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Livermore Enrollment Could Drop by 15% by 2014

By Patricia Koning
Enrollment in the Livermore Valley
Joint Unified School District is flat this year. Over the next eight years enroll-

ment is projected to drop by about 15% or approximately 1,900 students.
"Declining enrollment is always a concern," says Superintendent Brenda Miller. "We will carefully consider the fiscal impact of our enrollment projections in all decisions.

As of day 14 of the current school year, there were 13,384 students enrolled in the District, about 200 students less than was projected last March. District staff used an Average Daily Attendance (ADA) of 12,913 when creating the current year budget. Based on the day 14 enrollment, the ADA has been adjusted to 12,764.

The fiscal impact of the enrollment decline is softened by the fact that the District is allowed to use the prior year actual Period 2 ADA of 12,891 when calculating its revenue limit. As a result, the difference between the projected and actual ADA that will be used for the 2006/07 school year is 22 students, or approximately \$122,000.

The District is still projected to end the school year with more than \$5.5 million after meeting the reserve requirement. The trustees are considering adding up to \$1.6 million of one-time expenses and \$732,000 of ongoing expenses to the budget.

The bigger issue is the long-term enrollment picture. By the year 2014, to-

tal enrollment in the District could drop by 1,920 students to 11,464. This may be due to the rising home prices in Livermore, which are no longer affordable to many families.

"The trend we're seeing is big homes and not a whole lot of kids," says Facil-ity Planner Mike Adell. "The city is changing, in that medium-sized singlefamily units are not the majority of new construction. Most new development is high-density townhouse/condo types that typically don't have very high student generation rates.'

The sharpest decrease will come at the high school level. Enrollment in grades 9-12 will hit a high of 4,739 next year as the end of the "bubble" reaches ninth grade. By the 2013/14 school year, high school enrollment will be down to 3,602. If the potential impact of the Catholic and Charter High Schools are factored in, that number drops to 3,357 students, a total decline of 1,382 students or thirty percent.

"My recommendation is that, based on the projected enrollment, we won't need a third comprehensive high school," says Miller. "A smaller career technical high school or center would better serve our student population.'

Miller envisions that with a technical high school or center, students would take their core coursework at a comprehensive high school. They would then complete their education at the career technical high school in a specific field, such as media/communication or culi-

"We'll look at what jobs will be available over the next 10 to 20 years to plan the curriculum," she says.

Middle school enrollment hit a high of 3,328 students in the 2004/05 school year. The current year enrollment in grades six through eight is 3,055. That number is expected to drop by 711 students to 2,344 by the 2013/14 school year (23%). Miller says it is too soon to consider if the decline in middle school enrollment will mean closing any schools.

"Decreasing enrollment doesn't necessarily mean school closures," says Adell. "With freed up classrooms from decreasing enrollments, each school

(See ENROLLMENT, page 4)

Council Can Call **For Moment** Of Silence

The Pleasanton City Council may or may not have a moment of silence at the beginning of its meetings to remember troops who have died or are serving throughout the world.

It will depend on which councilmember is in charge of opening remarks. The opening remarks portion of the meeting among rotates councilmembers.

There was no formal vote taken. The discussion concerning the moment of silence took place during matters initiated.

Audience member Fred Norman had requested the moment of silence in lieu of a discussion. Norman noted that it would require no staff reports and would not cost the city anything. "Sixty seconds of introspection, could be a lifetime for the troops," he said referring to the fact that 40 Americans had been killed since the last council meet-

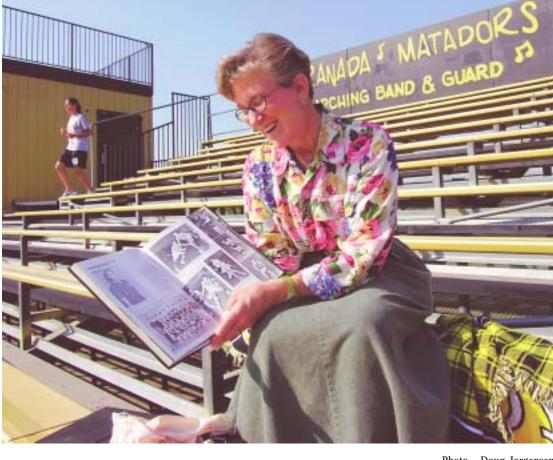
Councilmember Sullivan had again raised the issue of hosting a discussion of the Iraq war. "It goes to the essence of democracy and how we practice it. We can hold an open, participatory discussion or not. If we don't, that is restrictive and ultimately oppressive. This (the council chambers) is the people's

house. Councilmember Brozosky said the council chambers was not an appropriate place to hold such a discussion. "We have no influence over the war. If we have more time we should focus on the general plan and dealing with traffic.'

Councilmember Jerry Thorne said the council could have the moment of silence out of respect for fallen troops.

Cindy McGovern said the moment could also be a prayer for those serving. "I can see this as an inclusive thing. We have to have respect for all.

Brozosky wondered whether (See MOMENT, page 4)



Jacquie Williams-Courtright looks through the Granada High School year book from her graduation year. She is planning a reunion for the first graduating class. For the story, see

Councilmember, Pleasanton Mayor Square Off on Novemember Ballot

There are two candidates for Pleasanton Mayor, incumbent Jennifer Hosterman and Councilmember Steve Brozosky.

The Independent interviewed each. Among the issues discussed were affordable housing and traffic, as well as how the current council functions. Each was also asked what issue or issues he or she thinks are important.

The interviews are in alphabetical order.

STEVE BROZOSKY has served on the council for four years. If he were not elected mayor, he would no longer be on the council.

Brozosky replied when asked why he is running for mayor, "I

know I have the leadership skills to be mayor. I am the only candidate who has real executive business and leadership experience." He said his experience in managing a high tech company is a lot like being on the council. Among the things he has learned, he said is that you have to treat people with a certain

amount of respect. He believes the current council is dysfunctional, because of what he sees as the lack of leadership. Brozosky would like to more teamwork, councilmembers who are not there for themselves. "If we work together, we will work smarter. We can have strong arguments on issues. Once the vote has been

taken, we have to move on, not hold grudges.

He added that he has worked for managers who take credit for everything. That result is zero productivity. "The mayor should empower other members of the council. We are all one-fifth of

"It starts at the top with leadership. The mayor has one vote. At the same time, the mayor also has to work with staff and the council to get things done," he declared.

Brozosky feels that elected officials should focus on city issues, if they want to get things done in a timely manner. In addition, they shouldn't be involved (See MAYOR, page 6)

Critics Say Airport FBO Will Increase Jet Noise

Irate residents of Livermore's west side are ready to confront the city council again over what they say is an airport plan that will greatly increase jet plane

However, the airport's general manager, Leander Hauri, said that the latest draft recommendation for the airport's future will not necessarily result in any more jet noise or traffic. It's true that there would be more hangar facilities that could accommodate small and medium private jets, just as they can take care of propeller planes.

However, such jets already are using the airport in the daytime. They are flown to Stockton for nighttime basing, then return to Livermore in the morning. Being able to stay overnight in Livermore will reduce take-offs and landings, said Hauri.

Further, the trend is toward smaller jets, which will fit in the hangars. They are very quiet, according to Hauri. Some are quieter than single-engine propeller planes, Hauri said.

Much of the small jet traffic comes from executives who fly into the Valley to meet with their employees. Hacienda Business Park in Pleasanton and Chevron park in San Ramon are the biggest corporate headquarters areas in the Tri-Valley, said Hauri.

Critic Wendy Weathers said that Livermore is providing the airport. However, the executives stay in hotels in the west Valley and spend dinner and recreation money there.

Hauri challenged that statement. He said that an informal survey of limousine drivers showed that Livermore is the number two destination, led only by Pleasanton. Dublin was third, and San Ramon was fourth.

The critics' view is that having more facilities for jets will simply attract more jet traffic. If you build the facilities, they will come, said Weathers and another west side resident, Max Curtis.

The critics turned out more than 1000 people at a city council meeting in January 2005 to protest the draft master plan for the airport. They are distributing fliers this week, aiming to turn out perhaps that many on Oct. 9, when the city council has tentatively scheduled discussion of the new proposal, said Curtis.

The FBO includes the potential for 30-passenger charter aircraft flights, as well as planes

bringing in freight.
At the meeting in 2005, the council voted to suspend the draft master plan. The council called for more study to address the residents' concerns, espe-(See AIRPORT, page 4)

Valley Remains On Bullet Train List

The Valley will remain on the list of potential destinations for the California bullet train.

The state panel that will make recommendations about the route gave its unanimous vote to keeping a bullet train track through the Altamont as one of its alternatives. The panel met with area representatives Sept. 19 at Livermore city hall.

The implication is that Livermore or Pleasanton will be designated as a passenger stop for

the bullet train, said Mike Tassano, Pleasanton staff member who serves on a regional technical committee about the bullet train and the overall future rail plan for the area. Since the train is an express, the state wants a minimum number of stops, so that the overall speed will not be compromised, said Tassano.

The bullet trains can reach speeds of 225 mph in the countryside, where tracks are fenced (See TRAIN, page 5)

Livermore Youth Commission Wants to Revive Rock Dances

The lights have been out since August 5 on Livermore's formerly lively rock music scene. The Livermore Youth Commission hopes to turn them back on.

Meeting last week, the commission set in motion plans to create an alternative youth arts center. It would provide a venue for poetry slams, painting and the whole gamut of arts, as well as rock dances/concerts.

The plan calls for the center to be an all-youth affair, with young people overseeing the operation from maintenance and administration to the scheduling of programs — "for the kids, by the kids," said Kate Lanto, Youth Commission chairperson.

Lanto and her fellow commissioners in the coming weeks will be organizing a presentation on the issue to the City Council. They hope to appear before the council in November.

They've already begun looking at sites. Lanto mentioned the old main library, which has been sitting empty for a couple of years, as one possibility.

In the meantime, Lanto and her helpers are working on ob-(See DANCES, page 3)

UC, Bechtel Team Up for Lab Bid

The University of California Board of Regents' endorsed the recommendation of the Committee on Oversight of the Department of Energy Laboratories that the university compete for the management and operations of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

The final bid for the contract, due Oct. 12, will be submitted by a team led by UC and Bechtel National.

UC has managed the Lab dur-

ing its 54 years of existence. The current management contract expires Sept. 30, 2007.

Acting on the recommendation of UC President Robert C. Dynes, the Oversight Committee voted to authorize the university, acting through regents' chairman Gerald L. Parsky, to take actions necessary to submit a proposal to the Department of Energy in response to the July 14 request for proposals.

At their July meeting, the re-

gents appointed national security and nuclear weapons expert George H. Miller as team leader for the competition. Should the UC-Bechtel led proposal win the new contract, Miller would continue in his role as director of the

As required by the request for proposals (RFP), UC and Bechtel will form a separate corporate entity to act as prime contractor to manage the laboratory.

UC and Bechtel created a simi-(See LAB BID, page 4)

Livermore Will Celebrate the Arts in October

October has officially been declare "Celebration of Arts Month" in Livermore.

Last week the city council issued a proclamation declaring the celebration. The council also approved an expenditure of \$30,000 for the city to participate in the Art Takes Place project.

In selecting October as a time to celebrate the arts, the council noted, "October is a very active month for the cultural arts in Livermore. Events include ArtWalk, the Art Banner Auction, the California Independent Film Festival, the Livermore Valley Opera fall show, Del Valle Fine Arts performances, the Livermore-Amador Symphony Pops Concert, the library's Teen Independent Film Festival, events hosted by the Poet Laureate, and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory's Got Science event."

The proclamation noted, "Livermore continues to be a leader in supporting and welcoming cultural arts to the community.'

Art Takes Place is a regional public art project organized by the Dublin Fine Arts Foundation. Under the program, various public art projects will be developed and displayed in the cities of Livermore, Pleasanton and Dublin at the same

time. In junction with the public art, each city would have various activities for residents over the span of a year.

At the end of the year, a book is to be published documenting the activities.

Art events in Livermore during tober:

Valley Dance Theatre, gala perand fund-raising, "Bring-

formance and fund-raising, "Bringing Art to Life," Saturday, October 7 starting at 5 p.m. Veterans Memorial Building, 522 South L Street, Livermore. Hors d'oeuvres and select wines. VDT's Company members will be performing several works from the company's repertoire, such as varia-tions from La Bayadère, Pas De Quatre, Le Corsaire and Don Quixote. Show-

(See THE ARTS, page 3)

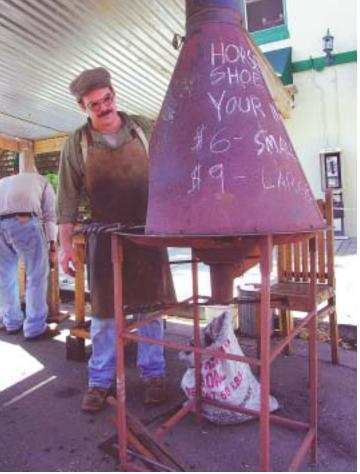


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Blacksmith Scott Thomas was among those demonstrating traditional crafts during the Pleasanton Heritage Days celebration last weekend. There was entertainment, crafts, food and fun for all ages.

Do You Remember?



By Anne Homan

Old Vines and a Yellow Brick House

On Friday last week the Zinfandel grapes in the Raboli vineyard on Mines Road near Tesla Road were harvested. These vines are not trellised but head trained. They are dry-farmed. They are considered "old vines," perhaps the oldest in the Livermore Valley. They were planted before Prohibition, almost 90 years ago. All pruning and harvesting and other field work must be done by hand, because the gnarled vines are brittle.

Their yield is slightly less than one ton per acre, in contrast to a normal yield of 5 to 7 tons, but their deep bluish-purple grapes produce juice with an exceptional concentration. W. Blake Gray wrote in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, "When it's good, old wine Zinfandel is the best possible way to taste the history and land of

The 1998, 2001, and 2002 Murrieta's Well Zinfandels, made from the fruit of the Raboli vineyard, are available from the winery's library at the tasting room on Mines Road. Old vine Zinfandel is a complex wine with nuances, unlike the more straightforward product of modern vines, which typically are replaced after they are 20 to

Professor Carole Meredith of UC Davis used DNA testing in 2001 to show that the California Zinfandel grape is genetically the same as a wild Croatian grape. It was first imported into the eastern United States in 1820. Not even Charles Sullivan, author of the definitive book Zinfandel in 2003, was able to discover where the name "Zin-

Carlo "Charles" Raboli and his younger brother, Pascuale "Peter," emigrated from Lombardy, Italy to Pleasanton. For a while they worked in the Remillard Brick Yard. By 1891 they had established a saloon in downtown Livermore, and in 1907 they bought the two-story building at First and South L Streets, today the Yin Yin Restaurant. They ran their saloon on the first floor. Much later, they sold

the building to the Chin family.

Charles returned to Italy in 1900 to escort his future bride, Adelaide Garatti, and Peter's wife, Maria, and daughter, Francesca, to Livermore. After the marriage of Charles and Adelaide, the brothers started a winery in a shed at the back of property they had bought on Second Street. They purchased grapes from Cresta Blanca, Ravenswood, and other local vineyards. Once or twice a week, Pete Raboli would journey by wagon to deliver wine to the miners at Tesla.

In 1910 the Rabolis tore down an old blacksmith shop and erected a brick building at the northwest corner of Second and South L Streets to expand their winery business. The red brick exterior was covered later with stucco. The C&P Raboli Winery had the capacity to produce 90,000 gallons a year. The Rabolis bought a vineyard in Pleasanton and began processing their own grapes as well. Their burgundy, sauterne, and claret were shipped mostly in bulk and sold all over the Bay Area.

In 1919 just before Prohibition began, they bought the vineyard on Mines Road. Perhaps at first they shipped grapes east by train for the home winemaking market. But in the 1920 census, the brothers were listed as retail merchants of soft drinks. By the 1930 census, they had become ranchers.

After the repeal of Prohibition in 1933, the Raboli winery started up again under the guidance of Peter's son, Lionel "Leno" Raboli. According to his cousin Bob McGlinchey, "Leno ramrodded the whole thing." When Leno was drafted into World War II, the family stopped bottling and has since then sold its grapes to other wineries. The winery building was leased by Knodt's Flowers from 1947 until the business recently moved to Alden Lane Nursery.

Alfred Sachau recalled musical events when his sister Ella played the piano and his brother-in-law Harold Brown sang. "Sometimes, they would harmonize with the Raboli brothers. Oh, how those boys could sing!'

In 1901 the Rabolis bought the little Queen Anne style wood frame house next to the winery, now the home of Livermore Downtown Inc. In1917 the brothers had a San Francisco architect design a

Livermore does not have a yellow brick road, but it does have the Raboli's yellow brick house on Second Street across from the Wells Fargo Bank. Charles's daughter Virginia said, "I suppose the house is in the style of an Italian villa, but it isn't elaborate." Stained glass windows with green and amber grapes flank the living room fireplace. The yellow bricks were the product of the local Livermore Brick Yard.

