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Mission Valley ROP invests in the future

SUBMITTED BY ROBBIE FINLEY

As a teenager, what did you dream about doing for a living? Did you want to work in a hospital? Become an engineer? Work in television? Teens across the East Bay are being given a chance to explore options like these and many more through Career Technical Education (CTE) programs

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GET READY GET SUN GO!

BY JESSE PETERS

Imagine: Six cars take their mark. The sun shines down on each vehicle, not only highlighting each car's unique design, but simultaneously powering it. The engineers look at their creations as they take off - mean, green and built by middle school students.

Looking for a great way to witness the power of the sun? Cheer on those participating in the second Bay Area "Junior Solar Sprint Car Competition" on Saturday, May 3. The 2014 race is open to all 6th through 8th graders who register for the





Viva Mexico?

Mexican heritage and pride will be on full display in celebration of Cinco de Mayo (May 5th). This holiday memorializes a historic battle of liberation that revealed the spirit and fortitude of the Mexican people.

In 1862, over six thousand French soldiers landed at Veracruz to conquer Mexico. They marched to the city of Puebla under the command of General Lorencez and were met by General Ignacio Zaragoza and his Mexican army of 3,500 ill-equipped and poorly trained men. Despite formidable odds, the Mexicans were victorious, inflicting numerous casualties and forcing the French to retreat. Though this triumph did not end the struggle between Mexico and France, the Battle of Puebla on May 5th has

been commemorated with festivals, parades, and dances that honor Mexican culture.

In celebration of Cinco de Mayo and Hayward area Latino and Hispanic history, La Alianza de Hayward presents their annual cultural festivities on Saturday, May 3. The organization honors those of Mexican heritage who have made and continue to make significant contributions to the City of Hayward. La Alianza promotes leadership, civic pride and community involvement. A free, family-friendly Cinco de Mayo event offers entertainment by Inlak 'ech Azteca, Ballet Folclórico Jalisco, Grupo Tlapalli, Ballet

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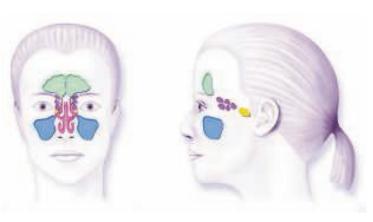
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Balloon Sinuplasty: An Alternative to Surgery for Chronic Sinusitis

hronic sinusitis – inflammation of the sinuses that persists for 8 weeks or more or that recurs frequently – is a common medical problem in the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), more than 30 million people in the United States, roughly 10 percent of the population, are affected by chronic sinusitis each year.

The sinuses are cavities around the nasal passages. Located in the cheeks (maxillary), forehead (frontal) and between the eyes (ethmoid), the sinuses can become inflamed and swollen because of a cold, allergies, bacterial infections or fungal infections. When this "acute" sinusitis persists or keeps coming back, it is considered chronic sinusitis.

"Most cases of acute sinusitis can be treated with decongestants, antihistamines for allergies, nasal saline sprays and nasal steroid sprays," says Dr. Jason Van Tassel, an otolaryngologist (ear, nose and throat physician) on the medical staff at Washington Hospital.
"Some cases of acute sinusitis may be caused by a bacterial infection that can be treated with antibiotics, but antibiotics won't help with sinusitis caused by a viral infection like the common cold, a fungal infection or allergies."



The sinuses are air spaces behind the bones of the upper face, between the eyes and behind the forehead, nose and cheeks.

When medical treatments do not resolve obstruction of the sinuses or sinusitis recurs frequently, surgical treatment is considered an option.

"Since the 1980s, most sinusrelated surgeries have been performed endoscopically, which is far less invasive than traditional open surgery," Dr. Van Tassel notes. "Even with endoscopic techniques, though, sinus surgery failed to preserve the anatomy or function of the sinuses. Endoscopic sinus surgery also requires nasal packing, and there may be scar tissue or other conditions that require subsequent additional surgeries. The long-term success rate for endoscopic sinus surgery is about 70 percent."

The need to improve treatment for chronic sinusitis has led to new research and innovation, including balloon sinuplasty, which was first proposed in 2006. Similar to balloon angioplasty that is used to open coronary arteries and avoid bypass surgery, balloon sinuplasty uses a small, flexible balloon catheter that is inserted through the nose to reach the sinuses. The sinus balloon catheter is gradually inflated to gently restructure the previously blocked sinus passage. Once the sinus passage is reopened, the balloon catheter is deflated and removed.

"Balloon sinuplasty maintains the integrity of the sinus structure and lining, and it restores normal



Dr. Jason R. Van Tassel, an ear, nose and throat specialist with Washington Township Medical Foundation, performs Balloon Sinuplsty, a minimally invasive alternative to conventional sinus surgery for people suffering from chronic sinusitis.

sinus function," Dr. Van Tassel says. "The success rate for balloon sinuplasty is better than for endoscopic surgery. Clinical research studies show that 92 percent of sinuses treated with balloon sinuplasty remained clear after two years, and 80 percent of patients remained free of symptoms of sinusitis after two years."

Balloon sinuplasty is an outpatient procedure that sometimes can be performed in the physician's office, using local anesthetics and perhaps a mild sedative such as Valium. For some more complicated cases, the procedure can be performed under general anesthesia in a facility such as the

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InHealth broadcasts on Comcast Channel 78 in Fremont, Newark and Union City and online at www.inhealth.tv

The full schedule of InHealth programs listed below can also be viewed in real time on the Washington Hospital website, www.whhs.com



	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
	04/29/14	04/30/14	05/01/14	05/02/14	05/03/14	05/04/14	05/05/14
12:00 PM 12:00 AM 12:30 PM 12:30 AM	Important Immunizations for Healthy Adults	Your Concerns InHealth: Sun Protection	Movement Disorders, Parkinson's Disease, Tremors and Epilepsy	Heel Problems and Treatment Options	Strengthen Your Back! Learn to Improve Your Back Fitness	Treatment Options for Knee Problems	Living Well with Diabetes: Overcoming Challenges
1:00 PM 1:00 AM	Minimally Invasive Treatment for Common Gynecologic Conditions Women's Health	Voices InHealth: Healthy Pregnancy	Get Your Child's Plate in Shape	Women's Health Conference:Age	Minimally Invasive Surgery for Lower Back		Washington Women's Center: Cancer Genetic
1:30 AM	Conference: Aging Gracefully	rregnancy	Shape	Appropriate Screenings	Disorders	Your Concerns InHealth:	Counseling
2:00 PM 2:00 AM 2:30 PM	Strengthen Your Back! Learn to Improve Your		Living Well with Diabetes: Overcoming Challenges			Sun Protection	
2:30 AM	Back Fitness	Washington Township Health Care District	o voi commig ommeniger	Washington Township Health Care District	Don't Let Back Pain Sideline You	Living Well with Diabetes:	Washington Township Health Care District
3:00 PM 3:00 AM 3:30 PM 3:30 AM	Minimally Invasive Surgery for Lower Back Disorders	Board Meeting April 9th, 2014	Varicose Veins and Chronic Venous Disease	Board Meeting April 9th, 2014		Overcoming Challenges	Board Meeting April 9th, 2014
4:00 PM 4:00 AM	What Are Your Vital Signs Telling You?	Voices InHealth: Radiation Safety		Inside Washington Hospital: Stroke Response Team	Do You Suffer From Anxiety or Depression?	Diabetes Matters: Back to the Basic Keys for Success	Lunch and Learn: Healthy Holiday Cookies
4:30 PM 4:30 AM	Inside Washington Hospital:The Green Team			Don't Let Hip Pain Run			Don't Let Hip Pain
5:00 PM 5:00 AM	Do You Have Sinus	Raising Awareness About Stroke	Alzheimer's Disease	You Down	- Kidney Transplants	Do You Have Sinus	Run You Down
5:30 PM 5:30 AM	Problems?			Sports-Related Concussions	Ridney Transplanes	Problems?	Sports-Related Concussions
6:00 PM 6:00 AM 6:30 PM	Diabetes Matters: Diabetes Viewpoint	Don't Let Hip Pain Run You Down	Diabetes Matters: Diabetes Viewpoint	Diabetes Matters: Strategies for Support			Diabetes Matters: Strategies for Support
6:30 AM 7:00 PM 7:00 AM	Do You Suffer From Breathing Problems?	Faili Kull Iou Dowii	Diabetes Matters:Top	Living Well with Diabetes: Overcoming Challenges	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting April 9th, 2014	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting April 9th, 2014	Arthritis: Do I Have One of 100 Types?
7:30 PM 7:30 AM	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease or Asthma	Community Based Senior Supportive Services	Foods for Heart Health	Diabetes Matters:Top			From One Second to the Next
8:00 PM 8:00 AM				Foods for Heart Health	Inside Washington Hospital: Stroke Response Team	Lunch and Learn: Healthy Holiday Cookies	Your Concerns InHealth:
8:30 PM 8:30 AM	Washington Township Health Care District	Your Concerns InHealth: Vitamin Supplements	Washington Township Health Care District	Peripheral Vascular Disease: Leg Weakness,	Voices InHealth: Radiation Safety	Cataracts and Diabetic Eye Conditions	Senior Scam Prevention
9:00 PM 9:00 AM	Board Meeting April 9th, 2014	Important Immunizations	Board Meeting April 9th, 2014	Symptoms and Treatment & Percutaneous	The Weight to Success	Strengthen Your Back!	Learn About Nutrition for
9:30 PM 9:30 AM		for Healthy Adults		(Under the Skin) Treatment	How to Maintain a Healthy Weight: Good Nutrition is Key	Learn to Improve Your Back Fitness	a Healthy Life
10:00 PM 10:00 AM 10:30 PM 10:30 AM	Living with Heart Failure	What You Should Know About Carbs and Food Labels	GERD & Your Risk of Esophageal Cancer	Treatment Options for Knee Problems	Wound Care Update	Minimally Invasive Surgery for Lower Back Disorders	Voices InHealth:The Greatest Gift of All
11:00 PM 11:00 AM		Superbugs: Are We	Learn If You Are at Risk		Your Concerns InHealth:	Keeping Your Heart on the	Varicose Veins and Chronic Venous Disease
11:30 PM 11:30 AM	Heart Irregularities	Winning the Germ War?	for Liver Disease	Voices InHealth:The Legacy Strength Training System	Senior Scam Prevention		

Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center: Giving Patients with Hand Injuries or Limitations a "Hand Up"

April is National Occupational Therapy Month

he human hand is an amazing, complex structure. Just think of all the things you do with your hands: touching, holding, feeling, grasping, pinching, and so much more. It's hard to imagine getting through the day without using your hands in countless ways – from precise movements such as threading a needle or tying a shoelace to performing heavy labor such as pounding a hammer or lifting a bulky crate.

For many people, though, using their hands each day can be a struggle due to a traumatic injury such as a fracture or a tendon laceration, a repetitive stress injury such as carpal tunnel syndrome, or a progressive disease such as arthritis. For those people, hand therapy can help restore the function of their hands and enable them to perform everyday activities again.

"Our number one goal for patients with conditions that limit the use of their hands is to help them get back to whatever activities they used to be able to perform," says Mark Neves, OTL, MS, a licensed occupational therapist at Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center. Neves also provides shoulder and elbow therapy, as well as hand therapy. His colleague at the center, Melissa De Unamuno, MOTL, HTC, is also a licensed occupational therapist. She has additional certification in hand therapy from the state of California.

"In many cases, there are conditions that start from the shoulder on down that can cause problems with using the hands," Neves says. "For example, a hand problem may be related to injury of the shoulder's rotator cuff or impingement of the shoulder. Tendinitis of the elbow, such as 'tennis elbow' or golfer's elbow' also might be a factor. So the first step is to evaluate all the factors contributing to limited use of the hands. The initial evaluation takes about an hour."

Neves notes that therapists at Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center see hand therapy patients from across a wide range of ages.

"We treat children who injure themselves on the playground, middle-aged workers who are hurt on the job, and elderly patients who have fractured bones during a fall," he explains. "Approximately half of our hand therapy patients have work-related injuries," says De Unamuno. "The most common problems involve tendinitis and carpal tunnel syndrome. Part of our job is encouraging our patients and letting them know that following their hand therapy program diligently can help them regain function.

"We try to focus on the things patients can do, and build on that in small incremental steps, rather than overwhelm them with long-term goals," she adds. "It may take several months of therapy for some patients to regain more normal function—it doesn't happen overnight. It's important for us to let patients know that therapy is a process and to educate them about the precautions they should take to avoid re-injury or disruption of the healing process after a surgery."

Some of the treatments offered for hand therapy at the Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center can include:

- Heat to loosen joints and tendons, or ice packs to reduce swelling and inflammation. Heat and ice treatments also may relieve pain. In addition, heat can increase blood circulation to the affected areas and reduce stiffness, including stiffness associated with arthritis.
- Manual manipulation treatments to improve the range of motion in affected joints.
- Soft-tissue mobilization to increase the flexibility of muscles and improve blood flow to the muscles.
- Stretching to lengthen the muscles and improve flexibility.
- Strengthening exercises that include movement against resistance and the use of gripping tools to improve the hand's functional grasp.
- Custom-made splints to support and protect injured bones or soft tissues.

"We also work on patients' fine-motor skills to improve their dexterity and help them use their fingers more effectively," Neves says. "Our facility has a broad range of equipment to help with hand therapy, such as strengthening exercise equipment, electrical stimulation to help reduce pain and stiffness, and ultrasound equipment



Occupational and hand therapist Melissa M. de Unamuno, MOTL, HTC, (left) and Mark Neves, MOTL, occupational therapist (right), are part of the highly trained team of therapists at the Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center. All patients at the center receive individualized treatment that is designed to get them back to their previous level of strength and mobility. For more information about the services provided, call (510) 794-9672.

that provides deep-tissue heat, which is a way to increase blood flow to the tissues under the skin."

In general, each hand-therapy session lasts 30 to 45 minutes and involves a variety of treatment modalities. The duration of participation in therapy depends on the severity of the patient's problems, with most patients requiring between 6 to 12 visits. Patients with severe injuries, such as tendon repairs, may require additional sessions.

In most cases, hand therapy is covered by insurance, including Medicare, Medicaid, Worker's Comp and private insurance. Participation in hand therapy at Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center requires a physician referral from a primary care physician or a specialist such as an orthopedic surgeon or a neurologist. Cash payments are accepted in cases where insurance does not cover services. Discounts and payment plans are available for patients who need payment assistance.

The results of hand therapy can be quite remarkable, according to Neves.

"One of the most extreme cases I've seen was a man who had been in a car accident with his arm out the window," he recalls. "The car rolled over on top of his arm, and he had very traumatic injuries – broken bones, torn tendons and ligaments, and muscle lacerations. The patient didn't regain 100 percent of his previous abilities, but he was able to regain a lot of function and perform everyday activities. It was rewarding to see him improve so dramatically."

De Unamuno, who has worked at Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center for

11 years, concurs, "I always wanted to work in the health field, and when I was in school I was drawn to occupational therapy and hand therapy. It's a very gratifying career to be able to work with patients and see them really improve and return to their previous level of function.

"I'm also grateful that Washington Hospital supports our efforts and contributes to our continuing education," she adds. "That helps us keep up with the latest therapies and techniques to continue providing the best possible care for our patients."

Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center is located at 39141 Civic Center Drive in Fremont. For more information about the services available, including hand therapy, visit www.whhs.com/oprehab or call (510) 794-9672.

Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center is now on the same electronic medical record system as Washington Hospital, which helps facilitate coordination of care with patients' doctors. The system also provides a service for patients, called MyChart, to allow patients to access portions of their medical records such as test results, prescriptions and immunizations. In addition, MyChart lets patients send an email message to their participating physicians' offices, schedule appointments and request referrals to other participating health care providers. For more information about MyChart, or to enroll in the service, visit www.whhs.com/washington-mychart.

Washington Hospital:

HERS Breast Cancer Foundation

HERS Breast Cancer Foundation Offers Support Services to Women

The warm greeting each visitor receives upon entering the HERS Breast Cancer Foundation is in many cases an affirming emotional lift for a woman who has experienced breast cancer. Located inside the Women's Center in Washington West, the HERS Breast Cancer Foundation store offers multiple services which provide women with education as well as generous emotional support, hope and empowerment.

"Our staff and volunteers have heart," says Executive Director Vera Packard, M.D. She oversees the many facets of the HERS Breast Cancer Foundation which is set within the Women's Center, including all the four programs: Bras for Body and Soul ®, We Support YOU Survive, Lymphdema Project and Hair with Care. "We have amazing people here who help us change people's lives. One woman recently told me, 'Doctors gave me my life back and HERS allowed me to live my life'."

The care and support provided to over 1,000 women a year includes one-on-one communication and help with a variety of services

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HERS staff support all women healing from breast cancer by providing post-surgical products and services regardless of financial status. Pictured left to right: Pam Condy, Pam Peterson, Cindy DeBenning, Annette Lewellyn, Selia Chaparro.



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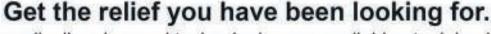
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Viva Mexico?

Costa de Oro, Mariachi Juvenil de Hayward, Ballet Folclórico Xochipili, and Quebradita. Food offered by Metro Taquero and Chávez Market will be available as well as piñatas, games for kids, and dancing; youth scholarships will also be awarded.

NewPark Mall's Cultural Corner will be celebrating Cinco de Mayo with artwork from Bay Area and internationally acclaimed artist Diego Marcial Rios. The featured artist for the month of May, Rios' exhibit showcases Mexican themes and tradition through masks and paintings. The artist will be at the gallery on May 3rd and 4th, painting a 5' x 9' mural.

Celebracion del Cinco de Mayo Saturday, May 3 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. City Hall Plaza 777 B St, Hayward (510) 732-2746 http://www.zermeno.com/LaAli anzadeHayward.html Free

Cultural Corner Exhibit:
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and 4
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Workshop on drawing and painting techniques

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Artist Kathleen Hill will be demonstrating her drawing and painting techniques, to create lively animal portraits. Please join us at Fremont Art Association gallery during the monthly general meeting on Wednesday, May 7.

Born in Illinois, Kathleen Hill's first love, like so many young girls, was horses. Drawing them was her way of expressing



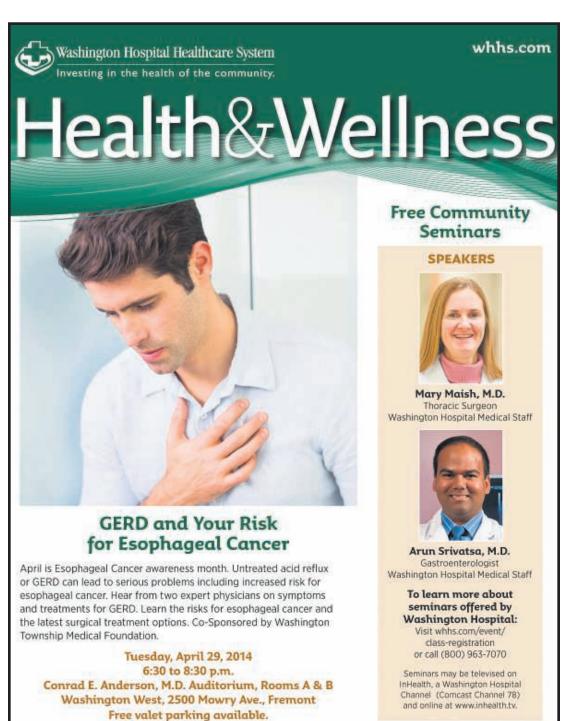
that love. Her father's work transferred the family to California and to one of the most horse populated counties in the state. She began working for a horse trainer and the love affair continued. It was at the barn that she learned about bone and muscle structure as well as the personalities of horses.



Her subject matter grew to include anything with fur or feathers. Whether she is doing a commission or a wildlife piece, she considers it her mission to capture the life essence of every animal she paints.

Celebrating the lives of our beloved companions, Kathleen has been delighting clients with portraits of their pets for over 25 years.

Workshop by artist
Kathleen Hill
Wednesday, May 7
7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
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(510) 792-0905
www.FremontArtAssociation.org
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Freshman Days 2014: Ohlone College Orientation

Negotiating the halls of the college campus isn't that difficult, after you've been there once.

Same with maneuvering through an online registration system... just point (and click) your kid in the right direction and they're off.

It's just the first time, getting them started. Because it's your kid, and it's their first time. So, it doesn't matter how many other kids have done this before, you want their first experience to be right so they're confident enough to go sailing ahead without you. (Well, not too far ahead without you. Not yet.)

That's what Freshman Days at Ohlone College is for. Orient your kids to college, aim them in the right direction, answer the questions they didn't know to ask... oh yes, and get that magical "Priority Registration."

Which is worth its weight in classes-that-are-already-filled or lining-up-on-waitlists

There's even an orientation for parents, too, because sometimes it's the first time for moms and dads to send the kid off to college and you just want to make sure that junior is going to be, well, just fine!

For: High school seniors **How:** Pre-register, see below (required)

What:

- Attend an Ohlone College Orientation
- Meet one-on-one with counselor

the right classes

- Create individually tailored college plan
- Register early for Fall 2014 for
- Meet other incoming freshmen
- Learn about other programs and services at the College can register

A special "Parent Orientation" is held along with Freshman



Days. Parents learn about college expectations and how to support their student in achieving academic and career goals. There are informative presentations by college administrators, student services, financial aid, and counseling. All parents are encouraged to attend.

- Friday, May 16, 2014 and Saturday, May 17, 2014
- Ohlone College Newark Center, 39399 Cherry Street, Newark

Visit www.ohlone.edu/freshmen for session times and more information.

Ohlone College New and Former Students Registration

Register beginning: May 19

Summer term begins: June 16

Fall semester begins:
August 25

Apply and register now: ohlone.edu/go/applynow





Ohlone is Building and Growing to meet student needs for the present and into the future

Measure G is a \$349 million bond measure passed in 2010 to renovate the aging facilities at the Fremont campus that will:

- Replace old science labs and art facilities
- Build a new library, learning
- Update infrastructure to support modern technology

resource center

- Improve ADA accessibility
- Move the majority of parking closer to the main campus level
- Enhance athletic facilities

other. Informal learning spaces encourage students to sit and talk, use computers via Wi-Fi and abundant plug-in locations, and work in groups and individual study spaces.

New Parking Structure February 2014 – August 2015

At the south end of campus, an award-winning 900+ car parking structure is being constructed that will service all of the upper campus. The structure will be level with core academic buildings, greatly improving accessibility.

Athletic Fields Summer 2015 – Summer 2016

The baseball and softball fields will be completely redone, and a soccer field will return to the Fremont campus. A small field house, located centrally between the fields will be constructed for the use of the athletes as well.

See www.ohlonebond.org for more information on Measure G

WHAT'S HAPPENING At Ohlone

ComedySportz Improv Comedy

Friday, May 2, 8:30pm Special Guest: Mike Inouye from NBC'S Today in the Bay Smith Center at Ohlone College, Fremont Campus TICKETS: www.smithcenter.com

STEM Awareness Day

Friday, May 9
60 Newark Junior High
School Students participate in
hands-on activities in
Chemistry, Engineering,
Biotech & Technology.
Ohlone Newark Campus
ohlone.edu/org/stem

Multimedia Festival Thursday, May 15, 4-6pm

Multimedia Department showcases top student work Hyman Hall, Fremont Campus Free & Open to Public ohlone.edu/go/multimediafest

Student Art Exhibit

NOW – May 15,
Mon. - Thur., I Iam-2pm
Student Awards Exhibit
Louie-Meager Art Gallery
Smith Center at Ohlone College
Fremont Campus
Free & Open to Public
ohlone.edu/org/artgallery

Academic Core Buildings Fall 2015 – Fall 2017

The new academic core buildings allow Ohlone to expand its course offerings, especially in emerging technologies. Facilities and labs were designed with direct input from the classes they serve. Moreover, the building design is centered on students interacting with the learning environment: classrooms, technology, professors, and each





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event and meet criteria set by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL). Cars are assembled by students from kits they purchase and complete themselves. There is no cost to enter in any of the multiple race categories.

"[The competition] was designed to get kids into engineering as a career" says Bill DeHart, a teacher at Alsion Montessori Middle School. "It is open to any 6th-8th grade student that has a car. Whether team or individual, we'd like for them to sign up." In an effort to garner more interest in engineering, DeHart works with students throughout the year both at Alsion Montessori and at Tech Academy.

In previous years, students had to fly to San Diego to compete in solar sprint car competition. Although Northern California is often considered the epicenter of tech development and is home to significant post-secondary research into solar energy, no races existed in the Bay Area for junior racers. That was until last year when Alsion Montessori Middle School hosted a competition.

Although Alsion is host of the race this year, the event is completely extra-curricular and open to students from any school. There are no formal classes for developing the solar cars. "The

actual build time is between two to six hours," says DeHart. "That's what it takes to put together a car and have it raceable."

Vehicles will participate in a multiple heat races, be judged on mechanical design and solar panel efficiency, as well as artistry. Judges include highly qualified experts in the field of solar engineering.

The solar car race is a great competition but also helps participants to focus their creative and intellectual energy on solar power and its application to practical solutions. As an added attraction, University of California, Berkeley's solar race car team will display their solar car and answer questions.

The competition will be held behind the Old Mission in Mission San Jose and is free for all to enjoy. Check-in is at 10 a.m. Inspection, judging and races begin at 12 noon.

Additional information for the annual Junior Solar Sprint Car Competition can be found at http://alsionjuniorsolarsprint.com/.

Junior Solar Sprint Car Competition Saturday, May 3 10 a.m. Mission San Jose 43326 Mission Blvd, Fremont

(510) 468-0192 http://alsionjuniorsolarsprint.com/

SUBMITTED BY KAREN SILVA

Chabot College Theater Arts continues its vibrant tradition of premiering original works of productions and staged readings in "Emerging Work," featuring plays by Dave Fort, Belal Kohgadai, Pieter Boonzaire, and Lauren Allen. Performances will be Tuesday, May 6 through Saturday, May 10.

Catch the buzz and come check out this ever-growing audience for new plays and featuring: Prom Queen by Dave Fort; Murder in Tahoe by Belal Kohgadai; Proposition by Pieter Boonzaire; and The Last Aria by Lauren Allen.

Visitors will need to purchase a \$2 temporary parking permit from dispensers found in all student parking lots.

'Emerging Work' at Chabot College Tuesday, May 6 through Saturday, May 10 8 p.m. Chabot College, Stage One (Little Theater) 25555 Hesperian Blvd, Hayward (510) 723-6830 www.chabotcollege.edu/theaterarts

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Balloon Sinuplasty: An Alternative to Surgery for Chronic Sinusitis

Washington Outpatient Surgery Center. The procedure doesn't involve removing any bone or sinus tissue, so there is minimal bleeding and the sinuses don't need time to heal. Many patients are able to return to their normal activities within 24 hours.

