - Fremont USD Honoree

Tickets will soon be on sale at www.fremont-education.org. (Click the Gala tab for updates.) A reception with heavy appetizers, beer, and wine will start at 6 p.m., and entertainment with a program celebrating the honorees will kick off at 7 pm.

**Friday, Feb 24
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Fremont Downtown Event Center
3500 Capitol Ave., Fremont
www.fremont-education.org
\$60 general tickets, \$40 for Fremont Unified staff**

Honor Roll

Trine University, Indiana
Fall 2022 graduate

- Jahnavi Veeramachaneni of Fremont

Siena College, New York

Fall 2022 President’s List

- Asavari Gowda of Fremont

University of Iowa

Fall 2022 Dean’s List

- Gurdeep Rai of Newark

Avila University, Missouri

Fall 2022 Dean’s List

- Hectormiguel Gamboa of Fremont

Hofstra University, New York

Fall 2022 Provost’s List

- Varun Sridhar of Fremont

Fall 2022 Dean’s List

- Shawna Raeside of Fremont

Palmer College of Chiropractic, San Jose

Fall 2022 Dean’s List

- Brandon Hom of Milpitas
- Tatsuya Ishikawa of Milpitas
- Christina Landreth of Milpitas
- Kirby Edmund Olidan of Milpitas

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Local Chinese Dance troupe wows at Golden State Warriors’ half time show

a high-profile event. “We are honored to have the opportunity to perform at the Chase Center and introduce authentic Chinese dance to a wider audience. It’s important to us to share our culture

and traditions, and we hope that our performance will inspire others to learn more about Chinese dance and culture.”

The Chinese dance studio’s performance was well-received by fans and received a standing ovation. This historic debut at the Chase Center is a milestone for the studio and for Chinese dance in the United States, and it is sure to be remembered for years to come.

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Tips to avoid getting sick and making others sick this winter

- wash hands with soap & warm water for 20 seconds
- avoid touching your face (eyes, nose, mouth) w/ unwashed hands
- disinfect high traffic surfaces: cell phone, steering wheel, door knobs and handles (when did we all last do this?)
- stay home if you're sick! Happy New Year!

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THE ROBOT REPORT

Making an autonomous Zamboni for the Pittsburgh Penguins



Carnegie Mellon University students test their autonomous Zamboni Ice Resurfacing Machines project for the first time on ice. Credit: Pittsburgh Penguins/YouTube

BY BRIANNA WESSLING

If you've ever been to a hockey game, you're familiar with the large Zambonis that roll onto the rink between periods to resurface the ice. Motorized ice surface cleaners first began making their debut on ice rinks in the 1950s, and now, researchers are looking to make those machines run autonomously.

A team of students at Carnegie Mellon University (CMU), in collaboration with Duquesne Light Company, the Pittsburgh Penguins, Zamboni and Locomotion, a Pittsburgh-based automation company that creates autonomous systems for semi-trucks, has developed an autonomous Zamboni for the Pittsburgh Penguins.

The collaboration started with Locomotion, whose founders, Çetin Meriçli, now the CEO, and Tekin Meriçli, now the CTO, were attending a Penguins game when two saw an opportunity for the technology they've been developing to be used in a new way.

Locomotion creates autonomous systems for semi-trucks, and the company takes a unique approach to autonomous driving. Locomotion wanted to keep a human in the loop, so its system involves an autonomous semi-truck, with a resting human driver behind the wheel, following another autonomous truck being operated by a human driver. These trucks are electronically tethered to move together and can even swap places so that the driver can rest while another takes over.

While someday the company aims to develop fully autonomous semi-trucks that don't need to follow human-driven ones, it wanted to prioritize getting its technology out into the world. This allows its autonomous driver to learn from real-world scenarios while on the road.

Typically, during a professional ice hockey game, two Zambonis clean the ice during the 20-minute break between hockey periods. Two Zambonis are used so that the resurfacing occurs quickly, and the ice surface can refreeze and be ready again for the players to take the ice for the start of the next period.

Locomotion determined that it could have a similar system for the Zambonis that it uses in semi-trucks. The company reached out to John Dolan, director of the Masters of Robotic Systems Development program at CMU, to see if a group of students would be interested in working on the project with them. Locomotion spun out from CMU in 2018, so it was a natural collaboration fit for both organizations.

The project spanned three semesters, starting with a brainstorming phase where the students determined how they would develop the system and test it, going from a small RC Car, which is a small remote-controlled platform, to Zamboni.

After testing its proof-of-concept on the RC Car, the team of students worked on a hybrid electric vehicle, equipped with all the sensors needed for autonomous operation. This stage of the project allowed the team to work out any final kinks in the automation technology before putting it onto a Zamboni.

Zamboni provided an all-electric ice cleaner for the team to work with and retrofit. The team has completed its first ice test, with its autonomous Zamboni following another human-driven Zamboni but with an offset, so the two vehicles aren't cleaning the same path of ice. Final demos of the system are coming up soon.

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Lions Club of Union City Presents

Crab Feed!

Southern Alameda Co. Buddhist Church
32975 Alvarado-Niles Road
5:00pm Happy Hour
6:00pm Dinner

Featuring:
Music
Raffle Prizes
Auction
No Host Bar

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Proceeds from this event will benefit youth groups and other Lions Club community service projects.

Tickets: \$75.00 per person
Crab Feed Tickets may only be purchased at www.UCLions.com
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Important Notice Regarding Seating
Seating assignments will be made on the evening of the event with sponsorships being the exceptions. Parties of three or more may be accommodated with reserved seating as long as the guest identifies the Group's Coordinator at the time the ticket was purchased; there is a location on the webpage to enter the coordinators name; there can only be one coordinator per group. Or, the group must be together at check-in to be seated together. *The Union City Lions Club does not guarantee groups, other than sponsorships, will be seated together.*

Home & Garden

Year of the rabbit, but not in the garden!

BY DANIEL O'DONNELL

The most common time keeping system used throughout the world today is the 365 day / 12- month Gregorian calendar. However, it is not the only calendar currently in use. Bali uses two different ones. There is an Islamic, Jewish, Persian, Ethiopian, and Chinese calendar. All of these are currently observed. Many Americans use these calendars too. Many religious holiday dates are established by these calendars and some are used for determining favorable dates to plan events. The Chinese New Year, symbolized by 12 different animals, is an example of an alternative calendar date that is well known in the US. Although millions of people welcome 2023 as the year of the rabbit, there are many gardeners who hope that it is not the "literal" year of the rabbit.

Wild rabbits live throughout the East Bay in the foothills, along creeks, in fields, and in parks. Rabbits are herbivores that like to eat small amounts throughout the day. A rabbit will eat more than two cups of foliage or vegetables per five pounds of body weight per day to survive. Their teeth constantly grow and need to be worn down by frequent eating. Rabbits can devastate a garden or vegetable bed in a short amount of time because they are such voracious eaters. It is understandable why they might be unwelcome in the garden. However, few people want to see these soft furry creatures get hurt or trapped. Discouraging them from the garden or taking protective measures are the most sought-after ways to deal with unwanted rabbits.

Growing plants that rabbits do not like to eat is an effective way to spare the

garden from devastation and having to use less aesthetic physical barriers. Rabbits prefer to eat seedlings, softer plants, and foliage that is not heavily scented. Salvias, Daylilies, Bee Balm, Foxglove, and Lavenders are low water use plants that are far down the list on rabbits' preferred menu. Tomatoes, asparagus, onions, potatoes, leeks, rhubarb, and squash are considered rabbit-resistant vegetables. However, if hungry enough, rabbits will eat many of these plants.

Incorporating deterrents in the garden will help further. Mounting plastic birds of prey on fences near vulnerable plants or placing rubber snakes around flower beds can help. Hanging metal cans or wind chimes that make noise can also dissuade rabbits. Fertilizing with blood meal and fish emulsion can create an unpleasant smell for rabbits, since they are vegetarian. Even scattering human hair can discourage rabbits. An organic pepper spray made with garlic, onions, chili peppers, water, and a little dishwashing soap can protect plants that have already been specifically targeted.

Planting tall grasses and low shrubs near the boundary of a yard where the rabbits are entering combined with using plants they like to eat such as clover, arugula, carrots, beets, and alfalfa can dissuade them from venturing further into your garden. They feel protected and have their appetites satisfied at the same time.

Sometimes rabbits can be more tenacious than the gardener applying the biological deterrent measures, and physical barriers need to be used. Barriers can be for individual plants, vegetable or flower beds, or for larger planting areas. There are numerous single plant metal or plastic cages that can be used to protect seedlings and



smaller plants. Cloth, nylon, or metal netting can be attached to PVC pipes or wooden frames for vegetable or flower beds, and sit on top of the bed. These are all effective at protecting plants from rabbits.

Protective fences with metal or plastic netting are good for large areas. Metal can be more secure since rabbits cannot chew through it. Metal or plastic netting should have openings no larger than one inch. The fence needs to be two feet high to protect against cottontail rabbits and three feet high to protect against jackrabbits, since rabbits can jump well. Wire walk-in structures with a roof can also be built over a planting area for maximum protection. These structures are comfortable to work in and offer protection not only from rabbits, but other

wildlife as well. Rabbits can dig, so extending netting at least six inches below ground level is recommended.

The year of the rabbit represents peaceful, patient energy, and creative, artistic talents. It is said to bring wealth and prosperity. Hopefully, by being patient and creative when using these rabbit repellent measures, you will see prosperity and good fortune will come to your garden this year.

Daniel O'Donnell is the co-owner and operator of an organic landscape design/build company in Fremont. Learn more at <https://www.chrysalis-gardens.com/>.



Courtesy of Gareth Rasberry



THE ACWD CONNECTION

WHAT RECENT RAIN EVENTS MEAN FOR DROUGHT

How have recent storms impacted drought conditions?

Heavy rain events help bolster our water supplies, but it is too early to say just how much. As the season progresses, we will know more about how imported water supplies are shaping up.

Did the storms improve the Tri-City's water supply?

While the Bay Area received record rainfall, ACWD's drought is largely defined by access to our imported water supply. California's major reservoirs did capture a lot of water runoff, and ACWD is diverting water from Alameda Creek to recharge the groundwater basin. These actions improve short-term drought conditions, while precipitation and snow surveys will provide a greater outlook in the coming months.

Will the statewide drought declaration end in 2023?

The State recently announced a boost in water deliveries as major reservoir levels rise, but the statewide drought declaration remains in effect. Climate change is making it easier for us to slip in and out of drought, and it is always important to use water wisely.



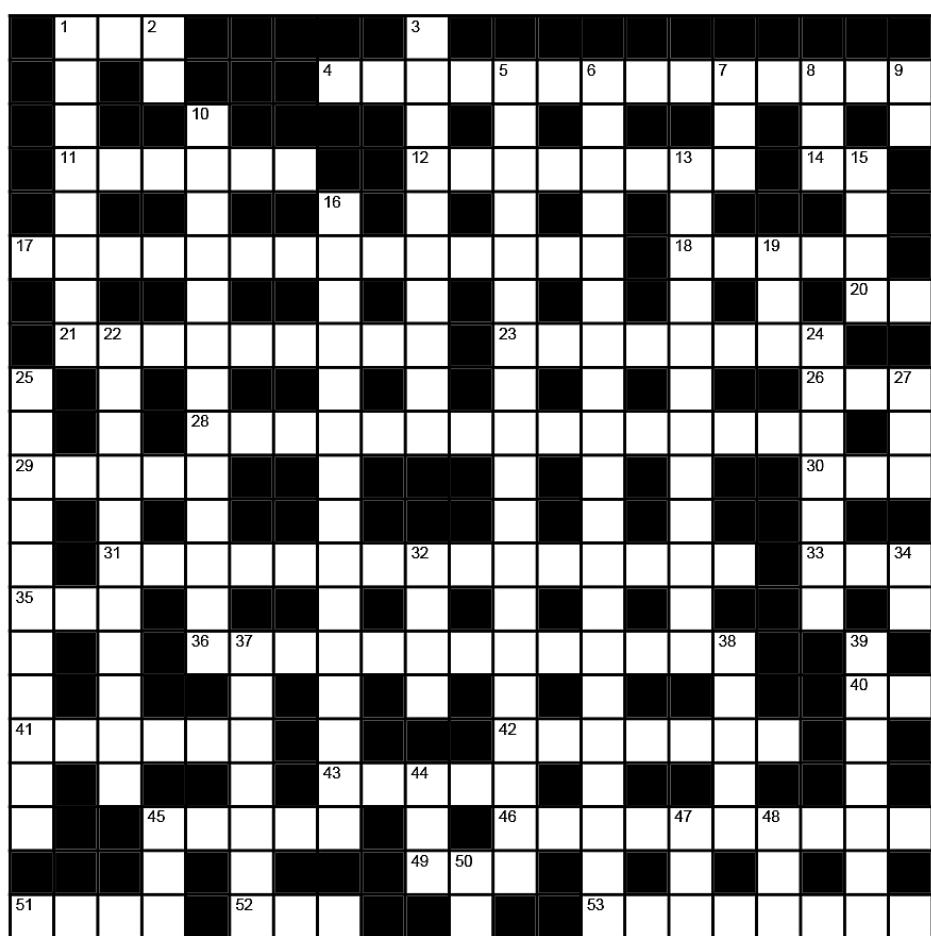
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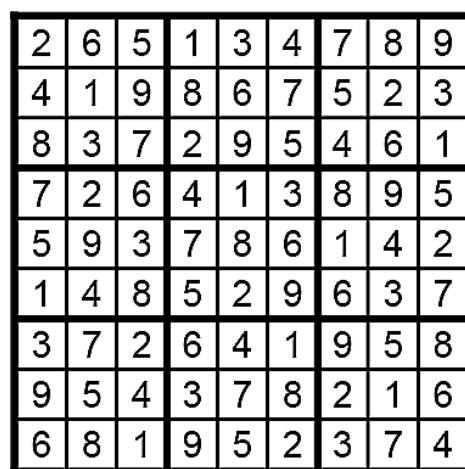
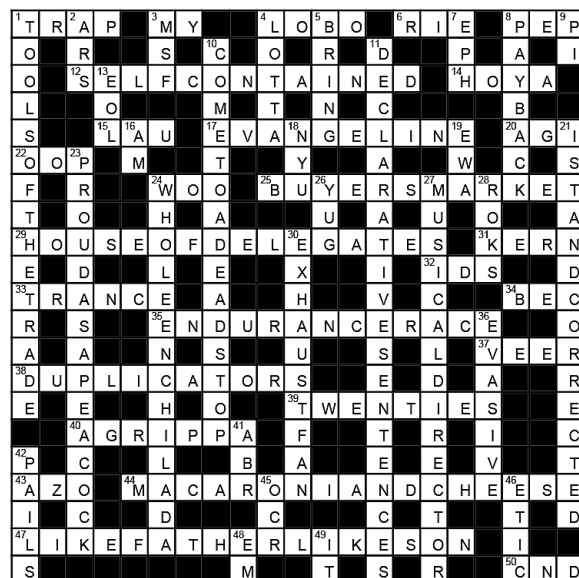
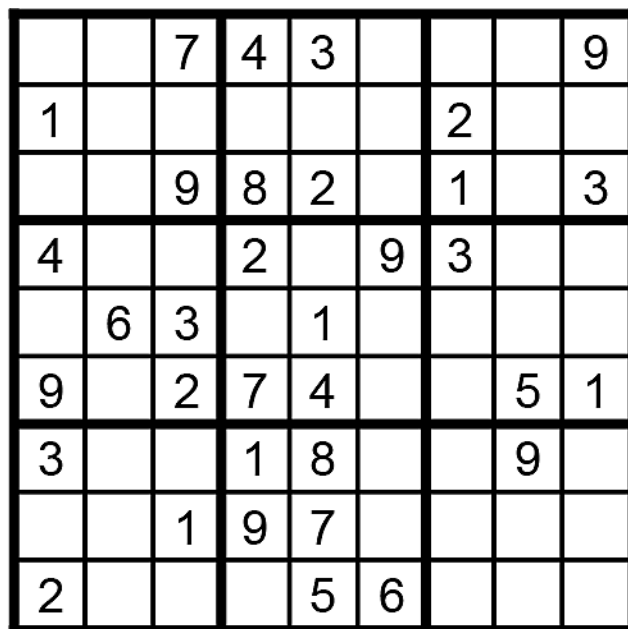
Crossword Puzzle



