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DIANE LEYS

"Holiday for the Arts Show & Sale," the 32nd annual cultural gem and shopping extravaganza, opens at the Olive Hyde Art Gallery with a Gala evening on Friday, December 5. Guests will be served gourmet delicacies, wine and beer in the large tent-covered courtyard. The festive activities continue on Saturday, December 6 and Sunday, December 7 with musical entertainment each afternoon.

Olive Hyde Art Gallery & Center will be filled with original one-of-a-kind pieces in ceramics, glass, jewelry, scarves, jackets, hats, art quilts, wood, paintings, sculpture, and holiday items for your viewing and shopping pleasure. Annually, Olive Hyde's Holiday for the Arts strives to present an exciting array of high quality, unique pieces to the Fremont community. Each artist must submit to a judging process in order to have their work selected.

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Holiday for the Arts



Tree Lightings strengthen community bonds

SUBMITTED BY
NEAL GREENBERG

Tree lighting festivities have begun throughout the Greater Tri-City area. Some trees already light the night skies in Niles, Milpitas, Newark but the fun and good cheer of the holiday season is just getting started.

Centerville Business and Community Association (CBCA) brings the holiday spirit to its Fremont district with an annual tree lighting ceremony on Friday, December 5. CBCA has sponsored a variety of tree lighting events over the years and each year since its return to the Depot Café at the train station in 2012, it has grown. As in many districts and communities of the

Greater Tri-City area, tree lighting activities create a bond between local residents and businesses, helping to support each other. CBCA is committed to strengthening the Centerville community; its goal is provide a resource for district citizens and businesses to work with the City of Fremont to realize the vision of a vibrant historical Centerville District.

This year's event at Dale Hardware goes far beyond the tree lighting; activities include games, live music and plenty of free tasty treats. Booths will offer hot chocolate (sponsored by Afana Enterprises), popcorn (Primerica & Tri City Volunteers), candy canes (Diamond in the Rust), promotional mate-

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Ballet Petit's Nutcracker: A Magical Holiday Tradition

SUBMITTED BY
EMMA VICTORIA G. BLANCO

The longest running "Nutcracker" in the East Bay is right in our own backyard. Since 2002, Hayward has been home to Ballet Petit (BP) and as Artistic Director Peggy Peabody, a longtime Hayward resident and teacher, explains, "Hayward is a very diverse city, often referred to as the Heart of the Bay. I like that image. There is a lot of heart in Hayward, just as there is a lot of heart at Ballet Petit. Our surrounding community is able to come together here, from the greater East

Bay, to bring quality and meaningful programs and opportunities to local youth. We don't need to travel out of our own backyard to see wonderful performances."

For the past 36 years, Ballet Petit has showcased high-caliber performances that ensure the core of Tchaikovsky's masterpiece remains intact, yet Peabody enthuses, "[every] year, the new cast makes its own special magic. Each member of the cast adds something special."

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The Importance of Annual Check-Ups for Men

A Checklist to Help Maintain Your Good Health

How often should a man have a comprehensive physical exam? What particular tests should you have? What diseases or conditions can afflict you as you reach certain milestones such as 50 or 65 years of age?

We asked these and other questions to Dr. Michael Parmley, a Washington Township Medical Foundation board-certified Internal Medicine Physician who is also a Primary Care Physician. “The answers typically depend on your age”, Parmley says, “but an annual check-up most often includes a wide variety of screenings.”

Discovering Your Medical History

“For any patient,” he adds, “it’s important to know their particular medical history, even what kinds of food they like to eat. For example, when I was a kid growing up in the San Francisco Bay Area, we were a ‘meat and potatoes’ family. But despite our passion for proteins and carbohydrates, I remember my folks scheduling annual physicals for themselves and their kids. They believed in the importance of frequent screenings to maintain and promote our good health. In fact, when they dragged my siblings and me to their doctor appointments, it helped me discover my love of medicine.”

Today, all doctors agree that it’s more important than ever to have an annual check-up with screenings for various types of diseases, conditions and issues, especially if your family is pre-disposed to diabetes, heart problems, asthma, weight concerns, and more.



Michael Parmley, MD, FACP is a primary care physician with the Washington Township Medical Foundation.

“I can help male patients in a variety of ways,” Parmley concludes. “But first, they have to schedule an initial physical exam so my team can start them on a regular wellness schedule.”

Dr. Parmley recommends the following screenings for these three age groups...

Men 20-50 Years Old

- A complete physical exam with a blood test to check your height, weight and body mass index (BMI) with immunizations as needed: every 1 to 3 years, but annually after age 40
- Blood pressure and blood glucose tests: Every 2 years if normal
- A lipid profile to check your cholesterol and for vascular disease: Every 3 to 5 years if normal

Men, of all ages, should have a medical check-up annually that includes screenings for various types of diseases, conditions and issues. To find a physician or to schedule an appointment with Dr. Parmley, go to www.mywtmf.com.



- A baseline electrocardiogram (ECG): Once by age 40
- A DTaP vaccine (for diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis): Every 10 years
- A flu vaccine: Annually
- An annual dental exam and cleaning, and an eye exam every 1-2 years

Men 50–65 Years Old

- Continue your annual healthy habits from your younger years, but add:
- A colon cancer screening: A stool blood test (FOBT) annually, a flexible sigmoidoscopy every 5 years, or a colonoscopy exam every 10 years
 - A flu vaccine: Annually
 - A shingles shot: After age 60

Men 65 Years Old And Up

- When you reach your “senior” status, continue to schedule all of the other screenings and add:
- An abdominal aortic aneurysm screening for ages 65 – 75
 - A pneumonia vaccine

Learn More

Michael Parmley, M.D., is bi-lingual in English and Spanish; his office accepts most medical insurance plans. For more information about Dr. Parmley or to schedule an annual check-up, call 510-248-1860 or visit www.mywtmf.com. Dr. Parmley’s office is located at the Washington Township Medical Foundation clinic in Newark, 6236 Thornton Avenue, Newark, CA 94560.

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
	12/02/14	12/03/14	12/04/14	12/05/14	12/06/14	12/07/14	12/08/14
12:00 PM 12:00 AM	Diabetes Matters: Diabetes Viewpoint	Do You Have Sinus Problems?	Alzheimer's Disease	Hip Pain in the Young and Middle-Aged Adult	What You Should Know About Carbs and Food Labels	Treating Infection: Learn About Sepsis	Living with Heart Failure
12:30 PM 12:30 AM							
1:00 PM 1:00 AM		Shingles		How to Prevent a Heart Attack	Meatless Mondays	How to Maintain a Healthy Weight: Good Nutrition is Key	Strengthen Your Back! Learn to Improve Your Back Fitness
1:30 PM 1:30 AM	Community Based Senior Supportive Services		Cataracts and Diabetic Eye Conditions		Heel Problems and Treatment Options	Sidelined by Back Pain? Get Back in the Game	
2:00 PM 2:00 AM		Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting November 12th, 2014	Don't Let Back Pain Sideline You	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting November 12th, 2014		Peripheral Vascular Disease: Leg Weakness, Symptoms and Treatment	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting November 12th, 2014
2:30 PM 2:30 AM	Meatless Mondays				How Healthy Are Your Lungs?		
3:00 PM 3:00 AM	Reach Your Goal: Quit Smoking						
3:30 PM 3:30 AM	Radiation Safety Peripheral Vascular Disease: Percutaneous (Under the Skin) Treatment	Skin Cancer	Diabetes Matters: Manage Your Diabetes SMART Goal Setting	Diabetes Matters: Back to the Basic Keys for Success		Inside Washington Hospital: Patient Safety	Important Immunizations for Healthy Adults
4:00 PM 4:00 AM		Treating Infection: Learn About Sepsis			Raising Awareness About Stroke		
4:30 PM 4:30 AM	Hypertension: The Silent Killer		Treatment Options for Knee Problems	Keeping Your Heart on the Right Beat	Minimally Invasive Surgery for Lower Back Disorders	Getting the Most Out of Your Insurance When You Have Diabetes	Community Based Senior Supportive Services
5:00 PM 5:00 AM	Living with Heart Failure	Arthritis: Do I Have One of 100 Types?				Inside Washington Hospital: Stroke Response Team	
5:30 PM 5:30 AM							Reach Your Goal: Quit Smoking
6:00 PM 6:00 AM	Hip Pain in the Young and Middle-Aged Adult	Cataracts and Diabetic Eye Conditions	Do You Have Sinus Problems?	Diabetes Matters: Diabetes Viewpoint	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting November 12th, 2014	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting November 12th, 2014	Peripheral Vascular Disease: Percutaneous (Under the Skin) Treatment
6:30 PM 6:30 AM		Diabetes Matters: Back to the Basic Keys for Success	Strengthen Your Back! Learn to Improve Your Back Fitness	Community Based Senior Supportive Services		Arthritis: Do I Have One of 100 Types?	Meatless Mondays
7:00 PM 7:00 AM	Learn More About Kidney Disease		Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting November 12th, 2014	Living with Heart Failure	Alzheimer's Disease	Do You Have Sinus Problems?	What You Should Know About Carbs and Food Labels
7:30 PM 7:30 AM					Hypertension: The Silent Killer		Diabetes Matters: Diabetes Viewpoint
8:00 PM 8:00 AM	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting November 12th, 2014	What You Should Know About Carbs and Food Labels	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting November 12th, 2014			Hip Pain in the Young and Middle-Aged Adult	
8:30 PM 8:30 AM		Raising Awareness About Stroke	Minimally Invasive Surgery for Lower Back Disorders	Sidelined by Back Pain? Get Back in the Game	Strengthen Your Back! Learn to Improve Your Back Fitness		Diabetes Matters: Back to the Basic Keys for Success
9:00 PM 9:00 AM	Don't Let Back Pain Sideline You	Learn About Nutrition for a Healthy Life	Reach Your Goal: Quit Smoking	Peripheral Vascular Disease: Leg Weakness, Symptoms and Treatment	Treatment Options for Knee Problems	Prostate Health and Prostate Cancer	
9:30 PM 9:30 AM			Peripheral Vascular Disease: Percutaneous (Under the Skin) Treatment				Cataracts and Diabetic Eye Conditions
10:00 PM 10:00 AM	Dietary Treatment to Treat Celiac Disease	Inside Washington Hospital: Patient Safety		Inside Washington Hospital: Stroke Response Team		Skin Cancer	
10:30 PM 10:30 AM							
11:00 PM 11:00 AM							
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Holidays Can Bring Joy & Chaos

Learn About Foods That Can Help You Manage Stress

The holidays are a special time when family and friends get together to enjoy good food and celebrate. But it can also be a stressful time. All the shopping, cooking, decorating, and even socializing can be tiring.

“It’s easy to feel overwhelmed during the holidays,” said Anna Mazzei, a registered dietitian at Washington Hospital. “Part of the stress comes from the feeling of meeting a deadline, getting everything done – the gifts and the food. It’s important not to forgo your health for an imaginary, hyped-up deadline. Remember that it’s really about celebrating, which should be fun.”

Eating right during the holidays can help to support your health during what can be a very busy time, she added. There are a lot of temptations this time of year, so it’s easy to get sidetracked from a healthy diet.

“These temptations are often high-fat foods without much nutrition,” she said. “You may be eating more on the go and consuming unbalanced meals or foods you aren’t used to. Then you throw alcohol into the mix and this can disrupt your health. For example, this can cause digestive upset for some people.”

Mazzei said make your calories count by eating nutrient-dense foods like fruits and vegetables, lean meats, whole grains, and low-fat dairy products. Focus on fruits and vegetables that are in season, she added. These can support your health through the winter months.

Fresh fruits that are in season now include clementines, grapefruit, oranges, pears, persimmons, and apples. In-season vegetables include beets, yams, Brussel sprouts, cabbage, squash, collard greens, and kale.

Many of these seasonal vegetables can be mixed with lean meats to make a nutritious stew or soup. They are easy to prepare and are a nice comfort food on a cold night. Another hearty winter complement could be whole grains, like whole wheat rolls.

Whole grains like oatmeal, brown rice, and quinoa can help to boost serotonin levels, a mood-enhancing chemical in the brain. Whole grains also provide longer lasting energy than processed flours.

She recommended eating fish and seafood in season, which contain heart-healthy omega-3 fatty acids. They also provide a lean source of protein at a time of year when we are surrounded by high-fat proteins like prime rib and heavy cream, she added. This time of year you can enjoy fresh clams, crab, and halibut.



Fresh fruit, such as mandarins, are seasonal fresh fruits that can support your health through the holiday season. Fresh fruit and vegetables can help manage calories and are a simple way to add valuable nutrients to a person’s diet.

Nuts can also be high in omega-3s, including flaxseeds and walnuts. Nuts are a satisfying snack between meals, but Mazzei said grab a bag of pre-proportioned nuts because they are high in fat and calories. Breakfast bars can also be a good energy-booster between meals.

“Junk food can make you feel bad and zap your energy,” she added. “There are so many treats around this time of year, which makes it hard to avoid foods that are high in sugar and other empty calories. But you will feel better if you keep those to a minimum.”

Processed foods, fried foods, and alcohol can cause you to feel tired and lethargic. On the other hand, coffee, energy drinks, sodas, and other caffeinated drinks can make you feel anxious and jittery, which can enhance stress, she

explained. In addition, these drinks are not satisfying and you will end up eating on top of it, which could lead to weight gain.

“The big takeaway for eating this holiday season is to focus on foods that benefit your health rather than harm it,” Mazzei said. “Remember you don’t have to forgo your health to enjoy the holidays. Eat foods that are high in important nutrients and fiber and low in sugar and fat. Stay away from fast food and processed food. Enjoy those tempting desserts and other high-fat foods in moderation. You will feel much better and it will help you start the new year feeling on top, not with a big bottom.”

To learn about nutrition programs at Washington Hospital, visit www.whhs.com/nutrition.

Ask the Doctor

This is an ongoing column in which Dr. Mary Maish answers your health-related questions. Questions for Dr. Maish should be emailed to Ask the Doctor at: askthedoctor@whhs.com

KAMRA Vision Procedure and GERD Surgery Options

Dear Doctor,
I heard about a new procedure that implants a lens in your eye so that you don’t have to wear reading glasses. What can you tell me about this new procedure?

Dear Reader,
There is indeed a new device on the horizon, which obviates the need for reading glasses, but the FDA has not yet approved it. The corneal inlay, called KAMRA, is a flexible doughnut-shaped ring that is surgically inserted into the eye and creates a sort of artificial pupil.

Dear Doctor,
I have GERD and was given the choice of doing a wrap or a new device called the LINX ring. Do you have any advice on which way to go?

Dear Reader,
The traditional surgery for people with GERD is a fundoplication or wrap of the stomach around the bottom portion of the esophagus. There is a new FDA approved device called the LINX, which is a magnetic beaded bracelet that is placed around the bottom of the esophagus. Although new on the market, the LINX has proven just as effective as the traditional option and is now available at Washington Hospital.

Mary S. Maish, M.D



Dr. Maish is a board certified thoracic and general surgeon. She holds a Master’s degree from Harvard University and completed her thoracic surgery training at Baylor/MD Anderson in Houston, Texas. Dr. Maish currently serves as the Chief of Thoracic and Foregut Surgery at Washington Township Medical Foundation and is on the Medical Staff at Washington Hospital.



Holiday Massage Specials



Escape the chaos of the holidays by taking a break and focusing on you. Schedule a 50 minute massage for yourself. Massage options: swedish, therapeutic, deep tissue or sports.

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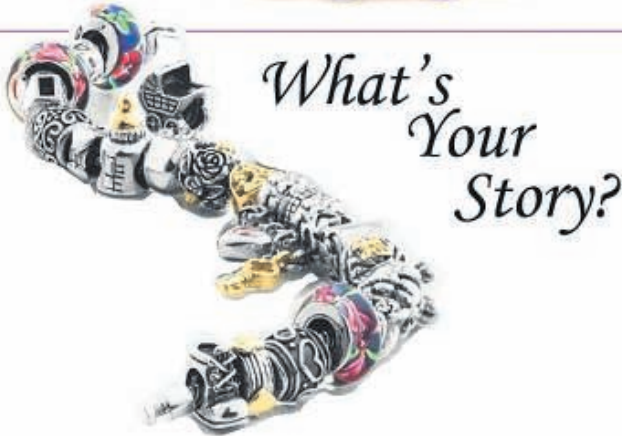
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Every year, in December, Ardenwood Historic Farm is transformed. Christmas cheer is infused throughout the park as a warm welcome invites guests to enjoy an old fashioned family-friendly holiday celebration. "Christmas at Ardenwood," celebrated on Saturday, December 6 and Sunday, December 7 features unique, Victorian-style activities with

the historic Patterson House serving as a backdrop. Visit Father Christmas, find the Yule log, listen to live music, enjoy a puppet show, and create holiday crafts.

Early birds can bring your families to enjoy holiday spirit by visiting "Christmas Open House" on Friday, December 12; an opportunity to see the Patterson House fully decorated for the holidays while listening to live music.

Christmas Open House

Friday, Dec 12

5 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.

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Saturday, Dec 6 & Sunday, Dec 7

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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*Celebrate the Holiday Season
Victorian style*

Holiday Crime Prevention meeting

SUBMITTED BY FREMONT PD

Fremont Police Detectives want to help ensure that you have a happy holiday season. To help make this possible, they are hosting a community crime prevention meeting on Thursday, December 4 at the California School for the Deaf Klooping Theater.

The meeting will focus on the following crime tips and trends:

- residential burglary prevention
- front porch package thefts
- chain snatch robberies
- holiday shopping safety
- auto burglary prevention
- scams, scams and more scams

Park in the front lot and walk through the campus to the theater. We hope to see you there!

Holiday Crime Prevention Meeting

Thursday, Dec 4

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SUBMITTED BY BRIAN KILLGORE

The Fremont Unified School District (FUSD) Board of Education started its November 12 meeting with a Resolution honoring Parkmont Elementary School Custodian, Jeff Sanchez, who performed the Heimlich maneuver and saved a choking student on October 23.

Jumpstart your Holiday shopping

SUBMITTED BY
ODETTE ARANZAMENDEZ

Come and share a little jingle with St. Rose Hospital Foundation on Sunday, December 7, at Macy's in Walnut Creek for an incredible holiday shopping experience at our Jingle Bell Shop! Take advantage of an early admittance to the store to jumpstart your holiday shopping this year.

For only \$20 per person, your day will also include a continental breakfast, a fashion show, a photo-op with Santa Claus, a discount card, a chance to enter a drawing, and more in-store hap-

penings. For tickets or more information, give us a jingle at (510) 264-4007 or at oaranzamendez@srhca.org. Visit www.stroshospital.org/foundation to purchase your tickets.

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Join Drivers for Survivors for a Holiday Party

SUBMITTED BY DRIVERS
FOR SURVIVORS

Please join the Board of Directors for Drivers for Survivors (DFS) as we kick off the holiday season at the "3rd Annual Holiday House Party" on Friday, December 12, with wine, hors d'oeuvres, dessert, fine dining drawings, and holiday cheer!

DFS, a nonprofit organization serving Fremont, Newark and Union City, is dedicated to providing free transportation services and supportive companionship during treatments for ambulatory cancer patients living in the Tri-City area.

DFS is currently recruiting volunteer drivers with a 5-year good driving record and is seeking to raise funds to support operational expenses. Driver companions are thoughtfully selected to match the patient's interests and needs. And,

through conversation and friendship, a driver companion also provides what our training physician describes as a "therapeutic presence" to lift the spirits of cancer patients.

Please RSVP by Monday, December 8 to events@driversforsurvivors.org to join our holiday party. Fremont address will be provided upon RSVP. Minimum donation of \$35 per person is requested and appreciated.

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House Party**

Friday, Dec 12

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Issues:What Does Housing Density Mean?

When people say a housing development is too dense, what does that mean? Does it mean there are too many houses or that the buildings are too tall or too close together?

Everyone probably has their own list of factors that make a project too dense. When the City of Fremont reviews density, some of those may apply, and others may not.

Determining Density

In general terms, the residential density specifies the number of houses, condos, apartments, or other dwelling units that can be built on a piece of land. This is determined by the land use designation in the Fremont General Plan. Residential areas are designated as hillside, low, low-medium, medium, and urban density.

For each designation, there is a range of allowable density. For example, low density allows 2.3 to 8.7 dwelling units per net acre (du/ac) and medium density allows 14.6 to 29.9 du/ac. Certain special areas are assigned an urban density, which allows 30.0 to 70.0 du/ac.

To calculate the actual density for a specific development, the acreage of non-buildable areas such as streets and utility easements is subtracted from the total acreage of the property to determine the net acreage. The total number of dwelling units is then divided by the net acreage to get the net density.

Planned Districts Allow Flexibility

Most residential developments are planned districts. A planned district allows the developer to vary the lot sizes and locations of the dwellings in return for adding certain amenities that would not be possible with a more rigid layout. Sometimes this can affect the way the development looks.

One example is adding a common open space, such as a tot lot or a landscaped area, by reducing the lot sizes for some of the dwellings. This can make one area of dwellings more dense than another. The city will usually allow this as long as the overall net density for the property does not exceed the maximum allowable.

Another example is when affordable housing units are incorporated into the planned district. In those cases, the city may allow the developer to increase the overall net density of the development under certain conditions.

Some Things Do Not Apply

Some factors do not apply to density. The number of stories in a dwelling is one of them.

Within each land use designation there are various zoning factors that may limit the building height. As long as the dwellings are below that height, a development of one-story houses and another one with the same number of three-story houses on the same size lot are considered to have the same density, despite the fact that three-story houses look more dense.

Architecture is another factor that does not apply directly, but has generated a lot of concern. Long rows of three-story townhouses with full upper floors can produce a top-heavy look that makes the entire development appear too massive, even though the calculations indicate the density is acceptable. In some cases, changing the building configuration or placement may be desirable.

And finally, the impact on school attendance and water supply are not factors as long as the proposed density is consistent with the General Plan. However, if a project is very large, or the developer asks for a General Plan Amendment to increase the density, that may require further review and approval.

Dealing with Density

As Fremont moves towards its stated goal of becoming more urbanized, the issue of density will become more important. The shape of our city in the future depends on decisions being made today. Fremont will be a better place to live if everyone gets involved now.

Anyone concerned with the general trend to urbanization and higher density developments should let the city know, before more developments are approved. You should send a letter or email directly to the planning department, the planning commission, and the city council.

Anyone concerned with the number of dwelling units, height, massing, building placement, or other factors associated with a specific development should express those concerns directly to the developer at a community outreach meeting. You should also ask that the city planner assigned to the project work with the developer to make changes. You may not get everything you ask for, but you won't get anything unless you ask.

Other issues regarding architecture, massing, and the impact of new housing on traffic, schools, and water supplies will be discussed in future articles.

For information about proposed residential developments and City of Fremont contacts, go to: www.ShapeOurFremont.com

A Time FUR Love

SUBMITTED BY HAYWARD PD

Join us at the Hayward Area Historical Society for an evening of fun as we celebrate some of our favorite animal friends with the Hayward community. See how staff and volunteers at the Hayward Animal Shelter are working hard to adopt out as many homeless pets as possible through humorous and sentimental seasonal portraits designed to help people like you find the true love of a furry friend.

Meet the photographers who will be sharing their experiences on working with models that don't always cooperate. Enjoy the peaceful sounds coming from the violin being played by ten year old Andrew, featured in the Hayward Animal Shelter Volunteers' upcoming newsletter. He began playing his violin to raise money for our homeless pets when he was just seven.

A Time Fur Love
Thursday, Dec 4
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

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Toyota, tire maker Toyo issue safety recalls

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LOS ANGELES (AP), Toyota is recalling about 30,000 Sienna Minivans worldwide, saying the 2015 models' overhead assist grips can detach when an air bag deploys.

