

Page 18

Ninety, and

not slowing

down



Coffee energizes community

Page 20



Moreau Catholic football team makes history at state championship

Page 19

TRI-CITY VOICE

Serving Fremont, Newark & Union City + Castro Valley, Hayward, Milpitas, San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Sunol

510-494-1999 tcv@tricityvoice.com tricityvoice.com December 17, 2024 Vol. 23 No. 51

A new era arrives for Fremont government

CITY COUNCIL SAYS GOODBYE TO OUTGOING MAYOR AND MEMBERS, WELCOMES NEWCOMERS

By PANASHE MATEMBA-MUTASA

Tuesday night's Dec. 10 city council meeting marked the last one of the year for Fremont, and it left a bittersweet taste as sworn-in newcomers filled the seats of the veterans who came before them. As the evening unfolded, residents and public officials took to the floor, offering heartfelt gratitude to the outgoing members and expressing their hopes for a brighter future under the new leadership.

"Your dedication to Fremont and the community has been constant," said resident Henry Liang in a heartfelt public comment addressed to former Mayor Lily Mei.

With his father there to swear him in and close relatives beaming by his side, Raj Salwan received a warm welcome to his mayoral seat. Previously serving as vice mayor and District 5 councilmember, Salwan earned recognition for spearheading initiatives to enhance quality of life, including city-adopted measures to alleviate traffic congestion. In his acceptance speech, Mayor Salwan addressed the community's calls for change and underscored the power of unity in shaping a stronger, more connected Fremont.

"As mayor for all, I will be a leader for all, for those who voted for me, and those who did not," Salwan said.

District 6's Teresa Cox will not return to the council after losing the election to Raymond Liu. In her farewell speech, she reflected on her four years of service at Fremont City Hall. Despite the disappointment of the election results, Cox emphasized the importance of unity and pledged her support for the incoming council as they prepare to lead the city forward.

"You are the backbone of our city government," Cox said, addressing council members.

The newly formed city council will be led by Mayor Salwan and include five council members: Yang Shao, representing District 4 since 2018; Kathy Kimberlin, the District 3 representative sworn in this past September; Teresa Keng from District 1; and newcomers Yajing Zhang and Raymond Liu, representing Districts 5 and 6 respectively. Reflecting on her recent election, council member Zhang expressed her gratitude this holiday season, calling it particularly meaningful as she celebrates the trust placed in her by Fremont residents.



Lily Mei passes the reins to Mayor Raj Salwan. Photo credit: Sheila Fitzgerald/shutterstock

continued on page 8



Marah Sotelo played the Queen in Rumpelstiltskin: Once Upon A Time Step (2021). Photo courtesy

East Bay Children's Theatre keeps dream alive

TRAVELING PERFORMERS BRING LIVE THEATER TO UNDERSERVED KIDS SINCE 1933

By DAVID R. NEWMAN

In the predawn darkness, a small rental truck pulls up outside the side entrance of an elementary school. The driver gets out and shuffles to the back of the truck, cupping his hands to his mouth to ward off the morning chill. It is 7:30am.

Others soon arrive, one by one, gathering around the truck to help unload. Whispers and subdued laughter fill the air. Out come props, clothing, scenery, lights and sound equipment. The small group works quickly and efficiently to transform the cafeteria stage inside into an English garden, the first scene of their show. Sound and lights are checked. Costumes are donned. It is 8:30am—30 minutes to showtime.

Someone has lost their hat. Two of the actors' microphones are not working. The lighting technician has run out of extension cords. There is no curtain—they will have to change the blocking on a key scene. Has anyone seen the gaffers tape? No time for mic check. Children are filling the room. Excitement is palpable. It is 9am—the show must go on!

One hour later, as the actors take their bows to the cheers and applause of hundreds of smiling children, the director looks on with quiet contentment. Even though his mind races with a multitude of ways to improve the show, he knows that they have done it again. They have brought joy to these youngsters and introduced them to an art form that most of them have never seen before.

This is East Bay Children's Theatre (EBCT). From the start, the mission of EBCT has been to bring musical theatre to underserved elementary schools throughout the East Bay—Title I schools that receive federal

funding to help support low-income families, primarily in Oakland, Richmond, San Pablo and San Leandro. They also provide education packets for teachers that include a story synopsis, vocabulary words, cultural guides and lesson ideas. All free of charge.

The troupe has been entertaining audiences nonstop since 1933, making it the oldest continuously performing theatre group in the San Francisco Bay Area. "We've never missed a season," says EBCT's resident director and playwright Ron Lytle. "Even through the Great Depression, World War II and the pandemic. That's truly amazing. And now we're just the blink of an eye away from turning 100!"

Their season starts in the fall and lasts one month, with performances every Tuesday and Thursday, each at a different school. It is a nomadic existence, with each cafeteria presenting unique challenges. Actors and tech crew must adapt the production to fit each stage. Each room is a different size, with different window, door and electrical outlet

And unlike a typical theatrical run presented in one location, EBCT's touring production must be unpacked, set up, taken down and packed back up after each performance, all before lunchtime, and often with multiple interruptions as waves of hungry kids enter the cafeteria for breakfast and snacks. "It's a hard job," admits Lytle. "But I'm very proud of what we've been able to accomplish."

Linda Morgan is the Principal at Bella Vista Elementary in Oakland. "I was very excited to learn that EBCT would be performing here during my very first week as principal!" she exclaims. "I appreciate them so much, especially in this day and age of high tech gadgets, quick clips, streaming, AI, etc. This is real people performing, emoting, expressing, just being human—I mean, this is reality!"

Terry Pink Alexander has been acting with EBCT since 2016. She plays the

Newark's transition of power

CITY COUNCIL WELCOMES A NEW ERA OF GOVERNANCE

By PANASHE MATEMBA-MUTASA

The Dec. 12 Newark City Council meeting marked a historic moment as a combined 51 years of leadership came to an end. Long-serving council members Ana Apodaca, Sucy Collazo and Luis Freitas stepped down, paving the way for a new era of governance under newcomers Terrence Grindall, Julie Del Catancio and Eve Marie Little.

"Thank you for your record-setting commitment to our community," said city manager David Benoun to the three outgoing officials.

Newark, a city steeped in tradition, is entering uncharted territory with its first major council shake-up in over 50 years. The new council will include re-elected Mayor Michael Hannon; fresh faces Grindall, Catancio, and Little as well as Matthew Jorgens who was elected to the council in 2022.

During the swearing-in ceremony, Mayor Hannon took a heartfelt moment to pay tribute to the departing council members and their years of dedicated service.

Ana Apodaca, a lifelong Newark resident and former council member, had returned from retirement to serve on the Newark City Council in July 2024.

Appointed to fill a vacancy, Apodaca brought extensive experience, having previously served from 2005 to 2014. During her interim term, the council adopted initiatives such as the Broadband Master Plan, Tri-City Hazard Mitigation Plan, Facilities Master Plan, and Citywide Parks Master Plan. Apodaca also championed local causes like securing field space for the Newark Girls Softball League and supporting the Newark Graffiti Abatement Team and Hispanic Community Affairs Council.

"She's a treasure to our community," the mayor said

Sucy Collazo has played a pivotal role in Newark's progress during her tenure on the City Council. First elected on Nov. 8, 2011, and re-elected in 2016 and 2020, she also served as Vice Mayor in 2015, 2019 and 2023.

Collazo was instrumental in advancing affordable housing, public safety and community enhancements like the city's skate park, first dog park, new hotels and civic center. She represented Newark on various commissions, including the Alameda County Fire Advisory, Library and Transportation Commissions, leaving a legacy of commitment to civic growth and inclusivity. Hannon reflected on years of working beside her, emphasizing her dedication to the community.



Eve Marie Little takes her oath as she becomes part of Newark's new city council. Photo by staff

continued on page 4

 Kid Scoop
 10

 Mind Twisters
 .6

 Obituaries
 .16

 Public Notices
 .14

Subscribe19

continued on page 11



@tricityvoice

Special Care Nursery at Washington Hospital: **Expert Support for Premature Newborns**

Collaboration with UCSF Neonatal Nursery Provides Advanced Care

It can be unsettling for parents to have a premature infant. In addition to being so tiny—some weighing 2 pounds—these babies often have multiple lines and tubes that can make parents uncomfortable picking up and holding them.

The Special Care Nursery (SCN) at Washington Hospital looks after full-term and premature babies born between 32 and 37 weeks, from three to eight weeks early. In most cases, newborns in the SCN need to grow and develop before going home, but some may require respiratory support or a ventilator; IV fluids or medications; incubators and warmers; and cardiorespiratory monitoring.

Washington Hospital's SCN is a level II nursery, which means it can care for premature babies who have moderate medical issues. Collaboration with UCSF Benioff's Intensive Care Nursery in San Francisco, one of the country's largest neonatal heart programs, gives Washington Hospital's SCN expanded expertise and advanced technology. The Special Care Nursery is a collaboration between the

UCSF Benioff Children's Hospitals (both San Francisco and Oakland). Its three neonatologists are on the faculty at UCSF. The SCN neonatologists also care for babies at the UCSF Benioff Intensive Care Nursery in San Francisco.

"One of the main goals of the affiliation between Washington Hospital and UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital SF has been to provide the best possible care for these very special patients and their families without the added stress of a lengthy commute for parents," says James McGuire, MD, MPH, a boardcertified neonatologist, Pediatrics Department chair, and former SCN medical director.

"Having a nursery in Fremont also gives parents the peace of mind that their baby is nearby without having to drive to San Francisco or hospitals out of the area." He adds, "The need to travel can put an extra strain on a family that is already stressed."

SCN staff educates and supports parents in understanding their baby's cues for feeding, stress and comfort—along with training on holding, changing, and bathing their child.

Expert Training and Experience

The SCN team undergoes continuing education to update skills as trends evolve and standards of care advance. The team continually takes UCSF courses on neonatal nursing care, a skills lab on procedures, and training on how to stabilize newborns who are transported to other hospitals when a higher level of care is needed. The team also participates in a quarterly UCSF clinical care conference and training from the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses, among other courses.

Babies also benefit from having a board-certified neonatal therapist on staff, Robin Bonsall, who is a licensed occupational therapist. With more than 30 years in the field, Bonsall is highly experienced in pediatric therapy and early intervention, with additional education and certifications to her credit, including a master's degree in early childhood



Robin Bonsall, M.Ed OTR/L SWC NTMTC CNT education, specialized training in feeding and swallowing, sensory integration and processing, and neonatal touch and massage certification. She recently earned a credential from the Neonatal Therapy Certification Board.

"I do pre-habilitation," says Bonsall, "preventive work to make sure these

continued on page 5



In 2019, Dr. McGuire played the sheriff at the SCN Reunion event.

""Having a nursery in Fremont also gives parents the peace of mind that their baby is nearby without having to drive to San Francisco or hospitals out of the area. The need to travel can put an extra strain on a family that is already stressed." – James McGuire, MD



InHealth Your YouTube Channel -

YouTube.com/whhsInHealth Join the 45,000 subscribers of Washington Hospital's YouTube page.

Health Care Videos More Accessible Than Ever!





Diabetes: Understanding and Controlling Complications

Diabetes complications reach much further than low blood sugar levels. Find out how to control other complications and maintain overall health. This is a special presentation of our Diabetes Matters





Living With Serious Illness: Understanding Palliative Care

Navigating a serious illness can bring new challenges for patients and loved ones. Dr. Krishna Suri explains what it means when palliative care is offered.





Managing Diabetes

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

Coming Soon!



Coping with Grief and Bereavement During the Holidays Wednesday, Dec. 4, 9 a.m.

Explore how grief can impact our mental health during the holiday season and strategies for coping.



Diabetes Management: How GLP-1 Medications Work Wednesday, Dec. 18, 9 a.m.

Join Dr. Prasad Katta as he explains how you can incorporate GLP-1 medications into your diabetes management plan.

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.



- Diabetes Education
- Timely health topics such as COVID-19 and wildfire safety
- And so much more!

Visit Us! YouTube.com/whhsInHealth







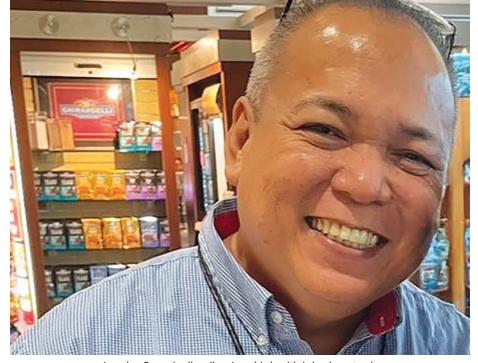




PART TWO OF A TWO-PART SERIES ON DIABETES

Breaking the Cycle of Diabetes

Fremont man found the knowledge and support he needed.



"Dr. Huang has guided me step by step. She always made me feel like I could tackle diabetes and win. There is no way I could have done this without her guidance."-Amadeo Reyes

Amadeo Reyes is all smiles since his health is back on track

Sometimes when one door closes, a better door opens. Amadeo Reyes of Fremont said that was true for him when he transferred from his long-time endocrinologist to Washington Township Medical Foundation endocrinologist Jean Huang, MD.

Reyes was diagnosed with diabetes in 2013. At 38, he had struggled with his weight his entire adult life and had a strong family history of the disease. In spring 2024, Reyes' former endocrinologist handed back care to his primary care provider. But Reyes didn't feel like he could face the disease on his own. A few months later, he had his first appointment with Dr. Huang. It changed his life.

"My father passed away in 2020 from diabetes," Reyes said. "I was almost 49 and headed on that same path. I had high blood pressure, high cholesterol and my blood sugar and hemoglobin A1C were out of control. I didn't know how to change. The minute she opened the door to the exam room for our first appointment, I knew I found someone that would help me."

At that first appointment, Dr. Huang set her expectations for Reyes. She told him she was there to be a teacher, mentor, coach and cheerleader, but he needed to do the work. She set parameters for diet and exercise, changed medications and let him know he wouldn't be alone on the journey to better health. The first big change was getting him to check his blood sugar every day.

"I didn't like needles, so I had rarely checked my blood sugar since I had been diagnosed," Reyes admitted. "I knew better, but I always found an excuse. I forced myself to get over the needle phobia and started checking daily."

The next challenge for Reyes was his diet. "I'm Filipino and we eat rice for breakfast, lunch and dinner," he explained. "Dr. Jean said to eat in moderation, so

I decided not to eat rice for three months. I didn't know how I was going to do that. She's Chinese, so she understood. She helped me make better choices."

Reyes said before seeing Dr. Huang, there were times when he was too busy working to eat and would feel shaky. He also cares for his elderly mother, who didn't eat unless he did. He tended to eat even when he wasn't hungry, when he was bored or felt stressed. Reyes shared with Dr. Huang that much of Filipino culture revolves around food. Where he saw potential problems, she presented solutions.

Next on the list was exercise. As a customer service representative at Oakland International Airport working the early shift, Reyes was fairly stationary. When he got home from work, the last thing he wanted to do was go for a walk or to the gym.

"Dr. Huang was straight with me about what I needed to do in addition to changing my diet," Reyes said. "She suggested I walk around the terminal to get my steps in every day and recommended the best shoes, because diabetic foot care is especially important. Now I walk every day with no pain and feel stronger than I have in years."

After talking about testing, diet and exercise, Dr. Huang discussed medications with Reyes. She prescribed daily oral metformin to help his body regulate his response to insulin, reduce cravings and decrease his body's tendency to store fat. To help with his weight loss, she prescribed weekly injections of Ozempic, a GLP-1 agonist, to help him feel full faster and stay feeling full longer. This combination was just what he needed.

"I was almost 240 pounds when I first saw Dr. Huang," Reyes said. "In the five months since, I've dropped below 200 pounds for the first time in more than 20 years. My A1C went from 8.5 to 5.9. My cholesterol is down to

136. My blood pressure and cholesterol medications have been cut in half and I feel better than I ever have."

After the initial office visit, Dr. Huang connected with him weekly via email. Those emails kept Reyes motivated and encouraged. "She asked how my blood sugar levels were, if I was checking regularly, if I was keeping up with the diet, if I was walking every day," he shared. "She monitored my numbers and reminded me she was always available." Reyes believes that her continued encouragement made all the difference for him.

"From the first time I met her, Dr. Huang has guided me step by step," he said. "She's motivated me, pushed me and encouraged me—acting more like a friend than a doctor. She always made me feel like I could tackle diabetes and win. There is no way I could have done this without her guidance."

"She talks to me like a human being, not just a patient," Reyes continued. "She has a three-month and a six-month plan to help me be the best I can be. Next year, I'm going to start going to the gym to add weights to the cardio I do now. She'll say, 'These are our goals,' and I know she'll be there to help me achieve them."

To learn more about Dr. Jean Huang, visit https://www.mywtmf.com/find-a-doctor/jean-huang-md/ or scan the below QR code.



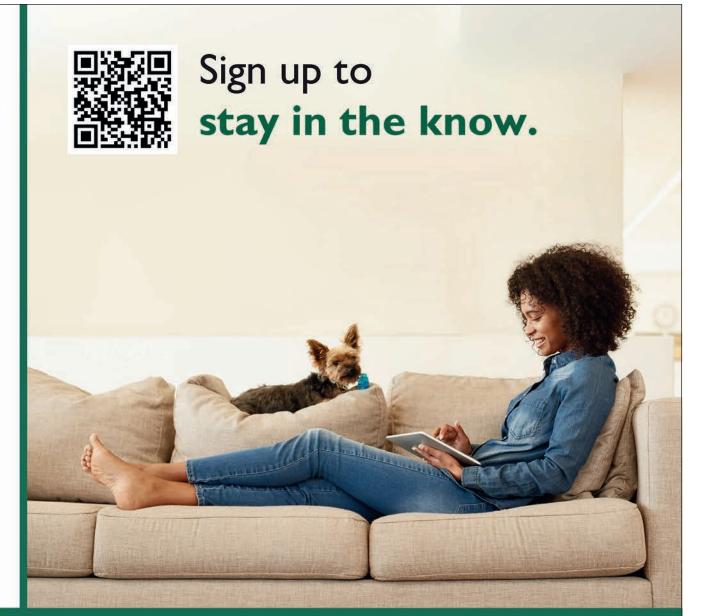
Sign Up to Receive Email Updates from Washington Hospital Healthcare System!

Updates include:

- Upcoming seminars and events
- Health & Wellness information
- Inspiring patient stories
- Programs and services
- News and announcements

Stay connected to your health sign up today!

Scan the QR or visit whhs.com/subscribe



whhs.com



2000 Mowry Ave. Fremont, CA 94538 #PatientFirst









Needing Comfort?

