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'Navidad en Mexico' 55th anniversary performance



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"Navidad en Mexico," (Christmas in Mexico) featuring the full-length Ballet Folklorico Mexicano de Carlos Moreno, a company of 55 dancers, singers and musicians returns to the San Leandro Performing Arts center on December 10 and 11. Navidad en Mexico is truly a unique and wonderful experience and a Northern California holiday favorite.

Founded in 1967 by current director, Carlos S. Moreno Sr, in the City of Livermore with 12 teenagers and support by families, friends and the community, Ballet Folklorico Mexicano de Carlos Moreno (BFM) celebrates 55 years of sharing and bringing the dances, music and traditions of Mexico for all to enjoy. BFM maintains over 125 dances in their repertoire, specializing in a wide variety of dance programming by Artistic Director, Carlos G. Moreno Jr.

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Yoko's Nutcracker

returns to

Fremont

Crippsmas Place

- holiday family fun in the East Bay!



SUBMITTED BY KATE AMON

Candy canes, Santa, and live music are BACK for 2022!

Crippsmas Place returns this December, featuring a cheerful neighborhood holiday display of Christmas lights and unique decorative lawn displays in north Fremont. Visitors to the north Fremont streets around Cripps Place will be treated to the multi-street festive scenery. Around 300 unique painted plywood decorations displayed at over 70 houses. Decorations will be up by Saturday, December 10, and lit in the evenings through New Year's Eve.

Every evening December 10 through December 28, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., volunteers will be handing out candy canes at the end of Wellington Place. Visitors can hand their cash donations to the volunteers, or donate online anytime at www.CrippsmasPlace.org. Donations

support six local charities and the Leukemia Lymphoma Society.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be with us from

6 p.m. – 9 p.m. for five evenings, December 11, 12, 13, 18 and 19. We ask that visitors who want to meet with Santa and Mrs. Claus to please wear face masks.

The Crippsmas Place event is how these neighbors celebrate and give back to the community, continuing a holiday tradition begun on Cripps Place by former neighbor Robert "Spider" Cantley over 40 years ago. Unique to Crippsmas Place are the plywood cutout decorations, featuring classic and new beloved children's cartoon characters. Every year new decorations are made by dedicated neighbor volunteers - look for characters from movies Encanto and Buzz Lightyear, and the cartoon Bluey.

Planning and much of the work is done by a dedicated group of neighbors, appropriately dubbed

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Holiday Weight Control Doesn't Have to Mean "No" to Desserts



Holiday Desserts can be refined to be tasty while lower in fat and calories. The Food and Nutrition Services Department at Washington Hospital understands that some patients cannot have typical desserts. They also realize that food can be comforting as well as good-tasting. Below is a recipe for mini cheesecakes that incorporates Greek yogurt and nonfat cottage cheese.

Mini No-Bake Pumpkin Cheesecakes Ingredients:

- 34 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter, melted
- ½ cup nonfat cottage cheese
- 4 ounces reduced-fat cream cheese, at room temperature
- ½ cup nonfat plain Greek yogurt

½ cup unseasoned pumpkin puree

- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon pumpkin pie spice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions:

Line a 12-cup muffin tin with paper liners, then coat with cooking spray.

Mix graham cracker crumbs, oil, honey and butter in a medium bowl. Fill each prepared cup with about 1 tablespoon of the mixture. Pat down with the back of a spoon. Refrigerate for 1 hour.

Combine cottage cheese, cream cheese, yogurt, pumpkin, brown sugar, pumpkin pie spice and vanilla in a food processor; process until smooth, scraping down the sides as needed.

Divide the filling evenly among the cups, about 2 tablespoons each, spreading with a spoon or spatula to smooth. Freeze for at least 2 hours and up to 2 days. Remove the cheesecakes from the muffin tin; remove the liners and transfer the cheesecakes to a plate or serving tray. Let stand at room temperature for 30 minutes before serving.

Nutrition Facts Serving Size: 1 mini cheesecake:

121 calories; protein 3g; carbohydrates 13g; dietary fiber 1g; sugars 9g; added sugar 6g; fat 6g; saturated fat 2g; mono fat 1g; poly fat 2g; cholesterol 11mg; vitamin a iu 1771IU; vitamin c 1mg; vitamin d iu 7IU; vitamin e iu 1IU; folate 11mg; vitamin k 3mg; sodium 100mg; calcium 40mg; iron 1mg; magnesium 7mg; phosphorus 29mg; potassium 56mg; selenium 2mcg.



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medical attention is needed.



Intermittent Fasting for Longevity

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Diabetes: Understanding and Controlling Complications Dec. 8, 6:30 p.m.

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Make Wellness Part of Your Holiday Preparation

Maintaining a healthy weight during the holidays doesn't mean skipping the fun foods.

There are many things to celebrate this holiday season, and good health is high on a lot of people's lists. But eating right and getting enough exercise can be challenging at this time of year. It is natural to want to treat yourself to the season's special offerings, and everyone has their favorites. Whether it is fudge, gingerbread cookies, eggnog and seasonal lattes, the calories from all the treats can add up fast.

"A healthy goal for most people is to maintain your current weight over the holidays," says Kevin Porciuncula, MD, a family medicine specialist with Washington Township Medical Foundation who is also board certified in obesity medicine and lifestyle medicine. "It is important to be realistic. At this time of year, trying to lose weight may not be practical."

Dr. Porciuncula points to a *New England Journal of Medicine* study that showed that over the Christmas and New Year period, most people gain a pound or two. He notes, "Although that doesn't sound like much, the study also showed that half of the people who gained weight had not lost it by the following summer."

For maintaining weight,
Dr. Porciuncula says that exercise is key. "I
tell my patients to make sure that they
continue their exercise routines
throughout the holidays to help them
avoid gaining weight."

Even if you do not work out regularly, there are lots of ways to fit in physical activity. Dr. Porciuncula encourages his patients to engage in a range of non-exercise physical activities to improve their metabolism—which is the rate at which a person burns calories. The medical term for this type of energy expenditure is non-exercise activity thermogenesis

"A healthy goal for most people is to maintain your current weight over the holidays." –Kevin Porciuncula, MD



(NEAT). Everyday exertions like climbing stairs, walking, and even yardwork all contribute to NEAT. "Non-exercise activity thermogenesis can happen when we mow the lawn or walk around a mall. These commonplace activities can contribute to burning calories and maintaining weight," he says.

"Try to incorporate physical pursuits into the time you spend with family and friends. Activities like walks together can build memories just like holiday meals," says Dr. Porciuncula. "For myself, being around people I care about is the best thing about the season's festivities."

Dr. Porciuncula offers these simple suggestions for enjoying the holidays without overeating:

Be mindful and slow down: When you are eating, try to be aware of when you start to feel full. I tell my patients to stop eating before they are full. You should aim to feel 70 or 80 percent satisfied. Twenty minutes later, you may find that you have actually had enough. But if after waiting you still feel hungry, you can eat a little bit more.

Plan ahead and make a budget for foods higher in calories: No food or drinks should be entirely off-limits for calorie reasons. The trick is to keep your

portions small for dishes that are highest in calories. Before a meal starts, make a plan that includes eating plenty of low-calorie vegetables to fill you up. If you are less hungry, you will be better able to manage what you eat during the rest of the meal. The advice I give to my patients is to have an alcohol budget that they decide on in advance. Alcohol is high in calories and drinking too much can diminish your resolve to stick to your eating plan. Usually, two drinks is a good budget, but it depends on the person.

Drink plenty of water and get enough sleep: Staying hydrated and getting enough sleep are always good for your health. Sometimes thirst can be mistaken for hunger, and coupled with alcohol can lead to overindulging. Being tired can make it harder to manage your blood sugar. The CDC warns that when you are sleep deprived, you crave foods that are higher in fat and sugar.

Avoid skipping meals: When you are really hungry, it is harder to eat slowly and in moderation. Try to come to a meal ready to eat, but not so hungry that you mindlessly devour everything put in front of you. The same is true for cooking foods that are high in fat and sugar. It is too easy to slip up by "tasting" what you are cooking again and again. Without

intending to, you may wind up consuming lots of extra calories.

Make time to exercise: The holidays can be stressful for some, and stress can contribute to overeating. Exercise reduces stress and burns calories. Dr. Porciuncula urges people to partake in any activity that gets them moving. NEAT activities such as dancing, caroling, and backyard games like Simon Says and Musical Chairs can be fun and social, and can help you maintain your weight.

The good news is that by planning ahead, being mindful of portion size, budgeting alcohol and sweets, and engaging in physical activities, you can keep from gaining weight. But, if you do put on a pound or two over the holidays, Dr. Porciuncula says, "Don't stress out about it. Keep the big picture in mind. The holidays should be about enjoying yourself and being with people you care about. You can work on taking off the extra weight in the months that follow."

Kevin Porciuncula, MD, joined Washington Township Medical Foundation in March 2021. For more information about his practice or to schedule an appointment, visit https://www.mywtmf.com/Find-a-Doctor/P/Kevin-Porciuncula-MD.aspx or call 510.248.1500.



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Self-care and Self-compassion: Keys to Well-being

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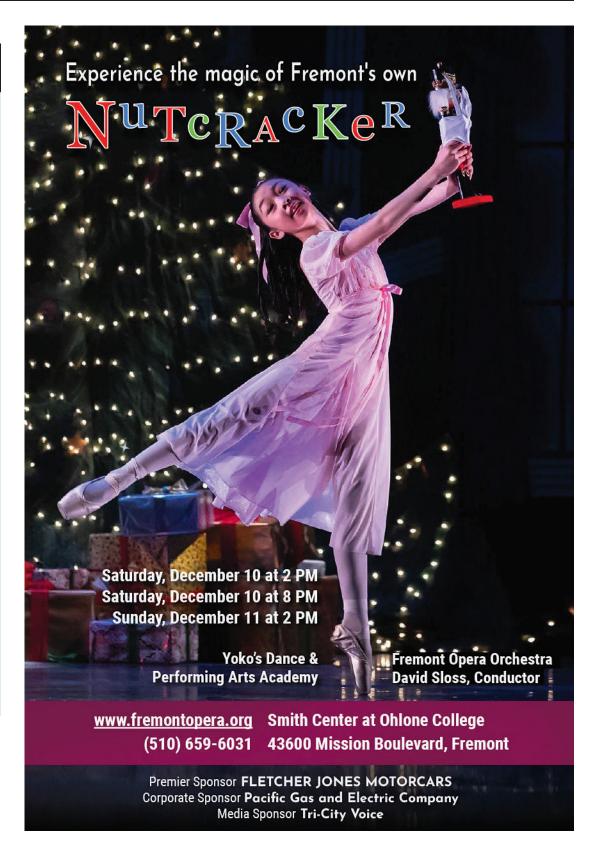


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Navidad en Mexico includes a live Mariachi ensemble (Mariachi Colima de Javier Magallon) and talented young vocalist Nina Hernandez along with the BFM all together on stage to present a South-of-the-Border Holiday Spectacular with backdrops worthy of a Broadway musical. Feel the warmth of Mexico through music, song, and dance along with a visit by the Three Kings, a festive Pinata celebration, with a Posada procession all in the true spirit of Navidad en Mexico.

Navidad en Mexico Saturday, Dec 10: 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec 11: 3 p.m. San Leandro Performing Arts Center 2250 Bancroft Ave., San Leandro Tickets \$35-\$40 (510) 928-0687 www.eventbrite.com

Las Posadas celebrations

SUBMITTED BY ARATHI SATISH

Las Posadas originated in Spain and is now celebrated around the world. This Mexican Christmas celebration has become a Mission San Jose tradition since its founding in 1982. Fremont Cultural Arts Council and Old Mission Jose are once again co-sponsoring this annual holiday musical event.

The advent season has been observed for forty years for nine days locally. During the last two years, Las Posadas, which has always been held in-person, was almost canceled due to COVID, but survived as members of sponsoring organizations decided to save it as a Zoom event with entertainment by actors and singers who live or work in Fremont. This year, the first and last day of celebrations will be live and Zoom hybrid and the remaining days will run on Zoom. As Connie Chew, Vice President of FCAC and performer at Las Posadas pointed out, "Las Posadas is a chance to gather to celebrate the holiday and listen to music from local artists. I miss in-person events, but it is nice to be virtually connected."

Knuti VanHoven, organizer and driving force of the event said, "Las Posadas is a Mexican Christmas Festival that spread

Northward. It became part of Fremont's Christmas tradition nearly 40 years ago. At first, we performed, as they do, in shops, churches and convents, wherever there was space, as a way to promote community and celebrate this special time of the year. With COVID, people said the tradition would have to die. Instead, we've had to get more creative, doing the best we can to keep everyone safer with zoom events, and now, finally in-person performances bookending the nine-night celebrations."

Nancy and Gary Dorighi, Mission Curators helping coordinate this event, said, "Mission San Jose is pleased to celebrate this 40th year of Las Posadas, especially because this year coincides with the 225th anniversary of our Founding. The Mission was dedicated in 1797 to St. Joseph, honoring him as guardian of the Holy Family starting with their journey to Bethlehem."

Fremont's version of Las Posadas has followed the Central American tradition of people assembling on the church steps of Old Mission San Jose every evening for nine days carrying a beautiful hand-carved statue of the Holy Family. Singing carols, they form a procession and walk to a pre-determined local business, where the leader reads the Bible lines of Joseph and the business owner plays the part of the mean inn-keeper who at first turns them away from his door, but eventually relents and welcomes them inside where they're treated to a party with live entertainment

organized by FCAC and light refreshments generously provided by the hosts.

As Knuti VanHoven pointed out, "What makes Las Posadas important to me are the people who've told me that they moved here, usually following a job, and left their families behind in another state or country. Las Posadas has become their Christmas celebration. It's a big birthday party: Everyone's invited. We hope you enjoy it."

Las Posadas 2022 Schedule: Master of Ceremonies: Brandon Sass of Stage 1 Theater

Welcome Music: Jo Ann Schriner and her Christmoose Piano Classics Technical Director: Paul K. Davis **Assistants: FCAC Interns**

December 15: Kristy Del Rio's "A Fairy Tale Christmas"- Live Performance and simulcast on Zoom.

December 16: Center Stage Singers, Connie Chew with A Pop Christmas & Lawrence Cappuccio's Hawaiian Christmas

December 17: The Penninsula Scottish **Fiddlers**

December 18: Christmas with the Keatings

December 19: The Palm Hill Bell Choir & Al Minard reading "The Night Before Christmas"

December 20: Knuti and Kurt's 70's Christmas

December 21: Peak Performers "Warm Winter Favorites" & Jo Ann Landers as Mrs. Claus reading "How the Grinch Stole Christmas"

December 22: Santa's Tallest Elves December 23: The Majestic Old Mission San Jose Organ Concert by Organist extraordinaire Ron McKean - Live and Zoom hybrid.

Las Posadas Live and Zoom hybrid Thursday, Dec 15 & Friday, Dec 23 Gathering time: 6:30 p.m. Old Mission San Jose Museum 43300 Mission Blvd., Fremont

Friday, Dec 16 - Thurs, December 22 Virtual

Admittance: 6:30 p.m., Performance: 7 p.m.

Reservation required by noon, day of performance

Email: LasPosadasFCAC@earthlink.net Reusable Zoom link for 9 nights will be emailed to registered attendees www.fremontculturalartscouncil.org www.missionsanjose.org







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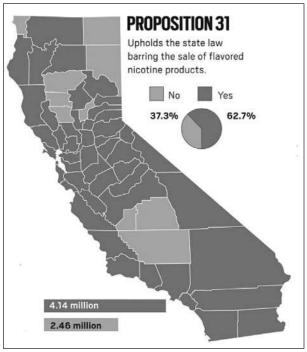
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BY THE PICKUP ARTIST

This is the 23rd edition of Trash Talk, a column devoted to cleaning up our neighborhoods, our environment and our attitudes.

Election results - Prop 31

I want to thank my readers and the voters in California for passing Prop. 31, which will prohibit the sale of certain flavored tobacco products. Hopefully, future generations will have a better chance of not becoming addicted to tobacco and exposed directly to its toxic side-effects. Fewer smokers will also reduce casually-discarded butts in our environment—what we see on the streets and what we don't see in our oceans. The



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final tally reported in the news was 62.7% for banning flavored vaping products, compared to 37.3% who were against the proposition.

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Gift Wrapping Recycling Tips

- Paper is recyclable, even most gift wrap, so don't just put it in the landfill. It is best to remove sticky tape before recycling.
- Unfortunately, foil or glitter-decorated types of wrapping paper are considered trash. Avoid buying those and DO NOT add them to your recycle bin.
- Ribbons and bows are not recyclable, but can be stored and reused for future gifts.

Cardboard boxes and cartons can be flattened and put in recycling bins or saved for gifting again later.

• While gifts are being unwrapped, I recommend putting two bags in the room – one for recyclable paper and another for foil paper, ribbons, and bows, to be saved for next year or put in landfill.

Christmas Trees

Consider buying a live tree that you can then plant in your yard. My California Spruce is over 40 years old and about 20 feet tall now! If you buy a fresh-cut tree, it's important to keep your tree hydrated to reduce fire hazard as it dries out. Instead of using the wooden tree stand from the lot, there are bowl-shaped stands available for purchase in hardware stores that will hold water and keep the tree fresh longer. If you are being conscientious about water usage, use the water you catch from rinsing vegetables. The main point is keep your tree watered daily!

After Christmas, most sanitation services will pick up trees for free; just follow the instructions for your specific waste management company.

• Trees cannot exceed the limit for length and may need to be cut; check with your service provider.

- Remove tinsel, lights and ornaments. Trees are going into the chipper.
- Put your tree on the curb the night before your regularly-scheduled pickup.

For more information on recycling DOs and DON'Ts, check with the service provider for your area:

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Christmas Gift Alternatives

Having trouble coming up with that "perfect gift" for someone? You can avoid the usual routine of trying to figure out a gift that will be appreciated, shopping for it and wrapping with the above caveats in mind by using gift cards. Better still, how about donating to their favorite charity in their honor? There are many nonprofits who could use a leg up. You can claim a tax-deduction in April! Tip: If you want to avoid the honored person getting onto the charity's mailing list, do not have the organization send them an acknowledgement. You can add a note to their greeting card or tell them in person that you are honoring them in that way.

The quote for today:

"Take your passion and make it happen." - Irene Cara, from Flashdance

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What's on your mind? You can contact me by email, or scan the QR code to generate an email. Your comments and suggestions could be used in future **Trash Talk** columns. Send comments or questions to

ThePickupArtist-KHCG@outlook.com.



Lottery open for below-market housing

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF SAN LEANDRO

Under the City of San Leandro's Inclusionary Housing (IH) Program, six new Below Market Rate (BMR) homes will become available for sale starting in January 2023. The city's IH Program requires that at least 15% of homes sold in new developments are set aside at prices affordable for low to moderate income households. The six new large three level BMR townhomes, within a total of 39 townhome units, are located at the new Maple Lane Development at 687 Manor Drive. The BMR homes include: two low-income 1,605 square foot two-bedroom homes; and four moderate-income 1,760 square foot four-bedroom homes. All the homes will have two car garages. The projected BMR sales price of the homes will be

approximately \$275,000 for the two-bedroom homes, and \$575,000 for the four-bedroom homes. The 33 remaining market rate units are being marketed separately by private developer DR Horton.

To qualify for the BMR homes, a household's gross combined incomes must be below the maximum income requirements. For the two-bedroom BMR units for low-income households, the maximum income limits by household (HH) size are: \$87,000 for 2 person HH, \$98,650 for 3 person HH, \$109,600 for 4 person HH and \$118,400 for 5 person HH. For

the 4-bedroom BMR units for moderate income households, the maximum income limits by household size are: \$171,350 for 4 person HH, \$185,050 for 5 person HH, \$198,750 for 6 person HH and \$212,450 for 7 person HH.

There is a preference applied in the lottery toward first-time homebuyer households who live and/or work in the city of San Leandro. Households should also have savings in an institutional account to apply 3% toward a down payment; have at least a 640 FICO score; and the capacity to be approved by a Program certified lender for a mortgage to purchase the home.

The lottery intake, screening, and administration; and IH Program underwriting for the Maple Lane BMRs, is conducted by the non-profit the Bay Area Affordable Homeownership Alliance (BAAHA). All households interested in purchasing a BMR must submit a Lottery application to BAAHA by no later than 5 p.m. Friday, January 6, 2023. Applications can be obtained at BAAHA's website

https://www.myhomegateway.org/sanleandro-maplebmr.html. For more information contact BAAHA by email at info@myhomegateway.com.

