

Permit On Docket For Disputed Racetrack

The East County Board of Zoning Adjustments (ZBA) will consider granting a permit for overnight RV parking for the Altamont Motorsports Park on Midway Road, south of Interstate 580.

The three-member board will meet at 1:30 p.m. March 22 in the Public Works Operations Building, 4825 Gleason Drive, Dublin.

The overnight parking would help touring racers stay at the track while they are preparing for the weekend racing events, said John Condren, CEO of Lakeside Motorsports Altamont (LMA), operators of the track.

LMA took over the track in February 2006, and started an abbreviated racing scene in May. Action resumed again ear-

lier this month. A wide variety of racing is planned through the season, as well as four concerts during the year. Condren said crowds up to the range of 3000 to 6000 are expected.

The request for overnight RV parking is part of an issue that has grown into a full-blown controversy, including a lawsuit filed last week against county government over alleged non-enforcement of noise regulations and the alleged illegal issuing of permits by the county for the track since 1973.

Jana Beatty, a county planner, said the county is confident that the subsequent permits to various track operators over the years have been valid. Beatty noted that although the permit expired

last year, the fact that LMA applied for a rezoning means that it can continue operating.

The county and the track operators agreed that the rezoning would be the best approach, because it would take the track out of the agricultural district and require an EIR.

Noise is the biggest complaint by neighbors. LMA successfully won a temporary permit in February to allow noise levels at 95dBA at a distance of 100 feet from the track. The nearest property, which is owned by Mark and Karin Rivard, is located at exactly that distance.

The Rivards hired the attorneys who filed the suit last week.

The 95 dBA is far above the county standard of 70 dBA (decibels as measured by human hearing) in a residential neighborhood, said Derek Watry, an Oakland sound consultant hired by the Rivards. For every 10 dBA up the scale, the loudness doubles, said Watry. A jump from 70 to 95 dBA is about six or seven times louder, he explained.

One of the Rivards' attorneys, Phil Hunsucker, said that monitoring on the Rivards' property has shown repeated violations of the 95 dBA standard.

Condren said that he has people monitoring the noise coming from the track. If it goes over 95 dBA, racers are not allowed back on the track until they take

care of the muffler problem.

The Rivards said the track's lights shine at their house, which is 1000 feet from the track. One visitor said the lights were as bright as the sun, said Karin Rivard.

County code enforcement officer Tona Henninger checked several evenings last year at the Rivards' house. She said that "some lights we repositioned downward, and were not as focused toward the Rivard property."

Condren contends, "There is zero glare, zero bleed-off, and zero light spill."

The Rivards dispute both statements, saying there was no change in the lights.

McNerney Votes For Ethics Bills

Rep. Jerry McNerney, D. Pleasanton, voted for a package of ethics bills that passed the floor of the House of Representatives last week.

In a prepared statement released March 13 before the vote, McNerney said that he "took to the floor of the House in the beginning days of the 110th Congress to applaud the aggressive ethics package we passed. At the time I noted my confidence that those ethics rules were the first of many steps that we would take to bring back trust and civility to Congress."

"I'm proud that this week the Congress will take several more steps forward to promote accountability and openness in government by strengthening protections for whistle-blowers, providing timely responses to Freedom of Information Act requests, restoring access to presidential records, and limiting federal no-bid contracts.

"I can think of nothing more important than assuring the people we are elected to serve that this Congress — and indeed this government — is open, ethical and accessible. The measures we will vote on this week continue the important work we have already begun."

All of the bills passed by wide, bipartisan margins. McNerney spokesman Andy Stone explained each of the bills in the package.

HR 985 strengthens protections for federal workers who are whistle-blowers in government offices. That's important, especially on national security issues, said Stone.

Colleen Rowley, an official in the FBI office in Minneapolis, is a good example of workers who need protection. She made efforts to start an investigation of one of the men who eventually turned out to be a 9/11 plane high-jacker. However, her requests were shunted aside for political reasons, according to information revealed later, said Stone.

HR 1309 ensures that requests under the Freedom of Information Act (See ETHICS, page 4)



Photo - Doug Jorgensen

Lisa Ackerman earned a spot in the Teen Jeopardy Tournament.

Coming This Summer: Lisa Ackerman Competes on Teen Jeopardy!

By Patricia Koning

If the answer is "Livermore teen who will appear on Teen Jeopardy! this summer," then the question has to be "who is Lisa Ackerman?"

Ackerman, a senior at Livermore High School, recently returned from taping the Teen Jeopardy! Summer Games Tournament, which will air from July 16 through July 27 on ABC-7 KGO in the Bay Area.

"Being on Jeopardy! was so much fun," says Ackerman. "I would do it every single day if I could."

One night last fall she saw an advertisement for teen contestants while watching Jeopardy! on television. For fun, she went to the Jeopardy! website (www.jeopardy.com) and took the online test.

Ackerman did not think she

did well on the test, so she was surprised in January when she received a call from a Jeopardy! producer asking if she could come to an audition in Los Angeles. The audition consisted of another test, a mock game, and an interview where she was asked about her personal stories.

Applicants were asked to provide five personal stories that host Alex Trebek might use to make small talk during the actual show. One of Ackerman's stories was that she once learned the role of Viola, the female lead in Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," in just three days.

Ackerman has been active in drama since she was in the fifth grade. She credits this experience with helping her perform well in the interview portion of the audition and win a spot on Teen Jeopardy!

"Everyone there was very intelligent," she says. "However, I think my acting experience helped me be very calm and collected during the audition, and that gave me an edge."

She was one of 15 contestants chosen from over 5,000 teens who took the online test, and the only contestant from California. She spent five days in mid-March taping Teen Jeopardy! at Sony Studios in Culver City.

To prepare, she studied geography because she'd noticed this was a frequent category. She also watched a lot of Jeopardy! on television and practiced buzzing in with a clicking pen.

Ackerman recalls that taping the shows went really quickly—the shows are just 30 minutes with commercial breaks.

"The hardest part was buzzing (See JEOPARDY, page 3)

City, School District Could Work Together On Parcel Tax Issues

The Pleasanton school district and city may collaborate on efforts to pass ballot measures to fund capital projects.

That was one of the possibilities that came out of a joint workshop Monday of the school board and city council.

The city is looking to raise money to build-out the Bernal property. The school district needs funds to improve and renovate schools. Both agencies are conducting feasibility studies to determine voter support. The school district is considering a parcel tax; the city a bond measure.

Newly appointed school board member Chris Grant suggested, "We could co-mingle our plans and combine capital forces for the greatest impact. Both of us have studies underway looking at some ballot measure."

Board president Pat Kernan declared, "There is no reason why we can't combine our parcel tax issues."

No one from the city council commented on the potential for a joint effort.

A similar process in Livermore combined a bond measure for the school district, park district, and city resulting in a new library, community center, and renovation projects for the schools.

Superintendent John Casey said the school district is looking at whether the public would

support projects to improve education. "We are interested in how much they are willing to pay to move the schools from very good to excellent."

The city's interest is in building out the Bernal property. The site consists of 320 acres. Last November voters ratified a plan for what the property could look like. Proposed are a 60 to 70 acre grand meadow, a community center, youth center and civic arts center, as well as a 4-H club, trails and sports fields. A detention pond area would be created to look like a natural water feature.

City manager Nelson Fialho commented, "The biggest challenge is how to finance the amenities." One approach would be to pay-as-you-go, which would take up to 30 years. Another option would be for voters to approve a bond or tax. In that case buildout could be completed within 7 to 10 years, according to Fialho.

Emily Wagner, a financial analyst for the city, explained that the city is currently conducting a citizen satisfaction survey. One of the questions will ask if they would be willing to tax themselves to finance amenities on the Bernal property.

The city is looking at several options. One would be an increase in the transit occupancy tax (TOT). It is at 8 percent now. Wagner noted that other cities (See COLLABORATE, page 4)

Tauscher Calls for Change In Direction Of Iraq War

On the fourth anniversary of the War in Iraq, Rep. Ellen Tauscher spoke at the Center for American Progress.

Her remarks focused on the need to pass the supplemental bill expected to be voted on by the House of Representatives this week and her legislation with Rep. Adam Smith, the "Change the Course in Iraq Act."

The Tauscher-Smith legislation would nullify the existing Congressional authorization on the use of force in Iraq on the

grounds that the military mission has changed dramatically, and it would force the Iraqi government to take on a greater role by conditioning further funding for Iraqi security and reconstruction beginning in 2008 based on the Iraqis meeting specific benchmarks recommended by the Iraq Study Group.

Tauscher offered the following comments, "There is no need to educate you on the litany of mistakes and miscalculations (See TAUSCHER, page 4)



Photo - Doug Jorgensen

A tall leprechaun was one of the entries in the annual Dublin St. Patrick's Day Parade last Saturday. Other entries included bands, floats, community groups, and lots of people wearing green.

Tough Golf Course Ready for Nationwide Tour

Rain or shine, a tough test of golf awaits Nationwide Tour players next week for the Livermore Valley Wine Country Championship at Wente Vineyards.

Played at the end of the rainiest March on record, last year The Course At Wente Vineyards ranked No. 1 on the list of most difficult golf courses on the Nationwide Tour, with the average score 2.881 over par. This year there has been little rain leading into the event. However, the 7,181-yard Greg Norman layout is not expected to become a push-over for the 72-hole event March 29 through April 1.

"The golf course is one of the key elements of this tournament," said Tim Benton, Director of Tournament Business Affairs for the Nationwide Tour. "It is a fundamentally tough layout. The (rainy) weather we had compounded that. But in good weather, it is still a top-five (on the toughest courses list)."

Pleasanton's Todd Fischer, a

veteran of the PGA Tour and Nationwide Tour who is to be a hometown favorite, declared, "I am looking forward to playing. I heard so much about the event that was so positive, it made me proud that it was here in my home."

Formed in 1990, the Nationwide Tour is owned and operated by the PGA Tour and will be in its 18th season in 2007.

"It's basically the same thing, just a little bit different stage," said Jeff Quinney, a 2006 Nationwide Tour player who has three top-10s on the PGA Tour this year. "Everyone can play out there (on the Nationwide Tour). The top 30, 40 guys could easily be out here (on the PGA Tour). It's not that big of a difference."

The field at Wente Vineyards includes PGA Tour veterans Guy Boros, Jay Delsing, Jim Gallagher, Jr., Gary Hallberg, Mike Hulbert, Hank Kuehne,

(See TOUR, page 4)



Photo - Doug Jorgensen

Members of the Livermore Amador Valley Garden Club are providing funds and manpower to improve the side garden at 2060 2nd Street, home of Livermore Downtown Inc. The house was built in 1884 and has been owned by the Raboli Family since 1901. Livermore Downtown Inc. currently rents this property from the Raboli Family and uses it as an office. The Garden Club is hoping to have the garden in shape in time for the 16th Annual Livermore Wine Country Festival on May 5th and 6th. Alden Lane Nursery has offered to donate potting soil and some roses. Working on the garden are Jack Pons and Mary Goroff.

Do You Remember?

By Anne Homan



A STRONG CHARACTER

Born in 1855 in Maine, William Pitt Bartlett left as a young man to learn the printing business in Boston, Philadelphia and San Francisco. At age 22 he came to Livermore, bought the bankrupt Livermore newspaper the *Enterprise* and renamed it *The Livermore Herald* on February 1, 1877. The *Herald* office was on First Street between George W. Langan's law office and the old town hall and firehouse building still standing at the southeast corner of McLeod and First. At the top of the *Herald's* front page was the motto, "Independent in all things, neutral in nothing."

Bartlett was six foot four, a heavily built man with a close-clipped beard: "If you see a grizzly bear coming down the street, that's Mr. Bartlett." He usually wore a derby hat and a white shirt with stiff collar and cuffs.

According to local historian Gary Drummond, Bartlett "worked tirelessly to advertise the valley's agricultural and economic possibilities." In 1878 he published a 40-page pamphlet that extolled the advantages of the Livermore Valley and encouraged people to settle here. Bartlett showed his concern for the environment by advocating plowing stubble under instead of burning fields. He encouraged the spreading of gravel over local dirt roads.

He had hundreds of black locust trees planted along city streets and beside country roads leading to town; this tree was chosen because of its ability to survive without irrigation. The locust trees still lining North Livermore Avenue north of I-580 are the best remaining examples of his work. Recognizing the growing scarcity of firewood, Bartlett also had flats of 100 blue gum eucalyptus seedlings delivered to the *Herald* office and offered the seedlings to ranchers.

Bartlett's policy of publishing new construction permits and other real estate news in the newspaper has endeared him to local historians and genealogists. He himself bought and sold real estate in Livermore.

In 1884 he married Anna C. Laumeister, whose family ran the Livermore flourmill; the Bartletts lived in the two-story clapboard house that still stands at the southeast corner of South Livermore Avenue and Fifth Street. They called each other Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett.

Under Bartlett's aegis, the *Herald* was published for the most part as a weekly. Munro-Fraser's *History of Alameda County* described Bartlett in 1883: "a vigorous writer, who has in addition to his work on the paper, published considerable statistical, descriptive, and historical matter regarding Livermore Valley." Bartlett was a member of the Pacific Coast Press Association and occasionally contributed pieces to San Francisco newspapers.

In 1886 he acquired the first steam cylinder-printing machine in Alameda County outside of Oakland. A fire in Livermore on September 6, 1891 destroyed the newspaper office building and printing plant. Although he restored the business, Bartlett sold the *Herald* to Arthur Henry in 1899 and moved to Porterville in Tulare County, where he invested in mining enterprises and became known as the "Magnesite King."

He loved the California mountains and frequently traveled through the Coast Range and the Sierra. He and Anna had a home, Green Acres, on Sunnyside Avenue in Porterville as well as a mountain cottage, Tumbling Waters, at California Hot Springs. Bartlett and others planted pepper trees, acacia, olive, and palm trees along Sunnyside Avenue. Bartlett retired from mining in 1921. The Bartletts had bought an orange grove, and this project took up much of his time.

Bartlett was named in 1960 to the California Newspaper Hall of Fame, which honored him as a community builder, publisher, author, mining man, nature lover: "William Pitt Bartlett of the *Livermore Herald* represents the important power and community leadership that should be the goal of all small city newspaper publishers." On a visit to Livermore in 1928, he recalled, "When I started the *Livermore Herald* in 1877, I had just cast my first vote; and Norris D. Dutcher, whose business career began the same week, and I were the youngest business men in the town. ... As I look back now, it doesn't appear to have been much of a newspaper, compared with those of today. There were really no big papers then, judged from our present standpoint. A Washington hand-press, a Gordon jobber, and 25 fonts of type made the bulk of the equipment."

After leaving Livermore, Bartlett never returned to the newspaper business. He lived in Porterville for 27 years until his death in 1929; Anna had died in 1923. They had no children. Bartlett served as a member of the Tulare County forestry board from its establishment, and a Porterville city park was named in his honor. Beginning in 1925, he offered scholarship awards anonymously to sixth, seventh, eighth and twelfth grade students, and a Porterville junior high and elementary school are named for him.

Porterville flags flew at half-mast and the town stores closed to pay respect to Bartlett on the day of his funeral; a motorcycle escort accompanied the cortege to the Home of Peace Cemetery, where he was laid to rest beside his wife. His gravestone reads: "A clear mind. A strong character. A friend of youth." *The Livermore Herald* has continued on under various owners and editors.

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Students from both countries got together during the celebration dinner.

Visit Helps Develop International Friendships

With costumes and giggles, and smiles galore, twenty Livermore and twenty Japanese students whooped it up at a celebratory dinner held at the Robert Livermore Community Center on Sunday.

The event was part of the Livermore-Yotsukaido Sister City Organization (LYSCO) cultural exchange program for middle school students, which is now in its fourth year.

LYSCO's roots are much deeper, however. This year's dinner marked the organization's 30th anniversary of building friendships between the two cities.

"It's so exciting to see our young people involved," said Livermore Mayor Marshall Kamena at the dinner. He and his wife Barbara Kamena have been LYSCO members since its inception. Also representing the city were Councilman Tom Reitter, City Manager Linda Barton, and School Board Trustee Anne White.

"I have been dreaming of visiting Livermore for 30 years and the dream has come true," said Machiko Tsuruoka, an English teacher from Yotsukaido who has been welcoming Livermore visitors and preparing Japanese students for their USA visit for 30 years. "I hope our friendship will continue forever."

What began as a tribute to peace has blossomed into a dynamic opportunity for students to experience the global society of today and grow in their self-reliance.

The idea for the middle-school age exchange was the brainchild of Ted Okada, a participant in an earlier high school exchange. Okada liked Livermore so much he stayed on to become a Granada High School graduate.

The new program has strengthened the organization, according to Cal Wood, LYSCO president. "Young people have their horizons broadened and appreciate that we live in a much smaller world," said Wood.

The bus of twenty jet-lagged Japanese students and chaperones rolled into Livermore City Hall last week. They were welcomed by Livermore families waiting to host them for the eight-day stay. These same families

sent their Livermore middle school students to Japan for ten days this past October.

"The kids have a new perspective and want to make the world a better place. You see the light bulb go on in their brain," said Bruce Wolfe, a teacher at Mendenhall M.S. who helped design the program and serves as a chaperone.

Cindy Tallarico, also a chaperone, agrees. "They come back more mature. They saw that in Japan the students clean up the school, and they thought 'hey, we should do that too.'"

While here the Japanese guests experience a slice of American home life, explore San Francisco, and try out American student life at Livermore's middle schools.

The Sunday, March 18 dinner was an entirely out-of-Japan experience featuring Livermore's rodeo roots with Western décor and cuisine. Entertainment by the Livermore School of Dance and contestants from Livermore Idol showcased Livermore's youthful talent. Then the Japanese students and American students performed dances in costume for each other.

The program involves year round planning, coordination of many volunteers and endless details. Karen Powell, Student Exchange Program Chairperson, says for her "it's a passion." She became involved when her daughter brought home a host family form for the first group in 2003.

"You see them change and their personalities grow," says Powell. "We live in a global society now. When I grew up in Danville it was a different world. Our kids need this, it's a gift."

The annual visit is part of LYSCO's ongoing program to build relationships between the two cities, which share a commonality of demographics—though in different parts of the world. LYSCO is sponsored by the City of Livermore, for the purpose of fostering better understanding and cultural exchanges.

LYSCO will be accepting applications in April from Livermore seventh graders for traveling to Japan this fall. For more information, visit the LYSCO website at lysco.org.



PET OF THE WEEK

Chloe was found wandering, confused and her hair very matted. A little love and a lot of brushing later, she is a happy, regal Persian Princess ready for her forever home. She is friendly, gentle, and has the sweetest little "Meow". She is 3-years old, spayed, and loves to be carried around on your shoulders. For more information on Chloe, ID# 6408, call Valley Humane Society at 925-426-8656. Valley Humane Society holds mobile pet adoptions for dogs and cats at Pet Extreme in Livermore every Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

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VALLEY ROUNDUP

Salary Increases for Part Time Workers

The Board of Directors of the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD) voted on Wednesday to adjust salary ranges to the marketplace for part-time employees of the District. The decision was based upon a staff recommendation after looking at the results of a classification and salary study commissioned by the District.

The study was conducted by Cooperative Personnel Services and included a comprehensive review of all part-time job descriptions and salaries. Approximately 80% of the LARPD staff is identified as part-time employees.

"By better defining job classifications and bringing salaries in alignment with the current market, this decision will have a significant impact on our ability to recruit and retain qualified staff," according to Dale Turner, president of the LARPD Board.

Staff will see an overall four percent increase in the part-time salary range, an increase that kicks in for many staff members as of April 1, 2007. LARPD General Manager Tim Barry reports that the increases were included within the budget set by the board for this year. The District will plan for the full-year cost for the upcoming fiscal year.

In other action, the board recognized the many contributions of a former part-time employee, Keith McDowell, who received a Certificate of Appreciation for 27 years of service to the agency. McDowell taught a self-hypnosis class for the District since 1980.

The Board also reached an agreement with Livermore property owners Nathan and Jennifer Malakoff to share the cost of erecting a post and wire fence on property that runs between their farm and the 55-acre open space Holdener Park.

Hayashi Lobbying in Washington

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi (D-Hayward) is part of a delegation of more than 30 Assemblymembers in Washington, D.C. this week to lobby the Bush Administration and Congress for more federal funds for California and updates on federal legislation and programs that impact the state.

"For every tax dollar California sends to Washington, D.C., we only get 79 cents back," said Hayashi. "With a new Congress and an aggressive lobbying effort, I'm hopeful we can do better."

In addition to a meeting with White House officials, the delegation will talk with California's two U.S. Senators, Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer, and will meet with the U.S. Representatives from California who serve on the House Appropriations Committee.

Other planned meetings include: Senator Ted Kennedy on immigration; Rep. Henry Waxman, who is a senior member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Health; Rep. Lois Capps, who Co-Chairs the Congressional Women's Caucus and Rep. Zoe Lofgren, chair of the California Congressional delegation and chair of the House Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Immigration.

Mountain Lion in Pleasanton

A Pleasanton Parks worker reported seeing a mountain lion walking near the fence bordering Valley View School. The sighting occurred last Wednesday at around 3:04 p.m. The worker notified the Pleasanton Police Department, who confirmed that it was a mountain lion.

Officers checked the entire area on foot. The school officials were notified. Classes had been let out. School staff cleared the playground and remained inside the facility until officers notified them the area was clear.

Students and parents leaving the area were monitored by police officers.

Police want to remind residents that anyone sighting a mountain lion is encouraged not to run, rather to stand still letting the animal leave the area. There had been no sightings of this type in that area for a couple of years and such sightings are rare in city neighborhoods.

The police continued to check the area for the next few days. No further sightings were reported.

Greening Public Buildings

Assemblymember Alberto Torrico (D-Newark) will co-chair a hearing, "The Greening of California's Public Buildings: Moving California toward greater sustainability," to explore innovative technologies that can conserve energy and lower costs.

The hearing will be held 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fri., March 23 in the Union City Council Chambers, 34009 Alvarado Niles Road, Union City.

