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Greater Tri-Cities pay tribute to Dr. King

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Born January 15, 1929, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a formidable civil rights leader, promoting nonviolent protests and civil disobedience, especially during the African-American civil rights movement in the 1950s. He was well-known for his participation in the 1955 Montgomery Bus Boycott which occurred when Rosa Parks, member of the local chapter of National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, refused to give up her seat to a white passenger on a

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"Breaking Storm" by Winifred Thompson.

A.R.T., Inc. showcases members' best

BY SARA GIUSTI
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Appreciation for STEM subjects (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) has been on the rise and for good reason – these fields make much of the world go round. And while these subjects are obviously incredibly important, we must not forget the equal necessity of creativity and the arts. With them, we are able to express and capture great feelings and moments that no formula could replicate. Thankfully, the Tri-City area is home to a gallery and nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting and appreciating art, with an upcoming exhibit starting this month.

Castro Valley's Adobe Art Gallery is gearing up for its annual exhibit featuring artwork from A.R.T., Inc. members starting

January 17. Since 1984, A.R.T., Inc. has been fostering connections between artists and art lovers, providing free educational art programs for people of all ages, and displaying the work of its 110 members throughout the Tri-City area. "Members are constantly doing shows," noted A.R.T., Inc. President Winda Shimizu. Members' art has been displayed in banks, restaurants, libraries, community centers, and more.

A.R.T., Inc. is partnered with Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (HARD) and provides financial support to HARD's Adobe Art Gallery through its membership fees and events. HARD established Adobe Art Gallery in 1961 to promote and appreciate art in the area, as there was a lack of art centers at that time.

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Kung Fu magazine: 22 years young and still kicking

BY DAVID R. NEWMAN

If you're looking for an American success story, look no further than in our own backyard; Fremont, California. This is the home of Kung Fu Tai Chi magazine, founded in 1993 by Thomas and Gigi Oh. The magazine features interviews with top teachers, current events, weapon studies, historical essays, and articles about traditional and pop culture.

Originally called Wushu Kungfu, the magazine was the brainchild of Roger Hagood, who published under the name Pacific Rim Publishing. When he ran out of money and content, the Ohs stepped in to help, and began publishing under their own company, TC Media. Today, Kung Fu Tai Chi is published bimonthly and boasts an international circulation in about 40 countries.

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Growing Up Healthy—A pediatric specialist talks about ear infections and hearing loss

“At this time of year, problems involving the ears, nose, throat, head and neck are ‘front and center’ for kids and their families,” said Dale Tylor, MD, MPH, a pediatric ear, nose and throat specialist with Washington Township Medical Foundation. “These maladies are a huge reason why many children are coming to see us right now.”

This is the second in a series of articles on children's ear, nose and throat problems. The information will help parents and families keep kids as healthy as possible and know what to do when illness strikes.

The importance of good hearing

Good hearing is essential to a child's language development and performance at school. That is why, if a parent has any concerns about their child's ability to hear, it should be checked by a doctor or audiologist, in addition to routine testing at school.

“The good news is a lot of hearing loss today is detected through newborn screenings. But that doesn't assure a child won't develop a hearing problem later on,” said Dr. Tylor.

About ear infections

Ear infections in children are extremely common. If they go untreated or become chronic, they can lead to temporary hearing loss. Hearing loss can also be caused by a head injury or certain drugs.

Not all children suffer from chronic ear infections. However, many young children are susceptible to this condition because their eustachian tubes, which run between the back of the nose and the inside of the ear, is not yet fully developed. Many children who have repeated ear infections when they are young, experience fewer as they grow.

Infections can occur in the external, middle or inner ear. The most common are infections of the middle ear, also known as otitis media. They usually occur when a



When an ear infection is suspected in children, they should be seen by their doctor. If hearing issues are suspected in children, a doctor or audiologist should evaluate the child.

child gets a cold and fluid builds up in the space behind the ear drum. This fluid is ripe for the development of bacteria.

As the bacteria accumulate, the eardrum begins to bulge and the child may have a painful earache, fever, difficulty hearing and problems with balance. If left untreated, the eardrum will eventually rupture.

When to see a doctor

If you suspect your child is suffering from an ear infection, he should see a doctor. If bacteria are present, an antibiotic may be prescribed. However, antibiotics are not always affective, and their repeated use is not always advisable. The doctor may recommend treating the symptoms of pain and fever while observing the condition to ensure it resolves on its own.

What about ear tubes?

Ear tubes are cylinders about the diameter of a pen point that allow air into the middle ear. They equalize pressure between the middle and outer spaces of the ear.

The latest recommendation is that ear tubes should only be used if a child has persistent fluid in the middle ear leading to repeated infections.

“The procedure to place the ear tubes is relatively simple,” explained Dr. Tylor. “We make a little opening in the eardrum and drain out the existing fluid. Children hear better instantly. By equalizing the pressure between the two parts of the ear, we buy time for the child to grow so infections are less likely.”

Some of the benefits of ear tubes are:

- Children can swim without having to protect their ears.
- If the child develops an infection, it can be treated with ear drops, avoiding the continuous need for an antibiotic.
- It helps avoid pressure build-up and pain caused by infection.

“For the right child, ear tubes can make a huge difference,” stated Dr. Tylor.

Swimmer's ear

Another common childhood ear infection occurring in the ear canal of the outer ear is called swimmer's ear. This is actually a misnomer, as the condition is not related to swimming but can happen when there is excess moisture in the ear canal.

“We all have wax in our ears to waterproof and help fight against infection, itching and fungus,” said Dr. Tylor. “Most parents make an effort to clean the wax from their children's ears, but they end up pushing the wax deeper where it tends to build up even more.”

To help prevent swimmer's ear, avoid using cotton-tipped swabs in the ears and remember that a minimal amount of ear wax is normal.

Many conditions that can contribute to hearing loss can be prevented or treated. If your child has a hearing loss, there are a number of options to consider, including surgery, hearing aids and different types of sound augmentation devices.

“The key is to detect and treat the hearing loss as early as possible,” concludes Dr. Tylor.

Learn more.

To get more answers to questions about hearing and ear infections, go to www.entnet.org/node/1320. To learn more about Washington Township Medical Foundation, visit www.mywtmf.com.

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

Breaking a Hip

Dear Doctor,
I have heard that women are more likely than men to break their hips. Is this true?

Dear Reader,
Yes, women are at higher risk than men for breaking a hip. As women go through menopause the estrogen levels drop which can lead to bone loss, or osteoporosis. Because the bones are not as strong even a small fall can lead to a hip fracture.

Dear Doctor,
I broke my hip last year and they used pins to mend the bones. Now the doctor wants to remove the pins. I am worried that the bones will break again once the pin is removed. Please advise.

Dear Reader,
The pins are there to help support the bones until the break in the bones mends. Once there is a good scar the pins are no longer necessary and can safely be removed.

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.



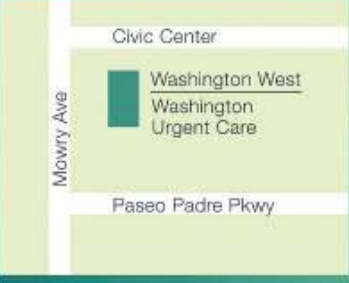
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Area art directly. The annual membership is \$25 and goes directly to A.R.T., Inc. programs and Adobe Art Gallery. Receive a membership form by e-mailing



"There Be Dragons" by Carol Jones Brown.

Adobe Art Gallery is free to the public and hosts many art classes, from ceramics to watercolor to jewelry. A.R.T., Inc. also hosts monthly demonstrations at the gallery to improve or enhance skills, which are free to both members and the public.

An estimated 75 pieces will be on display during the members' exhibit. There will be a vast array of mediums, ranging from acrylic, oil, pastels, and photography to ink, mixed media, metal and more. Adobe Art Gallery Director Susan Honda Eady will be curating the show. Oakland artist Benny Alba will be judging entries and granting merit awards. A free reception on January 17 is open to the public and an opportune time to meet local artists and experience the art world in action.

Perks of joining A.R.T., Inc. are the numerous opportunities for shows and exhibits, free hands-on workshops and demonstrations, meet-ups with fellow local artists, and supporting Bay

Winda Shimizu at pr747@sbc-global.net.

Kick off 2015 on a colorful note with a visit to Adobe Art Gallery, or learn a new skill with A.R.T., Inc. As Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "Every artist was first an amateur." There's no time like now to begin your art adventure.

A.R.T., Inc. Members' Exhibit
Saturday, Jan 17 –
Saturday, Feb 28
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.,
Thursdays - Saturdays

Exhibit Reception:
Saturday, Jan 17
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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Montgomery bus. His famous speech, "I Have a Dream," was delivered during the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, which led to the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

This year also marks the 50th anniversary of the 1965 Selma to Montgomery march in Alabama, prompting the passage of the Voting Rights Act in the same year.

Dr. King was assassinated on April 4, 1968 at the age of 39 in Memphis, Tennessee, but his countless contributions as a civil rights leader continues to be recognized to this day. Thus, the following Greater Tri-City venues are hosting tributes to Dr. King.

Newark:

A memorial tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. was held at First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, January 11th.

Fremont:

The First United Methodist Church of Fremont and the Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation will have a joint Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday worship on January 18.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Sunday Worship
Sunday, Jan 18
10:00 a.m.

First United Methodist Church
2950 Washington Blvd,
Fremont
(510) 490-0200
www.fremont-methodist.org
Free

Hayward:

Join the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday March at Hayward City Hall Plaza on Monday, January 19. Be inspired by Dr. King's words of courage, hope and justice. In celebration of Hayward's diversity, we invite you to carry your organization's banner and to wear national dress for March of Witness.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday March
Monday, Jan 19
9:30 a.m.

Hayward City Hall Plaza
777 B St, Hayward
(510) 581-2060
www.starrking.org
Free

Join the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration at Chabot College's Reed L. Buffington Performing Arts Center. Those in attendance will hear from Dr. Clayborne Carson, the director of Stanford University's Martin Luther King, Jr. Research and Education Institute. The celebration will also feature performances by Mt. Eden High School's choir and jazz band, CSU East Bay's Iota Phi Theta fraternity step team and the 2014 Made in Hayward Step Off winners from Southgate Elementary, Ochoa Middle and Hayward High schools.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration
Monday, Jan 19
4:30 p.m.

Reed L. Buffington Performing Arts Center
Chabot College
25555 Hesperian Blvd,
Hayward
(510) 723-6976
www.ci.hayward.ca.us
Free (parking fees may apply)

Milpitas:

Milpitas Executive Lions Club is hosting a tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. at Brandon's Restaurant & Bar at The Beverly Heritage Hotel. Donations of new scarves, new hats and warm coats are greatly appreciated to benefit Sacred Heart Community Service and Milpitas Food Pantry.

Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr.
Monday, Jan 19
7:00 p.m.

Brandon's Restaurant & Bar
The Beverly Heritage Hotel
1820 Barber Ln, Milpitas
(408) 430-7830
milpitaslions@gmail.com
www.milpitaslions.com
Dinner: \$14

San Jose:

The African-American Community Service Agency presents the 35th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Luncheon at the San Jose Airport Garden Hotel. This year's keynote speaker is Dr. Bernard Harris. As Payload Commander on Space Shuttle Discovery STS-63 in 1995, Dr. Harris served on the first flight of the joint Russian-American Space Program, becoming the "first African-American to walk in space."

Martin Luther King Luncheon
Monday, Jan 19
11:30 a.m.

San Jose Airport Garden Hotel
1740 N 1st St, San Jose
(408) 292-3157

www.sjaaca.org/mlkluncheon
\$75 general admission
\$40 students/youth
(17 and under)

San Leandro:

Join the San Leandro community in honoring a great American leader at the Oratorical Festival at Marina Community Center, featuring entertainment, crafts for kids, and light refreshments. Student contestants will perform an original or well-known essay, speech, or poem in celebration of Dr. King's message of peace, tolerance, and social justice.

Oratorical Festival
Monday, Jan 19
10:30 a.m.

Marina Community Center
15301 Wicks Blvd,
San Leandro
(510) 577-3462
www.sanleandro.org
Free

Help Friends of San Leandro Creek (FSLC) celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day by removing litter from San Leandro Creek at Root Park on Saturday, January 24. Wear sturdy shoes, long pants and sleeves, and mosquito repellent; bring gloves if you have them. All participants are required to fill out the waiver form. Children under 14 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. FSLC will certify volunteer hours for community service.

Special MLK Day Creek Cleanup

Saturday, Jan 24
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

San Leandro Creek at Root Park
E 14th St & Hays St,
San Leandro
(510) 577-6069
www.fslc.org
Free

Union City:

Volunteers are needed for Martin Luther King 2015 Creek Care Workday. Students, adult volunteers and youth groups are welcome. To sign up, contact Amy Evans at amyevans.acrcd@gmail.com or call (925) 371-0154 x 112. You may also sign up online at www.handsonconservation.org by Friday, January 16. You will be provided a liability waiver form to sign and bring to the workday; those under 18 need a parent signature on their form. Volunteers 12 and under should be accompanied by an adult. Meet at William Cann Memorial Civic Center next to the skate park. Please bring your own refillable water bottle.

Creek Care Workday
Monday, Jan 19
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
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The Alameda County Arts Commission will present a free grant information workshop about the 2015 ARTSFUND Grants Program on Wednesday, January 21 at Fremont Main Library. Workshops are free and open to the public; no reservation is required. The ARTSFUND Grants Program supports all types of arts programming such as dance, literature, media arts, music, theater, visual arts, and multidisciplinary arts programs presented in Alameda County by Alameda County nonprofit organizations. Last year's ARTSFUND program awarded grants of \$1,400 to \$2,500 to 38 nonprofit organizations throughout Alameda County. During the 2015 funding cycle, between 35-45 arts organizations may be awarded grants. Standard grants awards are \$1,000 to \$1,500 each. The application deadline is March 5, 2015. Complete information can be found at the Arts Commission website at www.acgov.org/arts (click on Programs). For inquiries, contact the Alameda County Arts Commission by email at artscommission@acgov.org or by phone at (510) 208-9646. Funding for the ARTSFUND Grants Program is provided by the County of Alameda, individual contributions submitted with county property tax payments, and donations to the Foundation for the Arts in Alameda County.

2015 ARTSFUND Grants Information Workshops
Wednesday, Jan 21
3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
(510) 208-9646
artscommission@acgov.org
www.acgov.org/arts
Free

Art & Poetry Contest

Let our coast and ocean inspire you!

SUBMITTED BY THE TRI-CITY ECOLOGY CENTER

California students in kindergarten through 12th grade are invited to submit artwork or poetry with a California coastal or marine theme to the annual Coastal Art & Poetry Contest. Entries must be postmarked by January 31 to be eligible. For rules and entry form (and helpful links for teachers and students) visit coastforyou.org or e-mail coast4u@coastal.ca.gov. You can also download a contest flyer. Up to ten winners will be selected to win \$100 gift certificates to an art supply store (for artists) or bookstore (for poets), and each winner's sponsoring teacher will receive a \$50 gift certificate for educational supplies, courtesy of Acorn Naturalists. All winners and honorable mentions will receive tickets for their families to visit the Aquarium of the Pacific, courtesy of the Aquarium. Students may have their work featured on Commission web pages and material, and winning entries will be exhibited throughout the state. The 2014 contest was on exhibit at Channel Islands National Park Visitor Center in Ventura Harbor until November 10, is currently on exhibit at Birch Aquarium at Scripps in La Jolla through January 19, to be followed by the California State Capitol in Sacramento the week of February 9. Judging assistance is graciously provided by Chapman University's Tabula Poetica program. Visit the California Coastal Commission's Public Education Program on the web at coastforyou.org.

Olive Hyde offers scholarships

SUBMITTED BY DIANE LEYS

Olive Hyde Art Guild, a volunteer non-profit organization, is offering three scholarships for the study of art. To apply, you must be a Fremont high school senior, a Fremont resident, and have plans to include some visual arts classes at an accredited college or university. The three non-renewable scholarships awarded will be based on artistic merit, not financial need. First place will receive \$2,000. Two honorable mentions of \$1,000 each will also be given. All of the awards will be sent to the Financial Aid Office of the school the recipient is planning to attend. In addition, the high school art teacher of the first place student will receive \$500 for classroom art supplies. Finalists' art work will be exhibited to the public and awards will be presented during a reception at the Olive Hyde Art Gallery on Friday, May 8 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The application deadline is March 31. Application forms are available through career centers and art instructors at the Fremont high schools, at the City of Fremont Recreation Department, and on the Olive Hyde Art Guild website: www.olivehydeartguild.org/scholarships/.

Local writer wins screenwriting contest

SUBMITTED BY ART CAREY

Carol Lee Hall of Fremont has won the grand prize and \$1,000 in the 2014-15 screenwriting contest sponsored by TheWriteRoom. She is the immediate past president of Fremont Area Writers, a branch of the California Writers Club. Hall's screenplay, selected from among more than 50 contest entries, is "Donaldina: Based on True Events in the Life of Donaldina Cameron." Donaldina (1869-1968) was a Presbyterian missionary who rescued thousands of Chinese girls and women from indentured servitude in early twentieth century San Francisco. She is called the "Angel of Chinatown." Her efforts led to the creation of today's Donaldina Cameron House in San Francisco, a Chinatown-based multi-service agency serving Asian communities in the Bay Area. "I was inspired to write about Donaldina because she is a true heroine who fought for what she believed was right despite the odds against her," Hall says. "As with any biographical story, it was hard to decide what aspect of her life to focus on. But I finally chose a period in her life that greatly impacted her work." Hall's first book, "For Those Who Serve: A Devotional for Church Volunteers," was published by Baker Publishing Group in 2004. She is a freelance writer whose work has appeared in the San Jose Mercury News, Today's Christian Woman, and You and Me: America's Medical Magazine. TheWriteRoom is a national, nonprofit organization that extends retreats to qualified applicants in creative writing and allied fields. Founded in 2012, its mission is to advance the impact of women in the media via the literary creative arts and allied fields by educating, advocating and housing. More information is available at: <http://www.thewriteroom.org>.





Reflections on Water Alameda Creek Takes Center Stage in ACWD's Pursuit of High Quality Water

Last month we shared some of the ways ACWD protected and improved water quality for its customers in the 1960s and 1970s. This month we'll focus on other ways ACWD fought to safeguard the health of its customers and the safety of its water.

Ending Alameda Creek's Role as a Sewer

Cities in the Livermore-Amador valley had always discharged their treated wastewater into tributaries of Alameda Creek. That water then percolated into our groundwater basin. Rainfall diluted the effluent, but dry-season conditions resulted in creeks that were as foamy as dishwater – and a lot more dangerous.

We lodged complaints about this in the 1950s, and redoubled our efforts in the 1960s as the upstream communities grew. In 1966 General Manager Matt Whitfield complained, "The entire Creek smells like a sewer, looks like a sewer, and is presently being used as a sewer . . ."

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board had jurisdiction in the area and issued a cease and desist order. The upstream cities blamed us for their predicament. The Regional Board took a step back and established a timetable for long-term compliance, but unfortunately, even with stricter standards, pollution levels remained too high in Alameda Creek's tributaries.

We continued to press them to stop polluting. In 1974 the upstream cities formed a Joint Powers Agency, the Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency. Studies found their best alternative was a pipeline to send treated wastewater over the hills to the deep water outfall in San Francisco Bay.

The pipeline would cost \$22 million. State and federal grants would cover about \$14 million of the cost, and about \$8 million would be shared among the three members of the joint-powers agency. It was a great plan, but Livermore-Amador Valley voters rejected a bond measure to pay for it.

At this point, the Regional Board and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency required that the joint-powers agency build the pipeline. The agency lined up more grants and reduced the local share to \$3.3 million. Finally, in 1977 they issued non-voter approved debt to pay their share, and the project got underway. The 16-mile pipeline was in operation by 1979, bringing an end to our 30 year struggle to curtail all wastewater discharges into Alameda Creek.

Mitigating a Disaster

The District took a number of

steps to protect our water against toxic spills and hazardous materials, including getting a bill passed in the state Legislature to stop hazardous materials transportation along Alameda Creek on Niles Canyon Road between I-680 and Mission Boulevard. In addition, after a Fremont company had a chemical spill that reached Alameda Creek (which we were able to safely contain), we analyzed the risks from every potential discharger located within the Alameda Creek Watershed and developed contingency plans to deal with those risks and protect local water supplies.

Even with all these preventative measures, disaster eventually struck. On Super Bowl Sunday in 1994, a Union Pacific Railroad car derailed on the bridge crossing Alameda Creek near Mission Boulevard in Fremont. Two shipping containers smashed onto the creek's concrete spillway and released 2.5 tons of automobile cleaning fluids and solvents, which burst into flames on contact with the water.

The spill was near our percolation ponds and the Peralta-Tyson Wellfield. This could have become a public health disaster, and local and state agencies responded immediately. We quickly inflated our rubber dams to trap the polluted water, even as the chemicals burned. The Fremont fire and police departments worked in tandem with the California Office of Emergency Services, and we coordinated with them, Union Pacific, and Union Sanitary District to develop a course of action.

Once the fire was out, crews began cleaning up the debris where the containers had fallen. We pumped 2.5 million gallons of contaminated water through an abandoned sanitary sewer line to Union Sanitary District's treatment plant. When we could not pump out any more water, we lowered the inflatable dams and flushed the creek, with the approval of the incident responders and the California Department of Fish and Game and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Flushing the creek worked, and sample results confirmed the chemical compounds were gone. Contaminated soil was removed from six locations. Union Pacific installed 15 groundwater monitoring wells and extracted groundwater from wells nearest the spill until August. We shut down operation at the wellfield for more than six months until sampling confirmed that none of the wells contained any chemicals from the spill.

In the end, teamwork saved the day – and our water supply.

Niles Rotary Reverse Draw

SUBMITTED BY STEVE CHO

It's that time of year again – a great chance to win \$5000 at the Niles Rotary Club Reverse Draw fundraiser. The event will be held on Saturday, March 28, at the Sunol Country Club. All proceeds from this event go to support various community programs in the Tri-City area.

Tickets are \$150 each and include a dinner for two as well as a chance at the \$5,000 prize. Other cash prizes:

- \$100 1st ticket drawn
- \$50 Every 10th ticket drawn
- \$100 Every 100th ticket drawn
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Only 350 tickets will be sold. For the past several years, many people have missed the opportunity because tickets have sold out. Besides a delicious dinner and enjoying a great evening with friends, your chance to take home one of the above prizes is very good.