The automaker says that the grips, which are mounted to the minivans' roof rails, could detach from the mounting bracket under some conditions, potentially injuring passengers.

Toyota says it's not aware of any injuries or fatalities caused by the problem.

Dealers will modify the headliner under the second row overhead assist grips at no cost to owners.

Separately, Toyo Tire Holdings of Americas is recalling some of its Open Country Tuff Duty and Nitto Dura Grappler tires due to potential tread separation.

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Sealana elected as president of Alameda County Fair Board

SUBMITTED BY ANGEL MOORE

On November 5, 2014, Dr. Richard Sealana was elected President of the Alameda County Fair Board. Dr. Sealana has served on the Alameda County Fair board of directors for ten years. For the past four years, he has chaired the Fair Operations Committee that guides policy for the annual fair. Sealana works for the City of Union City as the Superintendent of Public Works. He also serves as Chairman, of the Board of Directors, ABAG Public Owned Energy Resources, Adjunct Professor at the University of Phoenix, and a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for the Alameda County CASA program. Sealana holds an MBA from St. Mary's College and a doctorate (Ed.D.) in Leadership Studies from the University of San Francisco.

Sealana envisions the fairgrounds becoming a major exposition destination in the years to come. He plans to see the fairgrounds become a significant venue for year-round educational activities that involve youth, a model for environmental sustainability, and an important disaster relief staging area.



Visit the Fair's website at www.AlamedaCountyFair.com or call (925) 426-7600 for more information.

Rowell Ranch Rodeo retains its Western tradition

BY MARIA MANIEGO

On Monday, November 24, 2014, Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (HARD) Board of Directors faced a tough decision involving Rowell Ranch Rodeo, an annual rodeo event held in Castro Valley in May. In the aftermath of the 2014 Rowell Ranch Rodeo event, in which a cow had to be euthanized, animal-welfare advocate Eric Mills sought to remove wild cow milking and two other contests—mutton busting and goat tying. HARD Board of Directors, however, voted to keep all three events, as well as the use of electric prods, which was also in question.

In May 2014, a cow jumped over a fence and was injured during a wild cow milking contest. Mills, on behalf of Action for Animals in Oakland, asked the HARD Board to eliminate wild cow milking and mutton busting, both non-sanctioned events by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA); mutton busting has not been part of the annual event in the last few years. He also asked to limit goat tying to twice instead of five times and stop the use of electric prods in holding chutes. He garnered support from various groups: East Bay Society for the Protection of Cruelty to Animals, Hayward Friends of Animals, Ohlone Humane Society, and Humane Society of Silicon Valley among others.

However, Monday night's meeting at the HARD board room was also well-attended by Rowell Ranch Rodeo supporters including Rowell Ranch Board of Directors Russ Fields, Bud Critzer, and Janet Lemmons. Many supporters asked the board to "preserve the Western lifestyle."

Lemmons stated that it [cow euthanized] was the first known incident in the 94 years of the

event. Under state law, a veterinarian is required to be on site at all rodeo and rodeo-related activities, and report any injury to the state Veterinary Medical Board within 48 hours after the event. According to Lemmons, the Rowell Ranch Board acknowledged that the incident was not reported in a timely manner. With all documents ready for submission, the Board had difficulty contacting the Veterinary Medical Board due to changing contact information, she stated.

The use of electric prods was also questioned by Mills, stating that "I've never seen the need for the use of electric prods to help either the animals or public safety." Electric prods were banned for about 20 years and reinstated in 2008 strictly for emergency purposes. During the meeting, Fields stressed that the electric prod is merely a tool and is not used on a regular basis. Lemmons also adds that it is used for livestock and not merely used for horses as implied, and only if cowboys and/or animals are in jeopardy. "I would never use it on a hog," she said.

"[It's] all about education and listening to what others have to say... You're concerned with the Rowell Ranch Rodeo; then come to the Rowell Ranch Rodeo. We'll explain everything to you. We have no problem showing you exactly what we do," Lemmons said.

"Animals do not choose to do this. This is not a sport. A sport is equally matched contestants who are there by choice," said Mills. Those in support of Mills spoke about "progressive change" in defense, stressing that they do not want to get rid of the rodeo in its entirety.

Rodeo grounds are owned by HARD; the meeting concluded with four of five HARD Board members voting to keep the current policies in place.

Brain-waves campaign kicks off

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A LITTLE SOMETHING ON THE SIDE

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has finalized rules that require that all passenger cars produced after mid-2018 be outfitted with rear-view cameras. Now, one major manufacturer of electric vehicles and the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers are looking to go to even greater lengths. They filed a petition with the NHTSA to remove side mirrors and replace them with cameras. The idea behind this move would be to provide a more comprehensive picture of what is happening to the vehicle's side and rear as well as to improve fuel efficiency. Side mirrors create drag that impedes a vehicle's progress through the air. Smaller and more aerody-

namic side cameras slice through the air more readily. Whether you have a cutting-edge car with rear- and side-view cameras or you rely on an old-fashioned mirror, your car still needs regular maintenance. Besides a thoughtful driver, the most important part of road safety is a well functioning car. At **BAY STAR AUTO CARE**, our technicians can provide preventive care that your car needs to catch small problems before they turn into big safety risks. If you would like an appointment, please call our office right away.
HINT: During the 1990s, the U.S. Department of Energy worked with automakers to produce energy-efficient concept cars with cameras instead of side-view mirrors.

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Ohlone Humane Society

Signs

By NANCY LYON

The signs are all there... the temperature is dropping, the winds picking up, and the heavy rain that made our roof leak. Even with these uncomfortable aspects of the changing weather, most of us are lucky enough to have a roof over our heads but what of those who don't? Our fur friends are among those that need special consideration if they are to make it through the coming winter hardships.

Remember dogs and cats are social animals who crave human companionship. Your animal companions deserve to live indoors with you and your family. Unfortunately, many animals aren't allowed to share the warmth and safety of the family home. It is one of the saddest things we encounter when dogs, cats and other animal companions are denied this fundamental physical and emotional need.

No matter the temperature, the wind chill factor on blustery days can put them at risk of hypothermia and a sudden hard cold snap can put their lives in jeopardy. In a very short period of time, sharp changes in temperature can cause frostbite to exposed skin with permanent damage to ears, noses, and paw pads. Most at risk are short-coated, senior or very young dogs, cats and other small animals, "pets" that should never be left outdoors without supervision in severe weather.

If your work or living situation makes it necessary for your dog or cat to be outside until you return, then he or she needs protection in a dry, draft-free shelter. It needs to be large enough to ensure that they can sit and lie down with comfort yet snug enough to hold in body heat. It's recommended that the floor be raised a few inches off the ground

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and covered with cedar shavings. The house should be turned to face away from the wind, and the doorway should be covered with waterproof burlap or heavy plastic. Using a blanket may wick moisture into the shelter making it more like a refrigerator than a sanctuary.

Earlier this year during a cold snap, a disabled man asked OHS for financial aid through our Special Assistance program to help save the life of a homeless kitten that was severely injured while seeking warmth in the wheel well of his car. When the ignition was turned on, the results were predictably horrific. Young "Purelli's" life was saved but his mangled leg had to be amputated; he is now a tri-pod kitty and a permanent member of the man's family. Not all heat-seeking animals are fortunate enough to survive, too many situations like this end tragically. In cold weather, always bang on the hood of your car before starting the engine this could save the life of a cat or wild animal.

There are other animals at risk, and we've all seen them trying to stay out of human sight, quietly trying to survive the hardships of weather. They are our community cats... some abandoned or allowed to free-roam by their "guardians," some lost and homeless. Quite a number are their off-spring, born to become feral... the untouchables of the feline world. No matter how society views them, while they may be resourceful, community cats still need our help to survive the winter.

What can you do if you encounter a companion animal left in the cold without adequate shelter? The Humane Society of the United States recommends that you document what you see: exact location and type of animal, plus as many details as possible about the situation. Video and photographic documentation (even a cell phone photo) will help bolster your case. Then contact your local animal services agency or county sheriff's office and present your evidence. Take detailed notes regarding whom you speak with and when. Respectfully follow up in a few days if the situation does not appear to be remedied.

This coming winter could be a tough one for companion animals, wildlife and humans alike. The following are links that will provide information and remedies for weather related hazards and services for those in need:

Companion Animals:
http://www.humanesociety.org/animals/resources/tips/protect_pets_winter.html

Community Cats:
http://www.humanesociety.org/issues/feral_cats/tips/caring_feral_cats_winter.html

Wildlife: www.humanesociety.org/animals/.../helping_wildlife_winter.html

Human Services: www.homelessshelterdirectory.org › California Homeless Shelters

Step into the holidays with

A Wonderful Night

SUBMITTED BY ANGELE SWEET

Join the San Leandro Downtown Association for an evening of family fun at the annual "It's a Wonderful Night." Attendees will be delighted by the popular horse and carriage rides, and children will enjoy photos with Santa and taking part in many free craft activities. The Holiday Stage will host local dance groups and caroling, and non-profit organizations will be selling various items; purchase mistletoe from the Boy Scouts or warm up with a scarf from the San Leandro High School Cheer Squad.

Two holiday movies and the Just Dance video game dance along will be playing on FunFlicks giant video screens, while new addition Prescott Circus will have their stilt-walking and clown performers roaming around the event. Donate a toy at the Toys

for Tots collection where Marines in dress uniform (and possibly their hummer) await to thank you for your contribution with free hot popcorn.

Downtown San Leandro has many independently-owned restaurants on East 14th, from Japanese and Chinese food to Mexican, Greek-Italian and Vietnamese, as well as a recently opened Habit Burger Grill. So come down for dinner and then go to the festival for some holiday cheer!

It's a Wonderful Night
Friday, Dec 5
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Joaquin Plaza
Joaquin Ave between Washington Blvd and East 14th St, San Leandro
www.sanleandrodowntownassociation.org
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Ashland Holiday Party for those in need

SUBMITTED BY HARD

Do you have children and need some help this holiday season? Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (HARD), in collaboration with Volunteer Hayward, will host a holiday party for families in need. Children will enjoy a story, have a snack, receive a toy, and visit with Santa. Pre-registration is required at the Ashland Community Center. The event is for families with children ages 12 years or younger. Child must be present to receive gift. Limited to the first 200 children registered.

Ashland Annual Holiday Party
Wednesday, Dec 17
2 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Ashland Community Center
1530 167th Ave, San Leandro
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www.haywardrec.org

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

HARD of Hearing

In his latest book, "The Meaning of Human Existence," famed biologist E.O. Wilson posits that mankind is "innately dysfunctional." The 11/24 rodeo hearing of the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (HARD) confirmed that.

At this year's Rowell Ranch rodeo an abused and stressed-out cow jumped the fence and broke her neck in the non-sanctioned and nonsensical "wild cow milking contest," leaving an orphaned calf. (One speaker alleged that the cow was "suicidal"!) Common sense demands that this event be banned—it is dangerous for cows and cowboys alike. Support mail is running 10:1. HARD has received letters from the East Bay SPCA, Ohlone, Marin and Santa Clara humane societies, veterinarians, a child psychologist, a minister and hundreds of individuals—all falling on deaf ears. HARD of hearing?

Four board members, shamefully, chose to sit in stony silence before the vote (Carol Pereira, presi-

dent; Paul Hodges, Dennis Waespi, Louis Andrade). Only board member Minane Jameson voiced her concerns about the issues at hand ("wild cow milking," "mutton busting," "goat tying," use of electric prods), bringing to mind a quote from Dr. Martin Luther King: "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." Silence is NOT golden.

Ironically, while HARD endorses electric prods and animal abuse, the Oakland City Council is about to ban the use of bull hooks on circus elephants. Go figure.

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ACWD Board workshop

SUBMITTED BY SHARENE GONZALES

The Alameda County Water District (ACWD) Board of Directors will be conducting a workshop on Monday, December 8, at the ACWD Headquarters in Fremont to discuss 2015 financial planning, rate design, rates and charges, and the drought surcharge. The discussions will help to determine the nature of any changes to the rate structure, rates, and charges that will be proposed for 2015, but no

action will be taken at the workshop. All interested members of the public are encouraged to attend.

ACWD Board Workshop
Monday, Dec 8
5:30 p.m.
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Holiday Concert

SUBMITTED BY BOB MILLER

The Morrisson Theatre Chorus, under the musical direction of Cesar Cancino, will present its "Holiday Concert: Special Songs for a Special Time of the Year" December 11 through 14. The Holiday Concert will feature a selection of sacred classical works, popular holiday songs, gospel and spiritual selections, as well as audience sing-a-long pieces.

Music director Cesar Cancino enjoys a musically diverse career as pianist, musical director and conductor. He attended the San Francisco Conservatory of Music and then studied piano with Alain Naude, a pupil of the great Dinu Lipatti. For many years he was the musical director/pianist for Teatro Zinzanni in San Francisco and for several years he toured with singer/songwriter Joan Baez as her musical director and pianist.

Most recently, he was the musical director/pianist for "Life Without Makeup," a play starting the legendary Rita Moreno at the Berkeley Repertory Theatre. He is also a recipient of the Bay Area Theatre Critics Circle award for "Outstanding Musical Director." Cancino has performed throughout North America, Europe and Australia.

Tickets for the Holiday Concert are \$18 for adults, \$15 seniors, and \$12 for junior/students.

Holiday Concert
Thursday, Dec 11 – Sunday, Dec 14
8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.
Douglas Morrisson Theatre
22311 N. Third St, Hayward
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www.dmtonline.org
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Construction and BART parking closure delayed

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF SAN LEANDRO

BRIDGE Housing Corporation, the nonprofit housing developer of the Cornerstone Apartments to be constructed on the existing BART parking lot east of San Leandro Boulevard, has delayed start of construction to Monday, December 8. For additional information, please contact Tom Liao, Deputy Community Development Director, at (510) 577-6003 or tliao@sanleandro.org.

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BUSINESS

OPEC decision still reverberating round markets

BY PAN PYLAS
AP BUSINESS WRITER

LONDON (AP) — Oil stocks weighed on markets around the world Friday as crude prices hovered around four year lows in the wake of OPEC's decision to keep production steady.

KEEPING SCORE: In Europe, France's CAC 40 was down 0.3 percent at 4,370 while Germany's DAX fell the same rate to 9,943. The FTSE 100 index of leading British shares was 0.4 percent lower at 6,698. Wall Street, which was closed Thursday for the Thanksgiving holiday, is poised for a steady open with both Dow futures and the broader S&P futures down 0.1 percent. Trading in the U.S. is expected to be modest given that markets are only open for half a day.

OIL PRICE SLUMP: The main catalyst in markets remains Thursday's decision by the OPEC oil cartel to maintain production at 30 million barrels a day despite global oversupply, as the Saudis and their Gulf allies hope to pressure rival producers in the U.S. The move, though widely anticipated, hit oil prices hard as traders anticipated supply levels at their current rates at least for a few months yet. The international oil standard, Brent, was up 0.2 percent at \$72.72 a barrel while the benchmark New York rate slid 6.6 percent to \$68.99 — the divergence is due to the fact that U.S. markets were physically closed Thursday.

RELATED STOCKS HIT: Oil-related stocks were the big losers following the slide in crude prices. In Asia, Chinese state owned oil giant CNOOC, the country's biggest crude producer, plunged 5.5 percent and PetroChina slid 3.3 percent. In Europe, stocks, which had already dived on Thursday, faced further selling pressure. Royal Dutch Shell was down another 2.1 percent while Total fell a further 3.1 percent.

IT'S NOT ALL GLOOM: Not everyone was a loser though. Many companies stand to gain from lower oil prices as they can reduce their input costs and help drive up general economic activity. Airlines, for example, stand to prosper from lower oil prices. Shares in Air France-KLM, for example, were up 4.3 percent, while those in Germany's Lufthansa saw its stock spike 3.2 percent.

ANALYST TAKE: "The template for equity markets today has been clear from the beginning," said Alastair McCaig, market analyst at IG. "Oil and energy manufacturers are down, while those companies that are oil consumers are up."

EURO HOLDS FIRM: In Europe, there was also interest in figures showing inflation across the 18-country eurozone slipped to 0.3 percent in the year to November from 0.4 percent the month before. However, the decline had little impact on trading as it was anticipated and the euro was up 0.1 percent at \$1.2481. Fears that the eurozone will start to see falling prices, so-called deflation, have heaped pressure on the euro as traders price in a growing likelihood that the European Central Bank will back a bond-buying program on the lines of the one the Federal Reserve recently brought to an end.

BLACK FRIDAY FOCUS: In the U.S., traders will be monitoring early signals from stores around the country as consumers head out for potential bargains in the traditional Black Friday discounts. Based on early reads, the crowds were thin early Friday morning in parts of the country, but traffic is expected to pick up throughout the day.

ASIA'S DAY: Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 index rose 1.2 percent to close at 17,459.85 while South Korea's Kospi slipped 0.1 percent to 1,980.78. Hong Kong's Hang Seng edged 0.1 percent lower to 23,987.45 while in mainland China the Shanghai Composite Index gained 2 percent to 2,682.83. Australia's S&P/ASX 200 tumbled 1.6 percent to 5,313.00.

JAPAN DATA: A raft of data releases gave mixed signs about the state of Asia's second biggest economy but the Nikkei surged nonetheless, a sign investors think further stimulus efforts are likely after the upcoming election. Inflation edged lower while industrial output edged up from the month before and unemployment eased slightly. The yen weakened further, with the dollar trading 0.5 percent higher at 118.24 yen.

PG&E fined for gas explosion

SUBMITTED BY DOUG SCHMITZ

Officials for the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea (Carmel) applauded the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) on December 21, 2014 for levying a \$10.85 million fine against Pacific Gas & Electric Co (PG&E) for a natural gas explosion that leveled a home, and said they are optimistic that a CPUC investigation into possible violations of federal safety rules will result in a safer pipeline system locally and across the state.

"Carmel formally asked the CPUC to begin an investigation in to what we believe to be serious violations of public safety as a result of PG&E's gross negligence," said Carmel Mayor James Burnett. "The launch of this investigation by the CPUC is a very positive step forward for the safety of all PG&E pipelines. I'm pleased that the CPUC agrees with our conclusion that this terrible explosion may have been the result of significant wrongdoing by PG&E."

The PG&E natural gas pipeline explosion occurred in Carmel on March 3, 2014, destroying an unoccupied home at Guadalupe Street and Third Avenue and damaging three nearby residences. There were no injuries.

A federal grand jury is investigating PG&E for possible criminal violations, according to news reports, although Carmel officials said they had no additional information about the federal investigation.

Following the explosion, city officials wrote a letter to the CPUC requesting an investigation into what they believed to be significant negligence by PG&E that had contributed to the blast.

"Under its franchise and police powers, city officials in Carmel have a solemn duty to protect the health and welfare of city residents, businesses and visitors . . . This explosion could easily have killed and seriously injured people and whether PG&E violated the law should not be ignored," wrote Mayor Burnett in an August 2014 letter to the CPUC. "It is clear from the preliminary investigations that PG&E still doesn't know what is in the ground in Carmel and elsewhere."

Earlier this week, the CPUC finally took action, levying a \$10.85 million fine against PG&E for "the utility's failure to take the necessary steps to make safe the area in Carmel-by-the-Sea where planned work was underway on March 3, 2014, and failure to adequately equip the construction crew with the tools necessary to stop the uncontrolled flow of natural gas, leading to the explosion of an unoccupied home," according to a Nov. 20 statement issued by the CPUC.

The CPUC's five-member commission also voted to open a formal investigation and penalty case to determine whether PG&E's recordkeeping practices had violated the federal Pipeline Safety Act. The investigation and proceedings in Carmel will be similar to the CPUC proceedings following the PG&E gas line explosion in the City of San Bruno that killed eight residents. PG&E is now facing penalties and fines of \$1.4 billion for safety violations that contributed to the San Bruno explosion.

The Carmel investigation will include a review of possible recordkeeping and mapping issues in Castro Valley, Milpitas, Morgan Hill, and Mountain View. Evidentiary hearings will be held to determine whether PG&E violated the law and what penalties and remedies PG&E will face as a result.

Mayor Burnett said he's hopeful that the investigation will motivate PG&E to clean up its records and safety practices going forward.

"Following a detailed review of this incident, it became clear to the City of Carmel that significant oversights by PG&E had occurred," Mayor Burnett said. "We're hopeful that at the end of this process, PG&E will oversee an improved system so that communities across California can feel secure in knowing that their pipelines are safe."

Twitter now tracks other apps you've installed

AP WIRE SERVICE

NEW YORK (AP) — Twitter said it is now tracking what other apps its users have installed on their mobile devices so it can target content and ads to them better.

Twitter Inc. said Wednesday that users will receive a notification when the setting is turned on and can opt out using settings on their phones. On iPhones, this setting is called "limit ad tracking." On Android phones, it's "opt out of interest-based ads."

San Francisco-based Twitter said it is only collecting the list of apps that users have installed, not any data within the apps. It won't collect the app lists from people who have previously turned off ad targeting on their phones.

Besides advertising, Twitter said knowing what apps people have downloaded can improve its suggestions on what accounts to follow and add relevant content to their feeds that isn't advertising.

A recent Pew Research Center poll found that people sometimes have conflicting views on privacy. About 80 percent of Americans who use social networking sites are concerned about third parties, such as advertisers, accessing data that they share on the sites, according to the poll. At the same time, most are willing to share some information about themselves in exchange for using such services for free.

Online, how to opt out: <http://bit.ly/11V3yJq>

California accuses BP of inflating gas contract

BY ELLEN KNICKMEYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO (AP), BP and its traders routinely manipulated prices to overcharge California as much as \$300 million when it sold natural gas to the state, California and a fired BP employee allege in a lawsuit against the British energy company.

The BP employee, who had helped administer \$2 billion in exclusive gas contracts with California, filed the case as a whistleblower, and it was kept under seal

while California Attorney General Kamala Harris decided whether to join the litigation.

Harris' office notified a San Francisco court this month that the state would join the case, and Judge Ernest Goldsmith made the lawsuit public in an order Wednesday.

For the past decade, California's Department of General Services entered into exclusive contracts with BP PLC to provide natural gas for state entities in hopes of locking in a reasonable and stable price, the lawsuit says. Instead, the state alleges, BP

sellers routinely sold natural gas to the state at a price well above market price, and BP reaped a profit margin that typically was at least three times what was set in the contract.

Through the overcharges, BP "made more of a profit margin off California than any other customer," Niall McCarthy, a San Francisco attorney representing state agencies in the civil lawsuit, said Thursday.

BP called the allegations in the lawsuit "meritless."

The case was originally

brought by Christopher Schroen, who handled the natural gas sales to California for BP from 2004 until he was fired in 2012, when the high costs of the contract were coming under scrutiny, the lawsuit alleges.

Schroen alleges senior BP managers oversaw and approved the overcharges, including signing off daily on profit margins higher than those set in the contract.

In an email, David Beltran, an attorney general spokesman, said the state was intervening in the case "to secure accountability and

protect California taxpayers."

The lawsuit states that some of the BP contracts run through 2017, and McCarthy, the private attorney, said some state bodies have renewed the contracts despite the lawsuit alleging routine overcharging.

A spokesman for California's Department of General Services said he could not immediately speak regarding the contracts or legal case.

BP shares fell 51 cents, or 1.2 percent, to close at \$40.67 Thursday. They were down another 5 cents in afterhours trading.

Koch starts tender offer for Oplink transaction

AP WIRE SERVICE

WICHITA, Kan. (AP), A subsidiary of Koch Industries Inc. has started its tender offer tied to its approximately \$445 million acquisition of optical network device company Oplink Communications Inc.

The deal between Koch Optics Inc. and Oplink was announced last week. At that time it was said that Koch Optics would start a tender offer for all of Oplink's outstanding stock for \$24.25 per share.

Both companies' boards approved the transaction.