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| Across | 43 | ___ latte (5) | (8,5) |
| 1 | Morgue, for one (3) | 45 | Malaysian state (5) |
| 4 | Phrase chanted by Shakespearean witches (4,3,7) | 46 | Canadian rock band (10) |
| 11 | Jane Eyre, e.g. (6) | 49 | Army program: Abbr. (3) |
| 12 | Computer printout (4,4) | 51 | MasterCard alternative (4) |
| 14 | Happen (2) | 52 | Amount past due? (3) |
| 17 | Antacid preparation (4,2,8) | 53 | Become foul, like bilge water (8) |
| 18 | High land (5) | Down | |
| 20 | Part of "be" (2) | 1 | Scratching the ground, as chickens (8) |
| 21 | Like the Hebrew calendar, but not the Islamic (9) | 2 | "Captain ___" (1986 Michael Jackson role) (2) |
| 23 | Devious answers (8) | 3 | Certain sporting equipment (especially useful for keeping the old heart in shape) (7,3) |
| 26 | German link (3) | 5 | IGN named it the funniest TV show of all time (8,11) |
| 28 | Got in (6,9) | 6 | "I'm Chevy Chase" and "You're not," for example (11,9) |
| 29 | Russian range (5) | 7 | Prefix with acetylene (3) |
| 30 | Account: Abbr. (3) | 8 | Consumer protection org. (3) |
| 31 | Multiple allegiance (4,11) | 9 | Dorothy's aunt |
| 33 | "r u kidding?!" (3) | 10 | Photog's job at the Oscars? |
| 35 | "Superman II" villain (3) | | |
| 36 | POUND (7,6) | | |
| 40 | "No kidding!" (2) | | |
| 41 | Pants measure (6) | | |
| 42 | Baton wielder (7) | | |

Sudoku:

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



Tri-City Stargazer FOR WEEK: JANUARY 31, 2023

All Signs: This is a lovely, laid-back week with lots of positive energy. It's an excellent time for creative projects because we will more easily think out of the box and be open to fresh ideas. At the end of the week, power struggles and manipulations are possible, so steer clear of bossy types.

Aries the Ram

(March 21-April 20):

This is a popular week for you! Everyone wants to see your face because lucky Jupiter is in your sign (something that happens only once every 12 years). This makes you exuberant and enthusiastic! Jupiter in your sign will boost your self-confidence and increase your self-poise. Be smart and make the most of this blessing until Jupiter leaves your sign to move into Taurus mid-May. Enjoy schmoozing with others, but be aware that at the end of the week, a friend or a group will say or do something you least expect.

Taurus the Bull

(April 21-May 20):

The Sun is still at the top of your chart casting you in a flattering spotlight. This means you look good to others, especially authority figures. You will be approached by others to take on increased responsibilities because they see you as competent and capable. Nevertheless, a boss, parent or someone in a position of authority might throw you a curveball at the end of the week. You might feel angry, surprised or rebellious. Ready to flip the bird. Don't do this because you gain nothing by burning bridges.

Gemini the Twins

(May 21-June 20):

It's amazing that fiery Mars has been in your sign since mid-August! (It will stay until late March.) This pumps your energy! This is another week of high energy for you. With fair Venus at the top of your chart, you look charming and diplomatic. Your urge to travel and expand your world continues strong. However,

towards the end of the week, travel plans might suddenly change. Likewise unexpected news related to legal matters, your health or publishing and the media might catch you off guard. Nevertheless, this is a strong, pleasant week!

Cancer the Crab

(June 21-July 21):

You continue to look fabulous in the eyes of others because lucky Jupiter is at the top of your chart where it will stay for some months. (Travel opportunities favor you now, especially travel for pleasure. Some of you will discover new love or an exciting flirtation with a person who is "different." Do be aware that something sudden and unexpected will happen toward the end of the week that affects inheritances, wills, estates, shared property and possibly debt. Stay on top of red-tape paperwork so that you know what's happening.

Leo the Lion

(July 22-August 22):

Gifts and goodies from others continue to come your way. In fact, financial negotiations will favor you now because discussions about wills, inheritances and shared property will be resolved in a way that benefits you. Romance is also sweet and passionate this week. Your primary focus is on your closest relationships – partnerships, spouses and friends. You have more objectivity and ability to see how you react with others, which gives you a chance to improve your people skills. This is also a productive week because you are taking a hands-on approach.

Virgo the Virgin

(August 23-September 22):

Your desire to be productive is still strong. You feel proud of your

accomplishments this week. Not only do you want to excel, you also want to improve your health. Meanwhile, relations with close friends are warm and friendly; relations with kids and romantic partners are playful and intellectually stimulating. Get ready for an interruption to your work (and possibly health) at the end of the week. This could include a breakdown of equipment or conflict with authority figures. You will handle this smoothly because Venus is opposite your sign honing your diplomatic skills.

Libra the Scales

(September 23-October 22):

Currently, you're enjoying restaurants, movies, the theatre, sports and accepting invitations to socialize more than usual. You are a social sign, but this month it's over the top! Make an effort to look good because when you feel good about how you look, you're more charming than ever. Be prepared for unexpected changes to social plans at the end of the week. Likewise, parents should be extra vigilant because Friday and Saturday are accident-prone times for kids. This is an excellent week to make your workspace more attractive and be friendly with colleagues.

Scorpio the Scorpion

(October 23-November 21):

Home, family (and perhaps a parent) are your focus now. Nevertheless, socializing, sports events and opportunities for romantic delights are exciting. Plus, your sex drive is amped! These are positive influences, plus the fact that you can improve your job – and your health – in the coming year! Meanwhile, if you want to think back to 1994, you might see

that you are in a similar time loop. Much of what was occurring in 1994 might be coming your way again. Be patient with family members at the end of the week.

Sagittarius the Archer

(November 22-December 21):

Your sign likes to plan ahead. It might help to know that you are now entering a window similar to what you experienced in 1994-1995. But this time, you are more playful and fun-loving. In particular, you want to escape on vacations this year! This week is busy with short trips, errands and appointments. You will enjoy redecorating and entertaining at home. However: be careful because on Friday and Saturday, you are in an accident-prone window. Your daily routine will change. At the worst, you might encounter a serious upset.

Capricorn the Goat

(December 22-January 19):

Thoughts of financial security are on your mind. Many of you are organizing your possessions. What to keep. What to recycle. What to give away. In fact, you are entering a similar window to the time back around 1994-95 when many of you had job changes or residential moves. This influence has returned. However, this year home and real estate are beautifully favored. Enjoy conversations because your words are sweet and charming. In fact, not only do you enjoy company, you also have a great appreciation for the beauty of your daily surroundings.

Aquarius the Water Bearer

(January 20-February 18):

You have much to look forward to because life will get better this year. (Wait until spring before you feel this shift in a big way.)

Meanwhile, this is a lovely time for you because the Sun is in your sign, which happens for four weeks only once a year. You feel energized and confident! Money, gifts and goodies will come your way. You have lots of energy to play, flirt, and enjoy sports and fun activities with children. Nevertheless, by the end of the week, you might feel rebellious. An event will shake up your routine!

Pisces the Fish

(February 19-March 20):

In many ways, this continues to be a low-key time for you as your personal year comes to an end and you wait for your birthday to arrive. Nevertheless, with Venus in your sign, you're schmoozing with everyone. You will also enjoy buying wardrobe goodies, boots and shoes. Since late summer, your home routine has been interrupted by chaotic activity. You feel out of control in your private world. Fear not. In two months, you will start to take charge once again. In fact, you're entering a two-year window very similar to what began in 1994-95.



By Georgia Nicols
www.georgianicols.com.

Home Sales Report

CASTRO VALLEY | TOTAL SALES: 10
 Highest \$: 2,450,000 Median \$: 976,500
 Lowest \$: 737,000 Average \$: 1,186,100

ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
21956 Ada Street	94546	737,000	2	1060	194812/20/22	
2179 Grove Way	94546	740,000	3	1168	194712/23/22	
2365 Reading Avenue	94546	750,000	2	917	194812/23/22	
20059 Garnet Court	94546	815,000	3	1080	194412/23/22	
21113 Tye Court	94546	848,000	2	1116	194712/19/22	
3530 Arcadian Drive	94546	1,105,000	3	1823	195612/19/22	
5798 Shadow Ridge Dr	94552	1,310,000	4	2119	197312/23/22	
2867 Jennifer Drive	94546	1,351,000	3	1642	196412/23/22	
5963 Skyfarm Drive	94552	1,755,000	4	3144	198812/19/22	
22355 Eden Canyon Rd	94552	2,450,000	5	4767	198112/20/22	

FREMONT | TOTAL SALES: 16
 Highest \$: 1,680,000 Median \$: 1,193,000
 Lowest \$: 612,000 Average \$: 1,183,813

ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
42111 Osgood Rd #317	94539	612,000	-	-	012/23/22	
412 Sequim Cmn #86	94539	645,000	2	897	012/22/22	
42111 Osgood Rd #432	94539	667,000	-	-	012/23/22	
2427 Dyer Lane	94536	1,050,000	1	828	194612/21/22	
682 Ridgeview Terrace	94536	1,070,000	3	1423	198812/23/22	
40461 Ditus Court	94538	1,100,000	3	950	195412/20/22	
39471 Blue Fin Way	94538	1,100,000	3	1067	196212/22/22	
5465 Farina Lane	94538	1,136,000	4	1338	196112/23/22	
5569 Simm Court	94538	1,250,000	3	1307	196212/22/22	
34146 Gannon Terrace	94555	1,275,000	3	1324	198712/21/22	
34489 Salinas Place	94555	1,280,000	-	1673	197712/23/22	
1530 Gilbert Place	94536	1,342,000	3	1562	198512/19/22	
42836 Charleston Way	94538	1,550,000	4	1873	195812/20/22	
38708 Chimaera Circle	94536	1,584,000	3	1384	199612/20/22	
2766 Washington Blvd	94539	1,600,000	2	1888	194912/21/22	
5627 Don Way	94538	1,680,000	4	2011	196212/21/22	

HAYWARD | TOTAL SALES: 12
 Highest \$: 1,600,000 Median \$: 855,000
 Lowest \$: 550,000 Average \$: 938,583

ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
18448 Standish Avenue	94541	550,000	2	866	192012/20/22	
1358 Sangamore Street	94545	780,000	3	1227	195512/23/22	
27047 Belfast Lane	94542	800,000	4	2127	198012/23/22	
23840 Clayton Street	94541	815,000	4	1502	195912/21/22	
26942 Lauderdale Ave	94545	820,000	3	1215	195712/19/22	
24644 Tioga Road	94544	830,000	3	1050	195112/23/22	
313 Murray Drive	94544	880,000	4	1271	195012/19/22	
25042 Dania Lane	94545	900,000	3	1904	199412/20/22	
24980 Yoshida Drive	94545	1,028,000	4	2000	199612/19/22	
22736 Olive Place	94541	1,060,000	3	1930	199612/22/22	
26925 Claiborne Court	94542	1,200,000	3	1820	197012/21/22	
25511 Dario Terrace	94541	1,600,000	5	6836	201912/20/22	

MILPITAS | TOTAL SALES: 6
 Highest \$: 1,625,000 Median \$: 1,292,500
 Lowest \$: 1,010,500 Average \$: 1,286,750

ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
280 North Park Victoria Dr	95035	1,010,500	4	1478	196212/22/22	
1390 Piper Drive	95035	1,050,000	2	1449	201812/23/22	

522 Clover Circle	95035	1,200,000	3	1743	201812/19/22	
1156 Nicklaus Avenue	95035	1,385,000	3	1296	197912/23/22	
2113 Shiloh Avenue	95035	1,450,000	4	1499	197112/23/22	
1870 Joshua Tree Circle	95035	1,625,000	-	-	012/22/22	

NEWARK | TOTAL SALES: 4
 Highest \$: 1,600,000 Median \$: 1,235,000
 Lowest \$: 985,000 Average \$: 1,263,750

ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
6140 Rockrose Drive	94560	985,000	4	1587	196612/20/22	
38891 Jonquil Drive	94560	1,200,000	4	1587	196612/19/22	
7769 Arrowhead Place	94560	1,270,000	3	1482	196812/21/22	
5323 Yarmouth Court	94560	1,600,000	4	2804	196612/22/22	

SAN LEANDRO | TOTAL SALES: 7
 Highest \$: 1,010,000 Median \$: 825,000
 Lowest \$: 500,000 Average \$: 778,429

ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
2084 167th Avenue	94578	500,000	3	1501	194912/22/22	
1860 Price Way	94577	620,000	2	833	194212/22/22	
1229 Ottawa Avenue	94579	780,000	3	1081	195112/20/22	
221 Accolade Drive	94577	825,000	3	1599	200012/21/22	
15087 Andover Street	94579	850,000	3	1340	194912/23/22	
15350 Farnsworth St	94579	864,000	3	1412	195512/22/22	
15314 Laverne Drive	94579	1,010,000	5	1639	195712/20/22	

SAN LORENZO | TOTAL SALES: 4
 Highest \$: 850,000 Median \$: 765,000
 Lowest \$: 660,000 Average \$: 760,000

ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
658 Hacienda Avenue	94580	660,000	3	1068	194812/20/22	
17257 Via Chiquita	94580	700,000	3	1431	195112/23/22	
1756 Bockman Road	94580	830,000	3	1330	195412/22/22	
17377 Via Julia	94580	850,000	3	1175	195112/23/22	

SUNOL | TOTAL SALES: 1
 Highest \$: 840,000 Median \$: 840,000
 Lowest \$: 840,000 Average \$: 840,000

ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
11873 Foothill Road	94586	840,000	-	2395	012/21/22	

UNION CITY | TOTAL SALES: 6
 Highest \$: 1,595,000 Median \$: 1,165,000
 Lowest \$: 482,500 Average \$: 1,070,417

ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
4543 Ellen Way	94587	482,500	4	2016	197112/19/22	
2167 Medallion Dr #3	94587	630,000	3	1134	197612/21/22	
3204 San Andreas Dr	94587	1,100,000	3	2158	197012/19/22	
2471 Claremont Place	94587	1,230,000	3	1720	196912/23/22	
33000 Marsh Hawk Rd	94587	1,385,000	4	1550	197612/20/22	
4424 Canterbury Way	94587	1,595,000	5	2392	199712/19/22	

The Good Life and Cohousing

SUBMITTED BY EVELYN LATORRE AND JANE MUELLER

Pandemic isolation has taken a toll on the human psyche. A recent Gallup poll points to a global unhappiness demonstrated by high levels of sadness, anger, physical pain, and worry. Estimates are that over 300 million adults in the world live in loneliness. Such negative feelings produce stress and sickness. The question is: What we can do to live healthier, happier, and more satisfying lives?

Robert Waldinger and Marc Schutz propose the answer in their new book, *The Good Life*—and not a moment too soon. They made use of findings from the Harvard Study of Adult Development, an 84-year longitudinal study. The primary scientific ingredient for happiness turns out to be meaningful human connection.

Meaningful human connection is an important motivation for building Fremont's first cohousing venture, Mission Peak Village. The process of forming strong, quality relationships begins as soon as a prospective member becomes a Mission Peak Village "Explorer" and interacts with the members of the cohousing group. When Explorers become Members (after 30 days and before 90 days), they join one of the Village teams. This encourages direct involvement with other Members. Everyone's voice is heard for all major decisions. As a result, close friendships develop.

The Harvard study's definition of a meaningful relationship is "a person you could call at 3 a.m. if you are sick or scared." Mission Peak Village members are finding that level of connection even before they move into the project they plan to build on High Street. Mission Peak Member Maria, for example, volunteered to transport two Members to the San Jose Airport at 3 a.m.



to catch their flight to the National Cohousing Conference last summer. Caroline and Donna accompanied a fellow Member to Pleasant Hill to support her at an evening speaking engagement. Becoming a member of a cohousing development is similar to being a member of an extended family.

The Harvard long-term study provides evidence that the power and consistency of strong relationships is essential for lasting human happiness. Interviews, questionnaires, and medical tests were analyzed over a period of 84 years to determine the life satisfaction level of 724 original subjects and 1,300 of their descendants. These individuals have been studied throughout their entire lives, and the findings have been supported by hundreds of other scientific research studies involving thousands of people throughout the world. The studies consistently come to the same conclusion: Meaningful personal connection is a major ingredient in human happiness.

Harvard researchers list a few reasons for a growth in disconnection among people.

- People are terrible at knowing what is good for them and bad at forecasting the emotional benefits of potential relationships.
- Many believe relationships can be messy and unpredictable so prefer to be alone.
- People pay a lot of attention to potential costs of strong relationships and downplay potential benefits.
- The good life of its citizens is not a central concern of most modern societies.
- 21st century life is changing faster than ever before with many threats (i.e., climate change, growing income inequality, new communication technologies) that disrupt our internal states of mind and leave little thought, time, or energy for close relationships.

Early humans survived because they were social. The human animal has evolved to need connection with others of our species. It is never too late to change the ways we cope. Cohousers form strong connections through planning the community they will build, executing those plans, then living in intentional proximity to one another. Those who live

in the approximately 180 cohousing communities in the U.S. form close relationships by regularly sharing meals and celebrations in the community center or Common House.

At Mission Peak Village, residents will encounter one another regularly at the mailboxes, in the courtyard, on the rooftop deck, and on pathways that connect the 32 units. The positive relationships essential to human wellbeing will be fostered throughout the cohousing complex. Warm relationships protect both the mind and the body.

This article is part of an ongoing series on cohousing. To learn more on the topic of cohousing, visit www.cohousing.org.

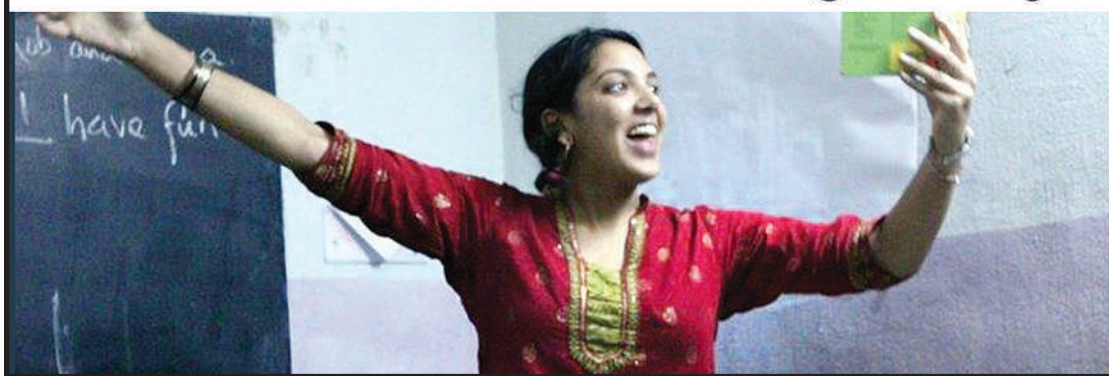
Mission Peak Village is a group of friends forming Fremont's first cohousing community. Memberships are still available. Call Kelli at (510) 413-8446 or visit Mission Peak Village on Facebook, Instagram, or the www.missionpeakcohousing.org website, where you can register for a monthly walk to explore the neighborhood around the future site.

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Sun Gallery Presents Climate Change Exhibit

One of the installations this year is particularly heart-rending with its powerful message. "End of Capitalism" features a burned-out antique cash register, which was retrieved from Dewey Elquist's property after the Paradise Fire in California in 2018. Burnt antique coins still cling to the register's tray, while an antique fire and blown-out blow torch hover eerily in the background. Artist and designer Marjorie Lynne Wagner collaborated with her friend Dewey to help him RE-Cover and RE-Claim some of his property at the fire site.

The "Camp Fire" as it became to be known, was the most expensive natural disaster in the world at that time (in terms of insured losses). Elquist narrowly escaped with his life; his hair was singed as he fled the fire's wrath. On being asked how he felt seeing the burnt pieces on display, Elquist replied, "I got to start all over again."

In the same space hangs Alameda artist Jon Kerpel's newest installation, "Into the Twilight" next to his other majestic piece "Elevation," which features delicately cut animal shapes clustered in golden elegance, many of them endangered species. Kerpel frequently RE-Cycles and RE-Uses items for his installations, their former lives unrecognizable after Kerpel's masterful craftsmanship RE-Imagines them.

Local Artist & Activist Jennifer Koney stuns with several large pieces from her "55": Images of Sea Level Rise on the Hayward Shoreline" series, a stunning array of paintings meant to visually show how loss of ice will contribute to substantial sea rise within the SF Bay Area. Koney will join a panel at the Sun discussing current sea level rise along with the influence of methane hydrates on climate change. (Panel dates to be released

soon; subscribe at sungallery@comcast.net to be notified.)

Steven Bales's video "Plastiglomeration" is a thoughtful animation that begs an answer to the million-dollar question: Just how much plastic are we, as humans, actually consuming and retaining in our bodies? According to recent studies, humans have reason to be concerned:

"Last spring, scientists from the Netherlands and the U.K. announced they had found tiny plastic particles in living humans, in two places where they hadn't been seen before: deep inside the lungs of surgical patients, and in the blood of anonymous donors." (National Geographic)

Participating artists also include Janet Brugos, Hollie Adamic, Peter and Maureen Langenbach, Linda Nygard, Dorsi Diaz, Christa Schanda, Sarah Sammis, Deborah Gallegos, Elani Scott, Carl Dozier, Larry Van Deusen, Maria Luisa Penaranda, Robyn Mallery, Aaron Francis, and Hayward's Poet Laureate Bruce Roberts. "RE-Imagined" will also feature acrylic pour art from 808 Downtown Collaborative, some of whom also participated in last year's climate change exhibit: Al Janske,

Felly Chan, Conchita Huff, and Barbara Handis.

Local Tennyson High School students Axziry, Omar, and Andrea's creative talents shine in their 2023 Ceramic Birdhouse creations: "Deep Down," "Bee Box," and "Cloudy." Axziry's piece was purchased for the Sun Gallery's Permanent Collection, as its message about plastics, gas, and consumerism seemed tailor-made for this year's show.

The Artists Reception for Climate Change: RE-Imagined will be held on Saturday, February 4, from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m., and will include free appetizers, beverages, and activities for children. Local entertainers will be on hand to speak about climate change and entertain guests.

An encore debut of the show will be held at Hayward City Hall in the John O'Lague Galleria at 777 B Street from September 4 - October 26, 2023, with an artist's reception on Friday, September 8 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Bay Area teachers are encouraged to bring their students for a special field trip to

the Gallery, where classes are given a tour of the exhibit followed up by a special art project in the Gallery's spacious art studio. Field trips are held Monday-Friday at 9 a.m., 11:30 a.m., or by special appointment. Special "Art Experiences" at local schools can also be arranged. To schedule a field trip, call (510) 581-4050 or email sungallery@comcast.net.

Admission to the show is free. Normal gallery hours are Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sun Gallery is located at 1015 E Street in Hayward. Sun Gallery is a 501c3 non-profit organization.

Climate Change: RE-Imagined
Fridays and Saturdays, through
Saturday, Mar 18
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Artists Reception
Saturday, Feb 4
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Sun Gallery
1015 E. St., Hayward
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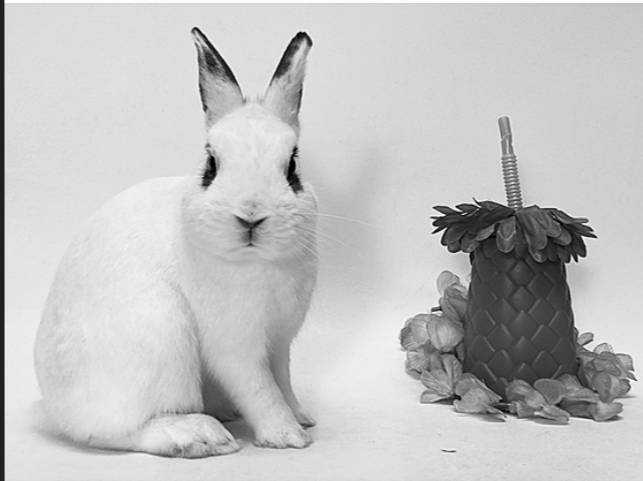
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 R= Reservations Required
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 Call to confirm activities shown in these listings.

Arts & Entertainment

CONTINUING EVENTS

Tuesdays

Practice Your English--Tuesday Chat! R

4:00 pm -5:00 pm
 Improve your English by talking with native speakers
 bit.ly/3TH2keU
 jliu@aclibrary.org

Tuesdays

Bilingual (English/Spanish) Tiny Tot Story Time

9:30 am -11:00 am
 Kinder readiness class for 0-5 years old
 Union City Family Center
 725 Whipple Rd, Union City
 (510) 476-2770
 bit.ly/3vcTYRA, bit.ly/3GaTaml

First Wednesdays

Talkin' Dirt

7:00 pm -8:00 pm
 Online gathering of gardeners
 Local Ecology and Agriculture Fremont (LEAF)
 6501 Niles Blvd, Fremont
 bit.ly/3UPp51i

Wednesdays

Zumba Gold \$

11:30 am -12:30 pm
 Workout while dancing
 Age Well Center at South Fremont
 47111 Mission Falls Ct, Fremont
 (510) 742-7529
 bit.ly/3rAEdSC

Wednesdays

Tropics Bingo

7:00 pm
 Flash games
 Tropics Mobile Home Park
 33000 Almaden Blvd, Union City
 (510) 471-8550
 the-tropics.net

Thursdays

Chair Yoga R

10:00 am -11:00 am
 Consists of breathing and stretching techniques
 Age Well Center at South Fremont
 47111 Mission Falls Ct, Fremont
 (510) 742-7529
 bit.ly/3rAEdSC

Thursdays

International Folk Dancing in Mandarin R\$

11:30 am -12:50 pm
 Age Well Center at South Fremont
 47111 Mission Falls Ct, Fremont
 (510) 742-7529
 bit.ly/3rAEdSC

First Thursdays

Plethos Comedy Lab \$

8:00 pm -10:00 pm
 Ever-changing lineup of Bay Area comics (18+)
 Castro Valley Market Place
 3295 Castro Valley Blvd, Castro Valley
 (510) 901-1001
 castrovalleymarketplace.com

Tuesdays & Thursdays

Spectrum Fall Prevention Presents "Enhance Fitness" R

9:30 am
 Program to energize and empower 60+ adults
 San Leandro Senior Community Center
 13909 E 14th Street, San Leandro
 (510) 577-3462
 SpectrumCS.org
 Register in person or call (510) 881-0300 x 270

