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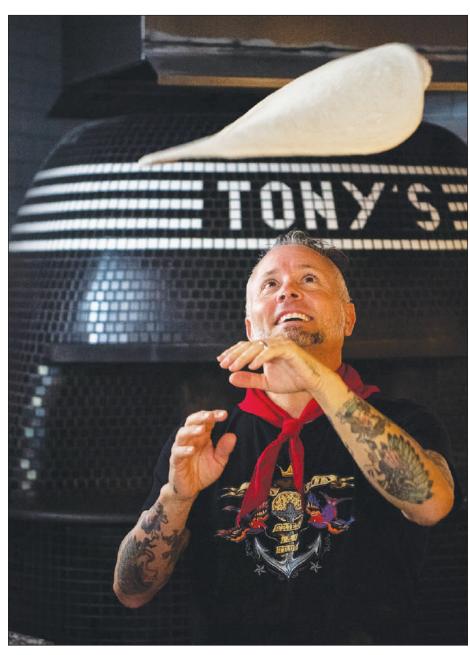
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Gemignani has entered competitions around the world for both pizza-making and pizza-throwing. Credit: Marc Fiorito Gamma Nine 4

Slice of Home

TONY GEMIGNANI'S RESTAURANTS ARE ALL OVER CALIFORNIA BUT HIS ROOTS WILL ALWAYS BE IN FREMONT

By LISA PLACHY

The Fremont of Tony Gemignani's childhood looks a lot different than the Fremont of today. The world-renowned pizza chef and restaurateur remembers a landscape filled with farms and a wide expanse of city. He remembers cruising up and down the boulevard and dirt biking across his neighbor's land. Mostly he remembers the farms.

"It sounds like it was 100 years ago," the renowned pizza entrepreneur says. "At one time Fremont was filled with corn and apricots and cherry trees."

Gemignani grew up helping work his grandfather's farm until he was about 17 years old. They grew apricots and cherries, naturally, but also fava beans, oranges, lemons, tomatoes and zucchini on about 20 acres of land—a number that seemed like 50 to a young Gemignani. Eventually his grandfather began to sell off the farm piece by piece, like so many others in the area. The dot com boom came for Fremont and its farmers. Gemignani left in his twenties.

That's when he began to change, too. Over three decades, Gemignani would go on to become a 13-time world pizza champion and the face of a network of restaurants across California and Nevada, including the recent expansion of Slice House, his fast-casual pizza franchise. With more than 140 locations either open or under development, it's a growing piece of his empire. It's also the one that could bring him back home.

A Young Gemignani

Gemignani can't pin down a breakthrough moment that led him to pizza making, though the dish definitely played a role in his upbringing.

"Our spot was Uncle Joe's," he says, recalling the place his grandfather would take him and his brother Frank out to eat once a week. "It was always Friday night, it was pizza night. I remember getting my extra cheese pizza that I loved. That was a special time growing up."

Memories like these are among the formative experiences that shaped how Gemignani would go on to run his restaurants. His grandfather, remembered by Gemignani for his work ethic, was the one who showed a young Tony how to select the best produce. Gemignani's mother taught him how to cook and was known for bringing friends and family together at lively dinners. She cooked such massive quantities of food that guests left with "more food than they ate," says Gemignani. And there were always, he remembers, fresh ingredients, plucked straight from the farm.

When Gemignani left home, he didn't stray too far. In 1991, he went to work for his brother at Pyzano's Pizzeria in Castro Valley, where Gemignani the showman and pizza master began to emerge. After impressing customers with his dough-throwing skills, he entered competitions around the world for both pizza-making and pizza-throwing. In 2007, he earned the title of World Champion Pizza

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Fremont Festival of Arts celebrates four decades

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SUPPORTS LOCAL ARTISTS, CHEFS, COMMUNITY GROUPS

By JORDAN COOPER

August 3 and 4 will mark Fremont Festival of the Arts' 40th anniversary, with over \$11 million of proof that it's a pillar of the community. Originally the festival had been held at the Fremont Hub in 1983, but today it will start at Paseo Padre Parkway with sections of streets closed off for the events.

The festival is essentially a non-profit organization's love letter to Fremont, funding locals in hard situations and ensuring after-school programs stay afloat—as well as scholarships, medical research and Fremont Chamber of Commerce.

"In a nutshell our job is to help businesses in Fremont be successful," says Cindy Bonior, chief executive officer of the Chamber.

The festival is put on by the nonprofit Fremont Chamber of Commerce, which has hosted other events like last year's Burger and Brew fest and their Fremont Street Eats. The Chamber is run by three staff members: Bonior as CEO; Jennifer Clark, director of creative content; and Napoleon Batalao, director of social media. Thankfully when it comes to the event, there are as many as 800 local volunteers on the ground to put the show on.

"We have volunteers who are dedicated—who help, pour, set up, tear down, and the whole thing," says Bonior. "It's very much a grassroots community event."

This year the festival features a local lounge area offering local beer from Jack's Brewing Company and local wine from Mission Peak winery. Other attractions include musicians playing acoustic music and a range of art, from mixed media to jewelry, sold at booths by local artists.

The festival will have three different "Free Speech Zones" around the festival for people who want to set up their own booth (no tents or umbrellas, please). These shared spaces are open to political campaigns, band flier distributions and bible talks, as long as the space is shared civilly between all parties.

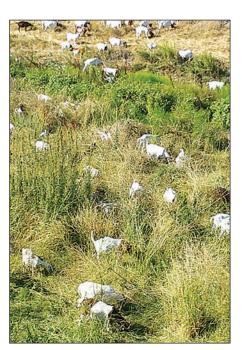
Bonoir hopes to garner as much interest with the Fremont Chamber of Commerce's Fire Department vs. Police Department cook-off, which was scheduled to take place during Street Eats until the fires began. Once the firefighters return and are ready, the cook-off is a go! The firefighters will be making the burger that won last year's at the event for people to purchase.

At the festival on Walnut Avenue and Paseo Padre Parkway there will be an information booth to answer any questions folks may have about the festival or vendors for next year.

Fremont Festival of the Arts Saturday, Aug 3 - Sunday, Aug 4 10am - 6pm Downtown Fremont Along Paseo Padre https://www.fremontfestival.net/



Shop for decor and bring part of the festival home. Courtesy of Festival website



400 goats reduce fire risk at Quarry Lakes. Photo by Jack Alcorn

Grazing goats munch away wildfire risk

ECO-FRIENDLY SOLUTION HELPS PREVENT FIRES IN THE FREMONT AREA

By JACK ALCORN

In early July a herd of 400 goats arrived on the north shore of Alameda Creek, east of the Isherwood causeway from Paseo Padre into Quarry Lakes Recreation Area.

Prescribed grazing is a nature-based wildfire mitigation tactic. Livestock are employed to manage excess grass and brush in undeveloped areas. This innovative approach to reducing wildfire risk allows cattle, sheep or goats to feed freely in designated fields.

Wildfires have impacted over 5 million acres of California open space in the past 5 years. Second only to automobiles and other transportation, wildfires are the second highest emitter of climate warming greenhouse gasses.

Prescribed grazing involves the careful movement of grazing livestock over areas at high risk for burning. The popular land management practice cultivates a balanced ecosystem and restores native plant and habitat species.

California Climate Agriculture Network, California Woolgrowers Association, ranch owners, East Bay Regional Park District and California Department of Conservation are some of the many agencies working collaboratively to bring this eco-friendly wildfire solution to California communities.

Prescribed grazing converts vegetation into food. It naturally recycles nutrients and removes combustible grass and brush from the landscape. The practice is more effective and more cost efficient than the two most common vegetation management alternatives 3/4 mowing equipment and chemical herbicide treatments. Mowing or burning costs up to \$5,000 per acre annually. Grazing costs \$500 - \$1,000 per acre.

Grazing replaces controlled burns. Burning vegetation to reduce fire risk mars the

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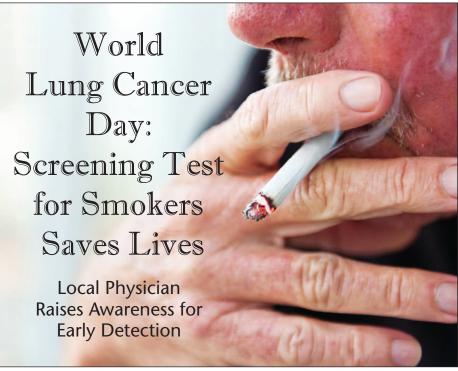
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Many people know that early detection of breast, colon and prostate cancer can help save lives. Smokers also need to know that a screening test for lung cancer can help them either rest assured that their lungs are healthy, or detect a problem early and get treatment sooner.

Washington Hospital Healthcare System (WHHS) offers safe and effective low-dose computed tomography (LDCT), a CT screening test to detect lung cancer in the early stages, when surgery and

"We have far more tools today than we had 10 years ago to detect lung cancer sooner. The low-dose CT scan is helping save lives."

- Jason Chu, MD

treatment are most effective. The low-dose scan is recommended for adults with a high risk of developing lung cancer based on their age and smoking history, but have no symptoms.

"Preventive measures, early detection and treatment are key," said Jason Chu, MD, Washington Township Medical Foundation (WTMF) pulmonologist and Director of the Washington Hospital Respiratory Care Services. "We have far more tools today than we had 10 years ago to detect lung cancer sooner. The low-dose CT scan is helping save lives."

In recognition of World Lung Cancer Day, which is marked on Aug. 1, Dr. Chu is raising awareness that this simple screening test can make a difference for smokers. "Awareness, awareness, awareness is what it takes," he emphasized.

"It all starts by bringing any concerns to the attention of your primary care physician or pulmonologist," he added. "If you have a cough that isn't going away, chest pain, or an area of concern, first talk to your health care provider. We now have the ability and technology to help you earlier."

It used to be that lung cancer was only caught in the later stages on a standard X-ray, leaving few options for treatment or much hope for survival.



Jason Chu, MD

Don't Ignore a Cough or Pain

Too many smokers, ignore a cough or attribute it to a cold or bronchitis, not wanting to think the worst. Dr. Chu suggested that it's always better to err on the side of caution and talk to the doctor.

"The scan is safe, easy, and very effective at detecting lung cancer early. It's covered by Medicare and many insurance plans, and is noninvasive with no ill effects," he explained.

The scan is a procedure that uses a computer linked to an X-ray machine to make a series of detailed 3-D pictures of the lungs from different angles, according to the National Institutes of Health National Cancer Institute. The amount of radiation is very low.

"The National Lung Screening Trial has shown that screening with low-dose CT as opposed to chest X-rays or sputum cytology, has decreased the risk of dying from lung cancer by 15 to 20 percent in current or former heavy smokers," Dr. Chu noted.

Conducted in the early 2000s, the trial compared two ways of detecting lung cancer: by LDCT versus standard chest X-ray. The study revealed that participants who received LDCT had a lower risk of dying from lung cancer than those who received standard chest X-rays. This is

equivalent to approximately three fewer deaths per 1,000 people screened.

The annual lung cancer screening is available for those who meet the criteria and have a doctor's order. To be eligible, people must:

- Be between the ages of 50 to 80.
- Have a tobacco smoking history of at least 20 "pack years" (an average of one pack per day for 20 years).
- Be a current smoker or have quit smoking within the last 15 years.
- Have no signs or symptoms of lung cancer.

The test is noninvasive and takes about 45 minutes to an hour of lying on a table inside the scanner. "Most smokers are enthusiastic about getting the simple test," said Dr. Chu, "just to have the reassurance that nothing is wrong, or to be able to get early treatment."

Early Detection Provides Reassurance

If a cancerous nodule is detected, further testing and possibly a biopsy will be needed. But if nothing is found, people can be reassured. Sometimes an area of concern will be monitored.

But the best plan is always to avoid smoking, said Dr. Chu. "Don't smoke, avoid secondhand smoke, be aware of and protect yourself from carcinogens in the workplace, exercise regularly, eat a healthy diet with lots of fruits and vegetables, and be sure to get your routine physicals and screenings, as appropriate."

To read more about lung cancer, go to cancer.gov/types/lung. For more information about the Washington Cancer Center, go to whhs.com/cancer. Ask your primary care physician if you're eligible to receive a lung cancer screening. To learn more about Dr. Chu, visit mywtmf.com/contact, or scan the below QR code.





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Managing Diabetes

Given the prevalence of diabetes in our community, many households have felt the impact of this condition. Family medicine physician, Dr. Thomas Collins-Pallet offers a conversation on how diabetes can be managed through lifestyle changes and medication.





Naloxone: A Lifesaver in the Opioid Crisis

What is naloxone (Narcan) and how can it save lives? Discover why understanding naloxone and its proper administration is crucial for anyone who may encounter opioid emergencies.





Aquablation: A Transformative BPH Treatment

Aquablation is a minimally invasive treatment for benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH). Learn the science behind this innovative technology and how the procedure relieves pain without compromises, improving the quality of life for men affected by BPH.

Coming Soon!



Heart Valve Disorders in Adults: Types and Treatments Wednesday, July 24, 9 a.m.

Dizziness, shortness of breath, chest pain and fatigue: these may be signs of heart valve disorders. Join cardiologist Harsh Agrawal, MD, to learn the various types of valve disorders and treatment options.

Other Video Topics:

- Joint Pain Stroke Awareness
- Washington Township Health Care District monthly board meetings

Events InformationFor more information or to register for

events, call 800.963.7070 or visit whhs.com/events.





Causes and Treatment of Obstructive Sleep Apnea Wednesday, August 14, 9 a.m.

From persistent fatigue and daytime drowsiness to headaches and irritability, untreated sleep apnea can significantly impair cognitive function and overall well-being. Join Jason Van Tassel, MD, to learn treatment options for sleep apnea.

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-Ramin Beygui, MD

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Washington Hospital Cardiac Services Celebrates Milestone

Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement Team Performs 100th Procedure



(left to right) Lynda Antes, MHA, RN; Harsh Agrawal, MD; Ramin Beygui, MD; Arthur Hill, MD; Teng Lee, MD; Kelly Franco, MSN, APRN

There has been revolutionary change in aortic heart valve replacements over the past two decades. Now, open-heart surgery can be avoided and eligible patients in need of a new heart valve can instead undergo a minimally invasive procedure. Through its affiliation with UCSF Health, Washington Hospital brought this medical breakthrough to its patients in Fremont. This week, the transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR) team at Washington Hospital performed its 100th TAVR procedure. This milestone case continues an exceptional track record for the Hospital's TAVR team and its patients.

"Last year, once again, our TAVR program resulted in zero mortalities, zero significant cardiac events and zero device complications. We have a 100% survival rate since we began performing TAVR procedures at Washington Hospital Healthcare System (WHHS) in 2021," said Washington Hospital's Director of Cardiothoracic Surgery and a professor of surgery at UCSF, Ramin Beygui, MD.

Dr. Beygui and his colleague, Teng Chun Lee, MD, are renowned UCSF cardiothoracic surgeons who have performed hundreds of TAVR procedures since the technique came to the U.S. in the mid-2000s. Now, they are part of a

multidisciplinary TAVR team at WHHS that includes structural cardiologist Harsh Agrawal, MD, and the patient's referring cardiologist. Each TAVR candidate is evaluated and their case is reviewed by the team so they can be scheduled quickly. And when needed, critically ill hospitalized patients in need of a new aortic valve can undergo the TAVR procedure in an expedited manner.

TAVR is for people with aortic stenosis or narrowing of the valve caused by calcium buildup that obstructs the flow of oxygenated blood from the heart to the rest of the body. Symptoms include heart murmur and activity-induced chest pain, fatigue, shortness of breath, and fainting. Untreated, it can lead to heart failure and sudden cardiac death.

TAVR is innovative because the new valve is inserted via the femoral artery through a small cut in the groin area instead of traditional 4- to 6-hour open-heart surgery where the chest is opened, the heart is stopped, and a heart-lung bypass machine is used. TAVR patients generally recover much quicker and experience less pain, blood loss, and chance of infection or other complications. Patients feel immediate relief after this 2-hour procedure and can usually go home the next day, instead of spending several days in a critical care unit.

In some cases, a valve-in-valve TAVR procedure can be performed, which means a replacement valve that has degenerated can be shored up with a new replacement valve placed inside it. Drs. Beygui and Agrawal performed the Bay Area's first valve-in-valveTAVR procedure last year, inserting a new valve inside two previously installed biosynthetic valves.

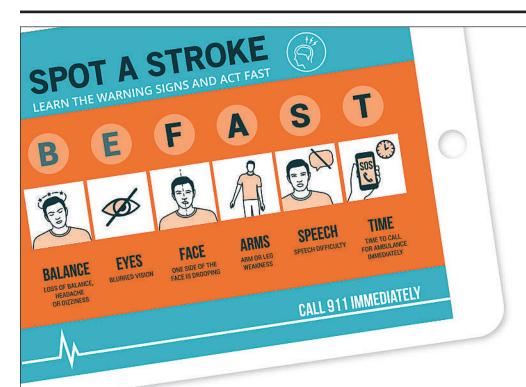
"Washington Hospital is proud of its 40-year history of cardiac surgery, added Dr. Beygui, "Because of our affiliation with UCSF, Washington Hospital is able to provide its patients with a full-range of advanced cardiac services and procedures. Here, we can duplicate the best outcomes usually only found at major academic medical centers."

In addition to their team of specialized cardiac doctors, WHHS patients benefit from experienced cardiac anesthesiologists in the operating room and are cared for 24/7 by an intensivist overseeing their recovery in the Critical Care unit. Patients also appreciate the convenience of attending appointments and having their procedure close to home, making it easy for their family members to bring them and visit during their stay.