The joint hearing of the Assembly Governmental Organization and Business and Professions committees will include state and local officials who will highlight policies and projects designed to promote green building and reduce energy consumption throughout the state. Speakers include representatives from the Office of the State Architect/Green Building Initiative; California Energy Commission; Alameda County General Services Agency; Ohlone College; Finelite, Inc.; Re Think Development; and PG&E, among others.

McNerney Website Up

Congressman Jerry McNerney (CA-11) has his new Congressional web site up and running, replacing the placeholder site that had been available since his inauguration.

Rep. McNerney's site is available at <http://mcnerney.house.gov>

"I am thrilled that my new web site is up and available," Rep. McNerney said. "The site will serve as a clearinghouse for anyone looking for a wide range of information, from my voting record to constituent services to how to schedule tours when visiting Washington, DC. Residents of the 11th district can also sign up for my e-newsletter, which I highly encourage."

Rep. McNerney's new Congressional web site also includes information on the location of the Congressional offices, a photo gallery, a biography and an archive of press releases.



Photo - Doug Jorgensen
The northern California portion of the Wall of Hope, an exhibit of the Wall of Hope Breast Cancer Survivors' Project®, was on display at the U. S. Postal Service in Livermore last week. In concert with the event, the U. S. Postal Service featured its Breast Cancer Research Stamp, a 45-cent, first-class postage stamp that raises funds for breast cancer research. For further information, contact the Wall of Hope at 925.736.7100 or visit www.wallofhope.org. Looking at photos of cancer survivors are Mary and Tommy Huff.

Permit Problem Stopped Work On Dyer Reservoir

A delay in obtaining a biological opinion from a state department about work to be completed on a 62-acre reservoir in Dyer Road halted construction of that facility in November last year, according to Terry Becker of the state Department of Water Resources (DWR).

Becker is a supervising engineer for DWR in Sacramento.

The DWR project will expand the state's canal, which already carries water to Zone 7 and two other water districts farther downstream. The reservoir will be fed by the canal. The stored raw water will go into Zone 7's future water treatment plant, which is expected to be ready in 2009.

The Altamont treatment plant is near the north end of Dyer Road. The Independent's story last week erred about the reservoir's location, putting it too far south, and incorrectly described its hydraulic function, which is to feed the raw water to the treatment plant. In effect, Zone 7 has a reservoir for its treatment plant nearly free of having to pay for it.

The reservoir is being paid by all 29 state water contractors, said Becker. Taken together with the costs to Alameda County Water District and Santa Clara Valley Water Agency, which are the downstream agencies, Zone 7's share of the cost is less than 2 percent. Zone 7 receives the lion's share of the water among the three agencies.

Becker said that the reservoir is needed to feed the water treatment plant in case the pumps fail. The intention is not a long-term reservoir, since it would hold only a day or two of water. The further value is to allow Zone 7 to quit pumping water during the day to the treatment plant, and pump instead at night when power rates are lower, said Becker.

A spokeswoman for Zone 7, Carla Nemeth, confirmed there will be savings for Zone 7. The project will also help improve Zone 7 water quality because it will reduce the need to pump so much ground water, said Y.K. Chan, principal engineer for capital projects.

DWR started its reservoir project in mid-November, to try to beat the wet winter weather. However, the environmental issue halted it, not soil instability, as was incorrectly stated by a Dyer Road resident in last week's story. Work has not been begun again, because DWR is waiting to work through some final issues with the state Fish & Game department, said Becker.

Becker noted that since Dyer Road residents are concerned that the reservoir will take land dedicated to habitat by Waste Management, which operates the Altamont landfill to the east. They should be aware that DWR purchased 288 acres of mitigation land to replace it. That's better than the 3 to 1 requirement in such cases, said Becker.

DWR and Waste Management have been negotiating a price on land for the reservoir as part of condemnation proceedings. "It's a money issue," said Becker.

Dyer Road residents have said that since the reservoir provides

water to Zone 7, that agency should be in the negotiations too. However, both Zone 7, which is not involved in the talks, and DWR say that it's up to DWR, as reservoir builder, to do the condemnation proceedings. They agree that the Dyer Road attorney does not belong in the talks.

Residents who might have assumed that the reservoir would be lighted 24 hours a day because it is a water facility should be advised that lights won't be on around the clock, they will be on only for night maintenance, he said.

Chan said that although Zone 7's pump house will be 17 feet tall and 60 by 60 feet, "it's built like a bunker. We created an earth berm to hide it from residents. There's not much people can see."

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| BROCCOLI | 49¢ / BUNCH |
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JEOPARDY

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ing in first," she says. "A lot of time everyone knew the answer, so it came down to timing. You have a really short window in which to do it."

For the first few days of taping the contestants weren't allowed to watch any other shows being taped, so they spent a lot of time backstage. They passed the time watching movies, playing card games, doing crossword puzzles, and getting to know one another.

"Bonding with the other contestants was the best part of the experience," says Ackerman. "We were all stressed about the same thing, so there was a lot of camaraderie. We also had a lot of fun outside the show, like going to Universal Studios. I

think we will all keep in touch."

To find out how Lisa Ackerman fared on Teen Jeopardy!, be sure to watch the show starting on July 16. She's guaranteed \$5,000 just for playing the first round, but can earn up to

\$75,000 for college.

No matter how Lisa does on Teen Jeopardy!, this 17-year-old has plenty to be proud of. She's a National Merit Scholarship Finalist and hopes to study drama and English at Yale in the fall.

Congressman Wants to Hear from Veterans and Military Families

Congressman Jerry McNerney (CA-11) plans two listening tour events he will hold with veterans and military families in Stockton and Pleasanton on Saturday, March 24.

"I want to hear directly from veterans and military families about the kinds of issues they face in getting the help, treatment and benefits they deserve," Rep. McNerney said.

In Pleasanton, he will meet with veterans between 1 and 2 p.m. at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave.

The Stockton session will be 4 to 5 p.m. at Cesar Chavez Central Library, 605 N. El Dorado St.



NOTICE OF COMMISSION/ COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The City of Pleasanton is now accepting applications to fill vacancies on the following commissions or committees:

City of Pleasanton Commissions/Committee (Four-Year Term)

- Human Services Commission, 2 Members, 1 Alternate
- Parks & Recreation Commission, 1 Alternate
- Youth Commission, 4 Members, 2 Alternates
- Economic Vitality Committee
 - (1) Biomedical Representative
 - (1) Financial Institution Representative

Youth Master Plan Implementation Committee (One-Year Term)

- At-Large Parent Representatives
 - (1) Pre-School Representative; (1) Elementary School Representative
- 1 Health and Crisis Representative
- 1 Non-Profit Agency Representative
- 1 Senior Citizen Representative
- 1 Youth and 1 Alternate Representative from Village High School
- 1 Youth Representative from Hart Middle School

Applications are available at the City Clerk's office, 123 Main Street, Pleasanton or on the City's Website at www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us. For additional information, call the office of the City Clerk at (925) 931-5027.

Applications must be received no later than **5:00 P.M., FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2007**. Postmarks are not accepted.

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Gastroenterologist
Sundeep Nayak, MD
Radiologist

Date: March 29, 2007

Time: 6:30PM

Location:
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EDITORIALS

Making Town More Bike Friendly

The Pleasanton City Council was told at a recent meeting that Pleasanton is deficient in bike paths. "Pleasanton is not considered a bicycle-friendly town. It is difficult for a cyclist to get through Pleasanton," said Bill Rose of the Valley Spokesmen Bicycle Club.

The council that evening approved a temporary trail for bike riders and persons on foot. It will run from the BART station to Santa Rita Road, where it will meet a finished portion of the regionwide Iron Horse Trail.

Councilmember Matt Sullivan, himself a cyclist, agreed with Rose that Pleasanton needs more bike paths, as did, in fact, the whole council. Staff was directed to look into possible projects. Staff made the point that "significant" state and federal funding is available.

It was a hopeful discussion.

Global warming, with its need to eliminate carbons in the atmosphere, makes discussions like this tremendously important. A well developed network of bike paths would go a long way toward transforming the bicycle into a regular mode of transportation. Pleasanton (and every city) has the power to reduce those harmful carbons.

Livermore As Film Locale

Chambers of Commerce tend to be pretty conventional when they promote their cities to industry. The Livermore Chamber, however, is leaving the beaten path. They're promoting their town to Hollywood as a great locale for film making.

They've put together a packet that touts the diversity of settings in the area, the wind energy turbines, the national labs, wineries, Hindu temple, rodeo grounds, etc. In the works is a promotion trip to Hollywood led by the Chamber's Dale Kaye.

Kaye developed a successful similar program in Jacksonville, Florida, which pumps some \$50 million into the Jacksonville economy each year.

The film shoots would be fun, not to speak of the beneficial ripple effect on the local economy. We hope Dale Kaye matches the success she enjoyed in Florida.

COLLABORATE

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such as San Francisco have a 14 percent TOT. "The Pleasanton rate is low in comparison." The TOT is paid by visitors who stay in local hotel rooms. Voter approval is required to increase the TOT.

A second possibility would be to increase the public facility fee paid by developers. The final funding option would be to ask voters to approve a general obligation bond.

Survey results are anticipated to be available at the end of April. A financing plan for the Bernal property would go to the council in May. "We are looking at a tax initiative either on the November 2007 or February 2008 ballot," said Wagner. "Assuming it is approved, the council could

implement the program immediately."

Wagner said of the pay-as-you-go option that eventually the city would run out of money to complete the Bernal plan. She explained that maintenance of completed amenities would use up money from the general fund, leaving none to build additional facilities. "At that point, the city would have to come back to the community to ask for a tax to complete the plan," according to Wagner.

Another problem with pay-as-you-go, added Fialho, is that there would be little money left for other capital projects. He stated, "most of the funds would go to Bernal."

TOUR

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Len Mattiace, Blaine McCallister, Steve Pate, Chris Riley, Esteban Toledo, Omar Uresti and Mark Wiebe, among others.

This year's first three winners on the Nationwide Tour are headed to Livermore: Nicholas Thompson of Florida, Scott Sterling of Texas and Miguel Carbello of Argentina.

Tournament director Chris Conway also has announced that the fourth sponsor's exemption has been granted to Matt Weibring. Ranked No. 9 in driving accuracy on the Nationwide Tour last year, Weibring is the son of D.A. Weibring, a five-time win-

ner on the PGA Tour who is now on the Champions Tour.

Competition for the full field of 144 starts at 7 a.m. on Thursday and Friday, with players starting on the first and 10th tees. Following the 36-hole cut to the low 60 and ties, play on Saturday and Sunday is to begin at 8:30 a.m.

Admission is \$10 Thursday and Friday, \$20 Saturday and Sunday, with a four-day pass \$30.

Admission is free for practice rounds Monday through Wednesday. Tickets for the tournament are available at Ticketmaster and Tri-Valley Safeway stores.

TAUSCHER

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that have led to the current state of affairs in Iraq, Afghanistan, the greater Middle East and the world. You are all well aware of the lies that got us into war, the absence of any sort of plan to stabilize Iraq after the capture of Saddam Hussein, and our inability to capture or kill Osama bin Laden and forcefully and adequately address the expanding threat of al Qaeda and Islamic extremism.

"On the fourth anniversary of the start of major combat operations in Iraq, it's appropriate to take stock of where we have been. Today alone, we will spend two hundred and seventy five million dollars in Iraq, adding to the three hundred and forty four billion dollars already obligated to fund this war.

"It's responsible to ask: Where do we go from here? What is done is done, and Congress must now look to correct the Bush Administration's mistakes of the past so we can move forward as a nation and once again lead the world in an optimistic and pragmatic way.

"This is all the more urgent in light of the Pentagon's assessment last week, finally acknowledging that Iraq is in a civil war, that Iraqi forces are still not leading all combat operations, and that the Iraqi government has failed to make significant progress toward government reform or political reconciliation.

"What we need is a new way forward, and that new way begins with passing the supplemental funding legislation that will be before the House this week."

One Machine Under Development to Detect Explosive, Chemical and Biological Agents

Airplane passengers and baggage might be screened one day by a machine under development at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory that can detect explosive, chemical and biological agents all at the same time.

A team of Lab researchers has conceptually proven that a three-in-one machine, or "universal point detection system," can be achieved, said George Farquar, a postdoctoral fellow and physical chemist at the Lab's Glenn T. Seaborg Institute.

The team's latest advance, using its mass spectrometry system to detect the presence of minuscule particles of explosives, is described in the March 1 edition of *Analytical Chemistry*, a semi-monthly journal published by the American Chemical Society.

"We have found we can potentially detect an incredibly small quantity of material, as small as one dust-speck-sized particle weighing one trillionth of a gram, on an individual's clothing or baggage," Farquar said. "This is important because if a person handles explosives they are likely to have some remaining residue."

Using a system they call Single-Particle Aerosol Mass Spectrometry, or SPAMS, the Livermore scientists already have developed and tested the technology for detecting chemical and biological agents.

The new research expands SPAMS' capabilities to include several types of explosives that have been used worldwide in improvised explosive devices

and other terrorist attacks.

"SPAMS is a sensitive, specific, potential option for airport and baggage screening," Farquar said. "The ability of the SPAMS technology to determine the identity of a single particle could be a valuable asset when the target analyte is dangerous in small quantities or has no legal reason for being present in an environment."

The team conducted its explosives tests under laboratory conditions at LLNL last summer.

"The tests went well. They show the potential to identify explosives in a field setting," Farquar said.

Besides Farquar, other LLNL researchers on the explosives detection team included the

paper's lead author, Audrey Martin, an LLNL chemist and Michigan State University Ph.D. student, chemists Eric Gard and David Ferguson, and physicist Matthias Frank.

Future plans for SPAMS include a field test at a large public facility in the United States later this year, upgrading the technology for removing particles from luggage and clothing, and adding the capability of detecting narcotics, Farquar said.

Research funds have been provided by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and LLNL's Glenn T. Seaborg Institute, which is part of the Chemistry, Materials and Life Sciences directorate.

ETHICS

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formation Act receive timely responses.

HR 1362 ensures bidding on government contracts above a certain amount. It's designed to limit the practice of no-bid contracts of the kind given to Halliburton for its work in Iraq.

Another ethics bill included is HR 1254. It would require the disclosure of names of people who donate more than \$200 to presidential libraries. Currently, there is no limit on how much can be donated while a president is in office and for up to four years afterward. That gives people an opportunity to buy influence with a president, according to bill supporters.

HR 1255 reforms law about disclosing presidential records. President Bush in 2001 issued an executive order that gave current and former presidents and vice presidents and their heirs the right to delay release of presidential documents. Historians protested, because the order limited the amount of information disclosed about past administrations. The new bill would erase Bush's order, and would establish the ability to reject the release of documents for only twelve years.

Checkpoint Nets Five on DUI Charges

Livermore and Pleasanton police departments conducted sobriety and drivers' license checkpoints on March 17 on Stanley Blvd. just east of Shadow Cliffs.

A total of twenty-eight vehicles were impounded for violations of either driving under the influence (DUI) or for driver's license violations. Five drivers were arrested for DUI.

"The checkpoint was successful, not only because of the vehicle impounds and the arrests, but also because drivers were educated about the hazards of driving under the influence," said Traffic Unit Supervisor Sgt. Michael Collins.

In addition, Pleasanton and Livermore police screened a total of 1448 vehicles during their checkpoints. Twenty-five drivers were given field sobriety tests and forty-four drivers were further investigated for various drivers license violations.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving provided educational materials to drivers who were screened during the checkpoint.

Pleasanton School Board Raises Developer Fees, Looks At Building List

The Pleasanton school board took a look at the projected \$56.2 million cost of high school expansion over the next few years. The board then raised the annual developer fees by 9 percent to keep up with the inflationary demands of finishing the high school and any other projects.

Trustees voted 4-0 at their meeting March 13 to raise the developer gift fee and a separate cooperative fee, which is paid by only two developers, because of a special arrangement with the district. The gift fee will go from \$7.75 per square foot to \$8.45 per square foot for single family homes.

The cooperative fee will rise from 5.05 per square foot to \$5.50 per square foot. Signature Properties and Standard Pacific pay the cooperative fee. They are charged a lower amount because they have agreed to build Neal elementary school for the district on a turnkey basis.

Most of the fee falls on Signature, because it has much more development than Standard Pacific. However, Neal elementary school has not been built. Signature and the district are in court over a dispute about the contract's language and exactly what Signature's financial obligation is.

Before the school board vote, trustees Pat Kernan and Chris Grant suggested that the board could stop short of raising the fees by 9 percent, as a gesture to developers, who are facing higher costs of their own and a slower sales market. That idea evolved in the board discussion into the possibility of splitting the increase.

The state has a ceiling on school impact fees of \$2.63 per

square foot for each new house. Money collected above that ceiling becomes a gift fee, which is negotiated freely by developers at the district's request.

Kernan and Grant suggested raising the \$2.63 portion of the fee by 9 percent, but the gift portion above it by only 7 percent. The gesture of a 2 percent break on the gift fee could help in future activities where the district will need developers' support, said Kernan and Grant.

However, trustee Kris Weaver and Superintendent John Casey, while acknowledging the public relations aspect of a lower hike, noted that the school district helps the developers sell their homes by providing topnotch schools. Statements about the quality of Pleasanton education have appeared in all of the developers ads, said Weaver.

Kernan and Grant had no objection to the 9 percent, so the vote was unanimous.

MANY PROJECTS DESIRED AT HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL

Addressing the future of high schools in Pleasanton, a representative from the architect hired by the district gave a detailed slide presentation to the board about projects on the wish list. The board took no formal action. No priorities were assigned.

The staff will come back later with approximate recommendations covering priorities. There will also be coordination between various projects and the kinds of money available for each. Projects that accommodate growth, such as more classrooms, are paid from developer fees. Remodeling can come out of state school bonds and other potential sources.

The biggest projects on the

list were gyms and classroom additions. Modifications to the music department at Foothill, which would bring it up to Amador's amount of space, would total \$3.5 million. A new classroom and PE support building at Foothill would cost \$6.8 million. Resurfacing the football field would cost \$900,000.

At Amador Valley, a new two story classroom building would cost \$8 million. Making it only one story would cut the cost to \$3.8 million, but would infringe on parking. An addition to the gym would cost \$9.9 million.

Trustee Jim Ott observed that the district is committed to athletic fields on about 50 percent of the surface of both campuses. He wondered what could be done with land for academics, but added the district definitely is committed to athletics, too.

Superintendent Casey pointed out that the projected projects are a wish list. Maybe not all would be built. The board will have to decide whether an outlay to accommodate a big crowd for one or two basketball games each year and three or four full assemblies is justified.

Two topics that did come up as potential for high priority were expansion of ceramics rooms at Amador Valley and Foothill, as well as the addition of bleachers at each school. Ceramics classes have been immensely popular. Both schools are challenged to have enough space to do all they can with the classes. The projected price tag at Amador Valley High School is \$625,000 for modifying the ceramics lab and adding a kiln. At Foothill High School, the tab is \$665,000, but also includes some physical education modifications that are part of the building design.

Stadium seating expansion will cost \$790,000 at Amador Valley and \$1.5 million at Foothill, where intrusion of a hill dictates more engineering and design cost. Screening the bleachers from the neighbors and directing crowd noise away from them are also issues that will have to be considered.

The district has about \$4 million in its building fund, left over from Measure B, which is directed at remodeling. Also, some other funds may be available, said assistant superintendent Sandra Lepley. Board members were receptive to completing the urgency projects built in the summer. More specifics will be brought back to the board about those projects.

Schools Want Comment On Election vs. Appointment

The Pleasanton school board is seeking comment from the community about whether the vacant position caused by the death of Juanita Haugen should be filled through an election or an appointment.

People who want to tell the school district their preference should do so no later than March 23 by contacting the district's public information officer, Myla Grasso, at 426-4304, or an e-mail to her at publicinfo@pleasanton.k12.ca.us. People may get in touch with school board members directly.

Trustees discussed the alternatives of appointment and election at their meeting March 13. As with the two previous vacancies, which were filled through the appointment of Jim Ott and Chris Grant, cost of an election was cited as a reason to appoint.

The estimated cost would be \$110,000 to \$150,000, said superintendent John Casey. The election would be held at the next regular local elections in the county, which will be in November.

Also cited in favor of appointments was the idea that it might be good to be able to work with a full board between now and November. The notion of appointing someone who would promise to fill that gap until November, and promise not to seek the office was discussed. That approach would eliminate the perception by some that an appointed incumbent running in an election has an advantage over a non-incumbent.

It was used in a Dublin election, said Grant. Noting that he and Ott were appointed, Grant said that normally an election is expected by residents. "Democracy is the structure, appointment

is the exception," he said. Also there is "a certain advantage for an incumbent in an election," he added.

Ott wondered whether a potential candidate for the seat would want an election or an appointment. No one commented about it.

Trustee Pat Kernan said that teamwork was an important aspect of being a board member, a theme he also talked about when the board appointed Ott and Grant. He noted that the school board isn't political like the U.S. Senate. "We can't afford to wait nine months for an election," said Kernan.

He added that "we are not trying to pacify people," an apparent reference to a resident who made a pitch to the board for an election before Grant was appointed. "We can't let it turn into a political process," said Kernan.

Ott said there didn't appear to be any issues "not to agree about. There is no big controversial topic." He added that "at times, there were diverse topics (in the past)."

Kernan said, "That's an argument for an election. There may be topics that would be raised."

Trustee Kris Weaver said that (raising new issues) "could be a positive or a negative. Sometimes our friends in the press try to make issues out of nothing." Then Weaver added as an afterthought, "which can be positive or negative." Weaver said that "a number of people in passing have told me, 'You've got to go to an election.'"

As with the last appointment, Weaver said that "democracy has a price (the election cost)." She suggested delaying a decision two weeks to find out what the community is thinking.

SHORT NOTES

Meet Easter Bunny

Young children ages two to six are invited to spend some time with the Spring Bunny at a special "Breakfast with the Bunny" event slated for Saturday, March 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The event is sponsored by the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD) and takes place at the Robert Livermore Community Center at 4444 East Avenue in Livermore.

