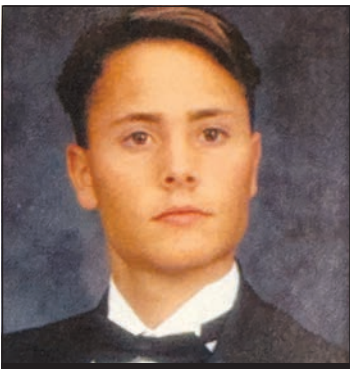




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Experienced dancers lead practice sessions and dance in the center so beginners can follow along. Courtesy of Joyce Davis

## Obon honors tradition and community

DANCE TO CELEBRATE THOSE WHO CAME BEFORE US

By STEPHANIE GERTSCH

Wearing a colorful Yukata, eating some Japanese food, and listening to music and singing from San Jose Chidori Band, are all parts of celebrating Obon at Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church in Union City. And of course, dancing with Obon Odori! Both joyous and solemn, the festival honors ancestors and departed loved ones. On the evening of Saturday, August 10, the community is invited to join the celebration, and on Sunday morning the church will hold a Hatsubon service for people who have passed away within the last year.

Karen Suyama has been dancing at Obon ever since her parents and grandparents took her to Berkeley Buddhist Church when she was growing up, and she has been an instructor at Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church ever since she moved to Fremont in the late 70s. She studied Buyou, a form of classical Japanese dance, but the simple dances she teaches for Obons are easy to pick up even by those with no dance background.

"Because maybe 75% of the dances are the same as the year before," she says, "It makes it easy to get into the practices and the dances." There are hundreds of Obon dances done at temples across Japan, ranging from traditional to modern. "There's a couple of dances I think I've been doing since I started doing Obon. We've kept those on."

One traditional and popular dance is Tanko Bushi, or the Coal Miner Dance, set to a song about mining coal in the mountains of Japan, with steps pantomiming shoveling coal and pushing a cart. By contrast, in Pokemon Ondo, the steps reflect cute gestures that might be taken by Pikachu or Squirtle.

Including the context helps people learn. "I try to find a background to the song to make it more meaningful for everybody," Suyama says. "And hopefully that helps them to understand the dance and enjoy the story that goes along with it."

SACBC will try two new dances this year. One is Ee Janai Ka, choreographed by

San Jose Taiko. "It's not quite as simple as the other dances," Suyama notes. "But that's OK. Sometimes you have to make people think—and move!" It was more difficult for people to pick up at dance practices. "But they were having fun with it and I know they liked it, so that's all that matters."

The other new dance, Lantern Song, was commissioned by The Buddhist Churches of America (BCA) to commemorate the 125th anniversary in 2024. In 1899, two Buddhist ministers from Japan came to San Francisco to teach among Japanese immigrants who were missing the spiritual instruction they had back in their country of origin. This is regarded as the start to what would grow into BCA.

Suyama reflects, "I like the dancing because it helps to remind me that this has been done for a long time. To honor our ancestors. It's pretty meaningful to me because my grandparents and parents were very instrumental in getting me into dance and becoming an instructor. They would always come out and cheer me on." She adds with a laugh, "My grandmother used to always clap, so she would embarrass me."

She continues, "I enjoy doing it every year. It helps to remember everybody who's not here anymore. And that does include my parents, and grandparents, aunts and uncles, everybody."

There are two more upcoming practices the week before Obon, held at the church in the Sangha Hall on Wednesday 8/7 and Thursday 8/8, both starting at 7pm. But you don't need to practice to dance!

**SACBC Obon**  
**Saturday, Aug 10**  
**5pm Food sales start**  
**7pm Obon Odori**  
**Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church**  
**32975 Alvarado-Niles Rd., Union City**  
**(510) 471-2581**  
**www.sacbc.org**

## Pawsitive Reviews

THE FREMONT LIBRARY CAN BARELY KEEP UP WITH DEMAND FOR DOG MAN

By LISA PLACHY

He's part dog, part man, a champion of justice—and the canine hero of the Fremont Main Library's most checked-out book.

Since the beginning of the year, readers have checked out *Dog Man: Twenty Thousand Fleas Under the Sea* more than 420 times—not counting renewals. The kid-friendly graphic novel is the eleventh in an expanding series of 12 from author and illustrator Dav Pilkey, whom parents may remember from his hit series *Captain Underpants*. This series follows a hybrid dog/policeman who takes on villains with a familiar brand of outrageous storylines and potty humor that put Pilkey on the map in the late 90s.

"We cannot keep *Dog Man* books on our shelves," said Kelly Pollard, Children's Librarian at the Fremont Main Library. "I am often digging copies out of the book return bins before they even make it onto the library shelves. Kids get so excited if the book is available when they visit our library."

The phenomenon extends beyond Fremont's shelves. *Dog Man's* publisher, Scholastic, says over 60 million books from the series are in print; the latest *Dog Man* release is also a worldwide number one best-seller. On Amazon, *Dog Man: Twenty Thousand Fleas Under the Sea* holds third place in the "Children's Superhero Books" category across the site. In fact, *Dog Man* books claim spots one through six and eight through ten on the entire list.

So what is it about this furry defender of justice that has captured the hearts of so many? Its accessible format may be just as key as its content.

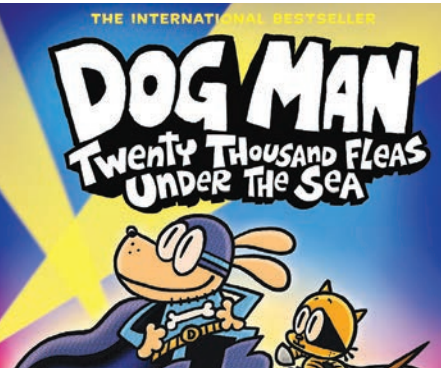
"These books are especially popular with reluctant readers," says Pollard. "I have had some great conversations with caregivers about the value of reading graphic novels and how when kids find books they connect to, they can learn to love reading."

Pollard also mentions that the books are a hit with kids beyond its intended 8-12 age group. A quick glance at reviews makes it clear that Pilkey tackles serious issues underneath the veneer of absurdity.

"Dav Pilkey is so smart. His plots and humor work on two levels seamlessly," says reviewer darladoodles, who gave the book five stars on the Fremont Main Library website. "There are bits of human nature throughout that we can relate to at any age. It includes themes relating to personal rehabilitation, fake news, persistence, and a chapter entitled 'Cat Cell Culture.'"

*Dog Man* is just one piece of Pilkey's success. Two titles from his *Cat Kid Comic Club* series — a spin-off from a character introduced in *Dog Man* — also hold a place among the top 10 most popular books at Fremont's library this year. And following in the footsteps of *Captain Underpants*, a *Dog Man* movie is underway.

Until then, Fremont fans can check out *Dog Man* books by the dozen — if they're not on hold.



**GOOD READS** The hit *Dog Man* book features a villain named Piggy, a monster-sized mite and its own song. Photo courtesy of Scholastic, Inc.



City council approves Ava as Fremont's electricity service. Photo source: Shutterstock

## FREMONT TRANSITIONING TO 100% RENEWABLE ENERGY

AVA COMMUNITY ENERGY TO BECOME FREMONT'S DEFAULT ELECTRICITY SERVICE PLAN

By APRIL RAMOS

On June 18, the Fremont City Council voted unanimously to request that Ava Community Energy (Ava) change Fremont's default electricity service plan to their Renewable 100 plan. According to their website, Ava —Ava Community Energy— was launched in Alameda County in 2018. Ava is Fremont's electricity provider, and their Renewable 100 plan includes 100 percent solar and wind energy from California. A few cities that Ava is currently serving in our area include Hayward, Newark, San Leandro and Union City along with the unincorporated areas of Ashland, Castro Valley, Cherryland, Fairview, San Lorenzo and Sunol.

The decision to make Ava the City of Fremont's default service provider aligns with the City Council's priority of environmental sustainability. "In October 2023 council adopted an updated climate action plan that aims to reduce community greenhouse gas emissions by 30% from 2018 levels by the year 2030. The adopted plan included what we call the Game Plan, a list of the highest priority actions to be completed in the first three years of the plan and tonight we are bringing forward one of those actions," stated Dan Schoenholz, Community Development Director for the City of Fremont.

By establishing Renewable 100 as the default service plan for Fremont, the City aims to provide cleaner energy to residents and businesses and achieve the goals outlined in Fremont's Climate Action Plan (CAP). This action is identified in the CAP as a high priority action for helping to reduce community-wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

On July 17, the Ava Board of Directors unanimously approved Fremont's request to change the default service plan. Fremont will become the ninth city in Alameda County to transition to Renewable 100. Fremont customers will have the same service plan

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# Breastfeeding Awareness Month

## Breastfeeding Helps Mothers and Babies Nourish, Sustain and Thrive

the knowledge, support, education and encouragement necessary for breastfeeding success.”

### Baby-Friendly Care

Washington Hospital has been designated as a Baby-Friendly Hospital by the World Health Organization (WHO) and UNICEF since 2014. This designation recognizes the Hospital’s commitment to providing the highest level of care for infant feeding and mother-baby bonding. The Birthing Center’s seven lactation consultants are all registered nurses who have been certified as International Board-certified Lactation Consultants.

Lawani advises that families require active support to begin and maintain good breastfeeding practices. “Some babies latch right away, and others will sometimes have latch difficulties in the beginning,” she said. “Some families have taken a prenatal breastfeeding class and others are coming to it with a limited background on the expectations for breastfeeding. Our role is to meet families where they are and build upon prior knowledge. Having a strong support system is key to meeting the feeding goals they’ve set for themselves and their babies. I tell them to take it one feeding at a time, because every baby and scenario can be different. The first few days are like an orientation to a new job; learning a new skill takes time and practice. As parents gain more experience, they become more confident and independent.”

She continues, “If families have questions after discharge, Washington Hospital offers outpatient lactation services at the Birthing Center. “We can meet with them one-on-one, or support them over the phone on our Lactation Advice line for continued guidance.”

### Bonding Culture

Promoting mother-baby bonding and breastfeeding is more than just talk at Washington Hospital—it’s part of the culture.

“Right after birth, we help facilitate breastfeeding as soon as possible—ideally in the first hour after delivery,” she says. “That’s the “golden hour.” We put baby skin-to-skin and then provide assistance through the first latch. Allowing babies to have unlimited skin-to-skin for the first few hours helps with the bonding, milk production, and temperature stability.”

Typical changes in one’s own body, babies’ behaviors, and dynamics of milk supply are all discussed, but babies don’t follow scripts, and parents can be surprised by robust feeding patterns.

“For example, the second night babies tend to cluster feed,” Lawani explains. “They’re feeding nearly every hour. I prepare families with the knowledge that this is what’s going to happen, but the demands of a newborn are often underestimated. The second night comes, and families call with concerns that they’re doing something wrong. Frequent feeding is normal for breastfeeding newborns, and distinguishing between what is and is not normal leads to increased confidence in caring for their newborn. For many families, this time in a baby-friendly environment is crucial to establishing a successful breastfeeding experience.”

### Going Forward

In the past, new moms were told to feed their babies on a schedule, but Baby-Friendly research has shown feeding on cue is much better for both mom and baby. To aid in that, newborns at Washington Hospital Birthing Center stay in the rooms with their moms, who are encouraged to breastfeed responsively. Rooming-in helps the new mom learn her baby’s feeding cues.

Lawani said moms are encouraged to breastfeed exclusively for six months, then introduce solids while continuing to breastfeed. Baby-Friendly guidelines suggest

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*“We are proud of being part of every family’s story. The Washington Hospital lactation consultants work hand-in-hand with all Birthing Center and NICU staff to provide the knowledge, support, education and encouragement necessary for breastfeeding success.”*  
*-Abies Lawani, MSN, RN, IBCLC*



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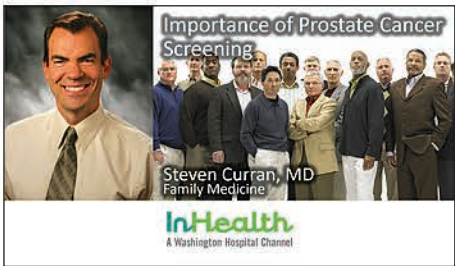
Recovering from a stroke can be overwhelming. Dr. Prabhjot Khalsa, medical co-director of Washington Hospital’s Stroke Program, will address the health complications that may arise following a stroke.



### Stroke: Warning Signs and Risk Factors

Wednesday, Aug. 28, 9 a.m.

Did you know that 80% of strokes can be prevented? Learn how to reduce your risk factors for this life-altering event.



### Importance of Prostate Cancer Screening

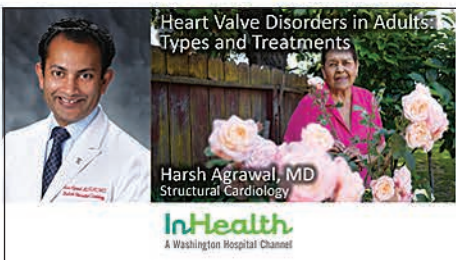
Wednesday, Sept. 11, 9 a.m.

This seminar will empower men and their loved ones with essential knowledge for early detection and effective management.



### 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.



### Heart Valve Disorders in Adults: Types and Treatments

Dizziness, shortness of breath, chest pain and fatigue: these may be signs of heart valve disorders. Watch this seminar to learn the various types of valve disorders, the impact on cardiovascular health, and treatment options.



### Other Video Topics:

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

### Events Information

For more information or to register for events, call 800.963.7070 or visit whhs.com/events.



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# On a Mission for Health

Union City Heart Health Fair Sept. 7

The mission of Washington Hospital Healthcare System (WHHS) is to improve and maintain the health care needs of Washington Township Health Care District residents through medical services, education and research. A big part of that mission is to identify and assess community health care needs.

Every three years, Washington Hospital conducts a community health needs assessment. In 2023, WHHS identified less favorable heart health outcomes in Union City compared to other parts of the district. To address these needs, the Hospital is partnering with Washington Township Medical Foundation (WTMF) to host a heart health fair in Union City to provide education, screenings, and resources to the community.

### Empowering Heart Health

WHHS Community Outreach Manager Kayla Gupta, MPH, said while the health system is committed to improving heart health for the entire WHHS community, it was important to reach out to Union City residents in particular.

“When we finished the report last year, we saw Union City residents had more Emergency Department visits, hospitalizations, and deaths related to heart disease and stroke than residents of Fremont or Newark,” Gupta explained. “We knew focused community health education would help meet people where they live, so we planned this heart health fair to give them access to health screenings, specialized physicians and information on how to live a healthy lifestyle to promote heart health.”

According to their city website, more than half of the population of Union City is Asian. The American Heart Association notes that this ethnic group has a higher prevalence of heart disease and greater cardiovascular risk factors than other



groups, and develops coronary artery disease up to 10 years earlier than the general population. They also have a 35% higher chance of dying from a heart attack than the average population. Because of these statistics, Gupta said the heart health fair is a great way to address the needs revealed in the report.

“Events like this are important to our community to provide access and to remove barriers so people can gain insight into their health in an environment that is more comfortable and welcoming,” she noted. “The more we can do to bring awareness of heart health and provide connections to resources our community members need, the better.”

### Information is Power

The Heart Health Fair will kick off at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, at the Nakamura Clinic, 33077 Alvarado-Niles Road in Union City. The four-hour fair will include on-site screenings for blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol, as well as opportunities to speak with cardiologists,

endocrinologists and other health care providers. There will also be fitness classes, a cooking demonstration, and activities for families and children. Local community organizations will be present to connect attendees with additional resources.

In order to lead a healthy lifestyle, it’s important to take control of your health. Knowing specific risks for developing heart disease and diabetes can help people be proactive in making healthier life choices. Gupta emphasized the screenings are not intended to replace regular doctor visits. If any concerning results are found, attendees will be encouraged to follow up with their primary care provider. For those without a regular doctor, the event will provide referrals to help them establish care.

“If you already know you have a heart condition, the heart health fair is a good place to get more information or connect with the WTMF cardiology team,” she emphasized. “If you don’t know anything about your heart health, this is the place and time to find out.”

Gupta said the goal of the heart health fair is to create an informative and empowering event, as WHHS strives to create a healthier and more heart-conscious community. “This doesn’t replace going to your doctor,” she continued. “But people can take the health care information they receive at the health fair to their primary care provider as another important data point. Together, we can continue to make a significant impact on heart health and well-being for our community and beyond.”