"Performing our 100th TAVR procedure is just one example of our ongoing efforts to bring the most current cardiac technologies and techniques to the patients of Washington Hospital," concluded Dr. Beygui. "Our team of UCSF cardiothoracic surgeons and Washington Township Medical Foundation heart doctors work closely with referring cardiologists to treat all forms of cardiac artery and valvular disease. We offer a comprehensive range of traditional open surgeries and when possible, minimally invasive endovascular procedures. When more complex surgeries are needed, such as heart and lung transplants, we handle those cases with our colleagues at UCSF."

For more information about TAVR and Washington Hospital Cardiac Services, visit whhs.com/heart or scan the below QR code.







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Wednesday, Aug. 28 9 a.m.

Stroke: Warning Signs and **Risk Factors**

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Submitted by PAKI AHKOI

Come play in the shade of the Sun Gallery Courtyard! There are just two more dates left on our Dog Days of Summer series.

We've got music, art and a pup-friendly gallery. Check out our projects in our Maker Space like etching a dog tag. There will be a DIY pup cup station to get your doggie treats, or you can take them to the Snow Cone booth where we have puppy cones (bone broth and beef on ice) or human friendly flavors. Free puppy portraits are done by our own resident photographer Bruce Cassaday.

Weather looks great, but just in case you're worried about the heat we've installed a water feature for the puppies to play in and cool down.

Tickets are available on Eventbrite or at the door. Free entry with any dog food donation. Your ticket also gets you a raffle ticket. (Additional raffle tickets are just \$5 each.) Thank you to all the sponsors for the great prizes.

For more information check us out online at sungallery.org, email us at info@sungallery.org or come in during our business hours. We are at 1015 E Street in Hayward.

Dog Days Saturdays, Aug 3 and 17 12pm - 3pm Sun Gallery 1015 E Street, Hayward (510) 581-4050 sungallery.org Register on eventbrite Tickets: \$5



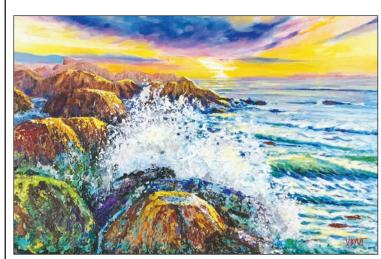
A portrait of the noble BW Eckhaus. By Bruce Cassaday



Puppies enjoying the free DIY pup cup station. By Paki Ahkoi

The power of impasto painting with acrylic workshop with painter

VIDYUT SINGHAL





Vidyut Singhal will showcase the palette knife techniques she uses to create dramatic and colorful landscapes. Courtesy of Fremont Art Association



Vidyut Singhal re-embraced her love of painting after retirement. Courtesy of Fremont Art Association

By LINA MELKONIAN

Fremont Art Association (FAA) is delighted to have Vidyut Singhal as the guest artist at its virtual General Meeting and Art Demo on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at

An accomplished painter, Singhal started her creative journey with watercolor, wash and tempera as her techniques of choice for painting on paper and silk. Most recently, she has turned her focus on impressionistic style of impasto painting using acrylic. In her demo, "The Power of Impasto Painting with Acrylic," Singhal will showcase her palette knife techniques in creating her dramatic

and colorful landscapes. Singhal holds bachelor's degrees in fine arts and graphic design. It wasn't until her retirement from a career as a corporate graphic designer and after raising her family, that she would have the time to return to and fully embrace her passion for painting. It's enjoyable seeing the full range of Singhal's body of work which includes varied subjects from village life in India to depictions of traditional celebrations and mythological stories. It's equally wonderful and fascinating to

witness her migration toward her current impressionistic style of impasto painting.

Singhal's stunning impressionistic impasto creations with their buttery layers of paint exude a sense of energy and excitement that elicit a pure response to her mesmerizing contrasts of colors. Through the textural elements of her paintings, coupled with her emphasis on the effects of light, Singhal can capture and reveal the beauty and true nature of her subjects.

You may view Singhal's work at: www.Conceptsbyvidyut.net www.fineartamerica.com/profiles/conceptsbyvidyut

The demo (free to attend) will be held via Zoom. Participants must register in advance and will receive the Zoom link via email. All details may be found on the Fremont Art Association webpage: www.fremontartassociation.org/ monthlymeetinganddemo.

FAA General Meeting and Art Demo Wednesday, Aug 7 1pm - 3pmOnline via Zoom Register at: www.fremontartassociation.org/ monthlymeetinganddemo

What's new in Downtown Hayward this August

UPDATES TO DIRTY BIRD LOUNGE AND CRAFT PIZZERIA. PLUS THE LAST STREET PARTY OF SUMMER 2024

By NICK YOO, **DOWNTOWN HAYWARD IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION**

Experience the bustling energy of Downtown Hayward this August! The Downtown Hayward Improvement Association (DHIA) is excited to unveil the changes and upgrades transforming the neighborhood. Plus, the community is invited to take part in family-friendly celebrations!

Updates in the Neighborhood

Downtown Hayward is thriving with new developments everywhere you look literally! To continue enhancing the neighborhood's beauty, the DHIA has installed 26 hanging flower baskets along B Street, adding vibrant color. This is one of several beautification projects in the works.

The Dirty Bird's new speakeasy just opened its doors a couple of weeks ago and has quickly become a favorite in the community! Located in their basement, this agave-focused space boasts a remarkable collection of more than 150 tequilas and 14 mezcals. Guests can enjoy Latin-inspired cocktails with housemade ingredients, complemented by bar bites like buffalo meatballs and empanadas. With pool tables and music curated by The Stacks Record Shop every Friday and Saturday, it's a refined experience that can't be missed. Soon to come are events like tequila tasting dinners and themed nights. Ideal for private events, the venue offers semi-private spaces on Fridays and Saturdays and can be booked entirely from Sunday through Thursday. https://thedirtybirdlounge.com/

Downtown Hayward's beloved Craft Pizzeria is undergoing a transformation! The restaurant has recently added eye-catching new signs, upgraded TVs, and a new liquor

license, allowing them to serve a wider selection of drinks, including more draft beers. Meanwhile, some favorites remained unchanged, like Sector 19, the neighboring laser tag venue that's perfect for some fun after enjoying Craft Pizzeria's delicious food. Stay tuned for even more updates from Craft

https://www.craftpizzeriabyniche.com/

It's Time to Come Together and Celebrate!

Downtown Hayward is gearing up for a grand celebration! Throughout summer, the neighborhood has been hosting vibrant Street Parties that capture the lively spirit of Downtown Hayward. The last one of the season, organized by Hayward Chamber of Commerce with support from the DHIA, will take place on Thursday, August 15, from 5:30pm to 8:30pm, between B Street and Main Street.

This street party promises an evening filled with live music, delicious food and drinks, and a variety of local vendors. Attendees aged 21 and above can enjoy the beer and wine garden, while families can delight in an array of kid-friendly activities and stations.

Whether you're a first-time visitor or a long-time resident, mark your calendars for this final street party of the summer season. It's the perfect opportunity to meet your neighbors, embrace community spirit and support local businesses.

https://hayward.org/events/street-faire/ August is packed with exciting updates from local businesses and fun community celebrations. For the latest updates visit us at visithaywardca.com and follow us on

Instagram @DowntownHayward, and

Facebook @DowntownHaywardCA.

Swiss National Day

CELEBRATE THE 733RD ANNIVERSARY OF **SWITZERLAND**

By JACK ALCORN

Let's do everything Swiss! Enjoy Swiss food, listen to Swiss music or participate in a Swiss flag parade. Visit Switzerland Tourism's booth and enter to win two Swiss travel passes.

Visit the Rock Climbing Wall in the Family Fun Zone! Tour the Swiss Heritage Mobile Museum where Swiss Clubs share their rich history and vibrant communities. View the Swiss train exhibit, participate in a Corn Hole competition or learn a Swiss card game.

Stroll down the shopping area and buy Swiss specialties. Participate in the exciting online auction to bid on wonderful gifts both here and in Switzerland. The online auction goes live August 1 and closes August 11, 2024.

Switzerland is often referred to as the crowning jewel of europe. Landlocked high in the Alps, the welcoming nation is home to myriads of mountain peaks, glacial lakes and sweeping meadow vistas. The country originates from the Old Swiss Confederacy established in the Late Middle Ages. Tourists can visit many awe inspiring castles across the land.

Explore everything Swiss with your family and friends in a fun casual outdoor picnic setting. To purchase tickets visit



Yearly Swiss celebration at Newark's Swiss Park. Photo credit: United Swiss Societies of Northern California

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Swiss National Day 2024 Saturday, August 3 11am - 4pm

Swiss Park 5911 Mowry Ave., Newark eventbrite.com/e/swiss-national-day-2024-tickets-937992529907 Admission: \$13, kids under 16 free

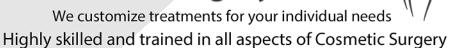


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Class is out but community lives on

50 YEARS LATER, THE 1974 CLASS OF MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL LOOKS BACK ON THE SCHOOL THEY HELPED DEFINE



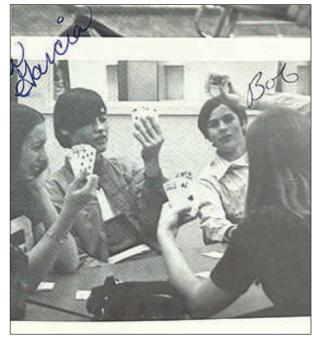
Many former Memorial High Patriots gather for the 40 year reunion in 2014. Courtesy of Memorial High School Facebook page.



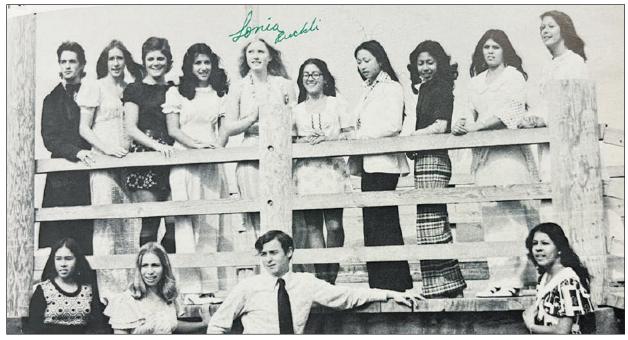
Memorial High in process. Courtesy of Sherry Wright



Students would greet the contractors putting on finishing touches. Courtesy of Sherry Wright



Do they like it? Yes! Courtesy of Sherry Wright



Class of 1974 officers. Courtesy of Sherry Wright

By STEPHANIE GERTSCH

Little-known fact about
Newark Memorial High School: It's a
chimera. In 1973, Memorial High opened
and offloaded students from the established
Newark High. In the 80s, declining
residency led to the two schools fusing.
"They kept one name from each school, and
also kept one color from each school," notes
Sherry Wright, who was part of Memorial
High's first official graduating class in 1974.
She laughs, "Nobody knows that history!"

This August, the 1974 class is holding their 50th reunion at Swiss Park in Newark. Fifty years have seen many changes to the city and the students, but the first classes to join the brand new Memorial High School have a special bond that has kept many in touch decades later.

Although Memorial opened in 1973 to a handful of seniors and classes ranging from 8th to 11th grade, 1974 is the first official graduating class. That means the majority of those students stayed together for two years. Cliff Edson, Reunion Chair and '74 graduate, says, "We were like King of the Hill two years running!"

But what people remember is friendship and camaraderie at the brand new school. Wright remembers, "I have a connection to Newark, but I have more of a connection with my classmates. Because our class was so small [174 students]...we all became super close friends, more like family.

Edson clarifies that for the 50th, all graduating classes are welcome. "That's why we decided to invite all the classes that we

did, because we were friends with classes from 1974 until 1977."

Building dynamics

What makes the original group of students so unique is that Memorial opened its doors before the building was even finished. "We didn't have a gym," says Wright. "We had locker rooms. And we had two other buildings and a library and a cafeteria." The open plan concept was big in the 70s, so often three or four classes would meet simultaneously in one shared space. (Luckily, band had its own practice room.) Edson says, "It could get a little noisy sometimes, but back then the teachers did a really good job of keeping everything under control." (Wright's version is, "They tried!") Mutual respect between teachers and students, and among students, gave structure to the chaos.

In fact, the lack of resources provided opportunity. "Senior spirit day at Newark High usually meant everyone got to go swimming. Well, we couldn't go swimming because we didn't have a swimming pool! But you know what, we had water balloon fights. You had to come up with different things that you didn't need technology for." The overall attitude was: "OK, everybody, let's push everything together. We're going to have relay races [in the cafeteria] because it's raining outside and we don't have anywhere else to go."

At a new school nothing had been established, Wright says. "So there wasn't any 'Oh it has to be like this because that's the way it's always been.' We didn't have anything to go by, so if we wanted to create a special day to do

something, we could do that."

She summarizes, "Choosing the school colors, helping pick out a name, picking out and writing a fight song. So many things you just assume are the legacy of other schools, we got to create those legacies."

The two see present-day high school students as having a different experience, without those strong underlying friendships. Edson says, "We all had great respect for each other, even though once in a while we could get into a little beef. You'd get into a beef with someone, and then a day later you're out playing football with them. It's not like nowadays where...it's this thing that can't be fixed. It turns into being forever angry."

Similarly, Wright notes, "I have grandkids that are in my school. Kids live on technology. They're so into their phones and into their devices that they don't know how to interact with each other."

It's hard to imagine parents today sending their kids to a school without technology and even a finished campus. But the experience of Memorial High's first classes shows that teens are resilient and creative when they are given a space to thrive and be themselves. That environment has nothing to do with the latest equipment.

50 Years

Memorial's reunion committee has helped graduates stay in touch over the years. "I think reunions are getting fewer and farther in between," says Edson. "It's unfortunate that more people don't do this." This year, they're hoping to do a tour of the current Newark Memorial campus as well, since so much has changed. On a preliminary visit,

Wright was sad to learn that football and baseball trophies from the 70s were no longer on display, and that the current principal didn't even know the school had been just Memorial at one time.

The local area has seen its own changes. Newark has changed as well, from farmlands and salt flats to a home for commuters who work in San Jose or on the Peninsula. Wright says, "I miss all the old stuff that we used to do. The farms that we could go and pick fruit from. Riding our horses down the Alameda Trail."

Some of the class of '74 have passed away, and others are in poor health. Edson has been calling up former classmates and urging them to attend if they can. Just hearing their voices brings back memories. He's already reunited with some old friends in person, though. "I hadn't seen Mark and Andreas for 50 years. But then we sat down in a room, and it was like we'd never stopped seeing each other. That's why I was so interested in getting involved putting this together, because as I contact people—you know, life moves on—it all comes back how lucky we were to grow up with such good people, such good friends."

Memorial High School 50th Reunion Saturday, Aug 17 2pm–10pm Swiss Park 5911 Mowry Ave, Newark Registration: \$75 Committee contact: Sherry Wright wright.tlw.slw@gmail.com



League of Women Voters issues statement regarding withdrawal of President Biden from reelection

WHAT THIS STEP MEANS FOR THE ELECTION GOING FORWARD

Submitted by ANGELINA REYES, LWVFNUC CO-PRESIDENT

The League of Women Voters (LWV) is a nonpartisan organization that encourages its members and our communities to be informed on issues that impact their lives. We do not support, endorse nor oppose candidates or political parties.

League members are political. The League strives and works to increase understanding of major public policy issues and influences public policy through education and advocacy in an open and effective manner to meet the needs of those we serve, both members and our public.

LWV of Fremont, Newark and Union City as well as the Eden Area League and four other Leagues belong to the Alameda County Council LWV. Members are kept informed via the California State League under the umbrella of the LWV of the United States.

LWV of the United States, as a member organization of the National Task Force on Election Crises, released the following statement on the Democratic party replacing its presumptive presidential nominee:

"While a major party's presumptive nominee withdrawing his presidential candidacy is an extraordinary occurrence, rules and procedures are in place to respond to this development.

"Americans can be confident that this situation falls well within existing rules and that their election system continues to allow for a free and fair election.

"A political party has control over how to choose its nominee in accordance with the party's own governing rules. When a presumptive nominee withdraws before their party makes its nomination official, the party will follow its own rules and procedures to choose an official nominee (typically, but not necessarily, in person at the party's nominating convention)."

There are no constitutional or statutory provisions but there is strong legal and historical precedent for party control according to the Task Force. It further explains that before Election Day, political parties principally have control over the process and the rules vary depending on when the candidate dies, steps down or

becomes incapacitated as well as whether the political party convention was held.

U.S. political parties operate within political norms and election procedures. We anticipate that their priority is putting the voters at the center of our presidential selection process. Our political parties operate as an important safeguard to ensure a rules-based process, should a presidential candidate who voters choose in the primary and convention process die, step down or otherwise become incapacitated.

In this instance, of President J. Biden, the Democratic Party will determine its path forward, and its delegates will vote to approve a nominee at or before the Democratic National Convention in August.

Additionally, state ballot access laws are no obstacle to the party choosing a nominee other than President Biden. States have not yet printed ballots for the general election, and state laws across the country provide for the candidate chosen by the Democratic Party at or before the convention to appear on ballots this November irrespective of whether that nominee is the same individual as the party's presumptive nominee based on the results of the party's presidential preference primaries.

Voters should feel confident that political parties and states have rules in place that anticipate such contingencies.

Just a few days ago, California Secretary of State Shirley Weber, Ph.D., issued the following statement regarding changes to potential presidential nominees:

"The announcement that President Biden has withdrawn from the presidential election does not alter California's processes for administering the November 5, 2024, General Election. The State Elections Code requires each political party qualified to participate in the election to notify the Secretary of State of its nominees for President and Vice President of the United States on or before Thursday, August 22, 2024. The Secretary of State must subsequently transmit a certified list of candidates to counties by August 29, 2024."

