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JUNE 15 REOPENING

By DAVID R. NEWMAN
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On June 15, the State of California will be lifting nearly all public health restrictions in a major step towards returning to pre-COVID times. Counties will not need to follow the color-coded tier system of the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, which Governor Newsom first unveiled in August 2020. This is assumes sufficient vaccine supply and hospitalizations remain stable and low.

California is one of the last states to officially “reopen” as the nation continues to see a dramatic drop in COVID-19 cases and deaths. As of June 1, according to Johns Hopkins University, the 7-day positivity rate for California was 0.7%, an all-time low. (Positivity rate is the percentage of all COVID tests performed that are positive for the virus.) And with over half the population of the nation, and the state, vaccinated, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the outlook appears hopeful.

Beginning June 15, all capacity limits and social distancing requirements will be removed. This means restaurants, bars, grocery stores, churches, movie theaters, concert venues, etc. can all operate as they did before the pandemic.

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PART 1 OF 2-PART SERIES

Varicose Veins Can Become Dangerous

Fremont Vascular Surgeon Talks About the Risks



Team members from the Washington Vein Rejuvenation Center: Joshua Amano, PA-C; Sarah Wartman, MD; Gabriel Herscu, MD; Anna Chun, PA-C

We’ve all seen those unsightly purplish blue lines that show up just under the skin. They’re called varicose veins and you may even have some. Varicose veins are very common – particularly as you age – and occur mostly in the legs. While both men and women can have varicose veins, they are much more common in women.

“Half of women over 60 will develop varicose veins,” said Dr. Gabriel Herscu, a local vascular surgeon and member of Washington Township Medical Foundation. “Many won’t have symptoms, but you shouldn’t ignore them because they can cause problems over time.”

Dr. Herscu is one of two board-certified vascular surgeons who treat varicose veins at the Washington Vein Rejuvenation Center in Fremont. Along with Dr. Sarah Wartman, he performs a range of minimally and noninvasive procedures that not only remove the blemishes caused by varicose veins, but also restore physical function for many patients.

Varicose veins are related to increased blood pressure in the veins, Dr. Herscu explained. Blood flows toward the heart through one-way valves in the veins. When those valves become weakened or damaged, blood can collect in the veins. This increases venous pressure, often causing the vein to bulge and twist. Other factors can also contribute to the growth of varicose veins, he added.

The most common sign of varicose veins is the dark purple or blue blood vessels that show up on the thigh and calf. They can also cause pain and swelling in the legs and ankle, and result in disability, according to Dr. Herscu.

“The symptoms can get very severe, including ulcerations or open sores, and varicose veins can even hemorrhage if they get punctured from minor trauma,” he added. “Varicose veins are overall undertreated in the medical community. They are often considered benign, but they can actually cause a lot of discomfort and disability.”

Who is at Risk?

Anything that puts excessive pressure on the legs can lead to varicose veins, so those most at risk include pregnant women, people who are obese, and those who must stand for long periods of time at work. Age is also a factor because the valves in your veins can break down over time. “Varicose veins are strongly associated with obesity, but trauma to the leg can also damage the valves in a vein, causing varicosity,” Dr. Herscu added. “Genetics play a role as well, so if family members have varicose veins it increases the likelihood that you will have them.”

Because varicose veins can disrupt the flow of blood back to the heart and lungs, where it is replenished with

oxygen, they can also cause serious health problems. He encourages people to monitor their varicose veins closely and consult a physician if they start causing pain or swelling.

“Often varicose veins can be easily treated in the office or on an outpatient basis,” Dr. Herscu said. “Although some cosmetic procedures have an out-of-pocket cost, most treatments are covered by insurance.”

The Washington Vein Rejuvenation Center offers comprehensive care for people with varicose veins, deep vein thrombosis, and other vascular conditions. After having an ultrasound to determine the extent of the damage to their veins, patients receive an individualized treatment plan.

“Treatment options for varicose veins are very low risk and they can have a very big impact on your quality of life,” Dr. Herscu added. “We see some patients who can barely walk get a new lease on life.”

For more information about the Washington Vein Rejuvenation Center, visit www.mywtmf.com/Services/Vascular.

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SUBMITTED BY VICKILYN HUSSEY

“This is the biggest virtual concert program we have done, by far. Filming it was challenging, but a lot of fun!” Music at the Mission Director Aileen Chanco said, describing Saturday’s “352 Keys” Happy Hour Concert, which will be streamed online Saturday, June 12. The program showcases four grand pianos and five strings in the hands of exceptional artists in an outstanding program of Mozart, Brahms, Rachmaninoff, Milhaud and Bach.

“While we can’t wait to get back to a live audience, we decided to make lemonade out of lemons and find unique things we could do in a virtual concert program, such as the concept of a four-piano program. But that presented a problem: finding a venue with four quality grand pianos,” explained Chanco. “A piano store was one of the few places that could make it happen. We are grateful to Steinway Pianos, Walnut Creek for donating the use of its pianos and the gallery itself to record this concert!”

When it comes to emotional and artistic investment, performing artists are the gold standard, and Katherine Lee, Raja Rahman, Aileen Chanco, and Alison Lee shine in the Bach Concerto for Four Pianos. Each of them are equally stellar in the works for two pianos. The virtuosic strings of the Music at the Mission Chamber Players for this concert are Christina Mok, violin; Genie Wie, violin; Ivo Bokulic, viola; Michael Graham, cello; and Bill Everett, double bass.

“The Bach Concerto is actually Bach’s reworking of the concerto for four violins by Vivaldi. It’s a unique piece, and not performed often enough. And on the technical side, it was equally demanding,” said Artistic Director Bill Everett, “because we used nine cameras to capture all the nuances of the piece.” It was a considerable investment in time, trial and error, and professional consultation.

“We also have a smorgasbord of pieces for two pianos: Mozart, Brahms, Rachmaninoff and Milhaud,” Everett added. “Milhaud’s ‘Scaramouche’ reflects on his time in Brazil. The last movement places the listener in the middle of a Rio street festival.” What a delightful scenario! According to Everett, “The Mozart Sonata in D Major is a mature work. I can’t help but think he was reflecting back on his childhood, traveling Europe playing duos with his sister Nannerl.”

“Brahms is usually viewed as a serious composer, but when he went to the lighter side of popular music, he often wrote for two pianists. The most famous example is his Hungarian Dances. The waltzes were very much an homage to his adopted home of Vienna,” said Everett. “For me personally, when it comes to works for two pianos, I’m always drawn to Rachmaninoff. The Rachmaninoff Suite no. 2 is the perfect example of his combination of virtuosity and passion.”

While focusing on the piano, the program takes a little detour with a new work, Justin Levitt’s “Trauer” String Quartet in memory of those lost to the pandemic. “And although there was significant loss and pain, strength and hope were not forgotten,” noted Levitt. “This piece is a reflection of that initial sorrow and fear that enveloped us and the renewed hope and fortitude that is inevitably taking its place.” Everett agrees that it is important to close the virtual season with a reflection on the past year, but “We also believe it is important to look forward! We can’t wait to welcome back our live audience again.”

The joie de vivre imbued in this program will linger long after the Happy Hour Concert is over! If you don’t want the evening to end at 5:00 p.m., be sure to livestream the Zoom AfterParty immediately following the concert to meet the pianists and composer Justin Levitt, and discuss the performances with host David Bonaccorsi.

The ticket price also includes on-demand access through midnight of June 14, 2021. Music at the Mission thanks “352 Keys” Concert Sponsors Fremont Bank, Alameda County Arts Commission, Tri-City Voice, and Steinway Society for making this concert possible.

Music at the Mission: 352 Keys
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Smile for the Camera!

SUBMITTED BY EVAN ROESER

Professional photographer Shawna Johnson has been tapped to take photos of local community members and families at a free photo day event sponsored by Weichert, Realtors® -- Rainbow Properties in Newark.

“Providing a free photo day for our community is a great way to say thank you for all the support they have shown us throughout the years,” said Adam Modzeleski, broker/owner of Weichert, Realtors® -- Rainbow Properties. “This is a great opportunity for families to get free professional photos and enjoy a day at the park.”

The event is set for 1:00 p.m. Sunday, June 13 at Shinn Historical Park and Arboretum in Fremont. Reservations are required for a photo session and limited time

slots are available. To make a reservation online, visit www.picktime.com/rainbow and select a time slot.

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The exception will be for “mega events.” For outdoor live events of 10,000 people or more, the state is recommending that proof of vaccination or a negative test result be shown in order to enter without a mask. Otherwise, you must wear a mask. For indoor venues of 5,000 or more, you must show proof of vaccination/negative test result or you will not be allowed in. Currently, California is the only state apart from Hawaii where masks are required indoors even for vaccinated individuals.

So what does all of this mean for folks in Alameda County? While there has not been an official press release as of this writing, the County website states: “Alameda County is fully aligned with the California State Reopening Plan, California State Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People, and California State Mask Guidance.” That means the county will follow the state’s lead come June 15.

That means that fully vaccinated people will be able to shout and cheer without having to wear a mask. They will also be able to buy groceries, eat a meal, have a drink, work out, pray, see a movie, get a massage, ride a bike, go to a concert, etc. – all sans mask. The few exceptions will be when visiting hospitals, prisons, and homeless shelters, and during travel (including air travel and mass transit). Of course, if you haven’t had the vaccine yet, or are just partially vaccinated, you still need to wear a mask in public.

Questions still remain regarding enforcement of these rules. How will businesses know who is vaccinated and who isn’t? Some may require proof of

vaccination. Some businesses may err on the side of caution and still operate with health restrictions in place, whether that’s keeping tables separated or requiring face masks. The main change come June 15 will be that each business will be responsible for upholding and enforcing its own health guidelines, provided they don’t contradict the CDC.

Several national chains – including Target, Costco and Trader Joe’s – have said they won’t require vaccinated customers to wear masks in states that drop mandates. And California employers will still be subject to guidelines set forth by California’s Division of Occupational Safety and Health (CalOSHA), specifically under the COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS), which mainly addresses workplace restrictions for those exhibiting signs of COVID-19.

This coming fall will see the return of thousands of children to public school as in-person teaching resumes. And more recommendations by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) may be coming for families with young children who can’t be vaccinated yet. Pfizer released a statement on its website stating, “If safety and immunogenicity is confirmed, and pending agreement with an endorsement from regulators, we hope to receive authorization for vaccination of these younger kids by early 2022.”

In a recent news conference, Secretary of the California Health and Human Services Dr. Mark Ghaly was asked about what might trigger the state to potentially lock back down. He said the state would be keeping a close eye on case numbers and COVID-19 variants, but didn’t get into what a worst-case scenario might be.

While health and government experts continue to evaluate and assess the data and relax restrictions, the outcome now seems to come down to us as individuals. If everyone gets vaccinated and remains cautious, then perhaps there is hope. Only time will tell.

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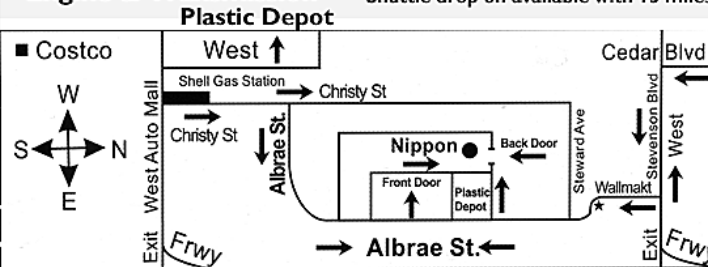
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Watermelon wow!

BY PAT KITE

There are over 1200 watermelon types. I was not aware. Usually I go to the grocery, thump a few, pretending I know what I am doing (Not so). Local watermelons have pink innards. But watermelons may have orange, yellow, white, or red flesh.

A scam took place years ago when people began seeing photos of purple watermelon innards. Purple melon seeds were available for a price. People rushed to buy. Unfortunately, all grown innards were pink. The watermelons had been photoshopped. As a note, the “purple” watermelon seeds are still available, online, so I am told. I tried to grow watermelons once. I got a toddler melon on a huge vine. It looked at me, said “Hah,” and waved goodbye. But worth a try.

Watermelon history dates back about 5000 years. Their ancestors came from the Kalahari Desert of South Africa, dry and hot. The melons were small, about 8 inches, and tasteless or bitter. But they were drought-tolerant. Especially important was their water storage. Watermelons can remain edible for many weeks if kept in a cool, shaded area. On long-ago ship journeys, they were the clean water supply. As a folk

meandered, seeds went with them. People experimented. Watermelons became bigger and tastier. By 2000 B.C. watermelon remnants were in ancient Egyptian tombs. Why? Pharaohs needed water on their long journey to the afterlife.

Today, China grows the most watermelons, followed by Turkey, Iran, and Brazil. But the prizewinning largest one comes from Tennessee, circa 2013. It weighed 350 pounds. If you are competitive, the Carolina Cross variety is the parent of all big offspring. If you want the sweetest, go for Sultan and Sweet Bradford. Perhaps you would like a square melon? Specialty Japanese farmers grow melons in containers to create shapes. Pricier, the Densuke variety is about \$250 per melon. And the winner? A black melon shell with no stripes grown only on the Japanese island of Hokkaido. One went at auction for \$6,300. It is supposed to have a “unique sweet flavor.”

A story. Once upon a time, in Vietnam, there was a man named Mai An Tiem. He worked extremely hard and was successful. He was devoted to the king. But liars told the king that Mai An Tiem was plotting to take his throne. So, the king sent him and his family to a desert island. They scavenged for food.

One day, Mai An Tiem saw a batch of birds eating some black seeds. He thought, if birds can eat these seeds, people can too.

Pat Kite's Garden



PAT KITE

L. Patricia [Pat] Kite's several garden books include *KISS Guide to Gardening*, *Gardening Wizardry for Kids*, *Raccoons*, *Ladybug Facts* and *Folklore and Silkworms*. They may be found at Amazon.com and Alibris.com.

He planted the seeds, and they grew. One day a storm-blown ship landed at the island. The crew ate the melons. They took some home. The king had several melon slices. Delicious. He welcomed Mai An Tiem home. And so, watermelons came to Vietnam. Watermelon is a symbol of luck, and Vietnamese often offer it to relatives and friends as a New Year's present.

Oh, I almost forgot. If you knock on a watermelon and it sounds hollow, it is ripe.

Judge LaDoris Hazzard Cordell to address League of Women Voters

SUBMITTED BY SHIRLEY GILBERT

She's been a Superior Court Judge, an East Palo Alto lawyer, an Independent Police Auditor for the city of San Jose, a member of the Palo Alto City Council, a vice provost of Stanford University. She is a trailblazer, an activist and a fierce fighter for human rights.

Judge LaDoris Hazzard Cordell will be the keynote speaker at the League of Women Voters Fremont-Newark-Union City (LWVFNUC) virtual annual meeting on Saturday, June 19. Her 9:30 a.m. presentation will be held via Zoom and is open to the public free of charge.

During her speech, Cordell will talk about her years on the bench, the American legal system, her life as an American jurist and her personal journey which are all part of her recent memoir, “Her Honor: My Life on the Bench... What Works, What's Broken and How to Change It.” It will be released October 5. Cordell earned her B.A. in drama from Antioch College in 1971 and her law degree from Stanford University in 1974.

“My social activism journey began when I was born,” she said. “It began with my great, great grandmother and great grandmother, both slaves in the deep south. I take it back this far because I come from a line of people who survived being enslaved. They were resilient and resisted oppression, so I know it is in my blood.”

Cordell has fought oppression and removed barriers her whole career. She was the first African American judge in Northern California and the first female African American Superior Court judge in Santa Clara County. She was also the first lawyer to

open a practice in East Palo Alto and proved that it was possible to have a thriving law practice in an area of color.

As a Palo Alto City Council member, Cordell brought an independent police auditor to investigate citizen complaints against the Palo Alto Police Department. And she fought the exclusion of non-residents from Palo Alto's Foothills Park so that the park could be open to everyone. “It's all about being persistent,” Cordell explained. “If you know something is wrong, just don't let it go. It's not always going to be easy to make things right, but it can happen.”

Over the years, Cordell has won many awards and accolades for her social activism and community involvement; she also has been a supporter of drama, music and the arts. In January 1996 Cordell displayed her own artwork in a public exhibition to favorable reviews.

The meeting will be held online and is open to the public at no charge. Registrations can be made by visiting the LWVFNUC website at <https://my.lwv.org/california/fremont-newark-union-city> and following the links.

League of Women Voters Fremont-Newark-Union City

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Calling All Writers... Beginner to Advanced

SUBMITTED BY TISH DAVIDSON

Put on your writing hat, explore your creativity, and meet other writers in a fun, nonjudgmental Zoom Social Write-In sponsored by Fremont Area Writers on Saturday, June 12 from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. This event is for everyone from complete beginners to already published writers. It is not a writing critique session. Your writing will not be judged, just enjoyed by your fellow writers.

How the Write-In works: After you sign in, the computer will randomly assign you to a virtual room with several other writers. Once everyone is gathered, you will get three writing prompts. Choose one and free write for eight minutes. You can write memoir, fiction, or poetry, but the writing prompts have been chosen to encourage you to write about yourself so that participants can get to know each other.

After you write, there is time for everyone in the room to read their response to the prompt and ex-

change ideas and experiences in a relaxed, supportive atmosphere. The computer will then reassign everyone to a different room, the prompts will change, and the process will repeat.

Example prompts from past sessions:

I never thought I would meet...

Whenever I hear that song...

A teacher that changed my life

To participate in the Write-In, please request the Zoom meeting link from Scott Davidson at scotfrombayside@yahoo.com.

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City of Fremont is conducting road improvement projects at two major intersections the week of June 7. Traffic signals will be unavailable on the following dates and locations below:

- Wednesday, June 9, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Intersection of Fremont Boulevard and Mowry Avenue
- Friday, June 11, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Intersection of Fremont Boulevard and Stevenson Boulevard

Expect delays and plan accordingly. Proceed with caution if driving and always treat a signal outage as a 4-way stop.

How to be an ally 101

SUBMITTED BY SAVE

Join us June 10th for "Lunch 'n Learn" to expand your knowledge in honor of Pride Month. SAVE (Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments) invites you to learn how to support the LGBTQ+

community and make a positive impact. We will explore the difference between gender and sexuality, discuss definitions, statistics and resources.

For zoom link, call or (510) 574-2250 or visit: Meeting Registration - Zoom

Poetry Slam Winner

SUBMITTED BY DEBBIE RODRIGUEZ

Montana Moresi, age 10, great-granddaughter of Viola Blythe, was the recent first place winner of the CBO Poetry Slam held by Alameda County District 2 Supervisor, Richard Valle. Her winning poem is titled "If Flowers Could Talk." Montana immediately donated the first-place award of \$5,000 to the Viola Blythe Center.

The Viola Blythe Center has been providing food and clothing to families in need in the Tri-Cities for over 65 years. Debbie Rodriguez, daughter of founder Viola Blythe and Executive Director, was ecstatic at Montana's generosity. She said the heartfelt donation is extremely welcome as so many families are in need due to the pandemic. For information about the Viola Blythe Center, visit www.violablythe.org.

If Flowers Could Talk

BY MONTANA MORESI

Yesterday my plants spoke to me,
Do you know what they said?
They said "Water me now! I'm dying!
Don't just leave me here lying!"

The next day my plants spoke again,
They said "Listen to what I have to say!
Don't stop to play! Listen to me! Water me!
You have time! You are nowhere as busy as a bee!"

But I still didn't listen.
2 days later the plant said
"You should have listened to me!
This isn't how it should be! There's no time left!
This should count as being a theft!"

The next day they died so I got new plants.



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Fremont mayor announces bid for state senate seat

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SENATE CAMPAIGN

In a statement released June 1, Fremont Mayor Lily Mei announced her candidacy for California State Senate District 10 in the 2022 election. The seat is currently held by State Senator Bob Wieckowski (D-Fremont) whose current term ends December 4, 2022.

Mei was first elected to the Fremont City Council in 2014 and became the city's first elected woman and Asian-American mayor in 2016. She



already has endorsements for her Senate campaign from other elected officials including Congressman Ro Khanna who represents California's 17th district, which includes southern Alameda and northern Santa Clara counties.