### Fun for All

The event will feature information and education on the importance of regular exercise and a heart-healthy diet for preventing and managing heart disease and diabetes. In addition to health care providers, representatives from the Union City Family Services team and Union City Recreation Services will be on hand to share resources available to families and individuals.

Beyond health screenings, the heart health fair will include fitness classes. These include Zumba with Lewis Fernandez at 10 a.m. and Fitness Boxing with Michael Quebec at noon. Rock the Bike will have a “pedal powered” smoothie booth, where kids can hop on a “blender bike” and make their own smoothies.

“We will also have local performances throughout the day, including a ukulele group,” Gupta shared. “There will be a lot of giveaways, a cooking demo and lots of booths to teach skills to help people live a healthy lifestyle. There’s something for everyone. The fair takes place in Union City, but it’s open to anyone who wants to learn more about their heart health.”

For more information or to learn more about this event, visit [whhs.com/Events](https://whhs.com/Events) or scan the below QR code. To learn more about WHHS cardiac services, go to [whhs.com/heart](https://whhs.com/heart).



*“Together, we can continue to make a significant impact on heart health and well-being for our community and beyond.”*

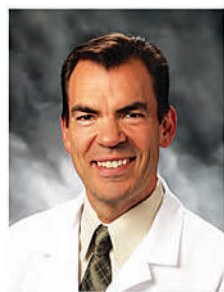
*—Kayla Gupta, Community Outreach manager*



Wednesday, Sept. 11  
9 a.m.

## Importance of Prostate Cancer Screening

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By **STEPHANIE GERTSCH**

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On August 10, Union City Recreation will hold the 11th annual Larry “O” Car to raise money for the Ruggieri Senior Center. Locals will proudly display classic and custom cars, trucks, and hot rods from the 1920’s-1970’s!

Raffles will be held throughout the event; purchase tickets for \$1 each and drop them into the bin for the prize of your choosing. Prizes encompass a range of ages and interests, for example: a “doggy bag” of supplies for a new puppy, nerf gun, Costco igloo cooler with tailgate supplies, a plastic beach tote with towels and tupperware, spa kit, bag of Trader Joe’s goodies and a certificate for Baldies Cafe in Union City. Proceeds will go to the Senior Center.

At this family-friendly event, there will be a taco truck, as well as a station with coloring and sidewalk chalk for the kids.

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# Breastfeeding Awareness Month

year. For moms who want to supplement breastfeeding with a bottle, or who will have other caregivers taking care

of the baby, Lawani and her team suggest supplementing with the mom’s own breast milk.

“Considering the lifelong benefits of breast milk, we want our patients to understand all the options to initiate and sustain breastfeeding,” she said. “We have hospital-grade breast pumps available here for use during their inpatient stay and resources for local breast pump rental services. If they choose to add formula, we let them know that any amount of breast milk they provide their child is beneficial and the ideal primary food for their baby. We want to make sure we’re providing the information they need to make an informed decision about infant feeding.”

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## Ohana Health & Resource Fair

BACH PROVIDES FREE SCREENINGS AND EDUCATION TO COMMUNITY



Expect hula dancing, free health screenings, and benefit enrollment assistance. Courtesy of BACH website.

Submitted by **BACH**

Join the Ohana Health and Resource Fair this August! The Fair was born out of a necessity to bridge gaps in healthcare access and resources, starting virtually during the 2020 pandemic. Since then, it has evolved into a crucial platform for promoting health equity. Carolina Arroyo-Solveson, Community Engagement Manager at Bay Area Community Health (BACH), shares insights on what’s in store for attendees.

“These events are pivotal for achieving health equity and addressing the needs of underserved populations,” Arroyo-Solveson emphasizes.

Events like the Ohana Health and Resource Fair provide vital health screenings and educate attendees on disease prevention and healthy living. This year, we’re thrilled to partner with organizations such as Kaiser Permanente, Alameda County-WIC, the Newark Public Library, and the American Heart Association, among others, to enhance our community’s well-being.

Expect a wide range of activities, including vision, dental, and chronic disease screenings, hula dancing, a musical instrument petting zoo for children, and a food demonstration promoting healthy eating. We’re focusing on diabetes awareness, especially among Latino and African-American populations, with tools and

information to help manage and prevent this chronic condition. We’ll also offer public benefits enrollment.

Last year’s successful partnership with the Alameda County Public Library highlighted the potential for an even greater impact this year. We achieved 750 touchpoints and conducted 152 health screenings, and we hope to surpass these numbers and better address community needs this year. Based on community feedback and our past experiences, we’ve moved the event indoors to provide a more comfortable environment and obtain more accurate health readings.

Carolina Arroyo-Solveson shares a touching success story: “Last year, a family of five won a grand raffle prize. When they

collected their prize, it was discovered that the father, who hadn’t had health insurance, a medical home, or a checkup in a decade, was able to get MediCal and begin his journey toward better health.”

Our annual Ohana Health and Resource Fair is a fantastic chance to come together, learn, and enhance our community’s well-being.

**Ohana Health Fair: Newark**  
**Saturday, Aug 10**  
**11am - 3pm**  
**37055 Newark Blvd, Newark**  
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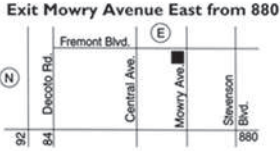
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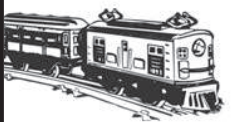


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# Portola Art Gallery presents ‘Vintage Trucks and Tractors’

Submitted by **FRANCES FREYBERG**

The Portola Art Gallery presents “Vintage Trucks and Tractors,” a retrospective of paintings from Jerry Peters’ early years exhibiting at the Portola Art Gallery.

Jerry has a special fondness for painting old trucks and tractors in rural settings, blending the beauty of nature with the character and history of battered vehicles. He explains, “I love painting vintage trucks and tractors left outdoors in their retirement years – their life stories must be fantastic. I try to capture that feeling in my paintings.”

Jerry’s love of painting began after retiring from the fire service in 1996. He spent 30 years as a firefighter, the last ten as a Battalion Chief in the Menlo Park Fire Protection District. His career drove his early work in acrylics, which featured fire engines, fire helmets and fire scenes.

For the past 25-plus years, Jerry has specialized in portraits, landscapes and still life paintings. In addition to his vintage trucks, Jerry often paints from photographs taken during his travels. His work includes scenes from France, Italy, Germany, Belgium, Egypt, Greece, England and Turkey, as well as from across the U.S. and Canada. Jerry explains that painting from photographs has allowed him to explore new challenges and work on different techniques. Throughout his artistic career, he has accepted numerous commissions for portraiture and landscapes.

Jerry’s work can be viewed online at [www.jppetersart.com](http://www.jppetersart.com). High-resolution scans (JPEGs) of the artists’ work are available. For more information, please contact Jerry Peters at (650) 325-0692 or [www.jppetersart.com](http://www.jppetersart.com).

“Vintage Trucks and Tractors”  
Thursday, Aug 1 – Saturday, Aug 31  
Monday - Saturday, 11am – 4pm  
Portola Art Gallery  
75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park  
(650) 321-0220  
[www.portolaartgallery.com](http://www.portolaartgallery.com)



Visit Portola Art Gallery’s “Vintage Trucks and Tractors” exhibit. Painting by Jerry Peters



# Park Happenings for August

NEWS FROM THE EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT

*Submitted by* **JEN VANYA, PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST**

**Heat Safety During Hot August Days**

It seems like this year’s hot weather will never let up! Now more than ever, it’s important to be prepared for the heat when spending time outdoors. We encourage park visitors to have fun and be safe in the parks.

To be prepared so you can enjoy spending the hot August days in your Regional Parks, keep these heat safety tips in mind:

- Avoid going out in the hottest part of the day. If you do visit the parks, go in the morning or early evening when it is cooler.
- Drink plenty of fluids to stay hydrated.
- Don’t forget extra water for your pets!
- Wear sunscreen and lightweight, light-colored clothing.
- Minimize consumption of things that can worsen the heat’s effects on your body, such as alcohol and caffeine.

To beat the August heat, consider visiting Regional Parks with cool weather and shady trails, which offer an escape on hot summer days. For cooler options, visit [www.ebparks.org/visit/shady-hikes-cooler-parks](http://www.ebparks.org/visit/shady-hikes-cooler-parks).

Here are a few nighttime activities around the regional parks:

**Summertime Stargazing at Del Valle Regional Park in Livermore**

Be dazzled by the night sky! See star clusters, nebulae, constellations, and more. Tri-Valley Stargazers will be there with telescopes. Bring flashlights and dress in layers. Cloudy skies cancel. Drop-in program. Saturday, August 10, from 8:30pm - 10pm. For more information, visit [www.ebparks.org/calendar](http://www.ebparks.org/calendar) and search for “Summertime Stargazing.”

**Ardenwood Historic Farm Movie Night in Fremont**

Join us for a FREE showing of the hit movie Wish! Movie begins shortly after sunset. Arrive early to secure a good seat on the lawn. Bring a flashlight, warm clothes, and a blanket or chairs for sitting. No pets. Saturday, August 17, from 8:30pm - 10:30pm. For more information, visit [www.ebparks.org/calendar](http://www.ebparks.org/calendar) and search for “Ardenwood Historic Farm Movie Night.”

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## FREMONT IS ON TRACK WITH SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

options as they do now—Renewable 100, Bright Choice, or PG&E—but they will be enrolled in Renewable 100 unless they select another plan.

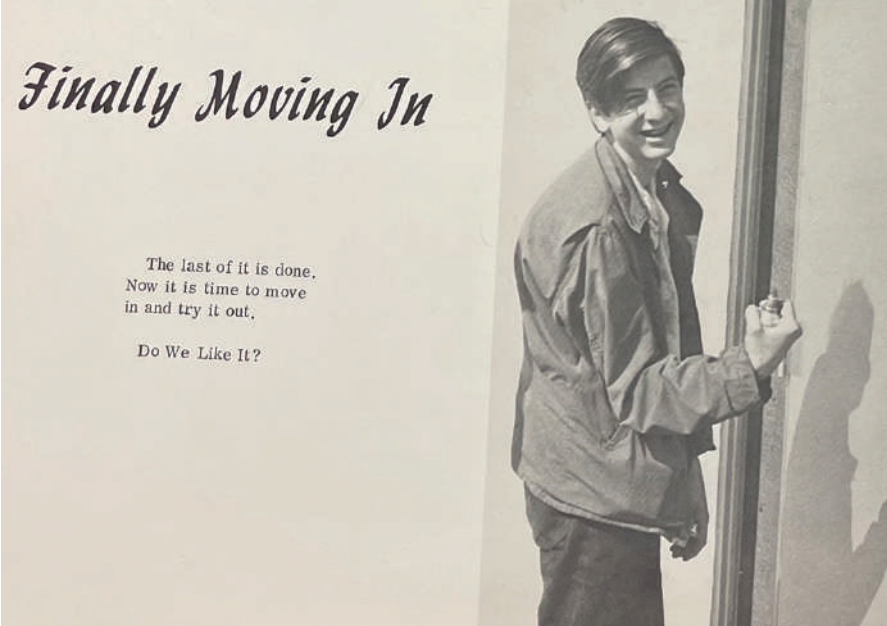
The Renewable 100 plan, as the name suggests, is made of 100% renewable energy content and costs 1.6% more than PG&E, while the Bright Choice option is made up of nearly 50% renewable content and costs 5% less than PG&E, explained Environmental Specialist, Allyn McAuley. “The Renewable 100 plan CARE, FERA, Medical Baseline, Direct Access, and customers who have opted out of Ava service to PG&E will not be transitioned to Renewable 100,” noted Geneva Bosques, City of Fremont Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs.

Fremont’s transition to the Renewable 100 service plan is anticipated to take place in 2025 for residential customers and 2026 for business customers. Customer enrollment is anticipated by March 31, 2025. “But before that time there is an extensive outreach campaign that will be developed closely between Ava and the City of Fremont. This would include digital outreach events, webinars, email and print notices, etcetera,” noted Dan Schoenholz. At that time, customers who wish to select a plan other than Renewable 100 will be able to do so by visiting the Ava website or by calling Ava directly.

[www.avaenergy.org](http://www.avaenergy.org)

## Correction

CLASS IS OUT BUT COMMUNITY LIVES ON



Do they like it? Yes! Courtesy of Sherry Wright.

For the article “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” which ran in the July 30 issue of Tri-City Voice, the caption “Do they like it? Yes!” was paired with the wrong photo. The correct photo and caption are given here.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Super grocery store pricing disparity UNBELIEVABLE HIGHER THAN COMPETITORS

Needless to say we’ve been going through a high inflation rate since the pandemic. And obviously it is affecting our neighborhood grocery store as well.

On a recent visit, I put items including cooking oil into my shopping bag and then was surprised at the receipt. I realized grocery prices have soared nearly 27% since 2020, higher than overall inflation. Yet understand for these price increases has been supply chain disruptions caused by pandemic-related labor shortages, rising fuel costs and droughts.

I feel that the alarming rise in grocery prices has been a record increase in grocery industry profits.

For example, a 40 FL OZ Wesson canola oil I purchased from Store A (name withheld) for \$3.99. Later when I checked Store B (name withheld), the same item was selling for \$4.99, while Store C (name withheld) had a price sticker of \$5.99. I smiled..thank God I saved at least \$2 instantly at Store A. You check it out, these super grocers are ripping us off in the name of inflation. And they are not afraid of pricing disparity either.

Pricing disparity among giant grocers so high—not a nickel, dime or quarter but a dollar or more—is greed and cheating. I am positive customers had reduced their grocery spending to the point that it actually began to threaten Big Grocer’s sales and profits.

At this juncture, I believe a state or federal based pricing agency that is affiliated with the Federal Trade Commission should probe what is happening with grocery store prices.

**ZAFAR YOUSUFZAI**  
**Fremont**

# Want to Write? What’s Stopping You?

*Submitted by* **TISH DAVIDSON**

Do you have stories dancing in your head but are nervous about sharing them on paper? If so, now is the time to try the free Zoom Social Write-In sponsored by Fremont Area Writers. Fremont Area Writers’ (FAW) motto is “Writers Helping Writers.” We welcome everyone from beginners to experienced authors. The Write-In is not a critique session but a chance to stimulate your creativity and socialize with other people interested in writing. The format is completely non-judgmental.

**How the Zoom Write-In Works:**

At the Write-In you will be randomly assigned to a Zoom room with three other writers. Writers are given several word or photo prompts. Choose one prompt and write whatever comes to mind for 10 minutes. At the end of 10 minutes, each person in the room reads their response to the prompt. Because the writing time is short, there is no expectation that the results will be polished or even complete. Time to socialize with the other writers follows the readings. Writers are then reassigned to a different Zoom room with different people and a new writing challenge. Again, stories are shared, followed by socializing.

The Write-In is sponsored by Fremont Area Writers, a branch of the California

Writers Club. In addition to the Write-In, FAW meets on Zoom from 2pm - 4pm on the fourth Saturday of each month where guest speakers discuss various aspects of writing and publishing. The speaker for the August 24 meeting is David Berner who will speak on what makes a great personal essay and how to know where to submit it. A retired professor from Columbia College, Chicago, Berner teaches writing at New York’s Gotham Writers Workshop and regularly publishes personal essays on Substack: The Abundance.

You do not need to live in Fremont to join the Write-In or general meetings. Participation in either event is free. To attend, request the Zoom link from Scott Davidson at [scottfrombayside@yahoo.com](mailto:scottfrombayside@yahoo.com). More information is available at <https://cwc-fremontareawriters.org>

**Free Zoom Write-In**  
**Saturday, Aug 10**  
**2pm - 3:30pm**  
**Free General Meeting**  
**Saturday, Aug 24**  
**2pm - 4pm**  
**Request Zoom link from**  
**[scottfrombayside@yahoo.com](mailto:scottfrombayside@yahoo.com)**

# HAYWARD DISPOSAL DAYS OPEN REGISTRATION

*Submitted by* **CITY OF HAYWARD**

Registration is now open for the next Disposal Days event, Saturday, August 10. Hosted by the City of Hayward Maintenance Services Department, the event provides community members an additional way to dispose of household debris safely and legally free of charge.

The Disposal Days program allows residents of the City of Hayward to bring up to five cubic yards of household items for disposal to the city transfer station six times per year on the second Saturday of the months of February, April, June, August, October and December. Five cubic yards is about the equivalent of one full bed of an average size pick-up truck. The bi-monthly events will be held regardless of weather conditions at the time.

