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MADE UP THEATRE
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Made Up Theatre (MUT), Fremont's premier improv comedy venue, will be showcasing its 6th annual "New Year's Eve Spectacular" on Sunday, December 31 to continue a long-standing tradition of celebrating its year's accomplishments. The show will feature a doubleheader with two main stage performances: Laugh Track City and 5 Play. Laugh Track City is similar to TV's "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" and incorporates audience prompts and participation into scenes, games, and musicals. 5 Play features the owners of MUT, Bobby August, Dustin Seidler, Ben Stephens, and Sean Taylor, performing a fully improvised short movie based on an audience member's suggested title. "It's crazy that a year has already passed us by," says Taylor. "But this is one of the most exciting

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Ring in 2018

The New Year is upon us, and the only thing to do is celebrate! The greater Tri-City area has several ways to cart out the old and ring in the new, from buffets and dancing, comedy and theatre, to marathons and butterfly viewing. You don't have to journey far to make the start of 2018 a memorable one!

Alameda:

• Spend New Year's Eve onboard the USS Hornet, whose special Big Band Dance Gala benefits the museum's education programs. Enjoy three dance floors on the enclosed, heated hangar deck, free dance lessons, silent auction, cash bar and food, and midnight countdown with the band 3 O'clock Jump. View San Francisco fireworks from our Flight Deck!

New Year's Eve Fundraising Big Band Dance Gala
Sunday, Dec 31
7:30 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.
USS Hornet Museum
707 W Hornet Ave, Pier 3, Alameda
(510) 521-8448 x 286
www.uss-hornet.org/tag/new-years/
Tickets: \$60 – \$99
Free parking

Castro Valley:

• Ring in the New Year with music and song – a Cabaret Sparkler! Bring your friends and enjoy a champagne toast!

New Year's Cabaret
Sunday, Dec 31
7:30 p.m.
Castro Valley Center for the Arts
19501 Redwood Rd, Castro Valley

(510) 889-8961
www.cvartsfoundation.org
Tickets: \$48 – \$55

• Join us on New Year's Eve at Shanti Naam Yoga! Everyone is welcome at this special evening to ring in the New Year and manifest your dreams for 2018. Led by Dev Avtar and Ram Kirin, the event will be an evening of celebration, joy, Kundalini Yoga, dance, and rejuvenating Sound Bath. A delicious vegetarian dinner will be served with yogi tea. Let the power and energy within you rise and magnetize everything toward you on this night!

New Year's Eve Party Shanti Naam
Sunday, Dec 31
8:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Shanti Naam Yoga
2881 Castro Valley Blvd, #2, Castro Valley
(415) 730-4520
www.shantinaamyoga.com
www.eventbrite.com
Tickets: \$50

• Make a resolution to run and achieve it on day one of 2018! Join us at Lake Chabot in Castro Valley for the scenic and invigorating 5K, 10K or half marathon. Better yet, make sure you run at the Brazen New Year's Eve race and then you can start 2018 with the highly coveted New Year Mega Medal!

New Year's Day
Half Marathon, 10K, 5K
Monday, Jan 1
7:30 a.m.: Half Hikers
8:30 a.m.: Half Marathon
8:55 a.m.: 10K
9:10 a.m.: 5K
Lake Chabot Marina
17600 Lake Chabot Rd, Castro Valley

<https://brazenracing.com/newyearsday/>
Registration: \$40 – \$79

Fremont:

• Brazen Racing invites you to close out 2017 with some miles and some smiles! Whether you are looking to squeeze in your first trail run or to log that 1,000th mile before the clock strikes midnight on December 31, this is your chance! Choose between half marathon, 10K, or 5K race.

Brazen New Year's Eve
Sunday, Dec 31
7:30 a.m.: Half Hikers
8:30 a.m.: Half Marathon
8:55 a.m.: 10K
9:10 a.m.: 5K
Quarry Lakes Regional Recreation Area
2100 Isherwood Way, Fremont
<https://brazenracing.com/newyeareve/>
Registration: \$45 – \$77

• Festival of Globe (FOG) hosts a New Year's Eve extravaganza at Fremont's Royal Palace Banquet Hall complete with Indian buffet, unlimited drinks, hosted bar, dance performances and DJ.

FOG New Year's Eve Gala
Sunday, Dec 31
7:30 p.m.
Royal Palace
6064 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont
(510) 304-5619
<https://fogsv.com/>
Tickets: \$45 – \$95

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Diabetes: The More You Know, The Better

Education Programs Can Help People Manage Diabetes

Chances are that you know someone with diabetes. According to the National Diabetes Statistics Report produced by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), an estimated 30.3 million people in the U.S., or roughly 9.4 percent of our population, have diabetes. But do you know whether you have diabetes? That same report notes that 23.8 percent of people with diabetes – approximately 7.2 million people – are undiagnosed.

“Left untreated, people with diabetes can develop potentially life-threatening complications, so it is important to consult your doctor about screening for diabetes,” says Washington Hospital’s Diabetes Program Coordinator Vida Reed, RN, CDE. “Early identification of

diabetes allows for interventions that improve long-term outcomes. Screening is recommended annually for people age 45 or older. Others should be screened immediately if they are experiencing any symptoms of diabetes. But even without symptoms, early screening is recommended for those who have one or more risk factors.”

Two common screening tests used to check for diabetes include a fasting blood sugar test and the “glycated hemoglobin” (A1C) test. The fasting test measures a patient’s level of blood glucose after an overnight fast of at least eight hours. A person without diabetes would have a fasting blood sugar level of less than 100 mg/dL.

Many doctors use the A1C test to screen for diabetes. The

A1C test measures average blood glucose over the past two to three months, and the person does not have to fast before testing. A normal A1C level is below 5.7 percent. An A1C level above 6.5 percent would indicate diabetes, while percentages between 5.7 and 6.4 would be considered pre-diabetes.

Because diabetes requires ongoing daily efforts to help reduce and avoid serious complications, the American Diabetes Association (ADA) urges diabetes self-management education and support (DSMES) for all people with diabetes. The ADA’s standards for DSMES recognize that a person with diabetes is actually the center of his or her health care team, and that people with diabetes and their caregivers require appropriate self-management



Washington Hospital’s Diabetes Program Coordinator, Vida Reed, believes when it comes to diabetes, knowledge is power.

guidance, education and tools to improve patient outcomes. “Many insurance providers, including Medicare, provide reimbursement for DSMES,” observes Reed, a certified diabetes educator.

Unfortunately, the ADA reports that only 5 percent of Medicare patients who are newly diagnosed with diabetes use their DSMES benefits. Among private

health insurers, only 6.8 percent of patients who were newly diagnosed with type 2 diabetes sought DSMES within 12 months of diagnosis.

The ADA identifies several critical times when people should receive diabetes education and support:

- At initial diagnosis

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

	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
	12/26/17	12/27/17	12/28/17	12/29/17	12/30/17	12/31/17	1/1/18
12:00 PM 12:00 AM	Diabetes Matters: Sugar Substitutes - Sweet or Sour?	Nerve Compression Disorders of the Arm	Get Back On Your Feet: New Treatment Options for Ankle Conditions	Deep Venous Thrombosis	Family Caregiver Series: Recognizing the Need to Transition to a Skilled Nursing Facility	Arthritis: Do I Have One of 100 Types?	Diabetes Matters: Mindless vs Mindful Eating
12:30 PM 12:30 AM	Updated Treatments for Knee Pain & Arthritis		Updated Treatments for Knee Pain & Arthritis		Updated Treatments for Knee Pain & Arthritis		
1:00 PM 1:00 AM		The Patient's Playbook Community Forum: Getting to the No-Mistake Zone	Family Caregiver Series: Tips for Navigating the Health Care System	Heart Health: What You Need to Know			
1:30 PM 1:30 AM	Minimally Invasive Surgery for Lower Back Disorders		Sports Medicine Program: Nutrition & Athletic Performance	Snack Attack	Shingles	(Late Start) Your Concerns InHealth: Senior Scam Prevention	Strategies to Help Lower Your Cholesterol and Blood Pressure
2:00 PM 2:00 AM							
2:30 PM 2:30 AM	11th Annual Women's Health Conference: Heart Health Nutrition	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 13, 2017	Learn the Latest Treatment Options for GERD	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 13, 2017	New Treatment Options for Chronic Sinusitis	Pain When You Walk? It Could Be PVD	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 13, 2017
3:00 PM 3:00 AM	Diabetes Matters: Type 1.5 Diabetes		(Late Start) Understanding Mental Health Disorders		Superbugs: Are We Winning the Germ War?		
3:30 PM 3:30 AM	Raising Awareness About Stroke					Low Back Pain	
4:00 PM 4:00 AM			Learn About the Signs & Symptoms of Sepsis		Kidney Transplants		
5:00 PM 5:00 AM	Keys to Healthy Eyes	(Late Start) Learn More About Kidney Disease	National Hospital Rating Systems for Quality & Patient Safety	Keeping Your Heart on the Right Beat		National Hospital Rating Systems for Quality & Patient Safety	Sideline by Back Pain? Get Back in the Game
5:30 PM 5:30 AM	National Hospital Rating Systems for Quality & Patient Safety				Respiratory Health		
6:00 PM 6:00 AM	Sports Medicine Program: Exercise & Injury	Eating for Heart Health by Reducing Sodium	Diabetes Matters: Diabetes: Is There an App for That?	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 13, 2017		Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 13, 2017	Colon Cancer: Prevention & Treatment
6:30 PM 6:30 AM	Strengthen Your Back! Learn to Improve Your Back Fitness				Good Fats vs. Bad Fats		
7:00 PM 7:00 AM		Diabetes Matters: Gastroparesis	Inside Washington Hospital: The Green Team	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 13, 2017		(Late Start) Voices InHealth: Healthy Pregnancy	Stop Diabetes Before it Starts
7:30 PM 7:30 AM	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting December 13, 2017				Community Based Senior Supportive Services		
8:00 PM 8:00 AM		Relieving Back Pain: Know Your Options	Crohn's & Colitis	Digestive Health: What You Need to Know		11th Annual Women's Health Conference: Meditation	Family Caregiver Series: Coping as a Caregiver
8:30 PM 8:30 AM	(Late Start) Diabetes Matters: Living with Diabetes				(Late Start) Menopause: A Mind-Body Approach		
9:00 PM 9:00 AM		New to Medicare? What You Need to Know	(Late Start) Menopause: A Mind-Body Approach	Diabetes Matters: Diabetes & Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome		Family Caregiver Series: Advance Health Care Planning & POLST	Voices InHealth: New Surgical Options for Breast Cancer Treatment
9:30 PM 9:30 AM	Inside Washington Hospital: Advanced Treatment of Aneurysms				(Late Start) Diabetes Matters: Living with Diabetes		
10:00 PM 10:00 AM		Relieving Back Pain: Know Your Options	Crohn's & Colitis	Digestive Health: What You Need to Know		11th Annual Women's Health Conference: Meditation	Family Caregiver Series: Coping as a Caregiver
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11:30 PM 11:30 AM	Inside Washington Hospital: Advanced Treatment of Aneurysms				(Late Start) Diabetes Matters: Living with Diabetes		

22 Years of Tradition

Throughout Tri-City Area

Community Members

Celebrate Trees of Angels

Friends, family and community members came together to attend Washington Hospital Healthcare Foundation's holiday tree lighting ceremonies. These tree lightings raise awareness and funds for hospice and palliative care in Washington Township Healthcare District.

The Trees of Angels celebrations were founded 22 years ago by Al Bernardin, the owner of several McDonalds restaurants in the Tri-City Area. After seeing the wonderful care given to a loved one by hospice nurses, Bernardin decided to work with Washington Hospital to raise funds for families that did not have the means to pay for hospice care themselves.

Al's son, Mark Bernardin, has continued the tradition, and each year the Hospital and the Bernardin family light the first Angel Tree together. In recent years, the Bernardin family and Trees of Angels have provided funds to help establish a palliative care program at Washington Hospital that focuses on relieving suffering for patients being treated for a serious illness.

The 2017 Trees of Angels kicked off with a tree lighting ceremony on Monday, November 27. Fremont Mayor Lily Mei offered remarks and lit the Angel Tree at the Bernardin Family McDonald's restaurant at the corner of I-680 and Mission Boulevard. Guests enjoyed holiday favorites by the Dickens Caroling Group. The tent was adorned with beautiful wreaths made by the Gift Gallery store in Fremont.

On Wednesday, November 30, community members, Hospital employees and children of all ages gathered in the lobby of Washington West to enjoy entertainment, a photo with Santa, refreshments, and a tree lighting. The tree, adorned with beautiful lights and ornaments, was decorated by Washington Hospital Service League President, Debbie Jackson. Rodney Silveira, past president of the Foundation, emceed the event and pulled the winning tickets for raffle items. The crowd was delighted by a performance from the Prince of Peace Christian School Handbell Choir. Following the performance, guests mingled while enjoying holiday refreshments.

On Monday, December 4, the third tree lighting was held at the Newark City Hall. This event was co-hosted by the City of Newark. Santa and Mrs. Claus mingled in the crowd and Mayor Al Nagy emceed the program. The crowd couldn't help but smile as little ones from the City of Newark Licensed Child Care enthusiastically sang holiday favorites. The talented Newark Memorial Advanced Choir, led by Joanne Hong, performed several fun holiday songs. Attendees were in awe of the beautiful tree that was lit once again this year in memory of Newark Police Chief, Carl Pierce, who passed away in 1986. President of the Washington Hospital Healthcare Foundation, Helen Kennedy, shared her thoughts on the importance of hospice and palliative care in our community.



The 22-year tradition continues.



From the Prince of Peace Christian School Handbell Choir, beautiful sounds enchanted the crowd.



Children enjoyed time with Santa.

The final tree lighting, co-hosted by the City of Union City and the Union City Chamber of Commerce, took place at City Hall, Union City on December 8. The James Logan Jazz Singers and the Union City CRS Preschool Choir entertained the large crowd. Mayor of Union City, Carol Dutra-Vernaci and City Manager, Tony Acosta, gave their remarks. Following the tree lighting, Santa took photos with the children while volunteers handed out gifts generously donated by Union City chamber members.

“On behalf of the Foundation, I would like to thank our Trees of Angels sponsors and all the community members who attended the tree lightings this year. It is always a wonderful way to kick off the holiday season with friends and family,” said Helen Kennedy. “I would like to recognize our Harmony Sponsors – Albert and Marsha Badella and the Fremont Bank Foundation. Thank you for your generous support.”

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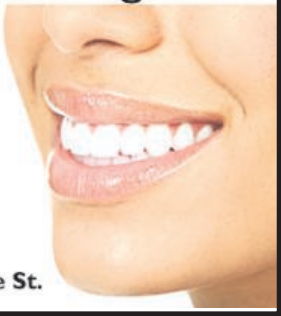
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Welcome the New Year with Comedy

nights of the year for us, because we get to forget about our troubles and the world's troubles and just focus on having fun." The New Year's Eve Spectacular will also feature party favors, giveaway bags, and a toast from the cast to say goodbye to 2017.

MUT's final show of the year also serves as an introduction to 2018's expanding schedule. MUT's popular main stage show Laugh Track City will continue to be showcased on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. with free performances following at 10 p.m. On Fridays at 10 p.m. Friday Night: After Hours will feature two-month runs of designated formats with January and February presenting Stand Up Improv, which will combine a stand-up comedy routine with improvised scenes. On Saturdays at 10 p.m. The Wheel of Genres will make its return with an improvised movie that will have its genre determined by an audience member who spins a wheel full of movie styles.

In mid-2017, MUT began to present a Family Friendly Matinee on the first Sunday of every month which showcases Laugh Track City's fast-paced short form improv format with content that is suitable for all ages. Due to positive feedback, this show will continue to be featured in 2018's schedule. Also, beginning in February, MUT will be adding an improv jam called The Playground to the first Thursday of every month, where guests have the opportunity to jump on stage and give improv a try in various games and scenes. "We're excited to bring back The Playground because it's such a positive and judgment-free experience," says August. "Whether you've been performing improv for years or have never tried it, everyone blends together so well." The Playground will also feature a headlining performance from MUT's new house team. If guests are interested in learning improv, they enroll in an

introductory eight-week course that begins on Monday, January 8. "Improv is a great life skill, because life is improv, so anybody can do it," says August.

MUT has expanded its presence in the Bay Area with an appearance at the Fremont Festival of the Arts, where tens of thousands of guests were greeted by its booth. "This was a fun opportunity to meet the people of the Bay Area, who don't know who we are," says Seidler. "A large portion of Fremont doesn't know we exist and ultimately word of mouth is how we reach the people." MUT has also been dedicated to releasing weekly video content on YouTube and Facebook with instructional videos called MUT Improv Tips, where Taylor provides some insight on concepts of improvisation. "Every year, we challenge ourselves to be better than the last year," says Taylor. "In 2018, we're going to be doing more shows, releasing more video content online, and striving to become the hottest entertainment venue in the Bay Area. This is our passion, this is our life."

Tickets are now on sale for the New Year's Eve Spectacular at <https://madeuptheatre.com/>. The show is 90 – 105 minutes in length with a 10-minute intermission. The show will sell out, so guests are advised to buy their tickets in advance. Note: This show may contain adult language and situations that may not be suitable for a young or sensitive audience.

New Year's Eve Spectacular
Sunday, Dec 31
8 p.m.
Made Up Theatre
3392 Seldon Ct, Fremont
(510) 573-3633
<https://madeuptheatre.com/>
Tickets: \$25 online,
\$30 general admission

Caregiver support workshops planned

SUBMITTED BY FRISHTA SHARIFI

The city of Fremont Family Caregiver Support Program is pleased to offer an eight-session educational workshop designed to provide training, education, support, and resources for Family Caregivers of the Tri-Cities. Schedule (all classes meet 10 a.m. on Wednesdays):

- January 17: Caregiving 101
- January 24: Normal Aging and Ways of Improving Memory
- January 31: Caring for Loved Ones with Alzheimer's and Memory Problems
- February 7: Caring for Loved ones with Parkinson's Disease
- February 14: Stress Management for Caregivers
- February 21: Communication Strategies
- February 28: Taking Care of Yourself
- March 14: Caregiving and Forgiveness

Preregistration is preferred, but you may sign up on the first day, January 17, 2017. If you need special accommodations, please call or e-mail by December 27, 2017. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate professional caregivers at these workshops.

Caregiver Support Workshops
Wednesday, Jan 17 (first session)
9:30 a.m. Registration and refreshments
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Diabetes: The More You Know, The Better

Education Programs
Can Help People Manage Diabetes

- During regular visits with their health care providers
- When complicating factors arise, such as weight gain or high blood pressure
- If there is a change in health care providers due to a move or a change in insurance coverage

"There are many benefits from diabetes education and support services, including improved A1C levels," Reed says. "In addition, patients may have a lower rate of high blood sugar values. These programs also can help patients achieve and maintain weight loss. Plus, they note a heightened sense of empowerment that they can take control of their lives and make healthier choices."

The Washington Outpatient Diabetes Center, recognized by the ADA since 2007 for providing evidence-based self-management education, offers a range of programs to improve diabetes management:

Diabetes BASICS Program

As the name implies, this program – which requires a physician referral – covers the basics of diabetes care, including topics such as:

- Diet and weight management
- Medications
- Blood sugar monitoring
- Exercise/physical activity
- Control of blood pressure and cholesterol
- Preventing complications

"This program typically is for patients who are newly diagnosed or patients with new diabetes complications or medications," Reed says. "The program usually is offered in a class setting, but individual sessions can be arranged if necessary."

Diabetes Matters

An ongoing, free diabetes education series offered on the first Thursday of every other month (in 2018 – February 1, April 5, June 7, August 2, October 4, December 6) from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Conrad E. Anderson, MD, Auditorium, Washington West, at 2500 Mowry Ave. in Fremont.

"This program is open to anyone who is interested in learning more about diabetes and features expert guest speakers who discuss science-based information about diabetes," Reed explains. "Speakers have covered a wide range of topics such as healthy nutrition, heart health, eye health, dental health, wound care, foot care and peripheral vascular disease."

Diabetes Support Group

Open to patients and their families and friends, the group

meets on the first Thursday of every month from 8 to 9 p.m. in the same location as the Diabetes Matters class (see above).

"Group discussions can be very helpful, allowing patients and their loved ones to share their mistakes and successes," Reed says. "Participants are often encouraged and inspired by learning from each others' experience."

Sweet Success

By helping women with type 1, type 2 or gestational diabetes manage their blood sugar during pregnancy, Sweet Success can reduce the risks of diabetes-related complications for mothers and infants. The program is based on guidelines established by the California Diabetes and Pregnancy Program. Patients receive regular counseling from a registered dietician and a registered nurse, who are certified diabetes educators. The program requires a physician referral.

"The goal is to ensure that both mom and baby are healthy," Reed says. "We work with moms to minimize health risks by managing their blood sugar."

Medical Nutrition Therapy

Medical nutrition therapy (MNT) seeks to treat medical conditions and their symptoms by having patients follow a diet specifically tailored to individual health needs. For diabetes, the primary goal of MNT is to promote optimal blood glucose control. In addition, adequate calories and nutrient needs should be evaluated to promote a healthy weight.

"Patients in this program work one-on-one with a staff dietician on nutritional education," Reed explains. "The duration of the MTN counseling depends on the patients' clinical needs and progress toward their goals."

Comprehensive Education and Support from Culturally Sensitive Experts

All of the nurses and dietitians at the Washington Outpatient Diabetes Center are certified diabetes educators.

"Members of our staff have worked with the Washington Hospital community for many years," Reed says. "They are sensitive to the diversity of the cultural diets in our community, such as Indian, Asian and Mexican-American, and we help people learn how to adapt their diets to better manage diabetes. Our programs are individualized to help our patients find what works best for them. We work

closely with their personal physicians, and because various programs require a physician referral, we can facilitate the referral process for our patients."

One physician who frequently refers his diabetes patients to the Washington Outpatient Diabetes Center is Prasad Katta, MD, an endocrinologist with Washington Township Medical Foundation.

"I refer most of my new diabetes patients, unless they recently have gone through a similar program elsewhere," he says. "I also refer many of my long-term diabetes patients for supplemental education and counseling, especially my Medicare patients, because patients' conditions can change over time and the science of treating diabetes changes, too. Every year we learn about new medications and new guidelines, and it's hard for people to keep up with all the new information. There is a lot of misinformation about diabetes online, and the experts at the Diabetes Center can provide patients with accurate information."

Dr. Katta evaluates each of his patients' needs when determining whether they would benefit from the services at Washington Outpatient Diabetes Center.

"For the Sweet Success program, for example, if a woman goes to her obstetrician at 26 to 28 weeks of pregnancy and has a blood sugar test that indicates possible diabetes, her doctor would recommend additional testing to confirm a diagnosis of diabetes," he explains. "If the additional testing is positive, the obstetrician may recommend the patient enroll in Sweet Success. It's important to note that gestational diabetes often goes away after childbirth, but the lifetime risk of later developing type 2 diabetes among these women ranges from 60 to 80 percent, so the lessons learned in this program can have ongoing benefits for them."

"My patients find many advantages of enrolling in diabetes education classes," he adds. "I can always tell my patients to eat right and to exercise, but doctors often have limited time to explain how those instructions can impact their diabetes management. The experts at the Diabetes Center have more time to go into detail. Also, the classroom environment can provide support from other attendees. It helps to have others who share their culture and experience. I definitely have seen good results with my patients who go through the educational programs at the Diabetes Center."

To learn more about the programs and services available through the Washington Outpatient Diabetes Center, visit www.whhs.com/diabetes/ or call (510) 745-6556. If you need help finding a physician, visit www.mywtmf.com and click on "Find a Doctor," or go to www.whhs.com and click on "Find Your Physician."



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Subaru shares the love with Spectrum and Meals on Wheels

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Spectrum Community Services is proud to announce that they will be participating in the annual Subaru Share the Love Event as a member of Meals on Wheels America—one of four national Share the Love charitable partners for the ninth year running. From November 16, 2017 to January 2, 2018, Subaru will donate \$250 for every new Subaru vehicle sold or leased to the customer's choice of participating charity.