Oplink will be managed by electronic components company Molex, which is a Koch Industries subsidiary.

The tender offer is set to expire on Dec. 22, unless extended.

Koch Industries, based in Wichita, Kansas, owns companies in various industries such as chemicals, refining, forest and consumer products, fertilizers, electronic components, minerals and energy.

Oplink is based in Fremont, California.

Hayward Education Foundation Awards Teacher Grants

SUBMITTED BY BRUCE ROBERTS

In its thirty-one year history, the Hayward Education Foundation (HEF) has given nearly one million dollars in grants to Hayward teachers. Grants totaling \$23,000 were recently approved by the HEF Board of Directors to 38 different classroom teachers, in schools ranging from high school, to middle school, to elementary. And these aren't just public schools, as private schools are also able to apply. Education subjects funded covered a wide range: science, math, reading, art, physical education and gardening were all covered in H.E.F.'s spectacular grant program.

In these days of shrinking school budgets, every teacher can think of something extra that would enhance the educational experience for students. Thus, when Melanie Buntichai, art teacher at Bret Hart Middle School, a school that hasn't had art in 12 years, wants materials so that her students can learn to make Alebrije—miniature, brightly colored folk art animal sculptures associated with Day of the Dead—an H.E.F. grant can supply them.

When Barbara Kreiss at Longwood Elementary so eloquently speaks of the overall positive effect of tumbling, and the transference of the resulting physical fitness and confidence into the stu-

dents' lives, it's easy for H.E.F. to fund the new mats needed for her popular program. Even at lunch, the kids want to tumble!

The Language Arts Common Core wants learning in four areas: Reading, Writing, Speaking, and Listening. Mr. Eden High School's Paul Loomis points out that speaking and listening are underserved in the regular curriculum. So, he is pushing Shakespeare Out Loud, a program that gets kids on their feet speaking Shakespearean language aloud, as it should be spoken, not just read, fostering eloquence, confidence, and comprehension among his students. How could H.E.F. turn down the materials for such a request?

Eighty-three grant applications were submitted this year to H.E.F., almost twice as many as last year. Unfortunately, because of financial limitations, only thirty-eight were granted, which means that forty-five were not. Still, with the program's ongoing success growing, hopefully more local individuals and businesses will contribute to this worthwhile activity.

The different, creative lessons that a teacher brings to the classroom are the ones the students remember the rest of their lives. Hayward Education Foundation exists for just those moments. For more information about the foundation and contributions, visit: <http://www.hayward-education-foundation.info/>

San Francisco's bid for 2024 Olympics taking shape

BY ANTONIO GONZALEZ
AP SPORTS WRITER

SAN FRANCISCO (AP), This tech-booming city, home to Twitter and other innovative startups, is experiencing its greatest growth since the California Gold Rush more than 150 years ago.

With the climate ripe for commerce, local organizers think they can make a strong case to bring the 2024 Olympics here. After all, the San Francisco Bay Area also is where Google, Apple and Facebook are reshaping the world.

"It just seems like it's sort of our moment in time for this region to shine on the international stage," said Larry Baer, the chief executive officer of baseball's World Series champion Giants, who is spearheading San Francisco's Olympic bid along with Mayor Ed Lee.

An Olympics in San Francisco would have a majestic backdrop: the orange spires of the Golden Gate Bridge rising above the bay's blue water, steep hills that create

a postcard skyline and mountain vistas in every direction.

But the cost of doing business here is also high, something that could work against the city as it competes at a time when both U.S. and global Olympic organizers are emphasizing the need to keep costs down. Getting the regional cooperation needed to bring anything as massive as the Olympics to politically charged and environmentally conscious Northern California also would be difficult.

San Francisco suffered a huge embarrassment during the domestic bidding process for the 2016 Games when a stadium deal for the NFL's 49ers collapsed the day before a key presentation in front of the U.S. Olympic Committee. Some are still sour about what the America's Cup sailing event cost the city last year, too.

Baer believes the Bay Area could leverage its recent renaissance to expand the Olympic movement's reach without spending additional money. Many professional teams and athletes, for instance, visit Sili-

con Valley companies when they're in town to learn new ways to market themselves and form business partnerships.

Baer has dreamed of bringing the Olympics to the Bay Area since writing his senior thesis at the University of California, Berkeley, in the late 1970s about Los Angeles' successful bid for the 1984 Summer Games. He's trying to draw parallels to the USOC's decision-makers between that bid and San Francisco's proposal now.

"L.A. made a very good business case for bringing the Games to L.A. at a time that was somewhat challenging," Baer said. "Now I think we have an incredibly compelling business case for this region for 2024."

Here are some things to know about San Francisco's bid:

LOGISTICS

Existing facilities for the Bay Area's seven professional teams and two major colleges would host most of the events, including the 49ers' new \$1.3 billion sta-

dium in Santa Clara. That will help lower costs but also spread things out around 50 miles.

NEW VENUES

Baer said San Francisco is proposing several "creative venues" in public spaces to keep more events in the city. He mentioned the makeshift stadium for beach volleyball that was erected near Buckingham Palace during the 2012 London Games as an example. Another possibility is building the Olympic Village in the southern side of San Francisco and converting it into low-and-medium-income housing after the Games are gone.

About the only major venue needed is a main Olympic stadium. Baer said sites are still being determined, though a "pop-up" venue that could be taken down or repurposed at a dramatically reduced cost — like London did — has been discussed.

WHO'S PAYING?

Organizers are banking on the booming business community for substantial sponsorship. How much

San Francisco and the Bay Area would need to fund — and where that money would come from — is unclear. The mayor and Baer declined to disclose those details.

POTENTIAL ROADBLOCKS

Bay Area traffic is notoriously congested, and could prove problematic if plans get too spread out. Baer said San Francisco would follow a model similar to the one London used by relying on public transportation for visitors and high occupancy lanes on freeways to shuttle participants.

BRING A JACKET

Rain is rare in the summer, but microclimates make temperatures vary. San Francisco is often foggy and windy, with an average temperature barely above 60 degrees — the lowest in the summer of any U.S. city — and could make it challenging to host some outdoor events (think long sleeves instead of two-piece swimsuits for beach volleyball). The rest of the Bay Area is usually sunny and pleasant.

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Holiday for the Arts

This year's show will present the work of 13 artists new to Olive Hyde. After receiving a wood turned pen as a gift, Eric William Willyerd, a Union City resident, became passionate about wood turning as an art form. Using wood destined for the wood chipper or landfill, he creates exquisite containers and bowls. Also new this year, Fremont's Sharon Stanton works primarily with Swarovski crystals, natural stone, brass, copper, and sterling to create unique jewelry designs. Carol Pike has made delightful puppets for a Public Access television program for children and enjoyed the process so much she has decided to share them with the Olive Hyde community. Growing up with Chinese folktales and Greek mythology, artist Alice Chen draws from her imagination. Considered legally blind, she draws with the assistance of a powerful electronic magnifier which allows her to work in great detail.



New work will be presented by 69 returning artists in the Holiday Show & Sale. Versatile Jennifer Wool enjoys working with wool and other fiber crafts. She hand spins wool to weave into her baskets and to use in other fiber arts. In addition to teaching gourd and basket workshops, Wool designs her own instructional patterns, and has been included in the art book "Gourds and Fiber" by Ginger Summit and Jim Widess. This year, Wool will bring her baskets, gourd planters, scarves, and other fiber art to Olive Hyde.

Returning artist ceramicist Akio Aochi has thrown at his wheel for over 40 years. He routinely exhibits his work throughout the Bay Area and instructed students at various venues. Aochi strives to contribute something of his passion and emotion to his work. For this show he will bring a variety of new bowls and containers.

Fremont's Robyn Leimer will present several of her most recent Plein Air paintings. With a degree in Fine Art from San Jose State, Leimer's painting style is both representational and impressionistic. She favors painting with oil paint, but also uses pastels and acrylic.

As one of the largest Holiday Shows & Sales ever offered at Olive Hyde Art Center, finding the perfect gift or personal treasure at a reasonable price is a great way to kick off the holiday season.

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Designate a spot

A crucial rule to always follow when trying to conserve space is to give every item its own location. Yes, this may seem like an effortless task; however, how many of your measuring cups or hair products are the exact way you had them when they were first organized? Take the extra time to conserve organization by storing them correctly, and you will be surprised how much time you will actually save when it comes to locating them.

Most frequent in the front

Arrange items by how often you use them by simply placing the items that are used most in the front. This will save time because you will know exactly where to find them without the hassle of digging to the back of the cabinet.

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Remain or remove

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More Organizing Tips

Before leaving a room, take 30 to 60 seconds to pick up items that are out of place. This little bit of time will make a huge difference.

- Arrange objects creatively. Maximize every bit of your space even if it means hanging hooks on cabinet drawers to hang pot holders or utensils.
- Labels can be your best friend.

Be innovative and use them outside of the office. They are perfect for locating items in the pantry, closet, laundry room and more.

- Put a weekly pantry and refrigerator cleanout on your to-do list. This gives you time to throw out the old items and empty containers to make clutter-free room for new groceries.

- Be socially responsible and recycle. Keep a few bins around to recycle your cans, plastic and paper. This is such an easy way to teach children responsibility while keeping the earth clean.

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Paint the town Red

BY MAURICIO SEGURA

For the third year in a row, hundreds of Santas and Mrs. Santas will be "painting the town red" in downtown Hayward. The event, part of the worldwide SantaCon, will raise money through participating sponsors and patron donations for the Hayward Animal Shelter.



The first SantaCon took place in San Francisco in 1994 under less than positive reviews. The New York Times described the event as "a daylong bar crawl that begins with good cheer and, for many, inevitably ends in a blurry, booze-soaked haze." Since then however, organizers have changed the event to become more fun, yet responsible, as well as using it as a positive platform to raise money for local charities.

As the only such celebration in Alameda County, Hayward's SantaCon (one of over 300 cities worldwide hosting the event), will be held on Saturday, December 6th. Attendees (21 years and over, though families are welcome to join in at the restaurant stops for a bite to eat) will be hopping from one venue to the next in full Santa regalia, spreading cheer and fun

along the way. Participants will also have the opportunity to enter the Best Santa/Ms. Santa Suit Contest for prizes. Prize donations are welcome and donors will be mentioned during the contests at each participating venue.

Former City Councilwoman and organizer Anna May states, "Last year we had 150 participants and we're anticipating that to double this year." When asked about the benefiting factors of the event, May pointed out three. "Number one is to put the city of Hayward on the map for something fun to do for folks who don't want to travel; it helps with the economic aspect of our growing



downtown, and last but not least, it brings awareness to our animal shelter." The money raised (\$3,000 so far with more to be collected the night of the event) will go to offset the cost of adoption fees.

For those interested in participating, SantaCon is a free event, but you do have



8 p.m. - Metro Taquero B Street,
1063 B Street
9 p.m. - The Bistro, 1001 B Street

Remember that proceeds will go to the Hayward Animal Shelter at 16 Barnes Court, Hayward. The shelter is open Tuesday through Saturday from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. For holiday hours, call (510) 293-7200. Donations are appreciated and adoptions take place throughout the year. www.HaywardAnimals.org.

SantaCon Hayward
Saturday, Dec 6
6 p.m.

World Famous Turf Club
22519 Main St, Hayward
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Ages 21 and over

to bring money for food and drinks. Dress in your best Santa or Mrs. Santa attire and meet all the other jolly souls at the following venues:

6 p.m. - World Famous Turf Club,
22519 Main Street
7 p.m. - Bijou Restaurant & Bar,
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Bright Blue Gorilla comes to Niles

SUBMITTED BY
MICHAEL MCNEVIN
PHOTO BY RICK
MENDOZA AND BRIGHT
BLUE GORILLA

Bright Blue Gorilla, the Los Angeles based globe-trotting force of nature duo featuring Michael Glover and Robyn Rosenkrantz, is coming to Niles in early December. A concert on Friday, December 5 at The Mudpuddle Shop will be followed by a screening of their latest indie film, "Go with Le Flo," on Sunday, December 7 at The Edison Theater.

In 1990, Glover and Rosenkrantz decided to quit their jobs in Los Angeles and travel to Europe as musicians. "In Los Angeles, it's always been a challenge for artists to make a living," Rosenkrantz said, describing the nature of the music industry in her hometown. "We're not going to wait around for permission to live as artists." Having been to Europe as a solo artist, Rosenkrantz immediately fell in love with the place, and said that their love and respect for the arts are apparent. Thus, the band has spent a lot of time in Europe

lately, playing concerts and touring movie houses. Now they are back in the U.S., touring, screening, and sharing their bananas with the American audience.

Their genre is a fusion of different music styles, described as eclectic folk-rock. Inspired by their visits to India, the well-traveled duo will be playing Indian instruments at the event as well. The concert includes short guest cameo openers, song swap and jam afterward.

Bright Blue Gorilla's latest film, "Go with Le Flo," is a 2014 romantic comedy written and directed by Glover and produced by Rosenkrantz. The movie features Florian, a half-French, half-German who owns Le Flo, a French delicatessen in Berlin, Germany, that specializes in salami. Florian's best friend Jenny is in love with him. However, he wants to marry Camille, the daughter of a French director. "Go with Le Flo" explores true love and friendship with plenty of twists and turns.

Their filmmaking career was influenced by an appearance in a 2004 Hollywood film, "The Last Shot," starring Matthew Broderick and Alec Baldwin. They in-

vested in a camera afterward, and have since made five films with the help of professional artists and friends they met while touring. "Go with Le Flo" is set in Berlin, Germany, and uses French and German languages with English subtitles.

A short performance will take place before the movie starts in Niles; Glover and Rosenkrantz will be available for Q&A following the screening. To view the trailer, visit www.gowithleflo.com.

RSVP is required for both events. Call (510) 794-9935 or e-mail info@michaelmcnevin.com to attend the concert; a sliding donation of \$10-20 is greatly appreciated. Contact (510) 494-1411 or pr@nilesfilmmuseum.org to RSVP for the film screening; tickets cost \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members. Please share the event with your friends or RSVP on Facebook via www.facebook.com/events/1529499063934204. To learn more about Bright Blue Gorilla, visit www.brightbluegorilla.com.

Bright Blue Gorilla Concert
Friday, Dec 5
8 p.m.

The Mudpuddle Shop
37433 Niles Blvd, Fremont



RSVP: (510) 794-9935
info@michaelmcnevin.com
www.brightbluegorilla.com
www.facebook.com/events/1529499063934204
Cost: \$10-20 sliding
donation fee

Go with Le Flo
Sunday, Dec 7

4 p.m.
The Edison Theater
37395 Niles Blvd, Fremont
RSVP: (510) 494-1411
pr@nilesfilmmuseum.org
www.gowithleflo.com
www.nilesfilmmuseum.org
\$8 members
\$10 non-members

Dine With A Scientist

SUBMITTED BY WAI-PAN CHAN

Dine With A Scientist on December 13 at Irvington High School in Fremont. This event is an opportunity for students, parents, teachers and community members to dine with one of 14 Bay Area scientists and talk about Science Education. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used for two scholarships for seniors who would like to pursue the Biology/Medical field; remaining funds will be used to acquire scientific equipment and support Irvington High’s Science Alliance club.

Tickets are \$35 per person and can be obtained online at ihssadinner.eventbrite.com Please reserve by December 6.

Dine With A Scientist
Saturday, Dec 13
6:30 p.m.
Irvington High School, Cafeteria
41800 Blacow Rd, Fremont
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0001\$35

Principal takes reading challenge

SUBMITTED BY SANDRA SCHROETLIN

On November 14, Principal Colleen Gainey of Bunker Elementary School, along with 3,000 other elementary school principals, participated in a reading challenge. She was challenged to read for the entire school day from “bell” to “bell.” The challenge, part of a contest by “Book It,” was called the “Read Your Heart Out Challenge.”



Many students joined her; some students came with their own reading materials while others had Mrs. Gainey read a story to their class including stories that students had written. Mrs. Gainey read books, magazines, newspapers, including material on her e-reader.

Not only did Mrs. Gainey serve as a role model and emphasize the importance and fun of reading, but she was also in the running to win 100 copies of the book: “Diary of A Wimpy Kid,” for the Bunker Elementary school library.

Make a dream come true ~ host an exchange student

SUBMITTED BY CAROL BERGER

World Heritage Student Exchange Programs, a highly respected nonprofit, public-benefit organization, is seeking local host families for high school boys and girls from Scandinavia, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Thailand, China, South Korea and the former Soviet Republics.

The students are excited and are already awaiting word about their host families for the 2015-2016 academic school year or semester. Host families provide room, board, and guidance for a foreign teenager living thousands of miles from home. Couples, single parents, and families with or without children living at home are all encouraged to apply.

The exchange students arrive from their home countries before the 2015-2016 school year begins and each World Heritage student is fully insured, brings his/her own spending money, and expects to bear his/her share of household responsibilities as well as be included in normal family activities and lifestyles.

If you are interested in opening your home and sharing your family life with a young person from abroad, please contact local area representatives **Carol and Susan Berger at (209) 863-2247. Visit World Heritage’s website at www.world-heritage.org for more information.**

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CASTRO VALLEY TOTAL SALES: 12						
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Lowest \$:		391,000		Average \$:		
Average \$:		591,000				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
21890 Betlen Way	94546	460,000	3	1282	195410-30-14	
19823 Fern Way	94546	645,000	3	1258	194710-31-14	
19544 Garrison Avenue	94546	625,000	3	1722	196210-30-14	
2355 Jeffer Street	94546	490,000	3	1608	194810-31-14	
22225 Queen Street	94546	405,000	2	952	193410-31-14	
20115 Redwood Rd #27	94546	391,000	2	866	198810-29-14	
17957 Rockhurst Road	94546	635,000	3	1676	196210-29-14	
18639 Sandy Road	94546	595,000	3	1490	195010-31-14	
4214 Seven Hills Road	94546	481,000	3	1254	195411-03-14	
6017 Castlebrook Drive	94552	780,000	3	1799	198611-03-14	
5500 Jasmine Court	94552	750,000	3	1746	197810-31-14	
22800 Rancho PalomaresPI	94552	835,000	4	2104	199610-31-14	

FREMONT TOTAL SALES: 45						
Highest \$:		Median \$:		780,000		
Lowest \$:		300,000		Average \$:		
Average \$:		930,167				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
37823 2nd Street	94536	645,000	2	1290	191010-29-14	
192 Black Mountain Circle	94536	950,000	4	2380	200010-30-14	
107 Blaisdell Way	94536	1,205,000	5	3570	199110-31-14	
37815 CherryBlossom Ct	94536	1,215,000	4	2754	200110-29-14	
37759 Colfax Court	94536	635,000	3	1340	195210-30-14	
4490 Eggers Drive	94536	840,000	3	1562	195710-30-14	
36191 Fanshawe Street	94536	775,000	3	1645	196510-31-14	
38743 Greenwich Circle	94536	688,000	2	1323	197810-29-14	
2376 Harrisburg Avenue	94536	905,000	4	1939	197910-31-14	
3398 Manchester Cmn	94536	588,000	3	1640	197610-29-14	
4339 Mattos Drive	94536	1,300,000	3	1840	195511-03-14	
38468 Redwood Terrace	94536	548,000	2	1400	198210-31-14	
4032 San Juan Court	94536	932,000	5	2326	196410-30-14	
38780 Tyson Lane #106C	94536	300,000	1	887	198210-30-14	
839 Uinta Court	94536	675,000	3	1120	195710-31-14	
40207 Antigua Rose Trc	94538	800,000	3	2000	200810-30-14	
41008 Asilomar Terrace	94538	829,500	3	2094	201110-30-14	
41028 Asilomar Terrace	94538	741,000	2	1644	201110-31-14	
5089 Brian Court	94538	650,000	4	1324	196211-03-14	
40425 Chapel Way #115	94538	437,000	3	1228	198310-31-14	
40280 Cottage Rose Trc	94538	789,000	3	1922	201010-30-14	
40709 Greystone Terrace	94538	605,000	2	1429	200710-31-14	
4753 Hilo Street	94538	629,000	3	1148	196010-31-14	
4004 Ralston Common	94538	420,000	2	1188	198010-31-14	
42839 Ravensbourne Pk St	94538	692,500	4	1792	196210-29-14	
5741 Spry Common	94538	520,000	2	1157	199410-30-14	
5557 Tyler Place	94538	610,000	3	1390	196810-29-14	
4787 Wadsworth Court	94538	631,500	3	1452	196310-30-14	
3746 Yorktown Road	94538	539,500	3	1112	195411-03-14	
41246 Apricot Lane	94539	1,100,000	3	1421	196010-31-14	
44472 Arapaho Avenue	94539	1,428,500	-	3198	197910-30-14	
43200 Banda Terrace	94539	980,000	3	1987	198510-30-14	
42068 Benbow Drive	94539	1,770,000	4	3891	200610-31-14	
1577 Blackfoot Drive	94539	1,651,000	4	3344	197810-29-14	
1423 Deschutes Place	94539	1,150,000	-	1948	197910-31-14	
48505 Flagstaff Road	94539	818,000	3	1091	197910-30-14	
2266 Gomes Road	94539	780,000	4	1583	197010-29-14	
2395 Plumleigh Drive	94539	1,550,000	3	1346	195610-31-14	
2346 Rutherford Lane	94539	4,375,000	5	7338	199911-03-14	
40678 Slayton Street	94539	1,500,000	-	2552	197610-31-14	
4774 Canvasback Cmn	94555	780,000	3	1607	198810-30-14	
34452 Colville Place	94555	675,000	3	1298	197710-31-14	
34299 Eucalyptus Terrace	94555	885,000	3	1597	199110-31-14	
34208 Gadwall Common	94555	470,000	2	1405	198110-31-14	
5827 Northland Terrace	94555	850,000	3	1727	198910-30-14	

HAYWARD TOTAL SALES: 31						
Highest \$:		Median \$:		405,000		
Lowest \$:		238,000		Average \$:		
Average \$:		414,484				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
25009 2nd Street	94541	485,000	-	1668	1979	
24035 Carmelita Drive	94541	360,000	-	980	1950	
3264 Hackamore Drive	94541	515,000	3	1476	1962	
309 Jerilynn Lane	94541	415,000	-	1414	1951	
615 Kendall Way	94541	410,000	3	1071	1951	
483 Laurel Avenue	94541	335,000	3	900	1930	
22852 Optimist Street	94541	425,000	3	1071	1950	
768 Paradise Boulevard	94541	325,000	2	808	1942	
3352 Ridgeview Place	94541	670,000	3	2815	1987	
46 Whitney Court	94541	370,000	2	853	1951	
31950 Albany Street	94544	410,000	3	1031	1951	
28265 East 11th Street	94544	338,000	2	716	1959	
24615 Pontiac Street	94544	404,000	3	1050	1950	
24181 Soto Road	94544	440,000	3	1370	2009	
538 Spalding Street	94544	406,000	4	2198	2000	
26975 Underwood Avenue	94544	405,000	3	1077	1955	

1649 Welford Circle	94544	650,000	5	2230	2004
26331 Adrian Avenue	94545	343,000	3	1200	1956
28577 Anchorage Lane	94545	688,000	4	2134	2010
26364 Chapman Court	94545	540,000	3	1830	1957
25072 Copa Del Oro Dr #1049	94545	5238,000	1	608	1986
25192 Copa Del Oro Dr #1079	94545	5262,000	2	958	1991
27655 Del Norte Court	94545	308,000	3	1254	1970
2628 Hawthorne Avenue	94545	469,000	3	1467	1958
26966 Lauderdale Avenue	94545	380,000	3	1215	1957
24737 Magnolia Street	94545	384,500	3	1121	1959
2708 Northern Cross Road	94545	479,000	2	1526	2009
1256 Stanhope Lane #3579	94545	258,000	2	1007	1989
27577 Stromberg Court	94545	262,000	2	988	1970
26615 Wauchula Way	94545	390,000	4	1460	1975
21601 Knoll Way	94546	484,500	2	1530	1961