Check out our

Medical Supplies!

Wheelchairs

Cushions

Compression Items

and More!

Haller's Medical Supply

4067 Peralta Blvd

Fremont, CA 94536

510.797.2221



Feeling Unwell? Check out our **Pharmacy Products! Diabetic Supplies Incontinence Supplies Wound Care**

> Haller's Pharmacy 37323 Fremont Blvd Fremont, CA 94536 510.797.2772

and More!

Mowry Medical Pharmacy 1999 Mowry Ave Suite A-2 Fremont, CA 94538 510.793.5011

Medical

Fremont

Anxiety/Sleep/Pain? Check out our **CBD Products! CBD Oils** Gummies Balm/Cream and More!

Fremont Botanicals 37317 Fremont Blvd Fremont, CA 94536 510.797.2774

Visit our Sister Stores!



Mowry Plaza Pharmacy 668 Mowry Ave 510.745.9900

Mention This Ad and Receive 5% Off Your Next Purchase! (Exclusions Apply)



Talk to GUPTA Team for **Home Buying or Selling** Call 510-697-7750



Rajeev Gupta Home Sales Specialist

Remax Accord

CA DRF # 01232943 39644 Mission Blvd., Fremont 20 + Years Experience

RE/MAX

Monica Gupta Home Loan Specialist

Home Advantage CA DRE # 01424265, NMLS # 343986 702 Brown Road, Fremont

15 + Years Experience

Meet Our Happy Clients www.realtytrain.com/clients

www.realtytrain.com

HOLIDAY TREE RECYCLING



Did you know that your holiday tree can be turned into beneficial mulch and compost? After you've packed up the lights and ornaments adorning your holiday tree, simply place your tree curbside on your regular collection service day.

Tri-CED will collect holiday trees at no additional cost between December 26, 2024 and January 31, 2025.





Republic Services of Alameda County

42600 Boyce Rd, Fremont, CA 94538 510.657.3500 | RepublicServicesAC.com



Tri-CED Community Recycling

33377 Western Ave, Union City, CA 94587 510.429.8030 | Tri-CED.org

Please prepare your tree for collection by following these simple guidelines:

- · Remove tree stands and all decorations.
- Put the tree at the curb next to your compost cart before 6:00 a.m. on your regular collection service day.
- Trees taller than six (6) feet must be cut in half.
- · Natural trees only. Flocked and artificial trees will not be accepted.
- If you miss the Citywide holiday tree collection, it can still be turned into compost by cutting it into pieces that will fit into your green compost cart with the lid closed.

Holiday Collection Service Schedule

Tri-CED and Republic Services drivers and administrative staff will be home for the holidays on Christmas and New Year's Day.

Collection service will be provided one day later during these two holiday weeks. Wednesday service will be provided on Thursday, Thursday service on Friday, and Friday service on Saturday.

Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25 Administrative offices will be closed. No collection services.

New Year's Day - Wednesday, January 1 Administrative offices will be closed. No collection services.

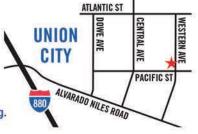
Holiday Trees Drop-off Location

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

Tri-CED Community Recycling

33377 Western Avenue Open Tuesday to Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Closed Monday and Sunday Questions? Contact Tri-CED at 510.429.8030 or visit Tri-CED.org.



Feed Your Green Compost Cart!

Placing all food scraps, food-soiled paper products (e.g., napkins

Composting conserves space in the landfill and reduces greenhouse plant growth. Learn more at UnionCityRecycles.org

New Carts are Coming!

March 2025, we will be rolling out new collection carts for landfill, recycle, and compost as part of the SB1383 compliance requirements. Stay tuned for more details coming your way soon!



continued from page 1

Newark's first major council shake-up in 50 years



Newly appointed council member Terrence Grindall already has plans to host 'Coffee with a Council Member' each month. Photo by staff

"When I think of you, I think of the heart of Newark," Mayor Hannon said.

Mayor Hannon shared his find memory of council member Luis Freitas, encouraging him to join the city council in 2014. Freitas has been a cornerstone of Newark's leadership, serving 29 years on the city council.

First elected in 1995, he was re-elected for six consecutive terms and held the position of vice mayor for eight nonconsecutive years starting in 1998. Freitas played a vital role in key developments, including new affordable housing, hotels, and the David W. Smith City Hall. He represented Newark on

various regional boards, including the Alameda County Transportation Commission and Waste Management Authority.

"He's a gentleman and an honorable person in our community," Mayor Hannon said.



Newark Planning Commissioner Julie Del Catancio is sworn in as a Newark council member. Photo by staff

The three newly elected council members expressed heartfelt gratitude to residents for their support, pledging to work collaboratively to build a stronger Newark. Councilmember Terrence Grindall reflected on his campaign journey, sharing how conversations

with residents gave him valuable insight into the changes they hope to see.

"Directly engaging with residents and sharing your concerns reaffirmed my commitment to this community," Grindall said.

Grindall also mentioned he will be hosting "Coffee with a Council Member"

meetings each month, where residents can meet him at a local coffee shop to discuss any concerns. Updates for future dates and locations will be posted to his website, terrancefornewark.org.

Special Care Nursery at Washington Hospital: **Expert Support for Premature Newborns**

premature babies get what they need and avoid problems later. There's so much evidence in medicine today that supports a proactive approach in promoting shortand long-term development and growth."

One of the areas she's passionate about is newborn feeding. Premature babies lack the neurological and muscle maturation to coordinate sucking, swallowing and breathing. "We work with both breast and bottle feeding based on what works best for the family and their feeding goals," Bonsall says. It sounds like something very small, but feeding and swallowing are big issues for tiny babies.

Having a baby hospitalized can be a very stressful experience for families, according to Bonsall. "The interactions and experiences they have will remain with them lifelong. One of our most basic forms of attachment is feeding," she explains. "It is important to support and empower parents for successful feeding experiences for both the parent and the baby."

Guiding Parents and Caregivers

The SCN team is on hand to guide parents and caregivers every step of the way, even providing overnight accommodations the night before a baby is ready to go home so they can practice baby care with the nursing team nearby.

Bonsall and the team also encourage following guidance from the American Academy of Pediatrics, especially on sleep. The team trains parents to prevent sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), which Bonsall says is on the decline. Parents and caregivers are advised to avoid stuffed

animals and extra bedding in the crib, and to position a baby on their back to sleep. The team also advises on how to provide tummy time.

Bonsall monitors the babies in the SCN, making sure they're developing, moving, and functioning as they progress. "I monitor their muscle tone, head shape, and how they respond to their environment, including noise and light," she notes.

"Parents want to interact with their babies, but it's hard when babies are hospitalized," she explains. "I show parents and caregivers how to engage with their hospitalized baby by talking, reading, singing to them, giving a massage, and knowing how to pick up and hold them safely and comfortably."

Dr. McGuire and Bonsall are proud of the SCN team and the work it does for the community.

"People can trust in the Washington Hospital SCN. We provide quality care. Since we're a smaller nursery, we have the extra time to give each baby dedicated attention," says Bonsall.

For more information, visit www.whhs.com/SCN or scan the below

Talk to GUPTA Team for

Home Buying or Selling

Call 510-697-7750

Monica Gupta

Home Loan Specialist

CA DRE # 01424265, NMLS # 343986

702 Brown Road, Fremont

Home Advantage









Rajeev Gupta

Home Sales Specialist Remax Accord

CA DRE # 01232943 39644 Mission Blvd., Fremont 20 + Years Experience

15 + Years Experience Meet Our Happy Clients www.realtytrain.com/clients

www.realtytrain.com

FREE Adult Reading and Writing Classes are offered at

FREE Consultation

and Market Update Call 510-697-7750

RE/MAX

the Alameda County Library Tell A Friend Call Rachel Parra 510 745-1480

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

Fremont Is Our Business Fudenna Bros., Inc.

Phone: 510-657-6200



www.fudenna.com



Clothing Store

HUGE **SALE**

3909 Stevenson Blvd. Suite E., Fremont





FOAM FOR:

IN MOST CASES **SAME DAY SERVICE**

Mattress Toppers

Special Back & Neck Pillows, Wedges

Special Packaging/Cases Service is our number one product!

and more

CUSHION REPLACEMENTS FOR:

MATTRESSES Sofa, Chairs, Window Seats, Boats

Thank you for choosing Bob's Foam Factory products. We are certain you will be pleased with your choice. Since opening our doors in 1979, we have been committed to providing outstanding service, quality and durability. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC LARGEST SELECTION IN BAY AREA

OPEN MON-FRI 8:30AM-5:00PM SAT 8:30AM-3:00PM

880 to Auto Mall Pkwy - Exit towards the Hills Rt on Fremont Blvd. - 1/2 mile turn right on Pestana Place

Special Packaging

DIE CUTTING - PACKAGE DESIGN PROTOTYPES

Tell us how you use your foam!

Celebrating 42 Years!

Thank you for your years of support

Wind Twisters

Crossword Puzzle

1 2 3 4 5 6 6 10 11 12 13 13 13 14 15 16 17 22 23 24 18 19 20 25 28 28 29 29 33 34 34 34 34 34 34 34 34 40 42 44 44 45 46 46 46 47 47 55 55

Sudoku:

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

	2	1				8	7	
					6	2		
		7			5			
		5	1	6	3			
					9		1	4
7								
	8	2				7		
	7	6					3	
			4					8

	¹ P		²s	Р	R	³ E	Α	⁴ D	0	5 N	Е	s	6W	1	⁷ N	G	⁸ s		9 G	Α	10 H
	¹¹ I	W	W			s		Е		s			ı		0		Υ		0		0
	Р		¹² O	N	¹³ C	Е		¹⁴ F	Е	Т			L		S		15 S	Н	0	Е	R
	¹⁶ S	Е	R		U			Ε			17 N	U	L	L	Е	D			F		N
			18 D	Ε	R	R	-	N	G	D	0		0		Е		¹⁹ P	U	F	F	s
	²⁰ E	0	s		М			D			Q		²¹ W	Α	U	L			Т		0
	N		W		U			Е			U		Р		М				²² H	0	F
	²³ S	Т	Α	N	D	Α	²⁴ R	D	ı	Z	Е	D	Т	Е	s	²⁵ T			Е		Α
	0		L		G		Е				s		Α			²⁶ H	Ε	Α	D	Ε	D
	²⁷ R	0	L	L	Е	R	С	0	²⁸ A	s	Т	Е	R	S		Е			Е		-1
			0		0		L		L		1		М			29 M	U	D	Е	Е	L
			W		N		Α		0		0		-1			Α			Р		Е
	³⁰ A	М		D	s	U	М	М	Ε	R	N	_1	G	Н	Т	S	D	R	Е	Α	M
u	В		N	22			Е		22		s		Α			s			N	30	М
u	³¹ O	L	G	³² A					33°C	Н	Α	N	N	³⁴ E	L	Е	D		35 D	³⁶ F	Α
	V 37			S		20		20	Е		S 40			Е		s			42	Α	40
	"E	Р		S	С	38 O	Р	³⁹ A	L		ŮΚ	U	Α	L	Α		⁴¹ G	_1	⁴² G	0	43 T
	Z		10	Υ		R		W	46		Е			-1			1		L		_1
	44 E	٧	⁴⁵ E	R	Υ	N	0	W	⁴⁶ A	N	D	⁴⁷ T	Н	Е	N		⁴⁸ G	R	1	Ε	F
	R 49		Х			1			L 50			Н		S			Α		В		
	⁴⁹ O	D	Α	L	-1	S	K		ຶຣ	-1	Т	0	U	Т							

5	3	2	6	7	9	8	1	4
7	6	4	8	1	3	9	2	5
9	8	1	2	4	5	6	3	7
6	1	5	3	9	7	2	4	8
8	9	7	1	2	4	5	6	3
2	4	3	5	6	8	7	9	1
1	7	9	4	8	6	3	5	2
4	5	6	7	3	2	1	8	9
3	2	8	9	5	1	4	7	6

39 Scion compacts (3) 11 Loves You" (3) Across Heartwood of an E. 40 12 That thing (2) "Not gonna happen. Didn't you 41 Indian tree (5) Distributes, as the loot (7,2) hear me the first time?" (3) 42 15 Brief outline (9.6) 6 E. Germany, to natives (3) 3.14(2)Cheerful (9) 1000-year periods (9) 43 Spanish definite article (2) 16 10 Successful transplantation (6) Final: Abbr. (3) 17 *Completely wasted (Iraqi 44 45 dinar) (4,3,5) 13 Bric-a- (4) Preposition (2) "___, it will be nighttime" 19 14 46 Most compressed (9) Forecast, of a sort (9) 48 20 (2,3,3,2,3,3)Cries of triumph (4) Yom Kippur exchange? (4,3,7) Left with few choices (2,1,12) 18 Codgers' replies (3) 50 ABODE ABO (4,4,4,4) 22

Caught some Z's (5)

(6,4,4,5)

"Pepe Le _

classic) (4)

Grand , Nova Scotia (3)

British healthcare syst. (3)

Come to the surface (5,2)

*Warning against recklessness

"The Wreck of the Mary ___"

Have in the matter (2.3)

1972 treaty subj. (3)

__" (French film

56

57

1

2

3

Down

"The Women" playwright (4) 24 "Don't think so" (4)
Noiseless (5,2,1,5) 26 Stamina (7,5)
36 "____ 1138" (1971 sci-fi film) (3)

47

49

51

52

53

54

37 Indications (5)
42 Drugstore: Abbr. (5)
45 Common typo often mocked online (3)

Asian goats. (5)
As written (3)
Half a rebellion (3)
Battery size (3)

J.F.K. watchdog (3)
Antipoverty agcy. (3)
The same, in prescriptions (3)

Tri-City Stargazer For WEEK of DECEMBER 17, 2024

All Signs: This is a lovely week. Monday is a productive, high-energy day. Meanwhile, Thursday is one of the most romantic nights of the year! Fair Venus will be pumped with Jupiter's energy, making this a great day to fall in love! On Saturday, the 21st, the Winter Solstice will occur. (This is when the Northern Hemisphere tilts farthest away from the sun making it the shortest day of the year and the longest night.) Some use this as a time to reflect on who they are and where they want to go. They write down their problems and then burn them in a fire to get rid of them. Building a bonfire outside sounds like work to me. I think I'll write down my problems on my phone and then press DELETE.

Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20):

Crazy, in Crecy (3)

Clearer, as the sky (5) "Butt out!," briefly (4)

Place to put down stakes?:

La Jolla campus, briefly (4)

Chinese chef Martin (3)

Drug-standards publication:

Boosters of bad cholesterol (5,4)

Open (6)

Abbr. (3)

Italian monk (3)

"No kidding!" (2)

Mormons (6-3,6)

Dorothy's aunt (2-)

Wettest (9)

Abbr. (3)

20

21

23

25

27

28

29

30

31

32

33

34

35

38

Past lovers might reappear in your world or in your dreams now. Even old hobbies and artistic pursuits that you abandoned might be resurrected. Meanwhile, this is a wonderful week to enjoy the company of friends. Thursday night is so romantic that a platonic friend could become a lover. At least, group events will be full of joy. For the next four weeks, your desire to explore the world will be strong! Plans to go back to school or explore opportunities in publishing, the media, the law, medicine and academia could be thrilling because you're willing to think big!

Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20):

Take a moment and ask yourself if you are trying to do too much for this holiday season. Tension and unresolved conflict at home is not ideal. Meanwhile, some of you are reassessing living arrangements at home to make things work better. Great idea because there's always room for improvement. You make a fabulous impression on bosses and VIPs this week. Some of you might strike up a flirtation with a boss. Expect the next four weeks to be more passionate and also more focused on financial issues related to insurance, shared property, taxes and debt.

Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20):

This week you might experience misunderstandings, heated arguments or unresolved disputes with siblings and neighbors. You might also feel overwhelmed with daily activities. Travel delays are likely. Fortunately, new love with someone from another culture

might blossom! Book ideas and opportunities in publishing, medicine, law and higher education are exciting. For the next four weeks, the Sun will be opposite your sign, which means you will need more rest. You will also have a stronger than usual focus on partnerships and close friendships, which you can see with more objectivity, and thereby improve your role in them.

Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21):

Money issues might be a squeeze play right now. (Join the club.) In addition to which, past money problems might resurface. Conflicts about your spending habits, possessions or financial ties with family members might arise as well. All this can make you question yourself. It's okay to reassess things because life is constantly changing. Fortunately, gifts and goodies from others might come to the rescue! Someone could be generous to you. For the next four weeks, you'll be keen to work hard and be as productive as possible. You will also do whatever you can to boost your health!

Leo the Lion

(July 22-August 22): Don't be down on yourself if you feel overwhelmed. You might feel frustrated because you're not making the progress you had hoped for. Old conflicts with others might resurface. Slow down and take it easy! Appreciate who you are and what you do. Mars is retrograde in your sign and this is a tough window. (Gone late Feb.) Cut yourself some slack. Fortunately, relations with partners and close friends are delightful. You might fall in love again with your main squeeze. Plus, the next four weeks

promise romance, entertaining diversions, vacations, fun activities with kids and creativity.

Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22):

Feelings of self-doubt and a sense of unworthiness might discourage you right now because Mars is retrograde in a hidden part of your chart. Many of us feel low-energy right now. Take it easy. Old unconscious anger or repressed frustrations might bubble to the surface now. Don't give these negative thoughts energy. Use some diversionary tactics—like reading a book or playing a game. Fortunately, work-related issues are excellent, in part because coworkers are so supportive. (A work-related romance might begin this week.) Home and family will be your main focus for the next four weeks.

Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22):

You are a social sign; plus you're a people pleaser. This is why it might bother you if you feel disappointed in your friends and why you're reevaluating certain friendships. People from your past are reappearing now and it makes you reassess things. Fortunately, this is a gorgeous week to socialize. Thursday is fabulous for romance and new love. In the next four weeks, you'll be on the go taking short trips, talking to everyone and enjoying the company of siblings and neighbours.

Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21):

Lately you might be reevaluating your professional ambitions. You might feel frustrated at work or have tension with colleagues or bosses? Avoid confrontations and instead look for a win-win solution. You might

also be rethinking your professional image. All of this could be a message to you to re-evaluate your goals, relations with authority figures, and career direction. Fortunately, family relations are warm and friendly! This is a great time to entertain at home. For the next four weeks, money, cash flow and earnings as well as how you handle your possessions will be your primary focus.

Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21):

You might suffer from travel delays or setbacks now. Some of you could be in conflict with others over religion or political ideologies. Yet others might be encountering obstacles with academic goals. You can weather this storm because your day-to-day encounters with others are excellent this week. Everyone is warm, friendly and supportive! Even your daily surroundings seem more attractive. The next four weeks are powerful because the Sun is in your sign giving you a chance to recharge your batteries for the rest of the year.

Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19):

This week has all kinds of romantic possibilities. Nevertheless, some of you are dealing with jealousy or feeling vulnerable in an intimate relationship. Unresolved issues from the past might be back on your plate. This is also a good time to reassess your financial agreements. Be careful about repressed anger and power struggles draining your energy. Financially, this is a favourable week for you. You might boost your earnings or get a better paying job. Trust your financial instincts. For the next four weeks, you'll be happy to be low-key.

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

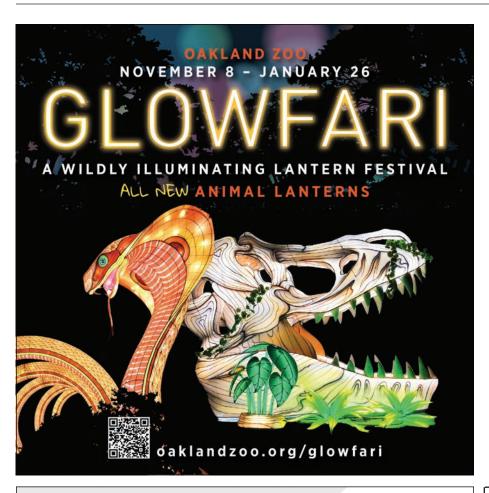
Relations with partners and close friends are a bit dicey now because repressed anger or frustrations about issues from the past are churning in your mind. If you speak up—it gets worse. If you say nothing—you feel powerless. Maybe focus on something else. In fact, this is a romantic week! You will love socializing with others. New love might come to you. In fact, for the next four weeks your popularity will increase because many of you will be hanging out with younger people more than usual.

Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20):

You might feel frustrated with your lack of productivity or obstacles that you encounter in your work. You might even feel frustrated with some health issues right now. Be aware that whatever this is, by the end of February, it will disappear, or almost. This is the only time of year when the Sun is at the top of your chart shining down on you, which makes you look marvellous in the eyes of others. This is why you will be approached to take on extra responsibilities. Others will ask for your advice.



By Georgia Nicols www.georgianicols.com.





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

East Bay Hand & Plastic Surgery Center



We customize treatments for your individual needs Highly skilled and trained in all aspects of Cosmetic Surgery

Complimentary Cosmetic Consultations

\$250.00 value

Botox

\$16.00 a unit WHILE SUPPLY LASTS

THE PRICE OF BOTOX WILL BE INCREASING DUE TO ABBVIE PRICE INCREASE. Exp. 12/31/24

Facelift Specialist Liposuction Breast Augmentation specialist Breast lift Breast reduction Mommy Makeover Specialist

Tummy Tuck Upper/Lower Eyelids

Removal of Excess skin surgery after weight loss

Breast Reconstruction Specialist

We accept most insurance providers

SkinCeuticals @ 30% off once a year special while supplies last

INTRODUCING, **EPICUTIS** THE 3 IN 1 SKIN CARE REGIMEN

Prasad G. Kilaru, MD, MBA Diplomate, American Board of Plastic Surgery Over 20 years experience in cosmetic surgery

We are part of the **Brilliant Distinctions Program (Allé) Must Mention ad for Promo Prices**

Call for current specials

510-791-9700

Contact Delilah for more information delilah@prasadkilaru.com

Se Habla Español and Marunong Po Kami Mag Tagalog www.prasadkilaru.com

facebook instagram yelp

39141 Civic Center Dr. #110, Fremont



NewPark Mall loses Macy's

HOLIDAY BLUES IN NEWARK AS MAIN DEPARTMENT STORE PREPARES TO CLOSE

By PANASHE **MATEMBA-MUTASA**

It's the most wonderful time of the year, with families across the Bay bustling through town to snag last-minute gifts. But in Newark, the spirit of holiday cheer has been dampened by news of the closure of its Macy's store.

"It's so sad. We lost our JC Penney and now we're losing our Macy's," said resident Carol Nelson.

The decline of department stores has become increasingly evident since the early 2010s. According to Yahoo Finance, the sector's value has plummeted from a peak of over \$100 billion in 2012 to just \$55.6 billion in 2024. As shopping trends shift decisively toward online platforms, more retailers are shuttering their brick-

and-mortar locations. Yet, for many older generations, the nostalgia of wandering through malls and filling shopping carts during the holiday season remains a cherished tradition.

"That Macy's has been my go-to," said shopper Annette Devincenzi. "I can pretty much always find something I like."

The Macy's, located in NewPark Mall, is one of many over the last few years facing closure as the city implements the NewPark Safe Specific Plan. Adopted in 2018, this plan is a roadmap for redevelopment and revitalization in the city's primary retail destination. In 2021 the plan was amended and the current owner of the mall, Brookfield Properties, proposed two catalyst projects for the initiative: a 319-unit residential facility and a Costco warehouse. The Costco is up and running, while the apartment construction is still in its early stages.

While an official closing date has not yet been

confirmed, the expected date as per the NewPark Safe Specific Plan is "by 2026." Customers have received promotional materials urging them to make purchases while items last, and on a Thursday afternoon after work you can find them doing just that.

The NewPark Safe Specific Plan outlines a vision to attract new retailers to fill the void left by departing anchor stores. However, this has done little to ease the concerns of some local residents. Linda Erwin, a frequent mallgoer, voiced her unease about the exodus of major retailers, noting a troubling trend across the Tri-City area.

Between Fremont, Union City and Newark, we are a collective of 345,000, yet we can't keep anything alive," Erwin said.

The full plan includes which retailers will be closing to make way for redevelopments. It can be viewed on the city's official website at newark.org.

Grants, accolades and events



An \$8,000 grant will support Ohlone College's program for young learners. Photo courtesy of

By **STAFF**

Kaiser Permanente Northern California's health plan was recognized with a 5-star rating by California's Office of the Patient Advocate (OPA) in their 2024-25 report card. Kaiser's Northern and Southern California plans are the only two in the state to receive this score. about.kp.org

Silicon Valley Career Technical Education (SVCTE) was awarded \$989,645 through the competitive K12 Strong Workforce Program

(SWP) Round 7 grant application cycle. The grant will go towards Electric Vehicle (EV) Technology, Eco-Friendly HVAC Systems, Fire Science with Environmental Solutions and Clean Diesel Technologies.

In Fremont, Ohlone College received \$8,000 in grant awards (for two grants) from Alameda County Supervisors Elisa Márquez and David Haubert. The funding will benefit the college's Ohlone for Kids &

Teens program. ohlone.edu In Pleasanton, East Bay Children's Theatre is presenting a screening of the musical movie Once Upon a Time Step, featuring song and dance numbers from Cinderella, Aladdin and the Lamp, Snow White and Jack and the Beanstalk. A live stage show featuring Santa and elves will accompany the screening. Once Upon a Time Step will be presented at 2pm on Dec. 22 at the Firehouse Arts Center. One show only. Approximately 1 Hour. Tickets: \$14-\$20 www.ebctOnline.org

Community Bulletin Board

SIMINOFF DAYLIGHT MASONIC LODGE No. 850

Meets on 2nd Monday
Of Every Month, At 1:30 PM
In Siminoff Masonic Center
on campus of
Masonic Homes of California
34400 Mission Blvd. Union City CA 94587
510-476-4825

FREMONT PATHFINDER BRANCH 59 SONS IN RETIREMENT!! Retired men! Come and have lunch on us and join the best retiree group in Fremont!

We meet at the Fremont Elks Lodge at noon on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. In addition to engaging and entertaining luncheon programs and fabulous conversation, we offer a veritable plethora of activities for retired men. Golf, Bocce Ball, Poker, Bowling, Walking, Bridge, Couples Wine Tasting, Music and much, much more. Call, write, or email for your free lunch! Big Sir Rob Ingebretson, 48232 Cottonwood Street, Fremont, CA 94539; robingy@comcast.net; 510-657-7828.

MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION

Welcomes YOU!

We are a spirital community of open minds, nurturing growth and healing in ourselves, and all people. Together we strive to live compassionately and courageously as we work to build a nonviolent, just sustainable world. We welcome you and your family. Programming for children at the same time as Service, every 2nd Sunday of the month. We meet Sundays at 10 a.m. in Cole Hall, located at 2950 Washington Blvd. in Fremont and online

at www.mpuuc.org/Zoom Learn more about us at www.mpuuc.org

Fremont Stamp Club Meet 2nd Thurs. each month

Starts at 7:00 pm

Cultural Arts Center

3375 Country Dr., Fremont Interesting discussions, trade, silent auction fremontstampclub@gmail.com www.fremontstampclub.org Steve (510) 461-3431

Living Hope Foursquare Church 7160 Graham Ave Newark CA

Welcomes You Sunday Worship Times English: 10:30am - 12:30pm Tagalog 2:00pm - 4:00pm Join our worship and study of God's Word.

www.newlivinghope.org

LOVE to WRITE? WANT to WRITE? WRITER'S BLOCK? Fremont Area Writers (FAW) is here to HELP!

Zoom meeting 4th Saturday of the month (off July & Dec)
2:00-4:00 PM

Great speakers! * All genres! * Critique groups available!
Email scottfrombayside@yahoo.com

for Zoom link before the meeting.

Writers' Salon meets 4th Monday of the month

(occasional exceptions)

Join us via Zoom 7:00-9:00 PM Read, discuss or just listen.
Email **up.dragonfly.com@gmail.com** for Zoom link before the meeting.
Everyone is welcome! www.cwc-fremontareawriters.org

BINGO BINGO BINGO

Niles Canyon Mobile Estates
711 Old Canyon Road, Fremont (Niles District)
The FIRST MONDAY of Every month
Doors Open @ 6:00 PM Games Start @ 7:00 PM
\$7.00 - 6 pack; \$1.00 Bonanza; \$1.00 Blackout; \$1.00
Hot Ball; \$2.00 Daubers

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2950 WASHINGTON BLVD, FREMONT,CA

We welcome you and your family into the life of Fremont First, regardless of your skin color, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental capacity, religious background, family configuration, economic means or immigrations status. Check out our website:

www.firstchurchfremont.org

See our website to meet us on Zoom

Is your spiritual journey complete with amazing music, thought provoking reflection, friendly people, and even a few well-behaved dogs?

Join us on Sunday at 10am St. Anne's Episcopal Church 2791 Driscoll Rd

Fremont, CA 94539

Join Us—AAUW, Fremont Branch

We support equity for women and girls through research, education and action! Scholarships and internships available

https://fremont-ca.aauw.net aauwfremontbranch@gmail.com

LARRY OROZCO

TEEN WORKSHOP
BICYCLE SALES & PARTS
Minor Service Repairs
DONATION - BICYCLES ACCEPTED
DROP OFF
SATURDAYS 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS!! 33623 Mission Blvd.

Union City, CA (510) 675-5805

A-1 Comm. Housing Svcs. A HUD Approved Agency 1st Time Home Buyers Workshop

Presented on ZOOM
Learn the process of
homeownership.
Down Payment Assistance
Please register www.a1chs.org
or call 510.674.9227

Scholarships for Women

Fremont PEO/UF sponsors scholarships for women entering college, earning another degree, or returning after 2+ years.

2% education loans.

www.peocalifornia.org peouf150@gmail.com

The Friendship Force of the San Francisco Bay Area

Experience a country and its culture with local hosts; meet global visitors.

Guests from Canada in 2024

We visit Japan

Enjoy our many Bay Area events

www.ffsfba.org www.friendshipforce.org Call or text 510-363-0531

Fremont Cribbage Club

Meets every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at Stanley's Sports Bar in Sharks Ice Fremont 44388 Old Warm Springs Blvd. Fremont.

We play a 9-game tournament We welcome experienced players and will work with new players hoping to learn the game.
Email: accgr43@gmail.com for more information.

A-1 Comm. Housing Svcs. A HUD Approved Agency

Credit and Money Mgmt. Workshop

Presented on Zoom
For dates, go to our website
Please register at www.a1chs.org
call 510.674.9227

SENIOR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Friendly & fun group open to men & women. For more information visit: www.soireeseniors.com

"BELIEVE" Holiday Boutique Sat December 7 9am-3pm

Sat. December 7, 9am-3pm
Fremont's largest!
Over 80 artisan vendors
Bake sale, prize drawings & more
FREE admission and parking
American High School
36300 Fremont Blvd, Fremont
https://ahsboutique.weebly.com/

Rewarding volunteer opportunity! Deliver meals to seniors SOS Meals on Wheels

Fremont, Newark, Union City M-F, 10:30am - 12:30 pm 10-15 clients per route

Contact John, 510-244-0165 John@sosmow.org www.sosmow.org

Serious Mental Illness Free 8-week course for caregivers of someone with a serious mental illness

starting Jan 4, 2025, from 9:00-11:30 in Fremont. Registration Form at: https://bit.ly/4h8ev0s Contact: Joe Rose at 510-255-3903 or F2F@NAMIacs.org

10 lines/\$10/ 10 Weeks \$50/Year

510-494-1999 tcv@tricityvoice.com

Shout out to your community

Our readers can post information including:

Activities Announcements For sale Garage sales Group meetings

Lost and found

For the extremely low cost of \$10 for up to 10 weeks, your message will reach thousands of friends and neighbors every TUESDAY in the TCV printed version and continuously online.

TCV has the right to reject any posting to the Community Bulletin Board. Payment must be received in advance.

Payment is for one posting

only. Any change will be considered a new posting and incur a new fee.

The "NO" List:

- No commercial announcements, services or sales
- No personal services (escort services, dating services, etc.)
- No sale items over \$100 value
- No automobile or real estate sales
- No animal sales (nonprofit humane organization adoptions accepted)
- No P.O. boxes unless physical address is verified by TCV

NEWARK TOASTMASTERS Start your day with a boost of energy ZOOM Every Tuesday

Morning 7am - 8am

Sharpen your communication, leadership and personal growth skills We hold "Job Interview" skills workshops Guests always welcome For meeting Zoom link, email

skills workshops Guests always welcome For meeting Zoom link, email wmfitts@yahoo.com profricka@gmail.com

SAN LEANDRO HISTORICAL RAILWAY SOCIETY OPEN HOUSE

The SLHRS models the
Southern Pacific from Oakland
to just east of Norden using a
tri-level Donner Pass helix.
Public invited every
Sat. 10AM - 2:30PM
1302 Orchard Ave, San Leandro
San Leandro G&O trains in back
garden. New members & Model
Railroad donations accepted.

Visit us at www.slhrs.org

Are you troubled by someone else's drinking?

Al-Anon and Alateen Family Groups are here to help! Al-Anon has but one purpose, to help families and friends of Alcoholics.

We have in-person and zoom meetings.
Uc-newark.northernca-al-anon.org
for a full meeting list.

You can also email Alanond17@gmail.com or call us at 510.276.2270 for more info.

ROTARY CLUB OF NEWARK CA

Meets on Tuesdays from 12:15 PM to 1:30 PM at Doubletree Hotel, 39900 Balentine Dr., Newark, CA 94560 Conference Room 3

The Newark Rotary Club was founded on May 8, 1961 and continues its community and international service work.

Members share camaraderie, fun and self-service in helping others throughout the Tri-City area and beyond.

We welcome you to join us for a free lunch on us!

For more information, email rotarynewarkca@gmail.com

THE HISTORIC SHINN HOUSE

1251 Peralta Blvd, Fremont, CA
Open for public tours \$4 adults, \$2 Children (7-13) on the:
 First Wednesday of each month, and
 Third Sunday of each month from 1 PM to 4 PM.
 Groups of six or more need to make a reservation
 Groups of five or less are welcome without a reservation
 We will enforce current local CDC Guidelines
 All tours are Docent led and last about one hour.
 More information and group reservations email
 mphf.secretary@gmail.com

TRI-CITIES WOMEN'S CLUB

Meets on the third Tuesday
Elk's Club on Farwell Drive
9:15 – Cards & Games
11:30 – Lunch 1:00 – Program
& Meeting Group meeting
monthly/bimonthly; bridge,
lunch bunch,Rummikub,
bocce ball & book club.
For more info,
call 510-673-0877

FREMONT COIN CLUB

Established 1971
Meets 2nd Tues in person 7pm
Meets 4nd Tues with Zoom 7pm
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
38801 Blacow Rd, Fremont
Guests Always Welcome,
Enjoy Show N Tells, Drawings
Auction, Refreshments
www.fremontcoinclub.org
510-366-1365

continued from page 1

New Fremont mayor gets sworn into office

"I have received a gift unlike any other," Zhang said. "I consider it the gift of a lifetime."

With emotion in her voice, Lily Mei shared her 20-year journey in Fremont City Hall, from an everyday mother who just wanted to make a difference in her community, to a twice-elected mayor.

In her closing speech, she reflected on her legacy of service, emphasizing that her time in office was never about seeking accolades or recognition, but about being a catalyst for positive change.

"And I hope with every

"And I hope with every fiber of my being that I've succeeded in that mission," Mei said.

Winter Solstice events

By **STAFF**

The longest night of the year is coming up. While it's so dark and cold, people may prefer to stay home. But if they want to go out, there are activities for them.

For the sunrise on the shortest day, Del Valle Park in Livermore is organizing a hike starting at 6:30am at

Arroyo Road Staging Area. Along the way, hikers will learn why the shortest day of the year is significant. The hike is strenuous, so wear sturdy shoes and bring water. Coffee will be provided. Register at: https://www.ebparks.org/parks/del-valle

On Dec. 2, Coyote Hills will host a drop-in program starting at dusk with hot drinks, s'mores and storytelling around a fire, as well as nature observations and solstice themed crafts. The program starts at 4:30pm at the visitor center. https://www.ebparks.org/ parks/coyote-hills

Niles Discovery Church will hold a special Longest Night Service on Dec. 21 at 7:30pm. The theme is light in the midst of darkness, and the service is especially for those dealing with grief or challenges around the holiday season. The service includes a candle lighting. https://nilesdiscoverychurch. org/ **Classifieds Deadline: Noon Thursday** 510-494-1999 | tcv@tricityvoice.com

CLASSIFIEDS

RANDY'S FENCE REINFORCEMENT

Fences straightened **Money saved Customers pleased**

Instant quote! 510-706-6189

KYROS IN-HOME CARE & REGISTRY, INC.