The two brothers and their wives and their combined nine children lived in the house together. "We lived like one big family. Our parents never took a side with us children. When one of us was scolded, we were all scolded!" Bob McGlinchey remembers festive occasions like Christmas or Easter when 15 to 20 people gathered around the table—aunts, uncles, cousins.

Peter and Maria celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in January 1944 with a party at the yellow house. Charles died in 1936, Peter 10 years later.

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Work Begins to Return Steelhead Run to Creek

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) began demolishing the more than 100-year old Niles and Sunol Dams on Alameda Creek in order to restore creek flows and native habitat for threatened Steelhead. The Niles and Sunol Dams are the largest dams ever removed for fish restoration in Bay Area history.

SFPUC General Manager Susan Leal and Alameda Creek Alliance Director Jeff Miller also formally signed an agreement that included more than a dozen other local, state and federal water, regulatory and natural resources agencies to jointly study improved creek flows necessary to restore Steelhead runs.

The agreement includes

\$240,000 in creek studies. This is an historic day for the SFPUC and all those who care

about restoring Steelhead to Alameda Creek," Leal declared. Removing the two dams restores Alameda Creek flow and removes long time barriers to

upstream passage of the central California Coast Steelhead, a

federally listed threatened spe-

"With the removal of these dams and signing this month of a cooperative agreement among 17 agencies and organizations to conduct stream flow and fish habitat studies, the restoration of Alameda Creek's native fisheries is well underway," said Miller.

The cost to remove the dams is \$1.4 million.



Work got underway last week to remove two dams in an effort to return fish to Alameda Creek. The project represents the largest dams ever removed for fish restoration in Bay Area history.

Open Heart Kitchen Benefits from CROP Walk

Open Heart Kitchen has been named a beneficiary of the Tri-Valley CROP Hunger Walk planned for October 15, 2006 in Pleasanton.

The Tri-Valley CROP Hunger Walk is part of the national "Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty" (CROP) organization which focuses on raising awareness and funds for international relief and development, as well as local hunger issues. The five-mile walk starts at 1 pm at 4444 Black Avenue, and winds its way through Pleasan-

ton. Last year, walkers raised \$6,000; Open Heart Kitchen was awarded \$1,200. Anyone interested in learn-

ing more about this event, is asked to pleasee contact Pattie Tanner, CROP Walk Coordinator at 925-485-5454 or email pdgtanner@sbcglobal.net. To

Amador and Foothill On List Of Blue Ribbon Schools

Amador Valley and Foothill high schools in Pleasanton were announced as 2006 No Child Left Behind (NCLB)-Blue Ribbon Schools last week by U.S. Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings.

Amador Valley and Foothill are two of thirty-one public and four private schools in the state of California so designated. NCLB-Blue Ribbon Schools is a national recognition program sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education. The 23-vearold program encourages states to nominate public kindergarten through grade twelve schools that are either academically superior or demonstrate dramatic gains in student achievement. Private schools are nominated by

the Council on American Public Education. The winners will be honored November 9-10 at a ceremony in Washington, D.C.

The schools were nominated last November by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell for the federal recognition program. This was followed by a rigorous application process where the weight of the criteria rested overwhelmingly on growth and achievement in reading and mathematics over three years, including those for

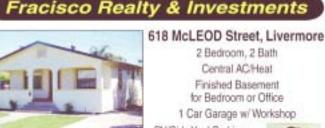
significant subgroups.
Amador Valley High is a 9-12 comprehensive high school with approximately 2,540 students. The school was named a Blue Ribbon School previously in 2002. Principal Bill Coupe cites the school's motto, "Working together . . . to make a difference," as symbolizing the outstanding work done by students, staff, and families over the past few years that contributed to receiving this

distinction. Kevin Johnson, principal of Foothill High, says, "Receiving this national honor is something of which we are very proud. At Foothill, we emphasize a commitment to continuous improvement, and receiving the Blue Ribbon recognition honors this commitment." Foothill High is a comprehensive high school with approximately 2,325 students in grades 9-12. This is the first time that the Falcons have received this honor.

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Granada's First Grads Plan Reunion

Granada High School's first graduating class is holding its 40-year reunion on the weekend

of Oct. 13-14. Jacquie Williams-Courtright, owner of Alden Lane Nursery in Livermore, is spearheading the event. "The committee and I are in the middle of searching for every graduate we can find," said Williams-Courtright. "We've always thought we were a very special class, because we were the first group to graduate from Granada High, and we were at the top of the social totem pole from the time the school opened in January of 1964 when we were sophomores.

The committee is also inviting any Granada High faculty from that era along with the Livermore High School Class of 1966 and Granada High School graduates from 1967-1969.

We were rivals at the time, either within our own school for class bragging rights or competing with our big sister school for community bragging rights, since our class had started high school at Livermore High as freshmen. Now, though, we are friends who have a wonderful set of shared experiences to look back on and revel in," Williams-Courtright said.

The current Granada High faculty is also invited.

Members of the historic Class of 1966 and other invited guests can get in touch with Williams-Courtright by calling Alden Lane nursery at 925-447-0280 or emailing her _Jacquie@aldenlane.com_

"The Granada Class of '66 chose the school colors, picked the mascot, wrote the school song and started all the tradi-

tions," she remembered. Class of '66 Sports Queen (what a Homecoming Queen is called when there are no alumni) Sandy Bowman Hastings also remembers having to stand on her knees to have her skirt length checked by the Dean of Girls and never, ever being allowed to wear slacks to class or other official school events. "I never understood why a skirt in the bleachers was such a great idea," she

Granada High School's colors remain black and gold, the teams still call themselves the Matadors. Friday nights in the fall are reserved for football. The Oct. 13 game is the reunion weekend's first activity.

'We will have a BBQ hot dog reception on the new patio at the south side of the field before we go cheer on the team," Williams-Courtright said. The grill will fire up at 5:30 p.m. and kickoff is at 7 p.m. The event is free to all

reunion attendees, who will have their own section in the stands and are encouraged to wear black and gold.

Williams-Courtright is visiting Granada, Spain this month and hopes to come home with an authentic matador hat to wear

A more elaborate BBQ dinner catered by class member Marge Holdener Bright and her husband will take place at 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 14 at Alden Lane Nursery, 981 Alden Lane in Livermore. The menu will include tri-tip, chicken, and a variety of side dishes, desserts, and beverages. Revelers will dance to 1960s themed music from the band Vocal Ease.

Tickets are \$40 per-person and can be obtained by calling Alden Lane Nursery at 925-447 0280. Dress is smart-casual.



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VALLEY ROUNDUP

Livermore Police are hopeful that the death of a six year old will help save other children and individuals in the future.

The child was in a "high back" booster seat in the back of an automobile, but was not properly restrained. She was wearing the lap portion of the seat belt and had been observed placing the shoulder belt over head and behind the booster seat prior to the collision. According to the police, the shoulder belt was still behind the booster seat after the collision. "It is the opinion of the investigation team members that this could have been a survivable collision if the child had been properly restrained in her booster seat.

The accident occurred on Sept. 9 on Vineyard Avenue west of Vallecitos Road. Jonah Ordona of Tracy was driving eastbound. She failed to negotiate a curve and the vehicle left the roadway. The passenger side of the car struck a power pole killing the child. The child's mother was also a passenger in the vehicle.

Officer Morgan has discussed the above findings with the driver and the parents of the deceased child. It was agreed that providing information that will remind the driving public that all occupants must be restrained properly. "It is our sincere hope that a similar tragedy can be prevented from occurring in the future.

Livermore Airport Meeting

Residents are planning a meeting to go over standards for a fixed base operator at the Liver-

The session will provide information about the city's proposed standards, which they declare will create a "jet port."

The meeting is set for 7 to 9 p.m. today, Thurs., Sept. 28 at Trinity Baptist Church on Olivina Street in Livermore.

School Board Endorses Buck

All five current school board trustees for the Pleasanton Unified School District have endorsed Jill Buck's bid for State Assembly. Steve Pulido, Pat Kernan, Juanita Haugen, Kris Weaver, and Jim Ott have worked with Buck for many years, and have seen her education advocacy in

"I truly believe that we need people like Jill in Sacramento. It is time for change and ethics in government. Jill has my total support and endorsement," says school board President, Steve Pulido, a lifelong resident of Alameda County and registered Democrat.

Former PUSD school board President, Gloria Fredette, has endorsed Buck.

According to the Livermore Police Department, since August 1 there has been a significant

The methods used in the burglaries are very similar in nature. In most cases, entry has been forced and via the backyard. The majority of the items stolen have been small electronics, laptop

of some of the burglaries. The truck is believed to be involved. It is described as bright blue, full size American made with a standard cab and standard bed. The suspect is believed to be a white male 16 to 20 years of age. He has short brown hair, is approximately 5'1-" to 6 feet tall and has a thin build and a youthful appearance.

and windows when not at home. Residents are also encouraged to report any suspicious persons or vehicles seen in residential neighborhoods. Those interested in a home safety survey may contact the police department's crime prevention unit at 931-5233.

Anyone with information regarding any of the burglaries is urged to contact the police department and/or Detective Aaron Fountain, 931-

down." What followed was a once-in-lifetime experience for one Livermore couple. Richard and Delphine Perry

He heard his name and that

familiar invitation, "come on

were part of a group of 21 who took a bus tour to Los Angeles. That trip proved to be very profitable for the couple. They have come home as big winners after Richard appeared on the Price Is Right television show.

One stop on the tour was the taping of the popular game show. Richard said it took two years for the tour group to obtain tickets to see the Price Is Right. "That shows how popular it is.

How did it feel when he heard that familiar, "come on down," Richard replied, "I felt weird, excited. I don't know how I got up there. I don't remember.

For those not familiar with the program, there are four contestants who bid on a prize for the right to play one of the games. Richard's bid of \$800 was right on the nose. For that he won both the prize and an additional \$500

Come on Down

His game was to guess the price of two products with the aim at winning two keys that could then be used to unlock prize packages. Again he was right on, winning two keys. "Bob Barker (the host) took me over to where there were three locks. The first key I tried didn't open anything. The second key opened the first box. Bob told me there was one key that opened all three prizes. He suggested I go to the box with the car and try that lock. I did. It opened," explained Richard.

He won a chafing dish, a violin, and a new car.

Richard also won the spin-off, edging out another competitor by spinning 85 cents on the big wheel to her 80 cents. In the showcase showdown at the end of the program he passed on the first package, which included a jet ski, trailer, trip to Tahiti and a year's supply of pizza. "What was I going to do with a year's supply of pizza?" he asked.

His wife, Delphine, noted, that her husband doesn't like

To make the story short, he was closer to his bid package with a \$7000 difference than his competitor, who was \$10,000 off. He won a dining room set, a set of china, a spa, and a patio table with an umbrella.

The total value of his win-

nings is \$41,548. Richard attributed his bidding prowess to the many years he has watched the show.

He says that he mentions Livermore during the program. "I said hello to my eleven grand-children in Livermore," he declared. "It was a very exciting, a

once-in-a-lifetime experience."
The program is scheduled to air on November 14.

The Perrys don't have all the prizes in hand. They will be delivered to their home sometime in the future.

They did stop by Groth Bros. car dealership after church last Sunday to take a look at the car they will be receiving, a Chevrolet Aveo. They are looking forward to driving it.

Five Homes Open for Harvest Home Tour

Assistance League® of Amador Valley presents its Harvest Home Tour on October 14.

Five unique homes in Pleasanton will be open for viewing between 11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m..

This year the tour includes: A Čalifornia bungalow on Pleasanton's historic Second Street. There will be a display of handmade quilts.

· A Victorian home on First Street, also in the historic area of

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Tickets can be purchased at the following local merchants, in Pleasanton: Studio 7, 77 W. Angela Street; Clover Creek, 670 Main Street; Towne Center Books, 555 Main Street; Rose Hotel, 807 Main Street; California Stampin', 5480-2 Sunol Blvd.; Milfleur, 200 Ray Street; and in Livermore at Proctor's. 2200 First Street.

Fenestra Celebrates 30th 'Viniversary'

Fenestra Winery invite the public to help them celebrate 30 years of winemaking at the winery's "30th Viniversary."

This will be a day spent back with nostalgia, and forward with the 30th crush.

The festivities will take place Saturday and Sunday, September 30 and October 1, 2006 from noon to 5:00 p.m. at Fenestra Winery, 83 Vallecitos Road (Hwy 84), Livermore. There is no charge for this event.

Winemaker and owner Lanny Replogle will introduce Fenestra's new releases: 2005

Fran and Lanny Replogle of Chardonnay (grapes from Bud Greist's vineyard), 2005 Semonnay (62% Chardonnay/ 38% Semillon), 2004 Malbec and 2003 Pinot Noir. "I am really excited about all these wines. The Malbec has won Best of Class, Lodi appellations, at the Caifornia State Fair and 2 Gold medals, the Semonnay has won six medals, and the Pinot Noir has won 5 medals.'

Owner Fran Replogle states, "We'll have lots of photos, some videos from the past, and our wonderful Fenestra wines to taste. Bring your memories, photos and stories. There will be sampling of DeCio roasted vegetable pastas and "Just Tomato" products. Enjoy the charm of our renovated turn of the century winery building (now 117 years old), and the lovely green lawns, with lots of tables for picnick-

All Fenestra wines currently released (and the new releases) will be available for tasting.

The crush has already started. The grapes look to be of high quality. Lanny Replogle notes. "I can't promise what the crush will be like the weekend of our 30th Viniversary, but I am sure that you will enjoy it.'

DANCES - (continued from page one) taining the Community Center in Robert Livermore Park as a temporary site for rock dances. They hope to get these events going around November.

Julie Lange of the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District, an adult member of the Youth Commission, is helping them. The Community Center is

seen as only a temporary site because, according to Lanto, someone is inevitably going to raise a hue and cry about the dancing. "The dancing looks violent. It isn't violent, but it looks that

way to people who are unfamil-

iar with it. Someone will com-

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plain and our use of the Community Center will have to end eventually. If we have our own center, we won't have to worry so much about that kind of thing.

"We want a drug-free, alcoholfree, violence-free environment," Lanto emphasized.

She related that Livermore formerly had two rock venues, Magoo's Pizza and Unity Skakeboards. Rock dances took place virtually every weekend, and were free. However, permit issues arose, causing the costs to become prohibitive.

"It just got to be too expensive and the local scene dried up,"

said Lanto.

She indicated the Youth Commission's involvement in the issue signals a new approach. 'We're working with individuals like Julie Lange, who has really been helpful. We want to show everyone that we're working with the city instead of against them.

She said Scott Goodrich, a local musician, has also been working hard on the issue.

Kate Lanto is a junior at Granada High. A member of the Youth Commission for four years, she became chair a couple months ago.

THE ARTS (continued from page one)

case a few newly-choreographed works by talented artists of the Company. Tickets are \$50. To order tickets, please call (925) 243-0927. Group rates for 10 or more available. For additional information

www.valleydancetheatre.com.

Author Ayelet Waldman, Octo-8, 2 p.m. Ľivermore Library, 1188 So. Livermore Avenue. No admission charge. For more information call 925-373-5505

Warlock Moon, filmed at the Del Valle Sanitarium on Arroyo Road, to be shown Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the Livermore Library, 1188 So. Livermore Avenue. Part of Livermore Heritage Guild History Lecture Series. \$2

suggested donation.

Pops Concert - Livermore Amador Symphony, Pops at the Zoo, Oct. 13 and 14 at The Barn, Pacific Avenue. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Concert begins at 8:00 p.m. Fund-raiser for the Symphony produced by the Symphony Guild, with costumes, sing-alongs, vocal soloists and orchestra pieces. Seating is at long tables. Bring food and purchase beverages. Reserved seating.__\$20. 447-4924.

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The Magic Flute, Livermore Valley Opera. Oct. 14, 15, 21, 22. Livermore Performing Arts Center, 600 Maple St., Livermore. Ticket information, www.livermorevalleyopera.com, or 925-960-9210.

Teen Film Festival: An Indepen dent View, entries are being accepted in this new event hosted by the Livermore Library. Screening and reception Wed., Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. In addition, films will be shown during ArtWalk 2006 in downtown Livermore and at a special screening at the Robert Livermore Community Center. Information, 373-

5500, ext. 5583.