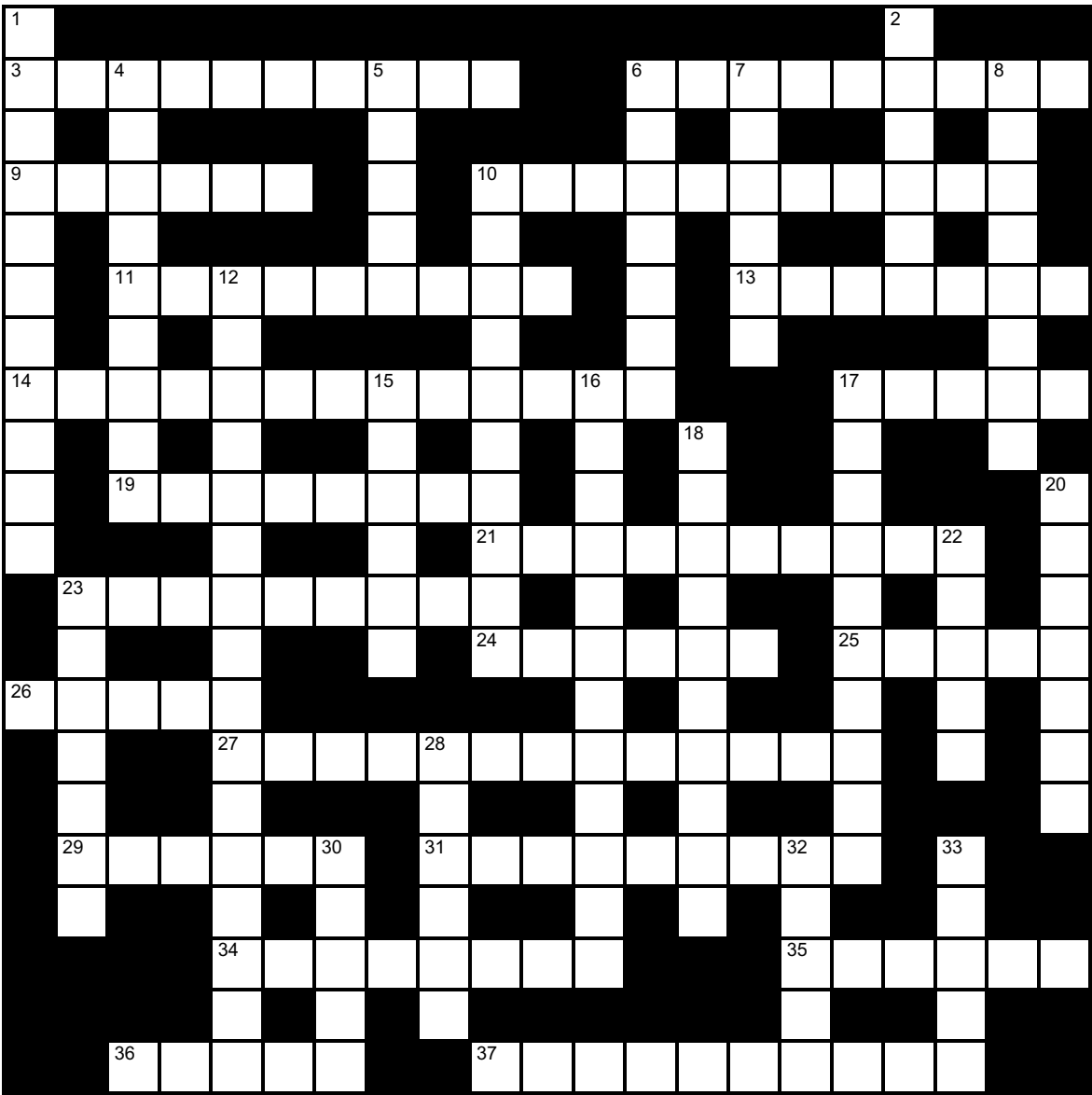
MILPITAS TOTAL SALES: 10						
Highest \$:		Median \$:		705,000		
Lowest \$:		520,000		Average \$:		
Average \$:		701,850				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
1555 Canal Street	95035	705,000	-	-	11-03-14	
1557 Canal Street	95035	768,000	-	-	11-04-14	
1559 Canal Street	95035	778,500	-	-	11-04-14	
201 Carnegie Drive	95035	569,000	3	1189	195511-04-14	
780 Coyote Street	95035	599,000	3	936	196411-07-14	
2403 Lacey Drive	95035	725,000	3	1374	197111-07-14	
1260 Madalen Drive	95035	899,000	4	2112	197111-06-14	
144 Parc Place Drive	95035	520,000	2	1192	200511-07-14	
232 Parc Place Drive	95035	613,000	3	1280	200511-06-14	
1431 Pashote Court	95035	842,000	6	2346	196411-04-14	

NEWARK TOTAL SALES: 09						
Highest \$:		Median \$:		568,000		
Lowest \$:		330,000		Average \$:		
Average \$:		583,222				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
6482 Buena Vista Drive #A9	94560	400,000	2	1301	198510-30-14	
37747 Cedar Boulevard	94560	531,000	3	1691	198611-03-14	
6102 Civic Terrace Aven #B9	94560	330,000	2	890	198611-03-14	
5770 Dichondra Place	94560	568,000	4	1468	198710-31-14	
8560 Mahogany Place	94560	730,000	3	1790	199410-31-14	
38281 Manzanita Street	94560	675,000	3	2548	196410-31-14	
35310 Ramsgate Drive	94560	835,000	2	1824	196910-29-14	
5668 Wintergreen Dr	94560	657,000	3	1456	196810-31-14	

SAN LEANDRO		TOTAL SALES: 14					
Highest \$:		705,000		Median \$:		450,000	
Lowest \$:		290,000		Average \$:		457,143	
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED		
342 2nd Avenue	94577	290,000	3	776	1914	10-30-14	
251 Accolade Drive	94577	584,000	3	1599	2001	10-31-14	
2285 Barrow Street	94577	345,000	3	1042	1951	10-30-14	
548 Lafayette Avenue	94577	450,000	2	1282	1938	10-29-14	
728 Matoza Lane	94577	705,000	5	2412	2002	10-31-14	
1295 Pierce Avenue	94577	400,000	2	1240	1943	10-30-14	
439 Tudor Road	94577	370,000	3	1050	1948	10-31-14	
348 Caliente Drive	94578	292,500	2	1060	1980	10-29-14	
16250 Lyle Street	94578	536,000	3	1160	1953	10-29-14	
3633 Monterey Blvd	94578	389,500	3	1564	1954	10-30-14	
15355 Bittern Court	94579	540,000	4	1544	1999	10-31-14	
1235 Georgetown Ave	94579	510,000	3	1681	1951	10-29-14	
15344 Sullivan Avenue	94579	530,000	3	1328	1955	10-29-14	
14479 Wiley Street	94579	458,000	3	1327	1952	10-31-14	

Mind Twisters

Crossword Puzzle B 291



- Across

3 Normally, under most circumstances (10)

6 Apparently (9)

9 Tradition, something followed by people of a country (6)

10 ____ in your stomach, anxious (11)

11 Doing something on our own (9)

13 Illuminated (7)

14 CIA is an ____ agency (13)

17 "Who ____?" (5)

19 Knock the door or ring ____ (8)

21 Fridge, toaster, oven are these appliances (10)

23 Color lips with these (9)

24 Exacting (6)

25 Crowded (5)

26 Cancel (5)

27 Crossing borders of the country (13)

Down

1 Inferences, results (11)

2 Breakfast item (6)

4 Get completely mixed like sugar in water (9)

5 Archetype (5)

6 Folic acid (7)

7 Very unusual to happen (6)

8 Someone who hears (8)

10 Panting after a hard run, getting ____ (10)

29 Perceive (6)

31 Sacrifices, gives away (9)

34 Wounds due to playing etc. (8)

35 Seasons (6)

36 Dirty due to air pollution (5)

37 Restricted environment (10)

12 Onus of sharing work (16)

15 Athens is in this country (6)

16 Notes after doing an experiment, comments (12)

17 Reptiles found abundantly in Florida (10)

18 Between mornings and evenings (10)

20 Handicapped person was ____ in by someone (7)

22 Hypertexts are ____ (5)

23 Securing a gate with a mechanism, fastening (7)

28 People who go on horses or bicycles (6)

30 Dig (5)

32 Artist's stand (5)

33 Ran (5)
- ## Sudoku:
- Fill in the missing numbers (1 – 9 inclusive) so each row, column and 3x3 box contains all digits.
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- ## Tri-City Stargazer DECEMBER 3 – DECEMBER 9, 2014 BY VIVIAN CAROL
- For All Signs: Saturn has been in the sign of Scorpio for two years. This month it leaves Scorpio and shifts to Sagittarius for seven months. Then it returns to Scorpio for three months, moving back to Sagittarius in September. For two full years, everyone feels the presence of Saturn, although it affects varying parts of our lives, depending upon its position in relation to the sun sign. Saturn represents manifest reality and the rules by which we all must live to maintain our social and personal systems. At worst, Saturn symbolizes rigidity, the calcification of fears and the resulting refusal to change. At its best, Saturn is our teacher and requires that we take a look at the facts. It insists on self-discipline and organization, definition and improving the structures of our lives in whatever sector of life it transits. Check your sun and rising signs below to identify your upcoming Saturn project.
- Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20):** The new Saturn cycle calls upon you to study your beliefs for flaws. If they are sound, then commit yourself to establish practical ways in which to manifest them. The arena may be legal, religious, philosophical or educational. You must apply what you have learned in the secular world. You must walk your talk. The world requires that you expand your mental framework to include a larger social structure.
- Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20):** Saturn in Sagittarius will require you to focus on the consequences, responsibilities and liabilities of sharing resources with others. There may be work related to managing your own finances or those of someone else. This is a good period to tackle internal roadblocks that interfere with your ability to achieve genuine intimacy. Resources may be reduced for a time.
- Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20):** The new Saturn cycle rivets attention on the quality of your important relationships. It is time to begin realistically considering your responsibilities in this area and clarify your commitment. Existing relationships will be evaluated and new purposes carved. On the other hand, it may be time to release those per-
- sons who are wasting your precious time and energy.
- Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21):** This 2015-2018 will be a period of apprenticeship. Now is the time to perfect your broad index of experience and knowledge, to practice until the accumulated bits of wisdom become second nature and highly efficient. The subsequent cycle (beginning in 2017) will yield the improvement in status resulting from work now. Give special attention to routine health regimens.
- Leo the Lion (July 22-August 22):** This 2015-2018 is the time for intentional application of your creative energy and to take steps toward manifesting your dreams of fulfillment. Something deep inside you, no more than three years in your consciousness, wants to be expressed. Don't anticipate grandiose results on this cycle, but there should be reasonably positive responses from the world if you are on the right track.
- Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22):** In terms of worldly influence, you are at the lowest point in the Saturn cycle. It is time now to lay the foundations for the next 28 years and it begins with inner work. We can produce little in the outer world
- until we develop a sense of a stable internal sanctuary. Define what you must have to feel solidly secure and initiate the steps that will produce it. Family and property concerns may dominate for a time.
- Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22):** This is the beginning of a period for you to define and clarify your level of knowledge. You may be called upon to adopt a project requiring close concentration and sharpened communication skills. Learning to speak or write volumes in a few chosen words will become important as this cycle progresses. Work toward efficiency and streamlining all communication methods over these three years.
- Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21):** The new Saturn cycle asks you to more clearly define your values. You may have fewer resources available now, whether that refers to money, energy or time. Discrimination will be necessary to maximize efficiency. You are likely to voluntarily forego expenditures on immediate pleasures for longer range objectives. People commonly purchase a home or make important investments on this cycle.
- Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21):** It is
- time to redefine yourself. The old way was good for a long time but it has outlived its purpose and you must now look at yourself more seriously. What are the potentials not yet developed? What is the best way to contribute your gifts to a greater whole? Focus your attention on personal identity and tighten up all life agendas to match who you wish to become.
- Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19):** This Saturn cycle asks that you be directed inward and you may choose to withdraw from the world (if not physically, then mentally). Attempts to capitalize on the social and political power of the last few years will fail to make you happy. You may be drawn to work with those who are deprived or mistreated. Now is a time for spiritual refurbishing before the next 28-year cycle begins in 2018.
- Aquarius the Water Bearer (January 20-February 18):** Saturn's new cycle calls you to take responsibility for your niche in life and clarify the role you wish to play in society. You have much knowledge coupled with many social and communications skills and talents. It is time to consider extending these gifts beyond the personal and offer them in service to a larger group. You will experience the outcome of many years' work during the next three years.
- Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20):** This is a highly productive period. For those who are happy with life goals of the recent two years, the following two years brings greater responsibility. Long-term goals and desire for achievement in your outer life may press you to temporarily sacrifice personal life and leisure. It is likely you are either adding responsibilities or departing an old lifestyle to begin a fresh adventure.
- Are you interested in a personal horoscope?
Vivian Carol may be reached at (704) 366-3777 for private psychotherapy or astrology appointments (fee required).
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- www.horoscopesbyvivian.com

Community Health Education Programs

For a complete list of classes and class fees, lectures and health education resources, visit pamf.org/education.



December 2014

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Tow Truck Toy Run delivers Christmas joy

SUBMITTED BY MARK BARTLETT
PHOTOS BY ANDREA TOMASSI

Several years ago, members of the California Tow Truck Association and Bridges Band of Brothers wanted to create a way to give back to the children of our local community at Christmas. Founded in 1969, the California Tow Truck Association (CTTA), created by and for towing company owners, empowers towing companies to be more professional and progressive within the industry while serving the motoring public.

In December 2009, members of the Greater Bay Chapter of the CTTA joined

Bridges Community Church in Fremont to form the annual "Bay Area Tow Truck Toy Run," that provides toys to children that might not otherwise experience the joy of the Christmas Season. Last year, over 500 families were impacted by the generosity of local businesses that donated raffle prizes to the event. Unwrapped toys were donated by local families all over the Bay Area, and the kind men and women of the CTTA and the Bridges Community Church family.

On Saturday, December 6, towing companies from around the Bay Area will again meet for the sixth annual Bay Area Tow Truck Toy Run. Festivities start in Santa Clara at the corner of Tasman and



Stars and Stripes Drive and, what started out as just tow trucks five years ago, will now include all types of vehicles including buses, Landoll trailers, classic cars, and motorcycles. They will caravan down highway 237 to Highway 880 and arrive at their final destination, Bridges Community Church, for the parade. Representatives of the Fremont Police Department and Fremont's Mayor Bill Harrison also plan to attend.

Spectators are expected to line the parking lot of Bridges Community Church to watch as tow trucks and classic cars arrive. A full buffet-style breakfast, put together by Bridges Band of Brothers men's group, will be available for a \$5 donation per person. The event includes raffle prizes, a silent auction, music, wonderful fellowship, and who knows – Santa may even show up, so don't miss it! You'll be hooked on the Toy Run!

Remember to bring an unwrapped gift for a boy or girl. Toys will be distributed

through a partnership with Compassion Network-Fremont the following week (<http://www.compassionnetwork.org/>). Tow trucks arrive at approximately 8:45 a.m., so get there early to see the parade.

For more information or businesses that wish to make a donation, contact Bridges Band of Brothers at bridgesbandofbrothers@gmail.com.

Bay Area Tow Truck Toy Run Saturday, Dec 6

7:15 a.m.: Trucks leave Santa Clara

8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.:

Breakfast (Fremont)

8:45 a.m.: Tow trucks arrive in Fremont

Bridges Community Church

505 Driscoll Rd, Fremont

bridgesbandofbrothers@gmail.com

[https://www.facebook.com/Towtruck-
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[http://www.facebook.com/pages/Band-
of-Brothers-Bridges/395367943891035](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Band-of-Brothers-Bridges/395367943891035)

Cost: \$5 for breakfast



Aaaahz Youth Theatre offers Holiday Treats

SUBMITTED BY TERRI McDOWELL

Aaaahz Youth Theatre is celebrating the holidays with two December events. The "Christmas Madrigal" celebration On Sunday, December 7 is a step back to the 16th century, with court jesters, a brass band, and the Lords and Ladies of the court singing Christmas music. Five courses of hors d'oeuvres will be served along with coffee and tea, entwined with music and skits. This event is a fundraiser for Aaaahz

Youth Theatre, and advance reservations are highly recommended as tickets will be limited at the door. Admission is \$35.

"NunCrackers" opens Friday, December 5 at the Discovery International Church in Fremont. The Nuns of Hoboken are putting on a Christmas show, complete with catchy songs, silly puns, costumes, kids, and mayhem. Catch the fun December 5, 6, 12, 13, 14, 19 and 20. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$10 for students and seniors.

Call (510) 358-1249 for more information on events or to reserve Madrigal tickets. Tickets for both events can also be purchased at brownpapertickets.com.

NunCrackers

Friday, Dec 5 – Saturday, Dec 20

8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m.

Discovery International Church

Mission Blvd, Fremont

(510) 358-1249

<http://aaaahzyouththeatre.com/>

Tickets: \$15 general,
\$10 students/seniors

Christmas Madrigal

Sunday, Dec 7

3 p.m. (doors open at 2:30 p.m.)

Niles Veterans Hall

37154 2nd St, Fremont

(510) 358-1249

<http://aaaahzyouththeatre.com/>

Admission: \$35



Christmas Craft Day for Kids

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Saturday, December 6
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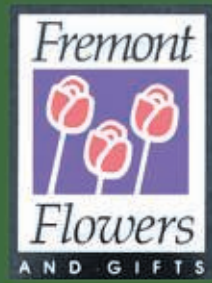
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Monday, Sep 23-Friday, Dec 11

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San Leandro Community Center
13909 East 14th St., San Leandro
(510) 577-3462

Thursday, Nov 7 - Sunday, Dec 13

It's a Wonderful Life \$

Thurs - Sat: 8:00 p.m.
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Hayward Area Recreation District
1099 'E' Street, Hayward
(510) 881-6721
www.haywardrec.org

Monday, Nov 11 - Friday, Dec 24

Turkey Drive

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Help families in need

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Tri-City Volunteers
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Train of Lights \$

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Monday, Nov 18 - Friday, Dec 24

Giving Hope Holiday Program

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Fremont City Hall
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mdominguez@fremont.gov
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Monday, Nov 18 - Friday, Dec 31

Drive thru Prayer

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Prayer service without leaving your vehicle

Fremont Holy Spirit Church
37588 Fremont Blvd., Fremont
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Dec 20

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Dec 6

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Thursday, Dec 4 - Friday, Dec 5

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Thursday, Dec 4

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Sept 8th Ensenada, Mexico 7am-4:00pm
Sept 9th San Diego, CA 6am-6:00pm
Sept 10th Catalina Island, CA 7am-5:00pm
Sept 11th Santa Barbara, CA 7am-5:00pm
Sept 12th AT SEA
Sept 13th- San Francisco, CA 7:00am



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Boutique Calendar



Tuesday, Dec 2 – Friday, Jan 2
Holiday Boutique
11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Handmade fine art, jewelry and gifts
Fremont Art Association
37697 Niles Blvd., Fremont
www.fremontartassociation.org

Tuesday, Dec 2 – Sunday, Dec 21
Holiday Boutique Show
11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Handmade holiday gift items
Sun Gallery
1015 E Street, Hayward
(510) 581-4050
www.sungallery.org

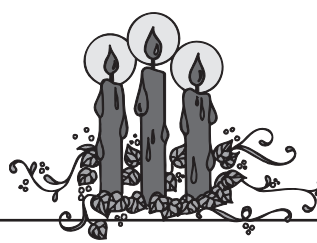
Thursday, Dec 4 – Saturday, Dec 13
Giftique
10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Hand-made creations from ten vendors
Foothill Gallery
22394 Foothill Blvd, Hayward
(510) 538-2787
http://haywardarts.org/

Thursday, Dec 4
Holiday Crafts Faire
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Hand-made craft items and gifts
Ruggieri Senior Center
33996 Alvarado-Niles Rd.,
Union City
(510) 675-5495

Saturday, Dec 6
Arts and Crafts Fair
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Handmade products from local crafters/artisans
Moose Hall
20835 Rutledge Rd,
Castro Valley
(510) 537-0830

Saturday, Dec 6
Christmas Boutique
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Handmade items, entertainment and tree raffle
Milpitas Community Center
457 E. Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas
(408) 946-9713

Saturday, Dec 6
Holiday Boutique
10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Vendors plus arts and crafts
Proceeds benefit Grad Night Activities
American High School
36300 Fremont Blvd., Fremont
(510) 794-1543



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Bring your receipts to the City Hall information kiosk located at 777 B Street between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm on December 8th or 9th to claim a gift bag. Only 200 gift bags are available, so don't delay! Bags will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

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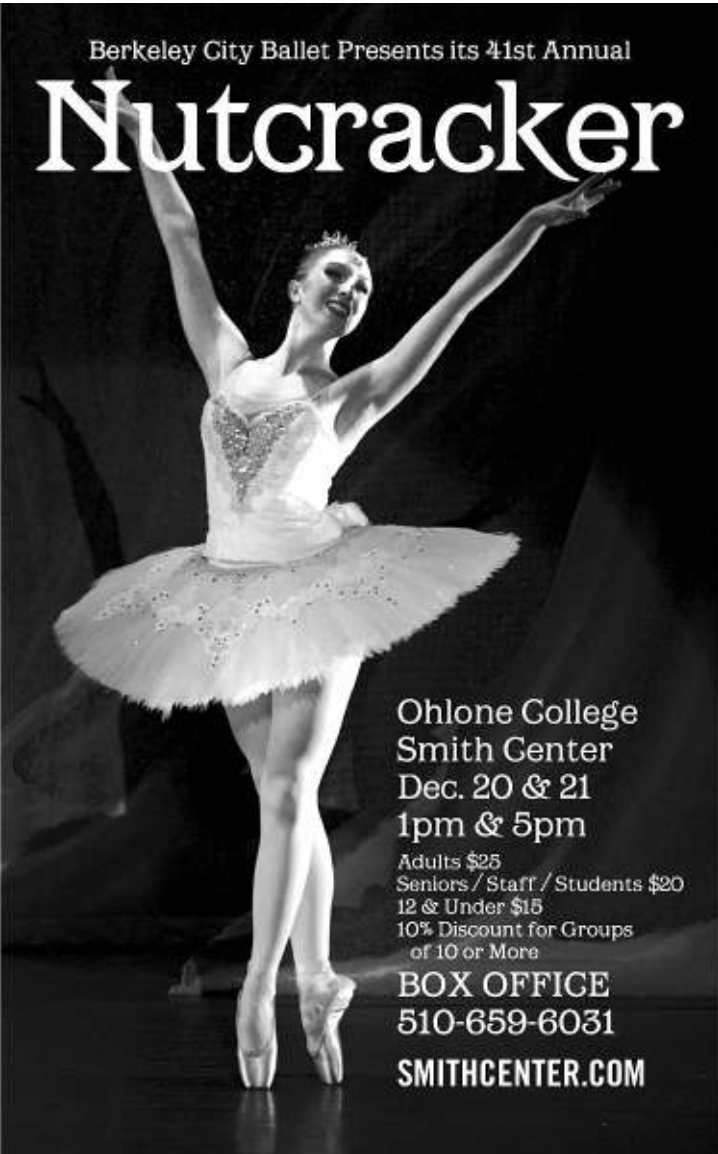
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Monday, Dec 8
9:20 – 10:00 Daycare Center Visit -
FREMONT
10:15 – 11:15 Daycare Center Visit –
FREMONT
1:45 – 2:45 Pioneer School, Blythe St., &
Jean Dr., UNION CITY
3:05 – 3:25 Alvarado Elementary School,
Fredt St. & Smith St., UNION CITY
4:15 – 4:45 Greenhaven Apts., Alvarado
Blvd. & Fair Ranch Rd., UNION CITY
5:15 – 6:45 Forest Park School,
Deep Creek Rd. & Maybird Circle,
FREMONT

Tuesday, Dec 9
10:00 – 11:15 Daycare Center Visit -
FREMONT
1:30 – 2:30 Mission Hills Middle School,
250 Tamarack Dr., UNION CITY
2:45 – 3:15 Purple Lotus Buddhist
School, 33615 – 9th St., UNION CITY
4:50 – 5:30
Mariner Park, Regents Blvd. & Dorado
Dr., UNION CITY
5:40 – 6:20 Sea Breeze Park, Dyer St. &
Carmel Way, UNION CITY

Wednesday, Dec 10
3:00 – 4:00 Warm Springs Community
Center, 47300 Fernald St., FREMONT
4:15 – 4:50 Lone Tree Creek Park,
Starlite Way & Turquoise St.,
FREMONT
6:00 – 6:30 Camellia Dr. & Camellia Ct.,
FREMONT

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(408) 293-2326 x3060**

Wednesday, Dec 10
3:15 - 4:00 Friendly Village Park, 120
Dixon Landing Rd., MILPITAS

Tuesday, Dec 2
9:15 – 11:00 Daycare Center Visit –
FREMONT
2:00 – 2:30 Daycare Center Visit -
FREMONT
2:30 – 3:25
Cabrillo School, 36700 San Pedro Dr.,
FREMONT
4:45 – 5:30 Baywood Apts.,
4275 Bay St., FREMONT
5:50 – 6:30 Jerome Ave. and
Ohlones St., FREMONT

Wednesday, Dec 3
1:00 – 1:45 Hillside School,
15980 Marcella St., SAN LEANDRO
2:00 – 2:45 Eden House Apts.,
1601 165th Ave., SAN LEANDRO
3:00 – 3:30 Baywood Ct.,
21966 Dolores St., CASTRO VALLEY
6:00 – 6:30 Camellia Dr., &
Camellia Ct., FREMONT

Thursday, Dec 4
9:50 – 10:20 Daycare Center Visit –
FREMONT
10:40 – 11:30 Daycare Center Visit -
NEWARK
1:15 – 1:45 Stellar Academy, 38325
Cedar Blvd., NEWARK
2:00 – 3:00 Graham School, 36270
Cherry St, NEWARK

Friday, Dec 5
9:45 – 11:15 Fame Charter School,
16244 Carolyn St, SAN LEANDRO
11:35 – 12:05 Daycare Center Visit –
CASTRO VALLEY
1:45 – 2:10 Daycare Center Visit –
SAN LORENZO
2:10 – 3:00 Hesperian School,

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Ballet Petit's Nutcracker: A Magical Holiday Tradition

Ballet Petit's longevity can be attributed to its ability to nurture its students' talents. This year, Sarah Buzsaki (last year's Clara) dances the role of Sugarplum Fairy. It is unprecedented to have a dancer go from Clara to Sugarplum in just one year. Buzsaki has had an incredible year, training extra hard by attending all workshops and extra classes during school breaks.