Providing quality Caregivers for elderly care services,

Areas covered bay area Alameda county

Contact us! (510) 697-3209 or (925) 594-3994 Available 24/7

Lam Research Corporation in Fremont, CA has an opening for

BUSINESS SYSTEMS ANALYST

Utilize databases & tools for the dylpmnt of the Knowledge Mgmt apps. Reg Bach's deg in Bus Admin, Bus Info Systs, Comp Sci, Mechnel Engg, Indstrl Engg, Elect Engg, or rel fld + 5 yrs prgrssv, post-baccalaureate exp in bus systs analysis: OR a Master's deg in Bus Admin, Bus Info Systs, Comp Sci. Mechnel Engg, Indstrl Engg, Elect Engg, or rel fld + 3 yrs exp in bus systs analysis. Exp may be gained while in grad school. Salary: \$168,096 - \$220,000/yr. Please email resume to resumes@lamresearch.com and reference Job #2535.



Affordable Rates And Superior Customer Service

We are a fully-insured company that provides free estimates to all of our customers. We offer 10 percent off for senior citizens and proudly offer

24-hour emergency services because your sewer system does not run by the same clock as you do.

(CALL'US_ITODAY 510-866-5157

Economic Specialist

Job site: Fremont, CA. Wage \$88400 to \$120000 per year.

Send resume to:

Amax Engineering Corp. 1565 Reliance Way, Fremont, CA 94539

Lam Research Corporation

in Fremont, CA has an opening for

PRODUCT ENGINEER

(MULTIPLE POSITIONS)

Wrk on new prdct intrdctn and prdctn spprt engg for a spcfc prdct or grp of prdcts. Req. Bach deg or frgn equiv in Mtrls Sci, Mech Engg, Indstrl Engg, or rel fld + 5 yr of pst-bcclrte prgrssve exp in prdct engg; OR Mstrs deg or frgn equiv in Mtrls Sci, Mech Engg, Indstrl Engg, or rel fld + 3 yrs of exp in prdct engg. Salary: \$149,240 - \$181,000/yr.

> Please email resume to resumes@lamresearch.com and reference Job #2295.

AVOID PIPE CLOGS!

KEEP FATS, OILS, & GREASE (FOG) OUT OF YOUR DRAINS!



Wipe cooled pans with a paper towel



Scrape cooled grease into compostable container



Place in your green waste/food scraps bin

For more info: (510) 477-7500



For larger amounts of used cooking oil or grease check StopFOG.com for disposal information.



Ohlone College dance students perform at Winter Showcase Cabaret



Winter Showcase host Zion Wheaton and Hip Hop dance student Pranav dance to the freestyle portion of the show. Photo credit:

Submitted by **ROELLE BALAN**

Ohlone College's Winter Showcase Cabaret graces the stage of the NUMMI inside the Ohlone College Smith Center. It's a chance to showcase all the hard work Theatre and Dance students put into their singing and dancing routines during the Fall Semester. The event took

place on Dec. 6 and 7.

The stage was adorned with red roses on top of a wooden platform. Behind was a gorgeous red opera house-style curtain. Performers on stage became background actors, sitting on chairs and tables as if in a fancy restaurant with flameless candles as the centerpiece. Next to one of the tables was a bar with bar stools. On the other side of the stage was a DJ set, drum set, and an electronic piano

The night started off with Ohlone student and Winter Showcase host Zion Wheaton rapping to an original piece over the instrumental "I Like the Way You Move" by OutKast. He also invited other performers to dance freestyle.

In a comedic fashion, Ohlone Dance Director Lia Altan interrupted his rap

performance to say the show can't start without a curtain speech.

The night was filled with dance performances and live singing. The Hip Hop dance class taught by Keith Pinto performed a choreographed dance to "Fly As Me" by Silk Sonic and "KOD" by JCole.

The college's K-Pop club performed their own routine to a song called "Shake It" by girl group Sistar. A stunning

contemporary-like dance to "Burn" from the Broadway musical "Hamilton" graced the stage, performed by David Jeffries.

Theatre student Ethan Le sang "Here's to the Ladies that Lunch" by Elaine Stritch from the musical "Company."

Several other talented students from the theatre department also sang live to Broadway musical numbers, including "Michael's In the Bathroom" sung by Jack Dellandre, "When He Sees Me" sung by Eddie Sherman and "Mr. Cellophane" sung by Alex Walleman.

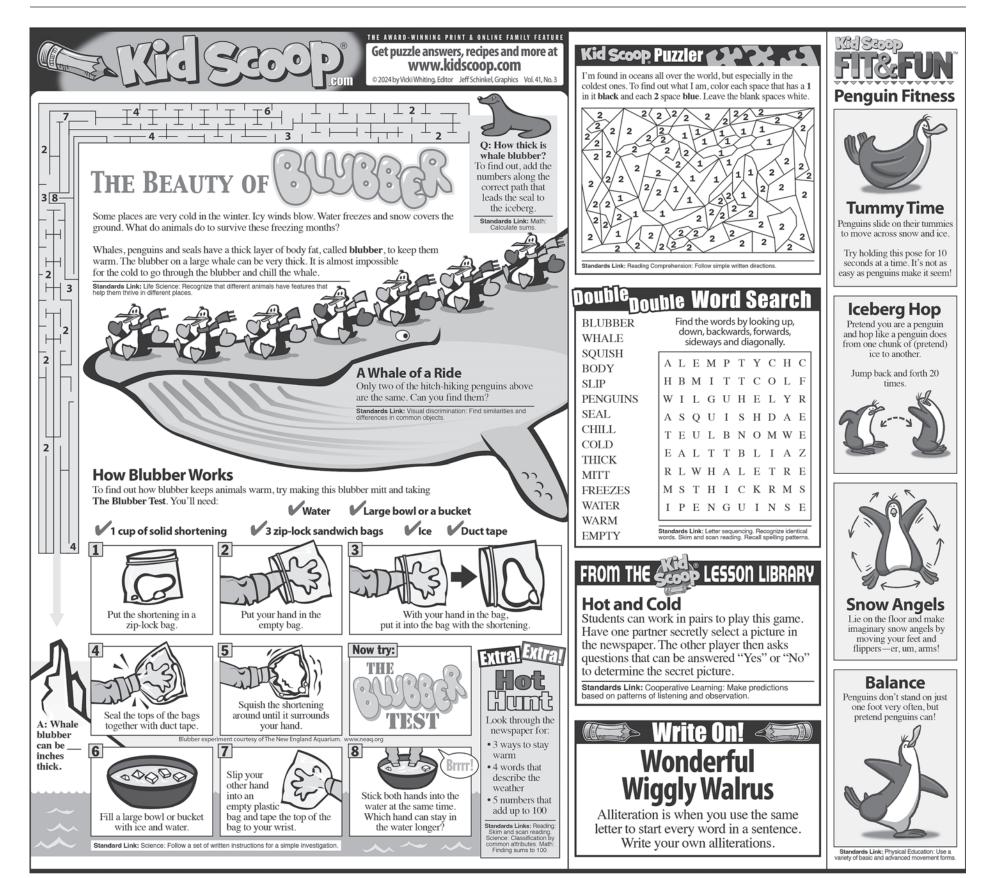
At the end of the performances, Alton talked about the Spring Showcase. It will be performed at the bigger venue, the Jackson

Theatre at the Smith Center. Alton said through email dancers and choreographers who want to be a part of the Spring Showcase have to

register for a class in order to participate in rehearsals. The show will be on April 25-26, 2025. Dance experience is not required.

Some Theatre students from Ohlone College will be attending the Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland, a worldwide performing arts festival. The Theatre department is accepting donations to send students to the festival through the Ohlone College Foundation Paypal. Donors must specify the donation is for "Edinburgh Festival Fringe."

Multiple dance classes are offered at Ohlone for the upcoming Spring Semester 2025. Those classes are Intro to Ballet, Intro to Contemporary Dance, Intro to Hip Hop, and Intro to Classical Indian Dance.



Shop local gifts and treats Banter Bookshop physical gift cards. Be sure 88 Cardhouse 88 Cardhouse

By **STAFF**

Holiday shopping can be hectic and stressful, but supporting small businesses is sure to bring back the joy of shopping. This holiday season, support local small businesses when searching for the perfect gift for a loved one. Shopping small and locally adds that special touch of care and personalization when gift giving.

If you've already checked off all of the people on your list, local bakeries are the perfect stop before heading to your next holiday party to pick up a treat for guests.

Below are a few small businesses to support this season.

Banter Bookshop is the newest book store you're going to want to visit if you have a book-lover on your list. With their curated books, you're sure to quickly find the perfect story. The children section in the back is also a great place to find kids' books, toys and fun journals and games. Banter also offers gift cards for the picky reader. 3768 Capitol Ave.,

Fremont

510.565.1004

Books on B

As a proud independent bookstore, Books on B carries new, used, rare and special-order reads. They also offer electronic and

to browse their Books on B merchandise.

1014 B St., Hayward 510.538.3943

The Cobblers

Visit The Cobblers if vou're in search of some great western wear. With walls of boots, racks of belt buckles and rows of cowboy hats, this small business has been in the Grasseschi family since 1958 and is a great place to find a western gem. The store also offers shoe and leather repairs, the perfect chance to give new life to an already loved item.

22443 Foothill Blvd.. Hayward

510.582.7761

For the trading card game enthusiast on your list, 88 Cardhouse is the place to visit. 88 Cardhouse offers rare Pokémon and Star Wars cards to classic sports trading cards and unique

boardgames. 5970 Mowry Ave., Suite J, Newark

510.602.7736

Allegro Music For the aspiring or established musician, Allegro Music is the best place small business or not— to find the perfect for a music lover. At Allegro, get help from an expert finding the perfect musical gift. From guitars to accordions, to lessons, sheet music and

accessories, Allegro has it all. 3115 Walnut Ave., Fremont

510.793.3500

Cristal Love

Browse through rows of gems, stones and jewelry at Cristal Love in Newark. With sage, sound bowls, candles and more, find a gift for those who are seeking a peaceful and calming holiday.

4368 Thornton Ave., Fremont

510.661.2209

Mamahouse Bakeshop

This family run business prioritizes locally sourced ingredients to make their sweet treats. Specializing in small batch handmade

pastries, this is a great option for a holiday gathering. The best part is you can find them in Fremont Kaiser, Union City, Hayward and Newark farmer's markets. 510.789.5108

Forest and Flour

Holiday treats can be difficult to navigate for those who have dietary restrictions, but Forest and Flour has that covered This Fremont bakery specializes in making gluten, dairy, soy and peanut free breads, cakes and pastries.

43587 Mission Blvd., Fremont

510.573.1736

Bouncing back from challenges at work: part 2

By ANNE CHAN, PHD, MFT

In my last column, I wrote about the fundamental building blocks for being more resilient: taking good care of our bodies and health, managing stress levels, and building meaningful social connections. This month, we'll take a deeper dive into the secrets of resilient people so that you can train yourself to be stronger in handling life's challenges.

Life can throw us some real doozies: at some point, all of us will be confronted with death, illness, setbacks, failures, disappointments and other challenges. It's normal to feel discouraged, frightened and upset when negative events occur. Some, understandably,

get stuck in hopelessness, fear

and negativity. Fear responses are normal because our brains are wired to interpret many things as threats. These range from actual physical danger (a rabid dog coming towards you) to social rejection (a group of co-workers go off to lunch and don't invite you). When we perceive situations or people as threats, we tend to go into what I call our "F" modes (no, not THAT "F"): flight, fight, freeze, fawn, or flag (having lowered energy). These F modes bring with them feelings of fear, shame, rejection, anger, sadness, worry and anxiety. These painful feelings are meant to spur us to action, albeit in a painful way. Unfortunately, some get stuck in F modes and spiral down.

Say for instance, that rumors are swirling that massive layoffs are going to happen at your company. People will react very differently. Some wall themselves off. Others gather in small groups whispering nervously. You notice a few working furiously in an effort to prove their worth. In such a situation where your livelihood is at stake, it is perfectly normal to feel anxious, afraid, stressed, angry and depressed. You might even experience physical symptoms like increased heart rate, stomach upsets and headaches.

The good news is that you can get unstuck by naming your emotions and acknowledging them as natural responses to threat. This is a critical first step in getting a hold of your brain's responses and developing resilient coping skills. Watch how you speak to yourselfdo you have a critical voice that says mean things that you would NEVER say to any other being on this planet? If so, practice a softer, more compassionate voice. Imagine what a good friend or mentor might say to you.

Research on resilient people has uncovered their secrets to developing mental resiliency. One key piece is to focus on what one can control. Resilient people's minds encourage them toward positive action rather than staying stuck in negative emotions. Hence, resilient people would stay away from toxic workplace gossip or anxious rumormongering and instead focus on building positive professional relationships. When a layoff occurs, they might organize a job search support group to share strategies and job leads. They would focus on enhancing their LinkedIn profile, updating their resume and building their internal and external network. They would continue doing a good job so they can leave with a strong recommendation from their boss.

The phrase "growth mindset" captures resilient people perfectly—they see challenges as an opportunity for growth. They don't interpret a challenge as bad luck or a curse. If we can view a situation as an opportunity, we can manage F modes with constructive reactions

that allow us to think more expansively and cope with the situation. During a layoff, you might want to ask yourself how you can grow and nurture your career.

How we respond to difficult situations will ultimately determine our life satisfaction and happiness. When the going gets tough, the resilient get going with a growth mindset and positive action. I wish you all a very resilient and relaxing holiday season!

Anne Chan is a career consultant and licensed psychotherapist in California. She specializes in helping people find happiness in their careers and lives. You can reach her at

annechantcv@gmail.com © Anne Chan, 2024

Correction

For the article "Capitol Square sale shows Fremont district's viability," which ran in the Dec. 10 issue of Tri-City Voice, "Chris DeHaan" is the correct spelling. We apologize for the error.

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

continued from page 1

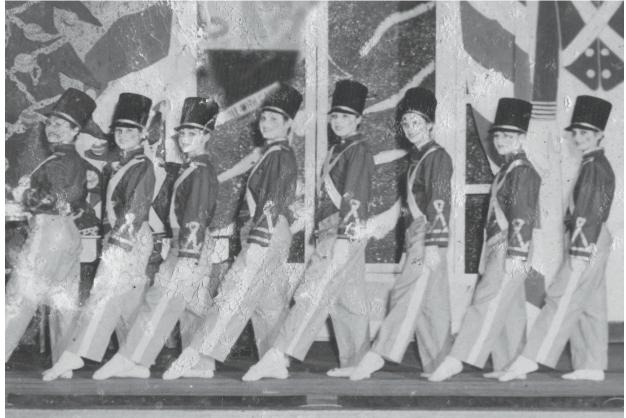
East Bay Children's Theatre performs at Title I schools



In 2024, EBCT staged Curious and Curiouser: The Alice in Wonderland Musical (2024). Photo courtesy of EBCT.



Susan Cochran played Cinderella for EBCT in the 1960s. Photo courtesy of EBCT.



In the 1950s, EBCT put on a production of Babes in Toyland. Photo courtesy of EBCT.



EBCT's 2017 production was Aladdin And The Lamp. Photo courtesy of EBCT.

White Rabbit in this year's production: *Curious and Curiouser: The Alice in Wonderland Musical.* "The children always swarm around us after the show asking for autographs, stars in their eyes. This is very heady stuff for us community theatre actors," she laughs.

Fellow actor Jordyn Foley plays Alice, and has starred in several other EBCT productions. "I met Ron when I was nine," she says. "I love the cause, the people, the music...so I just kept coming back."

"It plants a seed, doesn't it?" says Lytle, a twinkle in

his eye. "The first show I saw was *Snow White*. I was in kindergarten. And for some reason it was in Spanish."

Lytle has been with EBCT for 20 years now, and has made dramatic changes during his tenure. Says Mary Bishop, EBCT President, "Ron has really expanded the company artistically. Before he arrived it had been mainly just a women's social club."

"It has changed a lot," says Anne Doyle, 91, who has been volunteering with EBCT for the past 40 years. "When I joined, it was myself and some other ladies from Piedmont and Oakland,

and we would do everything ourselves—paint sets, make costumes and perform."

Lytle, who first developed his writing chops in college and later in Las Vegas, was initially hired as a freelance playwright, providing EBCT with original material. His first commission: a parody of The Elves and the Shoemaker titled "There's No Business Like Shoe Business". He would eventually take on several other roles, including director, choreographer, composer and lyricist.

To date he has created 20 productions— scripts and scores— for the

company, including 14 original musicals, five revivals of previous shows, and one movie musical. He has opened the group up to outside actors and technicians, brought in professional music tracks, utilized new theatre mics and lighting, refined sets and improved programming by adding a holiday fundraiser and public performances. Says Lytle, "I decided early on that I wanted to bring as much spectacle to these kids as I could."

Like most theatre companies, EBCT survives through donations and grants. And while they



Jordyn Foley played Cinderella in *Once Upon A Time Step* (2021). Photo courtesy of EBCT.

were fortunate to receive a sizable grant during the pandemic, Bishop admits it has been tough going. They break even on most public performances, and with a dwindling membership base, support and outreach are at an all-time low. Each year their season shrinks just a little bit more.

But for now they soldier on, staying true to their original mission. Lytle's program note sums it up best: "Who knows how many kids EBCT has inspired to become actors, singers, dancers, musicians, writers, technicians, and audience members..."

East Bay Children's Theatre www.ebctonline.org ebctheatre@gmail.com Holiday Fundraiser: Once Upon A Time Step: The Magical Musical Movie Sunday, Dec. 22 2pm Firehouse Arts Center 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton Tickets: \$14 - \$20 www.firehousearts.org

Home & Garden

Five global holiday cakes



Bibingka is made from rice flour in a banana leaf lined bowl. Photo credit: Daniel O'Donnell



Alcohol for Irish Christmas cake should be soaked for two weeks. Photo credit: Daniel O'Donnell



Irish Christmas cake can be left with no frosting, iced with marzipan or covered with white frosting. Photo credit: Daniel O'Donnell



 $Panettone\ is\ actually\ a\ sweet,\ fruit-stuffed\ bread.\ Photo\ credit:\ Daniel\ O'Donnell$



The long loaf of stollen cake looks like a tunnel. Photo credit: Daniel O'Donnell

By DANIEL O'DONNELL

The world's oldest cake was discovered in the tomb of a prominent Egyptian who lived around 2200 B.C. Most cakes if not all at this time were baked as offerings to the gods. However, once the prototype was invented, cakes evolved as different cultures added their own creative touches, ingredients and baking techniques. These led from cakes being baked as offerings to being baked for their sweet or savory taste and/or to celebrate significant occasions. The holiday season is one of those noteworthy times.

There are many different traditional desserts throughout the world. Below are five cakes often served during the holidays, not only in the cakes' native countries, but now in the U.S. as well.