**The following items are not accepted at the transfer station:**

- Hazardous materials, including paint, motor oil, solvents, cleaners, pesticides, tires and car batteries
- Objects over 75 pounds (except furniture and appliances)
- Medical waste

- Construction and demolition debris
- Rocks
- Bricks
- Dirt
- Concrete

Disposal Days is open to residents of incorporated City of Hayward only, and pre registration and proof of Hayward residency is required. Registration space is limited and typically fills up fast.

To learn more, including how to register and join the waiting list, go online <https://shorturl.at/bcNgL> to the program page on the City of Hayward website or contact Maintenance Services at (510) 881-7745 or [disposal.days@hayward-ca.gov](mailto:disposal.days@hayward-ca.gov).

**Hayward Disposal Days**  
**Saturday, August 10**  
**7am – 12pm**  
**City of Hayward transfer station**  
**3455 Enterprise Ave., Hayward**  
**(510) 881-7745**  
**[disposal.days@hayward-ca.gov](mailto:disposal.days@hayward-ca.gov)**  
**Register at: <https://shorturl.at/bcNgL>**

# Newark FC Fall Recreation registration

*Submitted by* **NEWARK FC**

1974 Newark FC Recreation Program is the East Bay’s largest premium recreational

soccer experience, serving the East Bay community since 1974. This is a community/ volunteer-based program where dedicated members love soccer and are focused on players developing and having fun!

We have programs for players aged 4-14, with multiple development programs allowing players to grow within our soccer club. These programs include the Player Identification Program and Individual Player Clinics.

Practice starts August 26 and consists of 1-2 practices per week, 7-8 games a season and knockout tournaments. The \$250 player fee includes awards and uniform. Please register at [newarksoccer.org](http://newarksoccer.org).

### Letters Policy

The Tri-City Voice welcomes letters to the editor. Letters must be signed and include an address and daytime telephone number. Only the writer’s name will be published. Letters that are 350 words or fewer will be given preference. Letters are subject to editing for length, grammar and style.

**[tcv@tricityvoice.com](mailto:tcv@tricityvoice.com)**



# GET READY FOR SCHOOL!

BACKPACK DRIVES, DONATIONS, AND MORE



Find back-to-school giveaways and deals near you. Photo source: Shutterstock

### Staff-assembled list

Soon, kids in the Bay Area will be heading back to the classroom for fall. To be ready, they’ll need backpacks, notebooks, pens and pencils and a whole list of school supplies. For some, this is a fun family shopping trip. But for those wondering how to fit everything into the family budget, local school districts and organizations are holding backpack drives and resource fairs to help out.

Below are a few local back-to-school events happening toward mid-August. And one to thank teachers!) At the end of the list is a link where anyone can donate school supplies to kids in need.

### Back to School Resource Fair

Submitted by  
**SUPERVISOR ELISA MARQUEZ**

Afghan refugee youth and their families are invited to receive free backpacks, school supplies and more. Join agencies and organizations to learn more about resources available to the community.  
Immigration attorney, Spojmie Nasiri, will also be giving a legal presentation.

**Back to School Resource Fair**  
**Saturday, August 10**  
**1pm – 3pm**  
**Masjid Abu Bakr Siddiq**  
**29414 Mission Blvd., Hayward**

### Backpack Giveaway Helps Students Get Ready for School

Submitted by  
**HAYWARD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Hayward Unified School District (HUSD) will host the 3rd Annual Backpack Giveaway Event, helping local students and families get ready for back-to-school. According to USA Today, parents were expected to spend, on average, \$661 in back-to-school costs, including backpacks, clothing, and supplies in the 2023-2024 school year. These costs are expected to continue growing this school year as a result of inflation.

HUSD’s Backpack Giveaway event aims to lessen the burden of these costs on students and families by providing access to backpacks, school supplies and much more. The event will include free backpacks filled with school supplies, haircuts, food (All on a first-come first-served basis), a fun zone for students and families, music, resource fair, and a car show!

The Resource Fair will include a variety of locally based community organizations, including La Familia, East Bay Agency for Child, Side by Side Youth, Project Eden, Hayward Area Parks and Recreation, and Alameda County Child Support Services. This event is made possible thanks to generous donations from the Oscar Grant Foundation, Sri Sathya Sai Foundation, Fearless Paths, and Baypolar.

**HUSD Backpack Giveaway**  
**Saturday, August 10**  
**9am - 1:30pm**  
**Parent Resource Center Hub**  
**24823 Soto Road, Hayward**  
**<https://www.husd.us/>**

### Time for back-to-school shopping

**PACIFIC COMMONS GIVES AWAY BACKPACKS FULL OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES WITH \$75 PURCHASES**

Submitted by **MOLLY BLAISDELL**

Pacific Commons, a shopping center located off the I-880 corridor in south Fremont, features a variety of back to school appropriate tenants, such as Target, Burlington Coat Factory, Lowe’s, Costco, Dick’s Sporting Goods, Kohl’s, Nordstrom Rack, DSW, Old Navy, and T. J. Maxx.

To get students back in the school spirit, Pacific Commons is introducing a special back to school gift with purchase event on Sunday, August 11 from 1pm - 3pm in which shoppers who spend \$75 or more can receive a backpack filled with school provisions, while supplies last. Additionally, the center will feature entertainment that includes balloon artists and face painting.

“Inspiration for back-to-school shopping comes in many forms, and the retail options abound at Pacific Commons,” comments Brandi Hardy, Director of Marketing for Pacific Commons. She continues, “Whether it’s a new wardrobe, all the gadgets that students might need to rock the fall term, or getting back in shape with a fresh, new beauty look, the center features all the amenities needed to greet the new school year.”

**Back-to-School backpacks**  
**Sunday, August 11**  
**1pm - 3pm**  
**Pacific Commons Shopping Center**  
**43440 Boscell Road, Fremont**  
**<https://pacificcommons.com/>**

### Students welcome their teachers - with a flower!

Submitted by  
**FREMONT EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

We’re so excited for the 25th Welcome Teacher Day! Elementary students come with their parents, drive through to pick up a flower to give to their teacher on the 1st day of school. This event is organized by Dirk and Lisa Lorenz, presented by Washington Hospital Healthcare System, and sponsored by community partners including One Child, Raj Salwan, Rotary Club of Fremont, Supervisor David Haubert, and more.  
(Donations will be accepted for the Fremont Education Foundation in cash, check, and other formats.)

**Welcome Teacher Day**  
**Tuesday, August 13**  
**10am - 5pm**  
**Washington Hospital West Parking Lot**  
**2500 Mowry Avenue, Fremont**

### Free Back 2 School Giveaway

Submitted by **FISH BOWL TINTING**

Welcome to our free back 2 school giveaway event! Join us at Fish Bowl Tinting for a fun-filled day of giveaways, goodies, live music, and many more activities ! Get ready to kick off the school year in style with free school supplies, backpacks, and more! Don’t miss out on this awesome opportunity to stock up on everything you need for a successful school year. Bring your friends and family along for a day of excitement and freebies. See you there!

**Free Back 2 School Giveaway**  
**Saturday, August 17**  
**11am - 4pm**  
**Fish Bowl Tinting**  
**274 Hegenberger Road., Oakland**  
**[eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)**

### Donate online to help kids

Submitted by **BUILDING FUTURES**

Kids make up 52% of our shelters. And right now, the Alameda Midway Shelter, the San Leandro Shelter, and our Domestic Violence Safe House are completely full. That means we have more kids than ever in need of your support for back to school clothes and supplies.  
How can you help? We’ve set up an online “shopping list” to raise money for much-needed items to set up the children for success—you can add multiple “items” when you donate. They already have their backpacks, so new shoes and new clothing are at the top of the list! Gift cards are great and give mothers the ability to respond to the child’s most immediate needs.

**Back to School Drive**  
**<https://bfwc.org/back-to-school-drive/>**

### EARTHTALK FROM THE EDITORS OF E - THE ENVIRONMENTAL MAGAZINE

By **PRAVIT KOCHAR**

Dear EarthTalk: Why is sea level rising more in some regions—like the U.S. Southeast—than others? Is there a way to reduce sea level rise in certain specific locales?

Sea level rise is a pressing global issue, exacerbated by climate change. And its impacts are not uniform across the globe; some regions experience more significant increases than others. Notably, the U.S. Southeast has seen higher rates compared to other areas. Understanding the factors behind these regional differences is crucial for developing targeted strategies to mitigate and adapt to these changes.  
One major factor contributing to

regional variations in sea level rise is thermal expansion. As ocean water warms, it expands, leading to higher sea levels. However, this expansion does not occur evenly across the globe due to differences in ocean temperatures and circulation patterns. Warm currents can cause more significant sea level rise in certain areas by bringing heat from one region to another. The melting of ice sheets in Greenland and Antarctica contribute to global sea level rise, but its impact is not evenly distributed. Indeed, the gravitational pull from large ice masses affects sea levels regionally. As ice sheets melt, the gravitational attraction decreases, causing water to move away from these areas and leading to higher sea levels elsewhere. This redistribution of water can result in significant regional differences.  
Engineering solutions like seawalls, levees and other physical barriers can provide immediate protection against rising sea

levels. These are designed to prevent flooding and protect infrastructure. However, they also present challenges, including high costs and potential ecological impacts. Strategic urban planning and land use can significantly mitigate the impacts of sea level rise. Sustainable development practices, including equitably relocating people, structures and infrastructure away from vulnerable coastal areas—as well as the wholesale redesign of coastal communities—are essential. These strategies can help reduce vulnerability and enhance resilience. For example, some coastal cities are redesigning urban spaces to allow for natural water flow and creating buffer zones to absorb floodwaters.  
Effective policies at local, state and federal levels are crucial for addressing sea level rise. Governments can implement regulations that promote sustainable practices, fund infrastructure projects and support community adaptation efforts. To effectively

combat sea level rise, it is essential for individuals to engage with local governments and advocate for policy changes. By supporting research and development, communities can better prepare for the impacts of rising seas.

**CONTACTS:**  
Sea Level 101, Part Two: All Sea Level is ‘Local’  
<https://science.nasa.gov/earth/climate-change/sea-level-101-part-two-all-sea-level-is-local/>

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### High Dive

There are five differences between these divers. Score 1 point for each one you find.

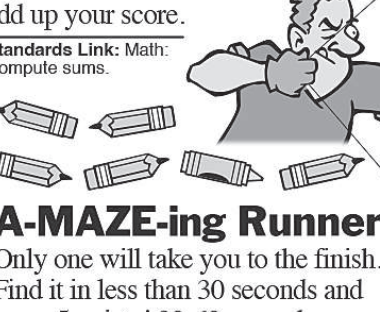
**Standards Link:** Find similarities and differences in common objects.



### Archery

Place a pencil on the archer's bow. Close your eyes. Trace a path to the target. Open your eyes and check your score (the number in the ring of the target that you "hit"). Repeat two more times and add up your score.

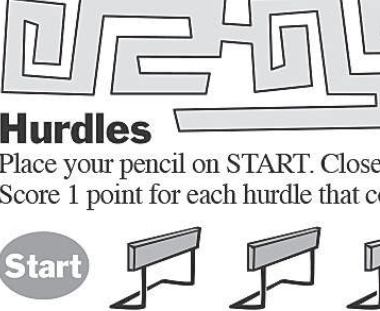
**Standards Link:** Math: Compute sums.



### A-MAZE-ing Runner

Only one will take you to the finish. Find it in less than 30 seconds and score 5 points! 30-60 seconds earns 3 points. 60+ seconds earns 1 point.

**Standards Link:** Physical Education: Eye-hand coordination.



### Hurdles

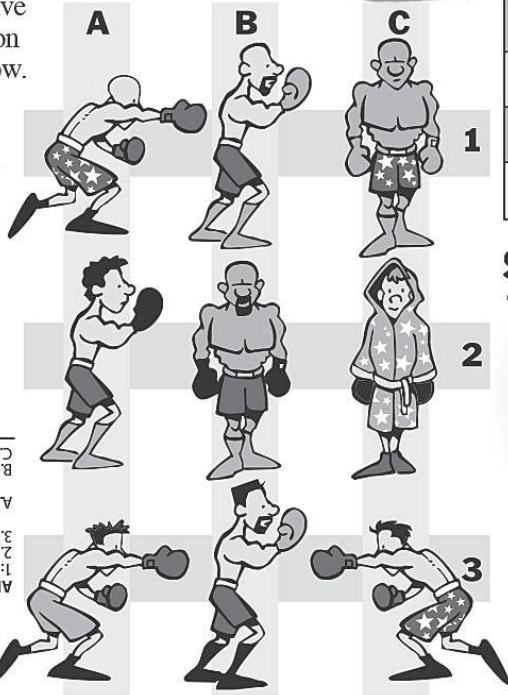
Place your pencil on START. Close your eyes. Draw 10 dots, trying to put one on each hurdle. Score 1 point for each hurdle that contains one, and only one, dot.

### Boxing

Look at the rows going up and down. Circle the things that the boxers have in common in each row.

Find all six things and score 5 points. Find 3-5 to earn 3 points. Find 1-2 and score 1 point.

**ANSWERS:**  
1: Bald boxers.  
2: Black gloves.  
3: Black hair.  
A: Facing same direction.  
B: All have beards.  
C: Stars on clothes.



**Standards Link:** Find similarities and differences in common objects.

### SEARCH: Get the Lead Out!

There are lots of pencils on this page, but only **one crayon**. Find that crayon in less than 30 seconds and you earn 10 points; 60+ seconds earns you 5 points.

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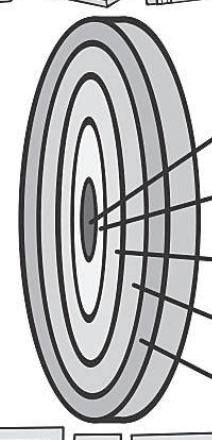
### Go the Distance!

On one newspaper page, find and circle the letters that spell each of the following words:

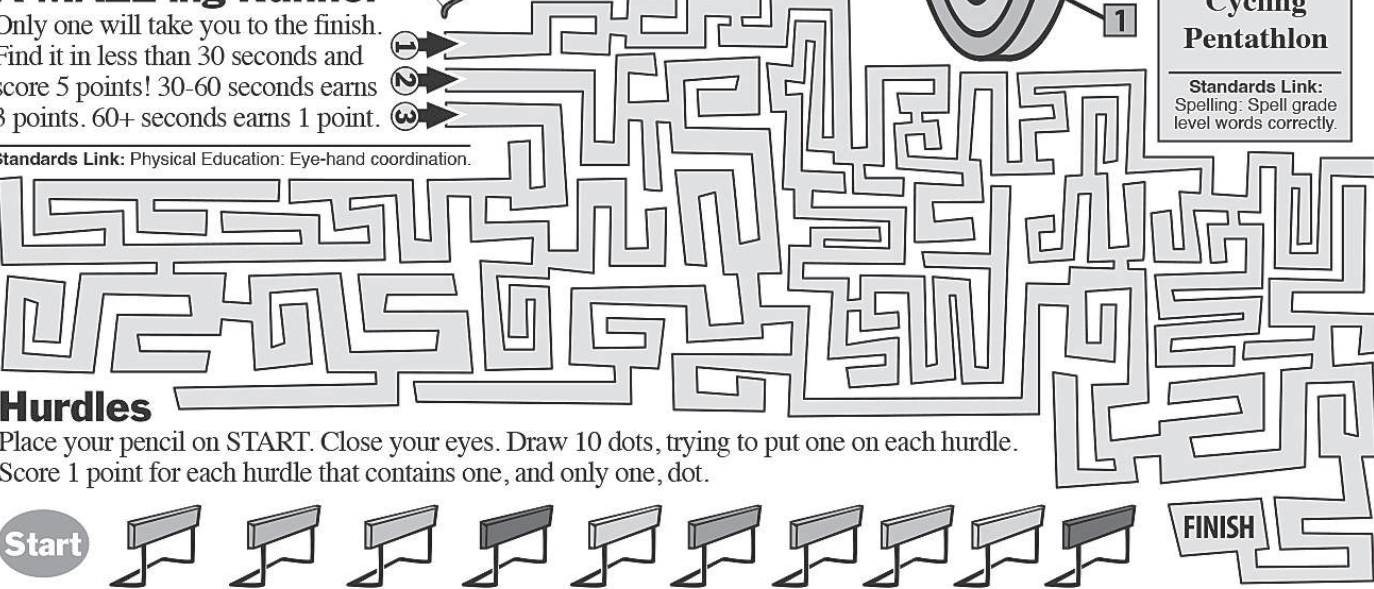
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**Archery**  
**Cycling**  
**Pentathlon**

**Standards Link:** Spelling: Spell grade level words correctly.

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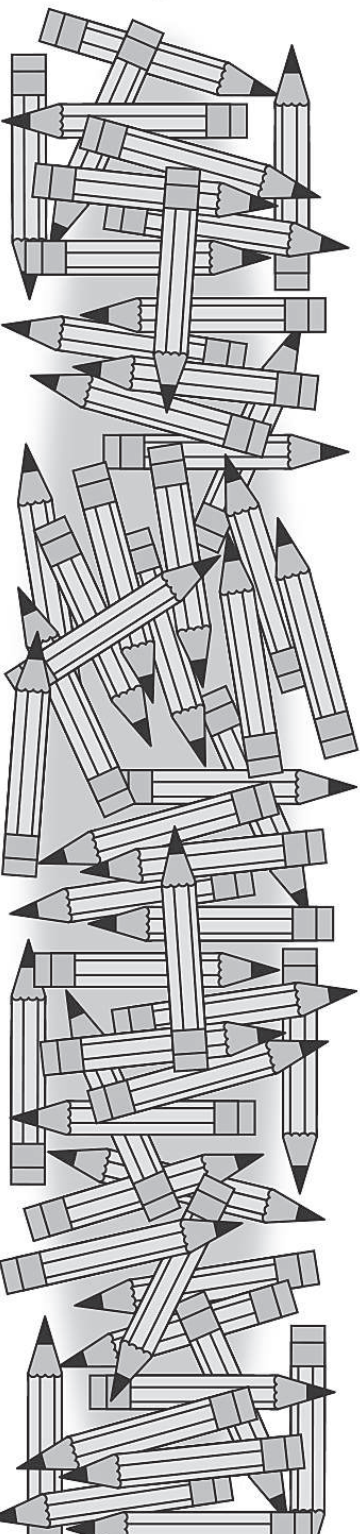
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**This week's word:**  
**PENTATHLON**

The noun **pentathlon** means an Olympic competition consisting of five track and field events usually sprinting, hurdling, long jump, discus and javelin.