New state program offers kids money for college

SUBMITTED BY EMMY ZACK

Alameda County Superintendent of Schools L.K. Monroe and California State Treasurer Fiona Ma recently hosted a Town Hall on behalf of the state's new California Kids Investment and Development Savings (CalKIDS) program, which offers eligible youth seed money for education after high school.

The event was held Tuesday, Nov. 29 at the Alameda County Office of Education in Hayward, with a virtual simulcast. Combined, approximately 550 people registered for

the two participation options. This was CalKIDS' first in-person Town Hall, as previous events were held virtually.

Parents/caregivers/families in attendance were provided dinner as well as a presentation from CalKIDS providing details of the program's offerings as well as an opportunity to have their questions answered and assistance in registering for the program. In addition, the Golden State Warriors donated three signed jerseys which were raffled off in-person attendees.

CalKIDS, a new program run by the State of California Treasurer's Office, provides all babies born in California on or after July 1, 2022, up to \$100 in a college savings account. Additionally, eligible low-income public-school students may qualify to receive up to \$1,500 in college savings for their future.

CalKIDS officials said nearly 93,000 students in Alameda County are eligible for the program, while that number swells to almost 3.4 million statewide. More information about the program is available on its website at www.calkids.org.



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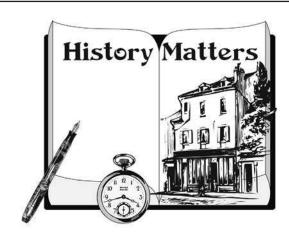
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By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith December 1 through 15

Nuclear power produced



Enrico Fermi conceived the world's first nuclear reactor.

America is a "melting pot": a country composed – generously - of immigrants. In 1938, Enrico Fermi immigrated from Italy after garnering the Nobel Prize in physics. Afterwards, he obtained a professorship at the University of Chicago, conceived the world's first nuclear reactor, designed the atomic bomb, and advanced the applications of statistical mechanics and quantum theory.

According to History.com, Fermi "created a jury-rigged laboratory with the necessary equipment, which he called an 'atomic pile,' in a squash court in the basement of Stagg Field at the University of Chicago. With colleagues and other physicists looking on, Fermi produced the first self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction and the 'new world' of nuclear power was born." A cryptic message was sent to President Roosevelt to signal the success. It read, "the Italian navigator has just landed in the New World."

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends "The Last Man Who Knew Everything: The Life and Times of Enrico Fermi, Father of the Nuclear Age" by David N. Schwartz.

Bermuda Triangle mystery

At 2:10 p.m. on December 5, 1945, five U.S. Navy Avenger torpedo-bombers lifted off for a routine training mission from the Ft. Lauderdale Naval Air Station:

"Two hours after the flight began, the leader of the squadron, who had been flying in the area for more than six months, reported that his compass and backup compass had failed and that his position was unknown. The other planes experienced similar instrument malfunctions. Radio facilities on land were contacted to find the location of the lost squadron, but none were successful. After two more hours of confused messages from the fliers, a distorted radio transmission from the squadron leader was heard at 6:20 p.m., apparently calling for his men to prepare to ditch their aircraft simultaneously because of lack of

fuel," reports History.com.

At 7:27 p.m. a search and rescue Mariner aircraft departed with a 13-man crew to search for the lost squadron. It was never seen again. "Naval officials maintained that the remains of the six aircraft and 27 men were not found because stormy weather destroyed the evidence, [but] the story of the 'Lost Squadron' helped cement the legend of the Bermuda Triangle, an area of the Atlantic Ocean where ships and aircraft are said to disappear without a trace."

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends "Into the Bermuda Triangle: Pursuing the Truth Behind the World's Greatest Mystery" by Gian Quasar.

Pioneering woman voters

Most American women did not nab the vote until 1920 -except those residing in Wyoming. Their rights were bestowed on December 10, 1869.

History.com tells us that "though some men recognized the important role women played in frontier settlement, others voted for women's suffrage only to bolster the strength of conservative voting blocks. In Wyoming, some men were also motivated by sheer loneliness -in 1869, the territory had over 6,000 adult males and only 1,000 females, and area men hoped women would be more likely to settle in the rugged and isolated country if they were granted the right to vote."

For more information, the Grateful American Book Prize recommends "New Women in the Old West: From Settlers to Suffragists, an Untold American Story" by Winifred Gallagher.

This 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. Visit them at gratefulamericanbookprize.com.

\$20,000 Grant will help fund gardening tool lending library

SUBMITTED BY ALICIA REYES

Alameda County Library is one of twenty California local library systems to receive first-ever funding from the State Library to support sustainability. Alameda County Library has been awarded \$20,000 to create a Gardening Tool Lending Library.

The Gardening Tool Lending Library will offer a collection of resources for gardening with a focus on electric and battery powered garden equipment and hand tools, along with complementary programs to support learning to use the tools to create greener neighborhoods. The unveiling of the Gardening

Tool Lending Library is projected to occur in February 2023.

"We will grow learners in sustainability practices, food and community; break barriers of access to equipment for gardening; invite our neighbors to connect and discover the wonders of growing food and nurturing life; and build a healthier, greener future," said Cindy Chadwick, County Librarian.

Alameda County Library will work with community partners, including Alameda County
Master Gardeners and Local
Ecology and Agriculture Fremont
(LEAF) to bring educational gardening programs and activities to members. The Centerville
Library Learning Garden will support the Gardening Tool
Lending Library by inviting the community to learn how to use the tools while exploring sustainable gardening practices.

A list of the first year of the Sustainable California Libraries projects is posted at www.library.ca.gov/services/to-libraries/sustainable/.

ANIMALS NEED LOVE, TOO

SUBMITTED BY ALYSE LUI

December is a busy month at the Hayward Animal Shelter with dozens of furry critters waiting to be adopted into their new forever homes. Here are adoption opportunities:

Bissell Holiday Hope Adoption Event

\$20 adoptions, includes microchip, vaccinations and spay/neuter if applicable.

1 p.m. to 5 p.m. December 6-10.

To adopt, people must provide a valid photo ID, proof of address, and if renting their home must have landlord's permission to have a pet.

Dogs, rabbits, cats, kittens and guinea pigs available for adoption.

• Home for the Holidays adoption event

1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, December 10

The event also will include a raffle and bake sale. People also can bring their pets to the event for a photo with Santa Claus for \$10.

Admission is free and open to the public. The Hayward Animal Shelter is at 16 Barnes Court, Hayward. People planning to adopt a pet must meet qualifications. For details, call (510) 293-7200.



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News and Notes FROM AROUND THE WORLD

SUBMITTED BY
THE ASSOCIATION OF
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CITIZENS

A quick bite

Miki Sudo and her husband, Nicholas Wehry, are known as The Hungry Couple in their hometown of Tampa, Florida. The Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC) explains that they earned their moniker not because they eat a lot, but because they eat so fast -fast enough to get in the Guinness Book of World Records. Between them they recently downed 18 hot dogs for Guinness records -- she scoffed down six frankfurters in one minute and he gulped 12 wieners in three minutes. Oh yeah, Miki also holds the record for eating a

whole burrito in 31.47 seconds. See video of the couple in action on YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=_0C

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Yet another fish story

Goldfish are one of the most popular pets for kids, according to AMAC. They are easy to take care of and hardy enough to live as long as 10 years. They grow to a manageable six inches in a tank. How big can they grow in a lake, for example? A British angler recently landed a monster of a goldfish in a lake in Champagne, France. It weighed in at 67 and a half pounds. See video of the giant goldfish on

www.facebook.com/bluewater-lakes/videos/569935478232200/.

Facebook:

Mink on the run

It's suspected that it was the Animal Liberation Front (ALF)

that broke into a mink farm in Van Wert County, Ohio recently and "freed" as many as 40,000 of the little critters -- enough to make as many as 500 mink coats, reports AMAC. If the ALF thought they were saving the lives of the little mammals, they were mistaken; many of them remained on the farm, but most of them got away and were killed when caught. The local sheriff's department warned that "minks are carnivorous mammals that stick to a diet consisting of fresh kills. They regularly hunt prey bigger than themselves. As a result, they can be a bothersome pest for homeowners, livestock owners, and property managers." See video of the minks on YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=JhtV

The Association of Mature American Citizens is a nonprofit, nonpartisan advocacy organization representing membership in

Washington, D.C. and in local

congressional districts nationwide.

More information is available on

its website at www.amac.us.

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Fremont church to offer hybrid holiday service

SUBMITTED BY NILES DISCOVERY CHURCH

For many, Christmas time is a bittersweet time of year. For people who are dealing with grief, significant life changes, sobriety, family dysfunction, and other challenges, this time of year can be especially difficult. For 17 years, Niles Discovery Church has addressed this need by offering a "Longest Night Service" on December 21.

After two years of holding the service online because of the pandemic, the service this year will be held in-person inside the church's sanctuary on Niles Boulevard and streamed to an online Zoom meeting the church uses for its services on Sunday mornings. "We are asking

people to register ahead of time," said the Rev. Jeffrey Spencer, Senior Pastor at Niles Discovery Church Pastor.

• Register for the in-person service at bit.ly/inpersonsignup.

• Register for the online Zoom service at bit.ly/reg4worship.

Pastor Jeff said he hopes that people worshipping at home via the live stream, will create a worship space near their computers. "Ideally, people will have a central candle (wax or electric) to light as part of the beginning of the service," he said. "In addition, I hope they have seven additional candles or seven stones (they don't have to be big) nearby to gather around that central candle as the service progresses."

Longest Night Service
Wednesday, Dec 21
7:30 p.m.
Niles Discovery Church
36600 Niles Blvd., Fremont
Pre-registration requested
In person:
bit.ly/inpersonsignup
Online bit.ly/reg4worship
(510) 797-0895

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Yoko's Nutcracker returns to Fremont

SUBMITTED BY DAVID SLOSS

Once again, after a two-year break because of the Covid pandemic, Fremont Opera and Yoko's Academy of Dance & Performing Arts are joining forces to present Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Ballet. Since 2005, this annual Nutcracker has been a much-loved and anticipated community event in Fremont. Presented at the Smith Center for the Performing Arts at Ohlone College, this lavishly staged and costumed production features a cast of 100 children of all ages, from the youngest beginners to the most advanced and talented young adults.

Dancers from Yoko's Academy win prizes in national competitions year after year, and have performed in Japan, at the Super Bowl and in the London Olympics. A number of celebrity guests from the Fremont area, including Fremont Mayor Lily Mei and City Council

members Jenni Kassan, Rick Jones and Yang Shao, make cameo appearances in the Nutcracker as party guests. California State Senator Bob Wieckowski returns in his signature role as the mysterious magician Drosselmeier.

At all performances, a full symphony orchestra will provide live music. David Sloss, music director of the Fremont Symphony from 1980 to 2012 and Artistic Director of Fremont Opera, will conduct the Fremont Opera Orchestra.

Appearing as the Grand Cavalier for the first time will be guest artist Zherlin Ndudi. Mr. Ndudi has been a principal dancer with Phoenix Ballet and Ballet Arizona, and a soloist with Miami City Ballet. His professional ballet career has brought him to prestigious stages around the world, including Poland, Japan, Norway, Germany, China, Switzerland, Latvia, Russia and the United States. He teaches at Master Ballet Academy in Arizona, and at ballet schools throughout the United States.

Guest artist Felipe Leon returns to the Fremont Nutcracker, this time as the Snow King. Now in his seventh season as a principal dancer with Diablo Ballet, Mr. Leon was born in Bogota, Colombia and trained on full scholarship at Ballet Academy East in New York City. He has danced solo and principal roles in works by Maurice Bejart, Wendy Whelan, Matthew Neenan, Margo Sappington, Lisa de Ribere, Claudia Schreire and Alan Hineline

Performances will take place at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Saturday, and 2 p.m. on Sunday. Proof of Covid-19 vaccination will be required for guests ages 16 and up.

Yoko's Nutcracker Ballet
Saturday, Dec 10 – Sunday, Dec 11
Saturday: 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.
Sunday: 2 p.m.
Smith Center at Ohlone College
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www.fremontopera.org/
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Festive fun at two local historic homes

SUBMITTED BY **MARCESS OWINGS**

Get into the spirit of the season and visit two Hayward area historic homes this December. Meek Mansion and McConaghy House will be open on the first three Saturdays in December, festively decorated and full of family fun.

Self-guided tours are available between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at both sites, with docents to answer your questions about the properties and families that that once called these places home. Each open day will feature family crafts and refreshments. Visit with Santa at Meek Mansion on December 10. Listen to stories with Mrs. Claus at McConaghy House on December 17 at 10 a.m. Listen to the songs of Christmas with members of the Hayward Community Chorus on December 17 at Meek Mansion. During regular open hours, there is a suggested \$5 donation, which goes to support the ongoing maintenance of these homes.

Guided tours will be available McConaghy House on December 10. These tours will take guests through the homes to





learn about some of the Christmas traditions that turn-of-the-century Americans would have observed, the origins and meanings of Christmas décor, and other tidbits about the winter season. Guided tours are \$15 per person, or \$10 for Hayward Area Historical Society Members. Tickets must be purchased in advance by calling (510) 581-0223.

Private tours are available for groups up to 20 people during the week for a nominal fee, and are a unique way to spend the holidays with your club, group, family or friends. Private tours can focus on general information about the houses and families or you can choose a Christmas theme that covers holiday traditions. Other topics available include the Architecture of Meek Mansion, the life of Meek servants, and more.

More information about visiting Meek Mansion and McConaghy House in December, as well as the full schedule of activities, is available online at www.haywardareahistory.org or by calling (510) 581-0223.

Meek Mansion 17365 Boston Rd., Cherryland

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Park It: Ladybugs at Redwood

SUBMITTED BY ED MACKAY

The annual rainy season clustering of ladybugs at Reinhardt Redwood Regional Park in Oakland is in progress. And you can view it during a guided walk from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10, led by naturalist Michael Charnofsky.

This is a free program and registration is not necessary. Meet Michael at the park's Canyon Meadow Staging Area. It's at the end of the road leading into the park from Redwood Road, about two miles east of the intersection with Skyline Boulevard.

There's a \$5 parking fee when the kiosk is attended.

Ladybugs, more formally called ladybird beetles, cluster together in trailside shrubs during cold winter weather, then disperse in the springtime. You can see them in many parks and open spaces, but one of their favorite gathering places seems to be the intersection of the Stream and Prince Trails in Redwood Park.

Michael's walk is an easy three-mile round trip. For information, call 510-544-3187.

For another easy walk with a naturalist, join the Sunol Stroll from 11 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Dec. 10 at Sunol Regional Wilderness in southern Alameda County.

The group will meet at the visitor center for a one-mile ramble to see how the park transforms during cooler months. All ages are welcome; parent participation is required. Dress for the weather and bring drinking water.

From 1 to 1:30 p.m. the same day there's a "Bird Talk 'N' Draw" session at the visitor center with naturalist Erica Stephens. The idea is to learn more about East Bay birds as you follow along and draw them step-by-step.

All ages are welcome. Drawing supplies will be provided or you can bring your own journal or art supplies.

Sunol Regional Wilderness is at the end of Geary Road off Calaveras Road about five miles south of I-680 and the town of Sunol. Both programs are free. There's a parking fee of \$5 per vehicle. For information on either program, call 510-544-3243.

Mistletoe and cider are the attractions of a program from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10 at Ardenwood Historic Farm in Fremont.

Drop by the park's wood stove for a mug of hot cider and to pick up some mistletoe. You'll find out how mistletoe lives and why it is associated with love.

Ardenwood events and activities recreate life on a prosperous 19th century farming estate. The park is located at 34600 Ardenwood Boulevard, just north of Highway 84. Admission fees apply. Parking is free. For information, call 510-544-2797.

A "Winter Survival Hike" is scheduled from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 11 at Coyote Hills Regional Park in Fremont with naturalist Maeron Yeshiwas.

This is probably not as dire as it sounds. It's a hike to discover how native animals and their distant "cousins" in the arctic adapt to survive during winter.

Meet at the park's visitor center. All ages are welcome; parent participation is required. Be sure to dress warmly.

Coyote Hills is at the end of Patterson Ranch Road off Paseo Padre Parkway. There's a parking fee of \$5 per vehicle. For information on the program, call 510-544-3220.

Somersville was once one of the largest towns in Contra Costa County. The now-vanished community will come back to life through historic photos, maps, and clues of the landscape during a program from 10 to 11 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 11 at Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve in Antioch with naturalist Jessica Kauzer.

Meet Jessica in the park's uppermost parking lot on Somersville Road, 31/2 miles south of Highway 4. The program is free; there's a parking fee of \$5 per vehicle when the kiosk is staffed. For information, call 510-544-2750.

You can help to collect information for a scientific database by joining in a "Bio Blitz" from 11 a.m. to noon on Sunday, Dec. 11 at Big Break Regional Shoreline in Oakley with supervising naturalist Wyatt Moore.

The program is free. Meet at the park's visitor center. The idea is to see how many different plants and animals you can find throughout the park. All levels of expertise are welcome.

Big Break is at 69 Big Break Road off Main Street. For information, call 510-544-3050.

Round Valley south of Brentwood is one of the more remote and beautiful regional parks, home to many birds of prey. Naturalist Kevin Dixon will lead a hike there from 1:30 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 11 in search of the park's resident raptors.

This is a moderate, five-mile loop on the Miwok and Hardy Canyon Trails over sometimes steep and uneven ground. Minimum age is nine years; parent participation is required. Bring water, snacks, footwear and weather-appropriate clothing, as well as binoculars if you have them.

The hike is free of charge and registration is not necessary. Meet Kevin at the staging area, which is on Marsh Creek Road about 5.2 miles west of the intersection with Vasco Road. For information, call 510-544-2751.

For information on all scheduled regional park programs, visit www.ebparks.org/things-to-do.

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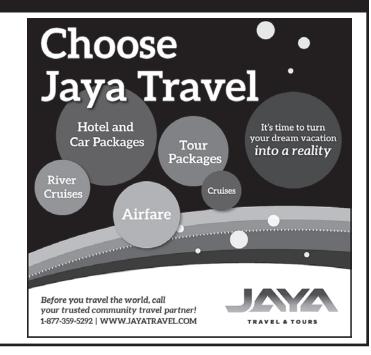
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While the **Kid Scoop** news article below is very silly—we wrote our article in the format of a real news

News reports tell **WHO** did WHAT WHEN and WHERE and, when possible, HOW.

Kid Scoop reporter Woodword is working on a silly article for the very silly Kid Scoop Fun Times. Can you help him out?

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FIRST STEP: GET THE FACTS

News Articles Lead with the FACTS

Who, what, when and where are often the first questions people ask when something happens. News reporters put those facts into the first paragraph — sometimes the first sentence — of the news article. This is called the **lead**.

Read Woodword's article. Then fill in the facts in his notes.

WHO is the news event about? WHAT happened? WHERE did it happen?

WHEN did it happen?

Choose a HEADLINE

The **headline** of a news article could also be called the title. It is written in bold type above the story. Most headlines have a subject and a verb that tell the topic of the article and summarize the main idea, or most important part of the topic.

Read the three headlines that Woodword has written. Circle the headline you think is the best for this silly article.

DOWNTOWN - Clive the crocodile escaped from Downtown Zoo last night. Some people say he put on a costume and stole a pizza from Pete's Pizza Parlor.

Clive has lived at the zoo for ten years. Pete Pesto, owner of the pizza parlor, says Clive entered the kitchen wearing a chef's hat and apron and tried to make himself 20 large all-meat pizzas.

Police arrived at 9:30 p.m. "We got a call from a person eating at Pete's. They said there was a lot of noise coming from the kitchen, but no pizzas," said Chief Mike

Clive surrendered peacefully. "That's the way the pizza crumbles," Clive mumbled as the police put him in a squad car.

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Choose a PHOTO for the Article

The photos that go with a news article can give more information. A photo can also create a feeling about a news event. The text that describes a photo is called a **cutline** and is usually below the photo.

Which picture would you use? Cut and paste it onto the above news article. Write a cutline for the photo you select on the lines at right.







Cutline:

newspaper so that they say the opposite of what they say now. For example, Heavy Snow **Predicted for City** could become Hot Weather Predicted

Standards Link: Language Arts: Distinguish between fact and opinion

Extra! Extra! Headline

Rewrite one or more headlines in today's for Countryside.

Double Kid Scoop Puzzler Word Search

PROOF READING

Proofreading a news article is important to make sure it is accurate and fair. Each headline below has an error. Circle the errors and rewrite the headlines correctly.