Irish Christmas Cake

Traditionally, Irish Christmas cake is moist, rich, heavily spiced, and full of dried fruits and nuts, and in many cases soaked with whiskey or brandy every so often

until the cake is ready to be frosted or eaten. The dried fruit that goes into the cake batter is soaked in alcohol two weeks prior to baking the cake, which is six to eight weeks before the holiday season begins. Irish Christmas cakes are presented and served with no frosting, a marzipan icing, and/or with a white frosting top layer.

Italian Panettone

Panettone is popular all over Italy during the winter holidays. Many people consider it cake, although it is actually a sweet bread. Regardless, it is still a holiday favorite among both Italian and non-Italian Americans. Baked with raisins, other dried fruits, often almonds, candied lemon and orange citrus rinds, the dessert always has a rich and buttery flavor and a light and fluffy texture. Traditionally it can take up to 24 hours to make so there is no stigma, even in Italy, if a Panettone is purchased rather than baked at home.

German Stollen

Known in Germany as Weihnachtsstollen, Christstollen,

or Winterbrot, German stollen is considered a cake because of its sweet flavor and thick coat of powdered sugar, and is often served as a dessert. However, it is in fact a baked, yeasted fruit bread containing dried fruits, candied citrus peels, nuts, and spices and sometimes marzipan filling in the center. German stollen is easily recognizable by its long loaf shape. Some historians think it was molded in the shape of a mining tunnel, which was a crucial industry in the area, while others think its shape has a religious connection to the baby Jesus being wrapped in a blanket.

Filipino Bibingka

Bibingka is a Filipino rice cake traditionally cooked over coals in a shallow banana leaf lined terracotta bowl. It is eaten throughout the year but especially during the Christmas/Holiday season. Traditionally, bibingkas are made with rice flour, but there are recipes that use other types of flour such as mochiko flour or cassava flour. The basic ingredients besides

flour are butter, coconut milk and egg. Other ingredients can include sweetened condensed milk, vanilla, and macapuno, which is a coconut cultivar. Some bibingkas are traditionally served with a duck egg, grated coconut or cheese.

Jewish Hanukkah cake

The name Jewish Hanukkah cake is a term used during the holidays for a dense and sweet apple cake filled with tart fruit and topped with cinnamon and sugar. This Jewish apple cake is traditionally made without dairy products and so is often enjoyed throughout the year. It is a popular dessert choice for Hanukkah because of the use of oil instead of butter. A central part of Hanukkah is the Miracle of the Oil when the Temple menorah stayed lit for eight days on a single day's supply of oil. It is traditional during Hanukkah to eat fried and oily foods in remembrance of this miracle, making this cake an ideal dessert for the holiday.

There are plenty of recipes online for these traditional holiday

cakes. Some of these cakes can be purchased. World Market, 101 Clay Street, Oakland, sells panettones, stollens and numerous Burt's fruit cakes which are indistinguishable from traditional Irish Christmas cakes. Bibingka cakes are available at Valerio's Tropical Bake shop, 1535 Landes Ave., Milpitas. Jewish Hanukkah cake can be hard to find locally but can be ordered online from Challah&Co.com or GoldBelly.com.

There are many different holiday traditions around the world. Enjoying a traditional holiday cake from another culture can literally spice up and sweeten your holiday season.

Daniel O'Donnell is the co-owner and operator of an organic landscape design/build company in Fremont. www.Chrysalis-Gardens.com

The ACWD Connection

Tap Into Water-Efficient Gifts This Holiday Season

Give the gifts that keep on giving every day of the year!





- Rain barrels *
- Shower timers
- Moisture meters
- Low-flow aeratorsHigh-efficiency toilets
- Water-efficient plants
- Leak detection tablets
- Low-flow showerheads
- Water-themed children's books
- High-efficiency clothes washers

Rebates are available for rain barrels and weather based irrigation controllers. For rebate and water conservation information visit **acwd.org/conserve**.

Weather-based irrigation controllers*







Arts & Entertainment

Continuing Events: Mondays, Wednesday, Fridays Oct. 14 - Dec. 20

EnhanceFitness Fall Prevention Course \$R

9:30am - 10:30am Exercises to build strength and balance in adults ages 65+ Ralph & Mary Ruggieri Senior Center 33997 Alvarado-Niles Rd., Union City 510.876.8809 spectrumcs.org Suggested donation for 10-week course: \$54

Mondays and Tuesdays Practice Your English at Fremont Main Library

Monday: 7pm - 8pm (starting

Tuesday: 4pm - 5pm Practice English with tutors. Fremont Main Library 2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont

Mondays and Thursdays Food Garden Volunteer

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

Tuesdays

East Bay Games Meet

6pm - 10pm German/Euro style board games and card games. Swiss Park 5911 Mowry Ave., Newark 510.936.2523 meetup.com/east-bay-games sfdavidkaye@yahoo.com

Tuesdays

East Indian Seniors R

2pm - 4pm Anyone who is retired and of Indian origin or interested in Indian culture is welcome to Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont 510.790.6606 Second and Fourth Tuesdays of the month

Tuesdays

Music and Storytime

11:30am - 12pm Join us for stories, music, and movement. For babies, toddlers, kids, and preschoolers. Cherryland Community

278 Hampton Road, Hayward 510.626.8522

Tuesdays

Comfort & Joy Ukulele R

1:30pm - 3pm A group of ukulele players with volunteer leaders to practice familiar songs as well as learning new. Age Well Center at Lake Eliz-

40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont 510.790.6606

Wednesday, Dec. 4 -Friday, Fed. 21

The Bridge and the Point: A Photographic Investigation

11am – 4pm Exhibit images were shot by students in the Advanced Photography class at Ohlone College during the Fall 2024 semester. Professor Paul Mueller and his class visited abandoned industrial areas around Alameda Point and Dumbarton Bridge, places familiar to those who live in the area, but generally overlooked by everyone else.

Louie-Meager Art Gallery, Smith Center for Fine and Performing Arts Ohlone College 43600 Mission Blvd., Fre-

Free and open to the public

Thursdays

Historic Days

10am - 4pm Ride a narrow-gauge train, tour the beautifully restored Patterson House Museum. Disabled accessible. Ardenwood admission fee applies. Ardenwood Farms 34600 Ardenwood Blvd., Fremont 510.544.2797 Drop in program

Thursdays Family Board Game Night

3:30pm - 5:30pm 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

Milpitas Public Library 160 N Main St., Milpitas 408.262.1171 For teens, adults, and seniors. Last Thursdays of the month

Thursday, Nov. 7 -Saturday, Dec. 14

Connecting Cuts Exhibit Witness the art of Bay Area artists' papercutting, intricate designs created by carving shapes in positive and negative space into paper. Gallery hours: Thur - Sun; 12pm - 5pm Olive Hyde Art Gallery

123 Washington Blvd., Fre-510.791.4357

olivehydeartguild.org Thursdays and **Saturdays**

Story Time

10:30am - 11am Picture book story time Banter Bookshop 3768 Capitol Ave. Ste. F, Fremont 510.565.1004 bit.ly/3VFpbc

Saturdays

Laugh Track City R\$

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

Saturdays

in these listings.

Free Beginner Pickleball Lesson

\$ = Entrance or Activity Fee

Schedules are subject to change.

Call to confirm activities shown

R= Reservations Required

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 Ashland Community Center 1530 167th Ave., San Leandro Noel Munivez: 510.317.2303 munn@HaywardRec.org

Sundays

Farmyard Games

1pm Try your hand at classic American pastimes including stilts, sack races, and the potato-spoon race. Drop-in program; Ardenwood admission fee applies. Ardenwood Farms

34600 Ardenwood Blvd., Fremont 510.544-2797 Sunday, Dec. 1 -

Monday, Jan. 14 Life is a Joy Exhibit

11am – 4pm Portola Art Gallery presents "Life is a Joy - New and Recent Works Inspired by Tomorrow and Yesterday,' expressive oil paintings by award-winning artist Marsha Heimbecker of San Mateo. Portola Art Gallery 75 Arbor Rd., Menlo Park www.portolaartgallery.com 650.321.0220

Sundays - Saturdays Recreational Swim \$

12:30pm - 5pm Attractions may vary. Silliman Activity and Family Aquatic Center 6800 Mowry Ave., Newark 510.578-4620 bit.ly/3nxo0is

Sunday, Dec. 15 -Monday, Dec. 23

Las Posadas

6pm Participants meet on the porch of the Old Mission San Jose Museum and walk in a procession to a local business or site within two blocks singing Christmas carols as they go. Mission San Jose Museum 43300 Mission Blvd., Fremont

missionsanjose.org/las-posadas www.fremontculturalartscouncil.org

www.missionsanjose.org

Sundays

Larry "O" Teen Workshop

10am - 12pm Used bikes, bike parts for sale and bike repair. Donation accepted.

Larry Orozco Teen Workshop 33623 Mission Blvd., Union

510.675.5487 www.unioncity.org/723/Larry-O-Teen-Workshop RobertS@unioncity.org Second and fourth Sundays of the month

Upcoming Events Wednesday, Dec. 18

Dream Achievers Band Concert

1 - 3pmThe Dream Achievers Band is a musical ensemble made up of talented musicians with autism from Friend' of Children with Special Need's music program. Fremont Main Library 2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fre-

Thursday, Dec. 19 **Graphic Novel Reading** Hour

4 – 5pm Join us for this reading club, where you'll hear about a few different graphic novels and then get some time to read. You can bring your own graphic novel or borrow one from a stack of books. Newark Main Library 37055 Newark Blvd., Newark Newarklibrary@aclibrary.org

510.284.0675

Saturday, Dec. 21 **Financial Literacy for**

3pm-4pmThese workshops aim to teach preteens and teens about the basics of finance. We will introduce concepts like budgeting, investing, and managing credit. Union City Library 34007 Alvarado-Niles Rd., Union City 510.745.1464

Sunday, Dec. 22

Holiday Fundraiser

2 p.m. Once Upon A Time Step: The Magical Musical Movie Firehouse Arts Center 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton Tickets: \$14 - \$20 www.firehousearts.org

Saturday, Dec. 28

Winter Magic Show 1-2pm

Come warm yourself this season with a little fun and a whole lot of wonder! All ages are welcome. Magician Mike Della Penna is known for captivating the 3-to-8-year-old crowd with his laughter-filled, participatory magic shows. Space is limited. Fremont Library 2400 Stevenson Blvd., Fremont 510.745.1400

Tuesday, Jan. 21 **Artist informational**

6:30pm - 8:30pm For artists (visual, performance, musical, literary) who are interested in participating and learning more about Arts, Culture, and Creativity Month in April Artist Walk 3888 Artist Walk Common, Fremont fremontcreates.com

Saturday, Jan. 25 **Diamonds in Education**

Gala Help raise funds for students. Buffet dinner, casino games, live and silent auction and more

Paradise Ballroom 4100 Peralta Blvd., Fremont www.diamondsineducation.

Tickets: \$175/ \$150



FUDENNA BROS., INC.

Fremont's leader in small to medium office space

Short Term leases available

Perfect for startups looking to keep costs down

Allow for growth to larger office space within our properties

- -24/7 building access
- -Conference rooms available at no cost
- -Some Furniture available at no cost
- -Full service lease includes water, electric, janitorial, and nightly security patrol
- -No hidden fees
- -Close to Bart
- -Near 680/880



Contact Fudenna Bros. for more information Phone: 510-657-6200

Email: customerservice@fudenna.com Office located at 39823 Paseo Padre Pkwy. Fremont CA, 94538

PUBLIC NOTICES

BULK SALES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (UCC Sec. 6105)
Escrow No. 042440253PM
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) of the Seller(s), are: Lien Williamson and Clifford Williamson 37716 Genmoor Dr, Fremont CA 94536
Doing Business as: Nail Bar
All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within the past three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: none
The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: Newcore Partners LLC 1049 El Monte Avenue, Ste C #928, Mountain View, CA 94040
The assets being sold are described in general as: Fixtures, Equipment, Inventory and all business assets and are located at: 1910 W El Camino Real, Mountain View, CA 94040
The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: Bay Area Escrow Services and the anticipated sale date is 01/09/25
The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code(s) sections set forth above.
The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: Bay Area Escrow Services 2817 Crow Canyon Road, Suite 102, San Ramon, CA 94583 and the last date for filing claims by any creditor shall be 01/08/25 on which is the notice is the business day before the sale date specified above.
Dated: 12/10/2024 specified above. Dated: 12/10/2024

Buyer(s)
Newcore Partners LLC
By: S/ Nichole Wang, Member, By: P Mercado By: S/ Elliot Wang, Member, By: P Mercado as

12/17/24

CNS-3878297#

CIVIL

PLAINTIFF-IN-INTERNVENTION'S STATEMENT OF DAMAGES COMPLAINT-IN-INTERVENTION FILED: COMPLAINT-IN-INITERVENTION FILED: OCTOBER 13, 2023 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA UNLIMITED JURISDICTION CASE NO. 22CV016190 CITY OF FREMONT, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, PETITIONER,

v. LESZEK J. SZYMANSKI; AND DOES 1-25, LESSEN J. SZYWANSKI, AND DOES 1-25, RESPONDENTS ZCA HOMES LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, PLAINTIFF-IN-INTERVENTION,

LESZEK J. SZYMANSKI; AND DOES 26-35,

LESZEN J. SZYMANSKI; AND DOES 26-35, INCLUSIVE, DEFENDANTS-IN-INTERVENTION Plaintiff-In-Intervention ZCA HOMES, LLC ("ZCA") submits the following Statement of Damages pursuant to C.C.P. Section 425.11(c): ZCA seeks damages in the above-entitled action against Defendent-In-Intervention Leszek J. Szymanski as follows:

(1) Damages for breach of contract in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00

(2) Interest at a rate of 10% per year on damages from October 24, 2022, until judgment is entered.

(3) Attorney fees in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

(4) Costs in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00.

\$25,000.00'
(4) Costs in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00.
Dated: 12/6/2024
Alvis Quashnock and Associates, LLP
By: Marie G. Quashnock
3341 Walnut Blvd., Suite 350
Brentwood, CA 94513
Telephone (925) 516-1617
Facsimile: (925) 775-7008
marie@analegal.com

marie@aqalegal.com Attorneys for Plaintff ZCA Homes, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24, 1/7/25

CNS-3878533#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS **NAMES**

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
OF USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME
File No. 593508
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name(s):
The Fictitious Business Name Statement filed on 11/18/2022 in the County of Alameda.
MAGIKID ROBOTICS LAB, 2675 STEVENSON BLVD #101, FREMONT, CA, County of: 94538.
Registered Owner(s):
ROBOTECHO INC., 3685 MADISON COMMON, FREMONT, CA 94538
This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION eclare that all informatio

true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this section that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/ YUNJIA XU

S/YUNJIA XU This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda County on DEC 09, 2024. 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24, 1/7/25

CNS-3879064#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 611075
Fictitious Business Name(s):
DOMESTIC TRUCK DRIVING SCHOOL, 7921
ENTERPRISE DRIVE UNIT E, NEWARK, CA
94560, County of ALAMEDA
MAILING ADDRESS:4414 CRERTFIELD DR.,
SAN RAMON, CA 94582
Registrant(s):

Registrant(s):
SHARIF AHMED AHMADI,4414 CRERTFIELD
DR., SAN RAMON, CA 94582
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using

the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 10/01/2020

declare that all information in this statement

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

Is/ SHARIF AHMED AHMADI

This statement was filed with the County Clork of

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

//s/SHARIF AHMED AHMADI

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 12/06/2024

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

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).

2/17, 12/24, 12/31/24, 1/7/25

CNS-3879061#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Fictitious Business Name(s): TINA NAFEI CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC, 1860 MOWRY AVE, FREMONT, CA 94538 County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s): TINA NAFEI, 1860 MOWRY AVE SUITE 303,

FREMONT, CA 94538
Business conducted by: an Individual
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above or

the ficitious business name(s) listed above on 01/25/2007.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
S/ TINA NAFEI,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/12/2024.

Alameda County on 11/12/2024.
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be

filed before the expiration.

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

12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24, 1/7/25

CNS-3879025#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 611071
Fictitious Business Name(s):
GENIUS KIDS FREMONT MISSION, 43423
MISSION BLVD., FREMONT, CA 94539, County
of ALAMEDA
MAIL INIC. ADDRESS. of ALAMEDA
MAILING ADDRESS: 990 YUCATAN CT.,
FREMONT, CA 94539

Registrant(s):
SHIKSHA LLC, 990 YUCATAN CT., FREMONT, CA 94539
Business conductivities

SHIRSHA LLC, 990 TOCATAN CT., FREWONT, CA 94539
Business conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 07/01/2023
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ VAISHNAVEE RAGAVAN
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

/s/ VAISHNAVEE RAGAVAN
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 12/06/2024
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

new hottitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24, 1/7/25

CNS-3878126#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 610876
Fictitious Business Name(s):
STARBIRD, 33018 CARRARA TERRACE, UNION
CITY, CA 94587 - 2164 County of ALAMEDA
Revistrants

Registrant(s): FLORENCE Registrant(s): FLORENCE TSANG, 33018 CARRARA TERRACE, UNION CITY, CA 94587

Business conducted by: an Individual The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 08/15/2024. l declare that all information in this statement

08/15/2024.

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

S/FLORENCE TSANG,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/26/2024.