Youngsters will engage in "make and take" spring-themed crafts, visits with the Spring Bunny and photos with their furry friend for \$2, followed by a "hop-along-trail" to breakfast, where they will enjoy cereal, fruit, granola bars, juice and special treats.

All children must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets for the event must be purchased in advance. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$6 for children. For more information, please call (925) 373-5700.

Eggs Program

Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD) ranger staff presents a "Sp-Egg-Tacular" on Sun., March 25.

Meet Ranger Dawn Soles at 2 p.m. in the group picnic area at Veterans Park. Discover just what the egg has going for it. From the advantage they give in reproduction to their influence on human art and architecture - we'll talk about it all. After talking about eggs, participants will spend some time decorating a few. Supplies will be limited so please call (925) 960-2400 for reservations. There will be a \$2 materials fee.

There is a \$3 per vehicle parking fee. A \$2 donation is requested to help support the programs. Participants may call (925) 960-2400 for more information.

Mayan Culture

The Las Positas College (LPC) Spanish Department will host two cultural events during the month of March. The first event, is slated for Thursday, March 22, features a lecture by Zachary Hruby of the Department of Anthropology at the University of California, Riverside.

Hruby, one of the foremost experts on Maya culture, will discuss "Mel Gibson's Apocalypso vs. the Archaeological Record: An Investigation of Ancient Maya Ritual and Sacrifice." Gibson's recent film, a quasi-historical depiction of the Maya at the time of the Spanish Contact, has been widely criticized for its inaccurate and biased depiction of the Maya of Central America (Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Belize, and El Salvador). The lecture reviews these inaccuracies through a comparison of particular scenes and actual archaeological evidence collected in the field. The evidence for sacrifice and ritual will be further explored through an analysis of special deposits from temple contexts, as well as the iconography of Maya art.

The lecture, is scheduled from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Activity Center, Room 601 on the LPC campus. It is free and open to the public. There will be a question and answer period following the lecture. Refreshments will be provided.

Next up on March 28th is an LPC celebration of César Chávez and migrant farm workers. Carlos Navarro, the Dean of Social Sciences and Wellness at LPC, will lead a discussion about César Chávez and the farm worker movement, followed by a documentary film on the topic. The presentation will begin at 1:30 p.m. in Building 1600 at LPC. The event is also free and open to the public.

For more information about both events, please call Catherine Suarez at (925) 424-1212.

Adult Education

Livermore Adult Education is open Monday-Thursday until 7pm for registration. Classes:

Computer classes include MS Word (3/27), MS Excel (3/27), MS Publisher (4/23), Intro to PC (5/2), QuickBooks (3/26), Selling on EBay (4/7), Exploring the Internet (4/18), E-Mail (4/25).

College Prep Computers for High School Seniors (4/2) basic computer competencies and tools to help incom-

ing college freshmen succeed. Students will take home a CD with templates created for utilization in college.

Senior computer classes include Windows XP (4/16), Senior Surfing (5/7), and E-Mail (5/21).

Notary Public Class (5/12) for new and renewing notaries offers same day testing. Beginning Birdwatching (5/20) covers the essential techniques and offers field trips.

Art classes, taught by local artists include Painting (4/16), Mixed Media (3/27), Drawing & Painting Water (4/25), Watercolor (3/28), Portrait Drawing (3/22) and Pastels (3/22). Beginning Knitting (3/21), Photo Fun! (4/21), Beginning Crocheting (4/17).

CPR (4/17) is good for two year certification for adult, child and infant. Yoga classes are offered mornings and evenings. Meditation (3/26) has many benefits including reducing stress. Beginning Conversational Spanish (3/28) and Advanced Beginning Conversational Spanish (3/27) are geared specifically for the work force.

Write memoirs into a polished manuscript in the Memoir Writing (3/26) class. Helen Daniel, a writing teacher for 26 years, will help writers or would-be-writers explore techniques for improving their writing in a supportive atmosphere in the Creative Writing (3/27) class.

Adult Diploma and GED classes are offered as well. Register online at www.livermoreadulted.org or phone (925)606-4722.

Coloring Contest

In honor of this year's theme for the Livermore Valley Wine Auction, "In the Spirit of Children's Laughter," Wente Family Estates is holding a drawing contest to get kids involved in the cause. Kids are invited to draw a wine label for Wente Vineyards, Tamás Estates, or Murrieta's Well, and win a chance for their artwork to grace 12 liter bottlings.

The wine label design contest is for children ages 1 through 13. It will be held in the tasting rooms at Wente Vineyards, Tamás Estates and Murrieta's Well, as well as at The Grill and The Restaurant at Wente Vineyards. During the month of April, parents and adult guardians are encouraged to bring their children to Livermore Valley wine country to create artwork for use as wine labels. These collector's wines will be sold to the highest bidder at the 13th Annual Livermore Valley Wine Auction Experience on Saturday, May 19th.

Auction beneficiaries are the ValleyCare Foundation, Oakland East Bay Symphony, The Taylor Family Foundation, and Kaleidoscope After School Program - Easter Seals Bay Area. Chosen artists and their families will win a family season pass to The Cinema at Wente Vineyards. Each winery will feature a different theme and will set up an art station including materials. During regular tasting hours, families are invited to visit locations below according to the following themes:

Wente Vineyards' Theme: Family in wine country.

The Estate Winery Tasting Room, 5565 Tesla Road, Livermore, open daily from 11:00 am to 4:30 pm. Daily public winery tours begin at 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm.

The Restaurant at Wente Vineyards, 5050 Arroyo Road, Livermore, open daily for lunch and dinner, with brunch

offered on Sundays. The Restaurant closes each day between lunch and dinner, from 2:30 pm to 5 pm.

The Grill at Wente Vineyards, 5040 Arroyo Road, Livermore, open for breakfast until 11:00 am daily and lunch after 11:00 am. Service begins 1/2 hour before sunrise and ends 1/2 hour after sunset.

The Vineyard Tasting Room, 5050 Arroyo Road, open daily from 12:00 pm to 6:30 pm.

Tamás Estates' Themes: A Taste of Italy: Tamás Estates' Tasting Room, 5489 Tesla Road, Livermore, open Wednesday through Sunday from 11 am to 4:30 pm.

Murrieta's Well's Theme: Early California

Murrieta's Well's Tasting Room, 3005 Mines Road, Livermore, open Wednesday through Sunday from 11 am to 4:30 pm.

Entries will be judged by tasting room managers and Wente Family Estate staff. Wente Estates will hold all rights to the artwork and may use images in wine auction fundraising activities. Participants who wish may complete the labels at home and drop off or mail to Wente Vineyards Estate Winery Tasting Room, 5565 Tesla Road, Livermore, CA 94550.

Entries and submittal forms must be received no later than April 30, 2007. Limited to one entry per person, must be under the age of 13. Entries may be no larger than 8.5" x 11", drawn in crayon, felt pen or colored pencil. Please call 925-456-2305 ext. 4 for more information or to request a submittal form.

Hot Dog & Bob

Children's author and artist Lisa Rovetch will visit the Pleasanton Library on Friday afternoon, March 23rd starting at 4 p.m. as part of the library's Meet the Author series.

Rovetch has written the Hot Dog & Bob books, a zany series about a young boy named Bob who finds a talking hot dog from another planet in his lunch box.

Her newest title is Hot Dog & Bob and the Dangerously Dizzy Attack of the Hypno Hamsters! The author's appealing books are helpful for early literacy as they often involve repetitive chants around single-syllable words.

Towne Center Books will be on hand with titles available for purchase.

For more information about library programs, please check the library's www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/services/library/programs-events-child.html or call the Children's Desk at (925) 931-3400 x 8. The library is located at 400 Old Bernal Ave.

Colon Cancer Seminar

San Ramon Regional Medical Center presents a free educational seminar, "All About Colon Cancer," Thursday, March 29, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Board Certified Gastroenterologist, Jeffrey Mark, M.D., will speak in the South Conference Room in San Ramon Regional's South Building, located at 7777 Norris Canyon Road.

Colon cancer affects both men and women. It is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States. However, it is usually treatable if caught early.

Learn important facts about colorectal cancer, who is at risk, and steps a person can take to reduce their risk of developing the disease. Colorectal screening tests can save lives. Gain awareness about the importance of early screening and detection.

March is National Colon Cancer Awareness Month. Bring a loved one to this free seminar to learn information that might be lifesaving.

Space is limited. Reservations are required. For reservations, call 800.284.2878 or on-line at www.sanramonmedctr.com.

Violence Free Families

Tri-Valley Haven, and SEMAH, Inc., a violence prevention organization in Newark, are partnering with Marin Abused Women's Services to present a workshop to strengthen the connection between violence prevention advocates and faith leaders.

Participants will also discuss strategies for stopping the violence before it occurs.

The workshop will be held Wed., March 28 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Livermore Police Department Community Room, 1110 So. Livermore Ave. Registration is \$20. It includes lunch and refreshments.

The workshop is funded by the California Department of Health Services. All faith leaders, domestic violence prevention advocates and other interested individuals are invited to participate. To register or for further information, contact Aliza Naisular at 415-526-2536 or fvff@trnsformcommunities.org.

Relay for Life

Livermore is gearing up for its 6th annual Relay for Life. A team recruitment drive will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. on Thurs., March 22 at Magoo's Pizza, 364 So. Livermore Ave. Anyone interested in the event is invited to attend.

This is the American Cancer Society's annual signature fund-raising event. The Livermore Relay will be held from 9 a.m. Sat., June 23 to 9 a.m.

Sun., June 24 at the track at Livermore High School. Last year the community raised over \$230,000 at this event.

Throughout the 24 hour event, teams of friends, families, co-workers and organizations from the community commit to keeping at least one member walking the track - because cancer never sleeps.

There are a variety of ways to be involved. The Livermore Steering Committee for the event meets monthly, then biweekly starting in May. There are positions open on this committee. In addition, there are other committees that need volunteers.

Anyone interested in participating or for more information, contact Ken Krovaz at 373-9435 or kkrovaz@abgglobal.net.

Lecture on Energy Crisis

"Energy Crisis: Will Technology Save Us?" is the topic of the Sat., March 24 "Science on Saturday" lecture.

John Ziagos, LLNL scientist, and Dean Reese, Tracy High School teacher, will present the lecture at the Amador Theatre in Pleasanton. There are two sessions, 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

Energy is a fundamental quantity in our universe. However, it is an elusive substance that can't be held, seen or felt. Yet, everything in daily living relies on energy - lighting cities, transporting vehicles, warming homes, cooking food, powering computers and the internet, playing music and enabling radio and television. This talk will present the latest scientific understanding about the Earth's total energy budget and a glimpse into the future. Several fundamental energy questions are answered: will the world run out of energy, how does hydrogen fit into the picture, what is carbon sequestration and does it matter, and what might the U.S. energy system look like in 2050?

Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis; there is no pre-registration. Directions, maps and a complete

list of lectures are available at <http://education.llnl.gov/sos/> Science on Saturday is presented by LLNL's Science and Technology Education Program.

The Amador Theater is located at 1155 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton.

Granada DECA

Granada High School DECA students recently attended the State Career Development Conference in Costa Mesa.

DECA is an association of marketing students in which students have the opportunity to travel to competitions in which they can use the marketing skills they develop inside the classroom and use them in real world situations. The top three competitors from each category earned a spot at the International Career Development Conference to be held in April in Orlando, Florida. Granada did a fantastic job and will be sending many students to represent the state at the international level against top winners from across the US, Mexico, Guam, Puerto Rico, and Canada. Winners from Granada included:

Chelsey Heil, Sarah Jefferis, and Sarah Sinclair- 1st Community Service Project; Sean Asbury and Marysia Gunderson- 3rd Entrepreneurship Written; Juliet Kellogg, Jassi Singh, and Tuan Pham- 3rd International Business Plan; Juliet Kellogg- 2nd Sports and Entertainment Marketing; Ben McHenry- 1st Technical Sales Event; Rick Bowes- 4th Technical Sales Event; Marcos Sarmiento, Sean Asbury, Marysia Gunderson, and Justine Jarvis- 2nd place DECA Quiz Bowl.

Attending the International CDC will cost each student about \$750.00 not including entertainment or food expenses. If anyone would like to contribute to Granada DECA please send a check to: GRANADA DECA c/o Debbie Nelson 400 Wall Street Livermore, CA 94550.

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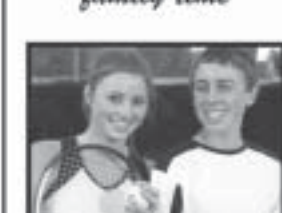
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SPORTS NOTES

Pleasanton Ballistic

The Pleasanton Ballistic United Soccer Club Black under-16 boys A/Caffodios soccer team finished a great season with a loss to the Folsom Clash, 3-2, at the quarter finals match of the Association Cup play over the weekend at Morgan Hill, California.

Goalie Stephen LaCommare made numerous saves through out the weekend. Strong defense was provided by Eric Barnett, Phil Viebach, Patrick Yee, Austin Richardson and Brandon Lee. Strikers send forwards Chris Le, Julio Gomez, Nathan Roberts, Justin Dorsey, Noel Moldavi, Mark Gush. Strong midfield play by John Leach, Edmond Hare, Jared Lui, Mason Ridgeway, Nayam Karavada.

Ballistic played a good game on Saturday by defeating the Castro Valley Clash, 1-0, to advanced to Sunday's quarter finals. Great team work through out the match. Nathan Roberts' 2nd half goal sealed the win.

Ballistic battled hard against the Folsom Clash. Battled back to get back in the game after down 3-0, only to come up short. Justin Dorsey scored the first goal for Ballistic from a fine pass by Roberts. Roberts picked up his 2nd assist when Austin Richwood headed his corner kick into the net.

Granada LL

Granada Little League results: **Junior 90's:** Top Hitters: Aaron Dickinson, Red Sox 90's team jumped out to a 4-1 record in the first week of Gold Division baseball. They split a double header with the Colt 45s, winning the first game 5-1, but losing 8-5 in the second. Then they took three straight wins, beating San Ramon 13-5, in a game that was called early for darkness, and then swept Tassajara in a doubleheader, 6-3 and 4-0.

In the first win over the Colts, Kyle Van Schaack and Brent Wagner combined for 5 innings of shutout pitching. Kevin Stein went 2 for 3 at the plate, but the big blast was a 2 RBI double by Adam Dickinson. In the loss to the Colts, Max Kurth had two hits and four stolen bases, while Austin Gavello scored twice and Ryan Rogers doubled. Granada followed with a win over San Ramon, as Reti Cortez tripped and Matt Epps and Kurth doubled.

Granada then beat Tassajara in both ends of a double header. In the first game Cortez opened with four innings of no hit, shutout pitching. The game also featured an outstanding diving catch by Zach Martin and a 3 for 4 day by Kurth at the plate. In the final game, Van Schaack, Stein and Rogers combined for a four hit shutout. Wagner was 2 for 3 at the plate, while key RBIs were also delivered by Eddie Horn and Gavello.

Major Division: Red Sox 2 - Giants 0 - In a game that quickly became a classic pitchers duel, Anthony Olmo of the Red Sox threw a complete game no-hit shutout, defeating the Giants 2 - 0. In his effort, he struck out 16 batters while only walking one. Opposing pitcher Justin Whitman was just as tough, only giving up 3 hits and striking out 13 batters. Offensively, Aaron Dickinson hit a first inning triple and scored on for the Red Sox first run. Then, in the fifth inning, Matty Proetel reached base and scored on a Damian Gan hard hit double.

A's 5, Mariners 12: Top Hitters Derek Wilcox, A's - 1B, 2B, 2RBIs, IRS Jason Stearns, A's - 1B, IRS Andrew Maddrossian, A's - 1B, 2RS Sean Westphal, Mariners - 2B, 1 RBI, 2RS Jack Trudewald, Mariners - 1B, 1RBI, 2RS Anthony Duenas, Mariners - 1B, 2B, 2RBIs, IRS, Top Pitchers Brandon Jeffers, A's - 1 2/3 innings, 0 hits, 0 runs, 4 strikeouts Sean Westphal, Mariners - 4 innings, 2 hits, 1 run, 9 strikeouts Matt Hilgen, Mariners - 2 innings, 0 hits, 0 runs, 3 strikeouts.

A's 5, Red Sox 0: Top Hitters Derek Wilcox, A's - 2-1B, 2RS Nate Preece, A's 2B, 1RBI, IRS Aaron Dickinson, Red Sox - 3-1B Matty Proetel, Red Sox - 2B, Top Pitchers Brandon Jeffers, A's - 4 1/3innings, 0 runs, 8 strikeouts Jacob Kirby, Red Sox - 2innings, 6 strikeouts Anthony Olmo, Red Sox - 3innings, 6 strikeouts.

Mariners 5, Cubs 4: Cubs led the game until the 5th inning when the bottom of the line up for the Mariners caught fire during a 2 out rally to steal the lead coming back on 2 to 4 to win the game 5 to 4. Top Hitters Mariners - Ian Clutier and Matt Hilgen with 1B, RBI, run scored each; Jack Trudewald with 2B, 1B, run scored, Cubs - Kyle Campiotti 1B, 2B, 2RBI, run scored; Nick Campiotti and Kyle Tracey 1B, run scored each, Top Pitchers Mariners - Sebastian Martinez 5IP, 4R, 4H, 7K; Sean Westphal Pitched the last inning with 3 straight strike outs. Cubs Ryan Flayler 4IP, 2A, 5K.

Minor AAA: Red Sox 16, A's Aaron Stolen pitched 2innings, 4strike outs, Grant Perry 2 hits (1B), run scored 1, Devon Sturgill 1 hit (2B), 1RBI, 1 run scored, Red Sox Nick Winter 3 at bats 2-1B, 1-2B, 3 runs scored, Matt Ontario 2 at bats 3 runs scored, 1-2B, 2RBI, Austin Sivret 2 at bats, 2-1B, 2-Runs, JT Storti pitched 3innings 5 strike outs.

Minor AA: Red Sox 9, Mariners 3, Top Hitters Red Sox - Kyle Emrich 2 singles, 2 RBI, 3 runs scored; Kevin Gilmore 1B, 3 RBI, 2 runs scored; McKenzie Frost 1B, 2 RBI, Mariners - Connor McGee 3B, 1 RBI; Gregory Moreland 2B, 3B; Garrett Vest 2B, Top Pitchers Red Sox - Kyle Emrich 2IP, 1H, 5K; Griffin Miller 2IP, 5H, 3R, 5K, Mariners - Johnny Bailey 2IP, 3H, 4H, 6K; Gregory Moreland 1IP.

Mariners 18, Cardinals 7: Top Hitters Mariners - Garrett Vest 2B, RBI, run scored; Gregory Moreland 2-3B's, 5-RBI's, 3 runs scored; Jackson Kennedy 2B, RBI, 2 runs scored; Cardinals - Brandon Cuy 2-1B's, 2-RBI's; Daniel Byrnes 1B, 2-RBI's; Jason Whitney 2-1B's, RBI, Top Pitchers Mariners - Gregory Moreland 2L, 4H, 3R, 5K; Connor McGee 2L, 3H, 2R, 6K, Cardinals - Blake Leskeye 2L, 2H, 5R, 4K; Blake Richards 1L, 2H, 5R, 1K.

A's 8, Giants 4: For the Giants, Hayden King pitched 2innings with 3 strikeouts, Connor Gibbons helped with 2 more strikeouts and 2 RBI's. Tyler Griffen motivated his team with the first hit and the first RBI and Sean Haggerty jumped in with a nice hit in the 5th. For the A's, Alex Furtado pitched 5 strikeouts in 2innings and Antonio Rosa had 6. Awesome Alex Foster gave us both wonderful pitching and 2 great hits. Tim Kelly's bat was smokin' with 2 hits and an RBI and Dillon Eng made the last hit in the 6th inning to bring in Joe Rechin for the final score of the game.

Minor A: Cardinals Offense - Chris Machi, Josh Lewczyk, Matt Zukowski - Cardinals Defense - Nick McLendon, Brandon Montoya, A's Offense - Joel Gauch, Erik Martin, Austin Stuh; A's Defense - Jarro Leach. A's vs. Giant's: Mariners Offense: Mike Stein, Tyler Stultz, Chandler Davis - Defense: Zachary Heins, Galvin Clements, Zack Scribner Cardinals Offense: Michael Silva, Diego Ramirez, Dominic Bricker - Defense: Alexis Ramirez, Ryan Dodi, Nick McLendon Minor A-Cubs vs. Mariners, Tyler Cortez of Cubs hit a triple. Conner Swedner hit a double. For the Mariners, JT Offerrall hit a double, Michael Stein of the Mariners had 3 strikeouts. Final: Cubs 1, Mariners 4

Farm Braves: Offense: Dominic Shepherd, Jason Snell, Nate Stone Defense: Grace Gonzalez, Christopher Irwin, Trevor Keyser; Cubs: Offense: Gunner Hollingshaus, Brandon Johnson, Cameron McGee; Defense: A-J Phillips, Riley Treisel, Nolan Thompson; Yankees Offense: Seth Davis, Andrew Lewis, Alex Gonzalez; Defense: Cameron Moxham, RJ Ruckteschler, Dominic Hill; A's Offense: Sebastian Lechner, Gabriel Parrish, Michael Thae; Defense: Matthew Hayes, Tyler Thompson, Ryan White; Cardinals Offense: Hector Salcedo, Noah Damerall, Dominic Giuliano, Defense: Gustavo Areola, Lucas Aminno, Andrew Divita, (player of the Game), Anthony Barrow, Pirates Offense: Zachary Stewart, Owen Bell, Grant Blockley, Defense: Eric Azevedo, Bradley Bailey, Nathaniel Basinger; Blue

Jays Offense: Robert Sandoval, Brandon Yocham, Drew Kujacich; Defense: Riley VanTrece, Jacob Azevedo, Conner Delefsen; Cubs Offense: Justin Watson, Jackson Wysock, Claire Abele; Defense: Ethan Arrowsmith, Angel Becerra, Ben Dupuis; Giants Offense: Brian Cuy, Cameron Geyer, Chad Goldsberry; Defense: Chad Hemming, Shane McDonald, Luke Morrisroe, Yankee's Offense: Albert Amaviza, Nicholas Swanson, Derrick Engkvist; Defense: Nikita Van Schoonenberg, Pierce Kadlec, Weston Everett

T-Ball: A's - Offense: Thomas Vi, Dylan Tompkins, Thomas Stevenson; Defense: Travis Silva, Frankie Silva, Trey Mennitt Giants Offense: Justin Baer, Dylan Krauss, Ethan Payne; Defense: Nicholas Gregovich, Andrew James, Chase Griffin; Mariners Offense: Christian Neumann, Elijah Beedles, Luke Moylan; Defense: Forest Bishop, Ethan James, Joey Katen; Cubs Offense: Brandon Harvey, Jeremy Dyson, Alec Faith; Defense: Cody Brennan, Kyle Packard, Olivier Rooney, A's-Travis Silva, Derek Ejansonts, Caleb Hardesty; Mariners - Offense - Jacob Gunke, Henry Koth, Ryan Lortie; Defense - Nathan Woolsey, Joey Katen, Ethan James, Braves Offense - Colby Gibbons, Bradley Mitchell, Tyler Hattori; Defense - Josiah Knight, Jaxen McLaren, Kyle Correia; Cardinals Offense - Andrew Choumas, Grant Borjan, Julian Galicia; Defense - Camden Kiernan, Daniel Pryor, Drake Small, Yankee's Offense - Max Weasner, Cory Froboese, Caleb Hachler; Defense - Robert Incomini, Jesse Jordan, Austin Jordan; Red Sox Offense - Abigail Andrews, Tamur Asar, Logan Finch; Defense - Morgan Labrucherie, Max Silveira, Jeff Winter.