ArtWalk 2006, downtown Livermore, October 21, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fine arts, local wines, refreshments Free admission. Tri-Valley Artists Guild. Information, 243-0424

www.tvag.org.
Art Banner Auction, Oct. 21, evening, downtown Livermore, 2060 Second Street. Information, 373-1795, www.livermoredowntown.com

Got Science? Discover Science Saturday, Saturday, Oct. 21, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave. in Livernore. Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory's science extravaganza. Free. Day of science-related activities for families, community members and visitors. For more information, call (925) 422-4599 or visit the web at

Justin Hellman Trio performs

Music in the Jazz Tradition, October 22, 2 p.m. Livermore Library, 1188 So. Livermore Avenue. No admission charge. For more information call 925

4th Annual US Bank Art Show, Oct. 25-Nov. 11, Open during bank hours, US Bank, 2125 Second Street, Livermore. Judged show. Sponsored by Livermore Art Association. Free admission. Information, 449-9927 or

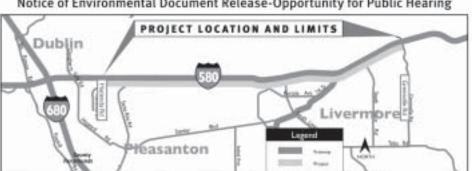
www.livermoreartassociation.org.
California Independent Film Fes tival, October 25-29, presented by the California Independent Film Festival Association and Livermore Valley Winegrowers Association. Movie venues and seminars located at the Vine Cinema and participating Livermore wineries. For information call: (925) 552-7335 or visit the official Festival

web site: www.caindiefest.com. Children's Theater Show: Blather, Blarney & Balderdash; Friday, October 27, 2006 at 7 pm; Saturday, October 28, 2006 at 2 pm. Las Positas College, Room 601. Free Admission. 3033 Collier Canyon Road, Livermore. For further information call the Performing Arts Events Line at 925-424-1100 or call Mary Campbell at 925-

424-1118.

Public Notice for the I-580 Eastbound HOV Lane Project

Notice of Environmental Document Release-Opportunity for Public Hearing



ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (ACCMA) are seeking public comment on the Environmental Assessment/Initial Study (EA/IS) for the 1-580 Eastbound High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lane Project.

WHAT'S BEING PLANNED. The I-580 Eastbound HOV Lane Project proposes to construct an eastbound HOV lane in the existing median of 1-580 in Alameda County from east of Greenville Road in the City of Livermore to the Hacienda Drive interchange in the City of Pleasanton, a distance of approximately 11.3 miles.

The purpose of the project is to reduce eastbound peak-period congestion and delay, encourage use of highoccupancy vehicles and transit, support regional air quality attainment goals, and improve safety for motorists and Caltrans maintenance workers.

WHY THIS AD, Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), FHWA, Caltrans and ACCMA have studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Findings show the project would not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains why is called an Environmental Assessment/Initial Study (EA/IS). This notice is to tell you that the EA/IS is available for your review and comment. Caltrans and ACCMA also offer you the opportunity to request a public hearing on the project.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE. The EA/IS is available for review at the following locations.

Caltrans Transportation Library 111 Grand Avenue Oakland, CA 94612

ACCMA Offices 1333 Broadway Suite 220, Oakland, CA 94612 Dublin Public Library 200 Civic Plaza, Duhlin, CA 94568 Livermore Public Library

1188 S. Livermore Avenue, Livermore, CA 94550 Pleasanton Public Library

400 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, CA 94566

Websites: www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/envdoes.htm and www.accma.ca.gov

WHERE YOU COME IN. Should you wish to submit comments on the environmental document or request a public hearing, please do so no later than 5 p.m. October 5, 2006 using any of the means noted below. If there are no requests for a public hearing or comments requiring additional studies, ACCMA and Caltrans will respond to the comments received and request FHWA approval to proceed with the design of the vproposed project.

Please submit comments or hearing requests to:

Ed Pang, Sr. Environmental Planner, Caltrans Office of Environmental Analysis

P.O. Box 23660, Oakland, CA 94623-0660 Jean Hart, Deputy Director of Planning

Comments must be submitted by 5 p.m. on October 5, 2006

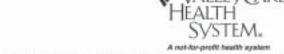
ACCMA, 1333 Broadway, Suite 220, Oakland CA 94612 Email: jhart@acema.ca.gov; Fax ACCMA at: (510) 836-2185

CONTACT, For more information call Jean Hart with ACCMA at (510) 836-2560 or Brigetta Smith with Caltrans at (510) 286-5820.









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Residential Burglaries rise in residential burglaries in the city.

computers, jewelry, and cash. A blue pickup truck has been seen in the area

Police are urging residents to secure doors

Zone 7 Looking At Water Rate Connection Fee Hikes Connection Fee Hikes

A Good Day

Two issues affecting the South Livermore Plan came before the Alameda County supervisors on September 14. On both, the supervisors agreed with supporters of the plan.

They denied an appeal by Cedar Grove Community Church to overturn the planning commission's approval of a new bottling plant at Concannon Vineyard.

On another appeal, this one to overturn the county zoning board's approval of an events center at 3721 Mines Road, the supervisors supported the appellants. The proposed center was to be for weddings and spiritual programs, an incompatible use, said the appellants, who included Mines Road residents and Friends of the Vineyards spokesmen.

Cedar Grove wants to build a large church complex with six buildings on a highly visible wine country site. This application — which is opposed by South Livermore Plan supporters — faces a planning commission hearing Monday. The appeal of the Concannon bottling plant approval was tied to this application, and the church came off looking small-minded. They didn't even bother to send a representative to the hearing, causing Supervisor Scott Haggerty to castigate the appeal as an act of "selfishness" and "harassment."

September 14 was a good day for the wine country. The two actions suggest that Haggerty and his board colleagues stand solid behind the South Livermore Plan. They will permit no use that would be incompatible with the viticultural and agricultural goals.

We trust they will follow through in this vein and deny Cedar Grove's proposed mammoth complex.

ENROLLMENT

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could have opportunities to adequately house programs such as music, art, speech, or resources that now have to migrate throughout the day or week or to offer new programs.

Elementary school enrollment is projected to remain steady at approximately 5,500 students over the eight-year projection period. The District has already experienced a significant drop in enrollment for grades K-5. Enrollment dropped by a total of 842 students between the 2003/04 (6,553 total elementary students) and 2005/06 school years (5,711)

According to Director of Fiscal Services Susan Kinder, kindergarten enrollment alone dropped by 100 students in 2004/05. The cause could be from increased housing prices or families choosing private school or home schooling, some may have delayed kindergarten in re-action to the increased class sizes that year. In 2005/06, the District lost another 480 students at the elementary level, mostly due to the opening of the Livermore Valley Charter School.

Last week the Livermore School Board held the first in a series of seven special meetings to examine grade configuration, school sizes, the need for a third high school, and magnet programs. The next special meeting on Oct. 17 will focus on transfer patterns and enrollment.

LAB BID

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lar company in their winning bid to manage the Los Alamos National Laboratory.

"For the past 54 years, the men and women at Livermore laboratory have ably served our nation, providing scientific and technological excellence that has made this country safer and improved the quality of life," said Dynes. "I firmly believe that our team's proposal will build upon their successes, dedication and hard work. Our proposal will be strong and responsive to DOE and the needs of our nation."

As specified in the RFP, current Livermore employees who do not terminate employment or retire will be moved to the new corporate structure. They will retain their current benefits and pensions to the extent "legally permissible" under the Department of Energy's new require-

Bechtel National provides program and project management, facilities management, safety and environmental management, and robust government business systems.

One other group has said it will bid for the contract. Tri-Valley CAREs has partnered with the New College of California, Nuclear Watch of New Mexico and WindMiller Energy to pre-

pare what the bidders declare will be "a creative, forward-looking and feasible 'green' proposal to manage Livermore Lab.

"Our innovative bid will promote world class science by transforming Livermore Lab from a nuclear weapons design facility into a center for civilian science, explained Tara Dorabji, Outreach Director for Tri-Valley CAREs. "By focusing on socially-beneficial scientific initiatives like sustainable energy, global warming and environmental cleanup technologies, our bid will increase cutting edge research at the Lab and provide the greatest degree of security and safety proposed by any management team.'

No other bidder has stepped forward.

Congressional action in 2003 mandated that DOE conduct a competition for management of any laboratory contract that had been in place for 50 years or more without competition.

According to DOE, a source evaluation board comprised of DOE technical and business experts will review the proposals submitted and provide recommendations to the Source Selection Official. More information about the competition is available at: www.doeal.gov/ llnlCompetition/Default.htm

MOMENT

(continued from page one) the moment of silence was limited to troops in Iraq. "What are we trying to accomplish," he asked. "I would prefer just to do the city business. We are going down a slippery slope here.'

McGovern said of the potential to hold a discussion, "I don't want to feel I'm oppressing anything. This (Iraq) is a very volatile issue and partisan in some respects. Such a discussion could be held at the library and anyone can come who wants to.'

Mayor Jennifer Hosterman supported holding a discussion. "It does make sense to invite the public to put together a forum to hold a discussion. Maybe something will come of that. Let's see if there are people who want to have a discussion. We will make

it possible somehow."

Hosterman liked the idea of a moment of silence. She asked if there were council support.

City Attorney Michael Roush suggested that rather than formalizing the idea, councilmember could ask for a moment of silence at the end of opening remarks.

Sullivan said he was supportive of the idea. He plans to move forward independently to put together the discussion. He invited others to join him.

Brozosky then said he wanted to point out that Fred Norman works for Hosterman's campaign. "This is not just any member of the public."

"Ĩ'm not running. He is no part of my campaign," stated Sullivan.

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Zone 7 Board Is Looking At Water Rate, Connection Fee Hikes

By Ron McNicoll

Zone 7 Water Agency directors will be asked to boost water rates by more than 7 percent, for both treated water and agricultural water.

The agency also proposes raising development fees for new water hook-ups by 45 percent beginning Jan. 1, 2007. There would also be an increase in developers' drainage fees for Zone 7's flood control operation.

Directors heard staff reports about the proposed increases at their meeting Sept. 20. The items were for information only. The board won't vote until its meeting Oct. 18, when it will conduct public hearings on the propos-

The treated water rate would increase by \$44 per acre foot (AF), approximately a 7.45 percent boost over the current \$635 per AF. That amount of water can serve two typical households in one year. The hike would add \$1.83 per month to a typical household's water bill, said staff member Tamara Baptista, who prepared the report.

The per-household cost estimate is based on the assumption that the water retailers, who buy from Zone 7, would pass the cost through directly to consumers, and not absorb any of it. Water retailers are also free to add their own cost increases, depending on their own needs.

The water retailers are Livermore and Pleasanton municipal water services, Dublin San Ramon Services District (DSRSD) and California Water Service, a private company that serves about three-fourths of Livermore. They buy Zone 7's water, which comes from the State Water

Costs that are prompting Zone 7 to raise the rates include an increase in staff salaries, higher cost of chemicals to treat water, and a higher charge from the state for the water that it delivers. There is also a need to increase Zone 7's annual replacement fund, which goes to replace worn-out pipes, valves and other materials in water delivery.

None of the Valley water retailers has taken a stand on the proposed water rate increases.

Dave Requa, a DSRSD official, said that agency's board will review it Oct. 3. Requa said that the public information officers of Zone 7 and DSRSD will be getting the word out to the community. "Providing good information to the public is important," said Requa.

agriculture would rise to \$99.78 per acre foot, a 7.5 percent boost in that price. The rise reflects increased cost from the state for the water, including cost to transport

GROWTH PUSHES UP CONNECTION FEE NEED

The proposed development connection fee increase of 45 percent would elevate it from \$13,500 to \$19,570.

Zone 7 general manager Dale

Myers told the board that a presentation has been made about the water connection fees to the homebuilding industry group in the Tri-Valley. When a board member asked Myers how it was received, Myers said, "We didn't get thrown out.'

They did see the case for an increase. Dialogue will continue with the developers to answer their questions, he said.

The connection fee must be increased to help finance capital improvements caused by more growth. A new water treatment plant and pipeline are expected to be operating by 2009. They are required as the result of

There will be more facilities for improvement of water quality, including cutting the salt content. Those quality improvement costs are to be split between growth's connection fees and part of the water rates that current residents pay, since all benefit from better water quality.

The development flood control drainage fee would increase from 68.6 cents per square foot of development to 70.5 cents. The drainage fee is based on the fact that development's impervious surfaces rush more storm water faster into local arroyos, increasing the danger they will overflow their banks. Zone 7 needs to spend money on flood control improvements to control the problem.

CAPITAL PLAN DRAWS AN OPPONENT

The board voted 6 to 1 to adopt a capital improvement plan (CIP) for 2007-08 that is part of a 5-and-10-year overall plan that is aligned with board-approved commitments.

Director James Kohnen cast the dissenting vote. He had objections both to the coming fiscal year budget and the idea of passing a long-term plan that would create a short-term deficit. The deficit would require bor-

Staff is recommending using a line of credit for the borrowing, instead of bonding, because the money can be borrowed on an as-needed basis, and thus save some interest cost.

However, Kohnen said that the best approach is not to build all of the facilities, thereby cutting expenditures. He told the Independent afterward that he had no recommendation about which ones to cut. However, that the board could discuss potential

The board could start cutting with next year's budget, said Kohnen. It projects expenditures of \$97 million, compared to \$35 million this year. Kohnen said he would like to see next year's budget more in line with this year's, instead of increasing it by 116

Director John Greci supported the staff recommendation to approve next year's CIP and the 10year plan. "The CIP amounts to a lot of thought from staff. I urge adoption. It's important for the growth that's taking place in the Valley," said Greci.

On another item, director Dick Quigley asked Myers why there hasn't been a meeting yet of a committee to kick around ideas for using the former Zone 7 headquarters n Pleasanton.

Myers apologized, and said that DSRSD hasn't let him know yet how much of the office space they would require to use it.

Quigley told the Independent this week that the point of the committee is to brainstorm about possible uses, not be handed a fait accompli about who will use the building and how it will be

The federal government holds the lease, and perhaps as early as 2010 or 2012 it is slated to be used as a water demineralization facility. However, Quigley would like to see it be used for community water education. He would like to entertain other water related ideas, as well.

He told the Independent that sometimes future plans don't always materialize, so the Parkside building might be available much longer than now anticipated. The facility has been vacant for about two years, and at least short-term use should be considered, said Quigley.

The Independent asked Myers for a comment about Quigley's assertion that Myers was trying to determine future use of the building, instead of letting the committee have some flexibility about it. Myers said he had no comment.

Quigley also pulled an item off the consent calendar, in hopes of altering it so that Zone 7 would contribute between \$10,000 and \$30,000 to assist East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) to obtain a state 50 grant. The money would go to linking the Iron Horse Trail from Contra Costa County to an eastwest trail through the Valley.

Myers said that in the past Zone 7 has been supportive of trails along its flood control arroyos, and continues that support. In-kind services have been donated. However, Zone 7 has never sent cash to any agency to promote trails, said Myers.

Since EBRPD has not asked Zone 7 for any donation, and since the deadline is mid-October for next year's grants, it's apparent the issue could wait until the following year, Myers said.

Quigley said that at least going through the process this year, even if unsuccessful, could improve chances for a grant the following year. He told the Independent that he plans to talk to an EBRPD representative to see if the agency is interested in making the request.

The board's newest director, Sarah Palmer, asked Myers why the agency is hiring a consultant for \$15,000 to review an LLNL study of nitrate pollution of the underground basin. The LLNL study, released this year, had international peer review. A Zone 7 study of the same problem in 2002 was in-house, and didn't have peer review.

Hiring a consultant now to review the LLNL study seems unnecessary, said Palmer, who in her career as a scientist worked in the field of water pollution's effect on health.

Myers said that Zone 7 needs a good handle on the differences between the two studies. The methodology of the LLNL study, which used isotopes to analyze the pollution, was different from Zone 7's. It's important for Zone 7 staff to learn the differences and similarities between the two reports, to better help in the agency's administrative duties in regard to the water pollution picture, explained Myers.

AIRPORT

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cially noise. The critics say nothing has happened that will work to cut noise. The only good news for them is that plans to lengthen the shorter of two runways are dropped, said Weathers, who lives about 1.5 miles from the

The key is the recommendation from a consultant to hire a fixed base operator (FBO). The city can make more money by leasing out 10 acres at the north end of the airport for such an operation, said Hauri. The city can charge a gasoline flow tax to the operator, which will bring in more revenue than the city's own sales now.

Also, there is no place to repair planes now. The FBO will provide that. It will actually cut down on the number of take-offs and landings of pilots that now have to go to other airports to get their planes worked on, he

However, Weathers sees approving an FBO as the engine that will drive increased airport traffic, especially the jets. "They will target corporate jets. They will cater to air taxis, charters and fractional ownership jets (which operate like a time-share condo). That's where the money is," said

The city won't be ahead on revenue either, said Weathers. A study in southern California by an expert who teaches at UCLA showed that increased air traffic and jet noise depresses the value of homes, which affects how much tax revenue cities collect.

However, Hauri, who said his wife sells real estate, disputed that there is any drop in value. He said that the Santa Monica airport, which opponents use on their web page in the study about property values, is "the worst in the state. You have swimming pools at the edge of it," he said. In Livermore, there is a good buffer zone around the airport, and it's nothing at all like Santa Monica, Hauri said.

AILBOX

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Who killed my Kittie? **David & Kimberly Evans** Livermore

My husband and I moved here in January. We left a very busy neighborhood where nobody knew their neighbor, and really didn't care to. We fell in love with this area and are excited to raise our family here.

A few days ago, I noticed my cat was limping. I tried to look at her leg, but she ran away. I finally caught up with her Monday morning and got her to the Vet, where it was confirmed that her leg was broken. The Vet asked me if I knew who shot her, the bullet was still in her leg. I

was flabbergasted!! We spent a very long time looking for the perfect place to raise our family, and someone has the unmitigated gall to use a member of my family as target practice??!! What the h... Jo was born under my bedroom dresser (I've had her as long as I've had my husband).