Sharing the Sugarplum role is Trudy Kim. Kim, who danced the role of Clara a couple of years ago, was recently offered a scholarship at the Bolshoi Ballet Summer Program but declined because she and Buzsaki will be dancing this summer with Peabody at the Royal Danish Bal-

Scene backdrop, painted by local artist Michelle Climent and Ballet Petit parent emeritus.

Over the years, Ballet Petit has focused on building a reputation for producing a show tantamount to the professionalism thought to be found only in performances by renowned ballet companies. Ballet Petit is proud to be Hayward's premier ballet school/studio and invites the whole East Bay community to share in its pride by supporting its stalwart dancers and captivating performances.

Peabody sums it up best, "Hayward is a great place to be where diverse people can come together and make special magic. Many other communities can't say that. Everyone has a place in



let Summer Intensive at the Royal Danish Theatre in Copenhagen, Denmark. Adding to her accomplishments, Kim has also been invited to train full time in Moscow at the prestigious Bolshoi Ballet Academy. Rounding out the leads, Danielle Hsieh and Reena Wu will share the role of Clara this year. Wu's brother, Leon, will be dancing opposite the two Claras as the Nutcracker Prince.

Wu is one of twelve male Ballet Petit students dancing in the show. Additionally, BP has hired two professional male dancers: Marte Osiris Madera (on BP's staff) will dance the part of the Snow Prince and Connelly Strombeck (a dancer with the Oakland Ballet Company) will be the Sugarplum Cavalier. Dancers and audiences alike will be delighted by the new Act One Party

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Tickets are available online at www.balletpetit.com and at the Box Office 60 minutes prior to each performance. Ticket Prices are \$25 for adults and \$20 for seniors and children (3-12).

Ballet Petit's The Nutcracker
Saturday, Dec 6 and
Sunday, Dec 7
2 p.m. & 7 p.m.
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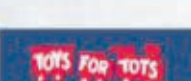
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Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1400
www.aclibrary.org
scienceforyouth@gmail.com

Friday, Dec 5 - Sunday, Dec 7
Holiday for the Arts \$
Fri: 5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Sat & Sun: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Friday: Gala, food, art & wine
Saturday & Sunday: show and sale
Olive Hyde Art Gallery
123 Washington Blvd., Fremont
(510) 793-5067
www.OliveHydeArtGuild.org

Friday, Dec 5 - Sunday, Dec 7
Christmas at Shinn House \$
Fri: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Sat & Sun: 12 noon - 4 p.m.
Tour the home and make a wreath
Shinn House
1251 Peralta Blvd., Fremont
(510) 795-0891

Friday, Dec 5
Holiday Havok Wrestling for Joy \$
7:30 p.m.
Bring a new unwrapped toy to donate
Newark Pavilion
6430 Thornton Ave., Newark
(510) 792-2136
www.btwrestiling.com

Friday, Dec 5 - Saturday, Dec 6
The Seussification of Romeo and Juliet \$
Fri: 5 p.m. & Sat: 11 a.m.
Whimsical reinvention of Shakespeare’s love story
Fremont Veterans Hall
37154 Second St., Fremont
(510) 494-4322
ijordahl@fremont.gov

Friday, Dec 5
Toddler Ramble
10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Practice fine motor skills
Ages 1 -3
Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center
4901 Breakwater Ave., Hayward
(510) 670-7270
www.haywardrec.org

Friday, Dec 5
Bright Blue Gorilla Concert \$
8 p.m.
Acoustic music and harmonies
Mudpuddle
34733 Niles Blvd., Fremont
(510) 794-9935
info@michaelmcnevin.com

Friday, Dec 5
LWVEA Holiday Party
5:30 p.m.
Food, mystery gift exchange, and auction
League of Women Voters Eden Area
5787 Highwood Rd.,
Castro Valley
(510) 538-9678
suzbarba@comcast.net

Saturday, Dec 6 - Sunday, Dec 7
Christmas at Ardenwood \$
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Visit Father Christmas, live music and puppet show
Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd.,
Fremont
(510) 544-2797
www.ebparks.org

Saturday, Dec 6
Covered California Enrollment Session
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Personal assistance with certified en-rollers
Castro Valley Library
3600 Norbridge Ave.,
Castro Valley
(510) 667-7900
www.aclibrary.org

Saturday, Dec 6
Atheist Forum
10 a.m. - 12 noon
Thought provoking discussion
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1400
www.aclibrary.org

Saturday, Dec 6
Bunny Bonanza Adoption Event \$
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Adopt a pet, low-cost spay and neutering
Hayward Animal Shelter
16 Barnes Ct., Hayward
(510) 293-7200
www.haywardanimals.org

Saturday, Dec 6
Parenting Class: Disciplining Young Kids
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Topics include rules, rewards and consequences
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1400
www.aclibrary.org

Saturday, Dec 6 - Sunday, Dec 7
Shake Dance Tour \$
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Dance convention
India Community Center
525 Los Coches Street, Milpitas
(408) 934-1130
www.ShakeTour.com

Saturday, Dec 6
Nature Walk for Health
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
1.3 mile walk along tidelands
SF Bay Wildlife Refuge
1 Marshlands Rd., Fremont
(510) 792-0222

Saturday, Dec 6
Bird Drawing – R
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Techniques for 3-D sketching
Ages 8+
Alviso Environmental Education Center
1751 Grand Blvd., Alviso
(408) 262-5513 x104
http://eecbirdd.eventbrite.com

Saturday, Dec 6
Basics of Salt Pond Restoration
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Interactive talk on a short 1/4 mile walk
Alviso Environmental Education Center
1751 Grand Blvd., Alviso
(510) 792-0222 x141

Saturday, Dec 6
Full Moon Photography – R
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Tips to capture moonlit images
Ages 12+
Coyote Hills Regional Park
8000 Patterson Ranch Rd.,
Fremont
(510) 544-3220
www.ebparks.org

Saturday, Dec 6
Recycled Paper Ornaments – R
11 a.m. - 12 noon
Create art for the holidays
Sunol Regional Wilderness
1895 Geary Rd., Sunol
(510) 544-3249
www.ebparks.org

Saturday, Dec 6
SantaCon Hayward
6 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Dress like Santa and enjoy a pub crawl
Benefit for Hayward Animal Shelter
6:00 p.m: Turf Club
22519 Main St., Hayward
7:00 p.m: Bijou Restaurant & Bar
11036 B St., Hayward
8:00 p.m: Metro Taquero
1063 B St., Hayward
9:00 p.m: The Bistro
100 B St., Hayward
https://www.santcon.info/Hayward-CA/
https://www.facebook.com/SantaConHaywardCA

Saturday, Dec 6 - Sunday, Dec 7
Christmas at the Mission \$
Sat: 8 p.m. & Sun: 4 p.m.
Music of late Renaissance and early Baroque
Mission San Jose
43300 Mission Blvd., Fremont
(510) 791-8186
www.chambersingers.org

Saturday, Dec 6
Children’s Holiday Breakfast \$R
8 a.m.
Entertainment, refreshments, photo with Santa and raffle
Washington Hospital
2500 Mowry Ave., Fremont
(510) 791-3428
foundation@whhs.com

Saturday, Dec 6
Nature Detectives: Rain, Rain, Come our Way
11 a.m. - 12 noon
Children play with water
Ages 3 – 5
Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center
4901 Breakwater Ave., Hayward
(510) 670-7270
www.haywardrec.org

Saturday, Dec 6
Bay Area Tow Truck Toy Run
8 a.m.
Breakfast and tow truck parade
Donate a new unwrapped toy
Bridges Community Church
505 Driscoll Rd., Fremont
(510) 651-2030
bridgesbandofbrothers@gmail.com

Saturday, Dec 6
Hawaiian Holiday Celebration \$
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Food, music, arts and crafts
San Leandro Library
300 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro
(510) 577-3971
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Sunday, Dec 7
Ohlone Village Site Tour
10 a.m. - 12 noon
Visit 2,000 year old Tuibun Ohlone village
Coyote Hills Regional Park
8000 Patterson Ranch Rd.,
Fremont
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Sunday, Dec 7
Covered California Enrollment Session
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Personal assistance from certified en-rollers
Union City Branch Library
34007 Alvarado Niles Rd.,
Union City
(510) 745-1464
www.aclibrary.org

Sunday, Dec 7
Calligraphy Alive: Demonstration and Exhibit
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Arabic-Persian traditional pen work
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
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Sunday, Dec 7
Mallard Slough Hike – R
10 a.m.
Search for birds on the salt pond trail
Alviso Environmental Education Center
1751 Grand Blvd., Alviso
(510) 792-0222 x362
http://donedwardsmallard.eventbrite.com

Sunday, Dec 7
Marshland Homes – R
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Play games and solve puzzles
Alviso Environmental Education Center
1751 Grand Blvd., Alviso
(408) 262-5513
http://eecmarshlandhomes.eventbrite.com

Sunday, Dec 7
Madrigal Celebration \$R
3 p.m.
16th Century singing, skits, music and food
Fremont Veterans Hall
37154 Second St. , Fremont
(510) 358-1249
www.brownpapertickets.com

Sunday, Dec 7
Owl Pellet Dissection
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Discuss food webs and anatomy
Ages 5+
Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center
4901 Breakwater Ave., Hayward
(510) 670-7270
www.haywardrec.org

Sunday, Dec 7
Family Fun Hour
2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Stories, games and activities
Ages 5+
Coyote Hills Regional Park
8000 Patterson Ranch Rd.,
Fremont
(510) 544-3220

Sunday, Dec 7
Sunday Matinee \$
4 p.m.
“Go with Le Flo” romantic comedy
Niles Essanay Theater
37417 Niles Blvd, Fremont
(510) 494-1411
www.nilesfilmmuseum.org

Monday, Dec 8
Bingo Luncheon \$
12 noon
Food, raffle and bingo
Eagles Hall
21406 Foothill Blvd., Hayward
(510) 785-8174

Monday, Dec 8 - Tuesday, Dec 9
Travel Training Workshop
9 a.m. - 12 noon
BART and ACT bus instruction
For seniors and people with disabilities
Ruggieri Senior Center
33997 Alvarado Niles Rd.,
Union City
(510) 574-2053

Monday, Dec 8
ACWD Board Workshop
5:30 p.m.
Discuss rates and drought surcharges
Alameda County Water District
43885 S. Grimmer Blvd.,
Fremont
(510) 668-4200
www.acwd.org

Tuesday, Dec 9
Free Notary Signings for Seniors
10:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
Call to schedule an appointment
Ages 50+
Newark Senior Center
7401 Enterprise Dr., Newark
(510) 463-7186

Tuesday, Dec 9
Covered California Enrollment Session
3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Personal assistance from certified en-rollers
Newark Branch Library
6300 Civic Terrace Ave., Newark
(510) 795-2627
www.aclibrary.org

Tuesday, Dec 9
Birds Around the Farm
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Stroll the gardens and search for birds
No admission for early morning event
Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd.,
Fremont
(510) 544-2797
www.ebparks.org

Tuesday, Dec 9
Newark Chamber Holiday Mixer \$
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Bring a new unwrapped toy to donate
BJ’s Restaurant
5699 Mowry Ave., Newark
(510) 456-3750

Friday, Dec 12
Drivers for Survivors Holiday Fundraiser \$R
5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Wine and cheese, dessert and holiday auction items
Held at the Moore Residence
Address provided upon RSVP
Register by 12/8
Drivers for Survivors
(510) 579-0535
events@DriversForSurvivors.org

Saturday, Dec 13
One Hour of Code Workshop – R
2 p.m.
Interactive introduction to coding
Registration begins 12/6
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1421

Wednesday, Dec 17
Ashland Holiday Party – R
2 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Stories, snacks, toys and Santa Claus
Pre-registered children under 12 only
Limit first 200 registered children
Ashland Community Center
1530 167th St., San Leandro
(510) 881-6700
www.haywardrec.org



Tuesday, December 2
Fremont/Tree of Angels
6 p.m.
Tree lighting ceremony
Commemorative ornaments available for purchase
McDonald’s
42800 Mission Blvd., Fremont
(510) 791-3428
www.whhs.com/foundation

Wednesday, December 3
Union City/Tree of Angels
6:00 p.m.
Tree lighting ceremony
Union City Chamber mixer
Nakamura Clinic
33077 Alvarado-Niles Rd.,
Union City
(510) 791-3428
www.whhs.com/foundation

Thursday, December 4
Hayward Light Up the Season
5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tree lighting, ice skating and entertainment
Hayward City Hall
777 B Street, Hayward
www.hayward.org

Thursday, December 4
Masonic Homes/Union City-Holiday Tree Lighting
5 p.m.
Historic 115 year old tree lighting
Masonic Home
34400 Mission Blvd., Union City
www.masonichome.org

Friday, December 5
Centerville Tree Lighting Ceremony
5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Tree lighting, food, entertainment and Santa Claus
Dale Hardware
3700 Thornton Ave., Fremont
(510) 797-3700

Saturday, December 6
Mission San Jose Tree Lighting Event
5:30 p.m.
Tree lighting, music, refreshments and Santa Claus
Old School Mission Plaza
43480 Mission Blvd., Fremont
http://msjchamber.org/events/christmas-tree-lighting/

Thursday, December 11
Tree of AngelsTree Lighting Ceremony and High School Choral Competition
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SPORTS

Elite Soccer wins San Mateo Championship



Women's Soccer

SUBMITTED BY
JENNI CLARK

Elite Soccer combined girls from the Elite Impact U11G and the Elite Strikers U10G teams to play the San Mateo FC 5v5 Tournament. The one day tournament was played at Bay Meadows Park in San Mateo, CA on November 28th. Niki Clark, Isabela Contreras, Marisol Ibarra-Sanchez, and Emma Valadez represented Elite Impact. Amanda Cawthorne, Eden Guajardo, and Isabela "Big Izzy" Perez represented Elite Strikers.

The first game against Legends Futsal 03 ended in a 4-1 win. Goals were scored by Marisol Ibarra-Sanchez, Isabela Contreras, Eden Guajardo, and Niki Clark. The second game was another 4-1 win against America USA U10 Green. Emma Valadez, Amanda Cawthorne, Marisol Ibarra-Sanchez, and Niki Clark scored goals in the win. The third game was a 3-0 shutout victory against America USA U10 Yellow. Goals were scored by Amanda Cawthorne, Eden Guajardo, and Isabela "Big Izzy" Perez.

The three wins qualified Elite Soccer for the Championship game. The girls were set for a re-match against Legends Futsal 03 in the final. It was an exciting, fast paced match that resulted in a 6-4 victory for Elite Soccer. Goals were scored by Eden Guajardo, Marisol Ibarra-Sanchez with two goals, and Niki Clark with the "hat trick" three goals.

The seven girls came to play and their hard work paid off, crowning them the San Mateo FC 5v5 U11 Girls Champions.

Arsenal wins Tournament of Champions



FYSC Boys U14 "Arsenal": From left to right top row: Nick, Cade, Nick, Gerry, Freddie, Michael, Jacob, Joe, Jose, John, Coach Mark; Front Row: Ben, Caleb, Coach Sam, Carlo, Arjun.

Men's Soccer

SUBMITTED BY
DAVID PEAVEY

Congratulations to the Fremont Boys U14 "Arsenal" Soccer Team for taking first place in the 2014 "Tournament of Champions." During the regular season, the Arsenal recreational team went undefeated to take the league championship. They went on to the "Tournament of Champions" hosted by FYSC (Fremont Youth Soccer Club) November 22-23. This tournament drew Boys and Girls teams, ages U10-U16, from San Jose to Danville.

Arsenal lost their first game to the highly ranked Danville Mustang Cosmos (1-2) in the heavy rain, and then won their next two games (2-0) and (3-0) respectively. The Mustang Cosmos (a "Rec. - Plus" Team), meanwhile, went undefeated. In the championship game, Arsenal again faced off against their rivals – the Mustang Cosmos.

Led by Coaches Sam Gonzalez and Mark Sanguinetti, Arsenal scored early in the game. The team then took a defensive strategy - protecting their goal for the remainder of the game to hold off Mustang's relentless attacks. Final score (1-0) Arsenal. It's a bittersweet ending for the coaches (rumored to be retiring) who have coached several of the players on the team for up to six years.

Lopez lands Player of the Week honors

Women's Basketball

SUBMITTED BY SCOTT CHISHOLM

Cal State East Bay women's basketball team member Stephanie Lopez was named the California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) Player of the Week, announced on Tuesday, November 25, 2014. The Pioneer guard earns her first such honor after being named to the All-CCAA Team as a junior last season.

Cal State East Bay extended its active win streak to four following victories over Dominican, Minnesota State Moorhead, and Fresno Pacific this past week. Lopez averaged 24 points, 6.3 rebounds, 3.8 assists, and 2.0 steals per game.

"Stephanie has the ability to put up big numbers in terms of scoring, but she is not a one dimensional player. Her court vision and willingness to share the basketball gets others involved which allows others to share the scoring burden," expressed East Bay Head Coach Suzy Barcomb. "When you look at her stat line, you see somebody who is having an impact upon all phases of the game."

Lopez began her week with a career-high 35 points in the Pioneers' 90-73 victory over the Dominican Penguins. She became the first CSUEB women's basketball player to score at least 30 points in a game since the program joined the CCAA in 2009.

The senior guard is among the nation's leaders in free throws made and percentage having knocked down 42-of-45 (.933) this season. Lopez went 27-for-28 at the line this past week and has made 23 in a row at the charity stripe.

Join San Leandro Police for a Cup o' joe

SUBMITTED BY SAN LEANDRO PD

San Leandro Chief of Police Sandra Spagnoli and members of the San Leandro Police Department invite the community to join them for “Coffee with the Cops” on Tuesday, December 2 at the Creekside Community Church.

Chief Spagnoli and her staff will be discussing crime trends and answer questions, offer tips and provide information on topics of interest. Members of the Crime Prevention Unit, Emergency Preparedness and Code Enforcement Section will be on hand to speak with residents about enhancing Neighborhood Watch Programs and other strategies to reduce crime.

“Coffee with the Cops” is a community program implemented by the San Leandro Police Department in an effort to enhance communication between community members and the Police Department. Meetings will have an informal format, designed to be informative regarding public safety and quality of life issues that impact neighborhoods.

For additional information, please contact the Crime Prevention Unit at (510) 577-3228 or via email at crimeprevention@sanleandro.org. For crime prevention tips, please go to the Police Department's website at www.sanleandro.org/depts/pd or contact our Crime Prevention Unit.

Coffee with the Cops
Tuesday, Dec 2
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.
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crimeprevention@sanleandro.org
www.sanleandro.org/depts/pd
Free

Table tennis winter camps and upcoming classes

SUBMITTED BY ICC TABLE TENNIS CENTER

Weekly table tennis winter camps for beginners and intermediate-level players will be available from Monday, December 22 to Friday, January 2, 2015 at the India Community Center (ICC) Table Tennis Center in Milpitas. Children ages 5 to 14 are encouraged to join. Visit www.indiacc.org/ttcamp and register by Sunday, December 21.

ICC Table Tennis Center is also offering table tennis, art, and chess classes, with Quarter 1 starting on Saturday, January 3, 2015. Register by Friday, January 2, 2015 at www.indiacc.org/2015.

Table Tennis Winter Camps
Monday, Dec 22 – Friday, Jan 2
9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
ICC Table Tennis Center
1453 N Milpitas Blvd, Milpitas
(408) 945 9556
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www.indiacc.org/2015
\$150

Pioneer Men Hold off Bristol in Home Opener

SUBMITTED BY STEVE CONNOLLY

The Cal State East Bay men's basketball team picked up a 69-64 win over visiting Bristol University on November 29th in the team's home opener at Pioneer Gymnasium. Four Pioneers scored in double figures as the squad improved its record to 2-2 this season.

East Bay shot 42.9 percent from the field as a team, they never trailed after taking a 5-4 lead two and a half minutes into the game. The Pioneers also dominated the Bears (1-3) on the glass, out-rebounding 40 to 26.

“This was a big week for our team to improve our defense, re-

bounding, and ability to finish games,” said head coach Gus Argenal. “Tonight, we made clutch free throws down the stretch and made big defensive stops. Jacari Whitfield made big play after big play, and I was really pleased with his leadership.”

The Pioneers had their best performance of the season at the foul line, going 22-for-28 (78.6 percent) as a team. They were also impressive in limiting their fouls, committing just 12 in the game and forcing the Bears into a number of long jump shots.

Whitfield finished with 11 points — six of which came in the final two minutes — and a team-high eight assists, going 3-for-4 from the field. Backcourt partner

Warm blankets for our furry friends



SUBMITTED BY CICI SUSBILLA

Heather Hinkley's first-grade class students at St. John the Baptist School in Milpitas have been learning about creation and how to love and take good care of all of God's creations. In keeping with this theme, the class decided to make warm blankets (35 pieces) and donate money, toys and food to the Milpitas Humane Society.