You can go online and purchase a ticket using the link: <http://nilesreverseraffle.org/tickets/>

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Auto Review

Acura TLX: Look beneath the surface

By STEVE SCHAEFER

Acura's TLX is a brand new sports sedan from Honda's upscale division. It replaces both the same-size TL and the small TSX, simplifying and solidifying the brand's sedan line-up.

The company spent a lot of time and energy on improving the body structure and technology, while aiming for a look that

torque through an eight-speed automatic transmission. Upper level cars get the 3.5-liter V6 that ups the ante to 290 horsepower and 267 lb.-ft. of torque, connected to a nine-speed automatic with different ratios than the eight-speed.

EPA fuel economy numbers are 24 mpg City, 35 Highway, and 28 Overall for the 2.4-liter and 21/34/25 for the 3.5-liter V6. EPA Green scores for the V6



immediately identifies the car as an Acura. The nose still features a more streamlined shield grille with a bar, flanked by a string of energy-efficient Jewel Eye LED headlamps that evoke a giant eternity band.

Inside, the silver accents and surface flow makes the cabin feel in motion even when you're sitting at a traffic light. The car is four inches shorter nose to tail than the TL it replaces, but the



interior is about the same size, and feels roomy and luxurious.

The center of the dash contains two screens—one eight inches and other seven inches—to control all aspects of the car. On the lower one, touch feedback gives your finger a little jolt when you make a selection. But it's easy to choose seat cooling instead of heating by mistake, as my wife discovered on a 37-degree winter day.

Using a slew of technical processes too numerous to name, Acura made sure you won't hear much of anything inside. Engineers employed many different materials, applied using a variety of methods, to seal out sound and keep vibration down to near zero. The suspension is also carefully set up to not only absorb large impacts but also filter out subtle vibrations that could upset blissful serenity.

The TLX comes as a four-door sedan only, with two engine choices. Base cars have a 2.4-liter four-cylinder that puts out 206 horsepower and 182 lb.-ft. of

I tested were 5 for Smog and 6 for Greenhouse Gas.

My tester was an Obsidian Blue Pearl TLX 3.5 with SH-AWD (Super Handling All-Wheel Drive). SH-AWD, an Acura mainstay, distributes engine torque not only front to rear wheels but side-to-side as well. You can set an indicator on the instrument panel to monitor it. The new TLX has an upgraded version, which is lighter and has greater control over the rear wheels than before. It does knock 3 mpg off of the highway EPA mileage number, however.

Like a Thanksgiving meal, the enjoyment of driving the TLX gives little clue to the elaborate preparation required to make it come off well. Many of the virtues of this extremely high-tech car are hidden. For example, the platform blends steel and aluminum, for lighter weight and a smoother ride. Amplitude Reactive Dampers (ARD), with two separate pistons, are tuned to deliver sporty handling and ride comfort. Motion-Adaptive Elec-



Over the past 22 years, Steve Schaefer has tested more than 1,000 cars and published a weekly story on every one. As a teenager, he visited car dealers' back lots to catch a glimpse of the new models as they first rolled off the transporter. He is a founding member of the Western Automotive Journalists. Contact Steve at sdsauto@sbcglobal.net.

tric Power Steering (MA-EPS) makes steering feel more linear and precise, changing the amount of assist under different conditions. It also uses less power than traditional systems.

Precision All-Wheel Steer (P-AWS) continually monitors and

controls the angles of the rear wheels, for a reduced turning radius, quicker steering response and enhanced agility and nimbleness.

Some features you don't appreciate until you need them. While every car today has tire pressure monitoring, maintaining correct pressure involves locating and using a tire gauge or counting on the accuracy of the one at the gas station. With Fill Assist, the TLX makes a sound when you're filling the tire to let you know it's at the ideal pressure. Also, there's no gas cap. Just open the door and insert the nozzle. No handling a greasy cap or having it clunk against the paint on your shiny new car.

Pricing starts at \$30,995 for the regular TLX, grows to \$35,220 for the 3.5 model and hits \$44,700 for the 3.5 SH-AWD model with the Tech and Advance packages. Add \$895 for shipping to those prices. My tester stickered at \$45,595—right in the heart of the midsize sports-luxury segment.

The Tech and Advance packages add a lot of entertainment, safety and convenience features that help a fully equipped TLX match well with European competitors. See www.acura.com for the details.

Although the RLX is the brand's flagship large sedan, the TLX is where a lot of Acura's business growth is going to be, along with its popular crossovers and the smaller ILX sedan. The company has filled this new model with everything it knows, and the result is so finely rendered that you'll likely not notice.

Health and Resource Fair

SUBMITTED BY ANGELA EHRLICH, PRINCIPAL

Newark's Lincoln Elementary School, in partnership with the community, is hosting its first Health and Resource Fair. The purpose of this event is to inform families and the entire Newark Unified School community about health agencies and other resources available to them in the community. Over 30 agencies will be participating, and local families with children are encouraged to take advantage of this one-stop shop format and

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MS from Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments.

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Charlotte Diamond in concert

SUBMITTED BY CAROL ZILLI
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Music for Minors II (MFMI) is proud to present Charlotte Diamond in concert on Saturday, January 31 at Harbor Light in Fremont. Children everywhere seem to immediately recognize "Octopus (Slippery Fish)," "I Am a Pizza," or "Looking for Dracula" as Charlotte's music always manages to tickle our music bones and touch our hearts forever. An award-winning, internationally renowned children's recording artist from Canada, Charlotte retains her musical magic and brings out the best in children while she teaches them and supports their developmental needs. This event will also feature some of our MFMI students performing onstage with the artist for an unforgettable experience.

Charlotte Diamond is one of the strongest advocates for children's health and happiness and success in their lives as her songs teach solid lessons about character and respect, and helping others in need. Charlotte's music unifies the world as it captures the best in all of us and pokes fun at our idiosyncrasies, which enables us to have a new perspective on things. Children are drawn to her music because it's fun, engaging and easy to follow.

"[Music] is an expression of spirit and opens a world of possibilities, a world of hope. Music lets ideas flow that words alone cannot do. Music is for everyone," she says. Her fun-loving spirit enables her to place herself in children's worlds and see things through their eyes.

This fun-filled, interactive event is MFMI's main fundraiser for the school year. Concert proceeds benefit MFMI's annual music docent training program for community volunteers, who become MFMI docents sharing weekly music lessons in children's classrooms in Fremont, Newark, and Castro Valley school districts. MFMI's trained music docent volunteers share Charlotte's music in children's classrooms weekly.

MFMI thanks Fremont Bank Foundation for its major sponsorship of the concert and its generous support of MFMI over the years. We call upon others to help support our mission of bringing

music to more children in need by attending the concert; becoming a sponsor of the event, which may include sponsoring tickets for underprivileged children to attend; placing an ad in the concert program; or sponsoring a classroom to have MFMI for one school year.

This is a family concert for ages 3 and up. Tickets are available for \$12 per person purchased in ad-



vance or for \$14 at the door. There is a group rate for 20 people or more at \$10 each, available in advance only. Visit www.musicforminors2.org, email sharon.filippi@sbcglobal.net, or call (510) 733-1189 for tickets and program information. For more information about Charlotte Diamond, visit www.charlottediamond.com.

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Two of the more popular activities are bowling and golf. Members bowl once a week and participate in about 20 tournaments a year. Tournament days usually begin with a breakfast meeting followed by travel to the tournament, sometimes as far as Reno. Some branches allow women to join them in bowling.

SIR branch 59 is NCGA certified and plays golf weekly at Sunol. They attend state tournaments about seven times a year. To find more information about the SIR golf group, visit their website at www.sirstategolf.com. The golfers travel to Reno, Las Vegas, Solvang, and the Monterey area for their tournaments. The standard format is scramble, but there is also individual play and 2-man best ball. Ladies (with NCGA handicaps) have a separate tournament at the state tournament, always a scramble format. The average handicap for the SIR golfers statewide is mid-20s.

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Key aspects of the governor's proposed California budget

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BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP), Gov. Jerry Brown proposed a record \$113 billion California budget amid an improving economy. It's a 5.4 percent increase from the current \$107.4 billion general fund spending.

Here are highlights of his spending plan:

HIGHER EDUCATION:

—The University of California and California State University systems would each receive a \$120 million budget increase. But Brown rejects the University of California's demand for more money to avert tuition hikes in favor of negotiations over ways to cut costs. The budget increase is contingent on tuition remaining flat. UC President Janet Napolitano has said that amount, which is \$100 million less than she sought for next year, is insufficient to accommodate the number of qualified students seeking admission and to keep faculty salaries competitive.

—California State University Chancellor Timothy White said Brown's plan is \$97 million less than is needed for enrollment growth at the 23 CSU campuses and to meet the governor's goal of increasing the number of students who complete their degrees.

—Brown earmarked an 8 percent increase for California's sprawling 112-campus community college system, compared to the 4 percent he provided for UC and CSU. Chancellor Brice Harris called it California's best community college budget in years. He said it would create space for an additional 45,000 more students and expand counseling programs that put students on a path to earning a certificate or transferring to a four-year school.

EDUCATION:

—The state's general fund will increase about 5 percent from the current \$107.4 billion budget, with much of the increase earmarked for K-12 education and community colleges as required by law. K-12 funding grows by more than \$2,600 per student in 2015-16 over 2011-12 levels. The budget calls for speeding implementation of the new Local Control Funding Formula that channels additional money for schools with high levels of low income and English language learners. It includes nearly \$4 billion more for the formula than projected, allocating \$50.7 billion in the fiscal year that begins July 1. The \$7.8 billion K-14 budget increase repays districts \$992 million in deferred funding and boosts average per-pupil expenditures to a projected \$13,462. The budget also calls for \$1.1 billion to implement Common Core, the new math and reading benchmarks adopted by much of the nation.

DEBT REDUCTION:

—The budget proposes making

a \$1.2 billion deposit into the state's rainy day fund, bringing the cushion against future recessions to \$2.8 billion. It also includes \$1.2 billion debt payment. Debt repayments include retiring the last of a \$15 billion deficit-reduction bond incurred under then-Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and repaying local governments \$533 million for their costs of following state mandates.

WATER:

—The budget anticipates the dual possibilities of a fourth drought year as well as flooding. The first \$532.5 million of the \$7.5 billion water bond voters approved in November is set aside for providing safe drinking water, restoring watersheds and increasing water recycling efforts. Another \$115 million is designated for firefighting and providing emergency drinking water to poor communities. The governor proposes to start work on \$1.1 billion in projects to defend California from flooding even before the budget is approved. The state will provide \$6 million to help local communities draft groundwater plans, in addition to \$21 million from water bond grants.

CLIMATE CHANGE:

—The budget provides a glimpse of how California will achieve the more aggressive climate-change goals that Brown outlined in his inauguration speech. The state would spend \$1 billion from the state's three-year-old cap-and-trade program on efforts to combat global warming. The money comes from a program that imposes extra costs on businesses that emit pollutants, and this year was expanded to include companies that produce gasoline and other fuels. Money would go to low-carbon transportation, for projects that link affordable housing to transportation hubs, energy efficiency, urban forests and to fund construction of the \$68 billion bullet train that will run through the Central Valley. Brown broke ground for the high-speed rail project earlier this week. The governor plans to work with the Legislature, environmental groups, business interests and others to develop a plan to further slash greenhouse-gas emissions by 2030.

TRANSPORTATION:

—Brown's budget offers scant detail on how to he plans to address \$59 billion in needed repairs to the state's crumbling roads, highways and bridges. Brown's long-term push to reduce gasoline consumption and encourage electric cars is drying up money for infrastructure maintenance from the state gas tax. He says he will seek solutions by negotiating with lawmakers from both political parties. He would need Republican support for new taxes or fees, which require two-thirds support to pass the state Legislature. Republicans have been pushing to redirect money from his \$68 billion bullet train project to more pressing transportation needs,

while Brown's budget suggests he could attempt to increase commercial weight fees and local government funding.

RETIREE HEALTH CARE:

—Brown plans to pressure state employee labor unions to help reduce the state's unfunded liability for retiree health care benefits, currently estimated at \$72 billion. He says the cost is unsustainable, growing from \$458 million in 2001 to \$1.9 billion now and absorbing a growing portion of the general fund. Without changes, the state's unfunded liability is projected to grow to \$300 billion by 2047-48. Brown proposes that the state and its employees share equally in paying now for future retiree health benefits so that investment returns will help make up the difference. Brown says that will save nearly \$200 billion over 50 years, eliminating the unfunded liability by 2044-45.

COURTS:

—Brown continues to try to make up for about \$1 billion in cuts during the recession that led to layoffs and the closure of courtrooms and courthouses. The proposed \$3.7 billion budget includes \$180 million in additional spending, with most going to trial courts. It includes \$27 million to handle an expected surge of cases due to passage of Proposition 47, which allows felons who committed some nonviolent drug and theft crimes to have their convictions reduced to misdemeanors. The budget proposes reviving a debt amnesty program to give traffic ticket scofflaws a 50 percent break if they pay delinquent fines; the program would be funded with revenues from the paid-off tickets. It would trim \$5 million from the Judicial Council, the policymaking body that oversees court administration and was criticized by the state auditor this week for questionable spending and inflated salaries.

PRISONS:

—The budget includes nearly \$36 million to open cells for 2,376 additional inmates as the state struggles to meet a February 2016 federal court deadline for reducing inmate crowding. It also calls for expanding death row by 97 inmates. Another \$52 million goes for better care of mentally ill inmates in response to a yearslong federal lawsuit, while the state is adding 93 parole agents to help reduce case-loads. About \$20 million is saved because voters approved Proposition 47, reducing penalties for those charged with lower-level drug and property offenses, and because the courts reduced penalties for certain career criminals. The budget increases overall corrections spending by nearly 2 percent, to \$12.7 billion, including funding for counties' costs and \$1.8 billion for the federal receiver who controls prison medical care. The budget for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation increases \$160 million, to \$10.3 billion.

Coming to a car near you: auto technology at CES

BY KIMBERLY PIERCEALL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAS VEGAS (AP), Self-driving cars garner much of the attention, but in reality, we're years away from tooling around in something like Knight Rider's KITT. Coming sooner to a car near you: smartphone apps on dash displays, cruise control that adapts to cars around it, remote engine starting and more.

At International CES in Las Vegas this week, 10 automakers and numerous suppliers unveiled technological features that will find their way into cars in the

distant and not-so-distant future. Here's a look at some of their wares.

Your car will think. It will react. It will learn.

"This car will take responsibility," said Dieter Zetsche, leader of Mercedes-Benz, as he introduced the company's luxury self-driving concept car of the future.

If that sounds a bit scary, like the prologue to a film in which machines overtake mankind, companies supplying the brains and eyes for these robocars say it's for our own good. Cars already do some of these things, really. Anti-lock brake systems, cruise control and parallel parking assistance are steps toward taking our hands completely off the wheel.

There are 1.2 million traffic-related deaths globally each year, according to the World Health Organization; 32,719 of them were in the U.S. in 2013. As automakers point out, your self-driving

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Lots of noise, a few gems in smart home

By ANICK JESDANUN
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LAS VEGAS (AP), Technology forecasters are calling 2015 the year of the Internet of Things – that idea that everyday objects will use sensors and Internet connectivity to start thinking and acting for themselves. At the International CES gadget show this week, I explored many of the elements that could lead to a smarter home. Some were intriguing; others disappointing. Are the capabilities on offer worth the expense and hassle? I’m not entirely convinced.

But there were some gems amid the noise.

THE SMART COFFEEMAKER

A Mr. Coffee coffeepot has remote functionality but it’s limited to starting a brew or setting a timer. (And you have to replenish the coffee beans and water after each brew.) But a company named Smarter is making a coffeemaker that lets you put in a week’s worth of water and coffee beans. And the best part: The Smarter device will know when you had a horrible night of sleep, based on data from fitness trackers. It promises to make your coffee extra strong that morning.

The \$199 device will start shipping in March.

THE SMART YOGA MAT

Sensors in the SmartMat analyze your stance. The app alerts you if your balance is off and will tell you to put more weight on your right foot, for instance. You are scored on how well you did the routine.

The app takes up the full screen, so you’ll need a separate device if you have a workout video to watch. SmartMat costs \$297 and will ship in July.

THE SMART LOCK

For \$219, Kwikset’s Kevo system will unlock the door while your phone’s still in your pocket, useful if your hands are full. You train it so that it opens only when you’re right outside the door, not down the block, or worse, inside the house late at night.

Although I’m nervous that someone will find a way to circumvent the safeguards, it’s useful in that you can give guests, nannies and contractors temporary digital keys. You can set parameters – such as working only during certain hours. An upcoming Plus offering will let you check remotely whether you remembered to lock the door – and lock it if you forgot. It would be more useful if it could do that automatically, using motion sensors to detect that no one’s home.

THE SMART FLOWERPOT

Parrot, a company better known for making recreational drones, uses sensors to detect soil moisture, fertilizer levels, temperature and light. You input what type of flower is in the pot and it adjusts for that plant’s ideal conditions. One model is an actual flowerpot with a container to hold two liters of water. When the soil is dry, the pot opens a valve. Parrot also has a contraption you stick into an existing flowerpot. You attach a plastic water bottle to it.

Neither is smart enough yet to automatically turn on the lights or the air conditioner if necessary. Parrot is leaving it to others to write those apps. For now, you get a phone notification when your plant needs attention.

Both models are coming this year. Prices haven’t been determined.

THE SMART KITCHEN

The Drop app works with a \$100 wireless scale. Low on sugar? The recipe will adjust so you can still make the meal – for fewer servings. The app also tells you when it’s time to preheat the oven, but it’s not smart enough to do it for you. Maybe that’s a good thing – having an oven you can turn on remotely makes me nervous, too.

THE SMART PHONE (not to be confused with the smartphone in your pocket).

Ooma, an Internet-based phone service, now works with Google’s Nest smart thermostat and smoke alarm. If the smoke alarm goes off, Ooma will dial your cellphone to ask whether you want to call 911. It would be more useful, of course, if it simply called 911 for you. Your house could have burned down by the time you see the missed call.

Another feature will call you if there’s no motion detected by a certain time – such as when your kids should have come home.

The Ooma device costs \$130 plus a \$10-a-month Premier service.

Of course, many products sound good, but don’t perform as desired in real life. I got demos, but didn’t get to use these products in real home settings yet.

I can give you an example from a Lenovo tablet I checked out, however. Its AnyPen technology promises to let you use a regular pen or pencil to write or tap on its tablet. But it didn’t work with four pens I tried. I was told the pens’ tips might not be wide enough. AnyPen worked for me with a pencil and (gently!) using a fork’s prong.

But then shouldn’t the feature be called AnyFork? Really.

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Coming to a car near you: auto technology at CES

car won’t get drunk, tired or distracted. And they could return something many other gadgets have taken away: time.

First, “the car has to become self-aware. It has to be able to see and understand what’s happening around it,” said Jen-Hsun Huang, co-founder and CEO of Nvidia, which introduced a super-fast processor at the show and has been working with Audi to develop piloted systems and in-car digital displays.

Audi touted a road trip that its A7 piloted prototype – piloted because there still needs to be a driver behind the wheel to assure nothing goes awry – took from Silicon Valley to Las Vegas for the show, without incident, “driven” by chosen journalists sitting behind the wheel.

“We are ready for piloted driving on public streets,” said Ulrich Hackenberg from Audi’s board of management.

But laws that would allow such autonomy aren’t quite ready; neither are answers to questions such as: Can someone sue a driverless car if it’s in a crash? If it can’t avoid a crash, how will it decide what or whom to crash into? Can a car be hacked and if so, how can it be protected?

Carmakers and suppliers admit there’s still quite a bit they and their cars are learning. Mercedes-Benz says their ultimate vision of the future – a sleek carriage that will ferry us to our destinations – exists beyond 2030, at least.

For now, though, your car might be able to know:

–Where you’re shopping

Ask Chevrolet’s OnStar system for directions to the nearest Dunkin’ Donuts, and you might receive a coupon. The carmaker has partnered with the doughnut chain, Priceline.com and the Speedway brand of gas stations for opt-in promotions.

The service can mine data in the car to offer advice on systems that might be close to failing, like a near-dead battery or a fuel system malfunction. Pass along your real-time driving habits to your insurer, and you might earn rewards for good driving.

–What’s on your smartphone:

Being able to plug one’s smartphone into a dash display seems obvious with so many plug-and-play options elsewhere, but it hasn’t been easy in cars until now. Apple’s Car Play and eventually Android’s version will let a driver can plug in their devices and view their songs, apps and maps on the in-car display.

That’s a huge improvement, said Ron Montoya of car research site Edmunds.com.

“People are responding to texts on their own inside the car. They’re playing their music, they’re playing their Pandora,” he said. Now, rather than fumble with a device, often taking their eyes off the road, the information they’re looking for will be within their line of sight on the dash display. Carmakers from Hyundai (Apple Car Play will be available in 2015 models of the Sonata and more widely available in 2016) to Audi (it’ll be available in the Q7) all talked about phone integration.

–How to talk to your smartphone, or smart-watch:

Hyundai’s Blue Link system now includes a smartphone app that lets car owners start the car remotely, lock or unlock it, find their car within a mile using GPS tracking (such as in a big parking lot), send a destination to the car’s navigation system and send alerts. Have a teenage driver in the house who’s borrowing the car? Your car, via your phone, will tell you if the car was started after curfew or if it was traveling above a certain speed limit.

–What’s happening around it:

That red light? That slow car up ahead? Adaptive cruise control available in cars soon will be so advanced that the machines will sense when a car ahead is slowing down and safely change lanes to zoom around (on the driver’s signal.) If a car up ahead stops or there’s a red light, the car will come to a halt. Inside a Volkswagen Golf being tested by Valeo and IAV, who are developing automated software and hardware for cars, self-driving mode brought the car slowly to a stop behind a school bus on a Las Vegas street, the driver’s hands off the wheel and feet off the pedals.

“I’m not worried,” said driver Lars Eggenstein of IAV.

Obama-GOP alliance on trade raises hopes for new agreements

By CHARLES BABINGTON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP), Trade pacts create odd politics. That’s why advocates hope new trade agreements might advance this year despite tensions between the Republican-run Congress and the Democratic White House on so many other issues.

President Barack Obama, like presidents of both parties before him, wants renewed authority to negotiate complex, multinational trade deals that Congress can approve or reject, but not amend. This “trade promotion” or “fast track” authority is crucial to keep critics on the left and right from attaching killer amendments.

