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LARPD Wants to Buy Former School Site

The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District has made a formal request to purchase property belonging to the school district.

The 13-acre site adjacent to Robertson Park could be used to provide three additional sports fields for the district bringing the total in the park to eight. The land is currently vacant.

A letter sent to Superintendent Brenda Miller from the district states that, "To meet the demand for additional sports fields and park space, we are interested in acquiring this land for future park development."

Board President Scott Kamena said the district would like to expand Robertson Park. We could do a lot of things with the additional land, he stated. "A lot of people already think of it this property as part of the park." When asked about uses, Kamena said

When asked about uses, Kamena said the board had made no decisions. The site could accommodate up to three soccer fields plus a parking lot. He said there could also be a tot lot.

If the district were to acquire the land and decide to build soccer fields, Robertson Park would become a sports complex. An equestrian center and a stadium are already sited on the property. There are two lighted softball fields, two lighted and fenced soccer fields and one open field that is also used for soccer games. With artificial turf that could be rolled out, the stadium could be used

much of the year. The Livermore Rodeo and equestrian groups would use it the rest of the time.

LARPD general manager Tim Barry explains that the district is about to begin a process to update the Robertson Park Master Plan.

"There is a demand for additional sports fields. They would be one component. Since the land is in a neighborhood, there would be neighborhood amenities such as a playground and picnic area,"

Barry said in an interview. Barry said there would be a public process to plan what would go on the site should the district purchase it.

Kamena pointed out that the master plan update process makes this an excellent time to pursue the purchase of the property.

In January, LARPD began the master plan update that was inspired by a proposal from the Livermore Youth Soccer League (LYSL) to create a soccer complex at Robertson Park. The league, in a report, described a Vision for Robertson Park Soccer Complex that included replacing grass with all-weather surface on existing fields, constructing all weather field and an adjacent all weather goalkeeper training area, and a permanent snack shack. LYSL has indicated that it could contribute \$300,000 to the project. The estimated cost to convert the fields is \$1.5 million. Another potential donor has indicated a willingness to contribute \$500,000 in exchange for naming the field after a family member

In his letter to the school district Barry writes, "Please consider this a formal request to purchase this property. Please indicate whether or not the district is interested in selling the site to LARPD. If so, we can take steps to secure an appraisal to get the ball rolling."

cure an appraisal to get the ball rolling." The site is located within subarea three of the South Livermore Valley Specific Plan. It had been designated as an elementary school site.

an elementary school site. School Superintendent Brenda Miller said the district is embarking on a process that looks at district needs. That would determine whether the district needs this piece of land. She anticipated that study would be completed sometime next spring.

Director Wants To Improve BART Safety Approach

BART director Zoyd Luce, who represents the Valley, said he thinks it's great that BART is receiving some money for security. However, he told the BART board that it's important to focus on safety, too.

Luce, a Dublin resident, told his fellow directors at their meeting Aug. 10 that he would like to see an outside consultant evaluate BART's safety program. Luce was BART's safety officer before he left the agency a few years ago.

He said that as a BART director, safety is an area of expertise that he can contribute to the board. Luce said that there are areas for improvement. He noted that BART ceased evacuation drills in the car shops. They had been held twice each year. Later, they were reinstated, but only once each year.

With BÅRT on the lookout for terrorist problems, "how can you

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Anthony Perisi (left), age 5, and Richard Kim, age 6, tried their skill at a game of chess at the Pleasanton Library. Anthony admitted he had been playing for about a minute. Richard was a veteran at ten games.

Pleasanton Schools To Pause In Run-Up To Parcel Tax Survey

By Ron McNicoll

The Pleasanton school district's aim of conducting a community survey to see whether there is support for an education parcel tax will be put on hold for probably six months or so.

The district lined up consultant Catherine Lew in the spring to sound out the community about potential support for a parcel tax. The school board wants to push the district's performance to a higher level, and sees supplemental money beyond state funding as the best way to do it.

State funding doesn't bring in enough money to add programs that the district says will help all students greatly. The board has been inspired in part by a 55member education excellence committee, which made a list of more than 20 recommendations on improvements to step up achievement.

The state had a pleasant surprise this year with more money for education. Three of the highest goals of the excellence committee are being given some attention, at least in part, by the new funding.

The top priority, hiring more counselors, will be met substantially, with the hiring of 7.8 full time equivalent counselors for high school, middle school and elementary school levels. The high school counselor ratio will drop from 750 to 1 to 400 to 1, although the goal set by the excellence committee is 350 to 1.

There also will be some money for arts and music, though the districtwide funds are only about 10 percent of what the excellence committee wants to see in Pleasanton. The panels' vision is to have an arts teacher at every site, which would cost \$1.2 million. The state money, a one-time block grant, is \$212,000.

block grant, is \$212,000. Technology money is in the same boat as the arts grants, coming from the state in the form of a one-time block grant of \$277,000 for the district. That's only 10 percent of the total of a raft of technology goals totaling

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Labor Day Weekend Has Big Events

25^m Annual Livermore Harvest Festival Celebration

by Laura Ness

It might still feel like full-on summer, but the Harvest season, along with the beginning of September, is approaching like a Ferrari in your rearview mirror. This year's Harvest Wine Celebration will be Livermore's 25, so it's going to be a bigger party than ever, in every way. According to the Livermore Valley Winegrowers Association, 35 Livermore Valley wineries in the Livermore, Pleasanton, Sunol and Castro Valley will host over 10,000 visitors during the celebration, held September 3rd and 4th from noon to 5:00 pm. each day. Every participating winery will have something unique and fun to share with guests, including great food, live music and of course, great wine. Many will feature vendor booths selling everything from fine jewelry and wine art to dried apricot preserves and chutneys. This may be the largest "private" event in Livermore history: the wineries will be open only to ticket holders for the Harvest Celebration.

and Wine in Your Glass: Music is a big component of this year's celebration with more than 30 bands playing everything from Rock 'n' Roll to Reggae, Celtic to Caribbean steel drum, from the 50s through the 80s and everything in between. While sipping and nibbling on fare from the area's fine chefs and catering establishments, guests will be able to shop a fabulous selection of jewelry, pottery, glass and metal crafts. This is an ideal time to (See HARVEST, page 5)

There'll Be Music In the Air,

141st Scotland Highland Gathering and Games

The 141st Scotland Highland Gathering and Games will be held at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 2 and 3.

Activities take place from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Games are hosted by the Caledonian Club of San Francisco. Both days culminate in the big Grandstand Show with 33 pipe bands from throughout North America performing in front of the covered grandstands.

HEAVY EVENTS

Four-time World Heavy Events Champion Ryan Vierra will defend his title when the 2006 World Championships. This marks the third time that the Pleasanton games has hosted the professional World Championships. The games also include four

other divisions; Men's Open Amateur, Women's Open Class, Men's 40-49 Masters and Men' 50-Plus Masters, vying for wins in the 32nd U.S. Invitational Championships. Vierra has also earned eleven U.S. National Championships and has established 329 individual games records, four world records, ten North American and American records and six world championship records, to establish him among the greatest Heavy Event athletes of all time.

Six of the two days of events are held on the athletic field in the morning. The final two, the Weight for Height and the ancient Caber Toss, are held in front of grandstand in the early afternoon.

The athletic field events include two different required styles and weights in the Putting of the Stone, Scottish Hammer and Weight for Distance. Aggregate scoring determines the overall winner and champion. The athletes are also competing for individual scoring in each of the categories. **BIRDS, SHEEPDOGS, ETC.**

Birds, sheep dogs, fiddlers and harpers are all part of the festivities.

The Bird of Prey area features hawks, falcons and owls, (See GAMES, page 5)

Houston Poll Shows Big Support For Livermore BART

By Ron McNicoll

A Livermore BART extension is favored overwhelmingly by the more than 1500 people who responded to a poll conducted by Assemblyman Guy Houston.

Aaron Bone, Houston's chief of staff, said that almost 94 percent of respondents said that BART owes Livermore a station because of "residents' longtime financial investment in BART."

When the question is flipped around, some 84 percent disagreed with the statement that "building Livermore connection

to BART is a bad idea," said Bone.

Two other questions were asked. Some 91 percent agreed that sending BART to Livermore will reduce traffic congestion. Ninety percent agreed with the statement that bringing BART to Livermore would improve local air quality.

Bone said the most of the respondents who were identifiable by place were living in Livermore and Tracy. Respondents replied via e-mail from Houston's

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Erika Richert acrylic painting, "Bill Combs his Cats," is just one work of art that poets will be writing about. For the story, see page 9.



Photo - Doug Jorgensen Cruising the fairgrounds was just one of the activities during last weekend's Goodguys Show. Some of the entries also took a drive down Main Street in the evening.

Livermore District to Look at Such Issues As Third High School; How to Spend Funds

The Livermore School District is embarking on a variety of planning efforts.

They include a study of school size and educational issues, a visioning process, and how to spend additional money.

The district finds itself in a situation that has been rare over the last few years. It has the opportunity to determine how to spend money on new programs. The budget contains over \$5.7 million in undesignated funds.

The Livermore Education Association (LEA) union has its eyes on this pot of money, as well as money in the reserve account. Currently the district reserves are at 4 percent; the state only requires a 3 percent reserve. The district and union are currently in contract negotiations.

The LEA union president Keith Pickering-Walters told the board at its last meeting, "Employees supported the district during

the recent financial crisis. Now money is coming in. The union would like the district to support teachers and programs."

In addition to the undesignated funds, there is over \$3 million in grant monies. These one time funds include \$1 million for art, music and PE equipment and programs, \$203,000 in art and music block grants, and another \$1 million in discretionary grants of which 75 percent will be distributed to school sites based on the number of pupils.

The district has also been given \$498,000 for secondary counselors and money for use in libraries.

How the grant monies will be spent is to be determined by school site councils. The councils will develop plans that would then be brought to the school board for approval.

Resident David Curtis suggested that the school board provide guidelines to school site councils on ways the money might be spent. He pointed out that schools could pool their money and finance such things as hiring a fourth grade music teacher who would spend time at each school.

Superintendent Brenda Miller commented that if someone were hired, the district should plan funds for future years to pay the salary. She also noted that some of the grants are for supplies and equipment only.

Curtis felt that with money available for schools, that the district should hold discussions on how to spend it. "It's a wonderful place to be. I want the district to be as aggressive as possible in bringing back programs," Curtis stated.

The school board agreed that it might be time to hold discussions on what to do with avail-(See LIVERMORE, page 3)



By Anne Homan

Livermore Collegiate Institute

Perhaps you've wondered why Livermore has a street named College Avenue when no college is nearby.

Long before our valley had Las Positas College, it had a college. However, it was not a college as we know it today, but a private coeducational high school. At the time, neither Livermore nor Pleasanton had a public high school. Students who received a graduation diploma from their eighth grade class either traveled to a larger city like Oakland and boarded with friends or relatives to attend high school, or they could pay to attend the Livermore Collegiate Institute.

In 1870 the college was built south of College Avenue and west of L Street in Livermore on six acres near the Arroyo Mocho donated by William M. Mendenhall. Three stories high, the college building was topped with a cupola and surrounded by trees and beautifully landscaped grounds. The cost of the building was largely covered by a donation of \$3,000 from Mendenhall. Dr. Willard B. Kingsbury and his wife, Helen, were the founders of the private school.

In 1874 the Kingsburys sold the business to Professor James Dale Smith for \$5,000; six years later Mendenhall sold him the building and grounds for \$1,000.

Red-haired Jimmie Smith was born in Kilmarnock, Scotland. He came to this country with his parents in 1848 when he was three years old. Four years later, the family settled in the San Ramon Valley, a little south of what is now Danville.

Smith's parents died within weeks of each other in July 1864 when Jim was only 19 years old. Members of the local community helped him with burial costs and loaned him the money to attend McClure's Military Academy in Oakland. While there he met his future wife, Adeline Lewelling.

After graduation from McClure's, he moved back to the San Ramon area and taught the Glass and Harlan children privately for two years. Addie was still attending school in Oakland; while they were separated, she christened him with the middle name "Dale." "Jim Smith" was such a common name that she worried he would not receive her letters.

He and Addie married in 1870, after her graduation from the Female College of the Pacific in Oakland. He taught at the San Ramon Public School, at the San Leandro Grammar School, and at Washington College in Irvington before purchasing the Livermore Collegiate Institute.

Livermore residents remembered that Professor Smith brought students in the 1880s to services at the First Presbyterian church, where they marched in pairs down the aisle to front row seats reserved for them each Sunday. The Herald in 1881 sang the praises of the school: "Slowly, but surely, its merits as a thoroughly practical institution are becoming known and appreciated, not only at home, but abroad, and it now ranks among the best of such schools in our State.

By 1883 the college had about 50 students, not only from Sunol, Livermore, and Pleasanton, but from Modesto, Hayward, San Lorenzo, Antioch, San Francisco, Cambria, and even from other states: Oregon, Washington, and Nevada.

Probably the most famous alumnus of the college was George C. Pardee, mayor of Oakland from 1893 to 1897 and governor of California from 1903 to 1907. Smith was always proud that none of his former students who attended teacher's college ever failed to obtain a certificate.

Addie Lewelling Smith taught art at the college, working alongside her husband. She died at age 43 in 1890. Her remains were interred in a vault on the college grounds at her favorite spot in the gardens. Professor Smith closed the institute in 1892, probably because of the competition from Livermore's public high school, which started in 1891.

Looking back on his life, he said, "I have found my greatest satisfaction in cultivating the minds of California's ... young men and women.³

He had never refused admission to any needy student, remembering his own case. In all, he estimated that he granted loans to 12 students, and only one "forgot the promise to repay." Some students earned their way by working for Smith at his other career: buying land to plant vineyards, fruit, and almond trees with nursery

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not have evacuation drills," he asked.

Luce was also critical of statistics on safety as presented in reports from staff. He said that quarterly report data was mixed with annual reporting standards. It was impossible to get a correct look at just where BART falls statistically in national standards.

With BART applying for millions in grants to beef up security, the agency might be able to attract more money if the agency could show it has a top-notch safety program, said Luce.

Tom Radulovich, a San Francisco BART director, told the Independent that he made the same pitch to staff at the following board meeting, on Aug. 24. "We have bomb-sniffing dogs. We are a leader, and have done it before any other district. When the issue of safety came up, (general manager Tom) Margro said that a report would not show any deficiencies on safety. But that's a different tone."

"I want to strike the same tone on both (safety and security), and be proactive on this (safety). We want to be leaders, not just sufficient. The staff didn't disagree. They are looking forward to see what can be done so BART can lead in safety," said Radulovich.

Although Luce called for a consultant's review of the safety department, which he said would cost \$25,000, other directors wouldn't go that far. They said they would prefer a peer review, conducted by people in the field who do not work for BART.

Luce said that a peer review is like "calling in your friends to say good things about you.'

Directors said they definitely



Photo - Doug Jorgensen

Michelle Williams, a kindergarten teacher at Walnut Grove Elementary School greets students during orientation on Monday. School officially got underway on Tuesday.

want to study Luce's concerns. They asked staff, and were promised, a clearer explanation of the safety statistics. They intend to discuss things further after they hear a report by a consultant about the structure of BART management.

There will be a series of reports on the topic, which was brought up by BART unions last year. The unions wanted to make sure BART is not top-heavy with management, said BART spokesman Linton Johnson.



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stock provided by his father-in-law.

In 1894 Dr. John W. Robertson bought the old college building and started the Livermore Sanitarium, an institution for treating the mentally ill. After about 10 years, the sanitarium abandoned the 28room college building for a more modern structure, its hydropath building. In 1906 John McGlinchey bought the college and remodeled it as a home for his family. However, in 1931 fire badly dam-aged the building, and it had to be torn down.

Professor Smith spent his later years at the Masonic Home in Fremont. On Sundays he often came out to Livermore by train to visit old friends. In retirement Smith published a newspaper series of his early memories of the San Ramon Valley, and Gary Drummond has edited them into a collection titled *Reflections*. The Smiths' only child, Duncan, died in 1927, two years before his father.

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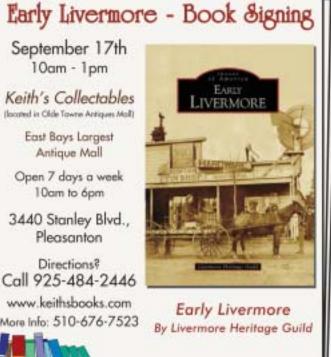


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web site, and also mailed in letters and phoned in replies.

Houston started the informal, unscientific poll a few months ago because it's an issue that his constituents care about, said Bone. "We aired a TV show on cable TV 30 early in the year about BART to Livermore. (BART director) Zoyd Luce and Linda Jeffery Sailors were on the show. Guy said we should check and see where people are on this,' said Bone.

Sailors has launched a web site to agitate for a Livermore BART station. Most recently, the site has been upgraded, and can now take people's comments.

In an interview, Sailors said that she "knew that's what would happen," when asked about the high level of support for Livermore BART in Houston's poll. "We need to change the political will, and ask for it (BART). That's how we got the first station.'

"BART told us that we didn't have enough people to fill the trains. But when the Dublin/ Pleasanton line came in, it reached the 10-year projected

ridership in the first week. The number never went lower," said Sailors

Sailors was mayor and city councilmember in Dublin during part of the campaigning time to get BART.

Livermore paid property taxes to BART on the original

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able funds.

The district is already moving forward with a study on school size and educational issues. Among the issues to be looked at are grade configuration, school size, a third high school and mag-

held to look at each of the issues," said Superintendent Brenda Miller.

meetings will be held September 19 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the board

Organization Has donated More than 8200 Blankets

Since the nonprofit organization Blankets for Kids was founded in 2003. it has donated more than 8,200 hand-made fleece blankets to agencies working with neglected and abused children.

They include 40 blankets to Tri-Vallev Haven, Livermore: 58 to Shepherd's Gate, Livermore; 1,050 to Calico Center, San Leandro, 7,056 to My Stuff Bags, Los Angeles and 80 to Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton and San Ramon police departments.

The ladies of Ridgeview Commons in Pleasanton have made over 5,467 of the blankets plus a wide variety of crocheted blankets, handmade dolls, scarves and more for distribution.

Calico Center provides a caring, supportive environment to interview children and facilitate a response to child abuse in which the needs of the children take precedence. The Tri-Valley Haven, an abused women's shelter open to women and children, has provided shelter and counseling for battered women and

bond over the past 40 years, ending a few years ago. Although that has been paid off, Livermore residents are paying through Measure B, which funds county transportation projects, including BART.

meeting room.

It's a matter of simple justice

The topic will be grade con-

figuration, which addresses what

grades are grouped together.

Miller explained that staff will pro-

vide information on such things

as what the configurations are

now, the impact changing them

might have, and what research

says about combining various

grades. In addition, there will be

information on how programs

might change, the impact on ex-

tracurricular activities and per-

sonnel needs, as well as parent

concerns. The school size meeting will address how big or small schools should be. The third high school has been an ongoing question. Magnet programs may include technology or art or some other area of interest.

Miller added that the school board is also interested in undergoing a visioning process. This would look at what students will need to learn over the next ten to twenty years in order to be successful.

VALLEY ROUNDUP

Missing Teen

The Livermore Police Department is investigating a missing 14 year old Livermore resident named Chelsey Dias-George. They consider the teen to be an "at risk" missing person.

She is 5 foot 5 inches tall, weighs 120 pounds and has brown hair and blue eyes.

Last Friday, Chelsey voluntarily left Livermore High School with two female juvenile friends. They were driven to Oakland by an adult male where they reportedly visited several locations in the downtown area of Oakland. According to her friends, Chelsey was last seen on Aug. 26 at 4 a.m., entering a 1970s 2-door, brown vehicle on International Blvd near 12th Avenue in Oakland. The driver was a black male approx. 16 years old, with the first name of "Vernon." Chelsey reportedly drove away with "Vernon" voluntarily

As of Monday, Chelsey had not made any contact with family or friends and it is unknown if she is being held against her will.

Based upon Chelsey's age, lack of prior history for running away, and her dangerous behavior, Chelsey is considered an "At Risk" missing person.

The Livermore Police Department is working with the Oakland Police Department attempting to locate her. The are asking for help from the public. Anyone who may have seen Chelsey, or have any information as to her location, is asked to contact the Livermore Police Department at 371-4781.