Dr. Van Tassel, who is board-certified in both otolaryngology and plastic surgery, went through specialized training in balloon angioplasty. He has performed the procedure on more than 100 patients over the past five years.

"Not everyone who has chronic sinusitis is a candidate for balloon sinuplasty," he cautions. "For example, balloon sinuplasty is used only for the maxillary and frontal sinuses. It is not considered appropriate for the ethmoid sinuses between the eyes. Some data, however, indicate that opening up the maxillary and frontal sinuses with balloon sinuplasty can sometimes help to alleviate blockages of the ethmoid sinuses, too."

Other patients who would not be considered candidates for bal-

loon sinuplasty might include those with sinus polyps, extensive fungal disease or advanced connective tissue disease. People with opacification of a sinus – which means that the sinus appears black on a CT scan because it is completely blocked by inflammation or infection – may not be candidates for balloon sinuplasty because the opacification blocks the physician's view of and access to the affected sinus.

"The procedure doesn't change the fact that some people have allergies," says Dr. Van Tassel. "Balloon sinuplasty can help open up chronically blocked sinuses for people with allergies, but they may still need to continue using nasal sprays and antihistamines to maintain proper sinus function.

"For many patients with chronic sinusitis, balloon sinuplasty is a valuable minimally invasive alternative to sinus surgery," he adds. "Clinical research has proven that it is a safe and effective tool for dilating blocked sinuses that have not responded to medications."

Job fair features Openings in Education

SUBMITTED BY PATRICK GANNON

The Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE) will host its annual Education Job Fair on Wednesday, April 30 in Hayward. The Job Fair is a one-stop resource for Bay Area professionals to connect with the 300 job openings at Alameda County school districts and education agencies.

Job seekers are invited to get a resume review, interview tips, credential consultations, attend professional development workshops as well as apply and interview for open positions. Positions range

from teachers, school administrators, counselors, therapists, administrative assistants, admissions advisers and IT professionals.

For more information, visit acoe.org/jobfair.

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DIY Toolkit helps residents reduce energy and water bills

SUBMITTED BY JENNIE LOFT

Saving money on your energy and water bills, while making your home more comfortable, just got easier for residents in San José and throughout Santa Clara County. Through public libraries, Silicon Valley Energy Watch is providing Do-It-Yourself (DIY) Home Energy Saving Toolkits stocked with supplies and measuring devices. Just like a book, the toolkits can be checked out. Users may install the supplies and then return the toolkit and devices.

"Santa Clara County Library District is delighted to partner with Silicon Valley Energy Watch to provide the DIY Toolkits as a no-cost service that creates a positive impact on our community," said County Librarian Nancy Howe. "The library actually has many free resources that help people save money and lead greener lives."

The toolkits include an illustrated user guide that provides step-by-step instructions on how to measure the energy use and water flow rates of appliances and

equipment. It also includes instructions on how to install equipment that reduces energy and water consumption — without sacrificing comfort.

Anyone with a valid library card can borrow a toolkit for up to two weeks from the San José Public Library (all branches) and Sunnyvale Public Library, and for up to three weeks from the Santa Clara County Library District community libraries in Campbell, Cupertino, Gilroy, Los Altos, Milpitas, Morgan Hill, and Saratoga.

"It's always satisfying to take steps that both save money and conserve resources," said Kerrie Romanow, director of San José's Environmental Services Department, which administers the Silicon Valley Energy Watch program. "Since about a third of our state's energy use happens in homes, conserving energy and water means we each can help reduce greenhouse gases, extend water resources, improve our air quality and lower our dependence on greenhouse gas-emitting fuels."

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California will adopt Urban Design Guide

SUBMITTED BY RENEE RIVERA

The California Department of Transportation took a big step into the future by adopting the NACTO (National Association of City Transportation Officials) Urban Bikeway Design Guide—the only traffic design manual that treats all users of the street, including people walking and biking, with equal access. With Caltrans' endorsement of the NACTO Guide, Californians will start seeing more protected bikeways and improved intersection designs—all of which will significantly improve safety. And traffic engineers will be less compelled to overly design streets for peak moment traffic volumes at the expense of all other roadway users.

This announcement came at a VIP reception held April 10 for the NACTO Cities for Cycling Road Show hosted by Bike East Bay and Walk Oakland Bike Oakland. Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty shared this news with a cheering crowd of local government staff and elected officials, transportation experts from around the county, and bicycle advocates.

This change signals a sea change for California streets. The design guidelines adopted by Caltrans essentially create a "toolbox" for California cities to work from in designing their streets. With the addition of the NACTO Urban Design Guide engineers now have many more effective solutions to design streets that are safe and comfortable for all users, including people on bikes and foot.

"Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty's endorsement of NACTO statewide is an enormous step forward for innovation in transportation at the state and local level in California. This is huge and should open the floodgates for creativity in designing and building our streets with a focus on moving and connecting people safely and effectively so that our businesses and communities can truly thrive, "stated Bryan Jones, Public Works Director City of Fremont.

More information about the NACTO Cities for Cycling Road Show can be found at: BikeEastBay.org/cities4cycling.

low-flow showerhead, outlet gaskets, weather stripping and water leak detection tablets. Devices that enable the measurement of energy and water use are to be returned to the library in the toolkit box, and include:

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To find a nearby Santa Clara County District Library location, visit www.sccl.org. Residents of San José can locate their nearest library at www.sjpl.org.

Not a do-it-yourselfer? Residents can also achieve energy savings with the help of energy audits and technical assistance offered at no cost by Acterra Green@Home at (650) 962-9876 or visit www.acterra.org, or through PG&E's Energy Savings Assistance Program at (800) 743-5000 or PGE.com/myhome.

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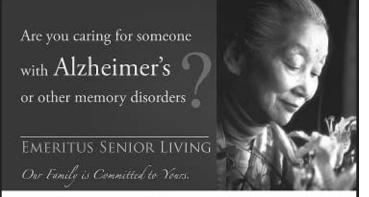
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Fundraising event for Special Olympics

SUBMITTED BY OFFICER JEFF NEITHERCUTT, NEWARK PD

On June 8, 2014 several Newark Police Officers will be riding bicycles with hundreds of people who will be pedaling on a bike ride to raise funds for Special Olympics. NPD is asking family, friends and co-workers to make a monetary pledge on their behalf. Can we count on you to help?

Special Olympics provides year round sports training and competition opportunities for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. But it is so much more than a sports program. It is training for life, empowering these individuals with self-confidence and self-esteem that carries over into their every day lives. What is most amazing is that Special Olympics is free to all 16,000 Special Olympics athletes in Northern California!

The opportunities Special Olympics provides to people with intellectual disabilities is truly commendable which is why we want to show our support by being a part of the Bike the Bridges Ride. The funds we, and others, will raise will go a long way to ensure that Special Olympics continues to enrich the lives of the intellectually disabled children and adults in our community for many years to come.

Thank you so much for your support. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of these amazing athletes!

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Run or Walk to Remember Police Heroes

SUBMITTED BY SAN LEANDRO POLICE DEPARTMENT

The California Police Officers Association (CPOA) is sponsoring a 5k/10k run or walk on Saturday, May 10. This is a family and community oriented memorial run/walk event held annually to honor and remember peace officers who have fallen in the line of duty.

Proceeds benefit charities, including the California chapters of Concerns of Police Survivors

(C.O.P.S.), an organization whose sole mission is to assist with the rebuilding of lives of surviving family members of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

Please go to www.onyourmarkevents.com to register. The event includes a 5k, 10k and a kids run. Outback BBO meal included with each entry. Register by May 3, to receive a t-shirt.

Have fun while supporting a great cause!

Run Walk to Remember Saturday May 10 7:30 a.m. check in 8:20 a.m. - 10k run 9 a.m. - 5k run 10:15 a.m. Kids run/walk **Shadow Cliffs Regional Park** 2500 Stanley Blvd., Pleasanton www.onyourmarkevents.com \$35/5k or 10k

\$20 Kids run/walk (age 12 and under)

Hayward Police Log

SUBMITTED BY SGT. ERIC MELENDEZ, HAYWARD PD

Tuesday, April 15

The Hayward Police Department received a call at 12:04 a.m. from a local hospital of a patient who had been admitted with serious injuries from an assault. The victim told the police he had been walking through the parking lot of the 24 hour fitness on Whipple Rd when three males attacked him without provocation. The victim was injured after the incident but did not go to the hospital until the following day, at which time it was

reported to the police. A home invasion robbery occurred to a residence on the 23000 block of Second Street at 9:52 p.m. The suspects entered the victim's residence and demanded property at gun point. The victim surrendered their property to the suspects who then left the scene. The suspects were described as black males in their 20's wearing dark clothing. One of the suspects had a handgun. The suspects fled in a small black sedan.

Thursday, April 17

The Hayward Police Department vice Unit conducted a city wide decoy operation for underage alcohol purchases. The Unit went to seventeen businesses and two restaurants throughout the city where decoys attempted to buy alcohol. Five businesses were cited for sales to minors.

An assault with a deadly weapon occurred in the 900 block of Central Ave. at 5:31 p.m. An informant called stating a victim had been struck with a baseball bat. The victim was contacted and stated he had pulled a knife on a group of six subjects who then proceeded to strike him with various blunt objects. The victim could not provide any information on the subjects. The victim was transported to a local hospital for treatment of his injuries.

Friday, April 18

A shooting occurred in the area of Garin Ave and Chevy Chase Way at 7:20 p.m. Several callers contacted 911 regarding hearing three to six gunshots in the area. When officers arrived they located casings on the roadway. No evidence of damage or injuries was located.

Saturday, April 19

The Hayward Police Departent vice Unit conducted a city wide tobacco decoy operation at various retailers throughout the city. Twenty-six locations visited, and five citations issued for selling tobacco to a minor.

Sunday, April 20

A bicyclist riding in the 24000 block of Whitman Ave. was tackled and knocked off his bicycle at 12:58 a.m. The suspect brandished a knife at the bicyclist and then took the bicycle riding northbound on Whitman Ave. The bicycle was recovered near the Whitman Ave and Sycamore St pedestrian bridge. The suspect was described as a black male with yellow tipped hair.

An armed robbery occurred at the intersection of B St and Watkins St. at 3:27 a.m. A cab driver parked across from the BART station was confronted by a suspect with a gun who took the driver's cell phone. The suspect demanded money from the victim who resisted and fought with the suspect. The suspect sprayed the victim with a chemical and then fled. The victim's cell phone was located a short distance away using a mobile phone locator application. The suspect was not located.

A burglary occurred to an occupied home in the 22000 block of Watkins St. at 6:32 a.m. The resident heard the front door of their residence being opened. When the resident investigated, he found the front door open and property taken from the residence.

If you have information to report that could help lead to an arrest in this crime/crime activity, please contact police.

San Leandro **Police Log**

SUBMITTED BY LT. RAN-DALL BRANDT

Saturday, April 19

At approximately 2:45 a.m., five juveniles approached an adult male who was jogging on Callan Avenue, from Bancroft Avenue. The group of juveniles ran after the "jogger" and demanded his property. The "jogger" tried to run faster to get away but the suspects caught up with him and one of them punched him in the face several times. The victim was able to break free from the suspects and immediately reported the incident to our dispatch center. Officers arrived and located the suspects in the area where the crime occurred. The victim confirmed the officers had the correct suspects stopped and they were arrested for the incident.

Sunday, April 20

At approximately 11 p.m., a burglary was committed at a business in the 500 block of Lewelling Boulevard. The incident was recorded on a surveillance camera and the footage was reviewed. The footage captured a male stealing items from a room. On April 20, approximately 8 a.m., officers were dispatched back to the location for the report of a suspicious person. They arrived and determined it was the same suspect who committed the burglary on 04/18/14. The suspect Oscar Trejo of Oakland was arrested for burglary. Two IPads were stolen from the previous burglary but they were not recovered.

At approximately 8:00 p.m., one of our officers attempted to make a traffic enforcement stop in the 2000 block of Marina Boulevard. The driver drove away recklessly and the officer chose not to pursue him. Moments later the officer observed the

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ACT administers first computer-based college admission exams

SUBMITTED BY ED COLBY

Approximately 4,000 high school students across the United States took the ACT, a college readiness assessment, on a computer on April 12. It was the first-ever computer-based administration of a national undergraduate college admission exam.

"This is an exciting step forward for students and for ACT," said Jon Erickson, president of education and career solutions at ACT. "We are making great progress toward the official launch of the digital ACT option for state and district-wide testing next spring."

The computer-based version of the ACT was administered to an invited group of 11th grade students in 80 high schools across 23 states. The schools had been selected by ACT and agreed to participate in this pilot administration.

"The administration went very well overall," said Erickson. "As always at this stage, there were some technical issues, and we learned a great deal. We appreciate the participation of the students and high schools and their extra efforts during the process."

The ACT scores that participating students earned on the digital version of the exam will be official and can be reported to colleges. The content of the exam was the same as that of the paperand-pencil version, and reported scores will mean the same in terms of level of achievement for this administration.

"We're adding this new way of taking the ACT to help improve student engagement and broaden college access," said Erickson. "We want to meet young people in the world where they already live."

Although this computerbased version of the ACT was administered on a national ACT test date, it will initially be offered as an option only in schools that administer the exam to all students on a school day as part of their districtwide or statewide assessment program. The digital version will officially launch in spring 2015 in invited states and school districts, with expanded release for statewide and district-wide testing in spring 2016. To learn more about ACT, go to www.act.org.

City of Fremont Briefs

SUBMITTED BY CHERYL GOLDEN

Fremont Gets It Done:

Fremont does it again! On April 17, the City received the "On the Ground - Getting It Done: FOCUSed Growth" award from the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), which recognizes cities, towns, and counties that are doing their part to develop sustainable communities. Participating projects in this category were judged on their ability to create compact, healthy communities with a diversity of housing, jobs, and activities and services to meet the daily needs of

The City of Fremont stood above all the rest for its "On the Ground" efforts to implement the Downtown Community Plan, adopted by the Fremont City Council in 2012. ABAG specifically highlighted the following accomplishments:

Acquisition of the Citibank building, scheduled for demolition, summer 2014.

- The award of a \$5.8 million One Bay Area Grant that will fund the extension of Capitol Avenue from State Street to Fremont Boulevard, plus additional pedestrian and bicycle connection enhancements from Downtown to the Fremont BART station.
- The establishment of a private/public partnership on the first mixed-use development along Capitol Avenue and State Street with negotiations underway.
- Development of arts and cultural events programming, including the return of everyone's favorite food truck event, Fremont Street Eats, on April 25, and a new series of arts and cultural events scheduled for the third Saturday of May, June, July, September, and October of this year.
- Private projects that have enhanced Downtown development efforts, including the grand opening of Paragon Apartments, a 300-unit rental project on Beacon Avenue and State Street, boasting Downtown's first Civic Park.
- Adding retail establishments like Whole Foods Market and restaurants like The Smoking Pig, The Counter, and Pieology to the mix of new, trendy, up-and-coming eateries.

AND there's so much to look forward to in the coming season! This summer, mark your calendars for these events coming soon to Downtown Fremont:

- Downtown Fremont Street Eats: Every Friday through Oct. 25, 2014, from 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. along Capitol Avenue between State and Liberty streets.
- Fremont Underground Social Experience (F.U.S.E.): May 17, June 21, July 19, Sept. 20, Oct. 18 A gathering of artists, special performances, music, and food, F.U.S.E. will highlight Fremont and the region's artistic talents and set the tone for an interactive, imaginative, and artistic Downtown.

Fremont Fourth of July Parade: Friday, July 4

Festival of the Arts: Aug. 2 and 3

Festival of India and Parade: Aug. 16 and 17

Bike to Work Day:

Thursday, May 8, 2014, marks the Bay Area's 20th Bike to

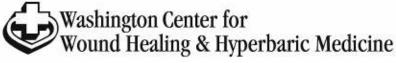


Work Day, an annual celebration to encourage bicycling as a healthy and enjoyable form of transportation to work. The event is part of National Bike Month.

More than 1 million Bay Area residents live within 5 miles of their work place which is an ideal distance for bicycling. The work commute only represents 23 percent of all trips. So consider how you may be able to bike to shop, to school, to errands and for social events. Fremont will be hosting four Energizer Stations, and this year nine Fremont schools are participating in Bike to School Day. Bike to School Day is a standalone event this spring and is one of the many events connected to Bike to Work Day. By encouraging more bicycle trips to schools, local neighborhoods can experience the reduction in traffic during school hours. Bike to School Day has experienced significant growth the past four years with participation in the East Bay more than doubling since its start.

Energizer Stations will be located along local bike commute

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- Fremont BART Station, Civic Center Drive, from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.
- 41800 Blacow Rd., Irvington High School, from 7:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.
- 46650 Landing Pkwy., Club Sport Fremont, from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.
- 45500 Fremont Blvd., Tesla Motors, from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.

For complete details, including prizes, other Bike to Work Month activities, and The Team Bike Challenge, visit www.Fremont.gov/BiketoWorkDay.

Community Members Will Decide Downtown Fremont's Logo:

For the first time ever, community members have the opportunity to vote for their favorite logo to represent Downtown Fremont. To announce the arrival of the first phase of development in the downtown, the City will unveil three logos at Downtown Fremont Street Eats on Friday, April 25. The tagline, "Downtown Fremont—On the Rise" will be shown on each of the three logos. Community members are able to vote for their favorite logo using iPads at the event on Fremont Open City Hall, the City's online forum.

Downtown is a 110-acre area bounded by Fremont Boulevard, Mowry Avenue, Paseo Padre Parkway, and Walnut Avenue. The Downtown Community Plan was approved by the Fremont City Council in 2012 and provides the blueprint for transformation of the current auto-oriented downtown area into an urban core with shopping, retail, entertainment, housing and nightlife, all within walking distance and close proximity to public transportation. Implementation efforts have begun with the award of a \$5.8 million One Bay Area Grant.

If you are unable to attend the Street Eats event, you can vote online at Fremont Open City Hall through May 16 at www.Fremont.gov/OpenCity-HallDTLogo. The logo with the most votes will be used in the City's marketing materials and will symbolize the excitement and imagination of our up and coming Downtown.

The Crown Jewel of Fremont:

Central Park is often referred to as the "Crown Jewel of Fremont," with 450 scenic acres of park in the heart of Fremont and numerous amenities throughout. In addition to the 2-mile pathway around the water, there are basketball courts, a dog park, an exercise course, a golf driving range, playgrounds for children, the opportunity to fish, and outdoor sports being played on soccer and softball fields and tennis courts.

In mid- to late-spring, the park becomes even more alive with the 80-acre lake open in April for people-powered crafts and the Aqua Adventure Water Park opening for regular weekend business on Memorial Day weekend in late May. At Lake Elizabeth, there is a place to launch or rent a paddle boat, kayak or stand-up paddle board. And while on land, the snack bar is a favorite among visitors.

We offer many natural sciences and environmental education opportunities through our Junior Ranger day camp program, Nature Learning Center Open Houses and special events. Also, the Environmental Services Division hosts hundreds of school children throughout the year. Group picnic sites are available to reserve year-round for a fee, serving groups from 30 to 500. The spring and summer months are very, very busy so get your reservations in early! There are also drop-in picnic areas that a small group or family can use without much notice.

For more information about Central Park offerings, including reservation forms, visit www.Fremont.gov/CentralPark. You may also call (510) 790-5541 between 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week or stop by the Central Park Visitor Center at 40000 Paseo Padre Pkwy. (off Sailway Drive) right next to the boat launch to fill out and turn in reservation forms.





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√he year 1931 began under very dry conditions. The local paper noted that "if rain doesn't come soon the crops will be damaged and some killed. The peas are already dry and stunted looking." By August, wells had dried up and Mission San Jose was surviving the water



Cutting apricots 1931



Joe Silva 1931

shortage by depending on the Gallegos spring. Newark residents were suffering and demanding improved water conditions. The abundance of tarantulas in Niles Canyon was said to mean a long dry spell.

Water was not the only problem for residents. A local writer referred to "these days of hard times" and said, "The depression will end when the farmers come back to a state of prosperity." It was a bad year for mosquitoes; 100 gallons of oil a day was used to treat roadside ditches and sloughs.

A drastic heat wave stuck in July. The temperature was reported to be a record 106 degrees; residents fled to Niles Canyon to escape the heat.

There were some signs of progress in the midst of all the turmoil. The motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters at Mission San Jose was dedicated. The first bridge at Niles Canyon was improved and a new one built on the Alvarado-Centerville road. Clay was being shipped from Niles Canyon and the Western Clay Products Co. began making roof tile at their Canyon Plant. Niles water hydrants were painted white, and 380 roses and a few trees were planted in the Mission Boulevard garden north of town. The Niles flag pole and some stores received a fresh coat of paint. New sign posts with the new 45 miles per hour speed limit were posted on local highways. The Williamson Outdoor School opened for the second year, and the P.C. Hansen Building was finished and construction began on the Niles-Alvarado road extension.

Washington High School was in the news with a notice it had the lowest tax rate in the area followed by a desire for change in



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the administration. Principal E. B. Hodges resigned in April and was replaced by Albert J. Rathbone. The school won the county baseball championship and was the league track champions. A turf field was installed in October and bids awarded for new auditorium seats in November.

There was plenty of news about future development including the widening of Main Street in front of the post office. The township had no golf course; it was proposed that one be built on the Witherly ranch. The move for a junior college was spurred on by William Fordic's offer of \$100,000 dollars. The Centerville Lions proposed project was to build a swimming pool for the high school.

Ed Rose gained the title to the Essanay property and went to Hollywood to try to revive the movie industry at Niles. Businessmen responded to the idea, but nothing came of it.

There was a large apricot harvest and plenty of peaches to keep Schuckl Cannery busy. The dried apricot season was the longest in years. Workers were grateful for even part time jobs.

The season was so dry that much

of the cherry crop went to waste. Niles School received a still picture projector. An article written by Bart Thane in 1892 for the dedication of that a new school was shared with the 1931 students.

There were several disasters in 1931. A fire in the Salz barn killed 19 horses, and a 1917 World War I Jenny plane crashed in a tomato field on the Murphy ranch. A disastrous fire destroyed the Centerville courtroom in August. An aut crashed into M. A. Freitas Grocery Store at Machados Corner, but the most devastating event was the deaths of James Logan and John Whipple, both on the Board of Trustees of Washington Union High School, in an automobile accident in Hayward.

The unemployment relief rate was reported to be very high by December, but then the rains came bringing relief from the long dry spell and renewed hope. Business ads read: "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year." The rains, however, continued for days and by December 31st, the total was over 12 inches; thousands of acres of farmland were flooded.



Tank House on Alvarez Farm



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So what are the advantages of abandoning the traditional schedule with one long summer schedule and going to a trimester schedule with three shorter month long school breaks for Alsion's Junior High community?

* When students return to school in September after a three-month absence from the classroom, they will have forgotten some of which they learned during the previous school year. Researchers call this the "Sumer Slump". Teachers are well acquainted with the "Summer Slump." That is why they typically begin the year reviewing material taught during the previous year to recover what was lost during the summer. The new year-round schedule for Alsion's 7th, 8th and 9th grade students will reduce the "Summer Slump" and result in better achievement gains during the year.

* At the adolescent level, "Montessori" is all about experiential, hands- on, project based learning. Summer, with its longer hours of daylight and fair weather is more congenial to being outdoors to applying math and science principles than any other time of year.

* A significant number of Alsion's families have relatives in South and East Asia, which are uncomfortably hot during America's school summer vacation time. Alsion families visit relatives in Asia during Winter Break, which was only ten days long. In reality, families require more than ten days to visit family "back home" and most re-

turn to the Bay Area a week or two after the resumption of school after January 1. With the new month-long Winter Break, students are not required to catch up with the rest of the class. Moreover, between January 3 and January 26, the ski slopes and California freeways are less crowed than peak holiday time. And the airfares for East -bound Alsion families are lower, too.



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Library-focused Essay Contest

Young Hayward bibliophiles and library lovers will have a chance to express their feelings in an essay contest sponsored by the Friends of the Hayward Public Library. Contest winners will be treated to cash scholarships and a pizza party for their entries, which must follow the prompt: "What my library means to me."

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Open to all K-12 Hayward residents, students attending any school in the City of Hayward or any school belonging to the Hayward Unified School District (HUSD), the contest organizers will choose winners in four different age groups. Entry requirements and scholarship levels vary by age group.

The youngest entrants (K-3rd grade) must submit a handwritten essay of no more than 50 words to be eligible for a \$50 cash prize. Fourth through 6th graders are limited to 100 handwritten words as they compete for a \$100 prize. Junior high and high school contestants must provide typed essays of no more than 200 and 300 words, respectively. The winner of the 7th-8th grade group will receive a \$200 award; the high school winner nets \$300.

"We're very excited to see what these Hayward young people have to say," said Peter Bufete of the Friends of the Hayward Public Library. "Adults often have a rigid, even antiquated idea of what a library is and the services it provides. The contest gives these kids a fun opportunity to explore how the library fits into their lives. And who can argue with cash prizes and pizza?"

HUSD students should hand their entries for the Friends of the Hayward Public Library essay contest to their English teacher. Students for non HUSD schools should email their entries to FriendsEssayContest@gmail.com. The deadline for submissions is Monday, May 7 at 1 p.m.

All submissions must include the student's full name, grade, teacher, school, phone number and parent's signature (if under 18). Only one entry per person is allowed and all contestants are expected to complete their essays alone without help from parents/guardians or teachers.

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US proposes first regulations for e-cigarettes

By Michael Felberbaum AP Tobacco Writer

WASHINGTON (AP), The U.S. government wants to ban sales of electronic cigarettes to minors and require approval for new products and health warning labels.

While the proposal being issued Thursday by the Food and Drug Administration will not immediately mean changes for the popular devices, the move is aimed at eventually taming the fast-growing ecigarette industry.

The agency said the proposal sets a foundation for regulating the products but the rules don't immediately ban the wide array of flavors of e-cigarettes, curb marketing on places like TV or set product standards.

Any further rules "will have to be grounded in our growing body of knowledge and understanding about the use of e-cigarettes and their potential health risks or public health benefits," FDA Commissioner Dr. Margaret Hamburg said.

Members of Congress and public health groups have raised concerns over e-cigarettes and questioned their marketing tactics.

"When finalized (the proposal) would result in significant public health benefits, including through reducing sales to youth, helping to correct consumer misperceptions, preventing misleading health claims and preventing new products from entering the market without scientific review by FDA," said Mitch Zeller, the director of the FDA's Center for Tobacco Products.

Also on Thursday, the FDA proposed extending its authority to regulate cigars, hookah, nicotine gels, pipe tobacco and dissolvable tobacco products.