Pleasanton American LL

The Pleasanton American Little League Major Rangers escaped with a 4-2 Opening Day victory over the Red Sox. After falling behind 0-2, The Rangers got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the 3rd as Austin Piscotti singled with two outs, stole 2nd and Piscotti singled with two outs, stole 2nd and 3rd and scored on a throwing error to make it 1-2. The Rangers took the lead for good in the bottom of the 5th as Ryan Anderson doubled, Austin Piscotti singled and Kyle Moreno drove home home with a double to left. Kyle Moreno would later score on a sacrifice by Jonathan Camello and a bunt single by Eric Crispell, putting the Rangers ahead to stay 4-2. The Rangers received great pitching as Piscotti, Anderson and Moreno combined to hold the Red Sox to 2 runs. Great defensive plays were turned in by Mark Slifer, Bryson Sherman and Jonathan Camello.

Trevor Uyeda and Garrison James combined for a two hitter while Joey Silva and Blake Schantz provided a pair of hits apiece as the PALL Yankees coasted to a 6-1 victory over the LALL A's. Pleasanton got on the board in the second after Silva left off with a triple down the right field line. The promising rally looked bleak when Silva was thrown out at the plate on Paul Leone's grounder back to the mound, but Silva managed to stay in a rundown long enough for Leone to get to second. From there, a wild pitch and an infield single by Schultz plated the first Yankee run. In the next frame the Yankees posted a four spot after a two out error by the A's to break the game. The big blows were Uyeda's two run single, and Jason Silva's RBI single to left. The unearned runs put the Yanks up 5-0. Shultz singled in Silva in the top of the fourth to tie the Indians at one from there, it was all Uyeda and James. The two hurlers mowed down the A's lineup which managed to get on the board in the sixth capitalizing on their only two hits, but it was too little to late.

Livermore American LL

Livermore American Little League results include the following:

T-Ball: Top players: Devil Rays: Scott Ragatz, Xavier Pelican, Dominic Medina; Joseph Fields, Jordan Redditt and Alexander Cirina; Athletics: Owen Dawson, Christopher Dumbat, Alex Frazier.

Farm Division: Top players: Royals: Peyton Gibbs, Michael Honeycutt, Noah Klubbal; Blue Jays: Michael Chin, Tyler Griffith, Alejandra Duenas; Cassidy Herberth, Luke Foscaglia, Andrew Lignell; Giants: Andrew Arruda, Grant Murphy, Matthew Hill, Nicholas Bouillercie; Royals: Kevin Lee, Elijah Mangabay, Isaac Montes; Rockies: Grant Hrdlicka, Travis Palma, Izatah Enders.

AA Division: Tigers 2, Reds 6: The Reds played a great close game against the Tigers, winning 6 to 2. The Reds tied up with the Tigers at 1 to 1 in the 3rd inning with a super leadoff hit by Christian Morris who ran to 2nd base, followed by a great hit by Ryan Ball that brought Morris home for the 1st score for the Reds. A huge rally in the 4th inning started with a single by Armando Fagliano, followed by a home run by Ryan Silvas, and the game was tied by Truman Griffith, Mauricio Zavala, and Zachary Stevens. Kris Jones' advanced the runners, and a hard hit by Dave Harrison capped off a 5 run inning. Also on the offense, Taylor Crenshaw had an awesome hit and also stole 2nd base. Pitching for the Reds was Fagliano, Griffith, and Stevens with a combined total of 6 strike-outs. While pitching, Griffith caught 2 hard line drives, and Stevens caught 1. Other great defensive plays included Ryan Silvas with a fly ball catch, Gregory Alvarez with an outfield play that prevented runner advancement, and Issac Lignell who stopped an attempted steal at 3rd base.

Phillies 6, Orioles 5: The Orioles started the game with big hits from Lucas O'Brien, Lazarus McAfee and Cody Skinner. The Phillies answered with strong defensive play from Logan Cole, Tanner Higgins and Tyler Gonzales. The Phillies rallied with a big hit from Morgan Neu. With the game tied going into the bottom of the 6th the Phillies rallied into a double from Noah Green. Miko Asifo crushed the game winning hit sending Noah home for the victory. Orioles Top Players: Lucas O'Brien, Lazarus McAfee, Cody Skinner, Ethan Shane Phillips; Top Players: Miko Asifo, Noah Green, Morgan Neu, Logan Cole, Tyler Gonzales, Tanner Higgins

Yankees 10, Red Sox 3: In the season opener for both teams, Kate Marcel's timely hitting paced the Yankees to a 10-3 win over the Red Sox in LALL Single A division action. Kate drove in runs with hits in three consecutive innings to lead the Yankees offense. Bo Co added 3 hits of his own and scored twice while Cole Escobar banded out two hits and scored twice to round out the Yankees attack. Tyler McMahon and Austin Hosmer each had two hits to lead the Red Sox offense while Mallory Jones added a hit and made several solid defensive plays at second base. Kate Marcel (3 1B, 3 RBI), Bo Cole (3 1B, 2 R, RBI), Cole Escobar (2 1B, 2 R, RBI) Yankees: Mallory Jones (Defense), Austin Hosmer (2 1B), Tyler McMahon (2 1B) - Red Sox: Reds 6, Tigers 2: Demitris Wagner caught 2 fly balls, IRBI, and had great teamwork with Matthew Calcagno in outfield. Great pitching efforts and 2 slamming hits by Austin Birdwell. Stunning Defense by Conner Jones throwing out by runner stealing the base. Nathan Julku blasting in 2 hits and 1 RBI for Tigers.

Indians 7, Reds 3: Indians came out swinging in the 1st inning and put 5 runs on the board right away but the Tigers battled back throughout the whole game which included a monster home run to keep it close. For the Indians, Nick Penrod went 2 for 2 with a double and a triple and pitched 2 good innings. Sam Bothwell guided out a runner stealing second and had a good day at the plate. Alec Benson went a perfect 2 for 2 with 2 RBIs. For the Red Sox, Matt Calcagno pitched 3 great innings and hit a booming home run into centerfield. Demetris Wagner contributed with an RBI and a great job in the field. Nick Fernandes also contributed with

a sacrifice RBI and some great fielding. Indians 6, Astros 0: For the Indians, Kyle Archer made a monster catch in left field which was a potentially home run ball. Justin Dalin went 2 for 3 and a stolen base and did a great job catching. Stephen Mohler also contributed one of the Indians runs with a good day at the plate and some great base running. For the Astros, Ryan Holmes had a good day on the mound with 3 solid innings and 8 strikeouts. Ryan Meagher also pitched well with 2 strikeouts. Jay Mamaoog had a great game behind the plate catching as well as a single and a stolen base.

AAA Division: Rangers 13, Giants 5: In a twilight affair matching the Rangers and Giants, Ranger Daniel Morgan tripled and had a solid defensive outing, while Jacob Torres tripled, had 2 RBI's and struck out 6 Giant players to lead the Rangers in a 13-5 victory. Rangers Vince Bartoni, doing his best Lou Brock imitation, stole 5 bases to terrorize Giant's pitching. For the Giants, Ian O'Brien, celebrating St. Patrick's Day early, had 2 hits, a solid pitching performance while adding terrific defense earning him the game ball. Ryan Sturtz smashed his first hit in AAA, while Kevin Amaral and Jaylin Valles had strong efforts at the plate and played good defense in their outfield positions.

Rangers 11, Padres 9: The AAA Rangers held off a late surge by the tough Padres in an 11-9 nail biter. For the Padres, Elijah Leon had a solid pitching outing while batter Mateo Corbin Cofer was solid behind the dish. Alec Shlenorio weighed in with good pitching and was a terror on the base paths. For the triumphant Rangers, Alex McCollum stole 3 bases and scored a crucial run. Early in the game, Daniel Morgan sparked the team smashing his first home run of the year. Adding to his resume of great play, Garret Torres had a solid pitching outing and snared the would-be game tying line drive to end the game.

Mariners 20, Padres 6: Mariners' pitchers Tito Quihuis and Cody King held off the Padres offense, while Cody (4-4), Jake Trevithick (3-4) and Conor Cruz (3-4) were just a few of the players who led the Mariners to a great win. Mariners: Cody King (4-4, 2 RBI), Jake Trevithick (3-4, RBI), Conor Cruz (3-4, 5 RBI); Padres: Alex Mereno (double), Logan Gruidl (defense), Jack Frevert (Angels 7, Diamondbacks 5: With a great team effort at defense and offense, the Angels were able to edge out the D-Backs with a close fought battle of 7-5 Top Players: D-Backs: James Wilkers: Base Hit, Chris Logan: Base Hit, Daniel Cavalier: 3 straight innings of pitching, Angels: Andre Flores: Started off rally with RBI, Thomas Brown: RBI, closing pitcher, Josh McCall: In the park grand slam with bases loaded.

Mariners 12, Angels 11: Angels: Josh McCall (HR RBI), Kyle McCubbin (DBL), Nick Fleher, Thomas Brown (RBI), Mariners: Thomas Lovett (3-3, DBL, SNG), Jake Trevithick (3-3, 2 DBL, SNG, 3RBI), Tito Quihuis (3 strikeouts pitching), and made two outs at home plate.

Majors: Indians 10, Athletics 3: First game of the season for the A's, they stood tall at the plate, but facing the mound with Indians Brandon Hunt and Joel Schmieger, each pitching 3 excellent innings. After the A's Anthony Dubberly and Will Jaureguito landed on base with singles, both scoring the first 2 runs. Brenton AMed stepped up in the 3rd, nailing one over the fence for a 3-3 tie. But the next 3 innings Indians Kyle Franco 2 for 2 and Nick Merrill 3 for 3. Joel's hit totaled 3 RBIs and with an extra home run by Hunt, the Indians took the lead. Hunt and McMahon stole home for 2 more. Devin McMahon had a great defensive play from 2nd followed by 1st baseman Brandon Robello snagging a 1st base line shot, on the hop for the out. Mat Puts husted out 3rd to scoop up a bunt for another out at 1st. Indians Nick Merrill ended the game with a great defensive play from right field.

Yankees 4, Athletics 3: Yankees gained a hard fought victory over the Athletics for their first win of the season. Bucky Layton drove in the first run in the third inning for the Yankees. Nick Ketcham and Keith DeHollander each had a double, with the entire team batting strongly with 7 hits, 4 runs and 2 errors. The winning pitcher was Jackson Mancieri. The A's rallied in the top of the 6th with Will Jaureguito and Scott Chapa hitting doubles, and Chapa and Brenton AMed each had 1 RBI. The Athletics had 3 hits, 3 runs, and 3 errors. Yankees: Nick Ketcham: double, Keith DeHollander: double, A's: Will Jaureguito: double, Scott Chapa: double, 1 RBI, Jareguito: 7 strikeouts.

White Sox 8, Yankees 2: The White Sox won their first game of the season beating the Yankees 8 to 2. Strong pitching by Kyle Walbridge got the White Sox out of bases loaded, no out jam and only allowing one run. Javon Williams made outstanding defensive plays in the field and Kyle Christopher helped out with his bat going 2 for 2 with a double and a single. Yankees players Riley Draa and Tyler Dancer both scored runs for their team and Keith DeHollander helped with a double. Garrett Oliver also helped by drawing 2 walks.

Junior 80s Division: Giants 16, Cubs 10: Livermore American Junior 90s Giants fell behind the Granada Cubs 6 to 3 after 3innings but roared back to win the first game of the season for both teams. 16 to 10. Tyler Moore and Dante Sblendorio led the Giants hitting with 2 singles each. Derek Herberth saved the game by striking out the final two batters with runners in scoring positions. Top players: Tyler Moore 2 singles, Dante Sblendorio 2 singles, 4 stolen bases; Derek Herberth game save.

Pleasanton Phantom

Pleasanton Phantom Girls Softball League scores: **U14 - Major Rec:** Team R LJK Farms 12, DPR Construction 7: Down by six runs, Marissa Mihit hit a RBI double starting a five run fourth inning come-back. Kelsey Cordan contributed two hits. Pitcher Mary Gruen held LJK to a single run in the top of the fifth and Rachel Dermody scored the winning run in bottom of the inning. Solid pitching from LJK's Jenel Firmeno and 2 runs each from Ashley Miller and Katey Cloonan had LJK in the lead throughout the game until overcome in the final inning. LJK key players: Marissa Mihit, Kelsey, Cordan, Rachel Dermody DPR Key Players: Jenel Firmeno, Ashley Miller, Katey Cloonan

U12 - Minor Upper:

Team R Alain Pinel 8, Pleasanton Mortgage 4: Alain Pinel:

Fielding by shortstop Julia Petros kept the bases clear while RBI hitting by Alex Gray and Jana Johnson and hitting by Petros brought in runs. Pleasanton Mortgage: RBI doubles by Katie Eppard and Kendall Moore with heads up running by Ashley Lotozynski behind the solid pitching of Andie Becker kept the game close until the end. Alain Pinel Key Players: Julia Petros, Alex Gray, Jana Johnson; Pleasanton Mortgage Key Players: Katie Eppard, Andie Becker, Kendall Moore

Team R The Strong Source Key Players: Jewelers: Garding Jenseners Key Players: Kennedy Poplawski catcher, Johanna Grauer 3 Ks, KJ Duval rally starting single. Strong Source Key Players: Dharini Clare great pitching, Victoria Molina fielding, Nicole Heller diving catch in center.

U10 - Mini Upper: Team R Coldwell Banker 8, Pleasanton Ready Mix 6: Coldwell Banker Key Players: Christina Echavia, Katie Jefferies, Katie Moore. Pleasanton Ready Mix Key Players: Regan Lacy 2 RBI hit, Jillian Pluschelk 2Ks, Megan Shackley 2Ks

U10 - Mini Rec: Team Tucker Assoc's Real Estate Services vs. La Bella's Pool Service: La Bella Key Players: Karina Galvez strong pitching and fielding, Lauren Jepson 2 hits, Whitney Mazotti 2 hits, Taylor Campbell double.

Team E2 Automotive Group vs. Contra Costa County Public Auto Auction: E2 Key Players: Izzy Lopez, Lilliana Tierney, Nalani Scates

Team Hathaway Dinwiddie Construction - Red Devils vs. Precision Auto Repair - Mustangs: Hathaway Dinwiddie Key Players: -Mustangs: Dixon great pitching, RBI hitting, Megan Cavanaugh great pitching, RBI hitting, Courtney Hennings great pitching, RBI hitting, Precision Auto Repair Key Players: Hannah Kiehl tag out at second, strong hitting, Sophie Capriano 2 singles, scored from second, Samantha Osterholt 2 singles, RBI, strong pitching.

Team Fernando's Mexican Restaurant vs. Central Chevrolet: Fernando's Key Players: Dana Frasnman RBI single, Tatiana Costa hit to center. Central Chevy Key Players: Maddie McGarry defense, Molly Digriolamo infield hit, Sophia Burnelli tag out.

Team Friends of PGSL - Crushers vs. Gary West Masonry Key Players: Kieren West 2 Ks, Kate Miller 2 RBI single, Ellis Hegarty hit, run scored

Team J. Lohr Winery vs. ASR - The Sunroom Company: ASR Key Players: Katie Zieker single, Olivia Wilcox double, Saloni Methi all around great playing.

U8 - Minor Rec: 2E/Max Key Players: Audrey Morse double, Jaime Beck hitting fielding, Tori Field hitting, fielding; JP Builders Key Players: Dine Parks, Shelby Cabral, Michaela Cabral, Axial Key Players: Sadie Grozier single, Nicole Riordan outfield single, Maggie Cirves defense: Hacienda Round Table Key Players: Kaitlyn Young 3 RBI hit, Espi Loti 2 hits, Mary Rockwood 2 hits.

U6 - T-Ball: Richert Lumber Key Players: Cami Lane fielding, Regan Mah hitting, Emma Monsen base running.

Livermore Smoke

Livermore Smoke Girls Softball results:

Middle School Black Division: Santa Rita: Chevon Black Attack 9, All Star Sports Sneaky Cleats 4. The Black Attack came out swinging, led by Tabitha Heintz getting on base all three times with two singles and a walk, while on defense had a nice double play and snared a line drive. Korrina Botelho also had two singles and pitched a solid first inning, and Amanda Anderson had a single along with a nice catch in the outfield.

Brent Bowen Photography Purple Mafia 9, AMS.Net, Inc. Mob 6: For the Purple Mafia, a great run-saving catch by Ryley Landreth, great defense and hitting by Kaitlyn Amaral, and an RBI single by Marissa Cordisco helped lift the Purple Mafia over the Mob.

All Star Sports Sneaky Cleats 10, Brent Bowen Photography Purple Mafia 3: Despite some great hits by both Joline Long and Monica Martinez, and a fine defensive effort by Sarah Smith at catcher, the Purple Mafia fell victim to the Sneaky Cleats offense.

AMS.Net, Inc. Mob 6, Santa Rita Chevron Black Attack 2: Black Attack ran into some outstanding pitching in their game against The Mob. Amanda Anderson led the way with a nice double to right. While Marina VanVliet and Cathy Carter each had singles but the Black Attack fell short in the end.

Middle School Red Division: Little Rascals Leaning Center Demolition 13, Meredith Real Estate Brokers Orange Crush 12. The Demolition came from behind, assisted by RBI's from Natalia Guin and Megan Mannering, with Meagan White hitting in the winning run in the final inning. For the Orange Crush, Sarah Harvey hit a clean single and threw a runner out at first. Danielle Hamilton tagged two people out at home on attempts to steal at catcher, and Sarah Journey hit a clean single and did an awesome job as catcher.

Interstate Concrete Pumping Blue Ice 8, Cindi Greci Vipers 7: For the Blue Ice, Zoe Klingmann had a great day at the plate with a two-run double and two walks. Amy Galard had a hit, two base on balls and scored two runs. Nicole Martinez and Cindi Greci pitched two strong innings with two strikeouts.

Diablo Dental Services Flaming Hot Red Sox 14, Groth Brothers Chevrolet Force 13: For the Flaming Hot Red Sox, Taylor Dahl with two innings of excellent pitching, Audrey Vaughan with strong defensive catch, and Marissa Perez contributed with a huge two-run hit.

A.P. Concrete Lady Yanks 13, Bill Howard Floors Crossfire 11: For the Lady Yanks, Brittany Curtis is doing a fine job at second base keeping the runners on base. Jessica Jacobs doing a fine job defensively out in left field, and Amber Simon doing a fine job offensively stealing bases all around. The Lady Yanks outlasted the Crossfire in an evenly-played game. For the Crossfire, Siena Trujillo reached base four times at bat and scored both times. Jessica Chole pitched well, and had an RBI single and scored, and Lauren Koelsch walked and scored a run.

Maryalee Faltings Sneaky Cleats 13, Olson Construction Gold Rush 8: For the Gold Rush, new pitcher Amanda Bray held the Sneaky Cleats to two runs in the second inning. Amanda Morris went two-for-two, and Jessica Olson had a RBI double with an excellent steal at the plate. Bill Howard Harwood Floors Crossfire 16, Groth Brothers Chevrolet Force 6. The Crossfire scored 10 unanswered runs in the final inning for their first win. Erica Smith had five RBIs in the last inning with a triple and double, each time with the bases loaded, and went three-for-four with six RBIs. Ramsey Schmitt pitched a great game, shutting out the Force in the last inning and reached base all three times at bat, and Savannah Winters singled, had the RBIs and scored twice. Maryalee Faltings Sneaky Cleats 13, Meredith Real Estate Orange Crush 4. The following players

are recognized for their great batting in this game - Brittany Reposa, Jenna Jenkins, and Jordan Armstrong.

Interstate Concrete Pumping Blue Ice 18, Little Rascals Leaning Center Demolition 14: For the Blue Ice, Anne Marie Puso had a nice play second with a put out at first, two bases on balls, and a hit, Kaitlin Bailey had three base hits, and Sonia Hiller played good defense at second with a forced out.

Interstate Concrete Pumping Blue Ice 8, Re/Mac Cindi Greci Vipers 7: The Blue Ice started out strong with four runs in the first inning, led by Sonia Hiller with a RBI single and scored a run, Danielle Paulazzo hit a RBI single, scored a run on a walk in the third, and Carina Novell was walked one, hit two singles, scored three times and gave the Blue Ice the one run they needed to win. For the Vipers, Sierra Cassels hit a single, walked, scored two runs, Vicky Garner followed with a single and scored a run.