Vasco Road Fines Doubled

Gov. Schwarzenegger signed legislation Monday that would double fines for traffic violations along Vasco Road between Livermore and Brentwood

The goal is to reduce accidents on the stretch of highway that has claimed 16 lives in four years.

The law takes effect on January 1. Fines would double for unlawful passing and overtaking, excessive speed, reckless driving, drunken driving and other serious moving violations. The law remains in effect until Jan. 1, 2010.

Sen. Tom Torkalson was the author of the bill.

Construction Project

Construction on Dublin Boulevard between Interstate 680 and Silvergate Drive was scheduled to begin as soon as August 30, probably after the Labor Day holiday, and is expected to last for approximately four months.

On June 20, the Dublin San Ramon Services District Board of Directors awarded a \$1,974,000 contract to K.J. Woods Construction Inc. (San Francisco, CA) to extend and improve the sewer pipeline that runs beneath Dublin Blvd.

This project will relieve current sewer maintenance deficiencies and provide additional capacity for future developments in the west Dublin area including the West Dublin Bay Area Rapid Transit station and the Schaefer Ranch Project. The project will replace 4,640 feet of existing eight- and ten-inch diameter sewer main (pipeline) with 12-inch sewer main between Interstate 680 and Hansen Drive. In addition, the

sewer will be extended 1.160 feet between Hansen Drive and Silvergate Drive. The project will reduce future repair and main-

tenance costs, a clear benefit to existing customers, so one quarter of the cost is funded by existing rate payers. The remaining cost is funded by future development, as the project provides additional sewer capacity.

Pipe bursting, a trenchless construction technique, will be used on 60 percent of the 5,800 linear feet of pipeline that is being upgraded. This technique uses strategically placed launch and receiving pits to pull a bursting cone through the old pipe. The cone breaks up the old pipe, pushing it into the surrounding soil. The new larger pipe is then pulled behind the bursting cone. This technique results in less damage to the pavement and less disruption to traffic.

Transportation Projects At Risk

Collection of Alameda County's half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements produced \$104.3 million in the 2004/2005 fiscal year - \$4.6 million more than had been anticipated, according to an annual report issued by the Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC) that oversees Measure B expenditures.

The additional money was the result of a somewhat brighter local economy, the report noted.

At the same time, the report noted that, looking to the future, "Measure B projects are depen-dent upon a variety of funds," including state and federal sources that are subject to budgeting decisions. "Nine projects are facing funding shortfalls. If outside funding is not assured by April 2007, the ACTIA Governing Board will have to decide whether or not to re-allocate ACTIA funds.'

Among the projects at risk are the Isabel -Route 84/I-580 Interchange and Vasco Road safety improvements.

The projects that the report describes as "at risk" depend on funding sources from state, federal or other local governments that are in most cases programmed on lists for future funding but not guaranteed, or in some cases, funds for which sources have not yet been identified.

The CWC was created as part of Measure B on the November 2000 ballot, by which voters reauthorized the local sales tax through 2022. Part of the committee¹s responsibility is to issue an annual report to voters and taxpayers commenting on how the sales tax funds are being spent.

In all, the report said, ACTIA spent \$88.5 million in sales tax funds during the year that ended on June 30, 2005, as follows: \$43.3 million (41.5% of revenues) for public transit investments and operations, \$37.2 million (35.7% of revenues) for cities and the County to spend on local transportation, \$4.2 million (4.0% of revenues) for highway and street projects, \$3.8 mil-



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"Blankets For Kids," an allvolunteer organization, was founded in 2003 in Pleasanton, by R. Jo Molz and her daughter, Marcy Molz, after Jo discovered that there are nearly 300,000 abused and neglected children in the United States. They wanted to do something that would, even

in some small way, alleviate the suffering of children in those circumstances.

All donations go toward blanket material. Blankets For Kids appreciates money donations, blanket fleece and blanket fleece gift certificates from fabric stores.

Blankets For Kids is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. If you would like to donate or need more information, please call Jo Molz in Pleasanton at (925) 846-6155 or e-mail blanketsforkids@sbcglobal.net.

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lion (3.6% of revenues) for administration, and \$15.8 million (15.2% of revenues) beyond the \$88.5 million was dedicated for future expenditures.

The CWC Annual Report is available on the ACTIA website, www.actia2022.com



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EDITORIAL

Wine Country's Amazing Growth

The Independent last week published our annual Harvest Wine Celebration magazine. The first wine magazine some 25 years ago, though bursting with exhuberance over the Livermore Valley's potential, was a mere insert. The publication that came out last week was virtually a small book — 136 pages!

We mention this not to tout the magazine. We simply want to make the point that its expansion is a direct reflection of the Livermore Valley Wine Country's amazing growth. While there were only a handful of wineries to write about in that original insert, this latest publication features 35 wineries.

Unfortunely, future such growth faces a serious threat. Cedar Grove Church has applied for a county permit to construct a large new church (75,000 square feet in building footage plus a three-acre parking lot with 508 spaces) at one of the entrances to the wine country. The issue is currently before the Alameda County Planning Commission, with the next hearing scheduled for October 2.

The church is attempting to define the issue as one of religious freedom. What really is at stake here is land use compatibility. The Cedar Grove plan is clearly incompatible with the South Livermore Plan, which states, "The county shall prohibit additional development in the unincorporated portions of the South Livermore Valley unless it will directly further the purpose of expanding and enhancing cultivated agriculture.'

It's feared that approval of Cedar Grove's application would undermine the rural ambiance that is desired for the area and would severely curtail the wine country's growth. Furthermore, it could set a precedent, opening the door to other churches and additional incompatible uses.

"We've seen our wine country experience a renaissance. We can only imagine what the future will bring,' said Fran Replogle of Fenestra Winery, as quoted in our wine magazine.

If we are to continue imagining in a big way, if we are to avoid having to lower our expectations, incompatible uses such as Cedar Grove must be denied.

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\$2.7 million, plus another \$4,000 per classroom for additional technology

Those state funds appear to be a drop in the bucket. However, they can get some programs started, Superintendent John Casey told the Independent. Further, there are funds for school site councils. They can choose to supplement the districtwide funds for arts and technology. The superintendent said he told principals to keep those goals in mind when school site councils deliberate where their money will go.

Besides the need to wait to assess next year's state education budget and its further impact on the excellence goals before considering a parcel tax, the district

gear up along the way" for the study while it looks at changes in the revenue picture from the state and at Prop. 88.

Asked later by the Independent for a definite time line, he said that probably by January or February, a decision can be made about taking the finger off the pause button. That could start the survey process in March. Meanwhile, consultant Lew does not expect any fee paid during the "pause" period, said Casey. If begun in March, the survey could be completed by June, said Casey.

Later board discussion could put the parcel tax on the ballot next November, or the following spring, depending on how much discussion time is needed, Casey said. One interesting notion at the board meeting was that some voters already assume the Pleasanton parcel tax is headed for the ballot. Casey said that was the feedback that he has had. Trustee Pat Kernan said he had heard the same thing. "There will always be the perception that it's a done deal," he said. However, it's important to communicate the "right expectation, and show the public what we get with extra resources. Trustee Juanita Haugen said that when she met with groups in the summer, she was "surprised they assumed we would proceed (with the parcel tax), when we made it clear we were only con-sidering it." The feedback that Haugen received was that Pleasanton already is "a great district why do we need more money? It can be a disadvantage to already be a great district." Haugen said that she tried to emphasize that the Pleasanton district wants to reach for a higher level of excellence. It needs money to do it. She suggested going to various clubs and groups with talking points about why it's important to go one step further.' Board president Steve Pulido said that "we are the victims of our success. We are a good district. We can be better." He added that "in our world, we clearly no longer are No. 1, and we need to do more. Kris Weaver said that it should be up to the community to decide whether the district goes forward with the survey and the election. Kernan called for disseminating information to the community about what revenue the state funds provides for education, what local businesses and individuals contribute to the district, and what the district would like to provide in line with the excellence committee's recommendations Pulido added, "We need to hear from community members. We need to have a dialogue with them.

MAILBOX

(Opinions voiced in letters published in Mailbox are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of The Independent. Letter Policy: The Independent will not publish anonymous letters, nor will it publish letters without names. Frequent letter writers may have publication of their letters delayed.)

Drunk Driving Officer Wes Morgan **Livermore Police Department**

Drunk driving is one of America's deadliest crimes. In fact, during 2005, nearly 17,000 people were killed in alcohol related crashes.

That's why Livermore police officers will be out in force during August and the Labor Day holiday with an aggressive new crackdown on impaired drivers called: Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest.

Our message is simple. No matter what you drive – a pas-senger car, pickup, sport utility vehicle or motorcycle – if we catch you driving impaired, we will arrest you. No exceptions. No excuses. Far too many people still don't understand that alcohol, drugs and driving just don't mix. Drunk driving is no accident-nor is it a victimless crime. Too many lives are being lost, so we will be out in force to stop it.

Drunk driving is simply not worth the risk. Not only do you risk killing yourself or someone else, but the trauma and financial costs of a crash or an arrest for impaired driving can be significant. Violators often face jail time, lose their driver's license, higher insurance, attorney fees, and dozens of other expenses totaling over \$8,000.

In 2005, Livermore PD alone arrested 936 drunk drivers in our city. Year to date we have arrested more than 600 intoxicated drivers

Don't take the chance. Drunk driving is a serious crime. If you drink, don't drive and remember: Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest.

Livermore Airport Adrienne Smith Livermore

I can't believe that some pilots are still personally attacking homeowners who write letters to the paper. A few months ago, a male pilot ridiculed one woman, using her first and last names in a rebuttal letter. Now in the August 10th Independent, another male pilot and a woman pilot, have ridiculed another woman using her first and last names, obviously trying to embarrass, and intimidate her, and possibly to discourage others from writing letters. The woman pilot (whose name I will not use, out of respect), accused the home-

the airport website, and on the Internet, so we have a copy and proof of the complaint.

'Greater Good' **Evelyn L. Murphy** Livermore

I am replying to Ms. Chase's 8/10/06 letter. Ms. Chase seems to have missed the point about "the greater good." Yes, the freeway makes more noise but evervone "uses" the freeway. How many residents of Livermore and the Tri-Valley "use" the airport? Perhaps Ms. Chase could come up with some sort of percentage here, as she seems to have these figures at her fingertips.

Using Ms. Chase's figures, if 1500 opponents equals 2% of Livermore's population, what are a couple of hundred pilots, and do they even live here? Also, isn't it interesting that 1500 opponents are "bullies" whereas a couple of hundred pilots are considered a majority? This must be the some kind of new math.

On the same date, Mrs. Farris' letter against airport expansion answers Ms. Chase's questions about noise complaints. Most of us gave up calling the airport a long time ago as nothing was done to correct the problem. I congratulate those few who have continued to complain.

As for noise monitoring, I spoke out against it at the Council meetings I have attended. As I said then, "wasting tax dollars to monitor noise will only confirm what is already known. Just because some expert says humans should be able to withstand so many decibels of noise does not change the fact that noise is obnoxious, distracting, irritating and getting more prevalent ev-ery day."

So Ms. Chase, when you get right down to it, we will never agree. Using your figures, your idea of majority rule and working for the greater good looks like a "minority" to me.

Livermore Airport **Clarence and Pat Hoenig** Livermore

We endorse completely the recent letter by Dennis H. Vied supporting the Livermore Airport. He objected to minority com-plaints coming mainly from Pleasanton residents who chose to live next to our airport. Pleasanton residents should voice their complaints to the Pleasanton City Council. Their City Council made the decision to build houses too close to our airport. Our airport was there first. If noise monitors are to be employed, they should be paid for with Pleasanton's Stoneridge tax dollars - especially those coming from Livermore shoppers.

In Livermore there is no doubt that our airport is vital to the economic and commercial well being of the city. we need the important tax benefits that accrue to the city from the airport supporting role. If all aspects of the airport is-

on the web. It's only about three pages long. Understand it, and definitely vote against it.

Dining Gem Albert Rothman Livermore

Restaurant choices in the past have mostly been limited in Livermore to "family fare" eateries, but that has been changing as families grow up and the city brings in more amenities. One remarkable change is an excellent Vietnamese Restaurant Sai's, less than a year old. Their location is an unusual one, area, in a tiny strip mall just south of the 580 freeway in Springtown.

But the food is the best authentic Vietnamese I have ever had, including those in San Francisco. My woman friend and I have eaten there a half dozen times, as well as my son when he visits from Santa Barbara. We are all in agreement. We have tried almost everything on their menu and always enjoyed, nay, raved about the food. "Stan" the Vietnamese host is smiling, gracious, and accommodating. Even the presentation is delightful. The restaurant is far from full, due I believe, to the lack of publicity. Even local residents have not been aware of this gem. For me, an additional benefit is the large window, through which I get a view of Brushy Peak, a recent addition to the East Bay Regional Parks that I have hiked.

I am not commercially or otherwise connected to the place, just delighted that it is here!

Livermore Airport Brett M. Wayne Livermore

Once again, opponents of the Livermore Airport are constructing a narrative that conveniently leaves out several key facts regarding noise monitoring, hangars, fuel sales, and FBOs. The reason they leave out those facts is to continue to mislead and misinform the public.

The latest exaggeration is over the possibility that the Livermore Council will approve additional hangars on approxi-mately 10-acres of land located within the existing airport perimeter. Ten acres sounds like a lot until you consider the fact that the airport currently encompasses over 640-acres. That 10acres represents less than 2% of the land currently occupied by the airport.

Furthermore, considering the Livermore City Council's recent direction regarding the hangars, the 10-acres in question could be appropriated from an area currently used for tie-downs, thus reducing the available tie-down space and resulting in no net increase, and possibly even a net decrease in aircraft basing capacity. Airport critics also continue to mislead the public regarding the noise monitoring. The recent discussion at the Pleasanton City Council demonstrated how breathtakingly uninformed they are regarding the airport. Many of us are opposed to noise monitoring, because it will largely be a pointless waste of time and resources. Beginning with the Pleasanton noise study in 2003, there have been no less than four key studies that have all reached similar conclusions

 that while aircraft operating out of the Livermore airport occasionally generate audible single event noise, they do not even come close to exceeding the 65 CNEL federal or similar state noise standards. No amount of monitoring will prove otherwise. To believe so is simply wishful

thinking. What has become abundantly clear is that opponents see foisting the cost of the noise monitoring as a way of exacting their pound of flesh from the local pilots. They simply don't care that the overwhelming majority of pilots and aircraft owners are not responsible for the operations that generate complaints. Considering that the principal complaint is from jet operations, and over two- thirds of those operations are in support of businesses located in Pleasanton, the real question should be - why shouldn't Pleasanton pay more?

Ten years ago, the Livermore City Council showed real leadership by offering Mr. Behring incentives to reduce the impact of his corporate jet. He responded with a personal commitment to avoid operating his aircraft dur-ing the voluntary quiet hours. Has anyone from Livermore, Pleasanton, or Dublin stepped forward to work with the local businesses to do the same? Now that would be real leadership.

Fire Concern **Bonnie Evans** Livermore

I have recently become a property owner in an unincorporated part of Alameda County. After 15 years in Oakland, my husband and I have much to learn about how things operate in the county. One thing I know is people with property in the wilds of the county, like their privacy, as do we—there is a general code of "keeping quiet" about issues out here. Well the time has come to break the silence—there is danger in these hills!

Where our property is, there are two exits. Both exits have easement disputes, and either or both, could be blocked-preventing our exit or the fire departments' entrance, in the event of a fire! As I understand it, one of these disputes has been raging for years. Well I do not in-tend to wait years to know if I can safely evacuate in the event of a fire.

Alameda County Fire Prevention should create evacuation plans—cutting through any red tape and quarreling. They should be the voice of reason in the wilds of the county, before the next firestorm.

If my family, or my property, is damaged due to these easement issues, I will hold responsible, not just the petty tyrants trying to exact a toll on their neighbors, but also, Alameda County Fire Prevention and county officials who could take care of these matters. Having survived the Oakland Hills fire, with ashes in our yard and valuables packed, I do not intend to have my security put at risk by petty easement issues and red tape. We are not the only folks in the county being put at risk by a couple of yahoos. Help please—before the next firestorm!

needs to keep an eye on Proposition 88 this November, said Casey. If approved, it would impose a \$50 annual parcel tax statewide. If Pleasanton voters are paying that, it could affect their attitude about a local parcel tax proposal, which needs two-thirds for passage.

The unfortunate thing about Prop. 88 is that all of the money goes into one statewide pool. The money is divided into five categories, said assistant superintendent Sandra Lepley. Pleasanton qualifies for only three of the five categories.

Lepley estimated that the district could receive only \$800,000 to \$900,000 annually from the state parcel tax, because it would be shut out of two of the five categories. The same \$50 on a local parcel tax would generate about \$1.1 million.

Further, the way the Prop. 88 money is spent would have state strings attached to it. A local parcel tax would not.

Views about Prop. 88 in the education community appear to be less than enthusiastic, possibly because it overrides local control. Lepley told the Independent that the California School Boards Association and the state PTA, normally big supporters of education money, have not taken a position on Prop. 88.

No dollar amount has been discussed for Pleasanton's would-be parcel tax. One purpose of the survey would be to see how much money voters would affirm and what expenditures they think are justified.

When Casey told the board Aug. 22 that he wanted to push the "pause button" for a year, trustees were leery of holding back for that long. They said they were afraid of being left at the starting gate, if the state fiscal picture turns poor again, and the gap for funding new programs is even greater.

Recognizing the concern about sitting back for too long, Casey said that the district could

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owner of being one of the 1500 residents who bullied the Livermore City Council last year. But this woman pilot goes to every city council meeting, when the airport is on the agenda, or when a proposed development that is near the airport, is on the agenda. She points her finger at the council, and tells them what they should do, as she passionately defends her beloved airport. Yet she criticizes residents for defending their homes. This hand-

ful of pilots are the bullies. At an airport city council meeting, a 6'2", 250 lb. male pilot stood over my chair, put his face in my face, and started yelling at me. I'm 4'11", and I never provoked him, or spoke a word to him. I attended the recent city council meeting, where the Livermore City Council voted to make previously approved the noise-monitoring contingent on Pleasanton's participation. This was done without a proper public hearing, nothing stated in the agenda that this would be voted on. They also voted to approve hangars, which was placed on the agenda with only a few days notice. This probably caused that homeowner to write that letter. However, at the following airport city council meeting, the homeowners outnumbered the pilots 4 to 1, and the council seemed a little more concerned with pleasing the homeowners. I suppose that's what compelled the 2 pilots to blast the homeowners previously written letter. The pilots were not happy that night. Apparently, this handful of vocalized pilots can't comprehend the love families can have for their homes. The previously mentioned woman pilot quotes figures provided by the airport as being an accurate rep-resentation of the complaints the airport receives.

As residents who have lived in our home for 23 years, and have had the unfortunate experience of dealing with the Livermore city staff, and 3 of the current city council members in a past city project that impacted our home, my husband and I know better than to trust any figures they fabricate, or believe anything they say. We have started registering our reckless flying and noise complaints on

sue could be characterized in a ballot measure, we believe that a majority of Livermore voters would continue to support a safe, modern airport with careful attention to modest runway/hangar improvements as well as noise and pollution control.

Beware Prop. 90 **Thomas Jefferson** Livermore

State proposition 90, on the ballot this November, has the potential to cripple or bankrupt our state, county, and local governments. This proposition, supposedly eminent domain reform, is a developer's dream because of a provision I am sure you will not hear much about from supporters of prop 90.

This stealth provision would require compensation if any future government action "damages" (lowers value of) private property. Any property owner could sue, claiming some government action reduced his/her property's value.

The government passes an urban growth boundary and those outside the boundary sue, saying their property is damaged.

A Walmart is approved—its neighbors sue. A Walmart is denied—Walmart sues.

The state cancels its plans for a new highway-those along the proposed highway sue.

A development is approved at less than the maximum density. The developer sues for the potential profit it lost.

The flood of lawsuits that will arise if prop. 90 passes will be too costly for our governments to defend, especially because prop. 90 expressly prohibits the government from recovering attorney fees or costs from a property owner who sues.

So, even if the government wins these lawsuits, you lose because the time and money spent defending lawsuits could have gone to police, fire department, libraries, etc. If the governments can not defend all these lawsuits, your governments will be crippled.