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AUTHOR'S LATEST BOOK IS A BEST CELLAR

LEAD NEWS РНОТО **PIZZA** REPORTER WHAT WHERE

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Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

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

What do you

POLICE:

Read the silly news article aloud to a family member. Ask them to identify the WHO, WHAT, WHERE and WHY. Then, ask them to explain which viewpoint they agree with the most.

Share your viewpoint and see if you agree.

RUILDERS This week's word:

ARTICLE The noun article is a piece

of writing that appears in a newspaper, magazine, or book

Today's newspaper has an interesting article about a new park for kids.

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

Lesson Library

Photo Talk

Select a newspaper photo and cover the cutline or caption before reading it. Next, identify the who, what, when, where of the photo. Using these facts, write a cutline for the photo. Compare yours to the one published

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Analyze intention in



Why can news प्रहारित वह हम्हार्मेख्वा be found at ice gream shops?

> looking for scoops! ANSWER They're always



Write a sentence reporting about something new in your life. Be sure to include who, what, when and where!

Student volunteers lead Earth Day event in Fremont

By Shahina Shaik, Thornton Junior High School

Thornton Junior High's Energy and Sustainability (E&S) Club is working to not only make a difference for the environment but to make an impact, we must educate people one person at a time. We partnered with Citizens' Climate Lobby (CCL) -- Silicon Valley East to host an Earth Day -- Election Edition event on Oct. 22 at Lake Elizabeth in Fremont's Central Park.

Joining CCL and Thornton E&S were other environmental organizations, including Urban Forest Friends, Sierra Club, Do More Group, Mission Peak Conservancy and Generation Atomic. They were there to publicize their environmental work, build awareness in the community about the recently passed Inflation Reduction Act, and to encourage everyone to vote in the midterm elections.

The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 will help to balance the budget and combat inflation, spend money on local

manufacturing and energy production, and cut carbon emissions by about 40% by 2030. The measure is the largest investment ever made to fight climate change. Before the event, CCL members came to our E&S meeting to train us about what's in the Inflation Reduction Act and how the legislation works to curb carbon emissions. We studied our notes, made small flags, and we were ready!

The Earth Day event kicked off at 10 a.m. with speeches. E&S president Shivika Srivastava spoke about her belief that our world can be a better place and that our government should do more to combat climate change by passing legislation like the Inflation Reduction Act.

Students went around the lake in small groups carrying flags and connecting with as many people as they could. It was refreshing to see our club members approach citizens and have genuine conversations about the Inflation Reduction Act. E&S members were able to see what the other groups were doing as well. Generation Atomic had a machine that was a prototype for the end of carbon emissions on our planet. Urban Forest friends promoted planting trees in our neighborhoods and schools.

Earth Day -- Election Edition was a truly beautiful experience for the E&S Club and it made us feel closer to our community. Thank you to CCL for letting us have this opportunity and we hope for many more adventures to come.

Tri-City Nonprofit Coalition Presents: Grant Writing Best Practices

SUBMITTED BY TINA FERNANDEZ

Join Tri-City Nonprofit
Coalition (TCNPC) on
Wednesday, December 7 at
6 p.m. for a free Zoom panel
discussion about grant
applications. Speakers will discuss
best practices based on their
experience both in submitting and
reviewing grant applications. We'll
also include some tips about what
NOT to do! There will be plenty
of time for Q&A, so come
prepared with your questions.

Our panelists include
Toni Schlobohm, M.Ed., NBCT,
NCST, and Terri Schinkel and
Tricia Sparling of The Candle
Lighters. Their backgrounds
include extensive volunteering
and leadership roles in
community initiatives,
organizations and activities.

A Fremont schoolteacher, Toni Schlobohm's grant writing successes include receiving over 75 grants over 15-year span which generated more than \$80,000 in educational school materials for her classroom and school. Schlobohm's efforts have provided not only basic school supplies, environmental literacy books, and math and science materials but also current technologies including laser cutters, 3D printers, a SMARTBoard, and MakerSpace.

As dedicated members, Terri Schinkel and Tricia Sparling have spent the past 17 and eight years, respectively, working in various roles within The Candle Lighters nonprofit organization. Schinkel has served as President and Parliamentarian and is a Rotary e-Club of Silicon Valley member. Sparling was co-site coordinator for the 2022 Ghost House and is the president-elect for the 2023 Ghost House. Sparling is also a Fremont teacher and owner of Jack's Brewing Company at the Fremont Hub. Since 1969 The Candle Lighters have granted over \$2,000,000 to local nonprofit organizations.

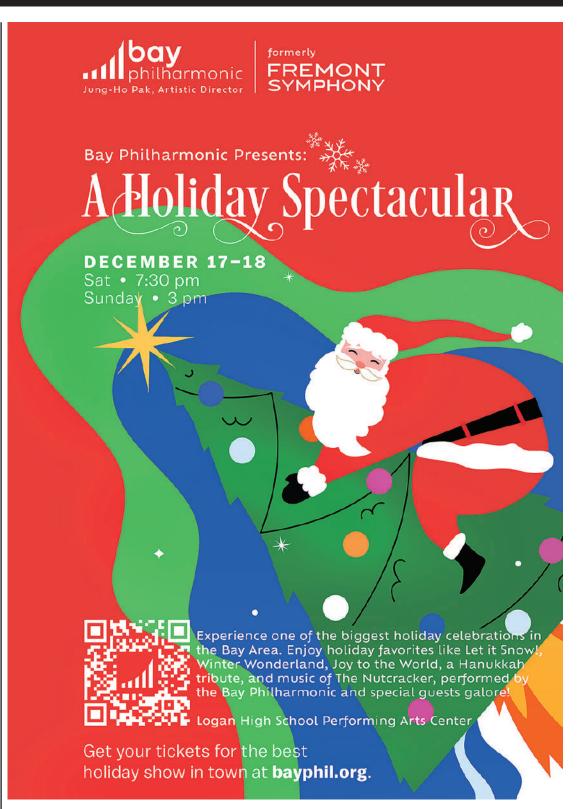
Whether you're a seasoned grant writer or a newbie, this TCNPC educational presentation has something for everyone. Register in advance to receive your email confirmation with the Zoom link to join in the conversation on December 7. Register at https://tinyurl.com/TC-NCPDec2022 or use our QR code.

Zoom panel discussion: Grant
Applications
Wednesday, Dec 7
6 p.m.
Via Zoom
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Photos from the 2021 and 2022 Lego donation drives





FTC Team OrEoBoTs hosts a LEGO donation drive

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From Monday, September 12, 2022 - Friday, October 14, 2022 students from William Hopkins Junior High School hosted a LEGO Replay Donation Drive where they collected eight big boxes full of LEGO bricks. The main aim of the Donation Drive was to collect used LEGOs for underprivileged children as part of LEGO's Replay initiative, in which the bricks are sent back to LEGO, who then distributes them to kids across the country. The event was hosted by the FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) team, the OrEoBoTs, as part of their community outreach. They hosted a similar drive last year as well. Both drives received amazing responses from the community.

To learn more about FTC and how to donate, visit the OrEoBoTs' website, oreobots.org, or look for their YouTube Channel, OrEo Bots.



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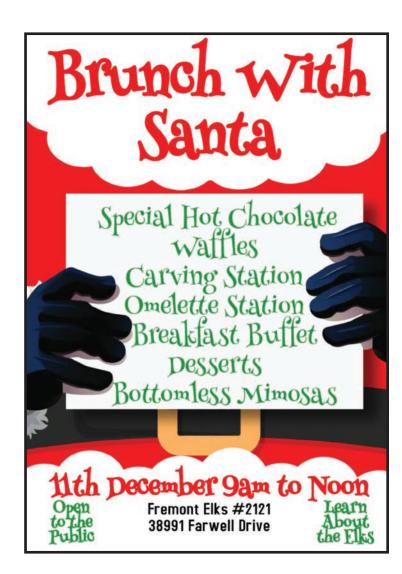
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Home & Garden

Sheet Mulching 101

By Daniel O'Donnell

Occam's Razor suggests that "the simplest solution is almost always the best." When it comes to removing a lawn or a weedy area in the garden using the least amount of effort, sheet mulching confirms this principle.

Sheet Mulching is the name given to a process of using cardboard to create a temporary barrier to kill lawns or existing weeds and prevent the next generation of seeds from sprouting. Fabrics and plastic weed barriers can kill a lawn and weeds, but they restrict the natural flow of air, delivery of nutrients, and migration of beneficial organisms into the soil. Cardboard will block light and kill a lawn and weeds, but after about a year it will break down into nutrients and leave no restrictive barrier covering the soil. Sheet mulching also reduces the use of fossil fuel since no plant debris needs to be hauled away. It is also a safer alternative for people and the environment since no herbicides are used in the process.

The process of sheet mulching begins by placing two or three layers of cardboard directly on top of a lawn or weed patch. Allow four to six inches overlap of each piece of cardboard. For pop-up sprinkler heads, holes will need to be cut in the cardboard so they can rise unimpeded when running. Existing drip irrigation lines should be placed on top of the cardboard. Spraying the cardboard with water will help mat the layers together in

dry months and start the decomposition process. Although sheet mulching can be done anytime during the year, late fall and winter are ideal times because rain will help. Next, cover the cardboard with three to four inches of compost.

Using compost is an important step in the sheet mulching process. It not only holds down the cardboard, but provides nitrogen, other nutrients, and beneficial microbes. Compost can retain 30% of its weight in water, which is vital in water conservation areas. Put differently, only a 5% increase in organic material (compost) quadruples the soil's water-holding capacity. Compost can reduce plants' water needs around their root zones and reduce the overall amount of water a plant requires. The ability compost has to absorb water and to create storage spaces in soil aids in reducing rain and irrigation runoff.

Plants can be installed at this point in the process. Shallow rooting plants or ones in 4-inch containers can be planted on top of the cardboard directly into the compost. Their roots will grow through the cardboard and into the soil below. Some native plants, however, will need to have potting soil or soil from the ground placed around their bases instead, because the compost is too high in nitrogen for them. Cardboard will need to be cut and holes dug for plants in gallon or larger containers. All plants should be planted about two inches higher than the compost to account for the layer of mulch in the final stage. It is at this time that new or existing drip lines can be placed around the plants.

A layer of three to four inches of wood chip mulch will complete the process. This will help prevent weeds from sprouting and stop weed seeds blown in by the wind from making contact with soil, which is necessary for germination. It also helps keep ground temperature from heating up or cooling off too rapidly. Mulch plays an







important role in water conservation. It slows water evaporation by protecting soil from direct sunlight and wind. Plant debris in mulch can absorb water, which in turn will be released slowly into the soil to help keep it from becoming arid.

Cardboard can be saved boxes or collected from shops. Bicycle, furniture, and appliance shops are good options for large boxes. 750-1000 sq. ft rolls of corrugated cardboard can be purchased from Cogent Solutions & Supplies in Richmond, cogentsolutionsgroup.com, for large projects. Compost and mulch can be purchased in bulk and delivered from Vision Recycling, visionrecycling.com, Tri-City Rock, tricityrock.com, or any other local landscape supply company.

More and more lawns are disappearing in the Bay Area as droughts become more

frequent. People are realizing that in most cases, lawns use too much water with very little environmental benefit. The Alameda County Water District, acwd.org, even has a Water-Efficient Landscape Rebate Program that reimburses customers \$2.00 per square foot when they remove a lawn and replace it with plants from an approved list that use far less water. Years ago, it was more labor intensive to remove lawns. Now with so many lawns disappearing under layers of sheet mulch, the principle of the simplest solution being the best is confirmed.

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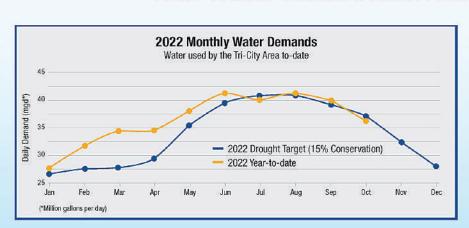




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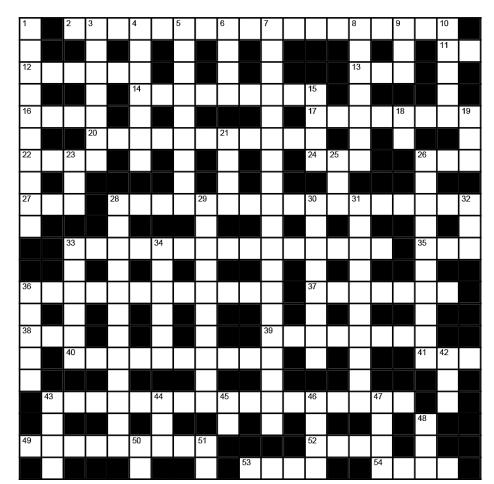






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Crossword Puzzle



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11	Unit of printer's measure	52	N.Y.P.D. employee (4)	29
12	"Yoo-hoo!" (2,4)	53	Brass component (4)	30
13	Ookla the ("Thundarr the	54	"Enchanted" girl in a 2004 film	
	Barbarian" character) (3)		(4)	31
14	Typist's tap (9)			32
16	"So, we'll more a roving"	Down		33
	(Lord Byron poem about aging)	1	Kids (10)	
17	Saved for a rainy day (4,4)	3	Vehicle with runners and a sail	34
20	Arm of the Mediterranean (8,3)		(7)	36
22	Acad. (4)	4	2005 Jennifer Garner film (7)	42
24	Beginner: Var. (3)	5	Like some breakdowns (9)	43
26	Stir-fry pan (3)	6	At night: Prefix.	44
27	Drained (3)	7	"Of course this car isn't	45
28	Umberto Eco novel (9,8)		voice-controlled!" (2,4,7,6)	46
33	Betting option (6,2,7)	8	Better-tasting (7)	47
35	Author LeShan (3)	9	"Spider-Man 2" villain Doc	48
36	Couple's banking arrangement		(3)	50
	(5,7)	10	Dry, three-chambered fruit (5)	51
37	Grave words (7)	15	Cheer up (4)	
38	"The Steve Allen Show" regular	18	Part of "be" (2)	
	(3)	19	Hearty laugh (3)	
39	A German Shepard abroad (8)	21	"House," in Inuit (4)	
40	"Of course" (10)	23	Banquet (3)	
41	Personal ad letters (3)	25	French Guiana's Royale, e.g. (3)	

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Sudoku:

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Tri-City Stargazer for week: DECEMBER 6, 2022

All Signs: This week we have a Full Moon in Gemini that will line up with retrograde Mars on Wednesday. This will trigger a buildup of tension on Monday and Tuesday as we approach that Full Moon. (Every month, problems intensify before the Full Moon, and afterwards, they diminish or disappear.) But this week, because of the influence of retrograde Mars, we might feel anger and revenge about past hurts.

Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20):

Fun? (12,5)

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You are fast-acting. In fact, you're so fast, you often blurt out something without thinking. Be smart this week because the Full Moon on Wednesday could trip you up. Earlier in the week, you might feel tension building. Perhaps a past resentment? Annoyed feelings might permeate your thoughts, which means you could say something you later regret. It might create an argument with a neighbor, sibling or relative. It could trigger an accident while jogging, biking or driving. Remind yourself to think twice before you respond.

Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20):

Keep your eyes open because you are the financial wizard of the zodiac; this week, the Full Moon on Wednesday will set up a dynamic tension between both your Money Houses. This tension will build on Monday and Tuesday. It might mean difficulties getting a mortgage or loan, or paying bills, taxes or debt. It might be a threat to your earnings. Things will look worse before the Full Moon peaks on Wednesday night. Afterwards, they will improve! Money will come your way. Therefore, wait until Thursday or Friday to make financial decisions.

Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20):

The only Full Moon in your sign all year is taking place this week on Wednesday. Naturally, this will create tension between you and others. You can handle this with grace and patience because both Mercury and Venus are opposite

your sign now, and they will ameliorate difficult situations. Mercury will encourage easy communications with others. And Venus is in the best position to promote talking to spouses, close friends and others. You can handle this tension skillfully. Be polite; listen and keep smiling. By the end of the week, you're laughing!

Site of an 1845-47 retreat (6,4)

Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21):

The Moon is your ruler, and this week there will be a Full Moon on Wednesday, with a buildup of tension before on Monday and Tuesday. This particular Full Moon is tricky because it lines up with retrograde Mars, in a "hidden" part of your chart. This means you might feel upset about past hurts, insensitive comments or snubs. And yet, you can't speak up. As a result, you will nurse these grudges privately. By the end of the week, this will be history. Why not move

Leo the Lion (July 22-August 22):

Each month, the Full Moon occurs in a different sign, which gives it a different flavor. As such, it takes place in a different part of your chart, which activates different tensions in your life. Wednesday's Full Moon might create problems with friends, kids, clubs, and groups. Romantic relationships might take a hit. Because this Full Moon lines up with retrograde Mars, you might be upset about old business. Perhaps old jealousies with a romantic partner? Whatever it is, don't give it energy. By the end of the week, this will be resolved.

Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22):

This week, a Full Moon on Wednesday will create tension in your life as you juggle the demands of home and family versus the demands of your career, and public reputation. Problems with an old boss, a parent or something from the past that made you unhappy are at stake. If you can't change anything, you might as well let it go. If you keep holding on to a grudge, it only drains your energy. By the end of the week, you will be able to let it go and move on.

Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22):

The big thing happening for you this week is the Full Moon that occurs on Wednesday. It will set up tension between yourself and others, especially siblings, relatives and neighbors and people you deal with on a daily basis. You might find that past resentments about beliefs or other daily situations will resurface. This might be about past hurts related to publishing, higher education, or travel. Whatever it is, it rubs you the wrong way. Note: This can be resolved by the end of the week.

Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21):

This week, the Full Moon energy will culminate by Thursday. It will affect your finances and concerns about earnings, debt, inheritances, and your involvement with the wealth and resources of someone else. You might feel old resentments about inheritances or how something was divided. Actually, this is an opportunity for you to work this out. You might

put your cards on the table and speak up; or perhaps, you will accept what happened and move on. In the final analysis, do what makes you happy.

Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21):

This week the only Full Moon opposite your sign all year will be taking place. This will trigger tension between you and others, especially those closest to you. It will create an energy that builds up before the Full Moon peaks on Wednesday night. Be aware of this and be patient with yourself and others. You can be gracious because Venus is in your sign. By the end of the week, these concerns will be resolved or will diminish. Keep this in mind and don't say or do something you will later regret.

Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19):

This week you might feel resentment related to your job, your health, or possibly, even a pet. The first few days of this week might be a challenge because you have to decide whether to speak up or be gracious and let things slide. The latter might be your best option because by Thursday, you will feel differently. The Full Moon will have peaked on Wednesday night, and this will release a lot of negative feelings. Wait and see what happens. By the weekend, you will probably be much more content.

Aquarius the Water Bearer (January 20-February 18):

Friendships are important to you. This is why you might feel challenged this week because the Full Moon will impact friendships, as well as your relations with romantic partners and even your kids. There will be tension that begins on Monday and continues to build until Wednesday night, when the Full Moon peaks. Afterwards, everything will fall into place. You will have a better understanding of the situation and feel less resentful. Don't jump the gun at the beginning of the week. Wait and see how things play out by the end of the week, because

Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20):

your situation might be resolved.

You might encounter difficulties with parents, bosses, VIPs, and family members this week because of the Full Moon that peaks Wednesday night. Beforehand, you might nurse some resentments, especially about a family member. You have to decide how long you want to carry this negative feeling. What's the cost? By the end of the week, you will find it easier to forgive yourself and others and move on. Right now, Jupiter is in your sign, and Jupiter makes you emotionally generous.



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Binoculars: A Great First Telescope

By David Prosper Moon image courtesy Jay Tanner

Do you want to peer deeper into the night sky? Feeling the urge to buy a telescope? There are so many options for budding astronomers that choosing one can be overwhelming. A first telescope should be easy to use and provide good quality views while still being affordable. As it turns out, those requirements make the first telescope of choice for many stargazers something unexpected: a good pair of binoculars!

Binoculars are an excellent first instrument because they are generally easy to use and more versatile than most telescopes. Binoculars can be used for activities like stargazing and birdwatching, and work great in the field at a star party, along the hiking trail, and anywhere else where you can see the sky. Binoculars also travel well, since they easily fit into carry-on luggage – a difficult feat for most telescopes! A good pair of binoculars,

ranging in specifications from 7x35 to 10x50, will give you great views of the Moon, large open star clusters like the Pleiades (M45), and, from dark skies, larger bright galaxies like the Andromeda Galaxy (M31) and large nebulae like the Orion Nebula (M42). While you likely won't be able to see Saturn's rings, as you practice your observing skills you may be able to spot Jupiter's moons, along with some globular clusters and fainter nebulae from dark sites, too.