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First Lego League (FLL) is a competition that employs robotics and research to promote creativity and problem solving. Students are assigned real-world problems and must invent working and innovative solutions. The theme for this year, 'Hydrodynamics,' involves human-water interaction.

The Gomes FLL team, Mega Minions—sixth-grade students Vedesh, Siddharth, Akhil, Tarun, Krishna, Samyutha, and Himani—after meeting with water specialists at Alameda County Water and Santa Clara Water District, decided upon water contamination as their focus.

Water.org states that 844 million (one in nine) people in the world do not have access to clean drinking water, and almost one million people die each year from unsafe water. Some common



methods of purification already in use include filtration, boiling, chlorination, and distillation. All too often, however, these methods are impractical, expensive, or ineffective.

The team, however, believed there was an inexpensive and innovative solution. It was a challenge, as the new method had to address several things, including removing debris and killing viruses and bacteria. Ultimately the group settled upon a two-pronged approach, using iodine and filtration. Iodine crystals in a prepackaged filter both chemically and physically filter contaminated water. This method is well-suited to areas of minimal infrastructure such as hard-to-reach villages in Africa, where drought is a serious threat.

Team Mega Minions is looking to partner with charitable or-

ganizations, such as Charity:Water, to distribute this product worldwide. These filters cost less than 25 cents each to produce, and with funding, could be provided at no charge to at-risk communities.

The team has given several presentations and is reaching out to the public, both to educate and encourage donations of time and money to water-focused organizations. If you are interested in learning about water conservation or getting involved, be sure to visit these sites:

Charity:Water (<https://www.charitywater.org/>)
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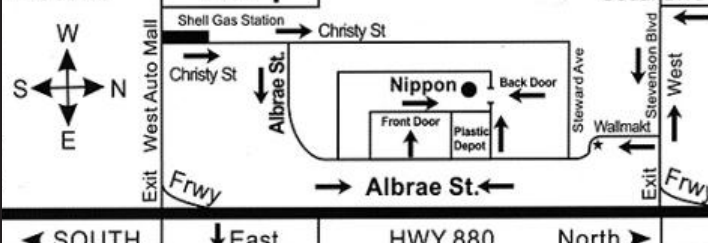
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BUSINESS

Kiwanis Club lines up January speakers

SUBMITTED BY SHIRLEY SISK

The Kiwanis Club of Fremont has lined up several good events and speakers for its January meetings.

The club holds breakfast meetings at 7 a.m. the first and third Tuesdays and dinner meetings at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, 39900 Balentine Drive, Newark.

First up will be local president Chip Koehler who will discuss the club's 2018 fund-raising Duck Race set for April 28 at Lake Elizabeth in Fremont at the breakfast meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

Next, a representative from the United States Coast Guard will give a presentation about the Coast Guard's Bay Area headquarters in Alameda

and discuss their auxiliary activities at the dinner meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 9.

The following week Hans Larson, Fremont Public Works Director, will deliver an update on recent and upcoming changes to street signs and markings as well as traffic signal timing and coordination in the city at the breakfast meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 16.

Finally, one the club's "Turn Around Scholarship" students, Angel Klyce, will talk about her recent trip to Puerto Rico. She has completed two years at Chabot College in Hayward and is now a student at U.C. Berkeley. Klyce will speak at the dinner meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 23.

For more information about the Fremont Kiwanis Club, visit their website at www.kiwanisfremont.org.

Fremont's Board of Education has a new president

BY RHODA J. SHAPIRO

Yang Shao was elected President at Fremont Unified School District's (FUSD) annual organization board meeting last Wednesday, December 13.

"It is both an honor and a humbling experience for me to step into the position as FUSD President. I feel that the previous presidents have demonstrated their leadership to lead the district toward the right decisions. They've made a lot of achievements," said President Shao. "I feel these are big shoes to fill. I appreciate the support of the whole board."

Trustee Larry Sweeney nominated Shao for President, with a second from Trustee Desrie Campbell. Shao, who previously served as Vice President, is now in his fourth year on the board.

Trustee Ann Crosbie stepped down from her role as President, but before she did, she expressed some concern that Shao might be hard-pressed to serve in such a leadership position, while also possibly running for re-election.



"I think it can be confusing to the public if nothing else as to which hat one is wearing at the time at which they're serving," said Crosbie. She went on to say that she wanted to soon discuss creating a Board Policy regarding serving as President while running for office at the same time.

"...If you're running a full-time job and running for office, and you're Board President, I think it's very demanding," said Trustee Crosbie.

Shao assuaged Crosbie's concerns with his own thoughts on the matter. "Thank you very

much for the nomination. And also, thank you very much President Crosbie for bringing up that concern. It's also on my mind, because after all, next year is my last year of the term.

And should I elect to run for re-election, certainly that would cost me some time and energy. Not only that, indeed, I have to be very careful when I speak to the public to make sure I only speak as an individual rather than on behalf of the board," said Shao. He also pointed out that back in 2012, Fremont Mayor Lily Mei, who was President of the school board, ran for re-election. "In talking about balancing my time, indeed, I will put the priority of this board over my re-election or any other personal matters," Shao added. "That's a promise I make today."

After Shao's words, the board voted unanimously to elect him as President. Also, that evening, Michele Berke, who had been serving as Clerk, was elected Vice President; and Trustee Desrie Campbell elected Clerk.

Climate Change

SUBMITTED BY REV. JEFFREY SPENCER

Oscar-nominated filmmaker Josh Fox searches for the universal human qualities that will prevail into the future in 'How to Let Go of the World and Love All of the Things Climate Can't Change.' The film will be shown January 13 at 1:30 p.m. as part of the Second Saturday Documentary Series at Niles Discovery Church, 36600 Niles Blvd., Fremont, at the corner of Nursery Ave. The screening is free and open to the public.

Fox, best known for Emmy Award-winning Gasland Parts I and II, is recognized as a spokesperson on the issue of fracking and extreme energy development. He acknowledges that it may be too late to prevent the worst consequences of climate change, including its social, physical and economic effects. In search of inspiration, he

traveled to 12 countries on 6 continents to ask grassroots environmental activists, "What is so deep inside us that calamity cannot take it away?"

There will be a moderated discussion after the screening.

The Second Saturday Documentary Series is co-sponsored by Niles Discovery Church and the San Jose Peace and Justice Center. Learn more about the series at <http://bit.ly/nilessds>.

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Adopt-A-Family program spreads holiday cheer

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This holiday season Volunteer Hayward celebrated the 20th annual Adopt-A-Family program. This program has provided clothing, food, and other essential items for hundreds of families in need throughout the years. With help from the City of Hayward, Hayward Area Recreation and Parks District,

Hayward Unified School District, and the Hayward Police & Fire Departments; we were able to identify twenty-four low-income families who face a variety of challenges this holiday season such as unemployment, disability, abuse, poor health, and homelessness.

On Saturday, December 16, Volunteer Hayward invited the participating families to the Hayward Area Senior Center, which was transformed into Santa's Workshop. On the

morning of the event each family was treated to a fresh cooked breakfast, arts and crafts for the children, photos with Santa, and much more fun, including the gifts that their donors have provided for them.

This program would not be possible if it were not for the hard work of our wonderful volunteers and the generous donations from our community. The East Bay News Group provided a generous grant through their 'Share the Spirit' program. Life Chiropractic College West provided toys for all the children and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Hayward Stake, provided baskets of food for each of the families.

If you want to participate next year, please contact Zach Ebadi at ebaz@haywardrec.org or (510) 670-7280.

Importance of preserving our agricultural lands

BY SUPERVISOR DAVE CORTESE

One of the 600 trees in San Jose's Christmas in the Park this year celebrates Santa Clara County's agricultural past, present, and future. Its colorful ornaments depict livestock, farm equipment, fruits, vegetables, and other crops that were once the basis of our local economy.

This tree, which was sponsored and decorated by my office, represents more to me than its 'farm to table' theme: It is a reminder that farmland is still one of the County's most valuable assets, and an asset that we want to preserve.

At the last board meeting on December 12, 2017, the Board of Supervisors approved my proposal to create an Agricultural Preservation Task Force to implement strategies for farmland preservation, detailed in the Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Plan, which will be presented at the January 9, 2018, Board meeting.

I am one of the lucky longtime residents who can remember the Valley of Heart's Delight, known for its endless rows of blossoming fruit and nut trees and one of the most productive farming areas of the nation. Our fruit packing and canning industry was the largest in the world.

I grew up on a ranch in the Evergreen District of San Jose and, like many others in the area, picked fruit and learned to love and respect the rich soil and temperate climate that still defines the County's landscape.

But my commitment to preserving land for agriculture is not based on sentimentality and a longing to return to the past. It is in the best interest of all of us to support and grow our regional agricultural economy. It is important not just as a food source but also for greenhouse gas reductions,

climate change reversal and economic development.

The Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Plan was developed by the County and the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority with three key goals: keeping our farmland and grazing lands working, honoring the important of agriculture to the area, and creating a land use policy for the future.

The report says that in the past 30 years alone, Santa Clara County has lost 21,171 acres of its farmland and rangeland to development, and an additional 28,391 acres of farmland and rangeland in the County are at risk of conversion. This would not only diminish our local food source, but also result in a loss of the iconic rural character of Santa Clara Valley and of important jobs central to our agricultural economy.

The attention of course, has, in recent history, been on the other valley to the north, Silicon Valley, and the tech industry. But the two valleys are linked in a very tangible way: Software engineers need to eat, too!

But seriously, the report also tells us that the gross value of the County's agricultural production last year was \$310 million, 11 percent above 2015. Employment on the 1,000 plus farms represents 8,100 jobs. If you then add in those who work on the processing and distribution of food as well as those who sell it and prepare it in restaurants, our agricultural industry generates \$6.8 billion a year in revenue and supports 92,162 jobs!

So, when you stop by our tree at Christmas in the Park, which will be open through January 7, take a minute to think of the land that surrounds us and puts food on our tables. (As you are facing the center of the park from Market Street, the Cortese tree is just south of the 60-foot-tall Christmas tree, near the benches along the sidewalk.)

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Candidates pay filing fees with signatures

SUBMITTED BY
PHILIP CHANTRI

A change in California Elections Code that went into effect in October altered the period during which a candidate can collect signatures from voters to cover all or a prorated portion of their filing fee to run for office. The period was moved up to 60 days before the date that nomination papers can be circulated—meaning it begins on December 14, 2017 for the June 5, 2018 Statewide Primary Election.

Filing fees for Judicial Officers, County Supervisors and other county offices are 1 percent of the official's annual salary.

Candidates can opt to collect signatures instead of paying that fee. The change in the Elections Code dropped the number of required signatures to three signatures for every dollar of the filing fee.

For example, if a potential candidate was seeking a judicial office that pays \$200,042 a year, the filing fee would be \$2,000.42. But the candidate could instead collect 6,002 signatures.

The change to the Elections Code also requires the in-lieu signatures be delivered at least 30 days before the close of the nomination period on March 9. That means the in-lieu signatures are due by February 7, 2018, before the nomination period opens on February 13, 2018. Additional time will no longer be given to candidates to rectify deficiencies in a submission and

add supplemental signatures. Candidates may pay a pro rata portion of the filing fee based on the number of signatures gathered if the required total is not met.

Local offices in the June election that have a filing fee are Superior Court Judge, Assessor, County Supervisor, District Attorney and Sheriff.

State offices also have filing fees but a different signature-in-lieu policy. Candidates for Assembly need to collect 1,000 signatures and those for State Senate need 2,000, while statewide offices such as Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Controller, Treasurer, Attorney General, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Insurance Commissioner require 7,000. Candidates for State Board of Equalization need 4,406 signatures. For federal seats, those running for U.S. House of Representatives need 2,000 signatures while those for U.S. Senate need 7,000.

City Council candidates should check with their City Clerk's Office for their requirements.

A timeline of key dates for the June 5, 2018 Statewide Primary Election can be found at www.sccvote.org under the 'Candidates and Measures' tab.

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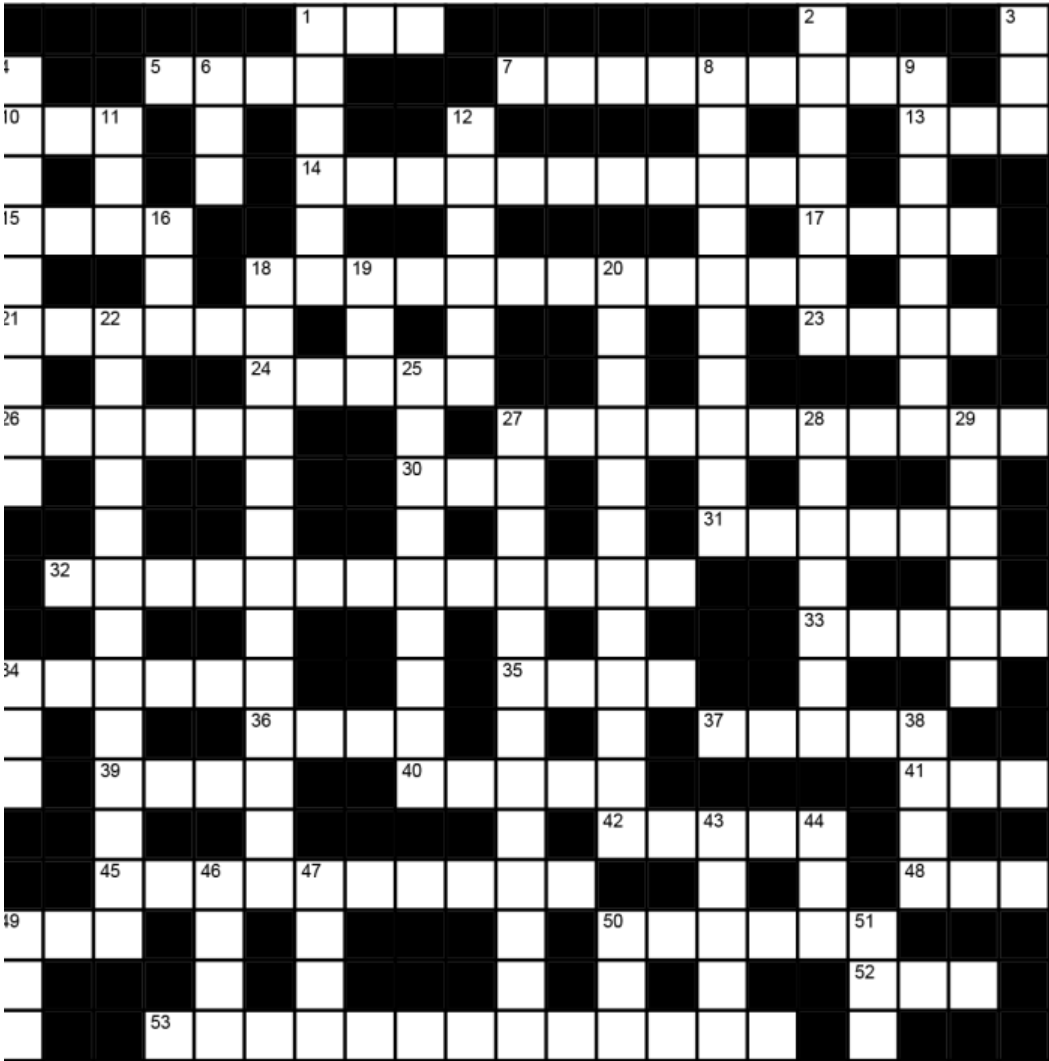
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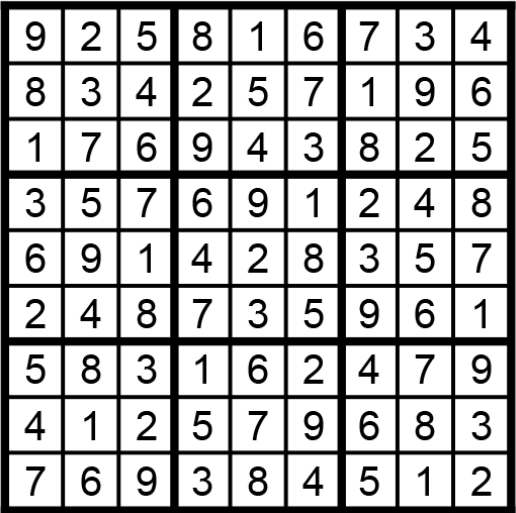
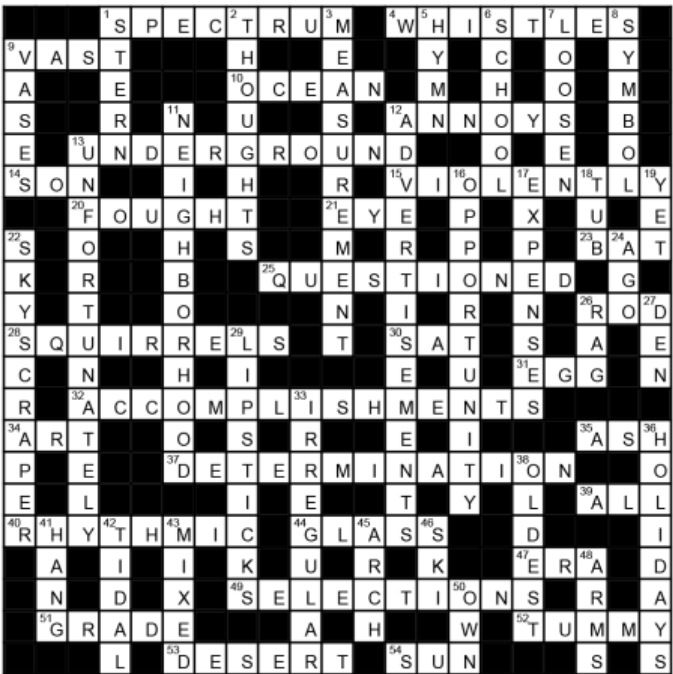
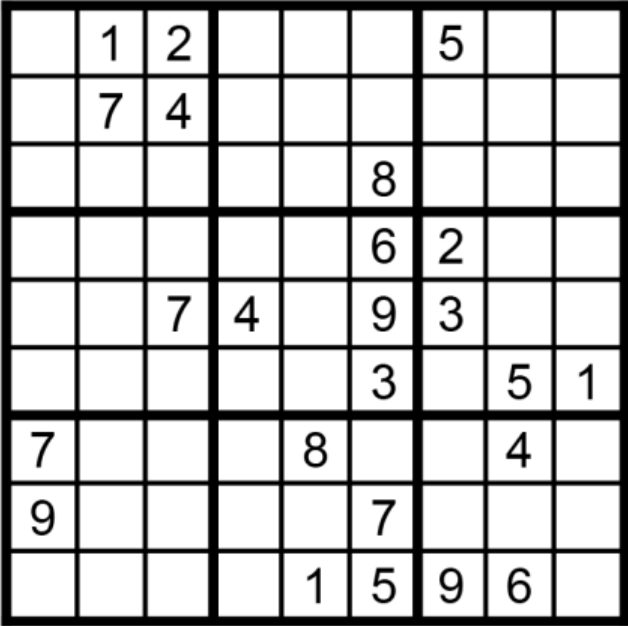
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The Year 2018 Part IOverview

Eclipses

The year begins in an interesting way on January 1. There will be a Full Moon at 9:24 pm EST which is at the Moon's perigee and it is known as a 'Supermoon' because of its closeness to the earth. January also has two full moons, the second being on January 31, 2017. That one is eclipsed in the sign of Leo.

The two eclipse seasons are January-February, and July-August. Eclipsed Moons reflect times of intensity on our planet. They may occur near serious weather patterns. Secrets are revealed for good or ill. See the weekly articles for more information.

Saturn in Capricorn

On December 19, 2017, Saturn rolled into Capricorn for a three-year sojourn. Saturn, the Great Teacher within us, is now in the sign of corporations and business. Whenever Saturn changes signs, there are multiple changes in the world and the laws we must abide to get along in society. Saturn in Capricorn

can be hard-nosed indeed. It rewards those who benefit the world and punishes those who have not demonstrated the lessons of social and corporate give-and-take.

Saturn and Pluto together in Capricorn

Pluto is the original god of the underworld and represents transformation of both individuals and corporate bodies. It also is symbolic of pure Power. Saturn began to make challenging aspects to Pluto in February 2016. These challenges are steadily increasing toward a crescendo in the first quarter of 2020.

This pair, as with all planets, has both positive and negative sides. On the bright side we have work which is both hard and transforming. On the dark side, we see those who have claimed demigod status and are mean, even vicious, to all others. The dark side is criminal in an ongoing way. On the personal level, it requires that we work hard to hold onto personal power in the face of circumstances that are not at all conducive to our use of it. Be creative.

When this is over, the winners will be those who have adapted and honed their solutions to a fine science. There likely will be much more crumbling in the economic systems worldwide throughout this period. Making

this statement is not likely to 'win friends and influence people,' but I hope my readers will take this warning and pay off credit. Those with a little bit of power are likely to exploit it well beyond what it is worth. You don't want others to have financial control over you.

Failing infrastructures that have just held together in the past few years will be letting go of their tenuous hold. For the next two years there likely will be accidents in water and sewer systems, roads, bridges, and anything else considered infrastructure.

The more personal message is that one or more structures that you have built into your life are crumbling. This is the third of four years to correct the problem. Maybe that structure or plan needs to go. Perhaps it has been impeding you from moving forward. It is possible that this process began in 2016. If it continues to have value in your life, much effort and probably considerable money will be required to repair and restore damage. Consider allowing the crumbling structure to transform into an updated version of itself.

Pluto crosses the Ecliptic

The last time this occurred was in 1930-31, just as the Great Depression was moving into full swing. The wisdom is obvious. Though we cannot know for certainty that this will

happen again, it is better to be prepared for hard economic times.

Uranus Semisquare Neptune

This aspect was prominent between July and December of 2016. In January of 2017 I wrote that Uranus is known for throwing lightning strikes and Neptune, as Poseidon, is the ancient god of bodies of water. I predicted the hurricane season of 2017 was likely to be brutal. Uranus acts suddenly and without much warning, so unusual storms are probable during the second, third and fourth quarters in 2018. This combination may bring sudden news concerning our water resources all over the globe. Uranus throws fire (lightning) and Neptune rules the water. Oil spills or other catastrophes may suddenly ignite water.

Mars Retrogrades

In June Mars begins a retrograde path that will continue through the end of August. It starts in Aquarius, travels through the latter degrees of Capricorn, and returns to its starting place in early October. Historically, those who draw a sword or attempt to expand power during these periods eventually find it turned against themselves. In our personal lives we are well advised to avoid extending our boundaries or initiating 'war' on any front. The defendant, not the aggressor, will win in any conflict as long as the god of war moves backward, and it doesn't matter how big or right the initiator may be. When Mars is retrograde we are well advised against filing suit, hunting for game, or opting for elective surgery (a different type of sword).

Venus Retrograding

This ancient goddess of love, romance, things of beauty and

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relationships will begin retrograde motion on October 5 until November 16. The preview begins on September 9 as relationships in general will tend to slow forward progress to the October 5 point, when Venus moves deeply into retrograde territory until November 16, 2018. Then she slowly makes the turn to direct motion and the entire saga will be over by mid-December.

During her ebb periods (as above) we reflect on our personal needs with respect to partnerships. Meanwhile it is common for ongoing relationships to shift into neutral or even a temporary reversal. The universal message is

to think carefully about who you are before making a promise of commitment. For those already pledged, it is a time to go within oneself and discover the qualities needed to improve upon the existing relationship. If the effort is deemed too much, there will be those who break the ties. From the global point of view, these periods often mark times when treaties or agreements between nations are violated or negotiations break down between countries.

Next week we'll print the horoscopes for individual signs. Check back for Part II

Experiencing Grace in the New Year

SUBMITTED BY SHYNO CHACKO

December's worship theme at Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation was grace. Now, on the last day of the year, we will explore the InterPlay idea of grace, which is similar to ease. Could you use more ease in your life? Come hang out with us. We'll figure out how to let go of some of the stress of 2017, and ways to help you hang in there through the coming year. We'll use a combination of ritual, meditation, conversation, and some easy movement to help us relax, connect, and discover what will bring more grace and help us ease into the New Year. The service will be led by Allysson McDonald with music by Jay Steele.