All registered voters in Alameda County will receive vote-by-mail ballots. The last day to register to vote is October 21, 2024. Early voting begins on October 7, 2024. Ballots must be postmarked by November 5, 2024, and received by November 12, 2024.



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Housing insecurity caused Newark councilman resignation

FORMER COUNCILMAN MIKE BUCCI PLANS TO LEAVE TRI-CITY AREA TO PURCHASE A HOME

By JACK ALCORN

Council member Mike Bucci was first elected to Newark City Council in November 2014. The City Council appointed him to another four-year term in November 2018. The voters of the City of Newark elected Bucci for a third term in November 2022.

State law requires that a special election be held to fill the vacancy, which could occur on November 5, 2024.

Bucci resigned before his third term ended, stating he can no longer afford to live in the city he represents. Bucci will move out of Newark to purchase a home. He plans to relocate his family to Ventura County.

Bucci's salary from a San Leandro-based construction company, coupled with the roughly \$13,000 he earns a year as a councilman, is not enough to purchase a proper home for his wife and daughter in Newark.

The landlord for the Bucci family's current Newark residence recently died. Although the surviving family has no immediate plans to sell the house, Bucci stated, "I can't take any chances. This is a million dollar house we're in."

He said he and his wife and daughter are moving into a family-owned two-bedroom condominium where his grandmother currently resides in Oxnard, California.

"That's the best option for us," Bucci said. "It's difficult because we don't have a life there. Our life is here. But the truth is all of our family has left here."

The median sale price of a home in Newark is \$1.4 million, up 15% since a year ago.

Newark Mayor Mike Hannon was saddened by Bucci's resignation letter, but was not surprised by it. He understands, recalling how different the Bay Area housing market was when his family left their rental unit and found their first home here in 1985. "The magnitude in terms of dollar amounts is just significantly much higher," said the mayor.



Former councilman Mike Bucci plans to leave Newark

Before resigning, Bucci, 47, shared his housing struggles in an interview. "We tried over the years. We tried a lot. It was never enough. And a bank won't give you a loan that's worth more than your house. There's nothing you can do...It's heartbreaking."

Since being elected in 2014, he's been credited with helping open the city's new Civic Center, which includes a new City Hall, police station and library, as well as the first dog park and skatepark.

A long time Newark resident, Bucci was a champion of affordable housing and supported many affordable housing projects, including the recently built Cedar Community Apartments funded by Project Homekey. Bucci was also instrumental in securing support for the Newark Civic Center campus, which was constructed on time and under budget.

Mayor Hannon expressed his gratitude for Bucci's contributions by stating, "I thank Councilmember Bucci for his nearly 10 years of service to the city and for his leadership and support of parks and affordable housing...I wish him and his family all the best."



'Tis the Season ELECTIONS ARE UPON US!

Submitted by LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE EDEN AREA

November 5 may seem far away or all too near. Regardless, with about 20 different races, at least 50 candidates, and about 12 ballot measures, there's a lot to learn this election season. Here are some upcoming events and resources that can help you to be an informed voter.

The League of Women Voters of the Eden Area is partnering up with various organizations to help local residents navigate the ballot. Please join in and help to spread the word.

BWOPA Voter Education Forum!

Mark your calendars for an in-person Voter Education Forum on Saturday, August 17, from 10am to 12pm at Craft Pizzeria in Hayward. Hosted by the Hayward/South County BWOPA Chapter, Eden Rose Chapter of the Links Inc., and partners Hayward Area Historical Society, League of Women Voters of the Eden Area, and Hayward NAACP. This event is packed with valuable insights and practical information. From understanding the importance of your vote to a detailed overview of elections at all levels and an in-depth discussion on key Assembly and Senate bills, this forum is designed to empower you as a voter. Enjoy a youth performance, learn how to support voter turnout, and get all your voter information reminders in one place. Be part of a community effort to stay informed, engaged, and ready to make a difference at the polls!

Get to Know – Voting, Civic Engagement, and Advocacy Ballot Party!

Join the South Hayward Neighborhood Collaborative and other organizations to learn about how to get involved in local issues regardless of your voter status. Voting rights, identifying misinformation, advocacy for all ages, ballot information, and more will be presented in a family friendly environment. Come meet candidates and talk about the issues that matter to you. Learn about commission and task force opportunities that can include your voice in local government. Looking forward to seeing you at the party!

Resources!

While the language for some items on the ballot is still being developed, there are reliable, non-partisan places to start your education today.

"2024 California ballot measures: What you need to know" a list created by CalMatters: https://calmatters.org/explainers/california-ballot-measures-2024/

California Secretary of State has additional details: https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/ballot-mea-

sures/qualified-ballot-measures
Vote411 will be updated in the fall with specific ballot information:

https://www.vote411.org/
As always, your local League of Women
Voters is eager to be a resource for you.
Contact us via our website:
https://lwvea.clubexpress.com



Local Buddhists opposed marijuana dispensaries at the July 23rd Union City Council meeting. Photo by Jack Alcorn

Union City Council

July 23, 2024, 7pm

Presentations

- Union Sanitary District General Manager Paul Eldredge provided a service, activity and maintenance report.
- Union City Police Captain Andrew Holt provided a fourth of July after action report.

Consent Calendar

- Authorize the Acceptance of California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP), Law Enforcement Grant Funds, in the amount of \$148,855 for Fiscal Year 2024-2025
- Update the Class Specification for the Classification of Property and Evidence
- Approve a revised list of projects for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 funded by SB 1: The

Road Repair and Accountability Act of

• Award a contract to Peoria PFVT Motors, LLC, in the amount of \$124,212, for the purchase of two F-150 Police Responders to replace certain vehicles that have previously been declared as surplus and authorized for disposal

• Approve contract budget reallocations for the Union City Boulevard Bike Lanes Project

Mayor Carol Dutra-Vernaci Gary Singh Jaime Patino Jeff Wang Scott Sakakihara

Aye Aye Aye Absent Aye



Alameda County District 2 Supervisor Elisa Marquez swears in newly appointed Newark City Councilmember Ana Apodaca. Photo by Jack Alcorn

Newark City Council July 25, 2024, 7pm

Presentations

· Ceremonial Oath of Office for Councilmember Ana Apodaca

Consent Calendar

- Adoption of an ordinance re-adopting Chapter 2.50, "Military Equipment Use Policy", to the Newark Municipal Code 3 and adoption of an ordinance amending Chapter 2.28 of the Newark Municipal Code "Personnel System"
- Approve a Software-as-a-Service "SaaS") Agreement with ClearGov for ClearGov Insights Suite, Budget Suite, and Digital Budget Book
- Authorize an amendment to the Microsoft Enterprise Agreement with Dell Marketing, L.P. (Dell) and amend the 2024-2026 Biennial Budget and Capital Improvement Plan
- Adopt resolutions: (1) amending the Employee Classification Plan to delete and add multiple classifications; (2) amending the Compensation and Benefit Plan for the Management, Supervisory and Professional Employee Group; (3) amending the City's Salary Schedule in conformance with California Code of Regulations; (4) amending the 2024-2026 Biennial Budget and Capital Improvement Plan; and (5)

approving a Side Letter to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Newark Police Association

- Approve a Side Letter to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Newark and Newark Association of Miscellaneous Employees
- Adopt a resolution establishing the Fiscal Year 2025 Tax Appropriations Limit
- Resolution granting permission to Vice Mayor Freitas and Councilmember Collazo to be absent from City Council meetings
- Authorize an amended Contractual Equipment and Services Agreement with RJMS Corporation DBA Toyota Material Handling of Northern California for the purchase of a sub-compact
- Adopt a resolution accepting the bid and awarding the contract for the Base Bid and Additive Alternate Bid No. 1 to VSS International, Inc. for 2024 Slurry Seal Program, Project No. 1345
- Authorize a Cooperative Agreement with the Alameda County Water District for water main design and construction associated with the Old Town Streetscape Improvements, Project 1258

Mayor Mike Hannon Aye Ana Apodaca Aye Maria Collazo Absent Luis Freitas Absent Matthew Jorgens

Forum on what the U.S. should do on climate change

Submitted by **CHUCK FINNIE**

The City of Hayward will host a public forum the evening of August 7 that has been organized by the advocacy group Climate Protection & Restoration Initiative to share information and gather public input and testimony about the importance of reducing the environmental impacts of greenhouse gas emissions.

Climate Protection & Restoration Initiative is a nonprofit advocacy organization that sued the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in 2022 for in its view not doing enough to get energy companies out of the fossil fuel business and failing to require them to clean up and reverse environmental and climate damage attributable to fossil fuel use in the United States.

Climate Protection & Restoration Initiative is holding the forum to share scientific information and gather input to be used in the course of its legal and political advocacy. The City of Hayward agreed to host the forum because confronting the climate crisis and championing environmental justice have been identified by the City Council as policy priorities.

Among those scheduled to testify is Karina Garbesi, professor emerita and director of environmental studies at Cal State University East Bay in Hayward.

To learn more about Climate Protection & Restoration Initiative, go online to the organization's website cprclimate.org.

To learn more about the City of Hayward's environmental sustainability initiatives, visit the Environmental Services Division page on the City of Hayward website or contact Hayward Environmental Services Manager Erik Pearson at Erik.Pearson@hayward-ca.gov.

Wednesday, Aug 7 6pm - 8:30pmCity council chambers **Hayward City Hall** 777 B St., Hayward cprclimate.org Erik.Pearson@hayward-ca.gov

National Night Out

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IS CELEBRATING ITS 41ST ANNIVERSARY!



Police spend time with youth on National Night Out. Photo credit: City of Fremont

By JACK ALCORN

National Night Out is an annual nationwide event designed to strengthen relationships in your neighborhood, raise crime prevention awareness and continue relationships with police and fire departments.

National Night Out increases awareness about police programs in your area. Drug prevention, neighborhood watch and other anti-crime efforts are spotlighted.

Events are typically organized by neighborhood committees, nonprofit organizations, local businesses and police departments. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. It provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

Communities across the country have organized fun filled evenings with the chance to learn safety awareness and tips for preventing auto theft and other crimes. These neighborhood block parties are a great opportunity for the community to come together and celebrate with local businesses, community groups, law enforcement and first responders.

National Night Out is the perfect chance to get to know your neighbors better! It's also an excellent opportunity to help kids get the school year off to a

Show your support for community partnerships. Don't miss out on this special event promoting unity, safety and a sense of belonging. The event happens annually on August 6.

Castro Valley

4pm-7pm. Lake Chabot Regional Park 17600 Lake Chabot Road Parking fees will be waived for the event starting at 3pm. The Lake Chabot Marina Café will be open for extended hours for dinner, snacks, ice cream, and more. For more information, visit www.ebparks.org/nno.

Fremont

5:30pm - 7:30pm

Fremont Police, Fire and City staff plan to visit National Night Out parties in the evening of August 6.

If you have questions about National Night Out in Fremont, please call the Fremont Police Department's Community Engagement Unit at (510) 790-6740 or visit fremontpolice.gov/community/events/nationalnight-out

Union City

Union Landing Shopping Center

Newark

6:30pm - 9:00pm

Contact Police Captain Jolie Macias at (510) 578-4921, or email jolie.macias@newark.org

Contact James Strawser at (510) 293-7151 james.strawser@hayward-ca.gov

San Leandro

Neighborhoods will be hosting a variety of events ranging from small potlucks and BBQs to large block parties. For additional information contact the San Leandro Police Department Crime Prevention Unit via email or at (510) 577-3228.

Milpitas

4:00pm - 8:30pm Various locations. Visit https://gomilpitas.com/events/national-night-out-2024/ for more information.

Park District **Board Director** named 2024 **CSDA** Board Member of the Year

Submitted by **DAVE MASON**

East Bay Regional Park District Board Director Dee Rosario has been named 2024 California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Board Member of the Year, which is awarded based on experience, effectiveness and leadership.

Director Rosario was elected to the Board of Directors in November 2016. Rosario previously worked at the East Bay Regional Park District for 37 years as a park ranger, firefighter, fire lieutenant and park supervisor of Reinhardt Redwood Regional Park.

CSDA represents more than 1,300 organizations throughout California and is the only statewide

association representing all types of special districts, including park and recreation, fire, police protection, utility, water, irrigation, healthcare, library, cemetery, harbor and community services districts.

"Congratulations to Director Rosario for this prestigious award recognizing his leadership and achievements over the years, first as a staff member, then as a board director," said Park District Board President Elizabeth Echols. "His contributions to East Bay Regional Parks in both capacities are countless.'

Director Rosario was a lieutenant in the Park District's Fire Department during the 1991 Oakland Firestorm, where he was on scene fighting the fire and helping residents evacuate. According to the book The Oakland Hills Firestorm 20 Years Later, the memories of fighting that fire are still vivid. In the book, Rosario recalls seeing "pine needles fall to the ground, catch fire, and rise again in a reverse cascade, a strangely beautiful sight. Then he heard a rumble like an oncoming train. A grove of trees exploded into flame, igniting leaves on house rooftops."

As a Board Member, Director Rosario was instrumental in the renaming of Redwood Regional Park after Aurelia Reinhardt, one of the Park District's five original board members - and the only woman - elected to represent residents on the newly founded Park District Board Reinhardt played a substantial role in the formation of the Park District in 1934. A lover of redwood trees, Reinhardt later worked to acquire property that would become Redwood Regional Park.

"I am honored to receive the CSDA Board Member of the Year award," said Director Rosario. "It has been a privilege to serve the public as a Park District employee and as a board director."

Director Rosario is retiring at the end of 2024 after his long career with the Park District.

The Board Member of the Year award will be officially announced and presented at the CSDA Annual Conference & Exhibitor Showcase on September 10, 2024, in Indian Wells, California.



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Fremont Bank names Don Marek as President

MAREK BECOMES THE SIXTH PRESIDENT IN THE BANK'S 60-YEAR HISTORY

Submitted by **JANET HANEY**

Fremont Bank, one of California's oldest, independent, family-owned and managed banks, announced on Wednesday, July 24, the appointment of Don Marek as its new President, effective August 1. Andy Mastorakis, who joined Fremont Bank in 2009 as President and has served as President and CEO since 2014, continues in his roles as CEO and board member.

Marek has held numerous executive management roles during his 15 years at Fremont Bank, most recently leading the Commercial Lending Group.

"Don is an exceptional leader who embodies our culture and is committed to being accessible and evolving our relationship-based banking model," Mastorakis said. "As Don assumes leadership of all client-facing businesses and operational functions, we will continue to collaborate on all matters relating to Fremont Bank."

Prior to joining Fremont Bank in 2009, Marek worked as a Senior Portfolio Manager for MOHR Partners, a \$25 million tenant-oriented corporate real estate services firm headquartered in Walnut Creek, California. Marek also worked as a Brand Manager at The Clorox Company. He received a bachelor's in economics and history from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and an MBA from UCLA's Anderson School, and he is a graduate of the Pacific Coast Banking School.

"I am thrilled for the opportunity to lead Fremont Bank as President," said Marek. "Bay Area business owners and local consumers alike deserve a bank that is committed to understanding and meeting their needs. They deserve a bank with leaders who are accessible, a bank with knowledgeable staff who are empowered to quickly respond to questions and provide solutions. And they deserve a bank that is prudently managed, that has the motivation and financial strength to stand by them in challenging times. Fremont Bank is that bank. Our brand continues to resonate in the Bay Area, and I'm very optimistic about our future growth prospects."

Additionally, Fremont Bank announced the promotions of Todd Dal Porto to Chief Lending Officer, Mike Schlesinger to Chief Performance Officer, and Devon Johnson to Chief Growth Officer.

"Fremont Bank is fortunate to have an exceptionally strong management team, allowing us to promote from within and ensuring continuity of our client-centric culture and business practices," said Mastorakis.

Fremont Bank Chairman Mike Wallace added, "Sixty years of independent operations is an incredible accomplishment for any company—60 years of independent operations in the banking industry, which has seen so much consolidation, is truly exceptional. We have a rich history of serving our community in extraordinary ways, and we plan to be here decades from now doing the same thing. The appointment of Don to this role, and the additional



Don Marek has been with Fremont Bank for 15 years. Courtesy of Janet Haney

promotions announced today, are an important step to ensure we realize this vision."

Fremont Bank www.fremontbank.com/

Fremont represents at National Cohousing Summit

MISSION PEAK VILLAGE DELEGATES ATTEND "ROOTED IN BELONGING"



Evelyn LaTorre (L) and Jane Mueller (R). Courtesy of Evelyn LaTorre.

Submitted by JANE MUELLER AND EVELYN LATORRE

Jane Mueller and Evelyn LaTorre, Fremont residents and members of Mission Peak Village, the Tri-City's first planned cohousing community, are packed and on their way to the conference "Rooted in Belonging," hosted by The Cohousing Association of the United States in Denver, Colorado from August 2 to 4.

Kicking off the conference will be a screening of *Join or Die*, a new documentary about Robert Putnam, author of the book *Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community*, in which he demonstrates, with supporting data, that our country is transforming into a nation of loners. Both Putnam and U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy agree that over the past 50 years, Americans have become more and more socially disconnected. Research shows how this breakdown of community threatens the health of our democracy and over time results in poorer mental and physical health in individuals.

Even before the Mission Peak Village cohousing community breaks ground, members are counteracting this trend by forming connections with one another. They collaborate in planning every aspect of their future home, which combines individually owned homes with extensive shared common spaces in which to interact. Members recognize how they can live their best life surrounded by neighbors who are also friends—others who share their value of generalized reciprocity.