When my husband was deathly ill from chemotherapy and radical radiation to fight his cancer, Jo and her twin Mo were right by his side. When I was pregnant with our daughter, Jo slept on my belly. She was sweet and gentle, and was like my first child. If I could find the person who had the audacity to shoot my cat, all I want is 5 minutes alone. I believe the first step to Jeffrey Dahlmer-hood is animal

I certainly hope this incident is a fluke.

Pacific Theater **Donald F. King** Livermore

I attended the slide show, "Islands of the Pacific Theater," at the Livermore Library on July 13. The subject was of personal interest to me; I was a crewman on the merchant ship S.S. Walter Colton from March 28 to July 27, 1945. Our cargo was to support the Okinawa campaign. We went in convoy after rendezvousing at Ulithi atoll. We anchored in Buckner Bay while cargo was unloaded. The Navy was attacking in full force, pounding the island with heavy rounds from cruisers and maybe battleships for hours on end.

Then there were the Kamikaze pilots. The show narrators said that 300 ships were hit; ours was one of them. It did little damage.

The slide show was a beautiful presentation. The Pacific Princess cruise ship visited most of the islands that figures in WWII, including Iwo Jima, Saipan and Tinian. It was from the tiny island of Tinian that the Enola Gay B-29 bomber, on August 6, 1945, took off with its 12-ton atomic bomb destined for Hiroshima, Japan. The bomb, dubbed "Little Boy," was dropped at exactly 8:15 a.m. From 31,060 feet, the bomb soon would do as its mak-

ers had intended. At 1,890 feet above the ground it was detonated. Moments later some 80,000 people were killed or mortally wounded.

Only recently did I realize how close I came to being on shipboard in the Pacific when the bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. And only recently have I come to comprehend the moral significance of President Truman's decision.

Research Complex **Beverly King** Livermore

I recently read about the dangerous proposal to build a huge bio-warfare agent research complex at the Livermore Lab's Site 300 on Corral Hollow Road. The new facility would cover 30 acres and have 500,000 square feet of lab space, including a BSL-4. A BSL-4 lab looks like a science fiction movie where researchers wear moon suits and special breathing apparatus to experiment with deadly pathogens for which there is no known cure, like Ebola virus.

A Site 300 spokesman said that the bio-facility would research diseases that affect agriculture and animal as well as humans. Site 300 is Livermore Lab's high explosive testing range, and it is already so heavily polluted with radioactive and toxic contaminants that it is a federal superfund cleanup site. Do we want biological agents like live anthrax, mad cow disease and bubonic plague spreading from Site 300 as well?

Livermore Lab's mission is to

design nuclear weapons of mass destruction. Presently the Lab is developing a new submarinelaunched nuclear warhead. How is the Lab going to assure the world that it is not interested in researching new bio-weapons? A scary truth about the biological research to be conducted at Site 300 is that it is "dual purpose," meaning it could be used for defensive or offensive purposes.

Stark and Flood Zone **Connie Cox** President, Valley Trails Homeowner's Assoc.

Last week I received an email from Congressman Pete Stark regarding his efforts to help homeowners by improving the fairness of the federal flood insurance program.

I am astounded that, after I spent over 15 years working to get our Valley Trails subdivision out of an unfair and obsolete flood zone, now he chooses to take interest in this program.

Valley Trails is entirely within Congressman Stark's district, yet despite my pleading with his office, he never got involved to help. He did not attend any meetings where the flood zone was the topic - Zone 7 Water Agency, City of Pleasanton or Valley Trails Homeowner's Assoc. - nor did he send a representative from his office on his behalf. He did not contact the City of Pleasanton or the Federal Emergency Management Agency (who oversees flood zone designation) when our application for removal from the flood zone was strangled by red

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Livermore Looking to Raise More Money to Maintain Infrastructure

Livermore is looking for funding sources in order to maintain the city's infrastructure at a proper

level. On Monday, the city council approved the concept of a vehicle impact fee and an increase in a property owner's responsibility for sidewalk repair. The council also approved the use of general fund monies to hire a consultant to provide public outreach, a further evaluation of infrastructure financing, and a financial analysis.

In the future, residents may be asked to tax themselves in some way to help pay for the mainte-

Staff estimates there is a deferred maintenance backlog of approximately \$166 million. That is maintenance that should have been completed, but wasn't due to insufficient funding.

Infrastructure includes buildings, street pavement, street lighting, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, storm drain systems, streambeds, potable and reclaimed water systems, wastewater systems, parks, trails and landscap-

ing.
Pavement, storm drains and sidewalks make up the bulk of the infrastructure.

Cheri Sheets, city traffic engineer, noted that preservation of

Why Officials Didn't Get VA Notice

There was no attempt to leave Livermore and other Valley officials in the dark about a public hearing at VA hospital Sept. 8 concerning the future of the Livermore VA nursing home. That's the statement from the VA spokesperson responsible for sending out notifications.

People representing Central Valley cities showed up at the meeting of the VA's Local Advisor Panel (LAP). No one was there from the Tri-Valley, except for two local members of the panel, Ed Schoonover and Tom Vargas.

As reported earlier, Josh Thurman, aide to supervisor Scott Haggerty, said that he definitely wanted to attend any LAP meeting. He had been at the previous one, about one year ago, at the VA hospital.

Livermore Mayor Marshall Kamena said that he was never notified about the meeting. He said that he checked around and learned that Dublin and Pleasanton officials didn't know about it either. Since Central Valley officials showed up, it put the Valley at a disadvantage, he said.

However, Kerri Childress, the VA spokesperson, said that her job was to inform media about the meeting, not cities. Concerning the two previous meetings of the LAP, she notified only the press and veterans groups in the Eastbay and Central Valley. She said that she sent releases to two Tri-Valley dailies about the most recent meeting.

The fact that only Central Valley cities' officials showed up indicates that they have been following this issue very closely, said Childress. They have taken things, and have even traveled back to Washington to lobby for having a nursing home built in the Central Valley.

Especially aggressive has been San Joaquin County, which wants to locate a VA nursing home next to its county medical center in French Camp, near Stockton, she said.

The LAP was created to take the pulse of the affected areas and make recommendations to VA secretary James Nicholson. There are two separate decisions that Nicholson faces.

One concerns the nursing home. He has narrowed the choices to three. One is to demolish the current 120-bed home, and move the patients to the big buildings near them on the grounds during construction. Another is to rebuild the building thoroughly, but not from the ground up. The third option is to close the one in Livermore and build one in the Central Valley, where about 60 percent of veterans using Livermore services

now are residing.

An option to build only 60 beds in Livermore and 60 in the Central Valley was rejected by Nicholson as too inefficient for ongoing staff labor costs, said Childress.

A separate decision will be the fate of the rest of the grounds at Livermore. If those facilities close, there will be an outpatient clinic built in Alameda or Contra Costa counties, said Childress. It's a definite commitment, she said. Veterans in the Eastbay won't have to travel to the Central Valley for those services, she said.

to 2009 for any start on that facility, she said. The habit of the VA has been to lease land, not sell it, said Childress. So if the Livermore buildings are vacated by VA, the administration wouldn't replace them with anything not to the local community's liking, said Childress. It's likely VA would like to see something related to the nursing home use, if that remains there.

Tom Vargas, Livermore resident and member of the LAP, made such a suggestion at the meeting Sept. 8. He told the Independent that it would be good to build senior housing on the site, just as ValleyCares has done across the street from its Livermore medical facilities. The site is outside the urban growth

There could be transitional housing for older vets who don't yet need the advanced services of a nursing home. There could be housing for spouses of people who are in the nursing home.

Vargas said his suggestion was a new idea that the panel had not heard previously. Th panel's function on Sept. 8 was to explain to interested public the three alternatives that Nicholson wants the VA consultants to explore.

The firm, PriceWaterhouse Coopers, will look at the cost effectiveness of each option, said Childress. After the beginning of next year, Nicholson will have that information, and then make a decision about the nursing home's fate. Uses for the remainder of the property will be a separate decision. There is no estimated time for that decision.

the infrastructure has a direct impact on the quality of life and property values of residents.

The city's recent citizens survey indicated that the public's opinion of infrastructure maintenance was only fair, with the average rating of 50 or less out

Currently the city funds maintenance at \$6.5 million a year. According to staff that should be increased by \$14.7 million to a total of \$21.2 million per year. Due to previous deferred maintenance, an additional \$16.5 million is needed annually over the next ten years to restore the infrastructure system to optimal condition. The funding includes a citywide beautification pro-

The total annual funding needed would be close to \$37.7 million to accomplish all of the needed maintenance.

Along with increased funding, staff will look at ways to reduce the need for maintenance, including evaluating the use of new materials and upgrading materials during maintenance work. The city would also look at prioritizing maintenance expenditures. Currently funds are applied to all areas.

Other potential savings could be realized by coordinating maintenance activities with other jurisdictions, or putting together a bid package that includes more

than one project.

The vehicle impact fee would be assessed on refuse trucks and construction related vehicles. The fee is expected to raise \$2 million annually to offset the negative impacts the heavy vehicles have on city streets. The refuse fee would add \$3 per month to bills. The construction fee would increase to \$13.25 per

Sidewalks account for 20 percent of the overall need for rehabilitation. Staff suggested raising property owner's responsibility to 75 percent of the cost with no cap. Currently, property owners pay 50 percent with a cap of

Councilmember Marj Leider pointed out that most of the repairs take place in older parts of the city where trees were planted incorrectly. "People in newer areas won't be impacted as much by the change. Older homes tend to cost less. The increased would impact people who can barely afford their homes," Leider sug-

gested. City Manager Linda Barton suggested including a hardship provision. She pointed out that the city has a long list of people who want the city to make side-walk repairs. "We can't do that without additional revenue."

The council agreed that a hardship provision should be included. Councilmembers approved the 75 percent contribution. However, the council also wanted to retain a cap. Staff will come back with a suggested cap on homeowner expenditures for sidewalk repair.

In addition, the city will look

at assessment districts, a citywide parcel tax, increasing taxes on retail sales (transaction and use tax), a utility use tax, and use of more money from the general

All of the tax proposals would require public approval.

Councilmember Marchand was supportive of the utility use tax. He viewed it as a replacement allowance for water infrastructure. "We need to develop some long term strategy to work on this." He also wanted to

look further at a parcel tax. Mayor Marshall Kamena offered the opinion that maintenance is become increasingly important. "The problem isn't stopping. It's getting bigger. I envision a public outreach and survey to see what people want. Once, we identify areas that need help, we would appoint a citizens committee to determine public support. It will be a very thorough process."

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However, so far, there is no money in the federal budget up a very active role in finding out

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off. No specifics about where a stop would be located were discussed. The plan so far is just conceptual, said Tassano.

bullet train would be through the Pacheco Pass, near Highway 152, southeast of San Jose. It would then run up to San Jose and link with transit there.

However, the bullet train might serve the Bay Area better if it goes through the Altamont, said Livermore Councilmember Marj Leider, who was at the meeting. The train could link with the Altamont Commuter Express (ACE) and an eventual Livermore BART extension, both at Greenville Road, said Leider.

One high speed train that the Valley does not want, though, is the freight train. They are expected to be more than 100 cars. Such trains, which are projected to take some of the truck freight load off the freeways, would cause problems in downtown Livermore and Pleasanton, if they run on the current Union Pacific track configuration, said Leider.

There are expected to be many trains. Livermore has several train crossings above or below grade, so there would be no impact on traffic there. However, L street is still at grade. It's a busy street. Livermore has encouraged development of many apartments

near it, so having numerous freight trains would not be good, said Leider.

Pleasanton is in even worse An alternative route for the shape to handle plenty of rail freight. All of its street/track crossings are at grade level, so there could be significant backups, said Leider. One freight alternative is to run the tracks south of Livermore. However, the commission did not present specifics about the route, though Leider said it could involve go-

ing through Vallecitos. Supporters of the South Livermore Plan have objected that such a freight route would adversely impact Livermore agriculture, especially the ambience of wine country. Livermore city engineer Cheri Sheets said that the freight alignment would have to be worked on by staffs of Livermore and Pleasanton and representatives from the state planners. It was clear to the panel that the Valley doesn't want the freight running through downtown, she said.

Another possible freight route could be along an existing Union Pacific line that links Tracy to Brentwood. That would put the freight into Contra Costa County

for distribution. Alternatives include both BART extensions to Greenville Road and no BART extension to

Several alternatives on a list of 12 were dropped outright by the panel. They were combinations of various freight/passenger uses through various routes. One dropped option said that there would be no high speed rail for the Valley, although it talked about major upgrades to regional rail services, which are included in some of the surviving options.

Another said the bullet train would come through Pacheco Pass, not Altamont, would put a BART extension in downtown Livermore, and ACE and regional freight would share the same rail. The third dropped alternative packaged together a southern alignment for freight through the Valley, a bullet train through Pacheco Pass, and

BART to downtown Livermore. The fourth alternative eliminated from consideration was a package that would put the passenger and freight bullet trains on one track by using an elevated structure through downtown Livermore and Pleasanton on the existing Union Pacific right of way. That plan was aesthetically poor. It also had the problem of taking the long freight trains through the downtowns, said Tassano.

At Monday's city council meeting, Mayor Marshall Kamena asked for a presentation to be made on the options at an upcoming council meeting.

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(continued from page one) in things over which they have

no purview. When it comes to providing affordable housing, Brozosky said, "It's a challenge. In California, it is subsidized housing." He doesn't think the inclusionary housing, where a certain percentage of each development is affordable, is the optimum way to provide affordable places to live. Each house benefits one family who has won basically what is a lottery. The lower priced homes increase the prices of other homes in the development. They are subsidizing the low cost homes.

In addition, below market rate houses aren't paying school impact fees, but they are producing children. The fees are backfilled by the city.

He would prefer to focus on rental units. Brozosky suggests using in lieu fees from developments to subsidize rental units elsewhere in the city. It could be different levels of subsidy for different income levels.

Brozosky would also support building some smaller "affordable by design" units that families could afford.

The city is out of compliance with its housing element because it has not rezoned land for affordable housing. Brozosky says the city should do what is right for the community, not necessarily follow the dictates of an outside agency.

The general plan land use element sets growth patterns. Brozosky believes one opportunity for development is in the downtown area. He would reserve some units under the cap for that area. Brozosky commented that housing near the downtown provides an economic engine for the

There should be a housing reserve for future infill projects.

He would look at transit oriented development near the new west BART station. It is across from the Mall and along the 680 corridor. Since 70 percent of the city's residents commute, putting housing near 680 means they don't have to drive through the

As for the idea of transit oriented development in the Hacienda Business Park, Brozosky thinks that there would not be enough units under the housing cap. Hacienda can take its plan to the people for approval.

The city's housing cap is set at 29,000 units. "We can't go past it," declared Brozosky. He said developers are trying creative ways to get around the cap, such as not counting certain types of housing towards it. He states, "If a developer feels he has a good project, he can take it to

He noted that everyone has a right to have a development application processed. "We don't have to accept it. It is the decision of the developer to spend the money.

Senior housing on Staples Ranch would be near the Livermore Airport. Brozosky said the appropriateness of building there depends on how the noise from the airport can be mitigated. He commented that sometimes there is a difference between ownership and rental housing. Homeowners tend to complain about lowering property values. In the case of Staples Ranch, the complaints from renters would go to a private developer. "I think if there were a lot of complaints,

they would go out of business." The Stoneridge Drive extension goes through the Staples Ranch. Brozosky said that the right of way will be protected. He worked with the county on the memorandum of understanding that protected it. "I don't believe the extension will be built today. At some point, it will have to go through," he stated.

Traffic is one of the main issues in Pleasanton. Brozosky feels an immediate solution to local traffic congestion would be to synchronize the lights that would allow traffic to flow more smoothly. It would also solve the problem of sitting at a light when there is no traffic in the cross di-

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rection, something Brozosky says is very frustrating to residents. He wants more people in the city working on timing the lights.

On a regional basis, he believes it is important for all of the communities to work together. He points to a visit he took to Washington, D.C. with other area elected officials where they were able to obtain \$18 million in funding by speaking as one

"I have good relationships with other elected officials," he commented, pointing to endorsements that he has received.

Brozosky said he is currently working with the county to obtain the railroad corridor through downtown Pleasanton. The land would be used to provide parking for the area.

Campaign finance reform needs to be discussed, said Brozosky. He pointed to the cost of elections. When he first ran, he spent \$8000. Today, a council campaign could cost \$35,000

The high cost of campaigning makes it difficult for a grassroots effort to be mounted. As a candidate, you spend all your time trying to raise money, rather than shaking hands, he

Since the city is near buildout, development fees won't be coming in to help finance services and amenities the public desires.

Brozosky said one of his biggest concerns about the future fiscal viablity of the city is the cost of retirement medical benefits. There is no cap on medical costs. The city does fund at the actual costs. These will continue

At the same time, since new homes won't be built, the property tax revenues will flatten out.