Originally the **pentathlon** was competed for over four or five days.

Try to use the word **pentathlon** in a sentence today.

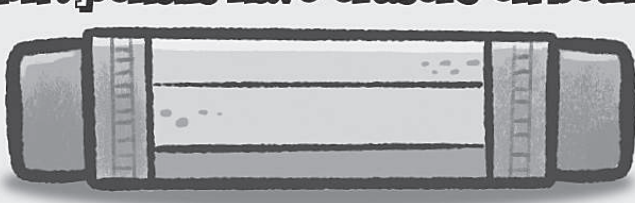
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### Build Your Muscles!

The newspaper has great tips for building your muscles! Look through your newspaper for running events, hikes and other outdoor activities. Sign up and go! Get the whole family in on the fun!

**Standards Link:** Health: Identify behaviors that promote healthy lifestyles.

### Why don't pencils have erasers on both ends?



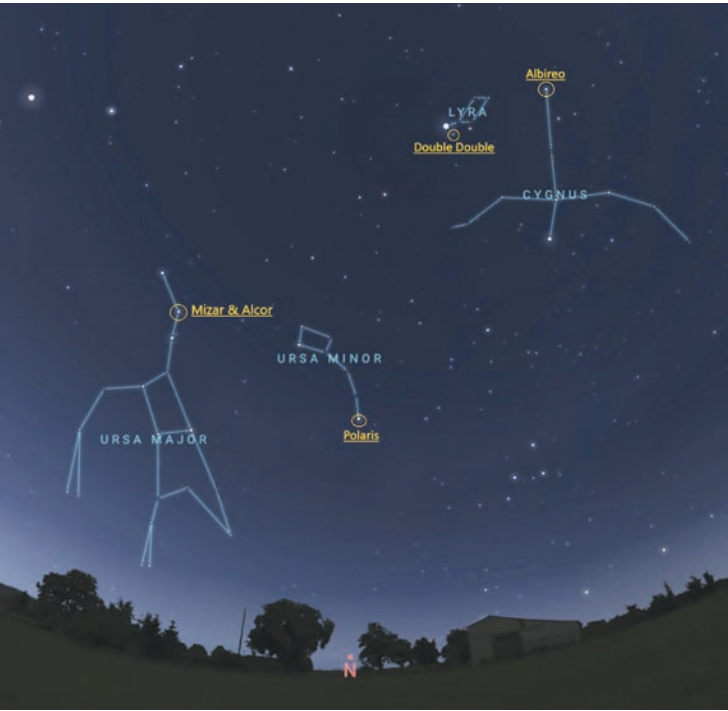
**ANSWER:** Because that would be pointless.

**Write On!** 

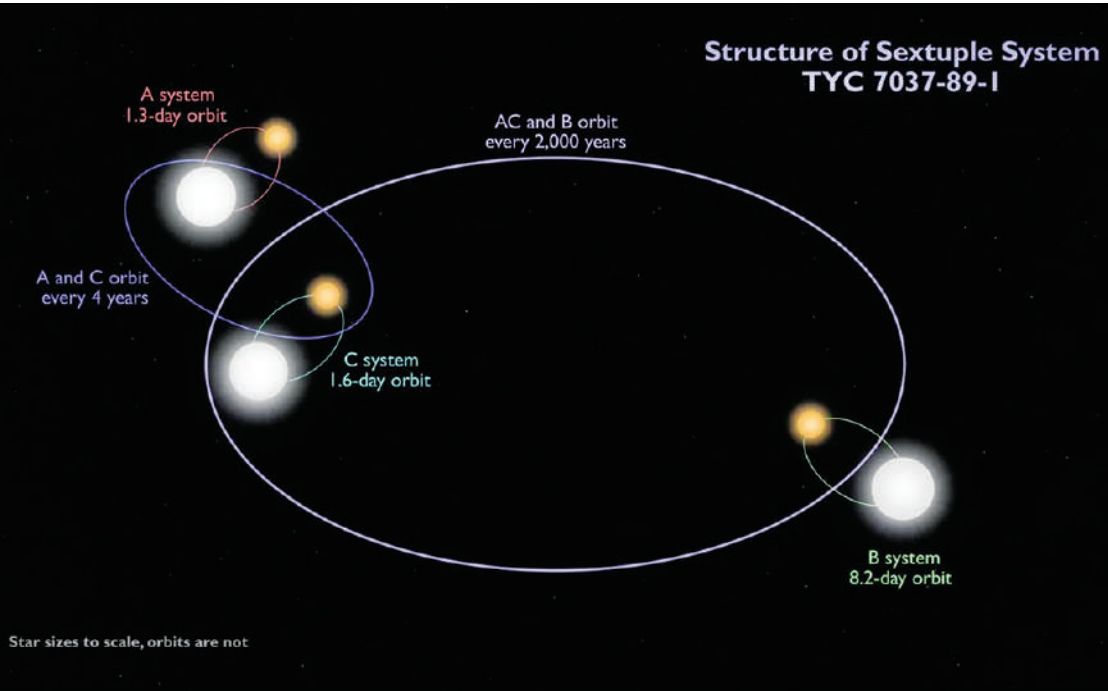
### My Olympic Achievement

Write about a time you did something really great—something you didn't think you could do, but you tried anyway and did it.





Mid-August night sky constellations with the following multiple star systems highlighted: the Double Double in Lyra, Albireo in Cygnus, Polaris in Ursa Minor, Mizar and Alcor in Ursa Major. Credit: Stellarium Web



This schematic shows the configuration of the sextuple star system TYC 7037-89-1. The inner quadruple is composed of two binaries, A and C, which orbit each other every four years or so. An outer binary, B, orbits the quadruple roughly every 2,000 years. All three pairs are eclipsing binaries. The orbits shown are not to scale. Credit: NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center

# August Night Sky Notes

SEEING DOUBLE

By KAT TROCHE

During the summer months, we tend to miss the views of Saturn, Jupiter and other heavenly bodies. But it can be a great time to look for other items, like globular star clusters such as Messier 13, open star clusters such as the Coma Star Cluster (Melotte 111), but also double stars!

## What Are Double Stars?

If you have seen any movies or read any books that refer to having two suns in the sky, that would be a *double star system*. These star systems typically come in two types – binary and optical doubles. Binary stars are two stars that are gravitationally bound and

orbit each other, and optical double stars only *appear* to be close together when viewed from Earth, but in reality, are extremely far apart from each other and are not affected by each other's gravity. With a small telescope, in moderately light polluted skies, summer offers great views of these stellar groupings from the Northern Hemisphere:

## Double Double:

Also known by its technical name, Epsilon Lyrae, this multiple star system appears as one star with naked eye observing. But with a small telescope, it can be split into “two” stars. A large telescope reveals Epsilon Lyrae's secret – what looks like a single star is actually a *quadruple* star system!

## Albireo

A gorgeous double star set—one blue, one yellow—in the constellation Cygnus.

## Polaris

While technically a multiple star system, our North Star can easily be separated from one star to two with a modest telescope.

## Mizar and Alcor

Located in the handle of the Big Dipper, this pair can be seen with the naked eye. Aside from looking incredible in a telescope or binoculars, double stars help astronomers learn about measuring the mass of stars, and about stellar evolution. Some stars orbit each other a little too closely, and

things can become disastrous, but overall, these celestial bodies make for excellent targets and are simple crowd pleasers. Up next, learn about the Summer Triangle's hidden treasures on our mid-month article on the Night Sky Network page.

*This article is distributed by NASA's Night Sky Network (NSN). The NSN program supports astronomy clubs across the USA dedicated to astronomy outreach. Visit [nightsky.jpl.nasa.gov](https://nightsky.jpl.nasa.gov) to find local clubs, events, and more!*

# Fremont Police Log

Submitted by FREMONT PD

## Wednesday, July 10

- Officers responded to an assault with a deadly weapon at an encampment near Washington Boulevard and Osgood Road. A subject confronted the victim about stealing a meth pipe, and the two were involved in a physical altercation. The subject struck the victim several times with a crowbar. The victim had significant injuries from the attack. Officers eventually located the subject and arrested him.
- Officers investigated two cases involving the same subject who used a fraudulent ID to rent a truck from a rental location on Thornton Avenue and another on Grimmer Boulevard. Officers recovered one stolen truck in a nearby city and authored a warrant for the arrest of the subject.

## Friday, July 12

- Two victims at a residence on Telles Lane awoke to find a shirtless subject asleep in their bedroom chair. The victims left the residence and called police. Officers responded and arrested the subject.
- Officers responded to a report that a subject had broken into a residence on Bryant Common and was fighting with her mother's boyfriend. Officers arrived to find both the subject and the mother's boyfriend holding knives inside the entryway to the residence. Both eventually surrendered. The subject, who had broken into the apartment, was discovered to be the mother's ex-boyfriend. He was arrested.
- Ten auto burglaries were reported at a gym on Fremont Boulevard within the same hour. Officers took reports from each victim.

## Sunday, July 14

- Officers responded to an elementary school on Canyon Heights Drive. A forklift at the school had collided with the school building. When officers arrived, they discovered that an unknown subject had started the forklift to try to steal a generator at the school.

## Monday, July 15

- Officers responded to a report of vandalism at a convenience store on Fremont Boulevard. A subject had thrown a glass bottle and shattered a glass door and window. Officers responded and detained the subject. The convenience store employee did not desire prosecution, so the subject was released. Shortly afterward, the subject took a pot from a grocery store on Fremont Boulevard and threw it at the store's window. The subject was arrested.
- Officers responded to a report of a vehicle driving into a building on the 39600 block of Mission Boulevard. The vehicle had driven into the building's north side of a business. No employees were

working on that side of the building, and no injured community members were discovered. The driver remained on scene and was uninjured.

## Wednesday, July 17

- Officers responded to a gift shop at the Fremont Hub regarding a subject who stole two statues from the store and smashed one on the ground. Another caller reported that the subject had thrown a rock at their window. Officers located the subject and arrested him.

## Thursday, July 18

- A victim withdrew \$1,000 from his account at a bank on Mowry Avenue and returned to his vehicle in the parking lot. A subject approached the victim, planted cash on the ground nearby, and said the victim had dropped the money. The victim helped the subject pick up the cash, but when he returned to his vehicle, the cash he had withdrawn was gone. The subject had left before the victim realized his money was missing.

## Friday, July 19

- Officers responded to a report of five subjects fighting at a liquor store on Fremont Boulevard. Several subjects were drinking alcohol together and began brawling over a disagreement. One subject broke a beer bottle and used it to stab two other subjects, then fled before officers arrived.
- Saturday, July 20
- Officers investigated a homicide near Blaisdell Way and Nichols Avenue. For additional details, please refer to the press release: July 20, 2024, Shooting Victim Succumbs to His Injuries - [nixle.us/FRW3H](https://nixle.us/FRW3H) On 7/22

## Monday, July 22

- The Mobile Evaluation Team unit executed a planned relocation of a large encampment on Stewart Avenue. The MET unit has been working with the homeless population, business owners and City of Fremont staff since May to provide resources and options to those experiencing homelessness. The MET unit removed 14 abandoned vehicles and motorhomes and is continuing to clean up the site.
- Officers arrested a suspect in a homicide investigation. For additional details, please refer to the press release: Suspect Arrested in Homicide Investigation in North Fremont - [nixle.us/FRYF7](https://nixle.us/FRYF7)
- Dispatch received a call regarding a speeding minivan on Camellia Drive. A victim inside the minivan was screaming for help and attempting to open the sliding door. The victim said the driver (subject) had a knife and threatened to crash the vehicle and kill them both. Officers responded and saw the subject flee, jumping over a fence. Officers located the subject in the backyard of a residence and arrested him.

# BART Police Log

Submitted by BART PD

## Tuesday, July 16

- At 7:18am a man identified by police as Brandon Liggins, age 40, from San Francisco was contacted at Hayward Station. Liggins was booked into Alameda County Jail for false impersonation. Liggins was not in possession of valid fare media.
- At 10:55am a woman identified by police as Verwana Crosby, age 50, from Fremont was contacted for fare evasion at Berryessa Station. Crosby was taken into custody for two outstanding warrants. Crosby was booked into Santa Clara County Jail.
- At 11:32am a man identified by police as Gabriel Marsh, age 50, from Grass Valley was taken into custody at Bay Fair Station. Marsh was booked into Alameda County Jail for possession of an illegal weapon. Marsh did not have valid fare media.
- At 11:37am a man identified by police as Bruce Cartwright, a transient, age 32 was contacted for fare evasion at San Leandro Station. Cartwright was taken into custody for unlawful possession of an opium pipe. Cartwright was booked into Alameda County Jail.

## Friday, July 19

- At 1:15pm a man identified by police as Joel Williams, age 35, from San Leandro was contacted in front of Bay Fair Station. Williams was taken into custody and booked into the Alameda County Jail for an active arrest warrant.

## Monday, July 22

- At 10:37am a man identified by police as Ernesto Lopez, age 46, from San Francisco was contacted for fare evasion at Milpitas Station. Lopez was taken into custody and booked into the Santa Clara Jail for an arrest warrant.
- At 2:40pm persons identified by police as Alfredo Powell, age 34, from Oakland and Cymone Florence, age 33, from San Leandro were taken into custody at Union City Station. Florence and Powell were booked into Alameda County Jail. Powell was booked for battery on public transportation. Florence was booked for an active arrest warrant. Powell and Florence did not have valid fare media. Powell was issued a prohibition order.

## Friday, July 26

- At 6:24am a man identified by police as Francois Norde, a transient, age 31 was stopped in the parking lot of Hayward Station. A record check of Norde revealed a felony warrant for his arrest. Norde was arrested and booked into the Santa Rita Jail.
- At 8:17am a person identified by police as Shawn Slaughter, a transient, age 25 was stopped at Hayward Station. A record check revealed Slaughter had an active felony warrant for his arrest. Slaughter was arrested and booked into Santa Rita Jail for failure to register as a sex offender and for violating terms of probation.
- At 8:25pm a man identified by police as Joshua Warwick, age 45, from San Francisco was contacted aboard a train at Castro Valley Station and taken into custody for an outstanding warrant. Warwick was booked into Alameda County Jail.
- At 9:01pm a man identified by police as David Williams, age 46, from Fremont was contacted in the free area of Union City Station. Williams was taken into custody for battery and violating terms of probation. Williams was booked into the Alameda County Jail in Dublin.