Many Republicans favor freer trade, while many liberal groups vehemently oppose it, claiming it encourages companies to send U.S. jobs overseas. These fault lines are creating new and rare sniping between Obama and countless activists who have considered him a political hero.

Dozens of these activists – along with several Democratic lawmakers – crammed a Capitol Hill news conference Thursday to condemn “fast track” authority as a freeway to U.S. job losses, environmental wrongdoings by trade partners, riskier imported foods and drugs, and many other woes.

Even “the root causes of Ferguson” – the Missouri suburb where a

fatal police shooting led to national angst and protests – “lie in the shutdowns in St. Louis,” which stem from deals like the 1994 North American Free Trade Agreement, said Larry Cohen, president of the Communications Workers of America.

“This is the biggest coalition on trade ever,” Cohen said of the combined efforts of groups focused on the environment, food safety, organized labor, generic drugs, religious outreach, world hunger and many other causes.

One target is the long-debated Trans-Pacific Partnership deal involving the United States and 11 other nations, including Japan but not China. The liberal coalition, however, says its main goal is to thwart trade promotion authority, or TPA, for Obama and future presidents. That would make the Pacific plan and all other large U.S. trade proposals nearly impossible.

Obama acknowledges the challenge of persuading a Congress full of Republicans who intensely dislike him and Democrats whose pro-labor, pro-environment constituents don’t want “another NAFTA.”

“Some of those same anti-trade impulses are more ascendant in the Republican Party than they might have been 20 years ago,” the president told the pro-trade Business Roundtable last month.

And many Democrats, he said, “have legitimate complaints about

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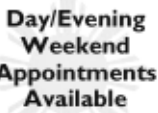
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Movoto Real Estate conducted a study based on data from the 100 largest cities in the United States and the 2013 FBI Uniform Crime Report. Crime rates were examined within a number of categories, including: murders, violent crimes, property crimes and total crimes. Based on these categories, the following cities were named the top 10 safest cities in America, alongside Fremont:

1. Gilbert, AZ
2. Irvine, CA
3. Fremont, CA

4. Plano, TX
5. Chula Vista, CA
6. Chandler, AZ
7. Henderson, NV
8. Boise, ID
9. Scottsdale, AZ
10. Irving, TX

Here's to Fremont being named one of the safest spots to call home in the nation and to our community for the role in which they play each day to make this happen! For more information, visit www.Fremont.gov/SafeCity.



Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program to begin Feb. 2

Starting February 2 to April 15, trained IRS-certified VITA tax preparers from the SparkPoint Fremont Family Resource Center (FRC) Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program will be providing free quality tax preparation with e-filing for qualified individuals and families with household incomes of \$53,000 or less annually. Tax preparation assistance will be available at the Fremont Family Resource Center Mondays and Wednesdays from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tax preparation assistance is also offered in locations throughout the Tri-City area. Since 2002, FRC VITA has helped over 16,000 families and individuals to receive over \$25 million in refunds. You may qualify for up to \$6,044 of additional refund through the Earned Income Credit. The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program is sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the United Way of the Bay Area Earn It! Keep It! Save It! Coalition. For more information, please contact SparkPoint Fremont at 510-574-2020 or visit www.Fremont.gov/SparkPointFRC.

Fremont Warming Center for the Homeless

In November 2014, the City of Fremont Human Services Department in partnership with City Serve Compassion Network and with support from Abode Services, opened a winter warming center for homeless residents in Fremont and the greater Tri-City area. A Warming Center provides a warm, safe environment for homeless persons (men, women and families) by giving them an option to "come in" from freezing or very wet weather. The center is activated when heavy rains are predicted or when weather will likely fall below 40 degrees. The Warming Center is located at the Fremont Senior Center in Wing A, located at 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy. The center opens at 6:30 p.m. and

participants are asked to enter through the door at the southeast corner of the building. No one will be admitted after 8:30 p.m. The center provides a welcoming environment, dinner, a sleeping bag, mat and pillow and breakfast prior to 7 a.m. when participants are asked to leave the facility. To see if the center is open, call 510-574-2222. Persons wishing to donate food, supplies, or volunteer may contact City Serve Compassion Network at 510-796-7378. Persons wishing to contribute funds to help keep the center open may contact the Human Services Department at 510-574-2051, or contribute electronically at www.Fremont.gov/HSDonate.

Private Video Surveillance Camera Registration

Do you currently utilize private video surveillance at your home or business? If you do, the Fremont Police Department would like to hear from you.

Video surveillance is one of the best methods for apprehending criminals and convicting suspects who are caught in the act of committing a crime. Installing private video surveillance is a great example of community-police partnerships and is something the City highly values as the Fremont Police Department serves a very large community.

If you would like to let the Fremont Police Department know that you have video surveillance and allow police officers to contact you should a crime occur in or near where your cameras are installed, please register your camera online. Registration is voluntary.

For more information please visit www.FremontPolice.org/CameraRegistration.



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- Window replacements
- Re-roofs
- Home occupation permits
- Termite damage repairs
- Minor electrical repairs (addition of 1 circuit)
- Gas line repair, new gas line for range or fireplace if direct from meter to appliance, water re-piping, drain line repairs if within the footprint of the home
- Electrical service upgrades (<200 amps)
- Processing of re-inspection and overtime inspection fees

The Express Permit Counter is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. (counter closed between 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.) and Fridays from 8 a.m. – 12



p.m. It's located on the first floor of the Development Services Center, 39550 Liberty St. in Fremont.

Make sure to have all your paperwork completed in full prior to checking in. Forms include the Building Permit Application; Cal-Certs Forms for mechanical permits; and Business License Application for Home Occupation Permits. To help us keep the express counter extra speedy, please note that there is a maximum of two permits per application and per visit. For more information on Fremont's new Express Permit Counter visit www.Fremont.gov/ExpressPermits.

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Fremont's **boxART!** program is officially off the ground with artwork popping up around town. Artwork that spans diversity, equality, play, environment, and more is poised to grace our traffic signal control boxes. And we are thrilled that the artists themselves come from the diversity that is our community.

We're excited to see that several civic-minded businesses and individuals have already stepped forward to be the first to support **boxART!** – and we know there will be many more. If you would like to learn how to sponsor a box, please contact Susan Longini at boxart@fremont.gov or 510-494-4555. For more information visit www.Fremont.gov/BoxArt.



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 are available 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.

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START



Your mother tells you that you are as good as anyone else.
Move ahead 1 space.



You are arrested for leading a peaceful march. Go to JAIL.



JUST VISITING



Graduate from high school.
Move ahead 3 spaces.



A bus driver tells you to sit at the back of the bus. You refuse and are arrested.
GO TO JAIL.



Register black people to vote. Move ahead 1 space.



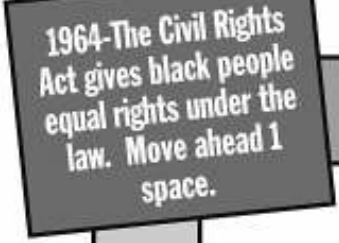
A bomb goes off on your porch.
Lose a turn.



Get a letter threatening your life. Go back 3 spaces.



Police attack civil rights marchers.
Go back 1 space.



1964-The Civil Rights Act gives black people equal rights under the law. Move ahead 1 space.



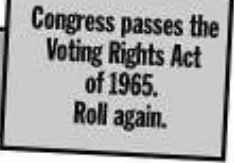
Convince thousands of people to stop riding buses until blacks are treated equally on buses.
BOYCOTT MONTGOMERY BUSES
UNFAIR
EQUAL SEATING FOR ALL
Move ahead 1 space.



1956 - People stop riding buses in Montgomery, Alabama, for one year. The U.S. Supreme Court declares it illegal to treat blacks differently on a bus.
Move ahead 1 space.



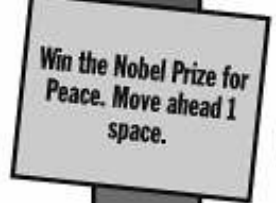
EQUALITY FOR ALL



Congress passes the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Roll again.



Black voters are harassed when they try to vote. Lose a turn.



Win the Nobel Prize for Peace. Move ahead 1 space.



Go to Washington, D.C., to lead 250,000 people in a march for equality. Roll again.



Clerk tells you to leave a store because you are black.
GO BACK TO START

HOW TO PLAY FREEDOM FIGHTER:
You need:
A marker for each player
One die

TO PLAY:
1. Taking turns, roll the die. Move ahead the number of spaces shown.
2. Read and follow the instructions in the square where you land.

TO GET OUT OF JAIL:
Roll a 3 and move ahead three spaces.

TO WIN:
The first person to land on the "Equality for All" space wins the game. You must roll the exact number to land on this space.

Extra! Extra!

Finding Freedom

Look through the newspaper for five or more words that describe or are about "freedom." Use these words to write a poem or a paragraph about freedom.

Standards Link: Writing: Group together related ideas and maintain a consistent focus.

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

Complete the following:

Headline: _____

Question a reporter might have asked:

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

Justice for All



Imagine that one day your teacher said only kids with freckles could sit at desks and be first in line. Would this be fair? Your teacher would not be treating all students equally.

For many years, black Americans were treated differently from white Americans. Black children could not attend the same schools or use the same drinking fountains that white children used.

In the 1950s and 60s, thousands of Americans worked together to change these unfair laws. One of the leaders of this movement was a dedicated minister named Martin Luther King, Jr. Each year we celebrate his birthday and remember the struggles and sacrifices he made so that the United States of America truly could be a land of equal opportunity for all.

Standards Link: History: Students understand the importance of individual action and character and explain how heroes from the recent past make a difference in others' lives.

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Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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

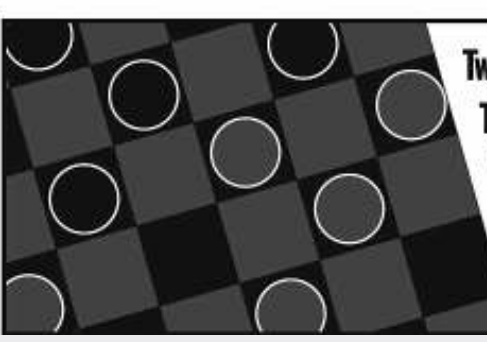


FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

Heroes in the News

Find an article about someone who has done something heroic or significant. Make a chart or Venn diagram comparing and contrasting that person's life and accomplishments to those of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Compare and contrast information about characters presented in reading articles.



Two kids were playing checkers. They played five games, and each won the same number of games.

How is that possible?

ANSWER: They played different people.

Write On!



My Favorite Leader

Who is your favorite leader? Explain why this person is important to you.

CASTRO VALLEY TOTAL SALES: 13						
Highest \$:		915,000	Median \$:		645,000	
Lowest \$:		334,000	Average \$:		636,269	
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21134 Ashfield Avenue	94546	620,000	3	1674	1955	12-03-14
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3123 Huntington Court	94546	650,000	3	1758	1962	12-10-14
2500 Miramar Ave #108	94546	334,000	2	1133	1982	12-03-14
17243 Rolando Avenue	94546	370,000	2	1114	1950	12-11-14
4031 Seven Hills Road	94546	550,000	3	1094	1948	12-05-14
2744 Sheffield Place	94546	737,500	4	2200	1970	12-11-14
2410 Stanton Hill Road	94546	620,000	3	1773	1964	12-09-14
3939 Stevens Street	94546	645,000	3	1900	1952	12-03-14
3060 Todd Court	94546	725,000	4	2238	1988	12-11-14
5309 Willow Glen Place	94546	915,000	5	3584	2000	12-05-14
5804 Dawn View Court	94552	812,000	3	2229	1972	12-10-14
18883 West Cavendish Dr	94552	780,000	4	2262	1978	12-05-14

FREMONT TOTAL SALES: 41						
Highest \$:		2,990,000	Median \$:		710,000	
Lowest \$:		351,000	Average \$:		843,146	
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
4635 Alameda Drive	94536	710,000	4	1593	1964	12-05-14
4259 Ardo Street	94536	725,000	4	1938	1965	12-08-14
38387 Canyon Heights Dr	94536	600,000	3	1120	1955	12-05-14
35947 Caxton Place	94536	876,000	4	1811	1968	12-05-14
4772 Central Avenue	94536	493,000	3	1079	1953	12-11-14
4970 Eggers Drive	94536	665,500	4	1785	1954	12-08-14
36800 Fremont Blvd	94536	525,000	-	1020	1922	12-05-14
3360 Galsworthy Court	94536	675,000	3	1664	1965	12-03-14
4465 Gibraltar Drive	94536	700,000	3	1232	1966	12-05-14
4752 Granado Avenue	94536	630,000	3	1424	1956	12-08-14
35754 Hillside Court	94536	1,102,000	5	2594	1993	12-09-14
4468 Mattos Drive	94536	990,000	4	2201	1958	12-03-14
4067 Norris Road	94536	1,120,000	3	2176	1950	12-03-14
4150 Norris Road	94536	1,259,000	4	2624	1955	12-04-14
4749 Northdale Drive	94536	840,000	3	2078	1955	12-04-14
923 Oranda Terrace	94536	860,000	3	1384	1995	12-05-14
37370 Parish Circle #18H	94536	410,500	2	942	1989	12-05-14
513 Posada Way	94536	1,025,000	3	2592	1968	12-04-14
36155 San Pedro Drive	94536	555,000	3	1198	1956	12-09-14
3634 Congress Court	94538	890,000	3	1336	1958	12-09-14
39585 Dorrington Ct	94538	710,000	4	1719	1963	12-10-14
3556 Fitzsimmons Cmn	94538	630,000	3	1448	1997	12-08-14
4366 Millard Avenue	94538	460,000	3	925	1955	12-09-14
39561 Plumas Court	94538	650,000	3	1630	1963	12-05-14
5712 Poplar Common	94538	351,000	3	1149	1970	12-09-14
5585 Shana Street	94538	625,000	3	1597	1962	12-03-14
5151 Silver Reef Drive	94538	530,000	3	1008	1961	12-08-14
237 Bayberry Common	94539	1,143,000	3	1969	1991	12-08-14
804 Bedford Street	94539	1,588,000	4	2435	1963	12-09-14
1096 Kachina Court	94539	1,540,000	-	2274	1979	12-03-14
45413 Rutherford Trc	94539	2,990,000	5	5836	1996	12-09-14
543 Scott Street	94539	910,000	3	1100	1955	12-05-14
44877 Trout Court	94539	1,073,000	4	1728	1988	12-05-14
34441 Bridgewater Pl	94555	810,000	3	1390	1968	12-09-14
34176 Brindisi Terrace	94555	640,000	3	1387	2007	12-03-14
3655 Chaucer Drive	94555	762,000	3	1390	1971	12-09-14
34280 Gadwall Comm	94555	565,000	2	1405	1981	12-10-14
34643 Gladstone Place	94555	831,000	3	1494	1971	12-03-14
34889 Gladstone Place	94555	685,000	4	1494	1971	12-05-14
33087 Lake Michigan St	94555	575,000	3	1148	1971	12-03-14
5406 Sunstar Common	94555	850,000	3	1384	1988	12-08-14

HAYWARD TOTAL SALES: 30						
Highest \$:		719,000	Median \$:		418,000	
Lowest \$:		175,000	Average \$:		443,733	
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
24409 2nd Street	94541	505,000	2	1782	1945	12-04-14
24675 2nd Street	94541	390,000	2	1142	1955	12-05-14
448 Bianca Lane	94541	470,000	3	1452	1994	12-09-14
836 Blossom Way	94541	555,000	2	1048	1926	12-05-14
20583 Cambridge Ave	94541	580,000	3	1854	1940	12-04-14
1885 Chantilly Lane	94541	400,000	3	1620	1981	12-04-14
22334 Flagg Street	94541	420,000	4	1780	1937	12-10-14
19101 Hathaway Ave	94541	535,000	3	2122	1958	12-10-14
23373 Lilla Road	94541	255,000	3	1168	1951	12-04-14
22835 Paseo Place	94541	385,000	3	1700	2004	12-10-14
2963 Pickford Way	94541	499,000	3	1560	1980	12-05-14
258 Redbud Lane	94541	175,000	3	1112	1950	12-03-14
20860 Royal Avenue	94541	418,000	4	1524	1948	12-04-14
568 Shirley Avenue	94541	415,000	3	1156	1951	12-08-14
2673 Home Avenue	94542	632,500	3	2095	1985	12-05-14
2726 Tribune Avenue	94542	719,000	4	2736	1989	12-11-14
215 Catherine Place	94544	612,500	-	-	-	12-10-14
29444 Chance Street	94544	430,000	3	1154	1988	12-04-14
685 Dartmore Lane #167	94544	332,500	3	1045	1988	12-09-14

569 Fairway Street	94544	473,000	3	1184	1955	12-03-14
441 Harder Road	94544	375,000	3	1070	1952	12-10-14
1167 Hat Creek Way	94544	525,000	3	1558	1991	12-09-14
240 Lexington Avenue	94544	335,000	3	927	1951	12-03-14
24856 Muir Street	94544	380,000	3	1040	1951	12-05-14
31964 Olean Street	94544	430,000	4	1325	1951	12-11-14
27737 Pensacola Way	94544	400,000	4	1264	1954	12-09-14
31968 Potsdam Street	94544	360,000	3	1031	1951	12-08-14
30525 Prestwick Avenue	94544	417,000	3	1252	1954	12-04-14
1133 Scott Place	94544	402,000	3	1081	1953	12-10-14
951 Malcolm Lane	94545	486,500	3	1510	1958	12-03-14

MILPITAS TOTAL SALES: 04						
Highest \$:		910,000	Median \$:		715,000	
Lowest \$:		600,000	Average \$:		745,875	
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
1297 Chewpon Avenue	95035	715,000	3	1680	1981	12-09-14
1361 Coyote Creek Way	95035	758,500	-	-	-	12-08-14
1133 Park Heights Dr	95035	600,000	3	1146	1962	12-10-14
67 Pyle Lane	95035	910,000	4	2406	2012	12-09-14

NEWARK TOTAL SALES: 06						
Highest \$:		718,000	Median \$:		597,000	
Lowest \$:		468,000	Average \$:		599,417	
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
5335 Cambridge Court	94560	718,000	3	1407	1970	12-05-14
39197 Ebbetts Street	94560	663,500	-	1519	1979	12-05-14
36612 Lakewood Drive	94560	600,000	4	1360	1962	12-05-14
6215 Madelaine Drive	94560	597,000	4	1661	1959	12-03-14
6261 Noel Avenue	94560	468,000	3	1173	1960	12-10-14
36206 Toulon Place	94560	550,000	3	1100	1960	12-11-14

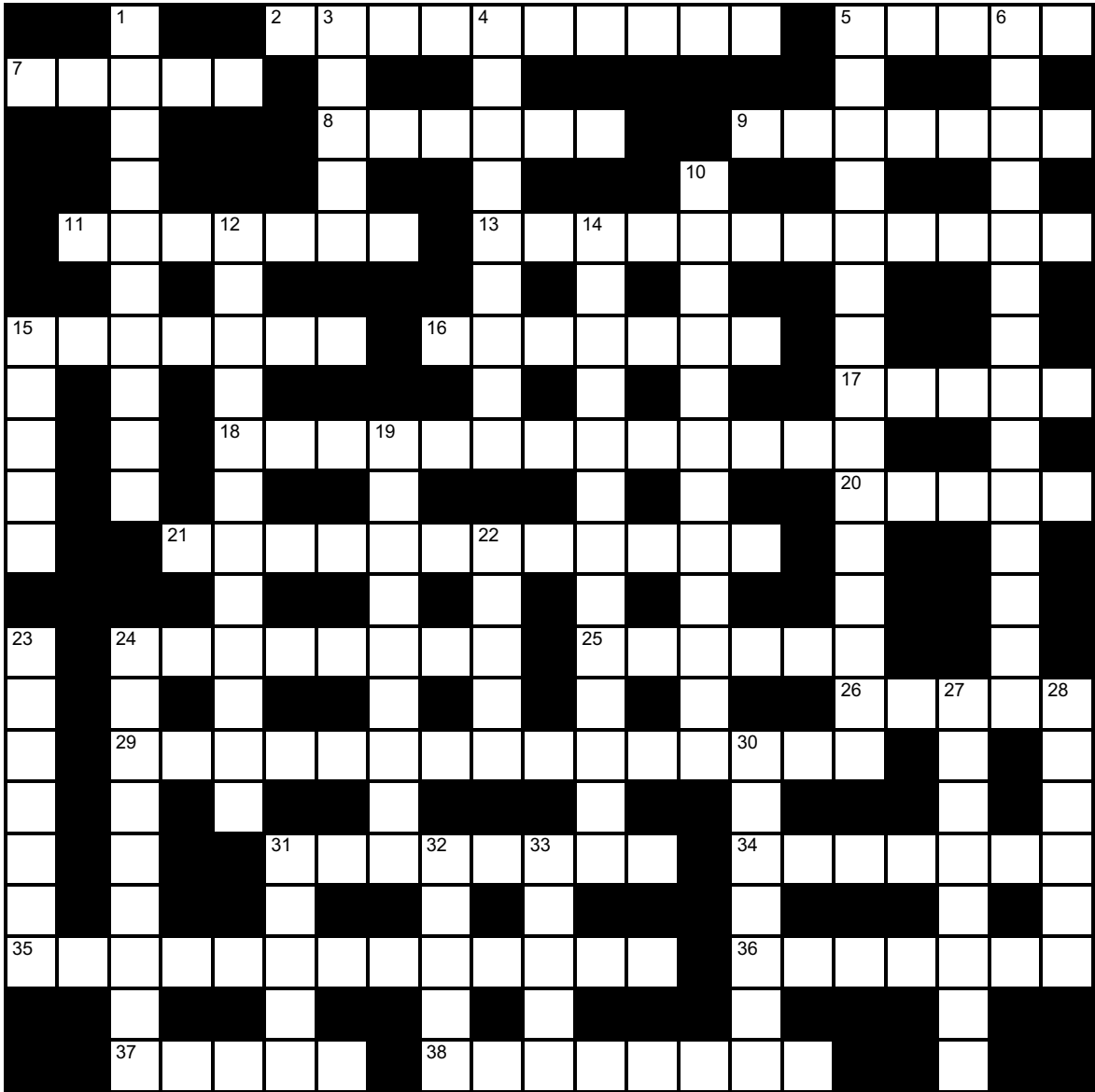
SAN LEANDRO TOTAL SALES: 27						
Highest \$:		792,500	Median \$:		470,000	
Lowest \$:		245,000	Average \$:		490,167	
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
923 Bancroft Avenue	94577	700,000	3	2689	1955	12-11-14
188 Broadmoor Boulevard	94577	565,000	2	1199	1925	12-05-14
631 Broadmoor Boulevard	94577	616,500	2	1925	1931	12-04-14
1400 Carpentier Street	#10594577	245,000	2	938	1983	12-04-14
2228 Cherry Street	94577	265,000	2	540	1910	12-08-14
1446 Daily Drive	94577	792,500	3	2942	1958	12-05-14
490 Diehl Avenue	94577	591,500	3	1468	1928	12-10-14
826 Dowling Boulevard	94577	470,000	3	1180	1925	12-09-14
815 Estudillo Avenue	94577	620,000	3	1584	1922	12-09-14
197 Georgia Way	94577	429,000	3	1310	1943	12-03-14
331 Harlan Street	94577	450,000	2	1089	1953	12-05-14
16030 Berkshire Road	94578	550,000	3	1384	1949	12-03-14
341 Caliente Circle	94578	285,000	2	997	1980	12-04-14
556 Dahlia Court	94578	545,000	-	1659	1978	12-08-14
14838 Lark Street	94578	434,000	3	1242	1946	12-10-14
16930 Robey Drive	94578	450,000	3	1464	1965	12-04-14
2245 Sol Street	94578	654,000	4	5644	1964	12-05-14
1470 Thrush Avenue	#2094578	254,000	2	820	1994	12-05-14
14672 Acacia Street	94579	522,000	3	1492	1953	12-09-14
15009 Beatty Street	94579	375,000	4	1475	1949	12-04-14
1375 Cedar Avenue	94579	425,000	3	1199	1952	12-05-14
15068 Churchill Street	94579	428,000	3	1020	1949	12-05-14
14922 Crosby Street	94579	415,000	3	1113	1952	12-10-14
1672 Manzanita Avenue	94579	460,000	3	1268	1953	12-05-14
2319 Overlook Court	94579	715,000	5	2279	2000	12-03-14
1811 Spruce Street	94579	478,000	3	1309	1952	12-09-14
15277 Wiley Street	94579	500,000	3	1607	1952	12-05-14