Experiencing Grace in the New Year
Sunday, Dec 31
10 a.m.
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Happy New Year from the Union City Library

SUBMITTED BY
LILI KHALILI

Public libraries embody the liberating idea of self-instruction. Lifelong learning enhances our understanding of the world, provides us with better opportunities, and improves our quality of life. Barbara Telford-Ishida, an Alameda County librarian, shares here some of the library's online educational resources. If learning something new sounds good to you, try a few of our online educational tools!

- **Brainfuse:** Real-time interactive tutoring for students of all ages includes Spanish, high school equivalency preparation, and Microsoft applications. Just click 'Homework Help' on our homepage, www.aclibrary.org. Brainfuse also includes Writing Lab, resume help, Grammar Lab, and more!
- **Learning Express Library database:** a great resource for people who want to ace an exam or master Microsoft applications. It's perfect for college-bound high school students or adults looking to strengthen their computer skills or those are aiming for career advancement or change.
- **Universal Class database:** Over 500 lifelong learning courses for career, hobbies and personal development. Courses range from the Pursuit of Happiness to Office and Business Skills. Allen Tough (1979), a Canadian educator and researcher, states that almost 70% of learning projects are self-planned.

Alan Alda, the award-winning actor and bestselling author, tells a fascinating story of his lifelong quest to learn how to communi-

cate better, and how to teach others to do the same. With his trademark humor and honesty, he explores how the development of empathy is a key factor in communication.

His search began when he was host of PBS's Scientific American Frontiers, where he interviewed thousands of scientists and developed a knack for helping them communicate complex ideas in ways a wide audience could understand—and Alda wondered if those techniques held a clue to better communication for the rest of us.

Alda's book, 'If I understood you, would I have this look on my face?: My adventures in the art and science of relating and communicating,' has arrived at our library, where patrons can find more than 100 books on empathy or interpersonal communication either here or at one of our branches.

Creativity, like information, is free to everyone who steps into a library. All kinds of resources—such as books, periodicals, online sources, video, and more—are available for anyone starting a new project. In fact, 'Creative ability' and 'Inspiration' are subject-headings in the library's catalog. Our librarians are happy to help you discover the riches in each of these categories!

Leonardo Da Vinci, one of history's most creative geniuses, is the subject of a new biography by Walter Isaacson. Isaacson's book shows how Leonardo's genius was based on skills we, too, can develop. Based on pages from Leonardo's astonishing notebooks, as well as new discoveries about his life and work, Walter Isaacson weaves a narrative that connects

Leonardo's art to his science, and truly brings this great artist to life.

If you're interested in developing your artistic ability, programs like Write Your Story at Union City Library could be just right. This program helps members write their memoirs or their first books of fiction. There's a special 3-hour workshop on Saturday February 3. To register, contact Union City Library at (510) 745-1464.

Other programs like Fremont Library's Grant Center helps individuals create careers with social impact by sharing information on how to acquire grants to help start nonprofit organizations. The Fremont Grant Center provides visitors with free public access to grant-maker directories, books on fundraising and nonprofit management, and the Foundation Center's electronic databases. To connect with the Grant Resource Center call (510)745-1444.

If you are at Union City Library, stop and talk with Trevor Calvert, the library's new acting manager. He is a poet and writer, and has experience in education and library collection-development. He's excited to be at Union City Library and is working closely with the community to create the best library-experience for all.

Over the winter holidays and in the coming year, if you have projects or ideas you want launch, please visit us and chat with any of our friendly staff or hop on a computer and explore our electronic resources. We look forward supporting your lifelong learning!

FUN Mothers' Club provides support, friendship, and service

BY MARGARET THORNBERRY
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FUN MOTHERS' CLUB

Mothers have something in common with soldiers who have seen combat. There's the camaraderie that comes from

moms from the wider Tri-Cities community, the name was changed to FUN Mothers' Club (FUNMC), standing for Fremont, Union City, and Newark, and better reflect the club's membership—and they do have fun! Now, 26 years



Mothers enjoying a night out: Khushboo Murarka, Aizhan Hong, Shannon Liu Shair, Selvia Widodo, Shiwani Bedekar, Katie Lucas, Connie Hodgeman, Beth O'Neill, Tina Chau, and Veronika Khodareva.



shared experiences of sitting up all night with a sick child, or dealing with a world that suddenly seems full of dangers—dogs that might bite, drivers that don't honor stop signs, rumors of child abduction. Only a few generations ago, first time mothers had the support of a cadre of their own mothers, aunties, grannies, and other moms who shared their wisdom about how to deal with problems, from fussy eaters to teething, from skinned knees to serious medical issues. Nowadays, families are widely scattered

later, the organization is a tax advantaged, all volunteer 501(c)3 with over 130 dues-paying members. The club is a community of moms supporting moms, providing opportunities for socialization, friendship and service to the Tri-City community. First time expecting moms, mothers of teens, stay-at-home mothers, and moms with careers enjoy activities such as coffee socials, mothers' nights out, volunteer events, and child play dates, great ways to meet others and build connections. Seasonal events include the whole family.

pregnancy, birth and postpartum care, a map of playgrounds in the Tri-City area and much more. Since the success of a recent Emergency Preparedness program, plans are in the works for speakers on topics of interest.

Caring communication between parents whose children may be facing serious medical issues or other crises is also a vital part of what the organization provides. At least three current FUN Mothers' Club members have children born with Congenital Heart Disease (CHD). Shannon Liu Shair, Community Outreach Coordinator for FUNMC,

to instill love of service and volunteerism in FUNMC members' older children. The organization also offers "In a Pinch" meals, delivered with love on a volunteer basis by club members for member moms who may need short term respite and support.

The FUN Mothers' Club also lists "Mom-owned businesses" of members. Shair is an attorney whose focus is estate planning. She feels that her activity with the FUNMC and being a young mother has provided her with a practical understanding to better address the needs of families faced with managing financial issues such as paying for college, planning for retirement, and making decisions on estate distribution. Giving back to the community is an important part of her life, a concept shared by many FUNMC members.

FUNMC will be holding their 14th annual Preschool Faire at the Basic Independent School in Fremont on Saturday, February 10. This event will be free to the public. Over 30 preschools and extracurricular programs will be gathered together under one roof—a wonderful way for parents to learn about options available for their children. For more details, see <https://funmothersclub.wildapricot.org/Preschool-Faire>.

Membership in the FUN Mothers' Club is \$50 per year, \$48 for renewal, and only \$40 annually for those who contribute significant volunteer work. If you are a mom or mom-to-be interested in joining this outstanding organization, a membership application is available online at <https://funmothersclub.wildapricot.org/join-us>, or leave a voice mail message stating your interest and contact information through Google Voice at (510) 556-4386, or by e-mail to info@funmothersclub.org.



advises that statistically 1 of 100 babies born will have a congenital heart defect, and 25 percent of those will require surgery, including her own son. FUN Mothers' Club is now participating in a project with Mended Little Hearts of the Bay Area and UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital to provide Bravery Bags for families whose children will be undergoing open heart surgery at UCSF and Stanford. Members and their children collect items that will be helpful during the hospital visit, then gather to assemble them into Bravery Bags and make cards for the kids... an opportunity



FUNMC members at a Loved Twice packing party: Dharini Krishnamurthy, Tina Chau, Anna Berns, Connie Hodgeman, Katie Lucas, Shannon Liu Shair, Aparna Sirur, and Shiwani Bedekar.

and most don't have that pool of "mom knowledge" readily at hand.

In fall 1991 a small group of mothers felt the need to share their experiences of raising children, and formed the Newark Mothers' Club. As membership grew to include

Activities at the end of the year include a Holiday Party, adoption of a family through Newark's League of Volunteers, caroling at the Masonic Home in Union City, food service at Saint Vincent de Paul, and a baby clothing donation drive and packing party for Loved Twice to provide newborns in need with

quality reused baby clothing for the first year of life.

One of the most appreciated benefits of being a member of the FUN Mothers' Club is sharing information. In addition to member-to-member communication, the organization lists resources on topics of



Broadway comes to Newark

SUBMITTED BY
SHIRLEY SISK

What better way to kick off the new year than with music from two of Broadway's most popular and enduring musicals? League of Volunteers (LOV) and the Newark Arts Council are teaming up to present a concert featuring vocalists Dan and Laurie Roldan performing tunes from "My Fair Lady" and "Oklahoma" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 7

Laurie is an award-winning actress and concert artist. Some of her favorite roles are Sarah Brown in "Guys and Dolls," Rose in "The Secret Garden," and Mary Magdalene in "Jesus Christ Superstar." Dan spent many years in New York with experience on Broadway and off Broadway. Some of his favorite roles include

Sky Masterson in "Guys and Dolls," Frank Butler in "Annie Get Your Fun," Billy Bigelow in "Carousel" and Curly McClain in "Oklahoma"

The concert will be in the Thornton Junior High Multi-Purpose Auditorium, 4356 Thornton Ave., Fremont. Doors open at 1 p.m. with the concert starting at 2 p.m. Admission is free with donations suggested at the door. Complimentary refreshments will be served during intermission.

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FAVORITE DESIGN PROJECTS OF 2017

BY ANNA JACOBY

It's hard to believe we are saying goodbye to 2017 already! Why does it seem like it went by in the blink of an eye? With this last column of the year, I thought I'd share with you some of my favorite design projects from this year, and what I like most about them. They all came out beautifully, capturing the needs and wants of the clients, and each space has its own unique personality. Perhaps they will inspire you for your own projects in 2018.

Brown and White Kitchen

I love that even though the color scheme is neutral, this project had a lot of punch because of the high-contrast chocolate and white color scheme. The countertops have some sparkle in them, which is



set off beautifully under the LED lights. The cabinet hardware is very cool, with a great mix of stainless steel and oil rubbed bronze. Perfect for this kitchen.

Blue and White Kitchen

This kitchen was a big challenge, with the different ceiling heights and step-down family room. I love the great use of space: We created a large pantry at the awkward, narrow area up the steps, and also expanded into the family room, creating extra storage and serving space for entertaining. I'm definitely a 'blue person,' so I love the color scheme. The cabinets look so crisp and clean against the soft blue walls. The backsplash is gorgeous—a mixture of blue and white marble tile in a herringbone pattern. Kudos to the very talented tile installer we used on this project!

Open Concept Kitchen and Living Room

Opening up the wall separating the two rooms made all the difference in the world. The original kitchen was cut off entirely from the living space—now it's a great space for the whole family to hang out together. I love the touches of yellow brightening up the gray and white color scheme. I also



love the backsplash tile—it's an interesting combination of stones, colors and textures.

Elegant Powder Room

I love the custom bow-front cabinet—it was designed especially for that tiny space, adding some much needed storage, with lovely curves and elegant lines. I love the touches of "bling"—note the crystal light fixture, cut glass cabinet knobs, and the slight shimmer present in the wallpaper.

Compact, Contemporary Bathroom

This bath was part of a larger remodel project, where I was tasked with reconfiguring an existing laundry room and powder room to include a full bath and expanded laundry/mudroom. I just love so much functionality in a small space, including a walk-in shower. The monochromatic color scheme, frameless glass enclosure, and plenty of new lighting all work together to make this bath feel light and airy, and larger than it is. The accent



tile in the shower is a beautifully striking mixture of glass and marble tiles.



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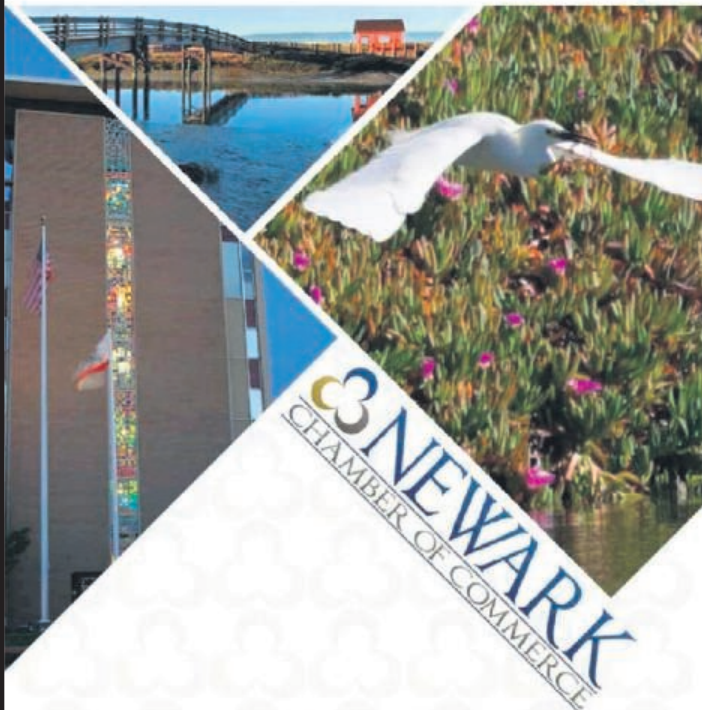


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CASTRO VALLEY TOTAL SALES: 5						
Highest \$: 975,000		Median \$: 860,000				
Lowest \$: 575,000		Average \$: 817,000				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
38627 Cherry Lane #86	94536	455,000	2	789	1974	10-31-17
37356 Chinaberry Com	94536	1,135,000	4	2054	1997	10-31-17
5218 Earle Street	94536	1,171,000	3	1944	1964	10-31-17
3371 Foxtail Terrace	94536	307,000	-	421	1986	10-30-17
4756 La Mesa Court	94536	763,000	3	1148	1956	10-30-17

FREMONT TOTAL SALES: 30						
Highest \$: 1,415,000		Median \$: 886,000				
Lowest \$: 580,000		Average \$: 912,850				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
36046 Adobe Drive	94536	535,000	2	929	1974	10-31-17
38627 Cherry Lane #86	94536	455,000	2	789	1974	10-31-17
37356 Chinaberry Com	94536	1,135,000	4	2054	1997	10-31-17
5218 Earle Street	94536	1,171,000	3	1944	1964	10-31-17
3371 Foxtail Terrace	94536	307,000	-	421	1986	10-30-17
4756 La Mesa Court	94536	763,000	3	1148	1956	10-30-17
4395 Nagle Way	94536	1,025,000	3	1343	1958	10-31-17
4630 Northdale Drive	94536	1,380,000	3	1974	1955	11-01-17
1361 Peralta Boulevard	94536	985,000	-	1652	1977	10-31-17
399 Rivercreek Drive	94536	985,000	3	1384	1989	10-30-17
957 Rock Avenue	94536	1,210,000	3	1752	1965	10-31-17
38617 Royal Ann Com	94536	605,500	3	1180	1971	10-30-17
5264 Selma Avenue	94536	1,150,500	4	2552	1962	10-30-17
37341 Sequoia Road	94536	385,000	1	593	1986	10-31-17
37965 Stenhammer Dr	94536	860,000	3	1482	1959	10-31-17
4471 Amador Road	94538	980,000	5	1696	1961	10-31-17
39732 Costa Way	94538	910,000	3	1626	1963	11-01-17
5481 Cumberland Park Ct	94538	1,050,000	4	1736	1962	10-31-17
4656 Flamingo Park Ct	94538	1,155,000	4	1684	1964	11-01-17
42789 Hamilton Way	94538	840,000	3	1156	1958	10-31-17
42723 Lemonwood St	94538	1,051,000	3	1198	1959	10-31-17
5469 Reseda Circle	94538	990,000	4	1422	1994	10-30-17
40407 Torenia Circle	94538	1,040,000	4	1614	1994	10-31-17
5651 Willkie Place	94538	931,000	4	1387	1966	10-31-17
46943 Bradley Street	94539	1,280,000	4	1430	1962	11-01-17
43129 Palm Place	94539	1,754,500	4	2328	2007	10-30-17
1013 Sage Court	94539	2,378,000	-	3203	1980	10-31-17
616 Starlite Way	94539	901,000	3	1000	1963	10-31-17
1591 Via Sombrio	94539	1,750,000	4	2533	1973	10-31-17
44342 View Point Circle	94539	2,200,000	5	3207	1990	10-31-17
218 West Hunter Lane	94539	2,170,000	4	3209	1989	10-30-17
34847 Awning Terrace	94555	1,040,000	4	2242	2016	11-01-17
4004 Caribbean Com	94555	579,000	3	1166	1970	10-31-17
32965 Falcon Drive	94555	1,440,000	-	2469	1979	10-30-17
34811 Hardwick Place	94555	941,000	4	1402	1971	11-01-17
33965 Horseshoe Loop	94555	1,699,500	4	2888	2016	10-31-17
33204 Lake Garrison St	94555	890,000	3	1060	1969	10-31-17
34925 Oyster Bay Ter	94555	650,000	2	1296	1983	10-31-17
34661 Tabu Terrace	94555	650,000	2	934	1987	10-30-17
3133 Warwick Road	94555	1,065,000	4	1402	1971	10-30-17

HAYWARD TOTAL SALES: 34						
Highest \$: 950,500		Median \$: 616,000				
Lowest \$: 290,000		Average \$: 629,191				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
22555 Cisneros Drive	94541	750,000	3	1840	2002	10-31-17
1097 D Street	94541	830,000	5	2878	1923	10-31-17
21335 Hathaway Ave	94541	1,600,000	2	1823	1952	11-01-17
24481 Northpointe Ct	94541	850,000	4	2554	2000	10-30-17
22559 Santa Clara Street	94541	530,000	3	859	1955	10-31-17
18663 Standish Avenue	94541	430,000	1	528	1937	10-31-17
19063 Times Avenue	94541	660,000	3	1182	1952	10-30-17
27043 Columbia Court	94542	888,000	4	2127	1987	10-31-17
3247 Round Hill Drive	94542	890,000	5	2650	1969	10-31-17
474 Elmhurst Street	94544	570,000	3	1176	1958	10-31-17
167 Gloria Street	94544	720,000	4	1370	1952	10-30-17
125 Lafayette Avenue	94544	595,000	3	927	1951	11-01-17
170 Turlock Way	94544	646,000	4	1310	1954	10-31-17
2541 Admiral Circle	94545	1,020,000	4	2377	2016	10-30-17

27603 Barcelona Ave	94545	521,000	3	1119	1955	10-31-17
2816 Shellgate Court	94545	930,000	4	2291	2003	10-30-17
317 Toscana Way	94545	802,000	4	2101	2010	10-31-17
325 Toscana Way	94545	799,000	3	1998	2010	10-30-17

MILPITAS TOTAL SALES: 18						
Highest \$: 1,218,000		Median \$: 1,020,000				
Lowest \$: 580,000		Average \$: 1,020,028				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
1970 Badgerwood Lane	95035	965,000	2	1498	1987	11-21-17
1592 Hidden Creek Ln	95035	1,067,000	3	2318	2017	11-22-17
1606 Hidden Creek Lane	95035	1,105,500	3	2413	2017	11-28-17
56 Lonetree Court	95035	1,160,500	4	1824	1967	11-21-17
1053 North Abbott Ave	95035	425,000	2	863	1979	11-22-17
1108 North Abbott Ave	95035	658,000	3	1143	1979	11-22-17
668 North Abbott Ave	95035	940,000	3	1160	1960	11-21-17

NEWARK TOTAL SALES: 6						
Highest \$: 972,000		Median \$: 750,000				
Lowest \$: 655,000		Average \$: 817,000				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
38393 Amaryllis Place	94560	1,257,000	4	2708	2003	10-31-17
6757 George Avenue	94560	360,000	3	1012	1947	10-31-17
6301 Joaquin Murieta Ave #D	94560	534,000	2	1132	1981	10-31-17
36657 Lakewood Court	94560	730,000	3	1144	1962	10-31-17
6035 Madelaine Drive	94560	770,000	3	1100	1959	10-30-17
37517 Shelter Road	94560	689,500	-	-	-	10-30-17
37523 Shelter Road	94560	723,000	-	-	-	11-01-17
37553 Shelter Road	94560	776,500	-	-	-	10-31-17
6282 Smith Avenue	94560	828,000	3	1816	1964	10-30-17

SAN LEANDRO TOTAL SALES: 18						
Highest \$: 800,000		Median \$: 605,000				
Lowest \$: 431,500		Average \$: 605,306				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
351 Accolade Drive	94577	650,000	3	1460	2002	10-30-17
1233 Aileen Street	94577	578,500	3	1135	1943	10-31-17
935 Begier Avenue	94577	800,000	2	1738	1938	10-31-17
713 Callaway Street	94577	805,000	4	2646	2004	11-01-17
1132 Carpentier St #106	94577	217,000	2	1182	1983	11-01-17
905 Frederick Road	94577	479,500	3	933	1942	11-01-17
840 Glen Drive	94577	700,000	4	1797	1957	10-30-17
1468 Jean Way	94577	450,000	2	840	1942	11-01-17
276 Joaquin Avenue	94577	599,000	3	1330	1924	10-31-17
436 Lewis Avenue	94577	200,000	2	798	1923	11-01-17
3881 Carmel Way	94578	600,000	3	1096	1954	10-31-17
14978 Fjord Street	94578	472,000	-	1608	1978	10-31-17
16931 Los Reyes Avenue	94578	585,000	4	1506	1945	11-01-17
16011 Maubert Avenue	94578	1,730,000	11	4413	1953	11-01-17
458 Olive Street	94578	540,000	2	1168	1947	10-31-17
14857 Sylvia Way	94578	345,000	3	1393	1946	11-01-17
15679 Anchorage Drive	94579	680,000	5	2251	1998	11-01-17
15212 Farnsworth Street	94579	658,000	2	1594	1950	10-31-17

SAN LORENZO TOTAL SALES: 4						
Highest \$: 650,000		Median \$: 615,000				
Lowest \$: 585,000		Average \$: 621,250				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
988 Ferro Drive	94580	725,000	4	1722	2000	10-31-17
15951 St. Johns Drive	94580	565,000	3	1164	1954	10-31-17
17476 Via Estrella	94580	570,000	2	837	1948	10-30-17
17482 Via Melina	94580	525,000	3	1031	1952	10-31-17
17246 Via San Ardo	94580	600,000	3	1031	1950	10-31-17
1794 Via Sarita	94580	660,000	3	1335	1952	10-30-17

UNION CITY TOTAL SALES: 16						
Highest \$: 1,470,000		Median \$: 860,000				
Lowest \$: 358,000		Average \$: 850,031				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
33611 3rd Street	94587	550,000	3	1260	1963	10-31-17
33309 5th Street	94587	520,000	2	740	1935	10-30-17
33865 8th Street	94587	810,000	5	2444	1953	10-30-17
2444 Balmoral Street	94587	865,000	3	1492	1967	11-01-17
2908 Flint Street #119	94587	435,000	2	908	1988	10-31-17
2244 Peacock Place #3	94587	430,000	2	903	1972	10-31-17
2389 Sherman Drive	94587	785,000	3	1320	1967	10-31-17

Home Sales Report

New Haven Unified news updates

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Eighth-graders need volunteers

Itliong-Vera Cruz Middle School eighth-grade students charged with analyzing and understanding the U.S. Constitution have been challenged to propose an amendment to our system of government. On Monday, January 29 and Tuesday, January 30, eighth-grade students will be presenting their proposals to a panel of mock Senators and House Representatives who will vote to determine if their amendment should pass. Those who amendments pass will be given an envelope to mail their proposal off to Senator Kamala Harris or Representative Bill Quirk. Our would-be lawmakers need people who are willing to sit in on these presentations. If you can help, or know someone that can, registration is through www.SignUpGenius.com/go/9040A4EA5AF29A02-ivcms1

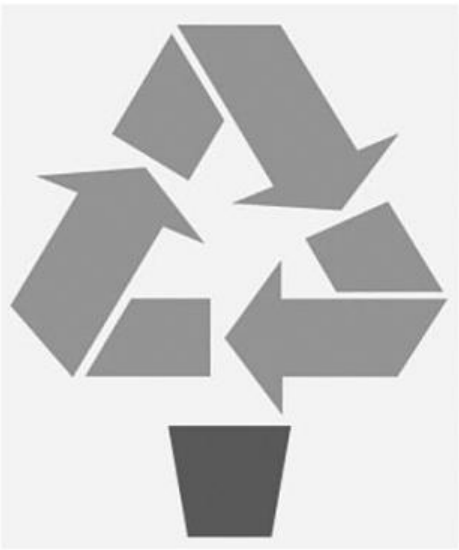
Fathers and father figures needed

Itliong-Vera Cruz Middle School is hosting R3 Academy Fatherhood Classes for fathers and father-figures on Thursday evenings from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. These classes are in both English and Spanish. This 12-week course highlights the three key relationships that fathers and father-figures have: with children, with co-parents, and with co-workers. Visit <http://abc7news.com/education/fathers-learn-to-relate-to-their-children-through-ca-r3-academy-classes-/2413530/> to learn more.