The first grade students, along with their parents, were very excited to be a part of this project es-

pecially during this season of giving. During their visit on November 18, 2014, they toured the facility and learned about the shelter and the different animals they care for. Students also learned how to make sure animals stay safe, happy and healthy.

Thank you to the parents who volunteered to chaperone. Special thanks to parent volunteer Swati Govil and her daughters, Radha and Gauri, for coordinating the field trip. Thank you also to the anonymous donors for the monetary contributions used to purchase materials for the blankets.

Lady Pioneers continue winning ways

Women's Basketball

SUBMITTED BY SCOTT CHISHOLM

Cal State East Bay never trailed on November 22nd taking down Fresno Pacific 76-41 inside Pioneer Gymnasium. The Pioneers won their fourth straight and matched their best start since the 2005-06 campaign.

After a sloppy opening five minutes in which both teams combined for only six points, Cal State East Bay went on to build a 37-16 halftime cushion. The Pioneers were near perfect from beyond the arc in the first half with one of Sharissa Estremera's three 3-pointers on the night sparking an early run to take control of the game.

Estremera, Shannon Bland, and Stephanie Lopez combined

to knock down 8-of-10 from distance including a perfect 5-for-5 in the first half. Bland finished with a season-high 13 points to go along with six assists and two steals in what Head Coach Suzy Barcomb said was “by far her best game of the season.”

Lopez finished with a game-high 19 points and Estremera matched her career-high with nine. The Pioneers finished 8-of-11 from distance and made eight 3-pointers for only the second time since the 2011-12 season.

“Stephanie can pretty much do anything, but shooting is her comfort zone and she's really good at it. I enjoy playing with (Stephanie) on my side because I want to bring the ball up, and she wants to shoot,” complimented Bland of her senior teammate.

Remy Puou followed up her first career double-double with

another posting 12 points and 10 rebounds to go along with three blocks. Tori Breslers finished with nine points and a career-high 14 boards with 10 coming in the first half. The Pioneers built out-rebounded the Sunbirds 28-11 in the first half and extended the advantage to 20 by the end of regulation.

Thirteen different Pioneers saw action on Saturday including the collegiate debut of Amani Alexander. LeAnne Willingham had a productive return from injury with four points, two steals, and an assist in eight minutes. Kelsey Asplund scored knocked down 3-of-4 free throws to notch her scoring high as a Pioneer. Marianne Fernandez, Mo Fegan, Micah Walker, Bianca Littleton, and Estremera completed a reserve group that outscored its counterpart 23-16.



Jacari Whitfield led all players with eight assists and scored six points down the stretch

Juawnn Springfield paced the squad with 13 points and nine rebounds on 5-for-8 shooting.

Jarred Jourdan had his best offensive game of the young season with 11 points, four boards, and

three assists. Pasquini finished with eight points to go along with nine rebounds and a pair of steals.

Freshman Patrick Marr notched 10 points and five boards in 17 minutes off the

bench, while Ryan Okwudibonye scored seven points and grabbed four rebounds. Fellow senior Darrick McIntosh also pulled in four boards and went 3-for-4 from the free throw line.

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
1st/2nd/3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.
City Hall, Bldg A
3300 Capitol Ave., Fremont
(510) 284-4000
www.fremont.gov

Hayward City Council
1st/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
1st/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
1st/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
www.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

Newark Unified School District
1st/3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.
5715 Musick Ave., Newark
(510) 818-4103
www.newarkunified.org

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

November 25, 2014

Proclamations and Presentations:

Adopt a resolution expressing great appreciation to Larry Cheeves for 25 years of service to the city as Public Works Director and City Manager.

Consent Calendar:

Reappoint Ronald Quinn to serve on the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement Board.
Vacate a storm drain easement.
Approve a supplemental budget appropriation of \$20,000 in FY 14-15 to purchase re-

placement hand held citation devices and related licenses, training and supplies for the parking enforcement program.

City Manager Reports:

Extend the franchise agreement between the city and Republic Services for solid waste, recyclable materials and organic materials collected services for a period of one year with revised terms. Republic will pay an annual \$75,000 extension fee with the total ten-year extension fee payments coming out to \$750,000.

Extend the franchise agreement between the City and Tri City Economic Development Corporation for recyclable materials collection and processing for a period of 13 months.

Public Hearings:

Approve filing liens against certain properties for non-payment of costs associated with the repair of sidewalks. As of November 17, the city is owed approximately \$17,000 from various properties.

Adopt a resolution approving general plan amendments and introducing ordinance for zoning map and text amendments.

Mayor Carol Dutra-Vernaci	Aye
Vice Mayor Lorrin Ellis	Aye
Emily Duncan	Aye
Pat Gacoscos	Aye
Jim Navarro	Aye

Swalwell appointed to Steering & Policy Committee

SUBMITTED BY ALLISON BORMEL

U.S. Representative Eric Swalwell (CA-15) was recently appointed by Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi to the House Democratic Steering & Policy Committee for the 114th Congress. The Steering & Policy Committee sets the Democratic policy agenda and nominates Democratic Members for committee assignments.

“I’m honored and humbled to be selected by Leader Pelosi to join the Democratic Steering & Policy Committee,” said Swalwell. “As a member of the next generation of our caucus, I look forward to working in a collaborative way to promote the policies that will lift up all Americans.”

Future BART project discussions

SUBMITTED BY
SANTA CLARA
VALLEY TRANSPORTATION
AUTHORITY

Starting early December, the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) will begin discussions with the public about the future phase of VTA’s Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Silicon Valley Extension Project. Public meetings are scheduled to provide an update on the project currently planned to extend BART service from the 10-mile Berryessa extension, or Phase 1, currently under construction.

The presentation will include a project funding overview and timeline for the state and federal environmental clearance period. During this process, there will be significant community and stakeholder engagement, ultimately leading to the selection of a preferred project alternative by the VTA Board of Directors in the early 2016 timeframe. Following staff presentations, there will be an opportunity for the public to ask questions and share comments.

VTA’s BART Silicon Valley Project is a 16-mile extension of the existing BART system to San Jose, Milpitas and Santa Clara, which will be delivered through a phased approach. The first phase, the Berryessa Extension, is a 10-mile, two-station extension, beginning in Fremont south of the

future BART Warm Springs Station and proceeding along the former Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way through Milpitas, the location of the first station, and then to the Berryessa area of north San Jose, at the second station. VTA continues project development activities for the second phase of the project that includes a subway tunnel through downtown San Jose. Construction on the second phase of the project will commence as additional funding is secured.

For more information, please contact VTA Community Outreach at (408) 934-2662, or (408) 321-2330 for teletype (TTY), or visit www.vta.org/bart.

BART Silicon Valley Project Public Meetings

Tuesday, Dec 2
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
VTA Customer Service Center
55 W Santa Clara St, San Jose

Tuesday, Dec 9
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Santa Clara University Locatelli Hall, Building 710
500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara

(408) 934-2662
TTY: (408) 321-2330
www.vta.org/bart
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COMTO Awards to honor businesses/transit leaders/ students

SUBMITTED BY
CLARENCE L. JOHNSON

The Northern California Chapter of the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) will honor individuals and businesses for their achievements and contributions to the transportation industry at its 11th Annual Scholarship and Industry Awards Dinner Dance on Friday, December 5.

Industry leaders will be recognized for advancing COMTO’s goals of providing equal access to transportation careers and advancing the transportation interests of communities of color. In addition, to bolster diversity in the transportation industry, several scholarship awards will be presented to further the studies of

disadvantaged Bay Area college students.

The Northern California Chapter of COMTO has provided over \$180,000 to Minority College students over the last 10 years. Proceeds from this year’s event will provide scholarships to local minority college students. The cost per attendee is \$125.

COMTO Awards

Friday, Dec 5

6 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Oakland Marriott Hotel
1001 Broadway, Oakland

Register online:

<https://comtonorcal.eventbrite.com>

Checks can also be mailed to:

COMTO of No CA, P.O. Box

71855, Oakland, CA 94612-8055

Info: comto.norcal@gmail.com

\$125 per person

\$23.8 million settlement with AT&T announced

SUBMITTED BY OFFICE OF
ATTORNEY GENERAL KAMALA D. HARRIS

Attorney General Kamala D. Harris and Alameda County District Attorney Nancy E. O’Malley announced on November 20 a settlement with AT&T to resolve allegations that hundreds of AT&T’s California facilities unlawfully disposed of hazardous waste and material over a nine-year period. As part of the settlement, AT&T will pay \$23.8 million. In addition, AT&T will spend an estimated \$28 million over the next five years to implement the enhanced environmental compliance measures required by the settlement. The settlement and proposed judgment, filed in Alameda County Superior Court, requires approval from the court before becoming final.

If approved by the court, under the final judgment, AT&T must pay \$18.8 million in civil penalties and costs. An additional \$3 million will fund supplemental environmental projects furthering consumer protection and environmental enforcement in California, and AT&T will pay a minimum of \$2 million to enhance its environmental compliance. The telecom provider will be bound under the terms of a permanent injunction prohibiting similar future violations of law.

Plan to reject fee hikes for California students

SUBMITTED BY
JESSICA DUONG

Assembly Speaker Toni G. Atkins announced on November 19 a plan that would reject proposed fee increases for in-state students at the University of California and instead provide UC with additional state funding coupled with greater UC efficiencies, higher enrollment of California students, a cap on out-of-state-students and an accelerated, reasonable fee increase for out-of-state students in line with other universities. Speaker Atkins’ proposal includes the following items:

First, reject all fee increases for California students, including the more than 25 percent fee increase

in President Napolitano’s proposal.

Additional funding of \$50 million from the state General Fund. The California State University system, which has not proposed raising fees, would also receive additional state funds to increase student services to reduce time to graduate, as well as to increase enrollment.

Increase Cal Grants to lessen the financial burden of higher education on lower income families.

Require UC to maintain all existing institutional aid to students to ensure the increase Cal Grant benefits are realized by the students.

Accelerate the implementation of the Middle Class Scholarship to cut fees for middle income families by more than 20 percent in 2015-16.

Double the proposed increase of California students to 10,000 over five years by adding enrollments of California students by 2,000 per year for five years and ensure California student enrollments increase at all UC campuses.

Cap enrollments of out-of-state students at 2014-15 levels. The Great Recession has ended, and funds have been restored to the UC, so the time has come to end the practice of backfilling state cuts with students that pay out of state tuition and push out California students.

Increase tuition for out of state students by \$5,000, which is still well below other prominent public schools. The increased revenues will help fund enrollments of California students and keep

California students’ fees from increasing.

UC should adopt the pension reforms for new employees contained in the Public Employees’ Pension Reform Act of 2013.

UC also needs to ensure Californians are getting the most for our money by increasing the amount of teaching that is required and limiting increases in executive compensation.

Speaker Atkins, who is a member of the Board of Regents, called on the Regents to reject the proposed fee increases and have UC staff begin working with the Legislature and Governor on a shared solution encompassing these areas.

Website of Assembly Speaker Toni G. Atkins:
www.asmdc.org/speaker

OPINION



WILLIAM MARSHAK

No, this isn't the garden column or advice from a master gardener. However, Fremont's planning department has liberally used the term "pruning" to explain their goal of reducing commercial districts and shopping complexes to micro-centers of commerce, lauding the advantages of big box retail and massive shopping centers at Pacific Commons while promoting retail shopping in a new downtown and the South Fremont/BART area, preferably mixed use with a significant housing element.

An "Innovative District" in the southern reaches of Fremont has received much attention as a prime location of green and innovative manufacturing but promoting broad, multi-ethnic and inclusive retail development of that area has not been on the front burner; Warm Springs as a historic district that honors its roots has all but disappeared.

What is in store for the rest of Fremont? "Pruning"

The plan is to prune existing retail in favor of housing, housing and more housing. Owners, some second and third generation descendents of open space and retail property, have seized an opportunity to cash out. The Connolly prop-

Pruning tips

erty is a good example of sawing off the middle of a major commercial tree limb along Fremont Boulevard, expecting this pruning effort to protect and enhance existing retail. Even a non-gardener must have doubts when a proposal to cut a limb in the middle, is expected to preserve the outer reaches of the limb. But, that probably isn't the grand plan.

Somehow, all commercial activity is expected to concentrate in Irvington's center at Five Corners, Bay Street and/or Monument Center as the planning department is ruthlessly pruning the district's retail along Fremont Boulevard in favor of housing. Business owners and residents of Irvington and Centerville have voiced concerns that optimistic plans for thriving commercial districts have been relegated to dense housing projects, to satisfy the City's thirst for affordable housing. Although affordable housing is a laudable goal, it should not be concentrated, rather spread throughout Fremont. Development in downtown and the South Fremont/Warm Springs stations ought to be included in such plans without mitigation measures of alternative housing sites.

In horticulture, pruning trees and shrubs is practiced to remove dead or diseased branches while preserving and promote the health of an original plant, maintain and improve appearance and remove hazards. The University of Minnesota extension cautions: "Removing large branches leaves stubs that can cause several health problems. It also destroys the plant's natural shape and promotes suckering and development of weak branch structure." When addressing pruning of fruit trees, University of California Alameda County Master Gardeners website article by Dr. Mark S. Brunell notes, "Pruning does have drawbacks: it is time-consuming and requires some education and experience; it opens wounds

that can lead to disease, and it could potentially spread disease; if too severe the yield of the fruit will be greatly reduced..."

Fremont planners must have a different view of the process.

With passage of Measure BB, the Irvington BART station will give additional impetus to development of more housing that will encroach on retail/commercial space. This is similar to clear cutting practiced by foresters to reap the rewards of concentrated harvesting, maintaining that is healthy for the surrounding forest. Maybe it works, but those who have seen this type of forestry might have a different opinion. Thinning and clear cutting are two very different actions. Many would agree that there is a difference between replanting a new forest of trees and planting housing while expecting the forest to thrive as a result.

A periodic review of the Housing Element of the General Plan is required by the State. On December 2, 2014, staff will present its revisions and submission for City Council approval. While pretty words and promises abound, Councilmembers must listen carefully and ask whether these goals are practical and healthy for the entire City of Fremont. Without district representation on the Council, we rely on each councilmember to review and comment without bias, acting as a check and balance to Staff proposals and recommendations.

William Marshak
PUBLISHER

Robbery at knife point

SUBMITTED BY
SGT BRANDON HAYWARD, UNION CITY PD

On Friday, November 21st, at around 8 p.m., four suspects robbed a victim in the area of Decoto Rd. and Skylark Dr. The four suspects approached the victim, thrust a sharp object into his lower back, and forcibly removed his wallet, cell phone and watch. The victim only saw two of the suspects, who both had their faces covered to hide their identity.

On Sunday, November 23rd at approximately 11:30 p.m. in front of 24 Union Square Dr., four suspects robbed two victims at knife-point, taking their jewelry. The four suspects fled on foot. Shortly thereafter, Ofc. M. Leon spotted four male juveniles at Taco Bell on

Alvarado-Niles who matched the description of the suspects. Officers detained the males and learned they were in possession of the stolen jewelry and the knife that was used in the robbery. All four males were arrested. They are between the ages of 15 and 17, and are all residents of Union City.

Union City investigators conducted additional follow up to determine if the suspects were responsible for a number of similar robberies committed in the same general area within the past two weeks. The detectives served a series of search warrants and recovered additional evidence linking at least one of the suspects to the earlier crimes.

Anyone with information related to any of these incidents is asked to contact the Union City Police Department at (510) 675-5247.



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Novice: 85-87
1st Place -Max Mutimer of Kennedy
2nd Place -Gabriel Uribe of Kennedy

Novice: 97-106
1st Place -Antonio Sanchez of Deer Valley
2nd Place -Ryan Marks of Cupertino
3rd Place -Ronald Feliciano of Logan
4th Place -Charles Chua of Kennedy

Novice: 108-118
1st Place -Akhil Vega of Cupertino
2nd Place -Owen Madaus of Miramonte
3rd Place -Aidan Hart of Drake
4th Place -Zachary Dahlman of Kennedy
5th Place -Naman Maheshwami of Cupertino

Novice: 121-133
1st Place -Erik Nelson of Albany
2nd Place -Jasiah Vargas of Logan
3rd Place -Samuel Ramirez of Cupertino
4th Place -Dawkins Malcolm of Albany
5th Place -Colin Herroz of Kennedy
6th Place -Adam Machado of Dixon High School
7th Place -Peter Wang of Cupertino
8th Place -Mason Bell of Miramonte

Novice: 130-140
1st Place -Eric Banisadr of Miramonte
2nd Place -Tyler Scott of Dixon High School
3rd Place -Alexander Pereira of Newark Memorial
4th Place -R. Macrae Dudman of

Dixon High School
5th Place -Ben Karcher of Albany
6th Place -Tyler Larson of Kennedy
7th Place -Shoichi Okumura of Cupertino
8th Place -Adam Warren of Miramonte

Novice: 140-144
1st Place -Andres Uribe of Kennedy
2nd Place -Jean Morales of Dixon High School
3rd Place -Alec Gates of Miramonte
4th Place -Nguyen Pham of Cupertino
5th Place -Justin Wu of Albany
6th Place -Ryan Rim of Cupertino
7th Place -Luke Phillips of Miramonte

Novice: 143-154
1st Place -Ethan Buford of Dixon High School
2nd Place -Diego Silva of Albany
3rd Place -Mark Mitcham of Kennedy
4th Place -Kochi Hashimoto of Cupertino
5th Place -Kangmin Kim of Cupertino
6th Place -Bryan Lizarraga of Kennedy
7th Place -David Rezapour of Miramonte
8th Place -Jeremy Shen of Miramonte

Novice: 173-186
1st Place -Marco Calvo of Newark Memorial
2nd Place -Elijah Rogers of Dixon High School
3rd Place -Eraj Omar of Logan
4th Place -Giancarl Esposito of Marin Catholic
5th Place -Matthew Kimball of Cupertino
6th Place -Gabriel Thomson of Kennedy

Novice: 193-211
1st Place -Tim Frontera of Dixon High School
2nd Place -Blair Hicks of Dixon High School
3rd Place -Elian Sotelo of Kennedy
4th Place -Pittman Romaun of Castlemont
5th Place -Antonio Gomes of Miramonte

JV: 120-131
1st Place -Malik Brown of Albany
2nd Place -Christian Hodgson of Logan
3rd Place -Matt Sanders of Miramonte
4th Place -Ashvin Prasad of Newark Memorial
5th Place -Joe See of Drake
6th Place -Gabriel Jasso of Newark Memorial

JV: 134-145
1st Place -Max Fleming of Miramonte
2nd Place -Omar Nasser of Kennedy
3rd Place -Mason Sellers of Logan
4th Place -Nicodemo Jimenez of Dixon High School
5th Place -Steve Silva of Newark Memorial
6th Place -Jerry Fernandez of Deer Valley
7th Place -Toan Nguyen of Logan

JV: 148-161
1st Place -Ivan Barrales of Lick Wilmerding
2nd Place -Keola Hubbell of Logan
3rd Place -Noah Mohapatra of Logan
4th Place -Chris Warthen of Miramonte
5th Place -Oscar Aparicio of Kennedy

JV: 164-172
1st Place -Jacob McBee of Deer Valley

2nd Place -Macario Zamora-Lajes of Logan
3rd Place -Daniel Jimenez of Newark Memorial
4th Place -Zihao Zou of Albany
5th Place -Jesse Reyes of Newark Memorial

JV: 175-185
1st Place -Jeremiah Phillips of Castlemont
2nd Place -Liam Birmingham of Drake
3rd Place -Greg Tobias of Dixon High School
4th Place -Jimmy Wong of Newark Memorial
5th Place -Kyle Williams of Logan
6th Place -Royale Privitte of Lick Wilmerding

JV: 186-195
1st Place -Matt Conrad of Marin Catholic
2nd Place -Jirathip Silakum of Newark Memorial
3rd Place -Stephen Bronson of Newark Memorial
4th Place -Ruben Aurelio of Albany
5th Place -Gurbir Dhaliwal of Logan

JV: 210-249
1st Place -Alejandro Diaz of Logan
2nd Place -Nicholas Loya of Kennedy
3rd Place -Cal Crompton of Lick Wilmerding
4th Place -Paea Villi of Castlemont
5th Place -Shawn Chumbar of Kennedy
6th Place -Joanna Mack of Castlemont

Girls: 91-111
1st Place -Gabby Sandoval of Scotts Valley
2nd Place -Catli Tran of Newark Memorial
3rd Place -Alexis Talmadge of Cupertino
4th Place -Olivia Hur of

Scotts Valley
Girls: 114-125
1st Place -Ariana Hastings of Deer Valley
2nd Place -Julia Branagan of Scotts Valley
3rd Place -Bella Pissanetcky of Scotts Valley
4th Place -Annie Heinz of Scotts Valley

Girls: 127-134
1st Place -Eyaniece Thornton of Deer Valley
2nd Place -Jessica Kernaghan of Cupertino
3rd Place -Corina Barnes of Deer Valley
4th Place -Gianna Mosqueda of Watsonville
5th Place -Ashley Miller of Scotts Valley
6th Place -Alexis Rodriguez of Cupertino
7th Place -Emily Burke of Cupertino
8th Place -Nicole Tolson of Drake

Girls: 136-145
1st Place -Laylani Allen of Castlemont
2nd Place -Megan Greensides of Cupertino
3rd Place -Jenny Romero of Deer Valley
4th Place -Ashley Hailer of Drake
5th Place -Gabrielle Jones of Newark Memorial
6th Place -Tinja Bassman of Scotts Valley

Girls: 145-160
1st Place -Solin Piearcy of Cupertino
2nd Place -Raelyn Troche of Newark Memorial
3rd Place -Katherine Rossiter of Scotts Valley
4th Place -Naylani Allen of Castlemont
5th Place -Linsy Herrera of Drake

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Rodeo facts

I would to thank the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District on their decision regarding the Rowell Ranch Rodeo. We applaud them for finding judgment with evidence and truths It is reassuring that those in charge of our parks are making decisions with facts, and knowledge instead of unfounded accusations and opinions from those with a special agenda.

Let me briefly clarify one of the most misunderstood issues that were addressed. Use of the electric prod. Many think and have been told this is used as a regular practice on horses. So far from the truth and reality. Do you have a Fire Extinguisher under your kitchen sink, in your garage? I am sure that the use of a home fire extinguisher is not used on a regular basis as a cooking utensil, or as a tool in your garage. The prod is the fire extinguisher of rodeo, there for 'Emergency Use' only.

It was written that "very few folks have observed the leather strap wrapped tightly

around the animal's lower back crushing its genitals". This in NOT and I repeat NOT wrapped around nor crushing the animals' genitals. The flank strap is a fleece lined 'belt' placed around the flank of the animal. And if one truly observed and was educated about the sport of rodeo and the equipment, this is a clear and visible observation.

If you would like to learn the facts regarding the issues brought forth to the HARD Board or any other questions regarding the Rowell Ranch Rodeo, contact the rodeo committee, an organization founded by professionals in the field of livestock. Better yet, learn firsthand, and attend the "Cowboy Experience," an educational, inside look at sport of rodeo.

The Rowell Ranch Rodeo is proud to share in the diversity of our community, to be a leader in the care and welfare of all animals.

Janet Lemmons
Rowell Ranch Professional Rodeo

Traveling over the holidays? Request a vacation home security check

SUBMITTED BY FREMONT PD

If you are planning to go out of town for the holidays, consider requesting a vacation home security check from our Police Patrol Volunteer Unit (VIPS). Requests must be received three days prior to your trip to ensure a visit. To sign up, go to www.fremontpolice.org/vacationrequestform and fill out the online form a few days before you leave.