Thursdays & Saturdays

Story Time

10:30 am - 11:00 am
 Picture book story time for 0-5 years
 Banter Bookshop
 3768 Capitol Ave Ste. F, Fremont
 (510) 565-1004
 banterbookshop.com

Thursday -Sunday

Animal Feeding

3:00 pm -3:30 pm
 Feed livestock & learn about their favorite food
 Ardenwood Historic Farm
 34600 Ardenwood Blvd, Fremont
 (888) 327-2757
 ebparks.org/parks/ardenwood

First Fridays

Glow in the Dark

6:00 pm -10:00 pm
 Explore light from earth and space
 Chabot Space and Science Center
 10000 Skyline Blvd, Oakland
 (510) 336-7300
 chabotspace.org

Fridays and Saturdays

Telescope Viewings

7:30 pm -10:30 pm
 Experience the awe and wonder of the universe
 Chabot Space and Science Center
 10000 Skyline Blvd, Oakland
 (510) 336-7300
 chabotspace.org

Saturdays

Laugh Track City \$

8:00 pm
 Improvised games & scenes
 Made Up Theatre
 4000 Bay St suite B, Fremont
 (510) 573-3633
 madeuptheatre.com
 Please show proof of vaccination

First and Third Saturdays

Pacific Bus Museum \$

10:00 am -2:00 pm
 Open house
 Pacific Bus Museum
 37974 Shinn St, Fremont
 pacbus.org
 info@pacbus.org

Saturdays and Sundays

Discovery On Demand

10:30 am -3:30 pm
 Explore, investigate, & craft to satisfy your natural curiosities
 Coyote Hills Visitors Center
 8000 Patterson Ranch Rd, Fremont
 (510) 544-3220
 bit.ly/3UGfdGr

Mondays

Advanced Math + Science Tutoring

5:30 pm -7:00 pm
 Free high school and college-level tutoring
 Castro Valley Library
 3600 Norbridge Ave, Castro Valley
 (510) 667-7900
 aclibrary.org
 castrovalley@aclibrary.org

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays

Showers for Adults 55+ R

1:00 pm -2:30 pm
 One shower per day
 Age Well Center at South Fremont
 47111 Mission Falls Ct, Fremont
 (510) 742-7529
 bit.ly/3rAEdSC

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays

Spectrum Fall Prevention presents "Enhance Fitness" R

9:30 am, 11:00 am, and 1:00 pm
 Program to energize and empower 60+ years adult
 Cherryland Community Center
 278 Hampton Road, Hayward
 (510) 626-8522
 aclibrary.com, SpectrumCS.org
 Register in person or call (510) 881-0300 x 270

Saturdays, November 12 - February 5

13 Weekly (Grief Share) sessions R

9:00 am -10:30 am
 Prince of peace church
 38451 Fremont Blvd, Fremont
 (510) 793-3366
 popfremont.org

First Thursdays, December 1 - April 6

Bill Savings Assistance with Spectrum

3:00 pm -5:00 pm
 In-person assistance on completing the 2022 LIHEAP and/or LIHWAP application forms
 Fremont Main Library
 2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
 (510) 745-1400
 bit.ly/3gWSjfq

Wednesdays, December 7 - November 22

Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 Relieve stress and anxiety by joining Falun Dafa classes

Milpitas Public Library
 160 N Main St, Milpitas
 (408) 262-1171
 scclid.org

First and third Fridays, December 16 - Jun 16

Mobile Food Distribution

10:30 am -11:30 am
 Available for first 80 families
 Fremont Main Library
 2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
 (510) 745-1400
 aclibrary.org/locations/FRM
 Please bring your own reusable bag, line up starts at 9:30

Tuesdays, January 3 - May 30

Baby Bouncers Lapsit

11:30 am -11:45 am
 Nursery rhymes, lap bounce, songs, and picture books for 12 months & younger
 Milpitas Public Library
 160 N Main St, Milpitas
 (408) 262-1171
 scclid.org

First Saturdays, January 7 - March 4

Music Hour at the Library

2:30 pm -3:30 pm
 Platform for the community to come together to perform, share, and enjoy music
 Newark Public Library
 37055 Newark Blvd, Newark
 (510) 284-0675
 bit.ly/3DyAJaM, bit.ly/3WyERy6

Tuesdays, January 17 - May 16

Read to a Dog

4:00 pm -5:00 pm
 Come and read to the trained therapy dogs
 Fremont Main Library
 2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
 (510) 745-1400
 aclibrary.org/locations/FRM
 Mask required for 2+

Thursdays, January 19 - April 20

Health Services for People Experiencing Homelessness

1:30 pm -3:00 pm
 Get help with checkup, medications, appointments, referral, food assistance, & more
 Fremont Main Library
 2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
 (510) 745-1400
 aclibrary.org/locations/FRM

Thursday - Saturday, January 19 - March 18

Tree Talk

During gallery hours
 12:00 pm -5:00 pm
 Art works & poems by Doti Cichon & Nelly Capra
 Olive Hyde Art Gallery
 123 Washington Blvd, Fremont
 (510) 791-4357
 olivehydeartguild.org

Thursdays, January 26 - February 9

Musical Storytime Session 1 & 2 R

Session 1: 10:00 am -10:30 am
 Session 2: 10:45 am - 11:15 am
 Musical story time for 0 - 6 years.
 Castro Valley Library
 3600 Norbridge Ave, Castro Valley
 (510) 667-7900
 aclibrary.org
 castrovalley@aclibrary.org

Saturdays, January 28 - March 25

Saturday English Conversation

10:00 am -12:00 pm
 Open English conversation for all skill level
 Newark Public Library
 37055 Newark Blvd, Newark
 (510) 284-0675
 bit.ly/3DyAJaM

Tuesdays, January 31 - February 28

Tag/Teen Tuesdays R

4:00 pm -6:00 pm
 Join the teen advisory group, play, make art & poetry
 Fremont Main Library
 2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
 (510) 745-1400
 bit.ly/3kO3Krm

**Wednesdays,
February 1 - February 22****Black History Month - Little Bookworms Storytime**

11:30 am - 12:00 pm

Let's read sing & honor black resistance together

Cherryland Community Center
278 Hampton Road, Hayward
(510) 626-8522
aclibrary.com

Mask required for 2+

**Thursdays,
February 2 - February 23****CleanStart Mobile Hygiene Unit**

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Access to a shower & laundry for people experiencing homelessness

Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
(510) 745-1400
aclibrary.org/locations/FRM**Saturdays,
February 4 - April 15****Free Tax Assistance from VITA**

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Trained volunteers will prepare & file taxes for persons/households earning less than \$66,000 in 2022

Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
(510) 745-1400
earnitkeepsaveit.org

Walk-in only

**Monday - Friday,
February 27 - March 10****Golden Sneaker Contest R**

AC students, classrooms, & schools compete to see who can walk, roll, carpool, and/or use public transit the most

bit.ly/3DbxLaT

Register by February 3 to participate

**Sundays,
January 1 - February 26****Snake Talk**

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Discover the importance of snakes to the ecosystem

Sunol Regional Wilderness Visitor Center

1895 Geary Rd, Sunol
(510) 544-3245
ebparks.org/parks/Sunol**UPCOMING
EVENTS****Tuesday, January 31****Preparing for College & Career as Underclassmen R**

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

College admission tips & tricks by certified college & career counselor

Castro Valley Library
3600 Norbridge Ave, Castro Valley
(510) 667-7900
bit.ly/3QRcwRj

castrovalley@aclibrary.org

zoom link will be sent 30 minutes prior the event

Wednesday, February 1**Internet Safety Classes for Adults Session 2 R**

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Learn about password management & security

Milpitas Public Library
160 N Main St, Milpitas
(408) 262-1171
bit.ly/3XHAKK2**Wednesday, February 1****Fun with Arts**

10:30 am - 11:30 am

Let our munchkin (2-5) enjoy some art

Milpitas Public Library
160 N Main St, Milpitas
(408) 262-1171
scclcd.org**Wednesday, February 1****Fremont Art Association
General Meeting & Art Demo R**

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Guest artist will showcase her process for the kiln-formed glass art on zoom
bit.ly/3H751Bq

Link will be provided upon registration

Friday, February 3**7th Annual Father & Daughter Sweetheart Ball \$R**

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Fathers & daughters (2 - 18) dress up, take pictures, dance & enjoy refreshment

Holly Community Center
31600 Alvarado Blvd, Union City
(510) 675-5488
bit.ly/40iHjev**Saturday, February 4****Fun Felting**

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Turn sheep's wool into felt

Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd, Fremont
(888) 327-2757
ebparks.org/parks/ardenwood**Saturday, February 4****Jazz for Lovers**

7:30 pm

Valentine's celebration with Vocalist Nicolas Bearde & his quartet
Castro Valley Center for the Arts
19501 Redwood Rd, Castro Valley
(510) 889-8961
cvfca.com, cvartsfoundation.org**Saturday, February 4****Paper Story Quilting Craft Day**

During library hour

Invited to make paper story quilts using pictures, words, & textures

Castro Valley Library
3600 Norbridge Ave, Castro Valley
(510) 667-7900
aclibrary.org
castrovalley@aclibrary.org**Saturday, February 4****Water, Water, Everywhere**

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Explore the watershed & learn how we are connected & responsible to it

Coyote Hills Visitors Center
8000 Patterson Ranch Rd, Fremont
(510) 544-3220
bit.ly/3UGfdGr**Saturday, February 4****Fossils Exploration \$**

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Visit the various halls that highlight the fossils of the SF Bay area
Children's Natural History Museum
4074 Eggers Dr, Fremont
(510) 790-6284
cnhm.msnuclous.org**Saturday, February 4****Sounds in Nature in English & Spanish**

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Explore different unexpected sounds heard across Coyote Hills

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MCerda@ebparks.org**Saturday, February 4****Interactive Dyslexia Simulation \$R**

10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Understand the frustrations our dyslexic community faces

Stellar Academy for Dyslexics
39399 Cherry St., Newark
(510) 742-3165
stellarcademy.org, bit.ly/3Jma7wn**Saturday, February 4****Quail Talk n Draw**

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Learn about Quail while drawing it
Sunol Regional Wilderness Visitor Center1895 Geary Rd, Sunol
(510) 544-3245
ebparks.org/parks/Sunol**Saturday, February 4****Wax: It's The Bee's Knees!**

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Make candle out of beeswax

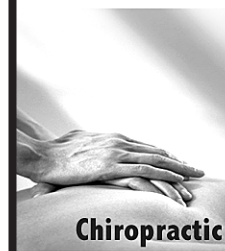
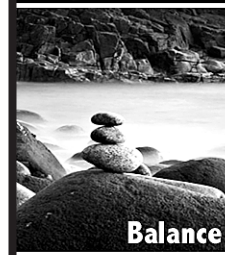
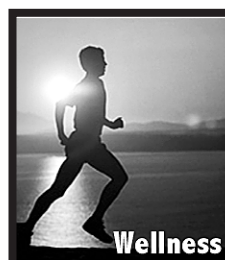
Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd, Fremont
(888) 327-2757
ebparks.org/parks/ardenwood**Saturday, February 4****Lowenfeld-Akeson Early Years Symposium \$R**

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Learn supporting sleep, sensory needs, & readiness to learn in young children with vision loss

California School for Blind
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csb-cde.ca.gov, bit.ly/3ZYdPCe**Saturday, February 4****Bird Walk R**

9:00 am - 10:30 am

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Newark****Sunday, February 5****Castro Valley Reads Kick-Off
Events & Lunar Year
Celebration**

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Register for group discussion & pick up a copy of this year's selection read "Peach Blossom Spring"

Castro Valley Library
3600 Norbridge Ave, Castro Valley
(510) 667-7900
aclibrary.org
castrovalley@aclibrary.org**Sunday, February 5****Harmony Day - Bystander
Intervention Training**

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Training on the principles of nonviolence & de-escalation techniques

Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
(510) 745-1400
aclibrary.org/locations/FRM**Sunday, February 5****Get to Know Black
Conservationists!**

10:00 am - 11:30 am

Honor Black history month by exploring their traditional cultural practices & the work of Black conservationists protecting wetland & beyond

Coyote Hills Visitors Center
8000 Patterson Ranch Rd, Fremont
(510) 544-3220
bit.ly/3UGfdGr**Sunday, February 5****Nature's Stories: Animal
Families**

11:00 am - 11:45 am

Learn through stories

Sunol Regional Wilderness Visitor

Center
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ebparks.org/parks/Sunol**Monday, February 6****STEM Building with LEGO for
Grade K - 8th**

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Use your creativity & engineering skills to build

Milpitas Public Library
160 N Main St, Milpitas
(408) 262-1171
scclcd.org**Tuesday, February 7****Estate planning & charitable
giving seminar R**

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Get to know about Wills, Qualified Charitable Distribution (IRA), Trusts, Life Insurance & Retirement Plans

Anderson Auditorium
2500 Mowry Ave, Fremont
(510) 248-1600
bit.ly/3HuiJ2C**Tuesday, February 7****Fraud Prevention (in English &
Mandarin)**

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Overview of how to prevent fraud, common fraud tactics, & recent fraud trends

Age Well Center at South Fremont
47111 Mission Falls Ct, Fremont
(510) 742-7529
bit.ly/3rAEdSC**King
Tides
2023**PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY
AMBARISH GOSWAMI

Local photographer Ambarish Goswami captured the 2023 King Tides on January 22, at Coyote Hills Regional Park in Fremont. King Tides are the highest tides of the year, produced when both the sun and moon are closest to the earth and exerting the strongest gravitational pull. A photo taken by Goswami at the exact same location back in May 2021 shows the dramatic difference in water level.

Goswami shared over email, "I didn't know that water encroaches this much inland. This impact of King Tide is less dramatic than the big splashes that we are accustomed to seeing, but is probably more worrisome. If this water goes up a couple of feet higher, this will literally reach our doorstep."

View more of Goswami's nature photography on his Instagram at @ambarish.naturephotos.



Coyote Hills, May 2021.



King Tides at Coyote Hills, January 2023.



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High schooler earns his wings

child to an adult," shared Bajpai. The training, practice and experience of piloting a plane, and all the responsibilities that come along with it have changed how he approaches challenges and hurdles in life. "I changed from a moody teenager to a stoic and rational logician," he shared. For those perplexed that Bajpai got his license to fly a plane before he got his driver's license, he puts any doubts to rest. "All pilots have to go through rigorous training and strict evaluation before being granted a license," shared Bajpai.