Public health advocates said the FDA proposal is a critical step in reining in marketing of the new products. But they also said it comes after an `inexcusably long delay," pointing out that the FDA

first announced its plans to regulate e-cigarettes in April 2011.

"It is inexcusable that it has taken the FDA and the Administration so long to act. This delay has had serious public health consequences as these unregulated tobacco products have been marketed using tactics and sweet flavors that appeal to kids," the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids said in a statement.

Once the new rules are finalized, the agency could propose more restrictions on e-cigarettes. Officials didn't provide a timetable for that action.

"The devil will be in the details of future regulatory decisions," said Jeff Stier, senior fellow at the National Center for Public Policy Research, a conservative think tank in Washington. "If the regulations are too heavy-handed, they'll have the deadly effect of preventing smokers from quitting by switching to these dramatically less harmful alternatives."

The FDA said the public, members of the industry and others will have 75 days to comment on the proposal. The agency will evaluate those comments before issuing a final rule but there's no timetable for when that will happen. The regulations will be a step in a long process that many believe will ultimately end up being challenged in court.

E-cigarettes are plastic or metal tubes, usually the size of a cigarette, that heat a liquid nicotine solution instead of burning tobacco. That creates vapor that users inhale.

Smokers like e-cigarettes because the nicotine-infused vapor looks like smoke but doesn't contain the thousands of chemicals, tar or odor of regular cigarettes. Some smokers use e-cigarettes as a way to quit smoking tobacco, or to cut down. However, there's not much scientific evidence showing e-cigarettes help smokers quit or smoke less, and it's unclear how safe they are.

The industry started on the Internet and at shopping-mall kiosks and has rocketed from thousands of users in 2006 to several million worldwide who can choose from more than 200 brands. Sales are estimated to have reached nearly \$2 billion in 2013. Tobacco company executives have noted that they are eating into traditional cigarette sales, and their companies have jumped into the business.

Some believe lightly regulating electronic cigarettes might actually be better for public health overall, if smokers switch and e-cigarettes really are safer. Others are raising alarms about the hazards of the products and a litany of questions about whether e-cigarettes will keep smokers addicted or encourage others to start using e-cigarettes, and even eventually tobacco products.

"Right now for something like e-cigarettes, there are far more questions than answers," Zeller said, adding that the agency is conducting research to better understand the safety of the devices and who is using them.

At first glance, the FDA's proposal is "broadly as expected and not as restrictive as some had feared," Wells Fargo Securities analyst Bonnie Herzog wrote in a note to investors.

"It seems to be a responsible approach ... and shows the FDA's commitment to look at particular ecigarettes in a science-based way rather than just conjecture," said Jason Healy, president of Blu e-cigs, which is owned by Lorillard Inc. and holds more than 45 percent of the market. "Obviously we've got a long way to go. This may be just some calm before the storm."

Healy noted that the e-cigarette landscape and the products themselves will continue to evolve and grow before the regulations take effect, and they will likely spur a consolidation of companies in the market.

Governor orders more actions on California drought

By Don Thompson Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif.Gov. Jerry Brown issued a second executive order on Friday to deal with California's drought, taking additional steps to help fight wildfires and assist cities and farmers.

"The driest months are still to come in California and extreme drought conditions will get worse," Brown said.

He said the order "cuts red tape to help get water to farmers more quickly, ensure communities have safe drinking water, protect vulnerable species and prepare for an extreme fire season."

The order streamlines contracting rules for purchasing firefighting equipment and allows property owners to quickly clear brush and dying trees from their land.

It also directs state water regulators to accelerate approvals of voluntary water transfers to assist farmers and orders wildlife officials to take steps to help winter-run Chinook salmon and other fish survive the drought.

Brown also called on residents and businesses to conserve water and prohibited homeowner associations from fining residents who limit their lawn watering and take other conservation measures.

The state has already seen a significant increase in wildfires this year, said Daniel Berlant, a spokesman for the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. Since Jan. 1, fire-fighters have responded to 1,040 wildfires, compared to about 425 in an average year.

Limited late rainfall has done little to combat the dry conditions that will feed wildfires, he said.

"The drought has definitely set the stage for a potentially dangerous and busy fire season," Berlant said. "We've increased our staffing much earlier with the potential of a lot more wildfires with just how dry it is."

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Water picture improves for some California towns

By Jason Dearen Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP), While much of California remains in the grips of extreme drought, spring storms have eased pressure slightly and reduced the number of rural communities considered at risk of running dry.

In February, the California Department of Public Health listed 17 mostly rural water systems as having less than two months water supply in storage.

But in recent weeks that number has fallen to three as February and March rains improved the water picture in some areas.

In the tiny town of Willits in Mendocino County, the nearly 5,000-resident community's two small reservoirs are full after being nearly empty in February. The town was under mandatory water conservation, and it has now called for a voluntary 20-percent reduction.

While its water picture has improved, the town perched in Northern California's redwood forests is under threat from another drought-related issue: fire. The state has already responded to more than 1,000 fires this year — double the 450 that is typical for this time of year.

"We are still under a local declared emergency. But the emphasis has shifted from lack of water to fire danger and preserving water supply for what is anticipated to be a difficult fire year," said Adrienne Moore, Willits' city manager.

The U.S. Drought Monitor shows a vast majority of the state in "extreme" or "exceptional" drought. The Sierra Nevada snowpack that provides a third of California's drinking water is only at 32 percent of normal as the state heads toward the dry summer months.

"We are rapidly approaching the end of the rainy season, but clearly there is still very dry hydrology

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He urged homeowners to do their part by preparing for the wildfire season much earlier, such as clearing brush within 100 feet of homes.

Brown's order also sidesteps the California Environmental Quality Act through year's end on some actions intended to limit environmental damage. They include speeding water transfers, restricting water use, and aiding both fish and humans imperiled by the drought through low water or higher fire danger.

Brown issued his first drought-related executive order in January, before a series of storms began providing some relief.

In February, for instance, public health officials warned that 17 mostly rural water systems had less than two months water supply in storage. Now just three water systems are listed.

Resources Agency spokesman Richard Stapler said the additional executive order was needed for some specific steps including speeding the installation of fish screens on water intakes in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, fish habitat improvement projects and permitting water districts to restrict outdoor watering.

The new order is designed "to make sure we're addressing everything we possibly can," said Stapler, who commented on behalf of Brown's administration. "There are a lot of different pieces of this that we need to continue to address."

He said it is too soon to know if more executive actions will be needed.

The executive order came in the midst of a late-spring storm that was bringing rain or snow to most of the state.

"It's one of those things," Stapler said of the governor's timing of his executive order. "It is nice to get a little bit of rain," though he said it would do little to alleviate the dry conditions expected this summer.

Associated Press Writer Judy Lin contributed to this story.

Google, Apple settle high-tech workers' lawsuit

By Michael Liedtke AP Technology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP), Google, Apple, Intel and Adobe Systems have settled a class-action lawsuit alleging they conspired to prevent their engineers and other highly sought technology workers from getting better job offers from one another.

The agreement announced Thursday averts a Silicon Valley trial that threatened to expose the tactics deployed by billionaire executives such as late Apple Inc. CEO Steve Jobs and former Google Inc. CEO Eric Schmidt to corral less affluent employees working on a variety of products and online services. Had they lost, the companies also faced the prospect of paying as much as \$9 billion.

The trial had been scheduled to begin May 27 in San Jose, California.

Terms of the settlement aren't being revealed

yet. Those details will be provided in documents that will be filed in court by May 27, according to Kelly Dermody, an attorney representing the workers who contended they were cheated out of bigger paychecks.

"This is an excellent resolution," Dermody said in a prepared statement.

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Water picture improves for some California towns

throughout the state," said Jeanine Jones, deputy drought manager for California's Department of Water Resources. "The checkbook has been significantly depleted, and the savings account, which is reservoir storage, will be drawn down as we go through the summer season."

Some towns' drinking water systems are still at risk: Montague in Siskiyou County may not have enough water to last through the summer, and it has asked residents to suspend all outside watering.

The town's reservoir, Lake Shastina, currently has about 8,400 acre-feet of water — normally it's at about 33,000. One acre foot is enough to last a family of four about a year.

It's the first time in the 80-year history of the town of about 1,500 people

that the water levels have been so low, according to the City Council.

Public health and other state agencies are working to help run a pipeline connecting the town to the Shasta River before it runs out of water. But with time running out, residents are nervous.

"I'd say it's 50-50 at the moment. We don't know who's going to throw a roadblock up," said Chris Tyhurst, who supervises Montague's water treatment plant. "We're hoping if everyone keeps conserving the way they have that we might make it to August 1."

The Redwood Valley County Water District in Mendocino County, which serves nearly 4,000 residents, is also still at risk, as well as a 55-person apartment complex in Mariposa County. Public health officials are working with all three districts to find solutions, which could be connecting them to neighboring water supplies, finding new underground water sources or building new treatment plants.

Even with drinking water problems being addressed, the state is scrambling to handle a two-fold increase in fires because of the dry conditions.

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection employed its extra 230 seasonal firefighters starting in January. That's usually done in May.

"Even in March with the rainfall, we were still responding to wildfires every week," said Daniel Berlant, Calfire's spokesman. "Over the last decade, we've seen more large fires than ever before."

Chipotle plans first price hike in 3 years

By Candice Choi and Mae Anderson

AP Business Writers

NEW YORK (AP), Chipotle is feeling confident that customers are willing to pay more for its burritos, bowls and tacos.

The Mexican food chain said Thursday that it would raise prices for the first time in three years as its popularity continues to soar. Menu boards with the new prices should start rolling out in coming weeks and be in place at all restaurants by this summer.

Executives have said in the past they were considering a hike of about 3 percent to 5 percent. That translates to an extra 24 cents to 40 cents for an \$8 burrito bowl.

Jack Hartung, Chipotle's chief financial officer, said during a conference call with analysts that price is not the main reason customers visit its restaurants anyway.

"Most of the value comes from the experience," he said.

Hartung also noted that the company had earned ``permission' from customers to raise prices because of that experience.

And if needed, he said Chipotle still had the leeway to further raise prices without scaring off customers.

"We've still got room," he said.

The decision comes as higher costs for beef, avocados and cheese have pressured profit margins for the chain, with net income for the first quarter coming in below Wall Street expectations. Still, Chipotle said sales at established locations rose 13.4 percent during the period and it raised its outlook for the year. It now expects the sales figure to grow in the high-single digits, before factoring in the price hikes.

The Denver-based chain's popularity has surged in recent years because people like that they watch as they tell workers what toppings to put on their orders. The chain has also invested in marketing to build up its reputation as higher-quality alternative to places like Burger King and Wendy's.

Those traditional fast-food chains have struggled to grow sales as customers increasingly flock to foods they feel are fresh or higher in quality. In contrast to Chipotle, for instance, McDonald's has said it needs to focus on underscoring the value it offers.

McDonald's CEO Don Thompson has also noted that there is a bit of "bifurcation" in the fast-food industry, with better-off customers heading to the new breed of chains that charge more.

For the three months ended March 31, Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc. said net income rose 8 percent to \$83.1 million, or \$2.64 per share. That's up from \$76.6 million, or \$2.45 per share, a year ago. Analysts expected \$2.86 per share, according to FactSet.

Revenue climbed a stronger-than-expected 24 percent to \$904.2 million.

Chipotle has also been expanding rapidly. It opened 44 restaurants during the quarter and plans to open 180 to 195 restaurants during all of 2014. It already has more than 1,600 locations.

Its shares fell \$32.79, or 5.9 percent, to \$519.61, its biggest one-day drop since December 2010. Its shares are up almost 70 percent since a year ago.

Robert Van Nest, an attorney who notified the court of the settlement on behalf of all the employers, declined to comment.

of all the employers, declined to commen Google and Apple declined to comment, too.

Intel Corp. spokesman Chuck Mulloy said the chipmaker denies any wrongdoing, but chose to settle to ``to avoid the risks, burdens and uncertainties of ongoing litigation."

Adobe System Corp. echoed Intel's remarks in its own statement. "We firmly believe that our recruiting policies have in no way diminished competition for talent in the marketplaces," the software maker said.

The suit, which grew out of an earlier Justice Department investigation, was seeking \$3 billion in damages on behalf of 64,600 workers employed at some point from 2005 through 2009. Had damages been awarded in trial, they could have been tripled under antitrust laws forbidding U.S. companies from engaging in behavior that suppresses a free market.

A \$9 billion award would have translated into an average of nearly \$140,000 per worker. Programmers, software developers and computer scientists make

an average of \$80,000 to \$110,000 annually, depending on their specific duties, according to the latest wage data from the U.S. Department of Labor.

Some of the aggrieved employees in the class-action lawsuit worked at software maker Intuit Inc., and two filmmakers now owned by Walt Disney Co., Pixar Animation and Lucasfilm. Intuit, Pixar and Lucasfilm had previously negotiated a \$20 million settlement of the claims against them. That settlement still needs court approval.

The 3-year-old case revolves around a "gentlemen's agreement" that the companies forged to retain employees. Internal emails excavated during the pre-trial proceedings showed Google, Apple and other major technology employers agreed not to recruit each other's workers to help protect their own interests.

The companies maintained that the "no-poaching" cartel wasn't illegal because they still could hire employees from their partners in the arrangement, as long as the workers initiated the inquiries about vacant positions.

But documents that had been surfacing in the case painted a more sordid

picture. Google, in particular, seemed especially leery of approaching Apple employees for fear of infuriating the mercurial Jobs, who had warned the company not to raid his workforce.

At one point in 2006, Google sought Jobs' permission to hire a respected programmer, Jean-Marie Hullot, to run a new engineering office in Paris even though Hullot had already resigned from Apple, according to emails turned over in the case. Google also wanted to hire some other former Apple engineers that formerly worked with Hullot. After some email negotiations about what Hullot and his colleague would be working on at Google, Jobs wrote, "We'd strongly prefer that you not hire these guys." Google then backed off its Paris plans, according to emails.

In another instance, Schmidt fired a Google recruiter who riled Jobs by contacting an Apple employee about a job opening. After being informed of the firing, Jobs responded with a smiley face in an email.

Jobs died in October 2011 after a long battle with cancer. Attorneys repre-

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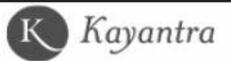
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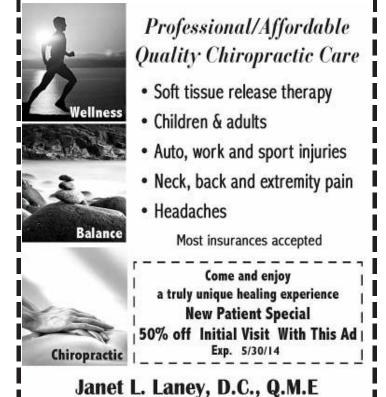
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Washington Hospital: **HERS Breast Cancer Foundation**

in an attractive, boutique setting. Staff and volunteers, some of whom are breast cancer survivors, are positive, empathetic and sensitive to the many issues facing women undergoing treatment for cancer.

Multiple Services Enhance Women's Lives

The Bras for Body and Soul program has specifically trained staff members who provide women with private, individualized fittings for prosthetics and special post-surgery garments such as breast forms and bras. Secluded dressing rooms, nicely decorated, provide a relaxing setting for trying on garments.

Through the Lymphedema Project, women are able to select upper-body compression sleeves which help relieve lymphedema issues.

Lymphedema sometimes occurs after breast cancer treatments. Lymphedema can cause long-term physical and psychological problems for patients.

An additional component is Hair with Care. Tucked into the space is a hair styling chair staffed by hair stylists who help fit clients with custom-styled wigs to bridge the period when they have lost their hair as a result of chemotherapy treatments. The benefit to women is that their self-image is better and they are more likely to continue an active social life.

In addition, the We Support, You Survive program provides services to underserved women who are not covered by health insurance or cannot afford these products, including the garments and sleeves.

"We take care of their soul and we help people feel normal again," explains Dr. Packard of the

multi-faceted program. "They feel good about their 'new normal' and enjoy life again," she says.

"We find that when women come here, they start feeling better about themselves and feel more confident. They find support and hope for the future," notes Dr. Packard. "We are a 'soft place to fall' and are dedicated to helping them 'bounce back'," she adds. In a new video on the foundation's website, four women who have benefitted from the programs help explain the value of the many services offered at this center, sharing their stories of the hope, empowerment, renewal and support (HERS) that they experienced at the foundation during their journeys through diagnosis and treatment for breast cancer.

HERS Breast Cancer Foundation also provides help with understanding insurance forms and making sure that clients receive their maximum benefit.

The HERS Breast Cancer Foundation recently welcomed Chris Hubbard, a 19-year breast cancer survivor who has created programs and services for several breast cancer-focused nonprofits. She also has been a care consultant for a manufacturer of post-mastectomy products. Ms. Hubbard is an enthusiastic provider of programs for women diagnosed with breast cancer and excited about her new role with HERS Breast Cancer Foundation.

The foundation, which has been centered in this location for 10 years, is also celebrating the recent opening of a new facility, expanding their outreach programs to more women. For more information on the HERS Breast Cancer Foundation and their new location, visit

hersbreastcancerfoundation.org.

Ohlone Humane Society

Potentially

By Nancy Lyon

't has been a little more than a month since the vernal equinox, an occurrence that officially heralds the entrance of spring, and though it may be hard for us to tell by the fluctuating weather, the plants seem to believe it and are in the process of putting out gorgeous blooms and luscious new foliage... luscious?

While they may not be tasty to you or me, that amazing array of tender greenery and petals can be a huge attraction to your dog, cat or rabbit; an enticing buffet that can be harmful enough to potentially be a killer.

If you have companion animals it's worthwhile when planning your spring garden to take a moment to consider safety and plant in areas that are not easily accessed by them. If you also dig a little deeper and research which plants contain ingredients that can be toxic when consumed, you can save everyone a lot of grief and discomfort.

More than 700 plants have been identified that produce dangerous substances that can be toxic and even deadly if consumed. Spring weather is ideal for many of these beautiful but lethal



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plants and bulbs, among them seasonal favorites like daffodil, iris, and lilies of many varieties. Unfortunately, all parts of lilies leaf, flower, pollen - can be life threatening to browsing critters. And common garden plants like potatoes (leaves and stem); tomatoes (leaves and stem), rhubarb leaves, and grapes/raisins can spell disaster to our animal family if eaten, causing heart, kidney, liver, neurological and respiratory damage and failure

A number of garden trees can also produce systemic toxic effects in animals. Seeds from apples, the pits or seeds from apricots, cherries, peaches and the blackened husks from walnuts contain dangerous elements that can cause serious harm. Surprisingly, avocados, heralded as a human health food, are poisonous to rabbits, birds, horses, goats and cows.

Unfortunately, curiosity can really kill the cat, the dog and other animal family members. While not all plants may be deadly, munching out on some of them can result in mild to severe results. Being aware of potential

risk is a good policy. Many of the more common varieties may be growing in your yard or on your patio at this moment. Discovering the plants that can be dangerous can help you choose the safest for your individual circumstances and help protect your animals and young children.

Something to consider - while you may be able to "pet-proof" your yard, animals allowed to roam freely can run into problems in your neighbor's yard where hazardous foliage may be lurking. Keeping them in their own territory is both neighborly and safe.

A great resource for easy identification is the American Society for the Protection of Animals (ASPCA) website that contains pictures and information of toxic and non-toxic plants for various species http://www.aspca.org/petcare/poison-control/plants/

Information about emergency care when poisoning occurs is the pet poison helpline® at 800-213-6680 (there is a fee) or visit the website Pet Poison Hotline @ petpoisonhelpline.com.

Milpitas Knights of Columbus



Milpitas Knights of Columbus held its annual Awards Banquet April 12th at St. John the Baptist Pavalkis Hall to honor (left to right) Police Officer of the Year Alex Prince, Firefighter of the Year Brian Stelling and Citizen of the Year Joseph Weinstein. Photo by Frank De Smidt.

Heroes come to Hayward

SUBMITTED BY BRUCE ROBERTS

Everyone admires heroes. Kids growing up get hooked on them at an early age - Davy Crockett, Roy Rogers, Superman, Wonder Woman, Batman, Spiderman, etc. But while these heroes are great for teaching the concept of heroism, and are alive and well in comics, television and movies, they are all fictional. Real heroes are harder to find.

Unless, of course, people attend the Hayward Education Foundation's (HEF) Hero Dinner on Thursday, May 8, at the Golden Peacock Restaurant and Banquet Hall.

For six years now, the Hayward Education Foundation has asked every school in Hayward - public or private - to nominate one person as its hero, someone who has gone above and beyond the call of duty and job description to enrich the lives of Hayward's students.

This person can be a principal, a parent, a teacher, an aide, a janitor, even a student. Those heroes are treated to a night out, with dinner and honored for all their dedication and hard work.

This year, besides a complimentary dinner, each hero will receive a beautiful plaque from H.E.F., plus certificates of commendation from State Representatives. Additionally, each hero will likely be ac-



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companied by friends and family and colleagues, all intent on celebrating this person's outstanding performance. In short, it's a party! And last year over 250 people attended.

The H.E.F. Heroes Dinner is attended by heroes, and their supporters, who are there to celebrate and honor someone who has made a Hayward school a better place to be. And who ultimately benefits here? The students!

Hayward Education Foundation's Hero Dinner Thursday, May 8

5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Golden Peacock Restaurant 24989 Santa Clara St, Hayward (510) 881-0890 admin@hayward.org RSVP is required \$25/person, with a no-host bar Heroes/free of charge

Fremont Elks donate to the community

SUBMITTED BY JOAN WHITE

The Fremont Elks Lodge 2121 recently donated \$1,000 to the Northern California Hub of the Honor Flight Network. The goal of the group is to transport America's veterans to Washington D.C. to visit war memorials constructed in their honor. First priority is given to survivors of World War II and those suffering a terminal illness.

The Network's philosophy is: "Since America felt it was important to build a memorial to the service and ultimate sacrifice of her veterans, the Honor Flight Network believes it is equally important that they actually get to visit and experience THEIR memorial."

In addition to donating 300 dictionaries to four local elementary schools, Fremont Lodge 2121 donated dictionaries to three local charity organizations. Thirty-two dictionaries were donated to Sunrise Village Emergency Shelter, and 24 each to SAVE (Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments) and One Child (for disadvantaged children).

Community service and paying it forward are commitments Fremont Elks Lodge 2121 has made in keeping with the motto "Elks Care, Elks Share."

For more information, visit www.fremon-

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The majority of 9-1-1 calls are now answered by local agency 9-1-1 operators; however some are still answered by the California Highway Patrol. The cell tower location determines what agency gets the call. This was designed so that the closest emergency service had the best chance of getting where they were needed. Basically, cell towers located close to the freeway system with send 9-1-1 calls to CHP while other towers



Sgt. Donn Tasano

will send calls to the local agency. Even if the call does not go to the closest agency, the transfer between communication centers is very fast. Most agencies use a telephone system that allows them to have nearby agencies on speed dial.

The information to have ready for the 9-1-1 operator initially is: • Are you reporting an emer-

If so, what type of emergency? Collision? Robbery? Fight?



Sgt. Mark Dang

• What is the location? Remember, 9-1-1 calls record GPS coordinates and tower addresses, not cross streets for the incident. Tower locations could put responding units blocks from the actual incident. We will need an actual street address or main street and cross street to effectively deploy personnel. The less time we spend searching for the incident location, the faster we can get to work.

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Should our nuclear materials be guarded by robots? What are the Russians doing in relation to robotics?

ince 2011, a Nevada nuclear materials storage site has been guarded by MDARS robots (Mobile Detection, Assessment and Response System). In March, 2014, the US Marines announced that their airbase in Twentynine Palms will also be guarded by the same type of robots.

Security robots are becoming more prevalent for both governmental and corporate clients not only to lower costs but to improve surveillance and security options. General Dynamics MDARS, the robots used in Nevada and by the Marines, have been around since 2005. These devices autonomously surveil and check for intruders, investigate alarm sources, monitor highvalue inventory and assess barriers, such as the doors of storage bunkers. MDARS are dieselpowered, 4-wheel hydrostatic-drive vehicles, with a payload capacity of 500 lbs. Each vehicle is equipped with a realtime obstacle avoidance system and 360-degree sensors. It can operate for 16 hours without refueling and at speeds up to 20 miles per hour.

Israeli G-nius has a whole line of remotely piloted border-patrolling devices as does Samsun Techwin in South Korea and both are being used in their respective countries.

Less lethal, newer sleeker devices are coming to the commercial marketplace. Gamma 2 Robotics and their Vigilant Robots has been winning awards for their museum, parking garage and warehouse guards - all of which are still being beta tested.

Silicon Valley Knightscope has partnerships with insurers, police and large campus organizations, and others for their stylish patrolling robots.



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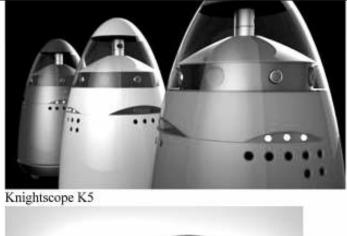


Turnover for private security firms is often more than 400% which is worse than the fast food industry - and there are about 1.3 million security guards in the US and 20 million globally, hence the need for this type of robot. Many of these patrol positions are ideal for mobile robotic devices such as those offered by Vigilant and Knightscope.

Schools, shopping malls, data centers, museums, parking lots, warehouses, parks and stadiums are all ideal locations for these types of robots. Defense contractors, as they feel the bite of reduced military budgets will soon be redesigning their MDARS-like

military devices for the commercial marketplace and offer competition, as will mobile robot makers Adept, iRobot and KUKA - but right now Knightscope and Vigilant are the closest to market. [Adept Technologies had a security mobile robot but dropped it from their line to focus on their primary business.]

In the consumer sector, there have been many tries and all have either failed or moved on to more lucrative fields. Romotive is a case in point. It was first offered as a home security device but found few takers. Most of the interest for their very successful Romo



xTurion mobile security bot

bot was (and is) as a kid's toy.

WowWee's Rovio was a big hit when it was launched but hasn't done anything since and is no longer promoted by WowWee.

One unique start-up from St. Petersburg, Russia, xTurion, may have found the right niche for home, second home and service space monitoring using a mobile security bot and some very capable software. The device can be equipped with smoke, heat and leak sensors, gas analyzers, and be remotely controlled to check out an alarm. xTurion is supported by iDealMachine, an accelerator associated with University ITMO in St. Petersburg, and also by the Skolkovo where xTurion is a participant in their Skolkovo IT Cluster. At present they are working to get the price down to under \$1,000, build 100 beta test devices, and enter the marketplace late this year.

Russia announced that it was planning to deploy mobile secu-

rity robotics later this year to protect its strategic missile facilities.