Led by cohousing experts, the conference will explore ways to make cohousing equitable, sustainable and diverse. Attendees will also reflect on the past, present and future of the rapidly growing international cohousing movement.

"I'm eager to experience the rewarding connections I always find among cohousers," said Jane Mueller, a co-founder of Mission Peak Village.

"I will be listening deeply and sharing openly," said Evelyn LaTorre, "to capture new strategies for identifying like-minded people who would like to live in our community with us."

Fremont Main Library will have a cohousing display in its lobby during August. More information about the local cohousing movement is available at www.missionpeakcohousing.org, where one can register for an online information session

can register for an online information session or for a guided tour of the future Mission Peak Village site.

Mission Peak Village is a group of friends forming Fremont's first cohousing community. Memberships are still available. For information, see www.missionpeakcohousing.org or call Jane at (510) 413-8446. For more information on the topic of cohousing, visit www.cohousing.org.

Summer of Peace, Love & Murder Mystery Join an interactive whodunnit

Submitted by PLETHOS PRODUCTIONS

The weekend of August 9, enjoy a formal evening of fine beer and a delicious dinner with a side of murder! This interactive show is a whodunnit like none other! If you believe in love, nature and the power of the collective voice of the community, you're in the right place.

The Children of Sunflowers are taking a stand by holding a sit-in at Drake's Barrel House. The event is in protest of the looming murder – of the City of Broakland's largest community park, by the mega tech corporation Nexus for their second headquarter branch. That is, until murderous mayhem occurs! Can you help figure out whodunnit?

This fully immersive, interactive show puts you in on the action, looking for clues, interrogating the suspects and even winning prizes if you crack the case or win the costume contest. This production is directed by Jacob Henrie-Naffaa. Running time is two hours.

Summer of Peace, Love & Murder Mystery Friday, Aug 9 - Sunday, Aug 11 Drake's Barrel House 1933 Davis St. #177, San Leandro General seating: \$65 Preferred seating: \$80

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We are not happy

I got my copy of the Tri-City Voice and I can't believe this article they published called 'We are so happy.' I'm a long-term resident of Fremont and home owner, and most of my friends have left Fremont. The ones that are still here — none of them are happy. Long term residents of Fremont are not happy. It's crowded, congested, full of crazy people and homeless people. I found a crack pipe last year on the sidewalk and everybody that lives here is from some third world country so they don't mind. They're putting up these little apartments everywhere, it's just a mess of traffic and they took away all the right-hand turn lanes. We're not happy here. It's ridiculous.

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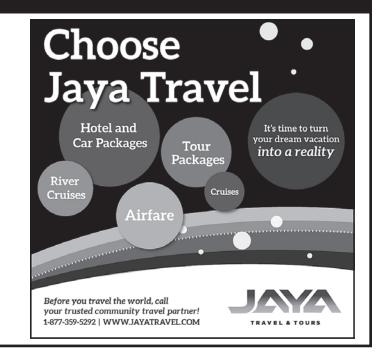


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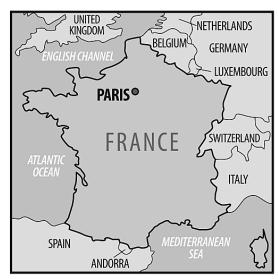


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The Summer Olympic Games Are Back!

his summer, the world turns its eyes to Paris, France. Why? That's where the Summer Olympics will be held starting on Friday, July 26 through Sunday, August 11, 2024.





PARIS 2024

Who's there?

Take a look at the logo for the Paris Summer Olympic Games. At first, you'll see the Olympic flame and the Olympic rings. But take a closer look.

Do you see a face and hair? This is the face of a goddess that is seen as the symbol for liberty and wisdom in France.

Use this code to reveal her name.



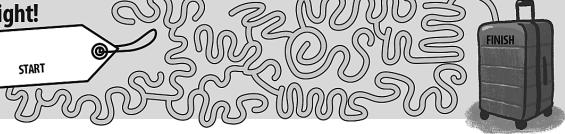






Don't Miss Your Flight!

Imagine you're flying to Paris, but you forgot to attach your nametag to your suitcase. Write your name on the tag, then follow the maze to find your suitcase.



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Pictograms

It is said that a picture is worth a thousand words. At the Olympic Games, a picture is worth a thousand words in hundreds of languages.

Pictograms are simplified pictures or symbols. There is one for each sport to help people from all over the world understand what is happening. For example, this



pictogram represents the Olympic sport of judo.

Do the math to match each pictogram to the name of the Summer Olympic event that it represents.



18 - 3 =Boxing

14 + 14 =





3+6+2=



24 + 6 =





41-9=

5+2=

- 12 = Rowing
- 11 = Football (Soccer)
- 13 = Table Tennis 18 = Breaking
- 7 = Artistic Swimming
- 33 = Badminton
- 28 = Marathon Swimming
- 30 = Archery27 = Basketball
- 10 = Weightlifting
- 15 = Boxing
- 32 = Golf





3+3+6=





22 - 12 =

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in today's newspaper. Show them to a friend to see if they can tell what the symbol represents.

Standards Link: Connect artistic representations to meaning.

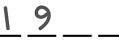
Kid Scoop Puzzler

The 2024 Paralympic Games

This is the logo of the 2024 Paralympic Games.

Athletes with physical disabilities from around the world compete in the Paralympic Games every four years alongside the Olympics. In fact, Paralympics means "alongside the Olympics."





Standards Link: Math: Calculate sums and differences to 100.





GYMNASTICS

WATER POLO **BASEBALL**

SWIMMING SURFING

SAILING KARATE

TENNIS

SOCCER TRACK

CANOE GOLF JUDO

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

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

Kid Scoop Together:

Read these questions to a family member. How many did they get right?

1. What do the five rings of the Olympics mean?

- ☐ Five Cities
- ☐ Five Countries
- ☐ Five Continents

2. What does the Olympic Motto "Citius, Altius, Fortius" mean?

- Smarter, Stronger, Faster
- Swifter, Higher, Stronger
- ☐ Better, Bigger, Bolder

3. According to the Olympic Creed, the most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but ...

- to play fair.
- u to win big.
- to take part.

4. Where is the Olympic torch first lit?

- Athens
- ☐ Greece
- Olympia

5. Women were first allowed to compete in the Olympics in what year?

- **1800**
- **1900 2000**
- 6. The 2026 Winter Olympic
 - Games will be held in: ☐ Italy
 - ☐ Germany
 - Norway

7. Which of the following is NOT a color of one of the Olympic rings?

- □ Blue
- ☐ Purple Black
- 8. All the participating countries sent female athletes for the
 - first time in which Olympics? ☐ 1976 Montreal
 - ☐ 1984 Los Angeles
 - 2012 London

8. 2012 London 4. Olympia 3. lo take part

2. Swifter, Higher, Stronger 6. Italy 0061.2 7. FIVE CONTINENTS

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Kid Scoop This week's word: **ETERNITY**

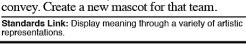
The noun **eternity** means a period of time that seems to be endless, often used when exaggerating.

It took an **eternity** to reach the front of the line.

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

Sports Team Mascots

Sports team mascots (often an animal or object) give personality to their teams. Look through today's sports section. Select one team and make a list of characteristics you think that team wants to







Write a sports story about something that happened in a game you played or watched.











The Fremont CONN



July 22, 2024

Subject: Ensuring Public Safety in Fremont Amidst Recent Tragedies

Dear Fremont Community Members,

This past weekend, our community experienced two tragic homicides on the same day. On behalf of the entire City of Fremont organization, I extend my deepest condolences to the victims' families and loved ones during this difficult time. Despite these events, Fremont remains one of the safest cities in the country, as evidenced by recent recognitions from WalletHub naming us America's Best Place to Raise a Family and Happiest City in America based on various factors, including low crime rates.

I am extremely proud of and grateful to the men and women in our Police and Fire Departments who serve under challenging conditions daily. As your city manager, I assure you that public safety remains our paramount concern, a priority shared by the city council. We recognize that the security and well-being of our residents form the foundation of a thriving community.

Over the last four budget cycles, I have consistently authorized additional police staffing and funding to maintain a high level of service for our community. This significant investment underscores our commitment to public safety. It has resulted in the expansion of the Mobile Health Evaluation Team (MET), a \$2.4M grant to combat Organized Retail Theft and staff a Real-Time Information Center, additional resources for officer wellness, funding to enhance hiring and recruitment, authorizing \$13 million for body-camera and safety-related technology, and the establishment of a Gun Violence Reduction Team. These efforts contributed to a reduction in shootings and an increase in firearm recovery in FY2023/24. In the recently adopted FY2024/25 operating budget, the Police Department's allocation accounts for 44% of the City's general fund.

The community must know that I am committed to actively engaging with our Police Department and Human Resources Department to develop new and innovative ways to recruit and retain the talented employees of the Fremont Police Department. I will continue championing additional technology, marketing, and hiring strategies to strengthen and enhance public safety. Our public safety departments have our full support and appreciation for their dedication and hard work in keeping our community safe.

Fremont is a dynamic, diverse, and safe City where we can all take pride. In difficult times like these, it is important to remember that we are stronger together. As factual information or updates become available, we will continue our tradition of transparency with the community about public safety matters. For now, I wish you all a safe and happy summer.

Karena Shackelford City Manager

Fremont City Council Approves First Phase of New Central Park Community Center



On Tuesday, July 9, 2024, the Fremont City Council approved Phase 1 of the new Community Center project at Central Park. The need for a new multi-use community center was identified as a high priority in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, which was adopted by the Fremont City Council in March 2022.

During the earlier part of this year, the City conducted outreach with the community to help determine desired programs, activity spaces and amenities, and the preferred architectural style. The City received input from over 2,600 participants both online and in-person at meetings and community events.

The Phase 1 project consists of a new 12,000 square foot community center building with rooms for fitness, dance, arts, crafts, and community meetings, an expanded parking lot, as well as an "Outdoor Living Room" to support outdoor social and relaxation spaces. The Phase 1 project cost is \$33 million and is funded by City, State, and federal sources. Future phases of the project are proposed to include an Event Hall, Gymnasium, and an Outdoor Amphitheatre. Construction of the Phase 1 Community Center project is proposed to start in Summer 2025 and be complete in 2027.

To review the Council agenda and report, please visit fremont.gov/government/agenda-center, and to learn more about the project and timeline, please visit: my.fremont.gov/newcommunitycenter.

Adopt-a-Drain Program

Want to make a difference in your neighborhood and help protect the environment? Adopt a storm drain! Adopt-a-Drain is a community-driven program that encourages residents to take responsibility for maintaining storm drains in their neighborhoods. Participants "adopt" a local storm drain and commit to keeping it clear of debris like leaves, trash, and other blockages to prevent flooding and protect local waterways from pollution. Storm drains empty directly into nearby lakes, creeks, estuaries, and bays, serving as pathways for trash and organic pollutants. By regularly cleaning and monitoring a Fremont drain, you can help our ecosystems and improve stormwater management. This is a great way to make a difference and help Fremont become a climate ready community! Learn more and sign up at ca.adopt-a-drain.org.

Adopt a Storm Drain

Keep your neighborhood clean and protect local waterways!



Donate Items to Help Keep Our Unhoused Neighbors Safe from Summer Heat



With warmer weather here, the needs of our unhoused neighbors change. The City is continuing its partnership with Bay Area Community Services (BACS) and asking the community to donate items our unhoused neighbors need during these warmer months. Donated items will be distributed through City programs and services, such as the Safe Parking Program (https://city.fremont.gov/safeparking) and the Housing Resource Center

(https://city.fremont.gov/housingresourcecenter). Items will also be shared with BACS to ensure they get to those who need them as quickly as possible.

An updated Homeless Services Needs List is available for those interested in donating items at https://city.fremont.gov/homelessneedslist. The items most needed are the following:

- Sunscreen
- Bottled water T-shirts
- Light pants • Tents

All clothing items should be in adult sizes from small to XXXL. Drop-off locations and hours are listed on the Homeless Services Needs List. No appointment is necessary.

If you have questions, please contact Paula Manczuk-Hannay in the City's Human Services Department at 510-574-2088 or by email at pmanczuk-hannay@fremont.gov.

Every donation, no matter how small, can help ensure that our neighbors have the essential items they need to stay safe during the warm weather. If you have already donated items or plan to do so, thank you for your support and for giving back!

For other ways you can help, including making a monetary donation online, please visit the City's How to Help webpage at https://city.fremont.gov/howtohelp.











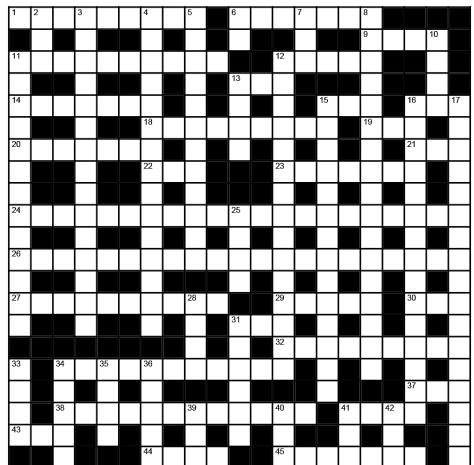




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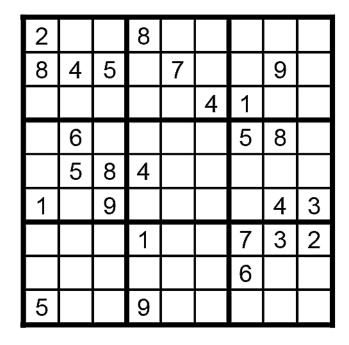
Crossword Puzzle



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Putting on the ballot (10)		disabled (4-1-4)	11	Bad occupation for Sleepy?
Spanish wheat (5)	34	Two on a par five (6,5)		(5,8)
BART stop (3)	37	Fair-hiring inits. (3)	12	Pots and pans, e.g., to a cook
Former Yankees manager Joe (7)	38	Computer programming		(5,2,3,5)
New Test. book (3)		problem (8,4)	13	Thompson of "Family" (4)
Free (3)	41	1975 movie about sharks (4)	15	"You can't" (4,2,4,4)
I.R.S. form with a line for	43	Refugee org. (3)	16	Hidden agenda (8,7)
"Casualty and Theft Losses"	44	Golfer Ballesteros (4)	17	RAZE (5,4,3,5)
(8,1)	45	F.D.R. program (3,4)	25	Cries of surprise (4)
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Khan (3)	3	"Keep Out!" follower (7,8)	35	Defunct gridiron org. (4)
Unvarying (3-4)	4	Currently (2,4,3,3,3)	36	Turner and others (5)
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Short-lived (4,5,4,8)	6	*Part of Georgia named for a	40	Wine: Prefix (3)
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Sudoku:

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



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Tri-City Stargazer For WEEK OF JULY 30, 2024

All Signs: It's the middle of the summer. Very hot and dry for many. I think this middle of-the-summer moment is the perfect time to take a look at where we've been and where we're going. One of my favorite quotes is by General Eisenhower who said: "In preparing for battle, I have always found that plans are useless but planning is indispensable." Let's take a look at the long range ahead.

Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20):

You gave up a lot in the early 90s to start a new path. Then around 2001-2004, life was full of job changes and residential moves. By 2008-2010, you were working hard, which is why you received acknowledgement of your efforts around 2010-2012. Admittedly, that was also a tough window for marriages and close relationships. Around 2013, you might have expanded your family or improved your home. By 2018, you looked fabulous! This was when cherished dreams came true. Ironically, in 2021, during Covid restrictions, you were popular! Now it's time to downsize and let go of what is no longer relevant in your life.

Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20):

Around 1999 was a game changer because you began a new path that allowed you to reinvent yourself by 2005. Home responsibilities were serious from 2005 to 2008 because you wanted to establish a secure base. You worked hard around 2010-2012 to prove what you could do; and many of you boosted your earnings. Fast-forward to 2015-2018, when you had more financial opportunities. Since 2020, your responsibilities have increased, and you have made new friends. Last year and this year, you got richer! Get ready to downsize in a few years.

Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20):

The millennium was memorable because you began to reinvent yourself. By 2008-2010, your life had changed. By 2012-2015, you were working hard; and around 2016, you had a chance to improve

where you lived. This year lucky Jupiter is in your sign bringing you good fortune and boosting your confidence. This is your time of harvest - something that occurs only once every 30 years. You will see what is working and what is not. It will be a time of success but also some failures because it depends on how well you planted seeds in the last decades.

Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21):

In the mid-90s, you were on top of your game; then at the beginning of the millennium, you began giving up what was no longer relevant. You can be a pack rat so it's not easy giving up possessions and even a country. Around 2008-2010, job changes and residential moves were a further challenge and opportunity. By 2010-2013, you worked to establish a home base for yourself. (Some of you might have moved again.) Now it's time to look for ways to get performance ready for 2026-2027 when you will be on top of your game once again!

Leo the Lion

(July 22-August 22): Your life took a major shift around 2005 and in 2010-2013, you might have gone through job changes and residential moves. Ironically, around 2020-21, during the challenges of Covid, many of you had a chance to improve your job. This will be a popular year for many of you. You might be more involved in groups and organizations. By the summer of 2026, lucky Jupiter will enter Leo to stay for a year, which will bring you good fortune and lead to a window of 2027-2028 when you

will get richer!

Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22):

You were downsizing around 2005 for several years saying goodbye to people, possessions and places in order to enter a new world around 2008. (By 2015, your world had dramatically changed since 2005.) Since Covid in 2020, you have been working hard to show others what you can do. Now you are in a time when relationships and partnerships are challenged. Nevertheless, you make a great impression on others now professionally speaking. You look like a winner!

Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22):

Around 2003, your cherished dreams came true. About seven years later, you entered a new world where you began to redefine who you were, and by 2018, you felt more financially secure. At your present life stage, you are working hard and some of you feel some health challenges, especially related to your bones, joints and teeth. Fortunately, travel opportunities along with opportunities in publishing, the media, medicine and the law exist this year. Take advantage of these because in two years, your reputation will shine!

Scorpio the Scorpion

(October 23-November 21): You felt powerful around 2005. This was a time when you had many responsibilities and took charge of your life. Beginning around 2010, you were setting off on a new journey around 2012. Once again, in a window between 2018-2020, you went through a roller coaster of changes with different jobs, residences, plus

changes to your daily world. After

that, you worked hard to secure your home base. This year inheritances plus help from others, including partners will be helpful.

Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21):

Optimism and freedom are survival issues for you. You like to travel and be outdoors. It's important for you to believe something exciting is around the next bend in the road. About 15 years ago, around 2008, you were pleased with your accomplishments. Around 2012, you went through several years of downsizing. This was so you could begin a new path in 2015 of redefining who you were. You now have a sense of who you are, and it is different from who you were in 2012. Make plans to travel this year and in 2026!

Capricorn the Goat

(December 22-January 19): Looking back, you see that 2003-2005 was a challenging time for partnerships. However, by 2010, you were on top of your game. Around 2015, you let go of what was no longer necessary. This was because you entered a new phase of your life around 2018. This new phase made you redefine values and let go of attitudes that you had for years. Following that, many of you changed jobs, residences. And here we are! This is a great year for your health and to improve your job. Next year is wonderful for relationships. Even marriage.

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

You are independent, individualistic and quirky. Relationships were challenging for you between 2005-2008. (Some

might have ended.) Nevertheless,

around 2011-12 you were strong. This was a great time to improve where you lived. You also impressed others with the appearance of success. Between 2018-2020, you let go of possessions, places, things, ideas and values that didn't fit anymore. Since 2020, you have been redefining yourself. This process will not finish until 2028. This is a great year for vacations. Next year you can improve your health and your job.

Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20):

This is a definitive time for you. The last time you went through this phase was during 1994-96. It was a growing up time for you. About nine or 10 years ago, you were confident and you looked good to others. Around 2016, relationships were sweet! However, your life began to shift dramatically at the beginning of Covid in 2020, ultimately forcing you to rethink people, places, possessions, ideas and values. Now you're at the beginning of a new journey that will last until 2030. This year you can improve where you live or move to something better!



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Home & Garden

Tomatoes - whichever way you say it!

DELICIOUS WHICHEVER WAY YOU EAT THEM!



Tomatoes thrive in full sun with sturdy supports. By Madhvika Singh

By MADHVIKA SINGH

I have been planting tomatoes for the past twenty years in my home garden. The joy of fresh harvest, superior flavor and being able to experience unique varieties always exceeds the challenges that can sometimes produce a less-than-perfect tomato.

In growing tomatoes, some important considerations are variety, location, days to maturity and growth habit. Based on growth habits, tomatoes are largely classified as determinate and indeterminate. Determinate tomatoes are bushy and compact, producing much of their fruit all at once. They grow



Tomato hornworm. By Madhvika Singh

from three to about five feet, are often early ripening and produce fruit mainly concentrated at one time. Because of their compact nature, they can be easily grown in containers, patios and balconies. I grow these to make tomato-based sauces for freezing as I get all my harvest together. Indeterminate varieties are vining types that need sturdy support structures. They grow and bear flowers and fruit until disease or frost kills them. These serve our household's day-to-day tomato needs.

When it's time to plant, a trip to my local nursery feels like being a child in a toy store. While the variety to choose from is tempting, I select types that are reliable



Barrel shaped stink bug eggs. By Madhvika Singh



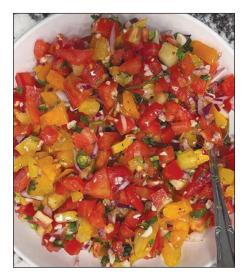
Cooked tomatoes for sauces and soups. By Madhvika Singh

producers and some new ones. I prefer not to start from seeds as I become impatient waiting for them to put on leaves. At the nursery, I pick transplants that are sturdy, thick-stemmed, dark green and six to eight inches tall. Choices are endless, from cherry to grape to paste to slicing, and from hybrids to heirlooms.

When it comes to selecting a space, tomatoes love to be planted in full sun all day, although occasional heat waves can cause scalding on fruit and cause flowers to drop, leading to a poor fruit yield. Poor yield can also be due to excess nitrogen or planting the wrong variety for your area. Plant tomatoes deep into the soil and press the soil firmly around them. Deep planting encourages additional roots to develop, creating a strong root system. Since I add compost to the planting site at the beginning of the growing season, I do not add more fertilizer, but rather add side dressings of tomato fertilizer throughout the growing season every few weeks. If I see plants missing foliage rigor, I give them a nitrogen-based fertilizer.

I add the support structure at planting time. Sturdy metal cages work well for compact tomato varieties. I find do-it-yourself cattle panel arches are a practical way to trellis, especially with indeterminate tomato varieties in my garden. Growing them up a structure helps keep pests and diseases away. Watering away from the base of the plant and pruning leaves and stems from the base so that the leaves do not drip dew on to the stem can prevent diseases like early blight. Also, snip away leaves that might cause crowding and constriction of air flow.

While no plant is completely immune to disease, many hybrids are more resistant than heirloom varieties. Letters like V, F and N on seed packets and plant labels can help identify disease resistance. V stands for verticillium wilt, F for fusarium wilt and N for nematodes. Another abbreviation is TMV, indicating resistance to tobacco mosaic virus. Visually checking plants for pest eggs or larva and removing them allows for a conservative approach to pest control. When it comes to pests, ones that destroy fruit and leaves are one thing, but rodents like gophers that chew away the roots are the most damaging in my garden. A big plant can die in minutes. Growing plants in a



Salsa from fresh diced tomatoes. By Madhvika Singh

raised bed with hardware fabric underneath creates a barrier against rodents.

The time to pick tomatoes also varies from gardener to gardener. Some pick when the fruit is slightly unripe and others at the peak of ripening. I've found that tomatoes taste best when picked at the peak, although if I go out of town, I will pick them sooner with the vines and let them ripen indoors. The skins do get a bit leathery, but the tomatoes can be blanched to remove their skins and used in soups and sauces.

Grown tomatoes requires time, energy, pest control and timely harvesting, and storing the bounty also requires effort and planning. Freezing them in halves or quarters, canning whole or as paste and sauces allows for later use. As a home gardener I try to achieve balance between imperfections in produce like cracks or scalds, pest management and the amount of time that I can give to my garden. To me gardening is not only about growing but also "cultivating" a connection to our roots.

While we use a lot of cooked tomatoes in soups and sauces, we also love using them fresh in salsas and sandwiches. Below are some ways to enjoy fresh tomatoes that don't require a lot of time and equipment.

Dice up all the different varieties of tomatoes your garden has to offer. Ripe ones bring out the best flavor. Add finely chopped fresh cilantro leaves, onions, jalapenos, a squeeze of lime or lemon juice and a dash of salt and pepper. My personal favorite addition is throwing in some cubed pineapple! Enjoy with your favorite corn chips.

To diced-up tomatoes, add finely chopped garlic and fresh basil leaves, salt, pepper and olive oil, if desired. Gently mix ingredients for flavors to incorporate. Use as a topping on a lightly toasted sourdough baguette!

Note: This article gives an overview of growing plants, sun and soil requirements, moisture needs etc. Plant health and growth will vary based on various factors. This article is intended for gardening and culinary inspiration only. Please consult your healthcare provider should you have any questions or concerns about adding any new foods or ingredients to your diet.

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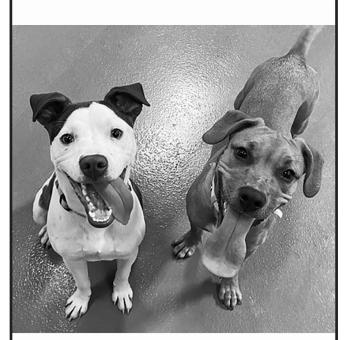
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\$ = Entrance or Activity Fee

Arts & Entertainment R= Reservations Required Schedules are subject to change. Call to confirm activities shown in these listing

CONTINUING EVENTS

Mondays and Thursdays

Food Garden Volunteer

9am - 12pm Learning from experienced gardeners. LEAF CR Stone Garden 55 Mowry Ave., Fremont volunteer@fremontleaf.org Volunteer agreement form is required.

Tuesdays

East Bay Games Meet

6pm - 10pm German/Euro style board games and card games. Swiss Park 5911 Mowry Ave., Newark

(510) 936-2523 meetup.com/east-bay-games sfdavidkaye@yahoo.com

Tuesdays

East Indian Seniors R

2pm - 4pm Anyone who is retired and of Indian origin or interested in Indian culture is welcome to join us. Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont

(510) 790-6606 Second and Fourth Tuesdays of the

Tuesdays

LEGO® Time

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm Use your imagination and engineering skills to create your own LEGO® designs. Centerville library

3801 Nicolet Ave., Fremont (510) 795-2629 Drop-in. For everyone.

Tuesdays

Music and Storytime

11:30am - 12:00pm Join us for stories, music, and move-Cherryland Community Center 278 Hampton Road, Hayward

(510) 626-8522 For babies, toddlers, kids, and preschoolers.

Tuesdays

Comfort & Joy Ukulele R

1:30pm - 3:00pm A group of ukulele players with volunteer leaders to practice familiar songs as well as learning new. Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont (510) 790-6606

Wednesdays

Folk Dancing Social R

9:00am - 10:30am Join together in the wonderful spirit of dancing and savor the beautiful music from all over the world. Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont (510) 790-6606

Wednesdays

Book Club AWC R

10am - 12pm The book club meets for stimulating discussions.

Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont (510) 790-6606

Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month

Thursdays

International Folk Dancing R\$

11:15 pm - 1:00 pm Celebrate the cultural roots and traditional life of various countries. Age Well Center at South Fremont 47111 Mission Falls Ct., Fremont (510) 742-7529 In English and Chinese.

Thursdays

Bocce Ball Class R

11am - 12pm Learn how to play Bocce Ball. Age Well Center at South Fremont 47111 Mission Falls Ct., Fremont (510) 742-7529 Rain will cancel class.

Thursdays

Chinese Calligraphy Social R

2pm - 4pm

Bring your own supplies and socialize and have fun while doing calligraphy. Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont (510) 790-6606

There is no teaching on site.

Thursdays

Historic Days

10am - 4pm

Ride a narrow-gauge train, tour the beautifully restored Patterson House Museum. Every historic day ends with an animal feeding at 3 pm. This is a drop-in program; no registration is required. Disabled accessible. Ardenwood admission fee applies. Ardenwood Farms 34600 Ardenwood Blvd., Fremont (510) 544-2797

Thursdays

Chinese Music Ensemble R

1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Open to all who are interested in performing traditional Chinese music. Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont (510) 790-6606

Thursdays

Family Board Game Night

3:30 pm - 5:30 pm Play together with family and friends, or make some new friends at the library. Centerville library

3801 Nicolet Ave., Fremont (510) 795-2629 Board games will be provided.

Thursdays

5pm - 8pm

The Peaceful Poets

Join a Milpitas-based group of writers and appreciators of poetry. Milpitas Public Library 160 N Main St., Milpitas (408) 262-1171 For teens, adults, and seniors. Last Thursdays of the month

Thursday, June 13 - August 3 **54th Annual Textile Exhibition**

Thurs - Sun; 12 noon – 5pm Artwork will showcase a variety of textile techniques including quilting, macrame, wearables, sculpture, handdyed/painted fabrics, and much more.

Olive Hyde 123 Washington Blvd., Fremont (510) 791-4357

Thursday, August 14 -Saturday, October 5

Women Create Space juried exhibition

Women Create Space will spotlight women sculptors and 3D artists of the Northern California Women's Caucus for Art and Olive Hyde Art Guild in a gallery-wide installation. Olive Hyde Art Gallery 123 Washington Blvd., Fremont (510) 791-4357

Thursdays and Saturdays

Story Time

10:3am - 11:00am Picture book story time Banter Bookshop 3768 Capitol Ave. Ste. F, Fremont (510) 565-1004 bit.ly/3VFpbc

Fridays and Saturdays

Free Telescope Viewings

7:30pm-10:30pm Join Chabot astronomers on the Observatory Deck for a free telescope viewing! Chabot Space and Science Center

10000 Skyline Blvd., Oakland (510) 336-7300 chabotspace.org/calendar Weather permitting.

Friday - Sunday, July 19 -August 4

StarStruck Theatre's Beauty and the Beast

This summer join StarStruck as we step into the enchanted world of Broadway's classic, Disney's Beauty and the Beast, an international sensation that has been produced in 37 countries worldwide. Based on the Academy Award-winning animated feature, the stage version includes all of the wonderful songs written by

Alan Menken and the late Howard Ashman, along with new songs by Mr. Menken and Tim Rice. The original Broadway production ran for over thirteen years and was nominated for nine Tony Awards, including Best Musical. Ohlone College Smith Center 43600 Mission Blvd., Fremont starstrucktheatre.org (510) 659-6031 Tickets: \$25 - \$35

Saturdays

Laugh Track City R\$

Series of improvised games and scenes Made Up Theatre 4000 Bay St. suite B., Fremont (510) 573-3633 madeuptheatre.com

Saturdays

Free Beginner Pickleball Lesson

12pm - 2pm Free pickleball lesson taught by a USPA professional. Hall Memorial Park 304 La Honda Dr, Milpitas (408) 586-3210 Drop-in. Weather permitting.

Saturdays

Teen Cohort for Outdoor **Education R\$**

10am - 4pm Meet new friends, build outdoor skills, and get to know your community as we participate in activities, such as Hayward Shoreline Hike and Clean-Up, Quarry Lakes Excursion; Coyote Hills Excursion; Fishing; rock climbing on our 28-foot rock wall, hiking; and a Sulphur Creek Guided Tour.

Ashland Community Center 1530 167th Avenue, San Leandro Noel Munivez: (510) 317-2303 munn@HaywardRec.org

Saturday, July 20 - Sunday, August 4

Waiting in the Wings

Saturday: 8pm Sundays: 2pm

The play explores ins and outs of daily life within a framework of both the pleasures and sadness of aging. Hanging over the community are the whims of the theater board that runs the home.

Fridays, Aug 9 & 16: 8pm San Leandro Museum/Auditorium 320 West Estudillo Ave., San Leandro

(510)895-2573 www.slplayers.org

Tickets: \$25 general; \$20 seniors & under 12 (other discounts may apply)

Sundays

Farmyard Games

1pm

Join us for some old-fashioned fun! Try your hand at classic American pastimes including stilts, sack races, and the potato-spoon race. This is a drop-in program; no registration is required. Ardenwood admission fee applies.

Ardenwood Farms 34600 Ardenwood Blvd., Fremont (510) 544-2797

Sundays

Practice Your English: Group Conversation for Adults 2pm - 3pm

Improve your conversation skills by chatting with other people about everyday topics in a friendly, welcoming group Castro Valley Library 3600 Norbridge Ave., Castro Valley

Sundays - Saturdays

Recreational Swim \$

12:30pm - 5:00pm Attractions may vary. Silliman Activity and Family Aquatic Center 6800 Mowry Ave., Newark (510) 578-4620 bit.ly/3nxo0is

Sundays

Larry "O" Teen Workshop

10am - 12pm Used bikes, bike parts for sale and bike repair. Larry Orozco Teen Workshop

33623 Mission Blvd., Union City

(510) 675-5487 www.unioncity.org/723/Larry-O-Teen-Workshop RobertS@unioncity.org Donation accepted. Second and fourth Sundays of the month

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, July 30

American Red Cross Blood Drive

11am – 5pm Blood drive Castro Valley Library 3600 Norbridge Ave., Castro Valley (510) 667-7900

Thursday, August 1 Beginners Disc Golf for Women

6pm – 7:30pm Learn tips and tricks from members of the Oyster Bay Disc Golf Club. Come early and bring a picnic dinner. Registration required. Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline 1600 Neptune Dr., San Leandro (510) 544-3187 Free

Thursday, August 1 - Friday, August 2

Heal with Art Workshop

10am – 12pm Elementary age kids make get well soon cards, stress balls and port pillows to donate to patients in need. 35206 Cabral Dr., Fremont https://tinyurl.com/healwart2024

Friday, August 2 and Sunday, August 4

Flavors of Latin America

Fri: 8pm Sun: 2pm Concert of lively rhythms of Latin America, salsa, samba, rumba and

Douglas Morrisson Theatre 22311 N 3rd St., Hayward (510) 881-6777

Saturday, August 3

Marsh Meander

9:30am – 11:30am Explore some newly opened trails on the 300+ acres of land added to Coyote Hills Regional Park last spring. Parent participation required. Coyote Hills Regional Park 8000 Patterson Ranch Rd., Fremont (510) 544-3220

Saturday, August 3

Chabot Campfire: Animals of the Night

8pm – 9pm Learn about the parks and nature around you through games, songs, photos and stories around the campfire

Chabot Campground Amphitheater 9999 Redwood Rd., Castro Valley (510) 544-3187

Saturday, August 3

Dog Days

Tickets: \$5

Treat your dog to DIY pup cups, Snow Cone booth or a new tag with the dog tag Markers Space while you get a free puppy portrait. 12pm - 3pm Sun Gallery 1015 E Street, Hayward (510) 581-4050 sungallery.org Register on eventbrite

Saturday, August 3

Composting with LEAF

11 am – 12 pm
What's all the hype about composting? Why is it important to compost your garden? Learn about building different types of compost including worm composting.
Fremont Main Library
Fukaya Room A
2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont
(510) 745-1400
https://aclibrary.org/garden/

Saturday, August 3 - Sunday, August 4

Fremont Festival of the Arts

10am - 6pm Fremont Chamber of Commerce hosts 40th Festival of the Arts. Food vendors, cook-offs and community. Downtown Fremont Along Paseo Padre https://www.fremontfestival.net/

Saturday, August 10

11th Annual Larry-O-Car Show

9am - 3pm Displays of classic and custom cars, trucks and hot rods. Live music, prizes, raffles and food trucks. Ruggieri Center 33997Alvarado Niles Rd., Union City (510) 675-5495

Saturday, August 10

Splash Day 1pm – 3pm

Teens (13-17) join us and beat the heat with inflatable water slides, water games and ice cream. Registration is free.