SAN LORENZO TOTAL SALES: 05						
Highest \$:		472,000	Median \$:		460,000	
Lowest \$:		310,000	Average \$:		426,600	
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED	
16116 Channel Street	94580	310,000	3	1050	1951	12-10-14
15767 Paseo Largavista	94580	466,000	3	1292	1944	12-03-14
15848 Via Alamitos	94580	425,000	2	1181	1945	12-09-14
17041 Via Cielo	94580	460,000	3	1051	1947	12-03-14
88 Via Verde	94580	472,000	3	1077	1951	12-09-14

UNION CITY				TOTAL SALES: 11			
Highest \$:		850,000	Median \$:		368,000		
Lowest \$:		250,000	Average \$:		433,500		
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDSSQFT	BUILT	CLOSED		
33647 5th Street	94587	405,000	5	1974	1936	12-05-14	
32034 Arya Court #9B	94587	425,000	3	1233	1981	12-08-14	
137 Aurora Plaza	94587	273,500	2	685	1984	12-04-14	
106 Donoso Plaza	94587	325,000	2	880	1986	12-03-14	
2262 Eric Court #1	94587	303,000	2	945	1977	12-09-14	
2108 Eric Court #4	94587	250,000	2	798	1974	12-03-14	
32220 Minturn Court	94587	515,000	4	1708	1973	12-11-14	
4442 Palmdale Street	94587	850,000	4	2715	1986	12-09-14	
2172 Skylark Court	94587	275,000	2	903	1972	12-05-14	
34179 Soto Drive	94587	779,000	3	2000	2004	12-11-14	
4106 Uranus Drive	94587	368,000	-	1280	1974	12-05-14	

Mind Twisters

Crossword Puzzle B 296



- Across
- 2 Teenagers (10)

5 Heirloom location (5)

7 Quilt part (5)

8 Everyday (6)

9 More fortunate than another (7)

11 Magicians, Harry Potter (7)

13 Preparations, plans for an event (12)

15 Like some guests (7)

16 Thousand times one thousand (7)

17 British Commonwealth member (5)

18 Situations under which something happens (13)

20 Home-sapien (5)

21 Fuddy-duddy (3-9)

24 People who visit other countries (8)

25 Scandinavian country (6)
- 26 Acknowledge (5)

29 Features (15)

31 Small yellow fish (8)

34 Help provided by someone (7)

35 Getting support and wishes (13)

36 Feeling of happiness or sadness (7)

37 Minimal (5)

38 Hangs by a string (8)
- Down
- 1 Staying in one position (10)

3 Confessed, with "up" (5)

4 Where people exercise (9)

5 Achievements (15)

6 Passport or drivers licence (14)

10 To let people know formally (12)

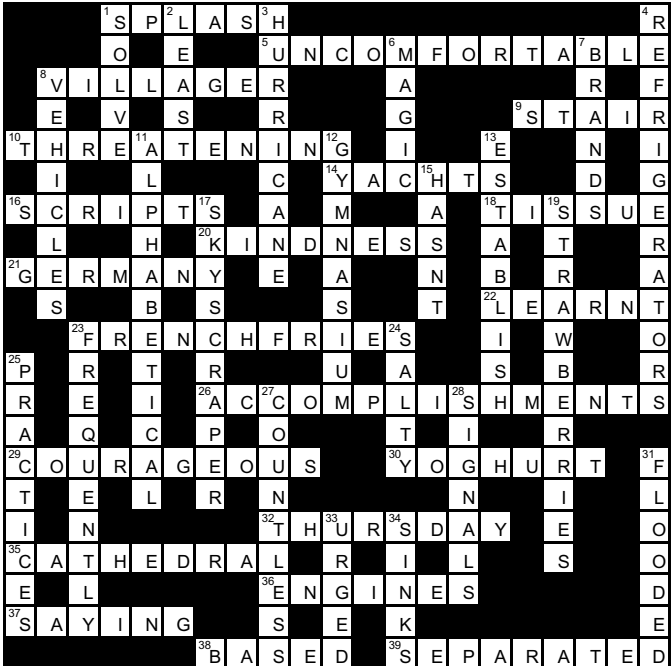
12 Act of cultivating land or livestock (12)

- 14 Connection between persons by blood or marriage (13)
- 15 Comical stuff (5)
- 19 Music genre (9)
- 22 Dispatch (5)
- 23 Note similarities and differences between two things (7)
- 24 Scientific details of a gadget (9)
- 27 Disturbing other others, bothering (8)
- 28 Pussy (6)
- 30 As a preferred alternative (7)
- 31 Young women (5)
- 32 Shift, e.g. (5)
- 33 Agenda entries (5)

Sudoku:

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

6							8	
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2	6	3	9	4	1	8	5	7
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Tri-City Stargazer JANUARY 14 – JANUARY 20, 2014 BY VIVIAN CAROL

For All Signs: The cosmos has several tense aspects this week. It is one of those times in which war or some other violent activity is a likely development. Unfortunately, that has been all too frequent in the past year. Energy will be high and nerves may be a little frayed. On the global level talk will not work. Taking action will be the first response and that is not necessarily the best. Drive defensively and concentrate on the task at hand to avoid fender benders. Pay close attention if you are using potentially dangerous tools, and don't press your body beyond its normal physical capacity in any activity. These are the types of aspects that represent wrenched backs and broken toes.

Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20): In late August you were challenged by the financial sector, maybe related to old debts. You probably began to work on this at that time and now the situation is different. Perhaps the contract or agreement has changed. However, you are pressed to pour extra resources into the situation in order to maintain. The question is: Do you want to do this?

Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20): This period may be difficult for those on a diet or other self-improvement program. You are prone to self-indulgence right now. Perhaps the best thing to do is accept that is so and find a new solution that is satisfying without sabotaging your good intentions of recent weeks. Partnership and social life is favored.

Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20): You need to be aware that Mercury, your ruling planet, turns retrograde next week. The possibility that you will regret comments, plans, or contracts you make right now is high. You could make favorable contacts via the Internet or some other source of education. Your mind is quick, but you should think carefully before acting.

Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21): See the lead paragraph and stay under the radar because you may be caught in the crosshairs of others who are in a dark frame of mind. An old situation may suddenly pop up between you and another that you thought was long since over. It looks like it needs more discussion, but you should judge the moment carefully.

Leo the Lion (July 22-August 22): This is a good week to bring a project to a close and prepare to move forward into new territory next week. Finish loose ends and clean off your desk so you can feel accomplished enough to step into another direction. The topic coming up as of the 20th is to give attention to your closest friends and/or significant other.

Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22): You may be thinking about an expenditure for an object of beauty or something else expansive. Let me point out that Mercury, your ruling planet, goes retrograde next week. Save your receipts because it may not work out as you hope. If it is non-returnable, think about this item for a while before you purchase.

Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22): This is not your best week. Be on the alert for troubles with your home, your high tech equipment, partners or crazy people. Do not allow any of these to throw you off balance and you can emerge successfully with no more than a bruise or two. Take good care of your health and don't push your body beyond its limits.

Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21): Aspects suggest you may be feeling irritable and critical this week. Objects and people are just not cooperating, and you may also be worrying about finances. You took an action in August that put you on a difficult trajectory. It is possible this plan will require way more than you ever thought you would have to produce. Now you ask yourself whether or not it is worth the effort. It's your call.

Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21): It may be hard to move forward this week due to challenges concerning property, equipment, health, or family issues. Your reflexes and normal muscle control are out of sync right now, so use special caution and listen to your body. If it says "don't," then pay attention

and stop immediately. This will pass.

Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19): There are more demands upon you than you can physically or emotionally manage. This could be the week in which you must raise the white flag. The Goats often take on more responsibility than is good for them. Give yourself a break.

Aquarius the Water Bearer (January 20-February 18): A project begun under difficult circumstances in May and now arrives at a critical point. Do you pour even more effort and energy into it now? It is probable that the timing is off, even if the plan is good. You may do better to start again at another point. You may be feeling irritable and

angry this week at someone or some rule that is demanding.

Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20): The authorities in your world may be thrashing you now and demanding an explanation for your behavior. Do not allow their guilt bashing to take you down. You had reasons and did the best you could with the situation at the time. Pay close attention to your wallet and credit cards. You might be subject to identity theft.

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ON TIME SIGNS

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Kung Fu magazine: 22 years young and still kicking

At the time, Thomas Oh was busy with his own company, Tiger Claw, distributing martial arts equipment to local schools. And so, with no publishing or martial arts experience, but with great heart, Gigi Oh left her career in real estate to run the mag-

channel, where instructional videos that they produce themselves are posted. There is also a digital version of the magazine available through Zinio. While they acknowledge the power of an online presence, Ching and Gigi say

Kung Fu Tai Chi editorial staff (R-L): Patrick Lugo, Gigi Oh, Gene Ching, and Kevin Ho.

Tiger Claw Elite tournament sponsored by Tiger Claw and Kung Fu Magazine.

azine. Initially this seemed like a perfect fit for a Taiwanese native who loved reading wuxia novels (adventures of martial artists in ancient China). Now she could meet the masters of martial arts in real life. However, the first five years were rough. "It was a big challenge. I did really bad for a couple issues." Observing and absorbing everything, Gigi was only getting three hours of sleep a night. But she was up to the challenge. "I set a goal: I had to be better every single issue." Today, she credits her love of learning for keeping her going. "I have gained so much knowledge. I feel more like a complete person." At her side for the past 15 years has been Associate Publisher Gene Ching. With a strong martial arts background and a deep love and respect for Asian history and culture, it seems only natural that his path led him here. "One of the things about Kung Fu that makes it very special is that it's very embedded in Chinese culture," he explains. "It's not just fighting techniques. It encompasses art, history, and all these other elements." Along with two designers (Patrick Lugo, Kevin Ho), this elite team of four keep the magazine running smoothly. Each issue also contains contributions from freelance writers. In 2001 they launched their website, KungFuMagazine.com, which contains its own unique content. And in 2010, the use of social media began including a YouTube

they still prefer print, and think their readers do as well. They take great pride in publishing a work that embraces new developments in martial arts while staying deeply rooted to the past. Because of this mission, and community connections, making it onto the cover of Kung Fu Tai Chi is a highly sought prize by many masters. With so many newspapers and magazines disappearing these days, it's remarkable that Kung Fu Tai Chi has thrived. They attribute their success to loyal readership and position in the heart of the martial arts community. Ching smiles, "California and the whole West Coast is a very fruitful area for martial arts, particularly the Bay Area, because so many Asian immigrants come into this area. There are so many schools. Right here, within a block of our building, there are three martial arts schools. In fact, sometimes we feel we get a little too Bay-Area-centric with this magazine. There's such a great population of very talented teachers and masters." Another reason for their success has been the unique relationship with their parent company, Tiger Claw. Thomas has grown the company from selling goods out of the back of his van to a nationwide leader in martial arts gear. TC Media also runs MartialArtsMart.com, a retail outlet for Tiger Claw. For a long time, Tiger Claw was the sole advertiser in the magazine. This helped

to fund the operation when times were tough. It also gave Gigi and the staff the freedom to publish content without any outside agenda. In addition, they have partnered with Tiger Claw to host an annual martial arts championship in San Jose. Now in its seventh year, the event draws participants from around the world. The Ohs have also established a non-profit (the Tiger Claw Foundation) and a consultancy group (Tiger Claw Management Consultants). Gigi and Ching like to stress that there is something for everyone in their magazine. In fact, as they have come to realize, it is a way of life. And they are still learning. "We often say, we're barely scratching the surface of this, even after twenty some odd years of publishing." For more information, contact Kung Fu Tai Chi at (510) 656-5100 or visit online at www.KungFuMagazine.com and www.MartialArtsMart.com. Visit Tiger Claw at www.TigerClaw.com.

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Monday, Dec 5 - Friday, Jan 30

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8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
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Art from the National League of American Pen Women
John O'Lague Galleria
777 B Street, Hayward
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Tuesdays, Dec 23 thru Jan 27

Bridge 1

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
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Silliman Activity Center
6800 Mowry Ave., Newark
(510) 578-4620
www.newark.org

Tuesdays, Dec 23 thru Jan 27

Bridge 2

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Seniors master game strategy
Silliman Activity Center
6800 Mowry Ave., Newark
(510) 578-4620
www.newark.org

Sunday, Jan 2 - Monday, Jan 31

Dine Hayward Restaurant

Month \$
9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Discount voucher booklets
Benefit for Hayward Library
Hayward Chamber of Commerce
22561 Main St., Hayward
(510) 537-2424
www.hayward.org

Tuesday, Jan 6 - Friday, Jan 30

Christmas Tree Drop-Off

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
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Republic Services
42600 Boyce Rd., Fremont
(510) 657-3500

Tuesdays, Jan 6 thru Feb 24

Toddler Time Winter Edition \$

11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Meet farm animals
Ages 1 - 4
Ardenwood Historic Farm
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(510) 544-2797
www.ebparks.org

Thursday, Jan 9 - Sunday, Jan 31

Collective Musings

12 noon - 5 p.m.
Contemporary and abstract works
Olive Hyde Art Gallery
123 Washington Blvd., Fremont
(510) 791-4357
www.olivehydeartguild.org

Arts & Entertainment

Friday, Jan 10 - Sunday, Jan 25

Seussical the Musical \$

Fri & Sat: 7:30 p.m.
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Smith Center
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www.starstrucktheatre.org

Saturdays and Sundays, Jan 10 thru Feb 28

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
www.ebparks.org

Mondays, Jan 12 thru Mar 2

Bereavement Support Group

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Honor lost loved ones
Fremont Senior Center
40086 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont
(510) 574-2063

Wednesday, Jan 14 - Saturday, Feb 28

Trails Challenge 2015

8 a.m.
Self-guided hiking program
Participants receive guidebook, tee shirt and pin
East Bay Regional Parks District
2950 Peralta Oaks Ct, Oakland
(888) 327-2757
www.RegionalParksFoundation.org

Thursday, Jan 15 - Saturday, Feb 6

Places We Have Never Been

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Artwork by James Pridham and Paint-bursh Diplomacy
Foothill Arts of the Bay
22394 Foothill Blvd., Hayward
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Thursday, Jan 15 - Friday, Feb 20

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Friday, Jan 16 - Saturday, Feb 14

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Broadway West Theatre Company
400-B Bay St., Fremont
(510) 683-9218
www.broadwaywest.org

Tuesdays, Jan 20 thru Mar 10

Booklegger Orientation and Training

9:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
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Year-round
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Tuesday, Jan 13 - Saturday,
Jan 17

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7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
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Wednesday, Jan 14

Proclamation of India Republic
Day
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of the board meeting*
Ohlone Community College
Newark Center, Room NC2100
39399 Cherry St, Newark
teresacox4ohlone@comcast.net

Wednesday, Jan 14

Wolves of California: The Long
Journey Home \$
6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
*Karin Vardaman, Director of the
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Oakland Zoo’s Zimmer
Auditorium
9777 Golf Links Rd, Oakland
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amy@oaklandzoo.org

Tuesdays, Jan 13

Toddler Time Winter Edition \$
11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Meet farm animals and hear stories
Ages 1 – 4
Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd.,
Fremont
(510) 544-2797
www.ebparks.org

Tuesday, Jan 13

Booklegger Orientation Meet-
ing
2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Information for prospective volunteers
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1421
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Wednesday, Jan 14

Coyote Cubs
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Games and a craft
Ages 3 – 5
Coyote Hills Regional Park
8000 Patterson Ranch Rd.,
Fremont
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www.ebparks.org

Wednesday, Jan 14

Wednesday Walks
9:30 a.m.
Easy 4 mile flat trail hike
Quarry Lakes
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www.ebparks.org

Thursday, Jan 15

East Bay Stompers Band
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Dixie, swing & standards music
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(510) 438-0121

Thursday, Jan 15

An Evening of Improv
8 p.m.
*Audience suggestions create improv com-
edy*
Douglas Morrison Theatre
22311 N Third St., Hayward
(510) 881-6777
www.dmtonline.org

Thursday, Jan 15

Phobias of Finance for Non-
profits
10 a.m.
*Resource information for nonprofit
groups*
Hayward Area Historical Society
Museum
22380 Foothill Blvd., Hayward
(501) 581-0223
www.haywardareahistory.org

Thursday, Jan 15

Cannery Cafe Thursday Night
Flights \$
5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
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Museum
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Ages 50+
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(510) 463-7186

Friday, Jan 16

Mid-Winter Beach Party and
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7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
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www.newark.org

Saturday, Jan 17

School-Age Storytime
11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
For grades preschool – kindergarten
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1400
www.aclibrary.org

Saturday, Jan 17 - Sunday,
Jan 18

Do Monarchs Matter? \$
10:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.
Questions and answers about butterflies
Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd.,
Fremont
(510) 544-2797
www.ebparks.org
Park entrance fee

Saturday, Jan 17

Monarchs for Kids \$
11 a.m. - 12 noon
Puppet show teaches butterfly life cycle
Ages 3 – 6
Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd.,
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Park entrance fee

Saturday, Jan 17

Science for Youth
3:30 p.m.
Lecture and demonstration for all ages
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
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scienceforyouth@gmail.com
www.aclibrary.org

Saturday, Jan 17

Family Bird Walk – R
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Create a field guide and use binoculars
Ages 5 – 10
SF Bay Wildlife Refuge
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John 4:14

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and 6pm
Wednesday: 7:30pm**

Saturday, Jan 17
Happy Birds Performing Parrot Show
11 a.m.
Birds perform amazing tricks
Hayward Main Library
835 C St., Hayward
(510) 881-7980
www.library.hayward-ca.gov

Saturday, Jan 17
Happy Birds Performing Parrot Show
1 p.m.
Birds perform amazing tricks
Hayward Weekes Branch Library
27300 Patrick Ave., Hayward
(510) 782-2155
www.library.hayward-ca.gov

Saturday, Jan 17
Create a Pollinator-Loving Garden
2 p.m.
Discover ways to attract bees and butterflies
Hayward Main Library
835 C St., Hayward
(510) 881-7980
www.library.hayward-ca.gov

Saturday, Jan 17
Science Lecture for Children
3:30 p.m.
Program for elementary school kids
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1400
www.aclibrary.org

Saturday, Jan 17
Dedication of Trail Signs
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Hike the trail and view donated artwork
Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center
4901 Breakwater Ave., Hayward
(510) 670-7270
www.haywardrec.org

Saturday, Jan 17
Covered California Enrollment Session
1 p.m.
Personal assistance with certified enrollers
Castro Valley Library
3600 Norbridge Ave.,
Castro Valley
(510) 667-7900
www.aclibrary.org

Saturday, Jan 17
Communication and Emotional Health: Dealing with Depression
2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Discussion in Farsi by Clinical Psychologist
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1400
www.aclibrary.org

Saturday, Jan 17
Movie Night \$
7:30 p.m.
The Four Feathers, Felix Busts a Bubble and Drama Deluxe
Niles Essanay Theater
37417 Niles Blvd, Fremont
(510) 494-1411
www.nilesfilmmuseum.org

Saturday, Jan 17
League of Women Voters Eden Area Meeting – R
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Setting the education and advocacy priorities for 2015-2017
Hayward Area Historical Society Museum
22380 Foothill Blvd., Hayward
(510) 538-9678
suzbarba@comcast.net

Saturday, Jan 17 - Sunday, Jan 18
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2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
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4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Landscape photography workshop
Bring your own camera; ages 12+
Coyote Hills Regional Park
8000 Patterson Ranch Rd.,
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(877) 327-2757
www.ebparks.org

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Sunday Worship
Sunday, Jan 18
10:00 a.m.
First United Methodist Church
2950 Washington Blvd, Fremont
(510) 490-0200
www.fremont-methodist.org

Sunday, Jan 18
Marvelous Monarchs \$
12:30 p.m.
View butterflies in the greenhouse
Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd.,
Fremont
(510) 544-2797
www.ebparks.org

Sunday, Jan 18
Covered California Enrollment Session
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Personal assistance from certified enrollers
Union City Branch Library
34007 Alvarado Niles Rd.,
Union City
(510) 745-1464
www.aclibrary.org

Sunday, Jan 18
Salt Marsh Walk - Special King Tide Edition – R
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Docent led walk to explore habitats in salt ponds
SF Bay Wildlife Refuge
1 Marshlands Rd., Fremont
(510) 792-0222 x362
http://donedwardsmarsh.eventbrite.com

Sunday, Jan 18
Sunday Movies at the Library
2 p.m.
“A Better Life” PG-13
Fremont Main Library
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1400
www.aclibrary.org

Sunday, Jan 18
Ohlone Village Life
10 a.m. - 12 noon
Games and discussion of Ohlone society
Ages 8+
Coyote Hills Regional Park
8000 Patterson Ranch Rd.,
Fremont
(510) 544-3220
www.ebparks.org

Sunday, Jan 18
Seed Gallery \$
11:30 a.m. - 12 noon
View vegetable garden spouts
Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd.,
Fremont
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Monday, Jan 19
John McCutcheon Concert \$
7 p.m.
International folksinger
Benefit for Abode Services
St. James Episcopal Church
37051 Cabrillo Terrace, Fremont
(510) 797-1492
www.events@saintj.com

Monday, Jan 19
Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday March
9:30 a.m.
Hayward City Hall Plaza
777 B St, Hayward
(510) 581-2060
www.starrking.org

Monday, Jan 19
Celebrate Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.
4:30 p.m.
Speakers and music
Chabot College
25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward
(510) 723-6600
www.hayward.org
www.chabotcollege.edu

Monday, Jan 19
Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr.
7:00 p.m.
Brandon’s Restaurant & Bar
The Beverly Heritage Hotel
1820 Barber Ln, Milpitas
(408) 430-7830
milpitaslions@gmail.com
www.milpitaslions.com

Monday, Jan 19
Oratorical Festival
10:30 a.m.
Honor Martin Luther King, Jr.
Marina Community Center
15301 Wicks Blvd, San Leandro
(510) 577-3462
www.sanleandro.org

Monday, Jan 19
Creek Care Workday R
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
William Cann Memorial Civic Center
34009 Alvarado-Niles Rd, Union City
(925) 371-0154 x 112
amyevans.acrcd@gmail.com
www.handsonconservation.org

Tuesday, Jan 20
Free Notary Signings for Seniors
10:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
Call to schedule an appointment
Ages 50+
Kenneth C. Aitken Center

17800 Redwood Rd.,
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Tuesday, Jan 20
Death Café
10 a.m. - 12 noon
Eat cake, drink tea and discuss death
Suju’s Coffee & Tea
3602 Thornton Blvd., Fremont
(510) 667-7415
www.deathcafe.com

Tuesday, Jan 20
Toddler Time Winter Edition \$
11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Meet farm animals, do chores and hear stories
Ages 1 – 4
Ardenwood Historic Farm
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www.ebparks.org

Tea, cake, and a healthy dose of death

By JULIE GRABOWSKI

Cafes and coffee shops have long been popular grounds for the pageantry of life – friends catching up over a hot drink, artists at work, professionals engaged in meetings, first dates testing the waters. And while the scope of conversation undoubtedly runs wide, most have probably not considered a good chat about death along with their croissant or cookie.