"As Senator, I'll take my bold innovations and proven results in addressing our homeless crisis and creating jobs and affordable housing while maintaining safe and healthy schools to all Californians," Mei said.

Prior to joining Fremont government, Mei served two terms as a School Board

Trustee to the Fremont Unified School District. She also is a board member for Citizens for Better Community, board advisor to Music for Minors II, a former board member and lifetime member of the South Bay Chinese Service Club, and was active in organizations such as the Silicon Valley Leadership Group -- Minority Women Leadership Day/Education Summit and American Association of University Women.

Governor Draws first winners in Vax for the Win Giveaway



SUBMITTED BY GOVERNOR'S PRESS OFFICE

On June 4, Governor Gavin Newsom selected the first 15 lucky Californians to be awarded \$50,000 for doing their part in getting vaccinated against COVID-19. The \$750,000 awarded in the randomized drawing is part of California's new \$116.5 million Vax for the Win program – the largest vaccine incentive program in the nation – which includes \$50 incentive cards to newly vaccinated residents and cash prize drawings for all who have received at least one dose. This historic program is designed to motivate Californians to get vaccinated leading up to the state's reopening on June 15th.

"California has made incredible progress in the fight against COVID-19, with the lowest case rates in the entire country and millions more vaccines administered than any other state. But we aren't stopping there, we're doing everything it takes to get Californians vaccinated as we approach June 15 to help us safely reopen and bring the state roaring back," said Governor Newsom.

More than 21 million Californians aged 12+ are at least partially vaccinated and automatically entered to win in the cash prize drawings. The second \$50,000 drawing will take place next Friday, June 11, when an additional 15 Californians will be selected. On June 15, when California safely reopens, 10 winners will be selected to receive \$1.5 million each – adding up to a total of \$15 million in cash prizes. On top of that, the 2 million newly-vaccinated Californians who get their dose since Vax for the Win launched will be eligible to receive \$50 prepaid and grocery cards.

Winners from the June 4th drawing live throughout the state in the following counties: Mendocino, Los Angeles, Santa Clara, Alameda, San Diego, San Francisco, Orange, San Luis Obispo. They start being notified directly by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) within hours of the drawing and over the next four days by telephone, text, email or other contact information associated with the person's record in the state's vaccine registry. To protect their privacy, all winners will have the option to accept their cash prize while remaining anonymous or decline it altogether.

Winners must complete their vaccination in order to claim their prize. If someone under 18 wins, the cash will be put in a savings account for them until they turn 18. For more information about Vax for the Win, please visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/vax-for-the-win>.

Webinar series in support of AAPI community

SUBMITTED BY SANDHYA PADMANABHAN

Aram Sei is a volunteer driven non-profit organization with a vision to support grassroots charities worldwide. During Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage month, Aram Sei worked closely with community leaders to put together a series of webinars in support of the AAPI Community. The series will discuss challenges members of the AAPI community face, what we can do to help, and more.

The webinar on June 12 will focus on learnings from BLM, civil rights movement, laws and legislation on Affirmative Action and what is involved in a truly multicultural U.S. This panel will have the following speakers:

- Manjusha P. Kulkarni is the Executive Director of the Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council (A3PCON), a coalition of over forty community-based organizations that serves and represents the 1.5 million Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in Los Angeles County. Manju also serves as a Lecturer in the Asian American Studies Department of UCLA.

- Supervisor Otto Lee, Santa Clara County District 3. Lee served on the Sunnyvale Planning Commission and was then elected to serve on the Sunnyvale City Council from 2003 to 2011, including one term as Mayor.

- Louis Chicoine, Chief Executive Officer Abode Services has helped the organization become the leading provider of housing and services to residents experiencing homelessness in Alameda, Santa Clara, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, and Napa counties.

- Beckie Masaki has worked in the field to end gender-based violence for over 30 years. She co- founded Asian Women's Shelter (AWS) in San Francisco, and served as the founding executive director for over twenty-one years. She is also a movement maker in the Move to End Violence (MEV).

The final session, scheduled for June 26, is designed as an interactive workshop for today's youth. It aims to increase awareness about AAPI issues among teens. The workshop will be led by Dr. Joanna Thompson, Director of Office for Multicultural Learning at Santa Clara University, with the help of three Aram Sei Youth volunteers. Dr. Thompson has helped create workshops at SCU that are a mix of information sharing, audience participation and a "Call to Action" at the end.

The sessions are free and intended for ages 12 and up. Go to <https://www.aramsei.org/fundraisers/asian-unity/> to sign up and Zlearn more.

AAPI Webinars
Saturday, Jun 12 & Saturday, Jun 26
3 p.m.
Register online
<https://www.aramsei.org/fundraisers/asian-unity/>

LIFE ElderCare resumes assisted rides

SUBMITTED BY DEEPA CHORDIYA

LIFE ElderCare is restarting its door-through-door assisted rides program for seniors in Alameda County. Funded in part by the Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC), this program is for ambulatory people with disabilities or who are age 60+ and meet eligibility requirements. If sight, mobility, or health issues make it difficult to get to the doctor or go grocery shopping, LIFE ElderCare may be able to help.

Longtime client Mary Galvez, who is 95 years old, was excited to hear that assisted rides would be resuming soon. "I am glad to hear that LIFE will be able to take me to my appointments again," Galvez shared. "Their drivers are always so friendly and patient, and they make sure I'm able to get my errands done. It's really a wonderful program for seniors like me who need some help to get around."



Are you looking for a volunteer activity that not only gives joy, but is also joyful to do? LIFE ElderCare is looking for vaccinated volunteer drivers who are willing to provide seniors with a steady arm, visual guidance and support, and basic assistance at the destination. We also need volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels and visit with isolated seniors. To learn more, sign up for LIFE ElderCare services, or become a volunteer, call (510) 894-0370 or email info@LifeElderCare.org.

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2022 Volkswagen Taos: New kid in town

Auto Review

By MICHAEL COATES

I recently had the chance to test drive the new 2022 Volkswagen Taos, a compact five-passenger SUV due to arrive in local VW dealers this month. In the VW lineup it is slotted physically below the Tiguan and will go up against the Honda CR-V, Toyota RAV4, Ford Escape, and others in the marketplace. It is a worthy competitor that has some stylish flare and promises more than 30 mpg in some modes.

Basics

The Taos comes in three common VW trim levels (S, SE and SEL) with ascending levels of equipment and luxury. It offers the choice of front-wheel drive (FWD) or 4Motion all-wheel drive (AWD) in each level with AWD coming at a premium of between \$1,355 and \$2,045 depending on the trim level.

Only one engine is available, a 1.5-liter turbocharged four-cylinder that produces 158 horsepower and 184 pound-feet of torque, which I found more than adequate to tackle Bay Area highways and mountain roads for the 3,175-pound vehicle. Two gearboxes are offered—an eight-speed automotive for the FWD models or a seven-speed automatic dual-clutch for the AWD. Fuel economy is excellent; it is EPA rated at 38 mpg city/36 highway/31 combined for the FWD and 25/32/28 for the AWD. My observations in my test drive were that those numbers were accurate.



Base prices begin at \$24,190 for the FWD S trim and range up to \$34,240 for the 4Motion SEL. All prices include a \$1,195 destination fee. Volkswagen has priced the Taos on par with the competitive set of models.

Outside/Inside

VW emphasizes the styling of the Taos, and it has a fresh, upscale look that should appeal in the market. It has the distinctive VW look with hints of the larger Tiguan and Atlas models. The LED lighting and chromed faux exhaust ports give the whole package an upscale look that helps make the price feel like a bargain.

As soon as I jumped into the driver’s seat, I noticed that it was designed to hold me in place, a nod that this car had a driver in mind as opposed to a pilot simply pointing the compact SUV

toward a destination. Driver controls were good and the display screen on par with most in this class. All the electronic bells and whistles expected in this class are available, although some require a trim upgrade.

The back seat was spacious for this class, a plus for those looking for a little more room than is found in some smaller competitors. With the back seat folded, the Taos gives you about 66 cubic feet of space. My tester had a panoramic sunroof that enhanced the feel of spaciousness in the car.

Bottom Line

If you are familiar with the Volkswagen lineup, you should see a little Jetta in the Taos. Both are based on VW’s versatile MQB platform and will be produced for the U.S. in the same Mexican assembly plant.

The Taos is the poster child for what you can observe in every supermarket parking lot in America (and elsewhere around the world). Compact SUVs are the family sedan of the 2020s and Volkswagen finally has an entry-level model in that market.

VW is late to a market already stuffed with able competitors. As tempting as the Taos is, you owe it to yourself to take another look at some of the top competitors, whether they be the Mazda CX-30, Subaru Crosstrek, Kia Sportage or Seltos, Chevrolet Trailblazer, or one of the segment leaders like the Toyota RAV4, Honda CR-V or Ford Escape (or their smaller siblings—the Taos is a “tweener”).

What the Taos does not offer is anything beyond an internal combustion engine. Competitors have hybrids and plug-in hybrids



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that offer superior economy. VW may have an option since the Chinese-built predecessor of Taos is offered in a full electric version.

From my brief experience in the Volkswagen Taos, I would say it is a solid competitor, but the challenge will be keeping up with some embedded players. Plus, it may even be cross-shopped with the new all-electric VW ID4 that it will join on the lot.

SONIC Drive-In donates to local area teachers

SUBMITTED BY SONIC DRIVE-IN

To honor the efforts teachers have made to keep students engaged this past year, SONIC® Drive-In donated \$1.5 million to teacher requests on national education nonprofit site DonorsChoose on Teacher Appreciation Day, May 4. As part of SONIC's ongoing Limeades for Learning initiative, the \$1.5 million donation helped fund more than 7,000 teacher requests across the country.

On Teacher Appreciation Day, the brand matched 50 percent of each donation made to all teacher requests on DonorsChoose.

In Milpitas, California, two teachers from one school received a combined donation of \$212.00:

- Mrs. Espitia and Mrs. Garcia at Anthony Spangler Elementary School for the project Diverse Books for Diverse Learners.

In Fremont, California, 10 teachers from nine schools received a combined donation of \$1,697.00:

- Mrs. Ebadi at Blacow Elementary School for the projects Connecting Devices to Hybrid Learning and Educational Resources for Hybrid Learning.
- Mrs. Ynzunza at Brookvale Elementary School for What Does a Scientist Look Like? Pt. 3, Representation Matters: Seeing Ourselves Making a Difference, and Cookie Monster Needs Books Too!
- Mrs. Taylor at Cabrillo Elementary School for You are Invited! Learn and Create this Summer.
- Ms. Nefdt at Cabrillo Elementary School for You’ve Got Mail!
- Mrs. Reddy at Irvington High School for Diverse & Contemporary Dystopian Lit.
- Mrs. Dohm at John F Kennedy High School for Mobile Workshop For Backstage.
- Mr. Tsai at John M Gomes Elementary School for Digital Enrichment.
- Mrs. Brown at Mission San Jose Elementary School for Updated Chromebooks for Online Learning.

- Mrs. Phillips at Parkmont Elementary School for Small Hands Do Big Things.

- Mrs. Cuturrufo at Warwick Elementary School for Making Learning Fun and Engaging.

In Newark, California, one teacher received a combined donation of \$378.00:

- Mr. Ewing at Newark Memorial High School for the project Technician Tablet Multi-Tool and Organized Creative Chaos

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Milkweed planted in California to help monarch butterflies

AP WIRE SERVICE

A conservation group is planting more than 30,000 milkweed plants in California in the hope of giving Western monarch butterflies new places to breed.

The San Francisco Chronicle reported Monday that the River Partners group has

joined with others and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife on the plantings along the Sacramento, Feather and Kern rivers.

The plants are seen as critical because the orange-and-black butterflies lay their eggs on them. Their caterpillars also eat them.

The butterflies head south from the Pacific Northwest to California each winter. Earlier this year, researchers said an annual winter count recorded fewer than 2,000 of the butterflies – a massive decline.

“There couldn’t be a more critical time to be doing this,” said restoration biologist Francis Ulep of River Partners.

Scientists have said the butterflies are at critically low levels in western states because of destruction to their milkweed habitat along their migratory route as housing expands and use of pesticides and herbicides increases.

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How Tigers Got Their Stripes

A Folktale from Vietnam

Make a tiny story book and read it to a friend or little sister or brother!

HOW TO MAKE A TINY STORY BOOK

1. Number each part of the story and each picture in order. Cut them all out.

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The other animals thought the stripes looked funny. Even today Tiger hides in the shadows. And he is still searching for wisdom.

Tiger realized that he'd been tricked. He was furious as he pulled and clawed until he broke free of the ropes at last. But all that struggling had burned stripes into his beautiful golden fur!

Tiger asked Water Buffalo, "Why do you listen to that strange little animal? He has no claws or fangs or even beautiful golden fur."

The man said, "Wait here. I will go home and get wisdom for you. But first, please let me tie you to this tree so that you don't eat my goats."

One morning, Tiger saw his big, strong friend, Water Buffalo, pulling a plow in a field. A man was telling Water Buffalo what to do.

Long ago, Tiger was one of the proudest animals in the jungle. He was proud of his long fangs, his sharp claws and his beautiful golden fur.

Tiger wanted wisdom very badly, so he agreed to be tied to the tree. Then the man left with his goats. Tiger waited and waited. He waited for a day. But the man never came back.

The next morning, Tiger saw the man walking home with his herd of goats. "STOP!" Tiger roared. "Give me your wisdom or I will eat you!"

Water Buffalo replied, "Tiger, that animal is a human. He does not need claws or fangs. Humans have wisdom." Tiger thought to himself, "Wow! I must get wisdom!"

Let's Talk!

Which character in this folktale was wise? Why do you think that? Talk about it with a family member.

What is a folktale?

How Tiger Got Its Stripes is a folktale from Vietnam. Folktales are stories that get passed from generation to generation. They can change as different people tell them over time. As such, they are created by "the folk," or the people. Long ago, these tales were spoken and never written down.

Of course, Tiger didn't really get stripes by being tied to a tree. Tiger stripes help tigers hide and sneak up on prey.

Extra! Extra! Wisdom Words

Think of a phrase that you think is wise. For example, "Treat others as you would want people to treat you." Look through the newspaper to find and cut out the words that make this sentence. Glue the words onto a piece of paper to remind you of this piece of wisdom.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

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Famous Folktales

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Fill in the missing vowels to discover the names of other folktales you probably have read or heard.

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Have you read these? If not, look for them at your local library. Have a family folktale theater night! Make puppets of the characters and perform a show of the folktale, or just act out the parts with your family members.

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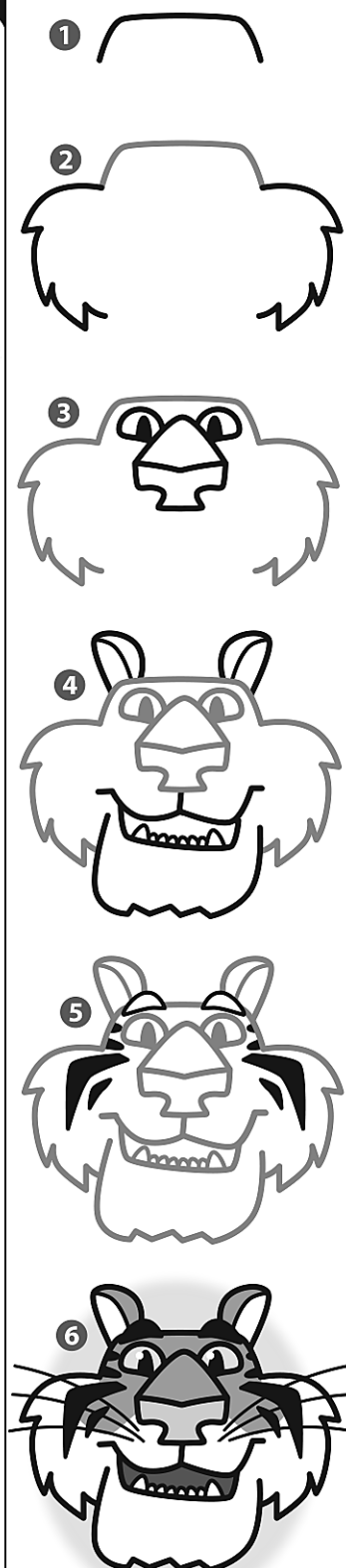
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Try to use the word **wisdom** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

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Good News Headline

Read newspaper headlines to see how they are written. Think of some good news you would like to see as a headline. Write a headline for one or more good news articles.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Which side of a tiger has the most stripes?

ANSWER: the outside

Write On! My Favorite Animal

What is your favorite animal? Write three facts and three opinions about your favorite animal.

HANDWAVES AND HURRAH FOR A GOOD SCHOOL YEAR

BY ROB KLINDT
PHOTOS COURTESY OF CALIFORNIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

Raise your hands high in the air and twist your wrists in applause for a job well done. That's what many students, faculty and staff at the California School for the Deaf (CSD) might have been feeling as the recent school year came to a close.

Despite COVID-19 pandemic restrictions that prompted distance learning for most students, CSD officials said students at the Fremont-based school continued to perform well. They embraced new technology, boosted communication skills using American Sign Language (ASL) and even won several national awards.

"We have reading specialists and bilingual language arts instructors," explained JAC Cook, School and Community Outreach Liaison with the school's Curriculum Outreach Resource and Education (CORE) department. "We were able to create a lot of resources to support our teachers with educational technology including MacBooks and iPads and were able to transition a lot of those resources for



Academic Bowl team Back row: Naomi Brock, Courtney Bronson, Donovan Holmes, Chang-May Tan Front row: Allison Gibbons and Andrew Philips (coaches)



Spelling Bee team Left to right: Olisin Kulchinsky, Taila Boren, Victoria Bibb

use at home." Cook said the school also partnered with Zoom for online accounts to link students and teachers.

While much of that technology wasn't new to many students, using it from home was. "In some ways it was easier because you could see the teacher and get resources," said student Chang-May Tan, 15. "Things were already online and you could just focus on the learning. The big negative was not being able to hang out with my classmates or my teachers."

Student Gabriella Bibb, 13, cited flexibility as one of the positive things about distance learning: "I had friends who felt it was a lot harder, but for me it was easier because I could determine my schedule, when I would get my school work done and when I could do other things."

Chang-May's mother, Rachel Chong, acknowledged, "We were pretty lucky to have CSD close by; they did a good job in keeping the family informed about different standards and changes going on." The school also provided ASL instruction to Chong to better communicate with her daughter. "With her being at home more I think the bonding is stronger between both of us and our communication is flowing," Chong said.

"I didn't expect that it (COVID) would go on so long and that I would really treasure my time with friends," Chang-May said. "I realize now not to take it for granted and how important it is, each moment with my friends, my teachers, my family. It's precious time."

U.S. News and World Report recently ranked CSD among the top national public schools in the nation. Cook said the school provides a fully accredited curriculum to between 390 and 400 students in pre-school through high school, and offers a work readiness program for students up to age 22.

Laura Petersen, Early Intervention Educational Consultant at the school, said CSD was founded in San Francisco in 1860 and a short time later moved to Berkeley where it

operated for more than a century. In 1979 it relocated to a 90-acre campus in Fremont near Walnut Avenue and Gallaudet Drive. It serves students from San Luis Obispo County north to the Oregon border.

"There are a lot of misconceptions about the School for the Deaf; often people think it's only if your kid can't hear at all," explained Petersen. "The reality is we have kids who listen to music, we have kids with cochlear implants and hearing aids. They don't realize we are a state public school that is free to all deaf students in Northern California."

During 2021 CSD garnered wins in several online regional and national

competitions, including a first-place finish in the Academic Bowl National Championship which attracted 80 teams from schools across the nation. The Academic Bowl was founded by Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C., a federally chartered private university for deaf and hard of hearing students. The goal of the event is to promote and recognize academic excellence and teamwork while providing social opportunities for deaf high school students.

Sophomore Chang-May is one of four CSD high school winners in in this year's event. Other team members included Naomi Brock, Courtney Bronson and

Donovan Holmes. The whole team was recognized with the Sportsmanship Award, with Chang-May also receiving the All-Star award and Donovan getting the nod as Most Outstanding Player in the Nationals.