Vacation home security tips:

- An empty house is a tempting target for a burglar so make sure you do your best to have your home look occupied while you are away.
- Find a trusted friend or neighbor to watch your house. Give them your contact information in case they need to get a hold of you.
- Never broadcast your travel plans on a community email group, blog, Facebook, or other social networking site and remember if you check-in on foursquare or Facebook, everyone knows you aren't home!
- Install good locks on the doors and windows and use them.
- Engrave your valuables with your phone number and place "Operation Identification" stickers on your entry door and front window.
- Never leave a house key hidden outside of your home. If it is hidden in a pot, under the mat, beneath a rock or in a fake rock someone else may find it and enter your home while you are away.
- Stop all deliveries or arrange for someone to pick up your mail, newspapers, and packages.
- Arrange for someone to mow your lawn and maintain the yard while you are away. This keeps your home looking lived in.
- Place your inside lights and a radio on timers so that they go on and off, periodically in the evening hours.
- Hide your garbage cans out of sight. If your garbage cans are empty when everyone else's are full, it is a sign that you are not at home.
- Turn the ringer on your telephone down low or off so that people outside of your home will not hear the phone ringing and going unanswered.
- Be sure to close and lock the garage door too. When possible have a friend or family member park a car in your driveway occasionally so that it looks like someone is still at home.

Leave your blinds and drapes in their normal position on second floor windows (closed on ground level so no one can look inside and view an empty home).

Remember when you return home, if it looks like someone has entered your home - don't go inside! Instead use a cell phone, go to a neighbor's house or other safe location to contact the police. Let the police check your home before you go inside.

To report an in-progress emergency dial 9-1-1. To report suspicious activity or a non-emergency dial 510-790-6800 and select option 3.

We wish you a safe holiday season!

Obituary

Maria Pascua Batoon

January 10, 1922 - November 26, 2014



Maria P. Batoon, age 92, went to be with the Lord on November 26, 2014 with her loved ones by her side. Born in the Philippines in January 10, 1922, she was the first woman to receive a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture from University of the Philippines, Los Banos. She continued in her education at the Araneta University, Philippines where she graduated with a major in Education and later received her Masters in 1962. She was a pioneer in the research of medicinal and ornamental plants in the Bureau of Plant Industry for 45 years. She retired in 1983 and migrated to USA.

She was preceded by her husband, Aguedo M. Batoon, and her two sons: Ermel and Marwin. She is survived by her children: Eddie and Flora, Agnes and Francis, Alex and Tess, Marissa and Dave, Anray and Divina, Josephine and Josh, Dexter and Cecille, Marie and Matt; and her 24 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren that brought her joy to her later years.

Family and friends are invited to attend services held at the Chapel of Angels, 40842 Fremont Blvd., Fremont. A Celebration of Life is scheduled on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 5:30pm. Funeral Service on Friday, December 5, 2014, beginning with a Mass at Holy Spirit Church, 37588 Fremont Blvd, Fremont at 9:30am, and burial at Santa Clara Mission Cemetery, 490 Lincoln St., Santa Clara.



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Within a few years, James and Lucy completed the purchase of the farm and



started construction on what is now about a 7,000 square foot Victorian Style house; three stories tall with a full basement. The house was completed in 1876 and the family moved from their small cottage into this large home. Several generations of the Shinn family lived in this house over the next 85 years. In 1961, Florence Shinn (with the blessing of her family) donated the house, several out buildings, and four and a half acres to the City of Fremont for historical tours.

Mission Peak Heritage Foundation now hosts tours of this grand old house, and invites you to visit during the holiday season; we have it decorated as it may have been 120 years ago. The house will be open for public tours (no reservations required) on Friday evenings, December 5 and December 12, as well as on Saturday, December 6

and Sunday, December 7. Docents in period clothes will provide tours of Shinn House at a cost of \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 7 to 12 years old. Children under seven are free. Group tours are also available for 10 or more by calling Joan Serafino at (510) 795-0891.

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The open house will also serve as a great time to drop off a toy or non-perishable food item as contribution to this year's food and toy drive benefitting local charities Open Heart Kitchen and Abode Services. Please RSVP to Leah Doyle-Stevens at (925) 784-9272. Light refreshments will be provided.

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SUBMITTED BY
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On November 11, 2014, at approximately 10:07 a.m. three unknown suspects stole a package and elephant shaped lawn ornament off a victim's porch near the 48000 block of Sauvignon Court. The package had been delivered to the residence just minutes prior



by USPS. The incident was captured on private video surveillance by the homeowner as well as several neighboring residences. Fremont Detectives are releasing photographs and are asking for the public's assistance to help identify the three suspects.

The suspects and suspect vehicle are described as follows:

Suspect #1: White female adult, age 20, 5'03", skinny build, last seen wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, sunglasses, blue jeans and black boots.

Suspect #2: Possibly Asian or Pacific Islander

male, 20-25 years, 6'00" thick build, long dark hair in a ponytail, last seen wearing a black shirt and blue jeans.

Suspect #3: (Driver) Unknown age/race male.

Suspect Vehicle: 2004 dark blue Jeep Grand Cherokee CA License plate: 6PLZ076.

Officers learned that the vehicle is registered to a 40 year old deceased male.

If you have any information about this incident, please contact Fremont Police Department Investigations at 510-790-6900 or email Officer L. Kennedy at Lkennedy@fremont.gov.

Newark Police Log

SUBMITTED BY
CMDR MICHAEL CARROLL,
NEWARK PD

Monday, November 24

Officers responded to a residence on Mulberry St at 9:12 a.m. where family members were concerned that Pablo Borjon (Age 29, of Newark) was under the influence of a significant amount of pain medication and was going to attempt to drive a vehicle. With Borjon's permission, Officer Neithercutt searched for Borjon's current medications. While conducting the search for the medications, Officer Neithercutt located four high capacity firearms all registered to Borjon. Borjon was placed under arrest for having the high capacity magazines. Borjon was taken to a local hospital for medical treatment and then later booked at Santa Rita Jail.

Newark Police Officers responded to the Cinedome for an alarm activation at 4:43 p.m. Upon arrival, Officer Neithercutt located Geronimo Gardner (Age 40, of Oakland) on the roof of the building. Officer Neithercutt arrested Gardner for trespassing. Gardner was released from the lo-

cation after signing a promise to appear in court.

Tuesday, November 25

Officers Lopez, Officer Todd, and Officer Stone responded to a residence on Walnut Street at 9:04 a.m. to serve a warrant. Officer Lopez contacted probationer Angelica Hatter (Age 39, of Newark) and conducted a probation search of the residence. As a result a probation search, Hatter was arrested for possessing narcotics, dangerous drugs, drug paraphernalia, and misappropriated lost/stolen property. Hatter was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

Officer's Lopez and Musantry made a second visit to the residence on Walnut Street at 5:08 p.m., at which time they located William Hatter (Age 30, of Newark). Officer Lopez arrested William for his multiple arrest warrants and booked him at Fremont Jail.

Thursday, November 27

Officer Musantry contacted and arrested Jessica Garcia (Age 20, of Union City) at 12:12 a.m. for driving under the influence of alcohol. Garcia was booked at Santa Rita Jail.

The California Highway Patrol called at 3:59 a.m. and re-

quested the assistance of the Newark Police on Highway 84, near the Toll Plaza. A taxi driver called for assistance as two individuals got into an argument while in the taxi. One of the individuals ended up walking along the freeway which prompted CHP to send a unit from their Redwood City Office. Officer Kovach made contact with the involved parties and arrested Adan Sandoval (Age 28, of Fremont) for public intoxication.

Officers responded to a residential alarm on Baine Avenue at 7:07 p.m. Upon arrival, Officer Mavrakis located a pillow case on the driveway containing jewelry boxes. Both night and day shifts responded and set-up a perimeter and an entry team. A K-9 search of the victim residence and surrounding yards were completed to no avail.

Friday, November 28

At 1:38 a.m., Officer Stone and Officer Todd investigated a shoplifting case from Macy's. Carlos Andrade (Age 18, of Oakland) was arrested for commercial burglary and issued a citation. Andrade was released from the scene after he signed a promise to appear in court.

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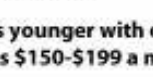
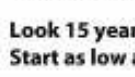
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rials (Fremont Bank), Spin a Wheel for Prizes (State Farm Insurance), bite-size pizza (Round Table Pizza), ice cream/coupons (Loard's Ice Cream), Mexican food snacks (El Patio), coffee (Suju's Coffee), cookies (Maaco) and blonde bars (Depot Café). The CBCA booth will have goodie bags and glow-in-the-dark bracelets for kids. Also, a giant slide, jeep ride, and jump house are planned as well as an appearance by a fire truck and firefighters.

The American High School Band kicks off the event at 5 p.m. followed by performances by Dream Achievers Band, City of Fremont dance groups, and VIFE Flute Ensemble. American High returns to help Santa enter for the tree lighting at 7 p.m. Parents... remember to bring along cameras for photo opportunities with Santa after he lights the tree. Carols from Fremont Unified Student Store (FUSS), Alder Avenue Baptist Church, and Centerville Presbyterian Church will conclude the evening's fun.

Enjoy the holiday spirit at the Centerville Tree Lighting, and be sure to check out additional tree lighting events throughout the Greater Tri-City area.

Centerville Tree Lighting

Friday, Dec 5
5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Dale Hardware
3700 Thornton Ave, Fremont
(510) 797-3700

Event Schedule:

5:00 p.m.: American High School Band
5:15 p.m.: Dream Achievers Band
6:00 p.m.: City of Fremont dance Groups
6:30 p.m.: VIFE Flute Ensemble
6:55 p.m.: American High School Band
7:00 p.m.: Tree Lighting
7:10 p.m.: Carols by FUSS, Alder Avenue Baptist Church, Centerville Presbyterian Church

Tree lightings:

Bernardin Family McDonald's Tree Lighting (Trees of Angels)

Tuesday, Dec 2
6:00 p.m.
McDonald's
42800 Mission Blvd, Fremont
(510) 791-3428
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Union City Chamber of Commerce Mixer and Tree Lighting (Trees of Angels)

Wednesday, Dec 3
6:00 p.m.

Nakamura Clinic
33077 Alvarado-Niles Rd, Union City
(510) 791-3428
www.whhs.com/foundation

Light Up the Season Thursday, Dec 4

5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Hayward City Hall
777 B St, Hayward
(510) 537-2424
www.hayward.org

Holiday Tree Lighting

Thursday, Dec 4
5:00 p.m.
Masonic Home
34400 Mission Blvd, Union City
(510) 429-6469
http://www.masonichome.org/seniors/union_city.html

Mission San Jose Tree Lighting

Saturday, Dec 6
5:30 p.m.
Old School Mission Plaza
43480 Mission Blvd, Fremont
(510) 427-3007
<http://msjchamber.org/events/christmas-tree-lighting/>

High School Choral Competition and Tree Lighting

Thursday, Dec 11
5:30 p.m.
Washington West
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. HG14748185
Superior Court of California, County of Alameda
Petition of: Paula Roberta Bullen for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Pettitioner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Paula Roberta Bullen to Paula Roberta Presley
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 02/27/2015, Time: 8:45 a.m., Dept.: 504
The address of the court is Hayward Hall of Justice, 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: Tri City Voice Newspaper
Date: Nov. 14, 2014
WINIFRED Y. SMITH
Judge of the Superior Court
11/25, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16/14

CNS-2689662#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 498261
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Fremont Best Limousine, 3843 Carol Ave., Apt 206, Fremont, CA 94538, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Makhan Singh, 3843 Carol Ave, Apt 206, Fremont, CA 94538
Business conducted by: An Individual
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11-14-14
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/ Makhan Singh
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 14, 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).
12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23/14

CNS-2692769#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 498149
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Avlision, 35632 Barnard Dr., Fremont, CA 94536, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Zhang, Feng, 35632 Barnard Dr., 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 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/ Zhang, Feng
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 12, 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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12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23/14

CNS-2692714#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 498202
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Aprati Foods Americas, Inc., 2477 Liston Way, Union City, CA 94587, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
American Licorice Company, 1900 Whirlpool Drive South, La Porte, IN 46350 Delaware
Business conducted by: a Corporation
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ John R. Kretschmer, Chief Executive Officer
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 13, 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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12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23/14

CNS-2692272#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 497951
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Stylish Salon, 36601 Newark Blvd., Unit #8, Newark, CA 94560, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Maricela Alvarado, 6218 Civic Terrace #A, 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/ Maricela Alvarado
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 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.
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11/25, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16/14

CNS-2689660#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 497862
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Northcal Driving School, 37053 Cherry St., Newark, CA 94560, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Harmannpreet Singh, 6104 B Civic Terrace Ave., 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/ Harman
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 3, 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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11/18, 11/25, 12/2, 12/9/14

CNS-2687861#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 497681
Fictitious Business Name(s):
DPFx Video Productions, 35816 Killorglin Common, Fremont, CA 94536, USA
Registrant(s):
DPFX, Inc., 35816 Killorglin Common, Fremont, CA 94536
Business conducted by: a Corporation
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on Sept. 2007.
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/ Duane A. Poquiss, CEO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on October 27, 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).
11/11, 11/18, 11/25, 12/2/14

CNS-2685783#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 497829
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Digital Myths Studio, 47610 Wabana Common, Fremont, CA 94539, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Digital Myths Studio, Inc., 47610 Wabana Common, Fremont, CA 94539
Business conducted by: a Corporation
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on Sept. 30, 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/ Jefferson Dong, CEO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on October 31, 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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11/11, 11/18, 11/25, 12/2/14

CNS-2685295#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 497456
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Habaneros Fresh Grill, 4342-A Thornton Ave., Fremont, CA 94536, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Wali Mayar, 1240 Tieggen Dr., Hayward, CA 94542
Juan Rosales, 4707 Griffith Ave., Fremont, CA 94538
Business conducted by: a Joint venture
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/ Juan Rosales, Partner
Wali Mayar, Partner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on October 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 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).
11/11, 11/18, 11/25, 12/2/14

et seq., Business and Professions Code).
11/11, 11/18, 11/25, 12/2/14

CNS-2684674#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 497416
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Idea Campus, 8371 Central Ave., Unit B, Newark, CA 94560, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Smart Business Services Inc., 8371 Central Ave. Unit B, Newark, CA 94560; CA
Business conducted by: a Corporation
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ Kong Yu, CEO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on October 20, 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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11/11, 11/18, 11/25, 12/2/14

CNS-2684653#

GOVERNMENT

CITY OF UNION CITY NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for an update to the City's General Plan Housing Element. The City's Draft Housing Element consists of two parts: a Background Report that provides the foundation for the goals, policies, implementation programs and quantified objectives; and the Policy Report (Section 5.7: Goals, Policies, and Programs) that specifies the goals, policies, implementation programs, and quantifies objectives for the maintenance, improvement and development of housing for the time period from 2015 to 2023. A copy of the draft Housing Element can be viewed within the City of Union City Planning Division located at 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, or on-line at <http://www.uc2040.com/documents/>
PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD:
The review period to submit comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration begins on December 5, 2014 and ends on January 5, 2015. A copy of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review within the City of Union City Planning Division located at 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, or on-line at <http://www.union-city.ca.us/departments/economic-development/planning/environmental-documents>
Please send comments regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration to Carmela Campbell, Planning Manager, City of Union City Planning Department, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, CA 94587. Comments can also be e-mailed to carmelac@unioncity.org or faxed to (510) 475-7318.
This notice is intended to satisfy the notice requirements of CEQA Guidelines §15072.
12/2/14

CNS-2693803#

CITY OF UNION CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the City of Union City for the purpose of considering the following project application:

Use Permit (UP-14-007), Administrative Site Development Review (ASD-14-018)

The applicant, Safari Kid, Inc., is requesting Use Permit (UP-14-007) and Administrative Site Development Review (ASD-14-018) approval to establish a new preschool and after school care facility located at 32462 Alvarado Boulevard. The project includes on-site improvements such as a covered walkway, new security entry, restriped parking area, landscaping, new signage, and building accessibility improvements. The project site is zoned PI, Private Institutional and is identified as APNs: 483-0049-029 and 483-0049-028-02. It is staff's recommendation that this project is categorically exempt under Section 15301, Existing Facilities, of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, December 18, 2014

Said hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. In the Council Chambers of City Hall, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City.

For further information on this project contact Avalon Schultz, Senior Planner, at (510) 675-53213. Written comments regarding this project will need to be received by the Planning Division prior to Thursday, December 18, 2014 or public comment can be provided at the public hearing.

The City Council meeting packet, which includes the meeting agenda and project staff report, can be accessed on-line on the City's Agendas and Minutes webpage which is located at <http://www.unioncity.org/gov/agendas.htm>. Meeting packets are generally available on-line the Friday before the meeting.

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JOAN MALLOY
Economic & Community Development Director
12/2/14

CNS-2693500#

CITY OF UNION CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the City of Union City for the purpose of considering the following project application:

General Plan Amendment (AG-14-003)

The City of Union City is proposing a General Plan Amendment (AG-14-003) to update the 2002 Union City General Plan Transportation Element to address "Complete Streets" as required by State law. Assembly Bill 1358 and Government Code Sections 65302(b)(2)(A) and (B) requires local jurisdictions to plan for Complete Streets, which is a balanced, multimodal transportation network that meets the needs of all users in a manner that is suitable to the context. It is staff's recommendation that the proposed General Plan Amendment is exempt from environmental review per Section 15061(b) (3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, which is a general exemption for projects with no potential for a significant effect on the environment.

The Planning Commission reviewed the project at its November 20, 2014 meeting and recommended approval to the City Council on a 5-0 vote.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments prior to, and may testify at, the public hearing. Details regarding the public hearing are listed below. For further information, contact Carmela Campbell, Planning Manager, at (510) 675-5316.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, December 9, 2014

Said hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. In the Council Chambers of City Hall, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City.

The City Council meeting packet, which includes the meeting agenda and staff report for this project, can be accessed on-line on the City's Agendas and Minutes webpage which is located at <http://www.ci.union-city.ca.us/departments/city-manager-s-office/city-clerk/agendas-and-minutes>. Meeting packets are generally available on-line the Friday before the meeting.

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JOAN MALLOY
Economic & Community Development Director
12/2/14

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PUBLIC AUCTION/SALES

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION
Notice is hereby given that personal property in the following units will be sold at public auction: on the **17th day of December, 2014** at or after **12:30 pm** pursuant to the California Self-Storage Facility Act. The sale will be conducted at: **U-Haul Moving & Storage of Thornton, 4833 Thornton Ave. Fremont, CA 94536**. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: clothing, furniture, and / or other household items stored by the following people:
Name Unit # Paid Through Date
Earl Harper AA6691A 9/22/14
Daniel Stringer B101 9/3/14
Margarita Padin B247 9/11/14
Orjanda Brandel B269 8/30/14
Joyce Gearhart C160 10/2/14
Maria Rodriguez C163 9/2/14
Sherae Garcia C246 10/2/14
12/2, 12/9/14

CNS-2693119#

Union City Police Log

SUBMITTED BY UNION CITY PD

Tuesday, November 18

At approximately 6 a.m., Ofc. Young, UCPD School Resource Officer, was notified that an unknown subject had made threats via Twitter that he was going to “shoot up” James Logan High School on Wednesday. UCPD Detectives were able to identify the suspect through various means, ultimately arresting a 17-year-old male and Union City resident for making criminal threats. Investigators conducted a thorough investigation and learned the threats had been made as a hoax.

Thursday, November 20

At around midnight, Ofc. Rivas-Villegas noticed a vehicle with expired registration stickers near FoodMaxx. He conducted a traffic stop of the vehicle, which was determined to be stolen out of San Mateo. The 39-year-old male driver was arrested for vehicle theft, a misdemeanor warrant, and providing false ID to a police officer. The 31-year-old female passenger was arrested on her felony warrant.

At approximately 1:30 a.m., Ofc. Jensen and Ofc. Geldermann arrested a 34-year-old male and Union City resident for possession of a laptop that was reported stolen from a

Hayward business on November 19.

Friday, November 21

At 8:30 p.m., officers responded to the 4800 block of Delores Dr. for a report of

assault with a deadly weapon. An 18-year-old male, Union City resident, threw an iron at the victim's head, then fled from the area.

Burglaries

From Monday, November 17 through Sunday, November 23, there were two reported residential burglaries and two reported auto burglaries. Both of the auto burglaries occurred at the Union Landing shopping center via window smashes, to steal property that had been left in plain view in the back seats of the vehicles. There was also one commercial burglary in the 1200 block of Atlantic St. From Monday, November 17 through Sunday, November 23, there were six reported vehicle thefts. As of the time of this report, one of the vehicles has been recovered.

Safe Shopping

Practice safe shopping procedures – such as always being aware of your surroundings, not walking and talking on your phone, and keeping valuables out of sight in your vehicle. Both of the car burglaries last week involved property that was left in the back seat or on the floor. Don't make yourself an easy target.

Scam Alert

On-going scam with a twist: On Saturday, November 15, an unknown male suspect called a Union City resident, identifying himself as Lt. Michaels with the Alameda County Sheriff's Office. He claimed the resident had missed jury duty and there was a warrant for his arrest. The resident told the caller that he did not have

a warrant and had not been summoned for jury duty in the past year. The caller then asked the resident for his personal information, stating he needed it to confirm the information in the “system.” The resident provided his full name, date of birth and Social Security number, at which point the caller advised that he was fine and would not have to go to jail.

As of the date of this report, no crime has occurred – but providing your full name, date of birth, Social Security number or other similar secure information makes you extremely vulnerable to identity theft. A criminal armed with this information can obtain loans, order credit cards, file taxes using your identity, and commit other crimes. NEVER provide your personal information to anyone over the phone, unless you can verify their identity. If someone calls you and asks for this information, request a phone number and say you will call them back after talking to the police. If the call is a scam, they will likely hang up. Never hesitate to call the police if you suspect a scam. TIP: If you are the victim of identity theft remember to report the theft to all three credit reporting agencies.

Green Dot MoneyPak® scams are continuing. On Sunday, November 16, an unknown male suspect called a Union City resident and told the victim that he had been selected to be a “secret shopper” at Walmart. The suspect advised the victim that he would be paid \$300 if he purchased five Green Dot MoneyPak® cards

totaling \$2,500, and mailed them to a specified address. Unfortunately, the victim complied with the instructions, and he never received the \$300 check. Green Dot scams such as this one are becoming more widespread. NEVER give a Green Dot MoneyPak® number or card to someone you do not know. Here is a list of the most common Green Dot MoneyPak® scams: <https://www.moneypak.com/ProtectYour-Money.aspx#Scams>

Anyone with information on local crime or any of the listed incidents should contact the Investigations Division at 510-675-5247. Those wishing to remain anonymous can contact the tips line by calling 510-675-5207 or email tips@unioncity.org.

How are we doing?

We strive to provide excellent service to the community and are interested in hearing from members of the public about the quality of our service. Please share your experience and let us know how we're doing. Visit <http://www.ci.union-city.ca.us/departments/police-department> to complete a Police Customer Satisfaction Survey.

Employee Highlights

For the last quarter of 2014, UCPD Dispatcher Kelly Sipos was selected as Professional Employee of the Quarter, and UCPD Explorer Navneet Maan was selected as Volunteer of the Quarter. Visit <http://www.ci.union-city.ca.us/departments/police-department/more-information/ucpd-explorers> to learn more about our Explorer program.

Fremont Police Log

SUBMITTED BY GENEVA BOSQUES, FREMONT PD

Friday, November 21

At approximately 9:40 a.m., a Taxi-cab driver called Fremont Police to report a fare evasion at Motel 6 (north). The female suspect fled into a room prior to police arrival. Officer Richards made contact and arrested a male occupant of the motel room because he provided false identity to a police officer as well as his two outstanding warrants.