Read a copy of Proposition 90

Amtrak, ACE Connect

The Altamont Commuter Express (ACE), Amtrak, and Caltrans have launched a new train service over the ACE corridor. This daily service will be the fourth roundtrip service added to the ACE system since the organization's inception in 1998. It will be tailored-made for passengers desiring to spend a half-day in the Bay Area and for commuters with a flexible work schedule. ACE debuted this inaugural service with a ceremony at the Stockton station on August

This fourth train service marks the cultivation of an historic partnership between the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission, the Amtrak San Joaquins, Caltrans Highway Division, and Caltrans Mass Transportation Division, and will serve as the new link to the Amtrak San Joaquin service. Funding for this new service

CAMPAIGN NEWS

POMBO ENDORSED

Incumbent Republican Congressman Richard Pombo has received the endorsement of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association in his race for re-election in the 11th Congressional District. He currently serves as Chairman of the House Resources Committee.

In their statement of endorsement, Howard Jarvis Spokesman Kris Vosburgh stated "We believe you have been an excellent representative for taxpayers and look forward to continuing to work with you in the years ahead.

is made possible by the Highway 205 Widening Mitigation Funds, Caltrans Mass Transportation Funds, and San Joaquin County 1/2 cent sales tax Measure K funds.

This new ACE train #07 will depart daily from the Stockton station at 9:30 am, make stops at all the normal stations along the way. It will arrive at its San Jose destination station at 11:40 am. The new eastbound ACE train #02 will depart San Jose at 12:05 pm, make the same stops on the way to the Central Valley, and arrive in Stockton at 2:15 pm.

For complete information on schedules, train stations, ticketing, and the special kick-off event on August, 25, 2006, please visit the ACE website at www.acerail.com, or contact Thomas W. Reeves at thomas@acerail.com or (209) 944-6242.

EVENING WITH JILL BUCK

An Evening with Jill Buck, a fund-raiser for her campaign, will be held September 6 starting at 6 p.m. in Sunol.

Buck is the Republican candidate for the California 18th Assembly District seat. Mary Hayashi is the Democratic candidate.

Special guests include Assemblyman Guy Houston and California Republican Party Chairman Duf Sundheim.

For information go to www.jillbuck.com or call her campaign manager, Christopher Finarelli at 832-1723.

among other species. Accredited expert falconers exhibit these beautiful birds and explain the art of training, their history and natural habitat. Many of these creatures have been saved after injury that does not allow them to return to the wild.

The Sheepdog Trials this year feature the Border Collie. These highly trained dogs herd sheep during the judged trials sanc-tioned by the Northern Califor-nia Working Sheepdog Associa-tion. The sheepdogs work their magic through the verbal instruc-tions of their headlar a faccingt tions of their handler, a fascinating adventure for the family.

Music in the tradition of the Scottish fiddler is held on the Celtic Heritage Stage-7, featur-ing fiddle virtuoso Alasdair Fraser.

Sharing the stage is Verlene Schermer for the Celtic Harpers portion of the day-long program. Schermer is a San Francisco Bay Area harper and singer and directs the prestigious Harpers Hall Ensemble. Other harpers and students take part in the program.

The Celtic Heritage Stage-6 features the traditional songs of vocalist John Kelly. This Welchman has been a working musician for more than 40-years. He shares the stage with Kirsty Fitch, singing Scottish and Irish songs and performing the ancient Puirt-a-beul, the Gaelic mouth music for dancing. Intertwined on both stages are

members of The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society with branches from throughout Northern California merging for this annual country dance festival. **PERFORMERS**

No gathering and games would be complete without the baritone voice of Alex Beaton. Complete with kilt and guitar, Beaton has been a fixture at the games before the Caledonian Club of San Francisco moved from Santa Rosa to Pleasanton in 1994. Beaton is the only artist entertaining on the Glenfinnin

Stage. Beaton is described as the

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start your Christmas shopping, as Santa Claus and his antlered crew are also rapidly approaching. If you hadn't noticed, Livermore grows more than grapes. Olive oils abound here, from fruity and light, to tangy and intense. The ones at Cedar Mountain are especially fine.

Getting Around: Visitors can park and start their adventure at any winery, or park at the main transportation hub in Robertson Park. Shuttle buses will be running between all participating wineries. Fifty shuttles will be traveling between the wineries over several routes, enabling guests to go from winery to winery without the hassle of driving.

Truly A Signature Event: A 25th anniversary is special, indeed, and to commemorate, the Winegrower's association will have event posters and t-shirts available for purchase. What better way to remember this event than to collect signatures from all your favorite winemakers and Tickets are \$35 in advance

tasting room friends.

(\$40 at the event) for both days: Tickets include admittance for both days, wine tastings at all participating wineries, shuttles, wine glass, and a printed program. Tickets for Monday only are \$30. Those who want to enjoy the atmosphere of wine country without the wine tasting can enjoy the other festivities for \$5.00.

It's not too late to buy tickets. Go to www.livermorewine.com or call 925.447.WINE (9463)

Tickets are also available at these locations: PW Markets throughout the Bay Area; First Street Wine Company, 2211 First Street, Livermore, 294-5825; Vino Cellars, 1772 First Street, Livermore, 447, 8000; The Wine Livermore, 447-8000; The Wine Steward, 641 Main Street, Pleasanton, 600-9463; and participat-ing Livermore Valley wineries. Visit www.livermorewine.com

for up-to-date Harvest Wine Celebration schedules and the shuttle routes through the vine-yards. See you at the Celebration! I'll be the one with a glass in one hand and a camera in the other, and a t-shirt cram-packed with signatures.

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Scottish ballads, folk music and

into comical offerings that keep

the audience entertained for

hours. He is a featured performer

at Scottish festivals throughout

the nation and this year will be making his 12th Annual Scotland

Another of the long-running entertainment regulars is the

Browne Sisters. The three sisters,

joined by cousin George Cavanaugh, provided silvery

harmonies, beautiful arrange-

ments and entertaining person-alities. Their repertoire of tradi-

tional and modern Gaelic songs,

Scottish and Irish selections, as

ballads and songs of Robert

Burns to more recent songs and

has a number of recordings to his

credit. Molly's Revenge is an upbeat group that specializes in Scottish, Irish and English mu-

Also on the Edinburgh Stage, Ed Miller is a full-time performer of Scottish Folk music, from old

well as original material.

Guided Tour.

Participating Wineries: Bent Creek Winery, Big White House, Bodegas Aguirre Winery, Cedar Mountain Winery, Charles R Vineyards, Chouinard Vineyards, Concannon Vineyard, Crooked Vine Winery, Eckert Estate Winery, Elliston Vineyards, el Sol Vineyard, Fenestra Winery, Garré Winery & Café, Hidden Creek Wines, John Christopher Cellars, La Rochelle Winery, Little Valley Winery, Livermore Valley Cellars, Mitchell Katz Winery at Ruby Hill, Murrieta's Well, Page Multi Winery, Palomares Vine-yards, Red Skye Winery, Retzlaff Vineyards, Rios-Lovell Estate Winery, The Singing Winemaker, The Steven Kent Winery, Stony Ridge Winery, Tamás Estates, Tomuta Vineyards Thomas Covmo Tenuta Vineyards, Thomas Coyne Winery, Wente Vineyards Estate Winery, Westover Winery, White Crane Winery, and Wood Family Vineyards.

Specially Designed Wine Country Shirt Features Local Winery Labels

Aloha Island Trading Company has come up with a spe-cial way to promote Livermore Valley Wine Country.

Labels from several area wineries have been used to create a Hawaiian-style shirt.

Debbie Donald, Aloha Island owner, commented, "It's a pretty popular thing." The idea came about when one of the Pleasan-

have the shirt placed in their tasting rooms on consignment. She will be at The Steven Kent Winery during the Harvest Wine Celebration with the shirts. "It's a wonderful shirt. People who wear it receive a lot of comments." She laughed, "It is my greatest wish to sell out during the harvest celebration.'

popular, wineries have asked to

been able to combine all of our interests," said Donald.

Her promotion of Livermore Valley Wine Country won't stop with the shirt.

The store will host a Liver-more Valley Winemaker series this fall. Starting Oct. 6, each first Friday of the month through Christmas, a winery will pour complimentary tastes between 6

Strathclyde Stage. Among the other balladeers is Neil O'Neill, a Scottish-born Bay Area resident, with a fine tenor voice, who is equally at home singing Scottish Folk, Gilbert & Sullivan or the Beatles, accompanied by his guitar. Sharing the Glasgow Stage with O'Neill is

Scotland's Peter Daldry. He is a singer, songwriter and plays guitar, mandolin and bouzouki, performing traditional Scottish and Irish music.

Cele De, a group of five young and talented musicians, also share the Glasgow Stage. Cele De made their Pleasanton debut last year. The traditional Scottish music is only a part of the musi-cal festivities that include top Celtic Rock groups. CLAN TENTS

There will be nearly 100 clan tents that encompasses the mul-

titude of Scottish, as well a Irish and Welch clans. Five stages feature traditional Scottish folk singers and musicians and the beat of Celtic Rock and Roll, performed by national and internationally popular groups such as Tempest, Wicked Tinkers and Stand Easy, among others.

Scottish food is available. One-hundred vendors offer imported wares.

Admission is \$15.00 for adults, \$8.00 for youth, seniors and handicapped. A two-day adult admission is \$20.00.

The Prostate Cancer Support Group at San Ramon Regional Medical Center invites the community to a seminar discussing a minimally invasive treatment for prostate cancer using the da Vinci™ Surgical System. Surgeons at San Ramon Regional Medical Center are among those who have pioneered this procedure since 2001 using the da Vinci™ System, a computer enhanced robotic instrument. Patients who have this procedure may experience less pain, less blood loss and faster recoveries. Come to learn about this minimally invasive prostate cancer treatment.

Speakers:

James Karol, M.D. Urologist

Charles Wen, M.D. Urologist

A Free Educational Seminar Tuesday, September 12 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

San Ramon Regional Medical Center South Conference Room South Building 7777 Norris Canyon Road



for Prostate Cancer

A free educational seminar

ton store's vendors, Reyn Spooner, commented that he had produced a California Wine Shirt. It had sold out.

The big difference between that shirt and the one created by Donald is there are real labels on the Livermore wine country shirt. Reyn Spooner couldn't convince the wineries in the Napa area to allow their labels to used in conjunction with other wineries.

"I told him I could make it happen in Livermore. I want to a Winegrowers meeting and said the first ten to eleven wineries to contact me could be on my shirt. I didn't pick and choose. It took only a couple of hours to be fully subscribed." Donald said. The only thing we asked is that when the shirt came out, it was displayed in the tasting rooms.

It took almost a year, from start to finish, to produce the shirts. Only 1200 of the shirts have been made.

Donald says it has been so

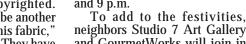
The fabric is copyrighted. 'There will some day be another shirt, but never with this fabric," according to Donald. "They have become collectors items. It would devalue the shirts already out

there, if more were ever made." The success of the wine label shirt has led to start a design phase for shirts for other people. 'It is becoming something people like," she said of the Hawaiian-style custom shirts.

Donald is a pilot for United Airlines. She flies between the mainland and Hawaii. The trips to the islands were her and her husband Paul's inspiration for the store in downtown Pleasanton.

"We want people to feel like they have ducked into the islands," she stated. In fact, the decor has proven to be desirable for private parties, such as bridal and baby showers. The store is available for rental.

"The store is a lot of fun. We live downtown. We love this town. It's a place we like and have



neighbors Studio 7 Art Gallery and GourmetWorks will join in with food, chocolate, art, and music. "This will give people something to do in downtown."

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The Human Services Commission of the City of Pleasanton will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 6, 2006, 7:00 p.m., at 200 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, to receive citizens' comments on reports from the following agencies which were allocated federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for Fiscal Year 2005 (05/06):

AGENCY:	PURPOSE:	FUND	ING:
AGENCI:	<u>rukrust:</u>	CDBG	City:
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:			
Axis Community Health	Replace wheelchair ramps at Railroad St. community clinic site	\$21,838	
CAPE, Inc.	Hill'n'Dale Head Start Preschool rehab. improvements	\$10,000	
City "Section 108" Loan Repayment	Sojourner House (formerly Family Crisis Shelter)	\$20,324	
Tri-Valley Haven for Women	Equipment and furnishings for domestic violence shelter	\$19,345	
HOUSING REHABILITATION:			
Alameda County HCD	Housing rehab, services for low-income Pleasanton residents	\$75,000	
GRID Alternatives	Solar Affordable Housing rehabilitation program	\$35,524	
Pleasanton Gardens	Miscellaneous senior housing rehabilitation projects	\$25,000	
PUBLIC SERVICES:			
Axis Community Health	Teen substance abuse program	\$5,000	
Bay Area Comm. Services (BACS)	Creative living services for mentally disabled adults	\$6,000	
Comm. Res. for Indep. Living (CRIL)	Services for disabled persons		\$9,000
Easter Seals Bay Area	Tri-Valley Community Inclusion Program for devdisabled youth	\$5,000	
ECHO Housing	Tenant-landlord, fair housing, and rental assistance programs	\$7,000	\$34,403
ECHO Housing	Senior reverse mortgage counseling program		\$14,575
Hope Hospice	Bereavement support services for seniors	\$6,000	
Senior Support of the Tri-Valley	Alzheimer's case management support	\$11,000	
Spectrum Community Services	Senior nutrition/meal delivery program	\$8,238	
HOUSING SERVICES:			
Allied Housing	Case management services for Housing Scholarship Program	\$12,000	
ADMINISTRATION:			
City of Pleasanton	Administration of CDBG program by City of Pleasanton	\$64,317	
	TOTAL FUNDING (FY 2005):	\$331,568	\$57,97

Following the public hearing, the information obtained from subrecipients and comments received from members of the public will be submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the form of the FY 2005 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). For additional information, contact the City of Pleasanton Housing Division at 925-931-5007.

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SPORTS NOTES

Livermore Youth Soccer

Livermore Youth Soccer League results from the opening week:

U5 Boys: Sharks vs Sharks Top Players: Trent Crisp, Sean Pascual, Joshua Martin, Sharks Top Players: Nickolas Hill, Peyton Peterson, Ian Prachar; Incredibles vs Spongebob Soccerpants Top Players: Dylan Silva, Colby Smith, Mason Smith, Blake Texeira, Jake Carmichael, Collin Eads. U6 Boys: Celtics vs Thunderbolts

Celtics Offense: Dillon Acosta, Owen Dawson. Nico Macchioni, ,Defense: Duncan Maloney, Ryan McCusker, Adam Murphy; Thunder-bolts Offense: Colby Brocklesby, Matthew Hall, Alec Lewis Defense: Nicholas Puso, R.J. Ruckteschler, Gregory Short. Tornados vsStormtroopersTornados Offense: Cameron Maccas Samiros Bacas Ethen Darcen Do McGee, Samiron Bora, Ethan Dreger, Defense: Andrew Choumas, Nathan Kamm Adam Lagodzinski; Stormtroopers Offense: Casey Wortham, Alexander Frazier, Ben-jamin Knuth, Defense: Cameron Stephenson, Daniel Proyer, Nathan Frazier. U7 Boys: Hot Shots vs Tornadoes Top

Players: Nico Chavez, Edward Robles, Scott Stafford, David Rider, Ethan Compton, Christian Aceves. Lightning vs Ghostbusters: Lightning Offense: Sean Constable, Joseph Saldana, Andrew Arruda, Defense: Alex Forgatsch, Wes Williams, Tanner Higgins; Ghostbusters Offense: Noah Stewart Dominic Giuliano, Miles Larson, Defense: Samuel Burbach, Matthew Severts, Abraham Canafe. Vipers vs Goal Miners: Vipers Top Players: Jack Altman, Riley Altman, Hunter Calkins; Goal Miners Top Players: Troy Wentworth, Andrew Walker, Mark Silverthorn.

U8 Boys: TNT vs. Firebolts: TNT Of-Cortez, Defense: Connor Glasco, Grayson Pringle, Shane Seitz; Firebolts Offense: Benjamin Kerling, Russell Stevenson, Kevin Garcia, Defense: Jay Robinson, Ryan Hipple, Sean Slabaugh. Ghostbusters vs Devils: Ghostbusters Offense: Ben Rocha, Dominic Carrano, Troy Forward, Defense: Connor McCormack, Colton Sofonio, Ethan Aboumrad; Devils Offense: Jason Campbell, Tanner Wright, Trenton Weidner, Defense: Chris Machi, Ali Haider, Pierce Kadlic. Dragons vs Scorpions: Dragons Offense: Joel Gauch, Marco Ramirez-Buckles, An-thony Garcia, Defense: Danny Alvarez, Brian Zarate, Ryan Myers; Scorpions Offense: Jose Mariscal and Tyler Fengenhauer, Defense: Adam Jorgenson and Jonathan Pierce. Fire-balls vs Thunder: Fireballs Offense: Anthony Lopez, Nicholas Brown, Justin Pettis, Defense: Roman Vasquez, Robbie Huff, Darell Staley; Thunder Offense: Donny Winters, Jacob Murdoch, Joshua Zielinski Defense: Jakob Veilluex, Lucas Coppock, Kyle Wright. Stingrays vs Knights: Stin-grays Offense: Jack Boucher, Mark Foreman, Noah Green, Defense: Evan Armstrong, Ravi O'Brien, Andrew Preece; Knights Offense: Charlie Mitchell, Ben Dupuis, Jordan Buranis, Defense: Raymond Carlson, Youki Chiba, Parker Hall.

U12 Boys: Thunder 3, Falcons 0: Thunder Offense: Gaston Oviedo, Cody Lee, Dario Caliz, Defense: Ben Davidson Roman Rivera-Marquez, Andre Flores; Fal cons Offense : Austin Gomes, Carlos Gaspar, Stephan Psarris, Defense: Ivan Otero, Brenden

Leary, Anthony Laudani. **U14 Boys:** Hotshots 1, Gunners 3: Hotshots Top Players: John Blea, Jimmy Gortz, Daniel Chesterman, Mario Putnam, Zachary Swinford, Joshua Lester; Gunners Top Players: James Ervin, Brice Bartlett, vin Suarez, Larry Paishon.

U6 Girls: Lions vs Strawberry Shortkicks: Lions Offense: Madelynn Valone, Allison Sprugasci, Aislinn McElderry, Defense: Leanna Chapman, Megan Collins, Maritza Espinoza; Strawberry Shortkicks Offense: Lauren Zielinski, Alyssa Silva, Noelle Rizz, Defense: Emmerson Coberg, Mary Griffin, Courtney Hayes Pixie. Kicks vs Lovely Ladybugs: Pixie Kicks Top Players: Maggie Rae McPeek, Caitlyn Quartaroli, Peyton Fields; Lovely Ladybugs Top Players: Carly Schindler, Madison Wright, Abby Theler. A great season opener for both teams as Maggie Rae McPeek led all scorers with five goals! Blazing Stars vs Eagles: Blazing Stars Top Players: Emily March Kylie Karter, Amanda

Craft; Eagles Top Players: Alex Christensen, Shelby Clark, Nicole Fairbanks. U8 Girls: Lady Jaguars vs. Fireflies: Top Players: Lesly Jimenez, Joy Blea, Natalie Waters, Amanda Silveira, Carly Bond, Arianah Nava. Tornadoes vs Fireballs: Tor-nadoes Top Players: Lauren Nguyen, Kiera Detert, Katrina Herweg; Fireballs Top Play-ers: Katie Schloming, Kayla Carlucci, Marrisa Jaguar Offense: Paige Bauer, Carina Novell, Jessica Clark, Defense: Julie Blaze, Sara Journey (in Goal), Krista Bronson.

Livermore Elite Soccer U15 FC United is tearing up the turf in the tournament season, bringing home two championships and one second place finish in three weekends and one second place finish in three weekends of play. The Santa Clara Rotary Cup champs defeated a tough Aptos Strikers team 3-2 in overtime to take the first spot. To reach the final match, FC United dominated the field by shutting out the Heritage Velocity 2-0, the Central Valley Jaguars 2-0 and the Fremont Fire 2-0. Top scorers for Livermore were Alejandro (The Boss) Sanchez and Jesus (Zeus) Moreno each sinking their shots three times. Christian Murillo, Richie Howard and Enrique Gonzalez each with one goal, put the lid on the weekend for Livermore. Assists are credited to The Boss (3), CJ Salazar (2), Jesus Moreno (2), Peter Cabeceiras (1) and Christian Murillo (1). Strong support was given by DJ Rashe', Brandon Fread, Eric Smyth and Scott Trummer. Ryan Thomas and Kevin Fread, anchored by Cole Martinez were outstanding on defense. Together with keepers Jason Trumpp and Ian Coolbear they did not allow a single goal through the weekend, until the final game.