In April, CSD middle school students triumphed in the 2021 Battle of the Books National Championship. The goal of the event, also sponsored by Gallaudet University, is to promote strong literacy skills among students. Team members Gabriella Bibb, Sevan Ikeda and Lelan Gonzales studied four books in various genres including fiction, non-fiction and biographical. Working with Coach Charlene Kuyrkendall, the team developed presentations and content question challenges on each book. In addition, Gabriella was recognized as the Most Outstanding Reader.

Finally, 23 CSD students participated in the 2021 National Spelling Bee Championship with Talia Boren taking the top spot with the other four students after 18 rounds. This year's competition, led by Coach Joann Ikeda, marked CSD's second consecutive year as co-champions.

Because of easing pandemic restrictions, CSD was able to have in-person high school graduation ceremonies on the school's football field on Friday, June 4. Graduates from 2020 and 2021 were honored in two separate ceremonies with families segregated into six-person pods for social distancing safety.

"Our kids don't go away after graduation, they are part of our community," Petersen said. "A lot of them come back and end up becoming teachers; it is much more than a student-teacher relationship, it really is a family."



Battle of the Books team Top row: Sevan Ikeda, Charlene Kuyrkendall (coach) Bottom row: Gabriella Bibb, Lelan Gonzales



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Old Mission San Jose celebrates its 224th anniversary

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On the weekend of June 12, Fremont will celebrate its very own "La Mision del Gloriosisimo Patriarca San Jose," founded on June 11, 1797, the 14th of 21 Missions established by Spain in Alta California from 1769 to 1823.

Special docent-led tours will be offered at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday by advance reservation. Space is limited, so sign up early at www.missionsanjose.org. Nothing compares with walking in the footsteps of our founder, Padre Fermin Francisco de Lasuen, seeing the structure built by Christian Native Californians, enjoying the beautiful garden, or relishing artwork and artifacts from over 200 years ago.

In the patio garden, you will see a large collection of models of Old Mission San Jose on display throughout the weekend—created by 4th Graders (with the apparent help of Mom and Dad) as a part of their school curriculum. You will be impressed by the quality of these models from kids around California. These treasures were donated to us after fulfilling their role as school assignments.

On Saturday evening, June 12 at 5:30 p.m., a special celebration of Mass will be held in the Mission Church. The 200-year-old Mission Bells will ring, and Spanish music from the early days of the Mission will be played by Ronald McKean on our historic Rosales Opus 14 Spanish Organ. Arrive early for limited seating and wear a mask for COVID-19 compliance if you wish to attend Mass. The ceremony will also be streamed live via the St. Joseph Parish website at www.saintjosephmsj.org.

For those who relish history, visit the website for an inspiring account of this day in 1797. And while you're there, view videos and photographs in the gallery or consider a purchase from our online gift shop.

Saturday, Jun 12 - Sunday, Jun 13
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Home & Garden

Cool and Refreshing Cucumbers

BY MELINDA MYERS
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Add a cool refreshing twist to your meals, beverages, appetizers, and snacks with cucumbers. These popular vegetables are grown worldwide, adding anti-inflammatory vitamin K, vitamins C, B-5, and more to your meals. Take it a step further by using your own fresh-from-the-garden cucumbers.

Grow cucumbers sprawled on the ground or in a container on your patio, balcony, or deck. Save space and train them up a decorative support. They make great vertical accents in containers as well as edible and ornamental gardens. Going vertical not only saves space, it improves productivity by reducing disease problems while also making harvesting easier.

You will find a wide variety of cucumbers available from seed company catalogs and on the seed racks of your favorite garden center. Check with your local Extension service website for their recommendations for your location.

Select the best cucumber for your garden space, meals, and snacks. Bush types like Salad bush produce 8-inch slicing cucumbers on a small plant. Spacemaster is a compact plant, spreading 24 inches and suitable for containers and hanging baskets. All-America Selections winner Saladmore Bush is another semi-bush plant that starts producing cucumbers in 55 days from planting.

Green Light is a 2020 All-America Selections winner that produces an abundance of great tasting mini cucumbers. Grow to the other extreme with burpless-type cucumbers that can be harvested when much larger. They have been bred to contain little or no cucurbitacin that causes bitterness and can lead to burping when consumed.

Wait for soil to warm and the danger of frost to pass for planting seeds one half to one inch deep in properly prepared soil. Plant several cucumber seeds in a large container or in rows or hills in the garden. Space seeds 12 inches apart in rows 36 inches apart, or plant several seeds in



hills (small mounds of soil) spaced 36 inches apart.

Water thoroughly and often enough to keep the soil slightly moist. Apply a 1- to 2-inch layer of shredded leaves, evergreen needles, or other organic matter over the soil surface to conserve moisture, suppress weeds, and reduce the risk of soil borne diseases.

Watch for the first flush of flowers 50 to 70 days after planting. The first set of flowers are all male flowers, so no fruit can form. Soon male and female flowers will appear for bees to pollinate and fruit to develop -

www.melindamyers.com/articles/poor-fruiting-on-cucumber-plants.

Harvest your cucumbers based on how you plan to use them. Pick when 1 ½ to 2 ½ inches long for making sweet pickles and 3 to 4 inches for dills. Harvest slicing cucumbers when the fruit is firm, green, crisp, and 6 to 8 inches long. Burpless-type cucumbers will maintain their flavor at even larger sizes. Check the seed packet for harvesting directions.

With proper selection, planting, and care you will be rewarded with an abundant

harvest. So be prepared to enjoy, preserve, and share your fresh homegrown cucumbers.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses “How to Grow Anything” DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda’s Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is also a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Her website is www.MelindaMyers.com.



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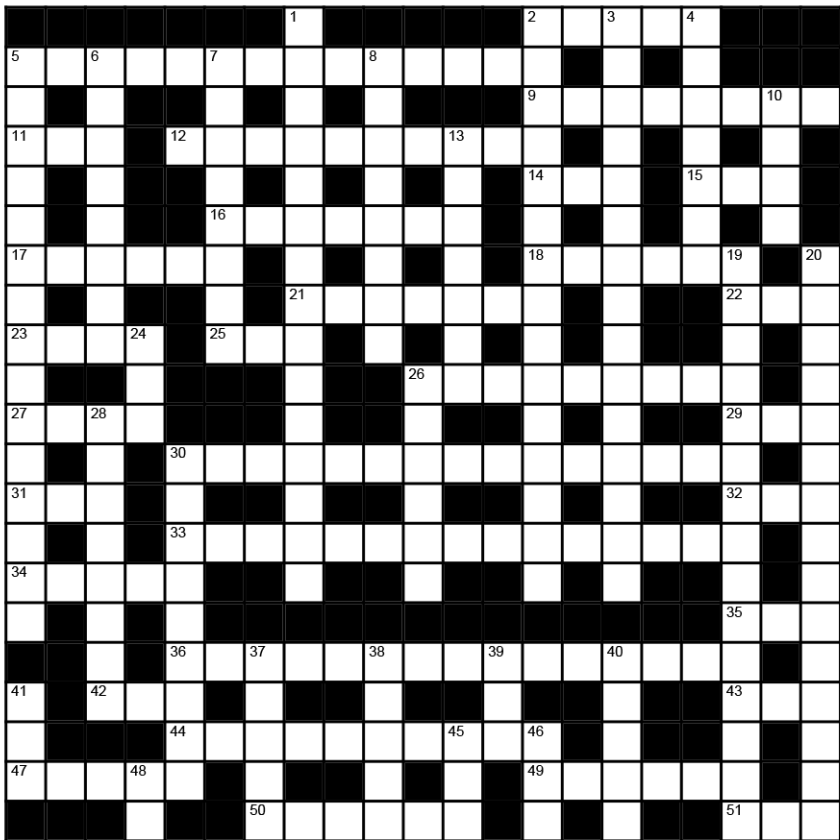
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Crossword Puzzle



- Across

2

Pet protection org. (5)

5

Test format (14)

9

Free (8)

11

Void, in Vichy (3)

12

Fancied (8,2)

14

Short order, for short (3)

15

Spike TV, once (3)

16

Anthology (7)

17

One of Time's 1993 Men of the Year (6)

18

Chicago suburb (6)

21

Bio (7)

22

___ Beta Kappa (3)

23

Boys (4)

25

Brazilian city, familiarly (3)

26

Stew ingredient (5,4)

27

Do followers

29

Kind of dye (3)

30

Newspaper feature (9,6)
- 31

Wine: Prefix (3)
- 32

"And how!" (3)
- 33

Bolt (4,2,4,5)
- 34

Barter (5)
- 35

Where: Lat. (3)
- 36

Goodwill, e.g. (10,5)
- 42

"Delta of Venus" author (3)
- 43

Good buddies use them (3)
- 44

In pairs (3,2,1,4)
- 47

"Remember the ___!" (5)
- 49

Salon jobs (6)
- 50

Inventor of the stock ticker (6)
- 51

Abbr. in a help wanted ad (3)

Down

1

Basic (4-3-8)

2

It can take your breath away (7,8)

3

See circles (9,6)

4

Electrical gizmo (7)

5

Nonstop (5,5,5)

6

Space cadet's place (2-2,4)

7

Advocate (8)

8

Manual (8)

10

Actress Best (4)

13

File (7)

19

No-brainer (4-3-4,4)

20

Warplane's cargo (3-2-3,7)

24

Hindu title (3)

26

Get closer to, in a race (4,2)

28

High-muck-a-muck (8)

30

Sign, as an agreement (5,4)

37

Cache (5)

38

Sword lilies, for short (5)

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"Pink Panther" films actor (3)

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Lowlife (5)

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Company with a dog in its logo (3)

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Engine part: Abbr. (3)

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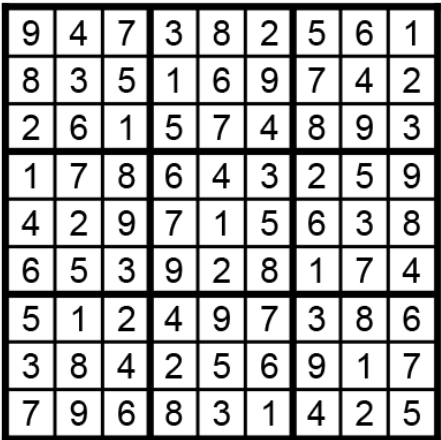
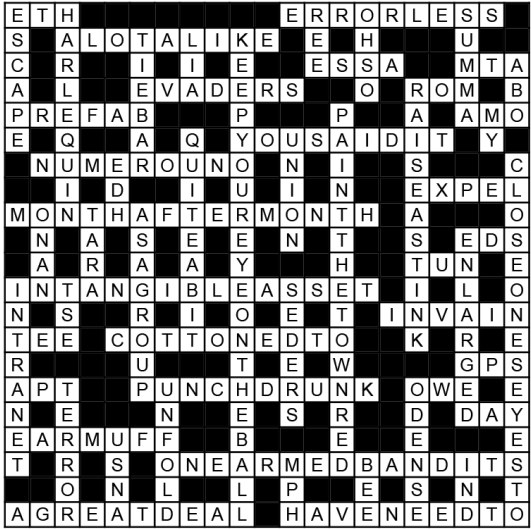
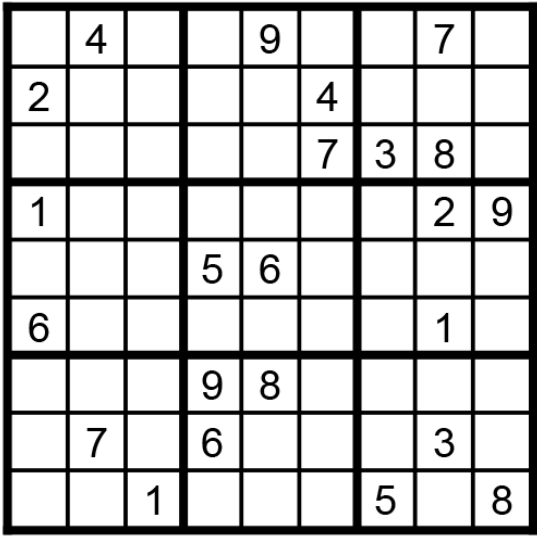
"___ he drove out of sight..." (3)

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... (2)

Sudoku:

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



Tri-City Stargazer FOR WEEK: JUNE 8, 2021

All Signs: Mars is an energy planet. It visits one sign for seven weeks every two years. This week Mars moves into Leo.

Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20): There are three Fire signs, and you are one of them. This week Mars moves one of those Fire signs. (They are Aries, Leo, and Sagittarius.) When Mars is in one of them, it supports you like the third leg of a three-legged stool. Since Mars is an energy planet, this means for the next seven weeks, your energy will be high! Your self-confidence will be strong. Because this Fire sign is Leo, it means a very playful part of your chart is energized! Romance will blossom! Your interest in sports will be strong.

Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20): When Mars changes signs this week, it means your home, family, and private life will be energized. It means you have more determination to deal with your domestic world. But this increased energy will also create chaos. Visiting guests, renovations, residential moves will be a challenge! In fact, these challenges by extension, could create tension within the family, especially with a parent. Domestic strife is classic when Mars is in this part of your chart. This is short-term. In about seven weeks, Mars will move on to energize the most playful part of your chart.

Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20): The Sun is still in your sign with Mercury retrograde, which lasts until June 22. Therefore, you are misplacing things and making goofy mistakes! (However, if you are buying a Mercury-related item like a computer, car or cellphone, wait until the shadow of Mercury retrograde is gone, which is July 8.) Meanwhile, this week fiery Mars moves into the part of

your chart that deals with your daily activities and your style of communicating to others. For the next two months, the pace of your days will accelerate, and you will be much more forthright and proactive when talking to others.

Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21): This continues to be a time when you are happy to hide in the wings. Nevertheless, Venus in your sign will encourage you to socialize with others. Venus makes you charming and diplomatic! New flash: This week is a lovely time to shop for wardrobe goodies for yourself. This week is also when fiery Mars moves into your Money House encouraging you to work hard to make money; and at the same time, spend money! You will be happy to use your possessions to get something done. Of course!

Leo the Lion (July 22-August 22): Things are certainly looking up for your sign because this week, fiery Mars is moving into Leo! (The last time it was in Leo was in July-August 2019.) When Mars is in your sign, it denotes great activity in your life. It promotes your desire to work hard and further your own interests. It makes you much more of a fighter for your own rights than usual, as well as the rights of others. Your physical energy will be high, and you will accomplish a great deal. The only downside is you might come on too strong for others. Be nice to the little people.

Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22): You continue to make a fabulous impression on others because the Sun is at the top of your chart. Meanwhile Venus encourages warm bonding

with friends. This week, Mars moves into a hidden part of your chart, which is tricky. Someone out there might not have your best interests at heart. (This might or might not happen.) But it is a warning. So, if you think something fishy is going on – it is! Meanwhile, in this hidden position, Mars can easily make you give others the wrong impression, which undermines your position. Therefore, be mindful of everything you say and do.

Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22): Things are going swimmingly because your ruler Venus is at the top of your chart making you look fabulous to everyone. People will seek your advice about artistic matters or how to make something look better. Romance with a boss or someone in authority might occur. Meanwhile, you are excited about travel or the possibility of doing something “different.” Do note that fiery Mars is entering your House of Friendships this week to stay for seven weeks, which encourages physical activities with friends. Coordinate your needs with the needs of others for a win-win solution.

Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21): You have a growing desire to travel and explore new ideas. You will also have an excellent opportunity to wrap up old business with insurance issues, taxes, inheritances, and shared property. This week, fiery Mars moves to the very top of your chart, which will arouse your ambition. It will stay there for the next seven weeks, which will make you identify with whatever

project you are doing, which in turn, is why you will work extremely hard to get it done! The only downside is that conflict with coworkers might arise because they feel threatened by your hard work and energy.

Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21): Like Aries and the principle of a three-legged stool, you benefit by Mars moving into your fellow Fire sign this week. Mars is an energy planet, and it will give you more support in everything that you do, especially if it requires physical energy. Therefore, you will enjoy increased self-confidence, enthusiasm and feel more competent and more effective. Mars will also boost your sex drive. As the traveler of the zodiac, you will be delighted to hear that Mars will spur your desire to travel and explore the world.

Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19): You like efficiency and production, hence you are happy to work hard. However, you are frustrated by the delays, confused communications, and minor moments of mayhem in your job due to Mercury retrograde. Mercury retrograde will help you finish old business, so, you can use this to your advantage! Venus opposite your sign beautifully promotes warm relations with those closest to you. This week, Mars moves into one of your Money Houses indicating potential disputes about inheritances, shared property, taxes, debt, and insurance issues.

Aquarius the Water Bearer (January 20-February 18): This week is lighthearted and playful! You will enjoy social

outings and fun activities with children. Old flames from the past might be in touch. Relations with coworkers are warm, which is rewarding. However, this week, fiery Mars moves opposite your sign where it will stay for several weeks making relations with those who are closest to you contentious. Disputes with partners and close friends might arise. Basically, these are probably power struggles. The upside is you now have the courage to speak up for yourself and tell your truth.

Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20): Home, family and your private life continue to be important. Mercury retrograde will recycle past issues that you dealt with at home. On the upside, Mercury retrograde will help you finish home projects. Meanwhile, lucky Jupiter and fair Venus want you to party! Both these planets will also promote new love and enhance existing partnerships. Amid this encouraging news, this week, fiery Mars moves into the part of your chart concerning your job, your health, and your pet.