## Saturday, July 27

- At 8:24pm a woman identified as Ina Hubbard, age 46, from Oakland was contacted for fare evasion at Fremont Station. Hubbard was taken into custody on an outstanding warrant and booked into Alameda County Jail.
- At 11:01pm a person identified by police as Argenis Gonzalez-Medina, age 32, from Richmond was contacted in the free area of San Leandro Station. Gonzalez-Medina was taken into custody for possession of drug paraphernalia and for carrying a concealed dirk or dagger. Gonzalez-Medina was booked into Alameda County Jail and was issued a BART prohibition order.

## Sunday, July 28

- At 5:29pm a man identified by police as Jefferson Harrelson, age 38, from Placerville was contacted aboard a train at Bay Fair Station. Harrelson was taken into custody for an outstanding warrant and booked into Alameda County Jail.

## Letters Policy

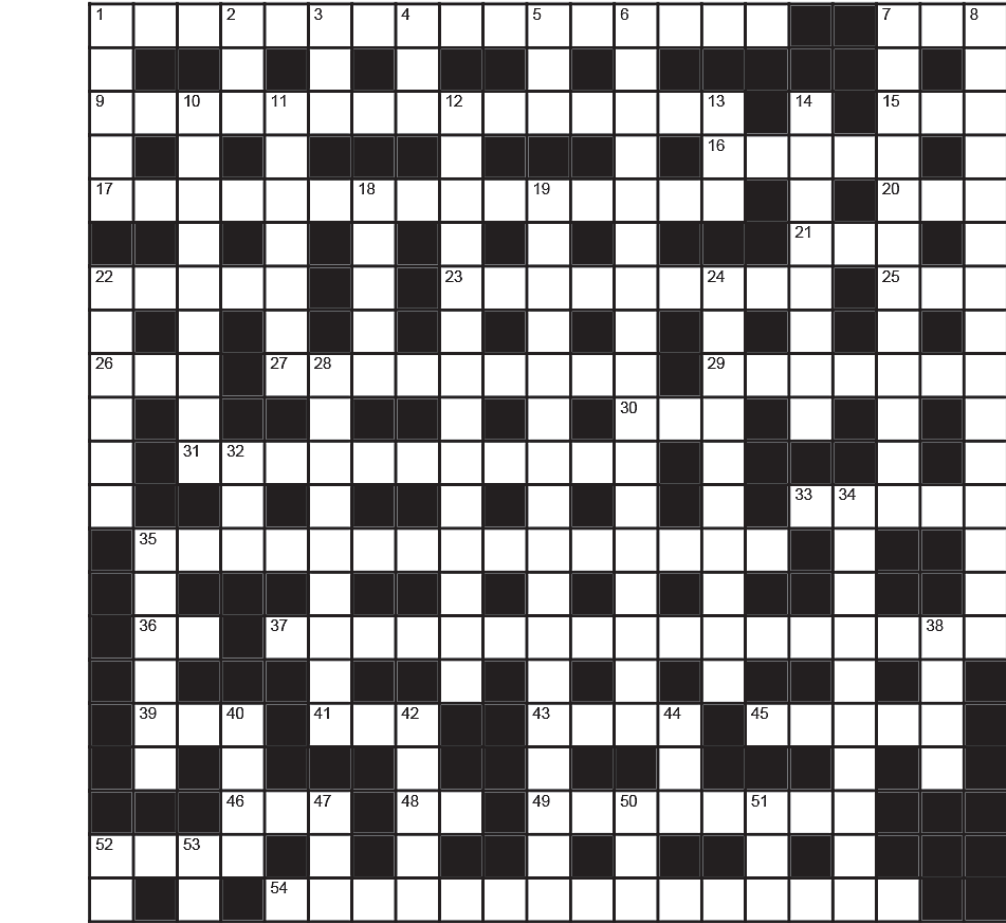
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# Mind Twisters

## Crossword Puzzle



- Across

1

Pre-revolution province (13,3)

7

Reverse, for one (3)

9

First secretary of state (6,9)

15

Airplane ride: abbr. (1,2)

16

Heavens: Prefix (5)

17

“You can come out again!” (3,5,2,5)

20

\_\_\_ v. Wade (3)

21

RR stop (3)

22

Actress Beulah (5)

23

Splits the tab (4,5)

25

“\_\_\_ Gang” (3)

26

\_\_\_ ‘wester (3)

27

A2: “I hope the plan isn’t \_\_\_.” (4-5)

29

Bloodsuckers (7)

30

“Enough already!” (3)

31

Plus much more (3,4,4)

33

Sacred: Comb. form (5-)

35

“To boldly go,” e.g. (5,10)

36

“No kidding!” (2)

37

Exercise 3 (for rash folks) (4,2,11)

39

Bank employee: Abbr. (3)
- 41

Two-year-old sheep (3)

43

Vinegar: Comb. form (4-)

45

Greek flasks (5)

46

Art teacher’s deg. (3)

48

“Captain \_\_\_” (1986 Michael Jackson role) (2)

49

Vince of grid fame (8)

52

“Her \_\_\_” (“Miss Saigon” song) (4)

54

Librarian’s motto, perhaps (7,2,6)
- 10

Large marine fish tanks (9)

11

Annul (7)

12

Paid holidays and the like (6,8)

13

Only, in Bonn (3)

14

Hines’ pair (3,5)

18

Bar (5)

19

Berlin phenomenon. (10,7)

22

High society (3,3)

24

Soap (10)

28

Like the Sherman Act (9)

32

Texans’ org. (3)

34

Hi-fi enthusiast (10)

35

Ewer features (6)

38

City SE of Belgrade (4)

40

Large family (4)

42

Church land (5)

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Biblical kingdom (3)

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Bird: Prefix (3)

50

Some sports cars (3)

51

Not wholesale (3)

52

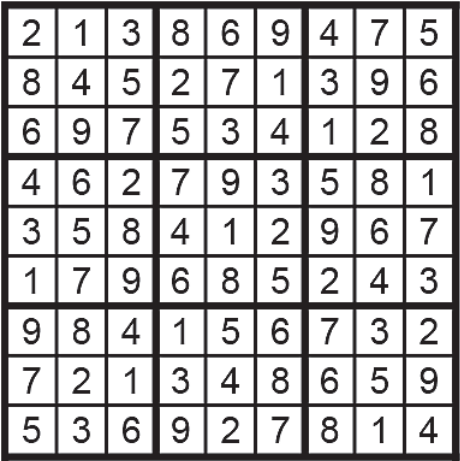
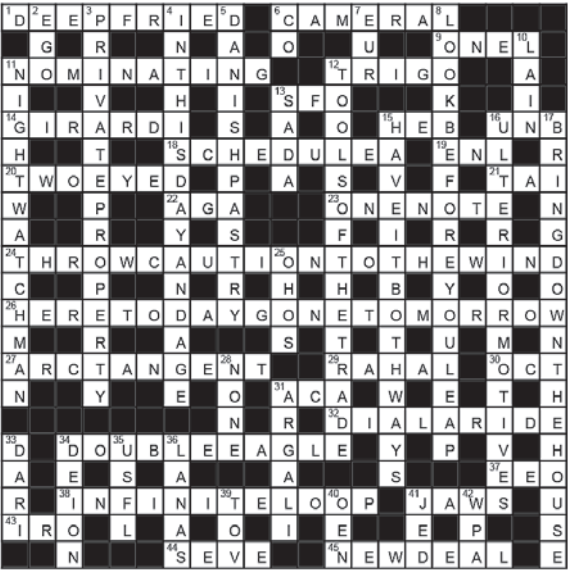
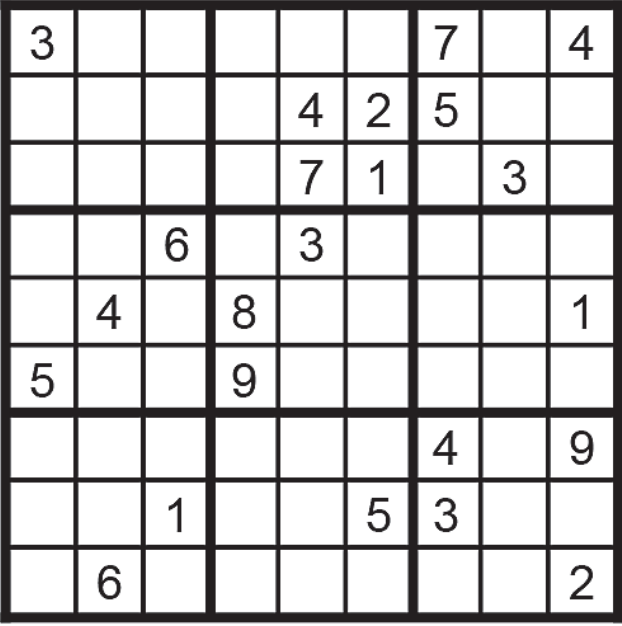
“That hurt!” (2)

53

I give you \_\_\_ word (2)

## Sudoku:

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



## Tri-City Stargazer FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 6, 2024

All Signs: Mercury is now retrograde until August 28. It’s important to know that Mercury retrograde is a poor time to buy electronic items, ground transportation (cars, trucks, bikes), cell phones and computers. Furthermore, AFTER the retrograde is over on August 28, Mercury will still be “behind” because it won’t catch up to the degree it was at when it first went retrograde until September 12. Therefore, be smart: If you’re buying something expensive like a cell phone, car or computer, wait until then or later.

### Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20):

This week is about fun, pleasure and good times! Romance, social outings, vacations and playful times with kids on the menu. Having said that, delays at work, confused communications, errors, misplaced items, late deliveries and transportation problems are unavoidable. You might hear from old co-workers or employees. This feeling of looping back into the past might also materialize with health concerns. Something that used to bother you might suddenly return. Nevertheless, this is a fabulous, playful week! Sports, fun activities with kids, social outings and romance will dazzle!

### Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20):

Mercury retrograde is here, and it’s occurring in the part of your chart that affects the arts, sports, the entertainment world, the hospitality industry and creativity. It also highlights romance and children. Because this influence is about the past, almost certainly, you’ll meet old flames in person, on social media or even in your dreams. You might also find yourself dealing with kids you haven’t seen for a while. However, this week is an excellent time to finish creative projects! If you’re stymied by a block – you can have a breakthrough!

### Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20):

This is a happy week for you because you will learn new things, meet new people and above all, travel and see new places! Yes, you will expand your world in an upbeat, fun-loving way! It’s an excellent time for writers, teachers, actors and salespeople. Meanwhile, with fiery Mars in your sign, you’re invigorated. This will be a good

thing because old family issues are back. Family reunions might occur. You might be involved with family members you haven’t seen for a while. Memories from the past will be like clouds wafting through your mind.

### Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21):

Guess what you’re thinking about this week? Money, earnings and cash flow, which is a good thing because if you’re clever (and you are), you will see ways to boost your income or increase your assets. Meanwhile, this current retrograde might hit you more than most signs. Expect transportation delays and car problems, along with mixed-up communications, missed appointments, confused meetings, misplaced items, computer glitches and an inordinate number of goofy, mistakes. On the upside, these silly things are not serious. They’re just annoying. Meanwhile, you can finish writing projects and old business.

### Leo the Lion (July 22-August 22):

This is a powerful week because the Sun is in your sign dancing with Jupiter; and Jupiter is associated with enthusiastic groups. Furthermore, Jupiter is sometimes called Jove, which is the origin of the word “jovial.” Yes, it’s a fun week ahead! This means you’ll enjoy the company of others this week, especially groups. Meanwhile, Mercury retrograde might slow things down financially for you. Cheques in the mail might be late. Financial negotiations might drag on. Be smart and double check everything because errors pertaining to money and cash flow are likely.

### Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22):

The signs feeling the biggest brunt of Mercury retrograde this week are Cancer and Virgo. You will feel its influence because Mercury retrograde is taking place in your sign. Confused communications, misplaced items, having to make several trips because you keep forgetting things and everything running late, to mention nothing of computer breakdowns or transportation problems. Don’t worry – you’re not losing it. These snafus are not critical; they’re just maddening. Fortunately, to compensate for this, you will have a magical ability to finish old business and wrap up stuff.

### Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22):

This is a popular week. You’re energized! You’re happy to see friends. You’ll also be more involved with groups and organizations. You might even feel younger. New people or people from other cultures might enter your world. However, while all this is taking place, you will have unique moments where memories from the past come back to you in an almost haunting way. Private moments. But they might give you a new perspective. They might make you appreciate your life now. Or they might reveal something you never thought about before.

### Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21):

You are high viz., which makes this an interesting time. People notice you more than usual. Fortunately, you make a great impression, without having to do anything special. This week in particular, you look successful, even affluent. (This is because Jupiter is influencing the Sun that is “casting you in its spotlight.”) Make the most of this. Ask for what you

want because doors will open for you. Meanwhile, you will hear from friends from your past. You might run into them, encounter them on social media or hear news about them. It’s a week of interesting reunions.

### Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21):

This week you want to do something to broaden your horizons. You might travel because after all, you are the traveler of the zodiac. Or you might do this through new experiences. You might meet people from different backgrounds and learn fascinating things. It’s the perfect week to take up a new study—perhaps a language? Some of you might be involved with the law. If so, the outcome should be favorable. Meanwhile, parents and bosses from your past are either back in your world or popping up in your mind or your dreams.

### Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19):

This week you might be seduced by compulsive behavior. This could be because you want to experience life in a deeper way. You want to get your feet wet, as it were. This is also because you feel passionate about everything! You might feel passionate about romance. But you will just as easily feel passionate about travel, learning, or your work. It’s as if nothing is casual this week! Grab any chance to relearn or take a class again. Meanwhile this is an excellent time to finish a manuscript or an important paper. You can also wrap up legal matters.

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

Partnerships (or a friendship) are your focus this week. Think about those who are closest to you or who play an important

role in your life. Do they benefit you? Do you benefit them? After all, these relationships influence your thinking, which affects your decision making, which in turn, creates your future. Fortunately, this week you have more objectivity to see these relationships and improve how you deal with them. It’s also a playful week! And yes, it’s a good time to wrap up loose details with taxes, debt, shared property and insurance issues.

### Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20):

You have two strong influences this week: You’re gung-ho to work. You want to be productive. You’re setting high standards for yourself; in fact, some of you want to turn over a new leaf and approach life with new rules, expectations and ideals. Meanwhile, you can’t avoid dealing with people from your past. This week will be full of meaningful encounters with old friends and ex-partners. You might hear about these people or even dream about them. On the upside, this could be an opportunity for closure, while others might re-engage a prior relationship.



By Georgia Nicols  
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# Home & Garden



Torani Nebula Refresher. Photo Credit: John Schinkel-Kludjian



Mai Tai mocktail. Photo Credit: John Schinkel-Kludjian



Mint Julep mocktail. Photo Credit: John Schinkel-Kludjian

## Mocktails for summer

REFRESHING FOR EVERYONE!

By **JOHN SCHINKEL-KLUDJIAN**

As our society’s relationship with alcohol is always changing, the mocktail is something now enjoyed by adults more than ever. While you can order most drinks off of a bar menu “virgin” style, the reality is that aside from alcohol, syrups and harsh citrus juice make up the majority of the remaining ingredients. Oftentimes, this makes for an overly-sweet (or tart!), unpleasant drink. A trend on the rise, restaurants and bars are more commonly featuring designated mocktail selections, made with high-quality mixers, soft beverages and occasionally zero-proof liquor.

So, what makes a great mocktail? In my opinion, something light in body but deep in flavor. Something with a sophisticated taste that would not be confused with a typical soda. Additionally, muddled fruit with herbs, including savory ones, take things to the next level.

One of the keys to achieving great flavor is through using a high-quality syrup. Right here in Alameda County, Torani is producing some of my very favorite syrups to use. My favorite style is Torani Puremade,

which is offered in dozens of flavors with no artificial ingredients or coloring. My favorite: Puremade Galaxy. The level of depth of flavor makes its taste difficult to explain, but Torani has described the notes as “raspberry, rum, and mineral.” I highly recommend checking out this and other Puremade syrups—you’ll never go back!

So, drink up, enjoy and stay cool for the rest of the warm days ahead!

### Mint Julep Mocktail

- ¼ cup water
- ¼ cup white sugar
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh mint leaves
- 2 cups crushed ice
- ½ cup prepared lemonade
- fresh mint sprigs, for garnish

#### Directions

Combine water, sugar and a tablespoon of chopped mint in a small saucepan; cook and stir until mixture has boiled and sugar has dissolved. Remove from heat and set aside to cool for about an hour; strain out mint

leaves. Fill two cups or frozen goblets with crushed ice. Pour 1/2 of the lemonade into each glass and top with a splash of cooled sugar syrup. Garnish each with a mint sprig and a straw. Serve on a silver platter.