Youth Soccer

Pleasanton Ballistic United Soccer Club Class 3 U14 captured second place in the Walnut Creek Soccer Club Summerfest Tournament. They lost 6 to 2 to MDSL in the championship game. Top Offensive Players: Alex Caravan, Zac Arrelano, Brodie Roberts; Top Defensive Players: Jason Scott, Kevin Briggs, Albert Lin, Jared Chin. **Pleasanton Rage Division 3 U19** offense took off against Palo Alto with a 2 to 0 win in the Soccer City Warm-Up Tournament. Heidi Larsen scored in the 2nd minute of play, with an assist from Sara Skinner. Rage dominated the game. Strong defense, led by Lindsey Ellison, Kerry McCulloch, Alex Martin, and Robyn Clark kept PA to 4 shots on goal for the entire game. Rage's 2nd goal came mid-way through the 2nd half, as Jaimie Hahs blasted one in off a Heidi Larsen assist Goalkeeper LeeAnn Meyer had her first of 3

shutout games for the weekend. Rage recorded a second shutout over the Rage recorded a second snutout over the River City (Sacramento) Strikers. Again, Rage dominated the game, with a goal at 2 minutes scored by Megan Gomez. The 2nd goal came in the 52nd minute of play, as Margie Blidy's pass to Sara Skinner became an assist to Heidi Larsen, who scored. Rage outbody Euror City, 14 to 6. Strong defansiva outshot River City, 14 to 6. Strong defensive efforts were turned in by Melissa Sheehan, Lindsey Ellison, Margie Blidy, and Goalkeeper LeeAnn Meyer.

On Sunday, Rage faced the r toughest opponent yet, the San Ramon Tsunami, coming away with a 1 to 0 win. The game was correlated that The T was scoreless at the half. The Tsunami came out determined and aggressive in the 2nd half. Rage called on strong defensive efforts from Margie Blidy, Lindsey Ellison, and Kerry McCulloch to keep San Ramon to 3 shots on goal. The only goal of the game came with 6 minutes left as Catrina Cruger took possession from San Ramon, passed to Robyn Clark, who assisted to Megan Gomez.

The U19 championship game pitted Rage against its own sister team, the U 19 Pleasanton Rage Blue. The Blue offense dominated the game, with 18 shots on goal. LeeAnn Meyer had a remarkable 12 saves for the game. The Rage's Lindsey Ellison, Melissa Sheehan and Jamie Thurman played tough defense. Rage scored the only goal of the first half, as midfielder Kerry McCulloch left-footed the ball into the net off a Heidi Larsen shot that hit the post and bounced back. The Rage Blue broke through in the 55th minute of play with a high cross into the left corner of the net, leaving the score tied at 1-1. Rage Blue had the only goal in 2 5-minute overtime periods, for the 2 to 1 victory. Rage players Brittany Kepke, Hannah Roberts, and Stacey Hildebrand made spirited efforts on the field throughout the weekend, in limited playing time due to injuries.

Pleasanton Rage U15: For the second time in the month of August the Rage U15 Division 1 AC team traveled to the Sacramento and won their qualifying flight. This second trip, for the El Dorado Shoot-Out, resulted in two victories and one defeat. In Saturday's two qualifying games, the Rage played the Elk Grove United and the San Francisco Tremors. The United scored early and held on to defeat the Rage 1-0. The goal proved to be the only one relinquished by the Rage all weekend as both Rage goalies, Chelsea Skinner and Megan Piper played the second game the Tr shot the Rage, but were unable to score. The Rage scored their lone goal in the 21st minute on a nice combination between Taylor Schoonover and Paige Robertson. The final score was 1-0 and a Rage victory. Sunday's game was against a very tough County Line Heatteam. Following a strongly contested first half without any score both teams stepped it up in the second half. In the 45th minute Julia Frizzel defeated her defender deep in the left corner and drove a crossing ball in front of the goal. Both Robertson and Schoonover were in the area, but the ball deflected off a Heat defender and into the goal for the difference maker. The final score was 1-0; Rage. Defensively, Ailsa Smith, Haley Douglas, Danielle Paxton and Laura Yoshida played tough throughout the weekend. Although they won their qualifying flight the Rage did not accumulate enough points to move into either the Championship or Consolation Games on Sunday afternoon. The Livermore Fury girls U-11 divi-sion 3 team placed fourth in the Tiburon/Mill Valley Fall Kick-Off tournament. In the first game against Folsom, Kaitlin Dadalt scored off a perfectly placed corner kick from Morgan Brandt in the 34th minute to lift the Fury to a 1-0 win. The Fury defense, anchored by Allison Lau, Nicole Kurian and Alyssa Stevenson and goalies Skyler Kriz and Beth McCall, limited Folsom to only a few scoring chances. In game two versus the Fremont Light-ning, Rebekah Johnson scored midway through the first half as the Fury controlled the majority of the play. Livermore stepped up its offensive pressure in the second half as Kaitlin Dadalt scored twice after two long runs and Kalle Crowe scored off a nice pass from Allison Lau. The Fury's Erin Winegarner, Olivia Cabotage, Brittany Ahrbeck and Annie Williams dominated the midfield play in the 4-0 victory.

the 12th minute. Six minutes later, Kaitlin Dadalt scored the equalizer off a long kick from Alyssa Stevenson and the Fury and Blues were tied 1-1 at halftime. The Blues opened the second half strongly and made several nice plays to keep the ball in the Fury end. Finally, with seven minutes left in the match, Mount Diablo made another run and converted on a shot to the corner for a 2-1 lead. e remaining minutes, the Fury was stifled by the Blues pressure and could not muster anymore scoring opportunities as Livermore suffered its first loss.

The Fury played in the consolation game for third place against the Tiburon Wildcats. Livermore started fast and had several scoring chances early, only to be turned away by the Wildcat keeper. Forwards Beth McCall and Alison Pierson created good scoring oppor-tunities with some nice runs while Morgan Brandt and Rebekah Johnson led the midfield efforts to keep the ball out of the Fury end of the field. After a scoreless regulation and overtime, the match was decided on penalty kicks. Despite four successful kicks, the Fury ended up on the short end as Tiburon con verted one more than Livermore to capture third place.

Livermore Shock U13, Division 1 battled their way to a 1st place win this weekend at the El Dorado Shootout tournament in Sacramento. This was Shock's third 1st place tournament victory out of four tournaments in the busy month of August. Shock Coach, Jesse Hamblen said "these girls have worked very hard this summer and now it is paying off.

Livermore came out strong in their first game Saturday with a 5-0 win against Cali-fornia Odyssey White. Next, Shock went up against Tracy Xplosion and had many shots on goal but could only get one goal for a 1-0 win.

On Sunday, Shock defeated Sacramento United Extreme White 4-0, making it to the championship round with the highest points. For the championship game Shock played Davis Shock and defeated them 2-0 for the tournament victory.

The top offensive players for Livermore Shock were, Molly Ratermann, Racquel Hamblen, Kiki Simmons and Kylie Hill. The top defensive players were Jenna Lillie. Rachelle Hamblin, Brianna Hylton and Haley Londry. Goalkeeper, Catherine "Neddy" Pruneda, had several nice saves, and kept the net clean all weekend with no scores allowed.

The BUSC U17 Black continued its fine preseason with a run to the championship in the Shamrock Invitational. BUSC came out strong in the first game, besting Patterson 4-0. Offensive star of the game was Jay Guilmart, with two goals and a nice assist on a header goal by Kurt Lenamon to seal the deal. Tim Gaisor added the fourth goal, also on a nice chip play. Nate Weber and Eric Lobao shared the shutout, with Ballistic throwing up four en route to the champion

ship. Game two was rough and tumble 0-0 tie with Livermore. Midfielders Trevor Dawson, Jason Ash, and Matt Carlucci were up to the task and created some good opportunities, but Ballistic couldn't connect. Game three was a 1-0 win over Dublin.

The forwards, led by Kieren McEntee, Joey Halim, and Kris Tayyeb, were creating all kinds of action up front, and it finally paid off. Aaron Scott took advantage of the spread out Dublin defense to rip a shot for the only score of the game in the second half

Game four was a rematch against Dublin for the championship , and it was another good one. The return of Brent Cambra and Kamron Behzadi gave Ballistic more weapons up front. There was lots of activity around the Dublin end. Meanwhile, the defensive intensity led by Willie Berger, Bryant Dante Lenamon, and Gaisor, gave no quarter and continually stopped the Dublin attack. We-ber, who went the whole way in the championship, had to make an acrobatic save to keep the game scoreless. Ballistic struck in the 70th minute. Nick Boham slotted a perfect pass to a streaking Gaisor, who found himself one-on-one with the keeper and knocked it in. Dublin ratcheted up the intensity, looking for the equalizer, and Ballistic countered with a great run down the right side. Scott slid a seeing-eye cross through the box to an onrushing Bonham, who drilled it home to

secure the 2-0 win and the championship. **Dublin United Class I Soccer U16** lost 2 to 1 to Rohner Park Rush in the consolation game of the Shamrock Invitation. The offense was led by a goal by Kristinal Avolicino, along with Zaynib Hamze and Rachel Gorecki. The defense was secured by Stephanie Redmon, Amanda Shulte and Laura Charbaneau.

Dublin defeated the Walnut Creek Power

from Christian Gonzales to Christian Torres who tapped it in for the lead goal. The second goal was a repeat with a Striker player putting it in the net. The entire Livermore team played with amazing heart and determination. It was a great display of team work.

The Pleasanton Rage U11 Division 3 team competed in the Pleasanton Soccer City Warm up tournament this weekend, taking on some tough opponents. They first met up with the EDYSY Sting, and despite both strong offensive and defensive play they were unable to come up with a victory, with a final score of 0 to 3. Bound and determined not to lose their second game against the Elk Grove Strikers, the Rage came out strong and played tough. The game turned out to be a real defensive battle as neither team was able to

score resulting in a 0 to 0 tie. Sunday, with 1 game left the Rage still held out hopes to make it to the consolation round, however the MVLA Hurricanes proved to be too much, resulting in a 0 to 4 loss for the Rage.

Top Offensive Players: Kendall Moore, Kayla Bautista, Meghan Serrano, and Molly Grozier. Top Defensive Players: Olivia Brown at goal, Lauren Fan, Danielle Leedeman, and Paige Hughes.

Pleasanton BUSC Class 1 U14 took home second place at the Wine Country Classic in Napa this weekend. Ballistic beat rival Hayward 1-0, the only goal being scored by Derek Kanowsky on a free kick in which James Metz drew the attention of Hayward's goalie by appearing to be ready to one time the pass into the goal. Shots were even at 7 each, and as indicated by the score, defense ruled the game. Outstanding defenders for Ballistic included Evan Larsen, who won almost every ball in the air, Ben Ewing, who ran down field to prevent Hayward from converting scoring opportunities, and keeper Adam Bailey, who is always aggressive in chasing down shots. Top Offensive Players: James Metz, Derek Kanowsky, Garret Foster; Top Defensive Players: Evan Larsen, Ben Ewing, Adam Bailey. In game one of the Wine Country Classic

in Napa, BUSC beat Galaxy 2-0. BUSC was unable to score in the first half, despite outshooting Galaxy 5-0. Ballistic's first goal came off a free kick cross by Derek Kanowsky which was expertly headed into the goal by Garret Foster. Simeon Comanescu one timed a rebound into a wide open goal. Defenders Steven Glascock and Ryan Earle held Galaxy to only two shots on goal in the second half, and Parker Quesinberry switched, Jassed and hustled throughout the game. Top Offensive Players: Garret Foster, Simeon Comanescu, Derek Kanowsky, Parker Quesinberry; Top Defensive Players: Steven Glascock, Ryan Earle.

In Game two of the Wine Country Classic, Ballistic beat Lamorinda 4-2. Ballistic never lost the lead in a tightly played game. Early in the first half, Nick Pereira expertly dribbled the ball downfield and crossed to a wide open Garret Foster, who scored Ballistic's first goal. With the score tied 1-1, Zach Savoy scored off a perfectly placed pass by James Metz. Lamorinda tied Ballistic again, and before the first half ended, Ben Ewing deftly brought the ball downfield, passed to Pereira, whose shot hit the crossbar but was received and shot again, this time directly into the goal, by Eddie Schoennagel. The second half was dominated in possession time by Ballistic, whose fourth goal, this time by Pereira, sealed the victory. Keeper Max Omick was fearless in goal, and Jonathan Yankowski and Lucas Crawbuck played great in midfield.

The Livermore Roadrunners boys U12 soccer team took second place at the Walnut Creek Summerfest 2006 tournament over the weekend.

The Roadrunners defeated Lamorinda FC 94, 3-2 to win their first match. Paul Mayes tapped the ball into the net after receiving a cross from Tanner Turner to score the Roadrunners first goal. The Roadrunners scored again when Hector Gomez passed the ball forward to Turner who chipped a ball into the net over the keeper's head, bringing the score to 2-0 at the half. Turner scored the Roadrunners final goal with assistance from Damon Tregear. Roadrunner Goalkeeper JT Addington held Lamorinda to only 2 goals.

Next, the Roadrunners took on Heritage Thunder in a tough match that ended in a 4-3 loss for the Roadrunners. Heritage Thunder came out strong, scoring right away. The Roadrunners quickly evened it up when Mayes scored off of a cross from Turner. The Roadrunners scored again when Sergio Alvarez passed an early ball to Turner who scored on a break-away run to the goal, putting the Roadrunners ahead 2-1 at the half. Heritage Thunder came back in the second half, scoring 1 to tie the game. The Roadrunners took the lead again when Turner crossed the ball to Mayes who headed the ball into the net. Heritage Thunder retaliated hard and scored two more goals in the final minutes of the game for a win of 4-3. Anthony Dubberly and Frevor Long showed well for the Roadrunner defense

tie or win against their local rivals Mustang Galaxy of Danville to advance to the final. Unfortunately they were 0-1 down before many of the parents had taken their seats. Ballistic spent the rest of the game trying to equalize. It seemed like Ballistic would get the one goal they need to advance when they were awarded a penalty kick but the Mustang keeper brilliantly saved Niermeyer's kick and ultimately preserved the win.

Ballistic were left to fight for third place against the Benicia Arsenal on Sunday afternoon. In the first half Ballistic started slowly, but gradually asserted themselves and took the lead when Toby Harvey knocked home a cross from the right wing. Robby Dancaster chipped the goalkeeper for the second goal just before half-time. Early in the second half Toby Harvey crossed form the left wing and Robby Dancaster was in the right place yet again to score the third. Benicia scored three goals as the Ballistic defense fell apart. Ballistic withstood the pressure and regained the lead when the referee awarded them a penalty kick and Dancaster converted to complete his hat-trick. Dane Schaffar intercepted a clearance and dribbled in to fire home the fifth goal.

The U14 Rage Division Three team took home third place in the 2006 Pleasanton Soccer City Warm-Up, beating the Novato Blast 5-0 in the final playoff game. An aggressive offense, enjoying the support of flawless defense, pressed the entire game, with two goals scored by Noelle Malindzak (assist Lindsay Fowler), and additional goals by Julia Price (assist Meaghan Kirchner, Cassandra Iniguez (assist Noelle Malindzak) and by Kendall Ready on an energetic break-away near the end of regulation time. Excellent support performances by Angelina Sangiacomo, Nikki Gotelli, and Ellie Kim got Rage to the ball ahead of the Blast on virtually every play.

In earlier qualifying games, impressive offensive attacks and goals by Lindsay Fowler and Meaghan Kirchner stood out, as did impeccable midfield play by Madeline Weber and Chelsea Loewenstein

The Livermore Crew '97 U9 girls division 1 team played in the Mission Peak Jamboree this weekend and came away with an impressive record of 2 wins 1 loss an 1 tie. The Menlo Park Strikers opened the jamboree against Crew '97 on Saturday morning at Celtic Park field and quickly slipped a goal in for a 1-0 lead. But Crew '97 roared back when the potent combination of a Kamryn Lipman pass to Ashley Arnett tied the game. Kamryn Lipman scored the second Crew '97 goal off a penalty kick before R.J. Atwal crossed a pass to Carleigh Thurman to close out the first half with Crew '97 in front 3-1. Ashley Arnett and Hanna Beauchamp each scored a goal in the second half and Crew '97 cruised to a 5-2 win.

In the Saturday afternoon game, the combination of Kamryn Lipman to Ashley Arnett struck twice in the first half against Fremont Flash and the Crew '97 defense held on against the relentless Flash pressure for a 2-1 victory.

The Central Valley Mercury battled Crew '97 in a Sunday morning contest that was tied 0-0 at the half. The one-two punch of Kamryr Lipman to Ashley Arnett connected again to begin the second half for Crew '97 before the Mercury heated up for 3 goals in the last 10 minutes of the game and a 3-1 final. Sunday afternoon pitted Crew '97 against an Almaden Valley Fury team that had beat Crew '97 6-3 two weeks ago. Crew '97 team came out and accord of the Achieva Armetit agoal for a 1 and scored off an Ashley Arnett goal for a 1-0 lead at half. The Fury tied the game late in the second half. But a rotating Crew '97 back line of Claire Soule, Julie Hamblin, Cameryn Long and good goal tending from Hanna Beauchamp kept the Fury in check for a 1-1

The AC-3, U-12 Livermore Elite Light ning team competed in the Shamrock Invi-tational Soccer Tournament at Dublin. Their first game was a rematch of last weekend's tournament game against the Modesto Ajax United Fury. Jason Stearns crossed the ball to Jose Zavala at the far open spot of the net giving an easy finish. Less than a minute later, it was Christopher Sund passed to Morgan Melendrez, who scored. Holding the strong defensive line for the shutout were sweeper Justin Moore, left defender Ricky Martinez, right defender Cody Martinez, stoppers Lee Wood, Gerald Cuyle, and Tyler Ellis, Keeper Tristan Lewis who was credited with half a dozen saves

Livermore Elite Lightning 1; Turlock United 1: Starting off the second half, Tyler Ellis received a through ball, beat two defenders, ending with the shot into the goal. Fifteen minutes later, Turlock answered back seconds left in the game on a penalty kick resulting from a hand ball.

Championship Game: 2nd Place, Liver-more Elite Lightning 1; Dublin No Fear 2: Dublin posted the first score in the opening minutes of the game. Ten minutes later, Tyler Ellis and Jose Zavala with a give and go down the field, passed the ball back to Daniel Toscano, who passed to Jose Zavala, who scored. Dublin scored what turned out to be the winning goal at the end of the half. The Lightning played an impressive tournament. Also adding to the attack were offensive players Jason Stearns, Jeff Gellerman, Chrisopher Sund, Morgan Melendrez, and Lee Wood. Defenders Gerald Cuyle, Cody Martinez, Ricky Martinez, and Justin Moore gave solid play, with goalie Tristan Lewis being credited for over two dozen saves throughout the tournament.

The U13 Ballistic Black played in the Rocklin Quarry Classic tournament this past weekend. In their first game, the home Ballistic Black played the 49er Arsenal in a 2 to 1 loss. The Ballistic scored first in the 12th minute off a well executed corner kick from Karsten Jurkiewicz, and a header driver into the back of the net by Jared Shohfi Barron Kim, Jake Lorentz, Jack Lyons Karsten Jurkiewicz, Nick Bayley, and Jason Chow also had shots on goal in the game pressuring the 49er Arsenal goalie. Hunter Meurrens, Jack Richardson, Jack Lyons, and Alex Hall also provided offensive support with several key passes, backed up on defense by Joey Pereira, Eric Brooks, Randy Copeman, Manraj Mangat, and Tyler Mende. Lukas Moses had 3 key saves as goalie.