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CASTRO VALLEY TOTAL SALES: 6						
Highest \$: 1,395,000		Median \$: 901,500				
Lowest \$: 825,000		Average \$: 969,667				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
5933 East Castro Valley Blvd	94552	825000	0	1228	0	3/10/21
2796 Betlen Court	94546	835000	3	1098	1953	3/12/21
19220 Parsons Avenue	94546	888000	2	1076	1940	3/9/21
6889 Lariat Lane	94552	915000	2	1571	1986	3/11/21
19959 Redwood Road	94546	960000	3	1462	1952	3/12/21
5893 Highwood Road	94552	1395000	4	1901	1963	3/11/21

FREMONT TOTAL SALES: 32						
Highest \$: 3,720,000		Median \$: 1,170,000				
Lowest \$: 360,000		Average \$: 1,286,500				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
34383 Enea Terrace #28	94555	360000	1	473	1983	3/10/21
46901 Lundy Terrace #8	94539	666000	2	1045	1981	3/12/21
42647 Philadelphia Place	94538	700000	3	1151	1958	3/10/21
37750 Arlene Court	94536	850000	3	1075	1952	3/8/21
4045 Marshall Terrace	94536	910000	2	1228	1986	3/10/21
42835 Via Navarra	94539	970000	3	1188	1971	3/8/21
4693 Central Avenue	94536	1005000	4	1589	1930	3/11/21
4584 Bianca Drive	94536	1050000	3	1148	1957	3/8/21
4791 Victoria Avenue	94538	1050000	3	1475	1962	3/8/21
34936 Machado Comm	94555	1064000	0	0	0	3/10/21
37916 3rd Street	94536	1075000	4	1570	1933	3/9/21
41003 Genesis Comm	94538	1080000	3	1698	2018	3/12/21
3539 Gilman Common	94538	1100000	3	1637	1998	3/12/21
43373 Columbia Ave	94538	1105000	3	1112	1954	3/9/21
3637 Howe Court	94538	1125000	3	1056	1958	3/9/21
1982 Briscoe Terrace	94539	1150000	3	1314	1972	3/10/21
34352 Portia Terrace	94555	1190000	3	1755	1987	3/11/21
4567 Alhambra Drive	94536	1220500	3	1148	1957	3/10/21
34118 Lugano Terrace	94555	1260000	4	1969	2014	3/9/21
35283 Cano Court	94536	1265000	4	1387	1966	3/12/21
3648 Ferry Lane	94555	1276000	0	1736	1956	3/9/21
37721 Blacow Road	94536	1365000	3	1652	1978	3/10/21
43555 Puesta Del Sol	94539	1375000	3	2213	1979	3/11/21
3744 Parish Avenue	94536	1389000	3	1760	1994	3/9/21
34151 Cromwell Place	94555	1400000	3	1305	1970	3/8/21
3812 Dunbar Place	94536	1410000	4	1503	1977	3/10/21
220 Ladybug Terrace	94539	1536000	0	0	0	3/8/21
50 Cayuga Place	94539	1550000	4	1436	1969	3/10/21
38953 Langtry Court	94536	1551000	0	2168	1980	3/8/21
3643 Trenton Court	94538	1600500	3	1000	1958	3/10/21
46789 Rancho Higuera Rd	94539	2800000	4	2957	1979	3/9/21
41280 Vargas Road	94539	3720000	4	5065	1985	3/12/21

HAYWARD TOTAL SALES: 20						
Highest \$: 1,970,500		Median \$: 761,500				
Lowest \$: 379,000		Average \$: 818,375				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
725 Essex Court #194	94544	379000	1	643	1988	3/10/21
28416 Cole Place	94544	485000	3	1050	1952	3/10/21
25109 Vista Greens Ct	94541	640000	0	1421	1973	3/10/21
25091 Oakridge Court	94541	660000	3	1365	1973	3/12/21
23134 Jorgensen Lane	94541	695000	2	1041	1951	3/12/21
772 Kellogg Avenue	94544	700000	2	780	1948	3/9/21
25522 Donald Avenue	94544	705000	2	924	1960	3/8/21
3238 Monika Lane	94541	710000	3	1720	1980	3/9/21
807 Estancia Terrace	94541	745000	3	1525	2008	3/8/21
397 Perkins Drive	94541	755000	3	1651	1951	3/11/21
1128 Martin Luther King Dr	94541	768000	3	1809	2014	3/9/21
2356 Morrow Street	94541	774000	3	1809	2013	3/8/21
149 Cherry Way	94541	780000	4	1687	1949	3/12/21
25930 Peterman Avenue	94545	815000	3	1354	1957	3/8/21
264 Edwin Way	94544	820000	4	1499	1981	3/8/21
22570 Sonoma Street	94541	900000	4	1960	1927	3/8/21
27827 East 16th Street	94544	934000	4	2448	1964	3/9/21
24224 Nora Circle	94545	982000	3	1632	2018	3/10/21
1429 Poppy Lane	94545	1150000	3	2350	2017	3/11/21
169 Sonas Drive	94542	1970500	5	3300	2018	3/12/21

MILPITAS TOTAL SALES: 21						
Highest \$: 1,734,000		Median \$: 1,250,000				
Lowest \$: 470,000		Average \$: 1,126,167				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
400 Dempsey Rd #100	95035	470000	2	842	2007	4/29/21
632 Easter Avenue	95035	490000	3	1036	1960	4/29/21
1101 South Main St #103	95035	535000	1	713	2007	4/26/21
800 South Abel St #321	95035	715000	2	1108	2007	4/30/21
362 Hearst Drive	95035	765500	3	1708	2018	4/26/21
272 Shimmer Court	95035	933000	2	1164	1996	4/26/21
1286 Nestwood Way	95035	936000	2	1258	2013	4/29/21
2093 Lee Way	95035	1000000	3	1512	2014	4/26/21
1417 Cherry Circle	95035	1075000	3	1997	2018	4/30/21

338 Expedition Lane	95035	1230000	3	1882	2016	4/26/21
806 Berryessa Street	95035	1250000	3	1277	1960	4/29/21
1968 Lee Way	95035	1250000	3	1941	2013	4/29/21
1978 Pace Way	95035	1300000	4	1947	2014	4/29/21
777 Vasona Street	95035	1311000	3	1277	1960	4/30/21
1307 Traughber Street	95035	1360000	5	1914	1970	4/29/21
1801 Lee Way	95035	1365000	4	2135	2013	4/27/21
421 North Abbott Ave	95035	1385000	3	1253	1960	4/27/21
1140 Stardust Way	95035	1405000	3	1341	1969	4/30/21
2176 Petersburg Drive	95035	1465000	3	1264	1970	4/30/21
813 Las Lomas Drive	95035	1675000	4	2183	1981	4/30/21
72 Chysis Road	95035	1734000	5	2636	2014	4/26/21

NEWARK TOTAL SALES: 7						
Highest \$: 1,426,000		Median \$: 1,028,000				
Lowest \$: 643,000		Average \$: 1,094,000				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
6189 Thornton Ave #H	94560	643000	2	1166	1987	3/8/21
6063 Joaquin Murieta Ave #B	94560	770000	3	1383	1981	3/12/21
37591 Skysail Street	94560	1020000	3	1682	2018	3/10/21
6310 Rubicon Avenue	94560	1028000	2	1156	1979	3/10/21
35429 Blackburn Drive	94560	1350000	4	1829	1964	3/10/21
37967 Harbor Light Rd	94560	1421000	3	2192	2017	3/12/21
36217 Kiote Drive	94560	1426000	4	2317	1998	3/9/21

SAN LEANDRO TOTAL SALES: 30						
Highest \$: 5,150,000		Median \$: 787,500				
Lowest \$: 250,000		Average \$: 908,367				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
3546 Figueroa Drive	94578	250000	3	1545	1955	3/8/21
16006 East 14th St #118	94578	308000	1	659	1987	3/8/21
16006 East 14th St #218	94578	310000	1	659	1987	3/10/21
2077 Washington Ave #304	94577	330000	1	726	1984	3/11/21
700 Fargo Avenue #12	94579	470000	2	828	1965	3/12/21
535 East Merle Court	94577	600000	3	1230	1925	3/12/21
56 Chumalia St #U-4	94577	625000	3	1362	1983	3/8/21
2441 West Ave 136th	94577	685000	2	852	1942	3/9/21
1456 Oriole Avenue	94578	700000	2	1277	1930	3/8/21
249 Leo Avenue	94577	700000	3	1409	1930	3/9/21
622 Douglas Drive	94577	700000	2	885	1942	3/11/21
3950 Monterey Blvd	94578	725000	3	1466	1954	3/8/21
1648 137th Avenue	94578	737000	2	945	1948	3/11/21
1144 Avon Avenue	94579	756000	3	988	1950	3/10/21
1322 Mersey Avenue	94579	765000	3	1124	1953	3/9/21
15213 Galt Street	94579	810000	3	1114	1950	3/9/21
16334 Ridgehaven Dr #705	94578	815000	0	0	0	3/8/21
1665 Renaissance Lane	94578	820000	3	1294	2004	3/8/21
123 Farrelly Drive	94577	842000	2	1310	1947	3/10/21
1278 Alder Creek Circle	94577	850000	3	1567	2002	3/8/21
467 Cape Cod Drive	94578	910000	3	1614	1979	3/12/21
13984 Velarde Drive	94578	920000	3	1392	1956	3/11/21
99 Euclid Avenue	94577	950000	2	1210	1938	3/10/21
930 Dolores Avenue	94577	968000	3	1644	1946	3/11/21
2465 West Ave 135th	94577	990000	3	1144	1941	3/10/21
1247 Benedict Court	94577	1000000	3	1491	1955	3/9/21
2318 Overlook Court	94579	1055000	4	2551	2001	3/11/21
1345 Parker Street	94577	1100000	3	2007	1940	3/10/21
2715 Darius Way	94577	1410000	3	2104	1959	3/9/21
14101 East 14th St #307	94578	5150000	2	1000	1986	3/12/21

SAN LORENZO TOTAL SALES: 6						
Highest \$: 863,000		Median \$: 722,500				
Lowest \$: 530,000		Average \$: 719,667				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
17629 Wickman Place	94580	530000	3	1170	1971	3/12/21
17236 Via Estrella	94580	620000	3	1325	1948	3/8/21
668 Empire Street	94580	650000	3	1059	1951	3/8/21
17264 Via San Ardo	94580	795000	3	1493	1950	3/12/21
17428 Via La Jolla	94580	860000	3	1531	1952	3/12/21
1208 Via Los Trancos	94580	863000	4	1903	1950	3/9/21

UNION CITY		TOTAL SALES: 12				
Highest \$: 1,405,000		Median \$: 867,500				
Lowest \$: 675,000		Average \$: 1,006,667				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BDS	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
30921 Union City Blvd	94587	675000	2	1170	2007	3/9/21
4106 Pleiades Place	94587	720000	0	1180	1978	3/10/21
32885 Arbor Vine Dr #3	94587	775000	3	1320	1985	3/10/21
32856 Arbor Vine Dr #36	94587	810000	2	1362	1985	3/10/21
34010 10th Street	94587	810000	4	1276	0	3/11/21
31200 Kimberly Court	94587	865000	2	1360	1980	3/9/21
31354 San Andreas Dr	94587	870000	2	1195	1969	3/10/21
33774 Sinsbury Way	94587	1152000	3	1349	1967	3/10/21
3170 San Angelo Way	94587	1210000	0	1955	1968	3/10/21
112 Cascades Circle	94587	1388000	5	2320	1999	3/9/21
4400 Canterbury Way	94587	1400000	4	2080	1997	3/9/21
33019 Brockway Street	94587	1405000	4	1871	1984	3/12/21



A place for you and me

All Abilities Playgrounds



SUBMITTED BY TWESHA GHOSH

As summer is approaching, kids will be out of school. Corona cases have also reduced significantly. Vaccinations have started for ages 12 and up. Parks and recreation areas are reopening.

Visiting different parks is always a wheelchair-friendly activity for my family. This time we decided to explore some of the parks around the East Bay area that have an all-abilities playground. These play areas are specially designed for kids with varying abilities to develop physically and mentally through different types of activities. These playgrounds have special equipment that enables every kid to play freely, and all of them are completely wheelchair accessible.

Always Dream PlayPark, Fremont

This play park is a very colorful park in Lake Elizabeth central park between the soccer fields on Stevenson Boulevard. This is a very nice playground for kids of all age groups and different abilities with a scenic view of Mission Hills. The place has lots of greenery around, and kids can also engage in kite flying. There are colorful umbrellas for shade, which add a happy look to the park. Climbing the colorful rocks and all-accessible slides are very doable activities for a wheelchair user. The swings also have features that make them all-inclusive. There are special components for sound play and brail panels, texture, and fragrances for the visually impaired. There are nice shaded wheelchair-accessible picnic areas where you can relax and grab a bite.

Mia's Dream Come True Playground, Hayward

Mia's Dream come true Playground is an amazing all-abilities playground. This park is constructed by Hayward Area Recreation District. The initiative was taken by the Valdez family, who wanted to make an all-abilities playground where their daughter Mia can play with friends of all ages and abilities. This park is completely wheelchair accessible. Specially-designed structures help develop cognitive, physical, social, sensory, and communication skills. The park layout replicates the layout of the Hayward area. The main landmarks of Hayward like the San Mateo bridge, 880 Freeway, water tower, Fire Station No 7, and the Hayward Loop are recreated. This park also has a music therapy zone, sensory wall, and kindness arches. There are all-inclusive swings, spinners, slides, and rollers that add extra fun.

Imagine Playground, Dublin

Imagine Playground is an all-abilities playground in the sports ground of Dublin. This play area has many types of equipment that are completely wheelchair accessible. The entrance has a very special art piece named "Conversation"—a structure of two oversize heads signifying that every person is unique and can communicate with others. Slides and swings are completely wheelchair accessible. There are many gadgets for music-making, which helps children with sensory needs, and there are also features that help with memory. The thing I found most interesting is the display of Sign language, which is very helpful. The ground of the play area is made of soft rubber to protect kids if they fall.

Wheelchair Accessibility

- The surface in these playparks is smooth everywhere, which makes it wheelchair friendly and cushions falls.
- Platforms of the play structures are low so that wheelchair users can lift themselves.
- Slides have a proper ramp for wheelchair users.
- Swings have a high back chair and harness for wheelchair users and special-needs kids.
- There are ADA restrooms and picnic tables
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CONTINUING EVENTS

Tuesdays and Wednesdays Parenting During COVID R

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

*Virtual support group to help families
cope with challenges encountered dur-
ing COVID*

To register:

www.fremont.gov/3060/Caregiver-Support
(510) 574-2100

Tuesdays

Free Virtual Sing-Along

7 p.m. – 8 p.m.

*Zoom choir meeting hosted by Mission
Peak Chamber Singers*

<https://www.chambersingers.org/>
Contact: info@chambersingers.org

Tuesdays

Practice Your Spoken English

4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

*Talk with native English speakers
about everyday topics in a friendly, wel-
coming setting*

Via Zoom

[https://aclubrary.bibliocommons.com/
events/search/index/event/60b010ee-
d768a44500b2ade2](https://aclubrary.bibliocommons.com/events/search/index/event/60b010eed768a44500b2ade2)

Wednesdays

Niles Street Eats

5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Food trucks
Niles Town Plaza
37592 Niles Blvd., Fremont

Wednesdays and Sundays

McNevin at The Mudpuddle

6 p.m.

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bad jokes*

Via Facebook Live:

www.facebook.com/mudpuddlemusic

Thursdays

San Lorenzo Street Eats

5 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Food trucks
500 Via Mercado, San Lorenzo

Thursdays

First Presbyterian Church of Newark Virtual Youth Group

6:30 p.m.

*Youth and young adults, students
welcome*

Contact: brian@newarkpress.org for
Zoom Meeting ID#
www.newarkpres.org

Fridays

Castro Valley Street Eats

5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

*Food trucks and live music - support
The Chabot Theater*

Parking lot behind Trader Joe's
2490 Grove Way, Castro Valley
[https://www.thefoodtruckmafia.com/
upcoming](https://www.thefoodtruckmafia.com/upcoming)

Saturdays

Virtual Telescope Viewing R

9:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Free on Facebook Live
Join resident astronomers live from
Chabot's observation deck
<https://chabotspace.org/calendar/>

Saturdays

Online Comedy Shows R\$

8 p.m. - 9 p.m.

*Made Up Theatre's interactive comedy
has gone to YouTube!*

[https://madeuptheatre.com/upcom-
ing-shows/online-shows/](https://madeuptheatre.com/upcoming-shows/online-shows/)

Sundays

Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church Family Service

10 a.m.

Via ZOOM
For link, call (510) 471-2581
<https://sacbc.org/>

Sundays

First Presbyterian Church of Newark Worship Services

9:30 a.m.; Worship Service In-Person
or Online

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/U
C9NxryzVaehQJHwLlpwPWlw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9NxryzVaehQJHwLlpwPWlw)
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St. Anne's Episcopal Church Service

10 a.m.

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2791 Driscoll Rd., Fremont
Via Zoom link: [www.stan-
neschurch.org](http://www.stanneschurch.org)

Third Thursday each month Chronic Pain Support Group

12:30 p.m.- 2:30 p.m.

Request link: njordan@fremont.gov

Last Thursday of the Month, March – June

Mini MBA in Entrepreneurship

7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Self-paced virtual program for early-
stage entrepreneurs
[https://sv.tie.org/mini-mba-in-entre-
preneurship/](https://sv.tie.org/mini-mba-in-entrepreneurship/)

Monday, April 5 – Sunday, June 27

Shifting Tides: Convergence in Cloth

Virtual exhibit to shine light on is-
sues facing the Pacific Ocean
www.olivehydeartguild.org

Saturdays & Sundays in June & July

Niles Canyon Railway

10:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

6/12, 6/13: Steam Trains

6/19, 6/20, 7/10, 7/11, 7/17, 7/18:

Diesel Trains

Sunol Depot

6 Kilkare Rd., Sunol

www.ncry.org

Sundays, May 30 – July 25

"Travel Without Leaving Town" Film Series

3 p.m.

June 13: Hermitage: The Power of
Art

June 27: Botticelli: Florence and the
Medici

July 11 : The Prado: A Collection
of Wonders

July 25 : Frida: Viva la Vida

\$15 regular/\$10 students to age 21

Bankhead Theater

2400 First St., Livermore

lvpac.org

(925) 373-6800

Tuesday, June 1 – Friday, June 25

Pray Their Names

Outdoor art installation made up of
160 large wooden hearts
Niles Discovery Church
36600 Niles Blvd., Fremont
[https://www.facebook.com/Pray-
Their-Names-111352017313180](https://www.facebook.com/Pray-Their-Names-111352017313180)

Friday – Sunday, June 18 – July 18

Live Horse Racing

2:45 p.m.

<https://bit.ly/3yr6IEy>
Alameda County Fairgrounds
Gates 8 & 12 off of Valley Ave,
Pleasanton

Sundays, June 27 – August 15

St. Anne's Episcopal Church

12 noon – 1:30 p.m.

*Afternoon discussion - change frustrat-
ing conversations into better ones!*

In person or via Zoom

2791 Driscoll Rd., Fremont
(510) 490-0553

<http://stanneschurch.org/>

UPCOMING Events

Tuesday, June 8

Project IceCube: Living, Working and Science from an Ice World

12 noon – 1:30 p.m.

Virtual presentation by scientists at
the South Pole
<https://bit.ly/3um92tq>

Tuesday, June 8

COVID-19: International Busi- ness Guidance

1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

*Learn about Import/Export regulations
– a free ACSBDC webinar*

[https://nc.eccenterdirect.com/events/4
8402](https://nc.eccenterdirect.com/events/48402)

Tuesday, June 8

Caregiving and Happiness

11 a.m.

*Learn about small changes you can
make to live a more joyful life*

<http://bit.ly/AgeWellClasses>
njordan@fremont.gov
(510) 790-6602

Wednesday, June 9

Petitioning for Relatives & The Permanent Resident Process

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

*Free info session from U.S. Citizenship
and Immigration Services*

Webex Link: <https://bit.ly/3bZLrbt>
Meeting number (access code): 199
377 9782

Meeting password: PqcCpsfc@472

Wednesday, June 9

COVID-19: How to Protect Small Business Intellectual Property

1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Learn how to protect your intellec-
tual property – a free ACSBDC
webinar

[https://nc.eccenterdirect.com/events/4
8325](https://nc.eccenterdirect.com/events/48325)

Wednesday, June 9

Hiring Right The First Time

10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

*How to hire and onboard employees
properly*

<https://bit.ly/3v56OQc>

Thursday, June 10
Libertarian Party of Alameda County
7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Social meet and greet and discussion
32216 Dyer St., Union City
www.lpac.us

Thursday, June 10
How To Be An Ally 101
12 noon
Learn how to support the LGBTQ+ community
Via Zoom: <https://bit.ly/3cj3mtZ>

Thursday, June 10
Cyrano de Bergerac \$
5:30 p.m.
Screening of the National Theatre’s Live Production starring James McAvooy
Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center
2400 First St., Livermore
LivermoreArts.org
(925) 373-6800

Friday, June 11
Courtyard Concert Series \$
5:30 p.m.
Local jazz trumpeter Jeff Bordes and Panthelion
Show held in courtyard adjacent to theater
Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center
2400 First St., Livermore
LivermoreArts.org
(925) 373-6800

Saturday, June 12
Uncorked Comedy
7 p.m.
Enjoy 5 hilarious comedians with a glass of wine
TwiningVine Winery
16851 Cull Canyon Rd.,
Castro Valley
www.plethos.org

Saturday, June 12
Social Write-In
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Write and meet others in a fun, non-judgmental environment
Via Zoom
Request link from Scott Davidson:
scottfrombayside@yahoo.com

Monday, June 14
Milpitas Rotary
12 noon
Superintendent Cheryl Jordan on the State of MUSD
Via Zoom: <https://bit.ly/364zWgd>
Meeting ID: 830 1305 6992
Passcode: 113524

Tuesday, June 8
4 Steps to Emergency Preparedness (Mandarin)
11 a.m. – 12 noon
Learn what to do when disaster strikes
<http://bit.ly/AgeWellClasses>
njordan@fremont.gov
(510) 790-6602

Sunday, June 13
Free Photo Day R
1 p.m.
Get a free professional photo of your family
Reserve your time at
www.picktime.com/rainbow
Shinn Park
1251 Peralta Blvd., Fremont
Questions? Contact Adam Modzeleski at 510-791-792

Wednesday, June 16
USCIS Online Resources and Customer Service Tools
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Free info session from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Webex Link: <https://bit.ly/2ToyD8j>
Meeting number (access code): 199 054 2623
Meeting password: y2PBivZn4S\$5

Wednesday, June 16
COVID-19 Crowdfunding
1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Learn about the different ways the community can support your business – free ACSBDC webinar
<https://nc.ecenterdirect.com/events/48418>

Thursday, June 17
Rising Sun’s Lunch & Learn Series
12 noon – 12:30 p.m.
Learn more about how Rising Sun operates
<https://bit.ly/3oWZ5l8>

Thursday, June 17
Hayward Nonprofit Alliance
10 a.m.
Ya You, Assistant Professor of Marketing at CSU East Bay, will discuss digital marketing issues for nonprofits
Via Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/join>
Meeting ID: 823 8148 0428
Passcode: 147350

Friday, June 18
Latino Business Roundtable
9 a.m.
Alameda County Supervisor Richard Valle
Via Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/join>
Meeting ID: 827 9395 8686
Passcode: 121713

Saturday, June 19
League of Women Voters
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Virtual annual meeting. Keynote address by Judge LaDoris Cordell
Via Zoom
<http://lwvfnuc.org/zoom>

Saturday, June 19
Juneteenth Freedom Celebration
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Jobs and Wellness Vendors, entertainment. Hosted by the Black Business Roundtable
City Hall Plaza
777 B St., Hayward

Monday, June 21
Milpitas Rotary
12 noon
Valley Water District, CEO Rick Callender, Director Dick Santos
Via Zoom: <https://bit.ly/364zWgd>
Meeting ID: 830 1305 6992
Passcode: 113524

Wednesday, June 23
Getting to Know USCIS - An Agency Overview
4 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Free info session from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Webex Link: <https://bit.ly/3vFpDJW>
Meeting number (access code): 199 158 8619
Meeting password: Presentation1!