Russia, in a report published in RIANovosti, announced that it was planning to deploy mobile security robotics later this year to protect its strategic missile facilities. "The security bots will be deployed at five ballistic missile launch sites around Russia as part of an upgrade to the existing automated security systems. The robots will carry out reconnaissance and patrol missions, detect and destroy stationary or moving targets and provide fire support for security personnel."

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South Bay Chinese Service Club holds annual Scholarship Banquet

SUBMITTED BY JOE WOO

South Bay Chinese Service Club (SBCSC) awarded \$12,500 in scholarships to graduating high school seniors of Chinese descent at the 45th annual SBCSC Scholarship Banquet held April 16 at the Union City Mayflower Restaurant. Club President Steve Cho greeted the graduates and praised them for their outstanding academic records and participation in community activities. Honored guests included U.S. Congressman Eric Swalwell, California State Senator Ellen Corbett, Dawn Argula representing Supervisor Scott Haggerty, Fremont City Councilmember Suzanne Chan, Fremont School Board Member Lily Mei, and Citizens for Better Community (CBC) President Ivy Wu.

The Award ceremony commenced with Congressman Eric Swalwell presenting the Certificates of Special Congressional Recognition to the scholarship award recipients in his District 12; followed by State Senator Ellen Corbett presenting her Certificates of Recognition to all the award recipients. Although unable to attend in person, U.S. Congressman Mike Honda, State Assemblymember Bob Wieckowski, and Alameda County Supervisor Scott Haggerty had all provided Certificates of Recognition for the students.

Graduating students and their parents were addressed by keynote speaker, Judge Stuart Hing, who was appointed to the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, in July 2008 by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. Before his appointment, he was a Deputy District Attorney in the Alameda County District Attorney's Office for 23 years and a Senior



Scholarship Award Recipients with Scholarship Committee Chair Joe Woo, Keynote Speaker California State Superior Court Judge Stuart Hing, and SBCC President Steve Cho. (Photo by Amy Cho)

Marketing Representative with Xerox Corporation where he attained #1 in sales for the U.S. western region. Judge Hing grew up in a housing project and played lead guitar in a band that opened for Earth, Wind & Fire.

In his speech, Judge Hing shared with the students his circuitous career path from a young musician to a judge at the Superior Court of California. He brought the students up on the stage and introduced them to the concept of the earth population as a village of 100 where 61 villagers would be Asian and of that number, 20 would be Chinese. Judge Hing used this lesson to also make the students aware of world hunger stating that 50 members in this village of 100 would not have a reliable source of food and would be hungry most of the time, 20 villagers would be undernourished, and one villager would die of starvation.

Before announcing this year's scholarship award winners, Joe Woo, SBCSC Scholarship Chairman, pointed out the difficult task the Selection Committee faced this year while attempting to select 18 winners from 31 highly qualified applicants - an impressive group of scholars representing seven high schools. Their average unweighted GPA is 3.9 and the average weighted GPA is 4.3. The applicants have taken a total of 388 AP classes and honor classes. Together they have amassed over 10,000 community service hours with two students receiving the President's Volunteer Service Award. In this group, there are 10 National Merit Finalists, 19 AP Scholars, and six students with perfect unweighted 4.0 GPA's.

The 2014 SBCSC Scholarship Recipients are:

\$2,000 Scholarship Recipient: Katie Chang, James Logan High School – Howard Tom Award for Top Honors

\$1,000 Scholarship Recipients: Rosemond Ho, American High School – Karl Ngan Award for Leadership Belle Lee, American High School – CBC Award for Community Service Sonia Wang, Mission San Jose High School – York Gin Memorial Scholarship Zongning Zhang, Mission San Jose High School – Award for Academic Excellence in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) - Sponsored by Fremont Bank

\$500 Scholarship Recipients:

Tammy Tseng, Mission San Jose High School – Best Essay (Sponsored by Dutra Enterprises)

Jennifer Chen, James Logan High School Winston Hsieh, James Logan High School Kevin Hsu, Irvington High School Vivian Jair, Mission San Jose High School David Kang, Irvington High School Rachel Lai, Mission San Jose High School Levina Lin, American High School Gregory Ngim, Alameda High School Leigh Anne Tang, American High School Brian Wang, James Logan High School Kerrie Wu, Mission San Jose High School Michiko Zerda, Alsion Montessori High

Scholarship information is available on the Club's website: www.sbcclub.org.

Teacher of Year and Classified Employee of Year named

SUBMITTED BY NEW HAVEN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Vicki Baker, who teaches science at Alvarado Middle School (AMS), has been selected as New Haven Unified School District's Teacher of the Year, as announced during a recent Board of Education meeting. Darrell Rumple, who works in the District's Corporation Yard, was named Classified Employee of the Year.

Teacher of the Year Vicki Baker, who has been at AMS for 22 years, has a "passion (for) making science more engaging for kids," according to the nomination letter submitted on her behalf. "That shows in the projects and activities she has brought to our school including hot air balloons, pizza box solar ovens, the kill-o-watts project that helps stu-



Darrell Rumple, Classified Employee of Year with Vicki Baker, Teacher of the Year



Vicki Baker, New Haven Teacher of the Year

dents recognize how much energy their household items are using and a grant that allowed our sixth grade students to learn about energy resources through an inquiry process."

"Vicki believes every student can find success and she works hard to create opportunities for them to demonstrate their learning in many ways."

Ms. Baker has run the science club at AMS since 1993, and she has been part of the school's leader-ship team since 1998, serving as department head, on textbook adoption committees, as a curriculum leader and writer and on the Instructional Leader-ship Team, where she is known as the "voice of sanity." Over the last several years, she has represented AMS on both the Grading and Assessment Task Force and the Evaluation Task Force.

This year, she has been at the forefront of the Chromebook rollout, helping other teachers adopt new classroom management and instructional practices. One of the early adopters of e-mail distribution lists, she updates her parents regularly on how to talk to their kids about what's going on in science, and she maintains an up-to-date website.

For many years, Ms. Baker has served as a partner and consultant to new teachers. She also facilitates the social committee's activities, helping organize potlucks, staff parties, monthly breakfasts and other activities.

"She's here to introduce teachers to AMS, support them throughout their career and then plan their retirement party when they're ready to go. There isn't a single person on campus more dedicated to supporting our staff more than Vicki."

A National Board Certified Teacher in early adolescent science since 2000, Ms. Baker has mentored dozens of science teachers throughout California in achieving their certification through Stanford University.

Teachers of the Year from other District sites were: Roxanne Ramirez (Alvarado Elementary), Gary Suplick (Eastin), Michelle Torquemada (Emanuele), Veronica Hodgson (Hillview Crest), Kimberly DeBono Kitayama), James Malone (Pioneer), Stella Castillo (Searles), Arnel Calamba (Cesar Chavez), Kenneth Prucha (Logan), Peggy Critz (Conley-Caraballo), Jennifer Young (Decoto School for Independent Study), and Mario Laxo (New Haven Adult).

The Classified Employee of the Year, Darrell Rumple, has worked in the District for 31 years, the past 12 at the Corporation Yard, where one of his primary duties is assisting and moving teachers each year.

"Although the stress of moving teachers site to site is tough at times, Darrell manages to be very encouraging and helpful to ensure their move is handled with compassion," his nomination letter states. "He cares for their belongings as if they were his own."

On Vandalism Watch, Mr. Rumple watches over three school sites after hours and weekends to minimize graffiti, theft and loitering. He responds to alarm calls at all hours of the night, meeting the police or fire department, and reports and documents the incidents. He also is tasked with the removal of graffiti prior to the arrival of students and teachers each morning.

"He keeps the school environment free from vandalism to ensure our students and teachers do not have to be subjected to graffiti."

Mr. Rumple also is responsible for the District's many set-ups that require the movement of thousands of chairs, tables, staging sound equipment and supplies. "He will go out of his way to ensure each site has what they need to execute their events successfully. He does this with a can-do attitude (and a) work ethic (that) is second to none."

Classified Employees of the Year from other District sites were: Yurani Maycotte De Perez (Alvarado Elementary), Eve Tudor (Eastin), Eunice Andrade (Emanuele), Joyce Cheang (Hillview Crest), Lucy Saavedra (Kitayama), Rosie Thompson (Pioneer), Lorriane Neira (Searles), Jennifer Petty (Alvarado Middle), Susan Kidd (Cesar Chavez), Kim Perez (Logan), Susan Glenn (Conley-Caraballo), Maria Hill (New Haven Adult), Eileen Nicosia (Educational Services Center), and Arthur Garcia (Food Services).

Meet Three Outstanding Local Authors

Women can play as strong a role as men says writer Nancy Curteman

By Kathy Garfinkle

The AAUW-Fremont Branch (American Association of University Women), in collaboration with the Fremont Main Library, invites you to Meet the Authors, a panel discussion featuring three outstanding local women writers.

Nancy Curteman loves to share the tension, drama, romance and just plain fun found in her mystery novels. She takes us on some remarkable adventures in her Lysi Weston Mystery



Nancy Curteman

series: Murder Down Under, Murder Cast a Spell, Murder in a Teacup and Lethal Lesson.

Jana McBurney-Lin is motivated to write by her passion to communicate and educate. Jana is the author of My Half of the Sky and Blossoms and Bayonets.

Marjorie Bicknell Johnson has always been curious and ready to



Marjorie Bicknell Johnson

try new things such as flying a small plane and accompanying an archaeologist to the Mayan ruins in Yucatan and Central America. Bird Watcher and Jaguar Princess reflect her passion for learning and adventure.

These talented authors delight in developing strong female characters.

The women in Nancy Curteman's mystery novels are joyful, resourceful characters who appreciate the humor in every day life. Her



Jana McBurney-Lin

lead characters often collide with the local police because they find clues the police miss. Nancy finds writing very rewarding. "I love to run upstairs and see what my character is going to do next." Nancy hopes the reader will realize that women can play just as strong a role as men and that women should not be afraid to take risks.

Jana McBurney-Lin lived in Asia for fifteen year. While in Singapore visiting her husband's village in Fujian, she saw an advertisement that read: "A girl baby is just as precious as a baby boy." Jana turned to her husband and said. "That is so cool that the government is obviously behind the valuing of little girls." He shrugged his shoulders. "The government can say what they like. But a house with no male is a real problem." This was the inspiration for her first novel, My Half of the Sky in which her character Li Hui struggles to be an independent woman in an emerging, modern China.

The women in McBurney-Lin's Blossoms and Bayonets are strong in a more subtle way. Although they defer to their husbands, the women step outside the norm and demonstrate strength and independence rarely exhibited in Korea in 1942.

Marjorie Johnson developed a very strong lead character in Jaguar Princess by asking herself what kind of woman would want to learn to read Mayan Code. Maya princess Chanla "Pesh" Pex is a remarkable, resourceful and very bright young woman. The challenge, says Marjorie, is to make the characters come alive for readers.

Meet the Authors Monday, May 5 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Fremont Main Library, Fukaya Room B

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Optimists bring out best in area youth

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In two recent Optimist sponsored contests for youth, An Essay Contest and an Oratorical Contest, the Newark Optimist Club pursued its goal of bringing out the best in kids. Club members and guests who listened to the essayists and orators were amazed at the maturity, thoughtfulness and rich language used by these young scholars.

Students entering the Essay Contest wrote on the theme, "How dreams lead to success." The winning essayists and their parents were honored guests at an Essay Contest Awards Breakfast on April 9, at the Newark IHOP Restaurant. Each winner was awarded an official medallion and a cash prize, followed by recitation of their essay. The essays told of having a dream of hitting a game winning home run, encouraging more young women to enter the fields of science and technol-

ogy, and how dreams can be a driving force, motivating us to do our best.

This year's Essay Contest winners are:

1st Place - Sonia Sachar, Irvington High School 2nd Place - Brianna Gomez, Newark Memorial High School

3rd Place - Kelsey Ichikawa, Irvington High School Ms. Sachar's 1st place essay was sent to the District Essay Contest, the winner of which will receive a \$2,500 scholarship.

Additionally, on April 5, two young Newark Optimist sponsored orators, Sonia Sachar and Micah Bloom participated in a Zone 2 Oratorical Contest, held at the Newark Library. The topic of their speeches was, "How my dreams impact the world." Micah will represent Zone 2 at the Optimist District Competition in Sacramento on May 4. The winner of that competition will be awarded a \$2,500 scholarship.



Essay Winners jpg: (L to R): Essay Contest winners Sonia Sachar, Kelsey Ichikawa, and Brianna Gomez

Symphony closes season with Grammy Award nominees, Quartet San Francisco

SUBMITTED BY LEE FOSTER

he Fremont Symphony Orchestra will close its celebratory 50th Season with acclaimed cross-genre Quartet San Francisco. They will perform on May 3, 2014 at the Smith Center, Ohlone College in Fremont. Quartet San Francisco's performance will feature material from their newest CD, Pacific Premieres: New Works



by California Composers; heralded by Audiophile Audition as "a wonderful swinging approach to the string quartet in five works."

Music Director Gregory Van Sudmeier shares his excitement, "One of the finest Classical-Crossover ensembles in the world! Where else is there a string quartet that can pull off classical, tango, and jazz repertoire with equal panache? This group shines in all the many styles in their book. And, they've earned Grammy nominations to prove it! This ensemble delights, entertains, and moves the spirit like no other."

Recorded at Skywalker Sound in Nicasio, CA, Pacific Premieres rivets from beginning to end, offering an experience unlike anything else on the scene. Employing subtle dynamics, textural acuity, and technical prowess of a top-flight string quartet, Quartet San Francisco maintains the improvisational imperative and emotional intensity of a hard-bop combo. Whether you call it chamber jazz, third stream, or simply new American music, the ensemble has honed a singular sound that has inspired some of the era's most celebrated music.

Quartet San Francisco was founded in 2001 by celebrated Bay Area violinist and composer-arranger Jeremy Cohen. He is joined by violinist Matthew Szemela, violist Chad Kaltinger, and cellist Kelley Maulbetsch. What makes the Quartet special? "This is not your mother's chamber music. You know we go pretty hardcore on a lot of the stuff we play," explains Cohen. Well versed in the violin's deep jazz roots, Cohen combines his love of jazz and classical music in Quartet San Francisco.

Grammy Award nominees for their last three CD releases and winners of the International Tango Competition in 2004, Quartet San Francisco expresses itself in standout virtuosic playing. Founded by celebrated Bay Area violinist/composer/arranger Jeremy Cohen, these crossover specialists excel in multiple styles from jazz to tango, pop to funk, blues to bluegrass and beyond. They have toured in the US and China, South Korea, Japan and Turkey, performing in concert halls and jazz clubs, at universities, music festivals and with major symphony and chamber orchestras. Judith Schlesinger of All About Jazz wrote that their recording, Whirled Chamber Music, "could easily be the most cheerful and brilliantly executed release of 2007."

Tickets are \$45 and \$49 for adults and \$20 for students. Tickets may be purchased through the box office at (510) 371-4859 anytime or toll-free at (877) 938-9240 Tuesday-Friday from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM or online at www.fremontsymphony.org. Free parking is available. The performance will be followed by a reception open to all, giving the community the opportunity to engage with their fellow patrons and the concert musicians.

Quartet San Francisco
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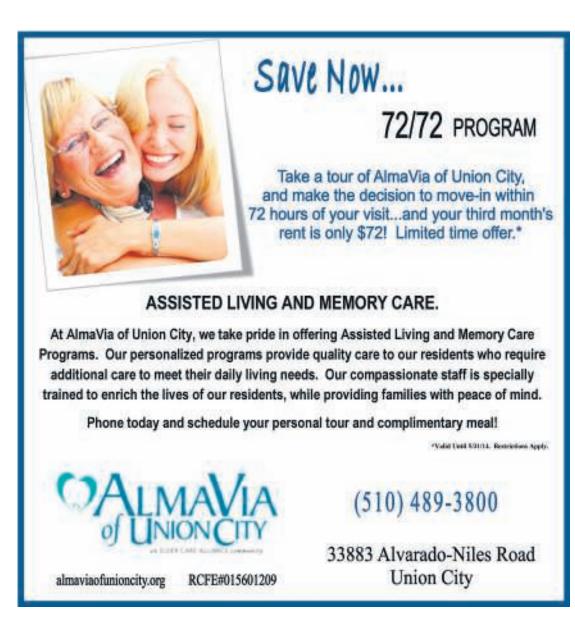
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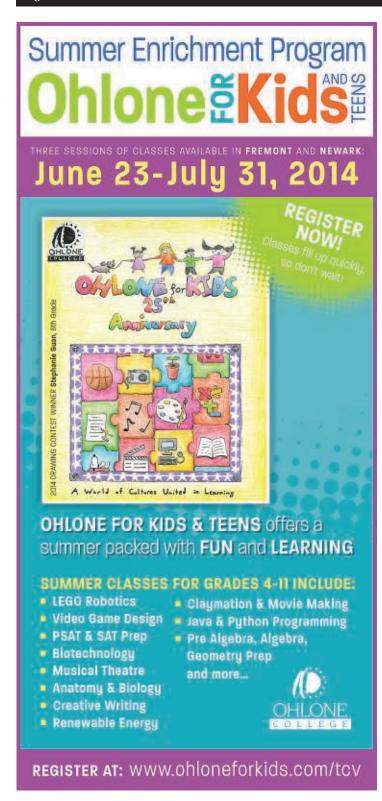
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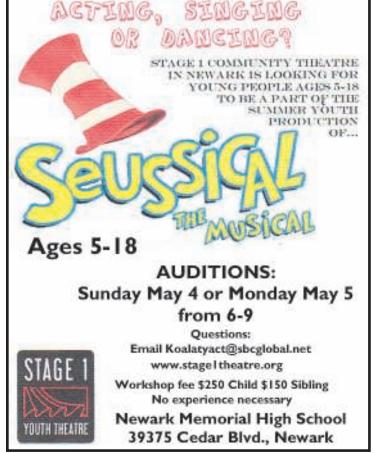
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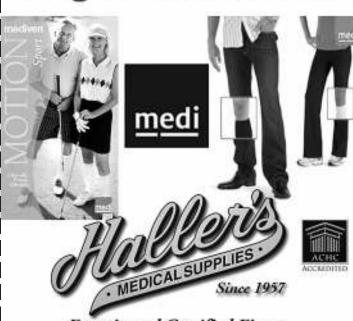
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Survivor to speak at Interfaith Holocaust Remembrance Service

SUBMITTED BY TRI-CITY INTERFAITH COUNCIL

The Tri-City Interfaith Council invites the public to attend their annual Holocaust Remembrance Service on the evening of Sunday, May 4.

This year, Leon Vermont will be the featured speaker. Vermont lived in France when the Nazi's occupied it. As an adolescent, he witnessed his family being taken away by the Nazis. His parents and his younger sister and brother were shipped to Drancy and then to Auschwitz, where they perished. Vermont will tell his "Tale of Survival in Nazi Occupied France."

His story includes how he was aided by the Jewish organization Oeuvre de Secours aux Enfants (The Society for the Aid of Children) and how the French authorities collaborated fully with the Nazis in their roundup of the Jews. Vermont managed to survive and emigrated to the United States. He is now a member of Temple Beth Torah.

There are fewer survivors left each year to recount their stories. "We are very pleased to have a

survivor in our midst who will share his story," said the Rev. Jeffrey Spencer, past-president of the Tri-City Interfaith Council.

The service is free and open to everyone from all religious backgrounds, or no religious background. A free will offering will be received for "Facing History and Ourselves," an organization helping classrooms and communities worldwide link the past to moral choices today. More information about their work is available at www.facinghistory.org.

The Tri-City Interfaith Council is an interfaith organization made up of leaders and representative of over 35 faith communities in Fremont, Newark, and Union City. Their mission is to promote respect, understanding, cooperation, and appreciation for the many religious and faith traditions within our community.

Interfaith Council Holocaust Remembrance Service Sunday, May 4 7:30 p.m. Temple Beth Torah 42000 Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont (510) 656-7141

City of Hayward expands educational services

SUBMITTED BY FRANK HOLLAND

The City of Hayward is redoubling its efforts to support local students and improve academic performance throughout the district. Its latest initiative will lean heavily on the talents of AmeriCorps VISTA members to bring that support directly into local Hayward schools, where volunteers will work on initiatives related to early childhood development, homework support and adult literacy. The City is actively recruiting for 10 AmeriCorps VISTA positions to launch the effort.

The 21st Century Learning Centers Program is being driven by the City of Hayward Public Library, which is building on the success of its popular homework support center program. The current homework support program provides quality tutoring services at 10 Hayward public schools, featuring book-vending machines, laptop computers, homework and project supplies, on-site trained volunteer tutors ready to assist students in small groups with all of the their homework needs, and access to the library's free real-time online tutoring program.

"Part of our mission at the City of Hayward Public Library is to support youth and families to improve K-12 academic performance in Hayward schools," said Library and Community Services Director Sean Reinhart. "Many people are unaware we're already doing this type of work, but with the help of AmeriCorps VISTA, we will be able to offer early childhood development programming, school-age afterschool homework support services, and adult literacy and ESL services to entire school site populations."

This cradle-to-career education program will require the engagement of 10 new AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America) members, which the City is actively recruiting. Interested individuals are encouraged to apply by creating a profile at www.nationalservice.gov/serve-your-community. The detailed recruitment listing is available at http://1.usa.gov/1hTSX7b. The deadline to apply for one of the 10 positions is May 10.



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merican Swim Academy is hosting a "Family Fun Festival Fundraiser" with all proceeds going to the Fremont Education Foundation (FEF). The event will be held on Saturday, May 3 and will offer free game booths and prizes, inflatable jump house, fun zone, Food Truck

Mafia, live entertainment, free giveaways and more.

Last Year, American Swim Academy celebrated 40 years of teaching swim lessons, as well as the grand opening of their new swim academy in Fremont by holding this same event. "The Grand Opening was so much fun that we decided to make it an annual event," said Desiree Mulhearn, Director of American Swim Academy in Fremont. "We love being able to give back to the children of the Fremont Education Foundation, and we get to do it while hosting a really fun event for the entire com-

munity, so it's a win-win!"

In March of 2013, American Swim Academy moved from their original location on Blacow Road in Fremont to a brand new, state-of-the-art facility. "We are excited to be celebrating the one year anniversary of our new location in Fremont," said Mulhearn.

The event is open to the public and there is no charge to enter. One hundred percent of the proceeds will go to the FEF.

Family Fun Festival Saturday, May 3 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

American Swim Academy 4150 Technology Pl, Fremont (510) 490-7946 http://www.americanswimacademy.com/ Free

Hackathon

SUBMITTED BY GUY ASHLEY

Alameda County is looking for greater community participation and government transparency on Saturday, May 3, at the Alameda County Apps Challenge 2014.1 in Dublin. This is a unique day-long event designed to challenge the public to create web and mobile applications using Alameda County open data sets.

This is the third 'hackathon' sponsored by Alameda County in its effort to increase community engagement and broaden public understanding of local government by opening access to data created and kept by County agencies and departments. The event is expected to bring together more than 100 software developers, community members, activists and entrepreneurs for a full day of creativity, collabora-

tion and innovation.

A Grand Prize of \$3,000 will be awarded to the most inventive and user-friendly app or concept that benefits Alameda County residents, businesses and visitors. A second prize of \$1,500, a third prize of \$500 and honorable mentions will also be awarded.

Participants in the May 3 event will have access to the nearly 130 data sets available through the Alameda County

Data Sharing Initiative at http://data.acgov.org. The data covers a wide range of topics, including public safety data, a listing of Certified Green Businesses, public health data, maps of senior services and more.

The cost to participate in the Apps Challenge is \$15 for general admission and \$10 for students and seniors. Government employees may participate for free. For more information about the

Apps Challenge and to register for the event, please visit: http://code.acgov.org.

Alameda County
Apps Challenge
Saturday, May 3
8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Dublin High School
8151 Village Parkway, Dublin
http://code.acgov.org
\$15/general;
\$10/students/seniors

Saturday, May 3

Farm Chores for Kids \$

11:30 a.m. - 12 noon Crack corn and collect eggs Ardenwood Historic Farm 34600 Ardenwood Blvd., Fremont (510) 544-2797 www.ebparks.org

Saturday, May 3

Spare the Chair Day

10 a.m. - 12 noon Hike to Little Yosemite Bring water and snacks Sunol Regional Wilderness 1895 Geary Rd., Sunol (510) 544-3249 www.ebparks.org

Saturday, May 3

Crusin' for a Cause

9 a.m. - 12 noon Custom car show, music and kid's activ-

Downtown Fremont Capitol Ave. www.DriversForSurvivors.org

Sunday, May 4

www.ebparks.org

Ohlone Village Site Work Day – R

11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Clean and repair Ohlone style structures Ages 12+ Coyote Hills Regional Park 8000 Patterson Ranch Rd., Fremont (510) 544-3220

Sunday, May 4 - Monday, May 5

Seussical the Musical Auditions

6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Workshop and auditions for ages 5 – 18 Newark Memorial High School 39375 Cedar Blvd., Newark (510) 791-0287 www.stage1theatre.org

Sunday, May 4

Orpheus at Eden \$

3 p.m.

Concert features works by Faure and Debussy

Eden United Church of Christ 21455 Birch Street, Hayward (510) 582-9533 www.edenucc.com

Sunday, May 4

A Taste of the Refuge

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Guided tour uncovers edible plants SF Bay Wildlife Refuge 1 Marshlands Rd., Fremont (510) 792-0222

Sunday, May 4

SLHS Native Garden Tour

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Showcase of native plants and gardens San Lorenzo High School 50 E. Lewelling Blvd., San Lorenzo (510) 317-3000 www.bringingbackthenatives.net

Sunday, May 4

A Tale of Survival in Nazi Occupied France

7:30 p.m.

Interfaith holocaust remembrance service Temple Beth Torah 42000 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont (510) 656-7141

Sunday, May 4

Healthy Hikes: Senior Strolls

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Discuss health and safety tips on easy hike

Sunol Regional Wilderness 1895 Geary Rd., Sunol (510) 544-3249 www.ebparks.org

Sunday, May 4

Healthy Hikes: Family Fun

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Hike includes games, education and ac-

Sunol Regional Wilderness 1895 Geary Rd., Sunol (510) 544-3249 www.ebparks.org

Sunday, May 4

Farmyard Docent Training \$

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Handle animals, demonstrate crafts and farm chores

Ages 16+ Ardenwood Historic Farm 34600 Ardenwood Blvd., Fremont (510) 544-2797 www.ebparks.org

Monday, May 5

Meet the Authors Night!