In a culture driven by youth and agelessness, death is a dirty word. It’s scorned as morbid, depressing, and best ignored. But what happens when that inevitable shadow falls? How do we react to loss, grief? How do we live with death?

Death Cafe is an international movement that began over three years ago in London to get people talking. Developed by Jon Underwood, the cafe is a public forum that invites conversation around the singular topic of death with the aim “to increase awareness of death with a view to helping people make the most of their (finite) lives.” Death Cafe is not designed to provide information or serve as a grief support group; there are no formal speakers, preconceived agendas or prescribed content, but instead serves as a place for open discussion where people can voice their thoughts, experiences, or questions about death and dying.

Inspired by sociologist Bernard Crettaz, who began Café Mortels in 2004 in his native Switzerland, Underwood and his mother, psychotherapist Sue Barsky Reid, worked on their own model. They offered the United Kingdom’s first Death Cafe at Underwood’s home in East London in September 2011. The two then published a guide for others to run their own cafes in February 2012. Death Cafe jumped the pond that same year when Lizzy Miles and

Maria Johnson hosted the first cafe in the U.S. in Columbus, Ohio, in July.

Death Cafe is a “social franchise” run by volunteer facilitators who sign up and agree to follow given guidelines, allowing them the use of the Death Cafe name and the posting of their events to the website. They are held in a variety of locations such as homes, cafes, community centers, libraries, parks, and even cemeteries. Since its initial London meeting, over 1, 440 Death Cafes have been hosted in 27 countries including Argentina, China, Finland, Greece, Hong Kong, Netherlands, Poland, Senegal, and Spain. In the Bay Area events

ronment where people who want to talk about these things can. “You’d be amazed at how thirsty people actually are to talk about death, loss, grief, and their own experiences,” says Nelson.

Union City resident Allan Hutty is a broker associate for Cemetery Property Resales in San Mateo, working with cemeteries and mausoleums around the bay to help families save thousands of dollars on burial needs. While initially viewed as a curiosity, the first Death Cafe he attended made a big impact. “For me, my head is so much into helping the family... it was a totally different experience to go into the

says, “Death Cafe is a challenge to get in touch with our emotions.”

Regardless of job, age, culture, religion, or disposition, all are welcome at the cafe, and those who attend should come with trust and openness. Sharing stories touches something in us, and story begets story, creating an easy and organic flow that results in interesting conversation, yes, the teary eye, but also laughter.

Far from weird or uncomfortable, Death Cafe leaves you feeling connected, that you’ve expanded, gained compassion and sympathy for others, seen a new perspective, with the experience spurring more thoughts and questions. So try a little side of death with that next cup of coffee; who knows what difference a change of conversation will make?

Death Cafe will have its first 2015 Fremont meeting in the back room at the Suju’s on Thornton Avenue on Tuesday, January 20. Meetings will follow on Thursday, April 16 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday, July 14 from 10 a.m. to noon; and Thursday, October 15 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Questions are welcome; please call (510) 667-7415 or e-mail mk.nelson@acgov.org for further information. Learn more about Death Cafe at deathcafe.com, on Facebook at facebook.com/deathcafe and Twitter @deathcafe.

Death Cafe
Tuesday, Jan 20
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Suju’s Coffee
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have taken place in Oakland, Walnut Creek, San Jose, San Francisco, and Fremont. The first Fremont Death Cafe was held April 16, 2014 and followed by a second on October 7. The cafes return in 2015 with quarterly meetings at Suju’s Coffee on Thornton Avenue.

Martha Kay Nelson serves as facilitator for the Fremont meetings. A hospice chaplain and bereavement counselor for almost 10 years, Nelson works for the Alameda County Health Services Agency, whose program Getting the Most Out of Life has chosen to participate in Death Cafes. In this death-defying culture, Nelson says, “we don’t have a lot of tools to even navigate a conversation about it.” Death Cafe creates a more casual, approachable envi-

ronment where people who want to talk about these things can. “You’d be amazed at how thirsty people actually are to talk about death, loss, grief, and their own experiences,” says Nelson.

Also associated with Points of Life and the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency Hospice Systems, Hutty believes the cafes will be of great interest to professional people, as those in the care field are all looking for solutions, a better way to help others. “We all have stories,” he says, and Death Cafe offers a practical, safe environment to step aside from the professional self and come just as a person, open to the feelings and realities of others to see what is happening in their lives in order to better help our families, clients, and ourselves. Calling it “a dose of reality,” Hutty



Shape Our Fremont

Where Fremont residents can learn about shaping proposed housing developments

How Does New Housing Affect Water Service?

The Alameda County Water District (ACWD) provides water services to Fremont, Union City, and Newark. In 1995, the district implemented a process known as Integrated Resources Planning (IRP) to evaluate and balance the water demand with the water supply to meet future requirements for both new housing and new businesses.

Planning for the Future

As part of the IRP process, ACWD makes long-range forecasts of water demands by combining current usage with projected growth based on each city’s General Plan and the Association of Bay Area Governments Smart Growth predictions. They also promote water conservation as a means of managing overall demand. Since 1992, new state laws requiring more water-effi-

cient toilets, faucets, and showers have reduced water demand by 4.6 million gallons per day in the ACWD service area. Public education programs and voluntary changes in landscaping and personal water-use practices have reduced it another 3.2 million gallons a day.

In addition to managing water demand, ACWD makes long-range plans for water supplies. Currently the district gets most of its water from local sources, such as the Alameda Creek watershed, and from the State Water Project, which taps into water from the Sacramento Delta. A smaller portion is purchased from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission’s Hetch Hetchy reservoir in the Central Sierra Nevada Mountains.

Starting in 1996, ACWD began diverting any excess water

from the State Water Project into the Semitropic Groundwater Bank in Kern County where it is stored underground until needed. More locally, the Newark Desalination Facility was placed in operation in 2003 to remove salt contamination from ACWD fresh water wells near the San Francisco Bay to produce up to 10 million gallons per day of high-quality water.

And finally, to make sure that very large new developments will not have a negative effect on all this planning, the State of California requires a city to obtain a Water Supply Assessment from ACWD for every proposed development that exceeds 500 housing units and/or a certain number of square feet of commercial or industrial space. Based on that assessment, the water district may require the developer to alter the

project’s design to decrease the water demand, or to make financial arrangements to increase the water supply.

Who Pays for Growth?

Matching water demand with water supply as the area grows is one thing, but who pays for the infrastructure to support this growth? The Alameda County Water District has a policy that growth pays for itself. That means all the costs associated with providing water to a new development are borne by the developer. All the new excavation, piping, valves, and hydrants are all part of the developer’s costs.

And what about the cost of the additional water itself? ACWD points out that they have already provided for sufficient water supply to meet growth without increasing costs. They also note that providing additional water to new customers can actually decrease the water district’s fixed costs by spreading them over a larger customer base.

Looking Back

In 2013, the Alameda County Water District reported on their progress in implementing the goals of Integrated Resources Planning. Here is a portion of that report:

“The 1995 plan clearly established what ACWD needed to do: develop local water supplies, conserve water, use existing supplies as efficiently as possible, and

find a way to store water for dry years..... Today, ACWD and its customers have met or exceeded nearly all the goals set in 1995. Per capita water demand has dropped more than 25 percent. And the district’s overall water supply reliability has improved dramatically. Following the principles of the IRP process, ACWD has continued to adapt to changing circumstances and plan for the future.”

Looking Ahead

In the future, the district would like to see cities take the next step by officially adopting the 2010 California Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance for new developments. That ordinance limits the sizes of lawns, recommends alternative planting options, and regulates the type and positioning of irrigation systems to maximize water efficiency and minimize water loss. ACWD points out that the new ordinance promotes a way to reduce water use while still providing attractive landscaping and reducing yard maintenance.

All comments and concerns about the impact of new housing on water services should be directed to the Alameda County Water District. To view their website, go to www.acwd.org

For information about proposed residential developments go to: www.ShapeOurFremont.com

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Obama-GOP alliance on trade raises hopes for new agreements

some of the trend lines of inequality, but are barking up the wrong tree” by primarily blaming trade deals for flat wages and lost manufacturing jobs.

Republican Rep. Pat Tiberi of Ohio, who chairs the Ways and Means subcommittee that handles trade, echoes Obama’s point. Big advances in world technology, “not some person in some village in Mexico,” have eliminated huge numbers of U.S. manufacturing jobs, he said in an interview Thursday.

“Ninety-six percent of the people around the world who are buying things are outside the United States. And we need to have access to those people,” he said.

Some Republican lawmakers say they’re so angry at Obama, especially for acting unilaterally on issues like immigration, that they don’t want to give him a victory on trade. Tiberi says that’s short-sighted.

“I’m very unhappy with the president,” he said, “but I think the greater good here is jobs.” And liberals, he said, “should trust Barack Obama more than any other president.”

Some Democrats indeed seem conflicted about battling Obama over trade. Newly elected Democratic Rep. Debbie Dingell, whose Michigan district has seen big losses in auto-making jobs, attended Thursday’s news conference and demanded that U.S. negotiators crack down on foreign countries that keep their currency artificially low. The tactic makes the country’s products more affordable to other nations, and “currency is the mother of all trade barriers,” she said.

But Dingell declined to say whether she pressed Obama on the matter when they traveled together Wednesday to a Michigan car plant. Obama did not discuss his trade agenda there, which disappointed congressional trade advocates who want him to forcefully make the case.

In the Senate, Republican Rob Portman of Ohio, a former U.S. Trade Representative, is urging both parties to agree on details of a trade promotion authority bill. “This is one area where the president and most Republicans can find common ground: helping American workers, farmers and service providers” achieve better jobs, Portman said in an interview.

Presidents have enjoyed fast track authority off and on for the past 40 years. Obama began seeking renewal of the powers in 2012.

AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka, one of 22 speakers at Thursday’s liberal gathering, said trade deals “should be open to the American public and should benefit everybody, not just Wall Street.”

In an interview, Trumka said he thinks Congress will reject Obama’s negotiating request “because the vast majority of Americans – Democrats, Republicans and independents – disagree with it and know it’s bad.”

Tiberi, however, said he thinks the combined efforts of the White House, business interests and Republican leaders will restore the enhanced negotiating powers.

Tattoos and body piercings in the corporate workplace

SUBMITTED BY CASSANDRA HINOJOSA

With the increasing number of younger, white-collar professionals who choose to adorn and modify their bodies with tattoos and body piercings, employers are often faced with a difficult decision – whether or not to hire these otherwise qualified applicants based on these modifications. While tattoos, body piercings, and other body modifications are becoming more mainstream, they are still not widely accepted into America’s corporate culture.

Two professors in the College of Business at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi published the article, “Tattoos and Piercings: Issues of Body Modification and the Workplace,” which focuses primarily on private employers, and examines the legal aspects of hiring and employment decisions that are based on the applicant having a tattoo, body piercing, or other body modification. The article, written by Dr. Brian Elzweig, Assistant Professor of Business Law, and Dr. Donna K. Peeples, retired Associate Professor of Management, ap-

peared in the Society for Advancement of Management (SAM) Advanced Management Journal, Vol. 76, Issue 1.

“In general, discrimination in employment decisions based on tattooing and body piercing is not illegal,” said Elzweig. “However, there are exceptions to this general rule when individuals claim that their tattoo or piercing is part of them being a member of a protected class or religion.”

According to the article, courts have consistently rejected public employees’ constitutional claims, the most common of which is that the tattoo or piercing is protected by the First Amendment provisions of freedom of speech or expression. Tattoos and piercings are considered to be mutable (alterable) characteristics; therefore, they do not automatically receive any special legal protection. Outside of any discriminatory intent that would be in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VII) as amended, mutable characteristics generally are permitted as a means of discrimination.

Elzweig and Peeples have developed a list of nine key points for employers

to consider as part of their policies and procedures. Employers should take special care to familiarize themselves with Title VII cases, take claims of religious and other forms of discrimination seriously, know the implications of the dress code, and make employees understand the repercussions of violating the dress code.

“Employees need to use discretion in the workplace,” Elzweig said. “In addition, employers need to recognize that the paradigm is shifting and that body modifications are becoming more mainstream.”

A Harris Poll survey published in 2008 related information on the prevalence of body piercing and tattoos, as well as people’s attitudes toward tattoos. The poll indicated that 32 percent of people aged 25 to 29 had a tattoo, 25 percent of those aged 30 to 39 had tattoos, 12 percent of those aged 40 to 49, 8 percent of those aged 50 to 54, and 9 percent of those aged 65 and over. The study revealed that the percentage of people aged 25 to 49 had become tattooed at a much higher rate than previous generations.

Wolves of California:The Long Journey Home

SUBMITTED BY
AMY GOTLIFFE, OAKLAND ZOO

On Wednesday, January 14, 2015, from 6:30pm – 9:30pm, the public is invited to attend a Conservation Speaker Series focused on the California Wolf Center and efforts to reintroduce the gray wolf to California.

Oakland Zoo welcomes guest speaker Karin Vardaman, Director of the California Wolf Center. Ms. Vardaman will share an inspiring conservation story of the gray wolf and its possible return, after being absent in the state for decades. “Oakland Zoo is honored to welcome Karin Vardaman and the California Wolf Center to our Conservation Speaker Series,” said Amy Gotliffe, Director of Conservation at Oakland Zoo. “We hope wolves will inhabit California once again, and we are committed to being part of their secure future. We know public education about this charismatic animal is crucial to their success, and partnering with California Wolf Center is a wonderful step in that direction.”

This lecture will focus on how the human wildlife conflict played a role in this issue and how the California Wolf Center is working to forge a visionary path for wolf recovery that focuses on solutions, instead of conflict. “California is in the midst of what could be one of the most inspira-



tional conservation stories in our state’s history,” said Karin Vardaman, Director of California Wolf Center. “We are very excited to partner with Oakland Zoo in sharing the story of wolves in California.” Oakland Zoo is committed to taking action for wildlife, and conservation is at the center of our mission. We are deeply involved with conservation efforts globally, locally and right on our own zoo grounds. As we move closer to the opening of our California Trail Exhibit, our focus on California wildlife will expand even further. We are dedicated to working in partnership with organizations, like the California Wolf Center, to create a state that will serve as a protected home for wolves.

The Conservation Speaker Series will take place in Oakland Zoo’s Zimmer

Auditorium, located in the lower entrance of the Zoo. Parking is free and the admission price for the evening’s speaker presentations is \$12.00 - \$20.00 per person (sliding scale). All proceeds from this event will be donated to the California Wolf Center. Light refreshments will be served.

For additional information about Oakland Zoo’s Conservation Speaker Series, please contact Amy Gotliffe, Conservation Director, at amy@oaklandzoo.org or (510) 632-9525 ext. 122.

The Oakland Zoo is located at 9777 Golf Links Road, off Highway 580. The East Bay Zoological Society (Oakland Zoo) is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization supported in part by members, contributions, the City of Oakland and the East Bay Regional Parks.

**Wolves of California:
The Long Journey Home
Wednesday, Jan 14
6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Karin Vardaman, Director of the
California Wolf Center
Oakland Zoo’s Zimmer
Auditorium
9777 Golf Links Rd, Oakland
(510) 632-9525 ext. 122
amy@oaklandzoo.org
Sliding scale: \$12-\$20**

SPORTS

Gutsy swims lead to win

Women's Swimming

SUBMITTED BY SCOTT CHISHOLM

Cal State East Bay swimming split its double dual meet at Fresno Pacific on Friday, January 9th with a 178-110 win over Colorado Mesa. The Pioneers were edged by the host Sunbirds 152-130 despite solid swims by several team members.

"Hannah Cutts' 1,000-yard freestyle victory was the swim of the meet," East Bay Head Coach Ben Loorz complimented. "Rachel Shimizu was our swimmer of the meet with wins in the 200 free and 500 free. She posted a great time in the 500."

Cutts outclassed the field in the 1,000 finishing more than 17 seconds ahead of the nearest competitor. Her 500-yard split of 5:18.56 was nearly identical to her finishing mark of 5:18.87 in the 500-yard freestyle race later in the meet.

Shimizu began the meet with a strong 100 freestyle anchor leg of the team's 400-yard medley relay to open Friday's competition. Her 53.31 split nearly erased nearly a two second deficit as the Pioneers were out touched at the wall for the win.

Shimizu then showcased her skill set taking the 200 free (1:55.69) by two full seconds. She was the only competitor to swim the final 100 yards in under one minute. She clocked a second place finish in the 100 free before closing out her day starting Pioneer sweep of the 500 free (5:10.83).

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"Rachel crushed everyone in the 500 and was within two seconds of her lifetime best. That effort alone was reason enough to be our swimmer of the meet," Loorz added.

The theme of the day was toughness. Several swimmers gutted out victories including Cutts, Shimizu, and teammate Arolyn Basham.

"Arolyn went out strong and hung on for dear life to win (the 200-yard butterfly). It was great to see her first individual event victory as a Pioneer," said Loorz.

Alyssa Tenney won both backstroke distances edging teammate Mariam Lowe in the process. She overcame more than a full second at the halfway mark of the 200 to snag victory at the final wall.

Tenney went on to post her fastest dual meet time in the 200-yard individual medley (2:11.89) to finish second. She backed up that performance with limited rest in the following race with a 24.41 split in the 200-yard freestyle relay. It was the fastest time among all 24 competitors and one of only three sub-25 second splits.

"We expect to start swimming dual meet best times at this point of the year. A good percentage of our athletes swam faster today than they had all season," Loorz said.

Backstrokers pace Pioneers

Alyssa Tenney and Mariam Lowe won the 100-yard backstroke and 200-yard backstroke events respectively in a 137-101

defeat to Division I Fresno State at the Fresno Aquatics Center on January 10th.

"Alyssa and Mariam continue to swim well and were excellent again today," East Bay Head Coach Ben Loorz complimented. "Alyssa's 400 individual medley race was her best dual meet performance this season. It was cool to see Mariam drop time in the 200 back and bounce back in that event."

Distance swimmer Hannah Cutts held her own against the Bulldogs taking third in the 200 free (1:56.87) and the 500 free (5:10.95). She touched within one second of the winner in the 200 and three seconds in the 500, and was the fastest swimmer over the final 100 yards of both races.

"Hannah's final 100 split in the 500 free of 58.3 seconds was awesome. I think that puts her on track to improve on her personal best time as we approach conference (championships)," Loorz stated.

Cutts clocked the fastest back half in the 200 free closing in 59.32 seconds. She was one of several Pioneers to show the coaching staff the conditioning is starting to pay off.

"It was cool to see our fitness and conditioning levels are at a place where we can finish races with that kind of speed. I was also pleased with our 100 freestylers; having three swimmers finish in 54 seconds and a fourth near that mark was good to see," complimented Loorz of Tenney, Alyssa Littlefield, Rachel Shimizu, and Noelle Farrar.

Good showing by Cougars at Watsonville meet



Wrestling

SUBMITTED BY TIM HESS

The Newark Memorial Cougar grapplers placed tenth out of field of 39 teams at the Apple Cider Classic at Watsonville High School on January 10th and

11th. Leading the way for the Cougars were Murrell Anderson (285) 2nd; Kyhree Mackey (138) 3rd; Hiep Tran (113) 5th; Kyle Clarno (195) 5th; and Evan Smith (126) 7th.

The Cougars host Washington High School in a dual meet on Wednesday, January 14.

San Francisco Giants World Series trophies coming to Hayward

SUBMITTED BY EMILY YOUNG

Those eager to see a World Series trophy up close will have their opportunity to do so at Hayward City Hall on Thursday, January 29. The 2010, 2012 and 2014 world championship trophies, crafted by Tiffany & Co., will be on display to help celebrate the team's latest world championship and to raise funds and awareness for the Hayward Junior Giants program. The Hayward stop is part of a tour that includes Junior Giants communities throughout northern and central California, Oregon and Nevada.