Wednesday, June 23
Medicare Virtual Fair
12 noon – 4 p.m.
Guidance with enrollment decisions for people turning 65
www.shiphelp.org

Wednesday, June 23 – Thursday, June 24
Android Phone Training
2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Learn how to make your phone work better for you
<http://bit.ly/AgeWellClasses>
njordan@fremont.gov
(510) 790-6602

Friday, June 25
Coco R\$
Outdoor family movie night—popcorn will be delivered to your space!
8:30 p.m.
Pinewood Park, Milpitas
<https://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/milpitas/departments/recreation-services/>

Saturday, June 26
Ohana Virtual Health Walk
11 a.m. – 12 noon
Walk or run the week before, then join us for a livestream
<https://bach.health/walk21/>

Saturday, June 26
“La Bella Vita” – An Evening With Cathy Chow
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Meet artist Cathy Chow and her creations. Music by the Michael Udelson Trio
William D. Hayward Amphitheater
24591 Fairview Ave., Hayward
<https://edenmusicandarts.com/calendar/premier-event-cathy-chow>

Monday, June 28
Milpitas Rotary
12 noon
Rob’s Project Proposal for our club - 2021-22
Via Zoom: <https://bit.ly/364zWgd>
Meeting ID: 830 1305 6992
Passcode: 113524

Park It

By NED MACKAY

“Thurgood Marshall Regional Park – Home of the Port Chicago 50” is now the name of the new East Bay Regional Park at the site of the former Concord Naval Weapons Station. The naming was approved unanimously by the park district board of directors at its June 1 meeting.

It honors the young African American sailors who served the United States military during World War II and stood up to the military’s racially discriminatory policies of the day. It also recognizes Thurgood Marshall, who was an attorney for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) at the time and supported the Black sailors during court martial proceedings. He later became the first Black member of the U.S. Supreme Court. This is the first regional park in Contra Costa County to be named after an African American.

By way of history: The American military was segregated during World War II, and Black

sailors who enlisted were often relegated to especially dangerous assignments such as loading munitions onto ships by hand. One such loading point was the Port Chicago Naval Magazine. Work was around the clock, often rushed, with few if any safety precautions.

On July 17, 1944, two vessels at Port Chicago, loaded with ammunition, exploded with a force felt as far away as San Francisco, killing 320 men, mostly teenagers, and wounding 390 others. The explosion accounted for a quarter of all African American deaths during the war.

Surviving Black sailors were ordered to return to work loading munitions not long after the explosion. Many refused. Fifty of them (known as The Port Chicago 50) were charged with mutiny and ultimately dishonorably discharged.

The Port Chicago 50 wrote to Thurgood Marshall, as he was lead counsel for the NAACP, requesting that he attend their trial. Marshall did so. Afterwards he wrote articles and gave public speeches, charging that the Navy was “on trial for its whole vicious policy toward Negroes.”

His campaign to expose racism in the trial of the Port Chicago 50 ultimately led to the desegregation of the military and was a precursor to the broader civil rights movement.

President Harry Truman issued an executive order on July 26, 1948, desegregating the U.S. Armed Forces. But despite years of advocacy by elected officials and community organizations, the Port Chicago 50 have never been exonerated.

The U.S. Navy and National Park Service officially transferred 2,500 acres of open space to the park district in 2019 after a two-decade process brought about by the decommissioning of the Concord Naval Weapons Station in the 1990s. After road improvements and other upgrades, the district plans to open a portion of the expansive park south of Bailey Road within the next two to three years.

In commemoration of Juneteenth, East Bay Regional Park District is partnering with Outdoor Afro and local business leaders by waiving regional park entry fees on Saturday, June 19.

had demonstrated his worth.

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends is Sarah Vowell’s Lafayette in the Somewhat United States.

“Henry Flipper did all his country asked him to do,” President Bill Clinton said of Henry Ossian Flipper, the first African American graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. Life was not easy for him. He was born into slavery in Thomasville, Georgia, in 1856. After he completed his studies on June 14, 1877, he wrote his autobiography, which revealed the cruel treatment he had received at West Point. According to History.com, Flipper recalled how “he was socially ostracized by white peers and professors.”

After commencement, Flipper served as a second lieutenant in the African American 10th Cavalry Regiment, known as the Buffalo Soldiers of Fort Sill, Oklahoma. There, he distinguished himself with his engineering prowess; as a matter of fact, a drainage system designed by him is listed as a National Historic Landmark. It is known as “Flipper’s Ditch.”

His career was halted when he was brought up on charges of stealing

government money, and conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. A court martial acknowledged his innocence of the embezzlement charge but found him guilty of the conduct accusations for which he was dishonorably discharged. Although Flipper had a “distinguished career” as a civilian engineer, he never became reconciled to the humiliating event.

The Army overturned his “dishonorable” status in 1976---36 years after his death, and in 1999, President Clinton granted Flipper a full posthumous pardon.

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends Henry Ossian Flipper’s West Point autobiography, The Colored Cadet at West Point and Jane Eppinga’s Henry Ossian Flipper: West Point’s First Black Graduate.

The feature is courtesy of The Grateful American Book Prize, which is an annual award given to authors who have created outstanding works of historical fiction or nonfiction for seventh to ninth graders.

HISTORY MATTERS

By JOHN GRIMALDI AND DAVID BRUCE SMITH

On January 1, 1863, the Emancipation Proclamation put an end to slavery in the United States, but it took time for the news to advance. The state of Texas, for example, did not know anything about it until two years later, when Union General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston on June 19, 1865--after the War--and announced the news to the enslaved people there.

According to History.com, “The day instantly became an important one to the African American citizens of Texas, who held annual celebrations and even made pilgrimages to Galveston each Juneteenth.”

In no time, festivities proliferated throughout the nation; now, forty-seven states and the District of Columbia recognize Juneteenth as a holiday, but Texas was the first to decree annual observance of June 19 in 1979.

For more information about Juneteenth, the Grateful American Book Prize

recommends books such as The Fire Next Time by James Baldwin.

Benjamin Franklin, Continental Congress’s envoy to France, was not enthusiastic about having the 19-year-old Marquis de Lafayette volunteer his military expertise to the colonial revolutionary forces two years into the War. Nevertheless, Lafayette, whose full name was Marie-Joseph Paul Roch Yves Gilbert du Motier, made the difficult journey, and arrived in South Carolina on June 13, 1777. He hoped to be General George Washington’s second in command. Though his youth might have been an issue when he made his case to Congress, the Marquis’ offer of service was accepted by Washington, and he was commissioned as a Major-General.

Lafayette served with distinction in numerous battles, but in February 1778 when France and the American Revolutionary forces signed a formal treaty of alliance, it set off a declaration of war between France and Britain. By the time Lafayette returned to France, he had proven himself in battle, and his loyalty to the American cause. Benjamin Franklin admitted the Marquis

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SUBMITTED BY
RIC RICARD OF AACHS

The Afro American Cultural & Historical Society, Tri City & Hayward (AACHS), will be honoring African American high school graduates at its 45th Annual Scholarship Awards Program on Sunday, June 13, 2021, at 3 p.m. We'll be going virtual for the 2nd year! This year's theme is, "Black Youth Matter: 'Surviving is important (but) thriving is elegant.'" (Maya Angelou).

This year's honorees are:
Jordan Robinson, Mt. Eden High School

Casaun Wright, Leadership Public Schools in Hayward
Sierra Sutton, Logan High School in Union City
Makaila Hilburn, Newark Memorial High School
Chloe Williams, Washington High School
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Two of them will receive the Doris Rutland Memorial Scholarship and the Herman L. Ficklin Memorial Scholarship, honoring two of our past Society members who played a significant role in the Society's success.

With this year's awards, the AACHS will have reached nearly the \$200,000 mark in scholarships to Black high school youth in southern Alameda County! Visit our website, aachstricity.org, for more information.

Triple threat in music on the rise

BY FATEMA BHAIJI
PHOTO COURTESY OF KAI NEAL

Recently, 14-year-old musical producer, DJ, and rapper Kai Neal, commonly known as Kai the MC, released his first single titled “B.O.O.G” after being signed to Big D Records. Kai, a Fremont resident, grew up surrounded by many types of music ranging from 80s and hip-hop from his dad’s side to pop music such as Karma Chameleon from his mom’s side. He’s been around music forever but didn’t think of it as an actual career until junior high when he started writing lyrics.

Kai started informally writing early on as he loved to make up stories and adventures. While writing came to him naturally, learning how to produce beats was definitely more of a process. When COVID-19 hit, it gave him a lot of time to experiment with producing beats and to fill whole notebooks with lyrics that he could use in his songs.

He specializes in the production and writing of mainly hip-hop and 90s music, with a touch of R&B (rhythm and blues), but “throughout sampling, [he’s] gone through soul, folk, and jazz which led him into those genres as well,” showing his keen exploration for genres outside of hip-hop. Kai describes his focus on the hip-hop in his music as a “product of [his] environment” as “[he] was always around [hip-hop]...the people around him doing it looked just like [him],” which allowed him to form a strong connection with the genre early on.

At the start of his music career, he independently released his music on the music sharing platform Soundcloud just for his close friends and family to hear. When he signed with Big D Records, he knew that this was the first step to obtaining a serious career in music. When he used to independently publish, however, there was no pressure for “the next big song,” whereas he now has a more scheduled musical life due to signing with a record label.

One thing that distinguishes Kai from many mainstream hip-hop artists is his age. He emphasizes how “[he’s] young...yet [he] can DJ, rap, and produce.” Being very young yet signing at a record label, Kai “didn’t find himself worrying, he found himself more excited than anything [to record]”. Kai believes that his age helps him as a musical artist, and he wants to set a precedent for other young artists; he doesn’t yearn to be the next Biggie Smalls, a famous American rapper and songwriter, because he has the hunger to be the first Kai the MC.

The topics of his songs vary widely, but the events that occur in his life sometimes influence certain verses or lines. Kai describes, “Music is a really good way to express myself...not every song I have is about social justice...but I still work it in there because it would be hard of me not to because of how much that is on my mind.” Although social justice and awareness is not the main focus, he definitely tries to include aspects of it in his music because “all it takes is that one line to make someone think and go ‘oh snap, I never thought about it like that.’” Being



Kai the MC’s cover for his single “B.O.O.G.”

thought-provoking is an important part of the process and a big reason why Kai produces and writes music in the first place.

Although he just released his single B.O.O.G, he already has plans to release another single very soon, so be on the lookout for his new music. To stream his music, search Kai the MC or “B.O.O.G.” on popular platforms such as YouTube, Spotify, Soundcloud, and iTunes.

Free The Curls

Local teacher writes children’s book about protesting injustice

BY ANDREW CAVETTE
PHOTO PROVIDED BY MARISSA MCGEE
ILLUSTRATION BY SHIELA MARIE ALEJANDRO

Marissa McGee has written a book called *Free The Curls* about what kids can do if they encounter injustice... even if they encounter injustice on wash day. An East Bay resident, McGee grew up in Union City and currently teaches in Oakland. In 2019, she ran a quick errand to buy hair care products. That errand turned into a multi-store, multi-city quest to understand what she had witnessed.

When McGee went into a major chain store, all the hair products for her hair type were locked behind security glass. Products for other hair types were on open shelves. She visited other big-box stores, where an employee had to be with her, handing her one product at a time while she looked for what she wanted. McGee wanted to be able to shop at her own speed, to read the product labels without a staff member waiting for her to finish.

The hair products McGee wanted to buy were not more expensive than those out on the shelves. “If the products are the same price, why isn’t everything locked up?” McGee said. The message she walked away with was: The people who use these products are the people who steal.

“When the model on the box looks like you... that’s extremely problematic.” McGee said.

Years before McGee’s experience, people on Twitter had started pointing out this race-based discrepancy between hair products. One Twitter photo shows a 49-cent jar of hair styling cream behind security glass. A foot away, a \$30 bottle of shampoo was out on the shelves. The 49-cent jar was clearly marketed toward black women; the \$30 shampoo toward white women.

Walmart and CVS claim these hair products are stolen more often than similar products, but these claims have not been corroborated by store inventory data. A CBS News report from Rivershead, NY featured a Walmart locking up black hair products. Afterwards, Riverhead town council member, Catherine Kent, asked to see the data. Rather than supply the requested data, the manager of that Walmart directed Kent to call the main corporate office number.

News Channel 7 in Spartanburg, SC aired a similar story about a local CVS. That news team was told the store’s inventory data indicated higher theft rates. When News Channel 7 checked with Spartanburg County sheriff’s office, hair products were not among the items reported stolen.

The issue of equal access to all the goods sold in stores has been taken to court. In 2018, California resident, Essie Grundy, filed a lawsuit against Walmart for race-based discrimination. Grundy’s shopping experience was similar to McGee’s, with both finding their hair products locked behind glass. Grundy’s lawsuit references California’s Unruh Civil Rights Act, a law that prohibits businesses from discriminating against customers based on race.

While Grundy’s lawsuit was in the press, but still unresolved, Walmart and CVS released separate statements. Both said their companies would no longer lock up any hair care products. After those statements were released, some Twitter users documented that hair products in those stores had been taken out of the security displays, only to be put behind the counter, requiring staff

assistance. In her book, *Free The Curls*, McGee weaves a narrative around this issue. She introduces readers to Maliyah, an inquisitive six-year-old with type 4C hair. While shopping with her mom, Maliyah sees hair products locked up. “I really wanted Maliyah to be the one who came up with what to do,” McGee said. “I wanted to give her agency.” Maliyah suggests making signs and doing a peaceful protest. Mother and daughter end up getting other people to join. “While kids don’t have as much agency as adults, I think there’s still a way for them to make change,” McGee

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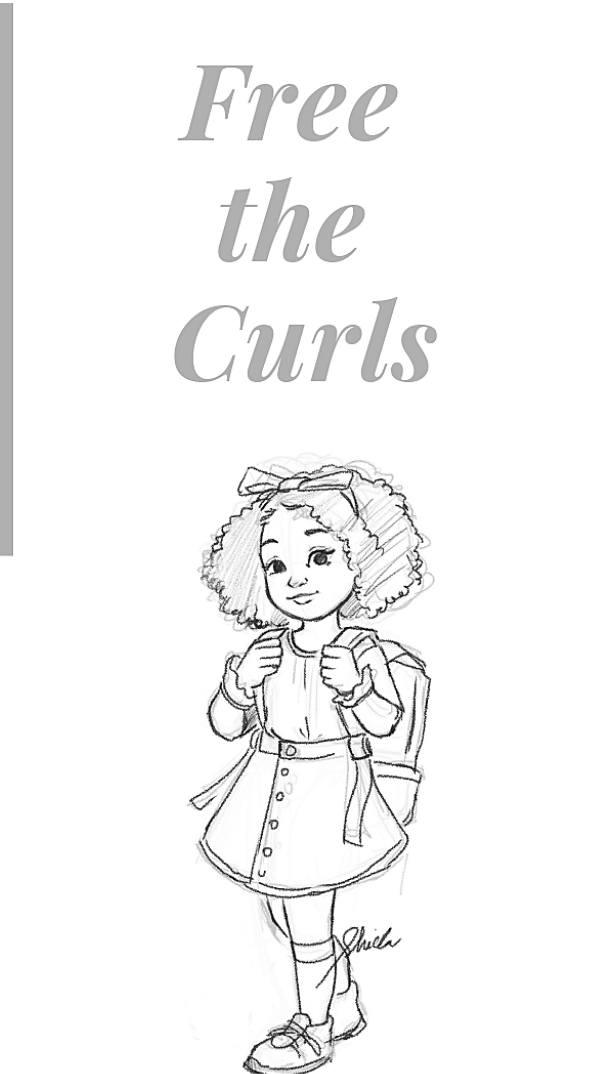
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ABOUT THE BOOK

Maliyah is an inquisitive six-year old who loves to read books and watch cartoons. When she and her mom visit a store to buy shampoo for wash day, they notice all the products for her hair type are locked up. Maliyah and her mom must decide -- buy the products or take a stand?



said. “Ask kids what they notice, open that dialogue.” In the book, Maliyah’s experience mirrors McGee’s trouble with buying hair products, but McGee did not write a book just about shampoo. “My hope is that we can say, ‘Maybe it’s not about hair products this time, but something else has happened... and what can we do?’” McGee is self-publishing her book and has already reached her initial funding goal on Kickstarter. That means *Free The Curls* will be published, and backers will receive their copies, but McGee wants to reach more kids with her message. Because she is a teacher, she wants to be able to give away copies to schools and libraries. To do that, she needs to reach her secondary funding goals. Many of her Kickstater reward levels include a book donation. Find out more at: <https://www.freethecurlsfrc.com> Shielia Marie Alejandro will illustrate the book: <https://www.bucketsofwhimsies.com/gallery/>



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Marissa McGee is an anti-bias educator. She has a B.A. in Sociology with a focus on social stratification and inequality and a M.A. in Elementary Education, both from Stanford University. Marissa taught in Washington, D.C. for 10 years. She now serves as an instructional coach in Oakland. As an anti-bias educator, she strives to create books where Black children can see reflections of themselves and children who do not identify as Black can engage in perspective taking.

OPINION



WILLIAM MARSHAK

In today's fractured environment, extraordinary historical events can be overlooked due to a narrow focus and concentration on present difficulties. To add perspective, it is often a good idea to consider historical precedents and outcomes. On June 6, 1944, one of the most closely-guarded secrets of the 20th century, a massive invasion of Nazi-occupied France during World War II signaled the beginning of the end for that reprehensible and immoral regime.

A united Allied armed force of over 160,000 troops, more than 5,000 ships and landing craft, augmented by over 11,000 aircraft and paratroops, crossed the English Channel to challenge Hitler's "Atlantic Wall." Codenamed "Operation Overlord," the invasion, on that date known as D-Day, was an international response to an advancing tide of brutal authoritarianism and hyper nationalism that elevated political party, phony patriotism and ideologues over freedom and respect for humanity throughout the world.

June 6, 2021 was the 77th anniversary of this momentous event that altered the

tide of the war, signaling the resolve and resistance to indifference, deference and mass hysteria stoked by emotional tirades blaming "others" for domestic problems and financial woes. Celebrated on the heels of Memorial Day, the anniversary of D-Day is also a time for deep reflection of the cost of immersion in self-righteous pity and what it should mean to those who inherit the mantle of democracy from what was called "The Greatest Generation." They fought – many severely injured or killed - to halt the madness of a world torn apart by selfishness, distrust, fear and hate. Allied countries were united in their response, concentrating on the singular goal of reversing the insidious lure of populist nationalism.

Similar patterns emerge in cycles over time. A well-known quote of philosopher George Santayana (1863-1952), "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it", is once again emblematic of our current circumstance. Mass hysteria over nationalism, combined with fear of others, simmering for decades, has emerged to engulf countries around the globe including our own. Propaganda and warfare have evolved to distort and shape perceptions without overt military tactics. As a result, influence is often subtle, yet potent and effective.