An attempted residential burglary occurred near the 3400 block of Isherwood Way. The suspect entered the residents’ backyard and attempted to pry a rear door. The homeowner observed this and yelled. The suspect then fled the area. The resident described the suspect as a white male in his late teens (high school age), thin build, about 5’7” with short, wavy dark blond hair. He was last seen wearing a light red, short-sleeve t-shirt.

A residential burglary occurred between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. near the 800 block of Walnut Avenue. The suspect(s) pried the front door and stole jewelry, currency, passports and miscellaneous items. No suspect leads are available at this time.

Officers responded to an outside assist for Fremont Fire Department, who were on scene at a local preschool located near Warm Springs Boulevard and Warrant Avenue. A large wall cabinet had been improperly mounted to a wall of the preschool and it fell on two preschool children as they took naps. One child suffered minor injuries while the other (a 3-year-old girl) suffered

a major injury and was unresponsive. Paramedics requested a life flight helicopter to transport the child to a trauma center. We have since received information that the child’s status has improved.

At approximately 7:25 p.m., a 34-year-old male reported that he had just been a victim of a takeover robbery where various electronic components had been taken from his business near the 41000 block of Albrae Street. The male indicated that he knew the suspects who had just left in a white, two-door vehicle. Officers responded to the area and observed the vehicle leaving. They conducted a felony car stop on the vehicle. A 31-year-old and a 33-year-old male were detained. Subsequent investigation revealed that they were all merely business partners who became involved in an argument over various business assets.

At about 11:15 p.m., Officer Meredith was detailed to a local auto dealership lot regarding subjects seen jumping the fence onto the property. The witness advised that the subjects had taken a dark SUV from the property. A person responsible for the property could not be located to respond. Units were unable to determine if any vehicles were missing. The report was taken as a suspicious circumstance.

Sunday, November 23

At 9:24 a.m., Officers responded to a 911 call at the Century Village apartment complex on Paseo Padre Parkway. A witness heard a commotion and then saw a male kick open the front door of an apartment and threaten the female resident. Units arrived within minutes but the male had fled. The investigation revealed that a known 29-year-old male on parole had vandalized the door and threatened a female. The male was found in

the area was subsequently arrested for a parole violation.

A residential burglary occurred near the 3500 block of Darwin Drive. At 11:53 a.m., two residents were napping and awoke to find two burglars in their home. They dialed 911 and while police were responding, the suspects fled in a silver Honda Civic. The suspects were described as two Hispanic male adults, around 15-20 years old, one approximately 5’07” with a medium build, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt. Entry was made via an open bathroom window. No loss was taken.

At approximately 1:15 p.m., a residential burglary attempt occurred near the 4400 block of Ardo Street. A victim was in her garage when a male suspect broke her side garage door. The suspect saw the victim and fled the area. The victim chased the suspect and saw him get into a waiting silver four-door sedan. The silver vehicle was parked in front of the victim’s home just prior to the crime. The victim and a witness described the suspects as two Hispanic male adults, approximately 18- 20 years old, one with short dark hair, wearing a light-colored T-shirt.

Community Service Officer (CSO) Oliveria investigated two commercial burglary attempts at two businesses located near the 40000 block of Fremont Boulevard. The suspect(s) attempted to make entry into two separate businesses via the air conditioning unit on the roof. No entry was made.

Monday, November 24

At around 10:30 a.m., a white or Hispanic male adult knocked several times on the front door of a residence on Cornish Drive. When no one answered he, along with another male suspect, proceeded to

the backyard of the residence. The homeowner saw the suspect in their backyard and contacted the police. When the suspect saw the victim, he took off on foot.

Between 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., an unknown subject burglarized Fremont Gas & Food located on Grimmer Boulevard. Entry was made via a roof vent. Loss is between \$10,000-\$15,000. Case was investigated by CSO Goralczyk.

Between 1:45 a.m. and 2:15 a.m., an unknown subject burglarized QXQ, Inc. located on S. Grimmer Boulevard. Several aluminum items were taken from a storage container. Loss valued at approximately \$126,000. Case was investigated by CSO Anders.

Officer Ramsey arrested a 26-year-old male for petty theft of Red Bull cans and baby formula from Safeway at Fremont Hub. The male was already on probation for burglary out of Placer County.

Between 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., a residential burglary occurred on Higgins Way. The unknown suspect(s) pried a side garage door and gained entry into the residence. No loss was reported at this time.

After receiving a mutual aid request from the Alameda County Sheriff’s Office, Lt. Epps led a team of officers to Oakland to assist with the protests associated with the Ferguson case.

Tuesday, November 25

San Mateo County Sheriff detectives were in the Glenmoor neighborhood pursuing an adult male for a parole violation warrant. The male exited a residence, entered his vehicle, and led San Mateo Co. Sheriff detectives on a vehicle pursuit, which terminated on Sterling Ct. after the suspect crashed into a parked car and a residence (minor damage). The male then fled on foot. San

Mateo County contacted us and several FPD patrol officers, detectives, and the SCU (Street Crimes Unit) responded and established a perimeter. The male was located on the roof in the rear yard of a residence on Norris Rd. and was taken into custody. San Mateo County Sheriff detectives took him to jail. Officer Ehling documented our involvement and Traffic OfficerNevin handled the traffic collision.

Officers were dispatched to a vehicle collision at Fremont Blvd and Decoto Rd. A vehicle was traveling northbound on Fremont Blvd when it struck a vehicle in the northbound lanes, jumped the center median, and struck another vehicle in a head-on collision traveling in the southbound lanes. The driver of the suspect vehicle was not in the vehicle when officers arrived and the driver of the victim vehicle suffered minor injuries. Officers contacted a male in the area and he pointed to another male who was walking away from the area and said the other male was driving the vehicle. The supposed suspect was contacted but stated he was not driving the vehicle. About 30 minutes later, Sgt O’Connell was helping with the scene when a vehicle drove through his flair pattern. Sgt O’Connell contacted the driver, who happened to be the original male they had made contact with. The 21 year old adult male was intoxicated and arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. Officers were following up to identify the driver of the vehicle involved in the original collision. Traffic Officer Snow took primary on the original collision and Officer Estes and Officer Zargham investigated the DUI.

Gold Chain Snatch Robberies - Safety Tips

SUBMITTED BY GENEVA BOSQUES, FREMONT PD

Since the beginning of October, our community has experienced an increase in “gold chain snatch” robberies. The recent robberies have occurred between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. during broad daylight. In each of the cases, an unknown male suspect has approached a female victim and forcibly ripped a necklace from her neck. The victims were all wearing high valued gold chain necklaces and have been of Asian Indian decent.

Victims and witnesses have described the suspect(s) as a black male adult, between the age of 20-35 years old and tall with a “skinny” or “fit” build. The locations of the robberies have varied between busy commercial shopping areas to quiet neighborhoods, but there has been a concentration in the area of town that lies be-

tween the roadways of Stevenson Blvd. and Eggers Drive and Argonaut Way and Paseo Padre Pkwy.

During this time period, a significant amount of time and resources have been dedicated to this investigation. On November 5, 2014, Fremont Police apprehended and arrested a suspect responsible for an armed gold chain snatch robbery that occurred in early October. This robbery series remains an active and ongoing investigation. If anyone has information about these robberies, we ask that you please contact the Fremont Police Crimes Against Persons Unit at 510-790-6900.

In an effort to help further protect our community, Fremont Detectives would like to stress the importance of personal safety and have the following tips to share:

- When walking outdoors, don’t carry large quantities of money or wear expen-

sive jewelry. Even if your necklace is concealed, it may still be possible for a suspect to see the shimmer from your neckline.

- Don’t be distracted while talking on your cell phone or listening to music on your headphones.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Pay attention and take notice of people following behind you, watching you from their vehicle as you walk or shoulder surfing you at a bank or retail establishment.
- Always be alert in your neighborhood. Report unknown persons and vehicles that appear suspicious or that don’t belong to the area. If you notice a suspicious vehicle, try to get the license plate and a good description of the car and driver. Always call the police before sharing the information with your neighbors.
- As the holidays approach, don’t leave expensive gifts or items sitting visibly in

your vehicle. Hide items in your trunk before you arrive or ask the store if they will hold your purchases for you until you are ready to go home.

- When shopping at night, always park your vehicle in a well-lit area.
- When leaving a mall or retailer be alert and make sure no one is following you to your car. If you don’t feel comfortable walking out to your car alone, ask to see if a security guard is available to escort you.

We hope that you have a safe and happy holiday season and we ask that you share these tips with all of your friends, family and neighbors.

Always report suspicious activity to the Fremont Police Department by dialing 790-6800 and selecting option 3, or dial 9-1-1 to report a crime in progress.

Residential burglary suspect caught in the act

SUBMITTED BY GENEVA BOSQUES, FREMONT PD

On Wednesday, November 19, 2014, Fremont Police apprehended a residential burglary suspect responsible for three incidents in our community.

Our first call came in the south end of town at approximately 12:05 p.m. A resident on Havasu Street reported that a Hispanic male, mid to late 20’s, 6’00” tall, approximately 190lbs, dressed in a black hoodie and carrying a green backpack, rang his doorbell. The homeowner did not answer the door. The subject then entered his rear yard and attempted to force open the sliding glass door, but could not gain entry because it was locked. The homeowner then called Fremont Police. Several units responded to the area and a perimeter was established. Leitch Elementary School was located within the perimeter and temporarily placed on lockdown following all District protocols



during the search. In addition a Milpitas PD K9 responded to assist with the neighborhood search. The search concluded at approximately 1:20 p.m. and the suspect was not located.

The second incident occurred at approximately 12:25 p.m., when an alarm sounded at a residence on Iroquois Way (around the corner from Havasu Street). Officers checked the area but did not locate the any suspicious people.

The third incident occurred at approximately 2:05 p.m.,

when a resident in the north end of town on Romilly Way heard a noise and saw a male wearing a grey hat, walking around his rear yard. The resident lost sight of the male and then heard a noise coming from his garage area. He immediately called Fremont Police. The suspect then forced entry into the house as officers were arriving on scene. The homeowner, who was now hiding in a bedroom, yelled to the suspect. The suspect then attempted to flee and was met by the arriving officers outside the residence. The suspect was identified as 28 year old Joel Efferson out of San Lorenzo. Efferson matched the description of the suspect from the Havasu Street attempt and was positively identified by the victim.

Detectives later interviewed Efferson and determined he was also responsible for the attempt on Iroquois Way, but was scared off when the alarm sounded.

Efferson was arrested on charges of burglary and booked into the Santa Rita Jail.

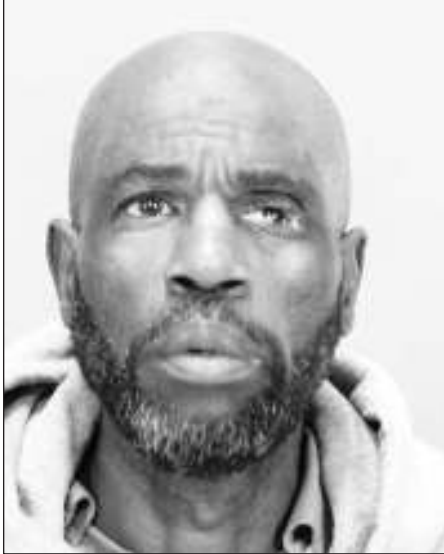
Felon in possession of a firearm

SUBMITTED BY LT. MAX NOBIDA III, MILPITAS PD

On Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at approximately 10:22 p.m., Milpitas police officers stopped a silver, 2001 Chevrolet Cavalier in the 200 block of Serra Way in Milpitas for a traffic violation. They contacted the driver, Michael Ray Johnson, who was the sole occupant, and noticed the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. During a search of the vehicle, officers located a firearm in the center console along with approximately 1.55 ounces of marijuana and large amount of cash.

After further investigation, Johnson was booked into Santa Clara County Jail for being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm, carrying a concealed firearm within a vehicle, possession of marijuana for sales, and transportation of marijuana.

Anyone with any information regarding this investigation or other similar incidents occurring in our city is encouraged to call the Milpitas Police Department at (408) 586-2400. Information can be given anonymously by calling the Crime Tip Hotline at (408) 586-2500 or via the Milpitas Police Department website at www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime_tip.asp.



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City of Fremont News Briefs

SUBMITTED BY
CHERYL GOLDEN

FY 2015-2016 Community Development Block Grant Funding

The City of Fremont announces the availability of approximately \$700,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds, commonly known as CDBG funds, for projects benefiting low-to-moderate income Fremont residents for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. Not-for-profit 501(c)(3) and/or public agencies are eligible to apply. Secular ministries or programs of a religious organization are also eligible.

Request for Proposals (RFPs) for FY 2015-2016 CDBG funding will be available on Monday, December 8, 2014 via ZoomGrants at www.Fremont.gov/Grants. For more information about the City's Community Development Block Grant Program, visit www.Fremont.gov/CDBG or contact Lucia Hughes at 510-574-2043 or Leticia Leyva at 510-574-2072.

Free Pet Adoptions through Jan. 3, 2015

There is no better time than the present to give an animal a new home for the holidays. All pet adoptions from the Tri-City Animal Shelter will be free to qualified and approved homes through Saturday, January 3, 2015. The adoption will include spay or neuter, a rabies vaccine, and a microchip; the pet license for Fremont residents will be the only item not included.

Currently the shelter is full of pets just waiting to be taken home to their new forever home. Many of the pets have already been spay or neutered and can be taken home today. We will make every attempt to get all adopted pets spay or neutered before the holidays, but we strongly encourage that you come early in the month.

The Tri-City Animal Shelter is open Tuesday through Friday from noon to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The shelter is closed every Sunday and Monday and will also be closed for City-observed holidays on December 24, 25, 31, 2014 and January 1, 2015.

To view all of our available pets visit www.petharbor.com and search for the Fremont Animal Shelter. For more information, visit: www.FremontPolice.org/AnimalServices.

Food, Toy Donations

The Fremont Fire Department is teaming up with Tri-City Volunteers, a local nonprofit, to collect non-perishable food items and new, unwrapped toys. Donation barrels are located at all 10 fire stations and the Fire Department's Administration Office at 3300 Capitol Ave., Building A through December 21.

For more information call the Fremont Fire Department at 510-494-4299.

Patterson House Christmas Evening Open House

Enjoy an enchanting Victorian evening at The Patterson House on Friday, December 12 when the house will be elegantly lit in its entire Victorian splendor! The Patterson House is a 16-room Queen Anne Victorian historical home operated as a museum of local history and Victorian life. Enjoy holiday music, Victorian-inspired decorations, and much more.

The open house begin at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$8 at the door. All fees include Ardenwood Historic Park admission. To purchase tickets visit www.Fremont.gov/PattersonHouse. For information call 510-791-4196 or send an email to cdentry@fremont.gov.

Acts of Compassion

Compassion – it's something everyone could use a little more of, especially within local communities. The Charter for Compassion, started by Karen Armstrong, a

2008 Ted Prize winner, observed that as the world's societies and cultural and religious institutions have become more complex, they have often also become less compassionate and kind, and more disconnected and indifferent.

To combat this trend, the International Campaign for Compassionate Communities and its accompanying Charter for Compassion have made it their mission to inspire communities of all sizes to embrace and encourage compassion. More than 280 communities around the world have either signed the Charter for Compassion or are actively organizing around the principles of a compassionate community. The City of Fremont is exploring joining the movement.

The program does not specifically define what a compassionate community looks like. Rather, it leaves that definition up to its residents to determine. And that's where you come in. The City's Human Relations Commission, along with the Tri-City Interfaith Council, is currently seeking feedback from the Fremont community and would like to know how you would define the actions of a compassion community. Ultimately, your feedback could lead to the adoption of a Charter for Compassion by the Fremont City Council, or ongoing efforts to promote acts of compassion by the City's residents, businesses and organizations.

Fremont residents, businesses, community organizations, and City staff already carry out thousands of compassionate acts every year, including:

- A neighbor helping another neighbor in need
- Giving to local services agencies
- Being open and accepting of different religions and faiths and cultural groups
- Volunteering in the community
- The City providing a social safety net for low-income families and individuals

Have you encountered an act of compassion? Please share your story with us and pro-

vide examples of acts of compassion you have seen, benefited from, or participated in within our community. To submit a response, please visit Fremont Open City Hall at www.Fremont.gov/OpenCity-HallCompassion.

Fremont's Giving Hope Holiday Program

The holidays are fast approaching and there's no better way to celebrate than by spreading the joy of the season to others. The City's Human Services Department is calling on you to take part in Giving Hope, a program dedicated to aiding needy families, children, and frail isolated seniors along with their pet companions by bringing them holiday cheer. Anyone interested in participating and making a difference in the lives of those Giving Hope serves can help in any of the following ways:

- Cash donations (corporate matching gifts gladly received)
- Gift cards for groceries, restaurants, entertainment, pet stores

- Personalized gifts for a family or senior using their very own wish list

Donations can be made online at www.Fremont.gov/HSdonate. If sending a check, please make it payable to the following:

**City of Fremont
Giving Hope Holiday Program
Human Services Department
3300 Capitol Ave., Building B
Fremont, CA 94538**

Donations and holiday gifts from a personalized wish list will be accepted until Friday, December 12 for the holiday fundraiser and all year for the Giving Hope Program. In appreciation of your generosity, each sponsor will receive a thank you letter for tax purposes in January. For more information on how to participate, please contact the City's Monica Dominguez at mdominguez@fremont.gov or 510-574-2057.

Irvington High School students take on recycling challenge

SUBMITTED BY ALEXA GELBARD
PHOTO BY BECK DIEFENBACH

On Saturday, November 22, 2014, StopWaste—a public agency reducing waste in Alameda County—partnered with University of California, Berkeley's California Golden Bears for their big football game against Stanford University. Both participated in the 2014 National Game Day Recycling Challenge, a nationwide friendly competition between colleges and universities to minimize waste and promote recycling on game days.

During the game, student volunteers from Irvington High School and Hoover Elementary in Oakland staffed recycling stations at California Memorial Stadium in Berkeley to assist fans in separating food scraps, food/drink packaging and trash into the correct bins. The students received training in good recycling practices as part of Ready Set Recycle, a countywide initiative to help Alameda County achieve its long-term recycling goals.



Talk To A Loved One About Driving Concerns

SUBMITTED BY NEWARK PD

Driver safety can often be a sensitive issue for older drivers. A driver's license signifies more than the ability to drive a car; it is a symbol of freedom and self-sufficiency. Understandably, driving is not a privilege that anyone wants to relinquish willingly. Still, safety must come first.

Some older drivers may be aware of their faltering ability but still be reluctant to give up driving completely. Another person's concerns may force the senior driver to act. They may even feel relieved to have someone else help make the decision to stop driving. Some seniors may forget that they aren't supposed to drive. If that is the case, it is even more important to remove the car or the keys to make it impossible to drive. If you find yourself in the position of talking to an older friend or family member about their driving, remember the following:

- Be respectful. For many seniors, driving is an integral part of independence. Many older adults have fond memories of getting a driver's license. At the same time, don't be intimidated or back down

if you have a true concern.

- Give specific examples. It's easier to tune out generalizations like "You just can't drive safely anymore." Outline concerns that you have noticed, such as "You have a harder time turning your head than you used to," or "You braked suddenly at stop signs three times the last time we drove."

- Find strength in numbers. If more than one family member or close friend has noticed, it's less likely to be taken as nagging. A loved one may also listen to a more impartial party, such as a doctor or driving specialist.

- Help find alternatives. The person may be so used to driving that they have never considered alternatives. You can offer concrete help, such as researching transportation options or offering rides when possible. If your family member is reluctant to ask for help, it can lead to isolation and depression.

Understand the difficulty of the transition. Your loved one may experience a profound sense of loss having given up driving. Don't dismiss their feelings but try to help with the transition as much as possible. If it is safe, try slowly transitioning the

senior out of driving to give them time to adjust. For example, your loved one may begin the transition by no longer driving at night or on the freeways, or by using a shuttle service to specific appointments, such as the doctor's.

When an older driver refuses to give up the keys

Sometimes an older driver has to be stopped from driving over their objections. It might feel very difficult for you to make this call, especially if the senior is a parent or other close figure used to having their independence. However, their safety and the safety of others must come first. An unsafe driver can seriously injure or kill themselves or others.

If appropriate evaluations and recommendations have been made, and no amount of rational discussion has convinced the driver to hand over the car keys, then you may make an anonymous report to the Department of Motor Vehicles or talk to the person's physician about your concerns. In some cases, there is a need to take further actions

Mature Driver Improvement Programs

Seniors may want to practice

their driving skills by taking a driver education and training class specifically developed for older drivers. A list of approved Mature Driver Improvement Programs is available from the DMV by following this link

https://www.dmv.ca.gov/vehindustry/ol/md_programs.htm.

DMV Reexamination

DMV Reexamination is a term used by DMV personnel when an evaluation must be made of a person's driving skills. A person with a recent physical or mental condition, or a poor driving record, could prompt the need for a reexamination. Reexaminations are generated from many sources including the following:

- Your physician. Physicians are required by law to report medical conditions or disorders that are characterized by loss of consciousness or control, along with other medical conditions that may affect your ability to safely operate a motor vehicle.

- An emergency technician. Emergency personnel, who treat you in an emergency facility because you experienced a sudden loss of consciousness, awareness, or

control, are required by law to report your medical conditions.

- A family member. Letters from concerned family members, friends, or neighbors who may report to DMV that in their opinion you are no longer able to drive safely.

- A peace officer. Any law enforcement officer who stops you for a traffic violation or who works at an accident scene in which you were involved may report to DMV that you appear to be an unsafe driver. The law enforcement officer would be reporting what he/she observed about you that made him/her believe you are an unsafe driver.

- Your driver license renewal application. Your DMV application asks if you have a disease, disorder, or disability that affects your ability to drive safely. "Yes" answers require further investigation by DMV.

- Your driving record. Your driving history, which includes accidents, traffic convictions, reckless or negligent driving habits, fraudulent use of a driver license, or other grounds which would cause DMV to not issue a driver license to you.

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Portuguese Fado Performance at Hayward Library

SUBMITTED BY HEIDI ONTIVEROS

Ramana Vieira, a well-known and respected Portuguese fado (traditional music) singer, will be performing in a free concert at Hayward Main Library on December 13. Fado, the most widely recognized music of Portugal, is a passionate, soul stirring music with soaring vocals and dramatic tales of love, loss and redemption.

Vieira has been described by Mundo Portugues newspaper as the "New Voice of Portuguese World Music." Vieira and her group will perform traditional, ballad style fados that pay homage to the



"Queen of Fado," Amália Rodrigues, along with uptempo compositions from their 2010 album, *Lgrimas de Rainha*, and new compositions written and arranged for their upcoming album, *Windows of Luso Sol*.

Ramana Vieira Performance

Saturday, Dec 13

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FOOTHILL GALLERY

New venue for holiday arts and crafts sale

SUBMITTED BY WINDA SHIMIZU

Foothill Gallery in Hayward is a new venue for holiday shopping this year. For the first two weeks of December, "Giftique" will present the creations of ten artistic vendors.

The site will be open Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, December 4, 5, 6, and 11, 12, and 13. Foothill Gallery is located in the recently opened Center for History and Culture. Parking in back of the building and across the street makes it very accessible. Shoppers can round out their search for holiday treasures at "Giftique" with a tour of the Hayward Area Historical Society exhibits and lunch or coffee break at the Cannery Cafe in the same building.

Ten vendors offer a wide selection of unique hand-made wares: holiday ornaments, fabric bags, cloth dolls, jewelry, ceramics, quilts,



cards, mixed media art, and more. All items are hand-made by local artists Maria Gin, Leona Nichandros, Ann Seals, Kathy Zanger, Pat Bailey, Heather Reyes, Shannon Jurich, Nell Mays, Carolyn Pope, and Kristen Egan.

The Hayward Arts Council sponsors this new holiday sale in its Foothill Gallery.

Giftique

Thursday, Dec 4 – Saturday, Dec 13
10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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