'As we reach buildout we have to figure out how to contain costs, perhaps by capping some. We also need to look at maximizing revenue from businesses. The city has to be competitive in attracting business. It needs to be more business friendly. The permitting process should be shorter and fairer.

"In addition, the city has to make sure that regulations such as those dealing with environmental issues, such as green building, are viable. I believe the government's role is education. The city has built some demonstration green projects. We need to look at the return from those projects. That way we can tell developers, 'This is what works. This is the return.'

His issue is public safety. He believes the city is vulnerable to a man-made or natural disaster. The community is not prepared. The city needs to do a better job educating citizens what to do. He would work to ensure that the residents and businesses know what to do during the first 72hours after a disaster, the period of time when there is least likely to be outside help available.

Brozosky said he would work with neighborhood watch groups to ensure that at least one person is trained in CPR and that there is a designated house where people can go for help.

Traffic and public safety are the two big things I think you can see an improvement in over the next two years," Brozosky declared.

Brozosky is chairman of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority, a member of the Alameda County Transportation Authority, and city council liaison to the Pleasanton School District and East Bay Regional Park

A 24 year resident of Pleasanton, Steve and his wife Annie have raised their two children in Pleasanton. Along with his duties as a City Councilman, Steve co-founded a Software Development company, Government Outreach, in 2004 to provide software solutions to transform the

public and was later purchased by PeopleSoft (and then Oracle), He was responsible for strategic direction, scheduling, hiring, and budgetary issues.

He believes he has accomplished much during his four years on the council. These include helping to develop the memorandum of understanding with Alameda County over the Staples Ranch. As a member of the Livermore-Amador Valley Transit Authority, he was instrumental in providing more bus trips to take kids to and from school. He helped to gain the BMX Park and designed and wrote the program for the P-Town 411 website (for teens).

He added, "I was instrumental in finding the initial funding for the Pleasanton Downtown Firehouse Theater. This initial funding was critical so that the Pleasanton Cultural Arts Foundation could raise money. Those who will contribute to a facility like this need to see the commitment of the City. I found the initial funding so that they could show the commitment of the City.

"I was also instrumental in getting 9 acres of sports fields at Donlon Elementary School. Also, in my role on the School District/ City Liaison committee, I worked to get lights for the tennis courts at Pleasanton Middle school," said Brozosky

JENNIFER HOSTERMAN is the incumbent. After serving two years on the city council, she

was elected mayor two years ago. Hosterman said she has worked to formulate good rela $tion ships\ throughout \bar{\ }Alameda$ County during her two years as mayor. She mentioned specifically the Congestion Management Agency (CMA), on which she serves. "Dollars come through CMA. It took a long time before I was able to gain broad support for freeway improvements in the Valley. Now, I believe I'm positioned to make projects move forward to improve our freeways," Hosterman stated.

She pointed to the Triangle Study that has just concluded. City and county representatives agreed on infrastructure for 580, 680 and highway 84. Modeling is underway on the improvements. Once concluded, the plan will come back to the committee for approval. "Hopefully, we will sign a memorandum of understanding to work on a traffic infrastructure plan that makes sense. We will know the pricetag. Working together, we will be able to lobby for transportation dollars," Hosterman explained.

egional traffic is not the only issue facing Pleasanton. In town traffic continues to worsen said Hosterman. A lot of that has to do with cut-through traffic, according to Hosterman. She said there are plans to improve some intersections that will help with the flow of traffic. Signal synchronization is another way to relieve traffic congestion.

She said that she has long attempted to bring school busing back to our city, in an effort to reduce a.m. and p.m. traffic on city streets, surrounding every school park.

Other ways to help relieve congestion would be to encourage more use of trails and increase the safety of bike lanes, so people would get out of their automobiles.

"When we are looking at traffic improvements or changes, it is important to include a discussion of the quality of life in the entire community," adds Hosterman. "We need to be responsible for our own habits and respectful of other neighborhoods." Hoster-

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man refers to people who drive carefully in their own neighborhoods and speed through others.

Hosterman also pointed out that communities adjacent to Pleasanton continue to experience growth. Traffic from that growth will impact Pleasanton. That is one of the reasons she does support extending Stoneridge Drive. "The forecast is that if the road were built, it would look a lot like 580. Would building it relieve congestion on 580? I don't think so. However, it would impact our residents by creating freeway traffic through the city..'

There is an MOU with the county to retain the right-of-way for the Stoneridge extension, Hosterman noted. Her goal is to work on freeway improvements to relieve congestion on those major roads. Once the freeways are moving, consideration could be given to building the road extension. "At the same time, the reality is there is no funding identified to extend the road at this time," Hosterman added.

She offered her view of how the current council functions. She admitted there was a certain amount of tension. "It's unfortunate. My opponent can't beat me on the issues. It appears this will be a smear campaign. I think the people of Pleasanton deserve better. However, I can't control other people's actions," Hosterman stated.

Because of the tension, Hosterman said it is more difficult to achieve consensus on various issues. "I do my best to provide a leadership direction that allows the council to have a hearty discourse prior to making a decision," she said, predicting that as November 7 (election day) draws nearer, the public will see more disagreements aired in public during council meetings.

At one point, her opponent raised questions about her outside activities. Hosterman said, "To this day, no one has asked me about my stand on the war in Iraq. I've never taken a stand. I did sign a resolution, along with other mayors, asking the President to come up with an exit strat-

As for her trips to outside conferences, Hosterman said during her time as mayor, she has attended two trips that were not sponsored or funded by the city. One was to the United Nations to take part in the Nonproliferation Treaty conference; the second was to Vancouver to a world peace forum. No public funds were used to attend either event

When it comes to affordable housing, Hosterman commented, "We don't have builders breaking down doors to build affordable workforce housing.'

Hosterman said there are a couple of opportunities. One is to rezone land at densities where affordable or workforce housing could be built. The other is to streamline the permit process to make it easier for such projects to be built.

She is proud that she first brought the idea of form based codes to the city. Since she raised the issue, there has been a formal public discussion, led by the Tri-

a code implements.)

As a member of ABAG, Hosterman said she has pushed for a committee to look at how housing numbers are allocated. One issue being addressed is whether the number of jobs should be used as a basis to assign housing

At the state level, for the first time, a committee is looking at the carrying capacity of the state. Is there enough clean drinking water and electricity to serve future populations; Hosterman is involved in the discussion.

Hosterman said she is proud that she helped start Pleasanton's energy committee. She also is proud of the energy efficient fire station that was the first public building to achieve the top environmental building standard in the United States. "It is important for the city to take the lead in showcasing energy efficiency, so residents and builders can see how various ideas can be implemented," said Hosterman.

Hosterman mentions another environmental program, the citywide e-waste day. "I brought the event forward prior to becoming mayor. I am very proud of it. It is funded through 2009. The program keeps electronic waste out of the waste stream.

There are several options for future development in the updated general plan. She said she is leaning towards transit oriented development in the Hacienda Business Park. "However, we need to be careful that housing doesn't eat up the remaining acreage leaving no room for future business development."

The west BART station would provide a good opportunity for work force housing. It is located near the mall and I-680, providing easy access to services and transportation, explained Hoster-

The proposal to build a facility for seniors on Staples Ranch, which is near the Livermore Airport, is a good plan, according to Hosterman. It is also something the city needs. Hosterman referred to it as a medical facility, because seniors living there age in place, going from independent living all the way to skilled nurs-

"The organization proposing the senior faiclity says it is operating a similar facility in Southern Califonria that is near an airport. There have not been any issues with noise. You can be sure, that before it comes to the council, I will take a look at the existing facility and ask the residents there if noise is a problem she stated.

When it comes to the housing cap, Hosterman said there is adequate capacity to build developments contemplated when it was approved by the voters. "It is my opinion, that someday the cap will be challenged. We will wind up in a court of law. It will be a fascinating discussion."

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generally a good idea. "At the same time, when it comes to local politics, I would hate to cap another candidate's ability to raise money to get his or her name out there and mount a strong campaign. The Constitution allows for constraints on contributions, but not on spending. That could create a situation where only the rich would be vi-

able candidates," Hosterman ex-

plained. As the city nears buildout, Hosterman said the council will have to be mindful of losing development fees that provide infrastructure. Because new homes are not being built, there will be slower increase in property tax revenues, because taxes would only increase to high levels when homes are resold.

"I believe the city is financially strong enough to be able to provide services for many years to come, while at the same time providing reserve funds for emergencies," Hosterman stated. "Pleasanton is in a rare financial position. If I had to, I could buy a fire truck tomorrow. Not many cities can say that. It is an enviable position.

One thing that she has been pleased with during her term as mayor is that the council has been able to move priority projects forward. Many are underway. "I believe I took a personal role in advancing them," she declared.

Hosterman and her husband Michael, a Pleasanton personal injury attorney, have lived in Pleasanton since 1968. They have three daughters Heather, Sarah and Megan.

She is a graduate of the University of San Francisco. Hosterman served as co-chair of the Bernal Property Task Force.

She currently serves on the following committees: Zone 7 Liaison Committee, Alameda County Congestion Management Agency, Alameda County Economic Development Alliance for Business, Association of Bay Area Governments Regional Planning Committee, Alameda County Waste Management Authority, Committee of Valley Water Retailers, I-680 Smart Carpool Lane Policy Advisory Committee, Tri-Valley Business Council Executive Roundtable, and the Tri-Valley Transportation Triangle Policy Advisory Committee.







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For Zone 7 meetings, Representative Tauscher occasionally sent a staff member when we were in her district. But Mr. Stark was conspicuous in his absence and by his apparent lack of attention to a problem affecting more than 500 households in his district. In contrast, Representative Pombo consistently sent his staff to meetings and remained informed on the status. He recognized that while Valley Trails was not officially part of his district, flood zone issues affect the entire Tri-Valley.

Frankly, I am flabbergasted at his sudden attention to this issue. After being required to pay flood insurance for more than 15 years, Mr. Stark's words ring hollow to the Valley Trails Community. His self-advertising of sincere concern for the poor, overburdened homeowner does not pass the election year smell test now that Katrina is back on the front page. His past non-action just does not support his present acute interest and leaves the sour taste of political grandstanding behind.

Night Cannon Noise **Sue Koopman** Livermore

Thanks so much for including the article, today, about the unnecessary noise of winery cannons at night. Considering how upsetting the noise is (it sounds like gunshots), how many people can hear the sounds, how it can rob folks of sleep and how unnecessary the sounds are (there are no birds that could cause damage to grapes at night.. owls do not eat grapes), you would think the city would be concerned about this.

I called the police to report these sounds, but they will not even collect the data of my being bothered, what time, where I am located, etc. I would think they would like to know how many people are losing sleep because of this.

Not only do they not want to know about this, but they said it is during the harvest time (this started at least in early August) and there is nothing they can do. I would think that sounds like gun shots would be something they can act on.

I live by the new library, and do not consider that I have moved into the wine country. I have lived in Livermore for years and this is the first summer I have been bothered by the noise. I'm guessing someone has a timer that needs to be reset, and it would be good to do something about this.

If there is anything you can suggest for citizens to do, let me

What Airport? Steven Rego

Pleasanton I'm underwhelmed by the Pleasanton City Council's "Gee Whiz" response pertaining to the jetport expansion at the Livermore Airport. Golly, no environmental impact report necessary? Shucks, do we really need empirical evidence (Independent Noise Monitoring Equipment)? Shouldn't we let Livermore police itself? What can we do? Let's not talk about the fact that SFO has paid out \$50,000,000.00 and counting, to people in the south peninsula in soundproofing and other various penalties through lawsuits. Air pollution certainly has no business in this conversation-right? Senior citizens probably can't here the noise at Staples Ranch either?

Matt Sullivan appears to be the only council member slightly interested. I wonder whether this issue would be given such feigned lip service when the jets start turning left over the heart (or lack of it) of the city? By the way, it was a nice touch speaking on the issue at 10:00 o'clock in the evening insuring a light response. I must at least commend you all on making my decision to stay in Pleasanton a (insert cornpone response) shall I say, simple?

Pleasanton Traffic Issues Terri Carl **Pleasanton**

I applaud the work that mayoral candidage Steve Brozosky has done for our community. Steve is committed to Pleasanton issues, especially traffic. He has delivered on his commitment to obtain federal money for our local freeways. He has developed close working relationships with the County and neighboring cities to solve our overall traffic problems.

The mayors of Livermore and Dublin, as well as the County Supervisor, elected Steve Chairman of the Wheels Bus System. Supervisor Scott Haggerty expressed his confidence in Steve appointing him to the **Alameda County Transportation** Authority and to the Alameda County Transportation Improvement Authority.

When our current mayor was elected, she promised to become "Traffic Queen." Instead of focusing on Pleasanton's traffic, she has spent her time in office flying around The United States and Canada pursuing her own agenda for higher office while here at home the General Plan remains unfinished, and traffic congestion in Pleasanton is worse than ever.

Local traffic issues need immediate action. Steve Brozosky has the expertise, experience, and the working relationships with our neighbors to make a positive difference for Pleasanton. For Steve, "It's All About Pleasan-

Cedar Grove John Stein

I believe that the issue of a City of Livermore recommendation on the urbanization of agricultural property in The South Livermore Area Plan should be discussed at a noticed regular rather than special City Council meeting. This would allow both sides sufficient time to prepare their positions and organize their thoughts. If the discussion is to be held on September 18th I would urge that it be moved up to the start of the meeting rather than at some arbitrary time that might give one or the other side an advantage. If the item is discussed, since I will not be able to attend I would like to urge that the following issues be addressed.

It is clear that at the date of the purchase the property is not zoned for urban uses such as churches. Was the Cedar Grove purchasing committee informed by the previous owner, their realtor or the Alameda County staff about the limitations on the use of the property? If not it seems there was a lack of both due diligence by the Church and lack of disclosure by the realtor. Legally they are entitled to be treated like any other applicant, no special treatment.

The success of the South Livermore Plan is vital to Livermore's future. The site's soil is prime vineyard soil located at one of the major entrances to the vineyard area and abutting an existing vineyard. The plans are for a church, school, offices, recreational facilities, meeting hall and a massive parking lot covering most of the site. Clearly this is an urban use.

What would happen to this complex when Cedar Grove outgrows this site, would they want to sell it for a non-religious use?

An important question is that of precedence and potential future impacts. How many other religious groups would like to purchase relatively inexpensive agricultural land for other urban uses? Some potential uses could include churches, schools, camps, retreats, event centers and clergy and senior housing. If enough of these uses occur the South Livermore Plan will fail. Even the potential of this occurring could stifle future investments in vineyards and tourist related uses.

It is important to clearly differentiate this conversion of agricultural use from other totally different issues. First, the vehicle

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storage lot in the South Livermore Plan area predates the Plan and was grandfathered into the Plan. Its expansion was denied. Second, the construction of Our Savior Lutheran Church was within both the City limits and the South Livermore Area Plan Urban Growth Boundary (UGB). The Cedar Grove property was purchased after the South Livermore Area Plan was in place and is well outside the UGB.

To continue to build on the progress made on the South Livermore Area Plan I urge the Livermore City Council consider this issue at a regular meeting and take a strong position against the conversion of prime vineyard land to an urban use. I further urge that the City help the Cedar Grove Church find a new church site outside the South Livermore Area Plan.

Set Piece **Doug Miller US Army (Retired) Field Director**

Brozosky for Mayor For the second straight Pleasanton City Council Meeting, we were subjected to a set-piece performance by Mayor Hosterman and Mr. Fred Norman - Editorial Coordinator on Hosterman's campaign staff. The pair once again attempted to divert the focus of the City Council and Staff away from pending and unfinished city business and towards

While I respect Mr. Norman's previous military service and his First Amendment right to speak his mind, I am disgusted by the Mayor's transparent tactics and machinations. First and foremost – the city council has no jurisdiction over any aspect of the Iraq war. I encourage Mr. Norman and those who share his opinions to write to and call their Congressman, Senators and President and drive the debate where it belongs – at the United State Government level. Addressing this issue before our City Council is a waste of taxpayer time and money.

Second, these antics are nothing more than another divisive ploy by Ms. Hosterman to make the upcoming election in Pleasanton a referendum on the Iraq war as opposed to a referendum on her poor performance as mayor. Let's act locally and elect a tested leader who will focus on Pleasanton this November 7th.

Re-Elect Hosterman **Matt Sullivan** Vice Mayor City of Pleasanton

As the Vice-Mayor of Pleasanton, I am writing to urge the community to support Mayor Jennifer Hosterman in her bid for re-election. Jennifer has the vision, integrity and leadership skills necessary to move our city forward during a critical time in our history. She has represented us well with the many local, regional – and yes, even national and global issues - that affect Pleasantonians daily. I have worked with her for many years: on the Council, in an advisory role as a Planning Commissioner, and as a member of the Energy Committee. I can attest to her motivation, her commitment, and her willingness to work hard for

the betterment of our community. With all the critical issues facing us, it's unfortunate that challenger Steve Brozosky has decided to mount an ugly campaign of personal attacks against the Mayor. Brozosky and his minions – most notably Dan Carl and Doug Miller – have been relentlessly attacking Jennifer - maligning her character, questioning her patriotism, and spreading disinformation in an aftempt to blame the Mayor for Council "failures." Brozosky's childish jabs during Council meetings over trivia makes a mockery of the meeting and of the Council. It's Rovean politics, carried out by amateurs, and is an insult to a community that deserves better. But, from Brozosky's standpoint, I guess it's understandable. He has nothing else to say.