In their second game, the home Ballistic Black played the CYSA Arsenal in a 2 - 4loss. Jason Chow scored in the 20th minute off a penalty kick. Just 2 minutes later, Baron Kim scored off a brilliant hooking corner kick by Jason Chow. Jack Richardson and Jared Shohi also took shots on goal during the very physical match. Tyler Mende moved from defender to midfielder applying much pres-sure up front, supported by Hunter Meurrens. Jack Richardson, Jake Lorentz, Eric Brooks, Manraj Mangat, Jack Lyons, Karsten Jurkiewicz, Alex Hall, and Nick Bayley. Joey Pereira and Lukas Moses proved to be

tough defenders, with Randy Copeman tak-ing over as goalie and making 3 key saves. The visiting Ballistic Black played the Land Park Galaxy wrapping up the tourna-ment with a 2 - 1 win. Barron Kim scored early in the 6th minute off a corner kick by Jason Chow. Karsten Jurkiewicz later scored in the 35th minute with an assist from Jack Lyons and Jason Chow. Bobby Sehrgosha and Nick Bayley also had shots on goal in the match with Tyler Mende providing support forward, backed up by key mid and defensive play by Joey Pereira, Hunter Meurrens, Jack ichardson, Jake Lorentz, Eric Brooks, Manraj Mangat, Jack Lyons, Alex Hall, and Nick Bayley. Goalies Randy Copeman with 3 saves and Lukas Moses with 2 saves preserved the win for the Ballistic Black

The Livermore Elite U-10 Clash wor three of four games last weekend in Concord at the Mt. Diablo Fun-in-the-Sun Jamboree.

The Clash opened with a 1-0 win over the Solano Blast. The lone goal came in the 23rd minute as Alex Foster's free kick rocketed off a Blast defender into the net. Saturday afternoon's game was a letdown when Liver more was beaten 8-2 by a strong Bay Oaks United team. Ryan Ball and Kent Greene scored late second half goals as the Clash demonstrated team pride by not surrendering

to their opponent from Alameda. On Sunday, the Clash stepped up with pair of 2-0 wins. Against the Rockridge Sting, Calvin Rasbold scored in the first minute of the second half with a shot from the right side that bent inside the post. Two ninutes later, a Rasbold cross found Diego Plascencia for the second goal. Livermore completed Sunday's action versus league rival San Ramon Sharks. The Clash dominated possession in the afternoon heat as Foster and Greene each notched their second

goals of the jamboree. Donnie Buchanan and Greene split the team goalkeeping duties through the four games. Their play, combined with tireless fullback line of Jake Hall, Mike Brooks and Tommy Earle, clamped down on the Clash opponents to record more three shutouts

The Pleasanton BUSC U17 Black took a bit to get rolling, but when they did, they rolled right to a 3rd place finish at the Fair Oaks Summer Classic

Game one was a 1-0 loss to Fair Oaks in which BUSC controlled the ball for 80% of the play, but couldn't get into position for many shots. Jay Guilmart did cause some havy in the box, just missing some balls in the air that would have gotten BUSC on the

Pletschet

U10 Girls: Angels 0, Dynamites: Angels Offense: Margarita Duenas, Jesse Jaureguito, Michaela Storz, Defense: Gianna Donoghy, Kelsey Santin, Sydney Zambonin; Dynamites Offense: Dana Anex, Nicole Kig, Devin Everett, Defense: Kelly Borden, Adrianna Rocha, Sarah Swanson A very fastpaced duel with scoring opportunities on both sides. Outstanding defensive play from both teams led to the scoreless stalemate. Cool Cleat Kickers 0, Fireballs 4: Cool

Cleat Kickers Offense: Shoshana Cohen, Michele Saunders, Haley Segundo, Defense: Kayla Lindsay, Sophia Compton, Sydney Gibbins; Fireballs Offense: Avery Harker, Sarah Baker, Riley Greenough, Defense: Erika Dittmore, Hailey Schultz, Julia Lee.

U12 Girls: Chicks on Fire 1, Jaguars 2: Chicks on Fire Offense: Marissa Scheid, Maryann Gong, Megan Thompson, De-fense: Cristal Mattison, Shelby Offill, Jacqueline Almeida; Jaguars Offense: Malani Hibbard, Laura Herbeck, Rebecca Bernstein, Defense: Kathrine Orrell, Kirsten Mork, Allyson Strout.

Cougars 0, Chicks on Fire 8: Cougars Offense: Mindy Morettini, Shelby White, Samantha Erickson. Defense:: Jessica Kendro, Stephanie Behnke, Mikaela Priest; Chicks Stephanie Beinne, Mikaela Priest, Chicks on Fire Offense: Crystal Madison, Amanda Stocking, Maggie Wood, Defense: Ashley Weiler, Deena Malaeb, Leah Taulton. Net Rippers 4, Mustangs 0: Net Rippers Offense: Shelby McNeil, Katie Baron, Sarah Hepborn, Defense: Marisas Stevenson, Megan White Marina Candrar: Mustange Offense:

White, Marina Gandera; Mustangs Offense: Victoria Contreras, Michaela Molina, Emily Cryer, Defense: Stephanie Holister, Michelle Pacheco, Amanda Bray.

U14Girls: Crossfire 3, Jaguars 2: Nicole Lopez kicked off the season by scoring the first goal for the Crossfire team. The game was hard fought by both teams with many shots on goal and multiple saves by both goalies on both teams. Crossfire dominated the first half and Jaguars dominated the second half. Crossfire Offense: Nicole Lopez, Indy Pereida, Ana Tostado, Defense: Cathy Carter, Shelby Hamilton, Morgan Lampley;

Livermore faced the Mount Diablo Blues in a battle of unbeaten teams in game three. The Fury attacked early with good offensive pushes but the Blues countered and scored in

3 to 1 in game three action. Mariah Fulton's 2 goals led the offense, Alyssa Malfatti scored 2 goals led the offense, Alyssa Malratti scored on an assist from Casey Harrington. Defense was anchored by Sereena Cherian, Janine Kakishita and Kelly Dyer. Game two was a 4 to 1 loss to the Rincon

Valley Extreme. Amanda Briones scored for Dublin. Top players on offense were Kristina Avolicino and Amando Shulte; defensive standouts were Rachel Gorecki, Stephanie Redmon, and Nicole Skubic. Dublin got off to a quick start with a 1

to 0 win over Manteca United Clash. Offense was led by Mariah Fulton, Zaynib Hamze and Alyssa Malfatti. Defense was anchored by Sereena Cherian, Laura Charbaneau and goalie Kaitlin Miller.

Livermore Atomic Elite U14 won 3rd place at the Rocklin Quarry Classic over the August 26-27th weekend.

August 20-27 in weekend. Game 1 saw Livermore 1-0 against the GCU Tremors. The only goal came from Chris Freitas dribbling out of the corner and unleashing a strong low kick to the back of the net. Livermore displayed skilled ball control, with solid defense from Benj Wood, Jeffrey Felker and Kurt Cofer. Alex Barto held the line with a shut out in nets.

Game 2 was a heart stopper against the Yuba City Azzuri, as Livermore walked off the field 2-1, to end day one undefeated. The first goal came off a four way combination with Alex Milinkovich punching the ball up to Chris Gonzales to Adir Magidish with a side pass to Christian Torres who drilled it in the net. Kyle Day landed a great cross, with Mitchell Lowrey anticipating the play to step in a closed down and any attacks. Michael Carroll controlled the ball in the mid field to forward it to Chris Freitas, who took a half step to beat the defense and followed through with a bullet of a shot into the net.

Game 3 was a tough loss against the host Rocklin Raptors 0-2.

Game 4 was the consolation game against the Auburn 49 United Strikers. With Liverup. Livermore dug deep to come away with a 2-0 win. The first goal was a great corner kick

On Sunday, the Roadrunners beat the Central Marin Arsenal 3-0 to win their bracket. Mayes scored the first goal for the Roadrunners with assistance from Brandon Marantan. The Roadrunners scored again when Tregear tapped the ball through the Arsenal defense to Juan Carlos Alfaro for the finish. The final Roadrunner goal was scored by Marco Arana-Nolasco after receiving a

cross from Mayes. The Roadrunners faced the DVSC Revolution in a very physical game for the championship, losing 6-0. **Ballistic United U-13s** took third place

in last weekend's summerfest tournament in Walnut Creek. They opened with two rela-tively comfortable victories on Saturday. First they defeated the Castro Valley Cosmos 4-1. The Cosmos actually took a 1-0 lead but Ballistic gradually took control and equal-ized through Suchi Kuo. Erik Knaggs then gave Ballistic the lead when he neatly slotted the ball home. In the second half Knaggs extended the lead with an excellent header from a set-piece free-kick. Ballistic added a

from a set-piece free-kick. Ballistic added a fourth goal from Toby Harvey, who cleverly steered a cross over the keeper's head for the final goal in their 4-1 victory. In the second game against the Solano Rapids, Ballistic struck early with a fine header by Seth Niermeyer from a corner. Before half- time Erik Knaggs scored his third goal of the tournament. In the second half Ballistic were in complete control. Branden Cohen scored on a nice move through the middle. Seth Niermeyer blasted the hall into middle. Seth Niermeyer blasted the ball into the roof of the net to finish off another attack. Dane Schaffar added a fifth after a nice run down the wing and cross by Alex Lutz. On Sunday morning Ballistic needed to

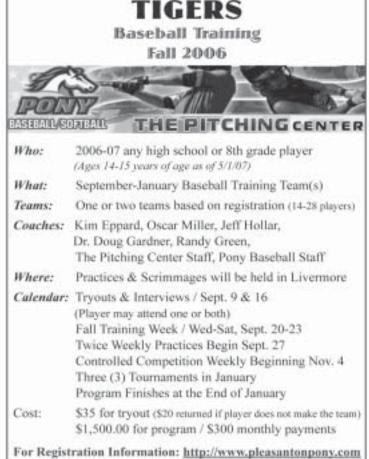
with a goal of their own. Livermore held strong. An alert Cody Martinez shifted positions, making two consecutive goal line saves, and keeper Tristan Lewis baffled the opposition with his amazing saves. MidfieldersJeffGellerman and Daniel Toscano

Nucleated Stell Generation Data Distances in the center. Livermore Elite 3: SASC Spartans Black 1: The Lightning broke through later in the half when Morgan Melendrez dribbled the ball past two defenders and crossed the ball to Tyler Ellis. Ellis split the defense and shot the ball into the goal. The Lightning shot the ball into the goal. The Lightning raised the score to 2-0 when midfielder Lee Wood took the ball down the side and show from 36 yards out. The final goal occurred when Daniel Toscano crossed the ball to Jose Zavala with Zavala providing the finishing shot. SASC's only goal came with 30

board. Fair Oaks got a counter attack on one of their few opportunities and put it in for the only score.

Game two started better, with GK Eric Lobao booming a punt over the defense, where Tim Gaisor ran it down. He was plowed by the chasing Orangevale defenders, resulting in a PK, which Trevor Dawson coolly deposited for the 1-0 lead. However, the ref evened it up with a PK against Ballistic, and Orangevale later scored on a set piece off a corner kick for a 2-1 halftime lead. The Black came out and threw everything but the kitchen sink at Orangevale, dominating play again including a stretch that saw BUSC keep the play in their end for 10 minutes with a suffocating display of intensity. They did everything but score, pounding the net with







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shots but no goal. Orangevale did have one counter while Ballistic pressed up, and GK Nate Weber made a fantastic diving save to keep the game in reach.

Game 3 against Gold County United was a continuation of the flowing offensive game from the day before, but with better results. Joey Halim almost scored an amazing header off a cross three minutes into the game, and the tone was set. Halim sent Matt Carlucci on a run with a great through ball, and he converted for the 1-0 lead. The second goal was highlight reel quality, with 3 overlaps putting the ball at the feet of Aaron Scott, who dropped a perfect pass to Dawson for the rocket upper left. In the second half, Kieren McEntee made a run down the left and sen a cross that Kris Tayyeb converted for goal number three. McEntee was rewarded for his helper when Guilmart fed him in the middle of the box, and he spun away from his defender and converted for the 4-0 final.

Stifling defense, led by Kurt Lenamon, who had a tremendous weekend, and backed by Bryant Dante, Willie Berger, Nick Bonham, and Jason Ash, held Gold County to no shots

Game four found a rematch with Gold County, who tightened up against Ballistic and held them to 0-0 at half despite pressure from Brent Cambra, Lobao, and Scott in the first half. In the second half, BUSC broke through when Carlucci took a throw-in and sent a laser upper left for the 1-0 lead. Carlucci doubled it up later on a give and go with Gaisor, and Ballistic was on it's way. Weber and Lobao completed the double shut out and the third place finish belonged to Ballistic.

Tri-Valley Bulldogs

The Tri-Valley Bulldogs went unde-feated in pool play going 7-0 in beating the Las Vegas Hawks 6-0 (NV), Cape Cod Clippers 14-2 (MA), West Bay Patriots 13-5 (RI). New Hampshire Timbercats (NH) supplied some serious competition, throw-ing a 5'10, 78 mph, flame throwing pitcher. However, the Bulldogs hung in there and beat the Timbercats 8-3. Next up was the undefeated Greenwich Cardinals (CT), with Bobby Bonilla Coaching, they fielded the best threat to the Bulldogs so far. Each Team was 4-0, this was their first real test. The Bulldogs came out smoking, scoring 6 runs in the 1st inning, Behind Evan Brisentine and Cameron Fernandez's home runs. The Cardinals an-swered back with three in the top of the second. Only to have the Bulldogs score 5 runs right back starting with Gunnar David's 3 run homer, final score 14-4.

Then TVB went on to defeat the Glen Park Yankee's 13-0 (NY), and the Waldwick Warriors 15-2 (NJ). Single elimination saw the Bulldogs earn three byes with their #5 ranked seeding going into the playoff round. The New England Patriots (NH) fought hard holding the mighty bats of the Bulldogs in check for most of the game, but behind the outstanding Pitching performance by Kyle

Leong, and clutch two out RBIsingle by John Ruck, the Bulldogs prevailed 1-0. With this win TVB make the sweet sixteen, making it to Thursday's action. The San Diego Stars came out loud and cocky, but managed to score just one unearned run, in the top of the 1st. TVB stunned the Stars with 3 in the 1st, 2 in the second, and 3 in the 3rd. Michael Brdars two run shot in the 1st got the Bulldogs going, and built up a 8-1 lead. Trent Yee pitched well, keeping the Stars off balance until the 6th. When the Stars scored 5 quick runs and had Base runners on 1st and 3rd with two outs, when Chad Bianchi was summoned from the bullpen to close it out. He retired the last hitter on 3 pitches to get the save. This put the Bulldogs in the top five, but that was as far as they could go, running out of gas against the Nevada Outlaws. Tyler Hollander, Kyle Zirbes, David Tadevich, and Garth Atwater also played well for the 9-1 Tri-Valley Bulldogs.

Livermore Smoke

Livermore Smoke 10-U Red took part over the weekend in the Sunnyvale Pepsi Shootout coming away with the championship.

Livermore Smoke 14, Gilroy Chaos 0: Dharini Clare threw a 5 inning no-hitter striking out 12 batters. The Smoke offensive explosion was led by Selena Shang who had 4 hits, including a homerun and 4 RBI's. Cassie Campiotti added a homerun and 4 hits of her own. Ana Correa and Brandy Gullen tripled, while Courtinie Fields added a double for good measure.

Livermore Smoke 13, Lamorinda Menace 2: Smoke offense was led with doubles by Ana Correa, Selena Shang, Kassidee second. Kacy O'Conner and Tabitha Heinz reached base twice.

Championship Game, Livermore Smoke Black 7, Oakdale Valley Magic 0: Smoke played excellent offense and defense throughout the game. Smoke faced tough pitching in this game but came through with a big inning in the 3rd to score 5 and put the game out of reach for the Magic. Saavedra went the distance on the mound and had 5 strikeouts. Norman had a lead-off triple in the 1st. Norman and Lanza reached base 3 times. Kacy O'Conner had a double in the 3rd and Breanna Herrera had a hard shot to left field in the 3rd for two RBI's.

Bowling News

A pair of perfect games were recorded during league play at Granada Bowl in Livermore. Rick Holland, 173 averager in the Sunday Family Affair, bowled his first perfect game in his 13 year career; Darin Smith, Classic league, made it to the magic twelve strike game for his fourth time. Greg Kwasniak came close in back to back tries with a pair of 289 games for a four game set of 977

Prime-time bowlers Rich Baguio excited the league with the first nine strikes and a 267 Tim Ross, Monday Family Affair, game. continues his hot streak with 259-255-251 for continues his hot streak with 259-255-251 for a bit 765 series. Jim Ferrero, Classic, took top honors with his 280 game and 987 four game set. Maria Lockridge led the lady bowlers with a four game set of 937 with games of 235-210-247-228; Shelly Wilkins improved her 116 average with a 524 series; Mariann Bertelsen, Wednesday Business, took honors with a 234 game and 619 series. Gene's Pro Shop Championship league was led by sponsor Gene Bruilh's 268-254-207-236 for a 965; Landon Lawson followed

207-236 for a 965: Landon Lawson followed with a 940 series with highs of 268-253. Dave Swenson rolled a third game of 277 for a three game series of 710. The Strikes and Spares saw John Moore open with a 279 and continued with a pair of 222 games for a 723 set; Mike Ford, A & H Speciality Billing league, came in with a 714 series with 256-225-233. In the Monday Prime-timers, Paul Guerrero started with a 257 game and finished with a 258 for a 697 total

Endurance Riding

Learn about the sport of equestrian endur-ance riding in a local environment, that operates exactly like the real thing. On Saturday, October 14, 2006, The Del Valle Vulture Venture Endurance Ride will be hosting a 15-mile Fun Ride in Del Valle Regional Park, Livermore. This ride is designed for people who want

to learn more about endurance riding and give it a try! The ride is limited to 25 riders and will be held in conjunction with an AERC sanctioned 30-mile limited distance ride and 50-mile endurance ride.

For more information, please contact Jane Cloud (209) 852-9327 or cloudbj@aol.com. Entries will be mailed upon request.

Soccer Parade

The 2006 Pleasanton Rage and Ballistic Soccer Club Parade will be held Saturday, Sept. 9th at 7:30 am at the corner of Main and St. Marys in downtown Pleasanton.

This year the parade will proceed down Main St. to W. Angela making a right on Peters and then back to St. John, ending at the same place we started. Due to time constraints, the fairgrounds will not be part of the program this year, so there will be no gathering and no awards for costumes. Do-nuts and coffee will be available for purchase, as well as RAGE and BUSC wearables Teams are encouraged to arrive at 7am to lineup as the parade will begin promptly at 7:30 am.

High Hopes Golf

The 12th annual High Hopes Golf Tour-nament will benefit Hope Hospice. The tournament will be held September 16 at The Course at Wente Vineyards. There will be golf, dinner, dancing 4 hole-in-one contests, entertainment, raffles and auctions.

Sign in and putting contest is at 9 a.m. with the tournament's shot gun start at 11 a.m. The dinner and awards presentation will begin at 5 p.m. There will be an auction as part of the evening. Dancing begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$250 per person which in-cludes golf, lunch, a golf shirt and dinner.

Dinner only is \$50 per person. Reservations are due by August 31. Please call Blaise Lofland at 846-6500.

On Saturday, September 16, the Liver-

more Phantom Lacrosse Club will be holding a Beginner Clinic and Festival in Livermore

from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lacrosse sticks are required and will be available for purchase.

Cost is \$50 if you need a stick, \$20 if you don't. For information, go to

Foothill High School will host the first annual Golf Classic on Saturday, October

Registration is \$125 per person. Spaces are limited. Sponsorships are available. Contact Jaylene Groeniger at JayGroeniger@aol.com or 925 426-5680, or Chris Faubion at 925 462-9161 or Garbier @Burgerten b19 er 2 Garbier

cfaubion@pleasanton.k12.ca.us, for more information on registration and sponsorship

San Jose Police Amateur Athletic Foun-dation (PAAF) will host the First Annual "Tour De Vendage" Bike Ride The bike ride, benefiting the Hydroceph-

alus Association, will be held September 2nd, 2006 in Livermore.

The Tour is a gentle 50-mile bicycle course passing through the rolling hills and

wineries of the Livermore Valley. The ride is suitable for any level of rider. Entry fee is \$40. To register go to www.active.com.Forevent information email

Sgt. Rich Mongarro at SJPAAF@aol.com. Event Details: Saturday, September 2nd

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Agriculture Park Celebration for the Sunol Water Temple Agricultural Park on Sun., Sept. 10 from 4 to 6 p.m. Visitors will be able to meet the farmers and tour their 1 to 2 acre plots: People's Grocery, Mo Better Food, Baia Nicchia, Mien Farming Collaborative, and Swarm Catcher. There will be an opportunity to taste local tomatoes and melons, olive oil and cheeses, as well as local wines. Information will be provided on plans for resource conservation, public education and recreation at the site. Tickets in advance are \$25, \$35 at the door. To RSVP please go to www.sagecenter.org

Beginning Scottish Country Dance classes for adults, children, and families will start in September. Learn to dance lively jigs, start in September. Learn to dance lively jigs, driving reels, and elegant strathspeys to the traditional and contemporary folk music of Scotland. Cost is less than \$5 per session, first time free. Adult class meets Mondays, 7:00 to 8:30 PM, at Foresters Hall (second floor), 171 South J Street, Livermore, start-ing Sonthember 11. (Bildram) calles (new 7 to ing September 11. Children's class (ages 7 to 18) meets from 6:00 to 7:00 PM at the Livermore Area Performing Arts Center, 315 Wright Brothers Ave., starting September 10. Family Class for all ages meets Fridays 7:30-9:00pm, also at the Arts Center, beginning September 8. Please contact Sheena MacQueen (447-1833) or Michael Gregg (606-9392) for more information.