### Mai Tai Mocktail

- 3 ounces orange juice
- 1 ounce lime juice (or juice of 1/2 lime)
- 1 teaspoon fine sugar
- 1 tablespoon orgeat syrup (almond syrup)
- 1/2 ounce grenadine
- crushed ice

#### Directions

Combine all ingredients except crushed ice in a shaker half filled with ice. Shake well. Strain into an old-fashioned glass half filled with crushed ice. Garnish with a slice of fruit and a drink umbrella.

### Torani’s Nebula Refresher

- 1 ounce Torani Puremade Galaxy Syrup
- 1/2 ounce Torani Puremade Strawberry Syrup

- 2 ounce butterfly pea flower tea, brewed
- 2 ounce lemonade
- 2 ounce sparkling water
- Dash of edible glitter

#### Directions

Add Torani Puremade Galaxy Syrup and Puremade Strawberry Syrup to a glass, then add lemonade, ice and sparkling water. Top with butterfly pea flower tea to create a layered effect and garnish with a dash of edible glitter.

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Arky is a 2 year old tan shepherd mastiff mix. Arky is a big ole boy that loves to take you for a walk, not vice versa. Arky has plenty of energy, but knows how to be a big cuddle. Arky is already chipped and is looking to start his new life in a home. To adopt or meet Arky contact Hayward Animal Shelter 510-293-7200



Rex is a two year old tan Border Terrier mix. He is a shy guy who needs a family that can give him the extra TLC he needs. Although he is small, he has a lot of energy and will require mental and physical enrichment. Rex is ready to start his new life with his new family. To meet or adopt Rex contact the Hayward Animal Shelter at 510-293-7200.

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## CONTINUING EVENTS

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**Food Garden Volunteer**  
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Learning from experienced gardeners.  
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volunteer@fremontleaf.org  
Volunteer agreement form is required.

**Tuesdays**  
**East Bay Games Meet**  
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**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 month

**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 movement.  
Cherryland Community Center  
278 Hampton Road, Hayward  
(510) 626-8522  
For babies, toddlers, kids, and pre-schoolers.

**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.

## Arts & Entertainment

**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**  
**The Peaceful Poets**  
5pm - 8pm  
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, hand-dyed/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

**Thursday, August 1 – Saturday, August 31**  
**Vintage Trucks and Tractors Exhibition**  
11am – 4pm  
“Vintage Trucks and Tractors,” a retrospective of paintings from Jerry Peters’ early years exhibiting at the Portola Art Gallery.  
Portola Art Gallery  
75 Arbor Rd., Menlo Park  
(650) 321-0220  
[www.portolaartgallery.com](http://www.portolaartgallery.com)

**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](http://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](http://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\$**  
8pm  
Series of improvised games and scenes  
Made Up Theatre  
4000 Bay St. suite B., Fremont  
(510) 573-3633  
[madeuptheatre.com](http://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  
[munnn@HaywardRec.org](mailto:munnn@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](http://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

**Friday, August 9 - Sunday, August 11**  
**Summer of Peace, Love, and Murder**  
7pm  
Come one, come all, to an evening of fine beer, delicious dining, and a side of murderous mayhem!  
Drake's Barrel House  
1933 Davis St. #177, San Leandro  
(510) 568-2739  
plethos.org  
Tickets: \$65 - \$80

**Saturday, August 10**  
**Free Zoom Write-In**  
2pm - 3:30pm  
Get your creative juices flowing and join writers of all levels in a nonjudgmental environment to share your stories  
Request Zoom link from scottfrombayside@yahoo.com

**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 8/7 & 8/8  
Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church  
32975 Alvarado-Niles Rd., Union 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  
(510) 284-0675

**Saturday, August 10**  
**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 10**  
**Hayward Disposal Days**  
7am – 12pm  
Hayward residents can bring up to five cubic yards of household items for disposal to the city transfer station.  
City of Hayward transfer station  
3455 Enterprise Ave., Hayward  
(510) 881-7745  
disposal.days@hayward-ca.gov  
Register at: https://shorturl.at/bcNgL

**Saturday, August 10**  
**Screening The Red Mark (1928)**  
7:30pm  
A pickpocket has finally earned his release from the South Seas penal colony but Bibi Ri won't return to Paris without his girl.  
Niles Essanay Silent Film Museum  
37417 Niles Blvd., Fremont  
(510) 494-1411

**Saturday, August 10**  
**Ohana Health Fair: Newark**  
11am - 3pm  
Learn of health resources available you. Activities include vision, dental, and chronic disease screenings, hula dancing, a musical instrument petting zoo for children, and a food demonstration promoting healthy eating.  
37055 Newark Blvd., Newark  
https://bach.health/bach-talks/discover-wellness-at-bachs-annual-ohana-health-and-resource-fair

**Saturday, August 10**  
**Plant & Cutting Swap**  
12pm – 2pm  
Bring house plant cuttings, extra plants or seed starts, succulents, bulbs, or tubers to share and swap with other gardeners in our community. All types of plants are welcome. Please label each plant and be ready to share basic care information.  
Weather permitting, this event will be held outside in the library's patio area.  
Centerville Public Library  
3801 Nicolet Ave., Fremont  
(510) 795-2629  
www.aclibrary.org/garden/

**Sunday, August 11**  
**Back-to-School backpacks**  
1pm - 3pm  
Special back to school gift with purchase event in which shoppers who spend \$75 or more can receive a backpack filled with school provisions, while supplies last.  
Pacific Commons Shopping Center  
43440 Boscell Road, Fremont  
https://pacificcommons.com/

**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

Summer  
Concerts

**Summer Concert Series**  
**Thursdays: August 8**  
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
(Parking lots fill up by 5 p.m.)  
**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 Kojia 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 Plaza**  
**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 11, 18, 25; Sept 8, 15, 22, 29**

**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  
\$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**

**1pm - 5pm**  
**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**  
**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

**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.cbpc.org



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www.ohlonehumanesociety.org











Visit our website or scan the QR code, if you would like to learn more or apply for adoption.  
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**Saturday, August 17**  
**BWOPA 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: Haywardarea-history.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

**Saturday, August 24**  
**Free General Meeting**  
2pm - 4pm  
Join Fremont Area Writers to listen to guest speakers discuss aspects of writing and publishing  
Request Zoom link from scottfrombayside@yahoo.com

**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  
Food Trucks

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

Car thief hits  
Sheriff's office  
employee

SHERIFF'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE WAS STRUCK AND SERIOUSLY INJURED BY FLEEING SUSPECT IN STOLEN VEHICLE

*Submitted by*  
**ALAMEDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
On Wednesday, July 24, at approximately 8am the Alameda County Regional Auto Theft Task Force, with the assistance of deputies assigned to the Eden Township Substation, attempted to apprehend two suspects driving stolen vehicles in the Ashland area of unincorporated San Leandro.  
During the incident, one of the suspects struck a Sheriff's Office employee with one of the stolen vehicles and fled the area to further evade capture.

Our deputy sustained serious injuries and was transported to the hospital for treatment. We are thankful the deputy survived and is receiving the medical treatment needed to recover from this traumatic incident.  
Two suspects are in custody related to this incident. This is an active and ongoing investigation. If you have any information regarding this incident, please call (510) 667-3661 or our Anonymous Tip Line at (510) 667-3622.



# Hayward welcomes seven new CHP officers



Hayward CHP Office welcomes seven new officers.Photo credit: CHP Hayward

Submitted by **CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL HAYWARD AREA OFFICE**

California Highway Patrol (CHP) Hayward is excited to welcome seven officers who recently graduated from the CHP Academy. These new officers just completed 26 weeks of rigorous training in West

Sacramento and received their assignment to the Hayward Area.

The new officers are completing their 10 days of area orientation and will move onto the next phase of their training which will be out in the field for the next four months.

If you are interested in a career with the CHP, please visit, [chpmadeformore.com](http://chpmadeformore.com).

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Thankful

These past two weeks I read the two letters, “We are so happy” and “We are not happy.” While I find relatable things in each of those, I think that “We should be thankful.” Being someone who moved here from the Midwest, I was surprised to see great bike infrastructure I’d never seen before, and extra wide and clean neighborhood streets. Homelessness is inevitable anywhere, especially in a city with sky high home prices. Take a look at some of our other Bay Area cities, and wow, we have a lot to be grateful for. Having nice people and friends to talk to makes all the difference.

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Traditional Swiss attire at Swiss National Day in Newark. Photo by Jack Alcorn



Flag parade at Newark’s Swiss celebration. Photo by Jack Alcorn



Alpenhorns blew the sounds of Switzerland. Photo by Jack Alcorn

# Swiss National Day

CELEBRATING THE 733RD ANNIVERSARY OF SWITZERLAND!

By **JACK ALCORN**

Every August 1st Swiss nationals, expatriates and fans of Switzerland gather to celebrate the birth of the scenic nation. Landlocked high in the European Alps, the welcoming country of Switzerland is home to myriads of mountain peaks, glacial lakes and sweeping meadow vistas. August 3rd several hundred Swiss and Swiss enthusiasts gathered at Newark’s Swiss Park to indulge in the culture, food and comradery.

The lively event provided a full day experience of all things Swiss. Vendor booths offered Swiss wine and whiskey tasting. Fondue pots, Swiss books and music, traditional clothes and other wares from Switzerland were sold. Bratwurst, spaetzle, pickled cabbage and other Swiss delicacies were served.

Heidi Campini, brightly clad in the red and white colors of the Swiss flag, proudly

shared tales of her youth in Switzerland. “We celebrate August 1st with bonfires and fireworks at parties on the lake or in the mountains.”

Yodeling, alpenhorn blowing, rock climbing, Tochino music and other Swiss pastimes were practiced and shared at the festival. The Golden Gate Boys’ Choir carried the flags from each Swiss region in a parade through the event grounds. The well shaded outdoor venue offered a comfortable grassy environment with ample seating.

In 1291, Austria was threatening invasion of the Alps. Three original cantons or state-like regions in the Alps united to fight the Austrians. One German speaking canton, one heavily French influenced and one closer to Italy united to defend their mountain territory. The coalition successfully thwarted the Austrian invasion. The union became the country of Switzerland, now comprising 26 Alpen cantons.

Switzerland has a long history of dairy farming and milk product exports like cheese and chocolate. After the California Gold Rush of 1849, many Swiss farmers emigrated to California. The lush central valley, and temperate pastures in the lower Sierras were reminiscent of home and ideal spots to relocate the Swiss farming tradition.

Swiss clubs exist all over the state to preserve Swiss identity and culture for the descendants of California’s Swiss Dairy farmers. The Stanislaus County Swiss Club, located in Jory’s Grove, was founded in 1921. The founder’s grandson, Phillip Jory and his wife attend the festive Swiss National event in Newark each year. “It’s just a wonderful day.”

The Swiss Heritage Mobile Museum shared the rich history of the mountain nation. Switzerland Tourism’s booth showcased the country’s vibrant communities and offered travel options. The Swiss model

train exhibit, William Tell crossbow game and a cornhole competition kept kids amused. Swiss Clubs from across the state sold flags, t-shirts and displayed captivating antique photos of Swiss family dairy farms in California.

Debra Marty from Fremont was in attendance representing the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northern California. She brought 10 of the fabled canines, known for their life saving water keg collars and devoted companionship. “Our 10 year old, Geeta, has been petted all day long here, she loves it!”

Newark’s Swiss Park, located at Mowry Ave and Alpenrose Court, rests on the site of a former Swiss dairy farm. The property has a large chalet style banquet hall, bar and grille, and the rentable picnic area where the Swiss National Day event takes place.





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## Firefighters continue battling massive wildfire in California ahead of thunderstorms, lightning

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Firefighters made progress Saturday against California's largest wildfire of the year ahead of expected thunderstorms that could unleash fire-starting lightning and erratic winds and erode progress made over the past week. Dry, hot conditions posed similar threats across the fire-stricken West.

"We're not completely out of the woods yet, but we're looking very, very good," CalFire official Mark Brunton said in a video update Saturday. "This is moving at a very fast pace."

Containment of the Park Fire, now California's fourth-largest wildfire on record, was at 27% as of Saturday afternoon. Brunton said the relatively milder weather the last few days allowed firefighters to build containment lines.

But hotter weather, fuels and terrain will continue posing challenges for the estimated 6,500 firefighters battling the fire, which has spread over 626 square miles (1,621 square kilometers) since allegedly being started by arson in a park in the Sierra Nevada foothills east of the Sacramento Valley city of Chico. For comparison, the city of Los Angeles covers about 503 square miles (1,302 square kilometers).

Suppression crews will also start removing damaged infrastructure in some areas Saturday. People living in the rural communities of Cohasset and Forest Ranch were told they could start returning home Saturday afternoon.

The fire originated at low elevations, where it quickly burned through thick grass and oaks, destroying at least 567 structures and damaging 51 so far. As it has climbed higher, the vegetation has changed to a greater concentration of trees and brush, Cal Fire said.

The fire's push northward has brought it toward the rugged lava rock landscape surrounding Lassen Volcanic National Park, which has been closed because of the threat. The area remains one of the biggest challenges for firefighters, Cal Fire officials said Saturday afternoon. The smoke has also prevented firefighters from deploying helicopters and other aircrafts the last few days.

"There's a lot of really steep drainages in that area," CalFire spokesperson Devin Terrill said. "It takes a lot more time to access those areas."

After a brief respite, firefighters are now bracing for treacherous conditions of hot and dry weather, along with expected thunderstorms with potential thunder strikes

and gusty winds.

The collapse of thunderstorm clouds can blow wind in any and all directions, said Jonathan Pangburn, a fire behavior analyst with Cal Fire. "Even if there's not lightning per se, it is very much a safety-watch-out environment for our firefighters out there," Pangburn said.

The Park Fire is among almost 90 large fires burning across the western U.S. Evacuation orders were in effect for 22 of the fires, according to the National Interagency Fire Center.

Crews made progress Saturday against three major fires burning in Colorado near heavily populated areas north and south of Denver, with containment figures improving and some evacuation orders lifted. One of the fires was being investigated as arson.

About 50 structures had been damaged or destroyed, about half of them homes, and one person was found dead in a burned home earlier in the week.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office is investigating a blaze threatening hundreds of homes near the Colorado city of Littleton as arson.

Karlyn Tilley, a spokesperson for Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, said the investigation is ongoing, and investigators are using a dog

specially trained to sniff out sources and causes of fires. Tilley said just because they suspect the fire was human-caused doesn't mean it was intentional.

Firefighters were making good progress on the fire despite the steep, rocky terrain and blistering heat, and no houses had been burned, officials said.

The cause and origin of a fatal blaze west of the town of Lyons was being probed by the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, with specially trained fire investigators from the agency helping local authorities, agency spokesperson Crystal McCoy said. The area blackened by that fire remained relatively unchanged after it burned five houses.

The largest of the Colorado fires, west of Loveland, grew to 14.9 square miles (38.5 square kilometers) after previously burning 49 homes and other structures. Its cause is under investigation.

Scientists say extreme wildfires are becoming more common and destructive in the U.S. West and other parts of the world as climate change warms the planet and droughts become more severe.

## University of California president to step down after 5 years marked by pandemic, campus protests

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The president of the University of California announced Wednesday he would step down after five years of leading one of the nation's largest public university systems through the coronavirus pandemic, labor strikes and campus protests.

Michael V. Drake, the first Black person to serve in the role in the system's more than 150-year history, said he would step down at the end of the 2024-2025 school year. He called serving in the post "the honor of a lifetime."

"I am immensely proud of what the UC community has accomplished," Drake said in a statement. "At every turn, I have sought to listen to those I served, to uphold our shared UC values, and to do all I could to leave this institution in better shape than it was before. I'm proud to see the University continuing to make a positive impact on the lives of countless Californians through research, teaching, and public service."

Drake began the role in July 2020, just months after the pandemic began and as racial justice protests had erupted across the country in the aftermath of the murder of George Floyd. In the years since, the university system has seen other high-profile demonstrations, including in 2022 when thousands of graduate student workers went on strike for higher pay and earlier this year when students set up encampments to protest the war in Gaza.

As president, Drake secured a budget increase from the state of 5% annually over five years to help the university system increase enrollment and make its colleges more accessible to underrepresented students. He helped create plans to reduce tuition rate increases and offer free tuition for Native American students who are citizens of federally recognized tribes.

The University of California enrolls nearly 300,000 students and is the second-largest university system in the state behind California State University, which enrolls more than 450,000 students annually.