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Featuring Jana McBurney-Lin, Marjorie Johnson and Nancy Curteman

Fremont Main Library

2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont

(510) 745-1400

www.aclibrary.org



SUBMITTED BY SUCY COLLAZO

Music of a Mariachi band is contagious, lifting spirits and sending an irresistible beat of fun and joy to anyone who hears it. To send its spirited message throughout the area, a Mariachi Day at the Grove is scheduled for Sunday, July 20, 2014 at Shirley Sisk Grove adjacent to NewPark Mall in Newark.

Two well-known Mariachi bands will be featured with per-

formances by local ballet folkloric companies. This free event will allow concert goers to relax while picnicking under the shade of Eucalyptus trees at the Grove.

To make this event a success, sponsorships are needed to offset costs for the band, staging and sound systems. Three levels are available: Gold (\$1,000), Silver (\$500) and Bronze (\$250). Each level receives recognition and logo placement in the Newark Recreation and Community Services Activities Guide mailed to Newark households.

If you are interested in supporting this event through a sponsorship or by other means, please contact Edda Rivera – Newark Recreation and Community Services Department - at (510) 578-4346.

Save Our Hills plans protest

SUBMITTED BY ELIZABETH AMES

During the evening commute on May 2nd, volunteers from the Save Our Hills Committee will be handing out flyers and displaying signs along Mission Blvd between Decoto and Whipple Roads to counter misinformation distributed by the Masonic Homes and their developers regarding the Flatlands and the pristine views of our hills. We are a dedicated community group who will not be bulldozed by commercial and housing developers or paid political consultants hired by the Masonic Homes.

FINANCIAL TRAINING

SUBMITTED BY CYNTHIA THOMAS

Rich Dad Education, a leader in providing financial education, is holding free financial workshops in the Bay Area beginning May 6. The concentrated and enlightening sessions will focus on showing attendees ways they can become smarter about money, create additional income, build long-term cash flow, and prepare for a financially secure retirement regardless of their financial condition.

Rich Dad Education Financial Workshop Tuesday, May 6 12:30 p.m., 6:00 p.m. Hilton Hotel 39900 Balentine Dr, Newark (510) 490-8390

Tuesday, June 3
12:30 p.m., 6:00 p.m.
Crowne Plaza Hotel
32083 Alvarado-Niles Rd, Union City
(510) 489-2200

To register: (800) 473-9215 richdadeducation.com Free

Ohlone College Theatre announces auditions for

Sweeney Todd

SUBMITTED BY SHAIRA TUAZON

Announcing auditions for the SummerFest production of "Sweeney Todd" at Ohlone College. The Ohlone College Theatre Department will transport the audience to the dark and gritty streets of London circa 1846 as the demon barber exacts his revenge on the whole of London.

Singers/Actors: Be prepared to sing a 32-bar ballad, preferably Sondheim but not from Sweeney Todd. Bring your own sheet music in the correct key. Piano accompaniment provided. Non-equity. No stipend. Be prepared to move.

Direction: Ryan Weible – Weible has worked on Broadway as script supervisor and has received several awards. He recently directed rogerandtom at Ohlone College.

Ohlone Auditions for Sweeney Todd
Saturday, May 3
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Sunday, May 4,
1 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Callbacks: Tuesday, May 6
6 p.m.-10 p.m.
Rehearsals begin Monday, May 12
6 p.m.
Smith Center at Ohlone College
43600 Mission Blvd, Fremont
Audition appt: ohlonesweeney@yahoo.com

Info: http://www.ohlone.edu/go/audition

Washington Hospital's Annual Celebration of Life Offers Hope Features Inspirational Stories About Cancer Survival

Four years ago Sherry Higgs woke up one morning and noticed swelling in her breast. Had she not been so proactive at getting it accurately diagnosed and treated, she might not be here today.

Despite being told it was probably just an infection, Higgs insisted on a biopsy. She was diagnosed with inflammatory breast cancer (IBC), a very rare and aggressive form of breast cancer. IBC progresses rapidly, often in a matter of weeks or months, according to the National Cancer Institute.

At the time she was 43 with a 7-year-old daughter. Higgs underwent a year of intensive treatment that included chemotherapy, surgery, and radiation. Now cancerfree, she is a testament to taking action and making the most of a challenging situation. She started a blog (Boob is just Bob with an "O") to share her experience and raise awareness about IBC, and has made her life's work about helping people with cancer.

Higgs will be one of the speakers at Washington Hospital's 5th Annual Celebration of Life on Thursday, May 8. Cancer survivors, their friends and loved ones are invited to this inspirational evening and dessert reception. Speakers will talk about how their cancer diagnosis has allowed them to grow and find renewed strength and zest for life.

Register by May 5

The Celebration of Life will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Conrad E. Anderson, M.D. Auditorium, located at 2500 Mowry Avenue (Washington West) in Fremont. Register by May 5 online at www.whhs.com or call (800) 963-7070 for more information.

"The Celebration of Life brings together patients, caregivers, and health care professionals to show support and celebrate the cancer survivors in our community," said Dr. Vandana B. Sharma, medical director of the Oncology Program and Cancer Genetic Program at Washington Hospital. "There will be a welcome session where participants can socialize, several cancer- related information tables and booths, a welcome address, a physician talk, and a few short presentations from cancer survivors about their personal journey."

Dr. Sharma will welcome attendees and offer opening remarks, which will be followed by the panel of speakers.

'I Can Change My World"

Higgs will talk about her journey from discovery to advocate. She lives by the motto: "I may not be able to change the world, but I can change my world one person at a time."

She is on a mission to raise awareness about cancer and help those who are living with the disease. Higgs particu-

larly wants people to know about IBC, which can be difficult to diagnose, according to the National Cancer Institute. Often, there is no lump that can be felt during a physical exam or detected in a mammogram. And because it is so aggressive, IBC can flare up between scheduled screenings and progress quickly.

"I just think it's important to take an adverse situation and make it something, if at all possible, that can change the quality of your life and the life of those around you," Higgs said. "To take the fear and the complication and try to shine a light for other people. There is no manual for cancer. My message is to keep hope alive. You don't have to lose your spirit to cancer."

Dr. Sharma is also on a mission when it comes to fighting cancer. "I am dedicated to ensuring that our community has access to high quality cancer care in a supportive and caring environment that is close to their home," she said. "Washington Hospital's cancer program is accredited by the Commission on Cancer and the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers and has received the Outstanding Achievement Award from the Commission on Cancer since 2009."

For information about cancer care programs at Washington Hospital, visit www.whhs.com/cancer.

LIFE CORNERSTONES Marriage

tricityvoice@aol.com
Obituaries

For more information

510-494-1999

Birth

FREMONT MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Fremont Memorial Chapel (510) 793-8900 FD III5 3723 Peralta Blvd. Fremont www.fremontmemorialchapel.com

> Joan E. Stillwagon RESIDENT OF FREMONT April 28, 1933 – April 3, 2014

Alfred "Al" J. Perry RESIDENT FREMONT October 19, 1920 – April 11, 2014

Isauro M. Sison RESIDENT OF FREMONTFebruary 20, 1913 – April 12, 2014

Francisco E. De Jesus RESIDENT OF UNION CITYAugust 4, 1938 – April 17, 2014

Kelly Ann Recore RESIDENT OF FREMONT February 27, 1981 – April 18, 2014

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Harjinder Singh RESIDENT OF UNION CITY January 20, 1948 – April 22, 2014

Helen F. Edmondson RESIDENT OF NEWARK March 5, 1938 – April 23, 2014

Louis "Louie" S. Marin RESIDENT OF UNION CITY June 27, 1926 – April 23, 2014

Lionel "Nick" L. Roche RESIDENT OF NEWARKSeptember 2, 1922 – April 23, 2014

Nellie Rose Wong RESIDENT OF NEWARK October 26, 1937 – April 17, 2014



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Bonnie H. Logsdon RESIDENT OF NEWARK March 24, 1921 – April 22, 2014

Herminia I. Dixon RESIDENT OF UNION CITY March 11, 1927 – April 25, 2014

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ife Cornerstones will acknowledge important events that occur during the cycle of life in our community. In order to give a broad and fair opportunity for all citizens to be recognized, a basic listing is offered at no cost. Such announcements may include births, deaths, marriages, anniversaries, bar/bat mitzvah, Quinceañera, etc. Many cultures celebrate different milestones in life and this list will be as inclusive as possible.

Please contact TCV at (510) 494-1999 or emailtricityvoice@aol.com for submissions or further information. Free listings are limited to residents and families of the Greater Tri-City Area.

Unclaimed Money

SUBMITTED BY GWENDOLYN MITCHELL/MARINA HINESTROSA

The County of Santa Clara, Department of Revenue (DOR) has published a name list of approximately 1,060 people who are potential owners of nearly \$244,000 in unclaimed money on deposit with the County. The money comes from a variety of sources such as fines, penalty assessments, fees and restitution due to victims of crime. This list of names can be obtained at www.sccgov.org under "Hot Items."

As the County of Santa Clara's central collection agency, the Department of Revenue collects for services provided by many of the County's departments and for the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Santa Clara for fines, penalty assessments, fees and restitution due to victims of crime. On an annual basis, approximately 113,000 people make payments through the Department of Revenue. The office processes nearly

337,000 payments, for total revenue of \$79,000,000 collected per year and distributed to the appropriate agencies or departments that render the myriad of services provided by County, city and state government.

The unclaimed money becomes available at DOR for a variety of reasons, including overpayment; adjustment of charges; payment of victim restitution by a defendant when the victim has moved and a new address is unavailable; returned mail resulting in the discontinuation of payments; deposits for which the recipient can find no service related charges. DOR attempts to locate the owners via mail, phone calls and skip tracing. In some cases, recipients do not want the money or don't have records to validate their acceptance of payments.

"Efforts are made to locate owners of the unclaimed money, but in many cases, we are unable to reach them because of limited or outdated information," said Susan Ping Wong, County of

Santa Clara Director of Revenue Collections. "We cannot stress enough how important it is that residents who have accounts with DOR keep their contact information current."

Residents who believe that they may be due a refund or victim restitution payment based on their published names should fill out the claim form found on the website, at www.sccdor.org or contact DOR at (408) 282-3203. The claim form requires information such as the claimant's name, address, amount of claim, and the grounds on which the claim is founded. Residents must also provide a valid ID when submitting the form.

All claims should be filed by May 30, 2014. After the deadline, unclaimed money in the Victim Trust Fund will be used to fund and assist the District Attorney Victim Witness Assistance Program. Unclaimed money in the General Trust Fund will be transferred to the County General Fund and used as directed by the County Board of Supervisors.

Volunteers needed at the polls

SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR
DAVE CORTESE

The Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters is looking for volunteers to help out at the polls on Election Day, Tuesday, June 3, 2014, and Tuesday, November 4, 2014.

Although the jobs are described as volunteer, if you attend a training class and work on either Election Day, you can earn stipends of up to \$180. In addition to English speakers, the Registrar is looking for volunteers who speak Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog and Vietnamese.

Here are the details:

- Election Officer: To sign up to be an election officer, you need to be at least 18 years old, a registered voter or a legal permanent resident of the United States. Clerks can earn stipends of \$95 to \$125, and Inspectors will receive \$150 to \$180.
- Student Election Officer: If you're 16 and older, you can volunteer for the Student Election Officer Program. You also need

to be a U.S. Citizen and have a GPA of at least 2.5. Stipends are \$130 for a full day, and \$82.50 for a half day.

• Other Jobs: You also may earn stipends as a courier to distribute or pick up materials and ballots or as an emergency support staff member on Election Day and Night. Stipends range from \$50 to \$80 for most of these assignments. Emergency support staff working on June 3rd can earn \$10 an hour.

For more information and an application, call (408) 282-3063.

Of course, the most important thing you can do on Election Day is vote. The last day to register to vote for the June 3 election is May 19, 2014. You can register online at registertovote.ca.gov or call 408-299-VOTE (8683). The last day to request a Vote by Mail Ballot is May 27, 2014.

For more information, visit the Registrar of Voters website or call (408) 299-8683 or toll free 1-(866) 430-8683. You can also call my office at (408) 299-5030 or email me at dave.cortese@bos.sc-cgov.org.

IRS audits less than I percent of big partnerships "It means over 99% of the creased with income accordance of the creased with the crea

By Stephen Ohlemacher Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP), The Internal Revenue Service audits fewer than 1 percent of large business partnerships, according to a government report released Tuesday.

That means some of Wall Street's largest hedge funds and private equity firms are largely escaping close scrutiny by the IRS, said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich.

The Government Accountability Office says the number of large businesses organized as partnerships has more than tripled since 2002, yet hardly any get audited. In 2012, only 0.8 percent were subjected to field exams in which agents do a thorough review of books and records.

The GAO defines large partnerships as those with more than 100 partners and more than \$100 million in assets.

"Auditing less than 1% of large partnership tax returns means the IRS is failing to audit the big money," said Levin, who chairs the Senate subcommittee on investigations.

"It means over 99% of the hedge funds, private equity funds, master limited partnerships and publicly traded partnerships in this country, some of which earn tens of billions each year, are audit-free," Levin said.

More than 80 percent of large partnerships are in the finance and insurance industries, the GAO report said.

The IRS said auditing partnership returns is a priority, but that budget cuts over the past four years have left the agency with the lowest number of enforcement personnel in years.

"Since Fiscal 2010, the IRS budget has been reduced by nearly \$900 million," the service said in a statement. ``The IRS has about 10,000 fewer employees than in 2010, affecting our work across our taxpayer service and enforcement categories. Last year, we had 3,100 fewer people in our key enforcement positions than in 2010."

Overall, the IRS audited fewer than 1 percent of returns by individuals last year, though the chances of getting audited increased with income, according to IRS statistics.

The GAO report says the audit rate for large partnerships has been low since at least 2007.

The IRS releases annual statistics on audits, including the number of partnerships returns that are examined. But the IRS doesn't usually break down partnership returns by asset size.

Overall, more than 4.4 million partnerships filed tax returns in 2011, and 0.42 percent were audited, according to IRS statistics. That same year, the GAO says there were 2,226 large partnerships, and only 20 were audited. That's about 0.9 percent.

"This is a real problem and serves as yet another example of why Congress needs to get serious about comprehensive, bipartisan tax reform," said Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee.

"This includes looking at the growth of large partnerships and working with the proper parties – including the IRS – to put in place a smart framework for auditing and governance."

Local dealership honored

SUBMITTED BY ELISA PELEGRINA

Fremont Toyota was recently awarded Toyota's 2013 Presidential Award, recognizing operational leaders within the Toyota community. Presidential Award recipients have achieved at least 105 percent sales efficiency - customer satisfaction/retention and facilities.

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Crossword Puzzle

Sudoku:

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

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- 41 "Silly" birds (5)
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Tri-City Stargazer April 30 – MAY 6 2014 By Vivian Carol

For All Signs: The eclipsed new moon in Taurus occurred at 2:14 a.m. EDT on April 29, just yesterday. Taurus is a sign of manifestation, a time when spring is beginning to move toward summer. The cosmic message urges us to give attention to the concrete outcomes of our past behaviors. This is a time for clarifying our goals and questioning

whether they match our genuine values. Money, as a symbol of worldly manifestation, will likely be a major subject in the news over the next few months. Something new recently began which will likely affect how money is handled on the globe. The mainstream public may not yet see a difference, but we will feel it soon.

Aries the Ram (March 21-

April 20): Venus enters your sign this week and will travel "with you" through most of May. The subject of relationship will be very important as you travel through this time. If you have issues with a partner, this is the time to lay them out on the table to take a look at how better to deal with them. Negotiate but do not accuse.

Taurus the Bull (April 21-

May 20): See the lead paragraph. The New Moon eclipse of April 29 occurred in your sign. You will be making changes in your organization of material resources. Perhaps you have a new idea of how to make greater income. Between now and the end of June it is best to research your plan. Take action in July.

Gemini the Twins (May 21-

June 20): You are holding a secret that gives you an improved sense of self-esteem and also wellbeing. Meanwhile, there may be troubling issues in the sectors of investments, other people's resources (time, money, energy), and children or creative projects. It's a lot to think about, but the Twins are great at multi-tasking.

Cancer the Crab (June 21-

July 21): April's eclipses may have left you thoroughly spent. Take very good care of yourself or your body may absorb all the stress. Your sense of security has been disturbed and you may not be sure whether a source of trouble is really there or it is not. Old patterns coming back into your life are what you can see.

Leo the Lion (July 22-Aug

22): You have a guardian angel in the background that is pulling for you and helping you rise toward the top. It may be a real person who is pulling strings in your favor or it might be your intuition, offering ideas and helpful suggestions. Listen to it and follow its lead. You have the support of authority figures at this time.

Virgo the Virgin (August 23-**September 22):** Small details of paperwork will be in your way and slow forward motion. Equipment breakage or software snafus may interfere with your quiet during this week. Be especially careful with your high tech equipment. Use your virus and malware detectors often. Have caution when driving or dealing with tools.

Libra the Scales (Septem-

ber 23-October 22): You may encounter difficulties with "shared" resources. This could include partner's income, insurance payoffs, or tax challenges. Do not sign contracts now unless absolutely necessary. Venus, your ruling planet, enters the 7th house of relationships midweek and will be there until late May. She brings improvements in clientele, social life, and partnerships.

Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21): This is not your smoothest week. Details may nag your mind and your time like pecking ducks. You and significant others are not having the best of communications right now. You may be in the mood to nit-pick. You will probably feel generally better if you work alone.

Sagittarius the Archer (No-

vember 22-December 21): Those who traverse your daily life are really helpful to you in meeting your goals. They bring both information and encouragement, brightening your days this week. The financial pressure of the past several months will begin to lighten on its own and

your attitude will rise at the same time.

Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19): Aspects particularly favor romance and creative efforts. You are in an effective position. Others agree with your guidance and leadership. A project begun near the New Year is beginning to blossom now. At the very least you can see that it is on track to turn out well. Your investments are favored now.

Aquarius the Water Bearer (January 20-February 18): Your power of concentration is deep at this time. It is important that you use it for the good in your life rather than in self-criticism and obstructive thinking. If you cannot stop the negative self-talk, then focus on something else that is totally neutral. Walk the dog. Wash dishes. Move your body in order to disengage from a negative thought.

Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20): You are in the midst of a several month period of healing a romantic relationship. Your object of affection may be the one who did the damage or someone new who soothes previous heartfelt pain. Communications, whether oral or written, are favored now. Education, given or received, is also given a green light.

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OPINION



WILLIAM MARSHAK

he old adage, "Don't count your chickens before they hatch" may be a cautionary tale for Fremont. With all the excitement about Tesla manufacturing at the former NUMMI plant, new information is surfacing that may dilute the future impact of this automotive wunderkind. According to several press reports, Tesla recently

Counting chickens

leased a large manufacturing facility in Lathrop (near Stockton, in the Central Valley) and is beginning to hire computer-assisted machining technicians for that location.

This is not to say that the Fremont plant will be abandoned, but it does underscore often unspoken strategies of fast-growing companies. What appears to be a smooth and solid path of growth in a particular geographic location can be an illusion. While administrative facilities of corporate giants survive in high rent districts, manufacturing is another matter. Tesla is typically referred to as "Palo Alto-based," with little mention of Fremont. The addition of a sales showroom at the Fremont plant is welcome and may add revenue from sales, but future expansion and identification with Fremont is a rose yet to be picked. Although the automobile manufacturer occupies a large local facility with room for substantial growth, economic incentives and high employee living costs are significant factors. Is the Lathrop facility a bellwether?

From other media reports, Tesla may also plan to build manufacturing plants in China.

Fremont's dream of becoming the Tesla center of the universe may not be in the works but possibly this company will become so large that a small piece of the pie will nonetheless remain as a big boost to our local economy. In any case, as the Warm Springs area develops, it is important to include Tesla and its corporate neighbors as vital partners in any development discussions.

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Dark money in politics

SUBMITTED BY SUZANNE BARBA

Are you frustrated with the role of big money in politics? Do you believe democracy belongs to all people not just rich people or corporations defined as people?

Join the League of Women Voters of Eden Area and the Associated Students, Inc. at Cal State University East Bay on Monday, May 12 for a forum on "Dark Money in Politics."

The keynote speaker is the newly appointed Vice Chair of the Federal Elections Commission (FEC), Ann Ravel. She was formerly Chair of the California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC). A representative from California's Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) will also speak.

A unique feature of this forum includes a presentation, via remote means, by the founders of Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream—Ben Cohen and Jerry Greenfield. Their stand on "Dark Money in Politics" can be found on www.stampstampede.org - a grassroots movement that stamps money out of politics, one stamp at a time on your dollar bills. "Are you ready to restore democracy to people?" is Ben and Jerry's callout to the public.

The jobs of the FEC and the FPPC have been made more difficult by recent Supreme Court's decisions on Citizens United and the McCutcheon case. One declared that corporations are "people" and can set up and secretly fund Political Action Committees (PACs) to support or oppose candidates and issues. The McCutcheon case struck down aggregate limits on campaign contributions.

Elizabeth MacNamara, president of the U.S. League of Women Voters said, "In the end, the only reliable response to a flood of money in our elections is a flood of voters at the polls, each voter armed with the kind of reliable, unbiased information that the League provides."

The forum is free, but the League requests rsvps and/or questions to lwvea@aol.com to ensure space and refreshments are available.

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Gasoline consumption up in fourth quarter 2013

SUBMITTED BY JAIME GARZA

California's gasoline consumption rose 1.6% in the fourth quarter 2013, according to data released today by California State Board of Equalization (BOE) Member Betty T. Yee. "Fourth quarter gasoline consumption in California is consistent with trends reflecting an improving economy and lower prices throughout most of last year," said Ms. Yee.

The BOE's state taxable gasoline gallons report reveals Californians consumed 3.631 billion gallons of gasoline in the fourth quarter, of 2013, a 1.6 percent increase from 3.575 billion gallons used in the fourth quarter of 2012. The average price of gasoline was \$3.70 per gallon in California

during the fourth quarter, which is 29 cents lower than the average price of gasoline of \$3.99 per gallon in the fourth quarter of 2012, according to the Energy Information Administration. Nationally the average price of gasoline was \$3.37 in the fourth quarter, which is 20 cents lower than the average national price per gallon of \$3.57 in the fourth quarter 2012. The BOE's fuel revenues show quarterly estimates of excise taxes and sales and use taxes associated with gasoline for the fourth quarter are \$381 million in sales taxes and \$1.4 billion in excise taxes.

Diesel consumption rose 6.8 percent in the fourth quarter, faster than any quarter since 2005. For calendar year 2013, diesel consumption in-

creased 4.1 percent, reflecting increased movement of goods associated with an improving economy. The BOE's state taxable diesel gallons report shows California's diesel fuel consumption was 698 million gallons, compared to 653 million gallons during the fourth quarter of last year. In California, the average price of diesel fuel in the fourth quarter was \$4.09 per gallon, and the nationwide average price of diesel fuel was \$3.87. The BOE's fuel revenues show quarterly estimates of excise taxes and sales and use taxes associated with diesel for the fourth quarter are \$245 million in sales taxes and \$81 million in excise taxes.