Viewing the trophies is free to the public but a voluntary contribution of \$2 per person is suggested to support the local Junior Giants program. This will be the third public trophy tour held in the past five years.

"As a huge San Francisco Giants fan myself, I'm obviously very excited to welcome the trophies to Hayward," said Mayor Barbara Halliday. "The Giants have also made an important contribution to our community through their sponsorship of the Junior Giants program, which served more than 750 Hayward area children in 2014."

Junior Giants is the flagship program of the Giants Community Fund, which serves more than 22,000 boys and girls in 87 underserved communities throughout northern and central California and southern Oregon. It is a free and non-competitive baseball program that has served as a model for MLB youth initiatives. Using baseball, the Junior Giants provides opportunities for youth to link with adult mentors and to learn about the program's Four Bases of Character Develop-

ment: Confidence, Integrity, Leadership and Teamwork. Locally, the Junior Giants program has been running in Hayward for 13 years and many of its participants would not normally have the opportunity or means to play baseball.

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming eight-week Hayward Junior Giants season that begins on June 15. To learn more about volunteer opportunities, please contact Emily Young at Emily.Young@hayward-ca.gov or (510) 293-3333.

S F Giants World Series Trophies

Thursday, Jan 29
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Men's Soccer

James Logan Report

SUBMITTED BY JAMES WILLIAMS

James Logan 1, Monte Vista 0
January 3, 2015

1st Half Scoring:
JL: Jared Rivera (Justyn Raygoza) 35:00

JL Goalie: Andres Marquez, 80 Min, 0 GA, 5 saves
MV Goalie: Guiliano De Martini 40 Min, 1 GA, 3 Saves
Zac Crook, 40 Min, 0 GA, 5 Saves

James Logan 2, Washington 0
January 7, 2015

1st Half Scoring:
JL: Martin Sierra (Jared Rivera) 25:00

2nd Half Scoring:
JL: German Villalobos (John Sanchez) 78:00

JL Goalie: Andres Marquez, 80 Min, 0 GA, 4 Saves
WASH Goalie: Austin Grasty, 80 Min, 2 GA, 6 saves
JL Shots: 15 WASHShots: 5

James Logan 2, Irvington 5
January 9, 2015

1st Half Scoring:
JL: Alexandru Dan 15:00
IRV: Tiger Chen (Rahual Kasar) 19:00, Kathir Gounder (Tiger Chen) 32:00

2nd Half Scoring:
JL: Justyn Raygoza (Reshad Khan) 62:00
IRV: Jorge Pena (Emmanuel Borjon) 76:00, Tiger Chen (PK) 79:00, Sam Wu (FreeKick) 80:00

JL Goalie: Javier Vega, 80 Min, 5 GA, 2 Saves
IRV Goalie: Andrew Chen, 80 Min, 2 GA, 5 saves
JL Shots: 12 IRV Shots: 6

Whitfield's game-winner lifts Pioneers

Men's Basketball

SUBMITTED BY STEVE CONNOLLY

Senior Guard Jacari Whitfield buried a pull-up floater in the lane with seven seconds remaining to lift the Cal State East Bay men's basketball team to a 55-53 win over visiting Cal State Dominguez Hills on January 9th.

The Pioneers (4-9, 2-5 CCAA) improve to 3-2 at home this season with the victory, which came in front of an impassioned crowd of nearly 500 at Pioneer Gymnasium.

Freshman Patrick Marr led the team with 12 points thanks to some stellar outside shooting. The De La Salle product went 4-

Women's Basketball

SUBMITTED BY SCOTT CHISHOLM

Cal State East Bay trailed by as many as 23 points during the first half of a 69-55 home loss to Cal State Dominguez Hills on January 9th. The visiting Toros were the top rebounding team entering the evening and out-rebounded the Pioneers by 20 to maintain control throughout.

"Dominguez Hills is an incredibly athletic team. (Head Coach Molly Goodenbour) takes advantage of every mismatch out on the floor," praised East Bay Head Coach Suzy Barcomb. "(Molly) puts the players in position to succeed. They outplayed us in every aspect of the game and we were not able to execute well enough."

Stephanie Lopez led Cal State East Bay (9-4, 4-3 CCAA) with 14 points and four assists. She

connected on 10-of-13 free throws while the rest of the squad went just 8-of-16 at the line.

Tori Breshers finished with four blocked shots on the night and is tied for the league lead (with teammate Remy Puou) with nine through seven league contests.

Strong Start Not Enough
Despite scoring the opening 11 points on January 10th, the Cal State East Bay women's basketball team suffered a 71-63 defeat to Cal State Los Angeles inside Pioneer Gymnasium. The Golden Eagles pulled ahead late in the first half and hit key shots throughout the second half to hold its lead for good.

Stephanie Lopez and Sharissa Estremera combined to score all 11 Pioneer points during the game's opening run. Cal State L.A. (5-7, 4-4 CCAA) did not make a field goal until more than eight minutes into the game and opened the contest 0-for-5 shooting with five turnovers.



Stephanie Lopez scored 20-plus points for the third time this year with 24 on January 10th

Cal State East Bay battled until the bitter end knocking down six second half 3-pointers, including four over the final two minutes. Lopez's 3-pointer near the 15-minute mark cut the Pioneer deficit to its lowest point at 37-35.

"We failed to get stops in 'crunch time' and fundamentally didn't follow thru with our game

plan," said East Bay Head Coach Suzy Barcomb. "Our 20 turnovers put us in a challenging spot. Cal State L.A. took advantage of every single turnover tonight."

Tori Breshers led the Pioneers with seven rebounds to go along with 10 points. Micah Walker finished with an efficient eight points and team-high two steals.

Jacari Whitfield nailed a floater in the final seconds to give CSUEB a narrow victory on January 9th



for-6 from behind the arc as he reached double figures for the third time in the last four games.

After Dominguez Hills grabbed an early 13-8 lead in the first half, the Pioneers answered back with a 10-0 run behind a pair of three-pointers by Marcus Norman. Following an opening frame that saw six lead changes, the Pioneers went into halftime trailing 27-26.

Two minutes into the second half, Cody Kale converted layups on back-to-back possessions to put CSUEB back up. After the Toros scored seven straight to take the lead right back, Marr swished a three from the top of the key to tie the score 39-39 with 13 minutes left.

No one scored for nearly three minutes of game time until Norman found Marr for another long ball to give the Pioneers the advantage. They never trailed after that, but the final 10 minutes were not without drama.

Sophomore Kyle Frakes made a nice spin move and finished off the glass to give the Pioneers an eight-

point lead with six minutes remaining, their largest of the night. Neither team made a field goal for the next five minutes, but the Toros carved away the CSUEB advantage as Marr, Norman, and Jack Pasquini all fouled out.

With East Bay leading by two, CSUDH's Josh Brown scored in transition to tie the game with 29 seconds left. Whitfield brought the ball back down the court and let the clock get under 10 seconds before driving into the paint. His 12-footer hit nothing but net as the Pioneer faithful erupted in celebration.

"I have a ton of respect for Coach Becker and the way Dominguez competed on the road tonight," said head coach Gus Argenal. "We battled through adversity as a group — with multiple players fouling out, some different lineups had to step up. Our team fought all night and played with great heart, particularly our senior leader Jacari."

Whitfield finished with six points and three assists in a game-high 2 minutes. Fellow senior Cody

Kale reached double figures with 10 points on 5-for-10 shooting.

Pasquini was effective down low, notching nine points and eight rebounds in 21 minutes. Frakes added four points, and both big men recorded a pair of blocks.

Norman scored eight points on 3-for-6 from the field along with a season-high five rebounds. Junior Juawnn Springfield also grabbed five boards, and he finished with six points, four of which came on crucial free throws to protect the East Bay lead in the final minutes.

Shooting woes continue for CSUEB in loss

The Cal State East Bay men's basketball team fell at home on January 10th to Cal State L.A. by final score of 62-50.

Junior Jack Pasquini led the way with 14 points and nine rebounds for East Bay, going 5-for-10 from the field. The Scotts Valley native reached double figures in scoring for the third time in four games and grabbed at least eight boards for the eighth

straight contest, adding to his league-leading rebound total.

"Coach Horton's team was on a mission defensively, and they took us away from what we wanted to do with their aggressiveness," said head coach Gus Argenal. "We turned the ball over too much in the first half and didn't play with the edge we needed to beat a team like L.A."

Springfield scored 12 points off the bench, posting double figures for the sixth time this season. Fellow guards Cody Kale and Nick Grieves scored six points apiece. One night after his last-second shot lifted the Pioneers to victory, senior Jacari Whitfield totaled seven points and led all players with five assists. He's now got 283 for his career, just four shy of fifth place on the program's all-time assist list.

Patrick Marr finished with five points and four rebounds. The freshman had an efficient week-end shooting the basketball, going 6-for-11 from the field and 5-for-7 from three-point range in the two games.



Kindness Drives held at Forest Park Elementary

SUBMITTED BY BRIAN KILLGORE

A pair of 4th-grade classes, at Forest Park Elementary School in Fremont, worked to make the recent holiday season a little happier for dozens of families by coordinating "Kindness Drives" to collect toys and food items. Students created posters to promote the drives and visited classrooms and their local community to encourage contributions. Congratulations to the students of Ms. Monahan/Ms. Lele's class, who collected over 200 toys, and to Ms. Ledesma's class, who collected over 700 food items.

Altacode students share their passion

SUBMITTED BY FREMONT UNIFIED STUDENT STORE

From the recently concluded Altacode JavaScript Workshop sponsored by Fremont Unified Student Store (FUSS) and DeVry University, we could see that many kids learn best when they are taught by older kids who are passionate and knowledgeable about what they are doing. Why? Because these older kids truly inspire learning by making the subject relevant, indi-

vidualized, and fun! Altacode is a group of Fremont Unified School District (FUSD) high school students—including Keshav Rao, Mohammed Abdulwahhab, Anurag Papolu, Sanil Chanla, and Akshay Mahesh—dedicated to increase computer science literacy among middle and high school students.

FUSS loves to work with students, individuals and organizations to provide opportunities for learning as well as giving and serving, because it creates a win-win-

win situation for all who are involved: the instructors win by sharing their passion and leading by example; the students win by being mentored and gaining new knowledge; and the school community wins when participants contribute to build a healthy learning environment where learning is fun, relevant, constructive, lively, inspiring and innovative.



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

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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.slzsd.org

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

Santa Clara County (SCC) Government Academy

SUBMITTED BY
GWENDOLYN MITCHELL
LAUREL ANDERSON

The application deadline is approaching for the annual SCC Gov 101 Academy. Residents are encouraged to turn in their applications by 5 p.m. on January 15. The 10-week program provides Santa Clara County residents a comprehensive overview of County government, its role and responsibilities, as well as the programs and services offered by the County.

“The SCC Gov 101 Academy is a great way for residents to learn about County government. Graduates of the program are often surprised to learn about the diverse array of County services,” says President Mike Wasserman, County of Santa Clara Board of Supervisors. “Not only is the information helpful on personal level, it also is useful for those who serve as advocates for members of the community.”

The 2015 academy will hold its first session on Wednesday, February 11 and run weekly through April 14. The 40 seats will be distributed across the county. Eight will be available in each of the five Supervisorial Districts. Locations will be announced upon registration.

Most sessions will occur on Wednesday evenings from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. One half-day session will take place on Saturday, April 4 at the Fire Department and 9-1-1 Center. A graduation ceremony will be held at the end of the academy during the Board of Supervisors meeting, on Tuesday, April 21.

The goals of the program are to: raise public awareness of County roles and services; promote engagement and understanding of the County; encourage participation in advisory commissions and volunteer opportunities; and contribute to creating a more informed public.

“Participants receive briefings from top County managers and tour several operations,” said County Executive Jeffrey V. Smith. “We receive excellent feedback from the participants about the interactive curriculum and the opportunities to visit several facilities to see first-hand how their tax dollars are spent.”

Applications are available on the County’s website: www.sccgov.org/sccgov101app. For more information about the program, visit www.sccgov.org/sccgov101. There is a \$30 materials fee, which can be waived in cases of financial hardship.

Milpitas City Council Meeting

January 6, 2015
Consent:

Adopt a resolution granting final acceptance of the 2013 sound wall renovation.

Adopt a resolution approving appraisal reports and establishing the fair market value of an acre of land for the purpose of calculating park in-lieu fees for areas outside the transit area and midtown specific plans and for areas inside the transit area specific plan and midtown specific plan.

Approve a consultant agreement with Cannon Design Group, Inc. in the annual amount of \$50,000 over a three-year period to provide design review services on an as-needed basis.

Approve consultant agreements with EOA Inc. and CSG Consultants, Inc. for third party review of development projects for compliance with the municipal regional permit provision C.3 for an annual amount not to exceed \$60,000 each and approve a budget appropriation.

Public Hearing

Conduct a public hearing on 2015 weed abatement program and adopt a resolution directing the abatement program.

Conduct a public hearing and adopt a resolution approving

vesting tentative map, conditional use permit, site development permit and planned unit development for 25-unit residential subdivision at 75 S. Milpitas Boulevard. (3 ayes, 2 nays: Esteves and Barbadillo)

Conduct a public hearing and adopt a resolution approving a general plan amendment to create a “greenhouse gas emissions reduction strategy” section within the land use element of the city’s general plan relating to the adopted climate action plan.

Reports of Mayor

Consider mayor’s recommendations for re-appointments and appointments to Milpitas commissions including planning commission.

Approve mayor’s recommendation for staff alternates to voting members on the Milpitas Oversight Board.

New Business

Approve a new capital improvement program project for Main Street pavement reconstruction, appropriate a budget not to exceed \$225,000 and authorize the city manager to execute a consultant agreement with HMM Engineers for Project No. 4277.

Mayor José Esteves: Aye, 1 Nay
Vice Mayor Carmen Montano: Aye

Debbie Indihar Giordano: Aye
Garry Barbadillo: Aye, 1 Nay
Marsha Grilli: Aye

Meetings on housing, facilities, and social service needs

SUBMITTED BY
TERESA MEYER

Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter and the San Leandro City Council announced that the City will be hosting two upcoming community meetings on January 20 and 28, in order to discuss San Leandro’s housing, public facility, and social service needs. Feedback from these meetings will be incorporated into the City’s Five-Year Consolidated Plan, which provides an assessment of San Le-

andro’s housing and community development needs and establishes strategies to address those needs over the next five years.

The public is invited to attend either of the meetings in order to ask questions and share feedback. Both meetings will follow the same agenda and include the same materials, so those interested in participating need only attend once.

The federal Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD) requires local agencies

Accessibility Advisory Committee of AC Transit seeks volunteers

SUBMITTED BY AC TRANSIT DISTRICT

Applications are currently being accepted from individuals who are interested in volunteering to serve on the AC Transit District’s Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC).

The AAC reviews, comments, and advises the Board of Directors and District staff on the implementation and enhancement of programs and services for seniors and people with disabilities.

The recruitment notice and application, as well as information about the AAC can be found at: <http://www.actransit.org/accessibility-advisory-committee-aac/>

The deadline for submitting an application is January 30. For more information, visit www.actransit.org.

NOTICE

Change of HARB meeting venue

Niles Gateway Development will be considered Thursday, January 15, 2015 at a public hearing held by the Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB). Due to the anticipated number of people that may attend, the hearing has been relocated to the City Council Chambers located 3300 Capitol Avenue. The hearing is scheduled to start at 6:30 p.m. but will be slightly delayed to allow the public to relocate to the City Council Chambers. If the project proceeds, there will also be two additional hearings with the Planning Commission and City Council.

The hearing by the Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled for January 22; and, a final hearing by the City Council is anticipated to be in February.

CLIFF NGUYEN SENIOR PLANNER
CITY OF FREMONT

Newark City Council

January 8, 2015

Presentations and Proclamations:

Introduce recently hired building inspector George Emmett, Jr.

Non-Consent:

Establish a trust to fund future Other Post Employment Benefits determined by Public Employee Medical and Hospital Care Act. Benefit was \$119 per month in 2014.

City Council Matters:

Reappoint Mark Gonzales and Eric Hentschke to Dumbarton Rail

Corridor Citizen Advisory Panel

Approve the appointment of Planning Commissioner Bernie Nillo to Community Development Advisory Committee

Oral Communications:

Memorial celebration of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. to be held at First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, January 11 at 3 p.m.

Closed Session:

Performance evaluation of City Manager

Mayor Alan Nagy	Aye
Vice Mayor Maria “Sucy” Collazo	Aye
Luis Freitas	Aye
Michael Hannon	Aye
Mike Bucci	Aye



Introduce recently hired building inspector George Emmett, Jr.

like San Leandro to develop every five years a new Consolidated Plan in order to determine local priority needs in the community in areas such as affordable housing, public facility improvements, and social services, including basic needs programs, homelessness, crisis shelters, and fair housing services. Completion of the plan then allows the City to be eligible to obtain funding from the federal government through its HOME (HOME Investment Partnership Program) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for local projects and programs that address the needs of city residents, especially those with low- and moderate-incomes.

Public feedback is crucial, and input obtained at the meetings will be used to inform the contents of the final document, which covers the period from July 2015 through June 2020.

Individuals who are interested in attending, but need special accommodations due to physical

disabilities or need translation services, should contact the City Clerk’s Office at (510) 577-3351, TDD (510) 577-3343, within five working days in advance of the meeting you wish to attend.

For more information, please visit <http://www.sanleandro.org/depts/cd/housing/plans.asp> or contact Steve Hernandez, Housing Specialist II, at (510) 577-6005 or shernandez@sanleandro.org.

San Leandro Community Meetings

**Tuesday, Jan 20
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Marina Community Center
(Thunderbolt Room)
15301 Wicks Blvd,
San Leandro**

**Wednesday, Jan 28
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Senior Center (Main Hall)
13909 East 14th St,
San Leandro
(510) 577-6005
shernandez@sanleandro.org**

OPINION



WILLIAM MARSHAK

If the right one don't get ya, the left one will

The expected flow of money to support pension promises dried up. Abuse by some top level employees who “spiked” their benefits by padding contributions in the last years of employment resulted in great rewards for them, but created misery for the rest of us left with the bills and other staff who suffered employment risk. Although some cities capped benefits and employer payments toward retirement, a swath of destruction was left in the wake.

As a consequence, new, less generous, pension formulas are being instituted and the ride to glorious benefits is being curtailed. A recent decision by the Newark City Council to establish a trust fund to address the burden of OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits), including health insurance subsidies, makes sense. If such benefits are approved by our elected representatives, at least they should be capped and funded in a sustainable manner. In the past, OPEB benefits extended future public liabilities into the millions for small cities – billions statewide – on a pay-as-you-go basis. Hard lessons of the last decade have finally brought a sense of responsibility that includes instituting trust funds to pay for at least part of these promises.

As coal miners have known through experience, especially those who toiled underground for years with great risk and little reward, the work of today can lead to a future filled with doubt despite best laid plans. Our cities, counties and

state have, in the past, played fast and loose with public funds. Expending millions becomes meaningless when budgets reach billions and beyond, especially when spending public money; cavalier promises and unsustainable promises have often been part of campaigns and tenure of those living on the public dole. We, the public and our representatives have seen the result of dependence on smoke and mirror budgets and unrealistic funding. Let's resolve to be fiscally responsible and hope this pledge lasts.

If you see me comin', better step aside

A lotta men didn't, a lotta men died

One fist of iron, the other of steel

If the right one don't a-get you

Then the left one will

You load sixteen tons, what do you get

Another day older and deeper in debt

Saint Peter don't you call me 'cause I can't go

I owe my soul to the company store

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City of Fremont's Fire Station No. 11 is now open

SUBMITTED BY DIANE HENDRY AND
CHERYL GOLDEN

On Friday, January 2, 2015 the City of Fremont officially opened Fire Station No. 11. The station was designed to accommodate one Engine Company with three personnel per shift as well as the Hazardous Materials Response Unit. The third bay will house a Reserve Fire Apparatus.

With Fire Station No. 11 now up and running, the Fremont Fire Department is back to full staffing with 11 fire stations located throughout the city to ensure the best possible response times to emergencies. Fire Station No. 11 is located at 47200 Lakeview Blvd., the Bay-side area of Fremont's Innovation District.

Fire Station No. 11 began with a schematic design in November 2007. Construction later commenced in July 2009 and was completed in August 2010. However, due to the economic downturn in recent years, the station was unable to open. Given an improved economy, the City has been able to move forward on this vital project and is excited about the facility improvement.

The annual operating cost of the newly opened station will be \$1.7 million. Fire Sta-

tion No. 11, with a construction cost of \$6.6 million, is approximately 10,375 square feet with three apparatus bays for vehicles. WLC Architects of Folsom, California designed the structure to adhere to guidelines of the Silver Level of compliance of the U.S. Green Building Council but in the end, they were able to achieve Gold Level.

The station is constructed of highly durable and energy efficient materials, helping to increase the lifespan of the building up to 75 years to 100 years, and reduce maintenance costs for the citizens of Fremont. While Fire Station No. 6 in Centerville and Fire Station No. 2 in Niles are both LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Certification) Certified, with the Niles station Silver Certified, Fire Station No. 11 will be the City's first LEED building to achieve the Gold Level of compliance. Additionally, the station was awarded the Gold Award for fire station design in the Career Fire Department category by Fire Chief Magazine.

“Fire Station No. 11 will enhance the Fremont Fire Department's ability to serve and protect the citizens of Fremont and is a key location in our industrial and commercial area,” said Mayor Bill Harrison. “This

new addition to our community is just one more step in the right direction as Fremont develops into a more sustainable, strategically urban and modern city.”

Specialized spaces in Fire Station No. 11 include an entry lobby, main office, private office for the captain, special project room/workshop, exercise area, and storage for medical supplies and firefighter protective clothing, while household areas include cooking/dining, laundry and dormitory quarters for a total of seven crew members. Additionally, a 300-foot by 60-foot training area traverses the entire lot line to the rear of the fire station. This property was given to the City by Caltrans and is the location for all of the Department's Hazardous Materials training props, which are used as training aides by the Department's Special Operations Task Force.



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Another book store closes

By FRANK ADDIEGO

One of Newark's last remaining independent bookstores will soon close its doors for the last time. "Our last day is next Saturday, the 17th," said Dorothy Linke of the Book End, "We won't be open during the week."

Among the most beloved book stores in Newark, located in Newark Square, the Book End has been serving customers since 1993, with a wide selection of both new and used books, mostly in the romance and science fiction genres. "It's an iconic book store in Newark," said Deborah Pouterfield, a frequent customer.