Pleasanton is a great community, and things are pretty darn good! Let's keep it that way, and send Mayor Jennifer Hosterman back to Čity Hall for another two

School Board Vote **Pat and Clarence Hoenig**

Livermore

Responsibility for over 13,000 Livermore students underscores the importance of voter participation in the upcoming School Board election on November 7, 2006. We believe Kate Runyon, a fresh new talent, along with two experienced proven incumbents, Anne E. White and William H. Dunlop, represent the best combination to keep our district moving forward in the right direction. That direction embraces a continued robust educational program along with trustworthy fiscal responsibility.

During California's economic downturn, our schools met with hard times and faced some tough decisions. Under the leadership of Anne White and Bill Dunlop we have recovered without serious sacrifice in the classroom. Also, during that period, Kate Runyon served as President of the Livermore Valley Education Foundation and worked along with other volunteers to raise over one million dollars to restore vi-

tal programs in our schools. All three of these candidates are well known and respected in Livermore for their understanding and dedication to a vigorous career focused educational program for all students; a program that will serve graduates well after they leave school. A careful reading of each of their Candidate Statements will affirm this quality and our recommendation to consider Kate Runyon, Anne White and Bill Dunlop when you vote on Tuesday, November 7,

Downtown Development Mel Luna

Some readers know that the Railroad Café, at the northwest end of the old Lucky's center between First Street and Railroad Avenue in Livermore, is a great place to eat. It is a place where locals, their guests and visitors to Livermore come to enjoy a good meal and good company.

As the new development on that Lucky site goes forward, the railroad station, a possible home for the Railroad Café, is due to be moved off the property.

If you want human scale, respect for history, diverse architecture on the site, let the City of Livermore know that you want the railroad station kept where it

It can be integrated into the development in a way that sets a tone, enriches the site and makes the station more alive. The tone set by Blacksmith Square on the corner of Railroad Avenue and So. Livermore Avenue can be furthered by such care given to the railroad station on the northwest

Fateful Week Jonaid F. King

Livermore In that fateful first week in August 1945 approximately 150,000 Japanese were killed by action of the United States Government. It was the decision of President Harry S. Truman and a small group of his advisors that the atom bomb, successfully tested at Alamogordo, New Mexico on July 16, should be used. Some opposed the deci-General Dwight Eisenhower had expressed his opinion that Japan was already

finished. He opposed using the

bomb. David McCullough, in his definitive biography, <u>Truman</u>, after exhaustive analysis of the issue, concluded that, "Most likely, he never seriously considered not using the bomb. (p.437). McCullough writes that, "Tuesday, July 24, was almost certainly the fateful day. (Ibid.). On that day Truman ordered the military to proceed with planning the event that he well knew would result in carnage on a scale never before experienced on this

earth.' General Marshall had told Truman that there could be as many as a quarter million American casualties in a land invasion. The "terrible weapon" might cause the Japanese to surrender, eliminating the need for a land invasion.

But such an invasion might not have been necessary anyway. While Truman was meeting with Churchill and Stalin at the Potsdam Conference (July 15 – August 1), the Japanese ambassador to Moscow had begun discussions with the Soviets on the possibility of ending the war. Truman had been informed of that, but he chose to ignore it.

On 9/11/2001, 3,000, on August 6/9 1945, 150,000. Go fig-

Using Titles Cathe Norman **Pleasanton**

Not too long ago, Mayor Hosterman's opponent in the up-coming mayoral election criticized her for using her title of mayor of Pleasanton when she spoke out in support of peace. Recently I noticed a flyer for that same opponent announcing his endorsement by several, but not all, of the Pleasanton School Board Trustees. I did not elect these trustees to endorse political candidates; I elected them to maintain and improve our schools, a nonpartisan position,

Apparently it is acceptable for School Board Trustees to use their title when endorsing him, but it is not acceptable for Mayor Hosterman to use her title when endorsing peace.

Allow me to use my title: Concerned Pleasanton Čitizen.

Pleasanton Mayor Karen Wind Pleasanton

Steve Brozosky has the support of all four Pleasanton school board members who gave their endorsements for mayor. (I understand that the fifth board member, Jim Ott, opted not to endorse either candidate because his wife works for the City.)

Having served as a school board member in another district, I know how important it is for our elected leaders to work together. The City and School District collaborate on a wide variety of issues, from planning new schools for the future to dealing with traffic problems in the

To me, the school board's unanimous endorsement of Steve Brozosky sends a clear message that he is the better candidate to achieve a positive and productive working relationship between our city government and PUSD.

We have a wonderful city and fine schools. We need to elect practical people who will focus on the things that make Pleasanton a great place to live and raise children. Steve Brozosky will do

Please join our school board members in supporting Steve Brozosky for mayor. Your vote is important. Vote for Brozosky on November 7

Cedar Grove Land **Gail Shearer** Livermore

Please correct me if I'm wrong. But is the Rich Buckley who is sending Letters to the Editors, extolling the beauty of future church facilities in the South Livermore valley area and surrounding hills, outside the South Livermore Urban Growth Boundary, the same Rich Buckley, Kealtor, who sold a rural South Livermore Avenue property to Cedar Grove Community Church for their extensive development?

It would be a real financial boon for realtors if land for sale in this area, zoned for Agriculture and Cultivated Agriculture, starts to be attractively priced for churches — that is, too high for agricultural buyers, but lower than appropriately zoned land within the city limits of Livermore, where other churches have located in the past. If this happens, further expansion of agriculture in the area will come to a

Just Vote Mary McMahon Livermore

"Just Vote" says the huge banner over Fourth Street in Liver-

Let this be a reminder to send for an absentee ballot now if you can't make it to your local polling place on November 7. Just vote. You'll feel better.

No Endorsement David Bouchard, President & CEO Pleasanton **Chamber of Commerce**

In response to the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce's non-endorsement of a mayoral candidate, Jennifer Hosterman commented "...to be so indecisive and to not be able to come up with a mayoral candidate they can support tells me a lot about this group." Her spin couldn't be further from the truth.

In fact, the Chamber very carefully researched and interviewed both mayoral candidates. Simply put, neither rose to the standards set by the Chamber for endorsement, so the decision not to endorse either candidate for mayor was very deliberate.

In spite of the non-endorsement, the Chamber has made it clear it looks forward to working cooperatively with either candidate in keeping Pleasanton a great place to live, work and play.

To assist voters in making an informed choice, the Chamber interviewed all mayoral and city council candidates, and prepared an opinion paper available at www.pleasanton.org. We encourage everyone to become informed and vote.

Vote for Faustina Carol Marshall Pleasanton

I am writing in support of Dan Faustina for Pleasanton City Council. No, Dan does not have big trucks with families painted on the side, but he does have a big stake in our fair city!

I urge you, the voters to meet Dan. If you listen, you will like what you hear, and admire this candidate. If you admire this candidate, we will ask for your vote! Visit his website www.danfaustina.com and familiarize yourself with his straightforward and sincere form of politics. Being born and raised in Pleasanton gives Dan the pride and kind of work ethic that drives home a sense of 'future' for the tomorrow of Pleasanton. Dan wants to share this with you. My request is simply to let him.

As a lifetime resident, citizen, and homeowner, Dan has the desire to preserve, while creating a better and more enjoyable Pleasanton, a task too daunting for some. He will take Pleasanton to the next level, to continue toward the potential that our highly esteemed city affords itself, in the most ethical and equitable fashion.

Dan is most articulate about the good he desires to bring to the city council in regards to enrichment. From street extensions, to youth programs, to overcrowding, or horrendous traffic realities, Dan wants to hear from you. He intends to enlighten citizens on how these and other concerns will be defined. We ask that you get involved, and ask questions. Read about Dan and shake his hand. Not only vote on November 7, but really get involved this election year. This is your Pleasanton, and Dan is the man to bring your concerns to the table, address them and help solve them.

I ask you, neighbor to neighbor, more importantly, friend to friend, to get involved and vote for Dan Faustina on November





Help plan Livermore's future Recreation Programs

The Livermore Area Recreation & Park District (LARPD) is updating its Master Plan and wants to hear from you regarding future recreation programs. Come share your ideas about LARPD programs including: nature/ outdoor events, fitness and special interest classes, sports programs, youth activities, teen programs, daycare, senior services, and other activities and special events.

Tuesday, October 10, 2006 at 7:00 pm

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Water Polo

 $Results for Stoneridge Water Polo \, (Grade$

8-under) include the following: Speedo Fall League Round 1 of 3: Stoneridge 8, Stanford 5; scorers were Trevol Feliciano 1, Chris Iniguez 1, Brandon Plihal

3, Mike Anhorn 1, Grayson Toschi 2. Stoneridge 6, Diablo 11; scores by Trevor Feliciano 1, Chris Iniguez 1, Mike Anhorn

Amador Judo/Jujitsu

The 10th Annual East Bay Judo Invitational was held recently at San Francisco State. Competing against judo players from all over Northern California and placing in the top were representatives from the Amador Judo & Jujitsu Studio in Livermore. They

1st place: Sarah Bachleda, Livermore; Rachael Chinn, Dublin; Samantha Phillips, Manteca; Connor Higgins, Livermore; Angela Ross, Livermore; Brenton Hsu, Pleasinton: Bryson Sherman, Pleasanton: Jason Utpadel, Livermore; Maddyson Post, Liverore; Victoria Burke, Livermore; Josh Laursen, Livermore;

2nd place: Alyssa Fraino, Pleasanton and from Livermore Chris Harriss, Natalie Laursen, Neal Border, Kendyl Post and Grayson Lindstrom; 3rd place: Sean Fraino,

Livermore Soccer League

Livermore Youth Soccer League results: Boys Under-5 Cobras vs Spongebob Soccerpants-Jo Jo Feliciano, Antonio Chavez, Gabriel Tardiff, Mark Rivera, Nathaniel Coronado, Thomas Cowles, Cobras; Colby Smith, Collin Eads, Blake Texeira, Jake Carmichael, Dylan Silva, Evan Nystrom, Spongebob Soccerpants; Sharks vs Incredibles- Noah Woll, Dalton Johnston, Nicholas Hill, Jesse Wolfson, Peyton Peterson, Carson Mohler, Sharks; Bradley Rittmann, Gabriel Hazen, Zach Rittmann, Jackson Brown, Ryan Bartl, Eddie Garcia,

Incredibles **Boys Under- 6** Thunderbolts vs Little Roughnecks-Colby Brocklesby, Alec Lewis, Dillan Martinez, Nicholas Puso, R.J. Ruckteschler, Gregory Short, Thunderbolts; Ryan Mitchell, Nikolai Iniguez, Caden Emery Nick Hill, Cameron McWilliams, Erik Griffin, Little Roughnecks; Hot Lava Dragons vs Celtics-Hayden Glasco, Brodie Wolf, James Attree, Brandon Yocham, Jason Wigginton, Ethan Weisbrod, Hot Lava Dragons; Owen Dawson, Nico Macchioni, Duncan Maloney, Ryan McCusker, Adam Murphy, Harry Rose,

Boys Under-7 Fireballs vs Vipers-Tyler Revay, Trevor Bantley, Chase Dunn, Fire-balls; Sam Elardo, Kellen Bowen, Teddy Padilla, Vipers; Land Sharks vs Cheetahs-Jacob Winslow, Joshua Garcia, Kristian Petri, Micah James, Brad DaDalt, Dean Kellman, Land Sharks; Brandon Liu, Samuel Miller, Joseph Murphy, Colton Casey, Lukas Owen, Alex Northrop, Cheetahs;Samuel Miller & Brandon Liu led the team in goals. Tornadoes vs Great White Sharks- Isaiah O'reilly, Shane Clifton, Jacob Marshall, Tornadoes; Nick Swanger, Quinn Small, Andrew Lignell, Great White Sharks; Goal Miners vs Lightning-Tyler Rodgers, Mark Silverthorn, Andrew Walker, Anthony Bar-row, Luke Morrisroe, Goal Miners; Alex Forgatsch, Joseph Saldana, Sean Constable, Tanner Higgins, Andrew Arruda, Lightning;
Boys Under- 8 Ghostbusters vs Chee-

tahs- Éthan Aboumrad, Kevin Emerson Connor McCormack, Troy Forward, Cole Sofonio, Kyle Wohlgemuth, Ghostbusters; Will Mohler, Nathan Tabaracci, Leo Ramirez, Nick Volponi, Stevie Mohler, Robert Sutter, Cheetahs; Rockets vs Stingrays- Dominic Bartoni, Ralph Miller, Aaron Noriega, Rommy Malaeb, Julian Chavira, Joshua Harlan, Rockets; Mark Foreman, Evan Armstrong, Ravi O'Brien, Noah Green, Kavan Bagatelos, Peter Vance, Stingrays; Knights vs Quakes- Youki Chiba, Adrian Salcedo, Charlie Mitchell, Raymond Carlson, Knights; Mitchell Moore, Armando Chavaria, Brendan McCafferty, Nolan Thompson, Quakes; TNT vs Titans- Morgan Kelly, Andy Solarzano, Grayson Pringle, Bo Cole, Ethan Shang, Trey Cortez, TNT; Alex Griffin, Patrick Schwartz,Sam Grossano, DeVonte Hawkins, Andrew MacKenzie, Nikolas

Ehrhorn, Titans; Boys Under- 9 Heat 0, Aces 2- Andres Gutierrez, Quillan McElderry, William Bretz, Heat; Nathan Barros, Chance Owen, Mat-thew Garcia, Aces; Twisters 4 vs Dynamite 2- Morgan Schultz-Neu, Josh Moore, Zabrisky Roland, Josh Frazier, Nick Sobrepena, Erik Mork, Twisters; Brett Bernstein, Sean Dreger, Jacob Wortham Logan Brist, Cameron Nagy, Weston Nale, Dynamite; Great White Sharks 1, Sharks 5-Dynamite; Great White Snarks 1, Snarks 3-Jesse Barriga, Edgar Alvarez, Roberto Soto, Kolin Krewinkel, Dmitrij Boyd, Steve (Jr) Bruan, Great White Sharks; Ross Wohlgemuth, Brandon Brocklesby, John Estrada, Nickolas Badders, Harrison Goold, Noah Marcel, Sharks; The Great White Sharks were able to score first but were not able to hold off the Sharks. Steve (Jr) Bruan for the Great White Sharks saved 4 goals. It was a hard fought game by both teams. Stampede 2, Lightning 3 - Zach Dunn, Justin Ahn, Dylan Guilin, Ryan Bishop, Chase Billings, Daniel Herrera, Stampede; Luis Ceja, Archie Labine, Connor Lovoi, Daniel Byrnes, Kevin Gilmore, Garrett Vest, Lightning; Blazers 6, Bald Eagles 1 - Benjamin Smith, Trevor Valone, Cole Escover, Jared Faith, Reed Berg, Jason Flores, Blazers; Matthew Hewitt, Alex Gonzales, Nathan White, Parker Turk, Truman Griffeath, Churchill Myers, Bald

Boys Under-10 Cobras 3, American Eagles 3- Eli Smith, Jacob Arciszewski, Aaron Jorgensen, Jordan Murdoch, Spencer Saing, Alex McCollum, Cobras; Matthew Marty, Daimion Venegas, Jacob Adams Christopher Hinds, Hector Romo, Rudy Ramirez, American Eagles:

Boys Under-12 Wolves 0, Thunder 1-James Wilker, Chandler Shetron, Cory Herro, Kevin Amaral, Alex Hartley, Jared Dec, Wolves; Klayton Brauer, Sam Brinker, Jesse Farrens, Jeffrey Beaulieu, Dario Caliz, Robert Porcella, Thunder; Boys Under-14 Lightning 3 vs Arsenal 2- Skylar Jones, Cristian Buendia, Kristopher Burke, Brandon Johns, Lightning; Ted Rudish, David Bierwirth, Kyle Messner, Jesus Guitterez;

Ryle Messner, Jesus Guinterez;
Boys Under-14 Animals 3, Lightening
1: Top players Animals: David Despotiakis,
Luis Alvarez, Josh Ray, Tyler Downs; Lightening: Johnathon Lunn, Shyam Patel,

Lorenzo Buendia, Dillion Mitchler.
Lightening 3, Arsenal 2: Top players
Lightening: Skyler Jones, Cristian Buendia,
Kristopher Burke, Brandon Johns; Arsenal: Ted Rudish, David Bierwirth, Kyle Messner,

Girls Under-5 Kittens vs Goal Getters-Abigail Canafe, Jaida Carr, Emma Hyde, Gabriella Paneda, Skylar Vinson, Kittens; Jessica Gresho, Rachelle Stone, Claire Wiedenfeld, Sabrina Pertica, Naomi Smith, Goal Getters; Soccer Chickies vs Pink Pan-

thers-Jessica Warren, Gracey Walke, Alyssa Swinkle, Soccer Chickies; Katherine Terry, Lilly Ackerman, Isabella Moya, Pink Pan-