Before he became president, Drake spent decades working in higher education, where he served as chancellor of the University of California, Irvine; led The Ohio State University; and chaired the National Collegiate Athletic Association. He is a physician who trained at the University of California, San Francisco, before becoming a professor of ophthalmology at the university's school of medicine.

Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom lauded Drake's tenure as president, saying he "has led with grace and vision."

"On behalf of all Californians, I thank President Drake for his leadership, for growing our UC system, and for paving a brighter path forward for our state," Newsom said in a statement. "His legacy of service in higher education has undoubtedly helped us grow the next generation of extraordinary California leaders, and it's been an honor to work alongside him."



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# OPINION

*Staff note - August 6 is National Night Out, an event taking place on the first Tuesday in August that encourages communities to host block parties to get to know their neighbors, and encourages law enforcement to learn the faces of the communities they are serving. Even while a summer COVID surge has seen many take masking precautions again, we are still able to prioritize our connections to each other. This editorial by Bill Marshak originally ran on February 7, 2023.*

## Connections

By **WILLIAM MARSHAK,**  
**EDITOR-IN-CHIEF EMERITUS**

Information about our communities and issues outside immediate family comes from personal experience or what others tell or show us. A monumental impact on children in the 1950s was a series of “look-say” or sight method primers that followed the bland, sanitized world of siblings Dick and Jane, along with their dog and cat, Spot and Puff, and younger sister Sally. Although eventually replaced by phonics and more realistic characters and storylines, the Dick and Jane series served as a portrayal of a safe, clean, homogeneous (Caucasian) community that defined gender and occupational roles. Although many children did not actually live in anything even close to this world, young and

impressionable readers were constantly assured that it did exist and any possible danger would be assuaged by authority figures... mom, dad, fireman, policeman, etc.

Along came the 1960s, filled with rage and a completely different view of how authorities handled their responsibilities. The façade of a harmonious, gentle society was shattered as societal factions staked their claim to reality. Information – factual and contrived - moved faster and faster. The pace of both phenomena has only increased since then.

Connections in communities at large have often evaporated as challenges to personal interaction with community members, and even business associates, have declined, reduced to computer screens and lines of text, emojis, memes and images. Brutal reality (or fantasy) has replaced idyllic simplicity, both skewed toward extremes of an unrealistic utopia or disastrous dystopia.

In addition to a fractured social structure, the COVID pandemic accelerated isolation within our communities. Prior to its outbreak, gatherings, festivals, sports and celebrations were numerous and well attended. Not only did arts and civic organizations bring people together, so did various protective services. Safety fairs, k-9 competitions, motorcycle competitions and fire suppression skills were on display on an annual basis.

The general population was able to mingle with administrative and line personnel, one-to-one. This is a tremendous mitigating

factor when relying on the same people in a stressful crisis. As the impact of the pandemic has lessened, some major fairs (e.g., Festival of the Arts, Newark Days, etc.) have returned along with concerts and fine arts exhibits. However, we are a long way from pre-pandemic activity levels.

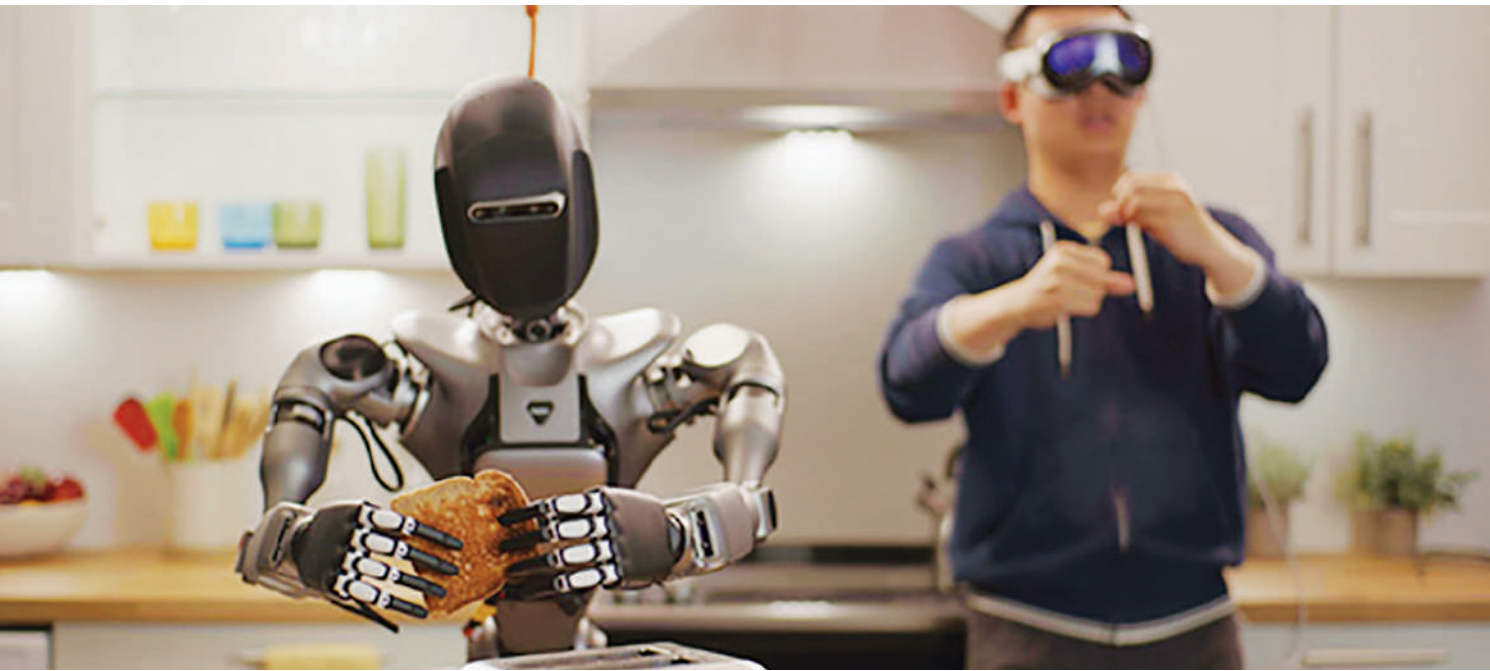
Although efforts of law enforcement to stay connected with the general public have continued through programs such as Coffee with Cops or School Resource Officers, these are limited in scope and while valuable, fail to reach much of the population. We need augmentation by more positive and personal connections. So far, our communities have avoided some of the lurid headlines of others that have suffered grievous tragedy and loss of life, but closer relationships with authority figures under positive circumstances is a powerful protective measure. I am not suggesting a fanciful, kumbaya moment with a Dick and Jane patina, but I do believe personal connections can mitigate differences that lead to misunderstanding and serious consequences.

The result will not be a series of colorful, simplistic pictures with sentences to match or the dark, despair of hopelessness, rather a realistic understanding and connections with others serving in a variety of capacities to ensure a vibrant, healthy and safe community.

### ROBOT REPORT

## Humanoid development speeds up

NVIDIA ADDS TOOLS IT SAYS WILL ACCELERATE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMANOID ROBOTS



Developers can use Apple Vision Pro to teleoperate robots for capturing demonstration data. Photo Source: NVIDIA

By **EUGENE DEMAITRE**

In July at SIGGRAPH in Denver, NVIDIA Corp. announced research and offerings for simulation, generative artificial intelligence, and robotics. The company said it is providing a suite of services, models, and computing platforms to enable robotics and AI designers “to develop, train, and build the next generation of humanoid robotics.”

“The next wave of AI is robotics, and one of the most exciting developments is humanoid robots,” stated Jensen Huang, founder and CEO of NVIDIA. “We’re advancing the entire NVIDIA robotics stack, opening access for worldwide humanoid robotics developers and companies to use the platforms, acceleration libraries, and AI models best suited for their needs.”

The company presented 20 research papers at SIGGRAPH. Rev Labaredian, vice president

of Omniverse and virtualization strategy, said in a press briefing that NVIDIA has been working on graphics research since 2001, so its connection to graphics, simulation, and robotics is well-established.

**NVIDIA NIMs help develop digital twins**

Not only can simulation help design robots and their environments, but it can also be applied to training production systems, said NVIDIA. Its NIM microservices are pre-built containers using NVIDIA inference software, now offered as a service. The company claimed that they can reduce model deployment times from weeks to minutes.

“The time to apply generative AI is now, but it can be daunting,” acknowledged Kari Briski, vice president of generative AI software product management at NVIDIA. “Enterprises need a fast path to production for return on investment.”

“Two new AI microservices

will allow roboticists to enhance simulation workflows for generative physical AI in NVIDIA Isaac Sim, a reference application for robotics simulation built on the NVIDIA Omniverse platform,” the company asserted.

The MimicGen NIM generates synthetic motion data based on recordings of teleoperation using spatial computing devices such as Apple Vision Pro.

The Robocasa NIM generates robot tasks and simulation-ready environments in NVIDIA’s OpenUSD Universal Scene Description framework for developing and collaborating within 3D worlds.

Available now, NVIDIA OSMO is a managed cloud service that robotics developers can use to orchestrate and scale multi-stage workflows across distributed computing resources, whether on premises or in the cloud.

“Developing humanoid robots is extremely complex — requiring

an incredible amount of real data, tediously captured from the real world,” said Alex Gu, CEO of Fourier. “NVIDIA’s new simulation and generative AI developer tools will help bootstrap and accelerate our model-development workflows.”

The company said robotics developers including 1x, Boston Dynamics, ByteDance Research, Field AI, Figure, Fourier, Galbot, LimX Dynamics, Mentee, Neura Robotics, RobotEra, and Skild AI have already joined its early-access program.

“Boston Dynamics and NVIDIA have a long history of close collaboration to push the boundaries of what’s possible in robotics,” said Aaron Saunders, chief technology officer of Boston Dynamics. “We’re really excited to see the fruits of this work accelerating the industry at large, and the early-access program is a fantastic way to access best-in-class technology.”

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| <p><b>NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b><br/><b>CITY OF FREMONT</b><br/><b>PLANNING COMMISSION</b></p> <p><b>NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FREMONT WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS. SAID PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD AT 7:00 P.M., ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2024, AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 3300 CAPITOL AVENUE, FREMONT, CALIFORNIA, AT WHICH TIME ANY AND ALL INTERESTED PERSONS MAY APPEAR AND BE HEARD.</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <p><b>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT</b><br/>File No. 6081310</p> <p>Fictitious Business Name(s):<br/>ANGERA, 1290 CURTNER ROAD, FREMONT, CA 94539 County of ALAMEDA</p> <p>Registrant(s):<br/>ANJANA GEHANI, 1290 CURTNER ROAD, FREMONT, CA 94539</p> <p>Business conducted by: an Individual</p> <p>The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.</p> <p>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].)</p> <p>S/ ANJANA GEHANI,</p> <p>This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 07/22/2024.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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). 8/6, 8/13, 8/20, 8/27/24</p> <p><b>CNS-3839139#</b></p>                                                     | <p>Alameda County on 07/16/2024</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p> <p><b>CNS-3835573#</b></p>                                                                                                                                        | <p><b>GOVERNMENT</b></p> <p><b>Section 00 11 13</b></p> <p><b>NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS</b><br/><b>NEWARK FAMILY RECREATION CENTER RENOVATIONS, PROJECT NO. 1360</b></p> <p>The City Council of the City of Newark invites sealed bids for the construction of public improvements for the renovations of the existing Ash Street Recreation Center for use as the Newark Resource Center, City of Newark, Alameda County, California.</p> <p>Bids shall be enclosed in a sealed opaque envelope. The envelope shall be sealed and clearly marked on its face with the Bidder's name, address and the notation "SEALED BID ENCLOSED, CITY OF NEWARK" with an identification of the PROJECT NAME, PROJECT NUMBER, and BID DATE identified on this Notice to Bidders. If the bid is sent by mail, the sealed bid envelope shall be enclosed in a separate mailing envelope/box. The mailing envelope/box shall also be clearly marked on its face with the notation "SEALED BID ENCLOSED, CITY OF NEWARK" with an identification of the PROJECT NAME, PROJECT NUMBER, and BID DATE as identified on this Notice to Bidders. Sealed bids must be delivered to the office of the City Clerk of the City of Newark at 37101 Newark Boulevard, Second Floor Counter, Newark, California, <b>before 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 3, 2024.</b> At that time, all bids will be publicly opened, examined and declared.</p> <p>Updates include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New pavements and addition of ADA parking spaces for the facility</li> <li>• New enclosed rear yard and outdoor improvements.</li> <li>• A new lobby, reception area and floor plan layout at the Newark Resource Center</li> <li>• Kitchenette addition</li> <li>• Storage and utility modifications</li> <li>• Interior finish upgrades</li> <li>• Exterior painting of Newark Resource Center, Viola Blythe Facility and adjacent Restroom Building</li> <li>• Required and ductwork modifications</li> <li>• New main electrical switchboard</li> </ul> <p>It is the City's intent to award the contract for this work on September 26, 2024 with a Notice to Proceed issued by October 10, 2024.</p> <p><b>The Newark Resource Center renovations shall be substantially complete and ready for public recreational use no later than Wednesday, May 28, 2025.</b> Improvements required to be considered "substantially complete" shall include site upgrades, new lobby, reception area and floor plan layouts, kitchenette addition, storage and utility modifications, interior finish upgrades, exterior paint, ductwork modifications, and new main switchboard installation.</p> <p>Plans and Specifications for the work may be obtained in electronic (PDF) format from the City of Newark Public Works Department, free of charge, via e-mail delivery by calling Ms. Helen Gordon at (510) 578-4452 or by e-mail to helen.gordon@newark.org.</p> <p>For information on obtaining Plans and Specifications or a list of plan holders, please contact Ms. Helen Gordon at (510) 578-4452 or by email at helen.gordon@newark.org. For technical questions, contact the City Engineer, (510) 862-3131 or email saul.flores@cumming-group.com. Copy Royza Gonzales at (510) 578-4200 or email roya.gonzales@newark.org and Brett Oeverndiek at (510) 578-4257 or email brett.oeverndiek@newark.org on correspondence.</p> <p>A mandatory pre-bid meeting at the project site is scheduled for this project on <b>Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.</b> Prospective Contractors must attend this meeting.</p> <p>The Contractor shall possess a valid <b>Class B</b> California Contractors license at the time of the bid opening. The successful Bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond. Items of work in conjunction with this project are included in the proposal.</p> <p>As of July 1, 2014, all Contractors bidding on this project are required to register with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and to pay the required annual fee. Under California Labor Code section 1771.1, as amended by SB 844, unless registered with the DIR, a Contractor may not bid or be listed as a Subcontractor for any bid proposal submitted for public works projects on or after March 1, 2015.</p> <p>The City of Newark reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive any minor informalities, irregularities and/or bid non-responsiveness that does not impede the competitive nature of the bid. The City Council will award the project, if it is awarded, to the lowest responsible Bidder as determined by the Total Base Bid only.</p> <p>The City of Newark hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged, disabled, and women owned business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, including a perception that the person has any of those characteristics or that the person is associated with a person who has, or is perceived to have, any of those characteristics in consideration for an award.</p> <p>Pursuant to Section of 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 Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rate Report published by the DIR. Future subcontractors shall pay all their employees performing labor under this Contract salaries or wages at least equal to the general prevailing wage rates for the particular crafts, classifications or types of workers employed on this project. These wage rates appear in the latest Department of Industrial Relations publication. Future wage rates which have been predetermined and are on file with the Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in said publication, and are available on the internet at <a href="http://www.dir.ca.gov">www.dir.ca.gov</a>.</p> <p>Dated: August 5, 2024<br/>SHEILA HARRINGTON, City Clerk<br/>City of Newark, Alameda County, California<br/>Publish Dates: Tuesday, August 6, 2024<br/>7/26, August 13, 2024</p> <p><b>CNS-3839599#</b></p> |
| <p><b>CALPHIN SWIM SCHOOL DDR AND CUP AMENDMENT – 34075 Fremont Boulevard – PLN2024-00144</b> - To consider a Discretionary Design Review and Conditional Use Permit Amendment for a tenant improvement and addition of 1,824 square feet and five parking spaces to the existing indoor swimming facility located in the North Fremont Community Plan Area, and to consider a finding that no further environmental review is required pursuant to, without exception, on a separate and independent basis, an exemption from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities, and per CEQA Guidelines Section 15183, as the project is consistent with the land use envisioned for the site as established by the General Plan for which an Environmental Impact Report (SCH#2010082060) was previously prepared and certified, and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15163, as none of the circumstances requiring preparation of a subsequent or supplemental EIR have occurred.</p> <p>Project Planner – James Willis, (510) 494-4449, <a href="mailto:jwillis@fremont.gov">jwillis@fremont.gov</a></p> | <p><b>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT</b><br/>File No. 608140</p> <p>Fictitious Business Name(s):<br/>360REVERENCE COACHING &amp; CONSULTING, 39270 PASEO PADRE PKWY #330, FREMONT, CA 94538 - 1616 County of ALAMEDA</p> <p>Registrant(s):<br/>TRICIA RYAN, 25925 CALAROGA AVE, HAYWARD, CA 94545</p> <p>Business conducted by: an Individual</p> <p>The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 07/22/2024.</p> <p>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].)</p> <p>S/ TRICIA RYAN,</p> <p>This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 07/23/2024.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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). 8/6, 8/13, 8/20, 8/27/24</p> <p><b>CNS-3839131#</b></p> | <p><b>STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME</b><br/>File No. 586087</p> <p>The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name(s):<br/>The Fictitious Business Name Statement filed on JAN 31, 2024, in the County of Alameda, under the name of POLYGON-USA, 5795 FORBES DR., NEWARK, CA 94560, County of ALAMEDA.</p> <p>Registered Owner(s):<br/>SPIN MAGICIANS INC., 5795 FORBES DR., NEWARK, CA 94560, County of ALAMEDA.</p> <p>This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION</p> <p>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].</p> <p>S/ SHASHIN SHODHAN</p> <p>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</p> <p><b>CNS-3834063#</b></p> | <p><b>ORDINANCE NO. 549 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK APPROVING AND RE-ADOPTING A MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY AS STATED IN CHAPTER 2.50 "MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY" OF THE NEWARK MUNICIPAL CODE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ASSEMBLY BILL 481</b></p> <p>WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 481 requires that a law enforcement agency possessing and using such qualifying equipment prepare a publicly released, written, military equipment use policy. The policy must be a document covering the inventory, description, purpose, acquisition, maintenance, fiscal policy, procedures, training, oversight, and complaint process, applicable to the Department's use of such equipment; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 481 allows the governing body of a city to approve the military equipment use policy for continued or future funding, description, purpose</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      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PUBLIC NOTICES