We have heard such great feedback from our graduated fathers and father-figures that we are considering starting

another set of 12-week R3 Academy Classes in February. We would like to see if there is enough interest among IVC's and the NHUSD's father and father-figures to do so. A minimum of 12 participants are needed to commit to enrolling with a “yes” or a “maybe” for the course (English and Spanish) in order for these classes to take place. Registration, classes, and workbooks are free, thanks to a federal grant received by the organization teaching the classes, Healthy Relationships California, a non-profit, non-sectarian educational organization.

Fill out a brief survey to let us know your interests: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfa6ipvRoo97ZLuMkCvYWET00orYJxZ_fbhxUO_4kv7WBQ2g/view-form



Holiday Tree Recycling

Each year approximately 33 million live Christmas trees are sold in North America! After the holidays recycle trees instead of sending them to the landfill. Trees will be taken to a compost facility and processed into beneficial mulch and compost.

Be sure to remove all ornaments, tinsel, other decorations, and stands before placing your tree at the curb during these weeks:

- Fremont Residents: January 2 - 12, 2018
- Newark Residents: January 15 - 26, 2018
- *Union City Residents: December 26, 2017 - January 31, 2018
- *collection provided by Tri-CED in Union City

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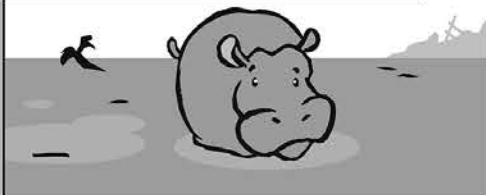
Owen and Mzee: A Most Unusual Friendship (A True Story!)

Hi there! My name is Mzee. I'm about 130 years old (I don't bother to keep track of my birthdays anymore). Here's the story of how I met my best friend named Owen.



Back in 2004, there was a terrible tsunami that caused unbelievable damage and loss of life in Southeast Asia and Africa. Your parents probably read about it.

In Kenya, a baby hippo was left stranded on a coral reef. He was too tired and frightened to get back to shore by himself. Hundreds of villagers and visitors worked together to rescue the young hippo.



A man named Owen Sobien was able to tackle the slippery hippo long enough for others to drape a net over him. The hippo was named Owen in his honor.



Owen was moved to Haller Park, Kenya, where I live.

Now, I've always preferred to be by myself. But Owen just kept following me around.

If I walked away, he'd follow me. At first, I felt a little embarrassed and annoyed when he would crouch beside me like a baby hippo does with its mom.

But Owen was a nice enough kid. And without a mother, he needed someone to show him how to find food, so I did.



People wonder why we became such close friends. Some think it's maybe because my round shell looked a little like another hippo to Owen. What do YOU think?



Standards Link: Life Science: Animal patterns of behavior are related to the nature of their environment.

Hippo or Tortoise?

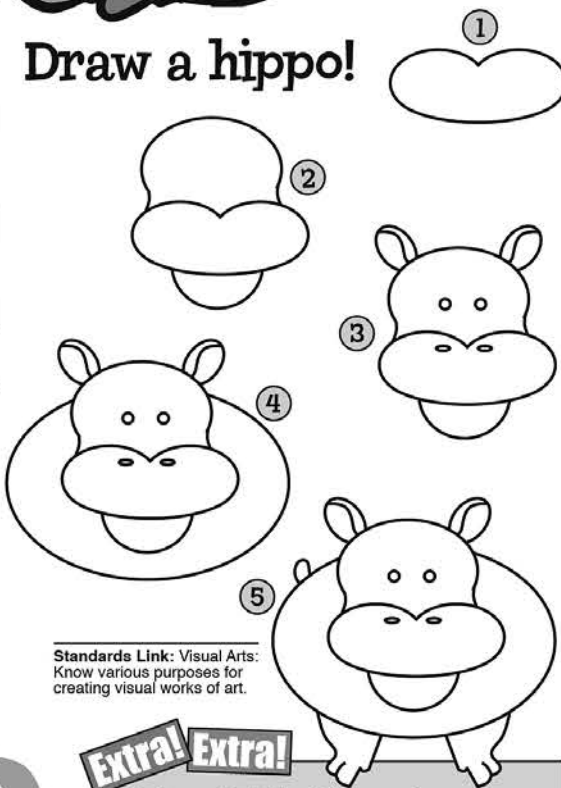
Do the math to find out which facts describe a hippo and which describe a tortoise. If the answer is less than 10, it describes a hippo. If the answer is more than 15, it describes a tortoise. If the answer is between 10 and 15, it is true for both hippos and tortoises.

- Lives to be 200 years old. 9 + 7 =
- Lived with the dinosaurs. 19 - 4 =
- Is an herbivore. 6 + 5 =
- Likes to swim. 7 + 5 =
- Its closest living relative is a whale. 3 + 6 =
- Can run faster than a human. 4 + 3 =



Standards Link: Number Sense: Add and subtract whole numbers.

Draw a hippo!



Standards Link: Visual Arts: Know various purposes for creating visual works of art.

Friendship Search

- Look through the newspaper and find:
- a friendly face
 - a person acting like a friend
 - a nice thing to do for a friend
 - a word that describes you as a friend

Standards Link: Health: Know behaviors that communicate care, consideration and respect of self and others.

Kid Scoop Together: Family Time

Oops! Some words have fallen out of the story below. Use the words in the word bank to complete the story.

More about Mzee

Mzee is an Aldabra (al-DAH-brah) tortoise. The Aldabra tortoise is _____ found on the Aldabra Islands in the Indian Ocean. Today these _____ are home to about 150,000 of the tortoises.

The Aldabra tortoise is the largest _____ of tortoise in the world. A male can grow to be four feet in _____ and can weigh up to 550 pounds (250kg). One giant male at the Fort Worth Zoological Park weighs over 790 pounds (360kg)!

For the most part, the Aldabra tortoise is an _____. The tortoises will eat grasses, leaves and woody plant stems. Sometimes they will eat small bugs and even dead animals. In _____, they enjoy apples and bananas.

It is thought that _____ took Mzee from his island home to eat him. He may have reached Africa by escaping the ship or surviving a shipwreck.

- WORD BANK
- SAILORS SPECIES
- LENGTH CAPTIVITY
- ISLANDS USUALLY
- HERBIVORE

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Use context clues to determine the meaning of words.

What a Character!™ Friendship is ...



... spending time together.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **STRAND**

The verb **strand** means to be left in a strange or dangerous place.

The baby hippo was **stranded** on a coral reef.

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

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Unscramble the letters to find out what the word *hippopotamus* means in Latin.

ETWAR SHORE

Unscramble the letters to find out what Mzee means in Swahili.

SWIE DLO NMA

Standards Link: Reading: Read and follow directions appropriate to grades 1-5.

Kid Scoop Word Search

- FRIENDSHIP
- TSUNAMI
- HALLER
- MZEE
- TORTOISE
- CORAL
- SHORE
- OWEN
- SOBIEN
- CROUCH
- RESCUE
- TRAIT
- DRAPE
- BABY
- REEF

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.



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

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Rhyme Time

Look through the newspaper for pairs of words that rhyme. Use these words to write a little poem and give your poem to a friend.

Standards Link: Word Analysis: Identify words that rhyme; Writing Applications: Write various forms of genres including poetry; Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.



What is as big as a hippo but weighs nothing?

ANSWER: A hippo's shadow

Write On! Best Friends

Who's your best friend? What makes a friend a **best** friend? Give examples of reasons this person is your very best friend.



**City of Fremont
Holiday Closure
Scheduled for
Dec. 25, 2017
to Jan. 2, 2018**

**Police, Fire Services
Not Affected**



The City of Fremont is implementing a Holiday Closure for many non-public safety City Services. The Holiday Closure is scheduled for Dec. 27, 28, and 29, 2017, while City holidays are observed on Dec. 25 and 26, 2017 and Jan. 1 and 2, 2018. City offices participating in the Holiday Closure will re-open for business on Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2018. This closure will not affect police and fire services.

Offices taking part in the Holiday Closure include:

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

Offices and facilities providing limited services during the Holiday Closure include:

- Parks and Recreation, 3300 Capitol Ave., Building B (for walk-in registration of recreation programs only, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Dec. 26 - 29 and Jan. 2, 2018.
- Community Centers and Recreation buildings with holiday day camps, programs, and pre-booked facility rentals will be closed Dec. 25, 2017 and Jan. 1, 2018.
- Human Services will provide limited services for Youth & Family Services, Family Resource Center, Healthy Start Program, HIP Housing and In-Home Support Services (IHSS). Please call 510-284-4093 with any questions.
- Life Eldercare (clients should contact 510-574-2090 for additional information).

- Afghan Elderly Association (clients should contact their case-worker for additional information). During the Holiday Closure:
- The Fremont Police and Fire Departments will continue to provide public safety services.
- A minimum number of City staff will be available in an on-call status to provide emergency maintenance services, such as responding to storm-related issues.

- Regularly-scheduled street sweeping will occur on Dec. 27, 28, and 29, 2017; weather permitting. There will be no street sweeping on City-observed holidays. (We will make every effort to provide service on a different day.)
- The Tri-City Animal Shelter, located at 1950 Stevenson Blvd., will be closed to the public on City-observed holidays. Animal Field Services will be available during limited hours on Dec. 25 and 26, 2017 and Jan. 1 and 2, 2018.
- The Human Services Department will have one or two crisis counselors available at the Fremont Family Resource Center, located at 39155 Liberty St.

- Garbage, recycling, and yard waste collection by Republic Services will be provided one day later than normally scheduled during the closure. Call 510-657-3500 for more information.
- The Parks and Recreation Division will offer camps and other programs.

Historically, demand for many City services during the December and January holiday season is low. It is anticipated that the Holiday Closure will have little or no impact on service delivery efficiency.

For more information on the Holiday Closure, please visit www.Fremont.gov/HolidayClosure or call 510-284-4093.

Christmas Tree Disposal

Every year, Fremont residents buy thousands of Christmas trees that will end up in landfills if they are not properly composted. You can reduce your environmental impact this holiday season by planting a live tree or decorating with a reusable tree. If you choose to use a real Christmas tree, please make sure it is compostable by removing all decorations, tinsel, nails, and tree stands (including the wooden kind, nailed to the bottom of the trunk). Additionally, any tree that is covered with artificial snow contains fire retardant and therefore cannot be composted. There are four different ways you can dispose of your tree in Fremont:

Gutter (Single-family homes only)

- Service is only available during the first two weeks of January.
- If your tree is less than six feet in length, place the whole tree in the gutter on your collection day.
- If your tree is over six feet in length, cut the tree in half and place both halves in the gutter on your collection day.
- Make sure your tree is in the gutter, not on the sidewalk.
- Check that your tree is free of all decorations when placed in the gutter; this helps keep our storm drains litter-free.

Green Organics Cart

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

Boy Scouts of America Pickup Service

- Please make arrangements with the Boy Scouts to have your tree picked up outside your residence on Saturday, Jan. 6, 2018 by

mailing in the coupon at the bottom by Thursday, Dec. 28, 2017.

- Do not place your tree anywhere near the gutter or on the sidewalk. Instead, place it on your lawn, driveway, or other designated outdoor area (visible from the street) that you pre-arrange with the Boy Scouts.

Garbage Cart

- Please use this only as the last option. Compost your tree first, if possible.
- If the tree contains flocking or decorations, cut it up so pieces fit loosely in your garbage cart with the lid closed.
- Place the blue or black garbage cart at the curb on your scheduled collection day.

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

Additional Christmas tree composting information is available at www.Fremont.gov/Environment.



Coupon for Boy Scout Pickup (cut along dotted line)

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New Irvington BART Station



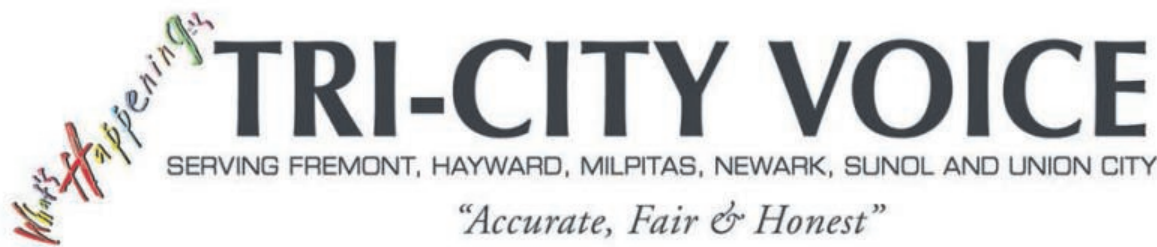
The future Irvington BART Station will be located in the Irvington District at the intersection of Washington Boulevard and Osgood Road, approximately halfway between the existing Fremont BART Station and the Warm Springs/South Fremont BART Station. The Irvington BART Station was first studied as part of the

Warm Springs extension in 1979 and was first approved by the BART Board in 1992. Most recently, the Irvington Station was planned to be constructed as part of the Warm Springs BART Extension. However, insufficient funding for the station delayed its development until Alameda County voters passed Measure BB in 2014,

which specifically included funding for the station. With that measure passing, the City and BART are currently in the planning and design phase of the process for this new station. The work in this phase will result in two plans: the Station Site Plan and the Station Area Plan. Both plans will require an updated environmental review process. The Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) is funding and overseeing the project.

As the City of Fremont begins planning for the future Irvington BART Station together with BART, we want to involve our community. Here are a few ways to get involved and provide feedback:

- Take our community survey at www.Fremont.gov/IrvingtonBARTSurvey. We want to hear how the new Irvington BART Station can best serve you. City staff will review the feedback received and use it to help plan the new station.
- Sign up for our Irvington BART Notify Me email list at www.Fremont.gov/IrvingtonBARTList to receive information on upcoming public meetings and project details.
- We encourage you to familiarize yourself with the project by visiting www.Fremont.gov/IrvingtonBART. You can view a video, maps, answers to frequently asked questions, and project materials. This webpage will be updated regularly to provide the latest information as the project progresses.



Athletes of the Month

This month's Tri-City Voice Student Athletes of the month matriculate with the Huskies of Washington High School (Fremont). Coulter Rigdon is the Athletic Director at Washington High.

Katie Roney



Katie Roney, an 18-year-old senior middle blocker on the girls' volleyball team, is the female student athlete this month from Washington High School (Fremont). She was born in Hayward and has lived in Fremont her whole life.

Roney started playing volleyball in fifth grade at CYO Corpus Christi and has played club volleyball for five years. Previously, she played for Lakas, Endline, Mountain View, and Vision Volleyball Clubs.

Growing up, Roney played softball, soccer and basketball for various school and youth teams and played JV softball during her freshman and sophomore years at Washington. Best part of her volleyball game is hitting while blocking; serving needs the most improvement.

Her parents are Karen and James. Mother played field hockey in high school and softball for a local adult softball team. Roney has two older siblings: brother, Jimmy, is set to graduate from the University of Washington this year; he played baseball and golf in high school. Sister, Elizabeth, is a junior at Tulane University and played softball in high school.



Roney wants to attend a four-year college and major in mechanical engineering. Favorite subjects are physics and history. Also, she would like to play club volleyball at the next level but would look at walking on as an intercollegiate athlete at whatever school she chooses. So far, she is looking at University of California campuses and private schools.

Favorite foods are pasta, strawberries and popcorn; favorite movie, Forest Gump; she also enjoys country western music.

Parents and siblings are her role models and since she is a big fan of professional baseball, she admires professional baseball players such as N.Y. Mets outfielder Yoenis Cespedes and Toronto third baseman, Josh Donaldson. Female golfer Michelle Wie is also one of her favorite professionals.

Favorite pastimes are going out with friends to the beach, movies or a day in San Francisco. She also likes spending time with her family, hanging around the house.

Pregame superstitions are pregame meals and a specific high five routine with her teammates.



Denny Rich



Male student athlete of the month is 17-year-old senior, Denny Rich, a member of the Huskies' boys' cross country team coached by Ben Voss. Rich has lived in Fremont his whole life.

When in elementary school, Rich enjoyed running in physical education class after watching one of his older brothers run cross country for Washington. When in eighth grade, he ran briefly for a CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) team and now runs on the Alameda Creek Trail in the mornings during the off season. He does that by himself or with his older brother, Ben, when he is home from school. Rich says he is best at the longer distances and needs work on his speed.

Besides cross country, Rich is on the varsity soccer team and runs track. Growing up, he played basketball for CYO Corpus Christi and baseball for Niles Centerville Little League.

His dad is Dave and mother, Lucy. Mother used to play tennis in high school and college and now enjoys running. Older brother Ben (25) attends

medical school in Miami and ran cross country and track at Washington; Will (25) graduated from UC Davis in 2014 and is temporarily living and working in Michigan; and Alex (23) graduated from Harvey Mudd in 2016 and works in San Francisco. Alex also participated in the shot put and discus at WHS and in college.

Rich would like to continue running in college and a possible occupation to pursue is mechanical engineering though that could change. Favorite

subject is physics and favorite food is ethnic, like Thai. When time permits, he likes playing basketball in his driveway.

Brother Ben first sparked his interest in running and taught him the value of hard work. Coach Ben Voss also graduated from WHS and cares a lot about the success of his cross country and track runners. Rich says he is grateful to Coach Voss.



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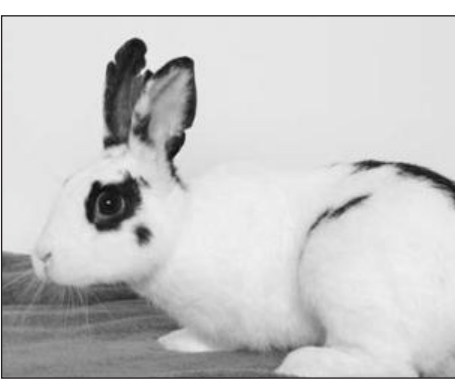
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Thursday, Nov 30 - Friday, Jan 5

Nordic 5 Arts

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Scandinavian visual arts
PhotoCentral
1099 E St., Hayward
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Thursday, Dec 2 - Saturday, Jan 13

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at 1 p.m.
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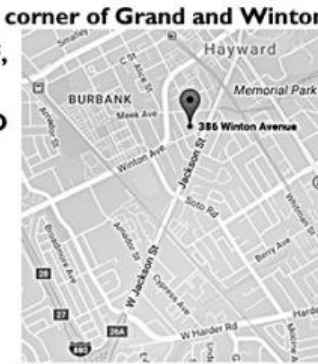
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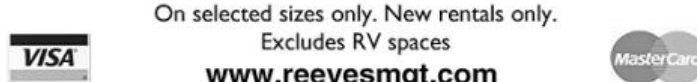
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Friday, Dec 29 - Saturday, Dec 30

Slumber with the Stars \$R

5 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Astronomy sleepover, exhibits, movie, meals

Chabot Space & Science Center
10000 Skyline Blvd., Oakland
(510) 336-7329
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Saturday, Dec 30

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Saturday, Dec 30

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Wednesday, Dec 20
 1:00 – 2:00 Del Rey School,
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 2:30 – 2:55 Eden House
 Apartments, 1601 165th Ave.,
 SAN LEANDRO
 3:30 – 4:00 Baywood Court,
 21966 Dolores St.,
 CASTRO VALLEY
 6:00 – 6:30
 Camellia Dr. & Camellia Ct.,
 FREMONT

Thursday, Dec 21
12:30 – 1:00 Stellar Academy,
38325 Cedar Blvd., NEWARK

2:30 – 3:00 Graham School,
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Tuesday, Dec 26
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Saturday, Dec 30
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Sunday, Dec 31
New Year's Eve Gala \$
 7:30 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.
Live music, dancing, food, silent auction
 USS Hornet Museum
 707 W. Hornet Ave, Alameda
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<https://www.uss-hornet.org/tag/new-years/>

Sunday, Dec 31
Paradise Ball New Year's Celebration \$
7:00 p.m.
Buffet dinner, performances, raffles
Golden Peacock Banquet Hall
24989 Santa Clara Street, Hayward
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Sunday, Dec 31
New Year's Eve Balloon
Drop Celebration \$
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Sunday, Dec 31
FOG New Year's Eve Gala
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7:30 p.m.
DJ, dancing, Indian buffet, hosted bar
Royal Palace
6064 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 491-4867
www.fogsv.org

Sunday, Dec 31
New Year's Eve Celebration
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7:30 p.m.
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19501 Redwood Rd., Castro Valley
(510) 889-8961
www.cvartsfoundation.org

Sunday, Dec 31
New Year's Eve Launch
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9 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Live music, stand-up comedy, musical
theatre
Ristorante Di Palermo
22532 Foothill Blvd., Hayward
<http://plethos.org/>

Sunday, Dec 31
Bollywood New Year's Eve Party \$
7 p.m.
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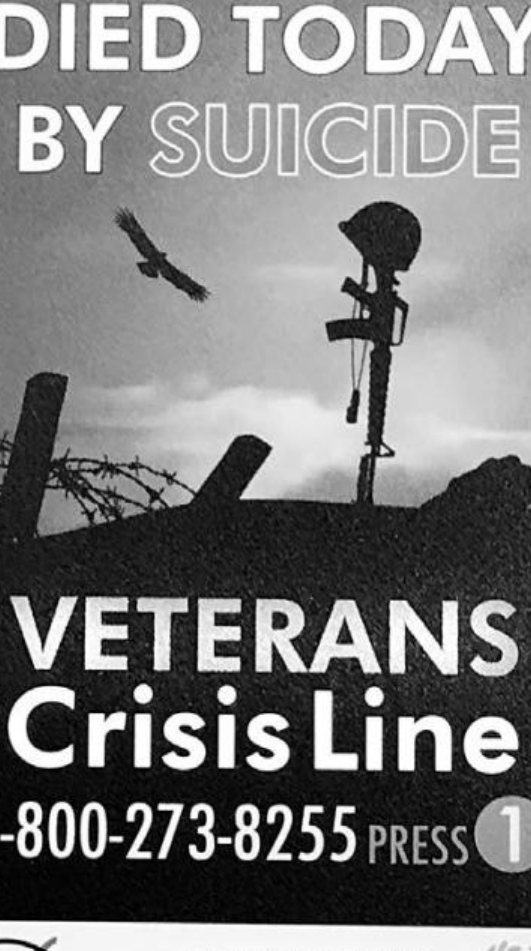
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Monday, Jan 1
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Monday, Jan 1
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Tuesday, Jan 2
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• Made Up Theatre, Fremont’s premier improv comedy venue, will be showcasing its 6th annual “New Year’s Eve Spectacular” on Sunday, December 31. The show will feature a double-header with two main stage performances: Laugh Track City and 5 Play. The New Year’s Eve Spectacular will also feature party favors, giveaway bags, and a toast from the cast to say goodbye to 2017.

New Year’s Eve Spectacular
Sunday, Dec 31
8:00 p.m.
Made Up Theatre
3392 Seldon Ct, Fremont
(510) 573-3633
<https://madeuptheatre.com/>
Tickets: \$25 online, \$30 general admission

• Start the year off right with an inspiring visit to Ardenwood’s monarch butterfly grove. Discover the amazing life cycle of these tiny creatures and how they survive the long cold season in the Bay Area. Meet at the Granary. Heavy rain cancels.

New Year’s Day Butterfly Walks
Monday, Jan 1
11:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
Ardenwood Historic Farm
34600 Ardenwood Blvd, Fremont
(510) 544-2797
www.ebparks.org
Admission: \$3 adult, \$2 child

Hayward:

• Ring in the New Year with Plethos Productions at our official Launch Party on Sunday, December 31. We’ll enjoy an evening of live music, stand-up comedy, improv, musical theatre, and dancing the night away. Performances will include musical selections from “Hamilton,” “Chicago,” “Wicked” and more! Plethos will also announce their 2018 season, auditions, and events. Guests will dine on tasty Italian small plates, and everyone gets a champagne toast right before midnight as we countdown to 2018. Recommended for ages 18+.