What do the numbers on those binocular specs actually mean? The first number is the magnification, while the second number is the size in millimeters (mm) of the lenses. So, a 7x35 pair of binoculars means that they will magnify 7 times using lenses 35 mm in diameter. It can be tempting to get the biggest binoculars you can find, but try not to get anything much more powerful than a 10x50 pair at first. Larger binoculars with more power often have narrower fields of vision and are heavier. While technically more powerful, they are also more difficult to hold steadily in your hands and "jiggle"

quite a bit unless you buy much more expensive binoculars with image

stabilization, or mount them on a tripod.

Binoculars are able to show a much larger field of view of the sky compared to most telescopes. For example, most telescopes are unable to keep the entirety of the Pleiades or Andromeda Galaxy entirely inside the view of most eyepieces. Binoculars are also a great investment for more advanced observing, as later on they are useful for hunting down objects to then observe in more detail with a telescope.

If you are able to do so, getting real-world advice and experience is still the best course when shopping for something you will be spending a lot of time with! Going to an in-person star party hosted by a local club is a great way to get familiar with telescopes and binoculars of all kinds – just ask permission before taking a closer look! You can find clubs and star parties near you on the Night Sky Network's Clubs & Events page at bit.ly/nsnclubsandevents, and inspire your binocular stargazing sessions with NASA's latest discoveries at nasa.gov.

This article is distributed by NASA's Night Sky Network (NSN). The NSN program supports astronomy clubs across the



The two most popular types of binocular designs are shown here: roof-prism binoculars (*left*) and porro-prism binoculars (*right*). Roof prisms tend to be more compact, lighter, and a bit more portable, while porro-prisms tend to be heavier but often offer wider views and greater magnification.



A pair of good binoculars can show craters on the Moon around 6 miles (10 km) across and larger.

USA dedicated to astronomy outreach. Visit nightsky.jpl.nasa.gov to find local clubs, events, and more!

It's not too late to make holiday toy donations

STAFF REPORT

As a way to add a bit of holiday cheer to children and families in need, numerous organizations are holding holiday toy drives in the East and South Bay. Here are a few:

• Russell City Toy Drive 2022

Saturday, Dec 10
12 noon – 2 p.m.
Toy donations; food, music, vendors
Ashland Holy Ghost Association
16490 Kent Ave, San Lorenzo

(510) 388-3332 Free

• Fremont Holiday Toy Drive

Monday, Dec 12
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Toy, book or gift card donations to Abode Services
Fremont Flowers, 4050 Alder Ave., Fremont
Sponsored by Alameda County Supervisor David
Haubert
(510) 272-6691
Free

• Milpitas Chamber of Commerce Holiday Toy Drive

Thursday, Dec 15
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Bring new and unwrapped gifts
Straw Hat Pizza, 300 W. Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas
Email: info@milpitaschamber.com
(408) 262-2613

Newark Police Department Holiday Toy Drive

Daily through Dec 19
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Newark Blvd., Newark
Email: npdevents@newark.org



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Olive Hyde Art Guild courtyard enhancement project: An homage to California beauty

By Radhika Sharma

The courtyard of the Olive Hyde Art Gallery holds a special place in the community's engagement. So, when Manveen Kalyanpur, current Olive Hyde Art Guild (OHAG) Vice President suggested an improvement project courtyard, it was greeted with spirited approval by the Board. Kalyanpur also notes that Guild President Judy Anglin and the City of Fremont were all extremely supportive in this project, which took over a year and half from start of process to completion.

"The courtyard is an important place for the gallery. We wanted to repurpose the existing things in the courtyard to receive a fresh look to inspire younger members of the community and make it attractive for those who are renting the facility." says Kalyanpur.

To this end, the trellis and bench were painted, and the trash bins were repurposed. Soon artist Dmitry Grudsky was brought onboard at Olive Hyde Art Guild member Barbara Schlein's recommendation.

Grudsky is a remarkable artist with an astonishing repertoire. Having been involved with art for several years, Grudsky works in several forms – mosaics (his favorite), murals, stained glass, relief, and sculpting. Grudsky was educated in Russia and holds a Master's Degree in Fine Arts from the Tashkent Art Institute. This intensive training exposed him to a broad range of artistic styles, building on a strong foundation in classical Western European art traditions with stylistic infusion from Asia Minor.

When quizzed about his choice of the three motifs of the quail, butterfly and grizzly bear, Grudsky explains that in public art the client suggests the theme. When OHAG suggested California creatures as the theme, these were the natural possibilities.

The design process and preparation for the project were complex. Grudsky started collecting materials and made a model on a 1/10 scale. This allows the artist and client to see the entire design and color as it is supposed to be.

Soon, he received approval from the City of Fremont for the model. Speaking

about the mosaics, Grudsky notes, "It's a complicated process as there are hundreds of different mosaic materials. Mosaic materials are chosen based on where the project will be placed (indoors or outdoors) and how it will be used. Public sculptures must be durable, stronger, weather and pollution resistant. For the Olive Hyde Art Guild project, I used quarter inch square uncut pieces and trimmed the corners and sharp edges."

Kalyanpur speaks highly of the experience of working with Grudsky. "[His] dedication to the project was remarkable. He also did a great job of explaining the process to the Art Guild. We immediately loved the three suggestions of the quail, bear and butterfly."

For budding artists, Grudsky's advice is full of wisdom. "Develop your individual approach and personal vision. Make your art recognizable – almost like a personal signature. Make sure you use your community network and exhibit your pieces."

Truly, the fusion of the vision of the artist and the initiative of OHAG and the City of Fremont has created a beautiful

and welcoming space for all in the Gallery Courtyard. A win-win for both art and the community.

The Olive Hyde Art Guild welcomes input from the community for new projects. Artist Dmitry Grudsky will return to the Olive Hyde Art Guild with a workshop in January 2023.

Anglin and Kalyanpur would like to extend a warm welcome to the community to visit the Olive Hyde Art Gallery and view Grudsky's beautiful mosaics.

Workshop details can be found at: https://olivehydeartguild.org/

To learn more about the artist, visit: https://www.grudsky.net/

Olive Hyde Art Gallery 123 Washington Blvd, Fremont Open Thurs – Sun: 12 noon – 5 p.m. (510) 791-4357 https://olivehydeartguild.org/







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R= Reservations Required Schedules are subject to change.

\$ = Entrance or Activity Fee

Arts & Entertainment Call to confirm activities shown in these listings

CONTINUING **EVENTS**

Tuesdays

Practice Your English--Tuesday Chat! R

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Improve your English by talking with native speakers bit.ly/3TH2keU jliu@aclibrary.org

Second Tuesdays

The Page Turners

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Book discussion facilitated by librarian Chris Selig Castro Valley Library 3600 Norbridge Ave, Castro Valley (510) 667-7900 aclibrary.org

First Wednesdays

Talkin' Dirt

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Online gathering of gardeners Local Ecology and Agriculture Fremont (LEAF) 6501 Niles Blvd, Fremont fremontleaf.org/talkindirt

Wednesdays

Tropics Bingo

7:00 pm Flash games Tropics Mobile Home Park 33000 Almaden Blvd, Union City (510) 471-8550 the-tropics.net

First Thursdays

Plethos Comedy Lab \$

8:00 pm - 10:00 pm Ever-changing lineup of Bay Area comics (18+) Castro Valley Market Place 3295 Castro Valley Blvd, Castro Val-(510) 901-1001 castrovalleymarketplace.com

Thursdays - Sunday

Animal Feeding 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Feed livestock and learn about their favorite food Ardenwood Historic Farm 34600 Ardenwood Blvd, Fremont (888) 327-2757 ebparks.org/parks/ardenwood

First Fridays

Chabot Space \$

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Door open for discovery with planetarium shows, telescope viewings and after-hours access to exhibits Chabot Space and Science Center 10000 Skyline Blvd, Oakland (510) 336-7300 chabotspace.org

Second Saturdays

Lazy Saturdays? 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join members of LEAF and tackle various projects Local Ecology and Agriculture Fremont (LEAF) 6501 Niles Blvd, Fremont fremontleaf.org/volunteer volunteer@fremontleaf.org

Saturdays

Laugh Track City \$

8:00 pm

Improvised games and scenes (Please show proof of vaccination) Made Up Theatre 4000 Bay St suite B, Fremont (510) 573-3633 madeuptheatre.com

Saturdays and Sundays

Nectar Garden Exploration

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Discover native pollinators and Coyote Hills Visitors Center 8000 Patterson Ranch Rd, Fremont (510) 544-3220 bit.ly/3UGfdGr

Saturdays and Sundays

Discovery On Demand

10:30 am - 3:30 pm Explore, investigate, and craft to satisfy your natural curiosities Coyote Hills Visitors Center 8000 Patterson Ranch Rd, Fremont (510) 544-3220 bit.ly/3UGfdGr

Mondays

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Advanced Math + Science Tutoring

Free High School and College-Level tutoring Castro Valley Library 3600 Norbridge Ave, Castro Valley (510) 667-7900 aclibrary.org

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays

Showers for Adults 55+ R

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm One shower per day Age Well Center at South Fremont 47111 Mission Falls Ct, Fremont (510) 742-7529 bit.ly/3rAEdSC

Second Thursdays, September 8 - June 9

Café Dad

6:00 pm Father and father figures to obtain re-HUSD Parent Resource Center Hub 24823 Soto Rd, Hayward (510) 723-3857 husd.us/hub

Sundays, November 3 -**December 18**

Snake talk \$

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Learn important role snakes play in the ecosystem Sunol Regional Wilderness Visitor Center 1895 Geary Rd, Sunol (510) 544-3245 ebparks.org/parks/Sunol

Thursdays, November 3 -**December 8**

Calling all Carolers! R

Sing with Bay Area Showcase Chorus Mount Olive Ministries 1989 E Calaveras Blvd, Milpitas (408) 973-1555 mt-olive.org singharmony.org info@singharmony.org

Thursday - Sunday, November 10 - December 17

Exhibit: Kristin Lindseth's "San Ardo"

12:00 pm - 5:00 pm Series of symbolic works exploring the ideas and issues of displacement and hope

Olive Hyde Art Gallery 123 Washington Blvd, Fremont (510) 791-4357 olivehydeartguild.org

Saturdays, November 12 -February 5

13 Weekly (Grief Share) sessions R

9:00 am - 10:30 am Prince of peace church 38451 Fremont Blvd, Fremont (510) 793-3366

popfremont.org

Friday - Wednesday, November 18 - January 4

Travelling Exhibit "We Are Not Strangers Here"

During library hours African American Histories in Rural California Milpitas Public Library 160 N Main St, Milpitas

(408) 262-1171 sccld.org

Bill Savings Assistance with Spectrum

April 6

First Thursday, December 1 -

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm In-person assistance on how to complete the 2022 LIHEAP and/or LIH-WAP application forms Fremont Main Library 2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont (510) 745-1400 bit.ly/3gWSjfq

Monday - Sunday, **December 2 - December 31**

Winter Reading Bingo

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Reading Bingo for K-8th grade Milpitas Public Library 160 N Main St, Milpitas (408) 262-1171 sccld.org

Thursdays, December 8 -

June 8

Cover to Cover Book Discussion

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Newark Public Library 37055 Newark Blvd, Newark (510) 284-0675 bit.ly/3DyAJaM

Second Mondays, **December 12 - May 8**

ASL (American Sign Language) **Story Singing**

Preschool - 2nd grade: 6:30 - 7:00 3rd - 5th grade: 7:00 - 7:30 pm Fremont Main Library 2400 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont (510) 745-1400 aclibrary.org

Tuesdays, October 11 -**December 27**

Needle Time

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Bring your latest sewing, or knitting project to craft San Lorenzo Library 395 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo (510) 284-0640 aclibrary.org/locations/SLZ

<u>UPCOMING</u> **EVENTS**

Thursday - Saturday, **December 1 - December 10 Bissel Holiday Hope Adoption Events \$**

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Bring valid photo ID, proof of address, and if renting permission from landlord to have pet Hayward Animal Shelter 16 Barnes Ct, Hayward (510) 293-7200 haywardanimals.org

Tuesday, December 6

Virtual Gender Marker and Name Change Clinic R

1:00 pm - 6:00 pm Legal help on name and gender change, court paperwork and updating identity documents Via Zoom San Lorenzo Library 395 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo (510) 284-0640 aclibrary.org/locations/SLZ

Wednesday, December 7

Limited in-person appointments

Cookies, cocoa, and cops

5:30 pm - 8:00 pm Encouraged to bring unwrapped toys to donate San Leandro Police Department 901 E. 14th Street, San Leandro

Wednesdays, December 7 -**December 28**

Crafty Zone

(510) 577-3228

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Relax yourself through crafting San Lorenzo Library 395 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo (510) 284-0640 aclibrary.org/locations/SLZ

Thursday, December 8

Diabetes: Understanding and Controlling Complications

Find out the ways to control complications and maintain overall health facebook.com/WashingtonHosp youtube.com/whhsinHealth Online Events

Thursday, December 8

Winter Concert \$

7:30 pm Featuring concert band, choir, symphonic and marching band American High School 36300 Fremont Blvd, Fremont (510) 796-1776 x 57708

Thursday, December 8

ahs-fusd-ca.schoolloop.com

Holiday Bingo R

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Play bingo with AWC Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont (510) 790-6606

Friday, December 9

2022 Band Winter Concert \$

7:00 pm Live music Newark Memorial High School 39375 Cedar Blvd, Newark (510) 818-4350 nmhs.newarkunified.org

Friday, December 9

Sharing the love and joy of music for healing R

11:00 am - 12:30 pm Nurture the love and literacy of music Fremont Family Resource Center

39155 Liberty St, Fremont (510) 574-2000 city.fremont.gov/awcclasses

Friday, December 9

Monthly Birthday Celebration

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Purchase lunch and celebrate your birthday with us Complimentary cake provided Age Well Center at South Fremont 47111 Mission Falls Ct, Fremont (510) 742-7529 bit.ly/3rAEdSC

Friday and Sunday, **December 9 and December 11**

Morrison Theater Chorus Holiday Concert R\$

Friday: 8:00 pm Sunday: 2:00 pm Music to raise spirits and spark the holiday mood Douglas Morrisson Theatre 22311 N 3rd St, Hayward (510) 537-8985 haywardrec.org ermasmith52@gmail.com Purchase tickets at H.A.R.D office or online

Saturday, December 10 **Homebuyer Education** Workshop R

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Online workshop on mortgages, closing costs, creating a budget and credit repair Register by December 9 bit.ly/3gZGjtB

Saturday, December 10

Mistletoe & Cider

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm Have a hot cider and discover how mistletoe lives Ardenwood Historic Farm 34600 Ardenwood Blvd, Fremont (888) 327-2757 ebparks.org/parks/ardenwood

Saturday and Sunday, December 10 & **December 11**

Navidad en Mexico-Christmas in Mexico \$

Saturday: 7 pm Sunday: 3 pm 55th Anniversary Gala Performance San Leandro High School Arts Education Center 2250 Bancroft Ave, San Leandro (510) 928-0687

Saturday & Sunday, **December 10 - December 11 Nutcracker R\$**

Saturday: 2 pm and 8 pm Sunday: 2 pm Ohlone College, Smith Center 43600 Mission Blvd, Fremont ohlone.edu Vaccination proof required for 16+

Saturday, December 10

Tar o Tarab R\$

5:00 pm - 10:00 pm Enjoy the mixture of music from Afghanistan and U.S Bret Harte Middle School 1047 E St, Hayward (408) 300-4150 bit.ly/3Vuagkz

Saturday, December 10

Sounds of the Season

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm Performances by East Bay Brass Quintet and Starr King Choir and Cinema Plaza 1069 B Street, Hayward

Saturday, December 10

Winter Exploration

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm Discover the special way animals and plants thrive in this season Sunol Regional Wilderness Visitor 1895 Geary Rd, Sunol (510) 544-3245 ebparks.org/parks/sunol

Saturday, December 10

Canine Capers R

9:00 am - 11:00 am Hike Park Trails Sunol Regional Wilderness Visitor Center 1895 Geary Rd, Sunol (510) 544-3245 ebparks.org/parks/sunol

Saturday, December 10

Winter Cookbook Sale \$

10:00 am - 3:00 pm Books featuring cuisines from around the world San Leandro Library 300 Estudillo Ave, San Leandro (510) 577-3970 bit.lv/3R2Olkc In Trustees Room

Saturday - Sunday, **December 10 - December 11** Victorian Christmas House

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Shinn Historical Park and Arboretum 1251 Peralta Blvd, Fremont (510) 790-5541 bit.ly/3gNjuJj

Saturday, December 10

Home for Holidays \$

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Photos:1 pm - 3 pm Adoptions, raffle, bake sale and photos with Santa Hayward Animal Shelter 16 Barnes Ct, Hayward (510) 293-7200 haywardanimals.org \$10 suggested donation for photos

Saturday, December 10

Russell City Toy Drive 2022

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Toy donations for children in need; food, music, and vendors Ashland Holy Ghost Association 16490 Kent Ave, San Lorenzo (510) 388-3332

Saturday, December 10

Neat Stuff with a Naturalist

10:00 am - 11:00 am Unique hands-on activities, tours, or crafts with Naturalist Coyote Hills Visitors Center 8000 Patterson Ranch Rd, Fremont (510) 544-3220 bit.ly/3UGfdGr

Saturday, December 10

Sunol Stroll

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Stroll the wintery wilderness and discover how park transforms Sunol Regional Wilderness Visitor Center 1895 Geary Rd, Sunol (510) 544-3245 ebparks.org/parks/sunol

Saturday, December 10

Kyra Birks' PDS Holiday **Showcase R\$**

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Show filled with Islanders, music, and Bay Area Dance Community! California State University, East Bay 25800 Carlos Bee Blvd, Hayward (510) 885-3000 pdsdance.com, csueastbay.edu

Sunday, December 11

Winter survival hike

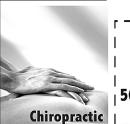
10:00 am - 11:30 am Discover how native animals and their distant "cousins" in the artic adapt during winter to survive Coyote Hills Visitors Center 8000 Patterson Ranch Rd, Fremont (510) 544-3220 bit.ly/3UGfdGr

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Sunday, December 11

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1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Create and dress up your doll out of clothespins Ardenwood Historic Farm 34600 Ardenwood Blvd, Fremont

(888) 327-2757 ebparks.org/parks/ardenwood

Sunday, December 11

Nature's Stories

11:00 am - 11:45 am Reading the Nature-themed story book "Hibernation" Sunol Regional Wilderness Visitor Center 1895 Geary Rd, Sunol (510) 544-3245

Monday, December 12

Exploring Sciences -Elementary Series R

ebparks.org/parks/sunol

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Earth Science: Understanding the Earth bit.ly/3X15OLk Zoom link will be provided via e-

Monday, December 12

1st Fremont Holiday Toy Drive

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Donate new toys, games, gifts cards, or books. Live music by Comfort & Joy Ukulele Group Fremont Flowers 4050 Alder Ave, Fremont (510) 797-1136 fremontflowers.com

Tuesday - Wednesday, **December 13 - December 14 Geminids Meteor Shower \$**

11:45 pm - 3:00 am Join at Observation decks and make an annual trip though the Geminids Meteor Shower Chabot Space and Science Center 10000 Skyline Blvd, Oakland (510) 336-7300

bit.ly/3B36V3J Bring warm clothing and blankets.

Tuesday - Wednesday, **December 13 - December 14 Ride on Tri-City Travel Training** Workshop

11:00 am - 12:30 pm Learn to plan trips, pay fares using Clipper card, transfer between bus and BART Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont

Tree Lighting Calendar

Holiday Tree Lighting with Santa & Mrs. Claus Wednesday, Dec 7

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Holiday cookies, carolers, entertainment, crafts, and "Signing" Santa! Bring your phone/camera for pictures Washington West, Anderson Audito-

2500 Mowry Ave., Fremont (510) 818-7350 www.whhs.com/upcomingevents

Mission San Jose Tree Lighting Ceremony Saturday, Dec 10

5 p.m. – 8 p.m. Live band, cookies, hot chocolate. Fremont Fire Station 4 will deliver Santa Claus! Old School Business Center 43571 Mission Blvd., Fremont

(Next to Subway Sandwiches)

www.msjchamber.org

Andre Thierry free holiday concert

SUBMITTED BY DEBORAH BLACKFORD

Pacific Commons invites the community to a free holiday concert by Grammy-nominated artist Andre Thierry on Friday,

December 9. Thierry is a Grammy-nominated accordion soul artist known for his fast funky rhythms with Zydeco inspiration. Masterful on all types of accordions, few musicians can match this California native's talent.