administrative regulations. Said Ordinance was passed and adopted by the following vote: AYES: Council Members Apodaca, Jorgens, and Mayor Hannon N O E S : N o n e ABSENT: Council Member Collazo and Vice Mayor Freitas The full text of this ordinance is available for public inspection on the City website at <https://www.newark.org/departments/city-manager-s-office/agendas-minutes>, or in the Office of the City Clerk, David W. Smith City Hall, 37101 Newark Boulevard, Newark, California, during regular business hours on weekdays. Sheila Harrington, City Clerk 8/6/24

CNS-3839258#

**CITY OF UNION CITY PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF ELECTION – BALLOT MEASURE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a General Municipal Consolidated Election will be held in the City of Union City on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the following Measure:

“Union City Essential Services Protection Measure. To protect essential city services such as 9-1-1 emergency response; street/ pothole repair; crime/ gun violence prevention; fire protection/ paramedics; neighborhood police patrols, and reducing blight/ keeping neighborhoods clean, shall the measure be adopted amending Union City’s business license ordinance, lowering many small businesses’ taxes, with rates up to 0.25% of gross receipts (as described in the ordinance) until ended by voters, raising \$3,500,000 annually, with public spending disclosure/ independent audits?” YES

The vote centers will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. For more information, see the General Municipal Election Page on the City’s website: <https://bit.ly/3Kq67dL>. DATED: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 /s/Thai Nam Pham, MMC, CPMC City Clerk/Elections Official 8/6/24

CNS-3839229#

**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 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, California 94587. Eligibility to bid on this project requires bid package to be electronically obtained from the City. **Bid package may be obtained at no charge via email request to the City at [publicworks@unioncity.org](mailto: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](http://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 project base is Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000).

**All questions should be emailed or fax to Jesus Banuelos of City of Union City, email: [joseb@unioncity.org](mailto:joseb@unioncity.org) or fax to (510) 489-9468.** The successful bidder shall furnish a Payment Bond, a Performance Bond, and a Maintenance Bond.

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

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

CNS-3837508#

PROBATE

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on 8/14/2024 at 9:45 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: JON R. VAUGHT, 7677 OAKPORT STREET #1140, OAKLAND, CA 94621, Telephone: 510-430-1518 7/23, 7/30, 8/6/24

CNS-3835522#

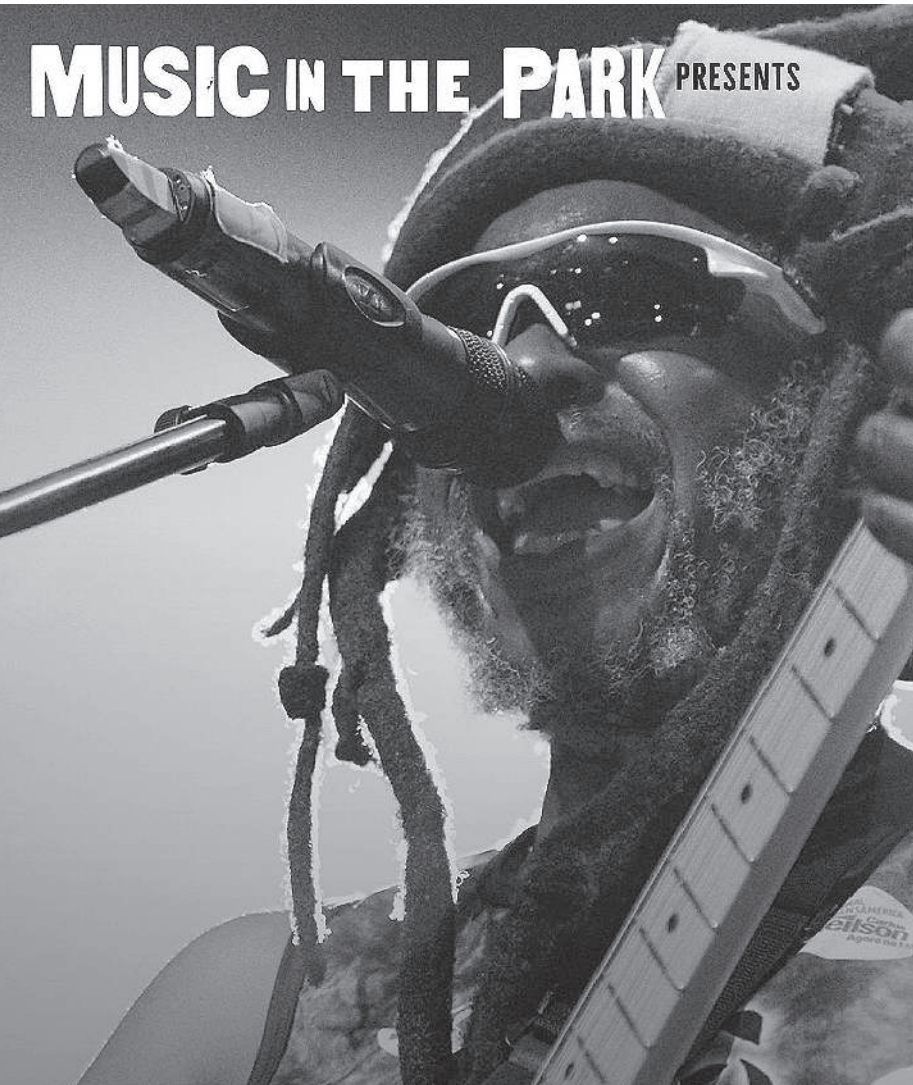
TRUSTEE SALES

APN: 092A-0941-001 Order: 15951150 TS-240408 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 3/16/2019 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE is hereby given that C.N.A. FORECLOSURE SERVICES, INC., 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 , 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 purported to be: 36605 Halner 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 by a 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 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

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East Bay Regional Park District receives notable AAA rating

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Moody’s Rating Service and Standard and Poor’s (S&P) Global Ratings have awarded the East Bay Regional Park District with AAA ratings, with a stable outlook, for its history of responsible fiscal management and strong financial position. The AAA ratings allow for lower debt service rates, which creates cost savings that can go toward essential services such as park operations, maintenance, and police and fire protection services.

The East Bay Regional Park District consists of 73 Regional Parks spread out over 126,000 acres in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. East Bay Regional Parks are a valuable public resource that protect natural habitat and provide safe and healthy outdoor opportunities for all.

“The AAA rating is very rare for government agencies and shows that taxpayer funds are being spent wisely and efficiently,” said Park District General Manager Sabrina Landreth. “The ratings recognize the Park District’s long history of strong fiscal management, solid funding base, and robust financial reporting and transparency.”

According to Moody’s, “The rating incorporates the district’s very strong balance sheet reserves, supported by sound fiscal policies and a multi-year trend of surplus operations. The district’s debt, pension, and other post-employment benefits (OPEB) burdens are modest.”

Moody’s also says the Park District is in a “very strong fiscal position.”

According to S&P, their AAA rating reflects the Park District’s “High-quality management policies and practices, including the maintenance of a five-year forecasting model and adherence to a minimum reserve policy of 32 percent of annual revenue,” and “Available reserves that are far above our very strong threshold.”

“Maintaining our AAA rating is very important,” said Park District Assistant General Manager for Finance and Management Services, Deborah Spaulding. “It allows the Park District to obtain better financing terms, so we have more funding for improving parks, fire protection, and protecting habitat.”

The AAA ratings were received in conjunction with the issuance of up to \$39.5 million in bonds to improve the Park District’s Peralta Oaks North building. The Park District purchased the Peralta Oaks North building for \$14.4 million in 2019 to house its Public Safety Division and administrative staff. The building is directly across the street from the Park District’s main headquarters. The Park District has developed renovation plans for the building, which the bond funding will support. Significant ADA and seismic upgrades are needed. The building will serve as the new headquarters for the Public Safety Division, including the District’s Police, Fire, and Lifeguarding services, and provide additional administrative office space.

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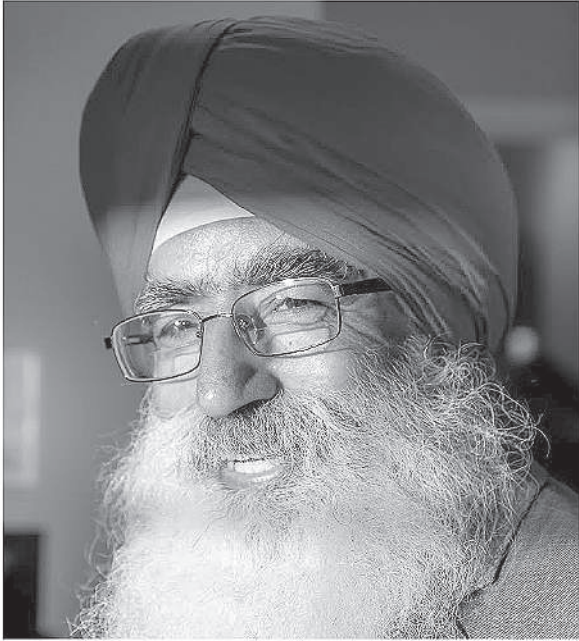
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AVTAR SINGH DHAMI

October 30, 1949 – July 29, 2024



Sardar Avtar Singh Dhami passed away on Monday, July 29, 2024. Dhami was the beloved husband of nearly 45 years to Davinder Kaur Dhami. He was the eldest and only son of Karam Singh Dhami and Prakash Kaur Bains. He was born in 1949 in Piplanwala Village, Hoshiarpur District in Punjab, India. At age 19, Dhami served in the Air Force of India from 1968 to 1971.

In 1978, Dhami immigrated to the San Francisco Bay Area and entered the truck driving industry. He found sanctuary in his truck, a place of solace and comfort, and where his spirit roamed free in a sacred space of his own.

In 1979, Dhami married a woman he fell in love with at first sight, Davinder Kaur. They drove trucks together and established the first online website offering Punjabi translations of the Sikh Holy Scriptures, the Guru Granth Sahib.

Dhami was an instrumental trailblazer in the Sikh community. He served as President of the Fremont Sikh Gurdwara from 1996 to 1998. In 2004, he published a thousand copies of a book written by the first Asian, first Punjabi first Sikh Congressman, Dalip Singh Saund.

In addition to his wife, Dhami is survived by his four loving children, Sukhjeet Singh Dhami, Daljit Soni and her husband Anuj Soni, Kirpal and her husband Karamveer Dhesi, and his wife Davinder. He also leaves behind his six adoring grandchildren Ayana, Kavleen, Avani, Savina, Sajjan and Sahej.

In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to the Jakara Movement, in memory of Avtar Singh Dhami, to support a new generation of Sikh leadership, 6089 N. First St #102, Fresno, CA 93710.

WILLIAM ALLEN HARRIS

August 3, 1937 – January 25, 2024

William Allen Harris passed away peacefully. Bill returned to California in 2005 to be closer to family after retiring as Assistant Professor at Boston College. He is survived by daughter Rebecca Jackson, sons Kurt Harris, Trevor Harris, and Jimbo Harris; 7 grandchildren Jessica Beebe, Sean Jackson, KC Harris, Liam Harris, Brett Harris, Seth Harris, and Lucy Harris and 3 great-grandchildren Wyatt Jackson, Madison Beebe, and Elijah Jackson.

Bill Harris was born in Providence, Rhode Island. He graduated in 1954 from Classical High School, Providence. While attending URI he decided to join the Air Force. During his 6 years in the Service gave him a once in a lifetime opportunity to study Asian languages and culture. The Air Force sent Bill to Yale to study Japanese and Chinese at which he excelled. He was a radio DJ playing jazz in Okinawa, Japan. He was able to master the languages so well he spent a year teaching Chinese at Yale after his discharge from military service. In 1965 an opportunity opened for Bill to teach Mandarin Chinese at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, California. Bill earned a Bachelor's degree in Asian Studies from UC Santa Barbara, a Master's degree from Yale and later a PhD in Sociology from Stanford. During his career, Bill Harris taught Sociology, Statistics, Asian Studies, and African American Studies at universities within the US, the US Virgin Islands and China. Bill was a unique guy; gregarious and charming, but most often he preferred quiet time. He was a loving yet reserved family man. As a true Renaissance man he wrote stories, plays and forms of poetry; he drew, painted, made sculpture and cooked. His personal library and vinyl record collections were extensive. Bill will be missed by many.



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The embarrassing high school photo we all want to see. Photo credit: Washingtonian



Tony G at Washington High School's welcome back dance. Photo credit: Washingtonian.



Tony G and Pritika Rajasanhsi, now all grown up, have become business partners and are soon opening a new restaurant in their hometown. Photo Courtesy of Slice House.



Pritika Rajasanhsi shines in her senior portrait from Washington High School. Photo credit: Washingtonian



A young Tony Gemignani in the Washington High School yearbook. Photo credit: Washingtonian

# TONY G’S HIGH SCHOOL DAYS

Last week, Tri-City Voice ran a story on Tony Gemignani, a Fremont native and world-renowned pizza chef and restaurateur, who has a number of restaurants across California and Nevada. Now, Tony G, along with high school friend Pritika Rajasanhsi, are in the process of opening another Slice House in Fremont. Publisher Dan Pulcrano did his own research on the business partners to see their true Fremont connections.

By DAN PULCRANO

As a skeptical journalist, I compulsively check facts. So when, at the pre-opening of the new Mountain View Slice House by Tony Gemignani, co-owner Pritika Rajasanhsi told me about her high school days with Tony G, I did some research.

The Washington High School yearbooks in the Fremont Main Library support Pritika's claims. Rajasanhsi still lives in Fremont and plans to bring a Slice House to town, which

would be a “homecoming” for the internationally renowned pizzaiolo—who the 1991 yearbook reveals was a nominee to the homecoming monarchy.

The world pizza champion grew up in the orchards of Fremont and still lives in the East Bay. He has been building an artisanal pizza empire, as well as recording MasterClass videos. If pizza-making was a sport, Twelve-time World Pizza Champion Tony G would be Michael Jordan or Tom Brady.

In the yearbooks, Rajasanhsi is shown in athletic whites and '90s hairstyles. Tony graduated two years earlier and was

a dance move sensation. The embarrassing photos have been excavated for Tri-City Voice readers to enjoy.

Fremonters who want to get a preview before Slice House comes to town can grab a slice or a pie in Mountain View. Better yet, try Tony's Pizza Napoletana in San Francisco's North Beach neighborhood, which offers sit down dining and a lot more than pizza on the menu.



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