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3781 Lorena Aven	iue	94546	510	,000	2	1213	1947	03-21-14
18207 Redwood F	Road	94546		500	4	1680	1962	03-27-14
3899 Boulder Can	von Drive	94552	834	,000	4	2266		03-21-14
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37098 2nd Street		94536	750	.000	3	1474	1928	03-27-14
2848 Barrington 1	errace	94536	681	000	2	1376	1988	03-25-14
35966 Blair Place		94536		,000	3	1669	1968	03-21-14
38053 Canyon He	ights Drive	94536		,000	3	922	1946	03-27-14
38640 Canyon He	•	94536		,000	4	2231	1977	03-27-14
2755 Country Driv	•	94536	298	,000	2	950	1970	03-21-14
38643 Country Te		94536	335	,000	2	973	1979	03-21-14
38940 Godfrey Pla		94536		.000	-	1409	1978	03-21-14
3345 Howard Cor		94536	350	,000	2	900	1971	03-27-14
73 King Avenue		94536		,000	3	2132	2000	03-24-14
36102 Malta Place	е	94536	635	000	3	2160	1965	03-26-14
37651 Murietta Te	errace	94536	429	500	4	1312	1971	03-27-14
37413 Southwood	d Drive	94536		,000	3	1159	1954	03-27-14
4212 Vincente Str	reet	94536	750	,000	3	1494	1967	03-24-14
39649 Banyan Tre	e Road	94538	695	,000	4	2243	1962	03-25-14
4485 Cahill Street		94538	507	,000	3	925	1955	03-21-14
5576 Cleveland Pl	ace	94538		,000	4	1507	1967	03-27-14
5308 Grant Court		94538	620	,000	3	1306	1967	03-27-14
39029 Guardino E)rive #218	94538	270	,000	1	693	1987	03-25-14
3673 Haven Aven	ue	94538	825	,000	3	1672	1955	03-26-14
40157 Laiolo Roa	d	94538	560	,000	3	1781	1959	03-21-14
4860 Mauna Loa	Park Drive	94538	648	,000	3	1557	1963	03-26-14
4736 Valpey Park	Avenue	94538	851	,000	4	1656	1963	03-27-14
1884 Cameron Hi	lls Court	94539	1,450	,000	4	2539	1990	03-25-14
43249 Gallegos A	venue	94539	960	,000	3	1447	1955	03-21-14
2210 Olive Avenue	е	94539	1,200	,000	2	1910	1961	03-26-14
487 Pagoda Terra	ce	94539	885	,000	4	1911	2008	03-27-14
46924 Shale Com	mon #118	94539	415	,000	2	936	1986	03-21-14
800 Vista Hill Terr	ace	94539	3,688	,000	5	5713	1998	03-21-14
47112 Warm Spri	ngs Blvd #13	3894539	380	,000	2	900	1982	03-21-14
4876 Creekwood	Drive	94555	755	,000	3	1607	1989	03-21-14
34185 Finnigan Te	errace	94555	822	,000	4	1857	1990	03-25-14
33890 MacMillan	Way	94555	765	,000	-	2053	1977	03-27-14
34546 Milburn Te	rrace	94555	730	,000	3	1389	1989	03-27-14
33320 Sandpiper	Place	94555	991	,000	4	2546	1979	03-25-14
34155 Siward Dri	ve	94555	840	,000	4	1608	1984	03-21-14
5718 Via Lugano		94555	741	,000	3	1387	2007	03-21-14
5722 Via Lugano		94555	589	,500	3	1481	2007	03-21-14
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1498 172nd Avenue	94541	315,000	2	1011	1935	03-21-14			
1528 B Street	94541	465,000	2	1316	1938	03-24-14			
21463 Burr Way	94541	285,000	3	1051	1950	03-25-14			
22537 Center Street #207	94541	282,000	2	914	1994	03-21-14			
2094 East Avenue	94541	385,000	2	1152	1933	03-25-14			
1510 East Street #32	94541	275,000	2	1141	1974	03-25-14			
1784 Germaine Court	94541	410,000	3	1044	1955	03-21-14			
702 Kingsford Way	94541	240,000	3	1381	2003	03-25-14			
22858 Optimist Street	94541	385,000	2	842	1950	03-21-14			
248 Poplar Avenue	94541	338,000	2	836	1923	03-21-14			
1820 Trym Street	94541	490,000	3	1211	1956	03-27-14			
21050 Western Boulevard	94541	370,000	2	1220	1924	03-27-14			
28806 Bay Heights Road	94542	900,000	7	3705	2000	03-25-14			
1166 Roxanne Avenue	94542	250,000	2	861	1948	03-24-14			
3584 Skyline Drive	94542	575,000	-	1612	1976	03-21-14			
725 Auburn Place #110	94544	210,000	2	1000	1980	03-25-14			
673 Evangeline Way	94544	480,000	3	1175	1955	03-24-14			
1224 Henderson Lane	94544	420,000	3	1231	1954	03-26-14			
30482 Oakmont Way	94544	489,000	3	1419	1955	03-27-14			
27647 Pensacola Way	94544	205,000	4	1192	1954	03-24-14			
27416 Susan Place #1	94544	210,000	2	869	1980	03-25-14			
27587 Del Norte Court	94545	272,000	2	988	1970	03-25-14			
2541 Erskine Lane	94545	405,000	3	1107	1957	03-27-14			
2652 Hawthorne Avenue	94545	445,000	3	1153	1958	03-26-14			
21103 Gary Drive #107D	94546	315,000	2	1025	1993	03-27-14			
21100 Gary Drive #209	94546	340,000	2	1070	1980	03-27-14			
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95035	149,000	3	1391	1977 04-04-14
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95035	610,500	-	-	- 04-01-14
95035	739,500	-	-	- 04-01-14
95035	753,000	-	-	- 04-01-14
95035	771,000	-	-	- 04-01-14
95035	708,000	3	1817	2007 04-01-14
95035	320,000	2	882	1971 04-02-14
95035	545,000	2	1108	2007 04-04-14
95035	819,000	4	2092	1978 04-01-14
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37170 Arden Street	94560	90,000	3	1694	1960 03-21-14
36728 Burdick Street	94560	250,000	3	1096	1960 03-25-14
39975 Cedar Boulevard #131	94560	392,000	3	1283	1985 03-26-14
8548 Mahogany Place	94560	708,000	3	1632	1994 03-26-14
5522 McLaughlin Avenue	94560	435,000	3	1314	1959 03-24-14
7862 Peachtree Avenue	94560	560,000	3	1647	1971 03-25-14
8085 Peachtree Avenue	94560	595,000	3	1593	1974 03-25-14
39977 Potrero Drive	94560	630,000	4	1720	1994 03-21-14
35230 Severn Drive	94560	680,000	3	1604	1975 03-25-14

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1066 Collier Drive	94577	480,000	2	1374	1947 03-21-14
1115 Davis Street	94577	469,000	3	1514	2007 03-21-14
434 Diehl Avenue	94577	580,000	2	1532	1925 03-25-14
1096 Glen Drive	94577	642,500	2	1678	1940 03-21-14
790 Glen Drive	94577	590,000	3	2442	1939 03-21-14
2123 Hillside Drive	94577	599,000	3	1827	1974 03-25-14
494 Maud Avenue	94577	625,000	3	1787	1916 03-21-14
14000 Outrigger Drive #3	94577	280,500	2	1219	1983 03-21-14

13883 Tahiti Road	94577	400,000	4	1466	1961 03-27-14				
2077 Washington Avenue #10)994577	175,000	1	618	1984 03-27-14				
1436 140th Avenue	94578	325,000	3	1153	1946 03-27-14				
16700 Foothill Boulevard #3	94578	289,000	2	1400	1981 03-25-14				
1727 Lawndale Avenue	94579	540,500	4	2067	1957 03-27-14				
1339 Manor Boulevard	94579	475,000	4	1749	1953 03-27-14				
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5034 Bridgepointe Place	94587	330,000	2	888	1984	03-27-1
4537 Darcelle Drive	94587	625,000	4	1632	1977	03-27-1
209 Dutra Vernaci Drive	94587	615,000	3	2000	2005	03-21-1
2657 Hilton Street	94587	670,000	4	1919	1973	03-26-1
30732 Knight Court	94587	725,000	4	2180	1999	03-25-1
32233 Minturn Court	94587	735,000	4	1946	1973	03-26-1
2222 Ptarmigan Court	94587	600,000	-	1532	1977	03-27-1
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Mid-cap stocks are getting some love, finally

By STAN CHOE AP BUSINESS WRITER

NEW YORK (AP), Maybe the middle child really should be the

Just like families sometimes overlook the middle kid, investors all too often pay attention to just the smallest and largest stocks. Managers of mid-cap stock mutual funds say they've experienced the middle-child syndrome for years: Small-caps are young companies that offer the thrill of big growth, the thinking goes, while large-cap companies have wellestablished brands and can be more dependable.

But it's the middle ones that have delivered the best results over the last generation, at least when it comes to stocks. Managers say that's because the stocks of mid-cap companies can offer the best attributes of both larger and smaller ones. Investors are now noticing the strong performance, and they poured more money into midcap stock funds last year than either large- or small-cap funds. The trend weakened early this year, but mid-cap stock funds again attracted the most money last month, according to data from Morningstar.

"It really does represent the sweet spot," says Mariana Connelly, a client portfolio manager at J.P. Morgan Asset Management. "Unlike small caps, these companies are a little more seasoned and not quite as volatile. Unlike large caps, they have a lot of room to grow.

Different indexes vary on what defines a mid-cap company, but they generally have market values closer to \$4 billion than the \$467 billion value of Apple.

The biggest stocks in the S&P 400 MidCap index include \$8.8 billion Advance Auto Parts and \$9.5 billion Church & Dwight, which sells Arm & Hammer baking soda and Trojan condoms. The Russell Midcap index includes larger companies, such as \$28.5 billion Delta Air Lines. The average company in the large-cap Standard & Poor's 500 index is worth \$35.4 billion.

Over the last 20 years, mid-cap stocks in the S&P 400 have returned 12.4 percent annually, including dividends. That beats the 11.2 percent annual return of the S&P 600 SmallCap index and the 9.5 percent annual return of the large-cap S&P 500 index.

Investors may already own midcap stocks without knowing it, particularly if they have a broad-market stock fund. The largest fund, Vanguard's Total Stock Market Index fund, owns stocks of every size in its attempt to match the entire market's performance, for example. Some funds dedicated to large-cap stocks, also "reach down" and own mid-cap stocks, while some small-cap stock funds "reach up."

To be sure, the rising popularity of mid-cap stocks has helped make them more expensive than they used to be. Stocks in the S&P 400 trade at

19.7 times their earnings per share over the last 12 months. That's well above the average price-earnings ratio of the index over the last 10 years of 16.4. Fund managers agree that midcap stocks are no longer cheap — the S&P 400's price-earnings ratio dropped close to 8 during the financial crisis — but they say more gains are still possible.

Among the attributes they cite are: – STRONGER EARNINGS GROWTH THAN LARGE CAPS.

Big companies are in the midst of a relatively poor earnings season: Analysts say profit for S&P 500 companies fell 1.4 percent in the first quarter from a year ago, according to FactSet.

The picture is brighter for midcap stocks. Analysts are forecasting growth of 1.7 percent, and Wall Street expects the trend to continue as long as the economy keeps improving. It's easier for mid-sized companies to find new products or markets that make meaningful contributions to their bottom lines, says Bryant VanCronkhite. He is a portfolio manager at Wells Fargo Advantage Special Mid Cap Value fund.

"It's hard to grow when you're a \$50 billion, \$60 billion company," he says. Big companies can buy other businesses to drive growth. But they need to buy a large-enough company to significantly boost their revenue, and large deals come with more risks, VanCronkhite says.

- MORE OF A DOMESTIC FOCUS THAN LARGE-CAP STOCKS.

The U.S. economy's growth isn't as strong as many would like, but it's still better than that of many other countries. When the International Monetary Fund said last month that it expects global economic growth to accelerate in 2014 and 2015, it cited the U.S. as a main reason.

That's important for mid-cap companies because they tend to get more of their revenue from the U.S. than large-cap companies, says J.P. Morgan's Connelly. She points to the financial sector. Mega banks do business all over the world, while midcap regional banks tend to focus on loans and deposits in their home re-

– NOT AS EXPENSIVE AS SMALL-CAP STOCKS.

Mid-cap stocks look expensive relative to their earnings, but smallcap stocks look more so. The S&P 400 trades at 19.7 times its earnings per share over the last 12 months, which is below the small-cap index's ratio of 20.6.

Small-cap stocks are also currently more expensive relative to their own 10-year history than mid-cap stocks. - A SOMEWHAT

SMOOTHER RIDE THAN SMALL-CAP STOCKS.

Mid-cap stocks have offered a slightly softer landing than small-cap stocks in market downturns. After the Great Recession began in December 2007, the S&P 400 MidCap

Letter to the **Editor**

A fair alternative to **Measure E**

The Community Facilities Act (aka Mello-Roos) was a law enacted by the California State Legislature in 1982. The name, Mello-Roos, comes from its coauthors, Senator Henry J. Mello (D-Watsonville) and Assemblyman Mike Roos (D-Los Angeles). The Act enabled Community Facilities Districts (CFDs) to be established by local government agencies as a means of obtaining community funding. Counties, cities, special districts, joint powers authority, and school districts use these financing districts to pay for public works and some public services... including new schools, police and fire services.

For years now, the City of Irvine in southern California has used Mello-Roos property tax assessments on new home developments as the means for providing funding for new police and fire services, new schools, new roads, new parks that are built along with the new housing developments.

With Mello Roos, a special, separate property tax is imposed on only the new homes and not on the older existing homes within the city. Mello Roos is the FAIR way to raise money for new schools plus school expansions needed to accommodate new incoming students from new housing developments as well as provide extra funding for more police and fire services for new housing developments.

Fremont citizens should vote NO on Measure E and ask the Fremont City Council and the FUSD School Board to enact Mello Roos special assessments on the 2700 new homes to be built in Warm Springs and the 500 new homes to be built at the Patterson Ranch site in the Ardenwood area.

If you vote yes on Measure E, you will pay for the new schools and school expansions needed from the pending 3000+ homes soon to be built in Fremont. Plus you will eventually pay for the increase in police and fire personnel needed to service these areas with the 3000+ new homes.

I support FAIR increases in taxes to help improve my neighborhood school. But why should I pay the "maximum allowable" property tax increases detailed in Measure E when a good portion of that money will go to build new schools for children living in the new homes, while my children continue to go to school in buildings that are 50+ years old?

With regards to funding repairs on existing Fremont schools, FUSD School Board has much less expensive options (that do not include risky Capital Assessment Bonds) for current Fremont homeowners to contribute to school building repairs. Make FUSD School Board and Fremont City Council detail for you the "Mello Roos" option. The reason they have not shown this is because it is harder for developers to sell new homes that have Mello Roos property tax assessments.

Vote No on Measure E.

Name withheld by request **Fremont**

index lost 53 percent by the time the market bottomed. That was a touch milder than the 54.4 percent loss for small-cap stocks.

The last time the market had a drop of at least 10 percent - something traders call a "correction" mid-cap stocks fell 24.6 percent. That was between July and October 2011, when worries flared about Europe's debt crisis and the downgrade of the U.S. credit rating. The S&P 600 SmallCap index fell 25.5 percent over the same time.





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Senior Hurlers lead East Bay sweep

Baseball

SUBMITTED BY STEVE CONNOLLY

Cal State East Bay seniors Nick Hudson and Sean Becker both tossed complete games to lead the Pioneer baseball team to a doubleheader sweep of visiting Cal State L.A. on Saturday, April 26th. The home team captured victories by scores of 4-0 and 8-2 to improve its record to 25-17 overall and 19-15 in California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) play. East Bay has now won 10 of its last 12 games.

The Pioneers never trailed in either game.

Game I

Junior Ryan Kochan finished 2-for-4 with a pair of RBI and was the only Pioneer to notch multiple hits (although East Bay did draw six walks in the game). Jason Fletcher was aboard three times with a single and two bases on balls. Zac Chuvala went 1-for-2 with a walk and a run scored to go along with a flawless day at shortstop.

Hudson scattered six hits, walked three, and struck out six Golden Eagles over nine scoreless innings to pick up his team-leading eighth victory of the season. It was the senior's first shutout, but it was also his conference-leading fifth complete game of 2014.

Game 2

Becker was perhaps even sharper than his teammate as the Pioneers cruised to another victory in the second game. After he got through the first inning scoreless, East Bay's offense staked the right-hander to a 4-0 lead by batting around in the bottom of the frame. Becker is now 14-6 over the past two seasons with 10 complete games, which is tied for the 10thmost in program history.

The Pioneer offense racked up 14 hits in the game, 12 of which came in the first four innings. Kelly Starnes had a monster game, finishing 4-for-5 with two runs and two RBI. It was the junior's second four-hit game in the past two weeks. Daniel Carney went 3-for-4 with a run and raised his batting average to .347, tops on the team. Fletcher, Wise, and Alexander all went 2-for-5, with Fletcher driving in two runs. Wise scored twice and stole his team-best 16th base of the season.

Sophomore Chris Porter reached twice on a pair of walks, and Kochan knocked in two runs, giving him four RBI in the doubleheader. He also had an outstanding day defensively at third base, taking away an extra base hit with a diving stop down the line and exhibiting nifty glove work overall.

Becker allowed two runs on seven hits, struck out two, and did not walk a batter in a nine-inning effort. He leads the CCAA with 85.0 innings pitched this season and has issued just nine walks in 12 starts.

Pioneer Softball Report

Softball

SUBMITTED BY SCOTT CHISHOLM

Senior Day celebration ends with victories

Chelsie Kakela, Meli Sanchez, Mandy Dale, and Shaunna Purkey were able to fully enjoy Senior Day as the Cal State East Bay softball team earned 9-5 and 3-2 wins over conference foe Chico State on Saturday, April 26. All four played significant roles in ending an 11-game skid to the Wildcats and earning the first backto-back victories over Chico State since joining the California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) in 2010.

Despite doing its part to remain alive in the CCAA Tournament hunt, Sonoma State's pair of wins coupled with Cal State San Bernardino's losses mathematically eliminated Cal State East Bay.

Win over Chico State lifts Pioneers to .500

Cal State East Bay capped off its 2014 campaign with a split against California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) opponent Chico State on April 27th. The visiting Wildcats took game one 6-2 before the Pioneers finished off their season with an 11-6 victory. East Bay finished fifth in the final league standings with a .500 conference record for the first time since joining the CCAA in 2010.

"It's a great feeling. It's really nice to know that we were part of a change and are leaving with a winning record," said senior Meli Sanchez following her final collegiate games. "Hopefully the program can continue to build off this season."

"It always feels good to end on a good note and that we did something with this season. We didn't do this just for us; it was also for the people before us and the one's that will be here after," said senior Chelsie Kakela.

Fremont Christian continues winning ways

SUBMITTED BY GLENN PON

Conner Edstrom tripled in three runs, Tyler Pon (3-0) and Levon Potoukian held Livermore Prep in check, leading to a Fremont Christian School 6-4 win on April 21, 2014.

Pioneer water polo report

Women's Water Polo

SUBMITTED BY SCOTT CHISHOLM

Game-Winning buzzer beater advances East Bay

into semifinals:

Casey Rushforth deflected home the game-winning goal as time expired to lift Cal State East Bay to an 8-7 victory over Sonoma State in the Western Water Polo Association (WWPA) Championships opener on April 25th.

"We called a 30-second timeout with 1.9 seconds remaining. We lined up all of our players at the 2-meter line and had Breanna Ritter fire it from half tank towards the goal. Casey Rushforth was able get a touch on it to score as the buzzer went off," said Cal

Cooper.

Pioneers Punch Ticket to Championship:

Cal State East Bay moved on to the Western Water Polo Association (WWPA) championship game following a 5-4 win over rival Cal State Monterey Bay on April 26th. The Pioneers make their first ever WWPA Tournament final appearance against No. 13 nationally ranked and tournament host UC San Diego.

"Our defense really stepped up and played extremely smart. Marrina Nation had a great game with all nine of her saves being game changers," praised Cal State East Bay Head Coach Lisa Cooper.

The Pioneers never trailed or led by more than a single goal over the entire 32 minutes. Breanna

State East Bay Head Coach Lisa Ritter, Jennifer Lightbody, Olivia Mackell, Taylor Cross, and Allison Zell each scored once to regain the lead after Cal State Monterey Bay (10-18) tied the game on four separate occasions. Zell scored the game-winner with 2:30 left in the fourth quarter as the Pioneers held on for the victory.

Trio Earns All-Tournament Honors after falling short in title game:

Cal State East Bay fell in the Western Water Polo Association (WWPA) Championship title game to tournament host No. 13 UC San Diego by a 16-3 margin on Sunday, April 27th. Allison Zell, Marrina Nation, and Sara Hudyn were named to the WWPA All-Tournament Team announced following the final

Seven Pioneers named to All-Conference Team

Women's Water Polo

SUBMITTED BY SCOTT CHISHOLM

Seven different members of the Cal State East Bay women's water polo program were named to the Western Water Polo Association (WWPA) All-Conference Team, announced on April 23rd. The seven selections are highlighted by the second straight First Team designation for senior Sara Hudyn.

Hudyn becomes only the second player in program history (Claire Pierce) to be named multiple times as a WWPA First Team selection. She leads this year's team with 74 goals and nearly 40 steals.

Senior Allison Zell, junior goalkeeper Marrina Nation, and sophomore newcomer Taylor Cross were each named WWPA Second Team selections. Zell has scored 25 goals this season and leads the team with nearly 40 assists. Nation has made a personal best 275 saves in goal and is holding opponents to 9.17 goals per game in 2014. Cross' immediate impact in her first year includes being the team's second leading scorer with 32 goals.

Teammates Julia Charlesworth and Ka'iliponi McGee received WWPA Honorable Mention honors. The senior Charlesworth earns her first league honor after scoring a career-high 22 goals in 2014. The junior newcomer McGee has scored 27 goals in her inaugural season with the Pioneers.

Olivia Mackell is the fourth East Bay player over the past five years to earn WWPA All-Freshman Team honors. She leads the Pioneers with nearly 30 drawn exclusions to go along with 12 assists and eight goals in her first collegiate campaign.

Renegades head for playoffs

The Ohlone College Renegades are no strangers to post-season play and will visit them again this weekend after finishing their season with a conference record of 13-5 and an overall record of 26-12. Completing the season in style, the Lady Renegades handed San Francisco City College a 12-0 loss in their last regular season game April 21st.

The first round of Northern Regional Competition will be a challenge. The Lady Renegades face the fifth ranked Coast Conference champions Gavilan College Rams (28-10) on May 3rd (& 4th, if necessary) in Gilroy.

Chiropractic college rugby team heads to finals



SUBMITTED BY CHRISTIN SCHOLTEN

An unstoppable force! Life West Gladiators, in their first year, have captured the Northern California Rugby Football Union, Division III title by defeating the Reno Zephyrs 62-17 on April 26th at Treasure Island, San Francisco. With a perfect 12-0 record and the Northern California championship in hand, the Gladia-

tors now move on to regional play against the Pacific Northwest champions Budd Bay Buffaloes in Boise, Idaho on May 3. A victory in Boise will lead to quarter and semi-final rounds in Dallas, TX on May 17-18. Continued success would allow the Gladiators to compete in the USA National Rugby Finals in Madison, WI on May 31st.

Even off the field, the Gladiators face chal-

lenges in fundraising to get the team and officials to the playoffs. Their airfare alone will cost \$33,000. Any local people or businesses that would like to support the team can contact Coach Dr. Tez Molloy (510) 329-1769, or visit the team website at www.lifewestrugby.com

For more information about Life Chiropractic College West, visit: www.lifewest.edu.

Easter Classic

Baseball

SUBMITTED AND PHOTOS BY MIKE HEIGHTCHEW

Three local high schools – American, J. F. Kennedy and Irvington – hosted the Easter Classic Baseball Tournament, April 19-23. Spring break was the perfect time for participating teams to demonstrate their skills on

the field, preparing for the second half of the Mission Valley Athletic League (MVAL) season. Kennedy Head Coach Jim Stevenson said, "This [Easter Classic] gives us the opportunity to get all of our players ready to play the remainder of the season."

There were lots of high and low points as, at times, it appeared the ball had a mind of its own. In the Washington Huskies first game with Dublin, April 19, a powerful hitting show scored nine runs on 12 hits; Huskies Nick Lawrence had a great day at the plate, with two hits at three plate appearances, scoring two runs and adding two RBIs.

However, in their next game on April 21st, Livermore, after an open loss to Con-









cord 11-1, silenced Huskies bats, holding them to just three hits and no runs

The Irvington Vikings finished the tournament with two great games; the first on April 22 with South San Francisco as they found timely hitting, resulting in six runs as Isaac Cruz drove a ball in the gap in the fifth inning for a triple that bought in three runs. Blake Belias and Brain Jeong and Venkata Gudugundla got RBIs as well. On April 23rd, the Vikings put together another good showing, beating Sacred Heart Cathedral6-1.

Tournament host team, American Eagles, had their best game on April 19thas they put together 10 hits and beat South San Francisco 7-0. Drew Lyell was in the

hitting zone with a prefect day at the plate, 2/2 and 2 RBIs. Naeen Knox hit the with power as he went 3/4 and one RBI.

The Kennedy Titans got off to a slow start, losing to Freedom 6-1 on April 19 but fought hard to come back against Dublin on April 21, coming up a little short 5-3. However, on April 23rd, in a double header, they found the great hitting that has served them well all year, putting nine runs on the scoreboard in a rematch with Freedom and then beat Mt. Eden 4-1 with six hits.

Mt. Eden's best performance in the tournament came in their game on April 21st with Sacred Heart Cathedral of San Francisco, winning 4-0.

PG&E Home Energy Analyzer

By JOE GOLD

If your utility bills burned your budget over the winter, help is on the way from the state, Alameda County and Pacific Gas and Electric. A new online system will take your utility bills, analyze how your home uses energy, and recommend ways to reduce your use.

Do you leave lights on more than necessary? Is a computer eating electricity? Is there something you can buy—like high-tech light bulbs—that will help you save energy? Would insulation or new, more efficient heating and cooling cut your energy use?

In Alameda County, the Home Energy Analyzer (HEA.com) is an online application that gathers information on your home's specific energy usage patterns from your own utility bills. You add such basic information as how many people live in the house, their ages, where you

set thermostats and how you use gas and electricity.

Alameda County's energy-efficiency programs offers assistance to consumers to upgrade their energy efficiency and retrofit homes as explained at stopwaste.org, a program jointly run by the Alameda County Waste Management Authority and the county's Source Reduction and Recycling Board.

The Home Energy Analyzer separates your energy consumption into "base load"—the steady energy stream to run, say, the refrigerator—and the "variable load" of electricity used only when you turn them on, such as lights or stoves. The program compares your usage to similar homes, and recommends conservation action.

Sometimes it's changing some habits and just being more aware that will help you use less energy. Other times major changes may be in order, such as newer, more efficient heating and cooling systems. A key part of the program is not just telling you what you need, but referring you to government and private conservation programs such as Energy Upgrade California that pay for much of or all upgrades.

Participation is free, though requires residency in Alameda County, get your gas and electricity through a PG&E account and have a SmartMeter installed. Much of the program applies to all of California, though this version is bolstered by the statewide Energy Upgrade California program. The programs are key elements of the state's efforts to reduce energy consumption 40 percent by 2020, the state's effort to combat global warming.

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- No automobile or real estate sales
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Caring, Sharing, Serving God 38801 Blacow Rd., Fremont Sun Worship:8:45am 11:00am Child-care provided.Education for all ages: 10:00am. Nacho Sunday: First Sunday of every month. (510)793-6285 www.holytrinityfremont.org

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(at Christian Science Church),

Fremont

510-797-5234

www.unityoffremont.org

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Guests and Visitors welcome Saturdays 10:15am Unitek College Room 141 4580 Auto Mall Pkwy., Fremont 510-862-0893

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www.MessiahHayward.org

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28650 Ruus Rd., Hayward 510-786-2866 or 510-552-5222

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33997 Alvarado Niles Road **Union City** 510-675-45495

Call (800) 464-6240

50+ Senior Softball League Players Needed Open Games Mondays &

City of Newark

Wednesday Nights Practice starts 3/10/14 @ 5p.m. Season runs 4/7/14 - 6/3/14 Sign-up @ Newark Silliman Center 6800 Mowry Ave., Newark (510) 578-4668

Fair Trade Festival South Hayward Parish Sat. May 10 -10am-3pm

Proceeds to directly to SHP FOOD PANTRY. Enjoy FT coffees, teas, chocolates. Support Fair Trade. Help farmers, workers and artisans. W-Hills Outreach Center 27287 Patrick Ave., Hayward (Across from Weekes Library)

Men's 4 Part Vocal **Harmony In the** "Barbershop" style Thursdays at 7pm

Calvary Luther Church 12500 Via Magdelena SanLorenzo Contact: ncchorus@Yahoo.com 510-332-2489

Washington High School Class of 64' & Friends September 26 & 27, 2014

50th Year Class Reunion

Spin A Yarn Steakhouse, Fremont Contact Joan Martin Graham billjoan3@pacbell.net

FREE QUALITY TAX PREPARATION

TCSME Model RR Open House - FREE Family Fun

Weekend June 14 & 15 Plus Swap Meet on 14th 10am-4pm Niles Plaza, Fremont HO & N layouts in operation Q: bobcz007@comcast.net Nearby: NCRW Steamfest

PLANT SALE

Fremont Senior Center Garden Club annual plant sale May 2 (Friday) 9am-2pm 40086 Pasaeo Padre Pkwy Fremont - 510-656-7417 Having a Raffle. Tickets \$2 for one or 2 tickets for \$5. Come support your Garden Club See you There!

FAA ~ EVENTS

Art in the Garden, Artists Call 4/13 - G. Rankin Art Showcase 6/28, 29-Art in the Garden 9/22 Fine Art Show, Receiving Check on-line for ongoing classes, art shows & events www.fremontartassociation.org 37697 Niles Blvd. 510.792.0905

Cougars Girls Basketball Camp June 23-27 - M-F

Silliman Activity Center 6800 Mowry Ave., Newark Full & Half Day options Girls ages 8-15 Darryl Reina, Camp Director 510-578-4620 www.Newark.org

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Google, Apple settle high-tech workers' lawsuit

senting the employers had been trying to limit how much evidence could be presented about Jobs' management philosophy, including statements he made to biographer Walter Isaacson, if the case had gone to trial.