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You may already know these cohousing people

SUBMITTED BY
EVELYN LATORRE AND
JANE MUELLER

If you are involved in Tri-City community organizations, you may already know many of the people who are forming Mission Peak Village, the area's first cohousing community in Fremont. Cohousing is an intentionally neighborly form of housing designed to provide privacy in your home and community at your doorstep. People who are attracted to this housing design tend to be involved already in the community around them. Besides volunteering to make their cohousing community thrive, many Mission Peak Village members also have a varied history of active volunteerism in the community. More than half, as it happens, are connected with the local League of Women Voters (LWVFNUC), Washington Township Museum of Local History, or Tri-City Ecology Center.

Mission Peak Village founding member Jane Mueller, for example, has been an active League of Women Voters member since 1976, serving periodically on the board of directors. She also served 12 years on the board of Abode Services (now the largest provider in the Bay Area of housing and services to unhoused people) and six years on the board of LifeEldercare. She is a member of Tri-City Ecology Center, Washington Township Museum of Local History, Bay Philharmonic (formerly Fremont Symphony), and Mills College Alumnae Association. She participated in several local election campaigns and was a VIP driver for LifeEldercare, transporting seniors to medical appointments and grocery shopping. During the COVID shutdown, she delivered groceries to people's homes.

"It is empowering join forces with others to make a positive impact," Jane says, reflecting on what draws her participation.

Jane's fiancé, Doug Ford, would agree. He served on

Fremont's Human Relations Commission for 10 years and co-founded the lobbying group Affordable Housing Advocates. He served in leadership roles for more than 20 years on the board of Abode Services and Allied Housing and continues to volunteer on two board committees. Abode honored his service by naming a housing development for low-income seniors—currently under construction in Fremont—the Doug Ford Community Apartments. Doug also supports performing arts as a donor and subscriber of Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center.

Music-lovers Dick and Sandi Pantages have been season subscribers and donors of Bay Philharmonic events for decades. Dick served a term as president of the board, and Sandi served a term as president of the Symphony Guild. They are supporters of Music at the Mission and slack key guitar music in Kauai. Sandi was the first woman elected president of Niles Rotary Club, and Dick was the first man to head up the Rotary auxiliary. Sandi is a former president of the local League of Women Voters and an avid proponent of Alameda County Library Foundation. The couple has served meals at Centerville Free Dining, supported a myoelectric limb bank for youth without limbs, advocated for the Fremont Education Foundation, and volunteered for the CA84 Niles

canyon cleanup. Caroline Harris chairs the Iri-City Ecology Center and volunteers with the Washington Township Museum of Local History, notably as a guide of walking tours. She works with a volunteer crew to maintain the museum's garden, and tends her own Bay Friendly garden raising worms to replenish the soil. Her partner Greg Mau is a longtime member of Alameda Beekeepers Club and Fremont Beeks. He coaches new beekeepers and pursues varied interests, including

Evelyn LaTorre is a former Peace Corps Volunteer and an author. She apportions her time among thirteen different groups, ranging from DKG, an international women educator's organization, the Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCV), and the local League of Women Voters. She and Jane currently serve as co-editors of the *eVoter*, the League's digital newsletter.

lapidary, cooking, and fly fishing.

Donna Schroder, also a former Peace Corps Volunteer, is currently a board member of the Bay Area Circle Dancers and Swinging 21ers Square Dance Club. She volunteers with Fremont's Age-Well Centers and the Community Ambassador Program for Seniors (CAPS).

Anna Ryan, who will be moving to Mission Peak Village from Orange County, is a longtime member and former president of AAUW. Like Caroline, she is an enthusiastic gardener. Maria Caluag, another former Peace Corps Volunteer, is active with the local NorCal RPCV group and the Tri-City Volunteer Food Bank. Lucretia Peebles supports the Second Saturday Documentary program at the Niles Discovery Church. She has served as Vice Chair on the Calitornia Charter Authorizing Professionals Executive Board and a tri-state network supporting state-level initiatives that assist school districts.

Perhaps the connection between cohousers and volunteerism lies in the nature of cohousing itself. Cohousing is a community designed to foster connection. Physical spaces are arranged to encourage neighbors to interact easily with others just outside their individual homes. Common areas—including kitchen, dining space and gardens—bring people together. Collaborative decision-making builds relationships. To learn more on the topic of cohousing, visit www.cohousing.org.

Mission Peak Village is a group of friends forming Fremont's first cohousing community. Memberships are still available. Call Kelli at (510) 413-8446 or visit Mission Peak Village on Facebook, Instagram, or the www.missionpeakcohousing.org website, where you can register for a monthly walk to explore the neighborhood around the future site in the Irvington district of Fremont.



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SUBMITTED BY CITY OF UNION CITY

For many potential homebuyers, preparing to buy a home can be confusing and sometimes frustrating. Officials from ECHO Housing want to help, and are offering a free online Homebuyer Education Workshop.

Topics discussed during the Saturday, December 10 workshop will include how to create a budget, repair credit and how to shop for a lender. The course satisfies homebuyer education requirements for federal, state, and local Below-Market Rate housing assistance programs offered through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, better known as HUD.

The eight-hour workshop starts at 9 a.m. and will meet over the Zoom platform; participants must have an internet-connected computer, table or mobile device. The deadline to register is Friday, December 9. For details, and an online link to register, go to www.echofairhousing.org/.

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OPINION



WILLIAM MARSHAK

The last few months of the year are filled with special days, devoted to family and fellowship in recognition of the serendipity of life. December represents both ends of the spectrum, remembering a devastating attack on Pearl Harbor as well as celebrating the joys of the holiday season. Each of us was set on a path to travel during our existence in this reality. Some have been blessed with advantages of birth and circumstance while others may not be as fortunate. However, in this country, opportunity still exists to circumvent class distinctions.

This unique ability to ascend (or descend) through ability, will and determination is not without challenge. It is constantly under threat, as a rearguard action, by some who have achieved wealth, power and status; an attempt to bar any who would follow and possibly dilute their influence. So far, the steady

A special time of the year

influx of fresh, fertile minds and ingenuity by those with an innate drive to succeed in personal, social, political and societal endeavors has provided an equal, if not overwhelming force to rejuvenate our society. No small part of this energy comes from those who choose to emigrate from elsewhere. They not only add to the intrinsic talent of our population, but act as a multiplier, creating strength through natural synergy, defined as a whole greater than the sum of its parts.

Recognition of the role that family, friends and fellowship play in the miraculous scenario of this societal weave is what makes our holidays so special. The pervasive atmosphere of cheer and goodwill during the darkest months of the year is a welcome counterpoint to cold and rainy weather. Even as political, social and economic events twist and threaten to tear the fabric of our nation, there are moments to rejoice in the basic premise of our country. This is one of those moments to reset and contemplate a dual focus on spiritual and secular celebrations.

Many of us are lucky enough to be born in this country and participate effortlessly in the experiment that Abraham Lincoln eloquently defended in the Gettysburg Address, November 19, 1863: "That government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not

perish from the earth." Today's environment is, in many ways, similar to Lincoln's time - one of overt warfare and bloodshed. The battlefield of Gettysburg was littered with the bodies of those who fervently believed in a cause that threatened to tear our county apart. Following years of torment and strife, an uneasy peace was achieved that, to this day, stains our heritage and discourse. For all its flaws, hopefully, a sense of common purpose still pervades beyond local, state and regional borders.

With a blended ancestral heritage, this country with all its defects has succeeded beyond many reasonable expectations. Along with the successes, come monumental failures... such are the vagaries of life. On these days set aside for personal contemplation and rejoicing, it may be at least one moment when we can all appreciate the personal, professional and civic legacy of our brief existence. How we manage this precious gift is up to each of us.

William Marshak

PUBLISHER

Cookies with cops

SUBMITTED BY SAN LEANDRO PD

San Leandro Police Department (SLPD) is holding a Holiday Cookies with the Cops party, and everyone is invited.

Among VIP guests at the Wednesday, December 7 gathering will be Santa Claus who will be available to pose for holiday photos with children. Guests are encouraged to bring a new unwrapped toy to donate for a Toy Drive for the SLPD Santa on Motors program and Davis Street Family Resource Center.

Family-friendly activities at the party will include cookie decorating and tasting; hot cocoa and holiday popcorn balls will also be served. For parents, San Leandro Police Chief Abdul Pridgen and SLPD staff members will be there for coffee and conversation. The party will be at the San Leandro Police

Department on E. 14th Street.

Holiday Cookies with the Cops Wednesday, Dec 7 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. San Leandro Police Department 901 E. 14th St., San Leandro (510) 577-3228 Free admission

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Approve the lease at Mission Peak

The park district has leased Mission Peak from the city since 1978, and housing tracts sprouted up next to the park in the 1990s. Residents enjoy a peaceful, natural setting with the lowest crime rate in the city while also receiving more police services than the rest of the city. They still feel unsafe, despite having private gated streets and private security guards. Their houses are priced around \$4 million, three times the city average of \$1.25 million.

Their small faction wants to operate the park like a private country club, not a regional park. They want to further restrict park access or shut down the Stanford Avenue entrance. They also want to ban parking on public streets like Vineyard Ave and pare back park hours even more.

The city began negotiating to renew the 25-year lease in late 2019, but when the pandemic struck the city manager and council succumbed to political pressure from the anti-park faction. They shut down the 900-acre park for nearly two months and cited the pandemic as a pretense.

The city quickly learned regional parks are essential for public health, so the city council got caught with their pandemic pants down. The council was forced to do an about-face in November 2021, when they proclaimed they had only closed the street — not the park.

At the behest of the anti-park faction, the city council has twice refused to renew the lease, once in November 2021 and then again on November 15, 2022. But the issue of Mission Peak won't go away, and our politicians can't throw the park in the recycle bin when they get tired of kicking it around.

We worry that our city council is now acting like the dog that caught the car. Having spent the last three years demanding full control over the park, they are only now

discovering that they lack the budget resources and political will to operate it.

The city manager will bring this lease renewal back on the very next council agenda on December 6, 2022.

It's time for our politicians to realize that they represent the entire city, not just that small faction of anti-park activists. Our city council has to grow up, and stop chasing this car. The city council must put this shameful episode behind them by signing the 20-year lease extension. Our city needs the park district to operate Mission Peak in compliance with professional standards as a regional asset for recreation, public health, and natural preservation.

Tell the city council that you want them to renew the lease on December 6, 2022.

> Lawrence Edelson Mission Peak Conservancy







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Don't miss these colorful holiday homes

BY ROB KLINDT

People who have lived in the Tri-City area for a long time know that Crippsmas Place in north Fremont is one of the most popular places to see neighborhood Christmas lights and holiday displays. It's been a tradition for more than 50 years. But nowadays there is competition. Here is a sampling of several other impressive and festively decorated residential homes in the area that are worth a look:

Newark:

• Hellewell Family home, 6716 Fountaine Ave., Newark. Anchored by a 40-foot Inflatable Santa Claus and a rooftop Grinch character, this spectacular display includes thousands of colorful lights, animatronics, music and a colorful sidewalk step piano (think Tom Hanks in the movie, "Big"). The home was recently featured on ABC television's "Great Christmas Light Fight." Open 5 to 10 p.m. daily through the holidays. Santa will visit Saturday, December 17 and visitors are encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate to a charity toy drive with proceeds going to Newark Memorial Newark Unified School District Family Shopping Event.

Fremont:

- Emmanuel Christmas Village,
- 43344 Arkwood St., Fremont. Rotating color light strings, holiday characters, Santa and his reindeer, penguins, snowmen and more. Park the car and walk to the driveway to see hundreds of beautiful hand-carved figures including Nativity scenes from around the world, Christmas dolls, a miniature wonderland of homes, shops, carnival rides and electric trains. A donation box to benefit local children is available.
- A Victorian Christmas, Zacate Place, Fremont (east of Mission Boulevard off Morrison Canyon Road). A cul-de-sac walking tour of numerous well-decorated Victorian-style homes featuring lights, vintage Christmas decorations, dolls, toys and festive mailboxes. A donation box to benefit a local food pantry is available. More similarly decorated homes are located nearby on Espada Court.
- Christmas Corner, 5481 Omar St., Fremont. A longtime holiday drive-by landmark featuring

- hundreds of contemporary synchronized lights and
- Family Christmas, 5083 Hutton St., Fremont. This colorful drive-by includes large inflatable figures, an animated Santa Claus snow globe, penguins, lighted candy canes, reindeer and Disney figures.

Union City:

- Spirit of Christmas, 4641 Queen Anne Court, Union City. Twenty homes featuring decorated Christmas trees, inflatable figures, synchronized lights and music. Donations accepted for the Alameda County Community Food Bank.
- Winter Wonderland, 32247 Valiant Way, Union City. A trip to the north pole with penguins, snowmen, Rudolph the Red-Nosed-Reindeer, holiday lights and more.

A fully searchable database of holiday lights by city or ZIP code, is available online at www.californiachristmaslights.com. For holiday lights enthusiasts within the Tri-City Voice distribution area and would like to advertise their display, please forward a photo and brief description to: tricityvoice@aol.com



The Hellewell home in Newark was recently featured on ABC's "Great Christmas Light Fight."

Candlelight Vigil honors those who have died while **homeless**

SUBMITTED BY CHRIS DE BENEDETTI Рното ву **ALAIN MCLAUGHLIN**

Abode Services and St. James' Episcopal Church co-hosted their 9th annual Candlelight Vigil on November 28, honoring individuals who have passed away while experiencing homelessness, and featuring a call to action to help those in need. The interfaith ceremony began at 6 p.m. at the church in Fremont.

Reverend Lori Walton, Rector of St. James' Episcopal Church, served as the vigil's emcee. Other speakers representing various religious faiths included Joy Barnitz, president of Tri-City Interfaith Council; Reverend Barbara F. Meyers, community minister with Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation; Shamsa Rafay, member of the Muslim faith community; Rakhi Israni, member of the Hindu faith community; Reverend Jeffrey Spencer, senior pastor of Niles Discovery Church; Rabbi Zoe McCoon of Temple Beth Torah; and Abbot Chao Khun Prasert of Wat Buddhanusorn Buddhist temple.

"Far too many of our neighbors suffer on our streets because they lack the most basic needs," Walton said. "We must



reach out to help the marginalized and lift up the disenfranchised to forge the type of compassionate, supportive society in which we all deserve to live. This vigil aims to raise awareness about the need to care for and recognize the humanity of all our residents."

The names of people who died last year while experiencing homelessness in Alameda and Santa Clara counties were read by Tarrah Henrie, president of Abode Services Board of Directors; Darrian White, secretary and member of Abode Services Board of Directors; and Katie Fantin, Abode Services' vice president of programs in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and San Mateo counties.

The vigil ended with a call to action from Louis Chicoine, Abode Services' chief executive officer.

"Let's not make this normal. This country can do better; our community can do better," Chicoine said. "It's simply a matter of caring and valuing every single life. It is a matter of fact that each one of us has someone in our lives who is lonely, who is confused, who is lost, who is addicted, who doesn't have a grasp on reality or cannot function for themselves. Let's not judge them, let's be with them. Let's show them love."

> **Abode Services** (510) 657-7409 www.abodeservices.org

Ohlone basketball continues winning streak

By April Ramos PHOTOS BY DON JEDLOVEC

On Tuesday, November 29 the Ohlone Men's basketball team played at home against Merritt College of Marin in a competitive game.

From the start of the game, the Ohlone Renegades and Merritt T-birds fought for the lead. The Renegades managed to get a 12 - 6 lead forcing Merritt to call for a time out. Merritt College began to heat up after their time out, but Ohlone continued to hold a lead by a few points until a 26-point tie. Merritt broke the tie with a two-point lead and the teams continued to alternate dominance. With two minutes on the clock Ohlone managed to end the first half with a close lead of 46 - 44 with a three-point shot by Nebiyu Teklemariam.

The pace at the start of the second half was a downshift. Although, one highlight came when a pass from Jaylen Jones led to a one-handed dunk by Michael Fastion.

Matthew Villanueva made a two-point shot and soon after a three-pointer, breaking another tie and putting Ohlone ahead

Ohlone began to get frustrated when no one was able to complete a play, sending them five points behind. Three minutes before the final buzzer, Ohlone took the lead with two free throws. Ohlone inched their way back up with another two free throw shots making the score

In the last 2 minutes, Merritt drove the ball down the court but lost control, leading to a steal from Renegade Fastion who made a two-point basket. Ohlone got a rebound with 57 seconds on the clock, but got a foul call. The T-birds missed their free throw. Ohlone then received three opportunities for free throws and collected five more points ending the game at 81-74. This continues Ohlone's winning streak at 7-0.



Ohlone's Matthew Villanueva helps continue Ohlone's winning streak.

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See Santa on an antique fire engine

SUBMITTED BY
ALAMEDA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

A festive afternoon of family-friendly fun, holiday treats and a visit with Santa Claus for kids is on tap Saturday, December 10 at Alameda County Fire Station 9 in San Leandro.

Co-sponsored by Alameda Fire Department, Alameda County Firefighters Local 55 and Rotary Club of San Leandro, the three-hour "Santa at the Firehouse" event starts at 2 p.m. at 450 Estudillo Ave. and is open to the public. Hot cocoa, cookies and other sweets will be available and children will have a chance to have a digital photo taken with Santa Claus on an antique fire engine.

Visitors are encouraged to bring a new unwrapped toy or gift card to donate to the Alameda County Firefighters Holiday Toy Drive. For those who can't make it to the event in person to donate, more information about the toy drive, including online donations and additional toy drop-off locations, is posted at www.alcoff55toys.com.

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Fremont Police Log

SUBMITTED BY MONICA LEON

Friday, December 2

• At around 8:00 a.m. officers responded to a traffic collision on southbound Blacow Road at Calaveras Avenue. No injuries were immediately reported, but police closed the area to traffic for several hours during their investigation. The lanes were reopened to traffic by mid-afternoon.



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Savitri Singh Resident of Fremont November 15, 1938 – November 30, 2022

Patricia Sanguinetti Resident of Fremont September 30, 1929 – November 28, 2022

Blanche Scarpino

Resident of Fremont August 22, 1933 – November 28, 2022

Farooq Kamal Resident of Fremont July 22, 1943 – November 27, 2022

Nelson Bolyard Resident of Milpitas April 28, 1956 – November 25, 2022

Sreeja Nagirimadugu Resident of Mountain ViewNovember 6, 1992 – November 24, 2022

Tyree Jackson Resident of Santa Clara

December 1, 1999 – November 23, 2022

Michael Lingle

Resident of FremontDecember 20, 1948 – November 23, 2022

Punitha Kothandapani Resident of Pleasanton October 19, 1977 – November 23, 2022

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Resident of India July 1, 1941 – November 21, 2022

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Budi Sutanto Resident of Union City May 12, 1941 – November 13, 2022

Ching Tung Chen Resident of Sunnyvale June 22, 1938 – November 12, 2022

Sister Beatrice Rojas Resident of Fremont July 26, 1923 – November 12, 2022

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Brent Yerman Resident of Fremont September 24, 1990 – October 23, 2022

Blanche Scarpino

Resident of Fremont

August 22, 1933 – November 18, 2022

Blanche Marie Cuesta Scarpino, beloved wife and mother, passed away on November 28, 2022 in Fremont, California at the age of 89.

Blanche was born on august 22, 1933 in San Antonio, Texas to Herbert and Marie Cuesta. She was the youngest of eight children. She met her devoted husband, Theodore Scarpino, while he was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, at the Officers Club where they shared a love of dancing. They were married, April 11, 1955, and were happily married for 67 years.

Throughout their marriage, they lived in Washington D.C., San Antonio and Houston, Texas, and Fremont, California, but she always called San Antonio home, where she spent most of her life.

She was blessed with four loving sons, Ted, John, David, and Steven. She is also survived by nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She had a vivacious, fun-loving personality and loved to laugh and tell stories with family and friends. She had a passion for dancing, whether it was out with her husband or at



home with her sons. She also enjoyed swimming and bunco, where she won the queen bunco award.