Diablo Dental Services Flamin Hot Red Sox 16, Cindi Greci Re/Mac Vipers 16: For the Flamin Hot Red Sox, Outstanding players include clutch defensive plays by Jennie Harmon, and Caitlyn Fox, while the offense was powered by Danielle Penrod. For the Vipers, Marissa Scheid had two walks, scored two runs, and pitched two great innings. Alison Walker had a walk, scored a run, scored in the bottom of the fourth after a lead-off base hit and caught four great innings, and Nicole Sandoval showed team leadership by cheering her team mates on during the long fourth inning and also had a RBI single and a scored run in the inning.

A.P. Concrete Lady Yanks 9, Olson Construction Gold Rush 8: For the Lady Yanks, Morgan Emmett drove in the winning run. Jessica Jacobs had a couple of singles, and Taylor Vasquez hit a double with a couple of RBI's. The Lady Yanks won this game in their last at bat. For the Gold Rush, Amanda Bray crushed a bases loaded double to plate three runs, Megan McEntee had two singles, and Sam Waddle snared a line drive and fired the ball to first base for a double play.

10-Under Black Division: Hired Guns Fastpitch Academy Hired Guns 10, Groth Brothers Bad News Babes 8: For the Hired Guns, Hannah Bennett pitched a solid inning with two strikeouts and also had a double to bring in two RBIs, while Delaney Gill-Sommerhauser and Grace Naylor each had key hits to score important runs in this close game.

Groth Brothers Bad News Babes 6, Earth Safety Dynamics Black Smoke 4: For the Bad News Babes, Madayin Geyer pitched 3 1/2 innings and had 10 strikeouts, and Taryn Zumwalt and Tiffanie Munoz each had a double.

Hired Guns Fastpitch Academy Hired Guns 10, Interstate Concrete Pumping Blue Lightning 4: For the Hired Guns, Rachel LaRont was the winning pitcher with four strikeouts in two innings, and Cameo Schubert and Hannah Bennett each had a double. For the Blue Lightning, Mickle Schmidt had a hit and scored two runs, Katie Lortie had strong innings as catcher and at shortstop, and Leah Taulton had two solid hits and three RBIs.

Earth Safety Dynamics Black Smoke 4, Interstate Concrete Blue Lightning 3: For the Blue Lightning, Bayleah Julson made a great play at second base to get the runner out at first base. Sara Nelson pitched one inning and had two strikeouts, and Katelyn Lovoi played strong defense and swung the bat well.

10-Under Red Division: The Oaks Group, Smith Barney Royal Dames 10, Abramson & Thaeet MVPs 9. For the Royal Dames, Jenny Bruner hit a grand slam home run, Brianna Payne kept the players on track and Vivian Connolly two RBIs. The Royal Dames went into the fourth inning leading 6-5, then down 9-6 and came back to win, 10-9. For the MVPs, Jennifer Leon pitched two great innings and hit a double, Danielle Roth showed us a strong single with an RBI and Alexandra Villazon scored a run in the second inning and had a single in the third.

John L. Sullivan Toyota Wildcats 13, Line X Lucky Charms 12: The Wildcats and Lucky Charms battled it out, but Wild Cats pounced back to win. Jackie Granados, Greta Kohlmoos and Anastasia Goold pitched a good game. Granados and Kohlmoos made some great put outs at first base, while Goold had a three-run double. The top players for the Lucky Charms were Shalena Andersen with

three strikeouts, Sarah Swanson with a nice base hit and a walk, and Taylor Enderlein had a solid base hit.

Diablo Dental Services Warriors 11, William Thompson Pink Panthers 9: Great defensive plays by Ariana Taylor and Kasey Clendenen kept the Warriors in the game, while Hanna Beauchamp supplied three singles and scored twice to give the Warriors the edge in this offensive battle. For the Pink Panthers, Maya Barnum had two base hits, a RBI, and a stolen base. Jessica Paul had a RBI, and Samantha Rundle had a base hit and a stolen base.

Faltings Racing Team Jumpstart 10, Hertz Equipment Rental Lightning 5: For the Lightning, Haley Houts had an awesome defensive game, Kirah Van Trease got a triple as well as playing a catcher, and Elisha Sands played great while stealing three bases.

Hertz Equipment Rental Lightning 9, Abramson & Thaeet MVPs 7: For the Lightning, Hailey Segundo had a great game with two singles. Katy Kennedy played awesome defense, and Lauren Hutzler had a single as well as pitching an awesome game. For the MVPs, Maureen Thaeet pitched two great innings earning two strikeouts, Danielle Roth pitched one inning and her well-placed bunt brought in a crucial run, and pitcher Jennifer Leon earned a much-needed out in the top of the fourth inning stopping a drive headed for second base and beyond.

John L. Sullivan Toyota Wild Cats 8, Groth Brothers Chevrolet Hurricanes 6: The Wild Cats once again were ferocious at batting and pitching, Madeline Schmitz had a solid hit along with Miranda Lima and Rachel Danielson. The Wild Cats had the lead in the first and second inning when the Hurricanes tied in the third, and got two more runs in the fourth and held the Hurricanes at bay.

Faltings Race Team Jumpstart 8, William Thompson Pink Panthers 4: For the Jumpstart, Rebecca Bernstein had two singles and scored a run on her birthday. Jesslyn Faltings pitched another good couple of innings, and Kyleigh Anderson played a solid 1st base along with scoring two runs. For the Pink Panthers, Jennifer Chaidze, Morgan Dillard, and Stephanie Rucker all saw pitching duty.

Crawford Family Thrillerz 8, Diablo Dental Services Warriors 3: For the Warriors, Madeline Glaviano pitched a great game striking out three batters in two innings, Katie Walls made several fine plays behind the plate. Both girls had good defensive days. Hannah Finster drove in two runs in the first inning to boost the Warriors offense.

The Oaks Group, Smith Barney Royal Dames 8, Line X Lucky Charms 7: Chelsea Higgins and Melissa Allen both had key hits to keep the Royal Dames' momentum going. In another close game, top Lucky Charms players were JasmyN Mendez, who played awesome defense on a pop up catch and slid into home to score a run, Kelly Borden who had a couple of base hits and an RBI, and Taylor Lange with a double and a base hit.

8-Under: Brian J. Emrich, DDS KoolKatz 0, A.P. Concrete L'il Yanks 0. The game was fast paced due in part to the excellent fielding from the KoolKatz. Outstanding players for KoolKatz were Alyssa Bonfigli, Makenzie Farro, and Isabella Quintana.

Dave Curtis Diamond L'il MVP's (score unavailable). The outstanding players for the Diamond Diggers were Madison Kahlway (pitching), Abie Murphy, and Sierra Stone. The top players for the L'il MVP's were Megan Amick (pitching), Marianna Garza, and Veronica Valenti.

Brent Bowen Photography Gold Rush 9,

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defense from Megan Kerling, and outstanding catching from Mia Niklewicz.

KKIQ Pink Panthers vs. Dave Curtis Diamond Diggers (score unavailable). Faith Saxton led the Panthers with two hits, and was backed up with defense plays by Laura Duterte and Megan McCandless.

Brent Bowen Photography Gold Rush vs. The Crawford Family Crush (score unreported). For the Gold Rush, Mikendra Kramer, Robyn Kammeier, and Katelyn Johnson stood out.

Denise Ruppert Wildcats 9, The Crawford Family Crush 9. The Wildcats were led by the strong play of Cammi Harwood and Kayla Pinelli, while Sydney Rosenberg had two singles.

Denise Ruppert Wildcats 6, A.P. Concrete Li'l Yanks 6. The Wildcats' Randi Cortez beat out a single, and Hayley Bell and Kayley Clark played great defense.

T-Ball: John L. Sullivan Youth Fireballs vs. CaDealerDirect.com Tiger Cubs Coaches' selections - Alex Amavizca, Brooke Anderson, Grace Roberts (F), Les Schwab Tire Center Blue Angels vs. Around the Bay Pest Control Crushers. Coaches' selections - Sydney Mendoza, Kaitlin Oki, Noelle Rizzo (BA), Groth Brothers Rockstars vs. Brent Bowen Photography Dandelions. Coaches' selections - Ashley Lewis, Chloe Stanford, Sarah Morgan (R); Ally Christensen, Alexandria Christeson, Alicia Diaz. (D). CaDealerDirect.com Tiger Cubs vs. Les Schwab Tire Center Blue Angels. Coaches selections - Sophia Sarkis, Savannah Stevenson, Hayley Thompson (TC); Hannah Sandahl, Kennedy Self, Alyssa Silva (BA), Groth Brothers Rockstars vs. John L. Sullivan Fireballs. Coaches selections - Taylor Sullivan, Danielle Groth, Eliana Eme (R); Lilly Ackerman, Sarah Whalen, Savannah Wysock (F), Cindy Greci L'il Gems vs. John L. Sullivan Youth Fireballs. Coaches' selections - Kennedy Griffith, Kylie Karter, Sierra Rose (F), Austin Precision Bubble Gum Girls vs. Cindy Greci Li'l Gems. Coaches' selections - Emma Valentine, Kayla McClendon, Clara Geise (BBG), Austin Precision Bubble Gum Girls vs. CaDealerDirect.com Tiger Cubs. Coaches' selections - Jenny Stoner, Carlie Spruiell, Isabella Cusimano (BBG). Brent Bowen Photography Dandelions vs. Around the Bay Pest Control Crushers. Coaches selections - Alexis Diaz, Jamison Gray, Jenna Jorgensen (D).

Livermore Pony

Livermore Pony Mustang Division results: The Livermore Indians won two games last week. The first was an 8-3 win over the Pleasanton White Sox. The Indians scored 4 runs in the first inning and the White Sox hit the Indians very close after that. Indian hitters included Alex Cupps, Drew Webber, Ryan Ruley, James Dayton, Kameron Johnson, Dereck Evans and Josh Tchorzewski. Evans also pitched well for the Indians. Johnson, Crabill and Teague were strong for the White Sox.

The Indians came back to win 8-6 over the Livermore Pirates after trailing the first 5 innings. Kameron Johnson, Drew Webber and Ryan Ruley pitched well for the Indians. Ruley also had a home run. Carsen Paynter had a double and Alex Cupps, Scott Newby and Joe Carr all had hits. Kent Greene, Mathew Dremalas, and Devin Iharreguy hit for the Pirates while Louis Arias, Brody Martinez and Kent Greene all pitched well.

Granada JV Volleyball

The Granada High School Men's JV Volleyball team won the preseason 8-team tournament at Northgate High School in Walnut Creek last Saturday, March 17. In pool play Granada defeated Antioch and Las Lomas High Schools, but lost to Northgate only to meet Northgate again in the finals. First, they defeated Deer Valley, then beat Northgate decisively in two games for the tournament win. The team consists of one sophomore, A.J. Bicoy and freshmen Dylan Amiot, Steven Caston, Ryan Fernandes, Wesley Gong, Zack Kocik-Hill, Sean Latourette, Peter Morrow, Tyler Pressley, Matthew Thibault, and Jordan Fuller.

For more information contact JV Coach Darren Hill at 925-413-7289.

California Gymnastics

California Gymnastics Academy sent representatives to the Level 7 Norcal State Championship in Stockton. **RESULTS: GIRLS MEET:** Level 7: Age Group: Junior D VAULT - Jenny Yang - 14th place (9.1); Emma Rigl (8.65) BARS - Emma Rigl - T2nd place (9.45); Jenny Yang - 5th place (9.4) BEAM - Emma Rigl - 7th place (9.0); Jenny Yang (7.9) FLOOR - Emma Rigl - 8th place (9.225); Jenny Yang - T9th place (9.175) ALL AROUND - Emma Rigl - 6th place (36.325); Jenny Yang - 10th place (35.575); Age Group: Junior E VAULT - Melissa Parker (8.7) BARS - Melissa Parker (7.525) BEAM - Melissa Parker (8.1) FLOOR - Melissa Parker - 9th place (9.15) ALL AROUND - Melissa Parker (33.475); Age Group: Junior F VAULT - Brianna Jessup (9.05) BARS - Brianna Jessup (8.55) BEAM - Brianna Jessup (8.4) FLOOR - Brianna Jessup - 7th place (9.125) ALL AROUND - Brianna Jessup - 10th place (35.125); Age Group: Junior G VAULT - Erin Gray - 8th place (9.1); Brianna Gray (8.75) BARS

-Brianna Gray - T10th place (8.75); Erin Gray (7.3) BEAM - Erin Gray (8.15); Brianna Gray (7.85) FLOOR - Erin Gray - 1st place (9.325); Brianna Gray - 10th place (8.95) ALL AROUND - Brianna Gray (34.3); Erin Gray (33.875);

Age Group: Senior B VAULT - Megan Ouyang - T3rd place (9.1) BARS - Megan Ouyang - 4th place (9.025) BEAM - Megan Ouyang - 8th place (8.4) FLOOR - Megan Ouyang - 3rd place (9.15) ALL AROUND - Megan Ouyang - T2nd place (35.675).

Gymfinity Gymnastics

The level 7 team from Gymfinity Gymnastics competed in the Norcal State Championships held this past weekend in Stockton. The girls combined for a team score of 109.725, which put them in 18th place among more than 50 teams competing. Individual highlights for Gymfinity included Ashley Eastman placing on every event on her way to finishing 6th in the all-around in the Junior A age group with a 36.95. Ashley's event highlights included placing 4th on bars with a 9.475 and 8th on floor with a 9.35. Sophie Libkind earned personal bests on 3 of 4 events on her way to placing 8th in the Junior G age group with a 35.1. Sophie's 9.3 on floor earned her the second place medal. Valentina Barbalinardo and Brianna Camacho placed 7th and 10th in the Child D group with 36.05 and 35.925 respectively. Valentina and Brianna tied for the 4th place medal on floor with a personal best score for both of 9.55. Brianna also placed 5th on beam with a 9.325. Full Results: Ashley Eastman - Vault, 10th, 8.9; Bars, 4th, 9.475; Beam, 8th, 9.225; Floor, 8th, 9.35; All-Around, 6th, 36.95. Valentina Barbalinardo - Vault, 7th, 9.125; Bars, 8.575; Beam, 8.8; Floor, 4th, 9.55; All-Around, 7th, 36.05. Brianna Camacho - Vault, 9th, 8.85; Bars, 8.2; Beam, 5th, 9.325; Floor, 4th, 9.55; All-Around, 10th, 35.925. Sophie Libkind - Vault, 4th, 9.225; Bars, 8.625; Beam, 7.95; Floor, 2nd, 9.3; All-Around, 8th, 35.1.

East Ave. Wrestling

East Avenue wrestlers Vonte String (146-lbs) and Scott Crowder (118) pinned their opponents in the championship finals to win their weight class at the 14th Annual Bancroft Wrestling Classic last weekend. String and Crowder went undefeated and the East Avenue wrestling team brought home 13 medals. The team advanced eight wrestlers to the finals claiming four gold medals. Seventh-graders Cris Buendia (183) and Joe Crispin (225) also won the gold medal in their weight class. Brandon Disbrow (192), Tyler Rardon (96), and Billy Hammett (42) took second place. Mark McManus (100) and Curtis Siegfried (111) took second place and John Wilker (128), Kyle Day (87), Bahram Sherwan (143) and Lorenzo Buendia (153) brought home fourth place medals.

Foothill Freshmen

Foothill High School Falcon freshmen come from behind to record 5th win of season. A Foothill 12 hit attack and key relief pitching from Austin Mann produced the 7 to 4 victory. The Castro Valley bats came alive early taking a 4-0 lead after 1 1/3 innings. Reliever Austin Mann came in and limited Castro Valley to only one hit over the remaining 5 2/3 innings to record the win. The Falcon offense was led by Matt Owena (double and single), and Reece Yamada, Garrett Moore and Brandon DeFazio with 2 singles each. Defensively the 5th inning was the key for the Falcons. Ahead 6 to 4, Castro Valley had bases loaded and only one out when an Andrew Brazil to Austin Mann play at the plate caught a runner trying to score from 3rd for the second out of the inning. Mann then got the next batter to pop out to short for the 3rd out stranding 2 Castro Valley runners in scoring position. The Foothill Freshman Baseball team record is 5-0.

Christensen Wrestling

Christensen Middle School Wrestling Results 3-17-07 CMS took 12 wrestlers to the Bancroft Wrestling Tournament this past weekend and 9 placed with medals. Sixth graders Ryan Gollot (87 lbs) finished 2nd and Rio Castill (99) finished 4th. Ryan Viano (103) finished 4th, Richard Kent (113) finished 2nd. Seventh grader Matt Fullton (113) finished 2nd. Eighth graders Raj Singh (125), Alex Baxter 133 and Drew Royster (143) all finished 1st in their weight class. Keven Coburn (78) a seventh grader competed as an eighth grader and took 3rd in his weight class. Sixth grader Nathan Weinsten (106) showed the best improvement and competed in every match, as did eighth grader John Cook (141). Seventh grader Casey Crall (153) also competed well, winning his first match 4-2.

Junction Ave. Wrestling

Junction Avenue took 28 wrestlers to the Bancroft Wrestling Tournament and received 21 medals. They include: 6th Grade Girl: Summer Johnson, 77 lbs, 2nd. 6th Grade Boys: Logan Michel, 87 lbs, 3rd; Chad Kraft, 108 lbs, 2nd; Keanu Anderson, 67 lbs, 1st; Alex Cahrel, 74 lbs, 3rd. 7th Grade Boys: Jake Bohland, 85 lbs, 2nd; Fernando Manzano, 102 lbs, 3rd; Johnathan Enriquez, 123 lbs, 4th; Jacob Vital, 138 lbs, 1st; Troy Gomez, 136 lbs, 2nd; Frank Robles, 144 lbs, 3rd; Craig Lewis, 202 lbs, 2nd. 8th Grade Girl: Ashley Negron, 170 lbs, 2nd. 8th Grade Boys: Joey Wolfson, 106 lbs, 2nd; Connor

Higgins, 118 lbs, 3rd; Tyler Cuneo, 112 lbs, 1st; Cole Kraft, 114 lbs, 4th; Joey Costa, 120 lbs, 4th; Corey Johnson, 147 lbs, 2nd; Doug Lewis, 179 lbs, 3rd; and Joey Bennett, 174 lbs, 2nd.

Harvest Park Wrestling

Harvest Park Middle School dominated the 6th and 8th grade levels at the San Leandro Middle School Tournament this past Saturday 3/17. Austin Hamilton was the 6th grade MVP with 3 pins in 3 matches while Mitch Grimes took home the 8th Grade MVP with 3 pins in 3 matches. Other Champions included Austin Bay (6th), Grant Bonham (6th), Nick Gaitner (7th), and Adam Aslam (8th). Max Niels lost a tight match 5-4 to Louie of Hart for the 6th Grade Championship. Hni Hamur also lost a close match in the 8th grade finals. Other Harvest Park finishers were:

6th Grade: Jacob Anderson 3rd, Tommy Barrera 4th, Travis Chubb 3rd; 7th Grade Clayton Parker 3rd; 8th Grade Devan Aziz 2nd, Chase Bierbrover 4th, Nick Skinner 3rd, Michael Flores 4th.

Girls Lacrosse

The Pleasanton Girls Jr Division Blizzard lacrosse team showed their talent against the Burlingame Coyotes and San Jose Extreme at Mills High School in Millbrae. The Blizzard beat the Coyotes 6 to 2. Andrea Arden, Cambi Cukar, Kira Ewanich, Lauren Hall, and Lindsey Kail scored the goals for the Blizzard. Excellent passes by Tori Larsen, Kirsten Jensen and Evan Murphy. Outstanding ground plays by Molly Grazier and speed by Sarah Monday. Goalie McKalee Mooney stopped the Coyotes' shots with no fear.

For the next game, the Blizzard hit the San Jose Extreme like a hurricane with a score of 12 to 1. Top scorers for the Blizzard were Cambi Cukar, Kira Ewanich and Cierra Kocik. Excellent defense by Lindsey Kail, Haley Brodnick and Meghan Serrano. Outstanding passes by McKalee Mooney and plays by Rebecca Dumanski. The Blizzard started their season on March 11 with victories over the Lamorinda Fire and South Marin Wolfpack.

PUP Lacrosse

Pleasanton Lacrosse 6th grade Vortex took on the San Jose Vipers and whipped the Vipers into Viper puree with an 11 to 5 victory. Eight Vortex players shared goal after goal against the crawling Vipers. Zachary Wilhite, Tucker Relland, and Devin Belleach scored 2. Devin on defense blasted a ball the entire field length where far forward George caught and scored. Joseph D'Addabbo and Jose Salas each won four face-offs.

Olympic Gymnastics

The Men's Junior Olympic Gymnastic State Championships were held on March 17-18, 2007 at Tokay High School in Lodi California. Three gymnasts were all-around state champions. Christopher Siebel, a 10 year old from Dublin, took gold medals on the following events; floor, still rings, vault, parallel bars and high bar. He was the state all-around champion level 5 gymnast. He is also a USA developmental team member. Chris Turner, a 15 year old level 10 gymnast took gold medals on the pommel horse and parallel bars to claim the all-around level 10 state championship title. He is a junior national team member. Jonathon Liu from Fremont took gold medals on the still rings, parallel bars and high bar which earned him the level 9 all-around state championship title.

In addition, the following gymnasts from West Coast Olympic Gymnastics Academy placed in the top 6 to earn them a spot on the regional select-all-star team which will compete in Hawaii the week of April 10th. These boys will represent Northern California and will compete against teams from Arizona, Nevada, Southern California and Hawaii.

Level 10 Regional Select All-Star Team include: Chris Turner from Fremont, Mark Ringle from San Ramon, John-Nathan Monteclaro from San Ramon and Joseph Wilcox from Danville.

Level 9 Regional Select All-Star Team: Jonathon Liu from Fremont and Justin Woo from Tracy.