Having earned his private pilot's license, Bajpai is using this skill towards helping a cause near and dear to his heart. He supports PilotsNPaws, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that connects volunteer pilots and plane owners willing to assist with animal transportation with volunteers engaged in rescuing, sheltering and adopting animals. More information can be found at <https://www.pilotsnpaws.org/>.

As an avid dog lover and a pet owner, Bajpai was disturbed by the fact that overloaded pet shelters in urban regions end up euthanizing pets when they exceed their capacity, and can't relocate those pets to vacant centers that may be too far away. "I have been able to leverage my niche skillset in aviation to rescue the lives of hundreds already through PilotsNPaws. Every single flight I have made this year has carried at least three healthy dogs or cats who were mere days from being euthanized," shared Bajpai enthusiastically. In addition to piloting rescue aircraft, Bajpai coordinates mission planning and



logistics with shelters and rescues across the state, and conducts outreach to increase public awareness. "You don't have to be a pilot to become a part of this; anyone can help the organization further the cause," he added.

The rigor and dedication needed by the pilot training program alone is enough to take up all of one's time and focus, so balancing it with academics is an impressive achievement. And Bajpai came out with flying colors—literally. Busy applying to the various universities, Bajpai plans to pursue a career in aerospace engineering with the goal of designing novel propulsion and control technologies in spaceflight and aviation. "I will continue flying as a hobby, and plan to work towards a flight instructor certificate with the hope of sharing my love for aviation with others."

While flying is Bajpai's passion, he has other interests too. He has had a curious

mind since childhood when he first read "A brief history of Time" by Stephen Hawking. He loves dirt biking. "Flying gets my adrenaline going in the air, and dirt biking does it on the ground," he shared cheekily. He is also part of a robotics team that invented a device during the COVID-19 pandemic to allow people to safely open doors without touching the handles. This device, called the Armdle, is an inexpensive and easy to install door handle attachment that works on both pull and push doors and allows the use of arms instead of hands to open doors. Their design was the third place winner at the Community Health Hackathon organized by Jersey City Rapid Maker Response Group in July 2020.

We at TCV wish Abeer Bajpai the very best as he takes flight into adulthood, higher education and his professional career.

PilotsNPaws:
<https://www.pilotsnpaws.org/>



Hayward City Council

January 17, 2023

Consent Items

- Update Hayward Municipal Code: Affordable Housing Density Bonus Ordinance.
- Authorize 5 eighteen-month professional services agreements with CSG Consultants, EKI Environment & Water, Harris & Associates, Lee and Ro, and V.W. Housen & Associates for on-call engineering support services.
- Award a construction contract to JJ Construction & Design, Inc., for the Municipal Parking Lot Improvement

Project.

- Approve plans and specifications, and call for bids for the FY23 Median Landscape Improvement Project.
- Accept and appropriate up to \$10,000 in small donations (\$999 or less individually) from library patrons to support library services and programs.
- Accept and appropriate \$200,000 from Edward Martins to support the purchase of a Techmobile for the Hayward Public Library.
- Award a contract to JMB Construction for the Trash Capture Device Installation Project on Tennyson Road.
- Authorize a landscape maintenance contract with Brightview Landscape Services for prominence lighting and landscape (District #3).

- Authorize a landscape maintenance contract with New Image Landscape Company for downtown Hayward maintenance.
- Amend the financial reporting, budgeting, planning, and procurement solution services agreement with OpenGov, Inc. for a period of three years, with 2 one-year contract extensions.
- Amend the professional services agreements with Kitchell CEM and RossDrulisCusenbery Architecture, Inc. for extended construction support services.
- Amend the inspector of record services with ABC Inspections, Inc. and the agreement with Mobile Modular for an additional rental of modular structures for the Temporary Fire Station 6; transfer and appropriate additional funds for the Fire Station 6 and the Fire Training Center

Project.

- Authorize a professional services agreement with Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., for the planning and scoping phase of the Whitesell Interchange Project.
 - Approve the amended Fiscal Year 2023 Salary Plan.
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| Mayor Mark Salinas | Aye |
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Hollow People

resist, others become complacent, willing tools, albeit controlled by master manipulators who lack a moral compass, regard for fellow human beings or life itself in any form.

American-born British poet T.S. Eliot (1888-1965) addressed the vagaries and ultimate disposition of those who choose to dwell in a superficial landscape of fear, greed and hatred. Best known colloquially for his poems that formed a foundation for the wildly successful play, *Cats*. Eliot's works continue to have a profound impact on English literature.

Published in 1925, *Hollow Men*, describes the ultimate fate of those who present a formidable façade, yet have little internal strength or fortitude.

Although of a different decade and century, his words ring true today and should sound a warning for those who choose political antics over substantive, positive responses to pressing societal problems. Political struggles such the 16th century Gunpowder Plot to blow up English lawmakers, known for a perpetrator, Guy Fawkes, is referenced as the overall tone of the work points toward the ultimate fate of such hollow men. Their semi-existence in a desolate purgatory between life and death with little or no hope for redemption.

We are the hollow men

We are the stuffed men

Leaning together

(...)

As wind in dry grass

He goes on to describe their lack of character:

Shape without form, shade without colour,

Paralysed force, gesture without motion;

Eliot ends the poem on a decidedly pessimistic note that could be applied to the current political/societal climate. Recent recognition of International Holocaust Remembrance Day of Nazi fanaticism and extermination camps is an extreme reminder of the legacy of hollow men. Let's hope our collective will and leadership lead us to a different conclusion.



William Marshak
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Astronaut Buzz Aldrin marries longtime love on 93rd birthday

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Astronaut Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin announced on Facebook that he has married his "longtime love" in a small ceremony in Los Angeles. Aldrin, who made history along with Neil Armstrong as the first

humans to set foot on the surface of the moon, said the wedding took place on Friday, Jan. 20 which was his 93rd birthday.

"I am pleased to announce that my longtime love and partner, Dr. Anca V Faur, and I have tied the knot. We were joined in holy matrimony in a small private ceremony in Los Angeles, and are as excited as eloping teenagers," he wrote. The post received 53,000 Facebook "likes" and "loves" by Jan. 21 and was accompanied by several photos of the newlyweds.

On July 20, 1969, Apollo 11 astronauts Armstrong and Aldrin made their historic walk on the lunar surface, fulfilling a vow by the late President John F. Kennedy to send a manned crew to the moon and safely return them to Earth. Michael Collins was the third member of the crew.

Fremont Projects Awarded Federal Funding

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With the recent passage of the FY2023 Omnibus Bill by

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New Citywide Wi-Fi Zones

The city was awarded \$1.5 million to strategically deploy community Wi-Fi zones in Fremont's six commercial district plazas. The plazas are located in the following districts: Centerville, Irvington, Niles, Mission San Jose, Warm Springs and Downtown City Center. The new citywide Wi-Fi zones will

help address the digital divide issues in these areas by allowing for equitable access among residents and small businesses who may otherwise not have access to high-speed Wi-Fi internet access.

New Solar + Battery Storage at City Facilities

City staff has been working in close partnership with East Bay Community Energy (EBCE), Fremont's electricity provider, on a project to procure solar plus battery storage at six city facilities. EBCE was awarded \$2 million under the FY2023

Omnibus Bill to support this project and a similar project in Hayward. The federal dollars will be used to partially offset the cost of the systems, which will significantly lower the ultimate cost to the city.

The city expresses its great appreciation to federal representatives, Congressman Ro Khanna, Senator Alex Padilla, and staff for their leadership in advocating for these important, long-term impactful projects to be included for funding.

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Fremont Sets Example for Homeless Mitigation

BY CERI HITCHCOCK

Recently, Fremont was named among the "Happiest Cities in America" by personal finance website WalletHub. It also has one of the largest growth rates of unhoused populations in the Bay Area. And Fremont has assumed a role as regional leader in the provision of homeless services.

Fremont, population 230,500, has seen an alarming 68% increase in its unhoused population over the past three years, from 608 in 2019 to 1,026 in 2022. The number of documented unsheltered residents has almost doubled in the same time frame, reaching 866. The city's residents have noticed substantial change. Tents dot city parks and vehicle-homes remain stationed in parking lots. To address this issue, the City of Fremont has created numerous programs and plans.

The Homeless Mitigation and Response Report was presented to the City Council in October 2022. The report

outlined the current unhoused situation and steps the city is taking to resolve the crisis. Respondents to Fremont's 2022 Time Count & Survey reported that the cause of their homelessness was predominantly due to economic factors, many of which were amplified by the COVID-19 pandemic.

66% of Fremont's homeless live in vehicles. 20% of the remaining unsheltered population live in tents, 13% are on the street outside, and 1% live in abandoned buildings. The majority of unhoused residents are single males between 25-64 years; although single women are now a larger share of the population than they were in 2019 (45% compared to 32%), according to the report.

48% of unhoused residents have a disabling condition, meaning they live with a long-term physical or mental disability impacting their ability to live independently or take the necessary steps to secure housing. 22% of unhoused residents are experiencing homelessness for the

first time and, generally, people that become homeless are staying homeless longer. Surprisingly, nearly 50% of the city's homeless are either employed (14%) or seeking employment (35%).

Fremont has taken great strides to thwart the growing emergency. The city's latest efforts to combat the situation were highlighted in the Year End City Council Priority Progress Report 2022. The past year saw the opening of City Center Apartments and ground breaking for Fremont Family Apartments, two 60-unit city-funded supportive affordable housing projects serving unhoused individuals.

Nearing completion are two additional city-funded affordable housing projects, Doug Ford

Senior Apartments and Granite Ridge Apartments, that include units targeted to homeless individuals and families. In addition, four additional projects have begun or are about to start construction, Osgood South, Osgood North, Fremont Family Apartments, and Bell Street Gardens. Combined,



By Jack Alcorn

these projects will provide 556 affordable units, including 176 units serving extremely low-income tenants.

Fremont also launched the Safe Parking program this past year. Faith-based organizations across the city host individuals or couples on parking sites for one month before rotating them to the next site. A Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Fund has been established to keep Safe Parking participant vehicles operational and in compliance with program requirements.

Fremont's Housing Navigation Center was expanded last year from 25 to 30 beds. During its first two years, the Navigation Center served 83 individuals and transitioned scores of clients into permanent housing. In partnership with

local hotels, the city opened the Winter Relief program at the beginning of December 2022. Fremont's CleanStart Mobile Hygiene program provides shower and laundry services twice a day, five days a week at sites throughout the city. Clothing, snacks, essential items and public health or housing information is distributed through this program.

The Homeless Care and Response section of the city's website highlights a multitude of resources for the community. "This year, the city will be conducting a strategic plan on homelessness and recently put out a request for proposals (RFP) seeking a consultant for this work," said Geneva Bosques, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs for the City of Fremont.

Manchin bill would delay tax credits for electric vehicles

BY MATTHEW DALY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ratcheting up his criticism of the Biden administration, Democratic Sen. Joe Manchin on Jan. 25 moved to delay new tax credits for electric vehicles, a key feature of President Joe Biden's landmark climate law.

Manchin said guidelines issued by the Treasury Department allow manufacturers in Europe and other countries to bypass requirements that significant portions of EV batteries be produced in North America.

The climate law, officially known as the Inflation Reduction Act, "is first and foremost an energy security bill," Manchin said, adding that "the EV tax credits were designed to grow domestic manufacturing and reduce our reliance on foreign supply chains for the critical minerals needed to produce EV batteries."

Manchin's bill comes as Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm and White House climate adviser Ali Zaidi were set to attend the

Washington, D.C., Auto Show on Jan. 25 to highlight the Biden administration's efforts to boost EVs and related infrastructure.

Tax credits of up to \$7,500 per vehicle are intended to spur EV sales and domestic production of vehicles and batteries while reducing planet-warming greenhouse gas emissions. European and Asian allies, including French President Emmanuel Macron, have criticized the rules as unfair to foreign manufacturers.

While Macron applauded Biden's efforts to curb climate change, he said during a visit to Washington that subsidies in the new law could be an enormous setback for European companies. Biden acknowledged "glitches" in the legislation but said "there's tweaks we can make" to satisfy allies.

Manchin's bill follows a decision by the Treasury Department to delay rules on battery contents and minerals until March, while allowing the rest of the program to be implemented on Jan. 1. The Manchin bill directs the Treasury to stop issuing tax credits for vehicles that don't comply with battery requirements.

"The United States is the birthplace of Henry Ford, who revolutionized the automotive industry," Manchin said, calling it "shameful that we rely so heavily on foreign suppliers, particularly China, for the batteries that power our electric vehicles."

EV sales have tripled since Biden, a Democrat, took office two years ago, the Energy Department said, and there are now more than 2 million EVs and 100,000 chargers on U.S. roadways. The climate law, along with the 2021 infrastructure law and other changes, "are mobilizing public and private sector investments to reinvigorate domestic manufacturing, expand electric vehicle charging and lower transportation costs for American consumers," the department said in a statement.

Manchin, chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, was a crucial vote in passing the climate law, which was adopted without support from any Republican. He has said exemptions approved by the Treasury -- including one that allows tax credits for EVs purchased for commercial use, such as leasing or ride-sharing, even if they are foreign-made -- undermine the law's intent to reduce U.S. dependence on foreign adversaries and create jobs in the United States.

It is unclear whether Manchin, of West Virginia, can generate support for his bill in the Democratic-controlled Senate, but during the midterm election campaign, Republicans criticized Biden and other Democrats for supporting electric vehicles, citing their relative high costs and batteries that are currently made in China.

California storms boost water allocation for cities

BY ADAM BEAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Weeks of historic rainfall in California mean public agencies that supply 27 million people will get much more water from the state than they were scheduled to get a month ago -- enough to supply an estimated 4.4 million households for a year.

In December, state officials announced public water agencies would get just 5% of what they had asked for because of a severe drought that had depleted the state's reservoirs to dangerously low levels.

But starting on New Year's Eve, a weather phenomenon known as "atmospheric rivers" began pummeling California for weeks. Nine atmospheric rivers dumped an estimated 32 trillion gallons of water on the state in three weeks. It was enough to increase water storage in the state's two largest reservoirs by a combined 66%.

More water could be on the way. The Jan. 26 allocation does not include water that will eventually come in the spring when the snow melts in the Sierra Nevada. As of Jan. 24, California had more than twice as much snow in the mountains compared to its historical average.