New Year’s Eve Launch Party & Showcase
Sunday, Dec 31
9:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.
Ristorante Di Palermo
22532 Foothill Blvd, Hayward
<http://plethos.org/>
Tickets: \$50

• Get ready for the biggest Desi New Year’s party in Northern California! The 12th annual “Paradise Ball New Year’s Eve Extravaganza” offers a full gourmet buffet-style dinner, performances by the Melody Makers with special guests, DJs playing new and old Bollywood hits, three fully stocked bars, raffles and giveaways, and party favors. Dress in your finest attire and welcome in 2018!

Paradise Ball New Year’s Eve Extravaganza
Sunday, Dec 31
7:00 p.m.
Golden Peacock Grand Ballroom
24989 Santa Clara St, Hayward
(650) 219-7995
<http://events.sulekha.com/>
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Milpitas:

• Welcome the New Year at India Community Center on December 31 with your friends and family! Ticket price includes Indian Buffet by Jalsa Catering, hosted bar with unlimited drinks, and assorted party favors. Entertainment will feature an exclusive Fire Dance show by Fire Pixie Entertainment, music by DJ Shem, and Bollywood songs by Nishant Bordia and Namrata Simha.

New Year’s Eve Party
Saturday, Dec 31
7:30 p.m.
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New Year’s Eve Celebration
Sunday, Dec 31
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Bistro 880
39900 Balentine Dr, Newark
(510) 413-2300 ext.88
<http://bistro880.com/>
Tickets: \$85

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Oasis Palace Bollywood NYE Party 2018
Sunday, Dec 31
7:00 p.m.
Oasis Palace
35145 Newark Blvd, Newark
(510) 494-1525
www.sulekha.com/oasisplace
Tickets: \$34 – \$79

Oakland:

• Every year, families ring in the New Year without staying up all night with one of Chabot Space & Science Center’s most popular annual events. Celebrate strokes of midnight around the world at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., and 4 p.m. Kids will count down and celebrate with hundreds of colorful balloons dropping from above and stay for the day to participate in fun activities throughout the center. Register at www.chabotspace.org/balloon-drop.htm.

New Year’s Eve Balloon Drops
Chabot Space & Science Center
Sunday, Dec 31
11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Chabot Space and Science Center
10000 Skyline Blvd, Oakland
(510) 336-7373
www.chabotspace.org/balloon-drop.htm
Tickets: \$5 per child plus general admission

Two new Lemurs arrive at Oakland Zoo

ARTICLE AND
PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY
ERIN HARRISON

Officials from the Oakland Zoo recently welcomed a new species of lemur to the zoo, called Crowned Lemurs. The pair, a 15-year-old female and a 14-year-old male are dubbed the “king and queen” and are on exhibit now. These new arrivals joined the two current resident species of Ring-tailed and Blue-eyed black lemurs in the Zoo’s lemur habitat.

According to Adam Fink, the zoo’s zoological manager, the zoo needed to make accommodations to meet the special needs of the new arrivals. “These two lemurs were successfully introduced at the previous zoo they lived, however, when they went out on exhibit the male swam across the (barrier) moat! Lemurs typically

don’t swim, but this male does, so they couldn’t stay at that zoo. We were lucky to have space and be in the position to take them; we felt this pair was a good match for us,”



While the new lemurs are taking their time exploring their new (moat-less) habitat and getting used to their new cohabitant area at the zoo, zookeepers are busily modifying their area to help with the transition. Modifications include more perching to their night house and a bridge from their night house door to the top of the habitat to help them explore their new home. These are an

arboreal species that likes to stay off the ground more than other lemurs, so the extra changes are an appropriate and enriching addition.

Crowned lemurs can be exclusively found in the wild in the Northern region of Madagascar and are one the many endangered species of these unique primates. Their native habitat is shrinking and

becoming increasingly fragmented due to slash and burn agriculture and increasing population.

The complex social hierarchy of lemurs require zookeepers to currently manage the three species in rotation from their habitat to their night house. Zookeepers are practicing cooperative feeding with the new pair and the other lemurs to accustom them to one another. The goal is to soon have them all on exhibit together as one group.

“We are excited to be able to provide a great home for this pair of Crowned Lemurs,” said Adam Fink, Zoological Manager, “They will be a fantastic addition to our Lemur Habitat and help educate the zoo guests about some of the fantastic diversity in the Lemur family.”

The Oakland Zoo, located at 9777 Golf Links Road, is home to more than 700 native and exotic animals and opened in 1922. Park hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. For details, including admission fees, call (510) 632-9525 or visit their website at www.oaklandzoo.org.

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Natural Infrastructure Bond on June 2018 ballot

SUBMITTED BY DAVE MASON

After five years of extensive work, the Park District and its partner agencies have successfully helped place a bond measure on the state ballot to address statewide park needs. In total, the measure would provide \$4.1 billion to address parks, open space, water resources, and flood protection needs.

Years of neglect and competing priorities have left California's once "Best in Nation" system of state parks and open spaces in disrepair with little funding for infrastructure improvements and maintenance. Repair and upgrade needs are estimated at \$25 billion.

Additionally, the East Bay Regional Park District operates three local state parks: Crown Memorial State Beach in Alameda, McLaughlin Eastshore State Park running along the shoreline through Oakland, Emeryville, Berkeley, Albany, and Richmond, and Del Valle Regional Park in Livermore—with no funding from the State. Crown Memorial State Beach and Del Valle Regional Park are over 60 years old, with aging and deteriorating infrastructure. And, McLaughlin Eastshore State Park, which covers over 9 miles along the San Francisco Bay, is prone to flooding and under threat of sea level rise.

"Getting the measure on the ballot was a long, multi-year effort," said East Bay Regional Park District General Manager Robert Doyle. "The Park District is pleased that voters in California will have the opportunity to invest in our natural infrastructure with park improvements and open space preservation."

The Park-Water-Flood Protection Bond includes \$2.83 billion for parks and natural resources, \$720 million for water resources, and \$550 million

for flood protection. The measure will be on the June 2018 ballot.

The Park District thanks Governor Jerry Brown for his leadership in signing SB 5 (de León) and placing a statewide park bond on the ballot for voters consideration. The Park District would also like to thank State Senate Pro Tempore Kevin de León, Speaker Anthony Rendon, Assembly Member Eduardo Garcia, and the entire Park District state legislative delegation including, Senators Glazer, Skinner, and Wieckowski, as well as Assemblymembers Baker, Bonta, Chu, Frazier, Grayson, Quirk, and Thurmond.

"If approved, the bond would provide significant funding for project grants to local agencies," said Doyle. "The Park District would be positioned well to receive funds given its ability to provide matching funds from its local, voter-approved revenue measures, Measure WW and Measure CC,"

"The bond also includes \$200 million in grants that would be distributed on a per capita basis throughout California so that all communities benefit," added Doyle.

Measure WW and Measure CC, which were passed by local voters, have provided matching funds that have allowed the Park District to leverage external state and federal funds. A recent study showed that for every \$1 invested into a project by the District, the Park District has obtained \$2 from external sources.

The District has a responsibility to ensure that local voters are properly informed about the state bond measure. Over the next year, the Park District will be providing factual information to residents about the statewide bond and the potential local benefits.

Christmas tree disposal

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF FREMONT

Every year, Fremont residents buy thousands of Christmas trees that will end up in landfills if they are not properly composted. You can reduce your environmental impact this holiday season by planting a live tree or decorating with a reusable tree. If you choose to use a real Christmas tree, please make sure it is compostable by removing all decorations, tinsel, nails, and tree stands (including the wooden kind, nailed to the bottom of the trunk). Additionally, any tree that is covered with artificial snow contains fire retardant and therefore cannot be composted.

There are four different ways you can dispose of your tree in Fremont:

1. Gutter (Single-family homes only). Service is only available during the first two weeks of January. If your tree is less than six feet in length, place the whole tree in the gutter on your collection day. If your tree is over six feet in length, cut the tree in half and place both halves in the gutter on your collection day. Make sure your tree is in the gutter, not on the sidewalk. Check that your tree is free of all decorations when placed in the gutter; this helps keep our storm drains litter-free.
2. Green Organics Cart. Cut compostable trees so that pieces fit loosely in your organics cart with the lid closed. Place the cart at the curb on your scheduled collection day.
3. Boy Scouts of America Pickup Service. Please make arrangements with the Boy Scouts to have your tree picked up outside your residence on Saturday, Jan. 6, 2018 by mailing in the coupon (<https://fremont.gov/DocumentCenter/View/36847>) by Thursday, Dec. 28, 2017. Do not place your tree anywhere near the gutter or on the sidewalk. Instead, place it on your lawn, driveway, or other designated outdoor area (visible from the street) that you pre-arrange with the Boy Scouts.
4. Garbage Cart. Please use this only as the last option. Compost your tree first, if possible. If the tree contains flocking or decorations, cut it up so pieces fit loosely in your garbage cart with the lid closed. Place the blue or black garbage cart at the curb on your scheduled collection day. If you live in a multifamily complex, please contact your property manager to learn how your tree can be properly composted.

For more information on disposal and composting, visit <https://fremont.gov/133/Environmental-Services>.

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SPORTS

Women's Basketball

Holiday Basketball Classic to tip-off

SUBMITTED BY DARRYL REINA

The annual Newark Optimist Club Girls Holiday Basketball Classic will be held at the Event Center, on the campus of Newark Memorial High School, on December 28, 29, and 30. Eight outstanding high school Varsity basketball teams from throughout the Bay Area will be participating. The schedule for opening day, Thursday, December 28:

3:15 pm - San Ramon Valley vs. Pittsburg
4:45 pm - Santa Clara vs. Irvington
6:15 pm - Arroyo vs. Burlingame
7:45 pm - Los Altos vs. Newark Memorial
Game times remain the same on Friday and Saturday, December 29 and 30. Please plan to join us for some exciting basketball action.

Holiday Basketball Classic
Thursday, Dec 28 - Saturday, Dec 30
Games begin 3:15 p.m.
Newark Memorial High School Event Center
39375 Cedar Blvd, Newark
(510) 818-4350

Lady Cougars wrestle medals at tournament

Women's Wrestling

SUBMITTED BY
TIMOTHY HESS

The Newark Memorial Lady Cougars wrestling team came in third place as a team at the Britney David Girls Wrestling Tournament at Liberty High School in Brentwood on December 23rd with three medalists: Emmily Patneaud - 2nd, Ariana Pereira - 3rd, and Mikaela Troche - 4th.



Cougars advance in league



Newark Memorial High School Cougars

Wrestling

SUBMITTED BY TIMOTHY HESS

With a 72-12 dual meet victory over the visiting John F. Kennedy (Fremont) Titans on December 20, the Newark Memorial Cougars varsity wrestling team moved to 2-0 in the Mission Valley Athletic

League (5-2 overall). Leading the way for the Cougars were Owen Gallegos, Bryan Barton, Mathew Costa, Jose Rodriguez, and Chance Hefter, who all earned pins.

Meanwhile, members of the Lady Cougars wrestling team were gearing up for a December 23 match at the Britney David Girls Wrestling Tournament at Liberty High School in Brentwood.

Men's Soccer

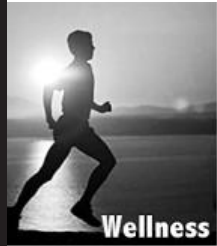
Vikings and Huskies tie in defensive battle

SUBMITTED AND PHOTOS BY
MIKE HEIGHTCHEW

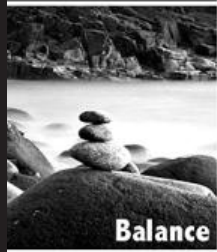
The Irvington High School (Fremont) varsity and Washington's Huskies (Fremont) turned in a hard-fought contest, December 20th that featured great defensive plays throughout the game. Neither team could penetrate the goal of the other, ending with a final 0-0 tie score.



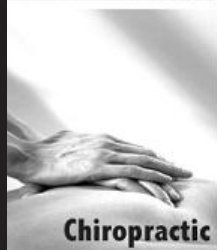
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Park It

BY NED MACKAY

A New Year in the Regional Parks

A whole New Year is almost upon us, and among the ways to celebrate it are a variety of outdoor activities in the East Bay Regional Parks.

For starters, there’s a **‘Welcome Winter Walk’ from 9 a.m. to noon on Sunday, Dec. 31** at Contra Loma Regional Park in Antioch. This is an easy, almost completely flat three-mile walk around Contra Loma Reservoir, designed for ages eight and up. Led by naturalist Eddie Willis, it’s part of the Healthy Parks Healthy People program, in partnership with the Kaiser Foundation, encouraging people to enjoy healthy outdoor exercise.

Meet Eddie at the parking area on Frederickson Lane on the border between Contra Loma

and Black Diamond parklands. For information, call (888) 327-2757, ext. 2750.

There’s also a Healthy Parks Healthy People hike scheduled for 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 1 at Del Valle Regional Park south of Livermore, led by naturalist Ali Haynes. It’s a three-mile walk along the lake in search of shoreline wildlife.

Del Valle is at the end of Del Valle Road off Mines Road. Meet at the marina for the hike. For information, call (510) 544-3249.

A search for salamanders is on the schedule from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 30 at Briones Regional Park, led by naturalist Kevin Dixon. Salamanders are dormant in the summertime, then active during the rainy season.

Meet Kevin at Briones’ Alhambra Creek staging area, which is accessed from Reliez Valley Road near Martinez.

For information, call (888) 327-2757, ext. 2750.

At Tilden Nature Area near Berkeley, it’s **fireside story time from 11 to 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 31**. Gather at the fireplace in the Environmental Education Center for stories about farm animals, insects, and other natural history.

The center is at the north end of Tilden’s Central Park Drive. Call (510) 544-2233.

Or you can enjoy the tall trees while making New Year’s resolutions by joining naturalist Morgan Dill on a hilly five-mile hike from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Dec. 30 at Redwood Regional Park in Oakland.

Meet Morgan at the Trudeau Training Center. It’s at 11500 Skyline Boulevard, just south of the junction with Joaquin Miller Road. Call (510) 544-3187 for information.

There’s a **shorter hike starting from the same location from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 2**. This is a

one-miler in the ‘Hikes for Tykes’ series, also naturalist-led and designed for parents with young children. Bring a snack for your child. Strollers are not recommended, and the hike is cancelled if it’s raining.

Crab Cove Visitor Center in Alameda will **celebrate New Year’s Eve with a volunteer weed-pulling project from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Dec. 31**, led by naturalist Michael Charnofsky. The goal is to pull out weeds to help Crab Cove’s native plant and butterfly gardens. Snacks, hot cider and tools will be provided. Constant rain cancels.

Crab Cove is at the end of McKay Avenue off Alameda’s Central Avenue. For information, call (510) 544-3187.

Speaking of butterflies, monarch butterfly programs continue at Ardenwood Historic Farm in Fremont, where the insects overwinter in large numbers within the park’s eucalyptus groves.

There are New Year’s Day butterfly programs at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 1, hosted by naturalist Mindy Castle and the interpretive staff. Meet at the Ardenwood granary building; heavy rain cancels. Ardenwood will offer butterfly-themed programs well into February, when the monarchs depart in resumption of their migratory, multi-generational life cycle.

Ardenwood is at 34600 Ardenwood Boulevard, just north of Highway 84 in Fremont. Call (510) 544-2797 for information.

So, there are plenty of programs to choose in the regional parks as the old year gives way to the new. But, however you observe the event, here’s wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year.

Women’s Basketball

Lady Cougars varsity picks up a win

SUBMITTED BY TIMOTHY HESS

During a road game in Mountain View on December 19, the Newark Memorial High School Girls varsity basketball team de-

feated the Mountain View High School Spartans 48-35. Meanwhile, the Cougars junior varsity team lost to the Spartans JV squad 28-35.

Varsity highlights: Senior Haylee Nelson led all-scorers with 21-points, and grabbed 15-rebounds. Freshman Maleia Colker added 9 points, and senior Kylie Chan chipped-in with 8 points in the victory.

\$225M for forestry and fire prevention projects

SUBMITTED BY
HEATHER WILLIAMS

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is pleased to announce information regarding the 2017-2018 California Climate Investments (CCI) grant funds. CAL FIRE is administering CCI grant funds to partners through grant awards that will help the State reduce greenhouse gas emissions and sequester carbon.

Up to \$200 million is available through CAL FIRE’s Forest Health grants (including conservation easements through the California Forest Legacy Program) and Fire Prevention grants. Up to \$20 million in grant funds is available through CAL FIRE’s Urban and Community Forestry program. Additionally, CAL FIRE will continue to partner with the California Conservation Corps (CCC) by making \$5 million available to the CCC’s for Forest Health and Fire Prevention activities.

Information on qualifying projects is available in individual Procedural Grant Guidelines and will also be provided at upcoming workshops planned for mid-January at areas around the State and via webinar. Specific information about these workshops will be shared on CAL FIRE’s social media accounts and on our grants page. More information and Procedural Grant Guidelines are posted at: <http://www.fire.ca.gov/grants/grants>

Official Call for Concept Proposals:

- Forest Health Grant: Concept Proposals will be due on February 21, 2018 by 3:00 PM. This includes California Forest Legacy projects.
 - Urban and Community Forestry Grant: Concept Proposals will be due on February 26, 2018 by 3:00 PM. There will be three types of projects for which Concept Proposals will be accepted.
 - Fire Prevention Grant: CAL FIRE is working with the California Air Resources Board to finalize grant administrative requirements. Additional information will be released later in the winter or early spring on these grant opportunities.
- The grants are part of California Climate Investments, a statewide program that puts billions of cap-and-trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening the economy and improving public health and the environment—particularly in disadvantaged communities. For more information, visit <http://www.caclimateinvestments.ca.gov/>
- California Climate Investments are programs funded by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund using proceeds from the State’s cap-and-trade program.

Huskies Junior Varsity dominates Vikings Junior Varsity



Men’s Soccer

SUBMITTED AND
PHOTOS BY
MIKE HEIGHTCHEW

The Washington High School (Fremont) Junior Varsity Huskies used speed to beat the Irvington (Fremont) Vikings on December 20th, 6-0. Moving up and down the field at will, the Huskies were able to put themselves in the right spots for shots on goal. Despite a determined Viking offense, the Huskies were able to successfully defend their goal and secure a shutout victory.

Colts speed beats Warriors

Men’s Soccer

SUBMITTED AND PHOTOS
BY MIKE HEIGHTCHEW

The James Logan (Union City) Colts used superior speed and ball control to take control of their matchup with the Mission San Jose (Fremont) Warriors 4-1 on December 20. Momentum swung toward the Colts late in the first half and continued to favor the Colts for the rest of the game. Although the Warriors tried to close the gap, it was not to be.



Holiday tree curbside collection

SUBMITTED BY JENNIFER MAKIN, REPUBLIC SERVICES

Free holiday tree collection is offered to residents of Newark, Fremont, and Union City. Trees are taken to a compost facility to be turned into beneficial mulch and compost. Simply place trees curbside for pick-up on your regular service day during the removal period for your city. Please remove all ornaments, tinsel, other decorations, and stands before placing your tree at the curb. Trees taller than five feet must be cut down, and no flocked trees are accepted.

Trees will be picked up curbside on your regular collection day during these weeks:

- Fremont residents: January 2 – 12, 2018
- Newark residents: January 15 – 26, 2018
- Union City residents: December 26 – January 31, 2018

(collection provided by Tri-CED in Union City)

This collection schedule is for single family homes with individual waste services. For multi-family tree disposal, please contact your property manager or HOA.

Happy Holidays from Republic Services of Alameda County!

City Council/Public Agency MEETINGS

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(510) 284-4000
www.fremont.gov
- Hayward City Council
1st/3rd/4th Tuesday @ 7 p.m.
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(510) 583-4000
www.ci.hayward.ca.us
- Milpitas City Council
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455 East Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas
(408) 586-3001
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www.acwd.org

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2nd/4th Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.
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(510) 657-2350
www.fremont.k12.ca.us

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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.
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www.musd.org
(406) 635-2600 ext. 6013

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

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5715 Musick Ave., Newark
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www.newarkunified.org

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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).

Milpitas City Council

December 19, 2017

- Presentations:**

 - Proclaim retirement of Building and Safety Director Keyvan Irannejad, who has served Milpitas for 30 years.
 - Proclaim retirement of Fire Chief Robert “Mo” Mihovich, who has served the Milpitas Fire Department for 37 years.
- Public Forum:**

 - Joseph Weinstein thanked the Council for all they’ve done, and appreciates the “heart and soul” they add to Milpitas.
 - Steve Sidel spoke on creek expansion construction that has been occurring on Los Coches Street. Water has been turned off, which has caused trees, shrubs, and plants to die. He wants to volunteer assistance to the Public Works Department or City of Milpitas to help point out areas that need to be fixed.
 - Public comment on Commissioner appointment process. Resident supports initiative for a more effective process in appointing volunteers, but thinks new review committee should include full Council, and not just two members.
- Announcements:**

 - Interim City Manager/In-

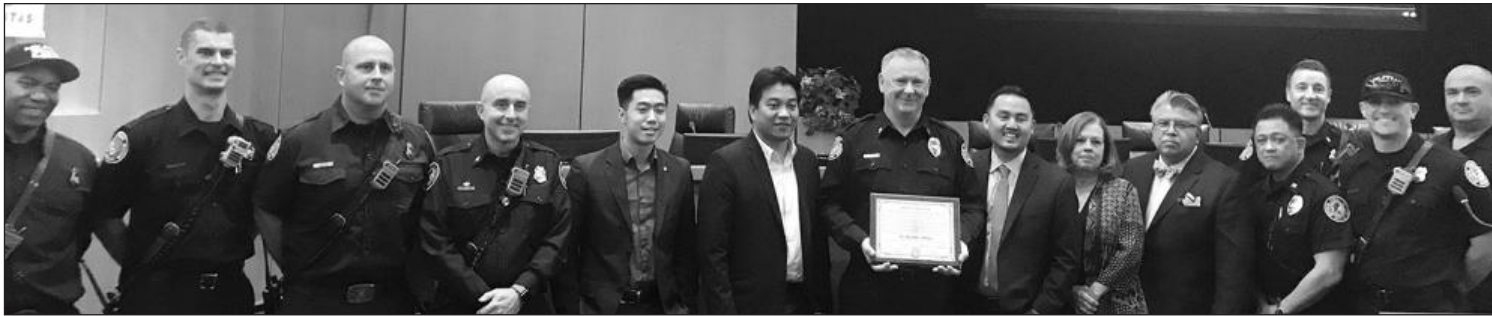
- terim Police Chief Steve Pangelinan announced that Police Captain Armando Corpuz will be stepping in to fill the role of Police Chief in January of 2018.
- Consent Calendar:**
- Approve appropriation of \$250,000 in fiscal year 2017-18 from Community Benefit Fund to Planning and Neighborhood Services for purchase of affordability covenants for Sunnyhills Apartments at 1724 Sunnyhills Drive.
 - Accept 2017 Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant and appropriate funds into Police Department’s Operating Budget.
 - Adopt a resolution granting initial acceptance of Public Improvements and approve a reduction of improvement security for the Faithful Performance for Traverse Subdivision at 569 - 625 Trade Zone Boulevard by Traverse Partners, LLC, Tract No. 10224, Project No. 2874, and granting authorization to City Engineer to release Performance Bond after one-year warranty period.
 - Authorize City Manager to execute a Stormwater Management Facilities Operation and Maintenance Agreement for

- LMC Milpitas Holdings I, LLC and Lennar Homes of California, Inc. for development at 450 Montague Expressway.
- Authorize City Manager to approve Amendment No. 2 to agreement with HMH, Inc. for Midtown Street Light and Utility Underground 2017 Projects No. 3430 and No. 3425.
- Public Hearing:**
- Conduct a Public Hearing and consider adopting a resolution to deny appeal of Planning Commission decision to approve Conditional Use Permit No. UP17-0002 to allow a Cultural Center Use in an industrial zone, along with shared parking for 691 S. Milpitas Boulevard.
- New Business:**
- Appoint one Councilmember as a Regular Director and one as an Alternate Director to Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority Board of Directors. Council appointed Vice Mayor Grilli as Regular Director, and Economic Development Director Edesa Bitbadal as Alternate Director.
 - Select one electricity option for City’s use, following a presentation. Council selected Green Prime, which would consist of 100% renewable energy. Motion passed 4 - 0 (Abstention, Tran)
 - Accept City’s comprehensive Annual Financial Report and

- other related annual audited reports for fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.
- Unfinished Business:**
- Approve and authorize City Manager to execute Subdivision Improvement Agreement, Public Street Maintenance Agreement, and Fee Reimbursement Agreement for a 199-unit senior assisted living residential development located at 1504-1620 South Main Street by Milpitas Phase I, LP. Motion failed 2 - 3 (Nay; Phan, Nuñez, and Barbadillo)
 - Adopt a resolution making findings for unexpended development fees and review and accept the Annual Developer Fee Disclosure Information pursuant to Mitigation Fee Act.
 - Appoint two City Councilmembers to serve on New Council Subcommittee on Commission Appointments. Council selected Councilmember Bob Nuñez and Councilmember Anthony Phan as the base of the Subcommittee, with the Liaison of each Commission stepping in for each case.
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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Mayor Rich Tran | Aye (1 abstention) |
| Vice Mayor Marsha Grilli | Aye |
| Anthony Phan | Aye (1 nay) |
| Garry Barbadillo | Aye (1 nay) |
| Bob Nuñez | Aye (1 nay) |



Left to Right: Councilmember Bob Nuñez, Councilmember Anthony Phan, Councilmember Garry Barbadillo, Building and Safety Director Keyvan Irannejad, Vice Mayor Marsha Grilli, and Mayor Rich Tran.