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

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

CNS-3877294#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 610944
Fictitious Business Name(s):
KHAKH COURIERS, 29394 TAYLOR AVE,
HAYWARD, CA 94544, County of ALAMEDA
MAILING ADDRESS: PO BOX 55031, HAYWARD,
CA 94544
Registratif

A 94544
Registrant(s):
PARAMJIT SINGH KHAKH, PO BOX 55031,
HAYWARD, CA 94545
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on
12/16/2019
I declare that all information in this statement
is true and correct. (A registrant who declares
as true any material matter pursuant to Section
17913 of the Business and Professions code
that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of
misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed
one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
(S/ PARAMJIT SINGH KHAKH
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 12/02/2024

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

new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/17. 12/24. 12/31/24. 1/7/25

CNS-3877292#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 610923
Fictitious Business Name(s):
MASTERING SPANISH, 6404 MARKET AVE.,
NEWARK, CA 94560, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s): TSU-KE WANG, 6404 MARKET AVE., NEWARK CA 94560

Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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

12/02/2024 declare that all information in this statement

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

/s/ TSU-KE WANG

one thousand dollars [\$1,000].) /s/ TSU-KE WANG
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 12/02/2024
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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 1441) et or.

under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24

CNS-3877014#

authorize

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

File No. 610773
Fictitious Business Name(s):
CASH NOW FREMONT, 38790 PASEO PADRE
PKWY, FREMONT, CA 94536, County of

ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
SA FINANCIALS INC., 38790 PASEO PADRE
PKWY, FREMONT, CA 94536, County of
ALAMEDA
Business conducted by: A CORPORATION
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on
12/04/2003
I declare that all information in this statement
is true and correct. (A registrant who declares

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

/s/ SUKHRAJ GHUMAN
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/21/2024

Alameda County on 11/21/2024

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

The filing of this statement does not of itself

authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 610788

Fictitious Business Name(s):
MISSION PEAK BROKRES / MISSION PEAK MISSION PEAK BROKRES / MISSION PEAK
/ MISSION PEAK BROKRES / MISSION PEAK
/ MISSION PEAK FINANCIAL SERVICES
/ MISSION PEAK BUSINESS BROKERS
/ MISSION PEAK COMMERCIAL BROKERS
/ MISSION PEAK COMMERCIAL / MISSION
PEAK COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE / MISSION
PEAK COMMERCIAL LOANS / MISSION PEAK
LOANS / MISSION PEAK BUSINESS LOANS
/ MISSION PEAK COMMERCIAL GROUP /
MISSION PEAK COMMERCIAL GROUP /
MISSION PEAK COMMERCIAL GROUP /
MISSION PEAK REAL ESTATE
ADVISORS / MISSION PEAK REAL ESTATE
ADVISORS / MISSION PEAK REAL ESTATE
ADVISORS / MISSION PEAK INVESTMENT
ADVISORS / MISSION PEAK FUNDING GROUP
/ HARRY SIDHU / MISSION PEAK REALTY
/ MISSION PEAK REAL ESTATE SERVICES,
46560 FREMONT BLVD, STE 111, FREMONT,
CA 94538, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA
REGISTRANCIA)
REGISTRANCIANO DEAK BROKERS INC. 46560

Registrant(s): MISSION PEAK BROKERS INC. 46560 FREMONT BLVD STE 111, FREMONT, CA 94538 Business conducted by: A CORPORATION The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

01/12/2010 I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ HARPREET SIDHU
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ HARPREET SIDHU
/s/ HARPREET SIDHU
/This statement was filed with the County Clerk of
Alameda County on 11/22/2024
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a)
of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement
generally expires at the end of five years from the
date on which it was filed in office of the county
clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of
Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after
any change in the facts set forth in the statement
pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in
the residence address of a registered owner. A
new fictitious business name statement must be
filed before the expiration.
The filling of this statement does not of itself
authorize the use in this state of a fictitious
business name in violation of the rights of another
under federal, state, or common law (see Section
14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

CNS-3875854#

CNS-3875854#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 610759
Fictitious Business Name(s):
AUTO EMPORIUM, 420 MOWRY AVE #A, FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA MAILING ADDRESS: 28720 VISTA GRANDE DR., HAYWARD, CA 94544

DR., HAYWARD, CA 94344
Registrant(s):
MUHAMMAD IMRAN, 28720 VISTA GRANDE
DR., HAYWARD, CA 94544
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on
10/27/24

The registrant began to transact usiness using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 10/23/24
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].) /s/ MUHAMMAD IMRAN
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/21/2024
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of

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

new inctitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

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

12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24

CNS-3875726#

CNS-3875726#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 610598
Fictitious Business Name(s).
DUTY FREE TERPENES, 30099 AHERN AVE,
UNION CITY, CA 94587 County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):
TERPENE BELT PROCESSING, LLC, 30099
AHERN AVE, UNION CITY, CA 94587
Business conducted by: a limited liability company
The registrant began to transact business using
the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

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

Alameda County on 11/13/2024.

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

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24

CNS-3875725# generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 610764 Fictitious Business Name(s): EHSAAS CANDLES / EHSAAS,3312 MORNING VIEW TERRACE, FREMONT, CA 94539, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s): PARUL PATEL, **3312 MORNING VIEW TERRACE**.

PARUL PATEL, 3312 MORNING VIEWTERRACE, FREMONT, CA 94539, County of ALAMEDA Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].) /s/ PARUL PATEL
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

one thousand dollars [\$1,000].) /S/ PARUL PATEL
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/21/2024
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

business name in violation of the rights of anothe under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24 CNS-3875721#

The filing of this statement does not of itself

the use in this state of a fictitious

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 610457
Fictitious Business Name(s):
TWO SHOT PEST CONTROL, 3619 FIRST ST,
LIVERMORE, CA 94551 County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):

MASON OSBORNE, 3619 FIRST ST,
LIVERMORE, CA 94551

Business conducted by: an Individual

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

10/01/2024 declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].) S/ MASON OSBORNE

S/ MASON OSBORNÉ,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of
Alameda County on 11/04/2024.
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a)
of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement
generally expires at the end of five years from the
date on which it was filed in office of the county

clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A

new fictifious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another than the first of another than the first of the statement for the statement of the statement for the statement for the statement of the statement for the statement f under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24/24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 610129
Fictitious Business Name(s):
PORSCHE FREMONT, 5740 CUSHING PARKWAY, FREMONT, CA 94538 County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
FREMONT P, LLC, 7300 WEST SAHARA
AVENUE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89117
Business conducted by: a limited liability company
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 04/01/2006.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares

is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
FREMONT P, LLC
S/ FLECTHER JONES 111,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

FREMONT P. LLC S/ FLECTHER JONES 111, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 10/22/2024. NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 11/26, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17/24

CNS-3872410#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 610127
Fictitious Business Name(s):
FLETCHER JONES MOTORCARS OF
FREMONT, 5760 CUSHING PARKWAY,
FREMONT, CA 94538 County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):

FREMIONT, CA 94330 COUNTY OF ALAIMEDA Registrant(s): FREMONT M. LLC, 7300 WEST SAHARA AVENUE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89117 Business conducted by: a limited liability company The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on

the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 04/01/2006.

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].)
FREMONT M. LLC

YELFCTHER LIONES 111.

one thousand doilars [\$1,00].)
FREMONT M. LLC
S/FLECTHER JONES 111,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of
Alameda County on 10/22/2024.
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a)
of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement
generally expires at the end of five years from the
date on which it was filed in office of the county
clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of
Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after
any change in the facts set forth in the statement
pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in
the residence address of a registered owner. A
new fictitious business name statement must be
filed before the expiration.
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

under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 11/26, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17/24 CNS-3872409# **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS**

NAME STATEMENT File No. 610494 iness Name(s): Fictitious Business Name(s):

ASSEMBLY OFFICE SOLUTIONS, 688 N. M ST.,

LIVERMORE, CA 94551, County of ALAMEDA

LIVERMORE, CA 94551, County of ALAMEDA Registrant(s):
JOSE ORELLANA AMAYA, 688 N. M ST., LIVERMORE, CA 94551, County of ALAMEDA Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000], /s/ JOSE ORELLANA AMAYA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on 11/06/2024 NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement or section 1/920, a flottlous 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 17912 other these statement.

pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 14411 et seq., Business and 11/26, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17/24

CNS-3872060#

GOVERNMENT

City of Fremont Notice of Fund Availability

City of Fremont Notice of Fund Availability Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fiscal Year 2025-2026 CAPITAL Projects Para información en español, por favor llame a Leticia Leyva a (510) 574-2072. 若您需要中文的訊息, 請撥510-574-2046與翁于話聯絡、謝謝.

苗聯絡.謝謝 The City of Fremont anticipates the availability of approximately \$996,878 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 CDBG funds for capital projects only, benefitting low to moderate income Fremont residents. Projects must be implemented in FY

residents. Projects must be implemented in FY 2025-2026 and completed by June 30, 2026. All capital projects must meet at least one need from the City's 2020 – 2024 Consolidated Action Plan. Interested applicants should anticipate meeting one of the following needs.

1. Affordable Housing Needs - Create affordable housing opportunities for low and moderate-income households throughout the City of Fermont

Fremont. Community Development Needs - Provide critical services to low and moderate-income people. Funds may be used to provide a public

people: Furtios may be used to provide a public service including economic development.

3. Priority Homeless Needs – Provide critical services to the homeless population.

4. Priority Supportive Housing – Increase the availability of service-enriched housing for persons with special needs.

In order to be considered for CDBG funding, agencies must meet the following minimum gualifications:

qualifications:
(1) Proposed service must meet one of the following CDBG National Objectives:
a. Benefit low-moderate income persons
b. Prevent/ Eliminate Slums or Blight
c. Address Urgent Needs
(2) Applicant must be a 501(c)(3) non-profit or

public agency. Secular ministries or programs of a religious organization are also eligible. (3) Applicant must have ability to meet Department of Housing and Urban Development's CDBG program requirements
(4) Applicant must have ability to meet City's grant

HEARING
Staff will hold a mandatory in-person Proposal
Overview for all agencies interested in requesting
FY 2025-2026 capital funding. City staff will
provide an overview of the CDBG RFP, the
proposal timeline and criteria used to evaluate

proposals. They will also answer any questions you may have about the process. The public will

uirements
PROPOSAL OVERVIEW AND PUBLIC

have an opportunity to give input and express funding priorities.

The Proposal Overview will be held as follows: Date: Thursday, January 9, 2025 Time: 6:00 P.M. Time: 6:00 P.M.
Location: City of Fremont Training Room
3300 Capitol Ávenue, Bldg. B. Fremont, CA 94538
RSVP: Please RSVP to Noelle Tolentino at
ntolentino@fremont.gov. by January 3, 2025.
Tentative Funding Process Timeline:

Thursday, January 9, 2025:

Thursday, January 9, 2025:

Request for Proposals (RFP) materials will be available on ZoomGrants, through the City of Fremont website: https://www.fremont.gov/

human-services-in-the-community/city-fundedgrants/community-development-block-grant

roposal Overview 3. If you wish to be on the mailing list, please contact Robert Lopez at rlopez@fremont.gov Thursday, January 23, 2025: Pre-

Applications are due via ZoomGrants. You must register with ZoomGrants in order to apply.

Thursday, February 6, 2025 by 11:59

PM: Proposals are due to the City of Fremont

Human Services Department, via ZoomGrants.
Hard copies, faxes or emails will not be accepted.

• Wednesday, February 19, 2025:
Community Development Block Grant Advisory
Committee (CAC) will hold a public hearing to
review the proposals and develop questions for applicant agencies

 Thursday, March 6, 2025 (tentative):
CAC will hold a public hearing to interview agencies

• Thursday, March 27, 2025 (tentative): CAC will hold a public hearing to

develop funding recommendations.

• Tuesday, May 6, 2025 (tentative): The City Council will hold a public hearing, review CAC and staff recommendations, and make their final funding decisions. 12/17/24

CNS-3878936#

The County of Alameda is interested in executing The County of Alameda is interested in executing a month-to-month license agreements and is accepting proposals for RFP # 03-FY25RPM Dublin Transit Center Parking Garage Space License, a County-owned parking lot, located in Dublin, California. A Site Visit is available upon request. All questions regarding specifications terms and conditions are to be submitted via e-mail to: Madeline Serafin at madeline.serafin@ acgov.org. Response Due Date by 2:00PM on December 31, 2026 County Contact: Madeline Serafin at (510) 301-0002 or via e-mail: madeline. serafin mage.gov.org. Specifications regarding the above may be obtained at the Alameda County GSA Current Contracting Opportunities Internet website at www.acgov.org. website at www.acgov.org. 12/17/24

CNS-3877507#

CITY COUNCIL OF UNION CITY

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF AN ORBINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVENthat the voters of
the City of Union City, at the November 5,
2024, General Municipal Election, approved the
following ordinance by Ballot Measure QQ. The
election results were certified by the City Council
of Union City at its regular meeting on December
10, 2024:
Ordinance No. 223.24

10, 2024:
Ordinance No. 930-24
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY
AMENDING CHAPTERS 5.04, 5.08, 5.12, 5.16,
5.20 AND 5.24 OF THE UNION CITY MUNICIPAL
CODE TO AMEND THE CURRENT BUSINESS
LICENSE ORDINANCE

LICENSE ORDINANCE

This ordinance repeals and replaces Chapters 5,04, 5,08, 5,12, 5,16, 5,20, and 5,24 of the Union City's Business License Tax. The ordinance adjusts tax rates to promote fairness and equity, protects small businesses, and ensures that large businesses contribute to essential city services and infrastructure. The updated tax structure is anticipated to generate approximately \$3.5 million annually for local services, including 9-1-1 emergency response, pothole repair, public safety, and neighborhood clean-up. The ordinance includes fiscal accountability measures such as public disclosure of spending and mandatory audits.

audits.

This summary was prepared by the City Clerk pursuant to Government Code § 36933. The ordinance shall take effect and be enforced ten (10) days after the certification of the election results on December 20, 2024.

DATED: Wednesday, December 11, 2024

/s/Thai Nam Pham, MMC, CPMC

City Clerk audits.

City Clerk 12/17/24

CNS-3876379#

PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF SUSAN M. FITZSIMMONS CASE NO. 24PR102454

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both, of: SUSAN M. FITZSIMMONS
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JEAN M. FITZSIMMONS in the Superior Court of California, County of

Alameda.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JEAN M. FITZSIMMONS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with full authority. (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 on 01/22/2025 at 9:45AM in Dept. 201 located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WAY BERKELEY CA 94704 BERKELEY COURTHOUSE.
REMOTE APPEARANCE: The Court allows, but does not require, all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time.

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

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

(1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b)

court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (DE-154) of reduest for Special Notice (DE-134) 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: JOSEPH D. DERMER - SBN 237985

5448 THORNWOOD DRIVE, SUITE 200 SAN JOSE CA 95123 Telephone: (408) 395-5111 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24

CNS-3879123#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF **GRACE C. TEXERA** CASE NO. 24PR101157

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both, of: GRACE C. TEXERA
A Petition for Probate has been filed by
STEVEN TEXERA in the Superior Court of

PUBLIC NOTICES

California, County of ALAMEDA. The Petition for Probate requests that STEVEN TEXERA be appointed as personal representative to administer the

estate of the decedent.

estate of the decedent.
The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested 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 1/17/2025 at 9:45 A.M. in Dept. 202 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA

947/04.

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.

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

Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: SRIJANA DHAKHWA, 900 MISSION AVE 11C, SAN RAFAEL, CA 94901, Telephone: 415-488-5552 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24

CNS-3878110#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JOSEPH HAICHIAG CHOU AKA JOSEPH HAICHIANG CHOU CASE NO. 24PR097097 I heirs, beneficiaries, creditors

contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: JOSEPH HAICHIANG CHOU AKA JOSEPH HAICHIANG CHOU A Petition for Probate has been filed by LILIAN CHOU AND KENNETH CHOU in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.

The Petition for Probate requests that

LILIAN CHOU AND KENNETH CHOU be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

administer the estate of the decedent. The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested 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 1/6/2025 at 9:45 A.M. in Dept. 202 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA

If you object to the granting of the petition

you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your

attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent oreditor 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 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 to the control of the

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 or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the

Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for Petitioner: LILIAN CHOU & KENNETH CHOU, DONAHUE FITZGERALD LLP, 1999 HARRISON STREET, 26TH FLOOR, OAKLAND, CA 94612, Telephone: 510-451-3300 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24

CNS-3877413#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF **GAIL L. PERRY**

CASE NO. 24PR101135
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: GAIL L. PERRY
A Petition for Probate has been filed by
ROGER A. BROWN JR. in the Superior

Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.
The Petition for Probate requests that
ROGER A. BROWN JR. be appointed as
personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

good cause with the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on 1/8/2025 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 Other California statutes and regar 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 Nation (fee DE 154), of the filing of

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: GREGORY FINCH, 3400 BRADSHAW RD., STE. A-4A, SACRAMENTO, CA 95827, Telephone: 916-857-1100 12/10, 12/17, 12/24/24

CNS-3876405#

TRUSTEE SALES

T.S. No. 126996-CA APN: 543-312-24 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 9/24/2018. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT APUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER ON 2/5/2025 at 12:00 PM, CLEAR RECON CORP as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 9/28/2018 as Instrument No. 2018 189 103 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: MARY ALICE SASS. AS TRUSTEE OF THE 2007 SASS LIVING TRUST DATED MARCH 23, 2007 WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR REDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; AT THE FALLON ST. MERCENCY EXIT OF THE ALAMEDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1225 FALLON ST., OAKLAND, CA 94612 all ight, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as LOT 29 BLOCK 3, AS SAID LOT IS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF TRACT 3002, NORTHGATE UNIT NO. 1, CITY OF FREMONT, ALAMEDA COUNTY. TO HE PROPERTY ALAMEDA COUNTY RECORDER OF ALAMEDA COUNTY. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 34216 AUCKLAND PL., FREMONT, CA 94555-326 The undersigned Truste disclaims any individence of the United State of t

close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 126996-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (855) 313-3319 (CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, California 92108

T.S. No. 126334-CA APN: 475-0167-093 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 9/17/2008. UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 9/17/2008. 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 ON 2/5/2025 at 12:00 PM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 10/1/2008 as Instrument No. 2008/29/606 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda. and pulsuality Deed of hish fections for June 10 in Judge 10 in Ison as Instrument No. 2008290606 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: IRENE COURT, UNMARRIED, WHO ACQUIRED PROPERTY AS A MARRIED WOMAN, AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; AT THE FALLON ST. EMERGENCY EXIT STATE; AI THE FALLON ST. EMERGENCY EXTI
OF THE ALAMEDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
1225 FALLON ST., OAKLAND, CA 94612 all
right, title and interest conveyed to and now held
by it under said Deed of Trust in the property
situated in said County and State described
as: MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED IN SAID
DEED OF TRUST. The street address and other
common designation, if any, of the real property
described above is numorited to be: 32252 described above is purported to be: 32252 CORONATION DRIVE, UNION CITY, CA 94587 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Truste and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the 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: \$367,162.83 if the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the country recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed

of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (855) 313-3319 or visit this Internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 126334-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 126334-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee, second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it to purcha then 16 days after the trustee coling. of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (855) 313-3319 CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, California 92108 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/24

CNS-3877567#

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Intention to Circulate Initiative

Petition

Notice is hereby given of the intention of the persons whose names appear hereon of their intention to circulate the petition within the Washington Township Health Care District for the purpose of establishing an annual special parcel tax in the amount of five cents (\$0.05) per Square foot of structural improvements with a parcel tax in the amount of five cents (\$0.05) per square foot of structural improvements, with a cap on the amount imposed on any one parcel. A statement of the reasons for the proposed action as contemplated in the petition is as follows: This measure will ensure local residents have access to the most advanced life-saving medical care, highly skilled healthcare providers, and cutting-edge medical equipment and technology, close to home. Washington Hospital, a community-owned not for profit hospital, opened over 65 years ago to serve

profit hospital, opened over 65 years ago to serve a community of 18,000 people. Today, there are well over 350,000 residents, and as the population in southern Alameda County continues to grow, there is a need for more doctors, surgeons, nurses, and medical specialists.

nurses, and medical specialists.
Funds from this measure will help recruit and retain medical specialists and also provide for the purchase and maintenance of trauma equipment, disaster preparations, public health emergencies, operation of the emergency department and advanced operating rooms, acquisition of medical and laboratory technology, and support for ambulatory services, including urgent care clinics and outpatient health centers.