"We are pleased that we can increase the allocation now and provide more water to local water agencies," said Karla Nemeth, director of the state Department of Water Resources. "These

storms made clear the importance of our efforts to modernize our existing water infrastructure for an era of intensified drought and flood. Given these dramatic swings, these storm flows are badly needed to refill groundwater basins and support recycled water plants."

The U.S. Drought Monitor said on Jan. 26 that severe drought was reduced to moderate drought in most of the San Joaquin Valley and the lowest category -- abnormal dryness -- has replaced moderate drought on the entire central coast, including Monterey Bay.

"Over the past few weeks, a series of atmospheric rivers brought significant amounts of rain and snow across parts of the West leading to improvements in soil moisture, streamflow, reservoirs levels and snowpack," the monitor said. Most of the state, however, remains in moderate or severe drought, with only a fraction on the far north coast entirely free of drought.

The worst categories of drought -- exceptional and extreme -- were eliminated from California earlier this month. Despite that, state water officials warned the state still has two months left of its rainy season. It's possible California could return to dry conditions before April 1. State officials said Californians should "continue to use water wisely to help the state adapt to a hotter, drier future and the possible return of drought."

Better Beekeeping in Fremont

BY JACK ALCORN

The Fremont Municipal Code sets forth regulation of animals throughout Fremont. Increased urbanization caused the City to amend the code in 2018 to restrict urban agriculture and livestock and to remove kept bees from the residential areas of Fremont. Protests from the beekeeping community have prompted Fremont City Council to consider code adjustments. The goal was to strike a balance between the City's ability to enforce technical rules and beekeepers' ability to encourage beekeeping.

Community meetings, public testimony at council meetings and input from an online survey helped City staff to develop an amended ordinance item to be

reviewed at the February 21, 2023 Fremont City Council meeting. The council also reviewed ordinances from other cities that promote urban beekeeping. The proposed ordinance revision covers beekeeping permits, care and enforcement. Adoption of the proposed changes would require beekeepers to register their hives with the Alameda County Food & Agriculture Department rather than obtaining a permit for apian activities.

If approved, the new beekeeping regulations will remove the current restriction of no more than 5 hives per single family dwelling. The minimum distance from any fence line would increase from 5 feet to 10 feet. The code adjustment also requires beekeepers to implement new safeguards to keep bees from potentially encountering neighbors or other members of the public.

Current rules allow suspension or revocation of the beekeeping privilege without a hearing. Public nuisance laws will guide

enforcement if the revised ordinance is approved.

Beekeeping in Fremont has more than 100 years of history. The Alameda County Beekeepers Association (ACBA), established in 1916, provides education, support and resources for beekeepers and the public. Commercial and hobbyist beekeepers, and those who just have an interest are all part of ACBA's network of people and resources. ACBA offers classes and workshops for schools and organizations. Meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the second Tuesday of each month at the San Leandro Marina Community Center.

For ordinance details or to provide feedback on Fremont's proposed beekeeping ordinance amendments, please complete a short survey www.my.fremont.gov/animal. Public testimony will also be heard prior to considering the ordinance at the February 21 Fremont City Council meeting.

Milpitas City Council

January 17, 2023

Consent Calendar

- Receive City Council Calendar of Meetings for January and February 2023.
- Receive the preview list of anticipated items for the next regular City Council Meeting.
- Review the list of agenda items requested by City Councilmembers.
- Reconfirm continuation of virtual meetings of the City Council and legislative bodies.
- Accept the completed public improvements for the Parkside – Tarob Court Project.
- Accept the completed public

improvements for the Finch Hollow Residential Project.

- Amend the Milpitas Municipal Code relating to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units (JADUs) for consistency with recent changes to State ADU law.

- Consider Kiwanis Club of Milpitas fee waiver request.

- Approve travel to Carlsbad for City Manager to attend the Annual League of California Cities City Managers Conference to be held on February 8 – 10, 2023.

Mayor Carmen Montano	Aye
Evelyn Chua	Aye
Anthony Phan	Aye
Hon Lien	Aye
Garry Barbadillo	Aye

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Fremont Unified School District



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January 23, 2023

- Allow the legislative bodies of Fremont Unified School District (FUSD) to continue holding meetings via videoconference.
- Authorize an agreement with SchoolMint.
- Amend bylaws of the

- Curriculum & Instruction Committee.
- Approve Study Trips.
 - Approve Lila Bringhurst Elementary School Single Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA) for the 2022-23 School Year.
 - Authorize an agreement for California State Preschool continued funding application

- Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
- Approve staff-recommended supplemental novel adoption.
 - Renew the lease agreement with Joe Grech Tennis.
 - Allocate the USDA Supply Chain Assistance (SCA) funds to the Sodexo Contract.
 - Accept the California Schools Healthy Air, Plumbing and

- Efficiency (CalSHAPE) Grant.
- Approve personnel actions.
 - Approve athletic coaches - winter 2023.
 - Approve revised Autism Resource Center Program Facilitator job description.
 - Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Fremont Unified School District

(FUSD) and Fremont Schools Management Association (FSMA) - COVID Leave.

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| President Vivek Prasad | Aye |
| Yajing Zhang | Aye |
| Larry Sweeney | Aye |
| Dianne Jones | Aye |
| Sharon Coco | Aye |

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William Angus Davis

December 28, 1958 – December 14, 2022

Resident of Fremont

William Angus Davis, of Fremont, passed away on December 14, 2022 at the age of 63. His undying support and unconditional love will be carried on by his children, Alexandra and William Fuentes. He also leaves behind 2 grandchildren, Dymond and Summer, and a sister Rene Davis. He was predeceased by his mother Rachel Lira and 2 brothers, Nick and Randy Davis.

William was a talented mechanic, hilarious friend, and dedicated father. He loved big motor jobs and the challenge that came with tinkering with cars. He's been a mechanic in the Tri-City area for over 30 years. In his town if you needed advice, a hot meal, change for the bus, or a simple laugh, he was your guy. He was a big believer in "paying it forward". As a Dad and a bonus dad he was always there



when you needed a friend or someone to tell you like it is. He worked hard in everything he did, and refused to give up when things got tough. While he left us too soon, his impact on his family and community will be felt for years to come.

Services have been held.

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Jessica Leann Villalobos



Jessica Leann Villalobos was born July 3, 1983 and laid her head to rest, one final time, at home in Fremont California on January 13, 2023.

Jessica will always be remembered as being smart, creative and kind. Her beauty could only be out measured by the love and loyalty that poured from her heart into the souls of those closest to her. Including her Children, Mother, Grandmother, Brother, Sister, Aunts, Uncles and Cousins, alike. She especially enjoyed making her kids feel special and loved every day. If Jessica wasn't enjoying time with

her Grandmother, doing anything she could to assure that Grandma was happy, healthy and comfortable, she could be found visiting Lake Elizabeth, local Farmer's Markets, chilling out to some oldies, or just being silly to bring joy to her family. She was truly an exceptional big sister, who's absence will resonate throughout her family indefinitely. Jessica will be greatly missed and forever remembered.

Jessica was preceded in death by her grandfather, Gustavo Jimenez and her brother Michael Jordan Olson. Survived by her children Vero, Jr. And Angel. Her Grandmother, Natividad Jimenez. Her mother, Maria Jimenez-Olson. Sister, Jazmyne Olson. Nieces, Jaiden and Jamie Lyn Bennett Nephew, Jameson Bennett. As well as several Aunts, Uncles and Cousins.

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William "Bill" Pereira

June 27, 1931 – January 21, 2023

Resident of Fremont

William Pereira passed away in Fremont on January 21, 2023 at the age of 91. He is survived by his high school sweetheart and loving wife of over 70 years, Evelyn Pereira, his son Michael Pereira (Chris) and his daughter Cynthia Dhooghe (George). William is also survived by 14 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents Antone and Nora Pereira and his sister Adeline Kempton.

William enjoyed golf, fishing, hunting and traveling, either on a cruise or in an RV. He served 2 years in the Army during the Korean War. He was a long time member of S.I.R.S. and worked at Central Chevrolet as a service writer for 47 years.



A Memorial Service will be held on Thursday, February 2, 11am at Fremont Chapel of the Roses, 1940 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536.

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Linda Sue Chiapetto

April 5, 1958 – January 27, 2023

Resident of Union City

Linda Sue Chiapetto peacefully passed away with her sister and brother at her side at the age of 64. She is survived by her sister Janet; brother-in-law David; brother David; nephews Dennis, John, and Eli; nieces Danielle, Amber, Rachel, and Emma.

Linda was born in Castro Valley to William and Donna Chiapetto. She grew up in Fremont with two brothers and a sister: Randy, Janet, and David. Linda was very active in Special Olympics. She started as a teen and continued well into adulthood until being sidelined by a knee injury. She participated



in all sports, but especially loved floor hockey. She had a fulfilling career at Dale Hardware in Fremont where she made

countless friends and was treated like family from the owners of the company for 32 years.

A Graveside Service will be held for Linda on Tuesday, February 7th, 12:30pm at Lone Tree Cemetery, 24591 Fairview Avenue, Hayward, CA.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to Special Olympics (specialolympics.org) or to the American Heart Association (heart.org).

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Robert "Bobby" Kelly

October 11, 1967 – January 12, 2023

Resident of Fremont



Robert "Bobby" Edward Kelly departed this world on January 11th, 2023. Robert was born to Betty Louise Upchurch and Eric Edward Kelly (deceased) on October 11th, 1967, in San Jose, California. He was the 4th out of 6 siblings and the eldest son.

Robert attended Paradise high school in Paradise, CA where he learned and established agricultural landscaping skills and developed a love and passion for Country, Classic Rock, and Heavy Metal music. He grew up listening to Country solo artists like Glen Campbell, Johnny Cash and bands like the Oakridge Boys, along with classic Rock and heavy metal bands like Led Zeppelin, Ozzy Osborne, AC/DC, Slayer, Metallica, Rob Zombie, and MegaDeath.

As an adult, Robert moved back to the Bay Area, and into the Union City, California Contempo Townhome community. There, he met many wonderful friends that became his family. Some of these friends included: the late Victorio Ortega (deceased), Raul Ibarra, Richard Willis a.k.a "Little Rich", Robin Enos, Jesse Granada, Richard Mackey a.k.a "Big Rich", Phillip Copeland, Donald and Sharlene Kuehn, Isaac and Alex Vaughn, Nicole and Leeroy Duarte, Ruben Lopez and

finally the Reick brothers, Chris, and Kenny whose parents are Skip and Sheila Chraft.

He was later taken in by the late Junior Garcia (deceased), Rosie "Puba", and Ramon a.k.a "Flubber- Good Ol Tubba" Rodriguez.

Robert enjoyed a wonderful career as a Fire Protection Specialist with Magnum Fire Protection services, and G & S Cal Fire, landscaping, carpentry/construction work, and property maintenance. He always made new friends and colleagues while working as a Fire Protection and property maintenance specialist at Fremont Service Center. Some of these friends and colleagues include Ivory Goodrum, Terry "Tear Bear", Darren, "Rocket Man" Bob, Pete, Ronnie "Ron-Dawg" Luimit and Rob Red.

Some of Robert's hobbies included bike riding excursions and attacking trails like Coyote Hills, Garin Park and Mission Peak. He loved riding and fishing at Shin Pond, playing darts, jamming on his guitars, and his all-time favorite, video gaming with J.J. Goulden, Devin Edwards and Tyler Waters.

Robert is survived by his mother, Betty Louise Upchurch, and siblings, Helen Denise Williams, Teresa Kelly, Edith Kelly, Cheyenne Parsels, and Nicole Upchurch as well as many nieces and nephews and great nieces and great nephews. He will be greatly missed and always remembered.

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, February 3, 6:00pm at Fremont Chapel of the Roses, 1940 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536.

Fremont Chapel of the Roses
510-797-1900

Lucas Allen Emmett

12/13/1994 – 01/02/2023

The world lost a bright and shining light. Lucas Emmett aka "The Director Luke" entered God's Eternal Kingdom far too young, at the age of 28.

Luke suddenly and unexpectedly passed on the second day of this year 2023.

Luke grew up in Pleasanton, CA. He graduated Foothill High School in 2013 where he became interested in, and studied photography and videography. After high school he furthered his photography and videography skills and education at San Diego Mesa College.

Luke is survived by his mother Marilou, his father Roger [Geoff], his siblings Amy [Chris], Sara [Chris], Katie [Chloe] and Aunt Tami [Glenn], Uncle George [Jeanne], Uncle Craig [Donna] and many other loving extended family members.

Luke loved his dogs Emma and Roman. They are being well cared for by Luke's family.

Luke traveled the world extensively. He loved seeing new places, experiencing new cultures and making new acquaintances and friends. He simply loved people and got so much joy from all of his travels. He visited more than 30 countries and shared wonderful stories of laughter, excitement, experiences, culture, new foods and friends from each of the places he visited.

At his core Luke was an entrepreneur. The Director Luke was a well known and successful director and producer of music videos. He worked with many prominent artists throughout the USA, and his work will be immortalized forever.



Luke had a deep connection with Jesus Christ. He named his brand: "The Good News".

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the ASPCA or a charity of your choice.

This obituary will end with Luke's own words.

"To Do: Major Moovez Receive: FOREVER ABUNDANCE.

LOVE, FREEDOM & PEACE. Only Comes With Full Trust in: YAWEH.

Forever GREATFUL – THE GOOD NEWS – GOD'S Free will.... The Always Gift –

Unconditional Love + Forgiveness!

NO FEARS. NO DOUBTS. I am exactly where I need to be. This will not be easy.

But I am ready to do more of the "little stuff"

Focus on my decisions. POSITIVE MINDSET ONLY."

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Mountains of solar waste: what can be done?



We sure do love our solar panels, but in 10-20 years a lot of them will be heading for landfills if we don't figure out how to recycle them. Credit: Pexels.com.

BY DYLAN STOLL

Dear EarthTalk: How are we going to deal with all the waste when the solar panels everyone is putting up now wear out in 20-30 years?

-- Paul B., Chevy Chase, Maryland

When purchasing green alternatives for home power generation, there are many features that the average consumer looks for. Most are hoping to find options that are the most efficient, or the lightest, or the most durable, but what about the most recyclable?

This question is often overlooked when making such purchases. Unfortunately, ignoring a product's life cycle can have disastrous consequences, especially if reducing your environmental footprint is a concern.