Milpitas City Council and members of the Milpitas Fire Department honor the retirement of Fire Chief Robert “Mo” Mihovich



Members and supporters of the Ismaili Cultural Center celebrate Milpitas City Council’s decision to uphold Planning Commission’s approval of their Conditional Use Permit.

Milpitas’ new sanitation company starts service

By Rhoda J. Shapiro

On December 1st, a new Garbage & Recycling service began in the City of Milpitas. Known as Milpitas Sanitation, the company has been busy informing the public about the transition.

On the Saturday after Thanksgiving, Milpitas Sanitation began the process of switching out old Republic carts. “We’re going to be exchanging 45,000 carts in five days,” Outreach and Communication Specialist Kelli Pellegrini told people at a community meeting at the Barbara Lee Senior Center in Milpitas. The new carts are divided into two sections; one designated for

garbage while the other is for food scraps.

There is also a kitchen pail for collecting food scrap items: eggs shells, coffee filters, apple cores, and banana peels. The pail should be filled in the kitchen and emptied as needed into the “food scraps” compartment of the garbage cart. A 96-gallon recyclables split cart holds plastic bottles on one side and paper fibers on the other; a 96-gallon green yard trimmings cart is also available.

At the meeting, Recycling Coordinator Uyen Mai told residents about free pick-ups every year. “Four times a year, you can call the office and schedule a free bag pickup or you can set out a bulky item. It will always be scheduled on your service day. Four times a

year for free. The driver will come out 24 hours before and give you two bags that are 1.5 cubic yards each,” Mai said.

A bulky item can be anything like furniture, exercise equipment, or mattresses. Electronics, like televisions and computers, can also be set outside in place of a large bulky item. Anything can be placed in the two bags, as long as the items are not hazardous waste, like medications, pesticides, or fertilizers.

Any resident with extra garbage can purchase bag tags for \$3.75 each. Placing that tag on a 32- gallon trash bag will identify it for pick-up.

OPINION



WILLIAM MARSHAK

Burrhus Frederic Skinner, better known as B.F. Skinner for obvious reasons, was a pioneer of the theory of Operant Conditioning based on intentional actions that have an effect on an individual's environment. His famous experiment (1948) with rats in a closed box environment demonstrated that motivation could encourage certain behaviors - positive reinforcement for food and negative reinforcement to avoid discomfort. A rat learned to receive food and avoid electric shocks through conditioned behavior. Press a button and receive food; if not, the result is an unpleasant shock. An episode of Big Bang Theory, a popular television show, spoofed this theory as Sheldon trained Penny to follow preferred behavior patterns using the positive reinforcement of chocolate candy treats. Depending on whether conditioned events are regular, periodic or sporadic, behaviors can be learned rapidly or slowly and modify the time for such behavior to cease if discontinued.

So, what does this have to do with our political environment? Stay with me for just a bit more background.

At a recent meeting of the Fremont City Council, the regular meeting was

Short-Term Memory

preceded by a work session to receive information about Phase I of the long-awaited Civic Center complex. The news was a mixed bag of positive and negative – design elements and financial constraints at the core of discussion. What appeared to be an uninspired design included a scaled back community center flanked by a plaza and food truck spaces (really?); a planned stage and interactive screen had been scrapped due to fiscal constraints. The momentous decision presented to council was a choice of building colors (again, really?). Fremont is the fourth largest city of the San Francisco Bay Area with a population of over 230,000 residents and growing rapidly... its Civic Center should reflect this. If funds to build something representative of its position as a vibrant, dynamic and growing city are unavailable, at least begin with a quality plan that can be accomplished over time without significant compromise.

Near the end of the subsequent regular meeting of the City Council, a financial assessment of city finances was presented with the welcome choice of what to do with an expected budget surplus. As one-time extra funds, some of the choices were straightforward – set aside money for a State overpayment that would require a refund, increase payment to CalPERS unfunded liabilities and more rapid employment of two additional police officers already scheduled for next year's budget. An additional \$2.9 million is anticipated and was opened to council direction.

After hemming and hawing over what to do with the funds, finally Mayor Mei brought up the financial shortfall of the civic center discussed only a few hours earlier. This should have

been among the first topics discussed for the extra funds. Why did this obvious consideration elude the council? It may be that there are better places for the money, but why did it take a final comment from the mayor to consider modification of a project shortfall discussed just a few hours earlier? If fatigue is a factor, how about scheduling work sessions separately without a following council session that creates a marathon evening? Previously this was done and, although lengthening the council calendar during the month, spared council, staff and the public from some long-drawn-out sessions.

Staff will return with suggestions for the surplus, but it appears that the short-term memory of the council is woefully absent. Maybe an electric shock grid such as Skinner used in his rat experiments could condition the council to retain a bit more of current and recent discussions. An additional shock might be in order to prompt a better plan than relegating the theoretical civic focus of a large and growing city to scaled back plans with food trucks lining its plaza. Might a mound of chocolate promote a bit more fortitude from the council when asked to settle for less? After all the years of planning to give Fremont a “sense of place” and focal point of pride, are food trucks and a scaled down civic center the answer?

William Marshak
PUBLISHER

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

For a more compassionate 2018

America seems on the brink of a sea change regarding the use of animals in “entertainment”: no more orca shows or breeding at SeaWorld; elephant bullhook bans; the demise of the Ringling Bros. Circus. Some 35 countries have now outlawed the use of wild animals in circus acts. Can rodeos and their inherent cruelty be far behind?

Pope Francis's 2015 “Encyclical on Climate Change and Inequality” contains this remarkable statement:

“It follows that our indifference or cruelty towards fellow creatures of this world sooner or later affects the treatment we

mete out to other human beings. We have only one heart, and the same wretchedness which leads us to mistreat an animal will not be long in showing itself in our relationships with other people. Every act of cruelty toward any creature is contrary to human dignity.”

Season's Greetings and Peace to All Creatures.

Eric Mills, coordinator
Action for Animals

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Obituary

Owen Robert Aurelio

Owen Robert Aurelio was born March 11, 1951, in Chicago, IL. He grew up in Los Angeles and later attended USF, where he met the love of his life, Karen Kenter. They shared an extraordinary 43-year marriage.

Owen's philosophy (and constant advice) was to live every day to the fullest and spread love, and he did. He was the quintessential family man, an avid reader, outdoorsman, photographer, traveler, and genuine people-person. He relished sharing Italian food and vino with family or hiking in the Pleasanton foothills with childhood friends. He also loved music and never passed up a chance to dance.

Owen had a long career in hospital administration, including Washington Hospital, El Camino Hospital, Alameda General Hospital, and most recently Lucile Packard Children's Hospital, from which he retired as VP of Clinical Services. After retirement, he remained active on the boards of the Institute for Pediatric Innovation and the International Society for Pediatric Innovation.

In his early career he served as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy, in the Portsmouth Hospital Medical Service Corps. He also spent many years as a member of the Fremont Warm Springs Rotary, where he served as president.

Owen will be kept alive in the hearts of his wife Karen Marie Aurelio; children Owen Matthew (Leigh Ann Detwiler), Luke (Melissa Genberg), Patrick (Aimee Contreras), and Catherine (Ross Frizzell);



grandchildren Luciana, Sophia, Aria, Raquelle, Elsa, Mavis, Owen Samuel, and much anticipated Baby Frizzell; siblings Mary Lou (Bill Schoene) and David (Elizabeth Fernandez). Owen was deeply spiritual and shared the Catholic faith. He is joyfully reunited with his beloved parents Louis and Mary Aurelio, and they are certainly celebrating with Elsie, Tom, Marguerite, John and Natalie.

Viewing will be held Dec. 26 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Berge-Pappas-Smith Chapel of the Angels, 40842 Fremont Blvd, Fremont, CA 94538. Funeral mass will be held Dec. 27, 11 a.m. at Bellarmine College Prep, Leontyne Chapel, 90 W Hedding St, San Jose, CA 95126. Attendees are asked to arrive by 10:30 a.m. A reception will follow immediately after the service. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health; 400 Hamilton Ave #340, Palo Alto, CA, 94301.

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Reducing
exposure to
possible cell
phone risks

SUBMITTED BY COREY EGEL

As smartphone use continues to increase in the U.S., especially among children, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) today issued guidance for individuals and families who want to decrease their exposure to the radio frequency energy emitted from cell phones. Although the scientific community has not reached a consensus on the risks of cell phone use, research suggests long-term, high use may impact human health.

“Although the science is still evolving, there are concerns among some public health professionals and members of the public regarding long-term, high use exposure to the energy emitted by cell phones,” said CDPH Director and State Public Health Officer Dr. Karen Smith. “We know that simple steps, such as not keeping your phone in your pocket and moving it away from your bed at night, can help reduce exposure for both children and adults.”

Cell phones emit radio frequency energy when they send and receive signals to and from cell towers, and some scientists and public health officials believe this energy may impact human health.

Meanwhile, cell phone use in the U.S. has increased dramatically in recent years. About 95 percent of Americans own a cell phone, and 12 percent rely on their smartphones for everyday Internet access.

In addition, the average age when children get their first phone is now just 10 years old, and a majority of young people keep their phones on or near them most of the day and while they sleep.

“Children’s brains develop through the teenage years and may be more affected by cell phone use,” said Dr. Smith. “Parents should consider reducing the time their children use cell phones and encourage them to turn the devices off at night.”

The new CDPH guidance includes practical steps both adults and children could take to reduce exposure to radio frequency energy from cell phones.

That includes:

- Keeping the phone away from the body
- Reducing cell phone use when the signal is weak
- Reducing the use of cell phones to stream audio or video, or to download or upload large files
- Keeping the phone away from the bed at night
- Removing headsets when not on a call
- Avoiding products that claim to block radio frequency energy. These products may actually increase your exposure.

Obituary
Siok Choo Yeap

Resident of Fremont

July 14, 1925 – December 19, 2017

Our beloved mother and grandmother, Siok Choo Yeap, passed away peacefully in her Fremont residence and entered her Heavenly home on December 18, 2017. She is survived by her son,

Chaung Sia, his wife Shok Ti, and her grandchildren, Dang, Peik, Ru, and Twan.

She was born in Myanmar (Burma) in 1925 from a Chinese family. She was always happy in helping others and expected nothing in return.

She served as Secretary of the Yangon Guan Yin Buddha Life Release Association for several years until she immigrated to United States. She was known for her kind heart and smile, her generosity, her positive and encouraging attitude, and for helping poor and needy people.

Visitation and Funeral Service were held at Fremont Chapel of



the Roses, 1940 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, on Saturday, December 23, 2017 with Burial at Irvington Memorial Cemetery, 41001 Chapel Way, Fremont.

May her kind and beautiful loving soul rest in peace!

Fremont Chapel of the Roses
510-797-1900

Police, property owners
combat ‘Side Show’
gatherings

SUBMITTED BY
UNION CITY PD

In the early morning hours of Saturday, December 16, officers from the Union City Police Department found a “Side Show” style car meet in the Food Maxx parking lot at 30073 Industrial Parkway involving more than 1,000 people and hundreds of vehicles.

According to police, the event began in Oakland and worked its way south until it arrived in Union City. The group was being followed by several law enforcement agencies who assisted the UCPD with the enormous crowd. In all, approximately 100 citations were issued for various vehicle-code-related offenses, nine vehicles were towed, and four arrests were made.

Later, police learned that a non-permitted “Street Racer Style” car meet was scheduled to occur in the same parking lot on Friday, December 22. It’s known by law enforcement that many of these types of non-permitted car meets attract groups intent on illegal activity such as racing and side shows. In a proactive move,

the property owners decided to work with UCPD to stop the event from occurring.

Property owners hired additional security and planned to close off non-essential areas of the parking lot to prevent large groups of vehicles from gathering. In addition, UCPD planned to deploy a group of officers specially trained in Street Racer enforcement. These officers can inspect vehicles suspected of having illegal modifications that make them unsafe to operate on the street. In some cases, vehicles found to have certain modifications can be towed and impounded for up to 30 days.

Police say that these non-permitted car meets often will rove around a city looking for an area to land and begin their illegal activity; therefore, the all officers assigned to this detail will be monitoring various areas around Union City which are known to be frequented by these individuals.

Meanwhile, police are asking the public for help. If citizens see a large gathering of people and vehicles, they’re encouraged to call the Union City Police Department at (510) 471-1365.

Busy roadway
closed for construction

SUBMITTED BY UNION CITY
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police in Union City are advising motorists to prepare for major traffic delays and detours when one of the city’s busiest thoroughfares is closed to traffic for a week starting Wednesday, Dec. 27.

The Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) will be making emergency repairs to their railroad crossing on Decoto Road

which will effectively close the roadway in both north and south bound lanes between Cheeves Way. and Seventh Street. Decoto Road is one of the main traffic routes between Interstate 880 and Mission Boulevard.

The closure will be effective 24 hours a day until the work is finished, which is tentatively set for Jan. 2. Additionally, the following streets will be closed to through traffic at Decoto Road.

- Depot Road

- Eighth Street
- Ninth Street

Police are advising motorists to use alternative routes and detours and to avoid entering residential neighborhoods. Detour signs will direct motorists to alternative routes. Questions about the construction can be directed to UPRR Public Information Officer Francisco Castillo at (916) 789-5957, or Project Coordinator Jeff R. Davis at (530) 990-2412.

Health Board seeks community
hero nominations

SUBMITTED BY
LAUREL ANDERSON AND
ANNE CHANG

The Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Board (SCCBHB) is seeking nominations for the 7th annual Community Heroes Awards to recognize community members who have made an extraordinary difference in the lives of people with behavioral health challenges. The nomination deadline is January 15, 2018. Award recipients will be recognized at a ceremony in May.

“Every year, the Behavioral Health Services Department hosts an annual Heroes Awards Ceremony where we recognize those individuals and organizations within our county who have demonstrated exemplary service to county residents suffering the effects of mental illness,” said Gary Miles, Chair of the Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Board. “Our heroes have performed tirelessly in their efforts to improve the lives of those they serve. Our heroes are community members, professional service providers, law enforcement officers and agencies, as well as those in the faith-based community.”

The Behavioral Health Board will recognize nine heroes, one in each of the following categories:

Agency: An agency that provides professional, caring, compassionate and innovative services to individuals with behavioral health challenges. The agency goes beyond the standard services and treatment and truly seeks to improve a client or consumer’s quality of life.

Consumers/Clients: An individual who has received behavioral health services and has demonstrated impressive personal achievements and has provided hope, inspiration or knowledge to others facing similar challenges.

Educator: A behavioral health professional taking the extra steps in providing behavioral health services going beyond their job description.

Elected Official: A current elected official who has provided exemplary service in advocating for those with behavioral health challenges or working to eliminate the stigma and stereotypes that surround the condition.

Faith-Based: A faith-based organization that has provided extraordinary services, including community support activities.

Family Member: An individual who has a family member receiving behavioral health services and who has contributed to improving the lives of families who are affected by behavioral health challenges through advocacy, programs, or activities that have an impact on the community aor service delivery system.

Mover and Shaker: A person who has recognized critical behavioral health needs in the greater community by creating and promoting collaborative and innovative initiatives that serve those in need.

Program: A behavioral health program that provides unique services that have had an extraordinary impact on consumers, family members and community.

Volunteer: An individual who has made an impact on the behavioral health community and is not compensated monetarily for their efforts.

The criteria for consideration of an award includes demonstrating a commitment in the selected category, inspiring others to believe they can make a difference, engaging community members, and bridging differences among communities. Past honorees have included CEO’s, civic leaders who are now in elected office, educators from our local colleges and universities, and everyday heroes who volunteer or go the extra mile in their service.

Board members and their families are not eligible for nominations; nominations should be based on recent activity, but may recognize a long-term activity or service. Awards are limited to nominees who either reside in or provide services in Santa Clara County.

“We invite the community to join us for the awards ceremony in May as we celebrate and recognize the heroes whose efforts improve the quality of life for our residents,” said Gary Miles.

Honorees will be recognized at the 7th annual SCCBHB Community Behavioral Health Heroes Awards Ceremony and luncheon on May 2, 2018, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the San Jose Masonic Center, 2500 Masonic Drive, San Jose.

Application can be found at the Behavioral Health Board website: <https://www.sccgov.org/sites/bhd/info/mentalhealthboard/pages/default.aspx>

Santa Clara County to challenge
net neutrality repeal

SUBMITTED BY MARÍA LETICIA GÓMEZ
AND LAUREL ANDERSON

On December 15, the County of Santa Clara announced its intent to file a lawsuit challenging the Trump Administration’s unlawful repeal of net neutrality protections. Brought by the Office of the County Counsel with assistance from Stanford Law School’s Juelsgaard Intellectual Property and Innovation Clinic, the lawsuit will seek to preserve fair and open access to the Internet.

“This County is a center of innovation. We are at the heart of Silicon Valley,” said Supervisor Joe Simitian. “The FCC’s action harms start-ups, small companies, and businesses generally, who rely on a level playing field to compete. It hampers development and investment in cutting-edge Internet technologies that the County relies upon.”

“The digital town square can no longer foster democracy if it is subject to blocking, throttling or paid priority, priority limited to those with resources. And in a day and age when public services are increasingly accessed online, the FCC action threatens the ability of the public to access services they need and pay taxes for,” Simitian said.

In 2015, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued a set of rules commonly known as the Net Neutrality Rules. The Net Neutrality Rules prohibit broadband Internet service providers from discriminating against lawful Internet traffic—generally by blocking it or slowing it down—for financial or other reasons. FCC Chairman Ajit Pai, who was elevated to that position by President Trump, led the FCC

in a vote today to reverse the Net Neutrality Rules that protect consumers from discrimination by Internet service providers.

The County has made substantial investments to develop and implement systems that provide critical health, welfare, and safety services over the Internet, including emergency response services. For example, County Fire relies on Internet-based systems to provide essential fire and emergency services. The FCC’s decision will jeopardize County residents’ ability to access these vital services, thereby threatening public health and safety, and will undermine the County’s investments.

“The County provides critical safety-net services to our neediest residents. The repeal of the Net Neutrality Rules would allow profit-seekers to burden the County, impact our residents and make it more difficult to provide critical information and services to those in need,” said County Board of Supervisors President Dave Cortese. “Silicon Valley has led the way in developing the Internet as we know it today, and we will play a leadership role in protecting it.”

“The FCC’s repeal of the Net Neutrality Rules is arbitrary and unjustified, and it is therefore unlawful,” said Santa Clara County Counsel James R. Williams. “We will fight to protect the open Internet, preserve the County’s ability to provide crucial health and safety services to our residents, and ensure that innovation continues to thrive in Silicon Valley.”

Big BART discount
for Clipper-carrying teens

SUBMITTED BY JIAHAO HUANG

If you’re 13-18 and have a school break coming up for the holidays, here’s a tip that can save you big bucks in 2018: Get a Youth Clipper card for a 50% discount on your BART rides—or prepare to pay extra if you keep using a paper ticket.

Previously, the Youth discount only applied to ages 5-12; those 4 and under will continue to ride for free.

For a round trip 19th Street Oakland to Fruitvale journey, for example, the undiscounted fare for a teen is currently \$3.90. When the Clipper Youth discount goes into effect, that teen would pay only \$1.95 for the same ride.

Discounts aren’t the only benefit of switching to Clipper, however. Have you ever had to stand in a long line just to buy a paper ticket? Stand no longer, as there are lots of places to get your Youth Clipper card, like the Lake Merritt BART Station Customer Service Center, or other locations (which you can find at www.clippercard.com.) You can also download and mail in an application.

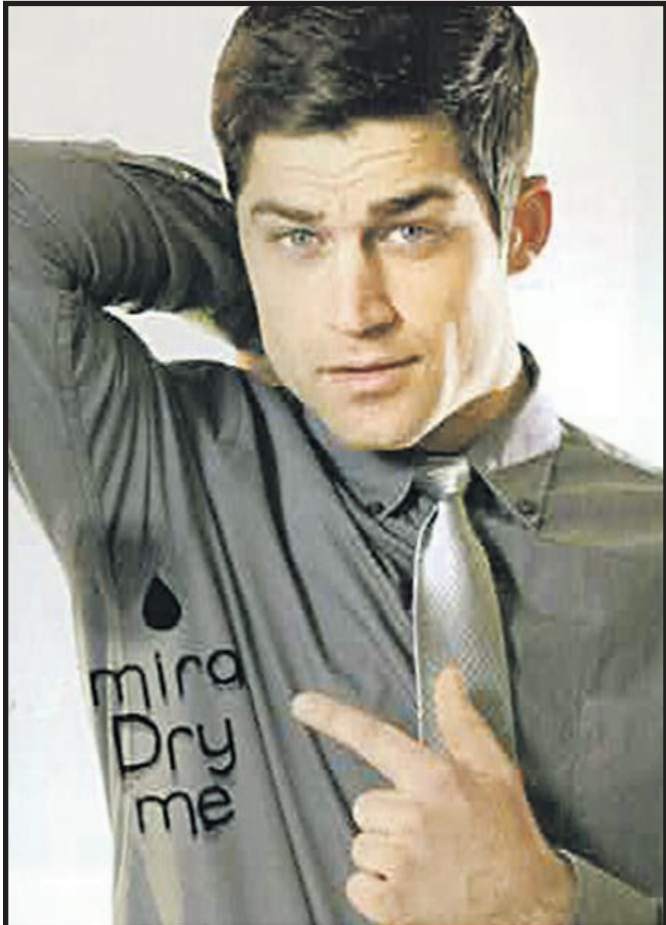
In both cases, you’ll need proof of your age, such as a birth certificate, passport or California ID. The process

only takes about 5 minutes, so you’ll soon be on your way to discounted BART freedom! And, with a Clipper account, card management has never been easier. Simply head to <https://www.clippercard.com/Clipper-Web/index.do>, and click “Register a card”.

With a registered card, you can access “My Clipper,” an online dashboard that allows you to control the value on your card, report it if you see a suspicious transaction, or even deregister it in case it goes missing. And best of all, you can connect your card to a bank account or credit card account (If you don’t have a credit card, maybe put a fully Autoloaded Youth Clipper on your holiday wish list!) Autoload will load your card with value automatically once it runs out.

“Since I use public transportation to get home from school every day, Clipper is very convenient for me,” said Navraj S. of Alameda, who most frequently uses Fruitvale Station. “I can switch between AC Transit and BART with a tap of my card.”