Level 5 Regional Select All-Star Team: Christopher Siebel from Dublin and TJ Marcelo from Livermore

Bowling News

Gene Bruhl started the Classic Singles with ten in a row before settling for a 280 game and a 735 Series and then returned the next day for the Cheyenne League and did it again with a 10-strike 280 game and came right back with a 289 game and added a 213 to complete a 782 series. High series honors went to Mark McCreary of the Modified Guys and Dolls when he rolled a 278, 266 and 248 for a 792 Series followed closely by Joe Monasterio who recorded a 781 Set which included games of 279, 277 and 225. Rich Canada used a 265, 257, 237 to record a 759 set while Rich Costa used a 275, 258 and a 204 to complete his 737 series. Additional top series were Greg Kwasiak - 248, 238, 237 for a 723 series; Lou Burrows 245, 242, and 224 for a 711 and Jim Leal used a 264 game to complete his 701 Series.

James Bower had a 256 and a 251 for a 691 series while Kevin Stapp used a 278 game

to record a 698 Set. Don Evans upped his 160 average with a 657 and a 628 series.

In the Senior loop, nice scores were recorded by Dwayne Childress, a 241 game; Norm Taasevigen, a 233 game and Clarence Freed had a 226 game. Mel Helbacka had a 211 and a 202 to surpass the 600 mark with a 607 series while Mel's wife Linda turned in a 200 game and Lori Kaufman also recorded a 200 game and Otis Farris had a 213 game.

Livermore Youth Football

Livermore Youth Football & Cheer (LYF&C) is currently looking for football coaches at all levels for the 2007 season. Livermore Youth Football is a part of the Diablo Valley Youth Football Conference, and is an elite travel team with players ranging in age from 7-14. Those interested in coaching please inquire at Mossaday@comcast.net.

Football/Cheer

Livermore Youth Football & Cheer (LYF&C) is a full contact football league that has been established for more than 30 years. The league teaches the fundamentals of both football and cheer that are needed to make the transition into high school. The league works with the local high schools to ensure participants are learning the fundamentals needed. LYF&C's emphasizes proper technique and fundamentals, responsibility, accountability, and being a good person and teammate.

All coaches are CPR and First Aid certified as well as NYSCA certified. They are required to attend coaching clinics each year to strengthen their knowledge of the game. Football and cheer squads have been very successful in the highly competitive Diablo Valley Youth Football Conference (DVYFC). The league consists of 16 "city" teams that attract the best football players and cheerleaders in the Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. In the past 5 years LYF&C has sent at least 2 teams to the playoffs each year, with one team reaching the championship 4 consecutive years. The cheer squads consistently place in regional as well as national cheer competitions. There are 5 levels to tryout for with ages 7 to 14 (football) 5 to 14 (cheerleading). Registration will be held March 15th from 6-8 pm at Round Table Pizza 1024 East Stanley Blvd. Information at website www.eteamz.com/lyfc or call 925-454-1421 (evenings)

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Track and Field Sign ups

Athenian Athletics is accepting applications for youth athletes between the ages of 7-17 for the upcoming track and field season. Athletes 18 and older are also invited to join the club and train during our adult sessions.

Practices are held year round and are scheduled on Mondays and Wednesdays. For practice time and location, please visit www.athenianathletics.com or call Coach Rik Richardson (Home) 1-925-862-0855 or (Cell) 1-925-518-9356.

Golf Tourney Tickets

The Livermore Valley Wine Country Championship Tournament will be held at The Course at Wente Vineyards from March 29 - April 1.

This tournament showcases the PGA Nationwide Tour featuring "up and coming" golf stars.

Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation (PPIE) and Pleasanton Schools Education Enrichment Foundation (PSEE) will be partnering with the school organizations to sell tickets to this tournament. The tickets are \$30.00 each and will allow the ticket holder to access the grounds for all 4 days of the tournament! This event will also feature food and wine, art and performances from the local community, and more!

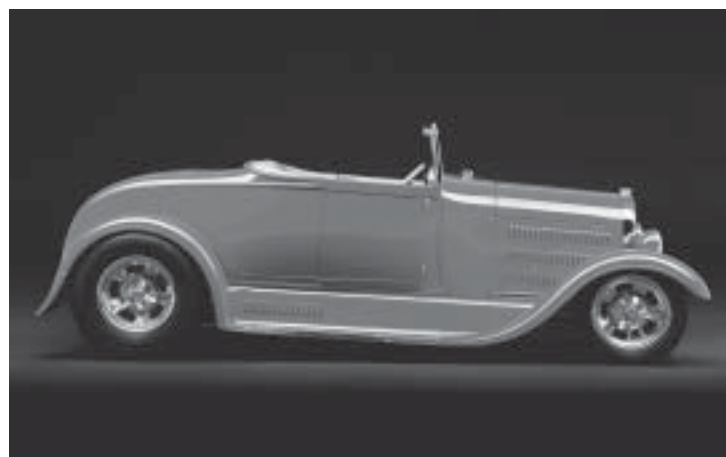
Please contact Nancy Bronzini, PPIE ambassador nbronzini@pleasanton.k12.ca.us or (925) 846-3520, or contact the PPIE office at (925) 846-5620 or mail@ppie.org, to purchase your tickets.

Golf Tournament

The Dublin High School athletic programs will benefit from the Dublin High School Golf Tournament to be held April 20 at the Sunol Golf Course.

Tea time, shot gun scramble, is at 1 p.m., no host cocktails and silent auction 6 to 6:30, dinner, live auction, raffle and awards 6:30-9:00.

The \$175 fee includes golf, cart, box



1928 Ford Roadster - The term Hot Rod applies to modified cars manufactured prior to 1949. This 1928 Ford roadster has been "hot rodded" with a low stance, bright red custom paint, hi-revving V8 engine and shiny chrome wheels. Over 3,000 hot rods, customs and classic cars will fill the Pleasanton Fairgrounds for the Goodguys 25th All American Get-Together, March 24 & 25.

Hot Rods, Custom Cars on Display at Goodguys Show

Three thousand hot rods will be at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton on March 24 and 25.

The Goodguys 25th All-American Get-Together features over 3,000 hot rods, custom cars, classics, trucks, muscle cars and street machines of all years, makes and models. The event also include a massive automotive swap meet, a cars for sale corral and manufacturers' exhibits.

Outdoors visitors will see such cars as Lil' coupe coupes, hot rod roadsters, deuced Merc customs, Hemi Cuda's, Six Pack Challengers, Boss 429 Mustangs, Pontiac GTO's and other specialty vehicles.

Two special indoor displays highlight the event. In the Young California building will be the competition for the Goodguys Kustom of the Year Award. Over 20 highly customized "kustoms" (cars of 1936-1964 vintage) will compete for a birth as a "finalist"

lunch, buffet dinner, and contest package. For information, contact Sandy Yee at 833-3300 ext. 5217 or changyeesandy@dublin.k12.ca.us.

Golf Tournament

The Livermore High Baseball Team is having a fund-raiser golf tournament on March 16th at Poppy Ridge Golf Course at 1:00. The cost is \$150 and it is a scramble format. Fee includes: range balls, cart, lunch, dinner with auction, clubhouse credit, door prizes. All the money benefits the baseball program at LHS.

For more information, please call Coach David Perotti at 925-606-4812 x2438 or go to www.eteamz.com/LHSCowboysBaseball and click on the golf tournament link. Sponsorship opportunities are also available.

Golf Tournament

Beeb's Sports Bar and Grill's 12th Annual Charity Golf Tournament at Las Postas Golf Course will be held May 18. The 1 p.m. shotgun start is a four man scramble. The fee is \$150 per person, which includes golf, lunch, dinner, beverages and prizes. Please contact us (925)455-7070 to receive an entry form. Beeb's is located at 915 Clubhouse Drive, Livermore.

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Memorial Service March 24 for Juanita Haugen

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 24 for Juanita Haugen, who passed away March 5, 2007.

The service will be at the Catholic Community of Pleasanton St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 4001 Stoneridge Dr., Pleasanton. The Rev. Ronald C. Culmer, Rector, St. Clare's Episcopal Church, Pleasanton, will officiate.

A reception will be held immediately following the service at Thomas Hart Middle School, 4433 Willow Road, Pleasanton.

Long time Pleasanton School

Board Trustee Juanita Sakajan Haugen passed away peacefully in her sleep at Hacienda Care Center in Livermore at the age of 69. She was surrounded by her family.

Mrs. Haugen, who had been battling cancer for more than two years, remained active until the end taking part in school board meetings via videoconferencing. Late last year, the Pleasanton school board established the Juanita Haugen Civic Responsibility Award, which will be presented for the first time this spring.

She is survived by her daughters Heather Haugen Rizzoli (Christopher), Heidi Haugen Pearl (Bruce), Hilary Haugen Holly Haugen Morello (Mark), and grandson Giovanni Sebastian Morello.

Those attending the service are asked to park at Hart Middle School. A shuttle service will be provided to the church starting at 11:30 a.m.

The family wishes to thank Rev. Daniel Danielson, pastor, for allowing the use of St. Elizabeth Seton Church for the memorial service.

In accordance to the wishes of the late Mrs. Haugen, as well as the family, in lieu of flowers and gifts please donate to one of the following organizations: St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton, CA 94588; USC East Bay Alumni Club Scholarship Fund, c/o Chris Anderson, Treas., PO Box 300, Orinda, CA 94563, or PUSD Community of Character Scholarship, 4665 Bernal Ave., Pleasanton, CA 94566.

Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

BULLETIN BOARD

Organizations wishing to run notices in Bulletin Board, send information to PO Box 1198, Livermore, CA 94551, in care of Bulletin Board. Include name of organization, meeting date, time, place and theme or subject. Phone number and contact person should also be included.

Hidden Gardens of the Valley Tour, May 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Featuring 10 Pleasanton gardens. All proceeds benefit the Valley Humane Society. Tickets are \$35/person. Contact Wendy McNeley at (925)462-8656 for tickets or further information. Sponsorship opportunities available.

Valley Spokesmen Bicycle Touring Club, Sat., March 24, 43 miles Jim Duncan's Birthday ride, meet 10 a.m. at Shannon Park, Dublin, Jim Duncan, 209-1369. Wed., March 28, 25 miles, meet 10 a.m. at Moraga Commons, Jennifer Burton, 455-8228. Anyone planning to go on a ride is asked to call the leader for details on where to meet and what to bring.

Mt. Wanda bird Walk, Sat., March 24, 8:30 to 11 a.m. John Muir National Historic Site. Terrain is steep. Wear comfortable clothing and walking shoes. Bring water and binoculars. Rain or unsafe conditions cancels. Admission free. Meet at CalTrans Park and Ride, corner of Alhambra Ave. and Franklin Canyon Rd., Martinez. Information: 228-8860.

Wine Country Weddings and Events Faire, Tenuta Vineyards, 633 Kalthoff Commons, Livermore, March 31 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sample food, wine, talk with people offering photography, videography, music, entertainment, floral arrangements, decor, rentals, beauty experts, etc. Information, call Jennifer Orlick at 938-2838.

Be in Touch with Your Body, topic for the March 29 meeting of the Livermore Valley Business and Professional Women. Guest speaker Bobbie Gamlin is a nutrition expert and instructor with Weight Watchers, Inc. She will speak on the essential vitamins for women. Bring questions and a notebook. Program begins with dinner in Nordstrom Cafe, Stoneridge Mall, Pleasanton and proceeds to the community room for a talk. Cost is \$18. Reservations are required by March 26, call Mona at 829-3505.

The Political Book Group will meet Tuesday March 27 from 7-9 pm in the Board Room of the Livermore Public Library. The book under discussion will be "Unequal Protection" by Thom Hartman. about the invention and use by corporations of the legal fiction that corporations are persons under the law. Everyone is welcome.

Join the Girl Scouts, ice cream sundae social to introduce girls to scouting. The event will be held in Livermore on March 31. No experience is necessary. Training available free of cost. Meetings are once or twice a month; annual membership fee is \$10. For additional information, contact Shelly at 243-1046 or Join@crestablanca.com.

Electronic Waste, free public collection event March 31 and April 1, Danville Park and Ride parking lot, northwest corner of Sycamore Valley Rd. and Camino Ramon, Danville. Universal Waste Management, Inc. sponsors. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information at www.unwaste.com or call 1-888-832-9839.

Shut Up and Sing, a film starring the Dixie Chicks, will be shown on Sat., March 31 at 7 p.m. in honor of International Women's Month, at The IBEW Hall, 6250 Village Parkway, Dublin. Meet & greet starts at 6:30 PM. This event is open to the public, free or \$2.00 donation, refreshments served, wheelchair accessible, and convenient parking. A short, optional discussion follows the film. For more information, call 925-462-3459.

ABC 7 Listens, Mon., March 26, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Dublin City Council Chambers, 100 Civic Plaza, Dublin. New reporter Laura Anthony and some of the station's news managers will be on hand to take input on stories ideas, news coverage, etc. Space is limited. RSVP to abc7listens@kgo-tv.com or call the Public Affairs Department at 415-954-7702.

Livermore Valley Education Foundation Scholarships, LIVEF will be awarding two \$5,000 scholarships this spring. National Security Technologies has provided the funding to support two graduating seniors going on to four year degree programs in either engineering or science. Applicants must be currently attending a high school in the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District. The scholarships will be awarded based primarily on merit, rather than financial need. Applications are due April 4, 2007 and are available at the career centers at both high schools or from our web site at www.livef.org.

Semi-annual Garage Sale, San Joaquin Mothers of Twins Club, Saturday, March 31, 8am - 2pm, St. Paul's Church in Tracy, 1635 Chester Drive. Corner of Tracy Blvd & Lowell Avenue, Behind Dr. Powers Park. Children's, Women's and Men's Clothing, Toys, Equipment, Household Items and Much More! Participation is open to the public! For more information go to www.MomsWithTwins.com or email Melissa@WeGotTwins.com

Service news: Air Force Airman Jon C. Gally has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Gally is the son of Kris Kone-Millan of Livermore. The airman is a 2006 graduate of Livermore High School.

Fantasia Latina Gala Night, March 24th, 7pm-midnight, San Ramon Parks and Community Services, 12501 Alcolosa Blvd. Dinner and dancing. Live music by the South-American orchestra "Nostalgia" playing real salsa music. Donation \$40 per person. Formal attire is required. For tickets call Cecilia Valent 925-487-5675 or 925-455-9420 or Ada Pestana 925-930-7408 or 925-457-3222. Fund-raiser for Panamerican Roundtable of Contra Costa and Alameda, a non-profit organization that raises money for scholarships.

RELIGION
Unitarian Universalist, 1893 N. Vasco Rd., Livermore. Service at 10:30 a.m. Topic for March 25 is "Queen of the Platform." Rev. Eric Meter will speak. Information 447-8747.

WINGS is a weekly gathering of Christian women that encourages spiritual growth through inspiring speakers, small group discussions, prayer, Scripture study, catechesis, life sharing and community. Meetings on Thursdays, at the Catholic Community of St. Charles Borromeo, 1315 Lomitas Avenue, Livermore, from 9:15 AM to 11:15 AM. There is Spirituality, Childcare provided for a nominal fee. Registration fee to join \$25/year; includes materials. Contact Mary Fair at 925-447-4549 or bob.mary.fair@comcast.net.

Catholic Community of Pleasanton, bereavement support ministry meetings on March 22; and April 12 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton in the chapel, 4001 Stoneridge Dr., Pleasanton. All are welcome. Questions? Please call Kim at 735-3741.

Solutions meets Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. at Tri-Valley Church of Christ, 4481 East Ave. Livermore. The new series called, "It's Not My Fault!" is currently being held. For more information call Greg Brown at 925-447-4333 or visit www.trivalleychurch.org.

Couples And Family Relationships Conference: Unlock the secrets to quality couple and family relationships, including parenting techniques, at this unique learning experience. First Presbyterian Church 2020 Fifth Street Livermore. March 31, 8 a.m. to noon. \$39 per person (\$59 after March 1). www.kivaspirit.org for registration and information. Kiva Counseling Group (925) 485-9370

Community Secular Progressive Passover Seder, 5 p.m. Sunday, April 1, The Bothwell Center, 2466 Eighth Street at G in Livermore. The Tri-Valley Cultural Jews' Passover seder celebrates the heroism and courage of the human participants in the original freedom struggle of the Jewish people and in all struggles for freedom throughout the world. All of the traditional symbols are there, but their meaning is interpreted in a non-religious manner. The children ask the four questions, the four cups of wine are drunk, and a festive meal is held - all without mention of any supernatural forces affecting human lives or human history. The seder is a potluck and reservations are required. A donation of \$10/adult (over 13) is requested. For reservations and food assignment, call (925) 485-1049. Non-traditional and dual-culture families are welcome.

OBITUARIES

Glenn Elsperman

Glenn Elsperman died February 18, 2007 in Walnut Creek.

He was born in Sikeston MO, and had lived in Livermore since 1961. He graduated from Rio Vista High School in Isleton in 1953. He was a member of the Pipefitter's Local #342 in Concord and of the Livermore Rod & Gun Club. His hobbies included duck hunting and fishing.

He is survived by his wife Barbara Elsperman of Livermore, daughter Nancy Wilkerson of Ripon, three grandchildren and one great grandchild. He was preceded in death by his son Michael in 2001.

At his request no formal funeral services will be held.

Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

George F. Stewart

George F. Stewart died March 14, 2007 in Pleasanton. He was 86.

The native of Oakland had lived in Livermore for the past two years. Prior to that he lived in Pleasanton 12 years, Fremont one year and San Leandro for 40 years. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. After the war he worked as a Teamster.

He is survived by daughters Shirley (Ed) Martin of Pleasanton and Barbara (John) Ferreira of Fremont, four grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife of 53 years, Dorothy Stewart.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated March 19 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Pleasanton. Private burial followed at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward.

Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

Margaret Powers

Margaret Powers died March 12, 2007 in Pleasanton. She was 89.

The native of Russia had lived in San Ramon for 20 years, and Pullman, WA for 28 years. She graduated from UC Berkeley with a BS in zoology and worked as a medical technologist. Her hobbies included quilt making, doing crossword puzzles, and going to garage sales.

She is survived by daughters Maria Kennedy and Karen Powers and grandchildren, Megan and Jessi Kennedy. She was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years Myron "John" Powers in 2000.

Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

Charles James Ray

Charles James Ray died March 5, 2007 at his home in Valley Springs. He was 59.

He had lived in Valley Springs for 2 years. Prior to that he had lived in Livermore for 35 years. He was born in Madera. He worked as an engineer at Sandia National Laboratories for 38 years. His hobbies included hiking, camping, singing and spending time with his family. Charles was a member of Celebration Christian Center to Call to Worship in Valley Springs. In Livermore he attended Celebration Christian Church for 22 years.

He is survived by his wife Anna Ray, sons Daniel Ray of Livermore and David Ray of San Ramon, his parents Theo Ray of Arkansas and Opalene Dover of Tennessee, a brother Randy Ray of Madera and five grandchildren.

A memorial service was held March 17 at Celebration Christian Church in Livermore.

Remembrances may be made to Hospice of Amador, PO Box 595, Jackson, CA 95642.

Arrangements by San Andreas Memorial Chapel.

Dora Mary Lopez

Dora Mary Lopez died March 13, 2007 in Fremont. She was 88.

She was born in Los Angeles and raised in Hanford where she graduated from Hanford High School and then attended beauty school. After graduation from beauty school, she and her four sisters owned and operated the Artesin Beauty Salon in Hanford for many years. She moved to Eden Township in 1941 and settled in Hayward in 1945. She was a parishioner of All Saints Church of Hayward and St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church of Livermore. She will be remembered as a hardworking and devoted mother who enjoyed gardening, sewing and

cooking.

She is survived by her children Raul Lopez of Hayward, Richard Lopez of Salt Lake City, UT, Rosalie Snyder of Livermore, Elizabeth Dawson of Council Bluffs, Iowa, Maryellen "Mell" Gattia of San Leandro, brothers Joseph Fernandez of Hayward and Fidel Fernandez of Yuba City, 13 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mass was celebrated May 16 at All Saints Catholic Church in Hayward. Burial was at St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery in Livermore.

Contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital Foundation, St. Jude's Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

Arlene Hederman

Arlene Hederman passed away peacefully on March 16, 2007, following a brief illness. She was 85.

Arlene was born and raised in Michigan, but spent most of her adult life in California, most recently in Pleasanton and Livermore.

She is survived by a brother, Clare Richard of Oregon, and daughters Linda Ballou of Livermore, Susan (George) Schmidt of Brentwood, and Sandra Wood of Dublin. She is also survived by her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Steven and former husband Albert Hederman.

A celebration of her life will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 26 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1225 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton.

In lieu of flowers, her family suggests donations in her name to the American Red Cross, 85 2nd St., San Francisco, CA 94105.

Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

Harlan Eugene Dybahl

Harlan Eugene Dybahl passed away February 20, 2007 after a long battle with cancer. He was 70.

He was born and raised in Huron, SD. He received his BS in chemistry at the University of South Dakota. Harlan was a pioneer in the early years of computer technology, forging a successful 35-year career in sales and marketing for international and

national businesses. He was a true renaissance man enjoying both living and traveling abroad, music, reading, singing, his horses, camping, biking and motorcycles. His sense of humor and zest for life were legendary. He was a man of utmost integrity and devotion and will be missed by all.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, son David, daughter Tracy Everson, son-in-law Bryan, grandsons Cameron and Reece and sister Rose Marie Bernhardtson.

A memorial service was held March 3 at Ravenswood Historic Site in Livermore.

Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

William Steiner, Sr.

William George Steiner, Sr. died March 18, 2007. He was 60.

He was born in Hayward and had lived in Livermore for the past 30 years. He served in the U.S. Navy in Viet Nam. He was a dedicated limo driver for Classic Limo in Livermore. In his spare time he enjoyed fishing and working on old cars. He was affiliated with the Pleasanton Jaycees and the Livermore Foresters.