Take solar panels, for example. The average solar panel lasts roughly 25 years, and the vast majority of them were purchased and put into use within the last 10 years. This means that within the next 15 years, millions of retired and broken solar panels will be flooding landfills. A 2020 study

out of the federally funded National Renewable Energy Laboratory found that as much as eight million tons of solar modules could arrive in landfills globally by 2030, and by 2050 these solar panels could make up to 10% of all e-waste on the planet.

To make matters worse, if the waste isn't disposed of properly, it could cause problems for the groundwater in its vicinity. Solar panels contain trace amounts of toxic compounds, such as lead, and a carcinogen known as cadmium telluride. If either of these chemicals were to leach into a freshwater source, the water would become unsafe to use in most capacities.

Although solar panels are recyclable, there is little incentive to do so. Made from materials such as aluminum, copper, silicon and glass, approximately 80-85% of a solar panel can be recycled; however, the process would actually cost more than the raw materials are worth.

Thankfully, the U.S. Department of Energy's Solar Energy Technologies Office has been hard at work developing a comprehensive system for handling and recycling solar panels. By 2030, they plan on reducing the cost of solar panel recycling to a mere \$3 per panel. This reduction would actually make solar panel recycling an economically feasible venture!

That said, there is still the option to rebuild new solar panels from old ones. However,

to accomplish this would require a direct reuse of the materials recovered. Silicon, for example, can be directly recycled back into solar panels, or it can even be used in the anodes of lithium-ion batteries -- the functional storage unit of power generated through the use of solar panels.

But what about simply making the solar panels greener? Instead of silicon solar panels (what people normally buy), there is another option available known as Sunflare thin-film solar panels. The lightweight modules have a carbon footprint that is 20% that of silicon, they do not require toxic chemicals such as lead, cadmium, hydrofluoric acid or hydrochloric acid to produce, they require less water, and are 80% less energy-intensive to make. They are also paper-thin, require no silicon purification, no glass, and no mounts, and are even more efficient in low-light conditions!

ONLINE CONTACTS

• Solar Photovoltaic Module Recycling: A Survey of U.S. Policies and Initiatives:

www.nrel.gov/docs/fy21osti/74124.pdf

• Sunflare Solar:

www.sunflaresolar.com.

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CNS-3662057#

Title Order No.: 2203874cad Trustee Sale No.: 86047 Loan No.: 2021070 APN: 501-0749-005-03 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/29/2021. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 2/15/2023 at 12:00 PM, UNION HOME LOAN, INC as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 7/1/2021 as Instrument No. 2021235416 in book *llll*, page *llll* of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Alameda County, California, executed by CHOYDA INC, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, as Trustor SEE ATTACHED BENEFICIARY ADDENDUM, as Beneficiary Beneficiary Addendum Loan # 2021070 Millennium Trust Co. LLC Custodian FBO Venkatesh Srinivasan Traditional IRA as to an undivided 16.667% interest and Kirk C Lebowe, Trustee of The Kirk Lebowe Trust dated October 19, 2004 as to an undivided 12.698% interest and Thomas Hood, legal owner via non-trust custodial IRA with AET, as to an undivided 11.746% interest and 16675 Zenda Street LLC, a California Limited Liability Company as to an undivided 11.111% interest and Diamond Gate Management, LLC a California limited liability company as to an undivided 10.156% interest and Freeman WeiJen Hsu and Ming Ming Chen, husband and wife as joint tenants as to an undivided 9.524% interest and Mark Grumet and/or Pearl Grumet, Trustee's of the Grumet Family Trust u/d/d April 18, 2013, or any successor trustee thereto as to an undivided 9.524% interest and Malkin Capital, LLC a California limited liability corporation as to an undivided 9.524% interest and Millennium Trust Co. LLC Custodian FBO Asha RamdasTraditional IRA as to an undivided

7.841% interest and Varun Venkatesh, a single man as to an undivided 1.206% interest. WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by 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). At: At the Fallon Street Emergency Exit of the Alameda County Courthouse located at 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, CA 94612. NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE - continued all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: See Exhibit "A" Attached Hereto And Map A Part Hereof. TS# 86047 APN # 501-0749-005-03 LEGAL DESCRIPTION EXHIBIT "A" Parcel One: Beginning at a point in the center line of Fremont Boulevard, formerly County Road No.397, distant South 57° East 75.00 feet from the intersection of the Northwestern line of Survey No. 115 of the land of the Ex-Mission of San Jose with said center line of said boulevard; and running thence parallel to said line of said Ex-Mission Survey No. 115, South 33° 43' West 285.00 feet; thence North 33° 43' East 285.00 feet to said center line of said Fremont Boulevard, and thence along said center line of said boulevard North 6° West 75.00 feet to the point of beginning. Being a portion of the said Survey No. 115 of the land of the Ex-Mission of San Jose and being also a portion of that certain place or parcel of land heretofore conveyed by Richard D. Blacow, et al. to said Charles F. Homer by Deed dated June 1, 1898 recorded in Book 652 of Deeds, Page 431, Alameda County Records. Excepting Hereto And Map A Part thereof described in the Deed to the City of Fremont, recorded July 20, 1971, Reel 2903, Image 486, Alameda County Records. Parcel Two: All that portion of Lot 8, Block 1, Tract 1959, in Book 39 of Maps, Pages 59 and 60, Alameda County Records, described as follows: Beginning at the most Eastern corner said Lot 8, thence along the Southeastern line of Lot 8, South 40° 30' 59" West 39.515 feet to the Northeastern line of Lot 7, in said Block 1; thence along the prolongation Northwesterly of said Northeastern line North 56° 59' West 125 feet, more or less, to the Eastern line of Lot 9; thence along the last mentioned line, North 9° 57' 18" West, 3 feet more or less, to the Northwestern line of said Lot 8, thence along the last mentioned line, North 33° 41' East 32.05 feet to the Southwestern line of the parcel of land conveyed to Abbot Satterthwait by Deed recorded May 24, 1910, in Book 1705 of Deeds, Page 178, Alameda County Records, thence along the last mentioned line and the Southwestern line of the parcel of land conveyed

to Robert A. Blacow and Effa S. Blacow, by Deed recorded December 6, 1916, in Book 2505 of Deeds, Page 413, Alameda County Records, South 56° 44' 50" East 140.00 feet to the point of beginning; Parcels One and Two are also known as Parcel A, Record of Survey No. 2575 filed March 24, 2014 in Book 39 of Surveys Page 45 Alameda County Records. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 38239 FREMONT BLVD, FREMONT, CA 94536 "VACANT LAND DIRECTIONS MAY BE OBTAINED BY WRITTEN REQUEST SUBMITTED TO THE BENEFICIARY WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: BENEFICIARY, C/O CALIFORNIA TD SPECIALISTS, ATTN: PATRICIO S. INC'E, 8190 EAST KAISER BLVD., ANAHEIM HILLS, CA 92808." The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$ 1,803,369.89 (Estimated). Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. DATE: 1/11/2023 UNION HOME LOAN, INC, AS TRUSTEE, as Trustee 8190 EAST KAISER BLVD., ANAHEIM HILLS, CA 92808 PHONE: 714-283-2180 FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION LOC ON TV: WUSTEE SALE INFORMATION CALL 844-477-7869 PATRICIO S. INC'E, VICE PRESIDENT CALIFORNIA TD SPECIALIST IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. "NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, 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 the outstanding lien 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 (844) 477-7869, or visit this internet Web site www.stoxposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case T.S.# 86047. 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." For sales conducted after January 1, 2021: NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (844) 477-7869, or visit this internet website www.STOXPOSTING.com, using the file number assigned to this case 86047 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid; by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code; so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. 1/24, 1/31, 2/7/23

CNS-3660895#

County agency seeks to fill open seat

SUBMITTED BY RACHEL JONES

Alameda County residents who are interested in participating in county governmental affairs may want to consider applying for an alternate public member seat on the Alameda Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). The commission is responsible for coordinating logical and timely changes in local governmental boundaries,

conducting special studies that review ways to reorganize, simplify and streamline governmental structure, and establishing planning spheres of influence for cities and special districts in Alameda County. There are seven voting members on the commission (two county members from the Board of Supervisors, two city members selected by the Mayor's Conference, two Special District members selected by the Independent Special Districts; and one public member). Additionally, there are four alternate public members. Public members on the commission represent all Alameda County citizens in an objective and impartial manner. To qualify, applicants must be residents of Alameda County, and cannot be a current board or

council member, officer or employee of Alameda County, a city or Special District in Alameda County. Meetings are typically held on the second Thursday of every odd month (January, March, May, July, September and November) at 2 p.m. in Dublin. The appointment term is four years. Commissioners receive \$125 stipends per meeting. Applications for the alternate members public seat are being accepted through Friday, March 3. The commission will review applications and a supplemental questionnaire; interviews are slated for the week of March 27. For details about the commission or to download an application, visit the LAFCO website at www.alamedalafco.org.

Union Sanitary District

January 23, 2023 Information

- The recent rainstorms did not cause any issues with the processing of waste water by USD per Paul Eldridge, General Manager. This was attributed to previous proactive upgrades made to the USD waste water processing system.
 - A 60-inch valve closed without warning on a pipeline by the Hayward plant caused by sump pump failure. There was no impact to waste water processing since the issue was quickly noticed and the valve was re-opened. This sump pump is the property of East Bay Dischargers Authority (EBDA). EBDA has replaced this sump pump and has been responsive to USD request for improved maintenance on their equipment. USD and EBDA continue investigation to determine the cause of the sump pump failure and to determine corrective actions.
- Written Communications**
- One Alameda County lab result exceeded the permit limit for E. Coli. The regional Board was notified within 24 hours as required. USD has followed up with an investigational report that was submitted to the regional Board. It can take several months to hear back from the regional Board.

Motions

- Approve updated policy concerning female employee reproductive rights and accommodations, Equal Employment Opportunity (to be reviewed by the Personnel Committee).
- Modify the July 10, 2023 Board meeting, and cancel the November 27 and December 25, 2023 Board meetings.
- Authorize a contract change order with C. Overea & Co. for the Primary Digester No. 7 Project.
- Award the contract for the cleaning of Primary Digester No. 6 to Wastewater Solids Management.
- Continue the emergency action to repair two sewer lines in the City of Fremont damaged by fiber optic line installation.
- Amend Task Order No. 2 with Carollo Engineers, Inc. for the WAS Thickener Replacement Project.
- COVID 19 update and authorize the continued use of teleconference meetings.

Manny Fernandez	Aye
Pat Kite	Aye
Tom Handley	Aye
Anjali Lathi	Aye
Jennifer Toy	Aye

Get etched for free

SUBMITTED BY UNION CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

In response to an uptick in catalytic converter thefts from vehicles, Union City Police Department (UCPD) is partnering with T&L Elite Auto Repair in hosting a Catalytic Converter Etching event on Saturday, March 4 where vehicle owners can have their vehicle identification number (VIN) permanently etched onto the valuable car part. Catalytic converters, which are located between the engine and muffler of most cars manufactured after 1974, filter harmful emissions that would otherwise pollute the air. They contain precious metals like palladium, platinum and rhodium which thieves sell for scrap. Hybrid cars, SUVs, and trucks are often the vehicles most preferred by thieves, but almost any vehicle can be a target. UCPD officials say that having a VIN etched onto a catalytic converter helps police identify the

owner if the part is stolen and that the thief can be charged with possession of stolen property. The engraving process takes about 15 minutes. The free event is open to Union City residents only and is set for 8 a.m. to 12 noon at T&L Elite Auto Repair on Decoto Road in Union City. Because of the popularity of the event, appointments fill up quickly. To register, send an email to UCPDCommunity@unioncity.org or call UCPD Community Coordinator Crystal Raine at (510) 675-5284.

Catalytic converter etching
Saturday, Mar 4
8 a.m. – 12 noon
T&L Elite Auto Repair
1007 Decoto Road, Union City
Email: UCPDCommunity@unioncity.org, or call Crystal Raine at (510) 675-5284
Free; advance registration required



Credit: Leelo The First, Pexels.com

or ask a trusted neighbor to pick up your mail after delivery.

- Shred documents that contain your personal identifying information, and shred credit card solicitations.

Report fraud and scams

- Check your credit report often. If you are a victim of a fraud or a scam, contact the Milpitas Police Department immediately at (408) 586-2400

Police offer tax fraud prevention tips

SUBMITTED BY MILPITAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

With the tax season gearing up, officials from the Criminal Investigations Bureau at Milpitas Police Department are offering the public tips on how to avoid falling victim to tax fraud activity such as telephone scams, identity theft and fake verification requests.

- Protect your Social Security number**
- Avoid carrying your social security card or documents containing your SSN with you.
 - Be wary of providing personal information over the telephone, or through the mail.
- Protect your computer**
- Use strong and unique passwords for your online banking and routinely change your passwords.
 - Protect your computer against spam and viruses.
 - Beware of phishing scams. The IRS will never request financial or personal information in email communications.
- Secure your mail**
- Pick up your mail immediately after it is delivered

Fremont Police Log

SUBMITTED AMY GEE FREMONT PD

Wednesday, January 18

Officers responded to a report about an injured male walking on Fremont Boulevard, just south of Sundale Drive. Upon arrival, officers learned the male was walking and counting cash in his hand when two unknown people approached him and demanded money, then cut his arm with an unknown object. The suspects fled southbound on Fremont Boulevard on bicycles. The victim was taken to a hospital for treatment. The case is being investigated as a robbery.

Thursday, January 19

Officers responded to a report from a person in a

residential area about an argument at an elderly neighbor's home. A person had entered the home, argued with the resident and threw them onto the ground, then stole a firearm. Arriving officers located the adult suspect nearby and made an arrest. The stolen firearm was recovered near the residence. The case is being investigated as a home invasion robbery and abuse.

Saturday, January 21

Officers responded to a possible domestic violence report in an apartment complex. Upon arrival, officers tried to speak to an adult in the doorway of the apartment, the person tried to flee, but was arrested. During the arrest, a loaded pistol with an extended magazine fell from the person's waistband. Inside the apartment officers recovered more ammunition and another magazine. The suspect faces charges of possessing a loaded firearm.

Multiple arrests made in armed robbery spree

SUBMITTED BY
SAN LEANDRO
POLICE DEPARTMENT

After an eight-month investigation involving several law enforcement agencies, five suspects were taken into custody January 10 in connection with a series of convenience store armed robberies in several East Bay cities.