As a dedicated and loving mother and grandmother, she remained a guiding and supportive presence throughout her sons and grandchildren's lives. Her strong catholic faith shaped and guided her throughout her life and death. She never tired in prayer or encouragement of imparting her faith to her family. May our Lord grant unto her eternal rest and may His perpetual light shine upon her.

Sherry Anne Black



Sherry Anne Black, age 58, passed away on November 2, 2022 at her home in Eagle, Idaho. She was surrounded by family and friends who helped her through her year-long battle with colon cancer.

Sherry was born on June 30, 1964, in Fremont, CA. She was the sixth child of Faith and Jerry Flemmer. She attended Harvey Green Elementary, David Reynolds Junior High, and Irvington High School. She went on to attain her Bachelors Degree in Business Administration.

Sherry met the love of her life, Tim, at a New Years eve party in the 1990's and their lives were forever changed. After a joyful courtship and beautiful wedding, they were blessed with the birth of their daughter Kayla, and 2 years later, the birth of their daughter Faith.

Sherry's first jobs were working in electronics at AMD and LSI logic where she learned a lot about technology and made lifetime friends. Eventually though, she left electronics and

started her own business, 'Rise Above Dyslexia'. Her specialty was tutoring children and adults who have Dyslexia to improve their reading and spelling skills. She also worked for 'Bright Solutions for Dyslexia', a company that creates training and educational tools to treat Dyslexia. Her students, parents of the students, and her co-workers became lifelong friends.

In 2015, Sherry and her family took a leap of faith and moved to Eagle, Idaho. One of her dreams was to have a home overlooking the water, and when her family moved they bought a house overlooking a small lake – a dream come true. Sherry loved nature walks, baking and going to the beach or a lake, but the thing that she enjoyed even more was being around her family. Family was always important to her, and she always put others before herself.

Sherry had a true and everlasting faith in GOD, and her faith never wavered. She has gone to meet GOD in heaven and will be watching over all of us until we rejoin her in Heaven. Her laughter, voice, personality and kindness will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her husband Tim Black, two daughters Kayla and Faith Black, and siblings Darlene Flemmer, Dennis Flemmer, Donna (Flemmer)Spence, Kathy Flemmer, and her twin sister Gail (Flemmer) Buchmann.

A private service was held in Eagle Idaho on Nov 19th, 2022.

BART Police Log

SUBMITTED BY
LES MENSINGER AND BART PD

Saturday, November 26

• At 5:00 p.m. a man identified by police as Genaro Alvarez, 50 of San Francisco was arrested at Fremont station on two outstanding warrants. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

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SUBMITTED BY UNITED STATES POSTAL **SERVICE**

During the busy holiday season, the United States Postal Service is keeping up the pace as demand for services increase. To ensure customers get their holiday packages on time letter carriers will be delivering as early as 6:00 a.m. in many major metro locations across the country.

During December carriers are delivering in the early mornings in many communities throughout the East Bay. To help keep your letter carrier safe, USPS officials are asking customers to keep their porch light on, especially if they notice mail has not yet been delivered.

Tips for a successful holiday mailing and shipping season:

- Use free Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes. They are available at post office locations or online at usps.com/freeboxes.
- Make it easy with the Click-N-Ship feature. Customers can create shipping labels and pay for postage online at usps.com/ship.
- Schedule a free Package Pickup when the carrier deliver mail. It's free regardless of the number of packages. Pickups can be scheduled at usps.com/pickup.
- Mail and packages that weigh more than 10 ounces or are more than a half-inch thick and using stamps as postage cannot be dropped into a collection box or left for a carrier to pick up. Instead, take them to a local post
- Sign up for Informed Delivery. Keep an eye on deliveries by registering at informeddelivery.usps.com to see what packages are enroute and to receive daily emails showing what mail will be delivered.

• Monitor the front door. If you have a home security camera system, ensure it captures and saves activity at your front door and mailbox. If you catch any mail thieves in the act, save the video and alert your local Postal Inspectors. Video surveillance goes a long way in preventing crimes and catching the bad guys. The U.S. Postal Inspection Service can be reached at (877) 876-2455.

• Don't leave delivered mail and packages unattended. Just as wallets and purses shouldn't be left on the front seat of an unlocked car overnight, mail and packages shouldn't be left uncollected in mailboxes or on front porches for any length of time.

2022 holiday shipping deadlines:

The Postal Service recommends the following mailing and shipping deadlines for expected delivery by Dec. 25 to domestic addresses and Air/Army Post Office/Fleet Post Office/Diplomatic Post Office (APO/FPO/DPO) addresses:

- Dec. 9: APO/FPO/DPO (all ZIP Codes) Priority Mail and First-Class Mail
- Dec. 16: APO/FPO/DPO (except ZIP Code 093) USPS Priority Mail Express Military service
- Dec. 17 USPS Retail Ground service
- Dec. 17 First-Class Mail service (including greeting cards)
- Dec. 17 First-Class packages (up to 15.99 ounces)
- Dec. 19 Priority Mail service • Dec. 23 Priority Mail Express service

Additional news and information, including all domestic, international and military mailing and shipping deadlines, and tips to keep mail safe can be found on the Postal Service Holiday Newsroom at usps.com/holidaynews.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

Cougar Report

SUBMITTED BY RACHEL KAHOALII

Cross County

The Newark Memorial Boys Cross Country team finished in 15th place at the California State Championship. The Cougars saved their best performance for last, avenging two early season losses to section rival Maria Carrillo, and held their own against the best teams

Varsity Girls' Cross Country placed 5th in a tightly contested NCS Championships on Saturday, November 26 at Hayward High School falling short of State meet qualification by 12 points. It was a great season for the Mission Valley Athletic League champion Lady Cougars who improved on their 11th place finish in the NCS from a year ago.





NOTICE OF POTENTIAL REPURPOSE OR REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS DONATED TO ST. JOSEPH PARISH IN FREMONT, FOR THE "TO BUILD CHURCH" PROJECT FROM 1999-2022.

St. Joseph Parish, 43148 Mission Boulevard, Fremont, wishes to inform donors who donated from 1999-2022 to their "To Build Church" campaign of the opportunity to repurpose donated funds to the current needs of the parish, or to receive a reimbursement of their donated funds. This includes heirs of deceased donors. Donors may contact Gina Mehta, Parish Business Manager, for more information at 510-656-2364 ext. 100 or unwindingprocess@saintjosephmsj.org.

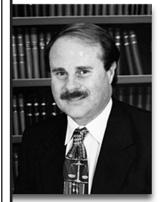
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Know Your Immigration Rights

SUBMITTED BY NARIKA

Narika, in collaboration with Immigration Institute of the Bay Area (IIBA), is hosting an in-person "Know Your Right" Information Session on Immigration on Wednesday, December 7. Topics addressed will include immigration rights, dependent visas, pathway to citizenship, visa options for those who have experienced domestic violence.

Chai and refreshments will be served. This event is free to attend, but spots are limited, so advance

registration is required. Register online at https://tinyurl.com/narikaimmigration.

> **Know Your Immigration Rights** information session Wednesday, Dec 7 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Family Resource Center** Pacific Room #H800 39155 St., Fremont 1 (800) 215-7308

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> Crippsmas Place Saturday, Dec 10 - Saturday, Dec 31 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

> > Santa & Mrs. Claus Dec 11, 12, 13, 18 & 19 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

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Santa Clara Valley **Water District Board of Directors** Meeting

November 22, 2022

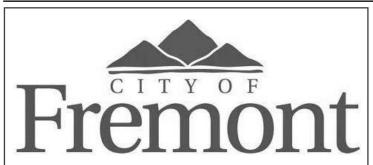
Consent Calendar:

- Approve membership nominations for reappointments for two-year terms to the Environmental and Water Resources Committee.
- Approve agreement with Lighthouse Public Affairs, LLC, for State Lobbying Services.
- Approve the Relocation Impact Study and Last Resort Housing Plan for the Anderson Dam Tunnel Project.
- Amend the Master Services Agreement with Mobile-Med Work Health Solutions, Inc. for the COVID-19 Medical Health Provider Services.

- Adopt the salary structure for the Unrepresented Employees in the Executive Service.
 - Adopt 2023 employee salary schedule.
- Authorize representatives to submit a grant application to the United States Bureau of Reclamation Desalination and Water Purification Research Program.

Chair John Varela	Aye
Barbara Keegan	Aye
Richard Santos	Aye
Linda LeZotte	Aye
Nai Hsueh	Aye
Tony Estremera	Aye
Garv Kremen	Ave

PUBLIC NOTICES



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

WINTER 2022/2023 CODE UPDATE - CITYWIDE - PLN2023-00122

To consider amending various chapters of Fremont Municipal Code Title 17 (Subdivisions) and Title 18 (Planning and Zoning) to clarify and enhance definitions, procedures, and standards related to development and use of property within the City.

APPLICANT: City of Fremont

PUBLIC HEARING: Notice is hereby given that the Fremont Planning Commission will consider the proposal on Thursday, December 22, 2022, at 7 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 teleconferencing and made accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to impose and promote social distancing pursuant with Government Code Section 54953(E) (ASSEMBLY BILL 361). Information on how to participate in the meeting by teleconference will be made available on the meeting agenda posted online at HTTPS://CITY. FREMONT.GOV/PLANNINGCOMMISSION at least three days prior to the meeting.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: The proposal is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), per, without limitation, each on a separate and independent basis, CEQA Guidelines §15061 (Review for Exemption) and §15183 (Projects Consistent with a Community Plan, General Plan, or Zoning).

Any questions or comments on the project should be submitted

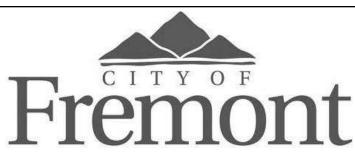
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

2023-2031 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE (PLN2022-00335)

To consider a General Plan Amendment adopting the 2023-2031 Housing Element update.

APPLICANT: City of Fremont

PUBLIC HEARING: Notice is hereby given that the Fremont Planning Commission will consider the proposal on Thursday, December 22, 2022, at 7 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 teleconferencing and made accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to impose and promote social distancing pursuant with Government Code Section 54953(E) (ASSEMBLY BILL 361). Information on how to participate in the meeting by teleconference will be made available on the meeting agenda posted online at HTTPS://CITY.FREMONT.GOV/PLANNINGCOMMISSION at least three days prior to the meeting.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: The proposal is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), per, without limitation, each as a separate and independent basis, CEQA Guidelines Section 15183, in that the proposed Housing Element update is consistent with the density established by the General Plan, for which an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (SCH#2010082060) was previously prepared and certified, and CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), in that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed Housing Element update would have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

Any questions or comments on the project should be submitted to:

Wayland Li, Principal Planner

Location: 39550 Liberty Street, Fremont P.O. Box 5006, Fremont, CA 94537-5006 Mailine:

(510) 494-4453 Phone: E-mail: wli@fremont.gov

Courtney Pal, Associate Planner

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CIVIL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 22CV021083 Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA Petition of: CICLEY WINSTON for Change of

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: this court for a decree changing names as follows: CICLEY JEANETTE WINSTON to CICLEY

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

grant the petition without a hearing. Notice of Hearing: Date: JAN 13, 2023, Time: 11:00AM, Dept.: 17

Room: —
The address of the court is 24405 AMADOR STREET, HAYWARD, CA 94544
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: TRI-CITY VOICE
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Date: NOV 07, 2022 CHARLES A SMILEY

Judge of the Superior Court 11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/6/22

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 22CV0121089 Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA Petition of: AUNG HTUT WONG for Change of

CNS-3643727#

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF FREMONT PLANNING COMMISSION

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 PROPOSALS. THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD VIA A TELECONFERENCE ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2022, 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 TELECONFERENCING AND MADE ACCESSIBLE TELEPHONICALLY TO IMPOSE AND PROMOTE SOCIAL DISTANCING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(E) (ASSEMBLY BILL 361). INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING BY TELECONFERENCE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON THE MEETING AGENDA POSTED ONLINE HTTPS://CITY.FREMONT.GOV/PLANNINGCOMMISSION AT LEAST THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

2023-2031 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE - CITYWIDE - PLN2022-00335 - To consider a General Plan Amendment adopting the 2023-2031 Housing Element adopting the 2023-2031 Housing Element update, and to consider a finding that no further environmental review is required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), per, without limitation, each as a separate and independent basis, CEQA Guidelines Section 15183, in that the proposed Housing Element update is consistent with the density established by the General Plan, for which an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (SCH#2010082060) was previously prepared and certified, and CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), in that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed Housing Element update would have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

environment. Project Planner - Wayland Li, (510) 494-4453, wil@fremont.gov Project Planner - Courtney Pal (510) 494-4532, cpal@fremont.gov

WINTER 2022/2023 CODE UPDATE —
CITYWIDE — PLN2023-00122 - To consider amending various chapters of Fremont Municipal Code Title 17 (Subdivisions) and Title 18 (Planning and Zoning) to clarify and enhance definitions, procedures, and standards related to development and use of property within the City; and to consider exemptions from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), each on a separate and independent basis, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15061 (Review for Exemption) and §15183 (Projects Consistent with a Community Plan, General Plan, or Zoning). Project Planner — Mayank Patel, (510) 494-4450, mpatel@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 FREMONT PLANNING COMMISSION



Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner AUNG HTUT WONG filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: AUNG HTUT WONG to PETER AUNG HTUT

AUNG HTUT WONG to PETER AUNG HTUT WONG
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 01/06/2023, Time: 11:00AM, Dept.: 17, Room:—

trees of the court is 1221 OAK ST

OAKLAND, CA 94612 OARLAND, CA 94612
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: TRICITY VOICE. general circu CITY VOICE Date: 11-03-2022

Judge of the Superior Court 11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/6/22

CNS-3643448#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS **NAMES**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 593574

Fictitious Business Name(s):
NV TRAVELS / TEAM FITTER, 37851 ESSANAY
PL., FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):

NAVPREET KAUR DHILLON, 37851 ESSANAY

PL., FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA

Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant began to transact business using

the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

11-23-2022 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/ NAVPREET KAUR DHILLON

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/23/2022

NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county. clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner fictitious business name statement must be new fictitious business na filed before the expiration.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27/22

CNS-3649104#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 593605
Fictitious Business Name(s):
HONG SHUN, 29231 HARPOON WAY,
HAYWARD, CA 94544, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
HONGJIE GU, 29231 HARPOON WAY,
HAYWARD, CA 94544
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/HONGJIE GU
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of
Alameda County on 11/28/2022
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a)
of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement
generally expires at the end of five years from the
date on which it was filed in office of the county
clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of
Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF FREMONT ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE
CITY OF FREMONT WILL HOLD A
PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FOLLOWING
PROPOSAL. SAID PUBLIC HEARING
WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY AT 3:00
P.M., ON MONDAY DECEMBER 19,
2022, AT WHICH TIME ALL PARTIES
AND INTERESTED PERSONS MAY
PARTICIPATE VIA TELECONFERENCING
PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE
SECTION \$4953(E) (ASSEMBLY
BILL 361). INFORMATION ON HOW
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING
BY TELECONFERENCE WILL
BE MADE AVAILABLE ON THE
MEETING AGRONDA POSTED ONLINE
AT HTTPS://CITY.FREMONT.GOV/
ZONINGADMINISTRATOR AT LEAST
THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

VEGA KIDS PLAY AREA — 4910 Paseo Padre Parkway — PLN202-00484 - To consider a Zoning Administrator permit for the conversion of an existing 1,530-square-foot tenant space into a new preschool play area located at 4910 Paseo Padre Parkway in the North Fremont Community Plan Area; and to consider a categorical exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities.

Project Planner — Marc Cleveland, (510) 494-4543, mcleveland@fremont.gov

* NOTICE *

If you challenge the decision of the Zoning Administrator 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 Zoning Administrator at, or prior to, the public hearing.

CLIFFORD NGUYEN ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/6. 12/13. 12/20. 12/27/22

CNS-3649067#

12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27/22

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
OF USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME
File No. 566181
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name(s):
The Fictitious Business Name Statement filed on 12/05/2019 in the County of Alameda.
ARDENWOOD TAX SERVICE, 2140 PERALTA BLVD- STE 111, FREMONT, CA 94536, County of: ALAMEDA.

of: ALAMEDA.
Registered Owner(s):
DALE B MILLER, 33757 SHYLOCK DR,
FREMONT, CA 94555
This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
I declare that all information in this statement is
true and correct. A registrant who declares as
true any material matter pursuant to this section
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/ DALE B. MILLER
This statement was filed with the County ClerkRecorder of Alameda County on NOV 15, 2022.
12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27/22

CNS-3647560#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 593508

MAGIKID ROBOTICS LAB, 2675 STEVENSON BLVD #101, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA

ALAMEDA Registrant(s): ROBOTECHO INC., 3685 MADISON COMMON, FREMONT, CA 94538 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/ YUNJIA XU
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/18/2022

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/18/2022

Alameda County on 11/18/2022

NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

CNS-3646401#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 593350
Fictitious Business Name(s):
LW REALTY & INVESTMENTS, 31424 MARLIN
COURT, UNION CITY, CA 94587, County of
ALAMEDA
Registrant/a.

ALAMEDA Registrant(s): LUIS A. WONG, 31424 MARLIN COURT, UNION CITY, CA 94587, County of ALAMEDA 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

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/ LUIS A WONG
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

Is/ LUIS A WONG
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/09/2022
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clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself

authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 11/22, 11/29, 12/6, 12/13/22

CNS-3644406#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 592979
Fictitious Business Name(s):
SUBWAY, 20848 MISSION BLVD #1450,
HAYWARD, CA 94541, County of ALAMEDA
Pacistrant(s):

Registrant(s):
MULTANI FOODS SERVICES, INC., 6453 BAINE
AVEAPT #G, NEWARK, CA 94560 (CALIFORNIA)
Business conducted by: A CORPORATION
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

10/26/2022 I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares

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/ GURINDERJIT SINGH This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

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filed before the expiration.
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CNS-3644386#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 593259

Fictitious Business Name(s):
MTN MAN YOGA, 2571 OCALA ST., HAYWARD,
CA 94545, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):
JASON YEATES, 2571 OCALA ST., HAYWARD,
CA 94545, County of ALAMEDA
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].

Is/ JASON YEATES

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

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78/ JASON YEATES
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/07/2022
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CNS-3644154#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 593152
Fictitious Business Name(s):
LIN DEE LIU SERVICES, 41368 DANZON
COURT, FREMONT, CA 94539 County of
ALAMFDA ALAMEDA

ALAMEDA Registrant(s):
LIN DEE LIU, 41368 DANZON CT, FREMONT, CA 94539
Business conducted by: an Individual The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.

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

S/ LIN DEE LIU,

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one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

S/ LIN DEE LIU,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/02/2022.
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration. The filling of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

CNS-3644150#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 593263 Fictitious Business Name(s):

FICITIOUS BUSINESS NAME(S):
MIDDLEWAY PSYCHOTHERAPY, 2571 OCALA
ST., HAYWARD, CA 94545, County of ALAMEDA
MAILING ADDRESS: PO BOX 450, HAYWARD,
CA 94557
Registrant(s):

CA 94337 Registrant(s): MARHYA KELSCH LCSW, 2571 OCALA ST., HAYWARD, CA 94545 Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 01.10.2025 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/ MARHYA KELSCH This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/ 07/ 2022
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in

pursuant of security 73 of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

The filing of this statement does not of itself outbodies the use in this estate of a fertilious. authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section

14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 11/22, 11/29, 12/6, 12/13/22 CNS-3644146#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 592813
Fictitious Business Name(s):
BAY AREA LUXURY LIMOUSINE SERVICE,
32941 REGENTS BLVD, UNION CITY, CA 94587
COUNTY of ALAMEDA
Repistrant(s):

Registrant(s): HSN TRUCKING INC, 32941 REGENTS BLVD, UNION CITY, CA 94587

Business conducted by: a Corporation
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 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].)
HSN TRUCKING INC
S/ KULDEEP S NAKHWAL

S/KULDEEP'S NAKHWAL
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 10/18/2022.
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authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/6/22

CNS-3644140#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 593234 Fictitious Business Name(s): BRIDGES REGISTRATION SERVICES, 2216 AMERICAN AVENUE, HAYWARD, CA 94545 County of ALAMEDA Registrant(s):

Registrant(s): BUI KRISTY, 1422 SANTONA STREET, MANTECA, CA 95337 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].)