Cartridges For Kids, Help the Liver more High School Special Education Depart-ment earn cash by bringing these recyclable items to our school: empty laser cartridges, empty inkjet cartridges, used cell phones, laptops, PDA's, and iPods. Please send all donations to Linda Lamoureux, Room 6, LHS, 606-4812, ext. 2349, llamoureux@livermore.k12.ca.us. Thank you for supporting our students. New face in the Valley: Ruben and

Sharon Santana of San Rafael, are proud to announce the arrival of their twins born Wednesday, August 23, 2006 at Marin General Hospital, Greenbrae, C.A. Angelina Lynn was born at 10:47 PM weighing 4 lbs. 12 ozand 173/4 inches long. Alexander Luca was born three minutes later at 10:50 PM weighing 6 lbs. 1 oz. and 19 inches long. They also have a two year old son, Antonio. Proud grandparents are Joe and Brenda Barton of Livermore, and Melida Faugier of

Daly City. Valley Spokesmen Bicycle Touring Club, Sat., Sept. 2, 30 miles San Francisco adventure, meet 10 a.m. at the Ferry Building on the Embarcadero, John Rodriguez, 680-0256. Sun., Sept. 3, 60 miles Nicasio-Tomales-Pt. Reyes Station, meet 10 a.m. in Nicasio, Jim Duncan, 806-9467. Mon., Sept Nicasio, Jim Duncan, 806-9467. Mon., Sept. 4, 45 miles northern portion of Cinderella, meet 8 a.m. at Central Park in San Ramon, Susan Gibbs, 389-6279. Wed., Sept. 6, 30 miles Walnut Creek over Mt. Diablo Junc-tion, meet 10 a.m. at Alamo Plaza, Mike Matic, 943-7612. Club meeting Wed., Sept. 6, 7:30 p.m. Danville Congregational Church, 989 San Ramon Valley Blvd. Anyone Planning to go on a ride is acked to call the planning to go on a ride is asked to call the leader for details on where to meet and what to bring

Ohlone Audubon Society, club meet-7:30 p.m. Pleasanton Middle ing Sept. 5, 7:30 p.m. Pleasanton Middle School, 500 Case Avenue. Scott and Claudia Hein will present a program on The Sub-Antarctic Islands of New Zealand and Austra-Lia: a Spectacle of Seabirds. Information http://OhloneAudubon.org. American Legion Post 237, meets 7:30

p.m. second Tuesday of each month at Regalia House, 4133 Regalia, Pleasanton.. Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6298, meets 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at Regalia House, 4133 Regalia,

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers), meets starting Sept. 5 at Cedar Grove Community Church between 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Child care provided. Please contact Pam Brown, MOPS coordinator, at 455-9369 for information

Full Moon Walk, Fri., Sept. 8, John Muir National Historic Site saunter to top of Mt. Wanda. Reservations are required. Lim-ited to fist 60 participants. Free. Call the John Muir Site at 228-8860 for further information and reservations. 4202 Alhambra Ave., Martinez. Time and location of event given when reservations are made.

Stand Hand in Hand for Peace, holds ongoing peace gathering every Thursday at noon in Livermore at the downtown flagpole, First St. and Livermore Ave. Everyone

interested is invited to join the group and spend 20 minutes quietly focusing on peace, justice and respect for all. For more informa-

tion, go to www.stand-for-peace.org. A "History By Heather" downtown walking tour is scheduled for Friday, September 15, 9:00 a.m., beginning at the Museum On Main, 603 Main Street, Pleasanton. Tickets are \$10 per person, and reservations are recommended for the two-hour walks as each group is limited to 25 people. Heather Haugen Rizzoli, the museum's education director, will lead the tour that includes a historic look at the people, places and events of days gone by. Call (925) 462-2766 for reservations.

Valley Humane Society's "Picnic 4 Pets," will be held from noon to 4 p.m., on Sunday, September 24 at The Barn, 3131 Pacific Avenue, Livermore. A western-style picnic will be served followed by a fun and fast-paced "two-bit" auction. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under. Tickets are limited. Proceeds benefit Valley Humane Society and will be used for the care and comfort of the animals sheltered by the Valley Humane Society as they await adop-tion into loving homes. For tickets or additional information, contact Nickie Hoppe at (925) 846-4024.

Tri-Valley Conservancy Bar-B-Q Fundraiser to benefit TVC's Local Legacy Fund. Sunday September 17, 2006, from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm, at the home of Jim and Cheryl Perry in Livermore. Raffle includes unusual items such as a football signed by John Madden and a 3.0 liter of 2003 Charles Wetmore Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon signed by the Wente family. Bar-B-Q lickets are \$40 per person. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 12 for \$50 (you do not have to be present to win). To purchase tickets, call Barbara Graham at 097 440 670c 925-449-8706.

Book sale, by Friends of the Livermore Library on Sunday, September 3, 12:00 noon to 4 p.m. in front of the former Library at 1000 South Livermore Avenue. Fiction and nonfiction books, magazines and audio-visuals are sold at deep discounted prices and there will be a table of free books. From 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. shopping bag sale for \$ 2.00 a bag of books.

Amador Valley Quilt Guild will meet on Saturday, September 9, at 1:30 p.m. at the Pleasanton Middle School, 5001 Case Avenue, Pleasanton. Featured speaker will be quilt artist Melinda Bula. Melinda will talk about the humorous development of an artist. She will also present a fashion show which includes her award-winning designs and her Fabulous Fusible Flower quilts. On Sunday, Melinda will conduct a workshop to share her techniques. The guild is a non-profit educa-tional association for quilters of all skill levels. Anyone interested in quilting may attend. For further information about the guild or upcoming speakers, please visit our website, http://amadorvalleyquilters.org.

Friends of the Pleasanton Library on Friends of the Pleasanton Library on a fundraising "cruise," as the S.S. Goodtimes departs from the Palm Event Center in Pleasanton. Thurs., Sept. 21 start-ing at 7 p.m.. Dinner/dance, Mitchell Katz wines, free-flowing chocolate fountain. Swinging dance exhibition and lesson by dancers from the Carla and Kevin Dance Studio, music playad by the Jas Stain Ouin. Studio, music played by the Ira Stein Quintet, free casino action, and a hilarious afterdinner presentation by authors Josh Braff (The Unthinkable Thoughts of Jacob Green) and Ayelet Waldman (Love and Other Impos-sible Pursuits). Proceeds benefit the sible Pursuits). Proceeds benefit the Children's Department of the Pleasanton Public Library. Tickets are \$90 a person (adults only, please). Tables are available at \$1,000 (8 tickets provided and table re-served). Tickets are available at the Library or please send your check by September 7 to Friends of the Pleasanton Public Library 400 Old Bernal Ave. Pleasanton CA 94566 For more information please call Julie Farnsworth more information please call Julie Farnsworth, Director of the Library, at 925/931-3406, or Nancy Bering, President of the Friends of the Pleasanton Library, at 925/462-4368.

Yoga Class, sign up now for a Sunday evening Yoga class held in the community room at the Dublin Library. Call 556-4500 or go to www.DublinRecGuide.com for more information

James Tomasi, author of What Time *Tuesday*? will be sharing a story of hope for those who have challenging health conditions. Tomasi survived a nerve disorder so painful that it pushed him to the brink of suicide. He will share his journey from hopelessness to healing and how it may help you on September 11 at 6 p.m. at The Specific Chiropractic Center at 7950 Dublin Blvd. #103B, in Dublin (925)560-0700.

Patriots and Heroes Week (September

teams with a week-long tribute to Bay Area "Patriots and Heroes." Emergency response personnel and their families receive free admission to the USS Hornet from Septem ber 11 until September 17. Firefighters, police officers, Coast Guard personnel and other rescue personnel should present proper ID at the museum's ticket desk. For more information, call (510) 521-8448 or go to www.hornetevents.com.

Historic Rail Fair, Ardenwood Historic Farm, 34600 Ardenwood Blvd., Fremont, 510-796-0663, ardnwood@ebparks.org, 10am - 4pm, Sat -Mon., Sept. 2 -4. Steam locomotive, equipment displays, model rail-road layouts, handcar rides, a hobo camp and more. View an 1889 Porter Tank Engine . Ś8 adults 18-61yrs; \$6 senior 62+ yrs, \$5 4- 17; under 3 Free

Amdor Valley Garden Club, meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 7 p.m. at Alisal School, 1454 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton. The speaker will Bob Hornback from Luther Burbank Garden in Santa Rosa. The October 3 meeting will be at the same location at 7 p.m The program will be a question and answer session with a Member's panel. All are welcome. For more information call Marilyn at 462-1461

NAMI Tri-Valley, Parent Resource and Support Group. Starting Sept. 5, a monthly meeting for parents of children who are diagnosed with bipolar or other mood disorders 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Pathways To Wellness, 5674 Stoneridge Rd., Suite 116, Pleasanton For further information, please contact: Suzi Glorioso at (925) 443-1797, e mail: glorios4@comcast.net. Meetings will be every first Tuesday. The Parent Resource and Support Group is a committee within the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Tri-Valley affiliate. NAMI is a non-profit organization dedicated to advocating, educating and helping families and individuals affected by mental illness. The group is parent facilitated, informal and provides an open agenda discussion format at most meetings Child Care licensing orientation, Sept

5. The Licensing Orientation Meeting is the first step in becoming a licensed family child care provider and is open to all Alameda County residents. Those attending will re-ceive a certificate redeemable for an application packet and handouts with information regarding the licensing process. Child Care Links will also offer an overview of the services provided to potential providers. There will be a \$25 Community Care Licensing Orientation fee for all attendees. This fee applies to every person attending the orien tation. This includes, but is not limited to translators, drivers, family members and friends. Please bring a check or money orde for \$25.00 (no cash or credit card) made out to the California Department of Social Services. No preregistration is required. The orientation is 9 a.m. to noon at Child Care Links, 1020 Serpentine Lane, Suite 102 Pleasanton. Information, contact Pru Bartlett at 417-8733 or www.childcarelinks.org.

Tri-Valley Animal Rescue new volun teer orientation dates Sept. 9 and 24. East County Animal Shelter, 4595 Gleason Drive Dublin, 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Introduction to TVAR, shelter tour, hands-on work with animals

ValleyCare Auxiliary, Volunteers needed. Nine different areas of volunteer service available in both Pleasanton and Livermore. Floor service, information desks office, the library, gift and thrift shops. For more information, please call 734-3368. Pleasanton Reads: Adult volunteers are

needed for the Pleasanton Public Library's adult literacy program called "Pleasanton Reads." The next training dates are Monday September 11, from 7pm until 8:30pm in the Library's large meeting room, and Saturday, September 16, from 9:30 until 3:30. Train ing, materials and ongoing support are all free. Volunteers generally meet once per week to help another adult improve English language skills. Please call 931-3411 to sign up

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open to the public, features books, CDs and magazines for sale. For information, call (925) 447-2946. Sunset Community Church, 2200 Arroyo Rd., Livermore. Sunday worship service at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Derek Meekins. Nursery and children's church provided. A "Night of Worship" first Sunday of

each month at 6 p.m. Wednesday night program for all ages at 7 p.m. Information, call 447-6282 Touching the Sacred: Christian Practices of Meditation, Mondays at 7 p.m. from September 18-October 16 at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton. Explore several different practices of Christian Meditation. This free five-week course is an opportunity to remove obstacles that keep us from knowing, experiencing, and feeling closer to God. Meditation with Art & Soul, Meditation with Poetry, Meditation with Passages, Meditation with Spiritual Readings, and Meditation with Song. All are welcome, regardless of faith. Classes meet at St. Clomé Ferienceul Church 2250 Henward St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Rd. in Pleasanton on Mondays at 7 p.m. beginning September 18. The course is free. For information, call the church office at (925) 462-4802. Please call to sign up by Friday, Sept. 8; class may be cancelled if there is insufficient interest.

Power Up Rally, Fri., Sept. 8, 7 to 9 p.m. Discovery Church, 5860 Las Positas Rd., Livermore. Promise Keepers advance ekend ; rallies and men's ministry training help men in preparation for event Ŏct. 6 and 7 at the ARCO Arena in Sacramento. Event suitable for the entire family. All are wel-

Suitable for the entire family. All are welcome. Information, 449-5256. Psychology of Jesus - A Reflection on Salvation and Mental Health, Monday, Sept. 11, 7-8:30pm, No charge. Refreshments provided. CrossWinds Church, 6444 Sierra Court. Dublin for an encoming of discussion provided. CrossWinds Church, 6444 Sierra Court, Dublin for an evening of discussion and reflection with George Papageorge, Li-censed Marriage and Family Therapist. Con-tact: csiglin@crosswindschurch.org or Claudia at 925-560-3826, or visit www.crosswindschurch.org/workshops to register register.

Pleasanton Community Bible Study will begin its third year on September 14, with a 30 week study covering the books of 1st and 2nd Peter, Daniel, and Colossians. The class meets Thursdays at 9:30 am until 11:30 am on the campus of Pleasanton Presbyterian Church located at 4300 Mirador Drive Children's program and baby care available onsite. For information or registration re-quests email Pleasanton.cbs@gmail.com.



Rusniak. As well as a triple by Kayla Block Solid defensive plays were turned in by Rusniak and Megan Schoonmaker.

Livermore Smoke 14, San Lorenzo Lady Patriots 0: Madalyn Geyer threw a 3 inning no hitter striking out 4 walking just 1 and facing just 10 batters. Smoke offense was led by Selena Shang who had 2 hits and drove in 3 runs. Geyer and Ana Correa each drove in 2 runs as well. Kayla Smith played very solid defense at third base.

Semifinal game Smoke 14, San Lorenzo Lady Patriots 1: The smoke offense pounced on the Patriots early scoring 6 runs in the first inning. Selena Shang had 2 triples and 4 RBI's. Ana Correa tripled and also drove in 2 runs. Courtinie Fields and Cassie Campiotti each added a pair of singles and a RBİ.

Final game Smoke 10 Lamorinda Men-ace 1 Dharini Clare threw 4 innings of 2 hit balls allowing just 1 run. The Smoke offense was led by Selena Shang who had a double and a triple. Singles were also added by Renee Dobson, Kayla Block, Kayla Smith, Brandy Guillen and Ana Correa. The Smoke team played a tremendous weekend of softball outscoring their opponents 66-4 to take the Pepsi Challenge title. Livermore Smoke 10U Black went 5-

O and took first place in the Turlock Hot Shots Summer Madness Tournament. Livermore Smoke Black 13, Oakdale Valley Magic 3: Marina VanVliet had a great

day at the mound holding the opponents to only 3 runs in the first and shutting them down for the remaining innings. Marina omy s runs in the first and shutting them down for the remaining innings. Marina VanVliet came up with a huge hit to right center coming up with a double. Rachel Norman had 2 doubles and Alyssa Lanza had a triple. Kacy O'Conner had a double w 2-RBI's.

Livermore Smoke Black 15 - 0 McKayla Savedra came on strong for a great game shutting out the Crushers making this an offensive game with a standout hit to left center by Tabitha Heinz. Bianca Devoto, Heather Smith and Nicole Evans all came up

With doubles adding runs to this victory. Livermore Smoke Black 7, Oakdale Valley Magic 1: McKayla Saavedra had a solid performance on the mound giving up only one run in 4 innings. She had 9 strike outs. Rachel Norman, Alyssa Lanza, and Nicole Evans each scored twice and Marina VanVliet scored once. Evans had a double in the 3rd.

Livermore Smoke Black 14, California Livermore Smoke Black 14, California Crushers 0: Marina VanVliet pitched two innings and Ashley Weiler pitched one in this 3 inning game. Very solid pitching resulted in the Smoke pitching staff having to face only 9 batters all game. Offensively, it was a consistent solid performance with Smoke scoring 5 in the first, 5 in the second and 4 in the third. Norman and Saavedra went 2 for 2. Heather Smith hit a 2 PBI triple in the 2. Heather Smith hit a 2 RBI triple in the

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11-17). In observance of Patriot Day, the USS Hornet Museum honors emergency response

Local Jewish Community Plans Evening of Solidarity

and ongoing tension in the Middle East, the entire Jewish Community of the Tri-Valley Area will join together for an evening of solidarity with Israel on Thursday, August 31 at 7:30pm at Hart Middle School in Pleasanton.

Pacific Northwest Region, David Akov, will be featured as the guest speaker. He will provide an update on the current situation in Israel.

"As we approach the holiest days of our year, it is all the more important that we keep Israel in our thoughts and prayers, wishing safety and peace for all of her people," says Rabbi Richard Winer, spiritual leader and Rabbi of Congregation Beth Emek in Pleasanton.

The community wide gather-

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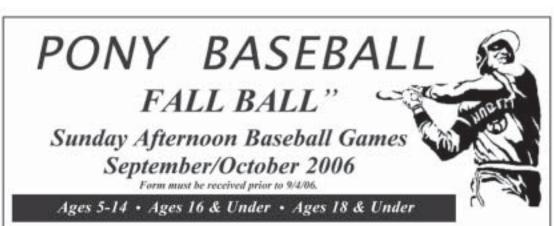
ing is sponsored by the Jewish Community Federation of the Greater East Bay. "We are bringing people together to learn more about the situation, to hear from our rabbinic leaders, and just to be together at a time fraught with concern," explains Valerie Jonas, the Federation's regional director.

The program is set to include words of inspiration, prayer, and song. "Our acts of kindness in the Tri-Valley can affect a change. A little light of goodness dispels a room full of darkness, "says Rabbi Raleigh Resnick, director of Chabad of the Tri-Valley.

For further information call the Jewish Community Federation at 925-943-5238.



www.ValleyEyeCareCenter.com



SUN., SEPT. 10th Pony Baseball will hold player evaluations to drafting its "Fall Ball 2006" teams. Coaches from the 2006 spring teams will evaluate all players including newcomers to the PONY program. ALL PLAYERS are placed on teams. WE ARE LOOKING FOR TEAM MANAGERS & COACHES IN ALL DIVISIONS !!

By FRI., SEPT. 15th players from all levels will be placed on teams & receive a call from their coach to get their uniform shirts & hats.

SUN., SEPT. 17th games will begin. Games will be played each Sunday through & including. October 22nd. Most game times start after 11AM.

On the final day a family BBQ will be held & sign up forms will be available for the 2007 spring season.

All players and coaches receive a Pony Baseball "Shirt & Hat". Players supply their own "grey" pants. Total number of participants is subject to field availability. Form must be received by mail prior to 9/4/06 or delivered to All Star Sports at 3037 Hopyard Road. Number of players and teams may be limited due to field availability.

> Pony Baseball PO Box 1043, Pleasanton, CA 94566 * 925-600-PONY Register Online at www.pleasantonpony.com

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SHORT NOTES

Yard Sale and Raffle

The United Christian Church (1886 College Ave., at "M" Street) will host a Yard Sale and Raffle on Sat., Sept. 2 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Proceeds of this sale will go half to the Tri-Valley Ha-ven, and half to the church's front door fund, so that the original doors can be returned to Congregation Beth Emek.

United Christian Church's ministry is located in the heart of Livermore at 1886 College Avenue, at the corner of M Street, 449-6820. Other services of the church include: "Loaves of Love" food delivery to 20 homes every week, AA meetings on Mondays at 7 pm, all ages' Sunday School, seasonal programs & classes, founding member of Open Heart Kitchen and Interfaith

Housing. Tri-Valley Haven in Livermore has provided shelter and counseling for battered women and their children since 1977. The group provides counseling, a 24-hour crisis phone line and the region's only rape crisis center. It also operates Sojourner House (a shelter for homeless families), a restraining order clinic, a food pantry for needy families, and community education and violence prevention programs. (See www.trivalleyhaven.org)

United Christian Church's current front door dates from the formation of Congregation Beth Emek, from whom UCC purchased the building in 2003. UCC has long promised the return of the specially-etched glass front doors to Beth Emek, and hopes to purchase new doors this year and present the Beth Emek doors to their congregation. Beth Emek is now located in Pleasanton at 3400 Nevada St.