Register:haywardrec.org/register Activity #29980 Meek Estate Park 240 Hampton Rd., Hayward (510) 881-6700 info@haywardrec.org

Saturday, August 10

Annual Obon Festival

Food Sales: 5pm Obon Dance: 7pm Obon dancing, Japanese Music with the San Jose Chidori Band, and Japanese Foods. Everyone is invited. Optional: Obon Dance Practices 7pm on 7/30, 8/1, 8/5, 8/7 & 8/8 Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church 32975 Alvarado-Niles Rd., Union

32975 Alvarado-Niles Rd., Unior City www.sacbc.org

(510) 471-2581

Saturday, August 10 Health Fair – Newark Library

11am – 3pm

Bay Area Community Health will provide health screenings and other medical services including BACH Mobile Clinic Newark Library 37055 Newark Blvd., Newark

Saturday, August 10

(510) 284-0675

King of the Kongo 7:30pm

Showing King of the Kongo transition/hybrid movie between silent and talkie, with a music soundtrack throughout and segments in each chapter with speech (synchronized sound).

Niles Essanay Silent Film Museum 37417 Niles Blvd., Fremont (510) 494-1411

Saturday, August 17

Touch-A-Truck

1pm – 3pm
Touch-A-truck is a hands-on family event that allows children to explore a variety of vehicles up close. From public service emergency vehicles and fire trucks to police cars and utility trucks, kids have the chance to honk horns, push buttons and more.
Register here at haywardrec.org/register Activity #30942
San Lorenzo Community Park
1970 Via Buena Vista, San Lorenzo (510) 881-6700
info@haywardrec.org



Saturday, August 17BWOPA Voter Information presentation

10am - 11am

Presentation will include information covering overview of elections, pro and cons of bills and on-site registration

Hayward Area Historical Society 22380 Foothill Blvd., Hayward Registration required: Haywardareahistory.org/calendar Free

Saturday, August 17

How to Create a Winter Garden

11am – 1pm Learn how to grow cool weather vegetables in the Bay Area. Educational workshop presented by Master Gardener Guy Duran and the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose Garden of Blessing

Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose

43326 Mission Cir., Fremont calbayarea@yahoo.com

Saturday, August 17

Dog Days

Treat your dog to DIY pup cups, Snow Cone booth or a new tag with the dog tag Markers Space while you get a free puppy portrait. 12pm - 3pm Sun Gallery 1015 E Street, Hayward (510) 581-4050 sungallery.org Register on eventbrite Tickets: \$5

Sunday, August 18

Pacific Bus Museum Open House

11am – 3pm Tour them museum and the antique and modern buses on display. Food will be available for purchase. Pacific Bus Museum 37974 Shinn St., Fremont www.pacbus.org info@pacbus.org

Friday, August 23

Under the Boardwalk Movie Night

8pm

Gather everyone together, pack up your snacks, grab your lawn chairs and blankets, and don't forget those flashlights. We'll be screening "Under the Boardwalk" (PG). No registration required.

Castro Valley Community Park 18988 Lake Chabot Rd., Castro Valley

(510) 881-6700 info@haywardrec.org Free

Summer Concerts

Summer Concert Series

Thursdays: August 1, 8
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
(Parking lots fill up by 5 p.m.)
July 25: Bombay Disco Co.
(Bollywood)
August 1: 925 Band (Party Band)
August 8: You Should Be
Dancing (Bee Gees Tribute)
Central Park Performance
Pavilion
40000 Paseo Padre Pkwy.,
Fremont
www.fremont.gov

Summer Concert Series

Fridays, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. August 23: East Bay Mudd (Classic Soul, R&B) September 27: Foreverland (Michael Jackson Tribute) The Block Plaza (near Koja Kitchen) 43806 Pacific Commons Blvd., Fremont

https://pacificcommons.com/

Summer Concert Series
Second Thursdays
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
August 8: Mark Hummel (Blues harmonica and vocals)
September 12: Broken Compass
Bluegrass
Castro Valley Library
3600 Norbridge Ave.,
Castro Valley
510-667-7900
www.aclibrary.org

Niles Concerts on the

Saturdays: Aug 10, Sept 14 3 p.m. August 10: Jinx Jones & the Kingtones, with Loren O September 14: Hijinx, with Jeremy Landicho Niles Town Plaza 37482 Niles Blvd., Fremont www.niles.org

Concerts in the Park

Sundays, Aug 4, 11, 18, 25; Sept 8, 15, 22, 29

1pm - 5pm Aug 4: 3 O'Clock Jump, Main Street Dawgs, Carbon Complex Aug 11: Giant Garage Spiders Aug 18: Yolanda Cazessus, Gravity+4, Alrighty Then Aug 25: Kari & the SweetSpOts, Gary O and Friends, The TaleSpinners, Dee Smith & Friends Sept 8: Hayward High School Cheerleaders Sept 15: Oasis Big Band, In Full Swing Big Band

Swing Big Band Sept 22: Memphis Blues Project, CSUEB Aphasia Tones, East Bay Youth Orchestras' Symphony Orchestra

Sept 29: East Bay Symphonic Band, Hayward High Marching Band & Color Guard, Hayward High Jazz Band Hayward Memorial Park (behind Hayward Plunge) 24176 Mission Blvd., Hayward

www.HaywardLodge.org

Summer Food Trucks

Special events

Fremont Festival of the Arts Saturday, Aug 3 - Sunday, Aug 4 10am - 6pm Paseo Padre Parkway (Stevenson to Mowry)

Ongoing

Niles Street Eats Wednesdays 5pm – 9pm Niles Town Plaza 37592 Niles Blvd., Fremont

City of Fremont Concert Series Thursdays: August 1 5pm – 8pm Central Park 40204 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont

Fremont Street Eats
Fridays
5pm – 9pm
Downtown Event Center
3500 Capitol Ave., Fremont

Ohlone College Flea Market Second Saturdays 9am – 3pm 43600 Mission Blvd., Fremont

Summer Outdoor Movie Nights

Aloha Movies

8 p.m. August 2: Moana Kennedy Community Park 1333 Decoto Rd., Union City

Friday, August 9 The Mighty Ducks Dixon Landing Park Milmont Dr. & Jurgens Dr.

Movies Under the Stars at the Smith Center 7 p.m. Vendors, food & fun

7 p.m. Vendors, food & fun 8:15 p.m. Movie starts Friday, August 9 Grease Sing-a-Long (Classic cars show)

Friday, September 6 Wonka (Contest: Find a golden ticket)

Smith Center at Ohlone College 43600 Mission Blvd., Fremont (510) 659-6031 www.smithcenter.com

www.smithcenter.com \$5 per person; \$25 movie pass for four (\$30 at the door)

Free Outdoor Movie Nights Fridays, 8 p.m.

August 23: Under the Boardwalk Castro Valley Community Park Quail Ave, Castro Valley September 13: Super Mario Meek Park 240 Hampton Rd, Hayward

www.haywardrec.org

Ardenwood Historic Farm Movie Night: Wish! Saturday, August 17 8:20 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. Ardenwood Historic Farm 34600 Ardenwood Blvd., Fremont (510) 544-2797 www.ebparks.org



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TONY G



Pritika Rajasanshi, who will open the Fremont Slice House location, went to high school with Tony back in the 80s. Courtesy of Tony Gemignani.

Maker at the World Pizza Cup in Naples, Italy. Two years later, he opened his first restaurant, Tony's Pizza Napoletana, in San Francisco. Over the following 15 years, he would follow with Tony's Coal-Fired Pizza and Slice House, Pizza Rock, Capo's, Giovanni Italian Specialties and, of course, his lineup of Slice Houses.

Today, residential homes dot the former acres of the family farm. Uncle Joe's is now a Bronco Billy's Pizza Palace. A pho restaurant occupies the former space of Pyzano's Pizzeria. There are Slice House locations in San Francisco, San Leandro, Walnut Creek, Mountain View and Belmont and more in Southern California.

For the last four years, Gemignani and his family have lived in Alamo, on about one and a half acres of land. There Gemignani's been recreating his childhood for his own young son as best he can.

From Farm to Garden

"I just got done picking my Blenheim [apricots]," he says. "My cherries just passed. Plums are really in right now. Figs are starting to come in."

I try to keep up as Gemignani lists off what's in season, as well as the impressive roster of what else is growing in his garden: lemons, limes, tomatoes, persimmons, pomegranates, oranges, nectarines, basil. In total about 24 fruit trees, not to mention the 400 vines of his small vineyard.

"It's awesome. I have my son totally into it. I wanted him to grow up in that environment," he says.

At Slice House, 90% of ingredients are scratch-made—from bubbling dough and fresh pasta to green pesto and sweet-spicy hot-house honey. Gemignani also manufactures his own flour and sources his own tomatoes, a concept he started working on a decade earlier and solidified over the

"I wanted my pizza to be different. That came down to the foundation," meaning the dough and the

sauce. His cheese of choice has remained unchanged for three decades: Grande.

Yet in all this time, despite the pull toward his former life, he never opened a restaurant in Fremont. As Gemignani's career took him away, he says he became more unfamiliar with the city and the market. It was never the right time, he says.

The time is now. A new Gemignani property is finally in the works for Fremont in the form of another Slice House outpost. Instead of Gemignani at the helm, it's another figure from his past:

Pritika Rajasanshi, a former high school classmate who owns the Mountain View franchise location and still lives in Fremont.

"I know that's gonna be a very big opening. It's got that heritage factor," says Rajasanshi. The Gemignani name also helps. "He's like a rockstar. Almost everyone knows of him."

Rajasanshi is currently in the process of finding the right spot and negotiating the lease for the upcoming location. The formula for this Slice House will follow the others, built around a tightly defined brand. "I love marketing," Gemignani mentions casually. It shows—from the color palette that carries over from website to doorway to his namesake ingredients that decorate the restaurant walls. Like Gemignani's other concepts, the menu will also feature pizzas in a range of geographical styles: New York, Detroit, Sicilian, with toppings that are all-American or Italian-inspired.

With his name associated with so many locations — East Bay roots, San Francisco ties, a worldwide title — I had to wonder where Gemignani was meant to be.

"My heart belongs in California. But am I more 415 or 510? I'm kind of in between." But definitely, he says, "I'm a Cali kid."

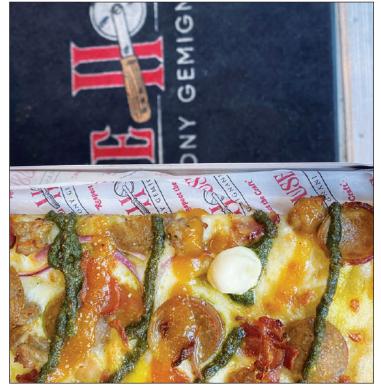
Slice House San Leandro, open Mon-Thur 11am–9pm, Fri-Sat 11am–10pm, Sun 11am–9pm; 135 Parrott St., San Leandro. 510-281-0725. slicehouse.com/sanleandro.



Gemignani is recreating his Fremont upbringing for his son Giovanni with a fruit-filled garden in Alamo. Courtesy of Tony Gemignani.



Tony Gemignani. Photo Credit Marc Fiorito Gamma Nine



A perfect slice. Credit: Lisa Plachy



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Olympic gymnast sent home for smoking



Shoko Miyata at the Japan national championship in April 2024. Photo Credit: Getty Images

By JACK ALCORN

Nineteen year-old gymnast Shoko Miyata of Japan has been sent home and will not compete at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games. The young athlete was accused of drinking and smoking. Miyata left Japan's training camp in Monaco July 25 as officials investigated the alleged incident.

Miyata withdrew from the prestigious gymnastics squad for the Paris Games after the investigation concluded that she violated her team's rules by smoking, said the Japanese Gymnastics Association (JGA) on Friday, July 26. Smoking is in violation of

the JGA code of conduct. Miyata's violation included drinking alcohol.

JGA secretary general Kenji Nishimura told reporters, "With her confirmation and after discussions on all sides, it has been decided that she will withdraw from the Olympics."

The talented teenager is captain of her country's women's artistic gymnastics team. Miyata returned to Japan after breaking the team smoking ban.

Miyata was set to lead a team of first-time teenage Olympians after she secured her spot for Paris in May. She won a bronze medal at the 2022 World Championships in Liverpool. The women's squad will compete with four athletes instead of five, the JGA told a media conference.

Mutsumi Harada, Miyata's personal coach, said that while Miyata's conduct had been reckless, she had been under extreme pressure to perform at the highest level. "She was spending her days really burdened with so much pressure," he said, wiping away tears. "I would implore people to understand that."

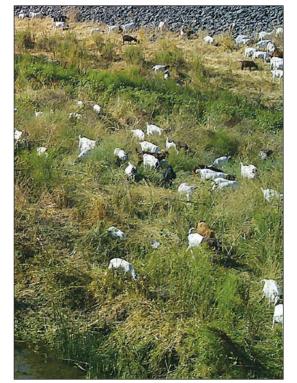
During the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo, athlete mental health took center stage when gymnastics superstar Simone Biles withdrew from competition, citing depression. Artistic gymnastics is one of the most popular sports at the Summer Games and will be held from July 27 to August 5.

Japan still hopes to win its first artistic gymnastics team medal since the 1964 Tokyo Games.

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The Paris Games open on July 26.

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Prescribed Grazing



Prescribed grazing on Alameda Creek Photo by Jack Alcorn

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OPINION

The Harris nomination and the social media scourge

By DAN PULCRANO

Tri-City residents can view with considerable interest the selection of a presidential nominee born in a Kaiser Permanente hospital 30 miles to the north, who started her public service career in the Alameda County district attorney's



office and is the child of immigrants. Her mother was born near the Bay of Bengal and lived in New Delhi, Bombay and Calcutta during her childhood.

The idea of a product of East Bay communities ascending to government's highest level—as well as the first person of South Asian heritage to hold the office—would obviously be history-making. She would be America's first female president, and the only California-born person other than Richard Nixon to be elected to serve in the White House (although Herbert Hoover and Ronald Reagan too resided in our state).

Gender, ethnicity and local affinity are of course not the only criteria by which we should choose America's chief executive. Scrutiny of Harris' political history on issues on which she's been associated, such as border security, public safety and incarceration, reproductive freedoms and international relations, are clearly germane. It's also fair to dig into Harris' rapid rise from her modest Berkeley and public law school roots to the social milieu of Pacific Heights celebrities and billionaires. And it is appropriate to discuss the mechanics of selecting a nominee without direct voter participation.

What is disturbing, however, is the open racism and misogyny that has greeted her status as the presumptive Democratic nominee.

Opening TikTok immediately algorithmically

streams a series of vulgar tropes about Harris' alleged sexual history. This has nothing to do with anything and would be out of place in any employment interview, let alone one for one of the most important jobs in the world.

This drumbeat of inappropriate messaging from the servers of a foreign-owned social media company is offensive and harmful to women and girls in general. It is disruptive to the democratic process. One does not have to be a snowflake to be appalled by this open hate speech.

While Meta has tightened algorithms so clumsily that even legitimate posts by this news organization get filtered and blocked, Tik Tok and X are normalizing antisocial behavior that clearly will have future consequences.

As we too frequently see, it is easy to cross the line from dehumanizing words to violence. Let's stick to issues, facts and responsible media in the coming months as we decide the future of the country.

Dan Pulcrano is publisher of the Tri-City Voice.

SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS

Ask Rusty – Grieving Husband Asks About His Survivor Benefits

By RUSSELL GLOOR, NATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY ADVISOR, AMAC FOUNDATION

Dear Rusty: My wife died May 4, 2024. I notified Social Security, and they have removed the direct deposit made to my joint checking account on May 8, 2024. What are my options now for obtaining any benefits from my wife's Social Security account?

Signed: Grieving Husband

Dear Grieving Husband: Please accept our sincere condolences for the loss of your wife. Rest assured that we're here to assist with any Social Security (SS) questions you may have at this difficult time.

FYI, a person must live the entire month to be eligible for SS benefits for that month (Social Security benefits aren't paid for the month a person dies). For this reason, and as a matter of standard protocol, Social Security instructed the bank to return any payments received for your wife after her death. This is often referred to as the "claw back" rule.

In some circumstances, however, Social Security "claws back" money which rightfully belongs to the deceased, as they did in this case. Your wife's Social Security payment received on May 8th was her payment for the month of April, and she was fully entitled to that payment because she lived for the entire month of April. I suggest that you download, fill out, and submit Form SSA-1724 to your local Social Security office to recover that May 8 payment, which rightfully belongs to your wife's estate. Note that the bank will automatically return any future SS payments received for your wife

As your wife's surviving spouse, you are also entitled to a one-time lump sum "death benefit" of \$255, which you can request by calling your local SS field office (get the number at www.ssa.gov/locator), or by calling 1 (800) 772-1213. During that call, you can also explore whether you are entitled to any additional SS benefit as a surviving spouse.