All funds will stay in our community to serve the hospital and health care needs of the community and the residents of Fremont, Union City, Newark, South Hayward, and Sunol. No funds can be taken by the state or be used for other purposes. Dr. Prasad Kilaru

Dr. Prasad Kilaru
NAME OF PROPONENT

PROPONENT'S SIGNATURE [Street address omitted for privacy reasons] Fremont, CA 94539 PROPONENT'S ADDRESS December 12, 2024 DATE

*fortha Guilbeaux NAME OF PROPONENT

PROPONENT'S SIGNATURE [Street address omitted for privacy reasons]
Fremont, CA 94536
PROPONENT'S ADDRESS cember 12, 2024 **DATE** 12/17/24

CNS-3879158#

Bay Philharmonic Youth Orchestra opened the season



The flute choir for Bay Philharmonic Youth Orchestra plays autonomously without a conductor. Photo courtesy of Aaron Ely

Submitted by **AARON ELY**

On Nov. 9, the Bay Philharmonic Youth Orchestra (BPYO) held its season opener concert at the Irvington Presbyterian Church. The season opener was titled "Music For The People," and like past BPYO concerts, it was open to the public to come and listen for free.

Led by music director Dr. Carlos Hernandez, the concert lasted about one and a half hours with eight music pieces, which ranged from the early 1900s to more

modern pieces such as music from the Broadway play (and now musical) Wicked. The orchestra itself is made up of three ensembles: Virtuosi, Bravi and Melodia, along with a chamber flute choir.

The conductorless flute choir opened the concert and played two works autonomously. The Virtuosi, Bravi and Melodia ensembles then all came together to play three distinct works, which included selections from the popular video game Minecraft. Although the three ensembles rehearse independently, they played together in the concert.

"This music is set up to accommodate for different levels of musicianship, so this (like Minecraft), is a choose-your-ownadventure experience: There are hard level, medium and easier parts to choose from," explained Dr. Carlos Hernandez, "We are encouraging students to challenge themselves while supporting other students that are less mature, musically."

After the cumulative ensemble played their three pieces, the Virtuosi and Bravi ensembles continued to play as a new ensemble

for another two works, one of which was a collection of

songs from Wicked. Closing out the concert, Virtuosi performed the last three works, all of which had varying styles and came from different genres and parts of the world. Besides the well-known classical music generally played in orchestras, BPYO strives to also present other styles of music from different time periods and cultures.

Many guests from all across the Tri-City area attended to hear the student orchestra make music, including local county

officials such as current Fremont Mayor Lily Mei, her successor Raj Salwan, Vice Mayor Desrie Campbell and District 3 City Council member Kathy Kimberlin. "Congratulations on your season opener 'Music for the people.' That's exactly what we're here to talk about: It's to ensure we make music available for all people," said Fremont Mayor Lily Mei.

BPYO was founded in 2016 and has continued to share music since. Under the new leadership of Carlos Hernandez, the youth orchestra is performing three concerts throughout the

2024-2025 season. BPYO also participated in the Bay Philharmonic's Holiday Spectacular Show on Dec. 14 and 15, and their next concert is on Mar. 23, prior to their Southern California Disneyland performance.

Learn more at: bayphil.org

LIFE CORNERSTONES TOT-353-1148 lifetributes@weeklys.com

For more information

Birth

Marriage

Obituaries



Fremont Chapel of the Roses

(510) 797-1900 1940 Peralta Blvd., Fremont www.fremontchapeloftheroses.com



Fremont **Memorial Chapel**

(510) 793-8900 3723 Peralta Blvd. Fremont www.fremontmemorialchapel.com

Fiapaipai Sao

Resident of Fremont May 2, 1949 - December 4, 2024

Debbie Silva

Resident of Fremont June 17, 1956 - December 8, 2024

Bruce F. Roy

Resident of Fremont July 14, 1936 – December 7, 2024

Aloah J. King

Resident of Fremont October 17, 1928 - December 4, 2024

Helene Deckert

Resident of Union City November 21, 1943 - November 28, 2024

Michael L. Filgate

Resident of Fremont

November 22, 1955 - December 2, 2024

David W. Storer

Resident of Fremont

November 16, 1960 - November 30, 2024

Gerard Oliver McCarty, Jr.

Resident of Fremont August 19, 1966 - November 25, 2024

Phillip A. Walden Resident of Fremont

August 25, 1936 - November 21, 2024

Henry Emmanuel Hall Resident of Newark

April 26, 1993 – November 22, 2024 **Greg Reyes**

Resident of Union City January 4, 1953 – November 24, 2024

Dawn J. Scott

Resident of Fremont

May 16, 1943 - November 22, 2024 **Reuel V. Bundang**

Resident of Hayward

January 21, 1936 – November 19, 2024

Gloria A. Nite Resident of Fremont September 20, 1936 - November 20, 2024

Rick Maddock

Resident of Fremont October 27, 1951 - November 17, 2024

Richard W. Kendrick, Jr.

August 14, 1956 - November 13, 2024

Augusto I. Mendioro, Jr. Resident of Fremont

January 30, 1960 - November 13, 2024



Berge • Pappas • Smith Chapel of the Angels 510-656-1226

40842 Fremont Blvd, Fremont www.bergepappassmith.com

Patricia Westlind

Resident of Fremont August 4, 1930 - December 12, 2024

Vishal Belgodu

Resident of San Jose June 28, 1984 - December 12, 2024

Analia Vieira

Resident of Union City October 1, 1934 - December 10, 2024

Loren Kensinger

Resident of Fremont April 23, 1942 - December 9, 2024

Robert Ho Resident of Fremont

June 19, 1927 - December 8, 2024

Jenifer Nisha Ahamed Sheriff

Resident of Pleasanton May 8, 1990 - December 8, 2024

Edward Cary II

Resident of Fremont

December 14, 1948 – December 7, 2024

Fujio "Frank" Nakasako Resident of Fremont

June 11, 1928 - December 7, 2024 Jing Rao

Resident of Fremont February 19, 1952 - December 6, 2024

Marlene Neubauer Resident of Fremont

November 30, 1934 - December 5, 2024

Irene Mendoza

Resident of Fremont May 8, 1936 - December 5, 2024

Marie Smith Resident of Stockton

Long-time resident of Fremont August 5, 1937 - December 4, 2024

Gary Morse

Resident of Fremont

December 10, 1937 - December 3, 2024

Yuming Li Resident of Fremont

April 3, 1946 - December 3, 2024

Dolores Garcia Resident of Fremont

September 22, 1937 - November 30, 2024

Arunasalam Gnanendran

Resident of Fremont October 7, 1941 – November 29, 2024

Soumya Chakraborty Resident of Sunnyvale

January 27, 1988 - November 28, 2024

GEORGE ROLAND COLE

July 21, 1934 - December 3, 2024



eorge Roland Cole passed away peacefully December 3, 2024 with his loving family by his side, after his battle with lymphoma.

George was born in Long Pine, Nebraska on July 21, 1934. He came to California in 1943 from Rupert, Idaho where he became a longtime resident of the Fremont area. He served in the U. S. Army Reserve from 1953-1960

with the 49th Military Police company. He attended Washington High School where he met his high school sweetheart, and future wife, Irene. Together they opened a successful Pleasanton grocery store, Cole's Market. As a family, they ran the store for

twenty-five years until their retirement in 1990. After retirement, George and Irene enjoyed running their almond ranch in Delhi. They loved to entertain friends and family, travel, music, dancing and sports. They took pride in sponsoring the annual American High School "Tim Cole Basketball Tournament", created to

honor the memory of their eldest son, Tim Cole. George decided to explore cooking after his wife's passing 9 and a half years earlier. He became a very good cook pouring his heart and soul into each dish while listening to his favorite "Big Band" era music.

George is survived by his children: Jeff Cole (April), and Denise Cabral (Neil); his sisters: Donna Facey and Sharon Santos; his grandchildren: Jeffery (Mandie), Nicole (Andrew), Jessica (Aaron), Kevin (Erin), Joshua (Maria), and Tyler (Gabby); and great grandchildren, Emma, Cadence, JT, Maverick, Rylee, Lillian, Eloise, Jett, and Cruz. George will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Private services will be held. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of George to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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

Letter to the Editor

Local comedian Kabir 'Kabeezy' Singh dies at 39

On Dec. 4, the comedy world lost a great talent with the passing of Fremont's own Kabir "Kabeezy" Singh, who died peacefully in his sleep. A toxicology report is still ongoing, but authorities believe his death was due to natural causes, given his history of health issues, which have not been made public. He was 39.

Friends and family took to social media to mourn the comedic genius, expressing shock and sadness at his sudden demise. Fellow standup comedians praised

the Indian-American young man for his infectious energy and down-to-earth authenticity, truly a loved and respected member of the

local standup circuit. When this reporter first met him in July of 2021, he had just made it through the first round of auditions on America's Got Talent (AGT), Season 16. He would eventually reach the semifinal round before bowing out. During our brief one-hour interview at his home base, Kirby's Sports Bar in Fremont, I was immediately

charmed by his quick wit and natural charisma.

He talked about his life, growing up, traveling and moving to India (he was born in Portland, Oregon), where, as an American, he did not quite fit in. To ward off the bullies, he turned to comedy. This is where he first developed his stand-up skills.

He felt lucky and blessed for all of the big breaks in his career, but seemed uneasy being in the national spotlight. That's when I realized that everything he did was out of love-for his family, for his friends, and for his fans. His greatest fear was that he might disappoint them with a poor performance, or forget about them on the road to fame.

He was dedicated and loyal, and that's why everyone loved him back. When AGT asked him where he was from, he replied "Fremont, California." When they asked, "Where's that? Bay Area?", Singh said, "No, it's Fremont, California. We're not doing 'Bay Area' or 'East Bay.' We're doing Fremont, California, buddy."

I wish him well on that great stage in the sky.

Fremont's Got Talent: Part I (July 20, 2021) davidnewman. net/2021/07/20/fremontsgot-talent-part-i/ Fremont's Got Talent:

Part II (August 3, 2021)

net/2021/08/03/fremontsgot-talent-part-ii/ David R. Newman

Castro Valley

davidnewman.



Kabir Singh. Archival photo on file

Letter to the Editor

Tri-City Voice's face-lift is eye-catching

For the past few weeks, I have noticed that your weekly newspaper has pages. Indeed, this is a good

improvement. As a regular

reader, I appreciate the entire team's good job and would like to give them a round of applause for their new ideas.

Still, I have a few suggestions for you to consider to make TCV more readable.

• Tri-City Stargazer has the right spot while the Classifieds page found missing ads

• Kid Scoop reduced to half a page is fine for me

• The Fremont Connection is very informative

• Home & Garden page is a readers favorite

• The sports page along with ongoing local reports

within Tri-City are pretty much covered

• Last but not least your Opinion column and Letter to the Editor should be on the same page so readers can enjoy

both of them to the fullest.

Wishing all staff members Season's Greetings.

Zafar Yousufzai Fremont

undergone major changes on the front and inside







Members of the Mission San Jose/St. Joseph Parish lead a procession of Las Posadas, going door-to-door singing carols and paying tribute to the Christian Nativity. Source: Nancy Dorighi

Unsung holiday traditions of the Tri-City Area

TRI-CITY INTERFAITH COUNCIL AND LAS POSADAS ADDS TO THE SPIRIT OF THE HOLIDAYS

By HUGO VERA

The month of December is typically the time of year when the world reflects on the past achievements and milestones of the waning year while setting aspirations for the following one. During this time of festivities, millions engage in Christmas, Hanukkah and other adjacent traditions.

For others, however, the holiday season can mean

more than the expected candy canes, snowmen and visits from Santa Claus. Take for example the tradition of Las Posadas. Stemming from the Catholic faith, Las Posadas is a long-standing tradition in which participants lead a musical procession, commonly celebrated in Mexico, Central America and various parts of the United States with a substantial Latino population. Mimicking the Christian Nativity, participants sing songs written from the point of view of Joseph and Mary as they too go door to door, "requesting shelter" so that Mary may eventually give birth to Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

"The tradition of Las Posadas offers people a more spiritual way to celebrate Christmas and the birth of Christ as opposed to some of the more commercialized ways, not that there's anything wrong with that either," says Nancy Dorighi of the Saint Joseph Parish at Fremont's historic Mission San Jose.

The Mission San Jose/
St. Joseph congregation have made it a yearly tradition to organize a roughly 90-minute procession as participants carry candles and statuettes of Joseph, Mary, Jesus and other key figures of the Christian Nativity.

"At the very start of the procession we have someone hold a statue of the Nativity and then we typically read off a two-minute script essentially asking for shelter for the about-to-be-born

Christ before moving on to the next property," adds Dorighi. "We've been doing this every year, rain-orshine [since the Mission's restoration in 1982] and with social media we've been able to share and boost engagement."

Even for those who are not part of the Christian faith, or any faith for that matter, another local congregation has worked to ensure that the holiday spirit can reach all who want it. Originally founded in 1962, the Tri-City Interfaith Council was established by Protestants in the greater Fremont, Newark and Union City area as means to bring together people of all faiths and creeds. In the decades that followed, the Tri-City Interfaith Council

has assembled a following composed of —but not limited to— Christians, Jews, Mormons, Muslims, Sikhs, atheists and members of the Bahá'í faith.

Each year, the Tri-City
Interfaith Council leads
a Thanksgiving Prayer
Service in which members
of various faiths and degrees
of religiousness simply give
thanks to whichever deity —
or lack thereof— they prefer
for what they have in life.

"As long as humanity has existed, we have been divided by faiths, dogma and how we choose to worship," states Tri-City Interfaith Council Secretary Canice McLaughlin. "I believe that God is bigger than not just all of us, but that he's bigger than what our brains can think of. Our mission is

not to convert others or to evangelize, but to be open and to listen to others."

McLaughlin believes that events such as the Thanksgiving Prayer Service are crucial to bringing people together, especially in a past year that has been marked with intense and ongoing interreligious conflict and division.

"I can say that it breaks our hearts when we see others use religion as an excuse for warfare," concludes McLaughlin. "It's up to us as individual human beings to come together so that we can stop wars in the name of religion and stay true to the 'Golden Rule' that all faiths follow so that we can achieve peace among all."

Enter US with proper documents

By BARBARA WONG, Mission Law & Advocacy, P.C. and SW Law Group

When traveling to the United States as a foreign national, the documents you need to present depend on your visa type and purpose of entry. Below is an overview of the key documents required for entry and the implications of certain scenarios, such as holding an expiring passport, arriving on an H-1B work visa, coming as an F-1 student, or traveling as a B-1/B-2 visitor.

General Requirements for Entry

Regardless of your visa type, there are universal requirements for entry into the U.S. as a foreign national. Your passport must be valid for at least six months beyond your planned departure date from the U.S. unless you are a citizen of one of about 130 countries in the six-month club, which allows entry with a passport valid only for the duration of the stay.

An expiring passport can complicate your entry and limit the length of your stay, as the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers at the port of entry may grant you a stay only until your passport expires, even if your visa allows a longer stay. Therefore, you may wish to renew your passport before traveling to avoid these issues. You may also be able to renew your passport while in the U.S., through your home country's consulate.

You must also possess the appropriate visa for your purpose of travel. This is stamped in your passport after approval by a U.S. embassy or consulate. Depending on your visa type, you may need additional documents to demonstrate your eligibility and purpose for entering the U.S. The CBP electronically issues Form I-94 to track your admission and departure. Upon entry, CBP will stamp your passport with an admission date and visa classification.

Entering the U.S. as an H-1B Worker

The H-1B visa allows foreign nationals to work in specialty occupations in the U.S. for a sponsoring employer. To enter the U.S. as an H-1B visa holder, you must present an H-1B visa stamp issued by a U.S. embassy or consulate. Ensure it is valid on the date of travel. You should also have an I-797 approval notice which confirms that the H-1B petition has been approved. You may also wish to carry an employment verification letter from your sponsoring employer confirming your job title, duties and the validity of your employment. Dependents on H-4 visas must present their own valid visas and documents linking them to the principal H-1B worker, including marriage or birth certificates.

Entering the U.S. as an F-1 Student

If you are an international student entering the U.S. on an F-1 visa, you need to present your F-1 visa stamp and a designated school

official (DSO) must sign the Travel Endorsement section of the I-20 form before you travel. If you leave the U.S. and wish to re-enter, you should ensure it is valid and matches your program of study. You should also have your Form I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility) which is issued by your U.S. educational institution and outlines your program details, start date and funding sources. You should have the receipt confirming that you have paid the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) fee, and the official acceptance letter from your school as evidence of your enrollment. Furthermore, you may wish to have available financial documentation that confirms your ability to cover tuition and living expenses.

Entering the U.S. as a

B-1/B-2 Visitor
The B-1/B-2 visa
allows entry for business
or tourism. To gain entry
on this visa, you should
present your valid B-1/B-2
visa stamp. CBP officers

may request evidence that you plan to leave the U.S. after your visit, such as a return flight ticket. Be prepared to explain your reason for visiting (e.g., tourism, meetings, or conferences) and provide supporting documents like a travel itinerary or business invitation letters. Lastly, you should show that you can financially support yourself during your stay, such as with bank statements or credit card details.

Additional Tips for a Smooth Entry

You should plan to doublecheck your visa status and ensure that your visa matches your purpose of travel and is unexpired. Organize your documents and keep your passport, visa, and supporting documents accessible during your journey. Further, plan to clearly explain your travel intentions and provide truthful answers to CBP officers' questions. Since the rules and requirements can change, be sure to check the latest guidance from the CBP and U.S. embassy or consulate websites before traveling.

Understanding and preparing the required documents can help you avoid delays or complications when entering the U.S. Whether you are an H-1B worker, an F-1 student, or a B-1/B-2 visitor, proper documentation ensures a smooth and stress-free experience.