California History Talk

Vladimir Guerrero, author of The Anza Trail: And the Settling of California, will be at the Pleasanton Public Library Sun., Sept. 10. The program begins at 2 p.m. In 1774, as the American colonies

were preparing to break away from the British crown, Spain was trying to strengthen its hold on Alta California. The Spanish viceroy of Mexico sent Juan Bautista de Anza to lead two expeditions: the first to find a safe overland route to Monterey, and the second to return Anza to California with 240 men, women and children to establish a settlement in San Francisco.

Vladimir Guerrero, a life-long student of the language, literature and history of Spain, holds a Ph.D. in medieval Spanish from the University of California, Davis. He has taught Spanish language and literature at UC Davis, the University of Oslo (Norway) and Michigan State University. His publications include academic articles on medieval literature as well as short fiction and Mission to Monterey: the Californios of 1776, a full length history book.

All library programs are free and open to the public. No registration is required. Towne Center Books will sell The Anza Trail at the program. For

OBITUARIES

Julie Anne St. Clair

Julie Anne St. Clair (Ineichen) died August 22, 2006 in San Ramon following a short battle with cancer. She was 52.

The native of Michigan had lived in San Ramon for 12 years. She was an avid health enthusiast, always putting others before herself. She was a loving wife, mother stenmother and friend

book pre-sale information, call 846-8826. For more information, call Penny Johnson, 931-3405.

Book Signing

Livermore Heritage Guild mem-bers will be present to sign copies of the new book "Images of America: Early Livermore

The book signing will be held on Sun., Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Keith's Collectibles in the Olde Towne Antiques Mall, 3440 Stanley Blvd., Pleasanton.

In this its fourth book, the Liver-more Heritage Guild compiles hundreds of vintage images, taken from both public and private collections.

"The Livermore Heritage Guild hopes this publication will heighten awareness of the contributions that Livermore and its people have made to California history. In these busy times we sometimes forget the contribution that individuals and families have made to make our city and the Tri-Valley what it is today.

Halloween Activities

The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District has plannned a series of events for Halloween

• Haunted Barn is back! This great event is recommended for ages 10 years and up. It will be held in the Barn, 3131 Pacific Ave, Livermore. This event is run by LARPD's teen pro-grams. Thrills, Skills & Screams. Cost is \$5 per person. It will be open Thurs., Oct. 26 hours 7-10 pm, Fri. & Sat. Oct. 27 & 28 hours 7-11 pm, Sun. & Mon. Oct. 29 & 30 hours 7-10 pm and Tues. Oct. 31 hours 7-11 pm.

• A New Halloween Carnival will be held at the Robert Livermore Community Center in the gym on Sat. Oct. 28 from 1-4 pm. Come join the fun with an air jump, Monster Cupcake Walk, Ghostly Basketball, Mysterious Musical Chairs, Spooky Bean Bag Toss, Costume Parade, Haunted Maze, Minipumpkin Patch and more! This event is for ages 2-8 yrs. Cost is \$5 per child and parents are free.

For more information, call 925-373-5700 or visit www.larpd.dst.ca.us

Welcome Picnic

A "Welcome Picnic" for families who are registered for or would like to join the 2006-2007 Tri-Valley YMCA Adventure Y-Guides and Adventure Y-Princesses program will be held from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday, September 24, at the Amador Valley Community Park, 4301 Black Avenue in Pleasanton. There is no charge and reservations are not necessary

The entire family is invited to at-tend the "Welcome Picnic" to learn more about the programs, meet other parents and children, talk with Nation Chiefs, play family games and enjoy refreshments.

The Tri-Valley YMCA Adventure Guides and Princesses programs are open to Tri-Valley dads and their sons and daughters in pre-kindergarten

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through 5th grade in Livermore, Pleasanton and Dublin. Program cost for each child is \$100

year and a \$35 membership fee. per Signups for the Y-Guides and Y-Princesses programs began on August 1. To sign up, call (925) 475-6108. Signups will also be taken at the Tri-Valley YMCA's booth at the Downtown Pleasanton 1st Wednesday Street

Party on September 6. Y-Guides and Y-Princesses small groups will begin meeting in members homes in October and the first campout is also in October.

Upcoming 2006-2007 programs include a campout in October, broomball hockey tournament in November, holiday parade in December, Pinewood Derby races in January, fa-ther-daughter dance in February, community service projects in March, Healthy Kids Day in April, Loma Mar camping in May and a rocket launch in June

Hats Off America

A Hats Off America Red T-Shirt 10K Run/5K Walk will be held beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 9 at the Sycamore Valley Park, 2101 Holbrook Drive, Danville, rain or shine.

Entry fee is \$35 per person. All runners and volunteers will receive a red t-shirt plus a barbecue lunch after the run. Volunteers are needed as spotters and to pass out water. There is no entry fee for volunteers.

Run with Sparky George, the Bear Flag Runner, to raise awareness and money for the Hats Off America (HOA) nonprofit organization. HOA raises money for families of soldiers who have died in Afghanistan and Iraq. The run is another way that Hats Off America lets the families know that they and their loved ones will not be forgotten.

For information or to register or volunteer, contact Sparky George at (925)855-1950 thebearflagrunner@yahoo.com Visit www.hatsoffamerica.us. The site includes links to other organizations that support our troops. Hats Off America is a nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization.

Resident Advances

Tian-Ling Qian, a Pleasanton resident, has advanced to area coordinator as an independent distributor for Market America, a product brokerage and Internet marketing company. Qian became eligible for the coor-

dinator level after developing two sales and distribution organizations, in addi-tion to selling an established amount of product which produced a first commission check

Previously qualified as a distribu-Qian has been an independent distributor for Market America since January 6, 2006, and remains committed to reaching higher levels within the system.

Learn Orienteering

Orienteering Introduction will be the topic of a program to be presented by the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District ranger staff on Sat., Sept.

Meet Park Aide Glen Florey at 10 a.m. at Sycamore Grove Park.

Come to Sycamore Grove this Saturday and learn the basics of navigation using a compass and map. Partici-pants will start by learning how to orient themselves using only a compass and map, and then test their skills on a compass course through the park. Learn how people got around in the age before GPS! Wear good hiking shoes, and bring water.

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

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take an idea for a painting through the sketching, color mapping and other steps to a completed painting.

Each class is a 6-week course, meeting for 3 hours on Mondays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Livermore Adult Education School, 1401 Almond Avenue in Livermore.

Registration is open now by calling Livermore Adult Education at 925-606-4722; drop by the school at 1401 Almond Avenue in Livermore; go online http:// to

www.livermoreadulted.org. Smith is a member of the Livermore Art Assocation, Pleasanton Art League and the Alamo Danville Artists Society.

Naval Academy

Midshipman 4th Class Juliet Dias, the daughter of Cliff and Patrick Dias of Livermore has recently com-pleted six weeks of Plebe Summer at the U.S. Naval

is a 2006 gradu-

Plebe Summer begins four years of preparation for commissioning as Navy or Marine Corps officers. The new midshipmen learn basic skills in seamanship, navigation, infantry drill, shooting pistols and rifles, and sailing. The physical conditioning program includes calisthenics, running, pullups, sit-ups, and swimming. Plebes also receive instruction and

indoctrination of the Brigade of Midshipmen's honor concept.

History Walk

The "History By Heather" downtown walking tour will be held on Friday, September 15, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Museum On Main, 603 Main Street, Pleasanton. Tickets are \$10 per person and reservations are recommended for the two-hour walk, as the group is limited to 25 people. Call (925) 462-2766.

Heather Haugen Rizzoli, the museum's education director, will lead the tour that includes a historic look at the people, places and events of days gone by.

During the school year, Rizzoli gives local history lectures about the Ohlone, Mexican and Spanish eras and early Pleasanton to public and private grade-school students; conducts tours at the museum and downtown for seniors and special groups, and presents a monthly speaker's series for museum volunteers and docents.

Shot Clinic

Axis Community Health offers drop-in immunization clinics for lowincome and uninsured families. Summer clinics will be held from 9:00-11:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 9. All immunization clinics are held at Axis' Pleasanton location only, 4361 Railroad Avenue.

The clinics are open to all Tri-Valley families who are low income or uninsured. Families enrolled in Medi-Cal and Medi-Cal Managed Care programs are also eligible. Parents are required to bring their children's immunization records and any information they may have about family income and medical insurance, including Medi-Cal. There is a charge for some immunizations.

Immunizations for children are also provided during regular weekday clinic hours at the Pleasanton and Livermore locations by appointment at (925) 462-

Police to Crack Down on Safety Belt Violators

The Livermore Police Department will conduct an aggressive enforcement through the month of September to crack down on safety belt violators in an effort to reduce injuries and fatalities.

"Safety belts clearly save lives. Unfortunately too many folks still need a tough reminder, so we are going to be out in force buck-ling down on those who are not buckled up," said Officer Traci Rebiejo. "Unless you want to risk a ticket, or worse - your life, you need to remember to 'Click It or Ticket' even on the shortest of trips.'

In a press release, the Livermore Police Department points out that nearly one in five Americans (or 18 percent nationally) still fail to regularly wear their safety belts when driving or riding in a motor vehicle. That is according to a new report from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Among those least likely to buckle up: young males, pickup truck drivers and their passengers, people who live in rural areas and night-time drivers.

In California, the percentage of drivers and passengers observed not wearing their safety belts is 8 percent. Failure to regularly wear a safety belt can be deadly. According to NHTSA, 31,693 passenger vehicle occupants died in traffic crashes during 2004. Fifty five percent of those killed were not wearing their safety belts at the time of the crash.

The fine for a first time violation is \$87. The fine is \$183.00 for any sequential violations.

For more information, please contact Officer Traci Rebiejo (925) 371-4858

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency.

Septemberfest Ends **First Wednesday Parties**

"Septemberfest," sponsored by the Pleasanton Downtown Association, closes the summer season. The event will be held from 6-9 p.m. on Wednesday, September 6, in the historic downtown. There is no admission fee.

The special Wednesday "Farmers Market" will be open on Main Street between Abbie and Old Bernal.

Dance under the stars to the music of Public Eye in the beer and wine garden located in the Round Table Pizza parking lot. Pabst Blue Ribbon, Trumer Pils and local micro-brewed beers will be available for purchase, as well as wines poured by members of the Livermore Valley Winegrowers Association.

Main Street will be closed from St. John Street to Old Bernal Avenue from 5 to 10 p.m. There will be plenty of off-Main Street parking available.

For information regarding 1st Wednesdays, please contact event coordinator Nickie Hoppe at the Pleasanton Downtown Association (925) 484-2199, ext. 4# or visit our website at www.pleasantondowntown.net.

Celebrity Waiters to Take Tips to Benefit Schools

Thirty-two Tri-Valley real estate company owners, managers, and affiliates will be putting on embroidered aprons and serving their invited guests on Fri., Sept. 8 at Castlewood Country Club. An award will be given at the end of the evening for the "celebrity waiter" who collects the most tips from their guests during the evening

Brad Kinney of Brad Kinney Productions will be the Master of Ceremonies. Last year's event raised \$40,000 for the Pleasanton, Dublin, and Livermore schools.

"This is a fun-filled evening of Realtors and their affiliates giving back to the three school districts," stated Rosie Yandell and Donna McMillion, Co-Chairs of the event.

"At last year's event, some of the celebrity waiters took away their guests' silverware. If they wanted to have it back in order to eat their meal, they had to tip generously! Or they offered to organize their guest's office, or wash their car."

Some of the real estate offices who are participating are:

Alain Pinel, Prudential California Realty, Realty Experts, Keller Williams, Prudential Realty Ruby Hills, Coldwell Banker, Lennox Real Estate, UCB, Realty World Estates, Re/Max Accord, Livermore Valley Brokers, Summit Property Group, Valley Properties, and Stocking Realty.

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ate of Livermore High School.

She is survived by her husband Thomas St. Clair, a son, Michael St. Clair, parents Beniamin and Dolores Frey, stepdaughters, Tracy and Brittany; her sisters Kathy Frey, Karen Smith, Trisha Ferguson and Lisa Wetzel.

A memorial service was held August 26 in Pleasanton.

Please sign the guestbook at www.grahamhitchmortuary.com.

Paul Rocha

Paul Alexander Ribeiro Rocha died August 25, 2006 in Pleasanton. He was 40.

The native of the Azores was a long time Pleasanton resident. He was a realtor in marketing and sales. He was a member of CAR/ DRE. His hobbies included boating, sun bathing, beach combing, relaxing, playing canasta, eating and vacationing.

He is survived by his wife Janny Rocha of Pleasanton, a son Alexander Tiger Rocha of Pleasanton, his parents, Valdemar and Ivonia Rocha of Fremont, a brother and his wife, John and Cynthia Rocha of Pleasanton, sisters and their husbands Mena Rocha Rico and Joseph Rico of Pleasanton and Luisa Azevedo and John Alberto Azevedo of Fremont. He is also survived by nine nieces and nephews.

Mass was celebrated August 30 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Pleasanton. Burial was

with his Mother. They became Naturalized Citizens in 1940. He graduated from Polytech High School in S.F. where he met his beloved wife, Helen. They were married in 1932, over 69 years. Eric retired in 1979. He was a Journeyman Electrician/Sheet metal worker making neon signs for 34 years. Eric became a Master Mason in 1966 at the Lodi Masonic Lodge.

In 1980 he was Candidate Coach in the Fremont Masonic Lodge. In 1984 while a member at the Livermore Masonic Lodge he was presented with the Hiram Award for his dedicated Service. Eric was a Volunteer at the Livermore Friendship Center for senior citizens.

Eric and Helen lived in Livermore for several years. Eric and Helen had four children. Donna Fontes, Doris Wernli, Rick P. Dunn and Roberta Klemm. They had 10 Grandchildren, 14 Great Grandchildren, one Great, Great and grandson. Eric lived in the Masonic Home, Union City for more than 4 years. On Valentine's Day he met his Lady Friend Ada Swallow and fell in love.

A Memorial Service will be held at the Masonic Home by Eric's Grandson, Rick Dunn.

Donations in Eric's honor can be made to Dogs for the Deaf, San Francisco SPCA.

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Acrylic Painting Classes

Registration is now open for two acrylic classes taught by local artist Linda Smith through Livermore Adult Education. Smith will teach two 6week classes.

The first, "Beginning Acrylic Paint-ing" (Sept. 11-Oct. 16) is designed to introduce the beginning acrylic painter to the versatile and colorful world of acrylic paints. Students will learn basic techniques for painting with acrylics through practical application. The sec-ond, "Intermediate Acrylic Painting" (Oct. 23-Dec. 4) is designed for students wishing to continue with acrylic painting. Students will learn how to

Author to Speak Author James Tomasi will be sharing his story of hope for those who have challenging health conditions. Tomasi survived a nerve disorder so painful that it pushed him to the brink of suicide. He will share his journey and a fresh outlook on health on September 11 at 6 p.m. at The Specific Chiroprac-tic Center at 7950 Dublin Blvd. #103B,

Tomasi, author of *Feed the Tiger*, Whose Deal Is It? and Feed the Jungle: The Vietnam Saga, will speak about his latest work, What Time Tuesday?, an inspirational account about a debilitating condition known as Trigeminal Neuralgia.

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Some of the real estate affiliates who are participating are: Tri-Valley Bank, Contra Costa Times, Fremont Bank, Residen-

tial Pacific Mortgage, Metrocities Mortgage, Commonwealth Land and Title, Fidelity National Title Company, Pleasanton Mortgage, Chicago Title, First Horizon Home Loans.

For information about the "Realtors Getting Real About Schools" event, contact Donna McMillion, 846-7442, or Rosie Yandell, 519-4729.



Livermore Valley Charter School (LVCS) is a State Board of Education approved, and a WASC accredited public school in Livermore. The school currently serves 737 students in K-7, and has nearly 400 students on the waiting list. LVCS will expand to K-8 in Fall 2007. LVCS is a public school that does not charge a fee or tuition to attend.

LVCS is presently seeking board members to serve on its' Board of Directors. The candidates must be committed to the concept of a 'Charter School', and have excellent communication skills. We are particularly interested in candidates with skills in the following areas: education, finance, legal, facilities, health and welfare. He/ she should be available to attend two board meetings per month, as well as various LVCS school functions.

This is a great opportunity to influence and improve the quality of education in the Tri-Valley area by helping LVCS continue to position itself as a model for public school excellence. If you are interested in applying for this volunteer position, please email LVCS at info@lvcs.org or call (925) 443-1690.

For more information on the Livermore Valley Charter School visit www.lvcs.org or call 925.443.1690

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Show Features Poets **Responding to Art**

Poets, artists and winemakers have teamed up to present a new type of art exhibit, an Ekphrasis, for the months of September and October.

The Ekphrasis, a centuries-old tradition, will be the focus at Big White House Winery and el Sol Winery in Livermore. An Ekphrasis is a poem written about another form of art. This other form of art is most often a painting. The Ekphrasis can work in several different ways. One way is for the words of the poem to explain or analyze what is happening in the painting. Another way is for the poem to derive a meaning from the paint-ing and go from there. Either way, there is a visual basis to the Ekphrasis that is enhanced by the things that only a mind can see.

In this exhibit, the works of 15 artists will be hung in early September. Selected poets will have a month to view the works and write their responses to the art. The poetry will be hung in early October.

The public is also invited to write their poetic responses in the guest book, participation is invited from experienced to ama-teur poets, to those just getting

started picking up the pen. The exhibition was envi-sioned and spearheaded by Livermore Poet Laureate Connie Post, with help from local artist Linda Ryan. Joining them in organizing the visual artists and exhibition space is Big White House/el Sol arts exhibition organizer and artist, Diana Marion.

The art will go on display on September 2.

A visual arts reception will be

Three-time Grammy nominee

This will be the first of 12

Taylor Dayne will open the City of Pleasanton Civic Arts Presents'

2006 season on Saturday, Sep-

shows by an array of professional

artists at the Amador Theater,

1155 Santa Rita Road, on the Amador Valley High School

campus, in Pleasanton. Civic Arts is a program of the City of Pleas-anton Department of Parks and

Taylor Dayne's popularity among vocal music lovers has

earned her double platinum al-

bums, two sold-out world tours

and three Grammy nominations.

Her versatile voice has gained

recognition in multiple genres from pop, dance and rock to adult

contemporary. Having grown up

in New York where she was sur-

rounded by music, she says, "As

tember 23, at 8 p.m.

Community Services.

Taylor Dayne Opens New

Civic Arts Presents Season

held September 9, from 1-4:30, to allow poets and the public to form their own responses to the varied exhibition, which ranges from mixed media collage to oils

to traditional egg tempera. The Poetic Ekphrasis recep-tion, featuring the poets' responses, will be held Saturday, October 7, from 1-4:30, with a Sneak Preview from 5:30-7:30 the evening before.

The exhibit will close Oct. 29.

Visual artists participating are John Besham, Katie Caulk, Elaine Drew, Trish Fenton, Bettie Goosman, Angela Johal, Diana Marion, Carolyn Ramsey, Erika Riechert, Lisa Rigge, Ron Rigge, Linda Ryan, Nancy Saltzman, Lynne Šhephard, Catherine Small, Barbara Stanton, Nova Starling, Linda Tacy, Norma Webb, and Claudia Willis.

Participating poets are Suzanne Bruce, Robert Eastwood, Liz Fortini, Joan Garcia, Kimi Julian, Ronna Leon, Arlene Mandell, Martha Meltzer, Connie Post, Sandy Stillwell, Caroline Sanchez, Sherry Sheehan, Robert Shelby, Kimberly White, and Marnelle White.

Light refreshments will be served. Winetasting will be available. Glasses and bottles of wine will be available for purchase.

The tasting room, 6800 Greenville Road, Livermore, is open weekends from noon to 4:30 p.m.