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/04/2022. NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/6/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 592825 Fictitious Business Name(s): JD CUSTOM CABINETS, 37400 CEDAR BLVD STE E, NEWARK, CA 94560 County of ALAMEDA Registrant(s): JD CUSTOM CABINETS, 36436 BUCKEYE ST, NEWARK, CA 94560

JD CUSTOM CABINETS, 36436 BUCKEYE ST, NEWARK, CA 94560
Business conducted by: a limited liability company The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 03/15/2022.

ol/15/2022.

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].)

JD CUSTOM CABINETS

EVENCY ICHAMALIE

one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
JD CUSTOM CABINETS
S/ DEYSI CHAMALE,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of
Alameda County on 10/19/2022.
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a)
of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement
generally expires at the end of five years from the
date on which it was filed in office of the county
clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of
Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after
any change in the facts set forth in the statement
pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in
the residence address of a registered owner. A
new fictitious business name statement must be
filed before the expiration.
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authorize the use in this state of a fictitious
business name in violation of the rights of another
under federal, state, or common law (see Section
14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/6/22

CNS-3642429#

CNS-3642429#

GOVERNMENT

ORDINANCE NO. 908-22: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY AMENDING CHAPTER 2.04, CITY COUNCIL, OF THE UNION CITY MUNICIPAL

CODE
ORDINANCE NO. 909-22: AN ORDINANCE OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNION
CITY APPROVING ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT,
AT-22-007, AMENDING CHAPTER 18.36,
"COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS", AND CHAPTER "COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS", AND CHAPTER
18.117, "COMMERCIAL CANNABIS
BUSINESSES,"OFTHE UNION CITY MUNICIPAL
CODE TO AUTHORIZE THE CANNABIS
DISPENSARY USE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD
COMMERCIAL (CN) DISTRICT, COMMUNITY
COMMERCIAL (CC) DISTRICT, VISITOR
AND RECREATION COMMERCIAL (CVR)
DISTRICT, AND THE PROFESSIONAL &
ADMINISTRATIVE COMMERCIAL (CPA)
DISTRICT AND AMENDING SECTION 5.44.050,
"STANDARDS FOR COMMERCIAL CANNABIS
DISPENSABIES"

DISPENSARIES"
ORDINANCE NO. 910-22: AN ORDINANCE
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
UNION CITY REPEALING AND REPLACING
CHAPTERS 15.20, 15.40, 15.44, 15.48, 15.52,
15.80, 15.81, AND 15.84 OFTITLE 15, BUILDING
AND CONSTRUCTION, OF THE UNION CITY
MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCORPORATE THE
2022 CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODES WITH
LOCAL AMENDMENTS
The above entitled Ordinances were introduced DISPENSARIES

LOCAL AMENDMENTS
The above entitled Ordinances were introduced on November 8, 2022 and adopted by the City Council on November 22, 2022. This abbreviated notice is published in lieu of the full text of the ordinance. A copy of the full text of the ordinance, is available on the City's website at: https://www.unioncity.org/250/Transparency-Portal
A copy of the full text of the ordinances are also available at the Office of the City Clerk 34009

A copy of the full text of the ordinances are also available at the Office of the City Clerk, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, California, during normal business hours. The City Clerk can be reached by phone at 510-675-5448 if you desire a copy of the full text of the ordinance sent to you via email or by first class mail.

ORDINANCE NOS. 908-22, 909-22 AND 910-22 WERE PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Union City at a regular meeting held on November 22, 2022 by the following roll call vote:
AYES: Councilmembers Duncan, Gacoscos, Singh, Vice Mayor Patiño, Mayor Dutra-Vernaci NOES: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVED: /s/ Carol Dutra-Vernaci CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, Mayor

/s/ Anna M. Brown ANNA BROWN, City Clerk APPROVED AS TO FORM: /s/ Kristopher J. Kokotaylo KRISTOPHER J. KOKOTAYLO, City Attorney

CNS-3649618#

ORDINANCE NO. 906-22: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY APPROVING ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT (AT-22-006) TO UPDATE TITLE 18, ZONING, FOR CONSISTENCY WITH THE 2023-2031 DRAFT HOUSING ELEMENT INCLUDING CREATION OF CHAPTER 18.27 AND RELATED MISCELLANEOUS UPDATES TO CHAPTERS 18.35 and 18.36 ORDINANCE NO. 907-22: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY APPROVING ZONING MAP AMENDMENT (A-22-003) TO UPDATE THE ZONING MAP FOR CONSISTENCY WITH THE DRAFT 2023-2031 HOUSING ELEMENT

The above entitled Ordinances were introduced on November 8, 2022 and adopted by the City Council on November 22, 2022. This abbreviated notice is published in lieu of the full text of the ordinance. A copy of the full text of the ordinance, is available on the City's website at: https://www.unioncity.org/250/Transparency-Portal A copy of the full text of the ordinances are also available at the Office of the City Clerk, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, California, during normal business hours. The City Clerk can be reached by phone at 510-675-5448 if you desire a copy of the full text of the ordinance sent to you via email or by first class mail.

ORDINANCE NOS. 906-22 AND 907-22 WERE

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ORDINANCE NOS. 906-22 AND 907-22 WERE PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Union City at a regular meeting held on November 22, 2022 by the following roll call vote: AYES: Councilmembers Gacoscos, Singh, Vice

Mayor Patiño NOES: None

ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: Councilmember Duncan, Mayor Dutra-

/s/ Carol Dutra-Vernaci CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, Mayor

ANNA BROWN, City Clerk APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Kristopher J. Kokotaylo KRISTOPHER J. KOKOTAYLO, City Attorney

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
Sealed bids will be received in the Office of
Purchasing Services at 3300 Capitol Ave., Bldg.
B, Fremont, California, up to the hour of 2:00
PM on January 6, 2023. Due to the current
safety measures in place there will not be a
public bid opening for this project. The bids will
be opened by Purchasing and the initiating
department representative. A preliminary bid
result will be posted on the City's website the
same day by 4:00 p.m. RIX PARK BASKETBALL
COURT PROJECT PWC 9012 A PRE-BID
CONFERENCE: A conference will be held on
December 15th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., at the
following location: 4911 Seneca Park Loop,
Fremont, CA, to acquaint all prospective bidders Fremont, CA, to acquaint all prospective bidders with the Contract Documents and the Worksite The bidders' conference is not mandatory. Plans, special provisions and standard proposal forms to be used for bidding on this project can be obtained for a non-refundable fee at ARC Solutions located at 821 Martin Avenue, Santa Clara, CA 95050 via Phone (408) 295-5770 or email: santaclara@earc.com or through Planwell at www.e-arc.com location/santa-clara. Please reference BID #23location/santa-clara. Please reference BID #23002 No partial sets will be issued, cost is nonrefundable. Call to confirm availability of copies
before coming to pick up documents. For more
information on this project, contact the City of
Fremont Purchasing Department at jbecerrascola@fremont.gov JANICE BECERRA, CPPB
PURCHASING DIVISION CITY OF FREMONT
12/6 12/13/22

CNS-3649262#

CITY OF FREMONT PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fremont City Council will hold a public hearing to consider the following proposal. Said public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 20, 2022, Council Chambers, 3300 Capitol Ave., Bldg. A, Fremont, CA, at which time all interested parties may attend and be heard:

ADOPTION OF LIVE/ WORK PREFERENCE

POLICY - CITYWIDE

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Public Hearing (Published Notice) To consider the Planning Commission's recommendation to adopt an ordinance amending the City's Affordable Housing Ordinance (Chapter 18.155 of the Fremont Municipal Code) to Include a Live / Work Preference Policy for City Regulated Affordable Housing Developments, and to consider a finding that no further environmental review is required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), per, without limitation, each as a separate and independent basis, CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15061.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, a publicly accessible location may not be provided for the public hearing. Information on how to participate virtually will be made available, at least 72-hours prior to the meeting, on the agenda posted online http://fremont.gov/AgendaCenter/City-Council-4. If you challenge any decision of the City Council in court, you may be limited to raising only tools in court, you may be limited to raising only tools in court, you may be limited to raising only tools in court, you may be limited to raising only council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

SUSAN GAUTHIEFS, CITY CLERK

or prior to, the public hearing. SUSAN GAUTHIER, CITY CLERK 12/6/22

CNS-3648800#

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

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Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Union Sanitary District in their office located at 5072 Benson Road, Union City, CA 94587-2508, at any time prior to 2:00:00 p.m. local time on January 17, 2023 for furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, and services for the construction of improvements designated as:

Plant Miscellaneous Improvements Project Project No. 800-558

The Work consists of civil, structural, mechanical, electrical, and instrumentation improvements to various areas of the Alvarado Wastewater Treatment Plant. To accomplish this work the Contractor shall complete the work items indicated on the Drawings and Specifications, including but not limited to the following:

- Addition of fall protection on the roof of the following structures:
- Heating and Mixing Building No. 2.

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- Alvarado Influent Pump Station.
 - Paint Shop.
 - Field Operations Building.
 - Degritter Building.
 - Repair and rehabilitation of concrete and coating at chemical containment areas adjacent to the Odor Control Building and Maintenance Shop Building.
 - Replacement of RBC No. 2 in the Reclaimed.

Building.

- Replacement of RBC No. 2 in the Reclaimed Water Pump Room with a new RIO Panel.

- Addition of VFD for either Reclaimed Water Pump No. 2 or Pump No. 3.

- Rehabilitation of concrete, coating, and/or steel rehabilitation for the following structures:

- Sludge Pump Room No. 1 walls/ceiling.

- East Primary Clarifier Building west wall.

- Fuel Island canopy.

Fuel Island canopy.
Replacement of lighting in the Fuel Island

canopy.

- Repair of concrete curb on top of the Alvarado Influent Pump Station Flow Meter Pit.

Replacement of W4 piping on the south exterior wall of the Centrifuge Building.

Replacement of W4 piping inside the Odor Central Building. Control Building.

Repair of Surge Tower staircase railing post.

Replacement of one segment of sodium

hypochlorite trench and piping.

Replacement of sodium hypochlorite piping feeding various in-plant processes.

Addition of a tankless hot water heater to flush

Addition of a tankless hot water heater to flush the TPS flowmeters.
 Addition of improvements to Headworks Screening Channel 3.
 Addition of an electrical duct bank to the west side of the plant.
 Installation of a District-furnished SCADA Viewnode cabinet in the East Aeration Building.
 Installation of backdraft dampers to the supply fans in the East Aeration Building.
 Replacement of the roofing at the Degritter Building.

Building.
The successful bidder will have five hundred fifty (550) calendar days to complete the Project from the Notice to Proceed.
The Engineer's Estimate for this Project is \$5,052,000.

Prebid Conference A non-mandatory virtual prebid conference call will be held at 9:00 a.m. local time on December

13, 2022. Instructions on how to join the prebid conference

are as follows:

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To attend the prebid conference by web browser, use the Zoom link below for video and audio: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86573976920

To attend the pre-bid conference by phone: Call: 1-888-788-0099 or 1-877-853-5247

Meeting ID: 865 7397 6920#

Participant ID: #

Bid Opening

Bids will be publicly opened, examined, and declared on said day and hour, and will be referred to the District Board of Directors for subsequent action. The bid opening will be web casted on the internet starting at 2:30 p.m. local time. Instructions on how to join the bid opening time. Instructions on how to join the bid opening

are as follows:
To attend the bid opening by web browser, use
the Zoom link below for video and audio: https://
us02web.zoom.us/i/83561850855

To attend the bid opening by phone: Call 1-888-788-0099 or 1-877-853-5247 Meeting ID: 835 6185 0855# Participant ID: #

A site visit prior to bidding is not mandatory for bidders to be qualified to bid on the project. Prebid photos and videos of the Site of Work as described in the Contract Documents are available to download and view at the hyperlink

as described in the Contract Documents are available to download and view at the hyperlink below: https://www.unionsanitary.ca.gov/about-us/usd-construction-projects/prebid-photos-and-videos If bidders wish to attend a voluntary site visit, bidders shall contact the District's Project Manager, Derek Chiu, at (510) 477-7611 to schedule a site visit. Bidders shall contact the District's Project Manager at least 72 business hours in advance. The site visits shall be conducted in the presence of the District's Project Manager or their designee. All bidders making a voluntary site visit shall comply with the current (as of the date of the site visit) Alameda County Health Order update regarding the use of face covering and the minimum six-foot physical distance from others. In addition, all bidders shall review, complete, and acknowledge the District's COVID-19 Visitor Screening Questions and Guidelines, which will be made available to bidders upon scheduling the site visit appointment. The District may utilize a buschloss thermment to confirm biddery de out site visit appointment. The District may utilize a touchless thermometer to confirm bidders do not have a temperature of 100.4 degrees

Fahrenheit or higher before allowing entry.
Under California Laws and Regulations, the
District shall inform all prime contractors of public
works, to the extent feasible of relevant public

District shall mind any pinite Contractors of public works, to the extent feasible of relevant public work requirements as listed in Section 00010 of the Contract Documents.

All bidders shall consider and incorporate measures to ensure compliance with all applicable state and county health orders, including but not limited to Alameda County Health Order No. 20-14a, as may be updated from time to time (County Health Order), and the Construction Project Safety Protocols in Appendix B to the County Health Order. Among other things, compliance shall include but is not limited to the designation of a site-specific COVID-19 officer or supervisor, daily screening protocols, the implementation of social distancing, the provision of personal protective equipment (PPE) and requirement to wear face coverings, the implementation of cleaning and sanitizing requirements, and posting of signage and notices. requirements, and posting of signage and notices For Large Construction Projects, compliance also

requirements, and posting of signage and notices. For Large Construction Projects, compliance also includes but is not limited to preparation of a new or updated Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan and designation of a site-specific COVID-19 Third-Party Jobsite Safety Accountability Supervisor. Copies of the Contract Documents are available for public inspection at the District's website: https://unionsanitary.ca.gov/about-us/usd-construction-projects/projects-out-to-bid. A paper copy of the Contract Documents, including half size drawings, may be purchased at the District Office for a non-refundable \$150 charge, which includes the appropriate State sales tax and UPS Ground shipping costs. Bidders can provide their UPS or Fed Ex account number for any overnight shipping, but the charge will not be discounted. Partial sets of Bid Documents are not available from the District. Bidders may pay for plans and specs by sending a check made out to Union Sanitary District, 5072 Benson Road, Union City. California 94587, or by going to our website www. unionsanitary.ca.gov for payment by VISA or MASTERCARD credit card.

All bidders submitting a bid must purchase and receive a paper copy of the Project Manual of Project Name. Project No. 800-558 from

MASTERCARD credit card.
All bidders submitting a bid must purchase and receive a paper copy of the Project Manual of Project Name, Project No. 800-558 from the District prior to the bid opening date. All submitted bids must be on bid forms included in the purchased paper copy of the Project Manual or subsequent addenda. A bid submitted to the District by a bidder who has not purchased and received a paper copy of the Project Manual of Project Name, Project No. 800-588, or submitted on bid forms not included in the purchased paper copy of the Project Manual or subsequent addenda shall be considered non-responsive and shall be rejected by the District. Each bid must conform and be responsive to the invitation, the Plans and Specifications, and all documents comprising the Contract Documents. Each bid shall be presented under sealed cover and shall be accompanied by a certified check or bidder's bond, made payable to the District, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the bid. The said check or bidder's bond shall be given as a guarantee that the successful bidder will

execute the contract in conformity with the form of agreement contained within the contract documents, and will furnish bonds and insurance policies as specified within ten (10) days after notification of the award of the Contract to the successful bidder.

successful bidder.
Cost for work described in each addenda issued during the time of bidding shall be included in the Bid and the addenda shall become a part of the Contract documents.

Bidders shall develop and submit bids at their own

Bidders shall develop and submit bids at their own expense. The District will not reimburse any costs associated with the development and submittal of any and all Bids.

The District reserves the sole right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in a bid. No bidder may withdraw its bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening thereof.

ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening thereof. At the successful Contractor's option, securities may be substituted for the required retention, in accordance with the provisions of Section 22300 of the State of California Public Contract Code. In accordance with the provisions of California Public Contract Code. In accordance with the provisions of California Public Contract Code Section 3300, the District has determined that the Contractor shall possess, as a minimum, a valid Class A License. In accordance with the provisions of California Business and Professions Code Section 7028.15, a bid submitted to the District by a Contractor who is not licensed in accordance with Chapter 9 of the California Business and Professions Code shall be considered non-responsive and shall be shall be considered non-responsive and shall be rejected by the District Questions concerning this project should be

directed to: Union Sanitary District Union Sanitary District Attn: Derek Chiu 5072 Benson Road Union City, CA 94587 Phone: 510-477-7611 By: Jennifer Toy Secretary of the Board Union Sanitary District Date: December 6, 2022 12/6, 12/13/22

CNS-3647980#

PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF SHANE ROLAND BERGER

CASE NO. RP22127094

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

A Petition for Probate has been filed by MAXINE NORDLEY AND WENDY

ORBOY in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.
The Petition for Probate requests that MAXINE NORDLEY AND WENDY CORBOY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decelent the decedent.

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

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A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on 1/11/2023 at 9:45 A.M. in Dept. 202 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA

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

attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the

court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: BRIAN J.

TROWBRIDGE, TROWBRIDGE LAW

OFFICE, 1300 CLAY STREET, SUITE
600, OAKLAND, CA 94612, Telephone: 510-893-5300 12/6, 12/13, 12/20/22

CNS-3648569#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MICHAEL EDWARD PLATE CASE NO. RP22132265

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both, of: MICHAEL EDWARD PLATE A Petition for Probate has been filed by MICHELE SCHLACHTER in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA. The Petition for Probate requests that MICHELE SCHLACHTER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Independent Administration of Estates
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without obtaining court approval. Before
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however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on 12/28/2022 at 2:00 P.M. in Dept.

201 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704.

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

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Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for

Special Notice form is available from the court clerk court clerk.
Petitioner: MICHELE SCHLACHTER, 4113
HANFORD STREET, UNION CITY, CA
94587, Telephone: 510-396-4173
12/6, 12/13, 12/20/22

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF **NORMA J. VANCE**

CASE NO. RP22133773

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: NORMA J. VANCE A Petition for Probate has been filed by CHARLES E. BESS in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.

The Petition for Probate requests that CHARLES E. BESS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

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A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on DECEMBER 28, 2022 at 2:00 P.M. in Dept. 201 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704.