Over the years, the Book End has hosted signings from such authors as Julie Anne Long ("To Love a Thief") and Marianne Mancusi ("Boys that Bite"). The marquee on Thornton Avenue advertising signings at the store became a familiar site to Newark citizens. "How can you not be comfortable?" said customer Donna Patterson, "you got good light, good books [and] good people."

Customers were unhappy to hear that the Book End was closing, lamenting the loss of bookstores in general. "If you look at Publishers Weekly, print sales are going up," said Patterson, "I'm not going to read on a computer." While the staff did not comment on the reasons for the closure, the recent slow economy is thought to be an important factor. Booksmart of Morgan Hill opened a store in Newpark Mall only to close within two years of operation.

School district reopens elementary school libraries

SUBMITTED BY ROBIN MICHEL

The San Leandro Unified School District announced that all eight elementary school libraries have reopened, thanks to the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) which lets districts and communities decide how best to spend revenues received from the state.

In 2009, the district's elementary school library clerks were let go and its libraries shuttered in response to the devastating education budget cuts, with library services available only at the middle and high school levels. For more than five years, the elementary libraries have gathered dust, used mainly for extra storage at the school sites. However, a new funding mechanism unveiled in the 2013-2014 school year, LCFF gave local communities the control to decide how best to use state funding and San Leandro had an opportunity to open library doors.

"It was very clear through the extensive process we used to gather stakeholder input in order to design the LCAP (Local Control Accountability Plan) that libraries are a high priority with students, teachers, administrators and the community," said Dr. Rosanna Mucetti, Deputy Superintendent. She said the need to open the libraries was a recurring theme in all the meetings the district held. "Everyone wanted our library doors open," Dr. Mucetti added. "It was a non-negotiable that our entire leadership team fully supported."

Superintendent Mike McLaughlin commended the Board for making the elementary school library restoration a high priority project, and staff for making the vision a reality. "There was a tremendous amount of work involved in opening the libraries," he said, "including the hiring of the right people for the right job."

"We have boosted multi-media and our print collection by purchasing new K-5 library books and supplies," said Roxanne Ansolabehere, the district's Librarian and Multimedia Manager, in a position created and approved by the Board of Education last May in order to oversee and manage the work. "It is extremely gratifying to see our students engaged in our libraries, learning how to use the tools at their fingertips to investigate and explore worlds beyond these four walls."



Students at Jefferson Elementary enjoy their newly reopened library

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PG&E pays \$32 million in property taxes to Alameda and Contra Costa Counties

SUBMITTED BY TAMAR SARKISSIAN

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) increased its payment of property taxes sharply this year as the utility continued to make significant investments in its gas and electric system to improve safety and reliability. The payment covers the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014. Total payments for the tax year of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 will be \$344 million. This is an increase of \$27 million – or a nine percent increase – over the prior fiscal year. Property taxes paid to East Bay counties include Alameda County, \$17,391,238 (up 12 percent from a year ago) and Contra Costa County, \$14,777,571 (up 10 percent).

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Obituary

Nadine Ballew Baker
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Nadine Baker was born on February 22, 1931 in Calhoun, MO and entered into rest on January 8, 2015 in Fremont, at the age of 83. She is survived by her loving and devoted husband of 55 years, James R. Baker. Her caring children; Todd Baker and his wife Wendy, Janet Hinojosa and her husband David, and Kristin Baker. Beloved grandchildren; Yuliana and Andrew Baker, two nieces; Zay Little and Linda Wright, and nephew, Rocky Ballew. She's also survived by several great nieces and nephews. Nadine was an active member of the Heart of the Bay Christian Center and member of the Local 595 Electricians Union Retiree's Club. She also knitted and crocheted scarves, baby blankets and made prayer bracelets that were sent to missions all over the world. Nadine loved being a grandma and was very proud of her grandchildren. Visitation will be on held on Thursday, January 15, from 10:15-11am with a Church service starting at 11am at Heart of the Bay Christian Center, 24800 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward, 94545. Burial to follow at Lone Tree Cemetery in Hayward.

Kaiser RNs announce plans to strike

SUBMITTED BY
DEBRA GRABELLE

Kaiser RNs will hold a two-day strike January 21 and 22, the California Nurses Association/National Nurses United announced January 9, 2015.

The walkout will involve 18,000 RNs and nurse practitioners at 86 Kaiser Permanente hospitals and clinics across Northern and Central California. Kaiser is both the largest hospital chain and health insurance company in California.

Kaiser facilities will be affected in Antioch, Daly City, Fremont, Fresno, Manteca, Modesto, Oakland, Petaluma, Pleasanton, Redwood City, Richmond, Roseville, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Leandro, San Jose, San Rafael, Santa Clara, Santa Rosa, South Sacramento, South San Francisco, Stockton, Vacaville, Vallejo, and Walnut Creek.

On patient care issues, Kaiser RNs have cited cuts in hospital services at a number of Kaiser hospitals, sharp restrictions on admitting patients for hospital care or early discharge of patients who still need hospitalization, and providing insufficient resources, equipment and training for care that nurses say puts patients and nurses alike at risk.

Kaiser has made these cuts despite seeing record profits — \$3.1 billion in the first three quarters of 2014 alone, a 41 percent increase over the same period in 2013.

Much of the profit is fueled by a huge jump in paid enrollees, 422,000 for the same period of 2014, patients who “are now being increasingly denied the very care they are paying for,” says Zenei Cortez, a Kaiser South San Francisco RN who chairs the Kaiser RN negotiating team and is also a CNA co-president.

“We are striking because nurses deserve to have what we need to safely care for our patients at a time when Kaiser continues to hold patients in the ER who should be admitted, sending patients home early, and short staffing critical areas like labor and delivery,” said Cortez.

“Nurses are standing up for our patients and their right to receive safe excellent care.”

“We are striking for our patients and community,” said Kaiser Oakland RN Katy Roemer. “We know that Kaiser has the resources to staff our hospitals and clinics safely and yet everyday we are working with fewer nurses than we need. Our patients deserve better.”

“Kaiser insists on investing in multi billion sports teams, instead of our patients. We as nurses know that it is wrong,” said Deborah Burger, a Kaiser Santa Rosa RN and co-president of CAN.

Strike locations; walkouts begin at 7 a.m., Wednesday, January 21, with the strike ending at 7 a.m. on Friday, January 23 at 7 a.m.

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Vallejo — 975 Sereno Dr., 1617 Broadway
Walnut Creek — 1425 South Main St.

Tiger Cubs of Cub Scout Pack 120, led by Brandy Jouikov, visited Tri-CityVoice offices on Wednesday, January 7, 2015 to learn about newspaper publishing. As part of their visit, scouts participated in a communications exercise and were awarded “golden coins” for their efforts.



L to R: Ignacio, Erick, Daniel, Isaac, Tyson, Emilio, Nicki

Webelos of Pack 112, Den 1, led by Gretchen Mora, visited the offices of Tri-CityVoice on Wednesday, January 7, 2015 to learn about newspapers and communications. During their visit, they participated in a communication exercise and were rewarded for their efforts with “gold coins.”



L to R: Sean Smith (Assistant Den Leader), Jacob Smith, James Schultz, Samih Qureshi, Evan Ho, Forrest Mora, Jakob Vangbo, Vincent Gonzalez, Gretchen Mora (Den leader).

‘Places’ exhibit combines inventive sculptures and images of war

SUBMITTED BY BRUCE ROBERTS

Imagine an art display combining the wackiest, most imaginative of sculptures, along with a shattering array of simple art from the hands of children focused on the real horrors of war: imagination and reality, an antithetical combination that startles all sides of a viewer’s consciousness.

The Hayward Arts Council’s Foothill Gallery is hosting this unique combination from January 15 to February 6 in the show “Places We Have Never Been.” The sculptures belong to James Pridham, a man with a long Bay Area career of putting things together—“assemblage” in the world of art. The children’s drawings and paintings are from Paintbrush Diplomacy, which encourages the exchange of children’s art from around the world. Executive Director Joan Sieber, a Hayward resident, has loaned these for display—pictures simple in their design, but complex and chilling in their subject.

Foothill Gallery has two gallery rooms; however, instead of having a different display in each room, Pridham’s imagination and Paintbrush Diplomacy’s reality share both spaces—sculptures on pedestals, drawings on the wall. This allows viewers

to vary their experiences. Understanding that these images are from real children portraying real war is saddening, depressing. But Pridham’s pieces are there to lighten the mood.

Pridham’s work is amazing, crafted with consummate skill and intricate detail. His miniature seaport took 4,000 hours of work, creating every building, every boat, every knot in a fishing net. His sculptures can cause sensory overload as viewers try to comprehend found materials used in totally new ways, many as steampunk creations. Steampunk has been defined as Victorian futurism, a sort of “Jules Verne meets Rube Goldberg.” Examine Pridham’s creations and you enter into an alternate reality: What do these mysterious devices do? They challenge the viewer to break out of old categories. Others have distorted allusions to classical stories and ideas. The medieval question of “how many angels can dance on the head of a pin?” comes to life with scores of tiny angels “dancing” on an enlarged pinhead. Fans of J.R.R. Tolkien will love his “Encounter in the Mirkwood” and “Middle Earth Artifact.”

Pridham’s sculptures can also take us to another dimension known only to him. Do we totally understand them? No, but



it’s such fun trying, and being bedazzled by the seamless way he has put such disparate pieces together into a whole. Who else could craft clock parts and a medical device into a realistic and beautiful—but non-firing—flintlock dueling pistol? Who else can transform a real cat skull with crab claws and some truly perverse dentistry into “Saber-Tooth Demon Pussy Cat from Hell,” complete with a scientific name: “Phylum: Chordata Listlessium Fleabagus”? James Pridham, a master craftsman of the weird, the idiosyncratic, the hilarious.

Foothill Gallery has counterbalanced Pridham’s flights of fancy with serious and tragic pictures created by children from war zones. The slogan of Paintbrush Diplomacy is “Connecting the world one paintbrush at a time,” and the artwork originates worldwide on many topics. This exhibit focuses mostly on art by children caught in the Croatian War of the 1990s, with artists from 8 to 16 years old.

A recurring caption is “Stop the War in Croatia.” The most common recurring visual theme is groups of peo-

ple surrounded by barbed wire, many of them faceless, as if their humanity has been erased. In other scenes, tanks roll over flowers; armed paratroopers descend through the sky; a large, blood-red hand reaches toward a city. In one particularly violent image, two white doves—traditional symbols of peace—fly before a city exploding with red billowing clouds, while underneath, a black-hooded figure with slits for eyes and a long gun fires upward.

The Hayward Arts Council has brought together many examples of two dazzling and thought-provoking styles of art. This exhibit is exciting, engrossing, and eye-opening, and interested viewers can gain even more insight by attending the artist’s reception on Saturday, January 24.

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American Cancer Society RELAY FOR LIFE 2015 UNION CITY We are now forming following groups: Planning Committee Sponsorships - Teams For more information www.relayforlife.org/unioncityca www.facebook.com/unioncityrelayforlife email: jendudley345@gmail.com	Coffee House Saturday January 31 7-8:30pm FREE Admission David Hughes and The Tribute Band New Hope Community Church 2190 Peralta Blvd., Fremont 510-739-0430 neuhope@pacbell.net www.newhopefremont.org	ORIGINAL ARTWORK The Fremont Art Associaation Gallery recently installed new paintings, ceramics, jewelry, fiver arts and more! Visit us at: Fremont Art Association 37697 Niles Blvd., Fremont www.fremontartassociation.org Open Wednesday - Sunday	Fremont Art Association Painting with Nancy Benton \$40.00. All materials provided, experience is not necessary. Held Saturdays 11:30 – 1:30 1/24, 2/28, 3/28, 4/25 Registration recommended 37697 Niles Blvd., Fremont www.fremontartassociation.org 510.792.0905	New Dimension Chorus Men’s 4 Part Vocal Harmony In the “Barbershop” style Thursdays at 7pm Calvary Luther Church 17200 Via Magdalena SanLorenzo Contact: ndchorus.org 510-332-2481	
QUALITY FREE TAX PREP \$53,000 or less household income Other restrictions may apply Fremont Family Resource Center 39155 Liberty St, Fremont Open: Feb 2 to Apr 15, 2015 Monday & Wednesday: 4 pm - 8 pm Friday: 10 am - 1 pm Closed 2/16/1-President's Day 510-574-2020 for more info	QUALITY FREE TAX PREP IRS-Certified Tax Preparers \$53,000 or less household income Other restrictions may apply Saturdays: Feb 7 to Apr 11, 2015 10 am – 1 pm (Closed Mar 8th) At Newark Library 6300 Civic Terrace Avenue Newark 510-574-2020 for more info	QUALITY FREE TAX PREP IRS-Certified Tax Preparers \$53,000 or less household income Other restrictions may apply Tuesdays: Feb 3 to Apr 14, 2015 10 am – 1 pm - by Appointment Only At Tri-City Volunteers 37350 Joseph Street Fremont Sara Govea at 510-793-4583	QUALITY FREE TAX PREP IRS-Certified Tax Preparers \$53,000 or less household income Other restrictions may apply Saturdays: Feb 7 to Apr 11, 2015 10 am – 1 pm (Closed Mar 14) At Union City Library 34007 Alvarado-Niles Road Union City 510-574-2020 for more info		

League of Women Voters Eden Area meeting

SUBMITTED BY SUZANNE BARBA

The League of Women Voters Eden Area (LWV EA) will be holding their meeting on Saturday, January 17, to set the League’s education and advocacy priorities for 2015-17. The League will be reviewing the “positions” (viewpoint on issues) of the State, Bay Area and Local League to determine which to retain or update and which to

prioritize for education and advocacy. We can also propose that the LWV CA (the state organization) conduct a study of a specified new topic. Your participation is important as we need grassroots opinions on what issues we want to retain and what issues we want to prioritize in 2015-17. To learn more about the various positions and issues, visit www.LWVEA.org.

Setting League priorities for the future is one of the most important tasks that local League members can do. We will be discussing issues that will impact you and your community. There is no cost, but an RSVP would be appreciated so we know the amount of refreshments and materials that are needed. Please RSVP to suzbarba@comcast.net or call Suzanne at (510) 538-9678.

League of Women Voters
Eden Area meeting
Saturday, January 17
1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Hayward Area Historical Society
22380 Foothill Blvd., Hayward
RSVP: (510) 538-9678
suzbarba@comcast.net
Free

PUBLIC NOTICES

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-14-004)

The City of Union City is proposing a General Plan Amendment (AG-14-004) to update its Housing Element as required by State Housing Element law (Government Code Section 65580 et seq.), which mandates local governments to adequately plan to meet the existing and projected housing needs of all economic segments of the community. The element is intended to guide decisions that will facilitate the development, rehabilitation, and availability of housing throughout the City.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a Negative Declaration was prepared for the project, which determined the project would not have a significant effect on the environmental beyond the impacts identified in the 2002 General Plan EIR.

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 Vern Smith, Housing and Community Development Coordinator, at (510) 675-5322 or via email at verns@unioncity.org

The project was reviewed by the Planning Commission at its January 8, 2015 meeting. The Commission recommended approval of the project to the City Council, on a 5-0 vote, with some minor revisions.

City Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 27, 2015
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.

City Hall is accessible by Union City Transit lines 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9 and AC Transit line 97. BART riders can transfer to these bus routes at the UC BART station. For information, please call Union City Transit at (510) 471-1411 and AC Transit or BART at 511. Union City Transit maps and schedules are available at www.uctransit.org.

JOAN MALLOY
Economic & Community Development Director

CNS#2706304

BULK SALES

Escrow No.: 100495-EM **NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE** (Division 6 of the Commercial Code) (1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described, (2) The name of the seller is: Cruz & Cruz, Inc., a Washington corporation, whose address is: 5498 Central Avenue, city of Newark, county of Alameda, CA 94560 (3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: same as above (4) The names of the Buyer are: Junbin Zheng, whose address is: 5498 Central Avenue, city of Newark, county of Alameda, CA 94560 (5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are all of the Leasehold Interest, Leasehold Improvements and Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment of that certain restaurant business located at: 5498 Central Avenue, city of Newark, county of Alameda CA 94560 (6) The business name used by the seller at said location is: BASIL & THYME ITALIAN BISTRO. (7) This Bulk Sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code. The anticipated date of the bulk sale is: January 30th, 2015 (8) Claims may be filed at the office of McGovern Escrow Services, Inc., 333 Bush Street, 21st Floor, San Francisco, CA 94104, ESCROW NO. 100495-EM. (9) The last date for filing claims is: January 29th, 2015. (10) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: None (DATED: December 29, 2014 TRANSFEREES: Junbin Zheng 1/13/15

CNS-2706403#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499510

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Sold By Design Staged Homes, 37421 Parish Circle, Fremont, CA 94536, County of Alameda 37421 Parish Circle, Fremont, CA 94536

Registrar(s):
Janice E. Fortune, 37421 Parish Circle, 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/ Janice Fortune
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 24, 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).

1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3/15

CNS-2705718#

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

File No. 489209

The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: **I Desert, 1596 Washington Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539**
The Fictitious Business Name Statement for the Partnership was filed on 3/14/2014 in the County of Alameda.

I Desert Corporation, 2811 Castro Valley Blvd #112, Castro Valley, CA 94546
This business was conducted by:
S/ Jimin Chen
I Desert Corporation

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 29, 2014.
1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3/15

CNS-2705402#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499667

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Flight, 1596 Washington Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539, County of Alameda

Registrar(s):
I Desert Corporation, 1596 Washington Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539; 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/ Simin Chen - CEO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 29, 2014.
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1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3/15

CNS-2705377#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499521

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Buckley Engineering Associates, 39267 Marbella Terraza, Fremont, CA 94538, County of Alameda

Registrar(s):
David W. Buckley, 39267 Marbella Terraza, Fremont, CA 94538.

Business conducted by: an individual.
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11-18-14

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/ David W. Buckley
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 24, 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).

1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3/15

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499735

Fictitious Business Name(s):
GoGo Sports, 23385 Foley Street, Hayward, CA 94545, County of Alameda.

Mailing address: 23385 Foley Street, Hayward, CA 94545

Registrar(s):
Dimco Apparel Inc., 23385 Foley Street, Hayward, CA 94545, California

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/ Nimish Patel (President)
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 31, 2014.
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1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3/15

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499499

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Charmika Cane, 1015 La Bonita Terrace, Union City, CA 94587, County of Alameda

Registrar(s):
Alicia D. Tayco, 1015 La Bonita Terrace, Union City, CA 94587

Business conducted by: Married Couples
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/ Alicia D. Tayco
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 23, 2014

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1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3/15

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

File No. 473626

The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: **Opto Mavon, 49091 Woodgrove CMN, Fremont, CA 94539**

The Fictitious Business Name Statement for the Partnership was filed on 1/10/2013 in the County of Alameda.

Degang Cheng, 49091 Woodgrove CMN, Fremont, CA 94539

This business was conducted by:
S/ Degang Cheng

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 19, 2014.
1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3/15

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499224

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Mathnasium, Fremont, 3185 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont, CA 94538, County of Alameda

40660 Las Palmas Ave., Fremont, Alameda, CA 94538

94539
Registrar(s):
Connexi STEM Education, LLC, 3185 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont, CA 94538; LLC was registered in California

Business conducted by: A Limited Liability Company
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A

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/ Eric TS Pan, Managing Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 16, 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).

1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27/15

CNS-2704035#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499152

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Young Smiles, 39560 Stevenson Place, #118, Fremont, CA 94539, County of Alameda

Registrar(s):
David E. Morris, DDS, Inc., 39560 Stevenson Place, #118, Fremont, CA 94539; CA

Business conducted by: a Corporation
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 8-20-01

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/ David E. Morris DDS, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 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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1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27/15

CNS-2703839#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499634

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Darmon Services, 5423 Central Ave. Ste. 5, Newark CA 94560, County of Alameda; Same

Registrar(s):
Mohammad Esmael Darman, 5889 Central 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/ Mohammad Esmael Darman
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 10, 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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1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27/15

CNS-2703349#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499432

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Chief Chai Thai Cuisine, 47894 Warm Spring Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539, County of Alameda

Registrar(s):
Nilubon Athiprayoon, 1008 S. De Anza Blvd., #J202, San Jose, CA 95129

Chonthida Athiprayoon, 615 Kenneth Ave., Campbell, CA 95008

Chanatana Assavanivest, 1428 Antonio Lane, San Jose, CA 95117

Business conducted by: Co-partners
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on Nov. 27th, 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/ Chanatana Assavanivest, Partner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 22, 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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1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27/15

CNS-2703050#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499539

Fictitious Business Name(s):
MOA Plumbing, 34101 Sylvester Dr., Fremont, CA 94555, County of Alameda

Registrar(s):
Mauricio Orlando Aguirre, 34101 Sylvester Dr., Fremont, CA 94555

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/ Mauricio Aguirre
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 24, 2014

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1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27/15

CNS-2702652#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499447

Fictitious Business Name(s):
Good Deals Jewelry, 39066 Donner Way, Fremont, CA 94538, County of Alameda

Mailing address: 39066 Donner Way, Fremont, CA 94538

Registrar(s):
Dai Wen Gao, 39066 Donner Way, Fremont, CA 94538

Business conducted by: an individual
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ Dai Wen Gao
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 22, 2014

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12/30, 1/6, 1/13, 1/20/15

CNS-2702389#

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

File No. 465247

The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: **Carciola LLC, 37434 Glenmoor Dr., Fremont, CA 94536**

Mailing address: 37434 Glenmoor Dr., Fremont, CA 94536

The Fictitious Business Name Statement being abandoned was filed on 05/15/2012 in the County of Alameda.