A corollary to Santayana's quote could be that those who aspire to succeed in politics without due attention to prior fascist dictators are doomed to repeat the patterns that bred them. In their quest for status and power, many politicians, who begin a career with the best of intentions and a righteous cause, are corrupted by a

system that rewards adherence or studied ignorance of misdeeds and bad behavior.

Escalation through the political ranks is isolating as sycophantic staff and broadening constituent boundaries remove the elected from those being represented and reality. As internal ethical controls are tested by this process, decisions without clear moral definitions further alienate the elected from electors and egotistical factors multiply to exaggerate and engulf personality. From this point, it is a short journey to entitlement and self-aggrandizement. In short... dictatorial behavior. The emperor may have lost his/her clothes, but few will say a word!

As demonstrated through historical accounts, behavior of this sort has been repeated endlessly and threatens each generation. It is through appreciation of this process and constant vigilance of those malignantly-inclined to vigorously pursue fame, fortune and power that a modicum of control can be exerted. D-Day was a defining moment in a long, arduous campaign that ultimately damped the fires of nationalistic fervor. Was the insurrection of January 6, 2021 at the U.S. Capitol our internal D-Day?

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East Bay students shine at research competition

SUBMITTED BY CAL STATE EAST BAY

Four students from California State University East Bay (CSUEB) took first and second place awards at the 35th annual California State University Student Research competition held recently in Southern California.

The CSU competition is held each year to promote excellence in undergraduate and graduate scholarly research and creative activity. Students work with faculty mentors on their research. This year's virtual event was hosted April 30 - May 1 at Cal Poly Pomona.

A total of 12 CSUEB students shared their research projects, summarizing their work in an eight-minute video in one of 21 categories and answered questions from jurors and the audience. This competition was Cal State's most successful year ever.

Top CSEUB winners:

- Graduate student Andrés González took first place in his category -- Humanities & Letters; Education (Mixed) -- for the second year in a row for his project titled "Utilizing Reflexivity: Strategic Self-Disclosure and Insider Perspective in Qualitative Research with Transgender and Non-Binary People."
- Co-presenters Lisa Ouyang and Taylor Quintana took first place in Behavioral & Social Sciences; Interdisciplinary (Mixed) for the project "Early treatment of inflammatory pain prevents the transition from acute to chronic pain in rats." It was the second straight successful year for Ouyang, who earned a second-place finish last year as a freshman and sole presenter.
- Aerin Riegelsberger was Cal State East Bay's third top winner for the project "Putting The Ball In The Patient's Court:

Gender Affirming Hormone Therapy In U.S. Family Planning Clinics" in the category Behavioral, Social Sciences, and Public Administration (Graduate).

Second place winners:

- Graduate student Aarohi Shah for the project "Can Ion Exchange Resins Be Used to Remove Boron from Produced Waters and Increase Water Sustainability?"
 - Undergraduate Andrew Stanciulescu for the project "Investigating the Effects of Visualization Media in the Classroom."
- "The success we had in this year's CSU Student Research Competition represented a true team effort among the student competitors, their faculty mentors, and the Center for Student Research (CSR)," said Jenno O, Associate Professor of Kinesiology and Director of CSUEB's Center for Student Research.

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County crisis response program

SUBMITTED BY SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Officials from the County of Santa Clara have approved investing nearly \$28 million to expand a Community Mobile Response (CMR) program to address mental health and crisis response services to residents.

The CMR program is operated by the County Behavioral Health Services Department (CBHSD). Funding for the program was initially approved April 20 by the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors using Mental Health Services Act funds. The state of California granted its approval for the funding of the program May 27.

The expanded CMR program uses a model where community residents, mental health workers, and emergency medical services providers respond to needs and crises in the community, ensuring more individuals and families have access to mental health and crisis services.

Expanded services for the program were developed in collaboration with the local Mental Health Service Act stakeholder leadership committee, which is comprised of a diverse group of community leaders. Also helping in the development of the program were community-based organizations and behavioral health service providers working directly with those who will be served.

Working with partners, the CBHSD has been exploring expansion of services to address community needs and expand alternatives to calls to law enforcement. The new CMR teams will respond to calls for service without law enforcement, and as part of their initial

assessment will determine if there is a need for law enforcement involvement. The program will address community needs through a race equity and social justice lens.

The CMR program will help individuals experiencing a mental health event or crisis by conducting on-site assessments for medical and/or behavioral health needs to minimize and prevent further escalation of the crisis. The CMR program will also work in close partnership with other teams and programs, such as the County Emergency Medical Services, the existing Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT), and the Psychiatric Emergency Response Team.

Key components of the program include:

- Family involvement: encouraging client’s family or a client’s support person in all aspects of the process, based on a client’s preference.
- A focus on prevention.
- A new 3-digit community phoneline that is not 911 or 311.
- Trauma-informed mobile response vehicles.
- Community Collaborators to obtain feedback from the community and build a mechanism to receive continuous feedback to improve the project.

The program will operate 24 hours a day, every day of the year and will be launched in three general areas (San Jose, Gilroy, and North County) on January 1, 2022. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the social vulnerability index for Santa Clara County shows the highest level of vulnerability is concentrated in San Jose and in Gilroy. If the initial pilot program is successful, services will be expanded to other areas in the future.

In-person services returning to City Hall

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF UNION CITY

As the June 15 date for California’s statewide reopening approaches, Union City officials have announced that City Hall will again be open for in-person services. Front counter service will be available Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Visitors must wear a face covering and follow social distancing. Services available in-person at City Hall include:

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- Planning Division: Planning Division staff is available to answer zoning and property information questions and take in application submittals by appointment only Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Application submittals can also be placed in the City Hall lobby drop box if coordinated with the Planning Division in advance. Applications, forms, and answers to zoning and property questions can be found on the Planning Division page at www.unioncity.org/208/Planning. For further assistance, call (510) 675-5379 or email planning@unioncity.org.
- Housing and Community Development: Staff are available to answer housing and public services questions by appointment only. Information for services, COVID-19 response, and other housing related issues can be found on the Union City Resources webpage at www.unioncity.org/472/Housing-Resources. For further assistance email unioncityhcd@gmail.com or call (510) 675.5392.
- Finance Services: All services that were available in-person prior to the pandemic -- such as bill pay -- have been restored, with the exception of Clipper transactions. Clipper transactions will resume on June 14.

Members of the public who are still cautious are encouraged to utilize online services, or reach out to the city by email or phone. Visit www.unioncity.org to locate a host of online services.

Fremont offers preapproval of accessory dwelling plans

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF FREMONT

The City of Fremont is accepting applications from qualifying design professionals to have their plans for detached accessory dwelling units (ADUs) preapproved for use throughout Fremont. If you are a design professional, please read the following information to find out how participating in the city’s new Preapproved ADU Program can help connect you with new ADU clients in the city.

Fremont City Council

June 1, 2021

Consent Calendar:

- Approve annual investment policy PASSED 6-1 (Nay, Kassan)
- Authorize service agreement with Buildingeye, Inc. for in-interactive, online permit mapping service for 5-year term in an amount not-to-exceed \$500,000.
- Approve list of projects for funding authorized by Road Repair and Accountability Act.
- Approve partial release of Faithful Performance Bonds in the amount of \$4,434,000 posted by Robson Homes, LLC for Tract 8330.
- Authorize two Memoranda of Understanding with Alameda County Health Care Services Agency for FY 2021/22 Medi-Cal services.
- Introduce an ordinance amending Master Fee Schedule to add and amend fees for Vending and Soliciting Permits.

Ceremonial Items:

- Proclaim June 2021 as Pride Month. Human Relations Commissioner Martin

Kludjian, Jr., Tejinder Dhami and Dharminder Dewan accepted the proclamation.

Public Communications:

- 290 units of affordable housing in Warm Springs district needs Final Certificate of Occupancy to open on-site amenities.

Scheduled Items:

- Public Hearing to authorize adjustments to development fees.
- Public Hearing to introduce ordinance to allow Safe Parking sites. PASSED 6-1 (Nay, Cox)

Council Communications:

- Mayor Mei referral of appointments to advisory bodies: Anna Wang Human Relations Commissio Sundar Sankaran Recreation Commission
- Councilmember Kassan noted SB1383 regarding organic recycling.

Mayor Lily Mei	Aye
Vice Mayor Yang Shao, District 4	Aye
Teresa Keng, District 1	Aye
Rick Jones, District 2	Aye
Jenny Kassan, District 3	Aye,
1 Nay	
Raj Salwan, District 5	Aye
Teresa Cox, District 6	Aye,
1 Nay	

Milpitas City Council

June 1, 2021

Proclamations:

- June was proclaimed as LGBTQ+ Pride Month
- June 12 was proclaimed as Philippines Independence Day

Consent Calendar:

- Approved Budget Amendment to reallocate unused funds from the Creighton Park Project to the Pedestrian Trail Replacement Project connecting Sinnott, Browne and Murphy Parks.
- Authorized a Master Funding Agreement with the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) for the 2016 Measure B Bike and Pedestrian Education and Encouragement Program.
- Authorized amendment to the Cost Sharing Agreement among West Valley Sanitation District, Cupertino Sanitary District, County Sanitation District of Santa Clara County, Burbank Sanitary District, and the City of Milpitas.

Public Hearings:

- Following a public hearing approved the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Operating Budget for the City of Milpitas and the Milpitas Housing Authority. The budget focused on fiscal belt tightening, and eliminated or defunded several projected positions in the City Hall management. There were extensive discussions on the prudence of not filling all the positions in the first responder categories such as Police, and Fire Prevention.
- Following a public hearing amended the Title V (Public Health, Safety and Welfare), of the Milpitas Municipal Code relating to prohibiting smoking in Multi-Unit Housing and Certain Outdoor Areas.

Community Services and Sustainable Infrastructure:

- Received update on the Beautify Milpitas program.

Public Safety:

- Received presentation on Police Department’s response to mental health related calls.

Rich Tran (Mayor)	Aye
Carmen Montano (Vice Mayor)	Aye
Anthony Phan	Aye
Karina Dominguez	Aye
Evelyn Chua	Aye

What does it mean to have my plans preapproved?

- A preapproved set of plans has already been reviewed by City staff for conformance with applicable codes and regulations. Once a set of plans is preapproved, you can use that same design on any lot within Fremont where a detached ADU is permitted by going through an expedited staff review with lower permitting costs. You will retain your copyright to the preapproved design so that any homeowner who wishes to use the design must contract with you to do so. You will still need to prepare a limited set of site-specific drawings (site plan, foundation design, etc.) for each project.

What are the benefits?

- The Preapproved ADU Program aims to connect designers of preapproved plans with Fremont homeowners. Fremont has already received a lot of interest from homeowners who want the simplicity and certainty of using preapproved ADU plans.

How do I get plans pre-approved?

There are two ways:

- Concurrent Processing: The city offers a “Concurrent Preapproval” application so you can get ADU plans preapproved while you are going through a site-specific plan check. Simply fill out a Request for Concurrent ADU Plan Preapproval form. Concurrent preapproval does not add any time or additional cost to your plan check.
- Independent Application: The city also accepts applications for ADU preapproval independent of a site-specific plan check. ADU plans that were submitted after January 1, 2020 and already reviewed and/or approved by the city may also be considered for preapproval upon request.

Who can I contact with questions?

- First, visit www.fremont.gov/preapprovedADU. Links to all forms are also available on this page. For questions, email City Planner Courtney Pal at cpal@fremont.gov or call (510) 494-4532.

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New state recycling bill targets
beverage industry

SUBMITTED BY JEFF BARBOSA

At its June 3 meeting, the California State Senate
passed landmark legislation to reform California’s
antiquated Bottle Bill and to hold beverage distributors
responsible for increasing the number of containers that
are recycled.

Senate Bill 38 will transform the current system that
has resulted in plummeting recycling rates, more
containers in state landfills and consumers unable to find
convenient locations to redeem their bottles and cans.
The bill now goes to the state Assembly.

“This is a great day for California consumers because
the state Senate went on record in support of bringing our
outdated recycling system into the 21st century,” said

California State Senator Bob Wieckowski (D-Fremont),
who is a member of the Senate’s Environmental Quality
Committee.

“If we are serious about creating a circular economy,
we must support SB 38. Putting more Band-Aids on the
status quo might make the special interests who support it
and prosper from it feel good, but it will not make it more
convenient for consumers to find redemption sites,”
Wieckowski said. “SB 38 builds on the best practices of
other states and nations that have achieved higher re-
demption rates and greater access to sites than California.
Consumers will no longer be nickel-and-dimed to the
tune of hundreds of millions of dollars by a failed system.”

SB 38 transitions California to a stewardship model to
be created by the beverage industry under the oversight of
Cal Recycle. The bill requires distributors to form a
Beverage Container Stewardship Organization by October
2022 and to submit a redemption and recycling plan to
Cal Recycle by the following April. After regulations are

adopted by Cal Recycle, the new beverage container
stewardship program would begin no later than July 2024.

California now ranks third to last in redemption rates
among bottle deposit states, because of the insufficient
number of redemption locations and consumers’ inability
to redeem their deposits. Oregon, which has a stewardship
model similar to the one SB 38 proposes, has a
redemption rate of 86 percent and more locations to
recycle, despite having just one-tenth the population of
California.

Wieckowski represents the 10th District in the State
Senate, which includes southern Alameda County and
parts of Santa Clara County. Constituents who need in-
formation or assistance on state issues can call the senator’s
district office at (510) 794-3900 or fill out the contact
form at <https://sd10.senate.ca.gov/contact/email>.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Action Needed Now
to Protect
Our Communities

As the Alameda County Consumer Affairs Commission,
one of our jobs is to study and assess emerging policies for
impact on our residents where consumer protection is
warranted. We have a circumstance presently with CA state
bills AB537 and SB556 that should compel our citizens to
take action to ensure the safety and integrity of our
community environment.

AB537 and SB556 as written will accelerate the
placement of cell tower transceivers in communities
throughout California, without proper deference to the
future technological realities of information and
communications systems, and without proper procedures to
ensure environmental and consumer protection.

AB537, introduced by Assembly Member Bill Quirk of
Hayward and SB556, introduced by State Senator Bill
Dodd of Napa, are being fast-tracked through the CA state
legislature without the checks and balances required to serve
the public interest

Of particular concern are provisions that provide default
variances to accelerate the distribution of cell tower trans-
ceivers without proper due diligence. One such acceleration

provision is that, by definition, cell towers should be
“deemed approved, all necessary permits shall be deemed
issued, and the applicant may begin construction” if
short-term time parameters are not met. Given the plethora
of known economic, environmental and safety risks
associated with the buildout of this technology, this type of
acceleration is short-sighted and dangerous.

There is a better way than the unbridled rush presented
in AB537 and SB556.

Telecommunications experience over the past three
decades, bolstered most recently by Congressional testimony
from telecommunications industry executives and
luminaries, make clear that to achieve maximum speed,
capacity, sustainability, and otherwise optimal performance,
a fiber-optic based broadband infrastructure will be required
all the way to building premises. Federal legislation is
moving in this direction and it is imperative that California
follows an approach that is compatible. Further, the carbon
footprint of wireless infrastructure is estimated to be 15 to
20 times greater than the preferred fiber to the premises,
creating an ongoing and significant impact on climate
change. The arbitrary buildout contemplated in these bills
that incorporates soon to be obsolete technology, is not only
environmentally dangerous but also a waste of taxpayer
dollars.

These bills, under the noble cause of growing broadband
access, contain ill-advised provisions that will defeat their
ascribed purpose. We are asking citizens to call on our own

Alameda County Assembly Member Quirk to withdraw
AB537 and to encourage his Senate counterpart to do the
same, in favor of more effective, efficient and sustainable
Fiber To The Premises for Internet Connectivity.

Finally, there are authority provisions in AB537 and
SB556 that are an affront to local control. As most local gov-
ernments have limited resources to rigorously consider this
expansion, in addition to further strain brought about by
the response demands associated with the pandemic, added
pressures mean mistakes will be made that will undoubtedly
have long-term ramifications across communities.

The elected officials promoting these acceleration bills
believe they are doing the right thing. But, in this case,
they are wrong. We need internet connectivity but we
need to move forward with the proper due diligence to
ensure that all the risks associated, short and long-term,
are assessed and managed in the process.

Our ask here to Assemblymember Quirk is simple:
slow down, complete proper due diligence, and deliver to
the people of Alameda County and the State of California
the best telecommunications future possible by
withdrawing AB537 and instead begin championing our
Fiber To The Premises Future.

Marlene C. Hurd, B. A. NCC
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Ewan Orion Fisher

April 23, 2020 to May 22, 2021

Beloved son of Elizabeth and Shaun and
brother to Wren

How do you sum up the life of a thirteen-month-old baby? Short. Unfinished. Incomplete. But not inconsequential. Certainly not immemorable. We carried him in our hearts and prayers for ten years before we knew him earthside. We have loved him every moment of every day since he joined our family seven weeks ahead of schedule. He brought so much joy to everyone who met him.

Ewan's feet were terribly ticklish. He had a laugh that could warm the coldest heart. He loved to be "flown" around the house by his daddy. He loved his big sister indiscriminately and would follow her around the house, fast-crawling to keep up with her at every turn, no matter her attempts to escape him.

Ewan was on the cusp of walking and talking before he died. He knew "mama" and "dada," and the only phrase we ever heard him say was "I love you." He said it just the one time, and we will treasure it always. It breaks our hearts that the only place we will ever see him running is in our dreams.

Ewan is survived by his great-grandmother, Dorothy Schwab; his grandparents Janis and Thomas Saputo, Lula and Norm Charboneau, Harry John Fisher; his aunts and uncles, Jennifer and Tim Grinder (Alice, Ruth), Hope and Adam Fisher (Emma, Harper); and many more extended family members.



Visitation will be held on Wednesday, June 2, 2021 from 5pm-8pm with a Vigil service beginning at 6:30pm at Fremont Memorial Chapel, 3723 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536. A Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 10am at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 37588 Fremont Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536. Burial to follow at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Colma, CA.

In lieu of flowers, perform a random act of kindness, plant a tree in Ewan's memory through Save the Redwoods League, or donate to the Make-A-Wish Foundation and make a child smile.

Mamas and Daddies, squeeze your babies. Hold them close. Cherish their precious little lives.

Ewan, we carry your heart. We carry it in our hearts. Always.

Sharon Vera Lachenmyer

February 23, 1939 – May 25, 2021

Union City, CA

Sharon Vera Lachenmyer passed away on May 25, 2021 in Union City, CA after enduring many health challenges. Sharon is survived by daughter Catherine Vera Lachenmyer and honorary daughter Candace Reese Rauch; son Keith Edwin Lachenmyer and many honorary grandchildren who affectionately called her Nana Sharon. She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Sylvia Cohen DeLong; brother, Lawrence DeLong; son, Mark Keith Lachenmyer and her beloved significant other, Henry.

Sharon was born in Oakland, CA on February 23, 1939 and raised in San Lorenzo, CA. She moved to Fremont, CA in 1968. Sharon worked for Emporium Capwell in the China and Housewares Department at the Fremont Store and later in the Clearance Center in Oakland, CA. She worked briefly at Sears and Wal-Mart.

In 1982, she moved to the Tropics Mobile Home Park in Union City where she enjoyed many friendships through the various clubs, weekly BINGO, and bus trips to the various casinos. She loved to read, and her library card was well used and at the first of the month when she was "rich" she would order books from a local Hayward bookstore. All the reading helped her respond to the nightly

Jeopardy questions. She was a Job's Daughter and Eastern Star. She was a member of the Jane Austen Society Club and enjoyed attending monthly lectures to discuss the books. She enjoyed doing genealogy and her membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). She loved to sew, complete crafts, crochet and knit, which she was usually doing while cheering on her favorite baseball team, the Oakland A's.

Sharon gave up driving in 1984 and relied on public transportation. The drivers became part of her extended family, as she knew their names and all about their families. Later when Sharon began dialysis and was transported by ambulance, she took them in as extended family too.