The multi-agency investigation, led by detectives from San Leandro Police Department (SLPD), started in May 2022 when authorities in

San Leandro, Hayward, Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda reported similar robberies targeting cigarettes and cash. Communities served by Alameda County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) also were hit, according to SLPD officials.

Over the months, detectives spent hours conducting surveillance, reviewing data and records, and ultimately identified five suspects involved in 27 robberies with an estimated loss of more than \$30,000.

In the early morning hours of Tuesday, January 10 tactical teams

from SLPD, ACSO and Hayward Police Department delivered four simultaneous search warrants at various East Bay locations and arrested five suspects without incident. As a result of the search warrants, evidence including two loaded and unregistered firearms along with two replica firearms was recovered.

SLPD identified the suspects as: Patricia Sarmiento, 22; Ray'mon Jessie Simon, 22; Lorenzo Sarmiento, 20, and Devaughn Sarmiento, 24, all of Oakland, and Ariel Teleb Perez, 22, of Richmond. The suspects have been charged with armed robbery by the Alameda County District Attorney's Office.

BART Police Log

SUBMITTED BY
BART PD AND
LES MENSINGER

Monday, January 23

- At 10:44 p.m. a person identified by police as Yair Ruiz, 44, of Union City was stopped at Union City station on suspicion of fare evasion. A record check showed a warrant for possession of methamphetamine. Ruiz was arrested and booked into Santa Rita Jail.

Wednesday, January 25

- At 6:29 p.m. a man identified by police as

Dante Armstrong, 24, of Berkeley was arrested at Milpitas station on suspicion of brandishing a deadly weapon and resisting arrest. He was issued a prohibition order and booked into Santa Clara County Main Jail.

Thursday, January 26

- At 7:19 p.m. a woman identified by police as Cassandra Gunn, 26, of Oregon was stopped at Milpitas station on suspicion of fare evasion. She was arrested on suspicion of possessing a controlled substance and two outstanding warrants. She was booked into Santa Clara County Main Jail.

Milpitas Police Log

SUBMITTED BY MILPITAS PD

Friday, January 6

- At 10:59 a.m. officers responded to a disturbance report on the 800 block of S. Main St. The suspect, a 46-year-old Milpitas man,

intentionally hit the victim with his vehicle causing minor injuries. The suspect fled the area before officers arrived, but at about 6:30 p.m. officers found the suspect near Hammond Avenue. The suspect did not cooperate with officers and started to fight with them. He was taken into custody and placed in a WRAP restraint device and booked into Santa Clara County Main Jail on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon.

Union City Police Log

SUBMITTED BY UNION CITY PD

Thursday, January 26

- Night shift patrol officers responded to a report about a person threatening people with a handgun in the area of Alvarado-Niles and Decoto roads. The suspect fled the scene by the time officers arrived, but a description of the suspect and vehicle was broadcast on police radio. Officers located the vehicle nearby and made a traffic stop and detained the occupant. A record check showed the person was on parole for manslaughter. Officers also located a loaded semiautomatic handgun that was used in the incident. The suspect was arrested and faces assault with a deadly weapon and firearms charges.

Newark boys' varsity soccer secures top seat

BY APRIL RAMOS

After a cancelation, the much-anticipated varsity soccer game between Newark Memorial and James Logan (Union City) High Schools was held on Monday, January 23. Newark and Logan were tied for first place in the Mission Valley Athletic League (MVAL), both with a 6-1 record. This conference game confirmed the boys' soccer ranking in the conference league. The last time the teams went head-to-head, Newark beat the Colts with only one point at 2-1.

Knowing the stakes both teams were quick on their feet once the whistle blew, but the Newark Cougars showed their dominance with ball as they stayed on Logan's half of the field. Although Logan was on the defensive, the Colts took Newark errors as opportunities to have quick breaks towards the Newark goal. Thirteen minutes into the first half Logan had a break away, but shot straight to the to the keeper.

Near the end of the first half both teams were setting up great plays for a goal. Cougars' Armando Rodriguez received a high pass from the right wing, head it towards the goal but overshoots the post. With twelve minutes before the whistle blew the Colts shot a fast low ball from the right corner of the field forcing Newark's keeper to cradle the ball safely away from other attacking Colts.

Returning from halftime, both Cougars and Colts had more intensity it their pace. Moments after the whistle was blown to start the second half, Newark took control. The ball was in Newark possession when it was passed to the center of the field from the left wing, just inside the goalie box. With a few moments possession Junior Sean Rante, shot to the left corner of the net getting the first and only goal of the game.

The Colts continued the second half with more pressure to look for a goal opportunity as they executed more one touch passes which got Newark's defensive line up working harder than before. Newark got called for two fouls, giving the Colts two different opportunities at goal. Unfortunately, neither shot made it close due to messy passes across the goalie box and frustration from the Logan team.

This win for Newark Memorial put the Cougars at the top ranking in the MVAL varsity boys' soccer.



Milpitas girls' softball spring season

SUBMITTED BY MNV PAL SOFTBALL

Milpitas North Valley PAL Softball is taking online registration for the 2023 Spring season from ages four to 16.

As a recreational softball league, we are focused on giving the young girls in our community the confidence and leadership skills to succeed in life, while also being active and healthy using the fundamentals of athletics. Along with the previously mentioned league goals, we will be teaching our players the fundamentals of softball in a fun, healthy and safe environment. Our league will also place emphasis on instilling the importance of respecting teammates, opponents, coaches and officials. Our softball program has been well received by our community and the families we serve.

The spring season runs from March 14 to May 20. Registration fees includes uniform, memory book, team photo and medal. 6U regular registration is \$90; 8U -14U regular registration is \$160. Register before February 4 to avoid late fees.

For more information contact milpitassoftball@yahoo.com, call (925) 344-3080 or visit www.mnvpalssoftball.com.

Chabot women win at the buzzer

SUBMITTED BY CHABOT COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Chabot women's basketball team nearly brought the house down Friday, January 14 with a scintillating 56-54 win over visiting College of San Mateo on a 40-foot buzzer-beater by Emilia Dougherty, a sophomore transfer from Skyline.

Tightly guarded, Dougherty took an inbounds pass from Leilani Gonzales and somehow managed to bank in a running three-pointer, touching off a wild celebration as the Gladiators' men's team soaked in the excitement while preparing for its game against CSM.

The inspired Chabot men followed with a defensive-minded, 57-50 win over the Bulldogs for their fifth consecutive triumph in the Coast-North Conference. Overall, it was a great night to be a Gladiator.

Dede Franklin paced the Chabot women (8-14, 3-1) with 17 points in their third straight victory. Kelly Tumlin and Arielle Hines both had 13 points. The gritty Gladiators trailed the whole game before Dougherty delivered a stroke of magic in the clutch.

Slices of Sportsmanship

SUBMITTED BY RACHEL KAHOALII

NCS Newsletter

There is a lot of good out there. The student-athletes that compete in the North Coast Section, and the coaches who guide and bring out the best in their players, are incredible leaders who represent their schools and their sports with class, integrity and respect. We asked you about those positive experiences, be it small or large, and here are a few of the responses.

Newark Memorial Football (as written by Marin Catholic): "Although we won on the field, Newark Memorial was an incredible example of what all schools should strive for in terms of sportsmanship. From the players, to the coaches and staff, they were incredibly gracious from beginning to end. The

coaches were kind to our players on the field, held an incredible standard of respect for their athletes, and at the end of the game not only did they join our team in prayer, their coach led the prayer. These games are never easy because ultimately, they mean the end of high school football for many players on the losing team. The coaches did a wonderful job making sure their players felt respected and went out with a sense of accomplishment for making it this far.

When the game ended at 3:30 p.m., Newark Memorial found out that their bus wasn't going to be picking them up until 5:30 p.m. and then was late so they didn't leave Marin Catholic until 6 p.m. Whenever we checked in on them, offered them some shelter from the cold and water they were incredibly gracious and complimentary of our staff and team. It



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goes without a doubt that this team showed sportsmanship even if they didn't

win the game and that, in my opinion, is sometimes harder!"

GAME, SET, LOVE PICKLEBALL

BY ERIC DONATO

The emerging popularity of pickleball as a leisure and competitive sports activity is all the rage. The East Bay is riding the wave with an expanding fan base and increased memberships in local pickleball groups. Local advocates and promoters for the sport include Fremont couple Tilly Yau and Steve Nguyen. Tilly is a Fremont pickleball ambassador, and her husband, Steve, is a certified coach and league organizer. The local growth of the sport has been phenomenal; according to Tilly, "When I started playing pickleball in January 2022, we had about 30 people that were in the group. I would say 300 people right now on WhatsApp and then on Facebook, I believe there's about 400." As a Fremont pickleball ambassador, Tilly Yau is passionate about her mission to promote and organize the sport locally. She also coordinates with other bay area ambassadors for court resources and visiting players.

The uninitiated may ask, "What exactly is the appeal of a sport that appears to be a tennis derivative played with supersized ping pong paddles and a Wiffle ball?" Two words come to mind according to enthusiasts, "addictive" and "social." "That sound, it's just so addicting," said Tilly, referring to the satisfying sound of hitting the ball with the paddle's sweet spot. Longtime tennis player and pickleball convert, San Jose resident Jim Chen says, "Pickleball is a great sport for those who do not have any sports experience or background because it is relatively easy to

pick up. It is a fun and relaxing game for any age."

Certified pickleball coach, Steve Nguyen, said, "it was like the first sport I could enjoy with my wife. It's a sport where your levels can be dissimilar, and you can still enjoy the sport together."

How is Pickleball different than tennis? For starters, there is less running with the reduced playing area. The size of the pickleball court is relatively smaller, where you can fit roughly two pickleball courts on one regulation-size tennis court. Pickleball is also more commonly played in a doubles format than singles, which even reduces the running area played with paired players. The court has designated areas immediately next to the net called the "kitchen," which is a "no volley" zone. There are nuanced differences between the game compared to tennis when it comes to scoring. A player is only allowed a single serve instead of two, and you can only gain a point when you are on the serving side.

Mistakenly calling the pickleball paddle a racket is a common newbie faux pas, but the pickleball community is as forgiving as it is generous to beginners. The ping-pong-like paddles option can range from cheap plywood materials to more expensive carbon fiber. The ball is slightly larger than a tennis ball but is made of hard plastic and designed with holes that slow the ball's velocity. But make no mistake; you do hustle on the court. Steve explains, "it's not as fast as a tennis ball, but it's a quick game because you're so close with being seven feet from the net on one side and seven feet from the net on the



Pickleball coach Steve Nguyen and ambassador Tilly Yau.

other side. So, it's 14 feet to work with. When both opponents are playing each other, it's very fast."

Hopping on the pickleball bandwagon is not without its challenges. Tilly noted the lack of dedicated local pickleball courts in the Tri-City. Those available locally are shared with the Fremont Tennis Center with scheduled open play hours, to which Tilly adds, "so it's kind of a makeshift form at the moment. Other cities like Milpitas and Hayward have dedicated pickleball courts, and they're always packed." She also referred to the envied well-developed facility in Mitchell Park in Palo Alto as "pickleball heaven." While advocating for more local pickleball courts is in the works, Tilly and Steve carry on with the ongoing mission to connect people to the sport and, in the process, build a community with a growing passion for this exciting sport.

Discover the hype with pickleball's fantastic combination of hip recreational exercise, challenging sports and, more importantly, making new friends. For additional general information about pickleball, local groups, clubs, leagues, court open hours, and upcoming tournaments, check out the following resources:

www.fremontpbleague.com

"Fremont California Pickleball Club" group on Facebook

<https://www.fremont.gov/government/departments/parks-recreation/facilities-rentals/fremont-tennis-center> for local pickleball court open hours

www.usapickleball.org

www.pprpickleball.org/



San Leandro Convincingly Beats Castro Valley

ARTICLE AND PHOTOS BY ANDREW JOSEPH

The San Leandro Pirates girls' basketball team beat the Castro Valley Trojans 56-34 in Castro Valley on Friday, January 27th in a Western Alameda County Conference (WACC) league matchup. Leading scorers for the Pirates include senior Geriah Bradley with a game high 18 points, Melina Ramirez with eight points, and Chozen Horn Young who added 7 points. The Trojans offense was led by Sofia Tom's 11 points, Amaya Jiao's nine points, and Ava Hinrichsen's seven points.

"The mindset coming into tonight was to play hard and bounce back strong coming off of our last two straight losses to Piedmont," said Bradley.

The game stayed close in the first quarter and much of the second quarter with both teams battling for baskets and placing pressure on defense. Castro Valley's only lead was their first bucket of the game going up 2-0. The game was tied 12-12 at the end of the first quarter and tied again at 18-18 with 5:32 left in the first half. "We play on our own confidence so if we make a couple good plays we



have more bounce in our step and play with a better rhythm," said Pirates' head coach Dennis Flannery.

San Leandro began to capitalize off Trojans' turnovers by turning them into fast break points in transition. Securing multiple defensive rebounds was an important part of their game the entire night. The Pirates began to break away with the advantage going into halftime with a 31-19 lead. "In practice we really try to work on three-pointers, getting our defensive rebounds, and boxing out," said Ramirez. "I think this game has really prepared us for the playoffs."



During halftime both teams and their coaching staff stood at center court wearing pink shirts commemorating cancer victims and held a moment of silence for all those affected by cancer. "The halftime event was our 'Coaches for Cancer' tribute to the people we have lost to cancer and those who've been victims of cancer," said coach Flannery.

The Pirates continued their momentum by starting the second half with two straight three-pointers. Castro Valley was unable to make their shots or find a rhythm. San Leandro equaled their largest lead of the game at 22 when they went up 41-19 as part of a 7-0 run to start the third quarter.

"Tonight, we made eight three-pointers and that's a big deal for us to gain that separation," added coach Flannery. "When all our players are hitting the three-point shot the opposing defense can't focus on guarding our star Geriah, so that allows her to be open and drive in the paint."

Castro Valley came within 12 points in the fourth quarter, but the Pirates proved to be too much to handle as they walked away with the victory.

"This win boosted out confidence back up and we can definitely build momentum off of this game heading towards the playoffs," added Bradley.

With this win San Leandro snaps a five game losing streak and improves to 14-7 overall and 3-4 in WACC league play. The Trojans fall to 10-11 overall and 2-5 in WACC league play, losing six of its last seven games.

"Our goal is to win the WACC league and qualify for the North Coast Section (NCS) playoffs and see how far we can go," said coach Flannery.



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