If your wife's monthly SS retirement benefit was more than your current monthly SS benefit, you will be entitled to receive her higher monthly amount instead of your own smaller amount (FYI, if you haven't yet reached your own full retirement age your survivor benefit will be reduced). And if you are not yet collecting your own SS benefit, you have the option to claim your survivor benefit from your wife first while allowing your personal SS retirement benefit to continue to grow, up to maximum at age 70 if you like.

Just be aware that if you haven't yet reached your full retirement age (FRA) and you are still working, any SS benefit you take before your FRA will be subject to Social Security's "earnings test" which limits how much can be earned before they take away some of your SS benefits. The 2024 annual earnings limit is \$22,320 (changes annually) for those who claim prior to the year they attain full retirement age, and SS will take away \$1 of benefits for every \$2 over the annual limit. The "earnings test" no longer applies after you reach your full retirement age.

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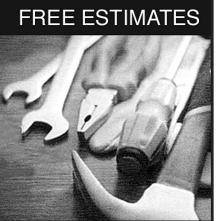
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If you would like to help sponsor this event, or would like additional information, please contact UCPD Community Coordinator Crystal Raine at UCPDCommunity@unioncity.org.



Sunol brush fire blackens 734 acres

SUNOL REGIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVE EVACUATED AS CREEK FIRE RAGES

By JACK ALCORN

Wildfire has engulfed several scenic hilltops and valleys in Sunol. The Alameda County Fire Department said the fire started in dry waist high brush at Welch Creek and Calaveras Road in Sunol around 3:52pm Friday July 26. It is unclear what started the fire.

Cal Fire named the blaze the Creek Fire. The inferno rapidly spread to Sunol Wilderness Regional Preserve. Firefighters endured steep terrain and flame fueled winds to make containment lines.

The Creek Fire raging in the Sunol Wilderness Regional Preserve ballooned in size Friday evening, growing from 350 acres to 577 acres in just 22 minutes. The fire was threatening commercial, residential and county structures in the area. Alameda County enacted evacuations Saturday afternoon.

The Sunol Wilderness Regional Preserve has also been evacuated and remains closed until further notice. Per Cal Fire Sunday evening the blaze had burned approximately 734 acres and was 25% contained.

announces opening of nomination period for November 2024 Municipal Election

Union City

Submitted by UNION CITY

The City of Union City is pleased to announce the opening of the nomination period for the upcoming General Municipal Election, scheduled for November 5, 2024. This election cycle presents an exciting opportunity for Union City residents to participate in the democratic process by running for public office and shaping the future of our community.

The City Clerk's office issues nomination papers to prospective candidates. This cycle's

positions up for election include an at-large Mayor and a Council Member representing District 1. The nomination period will remain open until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 9, 2024. If an incumbent does not file for re-election, the nomination period for that office will be extended to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 14, 2024.

Prospective candidates must schedule an appointment with the City Clerk's office to obtain and file their nomination papers. Appointments can be made through the City Clerk 2024 Election Page at www.unioncity.org/MunicipalElection. Early filing is encouraged to ensure all documentation is complete and signatures are validated.

Candidates are encouraged to review the comprehensive City of Union City Candidate Guide, which is available on the City's website and provides essential information on regulatory compliance, key deadlines, and campaign procedures.

For more information, please contact the City Clerk's office at CityClerk@UnionCity.org or (510) 675-5448. The City Clerk's office assists candidates throughout the nomination process and ensures a smooth and transparent election.



Sunol hills scorched by the Creek Fire. Photo Credit: Cal Fire

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Registrant(s): GSB ENTERPRISES, INC, 37323 FREMONT

BLVD_FREMONT_CA 94536

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

08/01/2019.

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].)

GSB ENTERPRISES, INC

S/ BASRAL,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 06/25/2024.
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. 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). 7/30, 8/6, 8/13, 8/20/24

CNS-3837092#

CNS-3836105#

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

File No. 598393

File No. 598393
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name(s):
The Fictitious Business Name Statement filed on 06/05/2023 in the County of Alameda.
BUMBLEBEE PLAYSPACE, 35500
DUMBARTON CT., NEWARK, CA 94560, County of: ALAMEDA.
Registered Owner(s):
HAPPY HIVE LLC, 4888 PIPER ST., FREMONT, CA 94538

This business is conducted by: A LIMITED

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).

Recorder of Alameda County on JULY 10, 2024. 7/30, 8/6, 8/13, 8/20/24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 607995 Fictitious Business Name(s):

RONCO BILLYS PIZZA PALACE, 3940 SMITH STREET, UNION CITY, CA 94587, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s): SAM'S PIZZ Registrant(s):
SAM'S PIZZA INC., 5309 AUDUBON PARK
COURT, FREMONT, CA 94538
Business conducted by: A CORPORATION
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

01/01/2004

01/01/2004
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/SAMUEL RODRIGUEZ
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 07/16/2024
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a)

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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 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). 7/30, 8/6, 8/13, 8/20/24

CNS-3835573#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 607910 Fictitious Business Name(s): MEANDERIE, 37581 NILES BLVD., FREMONT,

CA 94536 County of ALAMEDA MAILING ADDRESS: PO BOX 2013,, FREMONT, CA 94536

Registrant(s): SARA COFFELT, PO BOX 2013,, FREMONT, CA 94536

CA 94536
Business conducted by: an Individual
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement
is true and correct. (A registrant who declares
as true any material matter pursuant to Section
I7913 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 [\$1.0001.)

one thousand dollars [\$1,000].) S/ SARA COFFELT This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 07/11/2024.

Alameda County on 07/11/2024.

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filed before the expiration.

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business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 7/30, 8/6, 8/13, 8/20/24

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
OF USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME
File No. 586087
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name(s):
The Fictitious Business Name Statement filed on JAN 31, 2022 in the County of Alameda.
POLYGON-USA, 5795 FORBES DR., NEWARK, CA 94560, County of: ALAMEDA.
Registered Owner(s):
SPÎN MAGICIANS INC., 5795 FORBES DR., NEWARK, CA 94560, County of: ALAMEDA.
This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION 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/SHASHIN SHODHAN
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda County on JULY 08, 2024.
7/23, 7/30, 8/6, 8/13/24

CNS-3834063#

FIGURIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 607522
Fictitious Business Name(s):
IRVINGTON CLEANERS, 3932 WASHINGTON
BLVD, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of
ALAMEDA
Registrantfely

ALAMEDA Registrant(s):
SANJIV KUMAR, 3932 WASHINGTON BLVD, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA NEELAM SAROI, 3932 WASHINGTON BLVD, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA Business conducted by: MARRIED COUPLE The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 02/01/2024

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

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/SANJIV KUMAR
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 06/26/2024

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

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CNS-3832688#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 607777
Fictitious Business Name(s):
JW HOMES, 1951 CHROMA COMMON #402,
FREMONT, CA 94539, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
JIAQI WU, 1951 CHROMA COMMON #402,
FREMONT, CA 94539, 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
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/ JIAQI WU
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of
Alameda County on 07/09/2024
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a)
of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement
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).
7/16, 7/23, 7/30, 8/6/24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 607511

Fictitious Business Name(s): TINY KINGDOM, 4444 CENTRAL AVE APT 117, FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA

FREMION 1, Oxford Registrant(s): MURSAL RAHIMI, 4444 CENTRAL AVE APT 117, FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL Business conducted began to transact business using

the fictitious business name(s) listed above or 06/26/2024 declare that all information in this statemen

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/ MURSAL RAHIMI

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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 seg., Business and Professions Code). 7/16, 7/23, 7/30, 8/6/24

CNS-3831004#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 607343 Fictitious Business Name(s): JCD CLEANING SERVICES LLC., 1934 DALISAI CT, STOCKTON, CA 95206 County of ALAMEDA Repristrant/CT

JCD CLEANING SERVICES LLC., 1934 DALISAI CT, STOCKTON, CA 95206 County of ALAMEDA Registrant(s):
JCD CLEANING SERVICES LLC., 1934 DALISAI CT, STOCKTON, CA 95206
Business conducted by: a limited liability company The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 06/03/2024.
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].)
JCD CLEANING SERVICES LLC.
S/ JOEL CALDERON,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 06/17/2024.
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fletitious 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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7/30/24

GOVERNMENT

PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the F

Commission of the City of Union City will hold a public hearing on the following matter: 33548 Central Ave. (APN: 475-100-36) UP-24-

≖ ease be advised that Jason Liew and Chao Gu Please be advised that Jason Liew and Chao Gu of Elite Badminton Center LLC. are seeking Use Permit (UP-24-004) approval to modify existing Use Permit (UP-11-06) to expand Elite Badminton Center located at 33540 Central Ave. (APN 475-100-36) into an adjacent 12.934 square foot tenant space located at 33548 Central Ave. (APN 475-100-36) for a total facility size of 25,868 square feet, within the ML (Light Industrial) Zoning District

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that that this project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15332, In-Fill Development Projects, of the CEQA

Guidelines

This item will be heard at a public hearing by the Planning Commission at the meeting listed below. Comments may be submitted in writing prior to the hearing or at the hearing consistent with the Teleconference Guidelines. The project planner, Brandon H Delucas, can be reached at (510)-675-5379 or via email at BrandonD@unjoncity.org.

at (510)-673-379 or via communicativorg.
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, August 15, 2024
Said hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m.
City Hall-Council Chamber,
34009 Alvarado-Niles Road
Union City, CA 94587
and Via Teleconference
The Planning Commission meeting packet

and Via Teleconference
The Planning Commission meeting packet can be found at https://www.unioncity.org/199/City-Meetings-Video. Meeting packets which include the meeting agenda and staff report are generally available online the Friday before the meeting. For additional meeting information including how to provide feedback, see instructions included under "Meeting Information" at the link above. If you challenge the above-described project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Planning Commission public hearing for this project or the City Council public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission or the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

public hearing.
CARMELA CAMPBELL, AICP

CARMELA CAMPBELL, AICP
Economic & Community Development Director
Assistance will be provided to those requiring
accommodations for disabilities in compliance
with the Americans with Disabilities Act
of 1990. Interested person must request the
accommodation at least two working days in
advance of the meeting by calling (510) 675-5319.
7/30/24
CNS-3837744#

CITY OF UNION CITY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
CITY PROJECT NO. 25-10
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
Sealed proposals for the work shown on the
plans entitled: FY2024-2025 TREE PRUNING
PROJECT ("Project"), City Project No. 25-10,
will be received at the office of the City Clerk of
the City of Union City, City Government Building,
34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, California,
until Tuesday, August 27, 2024, 2:00PM PST, at
which time they will be publicly opened and read
in the Council Chambers of said building.
The Contractor shall possess a valid Class
C-61/D-49 (Tree Service) California contractor's
license at the time this contract is awarded.
Bids are required for the entire work described
herein. This contract is subject to the State
contract nondiscrimination and compliance
requirements pursuant to Government Code
Section 12990.
Bid Package & Bid Package Location. All of the
project work is to be done in accordance with
the bid package on file with the Public Works
Department - City of Union City, 34009 AlvaradoNiles Road, Union City, California 94587. Eligibility
to bid on this project requires bid package
may be obtained from the City. Bid package
may be obtained at no charge via email request
to the City at publicworks winioncity.org.

electronically obtained from the City. Bid package may be obtained at no charge via email request to the City at publicworks@unioncity.org. Non-biddable plans and specifications shall be available to view at various Builders' Exchanges throughout the Bay Area and on the City of Union City website at www.unioncity.org. General Work Description: The work to be done, in general, consists of tree pruning services with a small allowance for tree removal and emergency call out work. As the City's annual tree maintenance contract, the project duration is one-year, with the possibility of being extended an additional year. The Engineer's Estimate for the additional year. The Engineer's Estimate for the project base is Three Hundred Thousand Dollars

project base is infee fundred mousand Dollars (\$300,000).

All questions should be emailed or fax to Jesus Banuelos of City of Union City, email: joseb@unioncity.org or fax to (\$10) 489-9468.

The successful bidder shall furnish a Payment Bond, a Performance Bond, and a Maintenance Rond

Bond. Minimum wage rates for this project as predetermined by the Secretary of Labor are set forth in the special provisions. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and prevailing wage rates determined by the Department of Industrial Relations for similar descriptions of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the contractor and his subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher

wage rates.
Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing rate of wages in the county in which the work is to be done has been determined by the Director of the wage rates appear in the Department of Transportation publication entitled General Prevailing Wage Rates, (current semiannual which have been predete on file with the Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in said publication. 7/30, 8/6, 8/13, 8/20/24 CNS-3837508#

CITY OF NEWARK

CIT OF NEWARD
Planning Commission
City Administration Building, City Council
Chambers
37101 Newark Boulevard, Newark, CA94560
(510) 578-4330 E-mail: planning@newark.org
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
TURNEY 13, 2024

Tuesday, August 13, 2024 7:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Publication Date: July 30, 2024
The meeting will be held in the City Hall
Council Chambers at 37101 Newark
Boulevard, Newark, CA 94560.
Members of the public may attend the
sting in person and may watch the meeting
via YouTube or Cable Channel 26.
Suant to California Government Code

Pursuant to California Government Code §6061, §65090, §65091, §65095, 65095, and Newark Municipal Code (NMC) §17.31.060 and §17.35.050, on August 13, 2024, at or after 7:00 p.m., the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider:

. U2024-002. A Conditional Use Permit for a

 U2Ö24-002, A Conditional Use Permit for a temporary commercial entertainment (i.e., Fear Overload Haunted House) at NewPark Mall located at 2086 Newpark Mall, Suite #1149 (APN 901-111-25). The subject site is zoned RC: Regional Commercial with a NewPark Place Specific Plan Overlay District. The applicant for the proposed project is Nathan Polanco, Fear Overload LLC and the property owner is NewPark Mall, LP. The applicant proposes to occupy an existing 7.504 the property owner is NewPark Mall, LP. The applicant proposes to occupy an existing 7,50 square foot tenant space inside Newpark Mall for a temporary haunted house attraction. The proposed temporary haunted house attraction would be open on selective days for a total of 30-days from September 21, 2024, through November 2, 2024. The applicant would be proposing interior improvements that includes installing wood partition walls for the forming areas. No exterior improvements would be proposed as part of the project. The project site is zoned RC: Regional Commercial with a NewPark Place Specific Plan Overlay District and has a General Plan designation of Regional Commercial. The project site is bounded by Commercial. The project site is bounded by Mowry Avenue, Cedar Boulevard, Balentine Drive, Mowny Avenue, Cedar Boulevard, Balentine Drive, and Interstate 880 (Nimitz Freeway). Pursuant to NMC §17.26.260(C), a temporary event that exceeds three consecutive days may be allowed with the approval of a Conditional Use Permit. The project is categorically exempt from CEQA as per CEQA Guidelines §15301, which applies to existing facilities, and under CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposal may have a significant effect on the environment. Any interested person or authorized agent, or interested members of the public may appear at the public hearing to be heard and may submit written comments or request to view

at the public hearing to be heard and may submit written comments or request to view project details and information, including the complete application and project file (including any environmental impact assessment prepared in connection with the application) by contacting the project planner, Joseph Balatbat, via email at: josephb@newark.org. If you challenge a City action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered

notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Newark at, or prior to, the public hearing. Joseph Balatbat

CNS-3837435#

CITY OF NEWARK Planning Commission
City Administration Building, City Council

Chambers 37101 Newark Boulevard, Newark, CA94560 (510) 578-4330 E-mail: planning@newark.org PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Tuesday, August 13, 2024 7:00 p.m.

Publication Date: July 30, 2024
The meeting will be held in the City Hall
Council Chambers at 37101 Newark
Boulevard, Newark, CA 9456.
Members of the public may attend the
meeting in person or watch it via YouTube or
Cable Channel 26.
Pursuant to California Government Code

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Pursuant to California Government Code \$6061, \$65090, \$65091, \$65094, \$65095, and Newark Municipal Code (NMC) \$17.31.060, and \$17.34.030, on June 11, 2024, at or after 7:00 p.m., the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider:

2. DR2022-003, A Design Review to allow for a new five-story 88-unit condominium building consisting of two buildings located at 6781 Thornton Avenue (APN: 92-30-14-3, 92-30-15-2, 92-30-16-2, 92-30-17-2, 92-30-18-4, 92-31-16-2, and 92-31-15). The subject site is zoned CMU: Commercial Mixed-Use and has a General Plan designation of Commercial Mixed-Use. The property is located within the Old Town Newark Specific Plan area.

The developer/property owner, Kishore Polakala,

MIXEG-USE. The property is located witnin the Old Town Newark Specific Plan area. The developer/property owner, Kishore Polakala, along with other property owners Lepakshi Homes LLC, Mandava Kotha Revocable Living Trust, and Pradeep Aragonda are proposing to construct a new five-story 88-unit condominium project in what is referred to as Old Town Newark. The project's location will be on seven lots, most of which are located along Thornton Avenue between Mulberry and Olive Street and two lots located west of the Olive Street and two lots located west of the Olive Street cul-de-sac. The subject site is zoned CMU: Commercial Mixed Use and has a General Plan designation of Commercial Mixed Use.
The project qualifies for an Eligible Community Plan or Zoning Exemption and Infill Exemption,

Plan or Zoning Exemption and Infill Exemption, and no additional environmental review is required under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15183 and 15183.3.

Statistics of the public may appear at the public hearing to be heard and may submit written comments or request to view project details and information, including the complete application and project file (including any environmental impact assessment prepared in connection with the application) by contacting the project manager, Art Interiano, via email at: Art.interiano@newark.org. If you challenge a City action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Newark at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Art Interianc
Deputy Community Development Director 7/30/24

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL REAL PROPERTY THE PURCHASE PRICE OF

PROPERTY THE PURCHASE PRICE OF WHICH IS IN EXCESS OF \$11,850,000 DOLLARS

Notice is hereby given that on August 6, 2024 at 10:00a.m., at 1221 Oak Street, 5th Floor, Oakland, CA, the Board of Supervisors of Alameda County will meet to accept the sale of the following property.