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court clerk.
Attorney for Petitioner: DANIEL P. TRUMP,
ESQ. (#124548); DAPHNE C. LIN, ESQ.
(#193214), TRUMP, ALIOTO, TRUMP
& PRESCOTT, LLP, 2201 WALNUT (#183214), IRUMP, ALIOTO, TRUMP & PRESCOTT, LLP, 2201 WALNUT AVENUE, SUITE 290, FREMONT, CA 94538, Telephone: 510-790-0900 11/29, 12/6, 12/13/22

CNS-3646319#

TRUSTEE SALES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-22

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-22-942743-NJ Order No.: DEF-485515 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/25/2022. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale). BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): KAPALUA REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS INC. A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION Recorded; 5/3/2022 as Instrument No. 2022087302 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of ALAMEDA County, California; Date of Sale: 12/27/2022 at 12:00PM Place of Sale: At the Fallon Street emergency exit to the Alameda County Courthouse, located at 1225 Fallon St., Oakland, CA 94612 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$1.569, 183.32 The purported property address is: 169 Linmore Drive, Fremont, CA 94539 Assessor's Parcel No.: 513-0402-017 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property liself. 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 euction, 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, wou may be applicable, the rescheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the s

OWNER-OCCUPANT: Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the last and highest bidder at the trustee's sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee's sale or shall have it delivered to Quality Loan Service Corporation by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee's sale at the address set forth in the below signature block. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date: Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711 Err NON SALE information only Sale Line: 916-939-0772 Or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Etr 15318 Quality Loan Service Corpor TS No.: CA-22-942743-NJ IDSPub #0182339 12/6/2022 12/13/2022 12/13/2022 12/20/2022 12/6, 12/13, 12/20/22

CNS-3646213#

T.S. No.: 9543-3384 TSG Order No.: 2130990
A.P.N.: 519-1246-264-00 NOTICE OF
TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT
UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 08/24/2006.
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 PROCEEDING
AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A
LAWYER, NBS Default Services, LLC, as the
duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to
the power of sale contained in that certain Deed
of Trust Recorded 08/31/2006 as Document No.:
2006-334439, of Official Records in the office
of the Recorder of Alameda County, California,
executed by: SYED M SARWAT, AND MUZNA
SARWAT, as Trustor, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC
AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR
CASH (payable in full at time of sale by cash, a
cashier's 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).
All right, title and interest conveyed to and now
held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property
situated in said County and state, and as more
fully described in the above referenced Deed of
Trust. Sale Date & Time: 12/20/2022 at 12:00 PM
Sale Location: At the Fallon Street emergency
exit to the Alameda County Courthouse, 1225
Fallon St., Oakland, CA 94612 The street address
and other common designation, if any, of the
real property described above is purported to
be: 46666 WINEMA COMMON, FREMONT,
CA 94539 The undersigned Trustee disclaims
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APN: 525-0661-041-02 TS No: CA08000066-22-2-S TO No: 02-22007000 GM 46247.0136 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d) (2). YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED January 18, 2007. 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 December 15, 2022 at 09:00 AM, Fallon Street Steps, Alameda County Courthouse, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, CA 94612, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on February 6, 2007 as Instrument No. 2007061906, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Alameda County, California, executed by MITESH PATEL, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC, as Beneficiary, as nominee for AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST 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: 40835 LINCOLN STREET, FREMONT, CA 94538-4358

PUBLIC NOTICES

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 without covenant or warranty, common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, corncumbrances, 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. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$2,019,600.39 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. 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 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 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 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 may be a junior lien. If you ar

is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to Tenant NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil by purchase this property after the trustee audulongursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you an 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 800.280.2832, or visit this internet website www.Auction.com. using the file number assigned to this case CA08000066-22-2-S 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 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. Date: November 10, 2022 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08000066-22-2-S 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 By: Loan Quema, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.Auction.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Auction.com at 800.280.2832 NPPO418074 To: TRI-CITY VOICE 11/22/2022, 11/29/2022, 12/06/2022

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-22-937292-SH Order No.: 220328770-CA-VOI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/14/2018. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU MEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROTECEIDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings associatio drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The 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 the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): LU HUA AND JING ZHANG, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS COMMUNITY PROPERTY WITH TIS RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP Recorded: 13/2019 as Instrument No. 2019001236 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of ALAMEDA County, California; Date of Sale: 1/10/2023 at 12:00PM Place of Sale: At the Fallon Street emergency exit to the Alameda County Courthouse, located at 1225 Fallon St., Oakland, CA 94612 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$821,383.42 The purported property address is: 48974

WOODGROVE CMN, FREMONT, CA 94539 Assessor's Parcel No.: 519-1728-150-00 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding 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 mere 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 acourt, 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 call 916-939-0772 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website http://www.qualityloancom, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-22-937292-SH. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. 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 916-939-0772, or visit this internet website http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-22-937292-SH 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 tha

if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no rustee. Inis snall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property. in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date: Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 916-939-0772 Or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: CA-22-937292-SH IDSPub #0182135 11/22/2022 11/22, 11/29, 12/6/22 CNS-3643573#

T.S. No. 104111-CA APN: 92-257-205 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 12/9/2017. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLDATA PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER ON 1/12/2023 at 9:00 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 12/12/2017 as Instrument No. 2017272290 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: LEO YU AND JIAYUN YU, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS COMMUNITY PROPERTY WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; at the Fallon Street Steps Alameda County Courthouse, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, CA 94612 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above County and State described as: MORE FULLY The STREED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 8563 BOARDWALK WAY, NEWARK, CA 94560 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 held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$558,913.16 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive

remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. 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 or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. 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 change 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 call (800) 280-2832 or vi

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Fremont's Safe Parking Program: Making life a little easier for those living in cars

SUBMITTED BY SHIRLEY GILBERT Рното ву DAVE FISHBAUGH

According to a recent Point-in-Time survey conducted by the City of Fremont, over 1,000 individuals are experiencing homelessness in the Fremont area. The survey also shows that the homeless population has almost doubled since 2019. Some 36% live in cars and vans, 30% in RVs, 20% in tents, 13% outside and 1% in abandoned buildings. What's more, the city believes these figures are probably three times higher given the hidden and mobile nature of the unhoused. The survey cites rising prices, lost jobs, evictions, mental health, and addiction problems as the causes.

These startling statistics, propelled Suzanne Shenfil, Human Services Director for Fremont, and her team to look at providing some parking relief, since about 360 unhoused residents live in their autos. It's a huge issue for the city, she explained.



Suzanne Shenfil, Human Services Director, Fremont

Shenfil believes that homelessness will not be solved by government alone. It is a societal issue in which the whole community can play a part. She and her team searched for a program that would have city involvement but would also allow people living in cars to feel part of a caring community.

Their research pointed to a Saratoga program that seemed the right fit. What the team really liked was that the city works with non-profit, faith-based organizations. Churches are good choices because they have parking lots that are empty at night, volunteers who can make unhoused folks feel at home, pantry facilities, donated clothing bins, and loving hearts.

The central idea of the Safe Parking Program (SPP) is that churches sign up to allow unhoused folks in cars to park in their lots overnight. Shenfil and the SPP task force of faith-based leaders took their idea to the Fremont City Council, in the form of the Safe Parking at Host Sites Ordinance, and it was adopted. The Council was supportive. Then came the hard part: coming up with the program design. Who was eligible, how would the rotation work, how about keeping car insurance and license current, and what about vehicle repair? The latter was solved with the creation of a Vehicle Repair and Assistance Program funded through community donations.

Four churches signed up for the program: Niles Discovery

Church, South Bay Community Church, Grace Church Fremont, and Christ the King Lutheran Church. They rotate the use of their parking lots on a monthly basis, so that each church welcomes unhoused car owners for three months a year.

The Safe Parking Program began in January 2022 and has met with enthusiastic approval by church site coordinators, volunteers, and unhoused residents in cars.

"The approach," said Shenfil, "is different for each site and the churches have been so creative. They've initiated Friday movie nights, Saturday brunches, and volunteers engage the participants and ask them for their stories. We believe this gives unhoused folks a sense of community not only with volunteers but among themselves." At one of the churches, added Shenfil, parishioners brought their cars to the lot and slept there with unhoused guests to show solidarity.

Today, the program accepts adults living in cars and vans, although Shenfil hopes it will expand to allow families. Although some 30% of the city's 1,000 homeless reside in RVs, they can't be accommodated at this time because some of the parking lots are not big enough, and many of the vehicles are not operable. "It just made sense," she said, "to start with adults in cars and vans."

Shenfil's department has surveyed folks who live in cars, and, she said, it's an understatement to say it's not a comfortable way to exist. It's hard



Unhoused resident with his vehicle

to keep the cars neat and clean given the amount of food, clothing and material you need to lead a normal life. Sanitation is poor – rats are a problem. And people don't feel safe. "They feel isolated...and yet they try to remain invisible because people complain, and authorities ask them to move on. It's a very tough life."

Shenfil feels her department's role is to act as a partner in the program with the four churches. Fremont's Human Services Department screens incoming clients, and provides Port a Potties, waste facilities, and a Clean Start Mobile Hygiene Unit where folks can take showers, wash and dry clothes, etc. Churches provide volunteers, food and hospitable programs that make their guests feel welcome and appreciated.

She stresses that the Safe Parking Program is an interim solution and that unhoused car owners, with the help of case managers and housing navigators, work to pursue a path toward temporary or permanent housing.

There's a great need for community involvement in this program. Shenfil encourage individuals to donate via safeparking@fremont.gov. Unhoused folks need food, clothing, and warm jackets. You can also volunteer by emailing specialprojects@cityserve.org or contacting Guadalupe Gonzales, Safe Parking Program Coordinator, at ggonzales@fremont.gov.

Shenfil and her team are moved to action because of the great need. "The pandemic has pushed people over the edge economically," she concluded. "So many have lost jobs. Inflation and the high cost of living have forced people to live on the streets and in their cars. There's a lot of misery out there, and both city government and the community can work together to help our less fortunate neighbors."

To donate: safeparking@fremont.gov To volunteer: specialprojects@cityserve.org or ggonzales@fremont.gov

Khanna to meet with constituents in Newark

SUBMITTED BY RO KHANNA'S OFFICE

Congressman Ro Khanna, D-California will hold a Town Hall meeting for constituents on Sunday, December 18 at Newark Memorial High School in Newark. During the meeting Khanna will discuss recent developments and current legislative

activities in Congress and take questions from people in the audience.

The meeting starts at 1 p.m. For details, visit Khanna's website at https://khanna.house.gov. Khanna represents California's 17th district which includes southern Alameda and northern Santa Clara counties.

Town Hall meeting Sunday, Dec 18

1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Legislative updates from Congressman Ro Khanna Newark Memorial High School, 39375 Cedar Blvd., Newark (408) 436-2720

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Dear Santa: New series chronicles stories of hope and giving in the East Bay

By Hugo Vera

With the holidays fast approaching, many people are scrambling to get their holiday shopping done, often braving long lines and frenzied crowds at stores. For those less fortunate however, the holiday season can be a time of yearning for the everyday items that so many take for granted.

Fortunately, one filmmaker has documented the incredible



Hayden Orellana, a teen from Hayward

efforts of the United States Postal Service (USPS) and their army of volunteer "elves" who are bringing joy and comfort to those who need it most. In her documentary titled Dear Santa, distributed by IFC Films and released on streaming in 2020, Northern California-based director Dana Nachman chronicles the USPS' beloved "Operation Santa" project. The project allows postal workers to collect letters written to Santa Claus by children, and for volunteers to read and "adopt" certain letters as they hunt for gifts requested by these children.

"The concept of writing to Santa Claus and asking for what you want has been around for more than 150 years but it wasn't until about 100 years ago that the postal service [USPS] started to really get involved," says Nachman.

Following the success of her documentary, a new local television series of the same name

will chronicle even more heartwarming testimonials of Operation Santa. Among these is the story of Hayden Orellana, a teen from Hayward who penned a letter to Santa Claus asking for a computer so that he could get his school work done.

"With the pandemic, a lot of my school work had to be done remotely and I didn't have a computer of my own to do my class work, so I asked for it in my letter," states Orellana. "I wrote it expecting nothing to come from it at all but it turns out someone was listening to me after all."

Hayden's dream came to fruition when Fremont-based United States Marine Corps veteran and youth soccer coach Michael Lema adopted Hayden's letter after his American Legion chapter decided to adopt 10 letters from Operation Santa that year.

"One of the tenets that we're taught in the Marine Corps as well as the American Legion is to always give back," says Lema.
"When I read Hayden's letter that
he needed a personal computer to
get his work done and that he
wanted to become a lawyer, I
resonated with that. I've been in
his shoes so I reached out to a
friend of mine who worked at Best
Buy and I was able to get a good
deal on a computer for Hayden."

When Lema ultimately delivered a brand-new laptop to Hayden on behalf of the American Legion "Elves" and Operation Santa, the two were visibly moved. Now pen-pals, Orellana and Lema continue to be in each other's lives. In addition to delivering everyday essentials during events such as the 2018 Campfire and 2020 pandemic, the USPS' participation in Operation Santa continues to have a profound impact on its postal heroes.

"The USPS is not only an essential cornerstone of the community, but the service we provide plays a big role in maintaining connections with others," says Krisitna Uppal of the USPS. "I thoroughly enjoyed participating in *Dear Santa: The*



USMC Veteran Michael Lema of Fremont at an American Legion event for "Operation Santa."

Series and witnessing firsthand in our community the joy that radiated from every letter writer as they made their lists to Santa."

Dear Santa: The Series will be airing this month as part of ABC/KGO Channel 7's Localish program (check local listings for airtimes). In the meantime, the original Dear Santa documentary is available to stream now on Hulu. For more information about Operation Santa and to get involved, visit

www.uspsoperationsanta.com.

Local food bank serves community

By Charlene Dizon
Photos Courtesy of TCV Food Bank

As the holiday season approaches, more individuals and families are visiting local food banks for support. Tri-City Volunteers (TCV Food Bank and Mobile Pantry) have dedicated themselves to providing food in the Tri-City area for over fifty years. Since COVID-19, this non-profit organization has tackled the increase in clients with grace and swiftness to ensure that those facing hunger are nourished.

TCV serves food assistance to at least 1,500 families in a single week. Not only does the organization have a brick-and-mortar location where clients can come in person to hand-select their grocery preferences, but drive-thru and mobile pantry program services as well. Program Manager Marly Beck states, "The mobile pantry directly drives out to local schools, libraries, community centers, and low-income neighborhoods. We want to ensure food is distributed straight to where

people live, work, play, and learn." Food items consist of a variety, from fresh produce to staples such as rice. Pet food has also become a recent addition in partnership with the Ohlone Humane Society, as well as snack bags with ready-to-eat, high-protein meals for unhoused clients. TCV's wide range of services create a safe space for clients that need stability and support.

With the ongoing pandemic, TCV has experienced an influx of clientele. COVID-19, in particular, caused a series of constant changes to be made. Beck states, "Inflation is not easing in the Bay Area. Food is considered a flexible cost, so some families have to choose between gas and food or rent and food. That is when they come to us." Such difficult decision-making only further intensifies the organization's mission to help alleviate these financial burdens of community members. All resources are currently being fully utilized, whether it be clients going to the food bank in person, using the drive-thru, or receiving food at a mobile pantry.

Donations are another gesture that TCV greatly appreciates. Non-perishable food items that are unopened, undamaged, and not expired are always accepted. The



organization holds several food drives throughout the year. "We aim for intentionality with our food drives," Beck states. "Donations like egg noodle packs, hot pot seasoning, canned yams, and other items that we may not be able to stock or purchase at a reduced cost are wonderful choices." With such donations, clients can receive a more inclusive variety of meal options.

TCV prides itself not only in its ability to provide food for low-income groups but to help the community rebuild its strength and resilience in difficult times. "We want to build an experience for clients that is dignified, choice-based, and reflective of cultural preferences," Beck shares. The organization continues to expand, with the introduction in 2023 of healthy meal kits— a

quick and easy way for clients to prepare food.

The true value of local food pantries is to bring people together. Both clients and volunteers find a fulfilling resource and platform. With food banks, the community has a chance to spread not only nourishment but kindness, reassurance and support.

To learn more about TCV, please visit www.tcvfoodbank.org.

For those interested in volunteering, please contact volunteer@tcvfoodbank.org or call (510) 598-4066. (Upcoming Toy Party on December 17th needs volunteers!)

To donate visit: https://tcvfoodbank.gives/donate or call (510) 598-4065.

San Leandro City Council

November 21, 2022

Public Hearing:

• Introduction of an ordinance and public hearing to merge the Arts Commission and Library Historical Commission, create a newly formed Arts, Culture & Library Commission, and transfer jurisdiction for any action pertaining to an existing or proposed City Landmark, Merit Resource, or Historic Resource to the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Adjustments. Passed 6-1 (Azevedo, Nay).

Consent Calendar:

- Accept the Annual Report of the West San Leandro Shuttle Business Improvement District for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and impose the 2023 BID assessment rates.
- Approve a legal services agreement between the City of San Leandro and Castillo, Moriarty, Tran & Robinson for Tort Litigation Services.
- Approve a non-professional services agreement with Brightly Software, Inc. to perform a Facility Condition Assessment and provide Capital Predictor Software.
- Establish an Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) and Pension Funding Policy.
- Ordinance amending the Municipal Code, Youth Advisory Commission, to add alternates.
- Ordinance to add "Electronic Signatures" and "Signatures" to San Leandro Municipal Code, to provide for the use and acceptance of Digital or Electronic signatures.
- \bullet Ordinance to establish compensation of Councilmembers and the Mayor.

Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter	Aye
Pete Ballew	Aye
Victor Aguilar	Aye
Bryan Azevedo	Aye, Nay
Fred Simon	Aye
Deborah Cox	Aye
Corina Lopez	Aye

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Lost Dog

Farful, a purebred Papillon, went missing from his fenced yard in Fremont on October 11, 2022. He was seen in a Milpitas dog park on November 3, but has not been returned to his owner.

Milpitas Police Log

SUBMITTED BY MILPITAS PD

Wednesday, November 9

- At 7:08 a.m. officers responded to a report about a stolen vehicle in the 600 block of N. Abbot Ave. The victim momentarily left her vehicle unattended while it was warming up and someone stole it. A short time later, an officer found the vehicle near the 300 block of Ranch Drive and arrested a 58-year-old San Jose resident on suspicion of possessing a stolen vehicle.
- At 6:34 p.m. officers responded to a burglary report at a business near the 1300 block of Great Mall Drive. Upon arrival, officers spotted and stopped the male suspect as he was fleeing the area. The suspect initially provided a false name but was eventually identified as a 31-year-old Fremont resident. He was arrested and booked into jail on suspicion of commercial burglary, possession of drug paraphernalia and providing false identification to officers.

Thursday, November 10

• At 9:35 p.m. officers responded to a report about a fight in progress at a business near the 100 block of N. Park Victoria Drive. The suspects, a 14-year-old male from San Jose and 15-year-old from Milpitas, reportedly assaulted the employee several times before fleeing with stolen items. Officers searched the area and found both suspects nearby. The 15-year-old, who was in possession of brass knuckles, was issued a criminal citation for robbery and possession of an illegal weapon. He was released to his parents. The 14-year-old was booked into Juvenile Hall on suspicion of robbery.

Saturday, November 12

• At 7:10 p.m. officers responded to a report about a robbery at a business near the 300 block of S. Park Victoria Drive. The suspect, described by police as a 30-year-old transient from Milpitas, reportedly assaulted a store employee and walked out with a shopping cart full of alcohol. Officers found the suspect nearby and took him into custody. During their investigation, officers learned the suspect committed another

robbery prior to this incident. The suspect also attempted to bite a firefighter while receiving medical treatment. The suspect was booked into jail on suspicion of robbery and assault on a firefighter.

Monday, November 14

- At 6:56 p.m. officers responded to a robbery report on the 1500 block of Landess Ave. A suspect, reportedly snatched a gold chain from the victim's neck and fled the scene. Officers found the male suspect nearby as he was caught stealing money from a tip jar at a nearby business. Police described the suspect as a 29-year-old transient from Hayward. He was arrested on suspicion of robbery.
- At 9:59 p.m. officers responded to a report about a male unlawfully entering an apartment complex on the 700 block of Montague Expressway. When the security officer confronted him, the suspect threatened the security officer with a large knife. Officers arrived and arrested the suspect nearby. Police described him as a 52-year-old transient from Milpitas. He was booked into jail and faces a charge of brandishing a deadly weapon.

Farful is a 10-year-old male Papillon, 12 pounds, with long white and black fur. At the time he went missing he was wearing a blue collar with bones on it. Farful is microchipped.

Anyone with news of Farful should contact his owner Sandi Mateko at sa_mateko@sbcglobal.net or (510) 589-5062.

Sandi Mateko Fremont





HOLIDAY TREE RECYCLING

Recycling your holiday tree is as easy and convenient as setting out your recycle, compost, and landfill carts for weekly collection. After you've packed up the lights and ornaments adorning your holiday tree, simply place your tree curbside on your regular collection service day, and we'll turn it into beneficial compost and mulch!

Tri-CED will collect holiday trees at no additional cost between Dec. 26, 2022 and Jan. 31, 2023.



PLEASE PREPARE YOUR TREE FOR COLLECTION BY FOLLOWING THESE SIMPLE GUIDELINES:

- Remove tree stands and all ornaments, tinsel, lights, etc.
- Trees taller than 6 feet should be cut in half.
- Put the tree at the curb next to your green compost cart before 6:00 a.m. on your regular collection service day.
- Natural trees only. Flocked and artificial trees will not be accepted as part of the composting program.
- If you miss the citywide tree collection, you can put your tree in the compost cart. Please cut the tree into pieces that will fit completely into the cart with the lid closed.

HOLIDAY TREES DROP-OFF LOCATION

All Union City residents, including multifamily households, can drop off holiday trees at Tri-CED for composting at no additional cost through the end of January. Please observe the holiday tree collection guidelines listed above.

In addition to composting holiday trees, please compost any leftover holiday food scraps and grease- or food-soiled paper products like napkins, plates, and pizza boxes by placing these in the green compost cart. Composting keeps valuable resources out of landfills, reduces methane emissions, and creates beneficial compost.

We thank you for your efforts!



Tri-CED Community Recycling
33377 Western Avenue • 510.471.3850
Tuesday-Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Closed MONDAYS and SUNDAYS

Questions? Contact Tri-CED for more information at **510.471.3850**.

HOLIDAY COLLECTION SERVICE SCHEDULE

Tri-CED and Republic Services drivers and administrative staff will be home for the holidays on Christmas and New Year's Day. Christmas Day – Sun., Dec. 25 No change in collection service. Administrative offices will be closed.

New Year's Day – Sun., Jan. 1 No change in collection service. Administrative offices will be closed.



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