Schmidt, a former Apple board member, ended a decade-long stint as Google's CEO in 2011, but remains the company's executive chairman. Earlier this year, Google awarded Schmidt restricted stock valued at \$100 million to supplement a fortune estimated at \$8.6 billion by Forbes magazine.

Google also attempted to persuade one of its former executives, Sheryl Sandberg, to join the no-poaching pact after she became Facebook's chief operating officer in 2008. Sandberg refused to play along and Facebook continued to recruit Google employees, according to a sworn deposition that she provided in the case.

The no-poaching agreement among the tech companies had also triggered a separate 2009 antitrust investigation by the U.S. Justice Department. That resulted in a 2010 settlement that requiring Google, Apple, Intel, Adobe Systems and several companies to scrap their no-poaching agreements. None of the companies acknowledged wrongdoing.

California bill attacks growing corporate wage gap

By Don Thompson Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP), A California effort to lead a national debate over the growing wage gap between CEOs and average workers took its first step in the state Legislature on Thursday with support from Democratic lawmakers, organized labor and former U.S. Labor Secretary Robert Reich.

Reich, who served in the Clinton administration during the 1990s, said the bill would reward "responsible" companies with lower tax rates and help the middle class while countering a trend that he said endangers the underpinnings of the American economy.

SB1372 would punish companies that pay CEOs more than 100 times the median wage of their workers by imposing a higher corporate tax rate. Companies with less of a wage gap would be rewarded with a lower rate.

"The issue of widening inequality of income and wealth and opportunity and political power is one that the United States is now becoming aware of because things are getting so out of kilter," Reich told the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

The California Chamber of Commerce labeled the proposal as a job killer. Chamber lobbyist Jennifer Barrera told the committee the bill would discourage corporate investment in California.

It would aggravate California's national reputation as being hostile to business while raising what already are some of the nation's highest corporate taxes, said Gina Rodriquez, the California Taxpayers Association's vice president for state tax policy.

The bill's authors acknowledged that its prospects are uncertain because it requires a two-thirds supermajority to pass the Legislature and is unlikely to attract Republican votes.

But Democratic Sens. Mark De-Saulnier, of Concord, and Loni Hancock, of Berkeley, said it is important for California to lead a national conversation about narrowing the wealth disparity. DeSaulnier said it is the first such bill in any state.

According to the AFL-CIO, chief executives received an average compensation of 43 times the median U.S. worker's pay in 1983. Today, that figure is 278 times a typical wage.

CEOs of companies in Standard & Poor's 500 index were paid an average

of 354 times more than the median employee in 2012, according to the union.

"How do you run an economy where the middle class and the poor don't have enough money to buy everything the economy is capable of producing? That's one of the biggest reasons why this (economic) recovery has been so anemic," Reich said.

The tax rate, currently 8.84 percent of net income for all corporations, would scale up or down from 7 percent to 13 percent under the bill, with the highest rate reserved for companies whose CEOs are paid more than 400 times the median wage.

The bill cleared its first committee on a party-line 5-2 vote and next goes before the Appropriations Committee.

Top corporate salaries are often indeed "out of whack," said Sen. Steve Knight, R-Palmdale, who voted against the bill. But it's not the role of government to correct the problem, said Knight, who argued it is counterproductive to discourage entrepreneurs who build their companies.

"They are the innovation behind the business," Knight said, "and without them we don't have anything."

Fremont Police Log

SUBMITTED BY GENEVA BOSQUES

Monday, April 21

The owner of a business on the 46900 block of Warm Springs Blvd. came in around 9:30 a.m. and found the main door to be damaged. This is the second time that this business was burglarized. The first burglary was reported in May of 2013. The loss in this burglary was cash. The business has video surveillance and the owner has offered to give it to officers once he's able to retrieve it from the system.

Officers investigated a commercial burglary at 47800 block of Warm Springs Blvd. where a window was pried and suspects took cash from the business. Video surveillance captured the incident at approximately 4:38 a.m. The video shows that the suspects pried the base of the front door to gain entry. The suspects are described as follows:

Suspect #1 - appears to have a medium build, dark jacket or sweatshirt, with a long white t-shirt underneath.

Suspect #2 - appears to be a medium build Hispanic male, wearing a light colored shiny (possibly satin) jacket, gloves, and light colored baseball hat with a dark brim.

While documenting the burglary above, officers were advised by a neighboring business that they too were a victim of a crime. The front door to this business was again pried and a window was shattered in what appeared to be an attempt to gain entry. Officers believe that this burglary likely occurred prior to the incident listed above. There was no physical loss in this incident and officers believe it was an attempt only.

At approximately 6:15 p.m., officers were dispatched to inves-

tigate a report of a disturbance in the Niles District, specifically on Niles Blvd between E Street and F Street. Two citizens called 911 to report that there was a male who was possibly under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol and was creating a disturbance and jumping out into traffic. The first officer on scene contacted the male, later identified as a 59 year old adult male, Fremont transient, near the benches at the Niles Plaza. The male was immediately aggressive with the officer and refused to comply with commands or answer questions. A second officer arrived within about a minute and the suspect continued to disobey directions and began to scream profanities, refused to remove his hands from his pockets and began to tense up. As the two officers attempted to take the male into custody for public intoxication, a very violent struggle ensued. Both officers and the suspect sustained injuries in the struggle, which lasted several minutes before additional officers could arrive. Once the suspect was detained, two knives were located within his pockets. One officer was treated at the scene and the second was treated and released from a local hospital. For the safety of all involved, the male suspect was placed in a WRAP and transported to a local hospital for treatment. The 59 year old adult male faces multiple felony charges including: battery on a peace officer with injuries, threatening a peace officer, and resisting arrest.

Tuesday, April 22

At approximately 10:30 a.m., as Sergeants Crandall and Koepf were about to enter Peet's Coffee on Mowry Ave., when they noticed an adult male running from the store with two tip jars in hand. The male was being chased by another man who appeared to be trying to catch him. Sergeants Crandall and Koepf drove around the building and located the suspect in the area of Capitol and Liberty Street. Sgt. Crandall ar-

rested the 24 year old adult male for commercial burglary.

Officers were dispatched to PJ's Bagels on Paseo Padre Parkway after it was reported that a male was inside a Toyota Camry and slumped over the wheel. Officer Hartman arrived and contacted a 54 year old adult male, Vallejo resident. The 54 year old was on probation for possession of a controlled substance and after being evaluated, was found to be under the influence of heroin. A search of his person revealed an eighth of an ounce of methamphetamine and a gram of heroin. Additionally, a loaded pistol-grip shotgun was found inside the trunk of the car. Officer Hartman arrested the 54 year old adult male for possession of methamphetamine and heroin, being a felon in possession of a firearm, possession of drug paraphernalia and for being under the influence of drugs.

Officer Collins and FTO Kwok were dispatched to a report of an unwanted guest on the 34700 block of Locke Ave. The caller stated that a man was at the residence, refusing to leave, yelling at the occupants and continuously ringing the doorbell. Officers arrived and noticed the male sitting on the porch. The 59 year old adult male, Fremont resident, presented signs of being intoxicated. The male was unable to care for himself and arrested for public intoxication. He was booked out at Santa Rita.

Newark PD requested a K9 for a drug search in the area of Cedar/Robertson. Officer Baca and K9 Harkos responded to Newark to assist. K9 Harkos found 5 grams of meth and a pipe hidden under the driver's seat. Nice work by Officer Baca and Harkos!

At approximately 8:05 p.m., officers were sent to the 46600 block of Mission Blvd to investigate an auto burglary. An unknown suspect smashed the

window of a vehicle and took a laptop. The suspect was captured on video and Detectives are following up on the case. The suspect is described as a Filipino male adult, 20-25 years of age, 5'6" – 5'9", medium build, shaved head and a short goatee. The suspect's vehicle is described as a 2000's Ford Crown Victoria, dark blue in color, with no push bar.

Wednesday, April 23

At about 9:00 a.m., Fremont Dispatch received a call of a suspicious object located near the bus stop on the south side of Thornton Ave. at Dondero Way. After an examination of the object, the Alameda County Bomb Squad responded and determined that it was not an explosive. Ofc. Fuellenbach documented the incident and Sgt. Crandall managed the scene.

A male dressed in a gray sweater and driving a white late 1990's to 2000's sedan committed an auto burglary in the 4700 block of Calaveras Ave. Loss was a purse. Approximately 80 minutes later another similar auto burglary was reported in the 4300 block of Stevenson Blvd.

Officer Haugh ran a registration check on a vehicle near the intersection of Chapel Way and Lincoln St and discovered it had been reported stolen out of Modesto. Once he had sufficient cover units with him, Officer Haugh conducted an enforcement stop on the vehicle and the driver immediately yielded. The driver was identified as a 28 year old adult male, Modesto resident. He was arrested and booked.

At approximately 6:35 p.m., Officer Collins and FTO Kwok as well as Sgt. McCormick investigated two separate incidents where drivers reported being shot at with a BB gun or projectile of some type in the area of Warm Springs/Warren Ave and Warm Springs/Brown Rd. Both drivers sustained minor injuries as the result of shattered glass from the

driver side window. The projectile was not located by officers in either incident. Neither victim could provide a description on the suspect(s) or suspect vehicle, however a white mini-van was seen in the area of one of the incidents. Anyone with information regarding these incidents is encouraged to contact FPD at (510) 790-6800.

At 2:28 p.m., a victim was chased by an unknown suspect from the permit lot into the Fremont BART station agent's booth. The suspect forcibly removed the victim's wallet from his pants pocket and fled the station on foot. Loss was \$14 cash, California ID, and a work badge. Suspect was described as a Black male, 6', stocky build, wearing a green "Nike" T-shirt, and grey sweatpants. An officer responded and attempted to locate the suspect but with negative results.

At 3:43 p.m., a victim reported that her white 1993 Honda Civic 2-door coupe was burglarized while it was parked at the Fremont BART station on the west side of the station, stall #12, between 1150-1530 hours. The victim reported that entry to the vehicle was made via unknown means as both doors were unlocked upon the victim's return. As a result of the burglary, the victim reported the loss of an older model Kenwood Stereo/CD player (unknown value, in addition to damage caused to the vehicle's center console area).

Thursday, April 24

Officer Lobue investigated another incident (3rd in two days) of a vehicle being shot at near the intersection of Warren Ave and Warm Springs. The victim was traveling northbound on Warm Springs around 6:30 p.m. when her driver's side window was shot out by either a pellet or BB. The victim did not sustain any injuries. Officer Lobue will be following up with businesses in the area to try and obtain video.

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driver running on Marina Boulevard near the Southbound Interstate 880 onramp. Officers converged on the area and they started a canine search. Jonathan Valasqez of Castro Valley was found hiding and he was taken into custody.

Please contact the San Leandro Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division with any information regarding this case at 510-577-3230 or contact the Anonymous Tip Line at 510-577-3278.

Citizens can also send an anonymous tip to San Leandro Police Department by texting the word SLPD and their tip to 847411. Anonymous web tips can be submitted from the Police Department's website at

http://www.sanleandro.org/depts/pd/at.asp\

Which Corporate Giants Pay the Highest & Lowest Tax Rates?

SUBMITTED BY LIANA ARNOLD

A few highlights of a WalletHub report based on tax data from 2012:

S&P 100 companies pay around 30% lower rates on international taxes than U.S. taxes.

Tech companies – including Apple, EBay and Google – seem to specialize in paying around 80% lower tax rates abroad than in the U.S.

Six S&P 100 companies are actually paying a negative overall tax rate and are therefore due a tax refund: Abbott Laboratories, Morgan Stanley, Bank of America, AIG, Bristol-Myers and Verizon.

Among the remaining companies that owe taxes, VISA, MetLife and Citi pay some of the lowest rates. The average S&P 100 company pays a 16% higher tax rate than the top 3% of consumers.

For the full S&P 100 Tax Rate Report, please visit: http://wallethub.com/edu/corporate-tax-report/3170/



How much would you have saved?

No. Fritter!

That's a

CROUTON!

Coupon? I put those

on my salads.

Newspaper Search for the Best Deal

Your newspaper is a really great place to start shopping for good deals. Read the ads and compare the prices before you go to the store.

Find a product that is advertised in the newspaper. List the different prices that you can pay.

Which do you think is the best price? Why?

Standards Link: Math/Number Sense: Order dollar amounts from least to greatest; compare values.



INCENTIVE look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities. COUPONS SAVINGS ESAEROTSVT SPECIAL VEMSNOPUOC PRODUCT IPOANEFSEU REGULAR TIRVCYRFSD PRICE NLDILAVLEO OFFER ECANCSAHOR MONEY VALID CLPGYENOMP DEALS NPISDRDOOF STORE IREGULARNG CARS Standards Link: Letter sequencing, Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns. FOOD

Double Find the words in the puzzle. Then



Kid Scoop Together:

Ask a friend to give you each type of word. Fill in the blanks and read the story aloud for some silly fun.

ADJECTIVE

To save money, Roger always

when shopping. He'll often

compare _____ between

products to see which one is a

At the grocery store, he doesn't

out of the newspaper to save

newspaper's Web site for special

with his friends and family if he

money by choosing ______

Roger also checks the classified

ads for ____ when he

needs new ones. He bought a

very reliable car that way that

"Thanks to the money I've saved

with the newspaper, I am about

to start a new collection of

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify and use parts of speech correctly: Nouns, adjectives and verbs.

PLURAL NOUN

doesn't use a lot of _

PLURAL NOUN

has extras. He saves a lot of

his basket with

_, Instead, he writes

and brings it with

PLURAL NOUN

. He checks the

instead of more

NOUN

!" says Roger.

. As you can

Forgrand

Super Saver Roger is a collector of

PLURAL NOUN imagine, such a collection is

looks for the best _

quite

better_

him. He clips

PLURAL NOUN

Roger buys

expensive

bulk. He will _

An incentive is something that encourages or motivates someone to do something.

The trip to the book store was an incentive to get John to complete his assignment.

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

Shopping Math

Write a math problem that

describes a real shopping

situation. Example: At a garage

sale, Tina bought a book for

\$3.98 and a puzzle for \$1.99.



each section of the newspaper. Are some categories found mostly in one section? How do you explain your findings? Standards Link: Math/Data Analysis: Display results using a bar graph or chart.

With coupon you pay: \$

I'd like to buy this

ball, but it costs a

little too much.

I saw a

coupon for

25% off

anything at

the dog toy

store in this

morning's

paper.

ever

used a coupon?

lave you



How much did she spend?



Do you like to write about interesting topics? Are you a whiz with words and like to share your thoughts with others? Can you find something fascinating about lots of things around you?

If so, maybe writing for the Tri-City Voice is in your future. We are looking for disciplined writers and reporters who will accept an assignment and weave an interesting and accurate story that readers will enjoy. Applicants must be proficient in the English language (spelling and grammar) and possess the ability to

work within deadlines. If you are interested, submit a writing sample of at least 500 words along with a resume to tricityvoice@aol.com or fax to (510) 796-2462.

Government Briefs

City Council summaries do not include all business transacted at the noted meetings. These outlines represent selected topics and actions. For a full description of agendas, decisions and discussion, please consult the website of the city of interest: Fremont (www.fremont.gov), Hayward (www.hayward-ca.gov), Milpitas (www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov), Newark (www.ci.newark.ca.us), Union City (www.ci.union-city.ca.us).

City Council/Public Agency **MEETINGS**

Readers are advised to check websites for special meetings, cancellations, minutes, agendas and webcasts

CITY COUNCILS

Fremont City Council Ist/2nd/3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m. City Hall, Bldg A 3300 Capitol Ave., Fremont (510) 284-4000 www.fremont.gov

Hayward City Council Ist/3rd/4th Tuesday @ 7 p.m. City Hall, second floor 777 B Street, Hayward (510) 583-4000 www.ci.hayward.ca.us

Milpitas City Council Ist/3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m. 455 East Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas (408) 586-3001 www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov

Newark City Council 2nd/4th Thursday @ 7:30 p.m. City Hall, 6th Floor 37101 Newark Blvd., Newark (510) 578-4266 www.ci.newark.ca.us

San Leandro City Council Ist/3rd Monday @ 7 p.m. 835 East 14th St., San Leandro (510) 577-3366 www.sanleandro.org

Union City City Council 2nd/4th Tuesday @ 7 p.m. City Hall 34009 Alvarado-Niles Rd., Union City (510) 471-3232 www.ci.union-city.ca.us

WATER/SEWER

Alameda County Water District 2nd Thursday @ 6:00 p.m. 43885 S. Grimmer Blvd., Fremont (510) 668-4200 www.acwd.org

East Bay Municipal Utility District 2nd/4th Tuesday @ 1:15 p.m. 375 11th St., Oakland (866) 403-2683 ww.ebmud.com

Santa Clara Valley Water District 2nd/4th Tuesday @ 6:00 p.m. 5700 Almaden Expwy., San Jose (408) 265-2607, ext. 2277 www.valleywater.org

Union Sanitary District 2nd/4th Monday @ 7:00 p.m. 5072 Benson Rd., Union City (510) 477-7503 www.unionsanitary.com

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Castro Valley Unified School Board 2nd/4th Thursday @ 7:00 p.m. 4400 Alma Ave., Castro Valley (510) 537-3000 www.cv.k12.ca.us

Fremont Unified School Board 2nd/4th Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m. 4210 Technology Dr., Fremont (510) 657-2350 www.fremont.k12.ca.us

Hayward Unified School Board 2nd/4th Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m. 24411 Amador Street, Hayward (510) 784-2600 www.husd.k12.ca.us

Milpitas Unified School Board 2nd/4th Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m. 1331 E. Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas www.musd.org (406) 635-2600 ext. 6013

New Haven Unified School Board 1st/3rd Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m. 34200 Alvarado-Niles Rd., Union City (510) 471-1100 www.nhusd.k12.ca.us

San Leandro Unified School Board 1st/3rd Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m. 835 E. 14th St., San Leandro (510) 667-3500 www.sanleandro.k12.ca.us

San Lorenzo Unified School Board 1st/3rd Tuesday @ 7:30 p.m. 15510 Usher St., San Lorenzo (510) 317-4600 www.slzusd.org

Sunol Glen Unified School Board 2nd Tuesday @ 5:30 p.m. 11601 Main Street, Sunol (925) 862-2026 www.sunol.k12.ca.us

Union City City Council Meeting

April 22, 2014

Proclamations and Presentations:

Recognize May 9-18, 2014 as East Bay Affordable Housing

Presentation on the Decoto Kids Zone Initiative

Presentation on Union City Teen Center project and the Teen Center Youth Leadership Team

Overview of General Plan Update Process by Larry Mintier of Mintier Harnish Planning Consultants

Consent:

Adopt a resolution initiating proceedings for the levy and collection of assessments for the city-wide Landscape and Lighting District No. 3 for Fiscal Year 2014/15

Items removed from Consent:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with Citygate Associates, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$33,000 to conduct a study on alternatives to fire services for the cities of Newark and Union City.

Adopt a resolution approving

an exception to the 180-day waiting period for post-retirement employment with contractor John Elissiry.

Public Hearing:

Adopt an urgency ordinance extending a moratorium on general plan amendments to convert industrial land use designations to non-industrial designations for 10 months and 15 days. (2 ayes—Dutra-Vernaci, Duncan; 3 nays—Gacoscos, Navarro, Ellis)

City Manager Reports:

Report for council direction regarding increase of campaign contribution limit for municipal elections. Consensus of staff was to continue current \$600 limit.

Location and focus of May 17 city council retreat.

Oral Communications:

A number of citizens debated a planned Masonic Homes residential development.

Mayor Carol Dutra-Vernaci Ave Vice Mayor Lorrin Ellis 3 ayes,

Emily Duncan Pat Gacoscos 3 ayes, 1 nay 3 ayes, 1 nay Jim Navarro

Newark City Council

April 24, 2014

Presentations and Proclamations:

Proclaim May 2014 as Older

prise Drive and Willow Street. **Consent:**

July 26-27, 2014

Approve Encroachment Permit for Holy Ghost Festival on



Members of Newark Senior Citizen Standing Advisory Committee accept Older Americans Month proclamation from Mayor Alan Nagy at city council meeting April



At the Newark City Council meeting on April 24, 2014, Deacon Whittle of St. Edward Church accepted a City of Newark proclamation of May 1, 2014 as National Day of Prayer

Americans Month

Proclaim May as Water Aquatics Safety Month

Proclaim May 9-18 as Affordable Housing Week

Proclaim May 1, 2014 as National Day of Prayer

Presentation of Measure AA – Alameda County Healthcare Services Tax – on June 3, 2014 ballot. Discussion and consideration at May 8 Council Meeting.

Public Hearings:

Approve development of 88 townhomes, 72 affordable housing units and a 15,000 square foot commercial building along Enter-

Authorize participation in Alameda County Community Development Block Grant program for FY 2013/14

Authorize subdivision agreement for 164-unit residential subdivision on Cedar Boulevard near Central Avenue

City Council Matters:

Approve summer council meeting recess during the month of August

Mayor Alan Nagy Vice Mayor Ana ApodacaAbsent Luis Freitas Maria "Sucy" Collazo Aye Robert Marshall Aye

Hayward City Council

April 22, 2014

Presentations:

Presented Earth Day Environmental Awards to Cherryland Elementary School, Faith Ringgold School of the Arts and Sciences, Arteaga's Food Center, Dupont Pioneer, Hayward Produce Market Taqueria, Moreau Catholic High School; and Lea's Christian School, Montessori School and New Bridges Presbyterian Church.

Consent:

Authorize application to Transportation Development Act for pedestrian and bicycle projects from Metropolitan Transportation Commission for \$123,408 to build sidewalk wheelchair ramps in downtown and the Sleepy Hollow neighborhood

TAKES FROM SILICON VALLEY EAST



About Takes From Silicon Valley East

The Daily Beast called Fremant the 2nd best U.S. city for innovation. Whether it's manufacturing, clean tech, Fremant or the Silicon Valley scene itself, we're telling the stories that are

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Meeting the Needs of Today's Industrial Tenants - Why I'm **Betting on Fremont**

By TIMUR TECIMER, CEO, **OVERTON MOORE PROPERTIES**

Our business climate is rapidly changing, and the industrial real estate market is no exception. With an explosive growth in ecommerce, just-in-time delivery expectations, and the resurgence of local manufacturing/assembly operations in Silicon Valley, we see a strong industrial market. But when we survey the Bay Area real estate canvas, we also recognize the glaring void of state-ofthe-art and highly efficient space for these types of uses.

Using a poker analogy, we know a royal flush when we see one, and we've decided to play our hand. With a 42-year track record in development, acquisition, master planning, and management of industrial, office, and mixed-use projects, Overton Moore Properties recognized opportunity in the form of a 40acre site in Fremont, Calif. along the I-880 at Dixon Landing Road. Anticipating continuing demand for industrial and manufacturing/distribution space and the long-term strengths of the San Francisco Bay Area industrial market, we are developing The Crossings @ 880 - a three-building project, totaling 691,000 square feet of Class A Industrial space. The project will be completed by the end of the year.

We know we are making a statement by building the largest speculative industrial project in the Bay Area in the last 15 years (and our only project in Northern California). But Fremont's central Bay Area location and the tremendous freeway frontage and visibility of the site are unbeatable. The City of Fremont staff has been tremendous to work with, and it's one of the best probusiness Cities that we've encountered. Even better, this project will finally connect Fremont Boulevard to Dixon Landing Road, facilitating a shorter commute from San Jose and the rest of Silicon Valley.

We are marketing to Silicon Valley users looking for easy access to Highway 237, Class A "best in class" facilities, corporate users looking to establish a high-identity headquarters location with prominent visibility along the I-880, and distribution users who want immediate access to the I-880 and infill markets within the San Francisco Bay Area.

And the fact is, there just aren't that many new buildings in the region that accommodate this combination of uses. Manufacturing hubs like Fremont depend on the ability to house not only large manufacturers, but also a wide range of other users that make up the supply chain. So whether it's production, final assembly, or distribution/logistics, it all means a strengthening manufacturing base and the economic development benefits associated with that.

So that's why I'm betting on The Crossings @ 880 and why I'm betting on Fremont. If you're interested in learning more about the project, contact our real estate brokers, Rob Shannon (408-453-7486 or rob.shannon@cbre.com) and Joe Kelly (650-494-5174 or joe.kelly@cbre.com) with CBRE. Alternatively, feel free to call me (310) 323-9100 or send an email: ttecimer@omprop.com.

Boards and Commission vacancies (Fremont)

SUBMITTED BY SUSAN GAUTHIER, CMC

Art Review Board - One vacancy

Term to expire 12/31/2017

George W. Patterson House Advisory Board - One vacancy (Citizen At Large) Term to expire 12/31/2017

George W. Patterson House Advisory Board - One vacancy (Mission Peak Heritage Foundation Appointment) Term to expire 12/31/2017

Historical Architectural Review Board - One vacancy

Term to expire 12/31/2015

Library Advisory Commission – One vacancy.