Nana Sharon, we think of the happy way in which you moved through life and the joy you brought to many people with your floral hats, always seeing the world and people through rose-colored glasses. We think you made an impact on more people than you could possibly have imagined. You are still with us and continue to inspire us every day.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, June 4, 2021 at 11:00 am at the Irvington Cemetery in Fremont, CA.

Gabriel Christoper Tallada Lumabao

In Loving Memory

Gabriel Christoper Tallada Lumabao, 24, of Fremont, died May 31st, 2021 of injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident. He was born November 4, 1996 in Makati City, Philippines and moved to the United States in 2012.

Gabe is survived by his mother and stepfather, Lea and Scott Nelson (Fremont), father Fernando Lumabao (Philippines), sisters Gian Carla Lumabao (Philippines), Giel Carmel Lumabao (Fremont) and numerous extended family members both in the Philippines and throughout Northern California.

Gabe was a 2014 Graduate of Washington High School, went on to earn four Associates Degrees in Arts and Science from Ohlone College, and was currently pursuing a Bachelor's Degree at San Diego State University.

Gabe was a loving son and brother, and a dear friend to many. His passion was basketball and he hoped to pursue a professional career in the Philippines. His spontaneous and uninhibited nature drew people to him. His compassion, caring and selflessness kept them as his friends. His boundless love made them part of his family.

Funeral arrangements are being made through Fremont Chapel of the Roses. Dates have not yet been determined due to travel restrictions related to



COVID-19, but information will be kept up to date at <https://www.fremontchapeloftheroses.com/obituaries/Gabriel-Christoper-Lumabao/>

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Girls to hoop it up at basketball camp

ARTICLE AND PHOTO SUBMITTED BY DARRYL REINA

With summer rapidly approaching and pandemic restrictions easing, the 2021 Cougars Girls Basketball Camp is accepting registrations for its next session. The camp is aimed at girls ages 7 to 14, with players divided into age and ability groups to ensure an appropriate level of instruction. Camp direction will be by Coach Darryl Reina, Newark Memorial High School Girls Varsity Basketball Coach, along with other staff and players. The camper-to-coach ratio will be about 6 to 1. Instruction will emphasize shooting, passing, ball-handling, footwork, agility, changing speeds, moving with and without the ball, spacing, and individual and team defensive principles. Players will have an opportunity to improve their skills while developing an increased enjoyment of the game. Campers will also have a chance to win daily prizes and awards.

The camp will meet 9 a.m. to 12 noon July 12-16 at the Silliman Activity Center in Newark. The registration fee is \$99 for Newark residents and \$108 for non-residents. For registration information, call the City of Newark Recreation Department at (510) 578-4620.

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Swimming
in Regional
Parks

BY DENNIS WAESPI,
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Summer is here, and with the hot weather comes the desire to take a cooling plunge. The East Bay Regional Park District has plenty of opportunities for a swim. The park district also offers a whole spectrum of swim lessons, designed for all ability levels. In a region with so much water access, swimming skills are vital for personal safety. Swim lessons are offered at two locations: Roberts Pool in

the Oakland hills and Contra Loma swim lagoon in Antioch. Roberts Pool has evening weekday lessons, while Contra Loma offers morning weekday lessons. Classes for beginners, more advanced swimmers, parents with tots, and teens/adults are available. Three two-week sessions will be offered at Roberts Pool, and two two-week sessions will be offered at Contra Loma. Roberts Pool and Contra Loma are now open to the public by reservation only. Another option is Junior Lifeguards. This program teaches youngsters swimming and lifesaving skills. It will be offered at Crown Beach in Alameda, Cull Canyon in Castro Valley, and Contra Loma. A Junior Cadet program for

ages 14 through 17 is also available. Junior Cadets train as lifeguards in each two-week session. They engage in long distance swims and paddles, train with the lifeguard staff, and learn about how to become a park district lifeguard. If a Junior Cadet is 15 years or older, they can even receive a Lifeguarding/CPR certification. For general swimming, the beaches at Del Valle Regional Park south of Livermore are open at reduced capacity. The beach at Shadow Cliffs in Pleasanton is closed for the season, due to low water levels. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, scheduling of all these programs is subject to change. For up-to-date information on program descriptions, dates, fees

and how to register, visit the park district lifeguard website, www.eblifeguard.org. Back on dry land, the Rocky Ridge Visitor Center at Del Valle Regional Park south of Livermore has been remodeled and expanded with great new interactive exhibits in English and Spanish, highlighting the lake's water management functions and the park's natural history. The renovation project received federal, state, and private funding, including \$272,000 from the Regional Parks Foundation. Del Valle Regional Park's main entrance is at the end of Del Valle Road, off Mines Road about 9 miles south of Livermore. Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve in Antioch has a new Coal Mine

Experience Tour. It is a replica coal mine that illustrates the dangers the miners faced while working deep underground. Thirty-minute tours are conducted on Saturdays and Sundays. Tour groups are limited to 10 people, due to COVID-19 restrictions. The park also offers one-hour tours of the Hazel-Atlas sand mine on Saturdays and Sundays. Reservations in advance are required for either tour, and participants must be age 7 or older for safety reasons. For information and reservations on either tour, call (888) 327-2757, option 2. Black Diamond Mines' underground Greathouse Visitor Center is also open on weekends, and all ages are welcome. The park is at the end of Somersville Road, 3½ miles south of Highway 4.

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Newark Police Log

SUBMITTED BY
CAPTAIN JONATHAN ARGUELLO

Saturday, May 8

• At 7:52 p.m. Officer Swadener investigated a report of a battery that occurred in the 200 block of NewPark Mall Road. Upon arrival Swadener located the suspect, a 28-year-old Hayward woman, and arrested her on suspicion of battery and on an outstanding warrant. She was booked at Fremont City Jail.

Sunday, May 9

• At 11:01 p.m. officers were dispatched to investigate a report of a prowler jumping fences in the 37000 block of Walnut Street. Officers quickly set up containment on the residence; when the suspect jumped another fence, officers were waiting for him. A record check showed the suspect, a 39-year-old Newark man, had an outstanding warrant. He was arrested, cited and released.

Thursday, May 13

• At 6:47 p.m. Officer Dame-

wood made a traffic enforcement stop in the 7000 block of Thornton Avenue. The driver, a 45-year-old Newark man, was arrested on suspicion of possessing burglary tools, a controlled substance, and identity theft materials to obtain credit. He was cited and released.

Friday, May 14

• At 12:00 midnight Officer Riddles responded to a report of possible illegal garbage dumping in the area of Stevenson Boulevard and the railroad tracks. Riddles arrested a 38-year-old

Fremont man on suspicion of possessing burglary tools, carrying a concealed dirk or dagger, and an outstanding warrant. He was booked at Santa Rita Jail.

Saturday, May 15

• At 8:49 a.m. officers responded to a report of a person with a gun in the 5000 block of Stevenson Boulevard. A high-risk pedestrian stop was made and the suspect, a 29-year-old woman, was safely taken into custody without incident. Upon further inspection, the handgun was determined to be a squirt gun

that had been spray painted black. It was taken for safekeeping.

Monday, May 31

• At 2:58 a.m. officers, joined by members of the Alameda County Fire Department, responded to a report of a solo vehicle collision into a tree in the 35000 block of Cedar Blvd. Emergency personnel rendered aid to the driver, but he died at the scene. An investigation into the collision is continuing.

Police launch LGBTQ Liaison Team

SUBMITTED BY SAN LEANDRO PD

Officials from the San Leandro Police Department (SLPD) recently announced the launch of a new LGBTQ Liaison Team as part of its network of community programs. This group of both sworn and non-sworn police personnel is comprised not only of allies of the LGBTQ community but LGBTQ staff as well.

The program, announced on June 1, was developed to reflect the San Leandro community’s rich LGBTQ history and to celebrate diversity in the city. The program will embody several pillars of engagement, bringing awareness and assistance to a community that often feels without a voice.

The LGBTQ Liaison Team will assist the community and city staff numerous ways, including:

- The development and implementation of training on LGBTQ issues to sworn and non-sworn members of the police department, ensuring equality and professionalism.
- Attending community events and meetings focused on the LGBTQ community to provide essential resources.
- In partnership with the LGBTQ community, identifying and addressing issues within the city, related to both crime and quality of life.
- Assisting officers and investigators during their initial contact or follow-up interactions with members of the LGBTQ community, and aiding in those investigations.
- Acting as a point of contact between the LGBTQ community and the police department
- Assisting other members in coming out and transitioning in the agency, fostering an inclusive and welcoming environment within the department.

SLPD officials acknowledged that historically, interactions between law enforcement and the LGBTQ community have not always been positive. Crimes often go unreported as a result, causing victimization to continue and cases to go unsolved, which can broaden the gap between law enforcement and the LGBTQ community. Police department officials stress that they are committed to developing a partnership within the LGBTQ community that will foster trust and positive relationships within SLPD and the City of San Leandro.

Members of the LGBTQ Liaison Team include:

- Sergeant Ryan Gill: He transferred to San Leandro from the Oakland Police Department in 2007. Gill is currently assigned to the Traffic Division and has experience as a Hostage Negotiator, Detective, Field Training Officer, and department instructor.
 - Sergeant Emiliano Rincon: He transferred to San Leandro from the Stockton Police Department in 2019. Rincon is currently assigned to the Patrol Division and has experience as a Hostage Negotiator, Field Training Officer, and department instructor.
 - Officer Jenene James: She has been a member of the San Leandro Police Department since 2016. James is currently assigned to the Bicycle Patrol Unit within the Patrol Division and has experience as a Hostage Negotiator, Mental Health Liaison, and with homeless outreach.
- An introductory video about the LGBTQ Liaison Team is posted on the SLPD Facebook page at www.facebook.com/SanLeandroPD. For questions, concerns, or information requests email the LGBTQ Liaison Team at: teamLGBTQ@sanleandro.org or call (510) 577-6017.

Police urge caution after jewelry snatch robberies

SUBMITTED BY GENEVA BOSQUES, FREMONT PD

During the last few weeks, the Fremont Police Department (FPD) has responded to four jewelry snatch robberies. In three of these four robberies suspects have targeted elderly people walking alone. In most incidents, the suspect asks for directions or says it’s their birthday and they would like to donate or give the victims a gift. The suspect will place costume jewelry on the victim while simultaneously taking the victim’s real jewelry.

To help protect community members, FPD would like to stress the importance of personal safety and share these tips:

- When walking outdoors, don’t carry large quantities of money or wear expensive jewelry. Even if your necklace is concealed, it may still be possible for a suspect to see the shimmer from your neckline.
- Don’t be distracted while talking on your cell phone or listening to music on your headphones.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Pay attention and take notice of people following behind you, watching you from their vehicle as you walk or bumping shoulders with you at a bank or retail establishment.
- Avoid walking alone if possible.
- Always be alert in your neighborhood and report unknown people and vehicles that appear suspicious. If you notice a suspicious vehicle, try to get the license plate and a good description of the car and driver. Always call the police before sharing the information with your neighbors.

Anyone with information about these jewelry snatch crimes is asked to contact Crimes Against Persons Detective Jared Madsen by email at jmadsen@fremont.gov or call (510) 790-6900. Anonymous tips can be sent by texting Tip FremontPD followed by a short message to 888777. Non-urgent tips can also be submitted on the FPD website at <https://fremontpolice.gov/TIP>.

Hayward Police Log

SUBMITTED BY HAYWARD PD

Sunday, May 23

• At 11:30 a.m. a victim near the 1900 block of Florida Street was approached by an unknown suspect who fired a handgun at the victim, before fleeing the area in a vehicle. The victim was not injured.

Monday, May 24

• At 12:00 a.m. officers located an occupied stolen vehicle near the 400 block of Winton Avenue. The occupant of the vehicle was taken into custody and the vehicle was recovered.

Tuesday, May 25

At 4:37 p.m. officers located an occupied stolen vehicle near the 24000 block of Mission Boulevard. The occupant was taken into custody and the vehicle was recovered.

Wednesday, May 26

• At 1:41 a.m. a suspect approached a victim near the 27000 block of Belvedere Court and fired a handgun, which caused damage to property at the scene. No injuries were reported. The suspect fled in a vehicle.

Thursday, May 27

• At 7:46 p.m. officers responded to the report of gunshots near the 22000 block of Mission Boulevard. Evidence of a shooting was found at the scene; no injuries were reported.

Fremont Police Log

SUBMITTED BY
GENEVA BOSQUES,
FREMONT PD

Tuesday, May 25

• Several items were stolen from the inside of an unoccupied vehicle when someone shattered its rear window while it was parked at the Hyatt Place Fremont/Silicon Valley hotel, at 3101 West Warren Avenue.

Wednesday, May 26

• Several trays of mail and some packages were stolen when a U.S. Postal truck was broken into in the area of Spady Street in central Fremont.

Friday, May 28

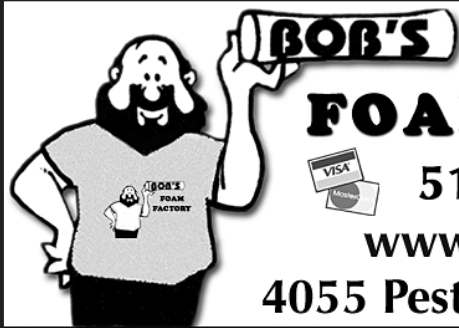
• At about 4:28 a.m. someone backed a vehicle up to the front door of 00 Liquors, 34460-G Fremont Boulevard and attached a chain to the door to force entry. The vehicle, which police later determined was stolen, was still there when officers arrived, but it was immediately driven away and not located.

Saturday, May 29

• At about 4:00 a.m. officers located a stolen vehicle at the Quick Stop store, 38995 Farwell Drive. A man, later identified by police as Bryan Wu, 31, a transient from Oakland, was detained near the vehicle. A record check showed he was on parole and had a felony warrant. Inside the vehicle, officers found numerous shaved keys, a controlled substance and a stun gun.

Wu was arrested.

• Store security at Raley’s supermarket, 39200 Paseo Padre Parkway, stopped a man who had previously been banned from the store and asked him to leave. Outside the store, the man took a fighting stance with security personnel and pulled out a knife. While continuing to verbally antagonize security, he picked up a four-foot- long piece of metal and swung it toward them. When the man heard approaching police sirens he fled, but was quickly located nearby by officers. The man, identified by police as Rayvon Taylor, 25, a transient from Fremont, was arrested.



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BART Police Log

SUBMITTED BY LES MENSINGER
AND BART PD

- Saturday, May 29**
- At 7:43 a.m. a man identified by police as Fontana Collins, 48, of Oakland was arrested at Fremont station on suspicion of possessing drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance and probation violation. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.
 - At 8:31 a.m. a man identified by police as Joao Fortes, 38, of Vacaville was arrested at Fremont station on suspicion of possessing drug paraphernalia and three

- outstanding warrants. He was booked at Santa Rita Jail.
- At 2:18 p.m. a man identified by police as Charles Bartender, 34, of Oakland was detained at Fremont station after a patron reported that Bartender had a weapon. He was arrested on suspicion of providing false information to a police officer and resisting arrest. He was booked at Santa Rita Jail.
- Sunday, May 30**
- At 6:21 a.m. a man identified by police as Alin Patania, 32, of Oakland was detained at Bay Fair station in San Leandro on suspicion of fare evasion. A record check showed he had a stay away order from BART. He was arrested and booked into Santa Rita Jail.

- A man identified by police as Jose Hernandez, 33, of San Leandro was arrested at Hayward station on suspicion of grand theft, possession of burglary tools, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.
- Tuesday, June 1**
- At 7:03 a.m. a man identified by police as James Parker, 26, of Hayward was arrested at Hayward station on suspicion of assault. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.
- Wednesday, June 2**
- At 11:42 a.m. a man identified by police as Dennis Secrease, 51, of Berkeley was arrested at Bay Fair station in San Leandro on two warrants issued by Oakland Police

- Department and another warrant issued by Alameda Police Department. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.
- Thursday, June 3**
- At 6:52 p.m. a person identified by police as Leah Constantino, 44, of San Francisco was arrested at Bay Fair station in San Leandro on suspicion of fare evasion and possession of drug paraphernalia. Constantino was booked into Santa Rita Jail.
 - At 6:05 a.m. a man identified by police as Anthony Jones Jr., 28, of Oakland was arrested at Bay Fair station in San Leandro on suspicion of robbery, making criminal threats, brandishing a weapon and vandalism. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail and issued a prohibition order.

Get kicking with youth soccer

SUBMITTED BY MILPITAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Children and teenagers ages 4 to 17 are invited to sign up for the Milpitas Police Activities League (PAL) fall soccer season. The co-ed soccer league is open to players of all skill levels. The 2021 season starts in August and ends in November.

Early bird registration fee is \$100 per player through June 15; the regular fee is \$110 June 16 through July 24. A \$10 discount is available for each additional child at the same address with early and regular registration fees. Late registration fee is \$130 after July 24 with no discount available for other children at the same address. Players new to PAL soccer must submit a scanned or photo copy of a birth certificate or other official document showing their birth date.

League details and online registration help is available on the Milpitas PAL Soccer webpage at milpitas-pal-soccer.sportngin.com/register/form/510988648. Fees are payable with most major credit cards. For questions, call Christie Tumacder at (702) 372-7833.



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Spring 2021 Dean's List
Aundria Vargas of Hayward

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Jasmine Lew of Fremont

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Spring 2021 graduates
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Pushpinder Sroa of Fremont
Kaleigh Taylor of Fremont
Yifei Shi of Fremont
Tori Roberts of Hayward
Prabhdeep Beesla of Hayward
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Natalie Ruiz Tijero of Hayward
Rubi Lucatero Molina of Hayward
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF FREMONT
PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FREMONT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL. THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE ON THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 2021, AT 7:00 P.M. THIS PUBLIC HEARING WILL NOT BE HELD IN-PERSON. A PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE LOCATION WILL NOT BE PROVIDED FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. THE CITY HAS DEEMED IT NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO LIMIT THE ATTENDANCE OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES TO PREVENT OR MITIGATE THE EFFECTS OF CORONAVIRUS 2019 (COVID-19). ACCORDINGLY, SAID PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE AND MADE ACCESSIBLE TELEPHONICALLY OR OTHERWISE ELECTRONICALLY TO IMPOSE AND PROMOTE SOCIAL DISTANCING UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-25-20, AS AMENDED. INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING BY TELECONFERENCE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON THE MEETING AGENDA POSTED ONLINE AT FREMONT.GOV/PLANNINGCOMMISSION AT LEAST THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

STARBUCKS – 43900 Ice House Terrace – PLN2021-00070 - To consider a Discretionary Design Review, Conditional Use Permit Review, and Tentative Parcel Map for a new commercial building for a Starbucks with Drive-through of approximately 2,200-square-feet in the parking lot of the existing commercial property located in the South Fremont Community Plan Area and to consider a categorical exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per CEQA Guidelines Section 15332, Minor Land Divisions. Project Planner – Marc Cleveland, (510) 494-4543, mcleveland@fremont.gov

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.