Girls Under- 6 Shooting Stars vs Chee-tahs- Abby Fraser, Allison Martin, Shooting Stars; Amanda Deutschmann, Megan Mossinger, Cheetahs; Strawberry Shortkicks vs Cheetah Girls-Mary Griffin, Ályssa Silva, Noelle Rizzo, Courtney Hayes, Emmerson Coberg, Strawberry Shortkicks; Bethany Lange, Olivia Armstrong, Jannessa Sanchez, Brooke Anderson, Alyssa George, Cheetah Girls; Eagles vs Lightning Bugs- Alex Christeson, Nicole Fairbanks, Shelby Clark, Taylor Stamps, Eagles; Tori McKenzie, Paige Renner, Mariah Turner, Amber Tho-

mas, Lightning Bugs; Girls Under-7 Shooting Stars vs Chee-tah Girls- Claire Andersen, Rachel Jensen, Melinda Miller, Isabella Babero, Katherine Gomez, Shelynn Holsen, Shooting Stars; Jennifer Gibson, Tessa Mullins, Emma Zika, Allyson Badger, Katie Hinds, Sophia Rebello, Cheetah Girls; Green Lightning vs Dolphins-Kylie Martinez, Kaitlyn Oki, Sophia Pearson, Green Lightning; Amanda Sieverts, Juliana Santos, Arianna Salcido, Dolphins; Cute Cats vs Fireballs-Hanna Schormann, Isabelle Monterroza, Sophia Michaels, Jasmine Currie, Madissen Taylor, Madison McCallister, Cute Cats; Amilia Sobrepena, Olivia Volponi, Juliana Vanfossen, Andrea Sommer, Mariah Ortiz, Emily Harrison, Fireballs; USA Girls vs Dolphins- Anyssa Perez, Marissa Carpenter, Emily Hewitt, USA Girls; Sophia St. Clair, Sienna Gibbs, Chelsea Warner, Dolphins; Crazy Bears vs Soccer Chicks- Jessica Bonfiglio, Makenzie Farro, Paige Sutter, Hayley Payne, Sydney Pournaras, Sierra Rose, Crazy Bears; Allie Murphy, Sophia Krafkic, Alize Rizo, Krissy Keller, Marley Walke, Annie Allen, Soccer

Chicks: Girls Under- 8 Tigers vs Jaguars- Jennifer Kovisto, Erynn Pascual, Jennifer onnolly, Tigers; Savannah Vasquez, Ashley Morton, Kiara Steinhorst, Jaguars; Panthers vs Tornados- Tatiana Hernandez, Jordan mullins, Riley Heffron, Kate Wise, Sierra Freeland, Panthers; Lauren Nguyen, Skyler Lewis, Katrina Herweg, Adriana Sblendorio, Annabelle Bush, Tornados; Soccer Cats vs Lady Jaguars-Lauren Sandy, Hannah Larsen, Lauren Schmitt, Shannon Blockley, Claudia Chavira, Alejandra Dudenas, Soccer Cats; Stevie Sobers, Pamela White, Alexandra Lonsinger, Sarah Coulson, Morgan Brandrick, Kaly Mesarchik, Lady Jaguars; Funky Monkeys vs Whirly Birds- Jordan Wolf, Colette Mardirossian, Kimmie Faulkner, Hana Owen, Funky Monkeys; Hayley Broxham, Hanna Carlson, Jordyn Salinas, Jenna Sunnergren, Whirly Birds;

Under-10 Hurricanes 1, Cool Cleat Kickers 0 - Adilene Ruiz, Alexandra Winkler, Kelsey Pettis, Cierra Prestegard, Alicia Craft, Taylor Lawsen, Hurricanes; Hayley Rundle, Nicole Paulazzo, Madeline Schmitz, Sophia Compton, Taylor Enderlein, Taylor Hansen, Cool Cleat Kickers; Fireballs 3, Angels 0-Carmen Best, Natalie Christiansen, Jazmyn King, Jami Gellerman, Jordan Griffin, Cassandra Otero, Fireballs; Margarita Duenas, Monique Porcella, Alexis Pournaras, Nicole Hamby-Freund, Kelcie Norton, Kelsey Santin, Angels; The quick Fireball offense proved too hot to handle for the Angels. Dynamites 0, Tomcats 4 - Kelly Borden, Brianna Lima, Megan Fairbanks, Miranda Lima, Dynamites; Madison McCoy, Taylor Ditzel, Joseline Morales, Kelsie Graham, Tomcats; Fire Balls 3, Shooting Stars 1 -Avery Harker, Taylor Cory, Sariah Baker, Hailey Schultz, Fire Balls; Molly Morrisroe,

Molly Strout, Victoria Winter, Elise Williams, Shooting Stars;

Girls Under-12 Team USA 0, Net Rippers 3- Rachel Bryant, Claire Hyde, Taryn Zumwalt, Sarah Dane, Edith Valdez, Haylie Hill, Team USA; Anastasia Gould, Kotte Katie Brown, Michaela Moehnle, Taylor Vasquez, Meagan White, Marina Gandara, Net Rippers; Anastasia Gould got the Net Rippers off to a great start in the first half with a goal. Katie Brown also scored in the first half with a goal. Katie Brown also scored in the first half for the Net Rippers. In the second half, Michaela Moehnle scored the third goal for the Net Rippers. The Team USA Girls then ratcheted down their defense and held off the Net Rippers the rest of the way for a final score

of Net Rippers 3, Team USA Girls 0. Chicks on Fire 2, Blaze 2- Jessie Hitlon-Steele, Marissa Sheid, Maryann Gong, Shelby Offill, Cristal Mattison, Kaitlin Stocking, Chicks on Fire; Katie Lord, Brandy Guillen, Ciera Fisher, Nicole Mungiore, Areana Lopez, Michelle Soule, Blaze;

Roller Hockey

Valley Roller Hockey results:
Pee Wees: Rangers 6, Flyers 6: The
Rangers jumped out in the lead with goals by
Colin Rigby (2) and James Ellis. The Flyers responded with a natural hat trick by Jessica Cardenas. The Rangers Taylor Class then added a few goals as well as another by James Ellis. Jaci Ramirez got the score closer with some hard working goals. Jessica Cardenas scored her 4th goal of the night making it 6-5 with 4 minutes left. The Flyers pulled goalie Nicolas Durst with under a minute left and sent Jaci Ramirez on for the extra attacker.
With 15 seconds left she scored the tying

Sabres 6, Panthers 1: The Sabres picked up hat tricks (3 goals) by Daniel Rowan and Daniel Lanci for their 1st win. Michael Hutcheson scored the lone goal for the Panthers. The Panthers had some nice passing and took a lot of shots. However, goalie David Starr held them off with a solid effort. Top players for the Panthers were Nolan Sarkozy and Samantha Mcgoon.

Bantams: Mavericks 6, Extreme 5: Back and forth these two teams battled until the final buzzer. Goal scorers for the Mavericks were Scott Target (2g2A), Kris Mach (1g,1a), Eric Cabot, Kyle Spray, and Lucas Pruett. The Extreme's Tommy Parker scored 5 goals with assists by Luke Ğross (2), and Seamus

Connors (2). Phantoms 6, Thrashers 4: This was another close game. The Phantoms fell behind on a nice goal by Adrianna Durst (2g) early on but came back with goals by Logan Kehoe (2g), Blake Russett (2g,1a), Justin Donk, and Kory Kivijarhu. The Thrashers closed the gap with goals by Noah Kleidon and Dillon Alexander but tried pulling their goalie with less than a minute and had an empty netter scored against them. Well played game by both goalies Duston Rose and Nico Mora.

Valley Roller Hockey is located behind Junction Ave. Middle School; information at 925-443-1500 www.valleyrollerhockey.com. Leagues are year round with winter signups in early November.

the Redding Misfits. Rage held the Misfits to one goal in the 1st half, but gave up 3 goals early in the 2nd half. Scoring for Rage late in the 2nd half was Lindsey Ellison off a penalty kick. The final score: Redding 4, Rage 1.

Rage played a more evenly matched second game against the Santa Cruz Illusion, scoring its first goal 6 minutes into the game, when Forward Megan Gomez was fouled inside the box. Lindsey Ellison capitalized on the penalty kick. Rage's second goal came about 6 minutes into the 2nd half, with Megan Gomez finishing a run and chipping the ball in. Rage played tough defense. Goalkeeper LeeAnn Meyer managed a shut out, despite 8 shots on goal. Forward Sarah Skinner and midfielder Melissa Sheehan made key plays, feeding the ball to the Rage offense to create shooting opportunities. Sunday morning, the Rage offense domi-

nated the first half against host team, Benecia Arsenal scoring 5 goals in 27 minutes of play. Megan Gomez scored the first two goals— the first a solo, second off a Sara Skinner cross. Skinner scored the third goal. Jaimie
Hahs connected for the 4th goal. Megan
Gomezwrapped up the half with her 3rd goal
of the day — assisted by Sara Skinner and
Margie Blidy. In the 2nd half, Rage offense had some fine efforts by Heidi Larsen and Stacey Hildebrand, but remained scoreless for the half. The Rage defense played a strong half, keeping the Arsenal to 3 shots on goal; Alex Martin, Lindsey Ellison, and Melissa Sheehan had particularly strong games, and Goalkeeper Kerry McCulloch earned a shut out. The final score, 5-0, put Rage into the

Consolation Game.
Race faced their local rivals, the Danville Mustang X plosion. Mustang took a 2 to 0 lead at the half. Rage scored twice in ten minutes in the second half, Jamie Thurman on a cross from Jaimie Hahs, and Catrina Cruger off a corner kick. Excellent defense by Cruger off a corner kick. Excellent defense by Hannah Roberts, Melissa Sheehan (filling in as sweeper as Lindsey Ellison moved to offense), Robyn Clark and Goalkeeper Kerry McCulloch kept Mustang scoreless in the 2nd half, resulting in a 2-2 tie. Throughout two 10-minute overtimes, Rage's tough defense kept Mustang to 3 shots on goal. Defenders Hannah Roberts and Margie Blidy made key clears and McCulloch made 2 saves, bringing Rage to the penalty kick tiesaves, bringing Rage to the penalty kick tie-breaker. Mustang made 4 of their first 4, giving the win to the X'plosion, and going

nome with 4th place.

The Rage U11 Division 3 headed to Palo Alto this weekend for their 3rd tournament of the season. In their first game they took on the powerful PASC 96G Blue. The Rage came out strong dominating the majority of the game. The Rage took a 1-0 lead in the 15th minute when Paige Hughes scored off a pass from Bailey Downum. The PASC quickly rallied back scoring 5 minutes later to tie it rallied back scoring 5 minutes later to tie it up at the half. Then in the 45th minute, Olivia Deutschman delivered a perfectly centered corner kick to Meghan Serrano for the win-

corner kick to Meghan Serrano for the winning goal and a 2-1 victory.

Next the Rage took on the MP Strikers FC 95G Blue. Despite multiple attempts at goal by Molly Grozier, Ali Racer, Jessica Crawford and Lindsay Cole, and strong offensive play by Nikki Costello, the Rage was unable to place one in the net, resulting in a 1-0 loss. In their final game, the Rage, needing a 2-0 shut out to advance to the playoffs, took on the fierce Folsom Lightning. The Rage defense, executed some brilliant play and was able to hold off all advances by the Lightening. Tied at the half 0-0 the Rage offense came to life when Kendall Moore advanced the ball up the field, passing to Kayla Bautista who then placed passing to Kayla Bautista who then placed one in the corner of the net for a 1-0 lead.

one in the corner of the net for a 1-0 lead.
Needing just one more goal to advance, the
Rage played their hearts out, but were unable
to score again, resulting in a 1-0 victory
against the Folsom Lightening, but 1 goal
shy of advancing to the playoffs.

Top Offensive Players: Ali Racer,
Meghan Serrano, Kendall Moore, Bailey
Downum, and Kayla Bautista. Top Defensive Players: Lauren Fan, Patricia Norcross,
Claire Hickel, Olivia Brown, and Danielle
Leedeman.

The Pleasanton Rage U13 team traveled to Santa Cruz this weekend and came away capturing 4th place in the Santa Cruz Classic. Rage posted 2 ties and 1 win in Classic. Rage posted 2 ties and 1 win in preliminary matches. This was enough to put them in the consolation bracket where they met up with a tough and very physical team from Rincon. Although they fell to Rincon and had to settle for 4th place, the Rage played one of their best sets of games during the weekend.

The best game of the weekend may have been Sunday morning when the Rage met up with a team from Granite Bay. Play was hard and it was a very physical match ending in a 0-0 tie. The Granite Bay team would end up winning the tournament. Kudos to Rage keeper Aria Crawford who was in the net for all 4 games. Aria made some outstanding

saves to preserve the tie and ensure the team's success throughout the tournament.

Another highlight of this weekend's play came on a header goal from Devon Lutz. Stephanie Little set up the play when she stormed down the side in the consolation match against Rincon, Little took a hard shot match against kincon. Little took a hard shot from one of the defenders and was awarded a penalty kick outside the box near the sideline. She crossed the ball into a waiting Lutz who headed it into the net. Danielle Homan, Danielle LaMarche, and Jessie Hopson also

Scored goals during the tournament.

Top Offensive Players: Devon Lutz,
Stephanie Little, Katey Cloonan; Top Defensive Players: Aria Crawford, Megan Ash, Kristin Dumanski

Pleasanton Rage Division 2 U13 defeated County Line Heat 2 to 0. Ashley Jenezon got the Rage AC started with a goal 5 minutes into the game. Haley Paxton fired the next goal in assisted by Jillian Beck. The stellar defensive playing of Nicole Santana, Jessica Klahr, Olivia Zhu, Malia Ryan and Sydnee Okumura did not allow County Line

any shots on goal.

Top Offensive Players: Ashley Jenezon,
Haley Paxton, Jillian Beck; Top Defensive
Players: Malia Ryan Olivia Zhu Nicole

Saitana.

Rage Under-9: Princesses vs. Painters.
Tons of actions was had by all. A total of 7
goals were scored by the two teams! Top
Offensive Players: Lily Gribbel, Hannah
McGillivray, Lauren Blach; Top Defensive
Players: Madeline Anderson, Megan
Potterers

Livermore Elite Soccer

After a tough first loss in the Hayward Fall Classic the **Livermore Elite Explosion U-12 Division 1 Girls** soccer team slowly worked their way back up finishing second in their flight and making it to the consolation game where they were defeated by Central Marin Magic, bringing home 4th place med-

MDSL Arsenal 2, Livermore Explosion MDSL Arsenat 2, Livermore Exprosion

0. Livermore could not score in this match as
the Arsenal keeper was sharp and a key
component for MDSL's defense. Jessica
Floyd, Carli Floris, Rachel Tabaracci played

Luce stood out for the Explosion in this

Livermore Explosion 1, Hayward Aftershock 1. In a game that looked like a sure win for the Explosion, a late in the second half goal for Hayward prevented the win and Livermore had to settle for a tie. Kassidy Peters scored Livermore's first goal of the tourney when she stole the ball and proceeded to muscle her way past her defender and put it in the net. Sierra Cassels was on fire in the backfield driving many balls up to the front where a number of Audrey Walke's headers landed near forwards Danielle Lacombe and

Kayley Olsen who kept Livermore's offen-sive pressure alive.

Livermore Explosion 1, Bay Oaks 0.

Livermore's offense started strong and paid off when a perfect left-side to right-side cross by Kassidy Peters was put in by Cierra Comfort for the score. One goal was enough as Livermore's defense was outstanding in this match from mid fielder Alex Boucher to back field players Kylee Southwell, Gabi Macias and Jennie Harmison which included an awesome save by Harmison off a Bay Oaks corner kick. Explosion keeper Holly Lamb did not let her defense down as she made 2 great diving saves.

The Livermore Rampage U14 Girls **Division 3** team went 3-0-1 over the weekend to win the Livermore Fall Classic, their third to win the Livermore rail Classic, their finire tournament win of the season. The Rampage opened with a 0-0 tie against league rival Dublin Divas. Forwards Jennifer Wakefield and Audrey Christian help kept the pressure on Breanna Diaz held the Diva offense in check. The Rampage were looking to erase the sting of an early season 3-0 loss when they took on Santa Rosa Team Scream in their second game Saturday afternoon. The two evenly matched teams battled for 45 minutes without a score. The Rampage finally broke through when Sara Slabaugh assisted Jenni-fer Wakefield's goal for a 1-0 Rampage lead. Rampage padded their lead to 2-0 when Olivia Mowry was fouled on a break-away run and Sissi Gonzalez converted the penalty kick Team Scream would not go away and kick. Team Scream would not go away and narrowed the gap to 2-1 when they scored with 5 minutes left in the game. The Rampage defense held on for the rest of the game and

a 2-1 win.