The event was made possible with the help of the City of Livermore, Big White House and el Sol Winery, and Way Up Art & Frame

ART & ENTERTAINMENT

Pops concert, Pops at the Zoo, Livermore-Amador Symphony. Fri., Oct. 13 and Sat., Oct. 14, at the Barn, 3131 Pacific Ave., Livermore. Doors open 7 p.m., concert at 8 p.m. Cos-tumes appreciated in keeping with the theme. Reservations available starting Sept. 7 at \$20 for reserved seating. 447-4924 (only between 8

a.m. and 8 p.m.).
Book signing, Livermore Heritage Guild members will sign copies of the new book "Images of America: Early Livermore," on Sun., Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Keith's Collectibles in the Olde Towne An-tiquee Mall 2440. Stenley, Pluve Collectibles in the Olde Towne An-tiques Mall, 3440 Stanley Blvd., Pleasanton. The book, available for purchase at Keith's, compiles hun-dreds of vintage images, taken from both public and private collections. **Art Show:** A new series of paintings by Livermore artist Angela Johal will be on dignlay at Art Space Art 8. by Livermore artist Angela Johai will be on display at ArtlSpace Art & Craft Gallery, 133 S. Livermore Avenue from Friday, September 8 through October 6. A reception will be held on Friday September 8, from 4 to 7-pm, with the artist in atten-dance. Art!Space's regular hours are Wed. through Sat. 10 to 7; 12-5 Sunday; Mon. & Tue. by appoint-ment. ment.

Blues on the Patio: September 7, fea-tures Gary Tackett and Full Moon Rude plus special guests Fiery Blues, R & B, Rock and Country Guitar featuring slide and acoustic parts in the show Special Guest: Tony Lind-say (former lead vocalist for Santana and 11 timeGrammy winner!), John Burr on keys (Keyboardist for blues greats Jimmie Witherspoon, Robben Ford, Allyson Brown), Randy Hayes on drums (Drummer for Coco Montoya), Bassist Tim Allen. 5:30pm-9:30pm Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main Street, Pleasanton. No Cover.

- 1st Saturday at Alexander's, Sep-tember 2nd Art Show featuring the Abstract Art of MaryClair Strotler and M. Barta Atkins. Open Septem-ber 2-17. Alexander's Main Street Gallery 610 Main Street, Pleasanton. Gallery 610 Main Street, Pleasanton. Artist Reception Saturday, Septem-ber 2, from 4 to 7 pm Refreshments. Free admission. 610 Main Street in Pleasanton. The Gallery is open Monday-Friday 10 to 6, Saturday 10 to 5, and Sunday noon to 4 pm. For information contact the Gallery at (925) 846-6015
- (925) 846-6015.
 Bridging the Jazz Gap, 6th Annual East Bay Traditional Jazz Festival. Sat., Sept. 30, 10:45 .am. to 7 p.m. Swiss Park, 5911 Mowry Ave., Newark. Supports youth scholarships, worth programs and promotes the program. youth programs and promotes the continuance of New Orleans style music. Devil Mountain JB, Jazzinators, Mission Gold JB, Natu-ral Gas JB, San Francisco Feetwarmers and youth bands. Vin-

Portuguese Performer to Appear

Garré Winery will present Ramana Vieira, called the "New Voice of Portuguese World Music" on Friday, September 1st for "An Evening in Portugal," part of Garré Winery's "Wine and Dine Around the World" Summer Concert series.

Vieira will be singing songs from her Latin Grammy Nominated CD entitled "Despi AAlma" (undress my soul), as well as compilations from her recent performance at the Winter Olympics Award Ceremony. Her voice and her songs are a blend of original compositions and traditional Portugese Fado's. It is the fado that Ramana has come to repretage costume contest, scholarship raffle, cakewalks. Tickets \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, 510-657-0243. Make checks payable to East Bay Traditional Jazz Society, 5562 Paseo Navarro, Pleasanton, CA 94566.



Quilt by Carolyn Ramsey.

Watercolors and Quilts by Carolyn Ramsey will be featured at the Wente Estate Winery, 5565 Tesla Road, Livermore from September 1-30. Ramsey is an award winning artist who has received honors for both her watercolor scenes and for her art quilts. A reception to meet the artist will be at the Winery on Sept. 10 from 1 pm to 3 pm. The public is invited. For more information call 447-0590. Valley Concert Chorale will hold au-ditions by appointment on Sept. 11, 18 and 25 in Livermore for experienced singers interested in singing. There will be an open rehearsal on September 18. The open rehearsal provides an opportunity to experi-ence singing with the chorus prior to scheduling an audition. The Chorale is looking for singers who enjoy performing a wide range of music from classical to contemporary, from from classical to contemporary, from folk to jazz. If you have sight reading skills and enjoy singing exciting and challenging music, call 925-462-4205 to schedule an appointment. **History Lecture Series**, presented by Livermore Heritage Guild, Sept. 13, features Tom Bramell, retired from the Livermore Fire Department, who

- the Livermore Fire Department, who will talk on the history of the fire department, 7:30 p.m. Livermore Library, 1188 So. Livermore Av-enue. \$2 suggested donation.
- **Chabot College** in Hayward fall drama program: Chabot College Alumni Theater group performance of Glengarry Glen Ross runs on Friday, September 1 and Saturday, Septem-ber 2 at the Chabot College Little

written and performed by Chabot College Theater Arts student Robert Strom. The show begins at 8:00 p.m. at the Chabot College Little Theater, and tickets are \$10 at the door. For more information about the upcomnote indication about the upcoming performances, please contact Rachel LePell at (510) 723-6830.
Our Town, Pleasanton Playhouse Studio Theatre, 1048 Serpentine Lane, Suite 309, Pleasanton. Sept. 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24, 29, 30; Oct. 1, 6, 7, 8
This winner of the Pultrar Prize by This winner of the Pulitzer Prize, by Thornton Wilder, is perennially one of the most popular selections for high school productions, was re-ceived in 2002 on Broadway starring Paul Newman. Tickets 462-2121 or at www.pleasantonplayhouse.com Jazz at the Ridge, Poppy Ridge Golf Course, 4280 Greenville Road, Livermore. Every Thursday 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Smooth jazz from Two Guys. Information, 456-8215 or

Theater. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

Saturday, September 9, is An Evening

with Vincent Price, an original play

Information, 450-8215 or info@poppyridgegolf.com. **Pleasanton Heritage Festival**, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., September 23 & 24, 2006. Includes 200 high quality art and crafts, historical displays, vintage craft demonstrations, entertainment, havitage oreft course great food and heritage craft corner, great food and beverages. Free admission. Main Street, Downtown Pleasanton. Hosted by the Pleasanton Downtown Asso-ciation, (925) 484-2199 or www.mlaproductions.com.

Annual concert, Saturday, September 16, 7:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Avenue, Livermore. Annual concert co-sponsored by Alameda County East Branch of the Music Teachers' Association of California and Asbury. MTAC Young Artists Guild member Shirley Hu of Palo Alto will perform Bach, Beethoven, Liszt, Tchaikovsky and Prokofiev. No charge for admis-sion; refreshments served. Further information (925) 443-2514. WINERIES

Comedy Night, Elliston Vineyards. Fri., Sept. 15, 6:30 to 10 p.m. Food, wine and laughter. S65 per person plus gratuity and tax. S57.00++ for Club 200 members! Price includes a buffet dinner from 6:30-7:30pm with the draw gravity at 74 ferm. the show opening at 7:45pm. Bev-erages will be available for purchase at the event. Tickets Available by calling (925) 862-2377. For more information go to www.elliston.com. Travel Around the World Summer Concert Series, Garré Winery, 7986 Tesla Road, Livermore. Includes 4course dinner menu to match the theme of the evening, live music. Sept. 8: The Italian Scallion with Live Guitar. Sept. 15: Turkish Delight with Twos Guys Jazz Duo. Sept. 22: Mississippi Delta Blues with T Lane & The Nitehawks. Sept. 29: Central American Fusion with Twos Guys Jazz Duo. Each event per person

New Art & Craft **Gallery Opens** In Livermore

Art!Space, a new art and craft gallery in downtown Livermore, will open for business on Saturday September 2.

Located at 133 S. Livermore Avenue, Art!Space offers unique and one-of-a-kind handcrafted items, home furnishings, cards, and jewelry made by more than 75 artists in the United States.

Local area artists are also represented, and will include paintings by Angela Johal, photogra-

price is \$34.95. Reservations required. Seatings from 6-8pm; music until 9pm. Outdoor seating avail-able. 925-371-8200,

garre@garrewinery.com. Music on Fridays, Trio at Stony Ridge Restaurant, located at the Stony Ridge/ Crooked Vine featuring live music every Friday night thru October, weather permitting. Appetizers, dinner entree, wine, beer and sangria menu offered. No cover charge. Check at www.trioatstonyridge.com for featured entertainment or call 925-449-0660.

Retzlaff Vineyards, full moon dinner on Sept. 23, 6 p.m. Dine under the stars. Dance to the music of "Second Nature," sip handcrafted wines. \$80 per person. Reservations required. 447-8941. Winery at 1356 So. Liv-

ermore Ave., Livermore. Concerts at Wente Vineyards: Sept. 5: Sara Evans; Sept. 6: The Doobie Brothers; Sept. 7: Heart: Sept. 10: Jazz at the Vineyards: Rick Braun & Brian Culbertson & Mindi. Concert guests can choose either a four-course dinner in the award-winning The Restaurant at Wente Vineyards, followed by reserved, stage-front seating, or a buffet-style dinner at tables of ten on the lawn. For more information visit www.wentevineyards.com or call (925) 456-2424. To purchase tickets visit www.ticketmaster.com. Playin' on the Patio at Tesla Vintners

every Friday and Saturday continues through October (weather permitthrough October (weather permit-ting) from 6-9 pm. Wines from Fenes-tra, Little Valley, Red Skye, Thomas Coyne, and The Singing Winemaker available for tasting. Caterer, Cassandra's is now offering dinner specials along with the finger foods every Friday and Saturday night. Music is a mixture of local talent Wusic is a mixture of local talent, including the Singing Winemaker. Plenty of room for kids to run free and play. Sept. 1: Mud Daddy; Sept. 2: Roger Kardinal (Dinner Special Pork Loin). Tesla Vintners, 5143 Tesla Rd., Livermore. 925-606-WINE(9463). Tinema at Wente Vinewards Tues

Cinema at Wente Vineyards, Tues., Sept. 19, features "Roman Holiday," the film that made Audrey Hepburn a star. Hepburn played a European princess on an official tour through Rome. Frustrated by her lack of connection to the real world, she slips away from her protective handlers and goes on a spree, aided by a tough-guy news reporter (Gregory Peck). No coincidence: she won an Oscar, and so did veteran costume designer Edith Head. Pre-show dinner and movie fare at The Reel Classics Café followed by a screening of Roman Holiday. The feature (1953 not Holiday. The feature (1953 not rated, 118 minutes) is preceded by a 5-minute Independent Film Short. Dinner at 6:30 p.m., Movie at 8:30 p.m. Suggested donation: S9 Adult, \$5 Children. The Event Center at Waste Vienevade, 5050 Avroys Wente Vineyards, 5050 Arroyo Road, Livermore. For reservations and tickets call 925-456-2400 or online at www.ticketmaster.com.

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This fall, she will appear in Fox Television's new series, Celebrity Duets, which premiered on August 29. Tickets to the Taylor Dayne

performance are \$25, \$30 and

\$35. They may be purchased

www.civicartstickets.org until

1:00 a.m. the day of the perfor-mance. Beginning September 11, 2006, they may be charged by phone at (925) 931-3444, or pur-

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complished and renowned fado singer; bringing a new generation to enjoy this beautiful music with a long history.

Locally, Ramana has had numerous sold-out performances at Lusa café in Walnut Creek and interviewed on Radio Station KKIQ with Radio Host John Mannuel Dias. On behalf of the annual wine festival she has traveled to Madeira, Portugal to perform for her parent's homeland. According to her audience in Portugal she has brought the house down and now receives rave reviews with her perfor-

mances. For more information about this event or for reservations. please call Garré Winery at 925-371-8200.

an artist I feel I can step into any thing because I've been influ-enced by everything."

After performing with a number of bands and playing the club scene, Dayne went solo. In 1987, she recorded her first hit, Tell It To My Heart. The following year, she changed her name to Taylor Dayne and released her first album, which contained four top ten singles, Tell It To My Heart, Prove Your Love, I'll Always Love You, and Don't Rush Me. It sold over two million copies

Four Artists Featured in Exhibit

A group art show entitled "The Four C" will be showing September 5 - 29 at the Lindsay Dirkx Brown Gallery.

Participating artists are Charlotte Britton, Carolyn Lord, Carol Maddox, and Clair Schroeven Verbiest.

The opening reception will be

held Sunday, September 10, 3-5 pm. Refreshments will be served.

The artists will be present. The gallery is located in the San Ramon Community Center, 12501 Alcosta Boulevard San Ramon. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00. There is no fee to attend exhibition or reception.

Double Indemnity Opens Classic Film Series at Pleasanton Library

Las Positas College and Pleasanton Public Library present "Heroes and Villains: A Classic Film Series.

Candy Klaschus, film historian and Coordinator of the Humanities Program at Las Positas College, will present an entertaining talk before each film is shown.

Films will be shown in the Pleasanton Library's meeting room every first Thursday evening of the month at 7pm from September 2006 through June 2007.

The program begins on September 7th with the film noir classic Double Indemnity, starring Fred MacMurray, Barbara Stanwyck and Edward G. Robinson, directed by Billy Wilder.

Upcoming films include The Best Years of Our Lives on October 5th, All About Eve on November 2nd, and Strangers on a Train in December 7th. A complete schedule of the films is available from the Pleasanton Public Library.

There is no charge for the movie series. Everyone is welcome to attend. No registration required. (Note that some films are mature in content and may not be suitable for children.)

For more information, contact Penny Johnson at 925/931-3405.



sent her Portuguese roots. As flamenco is from Spain, fado is equivalent to American "blues." The origin of fado was the result of a confluence of cultures, being related with Brazil and Portuguese colonies in Af-rica and slavery. Vieira is an ac-

Solo Show Opens in Pleasanton

Local artist and President of the Pleasanton Art League, Pat Smith, will have a solo show of her work - En Plein Air and original watercolors of the Valley -September 2 - 15, at Washington Mutual Bank, 561 Main Street in downtown Pleasanton.

The public is invited to view her work during regular bank business hours.

The Pleasanton Art League (PAL) will display members' work as part of the Tri Valley Woodcarvers Show and Sale. The Tri Valley Woodcarvers Show and Sale is set for Saturday and Sunday, September 23 and 24, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. in Pleasanton. PAL members' work will be exhibited in the Senior Center lobby.

Country Music Program at Library

Author Gerald Haslam, accompanied by a duo from the swinging Saddle Cats, will present Workin' Man Blues: Country Music in California this Sun., Sept. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Pleasanton Public Library.

California has been fertile ground for country music since the 1920s, nurturing a multitude of talents from Gene Autry to Glen Campbell, Rose Maddox to Barbara Mandrell, Buck Owens to Merle Haggard.

In this affectionate homage to California's place in country music's history, Gerald Haslam surveys the Golden State's contributions to what is today the most popular music in America, while Richard Chon of The Saddle Cats fame plays the music.

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ARTS ALIVE

The City of Livermore is working on a cultural arts plan. The plan is about the kind of Livermore you would like to live in, the kind of artistic and cultural activities you would like to have available to you. We invite you to provide your input. Please visit the City's website at www.ci.livermore.ca.us/artsALIVE to take the opinion survey.

The input you provide will be used to develop a plan that meets the needs of the community. Get involved.

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The survey is only available through September 8th.





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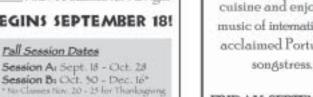
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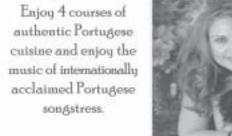
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/s/:David Louie

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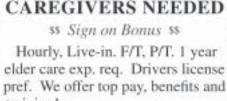
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Solar Power, 'Free' Parking Among Pleasanton School District's Additions

Pleasanton school district officials were busy with construction projects over the past year and into the summer, with a variety of jobs completed or significantly progressed.

Staff gave school trustees at their meeting Aug. 22 a slide tour of completed work, and also showed projects underway. Standouts were installation of solar panels at Walnut Grove School and construction of free parking ramp at Amador Valley High School at no cost to the district. Both projects were finished this month.

The two-level parking ramp near the southern edge of the Amador campus will accommodate 338 cars, a boost of 114 stalls over the parking lot that it displaces. The nearby Valley Community Church paid for the construction, after working out a mutual agreement that permits the church to use the facility during non-school hours.

The solar panels at Walnut Grove school, completed this month, were funded by a \$20,000 grant from PG&E. They will generate 10 kilowatts, and have the effect of a discount on the district's power bill.

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April was an addition to Amador's food service. The Snack Shack was replaced by the Amador Cafe. A new speed line facility was installed. Lighting and a new concrete courtyard were added. Total project cost was \$1.4 million.

At Lydiksen Elementarv School, work has been completed on modernizing classrooms and offices. Five buildings have been now modernized. Later, 35 staff parking places were added, bringing the total project cost to \$4. 6 million.

Science classrooms were added to Pleasanton Middle School and were occupied last fall. Cost was \$1.1 million. Valley View Elementary School had two classrooms added during the

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in the Livermore School District.

fall, at a cost of \$886,000.

Looking ahead to major projects underway, Foothill High School will get its own cafe by January. There will be modifications to the food service there, including a new food line. A temporary food line has been set up for this fall. Total cost for the facilities, including a shade struc-ture, will be \$1.2 million. Foothill will also add 3600 square feet to Building J for two new science classrooms at a cost of about \$2 million.

Amador's home economics facility will be modernized, a project valued at \$1.2 million. Occupancy is projected for January. The high school will be adding 4560 square feet in an addi-tion to Building D to generate

healthy and one the family will

enjoy. The parents come in and

cook the meal and then take it

search have found that the audi-

ence the district is trying to reach

with the wellness program is very

busy. "You have to make it worth

their while to come. The best way

sulted in a close look at such cus-

toms as cupcakes in the class-

room to celebrate a birthday, sell-

ing candy to raise money, and

school lunches. Desserts cannot

contain more than 150 calories.

make any judgement as to what

would be appropriate food. The

district supports celebrations.

However, we may need to look at

what we are using as a focal point

of a celebration. There is a need

to rethink how students raise

money, as well. Lee said one class

Lee said she didn't want to

The new regulations have re-

to learn is to actually do it."

Lee said that surveys and re-

home.



Photo - Doug Jorgensen Solar panels at Walnut Grove mimic the action of the sunflowers. as they track the sun throughout the day.

three new science classrooms at School will receive new air conditioning and heating by November, at a cost of \$525,000.

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a cost of \$2.5 million.

sold emergency kits as a fundraiser. The Wellness Committee is in the process of putting together a list of alternatives to raise funds for classrooms.

As for school lunches the emphasis is not so much on prohibiting foods or identifying food as good or bad, rather the push is to consume more fruit and vegetables. For example, on Tuesday, Lee said students had a choice of strawberries, watermelon and cantaloupe for fresh fruit. Garden salads and baby carrots were also available. "We have been very encouraged that the students are selecting the fruits and vegetables. That tells us they are ready for some of these changes," said Lee.

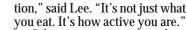
The district may take old favorite and use more whole grains, less fat and cheese in the recipe to make them more healthy.

"It's really all about modera-



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Other programs are in their infancy. Lee said there were not enough details to discuss them. However, partnerships are a key way to move forward. One program last year was a partnership with the City of Livermore. The city obtained a grant that provided dental care for students.

At Tuesday's school board meeting, President Julie Orvis said of the wellness policy, "We don't want it to be business as usual in the district.



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Along the way, parents, staff and community members are becoming involved, opening the way for families to become more

healthy. A Wellness Committee has been established in the district. The committee stems from changes in the law. Food choices is one aspect of a healthy lifestyle, exercise another.

Barbara Lee, director of food services at the school district, noted that the wellness program is just in the beginning stages. It will take some time and education to implement it. The district is partnering with parents, students, staff and the community on programs. "We want to support, encourage and engage students in making healthy lifestyle choices.

One step has been taken with the awarding of a small healthy cooking grant to the district. The district will collaborate with Kaiser Permanente and the Pacific Coast Farmers Market in offering cooking classes for parents and possibly students.

The idea is to equip parents and possibly children with some basic knowledge, to be able to change out various ingredients to make a recipe more healthy, said Lee.

Parents will work directly with a chef to learn what minor changes could be made to a favorite recipe that would make it