1. That certain real property described as APN's# 74-1339-016 & 74-1361-008, the land and improvements at 1150 & 1220 Harbor Bay Parkway Alameda, CA.

2. Owner: County of Alameda and City of Oakland 3. Buyer: City of Oakland Sales Price: \$11,850,000 7/30/24

7/30/24

CNS-3834264#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JOYCE ELIZABETH COOK

PROBATE

CASE NO. 24PR083923 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both, of: JOYCE ELIZABETH COOK A Petition for Probate has been filed by BENJAMIN BENTLEY AND BRIAN

by BENJAMIN BENTLEY AND BRIAN BENTLEY in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.

The Petition for Probate requests that BENJAMIN BENTLEY AND BRIAN BENTLEY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent

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 administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows

good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on 8/14/2024 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. attorney.

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

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

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

Attorney for Petitioner: JON R. VAUGHT, 7677 OAKPORT STREET #1140, OAKLAND, CA 94621, Telephone: 510-7/23, 7/30, 8/6/24

CNS-3835522# NOTICE OF PETITION TO

ADMINISTER ESTATE OF **ANIL JACOB** CASE NO. 24PR076962 all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors

contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: ANIL JACOB A Petition for Probate has been filed by EVANGELENE ANIL in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.
The Petition for Probate requests that
EVANGELENE ANIL be appointed as

personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The Petition requests authority to

administer the estate under Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions 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

good cause why fire court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on AUGUST 7, 2024 at 10:15

A.M. in Dept. 202 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.

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

Other California statutes and legal authority

may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court.

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

Attorney for Petitioner: GOPI GOLLAPUDI, ESQ., 4695 CHABOT DR, SUITE 200-B, PLEASANTON, CA 94588, Telephone: 510-896-0232 7/16, 7/23, 7/30/24

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TRUSTEE SALES

APN: 092A-0941-001 Order: 15951150
TS-240408 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN
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PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD
CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE is hereby given
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A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION as trustee or A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, as trustee, or successor trustee, or substituted trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by Brenda Cortes, an unmarried woman and Joel Luna, an unmarried to the Deed of Trust executed by Brenda Cortes, an unmarried woman and Joel Luna, an unmarried, as Joint Tenants Recorded on 3/29/2019 as Instrument No. 2019056801, of Official records in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County, California, and pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded 4/23/2024 as Instrument No. 2024051979 of said Official Records, WILL SELL on 8/20/2024 At the Fallon Street emergency exit to the Alameda County Courthouse, 1225 Fallon St., Oakland, CA 94612 at 12:00 p.m. AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States), 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 hereinafter described. The property address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purposed to be: 36605 Hafner Street, Newark, CA The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of unpaid 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: \$647,063.57 (estimated). In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$647,063.57 (estimated). In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by state or federal credit union or a check drawn by 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. In the event tender other than cash is accepted the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed, advances thereunder, with interest as provided therein, and the unpaid principal balance of the Note secured by said Deed with interest thereon advańces thereunder, with interest as provided therein, and the unpaid principal balance of the Note secured by said Deed with interest thereon as provided in said Note, fees, charges and expenses of the trustee and the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. 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. 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Stone Tool 'Knap-In' teaches historical tool making Learn how to shape chert and obsidian

Submitted by

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT

On the first weekend in August, Coyote Hills Regional Park will hold a drop-in program where attendees can see how local varieties of stone can be shaped with hand-held tools. This historical practice goes back to the Ohlone people who were the first to live in the Bay Area.

Watch the skill of stone tool makers as they showcase in the captivating world of flintknapping. Observe experienced stone tool makers at work and discover the techniques behind transforming chert and obsidian into spear points and arrowheads. Dive into the interactive experience, handling raw materials and the finished products, to truly grasp the artistry of flintknapping.

This drop-in program is for all ages, but parent participation required. Parking fees apply where applicable. For information, call (510) 544-3220.

Stone Tool 'Knap-In'
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10am – 3pm
Coyote Hills
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Obsidian is sharp but shatters easily. Photo Credit: Victor Carvellas

Mission Valley Track and Field qualifiers

Submitted by LEE WEBB









Sixty-eight young athletes qualified for USATF and AAU Nationals. Among them are members of Mission Valley Track and Field Club in Fremont. The USATF qualifier was held at James Logan High School in July while AAU took place at Texas A&M.

Uber and Lyft drivers remain independent contractors in California Supreme Court ruling

By TRAN NGUYEN, ASSOCIATED PRESS

The California Supreme Court ruled Thursday that app-based ride-hailing and delivery services like Uber and Lyft can continue treating their drivers as independent contractors rather than employees.

The unanimous decision by the state's top court is a big win for tech giants. It also ends a yearslong legal battle between labor unions and tech companies over a law dictating the status of app-based service workers in the state.

The ruling upholds a voter-approved law passed in 2020 that said drivers for companies like Uber and Lyft are independent contractors and are not entitled to benefits like overtime pay, paid sick leave and unemployment insurance. Opponents said the law was illegal in part because it limited the state Legislature's authority to change the law or pass laws about workers' compensation programs.

A lower court ruling in 2021 had said the measure was illegal, but an appeals court reversed that decision last year.

The California Supreme Court's decision means companies like Uber and Lyft can continue their operations as before.

Uber called the ruling "a victory" for drivers. Companies like Uber, Lyft and DoorDash spent \$200 million on a campaign in 2020 to help the law pass.

"Whether drivers or couriers choose to earn just a few hours a week or more, their freedom to work when and how they want is now firmly etched into California law, putting an end to misguided attempts to force them into an employment model that they overwhelmingly do not want," the company said in a statement Thursday.

The ruling is a defeat for labor unions and their allies in the Legislature who fought to secure more rights for drivers.

"What's going on is not just. It's not what California is shout," and Missla Moore, projectors of Lee Angeles haved

about," said Nicole Moore, president of Los Angeles-based Rideshare Drivers United. "It's a sad day for workers." Labor unions vowed to continue fighting for drivers' job protections and benefits, noting that an earlier ruling in the

Labor unions vowed to continue fighting for drivers' job protections and benefits, noting that an earlier ruling in the appeal process had opened doors for the Legislature to pass laws to allow drivers to join a union. "We are committed to fiercely backing workers across our economy who have been written out and left behind and helping them knock down big obstacles to winning their union rights," Service Employees International Union President April Verrett said in a statement.

Lawmakers in 2019 passed a law aimed directly at Uber and Lyft, mandating they provide drivers with protections like minimum wage, overtime, health insurance and reimbursement for expenses. It changed the rules in California of who is an employee and who is an independent contractor.

While the law applied to lots of industries, it had the biggest impact on app-based ride-hailing and delivery companies. Their business relies on contracting with people to use their own cars. Under the 2019 law, companies would have to treat those drivers as employees and provide certain benefits that would greatly increase the businesses' expenses.

In November 2020, voters approved a ballot proposition to exempt app-based ride-hailing and delivery companies from the law. The proposition included "alternative benefits" for drivers, including a guaranteed minimum wage and subsidies for health insurance if they average at least 25 hours of work a week.

Labor groups and drivers across the nation are pushing for more job protections, higher wages and increased benefits. Drivers in Massachusetts are rallying behind what they describe as a first-of-its-kind ballot question that could win them union rights if approved.

Silicon Valley-backed voter plan for a new California city won't be on the November ballot after all

ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Silicon Valley-backed initiative to build a green city for up to 400,000 people in the San Francisco Bay Area on land now zoned for agriculture won't be on the Nov. 5 ballot after all, officials said Monday.

The California Forever campaign qualified for the ballot in June, but a Solano County report released last week raised questions about the project and concluded it "may not be financially feasible."

With Solano County supervisors set to consider the report on Tuesday, organizers suddenly withdrew the measure and said

they would try again in two years.

The report found the new city — described on the California Forever website as an "opportunity for a new community, good

paying local jobs, solar farms, and open space"
— was likely to cost the county billions of
dollars and create substantial financial deficits,
while slashing agricultural production and
potentially threatening local water supplies, the
Bay Area News Group reported.

California Forever said project organizers would spend the next two years working with the county on an environmental impact report and a development agreement.

Delaying the vote "also creates an opportunity to take a fresh look at the plan and incorporate input from more stakeholders," said a joint statement Monday by the county and California Forever.

"We are who we are in Solano County because we do things differently here," Mitch Mashburn, chair of the county's Board of Supervisors, said in the statement. "We take our time to make informed decisions that are best for the current generation and future generations. We want to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to be heard and get all the information they need before voting on a General Plan change of this size."

The measure would have asked voters to allow urban development on 27 square miles (70 square kilometers) of land between Travis Air Force Base and the Sacramento River Delta city of Rio Vista currently zoned for agriculture. The land-use change is necessary to build the homes, jobs and walkable downtown proposed by Jan Sramek, a former Goldman Sachs trader who heads up California Forever.

Opposition to the effort includes conservation groups and some local and

federal officials who say the plan is a speculative money grab rooted in secrecy. Sramek outraged locals by covertly purchasing more than \$800 million in farmland and even suing farmers who refused to sell.

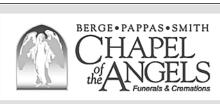
The Solano Land Trust, which protects open lands, said in June that such large-scale development "will have a detrimental impact on Solano County's water resources, air quality, traffic, farmland, and natural environment."

Sramek has said he hoped to have 50,000 residents in the new city within the next decade. The proposal included an initial \$400 million to help residents buy homes in the community, as well as an initial guarantee of 15,000 local jobs paying a salary of at least \$88,000 a year.

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Keiko Eberwine

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Resident of Milpitas November 18, 1927 - July 21, 2024

Helen Leary

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Resident of Fremont December 16, 1922 - July 20, 2024

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Resident of Fremont March 25, 1946 - July 20, 2024

Siddharth Rai

Resident of Milbrae April 20, 1977 - July 15, 2024

Elsbeth Polland Resident of Fremont March 20, 1929 - July 12, 2024

Venkota Javvaji

Resident of Dublin July 29, 1984 – July 12, 2024

Shirley Lorenz

Resident of Fremont May 11, 1927 - July 8, 2024

Shyam Kalra

Resident of San Jose October 21, 1950 - July 7, 2024

Gokul Rachiraju

Resident of Dublin October 24, 1971 – July 7, 2024

Mohammad Ashraf Shaik

Resident of Fremont

February 22, 1997 - July 7, 2024

Kirke Schnoor Resident of Fremont

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Rohitkumar Godhani Resident of Milpitas

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Kanchan Padukone Resident of San Jose

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Deborah L. Hageman

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Jan Southworth-Kidder

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Maria Albertina Sousa

Resident of Newark March 30, 1940 - July 20, 2024

Simon A. Sagabaen, Jr.

Resident of Fremont October 23, 1957 – July 11, 2024

John Ralph DiPaola

Resident of Fremont April 20, 1940 - July 3, 2024

Walter Mark Rathjen Resident of Union City July 12, 1956 - July 5, 2024

Steven John Cash

Resident of Newark December 30, 1961 - June 29, 2024

Antoinette E. Cordeniz

Resident of Sparks, Nevada April 18, 1931 - June 23, 2024

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November 15, 1940 - June 27, 2024

Sandra R. Stearns Resident of Fremont

September 14, 1940 - June 28, 2024

Donald J. Brockhage

Resident of Milpitas April 18, 1934 – June 22, 2024

Maria da Gloria Garcia Resident of Fremont

January 1, 1928 - June 23, 2024

SIMON SAGABAEN JR.

Obituaries

October 23, 1957 - July 11, 2024

imon Sagabaen Jr., known affectionately as "Pops" to his daughters and grandkids or as "Abbott or Jr." to family and friends, passed away on July 11, 2024, at the age of 66. Simon is survived by his wife of almost 45 years, Maria. Together they raised two daughters: Monica Caporali (Nick) and Jeanette Sagabaen. He also has two grandchildren or what he liked to call his "grannies:" Joshua and Sofia Caporali. Simon



is also survived by his 10 siblings: Dom (Trinidad,) Rudy (Lina,) Joe (Adoring,) Ricky (Sonia,) James, Luz (Jun,) Leonila (Abe,) Shirley (Ed,) Remy (d. Raul,) Amelia (d.Troy,) in-laws: Ana (Scott,) Tony, Tina

(Ken,) Rui (Kitty,) and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Simon was born in the Philippines on October 23, 1957 to Simeon and Narcisa Sagabaen. Fremont, CA is where Simon lived with his wife Maria and raised his family. He was a machinist and quality inspector for most of his career. Simon enjoyed going on random car rides to explore CA and finding the newest casinos. His loves were spending time with family enjoying life.

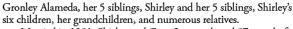
Visitation will be held on Friday, August 2, 2024 from 11am–1pm with a Funeral Service to begin at 1pm at Fremont Chapel of the Roses, 1940 Peralta Blvd. in Fremont.

SHIRLEY ALAMEDA LORENZ

1927-2024

🤼 hirley Alameda Lorenz, a beloved member of the Fremont community, passed away peacefully on July 8, 2024, at the age of 97, surrounded by her children. Born in Fremont, Shirley's life was a testament to family, community, and a love for acceptance and friendship.

A proud graduate of Washington (Union) High School's Class of 1945, Shirley's extensive family legacy, at WHS, spanned four generations: her mother, Pauline



Married in 1951, Shirley and Gene Lorenz shared 57 wonderful years together until Gene's passing in 2007. Their home was filled with love, laughter, extended family, sports, and friends. Her enthusiasm for sports continued throughout Shirley's life supporting all her children's sports and delighting in cheering on her grandchildren and their teams. Shirley and Gene were long-time Oakland A's fans and season ticket holders enjoying their rides to the coliseum games on BART.

Shirley's commitment to her children's education was evident through her extensive involvement in the PTA, for which she received a Lifetime PTA Honorary Service Award in 1973. She also worked as a beloved teacher's aide in special education programs within the Fremont Unified School District.

For over 40 years, as matriarch of her family's local flower shop and affectionately known as "Shirley Momma", Shirley was a vibrant participant in the annual Fremont 4th of July and Christmas parades, always donning costumes that matched the flower shop's float theme. Her sweet dog, Sophie, was her constant companion, often seen perched

Shirley's pride in her family's heritage and their civic contributions to Fremont was a cornerstone of her identity. She is survived by her children, Mark (Susan), Wendy, Randy (Ed), Dirk (Lisa), and Paula (Tony), daughter-in-law, Cindy, as well as 10 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her eldest son, Eric, and son-inlaw, Bud. Shirley's legacy of love, dedication, and community spirit will be cherished.

A Remembrance Celebration for Shirley will be held on Saturday, August 10, 2024, at 11:00 am at Centerville Presbyterian Church, in Fremont. Donations may be made in Shirley's name to: Washington High School Alumni Foundation, Washington Hospital Foundation, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Stanford Children's Hospital.

Wandercraft exoskeleton used in Olympic torch relay

A PARAPLEGIC PERSON CARRIED THE OLYMPIC TORCH AS PART OF THE TRADITIONAL RELAY USING AN EXOSKELETON **DEVELOPED BY WANDERCRAFT SAS**



Kevin Piette carries the Olympic torch in Paris wearing a device in the final stages of research & development. Photo Source: Wandercraft

By SEAN WHOOLEY **JUĽY 26, 2024**

Kevin Piette, 35, has been paraplegic since a motorcycle accident 11 years ago, according to Le Parisien. He is a trained "test pilot" for Wandercraft. The Paris-based company said it has built its Personal Exoskeleton to

help people with disabilities walk.

Wandercraft already offers the U.S. Food and Drug Administration-cleared Atalante X exoskeleton for individuals with spinal cord injuries (SCIs). Atalante X, a self-balancing robotic exoskeleton, enables people with limited mobility to stand up and walk again.

The Personal Exoskeleton

device used by Piette is a prototype in the final stages of research and development, said Wandercraft. According to a spokesperson, the company plans to enter into usability and clinical trials soon.

Piette wears exosuit to carry Olympic torch

Piette, who typically uses a wheelchair, became the first user of a self-balancing exoskeleton to walk in the torch relay before the Olympics, the company claimed. He can be seen walking with the torch in Paris on an X(formerly Twitter) video.

Wandercraft marks 2024 milestones

Earlier this year, Wandercraft brought in over €25 million (\$27 million) in financing from the European Investment Bank (EIB). The company said it plans to use the funding to develop its Personal Exoskeleton and to accelerate patient access to Atlante X.

"At Wandercraft, our focus is on improving patient outcomes and creating a world where everyone can stand up and walk," stated Matthieu Masselin, CEO of Wandercraft. "From restoring a parent's ability to walk their child down the aisle to the simple act of standing and shaking hands after a meeting, we are eager to provide patients with the full range of experiences that life has to offer."

"This commitment from the EIB allows us to further accelerate our already rapid advancement in achieving this mission and furthers our ability to impact more people faster than ever," he added.

In February, the FDA cleared Atalante X for rehabilitation in individuals with SCI at Levels T5 to L5. Wandercraft said its team believes that everyone should have the opportunity to stand up and walk in their everyday lives.

The company added that it looks forward to continued testing, clinical trials, and working with regulators to bring the benefits of robotics to the rehabilitation and personal use market.

Wandercraft said it expects usability and clinical trials soon. The Personal Exoskeleton is not yet available for commercial use.

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