JOEL PULLEN, AICP, SECRETARY
FREEMONT PLANNING COMMISSION



CNSB#3478826

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
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NAME STATEMENT

File No. 579035

Fictitious Business Name(s):
MADE BY ARIE, 618 ATHERTON PLACE, HAYWARD, CA 94541, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):
ARIANNE RILEY, 618 ATHERTON PLACE, 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/ ARIANNE RILEY

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on MAY 12, 2021

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CNS-3478374#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 578935

Fictitious Business Name(s):
KAFKA PUBLISHING, 33765 WHITEHEAD LN, FREMONT, CA 94555, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):
VEDA T. MIRMALEK, 33765 WHITEHEAD LN, FREMONT, CA 94555

Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on MAY 01, 2021

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/s/ VEDA MIRMALEK

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CNS-3474908#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 578677

Fictitious Business Name(s):
DATEST, 47810 WESTINGHOUSE DR., FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):
ABM TEST, INC., 47810 WESTINGHOUSE DR., FREMONT, CA 94538

Business conducted by: A CORPORATION

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on JULY 25, 2005

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/ ROBERT A. BOGUSKI

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on MAY 05, 2021

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CNS-3473751#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 578646

Fictitious Business Name(s):
MISSION PEAK PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY, 43480 MISSION BLVD UNIT 160, FREMONT, CA 94539-5892, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):
MICHAEL R. WANG, DDS, INC. 20925 GARDEN GATE DRIVE, CUPERTINO, CA 95014

Business conducted by: A CORPORATION

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ MICHAEL R. WANG

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on MAY 04, 2021

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CNS-3473745#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 579118

Fictitious Business Name(s):
KNDK GIZMOS, 36875 MONTECITO DR, FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):
KELLY CONTI, 36875 MONTECITO DR, FREMONT, CA 94536

Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 03-22-2021

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/ KELLY CONTI

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on MAY 13, 2021

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CNS-3473731#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 578640

Fictitious Business Name(s):
GIVE TEENS 20, 39275 STATE STREET, FREMONT, CA, 94538, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):
NAVZ, 39275 STATE STREET, FREMONT, CA, 94538

Business conducted by: A CORPORATION

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on JUNE 18, 2021

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/s/ KATHY LAIDLAW

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CNS-3472408#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 578201

Fictitious Business Name(s):
CALIFORNIA WORLD TRADE COMPANY, 2497 CARISBROOK COURT, HAYWARD, CA 94542, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):
STANLEY R. NAMES, 2497 CARISBROOK COURT, HAYWARD, CA 94542

Business conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1-28-2021

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/ STANLEY R. NAMES

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on APR 16, 2021

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GOVERNMENT

CITY OF FREMONT
SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE

As Introduced June 1, 2021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREMONT, AMENDING CHAPTER 18.25 (DEFINITIONS) CHAPTER 18.26 (DEFINITIONS) APPLYING TO MISCELLANEOUS USES) UNDER FREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 18 (PLANNING AND ZONING) TO ALLOW SAFE PARKING AS AN ANCILLARY USE AT SITES WITH PERMITTED ASSEMBLY USES, QUASI-PUBLIC FACILITIES, AND PUBLIC FACILITIES (PLN2021-00298) AND MAKING FINDINGS OF CEQA EXEMPTION

On June 1, 2021, the Fremont City Council introduced the above ordinance Amending Chapter 18.25 (Definitions) Chapter 18.190 (Special Provisions Applying to Miscellaneous Uses) under Fremont Municipal Code Title 18 (Planning and Zoning) to Allow Safe Parking as an Ancillary Use at Sites with Permitted Assembly Uses, Quasi-Public Facilities, and Public Facilities (Pln2021-00298) and Making Findings of CEQA Exemption.

A certified copy of the full text of the ordinance is posted in the office of the City Clerk, 3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont, and is available for review upon request. The second reading for adoption is currently scheduled for June 15, 2021, at 7:00 pm, at City Hall, 3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont.

SUSAN GAUTHIER – CITY CLERK

6/8/21

CNS-3479026#

CITY OF FREMONT

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE

As Introduced June 1, 2021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREMONT, AMENDING FREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 12, STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC

PROPERTY, CHAPTER 12.20 PARKS AND RECREATION, REAS SECTION 12.20.060 PROHIBITED CONDUCT GENERALLY AND ADDING SECTION 12.20.140 VENDING IN PARK S

On June 1, 2021, the Fremont City Council introduced the above ordinance amending Fremont Municipal Code Title 12, Streets, Sidewalks and Public Property, Chapter 12.20 Parks and Recreation Areas Section 12.20.060 Prohibited Conduct generally and adding Section 12.20.140 Vending in Parks.

A certified copy of the full text of the ordinance is posted in the office of the City Clerk, 3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont, and is available for review upon request. The second reading for adoption is currently scheduled for June 15, 2021, at 7:00 pm, at City Hall, 3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont.

SUSAN GAUTHIER – CITY CLERK

6/8/21

CNS-3479023#

CITY OF FREMONT

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE

As Introduced June 1, 2021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREMONT, RAILING AND REPEALING FREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 5, BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 5.35, VENDORS AND SOLICITORS

On June 1, 2021, the Fremont City Council introduced the above ordinance repealing and replacing the previously adopted ordinance to require all vendors and solicitors operating in the City to obtain a City-issued Vendor/Solicitor Permit and classifies vendors and solicitors by business type and sets forth specific requirements for each business category, including non-motorized vendors, motorized vendors, ice cream vendors, and charitable solicitors and vendors.

In addition, the ordinance allows one permit to be issued to an organizer of a multi-food truck gathering, rather than requiring each food truck to obtain a separate permit for just that event. Exceptions to the permit requirement include, but are not limited to, educational institutions that are accredited by the California Board of Education and civic organizations whose headquarters are located in the City. Vendors and solicitors must meet all applicable city, state, and federal law and licensing requirements to be issued and continually maintain a City of Fremont Vendor/Solicitor Permit.

The amendments also include general standards for vendors and solicitors, such that the community may enjoy public property without interference. For example, "no permittee has exclusive right to any location in a public street or sidewalk, nor shall he/she be permitted to operate in any congested area where his/her operations might impede or inconvenience the public." Another addition is that mobile vending carts, trailers, vehicles, and any other items associated with vending activity, are to be removed from public property during non-vending hours. The ordinance also institutes health and sanitary requirements, to safeguard public health. In addition, the proposed ordinance defines the process for granting, denying, revoking, or suspending a Vendor/Solicitor Permit, which includes an appeals procedure.

A certified copy of the full text of the ordinance is posted in the office of the City Clerk, 3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont, and is available for review upon request. The second reading for adoption is currently scheduled for June 15, 2021, at 7:00 pm, at City Hall, 3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont.

SUSAN GAUTHIER – CITY CLERK

6/8/21

CNS-3479021#

CITY OF UNION CITY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of Union City will hold a virtual public meeting on **Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 7:00 PM**, or soon thereafter, to receive and consider all evidence and reports related to the following:

A RESOLUTION TO approve the annual Engineer's Report for fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, conduct a Public Hearing concerning the levy of assessments in accordance with Section 22629 of the Landscape and Lighting Act of 1972 for the maintenance, operation and servicing of public lands and to renew the Citywide Landscape and Lighting District No. 3

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above.

FURTHER INFORMATION on the above matter, including how to participate in the public hearing, may be obtained or viewed at <https://www.unioncity.org/199/City-Meetings-Video> under City Council Agenda for the June 22, 2021 meeting.

The staff report will be available for review no later than 5:00 p.m. June 18, 2021.

If a resident wishes to challenge the nature of the above actions in court, they may be limited to raising only those issues they or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at or prior to the public hearing.

The facility is currently not accessible to the public, including to the disabled and hearing impaired, in keeping with COVID-19 protocols. If special assistance is required, please call (510) 675-5348 so accommodations can be arranged. While not required, 48 hours' notice is appreciated.

DATED: JUNE 3, 2021

Anna M. Brown, City Clerk

6/8/21

CNS-3478955#

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

This virtual planning Commission meeting will be conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20, the public may only view the meeting on television and online. The City Council Chambers will not be open to the public. Details on how to participate in the meeting will be set forth in the meeting agenda, which is anticipated to be posted by 5:00 PM on June 17, 2021, at <https://www.newark.org/departments/city-manager-s-office/agendas-minutes> if you have any questions regarding viewing or participating in the meeting, after reviewing the posted agenda, then contact the Community Development Department at planning@newark.org.

On June 22, 2021, at or after 7:30 p.m. the Newark Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider:

Implementation of the NewPark Place Specific Plan (Specific Plan) previously adopted by the City Council in April 2018, including General Plan Land Use Map and Zoning Map amendments, a rezoning of the Specific Plan area to Planned Development Overlay District within the Specific Plan serving as the Planned Development Plan, and a Tentative Map for lot consolidation and rezoning of new lots, roads, roadways, utility infrastructure, and a phased-development program (RZ2021-001, PD2021-001). Implementation includes amendments to the Specific Plan to reflect existing conditions, projects proposed by Brookfield Properties (the Applicant) at NewPark Mall, and revisions to project details and information, including and figures. The Applicant has requested Design Review for two projects: 1) a 319-unit multi-family residential rental development with a parking structure for residents and approximately 3,700 square feet of ground-floor retail area (DR2021-002). The Applicant also requests an alternative to view project details and information, including affordable units on-site pursuant to an affordable housing agreement; 2) An approximately 161,000 square foot Costco retail warehouse with a 32-pump retail fuel station (DR2021-001). Zone District: Regional Commercial, CEQA: An Initial Study has been prepared. APNs: 901-111-003, 910-11-31. Project Address: 2086 NewPark Mall Blvd, Newark, CA. Project Applicant: Brookfield Properties, Inc.

Any interested person or authorized agent, or interested members of the public may appear at the public hearing to be heard and may submit written comments or request instructions for project details and information, including the complete application and project file, including any environmental impact assessment prepared in connection with the application, by contacting the Community Development Department, 37101 Newark Boulevard, Newark, CA, 94560. Telephone: (510) 578-4330, or via email to stevenson.turner@newark.org.

Steven Turner
Community Development Director

6/8/21

CNS-3478973#

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:

AT-21-002

Union City, as applicant, is seeking an amendment to Chapter 18.39, *Union Landing Commercial*, of the Municipal Code to expand and update the list of permitted and conditional uses, related updates to development type descriptions, and miscellaneous updates to address trash and recycling, property maintenance, and outdoor dining. A minor update is proposed to Section 18.52.060, *Addition of Uses*, for consistency.

The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed amendments at their May 27, 2021 meeting and recommended approval to the City Council on a 5-0 vote.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the project is categorically exempt per Section 15061(b)(3), the general exemption for projects with no potential for significant effect on the environment, of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

This item will be heard at a public hearing by the City Council at the meeting listed below. In Person Participation Prohibited due to Public Health Emergency, comments may be submitted in writing prior to the hearing or at the hearing consistent with the Teleconference Guidelines. The project planner, Carmela Campbell, can be reached at (510) 675-5316 or via email at carmela@unioncity.org.

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Said hearing will be held at

7:00 p.m.

Via Teleconference

The City Council meeting packet and instructions on how to virtually attend the meeting and provide your comments can be found at <https://www.unioncity.org/199/City-Meetings-Video>.

Meeting packets, which include the meeting agenda and staff report, are generally available on-line the Friday before the meeting.

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. The bids will be opened by Purchasing and the initiating department. A Preliminary bid result will be posted on the City's website the same day at (<https://fremont.gov/532/BidResults>) for the below referenced project.

Centerville Community Park Tennis Court Lighting Project FWG 8501

MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE:

PUBLIC NOTICES

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.
Petitioner: TZE LING TAY, 49098 ROSE TERRACE, FREMONT, CA 94539, Telephone: 408-887-1847
6/1, 6/8, 6/15/21

CNS-3476989#

TRUSTEE SALES

Trustee Sale No. 1049889
Notice Of Trustee's Sale
Loan No. Title Order No. APN: 444-0060-010
You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated 05/17/2013. Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceedings Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. On 06/22/2021 at 12:00PM, First American Title Insurance Company as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded on May 31, 2013 as Document Number 2013193107 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Alameda County, California, executed by: Sanjeev Sharma, a

Married Man as Sole and Separate Property, as Trustor, Bhopinder Nath Bhandari, as Beneficiary, Will Sell At Public Auction To The Highest Bidder For Cash (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). At: At the Fallon Street emergency exit to the Alameda County Courthouse, 1225 Fallon St., Oakland, CA, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 773 Berry Avenue, Fremont, CA 94538. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$568,871.74 (Estimated) Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will

increase this figure prior to sale. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. Notice To Potential Bidders: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. Notice To Property Owner: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements

be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may visit the website below using the file number assigned to this case. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice To Tenant: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (858) 410-2154, or visit this internet website [http://www.firstam.com/title/commercial/foreclosure/], using the file number assigned to this case [TS 1049889] to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting

an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. For information on sale dates please visit our website at: http://www.firstam.com/title/commercial/foreclosure/ Date: 5/24/21 First American Title Insurance Company 4380 La Jolla Village Drive Suite 110 San Diego, CA 92122 (858) 410-2158 /s/David Z. Bark, Foreclosure Trustee Exhibit "A" Portion Of That Certain 2 Acre Parcel Of Land Described In The Deed From Manuel I. Serpa And Wife, To C.S. Da Mello, Dated February 18, 1904, Recorded February 25, 1904, In Book 956 Of Deeds, At Page 222, Alameda County Records, Described As Follows: Beginning At A Point On The Center Line Of Berry Avenue Or County Road No. 6158, Distant Thereon South 57° 55' West 150 Feet From The Southwestern Line Of County Road No. 1762 Hayward To Decoto, As Said Road Existed Before The Widening Thereof; Running Thence South 32° 5' East 166.58 Feet To The Southeastern Line Of Said 2 Acre Parcel; Thence Along Said Last Named Line South 57 Degrees 55' West 50 Feet; Thence North 32° 5' West 166.58 Feet To The Center Line Of Said Berry Avenue Or County Road No. 6158; And Thence Along Said Last Named Line North 57° 55' East 50 Feet To The Point Of Beginning APN: 444-0060-010 6/1, 6/8, 6/15/21

CNS-3476989#

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

A public hearing will be held at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 via Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/93316263411?pwd=a2JVb2xya0twS3JHVm1oT083cGxDdz09>

Meeting ID: 933 1626 3411
Passcode: 496276

The California Department of Education has directed all SELPAs in the state to conduct a public hearing on their 2021/2022 Annual Budget and Service Plans. This public hearing enables the Mission Valley SELPA to comply with this instruction. Copies of the plans are available for inspection at the Special Education Office in each District.

Waste Service Survey for Milpitas Residents

The City of Milpitas is gathering feedback from single-family home residents about their experience with the current solid waste collection service, including recycling, food scraps collection and other curbside programs. Milpitas residents are encouraged to complete the 10 minute online survey at www.surveymonkey.com/r/MilpitasWasteService, also accessible by scanning the QR code below. The survey closes on June 12, 2021. Thank you for your feedback!



BASEBALL

Warriors win tight contest

By Mike Heightchew

June 4 was an auspicious day for the Mission San Jose Warriors (Fremont) in their meeting with the always strong James Logan Colts (Union City). The signs were good when the Warriors were able to convert hitting and baserunning in the first inning for a run but the Colts served notice that they came to play and win, scoring two runs in the second inning for the lead.

Both teams were impressive in the fourth inning as each brought three runs home and the Colts held on to a slim

one-run lead. The battle continued as two Warrior runs in the bottom of the fifth inning gave them the lead but a top of the seventh inning run by the Colts tied the game, leaving the Warriors one chance in the bottom of the final frame to bring home a victory. In a dramatic rally, that is just what they did as joyous pandemonium consumed Warrior fans in the stands. Final score: Warriors 7, Colts 6.

BASEBALL

Cougars blank Huskies with defense



By Mike Heightchew

The Newark Memorial Cougars set a winning tone early as they quickly put runners on base and brought them in for two-run lead over the Washington Huskies on June 2nd. Although the Huskies were able to answer with baserunners, good defense at home plate and the basepaths by the Cougars stifled the opportunities and kept Washington off the scoreboard. Throughout the game, Huskies batters and runners continued to threaten, but were unable to score. Final score: Cougars 2, Huskies 0.

NOTICE OF INTENT

TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PROPOSED CURTNER ROAD BOOSTER STATION UPGRADE PROJECT IN THE CITY OF FREMONT

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and the “Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970” as amended to date, this is to advise you that the Alameda County Water District (ACWD) has prepared a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Curtner Road Booster Station Upgrade (Project). The Project is located on Curtner Road, between Klamath Street and Paseo Padre Parkway, in the City of Fremont, Alameda County, California.

ACWD proposes to upgrade the existing Curtner Road Booster Station for increased reliability, efficiency, maintainability, and worker access. The proposed work includes: the removal of old pumps and associated infrastructure, the installation of new pumps, pumping equipment, and piping; the expansion of the station’s upper level and installation of new stairs, a walkway, and access platforms; the installation of new access hatches and lighting, the installation of a motor control center and switchboard, the regrading of the southeast portion of the project area, the installation of a new retaining wall, and the regrading and repaving of an existing driveway approach.

The Draft IS/MND is available for public review and may be viewed online at:

<https://www.acwd.org/DocumentCenter/View/3815/Job-21247-Curtner-Road-Booster-Station-ISMND>

The 30-day public review period is from June 1, 2021 through July 1, 2021. Any comments regarding the Draft IS/MND must be in writing and submitted to the following address: Alameda County Water District, 43885 South Grimmer Boulevard, Fremont, CA 94538, attn.: Carlos Sempere, or via email at carlos.sempere@acwd.com. ACWD will consider adoption of the IS/MND and project approval at its July 8, 2021 Board Meeting.

BASEBALL

Eagles score early for the win

By Mike Heightchew

Building blocks for success were evident as the American Eagles (Fremont) put on an impressive performance in a May 28th meeting with the Newark Memorial Cougars. Although the Cougars threatened with runners in scoring position, the Eagles pitching and fielding defense held; a three-run fourth inning gave them all the cushion necessary. Final score: Eagles 3, Cougars 0.



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The Coder School Milpitas



By JESSICA YU

Located in the Bay Area, The Coder School Milpitas, owned by Milpitas resident Paul Dosanjh, is part of a larger franchise with over 50 locations, 4,500 students, 750 staff, and six years of experience in the running.

Dosanjh, a coder himself with over 30 years in the industry, wanted to spend part of his career giving back to the community. “I wanted to share my knowledge, and The Coder School is a perfect environment for me to introduce technology to the next generation of kids,” he says. When he started college, Dosanjh wasn’t sure what to major in, but after taking a course in “logical thinking,” he was hooked. “The act of analyzing a problem objectively and coming up with a solution was intriguing. The thing I loved most about being a software engineer was the creativity involved, knowing that my software design and code actually solved a real world problem.”

Dosanjh graduated with a BSc in Computer Science from California State University Chico, and spent his career working at high tech companies such as Bell Northern Research, Nortel, and Cisco Systems. One day, when he happened to drive past a Coder School in his area, something inside clicked and he knew that he wanted to open his own school. “This was a couple of years back, and right away I knew this is exactly what I wanted to do.”

The school offers both virtual and in-person classes. Their semi-private flagship program is “Code Coaching,” which uses a 2-1 student to coach ratio that allows students to grow and learn at their own pace, while their more traditional “Code Class” features larger class sizes. “One size does not fit all students, you know, everyone learns differently, everyone is at different speeds. Every kid has a different interest, so the unique thing about the Coder School is we recognize that,” said Dosanjh, “We have other fun activities to engage students as well such as career fairs and tech talks, and that’s what really impressed me about the Coder School environment.”

The Coder School encourages kids to start coding early, around age seven or eight, in order for them to start developing the basic ability for logic and critical thinking that will ultimately benefit them in the future. “Coding is setting up very unique skills at an early age, where they will ultimately use the skills they acquire, no matter what career kids eventually decide to pursue,” said Dosanjh. This is especially critical during the pandemic, where students aren’t getting the same

mental stimulation they would be at in-person school. “I think it’s very important, especially since I have kids of my own, and at home, we have to make sure we keep them engaged so they continue their education and learning process,” said Dosanjh.

At the Coder School, kids keep track of their progress using a “coder tree” built around different branches of technology. For example, the “roots” of the tree are fundamental skills such as if/then, loop logic, sequential coding, basic math, and website

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pursue,”

building, paired with programs such as Snap!, Scratch, and CodeCombat. At the “trunk” of core coding concepts, the program highlights math logic, python, algorithms, and data structures. At the “branches” of advanced technology, students’ progress to topics such as artificial intelligence, network coding, and data manipulation, using platforms like Unity, iOS, blender, Kotlin, and Construct 3.

Though these are suggested concepts, the Coder School program allows students to develop at their own pace and shape their own tree as they go. Students eventually create apps such as “Help Make Food Decisions for Health,” “Social Distance Detection,” and more. Some even compete in app challenges like the Congressional App Challenge.

Parents are emailed notes from each session with a link to the Coder Progress page, which shows a summary of the student’s progress over time, giving parents an easy way to track progression, concepts learned, and languages used.

To find out more about The Coder School, email paul@thecoderschool.com, or visit their website at https://www.thecoderschool.com/locations/milpitas/.

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