Carciola LLC, 37434 Glenmoor Dr., Fremont, CA 94536, CA

This business was conducted by:
S/ Sanju Pancholi, CEO

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 23, 2014

12/30, 1/6, 1/13, 1/20/15

CNS-2702384#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 499262

Fictitious Business Name(s):
California Milan Medical Center, 35638 Dee Pl, Fremont, CA 94536, County of Alameda

35638 Dee Pl, Fremont, Alameda CA 94536

Registrar(s):
Chengjun Xu, 35638 Dee Pl, 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/ Chengjun Xu
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 17, 2014

NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years

PUBLIC NOTICES

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 **23 rd day of January, 2015** 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 94538**. 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.
Nicole Waida AA5204C 4/27/14
Jeff Ouye AA8034A 10/18/14
Jennifer Russell AA8048A 10/25/14
Brodie Lee B180 11/09/14
Jamie Marks B246 11/02/14

Hashina Brumfield C184 11/05/14
Bryan Waters C215 11/14/14
Anthony Shaw C281 10/27/14
Anthony Shaw C283 10/27/14
David Gauthier C295 11/19/14
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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 **23 rd day of January, 2015** at or after **1: 30 pmp** pursuant to the California Self-Storage Facility Act. The sale will be conducted **at: U-Haul Moving & Storage of Fremont, 44511 Grimmer Blvd. Fremont, CA 94538**. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: clothing, furniture, and / or other household items stored by the following people:
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Cathryn Kittrell 301 10/29/14
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Ralph McFerrer 328 10/04/14
Kimberly Macedo 342 11/19/14
Habib Qadir 345 10/11/14
Matthew Ajiake 367 10/17/14
1/6, 1/13/15

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east side of the Fremont BART station at 9:15 p.m. on Sunday, January 4, 2015. When he returned at about 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 5, 2015, the bike was gone. An officer responded and completed a report.

Tuesday, January 6

Boise Police Department in Idaho contacted FPD to request assistance with the service of a homicide arrest warrant in our city. The Southern Alameda County Major Crimes Task Force, with the assistance of patrol, responded to James Avenue to serve the warrant. A surround and call-out was initiated. The suspect, a 34-year-old adult male, Fremont resident, came out of the residence and was arrested without incident. He was booked into the Fremont Jail on the warrant.

At approximately 3:10 p.m., officers responded to a commercial burglary that had occurred at a restaurant in the Charter Square Shopping Center (2400 block of Fremont Boulevard). The unknown suspects gained entry by smashing the front window. Loss was currency. Case was investigated by Community Service Officer (CSO) Aguirre.

Officers took a residential burglary report on the 4900 block of Seneca Park Drive. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry by prying open the front door. Loss was a Sony PlayStation 4. The incident occurred sometime during the day.

Officers took a burglary report on the 3700 block of Summer Holly. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry by prying open the side garage door. The burglary occurred during the afternoon. The entire house was searched and losses included a laptop, tablets, jewelry, currency and purses.

Officers took a burglary report on the 3800 block of Decoto Road. At 1:14 p.m. the homeowner was advised that his home alarm was sounding. The homeowner was nearby and responded to the house. When he arrived, he found that suspects had kicked open the front door and were in and out quickly, exiting the same way. They pulled the alarm panel off the wall, tried smashing it on the kitchen floor (damaging the floor), then they immersed it in water. In the process they also damaged the front door and the door frame. Losses were Apple products, cameras and a Kindle.

Officer took a burglary report on the 100 block of Wood Creek Terrace. The burglary occurred sometime during the day. The point of entry appeared to be via the front door by using a tool to pry it open. The house was ransacked. Items stolen include a tablet, a laptop, jewelry, currency and personal documents.

Officers responded to the 100 block of Wood Creek Terrace to investigate a burglary that occurred between 4:15 p.m. – 4:50 p.m. Unknown suspect(s) kicked open the front door. Losses included a PlayStation 3, jewelry, cash, a laptop, purses, tablets, and external hard drives

Tom Cain Memorial Photography Contest

SUBMITTED BY THE CITY OF UNION CITY

Tom Cain lived in Union City for most of his life and loved to take pictures. He took his camera with him wherever he went and was known in the community as Union City's Resident Photographer. Our annual photo contest and exhibit has been renamed to honor Tom's memory and his love of photography. Five judging categories:

1. People: Photos of people of all walks of life.
2. Environment: Photos of different places or things in the world around you.
3. Animals: Photos of different types of animals.
4. Black and White: Photos printed in black and white.
5. My Union City: Images of Union City, representation of our City.

Each participant may submit one image per category. This contest is open to Union City residents ages 14 and up. There will be a \$5 nonrefundable entry fee for each photograph submitted. Applications are due Thursday, January 22 by 4 p.m. and all winners will be notified by Thursday, January 29. The display for the winning photographs is scheduled to be at the Civic Center. There will be a special reception for photos that are selected; date to be determined.

Visit <http://www.ci.union-city.ca.us/departments/leisure-services> for full contest rules, restrictions and entry form. For any questions, call coordinator Jesus Garcia at (510) 675-5482 or e-mail JGarcia@unioncity.org.

Hayward Police Log

SUBMITTED BY SGT. ERIC MELENDEZ, HAYWARD PD

Thursday, January 1

At 4:29 p.m., an attempted murder/assault with a deadly weapon occurred on the 27000 block of Vasona Court. The victim and her boyfriend were in a heated argument when he chased her into her apartment and fired a single shot through the front door. The suspect missed shooting the victim, her 1-year-old child and other relatives also inside the apartment. The victim called the police and advised the suspect lived at another address somewhere in Hayward. The responding officers found the suspect and arrested him.

At 5:17 p.m., a robbery occurred on the 24000 block of Amador Street. The victim was approached from behind and punched with a fist to the back of his head. The suspect demanded the victim to empty out his pockets. The victim gave the suspect his wallet and a hat. The suspect fled into a waiting vehicle, a '90s model brown or tan Toyota Corolla, with an unknown license plate, driven by a second suspect. Suspect 1 was described as a black male adult in his 20s, 5'11", 180 lbs., and has a short afro hairstyle. He was last seen wearing a white t-shirt, blue jeans and black Jordan tennis shoes. Suspect 2 was also a black male adult in his 20s. He was last seen wearing a black hoodie sweatshirt.

Friday, January 2

At 10:52 a.m., a brandishing of a firearm occurred on the 22000 block of Princeton Street. A suspected gang

member pointed a handgun at two victims, who were also suspected gang members. The armed suspect and his associate ran from the area and were subsequently detained by an officer. A handgun was recovered from the suspect. The nearby school was not in session at the time of this incident and no injuries were reported from the victims.

At 9:15 p.m., an armed robbery occurred on the 30000 block of Industrial Parkway. The suspect, a white male adult, unknown age, about 5'9", wearing a red mask, entered the office area of the business carrying a duffel bag. The suspect removed a firearm from the bag, pointed it at the clerk, and demanded money. Out of fear, the clerk complied and handed the suspect the money. The suspect left the office and was last seen running across the street toward a shopping center parking lot.

At 11:15 p.m., an armed robbery occurred on the 1000 block of Kimball Avenue. Three black male adults robbed a pizza delivery man while he was making a delivery. Suspect 1 pointed a handgun at the delivery man and told him to give him the money. The victim handed over his money and pizza to the suspects. The suspects fled on foot toward Rio Vista. They were all described as being in their late teens or early 20s, wearing black hooded sweatshirts.

At 11:58 p.m., an assault with a deadly weapon/stabbing occurred in a parking lot located on the 21000 block of Hesperian Boulevard. The male transient victim got into an argument with another transient male, and during the argument, the suspect stabbed the victim in right armpit with a pocket knife. The victim sustained a laceration, and was trans-

ported to a nearby hospital for emergency medical care. The victim did not sustain any major injury. On Sunday, January 4, 2015, the victim saw the suspect in another parking lot on the same block and called 911. Officers arrived shortly after and arrested the suspect.

Saturday, January 3

At 11:30 a.m., a warrant arrest was made by an officer during a security check on the 2200 block of Industrial Parkway West. The suspect was listed as a person to arrest for felony domestic violence and assault with a deadly weapon warrant. He was subsequently arrested, along with his companion, on unrelated drug charges.

At 5:02 p.m., an occupied stolen vehicle was recovered. A citizen called to report a vehicle theft in progress at a gas station on the 22000 block of Foothill Boulevard. Responding officers found the suspect in the driver's seat and took him into custody without incident. The owner of the vehicle was contacted and confirmed that the car was stolen and he did not know the suspect.

Sunday, January 4

At 7:31 p.m., an armed robbery occurred on Sorenson Road and Collette Street. The victim was walking home towards Sorenson after withdrawing money from an ATM. He was confronted by two males, one of which was a black male adult with a pistol. The victim was unable to provide a description for the second suspect. The suspects demanded the victim's property and may have known that he recently went to an ATM. The victim's losses were cash, jewelry, wallet and a watch. The suspects were last seen running toward Mission Boulevard.

NEWS RELEASE

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

CDPH warning of Santa Barbara Smokehouse's Cold-Smoked Salmon

SUBMITTED BY ANITA GORE

California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Director and State Health Officer Dr. Ron Chapman warned consumers January 9, 2015 not to eat certain Santa Barbara Smokehouse cold-smoked salmon products due to possible contamination with Listeria monocytogenes, which can lead to severe illness or death.

CDPH and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) are currently investigating Santa Barbara Smokehouse in Santa Barbara, California, due to bacteriologic contamination found in the processing facility.

Santa Barbara Smokehouse has initiated a voluntary recall of two batches of cold-smoked salmon manufactured by Santa Barbara Smokehouse with pack dates between December 17 and 24, 2014, after learning about Listeria monocytogenes contamination in product-surveillance samples and environmental samples collected at the processing facility. No illnesses have been associated with the recalled products at this time.

Santa Barbara Smokehouse's recalled cold-smoked salmon was packed under the Cambridge House, Channel Island Smokehouse, Coastal Harbor,

Santa Barbara Smokehouse and Harbor Point brand names, and has pack dates of 8-22-14, 9-17-14 through 9-19-14, and 12-17-14 through 12-24-14. The recalled products were vacuum-packed and distributed as both fresh and frozen products. The CDPH website has a list of the specific product names and codes affected by this recall and product photos.

Due to environmental contamination at the facility with Listeria monocytogenes, CDPH is concerned about other Santa Barbara Smokehouse cold-smoked salmon products that were produced at the facility on other dates, which may be available in stores or in consumers' homes.

CDPH recommends not eating any cold-smoked salmon manufactured by Santa Barbara Smokehouse with pack dates between 8-22-14 and 12-24-14. Other brands that may have also been packed during this time frame include: Fresh & Easy, Tetsujin and Imperial House. CDPH also recommends that anyone in possession of those products with those pack dates place the product into a garbage bag and put it in the trash.

The brands of cold-smoked salmon identified above were likely distributed to wholesale food distributors, airline catering companies and foodservice distributors. Subsequent product distri-

bution may have resulted in retail sales to consumers. Santa Barbara Smokehouse has voluntarily ceased all manufacturing and product distribution, and is working with CDPH and FDA to address any potential sources of contamination in the processing environment. CDPH continues to work with Santa Barbara Smokehouse to determine the distribution of potentially affected products.

Symptoms of Listeria infection may include high fever, headache and neck stiffness. Infants, the elderly and people with weakened immune systems are at highest risk for severe illness and death. Listeria infection in pregnant women can lead to miscarriage or stillbirth, premature delivery or infection of the newborn baby. The CDPH website has more information about Listeria infection.

CDPH recommends that consumers who feel sick after eating cold-smoked salmon products should consult their health care provider. Consumers that see cold-smoked salmon manufactured by Santa Barbara Smokehouse being sold are encouraged to report the activity to the CDPH toll-free complaint line at (800) 495-3232.

For more information, visit: www.cdph.ca.gov

SAVE awarded \$275,000 Grant

SUBMITTED BY TINA FERNANDEZ

Fremont-based SAVE (Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments) is pleased to announce that the Blue Shield California Foundation has awarded the organization a two-year \$275,000 grant.

Funds will be used to increase access to culturally responsive services for South Asian and Latino domestic violence victims in South Alameda County communities. SAVE will develop the services through collaborative, sustainable partnerships with Maitri and Mujeres Unidas y Activas, both of which are San Francisco Bay Area-based nonprofit organizations that serve victims of domestic violence of South Asian and Latino backgrounds, respectively.

SAVE is grateful for the opportunity to address the needs of underserved populations in our community and for the generosity of the Foundation. SAVE looks forward to working with Maitri and Mujeres Unidas y Activas to strengthen and empower those who are abused through knowledge and support, to end the cycle of abuse, and build healthier lives.

For more information, please visit www.save-dv.org

Twelve times a treat

SUBMITTED BY BRUCE ROBERTS

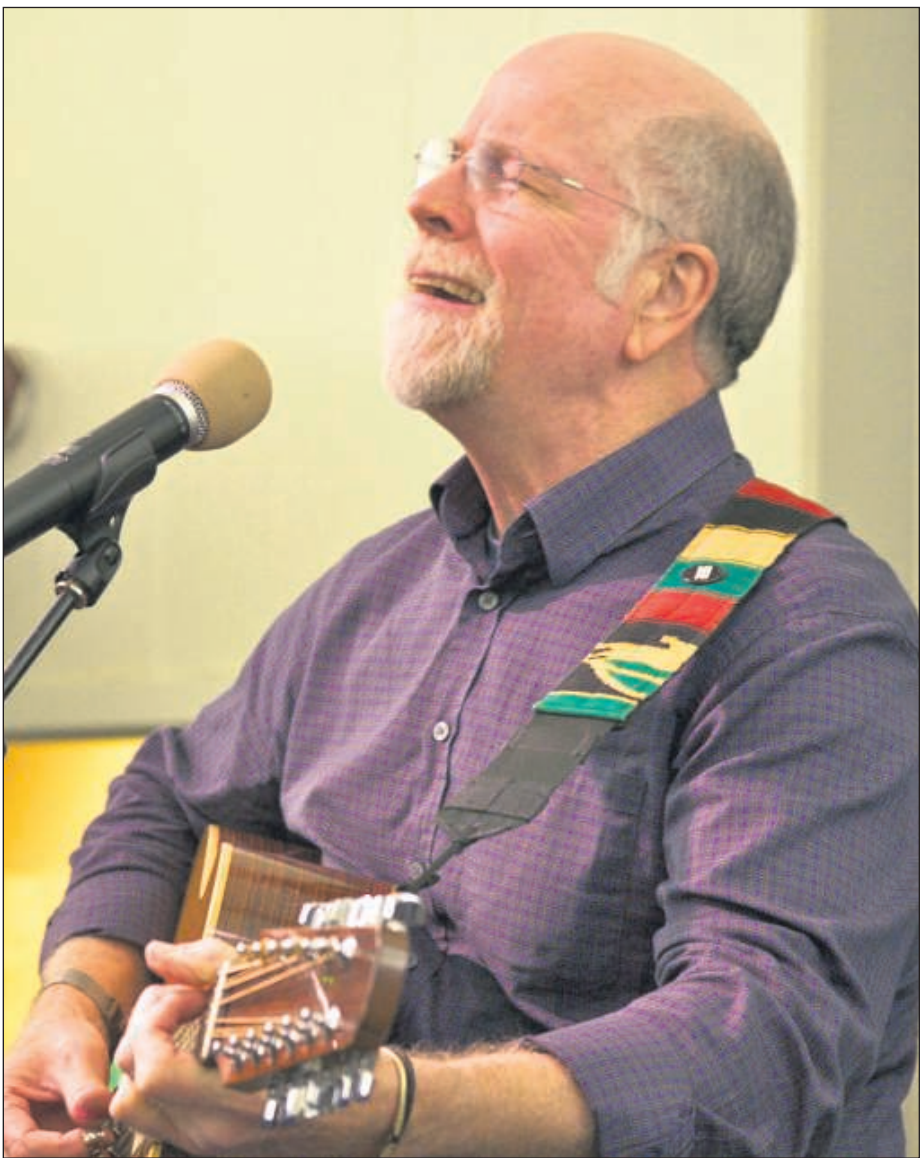
For the twelfth consecutive year, internationally renowned folksinger John McCutcheon will treat Fremont to a concert on January 19, Martin Luther King Monday, at St. James' Episcopal Church. A portion of the proceeds will

telling a story in a "Morning" love song from his latest album, "22 Days." For these reasons every concert date is different; even his road manager doesn't know what he might sing next. "He has an uncanny ability to breathe new life into the familiar. His storytelling has the richness of fine literature," said the



go to Abode Services, which works to eliminate homelessness in our community. The event's intermission will give concertgoers a chance to request their favorite McCutcheon song to be performed in the second half of the concert. For those unfamiliar with McCutcheon, he has travelled the nation singing, telling stories for over forty years. With over 30 recordings to his credit and more than 200 self-penned songs, he has a wealth of material from which to choose. McCutcheon picks wide-ranging subjects such as imagining the food in "Heaven's Kitchen" or

Washington Post. And "An impressive facet of McCutcheon's shows is their universal appeal. Folks of all ages flock to his concerts, making the audience a model of diversity," said the Daily Barometer of Corvallis, OR. Writing and performing the songs that have awarded him seven Grammy nominations, producing more than twenty albums for other artists, giving song-writing lessons for budding songwriters, and participation in the Labor Day 2013 dedication of the "Deportees" monument in Fresno are just a few of McCutcheon's activities.



He packs enthusiasm, musicianship, and master story-telling into each concert. For information or to purchase tickets, contact St. James' Episcopal Church at (510) 797-1492 ext. 203, or events@saintj.com. For more about the artist, go to www.folkmusic.com.

John McCutcheon Concert
Monday, Jan 19
7:30 p.m., doors open at 7:00 p.m.
St. James' Episcopal Church
Thornton Ave at Cabrillo Terrace,
Fremont
(510) 797-1492 ext. 203
events@saintj.com
Tickets: \$27 adults, \$15 children 12 and under, children under 5 free

'Three Viewings' opens at Broadway West



Dawn Cates, Kyle Smith, and Mary Galde star in Broadway West's "Three Viewings."

SUBMITTED BY
MARY GALDE
PHOTO BY
CHRISTIAN PIZZIRANI

Broadway West Theatre Company presents the darkly humorous and touching "Three Viewings" by Jeffrey Hatcher, January 16 through February 14.

There's a story behind every farewell in a funeral parlor. "Three Viewings" lets us in on three. A mortician shares a long repressed secret. A woman comes home to settle a long-standing score. A sheltered wife learns the truth about her marriage. These three tales of life, love and loss, are rich with humor, pathos and suspense.

Performance times are 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays. There are three Sunday matinees; January 25 and February 1 matinee performances begin with a continental brunch at 12:15 p.m. and the show begins at 1 p.m. The February 8 performance starts at 1 p.m. with refreshments during intermission.

Regular ticket prices are \$27 general and \$22 for students, seniors and TBA members. Thursday, January 22, February 5 and 12 performances are \$20 (\$15 students, seniors, TBA members), with a bargain Thursday held on January 29 (no reservations – first come, first seat!) - all tickets \$12. Brunch Sunday performances and opening night are \$27 for everyone. All ticket prices include refreshments. Make reservations

at (510) 683-9218 or on our website, www.broadwaywest.org.

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Saturday, Feb 14
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THEATRE REVIEW

StarStruck steams into 20th year with 'Seussical'

BY JULIE GRABOWSKI
PHOTOS BY MARK & TRACY
PHOTOGRAPHY

What do an imaginative boy, an elephant, a hat-wearing feline, a bird with a one-feather tail and an invisible mayor have in common? Why, Seuss, of course! StarStruck Theatre brings the

appearance on the stage. Some serious sass and swagger is delivered by Kriselle Kelsey as Mayzie and Kimberly Quinto as Sour Kangaroo; the two know how to establish a presence, belt out a song, and shine in the process. Tim Sanders is memorable as General Schmitz and makes a great introduction in "The Military." The Bird Girls (Angela Abonador, Jas-



world of Dr. Seuss to the stage with Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty's musical "Seussical," which weaves together several characters and story lines from the legendary author's works.

The Cat in the Hat leads the audience through the story of Horton, a tender and loyal elephant who discovers a whole world of Whos in a speck of dust. The lovelorn Gertrude McFuzz, longing only for Horton to notice her, is the only one who believes him out of a jungle full of ridiculous animals. Among the Whos is young JoJo who has his parents Mr. and Mrs. Mayor at wits end because of his thinking too many "thinks," which often get him into trouble. Horton's resolve to

mine Lew, Gabrielle Simpson) are a fun and enhancing chorus throughout.

Standout numbers include "It's Possible," "The One Feather Tail of Miss Gertrude McFuzz," "Amazing Mayzie," and "All For You." "Havin' a Hunch" is uniquely fun with its use of black light to highlight dancing white gloves and spinning umbrellas.

Beth Zeigler's set design jumps right from the distinctive pages of Dr. Seuss's books, and costume designer Diane Scherbarth produces a rainbow of colors and textures in imaginative styles that provide plenty of delicious eye candy.

Producer and director Lori Stokes is an expert captain, con-



protect the Whos is threatened by the jungle animals, and he is further burdened by having to care for the egg of irresponsible and flighty Mayzie La Bird.

Traveling from the Jungle of Nool to the microscopic world of the Whos, to life in Circus McGurkus and a stint in military school, we follow the characters through their trials in a story about friendship, sacrifice, loyalty, and perseverance, discovering that who we are is just as important as who we should be.

It comes as no surprise that StarStruck kicks off its 20th year with an impeccable, entertaining performance that lifts the spirits and dazzles the eyes. "Seussical" is vibrant and full of fun, with the outstanding vocals, staging, and costumes that StarStruck has come to be known for.

David Kautz owns the hat with an energetic and enticing performance as The Cat in the Hat. As narrator of the story, Kautz is in playfully perfect command and appears to be fully enjoying himself in the job. Packed with enthusiasm, Gabriel Lew's JoJo never wanes, though his zest can be a bit too much at times. Nicholas J. Saud is faithful 100 percent, steady and softly endearing as the put upon pachyderm Horton. He charms in the lovely "Alone in the Universe."

Ally Abonador is a sympathetic and fabulously voiced Gertrude McFuzz. Sweet and relatable as she struggles with perceived inadequacies, Abonador is completely engaging with each

tinuing StarStruck's run of outstanding theatre with another winning production. The only thing left to say is:

*Grab your glasses and cash
and make a quick dash
to the Seussical stage —
the show's all the rage!
It's got style, it's got sass,
you'll be in for some laughs.
It's fun and it's bright,
sure to light up your night!
Don't think one second more,
simply head for the door;
you won't believe your luck
when you've been StarStruck!*

Bring your favorite Dr. Seuss book to the show on Sunday, January 18; a Talk Back with the actors will be held after the performance on Friday, January 16; and Saturday, January 17 is StarStruck's 20th Anniversary Giveaway Night. The Friday, January 23 show will be ASL interpreted. Tickets, \$19-\$25, are on sale now by calling the StarStruck box office at (510) 659-1319 or order online at <http://starstrucktheatre.org/buy-tickets/>.

Seussical
Saturday, Jan 10 -
Sunday, Jan 25
7:30 p.m.; 2:30 p.m.
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