Check out www.bart.gov/teens to discover fun, new places to explore just a BART ride away.



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Gold Star Memorial dedicated

**SUBMITTED BY
MICHAEL L. EMERSON**

On Saturday, December 2, 2017 the Gold Star Families Memorial Monument at Lone Tree Cemetery in Hayward was dedicated. This memorial embodies the vision and design of Medal of Honor recipient Hershel Woodrow 'Woody' Williams (AMVETS Hayward Post 911).

Woody is a 94-year young US Marine who earned his medal for combat actions in WWII during the Battle of Iwo Jima. Woody's goal is to have at least one of these memorials built in all 50 states. This Gold Star Families Memorial Monument in Hayward is the 29th to be built, and the first in California and on the West Coast.

Two years ago, Marine Corps veteran Michael L. Emerson and his team chose to donate their time and effort to raise the funds required to build this memorial honoring the families of our

fallen United States military heroes. It was a labor of love for Emerson and his associates.

About 150 people attended the dedication, including Woody Williams himself, US Congressman Eric Swalwell, Mayor of

Hayward Barbara Halliday, Gold Star Families Representative Kevin Graves, and Lone Tree General Manager Ray Ortnier, who all gave speeches. Local Honor Guards and members of AMVETS, VFW, American Le-

gion, 40/8, DAV, and the Marine Corps League participated.

Many thanks to all the dignitaries and Gold Star Family members who attended the dedication. Thanks also to everyone who donated to the memorial

and helped with its building and installation. Heartfelt sympathies and condolences to all Gold Star families. We honor your fallen loved ones and your families' sacrifice.



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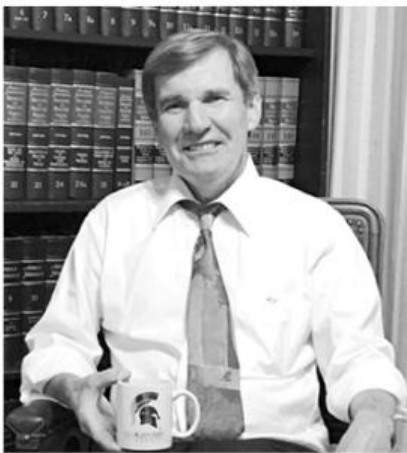
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BART Police Log

**SUBMITTED BY
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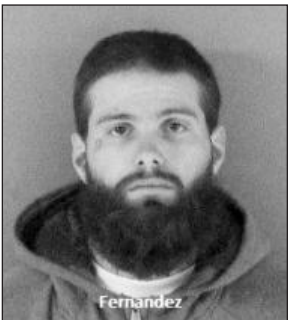
Wednesday, Dec. 20
At 9:48 a.m. an officer at the

Union City station detained a man, identified as Daley Byrd, 47, of Stockton on suspicion of fare evasion. It was discovered that Byrd had a \$10,000

domestic violence warrant for his arrest. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail for the warrant.

Union City Police Log

**SUBMITTED BY
LT. MATIAS PARDO, UNION CITY PD**



Ryan Mostek, Kristopher Fernandez

Monday, Dec. 11

Around 4:40p.m. officers and detectives went to Hayward to locate a Union City missing person. He was located, along with a vehicle reported stolen out of Fremont, drug paraphernalia, a flare gun, and a large amount of stolen property. Ryan Mostek, 26, of Union City, was arrested on suspicion of vehicle theft, identity theft, the possession of stolen property, felon in possession of a firearm, conspiracy, and the possession of drug paraphernalia. Kristopher Fernandez, 23, of Union City, was arrested on suspicion of identity theft, possessing stolen property, felon in possession of a firearm, conspiracy, and the possession of drug paraphernalia.

Wednesday, Dec. 13

Between 10:40 a.m. and 11 a.m. electronics were stolen from an unlocked truck in the 30000 block of Ahern Street.

Around 2:30 p.m. officer Llamas was dispatched to James Logan High School on the report of a robbery that had occurred a couple hours prior. One student stole another student's phone, while another student slapped the victim. Both suspects, a 16-year-old male and 16-year-old female, were identified and suspended. The cell phone was recovered.

Friday, Dec. 15

At around 10:30 a.m. Officer Moya was dispatched to Casa Verde Park, 3182 San Rafael Way, on the report of a robbery. The victim said two suspects approached him as he was walking through the park. One of them pointed a BB gun at him and demanded his wallet. The victim realized the gun was not real, and refused. The suspect shot two rounds at his forearm, and his wallet was taken by force. Both suspects were described as Hispanic juveniles, about 5-feet-7-inches tall with thin builds.

DUI checkpoint nets arrests, citations

**SUBMITTED BY
SGT. SEAN HENEGHAN,
MILPITAS PD**

During an evening DUI/Driver License checkpoint in Milpitas on Saturday, December 16, one motorist was arrested on suspicion of DUI while a second motorist was arrested on suspicion of driving while drug impaired. Officers also issued citations to two other drivers for other traffic violations while 15 drivers were cited for driving a vehicle while unlicensed or with a suspended license.

The checkpoint which took place from 8 p.m. to 3:30 a.m. on South Main Street, is part of the Milpitas Police Department's effort to curb drug and alcohol impaired driving through a new "DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze" effort from the California Office of Traffic Safety. About 682 vehicles went through the Milpitas checkpoint.

Data from recent studies of California drivers have shown that 30 percent of drivers in fatal crashes had one or more drugs in their systems. A study of active drivers showed more tested positive for drugs that may impair driving (14 percent) than did for alcohol

used fans at the 18th hole \$100 for the first hole-in-one and \$500 for the second in 2015. Professionals George McNeill and Justin Thomas aced the 137-yard hole, forcing the charity to give almost \$200,000 to fans around the green.

The charity took out an insurance

policy on the payouts, but a federal appeals court says the policy only covered holes at least 170 yards long.

Old White Charities Inc. accused the insurer of breach of contract for not covering the payout, but the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rejected that claim.

Newark Police Log

**SUBMITTED BY CAPTAIN
CHOMNAN LOTH, NEWARK PD**

Friday, Dec. 15

At 12:55 a.m. officer Wallace investigated a hit and run collision on Thornton Avenue at Gateway Boulevard.

At 8:46 p.m. officer Herbert investigated a DUI collision on Cedar Boulevard at Chapman Drive. The driver, a 39-year-old Newark man was booked into the Santa Rita Jail.

Saturday, Dec. 16

At 6:14 p.m. Officer Quinonez investigated an auto burglary in the Nijo Castle parking lot, 39888 Balentine Drive. The loss was a suitcase.

At 10:05 p.m. Officer Slavazza contacted and arrested a 51-year-old Newark man on suspicion of possessing drug paraphernalia on Thornton Avenue at Cedar Boulevard. The suspect was booked into the Fremont Jail.

Monday, Dec. 18

At 1:17 p.m. Officer Piquette accepted a citizen arrest of a reported shoplifter at Macy's, NewPark Mall. The suspect, a 22-year-old Oakland woman was issued a citation and released at the scene.

At 4:08 p.m. while police were speaking with a citizen in the police station lobby, the citizen, identified as a 37-year-old Newark woman, was determined to have an outstanding warrant. She was issued a citation and released.

Tuesday, Dec. 19

At 2:14 p.m. officers investigated two auto burglaries that occurred at BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse. The loss was laptop computers, wallets and miscellaneous tools.

At 2:59 p.m. Officer Rivera investigated a bank fraud case on the 35000 block of Lido Boulevard. The thief(s) gained access to the victim's account and the loss was \$3,400.

At 10:27 p.m. Officer Palacio and Field Training Officer Smith responded to an armed robbery on the 6200 block of Joaquin Murieta. The suspect had fled the area before the officers arrived. The loss was the victim's wallet.

(7.3 percent). Of the drugs, marijuana was most prevalent, at 7.4 percent, slightly more than alcohol.

During the Milpitas checkpoint a black 2014 Jeep Compass SUV came through the screening lane, and the driver was not able to present a driver license. As officers investigated further, they determined the SUV had been reported as stolen to the Sacramento Police Department on November 6, and they arrested the driver, a 41-year-old man from Sacramento, on suspicion of auto theft, possession of drug paraphernalia, providing false identification information, and driving with a suspended license. The passenger, a 44-year-old woman from San Jose, was cited and released for a bench warrant from the San Jose Police Department.

The Milpitas Police Department will continue to conduct DUI Saturation Patrols through Jan 1 throughout the city to lower deaths and injuries on local streets and highways. Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspension and other expenses that can exceed \$10,000.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or "DDVIP," free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

Funding for the checkpoint was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, reminding everyone to 'Report Drunk Driver — Call 911.

Court: Charity stuck with fan payouts after holes-in-one

AP WIRE SERVICE

Most golfers like short par 3s, but West Virginia Gov. Jim Justice probably wishes No. 18 at the Greenbrier Classic in 2015 was a little longer — 33 yards longer to be exact.

In 2015, Justice's charity prom-

PUBLIC NOTICES



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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Publication Date: December 26, 2017

On January 11, 2018, at or after 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 37101 Newark Blvd., Newark, CA, the Newark City Council will hold a public hearing to consider:

Introduction of an Ordinance to amend Title 17 (Zoning) of the Newark Municipal Code to repeal and replace all Zoning District Chapters within Title 17, update the Official Zoning Map and Rezone Districts and Properties consistent with the City's General Plan.

On December 12, 2017, the Newark Planning Commission approved Resolution No. 1952, recommending the City Council approve Z-17-15, a text amendment to Title 17 (Zoning) of the Newark Municipal Code. The purpose of the amendment is to repeal and replace the existing zoning code with a modern version consisting of best practices. The new zoning code shall apply Citywide and will rename zoning districts, rezone properties inconsistent with the General Plan and update the city's Official Zoning Map.

Details are available at the Planning Department, 37101 Newark Boulevard, Newark, CA, 94560, and by contacting Art Interiano, Deputy Community Development Director, by telephone (510) 578-4331 or email art.interiano@newark.org.

If you challenge a City action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Newark City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing. Subject to exhaustion of administrative remedies, Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6 requires you to initiate such a proceeding in court within 90 days of the final decision in this matter.

SHEILA HARRINGTON
City Clerk

CNS-3081265#

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF FREMONT PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FREMONT WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS. SAID PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL BE HELD AT 7:00 P.M., ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2018, AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 3300 CAPITOL AVENUE, FREMONT, CALIFORNIA, AT WHICH TIME ANY AND ALL INTERESTED PERSONS MAY APPEAR AND BE HEARD.

CENTERVILLE PIONEER – 3858 Bonde Way – PLN2017-00228 – To consider a General Plan Amendment to change the land use designation from General Open Space and Town Center Commercial to Medium Density Residential (14.6 to 29.9 units per net acre), a Rezoning from O-S (Open Space) and TC-P (Town Center – Pedestrian) to R-3-23 (Multifamily Residential), Tentative Tract Map No. 8391, and a Private Street entitlement to allow development of eight residential units (condominiums) in two buildings on an approximately 0.4-acre site in the Centerville Community Plan Area, and to consider a Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared and circulated for the proposed project in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
Project Planner – Bill Roth, (510) 494-4450, broth@fremont.gov

THE COTTAGES – 37343 Blacow Road – PLN2017-00285 – To consider a General Plan Amendment to change the land use designation from Service Industrial to Low-Medium Density Residential (8.3 to 14.5 units per net acre), a Rezoning from I-S (Service Industrial) to Preliminary and Precise Planned District P-2017-285, Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 8404, and a Private Street entitlement to allow development of a new 37-unit residential subdivision with both single-family and dual-style homes on a 3.29-acre site located in the Centerville Community Plan Area, and to consider a Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared and circulated for the proposed project in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
Project Planner – Steve Kowalski, (510) 494-4452, skowalski@fremont.gov

For further information on any of the above items, call (510) 494-4440 and request to speak with the project planner in charge of the particular project.

* NOTICE *

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

WAYNE MORRIS, SECRETARY FREMONT PLANNING COMMISSION



CNS-3082898#

NOTICE OF MEETING

JANUARY 8, 2018

On Monday, January 8, 2017, at 6:30 p.m., in the Niles Conference Room at the Development Services Center at 39550 Liberty Street, Fremont, CA 94538, the Niles Canyon Scenic Corridor Liaison Committee will review and provide feedback on the following project:

NILES-CHEVRON CUP – 38010 MISSION BOULEVARD – PLN2016-00262 The applicant proposes a gasoline service station with six double-sided gas pumps, a 2,000-square-foot convenience store, a 2,000-square-foot retail space, and a two-bay car wash on a 1.4-acre vacant site at the southeast corner of Mission Boulevard and Niles Canyon Road, in the City of Fremont.

This notice is being posted in the City of Fremont Development Services Center.



CNS-3082937#

CIVIL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda
Petitioner: Wenyan Yu for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner Wenyan Yu filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Xiao Yu to Alyssa Xiao Yu
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 1/26/2018, Time: 11:30 AM, Dept.: 24

The address of the court is 1221 Oak Street 3rd Fl., Oakland CA 94612
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Whats Happening in Tri-City Voice - Fremont
Date: Dec 07 2017
Morris D. Jacobson
Judge of the Superior Court
12/12, 12/19, 12/26/17, 1/2/18

CNS-3079205#

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. HG17884737
Superior Court of California, County of Alameda
Petition of: Lorraine Margo Patricia Vandegraaf Rodriguez and Alfredo Cabral Rodriguez for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner Lorraine Margo Patricia Vandegraaf Rodriguez and Alfredo Cabral Rodriguez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
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Sofia Athena Vandegraaf Rodriguez to Sofia Athena VanRod
Ethan Ares Vandegraaf Rodriguez to Ethan Ares VanRod
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Notice of Hearing:
Date: 01/12/2018, Time: 11:30 AM, Dept.: 24
The address of the court is 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Tri City Voice
Date: Dec 05 2017
Morris Jacobson
Judge of the Superior Court
12/12, 12/19, 12/26/17, 1/2/18

CNS-3078250#

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. HG17880960
Superior Court of California, County of Alameda
Petition of: Mary Carmen Walker for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner Mary Carmen Walker filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Mary Carmen Walker to Maria Carmen Walker
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 1-12-18, Time: 11:30 AM, Dept.: 24
The address of the court is 1221 Oak Street, 3rd Fl., Oakland, CA 94612
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Tri-City Voice
Date: Nov 02 2017
Morris Jacobson
Judge of the Superior Court
12/5, 12/12, 12/19, 12/26/17

CNS-3076174#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 539077
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Sneh Trucking, 27223 Sleepy Hollow Ave., Apt. 202, Hayward, CA 94545, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Kuldip Singh, 27223 Sleepy Hollow Ave., Apt. 202, Hayward, CA 94545
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/ Kuldip Singh, Owner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 19, 2017
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/26/17, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16/18

CNS-3082977#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538982
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Elite Performance Gym, 3755 Washington Blvd., Suite 201B, Fremont, CA 94538, County of Alameda; Mailing Address: 2933 Santos Lane, Apt #1923, Walnut Creek, CA 94597
Registrant(s):
Elite Performance LLC, 3755 Washington Blvd., Suite 201B, Fremont, CA 94538; 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/ Kevin Guevara, Managing Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 15, 2017
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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CNS-3082865#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538372
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Gubbi Cinema, 32670 Shaver Lake St., Fremont, CA 94555, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Sachin Pattanshetty, 32670 Shaver Lake St., Fremont, CA 94555
Business conducted by: an individual
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11/2013
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ Sachin Pattanshetty, Owner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 30, 2017
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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CNS-3082108#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538869
Fictitious Business Name(s):
QuiQ Auto Glass, 25800 Industrial Blvd., #CC2332, Hayward, CA 94845, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Maiwand Mrowat, 25800 Industrial Blvd., #CC2332, Hayward, CA 94845
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/ Maiwand Mrowat
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 12, 2017
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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CNS-3081872#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538209
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Valiant Audio Video, 2020 Warm Spring Ct., Ste. 1, Fremont, CA 94539, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Jason Leon, 38850 Farwell Dr., #5E, Fremont, CA 94536
Viet Truong, 4095 Keepsake Ct., Tracy, CA 95304
Business conducted by: a General Partnership
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/ Jason Leon, General Partner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 27, 2017
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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CNS-3081323#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538487
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Different Oasis, 793 Highpoint Way, Hayward, CA 94541, County of Alameda
Mailing Address: 1090 B St #129 Hayward, CA 94541
Registrant(s):
Joseph Montabio, 793 Highpoint Way, Hayward, CA 94541
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/ Joseph Montabio, Owner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 4, 2017
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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CNS-3081085#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538488
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Shree Ganessa LLC DBA Comfort Inn & Suites, 5977 Mowry Ave., Newark, CA 94560, County of Alameda; Mailing Address: 5977 Mowry Ave., Newark, CA 94560

Registrant(s):
Shree Ganessa LLC, 5977 Mowry Ave., Newark, CA 94560; California
Business conducted by: a Limited Liability Company
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 7/20/12
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/ Ishwar J. Patel, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 4, 2017
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CNS-3080978#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538765
Fictitious Business Name(s):
VARES BROS, 5464 SAINT MARK AVE #6, NEWARK, CA 94560; MAILING ADDRESS: PO BOX 740, NEWARK, CA 94560, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
DUVAN OLIVARES-GALVAN, 5464 SAINT MARK AVE #6, 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/ DUVAN OLIVARES-GALVAN
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on DECEMBER 8, 2017
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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CNS-3080359#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538375
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Josh The Garage Door Guy, 5794 St. Matthew Dr., Newark CA 94560, County of Alameda
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1631, Newark CA 94560
Registrant(s):
Josh Eugene Fout, 5794 St. Matthew Dr., 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/ Josh Fout, Owner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 30, 2017
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CNS-3079203#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538552
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Joseph Realty Services & Management, 31770 Alvarado Blvd., #170, Union City, CA 94587, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Wilbert Joseph Robinson Jr., 31770 Alvarado Blvd., #170, Union City, CA 94587
Business conducted by: An Individual
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 12/6/2017
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/ Wilbert Joseph Robinson Jr., Owner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 6, 2017
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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CNS-3078818#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538485
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Serra LLC, 4125 Breakwater Ave, Unit -E, Hayward, CA 94545, County of Alameda
Mailing Address: 2163 Aldengate Way #295, Hayward, CA 94557
Registrant(s):
Serra LLC, 4125 Breakwater Ave Unit E, Hayward, CA 94545; Mossosbass, 2163 Aldengate Way #295, Hayward, CA 94557
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/ Esequiel Sandoval, Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on December 4, 2017
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CNS-3078265#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 537748
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Gala Gems and Crystals, 4816 Cabello Ct., Union City, CA 94587, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Sarah Eunjo Lee, 4816 Cabello Ct., Union City, CA 94587
Business conducted by: An Individual
The registrant began to transact business using

the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11/6/17
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/ Sarah E. Lee
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 8, 2017
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CNS-3076558#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 537896
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Badru Hyatt Services, 34370 Enea Ter, Fremont, CA 94555, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Badru Hyatt, 34370 Enea Ter, 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/ Badru Hyatt
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 14, 2017
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CNS-3076546#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 538107
Fictitious Business Name(s):
Groundjet Transportation, 41078 Farallon Common, Apt #102, Fremont, CA 94538, County of Alameda
Registrant(s):
Shahabuddin Samaruddin, 1886 N. Capitol Ave. Apt #125, San Jose, CA 95132
Hamidullah Fakir, 41078 Farallon Common, Apt #102, Fremont, CA 94538
Business conducted by: a Joint Venture
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11/1/2017
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/ Shahabuddin Samaruddin, Operation Manager/Partner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on November 20, 2017
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Code to conform with the California Office of Emergency Services requirements. The California Office of Emergency Services has issued recommendations for updating local Disaster Council Ordinances to comply with changes in legislation governing disaster response. The proposed update includes minor revisions and clarifications to the current language and ensures that the ordinance conforms to the latest State law and regulations issued by California Office of Emergency Services.

Council Member Collazo moved that it be adopted and passed, which motion was duly seconded by Council Member Hannon. The ordinance was passed and adopted by the following vote: AYES: Council Members Collazo, Freitas, Hannon, and Mayor Nagy; NOES: None; ABSENT: Vice Mayor Buccì.

Copies of the full text of this ordinance are available for public examination in the Office of the City Clerk, 37101 Newark Boulevard, 5th Floor and in the Newark Library, 6300 Civic Terrace Avenue, Newark, California.

Sheila Harrington, City Clerk

12/26/17

CNS-3083106#

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
AMENDMENT TO MASTER FEE SCHEDULE**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY Council of the City of Newark at its City Council meeting of January 11, 2018, at or near 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Sixth Floor, City Administration Building, 37101 Newark Boulevard, Newark, California, will hold a public hearing to consider a resolution establishing a new fee for Improvement Plan Review by outside consulting firm upon request by the applicant. The fee will recover the actual cost of the consulting firms' services. At least 10 days prior to the public hearing, the data establishing the proposed fee will be available in the City Clerk's office located at 37101 Newark Boulevard, Fifth Floor, during normal business hours.

If you challenge a City action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Newark City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

SHEILA HARRINGTON, City Clerk

12/26/17, 1/2/18

CNS-3082636#

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a public hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Union City for the purpose of considering the following application:

Zoning Map Amendment (A-17-002)

The applicant, Timothy Swenson, is requesting a Zoning Map Amendment (A-17-002) to apply the Landmark and Historic Preservation (LHP) Overlay Zoning designation to the former Silver Dollar Cafe and Saloon, located at 31150 Horner Street (APN: 483-10-39). The property will still retain its existing General Plan designation of Commercial (CR) and Zoning designation of Specialty Commercial (CS).

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the proposed amendments are exempt from environmental review in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the general exemption for projects with no potential for significant effect on the environment.

This item will be heard at a public hearing by the City Council at the meeting listed below. You may attend the meeting and voice your comments in person, or you may submit comments in writing prior to the hearing. The project planner, Binh Nguyen, can be reached at (510) 675-5382 or via email at BinhN@unioncity.org.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**Tuesday, January 9, 2018
Said hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m.
In the Council Chambers of City Hall,
34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City**

The Planning Commission recommended denial of the Zoning Map Amendment request at their December 21, 2017 meeting.

The City Council agenda 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 <https://www.unioncity.org/199/City-Meetings-Video>. 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.

If you challenge the above described project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Planning Commission public hearing for this project or the City Council public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission or to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

**JOAN MALLOY
Economic & Community Development Director**

12/26/17

CNS-3082457#

**City of Union City Department of Public Works
Notice Inviting Bids
for
2017-2018 SIDEWALK AND CURB & GUTTER REPAIRS
City Project No. 17-33**

Sealed proposals for the work shown on the plans entitled: 2017-2018 Sidewalk and Curb & Gutter Repairs, City Project No. 17-33 will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Union City, City Government Building, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, California, until **THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2018, 2:00 P.M.**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read in the Council Chambers of said building. The Contractor shall possess a Class A or C-8 license at the time this contract is awarded. Bids are required for the entire work described herein. This contract is subject to the State contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code Section 12990. The bid package is available on CD and can be obtained at the Public Works Department at no charge. A copy of bid package CD will be mailed by request upon the receipt of a \$5 non-refundable mailing charge. U.S. Mail or bidder's FedEx account number. In addition, you may call (510) 675-5308 for a copy of the Plan Holder's List. General Work Description: The work to be done, in general, consist removal and replacement of existing concrete sidewalk and curb & gutter and all associated items indicated and required by the plans. Standard Specifications, and these special provisions and other such items indicated and required by the plans, Standard Specifications, and these technical specifications. All questions should be faxed to Michael Renk, Civil Engineer III City of Union City, at (510) 489-9468 or transmitted via email at mrenk@unioncity.org. The successful bidder shall furnish a Payment Bond, a Performance Bond, and a Maintenance Bond. Minimum wage rates for this project as predetermined by the Secretary of Labor are set forth in the special provisions. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and prevailing wage rates determined by the Department of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the contractor and his subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rates. Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing rate of wages in the county in which the work is to be done has been determined by the Director of the wage rates appear in the Department of Transportation publication entitled General Prevailing Wage Rates, (current semi-annual which have been predetermined and are on file with the Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in said publication.