Bill is survived by his wife of 31 years, Diana L. (Wiggins) Steiner of Livermore, son William George Steiner, Jr. of Livermore, a brother Frederick Charles Steiner, Jr. of Livermore, a sister Mary Ann Marks of Modesto, and granddaughter, Samantha Rose Steiner.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Sun., March 25 at Graham-Hitch Mortuary 4167 First St., Pleasanton. Contributions may be sent to the Diabetes Foundation, 49 Stevenson St., Suite 1200, San Francisco, CA 94105.

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Alexandre Berthet

Alexandre Nicolas Berthet was born in France on March 29, 1981 and came to America when he was six months old. He passed away in an accident in San Francisco on March 17, 2007.

He shared his life with all of us for almost twenty-five years. He was a young man full of boundless energy and an incredible zest for life. During his lifetime, Alex traveled across America, the Caribbean and throughout Europe on numerous trips with friends and family. He developed a passion for biking, soccer, baseball, skateboarding,

snowboarding, scuba diving and biking in the Sierras with his dad.

He graduated from Amador Valley High School in 2002 and Chico State University in May 2006 with a B.S. in manufacturing engineering. As an independent young man, he worked his way through school and was a TA for the engineering department. In January 2007, Alex landed a job as a mechanical engineer doing 3D modeling for a company in Vacaville and relocated. He was considered by his friends to be a "walking" technical encyclopedia.

Alex had a big heart for animals. He rescued and adopted a puppy in Chico and named her "Coby."

He will always be in the hearts of his mother Jane Bountis-Berthet, father Andre Berthet, sister Kimberly Berthet, grandmother Jean Bountis, godmother Linda Bountis and all of his aunts, uncles and cousins in the US and France and all his friends.

A memorial service and celebration of Alex's life will be held at 1 p.m. on Sat., March 24 at the Lynnwood Methodist Church, 4444 Black Ave., Pleasanton.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made for Alex. All funds collected will be distributed to a foundation for young children in need.

Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

Nell Hoffman Lively

Nell Hoffman Lively passed away at Colony Park Nursing Home in Modesto. She was 90.

She lived in Niles in 1954 and in 1969 moved to Placerville, where she retired in 1981 from Placerville Union School District. In 1982, she returned to the East Bay and lived in Pleasanton until moving to Modesto in 2002.

Mrs. Lively was preceded in death by her husband Ted Lively and two daughters, Kathleen Martin and Barbara Neveau. She is survived by her four grandchildren: Ron Martin of Turlock, Ken Martin of Modesto, Tom Neveau and Denise Neveau of Lake St. Louis, MO, and seven great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at St. John's Chapel of the Valley in Modesto on Sat., March 24 at noon.

Remembrances in lieu of flowers may be made "In Memoriam of Nell Lively" to Shepherd's Gate, 1660 Portola Ave., Livermore, CA 94551.

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Pancake Breakfast following 9:30 AM Mass

Holy Thursday, April 5
7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper & Adoration of the Eucharist

Good Friday, April 6
1:30 PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
7:30 PM Stations of the Cross presented by Youth Ministry

Holy Saturday, April 7
8:30 PM Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday, April 8
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- **Sunday, April 8, 10am:**
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GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 6
Noon - Stations of the Cross
7:30 pm - Stations of the Cross & Good Friday Liturgy

EASTER DAY, APRIL 8
8:00 am & 10:00am - Holy Eucharist
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RODEO CORNER

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Rodeo time is just around the corner. The Livermore Stockmen's Rodeo Association is in full gear preparing for this year's event. This month the focus is three-fold; rodeo grounds preparation, completion of contracts and the Annual Queen Contest.

Visitors to the Livermore Rodeo grounds will see that the pens have been sprayed, 200 feet of trench for conduit has been run across the arena and completion is near for a new fence around the VIP Area.

Most of the contracts have been finalized and include our VIP's; Groth Brothers Chevrolet, Ising's Culligan Water, PW Markets, Hertz Equipment Rentals, US Foods, Toyota Material Handling and Peterson Tractor. The livestock contract with Growney Brothers Rodeo Company has been renewed bringing the Livermore Rodeo some of the best stock in the country. Numerous other contracts for the Team Penning/Mixer, Family Night and Rodeo Weekend have also been signed.

Also signed for this year's rodeo is Bullfighter/Cowboy Protector Joe Baumgartner. He is considered a true legend. He has been to the National Finals 14 times and is someone a Rodeo fan shouldn't miss. This year's Specialty act is The One-Armed Bandit. He's been voted the PRCA Specialty Act of the Year for 8 straight years and is considered absolutely the best in the business.

This year's Queen Contest will be held at the Jeffers Ranch on the 24th of March. The contestants are Ashley Mason (21) from Livermore, Meghan Davis (20) from Tracy, Amanda Delaplane (20) from Castro Valley, Aleece Cahstain (19) from Castro Valley and Amber Bradford (21) from Livermore.

These women will compete in an all-day event. They will be judged on everything from horsemanship to rodeo knowledge and current events. To be crowned Queen a contestant must excel in all areas in the competition. First there is the horsemanship competition that involves all aspects of riding and handling a horse. The next portion is the personal interview in front of the judges. This involves being grilled on everything from Rodeo knowledge to current events to common horse health issues. Lastly, each contestant will deliver their prepared speech in front of all the spectators at the competition.

The contestant who wins will be crowned Miss Livermore Rodeo 2007. She will travel to many different rodeos and special events to represent the Livermore Rodeo and the Livermore Stockmen's Rodeo Association.

From the Board to all the queen contestants, good luck on your competition. "You're competing for the title of Miss Livermore Rodeo. The Livermore Rodeo is known nationally and attracts some of the best cowboys in each event and as such garners a lot of attention. It's the World's Fastest Rodeo and the second highest paying two-day rodeo in the country. You will be true Rodeo Royalty."

This year the Livermore Rodeo will be one of the best all-around rodeos in the country. It is a perfect outing for the entire family. Check out the Livermore Rodeo at www.livermorerodeo.org.

LIVERMORE RODEO FACTOID: The first Livermore Rodeo was held in 1918 at what is now the Portola Ave on-ramp to 580. It was held to raise funds for the Red Cross due to World War I.

Students to Compete in Science and Engineering Fair

The Tri-Valley Science and Engineering Fair, sponsored by the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, returns March 28-31, at the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave., Livermore.

Each year the fair serves to motivates students to apply creativity and critical thought to the solution of science, engineering and math problems; encourages the exchange of knowledge and ideas; and recognizes student achievement.

Eligible participants include 7th through 12th grade students attending public, private or parochial schools in Danville, Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, San Ramon and Sunol.

Science projects are judged on a wide range of criteria that represents standards of research held by the scientific community. Local scientists and engineers serve as fair judges. Research categories cover a wide spectrum of science and include: behavioral and bioscience, biochemistry, botany, chemistry, computer science, earth and space science, engineering, environmental science, mathematics, medicine and health, microbiology, physics and zoology.

Judging will take place on Wednesday morning, March 28, with an awards ceremony sched-

uled for 7 p.m. that evening. The public may view the exhibition of student projects at the Robert Livermore Community Center on Thursday, March 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Friday, March 30, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Saturday, March 31, from 10 a.m. to noon. There is no charge for admission. This is the second year the fair is at the Robert Livermore Community Center.

The fair is affiliated with the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (Intel ISEF), the world's largest pre-college celebration of science. Held annually in May, the Intel ISEF brings together more than 1,400 students from more than 40 nations to compete for scholarships, tuition grants, internships, scientific field trips and the grand prize: a \$50,000 college scholarship.

Each year, Senior Division (9-12th grade) Sweepstakes winners of the Tri-Valley fair have gone on to win top honors at Intel ISEF, to be held May 13-19 in Albuquerque, N.M. The Junior Division winners are eligible to compete at the California State Science Fair.

For more information about this year's Tri-Valley Science and Engineering Fair, go to the web at <http://tvsef.lnl.gov/>.



The Harvest Park Middle School cheerleading squad from Pleasanton competed at the United Spirit Association Junior Nationals Competition on Sunday, March 4th, 2007 at the Hyperion Theater inside Disneyland's California Adventure. The entire squad competed in the Large Junior Show Cheer Novice Division, placing 4th out of 11 schools. The squad is coached by Linda Montoya and her assistant Natasha Bojkovic. Cheerleaders are Ana Marquez, Ashley Nair, Baqiyyah Bent, Candela Martinez, Caroline Fiegel, Chloe Avelenda, Danielle Pope, Erin Mezzetta, Hannah Milano, Jenae Poffenbarger, Julia Park, Julie Sharify, Katarina Marjanovic, Kerry Carmichael, Laney Tura, Madyson Benz, Margo Little, Monica Kim, Natalie Klein, Nicole Thompson, Nicolette Allen, Paige Carlstrom, Rachel Cilk, Rachel Hardy, Rachel Latsis, Tracey Rustick. The Junior Group Stunt team placed 2nd out of 8 teams: Nicolette Allen, Chloe Avelenda, Madyson Benz, Rachel Cilk, and Natalie Klein.



The Hart Middle School Cheer Squad finished out their season by walking away with a second place finish at the Junior National Cheerleading Championships held at Disneyland's California Adventure in Anaheim this past weekend. The girls competed in the Junior High Show Cheer Novice division beating out 11 other teams from California and Arizona. The girls are coached by Julie Craney and Kim DeJoy and their routine was choreographed by two seniors from the Foothill High School Competition Cheer Team, Meghan O' Mally and Cameron Smead. Pictured are squad members, Paige Tabler (Capt.), Addie Mantor (Capt), Cassandra Stuart (Capt), Meghan Bean, Alyssa Dunlap, Lauren Schall, Paige Schall, Taylor Friedl, Summer Shelton, Haley Jefferies, Stephanie Bricker, Alex Holterhoff, Danielle Kozel, April Duranleau, Laura Laszik, Ann Marie Itamura, Sarah Cha, Lexie Kerney, Ekaterina Tiourin and Arianne Olarig.

Friends and Family Invited to Help Jack Oliver Celebrate His 90th Birthday

Family and friends of Jack Oliver are planning a 90th birthday celebration for April 7.

Oliver has had a long and varied career. His most recent efforts were in helping to launch local community television by providing his technical expertise.

The luncheon will be held at Oddfellows Hall, 2160 First Street in Livermore.

Everyone who knew Jack Oliver is invited to attend. Hosting the event will be his daughter, Suann Shumaker. To RSVP, please call her at 455-9653 by March 27.

Shumaker and Darla Stevens, who worked with Oliver to make community television a success offered the following insights into Oliver's life, including a few brushes with death while serving in the military.

They describe him "as a man of expertise in many fields, with a role sense of humor, and a twinkle in his eye. He'll be 90 soon, and he has just taken up yet another field: internet streaming video."

He grew up in a logging camp in the high Sierras, and Murphys, California. The family eventually relocated to Tracy. In Tracy, Oliver built a 35mm movie camera while still in high school and attracted the town to a "Pioneers Day Parade film" at the local theater. He was invited to attend CalTech on a scholarship and could have been there when his hero, Robert H. Goddard, the father of rocketry, was teaching there, but wasn't able to afford the accompanying expenses. He learned all the Navy could teach him about electrical engineering, ham radio, and the cutting edge field of radar. During WWII, he survived one flight training accident in California and one carrier takeoff accident in the Pacific. During the Korean War, he survived a seaplane crash-landing, being only 1 of 3 to make it. Oliver crashed into the ocean twice as a Navy tail gunner, one of those times sur-

living close proximity depth charges that caused surrounding fatalities.

He became acquainted with and admired E.O. Lawrence when he obtained a job at the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory in 1952, just six months after it opened. He was considered an expert in high-speed photography in the early days of atom bomb testing on the island of Enawetauk. With a good friend at the Lab, George Michaels, he worked on the very first computer voice recognition ever achieved.

During his time at the Lab, Oliver also learned an unusual skill—theater pipe organ restoration. He installed one for his wife, Bette, in the house. She played for a number of people and entertained school kids playing the organ. Because organ restoration is a lost art, Jack decided he would try to record the process. To do so, he bought one of the earliest video cameras. In the process of trying to record the definitive how-to video on restoring old pipe organs from the ground up, he became more interested in the technology of video production.

So, it was only natural that upon retiring from the Lab, he found himself as an active participant in local Community Television's struggles to produce regular television programming with no budget. In doing so, he became the single most valuable technical force behind the programming produced by volunteers for the first ten years of local Community Television pro-

gramming. He helped put Mayor Helen Tirsell on local television using black and white reel-to-reel tape, when this was a minor miracle of portable television production in 1976.

When Community Television eventually achieved funding from the cities in 1987, Jack continued to build, customize and donate equipment for local television, until he retired from Community Television in 2004.

In retirement he hasn't changed. He's intellectually curious, reading journals such as Scientific American, TV Technology, and Streaming Media just for enjoyment.

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Health Topics Range Widely for Amador Fair March 29

A wide variety of organizations will be present to inform students about health resources in the community on March 29 when Amador Valley High School conducts Health Quest, its annual health fair.

Health Quest will be in the large gym from 9:20 a.m. to 2 p.m., and open to all four class levels of the high school. Amador Valley students will attend sessions with assigned classes. All parents, staff and community

members are invited to attend through those hours, except from 12:15 p.m. to 1:10 p.m.

Last year, more than 1400 students, staff and parents attended. Health Quest is sponsored by the Health and Bioscience academies at Amador Valley and Foothill high schools, and Valley health professionals and organization.

Among the wide variety of participants this year will be county public health nursing,

Alanon and Alateen codependency recovery organizations, an optometrist, Axis Community Health Center, Kaiser Permanente Teen Services, a massage therapy school, the Pleasanton PTA talking about sun protection, the ROP health occupation classes, and the ValleyCare Health Library and Cancer Resource Center. More information is available from Debbie Emerson (demerson@pleasanton.k12.ca.us).

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Early Music Concert Series Continues at Las Positas College

Musica Pacifica performs "Alla Rustica" on Sat., March 24, 7:30 p.m. at Las Positas College.

Experience the toe-tapping rhythms and exotic flavors of Baroque folk music from Spain, Ireland, and Scotland side-by-side with so-called "rustic" pieces by such composers as Vivaldi, Marais, Rameau, Schmelzer, and Biber, who imitated in a more genteel fashion the popular music of their time and place.

Virtuoso percussionist, John Loose, joins Musica Pacifica for this program. The concert will also feature the debut performance of a recently completed harpsichord by builder Ron Nakashima.

For further information call Marilyn Marquis at 424-1209 or visit Las Positas College Early Music website at www.lpcearlymusic.org.

Tickets at \$15 per person, \$5 for students will be available at the door. The performance will be on campus in the college library, building, 2000, 3033 Collier Canyon Road, Livermore.

Concert at Library Features Indian-Jazz Fusion

Fusion Pleasanton presents "A Global Conversation," a free fusion jazz concert with George Brooks and Kala Rammath and featuring Kai Eckhardt on bass and Salar Nader on tabla.

The concert will be 7 to 9 p.m. on Sun., March 25 at the Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Rd., Pleasanton.

Saxophonist and composer George Brooks has explored the relationship between jazz and Indian classical music for over twenty-five years. His original compositions have been hailed as ground-breaking work in the realm of Indian-jazz fusion.

Maestra Kala Rammath stands among the most outstanding instrumental musicians in the North Indian classical genre. She brings a rare vocal emotionalism to her violinistry.

The concert is sponsored by the East Bay Marathi Mandal and the Pleasanton Public Library. It is funded by a California State Library Grant through the California Cultural Crossroads



George Brooks

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For more information please call Penny Johnson, Adult Programs Librarian, at 925/931-3405, or Varsha Upadhye, East Bay Marathi Mandal, at 925/339-8090.

Former Resident's Film Accepted For Screening at Film Festival

Miriam Schalit, Livermore native and first time independent film producer, was one of only ten full length feature filmmakers to be accepted out of thousands of entries slated to be viewed at the first annual Buffalo Niagara Film Festival (BNFF) this March 26th - 31st.

An international event open to filmmakers, screenwriters, entertainment industry professionals and the public, the BNFF offers a highly visible venue to showcase local, national and international independent film productions.

Reoccurring nightmares, reincarnation, love, self-discovery and even a chase scene are only some of the colliding elements that make up the mysterious storyline of Miriam Schalit's new film *Phoenix Rising*.

The film's central character, Tom, is plagued with a realistic recurring nightmare about a troubled teenager, Jamie, who resorts to music, drugs and art in order to escape the reality of his home life which includes an abusive father and depressed mother. Upon waking up from yet another dream, Tom decides to investigate and discovers that this dysfunctional family actually lived only blocks from his own home, some seventeen years earlier. He learns, too, that others in his community are having the nightmare! Pieces of this puzzle lead Tom to confront his own demons and a twist in the plot changes everything for good.

Over a three year period, *Phoenix Rising* became the life focus of Miriam Schalit, who wrote,

produced and directed the film. "A lot of people have told me they would never produce a film like this; it tells so much about a person — it would leave them open and vulnerable to the world," said Miriam.

As for the screenplay, Miriam had this idea of the dream and simply started to write. "I would have these epiphanies and then go from there." Writing the screenplay was actually the easy part. Along with loyal friends and family members, Miriam's husband, Leroy Francis, Jr., also a producer, provided a great deal of support throughout the filming and post-production process. The experience of filmmaking was not unlike those of other independent filmmakers.

"We borrowed cars, houses, neighbor's yards, and local businesses as locations. Most of the meals for the cast and crew were catered by friends. It was a tremendous amount of work to coordinate in addition to managing the film itself," said Miriam. "Holding down a regular job and editing and then re-editing and then editing the film again wasn't unlike a reoccurring nightmare at times," reported Miriam. "Like the undertones of the film itself, both humor and anxiety helped make the production both mysterious and exciting!"

Miriam Schalit has been a professional producer, director and filmmaker for over fifteen years.

Phoenix Rising is her first film and the Buffalo Niagara Film Festival will be her film festival debut.

Pleasanton Presents Pulitzer Prize Winning Author

A literary evening with Pulitzer Prize Winning author Michael Chabon will be presented on Saturday, March 31, at 8:00 p.m. He will appear at the Amador Theater in Pleasanton. The City of Pleasanton Civic Arts Present will host the program.

Chabon's first novel, *The Mysteries of Pittsburgh*, was written in 1966 for his master's thesis at the University of California at Irvine. It became a New York Times bestseller and has been adapted as a feature film. His second novel, *Wonder Boys*, published in 1995, was also a bestseller and was made into a critically-acclaimed film featuring actors Michael Douglas and Tobey Maguire. Chabon's third novel, *The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay*, catapulted him to literary prominence.

Chabon has lectured widely on topics including the art and craft of writing and the tradition of Jewish fiction. A Berkeley, Calif. resident, he has appeared throughout the United States, Canada, Western Europe and Russia and has spoken to creative teams at Pixar Animation Studios and Industrial Light and Magic as well as before many literary, corporate and Jewish organizations.

Chabon's next novel, scheduled for publication this year, is entitled *The Yiddish Policeman's Union*. It is a detective novel set in an alternate world in Alaska where millions of European Jewish refugees took shelter, creating a miniature American "Yiddishland."

"Earlier in the day on March 31, Michael Chabon will speak



Photo - Stephannie Rausser
Michael Chabon

to aspiring and experienced writers at the Poetry, Prose & Arts Festival at the CarrAmerica

Conference Center," says City of Pleasanton Civic Arts Manager Andy Jorgensen. "We are fortunate to have the opportunity to host him again that evening for what promises to be a memorable literary experience at the Amador Theater."

Tickets to Michael Chabon's appearance are \$25, \$30 and \$35 for adults and \$15, \$20 and \$25 for students. They may be purchased online at www.civictartickets.org up to three hours prior to the performance, by phone at (925) 931-3444, or in person at the Amador Theater Box Office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and for two hours prior to the performance. Group discounts are available.

The Amador Theater is located at 1155 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton.

ART & ENTERTAINMENT

Mix It Up, March 1-31, show of artwork that uses more than one media. Livermore Library, 1188 So. Livermore Ave.

26th annual Melodrama, Sunol Repertory Theatre will present "Taming the Wild, Wild West in a Dress, or...Let's Give the Villain the Slip," adapted from a play by Billy St. John and directed by Klay Kunkel. Performances are March 30 and 31 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium of Sunol Glen School at 11601 Main St. in Sunol. Tickets are \$12.50 and can be ordered on line at www.sunol.net or by calling (925) 862-0664 for further information. Tickets can be purchased at Elliston Vineyards & Little Valley Winery tasting room on Saturdays and Sundays between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning February 10. So hiss and boo and have a laugh with the whole family.

Rod Piazza & The Mighty Flyers, Friday, April 13, 8:00 p.m. The performance will take place at the Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton. City of Pleasanton Civic Arts Presents. Rod Piazza & The Mighty Flyers are known for their new style of blues that combines low-down Chicago grit, West Coast swing, jazz, and the rhythmic drive of early R & B and rock and roll. Ticket prices are \$15, \$20 & \$25. Tickets may be purchased online at www.civictartickets.org up to three hours prior to the performance, by phone at (925) 931-3444, or in person at the Amador Theater Box.

Sixth Annual Poetry, Prose & Arts Festival, Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council (PCAC) and City of Pleasanton Civic Arts invite the public to free open activities on Saturday, March 31, 2007. The Festival will be held at the CarrAmerica Conference Center at 4400 Rosewood Drive in Pleasanton. Non-registered visitors to the Festival may attend the Visual Arts Exhibit presented by the Pleasanton Art League and other regional artists from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. They are invited to visit Literary Row from 12:30-2 pm and meet, talk and mingle with talented local authors. In addition, they may enjoy music played by guitar, mandolin and mandocello artist Jim Steinke, PhD during the afternoon hours. Registrations that include event workshops, readings and other selected activities will be accepted on a first come, first served basis until March 24, 2007. Registration forms may be downloaded from the PCAC website at www.pleasantonarts.org or by contacting Michelle Russo at (925) 931-5350 or mrusso@ci.pleasanton.ca.us.