Attorney Barbara Wong-Wilson

Barbara Wong-Wilson is an attorney at Mission Law & Advocacy, P.C. and SW Law Group P.C. If you have any questions on U.S. immigration matters, please feel free to reach out to wong@missionlaws.com

Fremont Running Club shines at nationals



Aariv Patel earned 14th place in the boys 3K. Photo courtesy of Mike Exton



Diya Nalluri earned 13th place in the 2K 7-year old division. Photo courtesy of Mike Exton

Submitted by **MIKE EXTON**

The California Grizzlies -- a local youth running club --- competed on Saturday, Dec. 7 at the AAU Junior Olympic Cross-Country National Championships in Charlotte, North Carolina. Once again, the Grizzlies excelled at the National Championships, as six members of the California Grizzlies made All-American, finishing in the top 25 in the nation in their respective age groups. Here are the names of these outstanding runners and their amazing achievements:

2K Girls 7-year-olds = 13th Place — Diya Nalluri

2K Boys 8-year-olds = 18th Place — Krish Shah

3K Boys 9-year-olds = 14th Place — Aariv Patel

3K Boys 11-year-olds = 19th Place — Vihaan

Sharma 11:29 4K Girls 13-year-olds = 10th Place — Rosie

Fennelly 15:31 5K Girls 15-year-olds = 24th Place — Sophie Chang 22:26

For more information about the California Grizzlies Running Club, please visit their website at: www.CalGrizzlies.com



California Grizzlies running club members, Vanya Ponnuvelu and Sophie Chang. Photo courtesy of Mike Exton

Ninety, and not slowing down



Betts Stroh was the oldest women member on the World Masters Athletics USA team. Photo courtesy of Betts Stroh

"My goal is to inspire. I have had people tell me 'My wife and Iare going to the gym now,' that's amazing." - Betts Stroh



Betts Stroh holds the flag for team USA at her competition in Sweden. Photo courtesy of Betts Stroh



At ninety-one, Stroh finds community and support in athletics. Photos courtesy of Betts Stroh



By APRIL RAMOS

As the end of the year approaches, it's a natural time to reflect on the challenges, memories and accomplishments of the past year. Betts Stroh, a new Fremont resident, has quite a list of accomplishments to look back on this year. In August, Stroh competed in the World Masters Athletic Championship for track and field in Gothenburg, Sweden. Not only did Stroh compete, but she placed in all three of her races: 100-meter, 200-meter and 400-meter. Oh, and Betts Stroh also happens to be 91 years old.

Stroh started running in Montana before moving to Northern California, then Fremont three years ago to be closer to her family.

"I started this athletic adventure after my husband died," shared Stroh. "At 79 I started doing 5Ks and I found them boring," she laughed. After trying some 5Ks she realized another sport was much more up her alley. "I saw adults doing track and field. I always thought track and field was for boys and men. But women were out there competing and I thought, Well, I'll try that."

With discovering track and field, Stroh tested the waters with a few events, but some didn't quite fit. "I competed in throwing the javelin, but because I'm very small—I'm 4 foot 8—you can't really improve in throwing the javelin because your arms aren't big enough. I thought 'Why am I wasting my time throwing

the javelin, and I might hurt myself. I concentrate now just on running the 100, 200 and 400 [meters]."

Discipline is a big reason why Stroh has made it to international competitions. She explains how it's been difficult to find a professional coach who has time to train her. For many, that setback would cause them to hang up their sprinting spikes all together. But for Stroh, it's only made her get creative and keep herself accountable.

"I live in a very large rental community," said Stroh. "At the back of the property is an Alameda [Creek] Trail, so I have [marked] off the 50, 100 and 200 meters. That's where I practice my sprinting. The rental community has a wonderful gym, and I work out there." Since spriting

requires a lot of technical training Stroh notes YouTube as a great resource, "I'm on the internet all the time. The

internet is my coach." In August, her selfdiscipline and training paid off when she attended the World Masters Athletics Championship in Gothenburg, Sweden, as the oldest woman on the US team. World Master Athletics holds international track and field competitions for athletes who are 35 years and over, according to their website, to "encourage their passion for active healthy competition, global camaraderie and celebratory spirit."

"I've never had butterflies, but in Gothenburg, I was really nervous about being on the world stage because it was being televised," said Stroh. "When we did the

100 meter it was two days after I'd arrived, and I was the first person out. That made me nervous." With butterflies and all, Stroh finished her 100 meter race in 29 seconds, earning her the Gold medal in the 90-94 year-old women's age group. However, she didn't stop there, Stoh claimed silvers in the 200 and 400 meter clocking in at 60 seconds and three minutes, respectively.

Track and Field has helped build a community for Stroh. "I find everyone is so supportive and it's just awesome that I have had this opportunity to be involved in this," she said. Stroh gives credit to all the coaches and people who "have afforded me their knowledge and support for my continuing athletic adventure." Those coaches include Lee Webb

of Mission Valley Track and Field in Fremont, coach Clyde Lehman of her current team Sierra Gold Track and Field, coach Steve March, a retired coach of Rocklin High School and Amanda Roberts, GirlsTrack Coach at Placer High School in Auburn.

Stroh continues to look onward in her athletic journey. Although she's on a three-month break from running after her return from her World Masters Athletics wins, she plans to get back to her training routine and already has her eye on her next Masters meet in July. Stroh may be a sprinter, but she looks at her athletic journey as a marathon. "I want to be able to do the 100 meter when I'm 100."

OPINION

Seeing worlds through BART's windows

By SAMANTHA CAMPOS

Every week I ride BART from Oakland to Fremont, where the Tri-City Voice



Samantha Campos

located, observing the change in landscape from town to town. For the first few stops, like most

everyone else on the train, I'm on my smartphone immersed in the flurry of digital work. But around the San Leandro stop, things get interesting. I put my phone down to witness signs of IRL human activity.

I admire the 55-foot sculpture of a woman—

seemingly mid-dance—at the San Leandro Tech
Campus, next to the station.
Artist Marco Cochrane
made the "Truth is Beauty"
work of stainless-steel grid
in homage to "the untapped
power and positive energy of
women in the world."

As the train rolls past auto body shops and dealerships, I notice a gigantic building with a mural of underwater sea life and vegetables. Curious, I discover that the building houses Lineage, "the world's largest temperature-controlled warehousing real estate investment trust." Essentially it's a cold storage facility that handles food supply distribution.

More industrial buildings fill my view, soon replaced by the brown roofs of houses and duplexes. Rarely do I see people outside of their homes or in their yards, but I spot signs of life nonetheless: clothes drying on a line, a faded American flag flapping in the wind, plastic reindeer pulling a red sleigh.

After Bay Fair, I notice more graffiti on the wall facing the BART line. Closer to Hayward I see parks and schools with multiple sports fields. On the opposite side of the train, neighborhoods display manicured lawns, citrus trees, and a surprising number of backyard trampolines.

Further on, I catch a glimpse of the Hayward Community Garden.
Delighted by its presence, I learn that the 5.3 acres are leased by PG&E to the Hayward Area Recreation

and Park District, the largest independent park and recreation special district in the State of California.

Tents begin to appear beside the tracks toward South Hayward, separated by a colorfully 'tagged' wall from multi-story houses; on the other side of the BART rail, the immaculate rolling green slopes of the Mission Hills Golf Course materialize. The landscape shifts dramatically to the blue BART Central Warehouse and various tracks of non-operating BART cars, which looks like a scene from one of the many post-apocalyptic series I watched last summer.

A parking lot full of Amazon Prime vans awaits the holiday season. Just past that, at an encampment with an RV and couches, a man plays catch with two dogs. Houses quickly become apartment complexes as we speed along.

After Union City, yards get bigger and there are more trees. Just past the Purple Lotus Temple, the verdant waterfront of Quarry Lakes Regional Recreation Area never fails to delight. I take my phone back out to snap a picture.

Samantha Campos is the editor of Tri-City Voice, East Bay Express and East Bay Magazine.

Moreau Catholic football team makes history at state championship



Moreau Catholic football team makes history. Photo by Joshua Morrow



Peyton Collins ran a 70-yard touchdown during the second half of the game. Photo by Joshua Morrow



Moreau touchdown. Photo by Joshua Morrow

THE MARINERS
BEAT LINDSAY HIGH
TO WIN FIRST CIF
STATE TITLE IN
SCHOOL HISTORY
AND CITY HISTORY

By ANDREW JOSEPH

The Moreau Catholic Mariners won the first California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Championship in school and city history by beating the Lindsay Cardinals 42-8 on Friday, Dec. 13 in Fullerton in the Division 7-AA title game.

"It was an honor to represent Moreau Catholic High School and the entire Hayward community. We feel extremely blessed to be given this opportunity to build a great program and to win a state championship," said Mariners head coach Keith Minor.

The Mariners received the opening kickoff, but did not score and had a turnover on downs after an incomplete pass on a fourth down attempt. Lindsay didn't score on their opening drive either and were forced to punt the ball. On the punt by the Cardinals, Jalen Arnold received the ball and ran it back the length of the field to score the first touchdown of the game giving Moreau an early 7-0 lead with just under two

minutes remaining in the first quarter.

"All that was going through my head when I returned the punt for a touchdown is that Lindsay didn't do their homework on me," said Arnold.

Lindsay fumbled the ball on their next possession on their own 35 yard line to give the Mariners great field position as the first quarter ended. Running back Pevton Collins ran 24 vards for the first offensive Moreau touchdown just ten seconds into the second quarter to give them a 14-0 lead. On the next Mariners possession there was an incomplete pass on fourth down, but a flag on Lindsay set up a first and 10 from the Cardinals 21 yard line. Running back Donovan Edwards ran in for another touchdown to make it a 21-0 Mariners lead in the second quarter.

'What made our offense so productive was the countless hours of film that was watched and the great preparation by the coaches during practice throughout the week," said Mariners starting quarterback Jeremiah Charles. "My offensive line has been working real hard all season to keep me up and to set holes for our great running backs to run through —their hard work paid off on Friday and it showed on

the scoreboard."

Lindsay's offense continued to struggle all night as the Mariners defensive line overpowered and shut down the running game that the Cardinals have been known for all season.

"The Mariner defense played with great physicality and discipline. Our defense did a great job executing the plays called, doing their job, and they played extremely hard for one another," added coach Minor. "We were able to command in all three phases of the game which led to our dominant outcome."

Defensive back Eriq
Fields recovered a Cardinals
fumble and ran 65 yards for
another Moreau touchdown
making it 28-0 with under
four minutes remaining
in the second quarter.
The Mariners dominated
the entire matchup in all
three phases of the game
going into halftime with a
commanding 28 point lead.

Jameson Ransburg came up with a Mariners interception on Linday's first drive of the second half to set up a first and 10 from the Cardinals 20 yard line. Tight end Miles Moore caught a pass from Charles and ran into the end zone for another Moreau touchdown to make it a 34-0 lead. On the Cardinals next possession they faced a fourth and 16 situation where they were forced to go for it. They ended up throwing another

interception that was run back 70 yards by Peyton Collins for a touchdown to make it a 42-0 Mariners lead with six minutes remaining in the third quarter. At that point both coaches agreed to start a running clock for the rest of the game because of the nature the game had taken.

The Cardinals were able to avoid the goose egg when Lindsay wide receiver JJ Guereca caught a 14 yard touchdown pass making it 42-8 after a successful two point after attempt. The Mariners subbed out most of their offensive starters at the eight minute mark in the fourth quarter as the game was

already won by that point.

"It means everything to me to be part of a historic season. These are my brothers and I wouldn't want to do this with anyone else but them," said Arnold. "Something I want people to remember is that we started the season 1-3 and look where we are now. It feels amazing just to know that we as a whole were the first ever to do something this big in the city of Hayward."

Arnold, the Moreau senior wide receiver sensation, finishes the season with 21 total touchdowns, well over 1,500 yard receiving and WACC Offensive Player of the Year. He is preparing for an exciting college career

with multiple scholarship offers from universities including St. Norbert and Montana State, but has not yet committed anywhere. Charles, the starting senior Mariners quarterback, plans to also continue his football career, but has not decided on a school at the moment.

"I can't say it enough: the support we have received from the Moreau Catholic administration and staff, our student body, our parents, the coaches and their families and players who have supported our program is extremely gratifying," said coach Minor. "I just want to give a huge shout out to the entire Mariner Nation; we could not have done this without your support."

The Mariners have made history winning the first ever CIF State Championship by any school in the entire city of Hayward. Coach Minor enjoys this enormous success just three years after taking over the program. All around, the Mariners put together an incredible season this year directed by an amazing coaching staff and dedicated athletes. This Moreau football team will be always remembered as the first team to ever win the state title in their city, putting Hayward on the map and engraved in history forever.

| TRI-CITY VOICE

EDITOR
Samantha Campos

EDITORIAL
PRODUCTION DESIGNER
Jessica Wu

Office Administrator **Gail Hansen**

BOOKKEEPING Vandana Dua

Delivery Manager Carlis Roberts

ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

Stephanie Uchida

COMPOSITE EDITOR
April Ramos

REPORTERS
Roelle Balan
Victor Carvellas
Andrew Cavette
Asok Chatterjee
Charlene Dizon
Andrew Joseph
Rob Klindt
Monika Lee
Panashe
Matemba-Mutasa
David Newman
Kayla Vargas
Hugo Vera
Marc Vicente

COLUMNISTS
Kelsey Camello
Anne Chan
Michael Coates
Daniel O'Donnell
Pat Kite
John Schinkel-Kludjian
Madhvika Singh
Barbara Wong

Photographers Victor Carvellas

DIRECTOR
CREATIVE SERVICES
Cindy Couling

CREATIVE SERVICES
PRODUCTION MANAGER
Deb Fisher

GRAPHIC DESIGNER Elena Razgonov

INTERNS
Neel Bhimani
Dhanya Ganesh
Nanki Kaur
Jessica Kim
Olivia Ma
Vidyuth Sridhar
Ethan Yan
Callie Yuan

Publisher **Dan Pulcrano**

CHIEF REVENUE OFFICER
Daniel Payomo

ADJUDICATION:

What's Happening's Tri-City Voice is a "newspaper of general circulation" as set forth in sections 6000, et. seq., of the Government Code, for the City of Fremont, County of Alameda, and the State of California.

TRI-CITY VOICE

What's Happening's The Tri-City Voice is published weekly, issued, sold and circulated in and from Fremont, Newark, Union City, Hayward, Milpitas and Sunol and printed in Fremont, California. The principal office of Tri-City Voice is at 39737 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Ste. B, Fremont, CA 94538.

Subscribe Call 510-494-1999

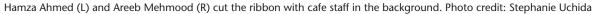
fax 510-796-2462 39737 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont, Ca 94538 tcv@tricityvoice.com www.tricityvoice.com

COPYRIGHT 2024
Reproduction or use without written permission from
What's Happening's Tri-City Voice**
is strictly prohibited

Coffee energizes community

QAMARIA YEMENI COFFEE HOLDS GRAND OPENING IN WARM SPRINGS







Hot or iced, the pistachio latte is a popular item. Photo credit:



"The Pistachio Latte is truly one of a kind and has captured the hearts of everyone who has tried it. We use a sauce made of real pistachios, blended into milk, and serve it with our signature three-layer aesthetic: espresso on top, milk in the middle, and the sauce at the bottom." - Hamza Ahmed



Rich Turkish coffee tastes better served on an elegant platter. Photo credit: Stephanie Uchida



In between serving customers, the "work" family was invited to stand with the owners at the ribbon cutting. Photo credit: Stephanie Uchida



Photo credit: Stephanie Uchida



There are many desserts to choose from. Photo credit: Stephanie Uchida

By STEPHANIE UCHIDA

"I was surprised you were having a ribbon cutting because I've been here three times already!" said Alex Lee, who was introduced to Qamaria Yemeni Coffee's Warm Springs location by his friends. Since its soft opening in June 2024, the cafe has attracted customers on break from nearby offices or just curious about the more unusual flavors such as Qamaria Latte with cardamom and cinnamon, or the saffron or rose soaked milk cakes. One guest at the ribbon cutting remarked how she appreciated seeing Turkish coffee on the menu.

Brewing with singleorigin coffee beans from family farms in Yemen, Qamaria Yemeni Coffee has locations in Michigan, Illinois, and Texas, as well as Los Angeles, but this is the first in the Bay Area. The shopping center on Cushing Pkwy is a hop over the freeway from Tesla, and nearby Lam Research Corporation and Delta Electronics. It's also a five minute drive from Pacific Commons Shopping Center. The location is easy to reach by car, although unlikely to attract random passers-by. However, one customer did say he found Qamaria by accident at the soft opening and decided to see what the long line was about. The cafe is open until midnight or

1am, and is packed even on weekday nights.

Areeb Mehmood, who co-owns the cafe with Hamza Ahmed, shared over email, "A few years ago Hamza and I were often looking for this type of place to meet for work or to hang out. Over time, we realized that this type of environment was missing in our community—namely a warm place available late into the night to simply relax." Yemeni coffee shops were becoming more popular in the U.S., and Mehmood and Ahmed decided to try opening a location for a franchise. Qamaria stood out with strong branding and professionalism. Mehmood continues, "It took us about 18 months

and a whirlwind of work, but it is an awesome feeling to see the excitement of the community, and people using our space the way we envisioned!"

In six months they've had their ups and downs, including a break-in in August, but they look forward to continuing to grow and be involved in the community.

For the ribbon cutting, the co-owners invited their extended families (their tribe) and the staff (their work family) to stand with them. Officials at the ribbon cutting included Cindy Bonior and Napoleon Batalao from Fremont Chamber of Commerce, Fremont's new mayor Raj Salwan at his

first official event as mayor, former mayor Lily Mei, city councilmember Yang Shao and newly-elected councilmember Raymond Liu, City of Fremont Planning Commissioner Ben Yee and Alameda County Reparations Commission

member Brandon Sass.

Qamaria received a
respectable number of
certificates, presented by
Maggy Chan on behalf
of Alameda County
Assessor Phong La, by
Barbara Ledesma Rhinehalt
on behalf of State Senator
Aisha Wahab, by
Jackson Berg on behalf
of U.S. Congressman
Eric Swalwell and by State
Assemblymember Alex Lee.

Mayor Raj Salwan expressed his commitment to support local small businesses. "We're very proud of another small business opening here in the City of Fremont. Fremont is a very diverse community where we bring people from all walks of life, all cultures, all heritages, where we come together. And there's nothing better to bring us together than good coffee."

Qamaria Yemeni Coffee Fremont 4193 Cushing Pkwy, Fremont Instagram: @qamarcoffee.fremont 510.573.6027 www.qamariacoffee.com