Term to expire 12/31/2017

Advisory Body Applications can be obtained from our website at: http://www.fremont.gov/index.aspx?NID=76

Or you may obtain an application from the City Clerk's Office, 3300 Capitol Ave, Bldg A, (510) 284-4060

Approved a call for bids on \$1 million project to slurry seal pavement, financed by Gas Tax Fund

Added \$36,000 to a contract for an associate planner in the Planning Division

Mayor Michael Sweeney Aye Mayor Pro Tempore Mark Salinas Aye Marvin Peixoto Aye Barbara Halliday Aye Francisco Zermeño Aye Greg Jones Aye Al Mendall Aye

PUBLIC NOTICES

CIVIL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. HG14717910 Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

Petition of: Ryan Anthony Lederer for Change

of Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Ryan Anthony Lederer filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as

Anthony Lederer to Ryan Anthony

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

Notice of Hearing: Date: June 13, 2014, Time: 8:45 a.m., Dept.: 504 The address of the court is 24405 Amador Street, Room: n/a, Hayward, CA 94544
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Tri-City Voice Date: March 19, 2014

Judge of the Superior Court 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20/14

CNS-2614851#

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. HG14720840
Superior Court of California, County of Alameda
Petition of: Wei-Chi Chen for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner Wei-Chi Chen for Change of Name
TO ALL Interested persons:
Petitioner Wei-Chi Chen filed a petition with this
court for a decree changing names as follows:
Wei-Chi Chen to Diana Miki Chen
The Court orders that all persons interested in this
matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition
for change of name should not be granted. Any
person objecting to the name changes described
above must file a written objection that includes
the reasons for the objection at least two court
days before the matter is scheduled to be heard
and must appear at the hearing to show cause
why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant
the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 07/11/2014, Time: 8:45 am, Dept.: 504
The address of the court is 24405 Amador Street
/ Room 108, Hayward, CA 94544
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be
published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on
the petition in the following newspaper of general
circulation, printed in this county: Tri-City Voice
Date: Apr. 99, 2014
S/ WINIFRED Y. SMITH
Judge of the Superior Court
4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13/14

Judge of the Superior Court 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13/14

CNS-2613174#

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. HG14721629 Superior Court of California, County of Alameda Petition of: Kevin Drew Fishbein for Change of

Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner Kevin Drew Fishbein filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as

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

Notice of Hearing:

Notice of Hearing:
Date: July 11, 2014, Time: 8:45 a.m., Dept.: 504
The address of the court is 24405 Amador Street,
Room 108, Hayward, CA 94642
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive
weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulaweeks prior to an earlier of inearing of in the per-tion in the following newspaper of general circula-tion, printed in this county: Whats Happenings Tri City Voice - Fremont Date: April 16, 2014 Winifred Y, Smith

Judge of the Superior Court 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13/14

CNS-2612836# ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. HG14720635
Superior Court of California, County of Alameda
Petition of: Margaret Houlton for Change of

Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

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

Notice of Hearing:

the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:
Date: July 18, 2014, Time: 8:45 a.m., Dept.: 504
The address of the court is 24405 Amador Street,
Room 108, Hayward, CA 94544
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be
published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on
the petition in the following newspaper of general
circulation, printed in this county: Tri City Voice
Date: April 8, 2014
Winifred Y. Smith
Judge of the Superior Court

Judge of the Superior Court 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6/14

CNS-2609703#

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. HG14718095 Superior Court of California, County of Alameda Petition of: Khampeng Meksavanh for Change of Name

of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner Khampeng Meksavanh filed a petition
with this court for a decree changing names as

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

Notice of Hearing:

the petition without a hearing.
Notice of hearing:
Date: 06/13/2014, Time: 8:45a.m., Dept.: 504
The address of the court is 24405 Amador St.,
Hayward, CA 94544
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be
published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing
on the petition in the following newspaper of
general circulation, printed in this county: What's
Happening Tri-City Voice
Date: March 20, 2014
Winifred Y. Smith
Judge of the Superior Court

CNS-2609504#

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. HG14716377
Superior Court of California, County of Alameda
Petition of: Brian Smith Wendy McFadden for
Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner Brian Smith Wendy McFadden filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: frames as follows:

Grace Loren Grimes-Smith to Grace Loren
McFadden-Smith
The Court orders that all persons interested in this

matter appear before this court at the hearing indi-cated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Notice of Hearing: Date: Fri May 23, 2014, Time: 8:45 AM, Dept.:

The address of the court is 24405 Amador Street, Room 108, Hayward, CA 94544
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Tri-City Voice Date: Mar 06, 2014
WINIFRED Y. SMITH
Judge of the Superior Court
4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6/14

CNS-2609494#

CNS-2609494#

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. HG14719528

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda
Petition of: Joel Van Eck for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner filed a petition with this court for a
decree changing names as follows:
Joel Van Eck to Joel Noe
The Court orders that all persons interested in this
matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition
for change of name should not be granted. Any
person objecting to the name changes described
above must file a written objection that includes
the reasons for the objection at least two court
days before the matter is scheduled to be heard
and must appear at the hearing to show cause
why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant
the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: June 27, 2014, Time: 8:45 a.m., Dept.: 504
The address of the court is 24405 Amador Street,
Hayward, CA 94544
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be
published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing
on the petition in the following newspaper of
general circulation, printed in this county: What
Happening Tri-City
Date: 4/1/14
Winifred Y. Smith
Judge of the Superior Court
4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6/14

CNS-2608553#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS **NAMES**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 490404

Fictitious Business Name(s): Vapor Planes, 3679 Thorton Ave., Fremont, CA 94536, County of Alameda

94536, County or Alarireua Registrant(s): S & M Vapor Inc., 33008 Marsh Hawk Rd., Union City, CA 94587; California Business conducted by: a Corporation The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a mis-

the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a mis-demeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,001,) /s/ Munvir Aulakh, President This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 15, 2014 NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement gener-ally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et see, 1816). Since Section 14411 et see, Business and Professions Code).

CNS-2615830#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 490766
Fictitious Business Name(s):
One Access Medical Transportation, 7921-C
Enterprise Dr., Newark, CA 94560, County of
Alameda

Alameda
Registrant(s):
One Access Medical Transportation, 7921-C
Enterprise Dr., Newark, CA 94560; California
Business conducted by: a Limited Liability
Company
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on
n/a

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In Indiancial business intenticy listed above and I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].) /s/ Ronald Camaisa, Manager This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 23, 2014 NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

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

CNS-2615802#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 490637

File No. 49007
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Kingdom Apparel, 6252 Joaquin Murieta Ave.
#C, Newark, CA 94560, County of Alameda

Registrant(s): Leslie Tracy Miller-Wilson, 6252 Joaquin Murrieta Ave. #C, Newark, CA, 94560 Business conducted by: An Individual The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

12/21/14 declare that all information in this statement

is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ Leslie Tracy Miller-Wilson
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

Is/ Leslie Tracy Miller-Wilson
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of
Alameda County on April 21, 2014
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of
Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date
on which it was filed in office of the county clerk,
except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section
17920, where it expires 40 days after any change
in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant
to section 17913 other than a change in the
residence address of a registered owner. A new residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed

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

4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20/14

CNS-2615409#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 489790 Fictitious Business Name(s):

Taste Of India, 5144 Mowry Avenue, Fremont, CA 94538, County of Alameda

CA 94538, County of Additional
Registrant(s):
Chaat Masala, LLC, 9119 Eastpointe Ct.,
California 95624; California
Business conducted by: A limited liability com-The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A

declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a mis-demeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].) /s/ Sonia Pabla, Member

7s/ Sonia Pabla, Member This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 1, 2014 NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement gener-ally expires at the end of five years from the date

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

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

4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20/14

CNS-2615403#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 489997-490000
Fictitious Business Name(s):
(1) Studio Arts, (2) The Peanut Shell, (3)
Alma's Designs, (4) Belle Baby Carriers, 33300
Central Avenue, Union City, CA 94587, County
of Alameda of Alameda Registrant(s):

Registrant(s): Farallon Brands, Inc., 33300 Central Avenue, Union City, CA 94587. CA Business conducted by: a corporation. The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

8/24/2013. I declare that all information in this statement

o/24/2013.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ Laura E. Tauscher, CFO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 4, 2014.
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

before the expiration.

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

4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20/14

CNS-2614973#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 490529
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Enigma Cafe LLC, 3623 Thornton Ave.,
Fremont, CA 94536, County of Alameda.
Registrant(s):

Registrant(s): Enigma Cafe LLC, 40473 Davis St., Fremont, CA 94538, CA 94538, CA Business conducted by: limited liability company The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above or

the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

//s Sandra Elkaz, Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 17, 2014.

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

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

4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20/14

CNS-2614964#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 490538
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Bay Area's Best Relocation Services, 37171
Sycamore St., #1122, Newak, Newark, CA
94560, County of Alameda
Recistrant(s):

Registrant(s):
Carlos L. Mora, 37171 Sycamore St., #1122,
Newark, CA 94560
Business conducted by: an individual
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

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

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Isolated a County on April 17, 2014

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

before the expiration.

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

4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20/14

CNS-2613770#

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

File No. 446785
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: Tax Pros, 38485 Fremont Blvd., #B, Fremont, CA 94536 The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County Clerk's office on 1/14/11 in the County of Alameda. Donna Hanna, 44301 Parkmeadow Dr., Fremont,

CA 94539 This business was conducted by: Individual

S/ Donna Hanna
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 18, 2014.
4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20/14

CNS-2613759#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 490493
Fictitious Business Name(s):
WOWzy Company, 30166 Industrial Pkwy, SW
#135, Hayward, CA 94544, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Richelle Dale Hartwell, 369 Tippe Canoe Ave.,
Hayward, CA 945544.
Brian Thomas Hartwell, 369 Tippe Canoe Ave.,
Hayward, CA 945544.

Brian I nomas Harwell, 369 Tippe Canoe Ave., Hayward, CA 94544. Business conducted by: married couple The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

Is/ Richelle Hartwell, Pincipal
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 17, 2014.

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

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

4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13/14

CNS-2613298#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 489967 Fictitious Business Name(s): Cathy Lin, 559 Enos Street, Fremont, CA 94539, County of Alameda Registrant(s): Lin, Chih-Ling, 559 Enos Street, Fremont, CA

Business conducted by: An Individual
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ Lin, Chin-Ling
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 4, 2014
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

CNS-2611766#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 490211
Fictitious Business Name(s):
The Lil' Genius Kid, 2500 Hansen Rd.,
Hayward, CA 94541, County of Alameda.
38440 Princeton Ter, Fremont, CA
94535Registrant(s):
Kidz Grow Inc., 38440 Princeton Ter, Fremont,
CA 94535, CA
Business conducted by: a corporation.
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.

declare that all information in this statement

N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ Anil K. Gupta, Secretary
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 9, 2014.

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

before the expiration.

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

4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6/14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 489498
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Leisure Health Spa, 1764 Decoto Blvd., Union
City, CA 94587, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):

Registrant(s): Shee Wah Chow, 43988 Rosemere Dr., Fremont, CA 94539

CA 94039
Business conducted by: an individual.
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A declare that all information in this statement

NA.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

Is Shee Wah Chow
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 21, 2014.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 490117
Fictitious Business Name(s):
My Italian Treats, 3340 Coventry Ct., Fremont,
CA 94336, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):

Registrant(s): Sophia Bianco, 3340 Coventry Ct., Fremont, CA 94336. Piero Bianco, 3340 Coventry Ct., Fremont, CA 94336.

94336.
Business conducted by: married couple
The registrant began to transact business us
the fictitious business name(s) listed above
N/A.

N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 8, 2014.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 489489
Fictitious Business Name(s):
EZ Sun Solutions, 37527 Glenmour Dr.,
Fremont, CA 94536, County of Alameda

Wing Keung Lal, 37527 Glenmour Dr., Fremont, CA 94536

Business conducted by: An individual The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

3/20/2014 declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

s/ Wing Keung Lal Isi Wing Keung Lai This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 21, 2014 NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement gener-Section 17920, a lictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

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CNS-2609667#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 489926-927
Fictitious Business Name(s):
1. Hope Enterprise, 2. Hold On Pain Ends, 6351 Thomas Ave., Newark, CA 94560, County of Alameda

Business conducted by: An Individual
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

declare that all information in this statement I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one

thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

Is/ Gaurav Kainth
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 3, 2014

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CNS-2609497#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 489800
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Forced Perspective, 35798 Blair Pl., Fremont,
CA 94536, County of Alameda.
Registrant(s):

Registrant(s): Gabriel Medeiros, 35798 Blair Pl., Fremont, CA Chad Bice, 420 Alberto Way, Los Gatos, CA

SUUSZ Cameron Cross, 2488 Savannah Court, Oakland, CA 94605

CA 94605
Business conducted by: a limited liability partnership
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 3/16/2014
I declare that all information in this statement is the and correct (A registrant who declares

3/16/2014
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
//s/ Gabriel Medeiros
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 1, 2014
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CNS-2609324#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 489709
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Destiny International, 26795 Clarkford St.,
Hayward, CA 94544, County of Alameda
39270 Paseo Padre Pkwy #350, Fremont,
Alameda, CA 94538
Registrant(s):
Innocent Canyiam, 39270 Paseo Padre Pkwy
#350, Fremont, CA 94538
Business conducted by: An Individual
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on
N/A

declare that all information in this statement

N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].) /s/ Innocent Canylam This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 28, 2014
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 489741
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Knack Studio 18, 46539 Mission Blvd.,
Fremont, CA 94539, County of Alameda; 3501
Birchwood Ter Apt 112, Fremont CA 94536;
Alameda

Registrant(s): Hyzo Studio LLC, 3501 Birchwood Ter Apt 112, Fremont CA 94536; California #201404510332 Business conducted by: a limited liability com-

pany
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ Chu Ching Lin, Sole Member Hyzo Studio LLC
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 28, 2014
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 489795

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Mr. Pickles, 33354 Alvarado Niles Rd., Union City, CA 94587. County of Alameda; 23742 Fairlands Rd., Hayward, CA 94541 Registrant(s): Rajesh Naicker, 23742 Fairlands Rd., Hayward, CÁ 94541 Sadhana Naicker, 23742 Fairlands Rd., Hayward,

Business conducted by: Married Couple The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a mis-

demeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

'As Rajesh Naicker
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on April 1, 2014
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 489469 Fictitious Business Name(s): Rosehip Nail Spa, 5174 Mowry Avenue, Fremont, CA 94538, County of Alameda Pacistrant(s): Registrant(s): Nguyen, Hoang Oanh, 39050 Donner Way, Fremont, CA 94538.

Fremont, O. S. Nguyen, Dat Hung, 39050 Donne. CA 94538. Nauven, Minh Hung, 4681 Hedgewick Ave., Fremont,

Thao L, 4681 Hedgewick Ave., Fremont, isiness conducted by: a general partnership

PUBLIC NOTICES

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 01/17/2014.

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I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].

Is/ Hoang Oanh Nguyen, General partner This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 31, 2014.

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CNS-2606479#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 489610
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Corgi Canyon Mining, 42501 Albrae Street,
Suite 210, Fremont, CA 94538, County of
Alameda.
Registrant(s):
Benjamin Castricone, 36955 Nichols Ave.,
Fremont, CA 94536
Business conducted by: an individual.
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on
N/A
I declare that all information in this state.

N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ Benjamin Castricone

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 26, 2014. NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement gener-

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
OF USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME
File No. 460496

The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: Magnafit, 968 Huntington Terr, Fremont, CA 94536
The fictitious business name statement for the Partnership was filed on 01/20/2014 in the County of Alameda.
Abbas S. Sadiq, 968 Huntington Terr, Fremont, CA 94536.
S/ Abbas S. Sadiq
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 24, 2014.
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CNS-2605921#

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DOROTHY LEE REESE CASE NO. RP12644992

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or

both, of: Dorothy Lee Reese A Petition for Probate has been filed by Mark Piccolotti in the Superior Court of

Mark Piccolott in the superior court of California, County of Alameda.

The Petition for Probate requests that Jennifer Keystone be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent start the Independent

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Way, Berkeley, CA 94704-1109. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representa-

letters to a general personal representa-tive, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor.
You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
You may examine the file kept by the court.

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

provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: Teresa L. Green, Cambpell Law Offices, 1970 Broadway, Suite 625, Oakland, CA 94612, Telephone: 510-832-0742 4/22, 4/29, 5/6/14

CNS-2611819#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF WILFORD OLAN REESE CASE NO. RP12644986

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Wilford Olan Reese
A Petition for Probate has been filed by

Mark Piccolotti in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda.

The Petition for Probate requests that

Jennifer Keystone be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

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

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Attorney for Petitioner: Teresa L. Green, Cambpell Law Offices, 1970 Broadway, Suite 625, Oakland, CA 94612, Telephone: 510-832-0742 4/22, 4/29, 5/6/14

CNS-2611818#

City of Hayward seeks applicants for Board, **Commission and Task Force**

SUBMITTED BY FRANK HOLLAND

The City of Hayward is seeking individuals interested in serving Hayward. We currently have openings on the following bodies, which serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council:

Community Services Commission (2 vacancies, 4 potential vacancies) Council Economic Development Committee (1 vacancy, 3 potential vacancies) Downtown Hayward Business Improvement Area Advisory Board (3 vacancies,

1 potential vacancy) Keep Hayward Clean and Green Task Force (KHC>F) (3 vacancies) Library Commission

(2 vacancies)

(3 potential vacancies)

Personnel Commission (1 vacancy, 2 potential vacancies) Planning Commission

Prospective applicants must be registered voters residing within the Hayward city limits. Applicants for the Downtown Business Improvement Area Advisory Board do not need to live in Hayward; however, they must own a business in the Downtown Business Improvement Area of Hayward and pay assessments. Applicants for the Council Economic Development Committee must be residents of Hayward, own/operate a business in Hayward, be senior management at a corporate business in Hayward, or be formally affiliated with and represent another entity or agency concerned with economic development in the City of Hayward.

Individuals appointed to the Planning Commission, Community Services Commission, Council Economic Development Committee, and Keep Hayward Clean and Green Task Force will need to file a Fair Political Practices Commission Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700).

Interested individuals can apply online at www.hayward-ca.gov or obtain applications from the Office of the City Clerk, 777 B Street, Hayward, or call (510) 583-4400.

The application submission deadline is 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 10. Interviews with the City Council are scheduled for Tuesday, July 22. Qualified Keep Hayward Clean and Green Task Force applicants will be required to interview with the Task Force Panel on Wednesday, July 16.

City of Hayward launches crowdfunding campaign

SUBMITTED BY FRANK HOLLAND

The City of Hayward is partnering with Citizinvestor - a crowdfunding and civic engagement platform for local government projects – to empower citizens

to invest in their community. The City has launched its first-ever crowdfunding campaign to raise \$43,200 to expand a program to teach low income and at-risk youth how to fly. The City is partnering with East Bay Aviators, a non-profit located at the Hayward Executive Airport that has proven they can take a teenager from knowing nothing about aviation to obtaining a private pilot's license. Now, the City needs the help of citizens to expand the program to more youth.

Citizens can donate to the project at http://www.citizinvestor.com/project/m otivation-through-aviation but their credit cards will not be charged unless the project reaches 100 percent of its funding goal before the deadline. All donations are tax deductible.

"This initiative is amazing on a number of levels," said Hayward Spokesman Frank Holland. "Most young people and particularly those with limited financial means - would never enjoy this type of opportunity. With this project, we're helping young people to develop a highly marketable skill and providing an incentive for them to build a strong foundation in science, technology, engineering and math."

While budgets in municipalities across the United States have tightened in recent years, Citizinvestor provides an alternative funding source for projects that cities don't have budget for, but for which citizens are clearly passionate. The City of Hayward is the 23rd municipality to crowdfund a project on Citizinvestor.

For more details, please visit http://www.citizinvestor.com/project/m otivation-through-aviation.

Harnessing the wind at the **Tech Challenge**

SUBMITTED BY JULIANA O'BRIEN AND MICHELLE TRAN PHOTOS BY DON FERIA

For 27 years, "The Tech Challenge" held at the Tech Museum of Innovation in San Jose has inspired creativity and equipped students with hands-on experiences in engineering design and real-world







problem solving. This year's event was held on the weekend of April 12 - 13. As the largest team-design competition in the Bay Area, thousands of students put their imaginations to the test.

"One of The Tech's deepest beliefs is that everyone is born to be a problem solver," said Museum President Tim Ritchie. "The Tech Challenge gives partici-

pants an opportunity to experience and show how innovative they can be."

Each year, the annual team design-challenge presents participants with a hands-on project geared to solving a real-world problem. This year's challenge, "Harnessing the Wind," saw students use the power of wind to move water to the people who need it most. Participants revealed their entrepreneurial spirits and tried their hand at utilizing the wind as a plausible solution to lowering the total energy consumption in the moving

and processing of water. The Tech Challenge, a signature program of The Tech, provides months of team learning in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), and reinforces 21st-century skills of creativity, problem solving, design, teamwork, leadership, presentation, risk-taking, perseverance, and learning from failure.

"The ingenuity and commitment exemplified by students at The Tech Challenge is extraordinary," said Jessica Graham, Cisco's Community Relations Manager. "Our Cisco volunteers here today welcome the opportunity to inspire the next generation of innovators."

In all, 1,200 students stepped up to the challenge to use the renewable energy source for this year's competition. Teams competed for several titles ranging from "Most Sustainable" to "Best Engineering Design" to "Best Prototyping." Every participant also received a medal, T-shirt, water bottle, and team photo for their hard work, ingenuity and dedication.

> Winning teams from the Greater Tri-City area: 5th and 6th Grade Division: Best Overall 2nd Place FOuR the WINdz Team # 15 John Sinnott Elementary School (Milpitas Unified)

> > **Judges Choice** Woosh Team # 603 Mission San Jose and **Chadbourne Elementary** (Fremont Unified)

7th and 8th Grade Division **Best Engineering Design Process 1st Place CAT** Team # 619 Homeschoolers of the East Bay

High School Division Best Device Performance 1st Place **Evolutes** Team # 29 Mission San Jose High School (Fremont Unified)

Best Overall 1st Place H2I - Happy to Innovate Team # 72 Fremont Home School Team

For more information, visit: thetech.org

Fast-paced Improv Comedy Show

SUBMITTED BY OHLONE COLLEGE

They say laughter is the best medicine. It can even help you lose a few pounds along the way! How? Well, it's because comedy can be a sport as well.

ComedySportz is the award-winning interactive comedy show where two teams of "act-letes" compete for audience laughs and points while improvising scenes, games, and musicals based on audience suggestions. The teams will be breaking all the rules, so expect nothing but fast and fun improv comedy for all audiences when they take the stage in the Smith Center at Ohlone College on Friday, May 2. This special performance features comedian and traffic news anchor Mike Inouye of NBC's Today in the Bay.

Each ComedySportz show is different. Everyone gets involved as audience members shout out cues to the players that will prompt the next turn of comic events. "The performance you see will never, ever be repeated because everything's made up right there on the spot," said Inouye.



A South Bay native, Inouye serves as NBC's weekday morning traffic anchor. In addition to reporting traffic, Inouye has a passion for live performance. He has appeared in multiple venues including the Comedy Store in Hollywood, and with various clubs and Bay Area theatre companies, including ComedySportz' San Jose chapter, where he performs as a professional improvisational comedian.



No time outs... just a fast-paced improv comedy that pulls you into the action. Bring the entire family, be prepared to laugh out loud, and don't miss the show!

ComedySportz Improv Comedy Friday, May 2 8:30 p.m.
Ohlone College, Smith Center
43600 Mission Blvd, Fremont
Box Office: (510) 659-6031
Online tickets: www.smithcenter.com
\$20 General/ \$18 Senior/ \$15 Student
\$2 Event Parking

Celebrating 20 years of Jazz

PARENTS OF UNIVERSAL PERFORMERS presents May 16, 2014 Fremont Marriot Grand Ballroom Registration & No-Host Bar at 6:30 pm Band starts at 7:00 pm *** Dinner at 7:45 pm *** DANCING SILENT AUCTION RAFFLE BASKETS **ENTERTAINMENT** THREE-COURSE DINNER \$75 General Donations of any amount also are appreciated Please RSVP by April ati Fremont Marriott, A6100 Landing Parkway, Fremont.

SUBMITTED BY SHEFALI SASTRY

Mission San Jose High School's Performing Arts Department hosts its 20th annual Jazz Gala to the theme of "Rhapsody in Blue," Friday, May 16. In celebration of the Gala's 20th anniversary, MSJ High School alumni will make a special appearance and perform alongside the school's award-winning choirs, Jazz Band, Orchestra, and Color Guard.

Guests will be treated to a three-course meal while being entertained by the school's choral and instrumental music groups. Capping the evening, guests are invited to take to the dance floor when the Jazz Band performs. All the while, revelers will have the opportunity to win raffle baskets and bid on a rich variety of collectibles, such as a framed original poster of the Beatle's Candlestick Park concert, and autographed sports memorabilia. Proceeds will be used for development and

renovation of Mission San Jose High School's Arts Department.

The theme revolves around George Gershwin's iconic jazz symphony, "Rhapsody in Blue," and highlights San Francisco's musical landmarks through décor elements.

"Rhapsody in Blue" will take place at the Fremont Marriott. Before May 1, general admission tickets are \$75 per person; \$90 after May 1 (members of MSJ Universal Performers eligible for discount). Tickets can be purchased from www.showtix4u.com or from the MSJ Universal Performers: (510) 668-6077.

Rhapsody in Blue
Friday, May 16
6:30 p.m.
Fremont Marriott
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Mission Valley ROP invests in the future

provided by Mission Valley Regional Occupational Program (MVROP).

MVROP's CTE programs, available to high school teens in the Fremont, New Haven, and Newark school districts, are designed to engage students to start thinking about career interests. "It is a foolproof way for them to find out where they want to be in life," says Allison Aldinger, MVROP's public relations administrator. If that piques your interest, the cost to enroll is also enticing. The cost... nothing! Classes are free for high school students.

Through ten distinct and indemand career pathways, students learn and receive hands-on training by a staff with at least five years industry-specific experience. "Each teacher goes through a two-week 'boot camp' where they actually do every single lesson," Aldinger said. MVROP's programs currently train over 5,000 students in the East Bay.

MVROP adds another dimension to high school student education. It instills a sense of professionalism, provides practical work experience and a chance to explore vocational options. Aldinger says, "We offer the type of relevant and rigorous CTE programs that local schools are unable to offer on their own."

CTE programs work in concert with public school's core curriculum and enable students to gain an advantage in the workplace by becoming familiar with and developing a skill set in high-

demand career fields.

To make sure that training remains relevant to the job market, MVROP constantly reviews training effectiveness by monitoring how it translates to graduate employment and inviting local companies to help develop a relevant and timely curriculum. By investing in the education of MVROP students, local companies are helping themselves, Aldinger says. Fremont-based Tesla Motors, for example, has hired numerous MVROP graduates, as has Lam Research, another Fremont-based company

that designs and manufactures semiconductor equipment.

The future of MVROP is bright. Aldinger says, "We've had a lot of development this year." The school is planning to expand into middle schools and include alternatives for adults on its campus. The MVROP mission statement summarizes:

"relevant career technical education by preparing students for employment and college through industry standard tools, training, and experience."

Some of the more popular pathways at MVROP are Health Service and Medical Technology, and Building and Construction Trades programs. According to Aldinger, the medical programs offer quite a few varieties and are very hands on. "They are taught

caring from head to toe" in a number of disciplines.

The construction program is currently engaged in a unique project –constructing an entire house. They plan to sell it and reinvest any profit back into the program.

Additional programs include: Arts, Media, and Entertainment; Engineering and Architecture; Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation; Information and Communication Technologies; Marketing, Sales, and Service; Public Services; Transportation; and Childcare.

The training center, which began CTE courses in 1969, houses 19 classrooms with four state-of-the-art biotechnology and health services laboratories, six computer labs, an automotive garage, and much more. CTE graduates earn higher wages than others in their demographic; they have more success in career advancement; impressive enrollment rates in post-secondary education; better 12th grade attendance; and improved grade point averages from 10th to 12th grades, according to the Longitudinal Study Report conducted by UC Riverside. This impressive facility isn't the only place students receive training; classes are also held in every high school in the Tri-City region.

MVROP is located at 5019 Stevenson Boulevard in Fremont. For more information, call (510) 657-1865 or visit www.mvrop.org.





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