Killer Laughs Comedy Competition, Tommy T's Comedy and Steakhouse, 5104 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton; info 227-1800. Each show will feature a special guest comedian after the competition. Presented by Laugh-A-Lot Productions Presents. Dates for preliminary rounds: semi finals: March 27; finals: April 3 featuring nine comics. All shows start 8 p.m.; doors open 6 p.m. \$7 cover plus two item minimum. For More Information Call (925) 264-4413 or e-mail john@laughalotproductions.com.

The Secret Garden, Willows Theatre Company production through March 25th, at the Willows Theatre, 1975 Diamond Boulevard, Concord. Tickets are \$33-\$38 with discounts for students (6-18), seniors (65+), groups (10+), and Preview performances. To purchase tickets call (925) 798-1300 or visit the Willows Theatre Company Web site at www.willowstheatre.org. Performances are Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m., and Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m., with matinees Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m., Saturdays at 2 p.m., and Sundays at 3 p.m.

Papier-mache Whimsy Classes, Saturday March 24 and 31, 2-4pm.

Bring to the first class: Roll of 1" masking tape, full newspaper issue, scissors, a couple of wire hangers. This class is taught by artist MJ Wilson and is free to the public, but reservations are a must. Must attend both days due to drying and time required. Call: Worthington Gallery West (25) 485-1183 wgallerywest@sbcglobal.net. Worthington Gallery West International Fine Art, 739 J. Main St., Pleasanton.

High School Musical, stage production of the Disney Channel movie. Christensen Middle School 9th annual musical production. Show dates are March 23, 24, 30 and 31 at 7 p.m. All shows are at Livermore High School Performing Arts Theatre, 600 Maple St. Tickets are \$7 orchestra level and \$5 balcony level. Seating at Livermore High is assigned. Tickets can be purchased at Country Charm in Livermore at 1601 Railroad Ave., or by calling Kathy Pehrson at 925-443-1931. Tickets may be available at the door 30 minutes prior to the show.

Livermore-Amador Symphony, Sat., March 24, 8 p.m. First Presbyterian Church, 4th and L Streets, Livermore. Vaughn Williams: Fantasia on Greensleeves; Weber: Symphony No. 2; Barber: Knoxville: Summer of 1915; Tiffany Cromartie, soprano, soloist; Grofe: Grand Canyon Suite. Ticket information, 447-4924.

Art, the winner of the Evening Standard Award, Olivier Award, and Tony Award, will be presented by Shakespeare's Associates, Inc., at the Bothwell Arts Center, 8th and H in Livermore. Performances will be March 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and April 1. Curtain times are Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$25 general admission, \$20 for seniors 65 and over, and military ID, and \$15 for students 18 and under. Tickets are available on the web at www.shakespeareassociates.org or by calling 1-800-838-3006. Concurrent Abstract Art Exhibit.

Suzuki Graduation Recital, Sat., March 31, 4 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church, Pleasanton. Music students perform graduation pieces from the Suzuki repertoire from Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star to Concertos by W.A. Mozart.

Winemaker Dinners, Executive Chef Neil Marquis prepares food to pair with wines. On Wednesday, March 28 at 7 p.m. **Rosenblum** Winemaker Dinner with Winemaker Kent Rosenblum will be held. \$70.00 per person plus gratuity and tax. On Wednesday, May 16, 2007, **Steven Kent and La Rochelle** Winemaker Dinner is set for 7:00 pm. \$70 per person plus gratuity and tip. Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main St., Pleasanton; reservations at 925-846-8106 or www.PleasantonHotel.com.

Carolyn Lord is offering a Plein Air watercolor floral workshop in the gardens at Alden Lane Nursery in Livermore April 14 and 15, sponsored by PAL. The workshop fee is \$150. Send check made out to Pleasanton Art League (PAL) c/o Linda Beach, 5833 Ida Ct., Livermore, CA 94550 or call (925) 449-4226 for availability.

Entertainment in the Pleasanton Hotel Lounge: March 22, Fred McCarty, 6-8:30; March 23, The Fabulous Cruisetonnes, 8:30; March 24, Georgi and the Rough Week Band, 8:30; March 27, Chris Bradley's Traditional Jazz Band, 7:30-9:30; March 29, Fred McCarty, 6-8:30; March 30, The Tornados, 8:30; March 31, Major Link, 8:30. No reservation or cover charge. Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main St., Pleasanton; 925-846-8106 www.PleasantonHotel.com.

Artist Day, March 24, Forest Home Farms, 19953 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Local artists, writers and photogra-

phers invited to create work on site. Participants should bring supplies, a chair and lunch, and dress appropriately for the weather. Fee \$5 residents, \$6 nonresidents. Information, 973-3281.

Audition, Beauty and The Beast - StarStruck Theatre, Saturday, March 24th 10am-1pm (Ages 9-12) and 2pm-5pm (Ages 13+), and Monday March 26th 6:30p-9pm (Ages 9 +). Please prepare 1-2 min. show tune in the musical style of the show (No pop/rock). Bring sheet music in correct key; an accompanist will be provided. Wear appropriate dance shoes and dress comfortably for dance routines. Must be 9-21 years old at time of auditions. Please reserve an audition time by visiting www.starstrucktheatre.org or call (510) 659-1319 for more information. Auditions will be held at StarStruck Studio, 42307 Osgood Road Unit L, Fremont. Rehearsals

start in May. Beauty and The Beast will be performed at the Ohlone College Amphitheatre August 2nd thru August 11th.

Works by Cynthia Lait, on exhibit at Stanford Art Spaces, Palo Alto, Feb. 16-April 19; and 201 California Street, San Francisco through April 15.

Prometheus Symphony, 3 p.m. Sun., March 25 St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 114 Montecito Ave., Oakland. Eric Hansen, conductor. Stephen Kim, winner of Felix Khuner Concerto Competition, violin will perform Bruch "Concerto #1 in g minor." Also on program Bruckner, "Seventh Symphony." Admission free, donations accepted. Information, 447-3659.

Champagne night with WineWise, Thurs., March 22, 5 to 9 p.m. Uncle Yu's at the Vineyard, 39 So. Livermore Ave., Livermore. For cost, information and/or reservations, call 449-7000.

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Robin Hood Performance At Amador Theater

The Pleasanton PTA Council will host an evening performance of "Robin Hood" at the Amador Theater on Thurs., March 29 at 7 p.m.

Robin Hood will be performed by Will and Company, a multicultural theater ensemble from Los Angeles. This is the classic tale of medieval chivalry as Robin Hood and his band of friends outwit the Sheriff of Nottingham. This funny, fast-paced tale deals with teamwork, friendship, and community.

There will be no charge for admission. The public is invited to attend. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Seating will be on a first come, first served basis. No tickets or reservations are necessary.

The performance will be 45 minutes long and includes a question and answer session with the audience after the performance. Robin Hood is appropriate for students in grades K-6. This performance is funded by a grant from the Target Corporation.

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Las Positas College presents the Tony Award winning musical, *City of Angels* for eight performances. Pictured are the characters Stone and Bobbi played by Nathan Hawkins and Jessica Betando. The sophisticated, jazzy and humorous show is really two shows in one. One is the story of a 1940s author trying to adapt his detective novel to the screen; the other is the enactment of that film noir screenplay. Performances at the Las Positas College Theater are on March 23, 24, 30, 31 and April 6 and 7 at 8:00 p.m. and April 1 and 7 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$14.00 general admission and \$10 for students and seniors. They may be purchased at the Las Positas College Bookstore, 3033 Collier Canyon Rd., Livermore, and at Fine Fretted Friends music store in downtown Livermore. For advance reservations, call (925) 424-1812 and for show information, call (925) 424-1166.

Duo Performs Works from 3 Different Centuries

The Del Valle Fine Arts classical concert series continues on Sat March 31, at 8:00 pm with Denise Djokic and David Jalbert, a cello and piano duo.

The concert will be held at First Presbyterian Church, 2020 5th St. (at South L St) in Livermore.

Cellist Denise Djokic and pianist David Jalbert are two of Canada's finest young musicians.

The program includes "Viola de Gamba Sonata no. 2 in D" by JS Bach; "Sonata for cello and piano, L. 135" by Debussy; "Adagio and Allegro opus 70" by Schumann and "Cello Sonata in G Minor Op.65, CT 204" by Chopin.

This varied program offers works from the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries. Bach's sonatas for viola da gamba and harpsichord were written in the early 1740s, a time when the great virtuosos of the viola da gamba had either passed on or were soon to do so.

Debussy's three chamber sonatas bear testimony to the composer's developing identification with a more abstract — that is, less visually, textually, or otherwise extramusically oriented — musical process. One of Schumann's goals at the time was to create significant music that amateurs could use to further their skills on their instruments with what was called



David Jalbert and Denise Djokic perform varied program.



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The Adagio and Allegro for horn and piano, Op. 70, is one of these works. Chopin's cello sonata, Op. 65, was his last major work. The piece was printed in Paris in 1847. Chopin and Franck premiered the sonata in Paris to great acclaim, in what was to be the last performance of Chopin's career.

Djokic, a graduate of Cleveland Institute of Music, is considered by many to be the best up and coming cello player in the world. Jalbert is a graduate of both Juilliard and the Glenn Gould Professional School in Toronto. *Fantare* cites his playing for its "sweep, confidence, sensitivity, power and color." Their recent recording *Folklore* received an East Coast Music Award for "Classical Recording

of the Year."

A native of Canada, Denise has already captivated audiences all across the continent performing at major music festivals such as Mexico's San Miguel de Allende Festival, Ravinia Festival in Chicago, Caramoor Festival in New York, and Canada's Vancouver and Ottawa Chamber Music Festivals. Her recent concert performances include appearances with the Santa Cruz Symphony, the Buffalo Philharmonic, the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, and the National Arts Centre Orchestra. The youthful vigour, confidence, and passion of her playing have made her a much sought after soloist with North America's finest orchestras. Her recent appearance at the 2002 Grammy Awards confirms her recognition as a young star of the classical music world. This past year, Denise has signed on as a

Sony Classical recording artist and has just recorded and released her debut self-titled CD to great critical acclaim.

David Jalbert has been a guest soloist with many great orchestras, such as the Montreal Symphony, the Vancouver Symphony, the National Arts Centre Orchestra and the National Symphony of Ireland, and has collaborated with conductors like Skitch Henderson, Bramwell Tovey, Jacques Lacombe, Marc David, Alexander Anissimov and Mario Bernardi. He has performed in Canada, the United States, Mexico and Europe; his repertoire stretches from the concertos of Bach to those of Martinu, and from the sonatas of Mozart to those of Stravinsky and Antheil. David's interests in literature, cinema, rock and blues shine through his selections in performance, which can be heard regularly on CBC Radio broadcasts.

Tickets are \$18, \$16 for 62 and over and college and high school is free. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at Cooleykatz Tours at 1959 Second Street in Livermore, Towne Center Books at 555 Main St. in Pleasanton or write to P. O. Box 2335, Livermore CA 94551. Call 925-447-2752 or go to www.delvallefinearts.org for more information.

Concert Chorale's Seraphic Sound

By Susan Steinberg

I don't claim to be an expert on choral music, but I can certainly tell when a performance is exceptional. Valley Concert Chorale's weekend program was all that and more: it was exquisite.

As a traditionalist, I prefer the "old-style" choral compositions, especially those inspired by religious sentiments. The masterpieces of classical composers such as Bach, Handel, Mozart, and Beethoven are deeply moving and, thankfully, have never been "tweaked" into new versions.

But a few later composers of a more romantic style have shown an ability to move the soul in different ways: Verdi's "Requiem" with the drama of an Italian opera, and Faure's "Requiem" with the elegant putty of a celestial choir.

Unlike more dramatic pieces, Faure's "Requiem" demands of its singers the unity of sound and sweetness of tone that is absolutely exposed. Its effect can be ruined by the smallest detail: a ragged entry, unclean finish, slight intonation variables.

The voices of angels are obviously in need of no rehearsal, but an earthly chorus must practice earnestly to achieve the

seraphic quality of perfectly floating sound that filled Livermore's Presbyterian Church Saturday evening.

A rapt audience listened in profound silence, some with eyes closed, to this near-miraculous achievement. Later many people spoke of it as an unexpectedly spiritual experience, especially the spellbinding "Pie Jesu," with its tranquil simplicity truly evoking the peace which is the purpose of a Requiem.

Organist Jerome Lenk was a sympathetic accompanist, underpinning and highlighting the voices with an obvious sensitivity to the overall effect, which was softer and more subtle than most earlier choral/organ combinations.

Both soloists were also in perfect voice for Faure's romantic French sound. Rita Lilly's pure silvery tone carried over the chorus as a beautiful grace note, not an overbearing effect. She also is mistress of a final fading pianissimo that seems to float up to Heaven. I've never heard a more hushed Livermore audience listening to those notes die away.

Baritone Michael Beetham was just as attuned to the Requiem's special sound, and was able to vocalize with a beau-

tiful tone that struck the perfect balance between manly strength and delicacy. His ability to deliver a powerful and rousing sound had been amply demonstrated in an earlier Faure piece titled "Tu es Petrus." "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church." This is the only line of the short work, but it is written and sung with the strong fervor of a forthright Handel oratorio. One can almost feel the solidity and strength of that rock in the sound!

Rita Lilly too showed beautiful vocal color in some of the

other Faure works that began the evening, "La Messe Basse," "Tantum Ergo," and "Cantique de Jean Racine." Each had a strong religious text, but the musical content was purely spiritual.

The program was varied, but all of a piece with the great Requiem, a soothing and inspiring evening of exceptional musical grace. Thanks to John Emory Bush for his obvious dedication to achieving such a magnificent level of choral excellence - worthy of a great concert hall anywhere in the world.



"Upward Facing Frog."

'Frogman' at Downtown Gallery

World-famous sculptor Tim Cotterill, who is better known as "Frogman," will be appearing at Studio 7 Fine Arts in downtown Pleasanton to introduce his newest special-edition sculpture, "Upward Facing Frog."

Resplendent in brilliant shades of turquoise, emerald and tawny, his latest creation - of which there are only 100 available - is offered exclusively by the gallery. East Bay residents and fans of Frogman will have the opportunity to meet the artist and view his extensive collection of work at a reception on Saturday, March 24th, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Over the past 30 years, Frogman has gained international acclaim for his masterful bronze, gold and steel renditions of various birds, fish, geckos and, of course, his signature frogs.

For more information about the reception or artwork, please call 925.846.4322.

'Life on the Edge' Movie Premiere Set

A red carpet premiere of the film "Life on the Edge," will be held Sat., March 24 at the Vine Cinema in Livermore.

The movie was filmed by Livermore locals and shot in Livermore locations. The screening will be at 9:30 a.m.

The film about a potential future in the United States. Those who miss the premiere will be able to see the movie at the California Independent Film Festival.

Tickets to the March 24 screening will be available at the door. For information go to www.LifeOnTheEdgemovie.com.

Foothill High School to Host Winter Colorguard and Percussion Show

The Foothill High School Marching Band will present its annual Winter Colorguard and Percussion Show on Saturday, March 24. Approximately 90 percussion and colorguard units from high schools and middle schools throughout Northern California will be featured in competition.

Foothill's show is one of the largest in Northern California. The event will take place at Foothill High School. Competitions begin at 11:00am.

Tickets may be purchased at the event for \$10.00/person, \$8 for students and seniors over 65, for all-day access to all venues. Food and souvenirs will be available for purchase.

Foothill, whose colorguard is the 2006 Northern California Band Association (NCBA) Winter Champions will this year feature two colorguard units and will perform in exhibition along with Foothill's percussion unit who were the 2006 Northern California Band Association (NCBA) first place recipients.

The Foothill High School Marching Band is one of the premier high school marching bands in Northern California and the nation, offering students quality music education and an advantage for college. The Foothill Band has earned over 3,500 awards in its history, with most of the awards being sweepstakes and 1st place in field show, pa-

rade, jazz, concert, percussion and colorguard auxiliary competitions. Among the Band's achievements include five performances at the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade, a tour of Nice, France, performances in Hawaii, Canada, the Fiesta and Sun Bowls, Southern California, the Portland Rose Festival Parade, and Monterey Jazz Festival.

Playhouse Offers Children's Summer Musical Theater Workshop

Pleasanton Playhouse has announced plans for its annual children's musical theater workshop to be held this summer at the Studio Theatre, located at 1048 Serpentine Lane, Suite 309, Pleasanton.

This comprehensive workshop features instruction in all areas of theater from auditions to performance, including staging, dancing, singing, set design and construction, makeup, props and costuming. It will be offered in two sessions that run 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Junior session for ages 7-12 runs June 25-July 6, with performances July 6-7 and closing cast party July 7. Senior session for ages 13-17 runs July 9-Aug. 3, with performances Aug. 3-5 and closing cast party Aug. 5.

Workshop Director John Baiocchi and Music Director Martie Muldoon will teach all elements of performing. Among Baiocchi's many Playhouse di-

rectorial credits are the recent mainstage musicals Camelot and The King and I as well as the Studio Theatre play Bleacher Bums. Muldoon performs regularly with the Playhouse, most recently in South Pacific and Once Upon a Mattress and the upcoming Grease. When not on stage, Muldoon teaches music at Pleasanton elementary schools and directs the Playhouse's youth choir.

Tuition is \$275 per camper for the Junior session and \$525 per camper for the Senior session. Class size is limited to provide the optimum learning experience, so early enrollment is recommended. For registration or further information, call 925-462-2121 or visit www.pleasantonplayhouse.com.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Alameda County Environmental Health Department Office of Solid/Medical Waste Management Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency

Date of Notice: March 23, 2007

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

DATE OF HEARING:
Tuesday April 3, 2007

TIME OF HEARING:
4:30 pm

LOCATION OF HEARING:
Livermore Public Library Community Room A 1188 So. Livermore Avenue Livermore, CA 94550 (925) 373-5500

PROJECT TYPE/NUMBER:
Revision to the Solid Waste Facility Permit (01-AA-0010)

PROJECT NAME:
Vasco Road Landfill - Revision to the Solid Waste Facility Permit (SWFP)

PROJECT LOCATION:
4001 N. Vasco Road, Livermore CA 94550

FACILITY CONTACT:
Diana Ratto, General Manager, (925) 447-0491

APPLICANT:
Republic Services Vasco Road, LLC

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:
City of Livermore/Unincorporated Area of Alameda Co.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT: 1

LEA CONTACT:
Roel Merigliano, Senior E.H.S. Introduction

As a property owner, tenant or person who has requested notice, please be advised that the Alameda County Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) will be holding an informational public hearing in compliance with AB 1497 regarding a proposed revision to the Solid Waste Facility Permit (SWFP) for the Vasco Road Landfill (VRL). The LEA is certified by the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) to enforce state laws and regulations at solid waste facilities within the Alameda County, including all (i.e. active and closed) landfills. The VRL SWFP was last revised by the LEA/CIWMB in 2000.

Description of project and LEA's preliminary determination

Vasco Road Landfill is an existing 246-acre municipal solid waste (MSW) landfill located on approximately 538 acres at 4001 N. Vasco Road in the unincorporated area of Alameda County near the City of Livermore. It is located east of North Vasco Road and about 3 miles north of Interstate 580. On March 6, 2007, the LEA ac-

cepted for review a SWFP application package from VRL. The SWFP is being revised to update the information in the current SWFP and the Joint Technical Document/Report of Disposal Site Information (JTD/RDSI). Recently, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors approved and adopted on May 4, 2006, VRL's Conditional Use Permit (CUP) C-4158. An environmental document, (Mitigated Negative Declaration), addressing proposed changes to the landfill operation, was prepared for this project and adopted by the Board of Supervisors as an integral part of the CUP.

The SWFP revision will incorporate new entitlements approved in the CUP such as the new estimated closure date of 2022, daily round trip count of all vehicles accessing the site of 625 round trips per day, remaining landfill capacity, and identification of recently acquired property. In addition, the JTD/RDSI is being revised to accurately describe current and anticipated waste diversion and material recycling and reuse operations. The approval of CUP C-4158 formalized the approval for such projects. Also, the JTD/RDSI is being revised to better describe current ongoing activities at the landfill. There is no proposed increase in incoming disposal tonnage to the landfill considered for this SWFP revision. The LEA's preliminary determination is that the proposed permit revision be approved.

Purpose of the Meeting

This meeting is for interested parties to learn more about the proposed permit revision and to provide comments to the LEA regarding the proposed action. As required by State statute, the decision to approve or deny the SWFP revision will be made by the LEA within 120 days of the date the application was deemed complete (i.e. March 6, 2007), and will be submitted to the (CIWMB) for concurrence at a public meeting. If you wish to be notified of the CIWMB meeting, please notify the LEA in writing no later than April 30, 2007.

Where to get additional information

A copy of the proposed SWFP revision is available for public review by appointment in the LEA office located at 1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Alameda, CA 94502.

Options for submitting comments and EA Contact information

If you have any questions after reviewing the above information or would like to schedule an appointment to review the draft SWFP and accompanying supporting documents, please contact Roel Merigliano at (510) 567-6752. You may also email the LEA regarding this matter at Roel.Merigliano@acgov.org. If you would like to comment on this project you may do so at the meeting, but if you are

unable to attend the meeting, you may send your written comments via email, post mail (mailing address above) or fax (510) 337-9234 to Roel Merigliano within 14 days of the date of this notice.

Appeals Process Information

For information on the appeals process pursuant to PRC Section 44307 after the decision to issue or deny the permit revision(s) has occurred, you may contact Roel Merigliano at (510) 567-6752.

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ORDERS TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. VG07313907 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF ALAMEDA 5672 Stoneridge Drive Pleasanton, CA 94588 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner Jonathon & Stephanie Stubbles filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Jon Anthony Stubbles Proposed Name: Jonathon Martin Stubbles 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: 4/17/07 Time: 2:00PM Dept. 707 b. The address of the court is: 5672 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton, CA 94588 3a. A copy of this Order To Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four consecutive weeks

prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county: The Independent Dated: March 5, 2007 /s:/Judge Alice Vilarid Judge Of The Superior Court The Independent Legal No. 2134. Published March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2007.

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