**CITY OF UNION CITY
DATED: DECEMBER 19, 2017
12/19, 12/26/17**

CNS-3081246#

PROBATE

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
EVELYN JANE HETU
CASE NO. RP17883537**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Evelyn Jane Hetu

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Carl Durham in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda.

The Petition for Probate requests that Carl Durham be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on JAN 3, 2018 at 9:31 AM in Dept. 201 located at 2120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, Berkeley, CA 94704.

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

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: Carl M. Durham, Jr., Law Offices of Carl M. Durham, Jr., 303 Twin Dolphin Drive, Suite 600, Redwood City, CA 94038, Telephone: 650-249-6733 12/19, 12/26/17, 1/2/18

CNS-3080761#

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
JOSEPH VEGA
CASE NO. RP 17-882708**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Joseph Vega

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Steven J. Calibo in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda.

The Petition for Probate requests that Steven J. Calibo be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on JAN 8, 2018 at 9:31 am in Dept. 202 located at 2120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, Berkeley, CA 94704.

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

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: Kurt K. Robinson, Robinson Law Firm, 38930 Blacow Road, Suite B2, Fremont, CA 94536, Telephone: 510-825-4453 12/19, 12/26/17, 1/2/18

CNS-3080491#

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
LEO MUNIZ
CASE NO. RP17870944**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Leo Muniz

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Kathleen Cuevas in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda. The Petition for Probate requests that Kathleen Cuevas be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The Petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on April 3, 2018 at 9:30 am in Dept. 202 located at 2120 Main Luther King Jr. Way, Berkeley, CA 94704.

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

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: Kurt K. Robinson, Robinson Law Firm, 38930 Blacow Road, Suite B2, Fremont, CA 94536, Telephone: 510-825-4453 12/19, 12/26/17, 1/2/18

CNS-3075420#

PUBLIC AUCTION/SALES

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF GOODS TO
SATISFY LIEN AUCTION LOCATION:
32001 DOWE AVE., UNION CITY, CA. 94587**
In accordance with the provisions of the California Commercial Code, Sections 7201-7210, notice is hereby given that on **Monday, January 8, 2018** at the hour of **10:00** am of said date, at **32001 Dowe Ave., City of Union City, County of Alameda State of CA**, the undersigned will sell at public auction for cash, in lawful money of the United States, the articles hereinafter described, belonging to, or deposited with, the undersigned by the persons hereinafter named, at Crown Moving and Storage. Said goods are being held on

the accounts of: Peter Lassen, Evelyn Dickerson, Eva Dickerson, David Sneddon, Edward Goletz, John Krause, and Dennis Spicer. All other goods are described as household goods, furniture, antiques, appliances, tools, misc goods, office furniture, and articles of art, equipment, rugs, sealed cartons and the unknown. The auction will be made for the purpose of satisfying the lien of the undersigned on said personal property to the extent of the sum owed, together with the cost of the sale. For information contact Crown Moving and Storage. Terms: Cash only with a 15% buyer's premium. Inspection at sale time. Payment and removal day of sale. Auction conducted by American Auctioneers, Dan Dotson & Associates (800) 838-SOLD, (909) 790-0433 or www.americanauctioneers.com Bond #FS863-20-14. /S/ Crown Moving and Storage 12/19, 12/26/17

CNS-3081951#

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 08 th day of December, 2018at or after 1:15pm, pursuant to the California Self-Storage Facility Act. The sale will be conducted at: U-Haul Moving & Storage of Thornton, 4833 Thornton Ave. Fremont, CA 94536. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: clothing, furniture, and / or other household items stored by the following people:
Name/Unit #Paid Through Date
Joseph FrancoC252-5311/5/2017
Kimberly BershellB16110/30/2017
Yeny RamirezC2849/7/2017
Adam SmithC1457/30/2017
Aashna MagoC2279/3/2017
Harbinder SinghC1189/19/2017
Nicholas SisoisC1619/21/2017
Breana CoreaC101 3/8/2017
Jessica HavlikB11011/7/2017
Mark WillisB11610/12/2017
Lee DarzyckiAA3030A11/6/2017
Robert AgorastosC1196/29/2016
Chauntale HollowayC1726/19/2017
Adamisha HicksC15410/24/2017
Vasilios DolianitisC1449/10/2017
Alonzo JohnsonC23710/26/2017
Boris OakC300 11/5/2017
Ginny JohnsonAA6249D 10/8/2017
Myralene FlakeC22911/3/2017
Rebekah MeyerC24611/3/2017
Pedro TugadiB32811/2/2017
Kimberly BershellB121310/30/2017 12/26/17, 1/2/18

CNS-3081781#

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 08th day of December, 2018 at or after 11:00am 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:
Name/Unit #Paid Through Date
Steve Schreiber38211/5/2017
Samreen Farrukh1839/13/2017
Pennie Bowles50658/8/2017
William Gruver1589/26/2017
Rahman AlkaabIMM41310/26/2017
Riccio Williams3747/10/2017
Matthew Ajiake3674/17/2017
Michelle Simms31210/25/2017
Pennie Bowles5084/9/2017
Djhonna PierryAA5125GB/31/2017
Maria Zapata3069/8/2017
Brianna BivardiIMM41511/5/2017
Pennie Bowles5094/9/2017 12/26/17, 1/2/18

CNS-3081777#

Notice is hereby given pursuant to California Self Storage Act, Business and Professions Code 21700-21716. Three Sixty Storage Center, 6649 Central Avenue, Newark, California in Alameda County, will for the purpose of satisfying lien for storage, on the premises where said property has been stored, **SELL** at **PUBLIC AUCTION** on January 8, 2018 at 12:15PM, the contents of storage spaces named below, which consists of personal property including but not limited to, household furniture, clothing, tools, toys, appliances, stereo equipment, televisions, miscellaneous boxes of household goods and unknown contents.
Thomas J. Chavez
Narinder Kaur
Olga M. Silva
Regene P. Fulgueras
Samantha Watson
Syed M. Hassan
Khanyanh Delay Vongsy
Gary Moore
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CNS-3081013#

Police check on registered sex offenders

SUBMITTED BY SAN LEANDRO PD

To keep track of local registered sex offenders, the San Leandro Police Department recently conducted a compliance check in various neighborhoods throughout the city.

Four teams of officers and detectives set out during the early evening hours of Wednesday, December 13 and attempted to contact locally residing sex offenders to ensure registration compliance in accordance with the law. These inspections consisted of verifying places of residence, vehicles owned (or driven by) and places of employment. The California Penal Code requires that registered sex offenders keep their local law enforcement agencies informed of their status.

In total, 59 residential addresses were checked, and 40 sex offenders were contacted and found to be complying. Six registered sex offenders were found to be out of compliance and 13 were not home. One offender was arrested for having an outstanding warrant and being in possession of drugs and an illegal weapon.

“The compliance checks are necessary to ensure full compliance with the law,” said San Leandro Police Lt. Isaac Benabou. “These checks are not an intrusion of privacy upon these residents but rather a courtesy to assure these individuals have met the requirements under the conditions of their case.”

All out-of-compliance cases will be sent to the District Attorney for review and prosecution.

Arrests made at DUI checkpoint in Union City

SUBMITTED BY UNION CITY PD

On Friday, December 15, the Union City Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint at Alvarado-Niles Rd. and H Street. The checkpoint, held from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m., is part of a statewide effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate drivers that “DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.” Here are the results of the Union City checkpoint:

- 1088 vehicles screened
- 2 DUI-alcohol suspects arrested
- 1 arrested on other criminal charges (D.U.I. warrant)
- 13 drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked

Police in Union City will be conducting other DUI/Driver's License checkpoints along with stepped-up DUI saturation patrol during the holiday season and the new year as part of their ongoing commitment to increasing safety on local streets.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Suspect arrested in Fremont stabbing death

SUBMITTED BY GENEVA BOSQUES, FREMONT PD

A 20-year-old Fremont woman has been charged with homicide in connection to the stabbing death of a man during a domestic dispute on Sunday, December 17. Fremont police arrested Ayah Abdallah, at a residence on the 38000 block of Logan Drive shortly after the stabbing which occurred around 10 p.m. in the 41000 block of Fremont Boulevard. Police initially responded to the Fremont Boulevard address after receiving a 911 call about a possible stabbing.

Arriving officers and paramedics found the victim, identified as Yusuf Nawabi, 19, of Fremont suffering stab wounds to his abdomen. He was taken to a trauma center and later died.

Witnesses told police the incident started as an argument which escalated when a woman, later identified as Abdallah, reportedly stabbed Nawabi. After the

stabbing, Abdallah fled in a vehicle. Neighbors provided police with a partial license plate number which helped them track the vehicle to the nearby Logan Drive address.

Police surveillance was set up on the vehicle and at about 11:45 p.m. officers conducted a traffic stop as the suspect vehicle left the residence. Abdallah was the driver and sole occupant of the vehicle and a black knife with a 4-inch blade believed used in the stabbing was found with her. She was arrested and booked into the Fremont jail just after midnight on Monday, December 18.

The case is still under investigation and police are asking that anyone with information about it to call Fremont Detective Brent Butcher at (510) 790-6956 or send an email to Bbutcher@fremont.gov.



Ayah Abdallah

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- No P.O. boxes unless physical address is verified by TCV

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Call Harriet 510-793-7465
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Bills passed and priorities for the New Year

**SUBMITTED BY OFFICE OF
SENATOR BOB WIECKOWSKI**

With 2017 winding down, December is an appropriate time to reflect on the past 12 months and look ahead with hope and optimism as the New Year approaches.

The California Legislature passed several important bills in 2017 to begin repairing our streets and highways; to provide a dedicated fund for financing affordable housing and approving a housing bond measure; to continue California's global leadership position in the fight against climate change; and to put a water and parks bond on the November 2018 ballot.

Several of my bills were signed into law, but first I want to tell you about three of my priority bills for 2018 that passed the Senate and will be voted on in the Assembly. Each bill puts citizens before corporations and will help California consumers.

**SB 16 - STUDENT LOAN
PAYMENT PARITY**

More than 40 million Americans have student loan debt. Now at over \$1.3 trillion, education debt outpaces credit card debt as the leading source of household debt. These mortgage-sized loans cause many graduates to postponed buying a home, getting married, starting a family, and saving for retirement. While federal loan borrowers are afforded lower interest rates, fixed interest rates, and more repayment flexibility, making it less likely they will default, private student loan borrowers have variable interest rates and consistently report their inability to negotiate with banks. SB 16 levels the student loan playing field by limiting private student loan collections to 15 percent of a person's income - the same as the federal rate. (This bill is currently on the Assembly floor).

SB 298 - LIMITS ON BANK LEVIES

Low-income Californians desperately need a secure place to keep their money. They get forced into check-cashing services and money orders because the law allows debt collectors to empty out their entire bank account for an old debt they're accused of owing. These seizures

happen with little or no warning, leaving people without a way to pay for rent, food, medicine, and transportation, and forcing them to incur more debt just to get by. Even if they can get free legal help to prove that they don't owe the money or should get their money back, the damage is already done. SB 298 would, for the first time, automatically protect from levy up to \$2,250. Emptying low income people's bank accounts today for past debt only traps them in the debt cycle. SB 298 breaks the cycle. (This bill is on the Assembly floor).

**SB 66 - NO PERKS FOR
PUNITIVE DAMAGES**

The California tax code currently allows businesses to take a tax deduction when a court holds them liable for punitive damages - giving corporations an undeserved tax break for flouting the law while leaving the average taxpayer holding the bag. The purpose of punitive damages penalties is to penalize and deter egregious misconduct when it has been proven in court to the highest standard in civil law—clear and convincing evidence. Tax deductions are for rewarding and incentivizing good behavior. But a deduction for punitive damages works in exactly the opposite direction: It rewards and subsidizes the worst behavior by the most irresponsible corporate citizens. SB 66 does away with this ludicrous law. (This bill is in the Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee).

PASSED INTO LAW
**SB 157 - PROTECTING REVENGE
PORN VICTIMS**

This bill better protects cyber retaliation, or “revenge porn,” victims from further exposure and threats to their privacy by providing stronger confidentiality protections in two ways. First, it broadens the definition of “identifying characteristics” to include social media profiles, email addresses, account names, avatars, handles, IP addresses, and other unique digital markers. Second, the bill gives victims a chance to request and receive a sealing order to protect their case records from public access for up to 60 days. (Signed into law. Chapter 233)

**SB 178 - FREMONT CENTERVILLE
SCHOOL SITE**

This bill authorizes the City of Fremont to transfer park land purchased with funds from the California Wildlife, Coastal, and Park Land Conservation Act to the Fremont Unified School District for constructing a new school. It specifically allows 4.6 acres of Centerville Park to be used for an elementary school with the remaining acreage to be developed into a joint-use public park. In addition, 4 acres of an undeveloped area known as “Dusterberry Park” will be developed into a neighborhood public park. (Signed into law. Chapter 458)

**SB 217 - MEANINGFUL
MEDIATION**

SB 217 clarifies that the legally-required financial disclosures in family law cases remain admissible even if prepared in the context of mediation. Under California law, spouses owe each other a fiduciary duty to disclose full and accurate information of all their assets and liabilities during marriage dissolution or separation proceedings. SB 217 ensures that no one can use mediation confidentiality as a shield against fulfilling that duty. (Signed into law. Chapter 60)

**SB 229 - ACCESSORY
DWELLING UNITS**

This bill follows last year's SB 1069 which eliminated the most onerous barriers to the construction of accessory dwelling units. As a result, California law now requires ministerial review, relaxes parking requirements, reduces duplicative fees, and grants automatic approval of a permit to create a unit within an existing space on a lot. SB 229 clarifies that the limits on connection fees and capacity charges apply to water and sewer districts, as well as cities and counties. (Signed into law. Chapter 594).

**SB 407 - FREE SPEECH IN
EVERY COMMUNITY**

SB 407 ensures that people governed by homeowner's associations have the ability to exercise their rights guaranteed under the law to peacefully assemble and freely communicate with one another for social, political, or educational purposes.

Unfortunately, some homeowner's associations are using their covenants and codes to stifle residents' speech and use of common areas—fining and censoring residents when they disapprove of the content of their political speech. SB 407 ensures that Californians' housing situations do not dictate their free speech rights. (Signed into law. Chapter 236)

**SB 680 - TRANSIT-ORIENTED
DEVELOPMENT**

This bill expands the radius within which BART can pursue transit-oriented development (TOD) projects from one-quarter mile to one-half mile. This quarter-mile extension will aid in achieving California's greenhouse gas emission reduction goals and simultaneously add sorely-needed housing stock to the most unaffordable housing market in the country. TOD is a form of urban development that focuses upon the creation of pedestrian-oriented mixed-use communities around high quality transit systems. These developments are designed to connect active and public transit and reduce dependence on the automobile. (Signed into law. Chapter 100)

**SB 448 - NOT SO SPECIAL
DISTRICTS**

Special districts are created to provide a specific service or set of services to an area that would ordinarily be served by local or state government: Services vary from fire protection and highway lighting to pest abatement and water service. While many of these districts are crucial to provide services that local or state government may not be able to, they lack the accountability of local or state government. SB 448 will resolve issues of inefficiency by requiring the creation of a comprehensive list of special districts and creating an expedited dissolution process for special districts that demonstrate through regular audits that they are not performing their promised services. (Chapter 334)

It is an honor and a privilege to represent you in the California State Senate. I am looking forward to a productive new year. Until then, I wish you and your family peace, health and prosperity in 2018.

Legal pot in California brings host of environmental rules

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP), At a state briefing on environmental rules that await growers entering California's soon-to-be-legal marijuana trade, organic farmers Ulysses Anthony, Tracy Sullivan and Adam Mernit listened intently, eager to make their humble cannabis plot a model of sustainable agriculture in a notoriously destructive industry dominated by the black market.

In line with a 2017 study that found marijuana grows are more damaging, plot for plot, than commercial logging in Northern California forests, Anthony said he has seen too many destructive grows. Trash-strewn clearings. Growers heaping fertilizer at the foot of a centuries-old sequoia tree, needlessly endangering it. Wild streams diverted for irrigation.

“It really bothers me when I see some of the other operations, the treatment of the land,” he said.

He came from Northern California's remote Lake County with his two business partners for the state-run seminar on just some of the water regulations pot growers must follow when California – the United States' biggest economy, and biggest producer by far in the underground U.S. cannabis market – legalizes recreational marijuana for licensed and permitted growers and sellers in the New Year.

Complying with water laws alone would mean daily record-keeping, permit

applications, inspections and more, state officials said. The three growers took in the volume of new environmental rules but were confident they could comply and be ready to go legal with their 1-acre (4,000-square-meter) farm, said Sullivan, sitting between her two male business partners.

“Oh, yeah, it'll be possible,” she said. “It'll just be a longer road” than they expected.

Hopes are that legalization will help rein in environmental damage from black-market grows, much of it in Northern California old-growth forests. But early signs are that only a fraction of growers are applying for permits immediately as recreational marijuana becomes legal here.

At the briefing earlier this month, state regulators and consultants hoping to do business with pot farmers notably outnumbered the growers. Rachel Begonia of West Sacramento, one of those consultants, wondered aloud: Where were all the other cannabis growers scrambling to comply with environmental requirements?

As legalization and all of its environmental oversight for farmers who go legal approach in just a few weeks, “either they've got it in the bag, or they're going to try to fly under the radar,” Begonia figured.

It's impossible to know exactly how many growers statewide are planning to go legal, two years after Californians

voted to legalize recreational marijuana starting in 2018.

California's agriculture department just started accepting applications from growers this week, agency spokesman Steve Lyle said. By midweek, it had received fewer than 200 such applications and approved four, Lyle said.

In Northern California's remote and forested Humboldt County, where an estimated 15,000 pot farmers grow illicitly now on private lands or in so-called trespass grows on tribal lands and publicly held forests, only 2,300 have applied for the required local growing permits, officials say. Humboldt County anchors a swath of California forests known as the Emerald Triangle, estimated to produce almost two-thirds of U.S. cannabis.

Mourad Gabriel, a wildlife biologist in Humboldt County, has spent years documenting and sounding alarms over the damage that black-market marijuana grows wreak in California's sloping old-growth forests and virgin streams.

A container of pesticide exploded in his face at one grow site, Gabriel said. All of the so-called trespass grows Gabriel has inspected have featured illegal diversions of water and some kind of toxic substances, he said.

That's often in the form of old soda or water bottles refilled with widely banned poisons, such as carbofuran, and used to keep bugs or rodents from gnawing on drip irrigation lines or plants.

He and colleagues conducted some of the first surveys of lethal poisoning of significant numbers of California's few hundred remaining fishers, a threatened carnivore. Overall, chemicals at grow sites threaten wildlife ranging from owls to bears to elk, Gabriel said.

He's skeptical California is bringing strong enough enforcement to bear on environmental infractions.

Even if half its growers decide to go legal, California will still have numerous

pot farms that flout the rules, Gabriel said. “If even a fraction have pesticide and water use ... that's a concern. A definite concern.”

Clifonia's Department of Pesticide Regulation is adding about 10 toxicologists and other scientists to its staff of 400 to deal with the pot industry, said Jesse Cuevas, assistant director of programs. “It's not too often we get a multibillion-dollar industry regulated overnight,” Cuevas said.

Since marijuana remains illegal under federal law and California's list of allowed bug, mold and rat killers is tied to federal law, no conventional poisons are specifically approved for California cannabis growers. Pot farmers will be allowed only a limited number of conventional pesticides and those associated with organic farming such as cinnamon oil, citronella or traps.

Cannabis sold legally in the state must be tested first for pesticides and other dangers.

California's wildlife department has added about 100 law enforcement officers, scientists and others to deal with the marijuana industry, said Nathaniel Arnold, a deputy chief of law enforcement for the agency.

State and local water boards are adding just under 100 staffers to deal with the industry's water problems, which include contaminating and destroying waterways, said Clint Snyder, assistant executive officer of one regional water board.

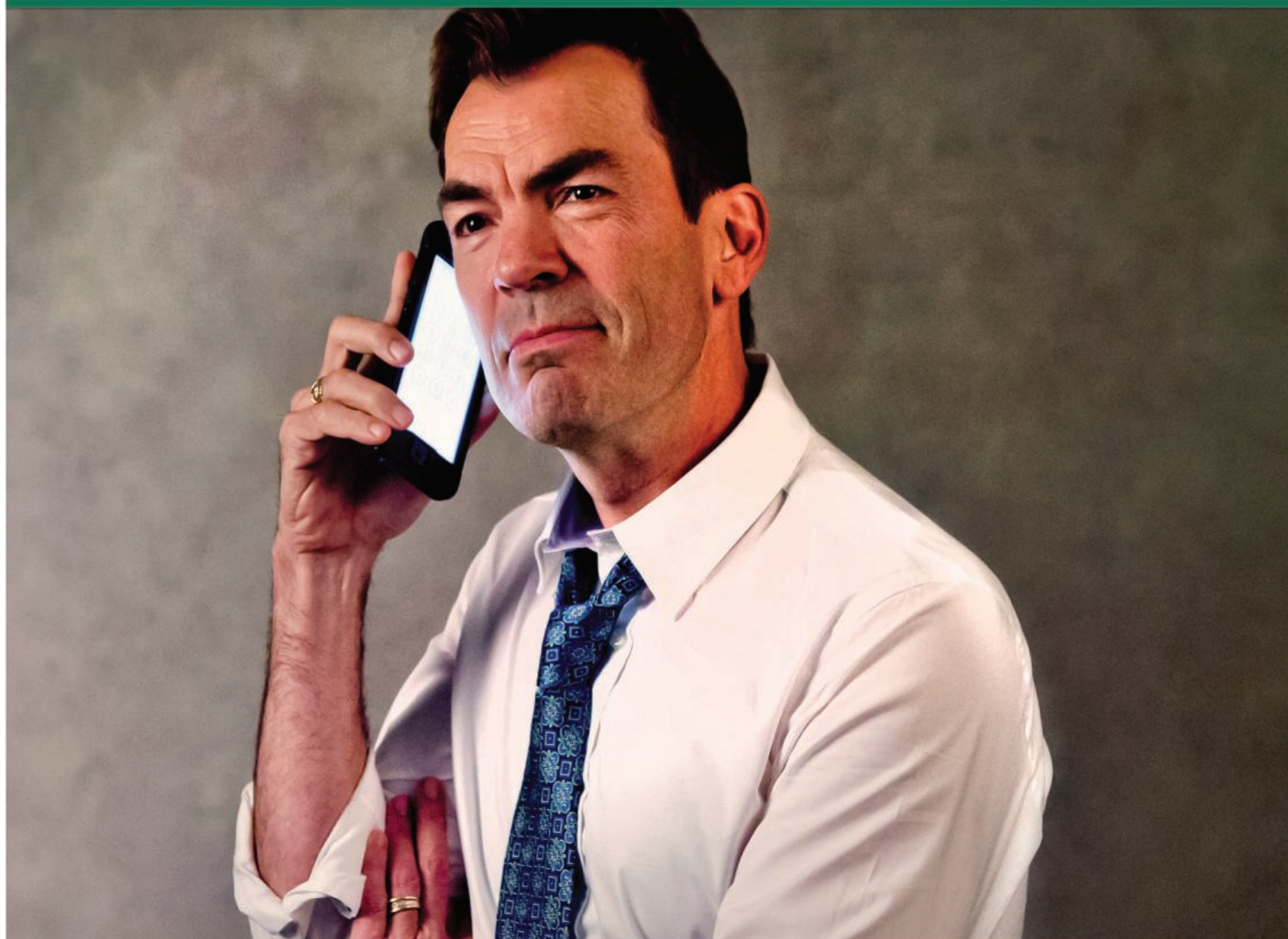
Snyder expects many in the black market to wait and see how things go for the first legal growers, like the Lake County business partners.

Ideally, as in the years after Prohibition, trust and market forces will bring growers out of their hideouts in vulnerable hills and forests, and onto the valley floors with the rest of California's farmers.

“The current status quo is unacceptable, and it's very damaging to the environment,” Cuevas said. “Any step to regulate the industry is a step in the right direction.”

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