Sunday morning found the Rampage pitted against the SASC Sharks. The Rampage jumped out to a quick 1-0 lead with a 3 player pass combination came to Katie 3 player pass combination came to Katte Dubowy who blasted a high crossing pass to Katrina Kalantar who headed a shot from the left side back over the goalie and into the right corner of the net. The floodgates then opened and Jennifer Wakefield scored the second goal of the game with an assist from Serena Claudio. Courtney Holsen added a third goal on a penalty kick from outside the boy and on a penalty kick from outside the box and Olivia Mowry completed the scoring for a 4-

Orivia Mowry completed the scoring for a 4-0 Rampage win.

The tournament championship game had the Rampage facing the CV Red Devils. Olivia Mowry scored the first goal when she turned on Katrina Kalantar's pass and drove a line drive shot into left side of the goal. The same offensive combination stroke again. same offensive combination struck again when Olivia Mowry slipped a touch pass though the defense to a charging Katrina Kalantar who buried a shot into the net and

completed a 2-0 Rampage win.

The Livermore Roadrunners boys U12 soccer team won 4 to clinch the cham pionships at the Hayward Fall Classic Tour-

In their first match the Roadrunners beat Santa Clara Sporting 2-1. All of the goals were scored in the second half. Tanner Turner scored first for the Roadrunners, assisted by Patrick Taylor. Their second goal was scored when Trevor Long made a nice forward pass into space, Taylor received the ball and shot into space, 1 ayor received the ball and shot hitting the post. Ryan Flayler tapped the ball in for the finish. The Sporting scored their only goal in the last minutes of the game off of a penalty kick opportunity. Anthony Dubberly and Harry Dhillon played well for the defense, helping hold the Sporting to just

Next the Roadrunners faced the Union Next the Koadrunners raced the Union City Hornets, winning 3-0. The Roadrunner's first two goals were scored off of corner plays. The first corner was kicked by Turner to Long who headed the ball over the keeper's head to score. The second corner was taken by Marco Arana-Nolasco and received by Juan Carlos Alferre who cheat hitting the nost Damon Alfaro who shot, hitting the post. Damon Tregear captured the rebound and finished the ball. The Roadrunner's final goal was a series of shots taken by Paul Mayes, Taylor, and finally scored by Alfaro. On Sunday the Roadrunner's took on the

Off Stiffagy the recontinuer stood of the ACC Mavericks in an evenly played match resulting in a 3-2 win for the Roadrunners. The Mavericks dominated the first half, scoring first off of a free kick. The Roadrunners came back to dominate in the second half cooring 3 goals right away. Their first half, scoring 3 goals right away. Their first goal was scored by Taylor who received the ball off a header made by Long. The second Roadrunner goal was scored by Turner who dribbled the ball all the way from center field, through the Maverick defense to score. Their last goal was scored off a short, forward pass from Hector Gomez to Alfaro who fired a long shot into the net. Roadrunner Goalkeener. JT shot into the net. Roadrunner Goalkeeper, JT Addington, performed well to hold the Mav-

ricks to just 2 goals.

The Roadrunners met with the Mavericks again in the championship game, winning 4.3. It was a tough match with the Mavericks scoring the first 2 goals. Mayes scored the first goal for the Roadrunners with assistance from Ryan Collott. Long made a long first goal for the Roadrunners with assistance from Ryan Gollott. Long made a long distance shot to score again for the Roadrunners, also with Gollott assisting. This tied the score 2-2 at the half. The Roadrunners scored first in the second half when Turner chipped the ball over the keeper to score. The Mavericks soon tied it up and the score was 3-3 with only minutes left in the game. Gollott scored the winning goal for the Roadrunners right before the whistle after receiving a pass from Taylor. Brandon receiving a pass from Taylor. Brandon Marantan and Sergio Alvarez also played

aggressively aiding the Roadrunners in their victory.

The U-12, AC-3 Livermore Elite Lightning began their home tournament on a winning note, beating the Piedmont Highlanders I-0. The Lightning's goal came early in the first half. Starting back in the defense, Cody Martinez kicked a long ball across the field to Christopher Sund, who passed that ball un the line to Daniel Toscano. He field to Christopher Sund, who passed that ball up the line to Daniel Toscano. He dribbled the ball to the middle and scored with an off the post shot. Strong midfield play from Jeff Gellerman, Jason Stearns, Ricky Martinez, Morgan Melendrez, and Christopher Sund helped control the game

Christopher Sund helped control the game and they made good passes forward, helping to create Lightning opportunities.

In the Lightning's second game, they faced the Rockridge Sting, battling to a 0-0 tie. Playing extremely tough defense and claiming their second shutout in a row were defenders Cody Martinez, Lee Wood, Justin Moore, and Gerald Cuyle, anchored by keeper Tristan Lewis who snatched anything that came his way, including an impressive high came his way, including an impressive high jumping, catch. Together, the defense made certain that the ball remained under Lightning

In their final game of the tournament, the Lightning met the Roseville United in a fast Lightning met the Rosevine United in a rasis moving game. The Lightning's forward momentum stayed strong, led by strikers Tyler Ellis, Jose Zavala, and Hugo Guerrero, who kept their opponents on their toes. The Lightning's goal came in the first half with a pass from Jason Stearns to Daniel Toscano, who reflected the hall off the goal is and into who reflected the ball off the goalie and into the net. Roseville answered back at the beginning of the second half. The game was played with intensity to the very end, resulting in a 1-1 tie. The Lightning turned in a respectable showing, marked with all-around,

respectable snowing, marked with an around, good quality team play.

The Livermore Fury girls U-11 D3 team performed well in the Livermore Fall Classic, despite facing all U-12 teams. In the first game against the EDYSL Endurance, the Fury fell behind early to the eventual champions, but goalie Skyler Kriz made several nice saves to limit the Endurance to only three goals. In the second half, the Fury played the Endurance evenly and defenders Allison Lau, Alyssa Stevenson and Nicole Kurian prevented further scoring opportunities. The Fury scored their only goal late in the match when Morgan Brandt scored off a corner kick from Rebekah Johnson to make the final score 4-1 in favor of the Endurance.

4-1 in favor of the Endurance. In the second game against the Solano Strikers, the Fury dominated most of the match as midfielders Brittany Ahrbeck, Erin Winegarner, Callie Crowe and Olivia Cabotage did a nice job of keeping possession and setting up forwards Kaitlin Dadalt, Alison Pierson, Beth McCall and Rebekah Johnson with several scoring opportunities. Unfortunately, the Fury could not convert any shots and had to settle for a 0-0 tie. In game three and had to settle for a 0-0 tie. In game three versus the MVLA Fury, Livermore fel versus the MVLA Fury, Livermore fell behind in the first few minutes as MVLA started strongly. Skyler Kriz again played well in goal to stop other scoring chances until Livermore began controlling the midfield play. With only a minute to go in the first half, Rebekah Johnson scored on a long, high free kick to tie the game at 1-1. MVLA responded early in the 2nd half with a goal despite a diving attempt by goalie Alison Pierson to challenge the kick. Livermore forwards had a couple of good rushes and shot attempts but was not able to score again. A late goal by MVLA secured the 3-1 win.

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The Livermore Elite Express AC1 Under- 10 took 2nd place in their division at the Sonoma State University Harvest Cup.

Livermore Express 5. East Diablo Force
1. Goals by Matthew Dremalas, Dominic Foscalina, Baylie Bartlett, Curtis Wiggington, and Jake Foscalina. Good offense by Josh

and Jake Foscalina. Good offense by Josh Revay, Tony Jimenez, and Scott Buskey. Logan Gruidl also played well in the goal. Logan Gruidl also played well in the goal. Livermore Express 8, Eureka Lightning 0. Tony Jimenez scored four of the goals for Express. Ryan Ruley, Baylie Bartlett, Matthew Dremalas, and Curtis Wigginton also had goals. Cole Souza and Michael Rademann and Logan Gruidl played a solid defensive game to shut out the Lightning.

Livermore Express 5, Cal Rush 3. Jake Foscalina, Scott Buskey, Baylie Bartlett each scored for Express. Tony Jimenez scored two goals, one being a penalty kick in the second half. Matthew Dremalas, Dominic Foscalina. and Curtis Wiggington played

second half. Matthew Dremalas, Dominic Foscalina, and Curtis Wiggington played great offense for the Express. Michael Rademann, Cole Souza and Josh Revay played great defense to hold the lead.

Championship game, Livermore Express 2, Eureka Rumble 3. The Rumble scored two quick goals in the first half. The Express came back with a goal by Matthew Dremalas to end the first half 1-2. Ryan Ruley scored early in the second half to tie the game. scored early in the second half to tie the game. The Rumble scored with about 5 minutes left

in the game to win.
AC3 Under-15 Boys F.C. Livermore
United placed second in the Santa Cruz
Classic Under-16 Townament this last week-Classic Únder-16 Tournament this last weekend. Advancing to their fifth consecutive final in as many tournaments and going for their fourth championship in a row, F.C. United defeated Bullard F.C. by a score of 3-1, tied the Rocklin Congars 3-3, and defeated the Aptos Eagles 3-1. Game 1 goals were scored by Enrique Gonzalez, Christian Murillo, and Brandon Fread. Game two scores came from Alejandro Sanchez, Jesus Moreno, and Christian Murillo. In the final game of pool play, Sanchez, Moreno, and Murillo scored on assists from Richie Howard, Murillo scored on assists from Richie Howard

C.J. Salazar, and Peter Cabeceiras.

In the championship game, F.C. United lost a tough 1-0 contest to the Cal Rush Strikers from Sacramento. The lone score came in the final four minutes of play on an unstoppable shot just over the outstretched fingers of goalie Ian Coolbear. For the tournament, keepers Jason Trumpp and Ian Coolbear faced 32 shots while the offense pasted the opponents with 67 shots. With the second place finish, F.C. United has seen its season record go to 17 wins and 3 ties against

The Livermore Elite Titans, (U13, Division 1), took first place in the Almaden Champions Cup this past weekend. The Titans out scored their opponents 22-3. Tyler Amick, Jesse Morales and Victor Reyes were Affick, Jesse Morales and Victor Reyes were the Titans top scorers with five goals each. Three of the five goals Amick scored were on headers. Amick also led the way with most assists, four. Morales followed with three. Joey Martinez and Aaron Grewal also chipped in with two goals a piece. Juan Guerrero, Tsuyoshi Kohlgruber and Danny McNeill

The Titans midfielders made some nice The Titans midfielders made some nice feeds to the front line that got converted into goals. Steven Dubberly, Greg Crusco, Michael Kronenberg, Martinez, McNeill, Reyes, Kohlgruber (2), and Guerrero (2) get credit for the assists.

Goal keeper Douglas McNeill registered two shut outs due to solid play from his defensive line. Defenders Oscar Garcia, Chase Martinez, Van Carlos Truiillo and Crewal

Martinez, Yan Carlos Trujillo and Grewal worked hard to shut down their opponents. The Titans defeated Walnut Creek Storm 3-1, Heritage Hammers 9-0, Solano Rapids 4-0 and Menlo Park Strikers 6-2 in the

4-0 and Menlo Park Strikers 6-2 in the championship game.

The Livermore Crew '97 Girls U9 Division 1 team went 2-0-1 at the Devil Mountain Jamboree in Concord over the weekend. Crew '97 started with a bang when they beat the MDSL Knockouts 4-0. Ashley Arnett scored three goals and Megan Amick added the fourth on an assist from Morgan. added the fourth on an assist from Morgan Leonard. Bridget Rittmann and Hanna Beauchamp combined in goal for the shutout. Kon Fusion was the next opponent for Crew '97. Ashley Arnett put Crew '97 in front with an early goal before Kon Fusion tied the score in the second half. Defenders Claire Soule and Kamryn Lipman kept the Kon Fusion offense in check for the rest of the game to preserve a 1-1 tie.

Crew '97 finished with a flurry when they beat the Lamorinda United White team 5-0 in their final game. Ashley Arnett had her second hat trick of the tournament for Crew 97 with three goals while Megan Amick and Amelia Mowry added one goal each for a 5-

Pleasanton Ballistic Soccer The Pleasanton Ballistic United Soc-cer Club (BUSC) U15 team took away the

2nd place trophy in this weekend's BUSC Fall Harvest Classic held in Pleasanton. In the three preliminary games of the weekend, Ballistic dominated play out scoring their opponents 11-2. In the first match of the opponents 11-2. In the first match of the weekend, Ballistic met CV United and handily came away with a 3-1 victory. Tiago Abreu notched 2 goals in the game. Edris Bemanian got the third and final goal. Saturday afternoon's match had Ballistic against the SF Gundelarjara squad. This time scoring was sprinkled amongst 3 different Ballistic players with Jean Luc Masri and Nick Andergon gotting their first goals of the season and the season and the season and the season and the season are season. players with Jean Luc Masri and Nick Anderson getting their first goals of the season and speedy Edris Bemanian capturing his second goal of the tournament. Sunday morning saw more Ballistic offensive drives when they took on the Central Valley Storm. Cory Thomas was first to score and then Ryan Parsons got on the board bringing the game to 2-0 at half. In the second half, Parsons would note hun? more goals giving him his to 2-0 at half. In the second half, Parsons would notch up 2 more goals giving him his second hat trick of the season. His third goal was a header off the connecting cross from Drew Hall. Nik Thompson was awarded a penalty in the box and Cody Hoster converted on the PK. Edris Benamian would get his third goal of the tournament bringing the final score to 5-0 in favor of Ballistic. In the championship game the Ballistic took on a tough squad from Aptos. The White fought hard but couldn't convert the shots and had to settle for 2nd place when they were

had to settle for 2nd place when they were handed a 2-0 defeat. The White team has come away with a medal in each and every tournament they have played in this year. Top
Offensive Players: Tiago Abreu, Ryan Parsons, Edris Bemanian, Cory Thomas; Top
Defensive Players: Brian Johnston, Evan
Zolfarelli, Cory Beck.

Pleasanton BUSC Class 1 U12 came
home with the title from the Celtic Harvest

home with the title from the Celtic Harvest Tournament in Fremont. In game one against Sonoma SC Celtic produced a 4 to 1 victory. Game 2 was a 2 to 0 over the Clovis Odyssey 95. On Sunday, Ballistic defeated FC Fre-mont 6 to 1 with a solid team effort. The championshin game against Davis Legacy 95 championship game against Davis Legacy 95 was a great end to a great weekend with BUSC United coming out winners by a 5 to 1 score BUSC United out-scored their opponents 17

Top Offensive Players: Christian Clark Top Oriensive Players: Christian Clark,
Cody Hall, Graham Lindgren, Danny
Glascock, Bruno Andres, Tommy Powell,
Thomas Janjigian; Top Defensive Players:
Brent Richwood, Louis Desprez, Matthew
Martin, David Busch, Matt Klei, Nick
McGillivray, Connor Silcox.

Pleasanton Ballistic U-13 took part in
the Pale Alto Tall Taxes Taurrament. On

the Palo Alto Tall Trees Tournament . On Saturday morning, Ballistic opened against the host team Palo Alto Blue 94. Palo Alto the host team Palo Alto Blue 94. Palo Alto scored twice in the first five minutes. Ballistic rallied and succeeded in tying the game. A great pass from Suchi Kuo sprang Seth Niermeyer who slipped it past the keeper for the first. A free-kick by Nandor Krause accounted for the equalizer. Ballistic conceded a third goal just before the half.. Palo Alto scored the 4th goal in the second half, with the final 2-4.

Against Lamorinda after a goal-less first

Against Lamorinda, after a goal-less first half, which was dominated by Ballistic, the nair, which was dominated by Ballistic, the second half opened with a goal for Pleasanton by Seth Niermeyer. It was enough to give Ballistic it's first win and a good chance of advancing to the next round if they could only beat their local nemesis Mustang Galaxy from Danville on Sunday morning.

Ballistic took the field on Sunday morning broad by the unexy sected presence of the

Ballistic took the field on Sunday morning buoyed by the unexpected presence of the Kuo twins. A win over Mustang or a 2-2 tie would mean another game for Ballistic on Sunday afternoon. Ballistic came out fired up and matched Mustang blow for blow in the first half. A free-kick by Erik Knaggs was headed goal-ward by Seth Niermeyer but tipped against the crossbar and over by the Mustang keeper. Halftime was scoreless. In the second half the Ballistic, the Mustang scored.. Ballistic went to desperation mode moving defenders up in search of goals. At moving defenders up in search of goals. At one point even goalkeeper Michael Viebeck joined the attack for consecutive cornerkicks. Mustang just managed to hang on for

Pleasanton BUSC Class 3 U11 put together a solid defensive effort, but came away with a 2 to 1 loss to the Eureka Storm in a hard fought game. Top Offensive Players: Salim Boykin, Kaave Bahadori, Willie Stafford; Top Defensive Players: Tristan Maas, Jack Simmons, Collin LaPorte, Steven

Morgan (keeper). **Ballistic White U10** team took 3rd place in the Sonoma Harvest Cup Tournament, with a 5 to 1 over Rincon Valley Cougars with a 5 to 1 over Kincon Valley Cougars from Santa Rosa. The Cougars took an early lead, Ballistic then answered with 5 straight goals from 5 players. Joey Repac tied the game from a rebound off a powerful shot from Alex Lee. Benjamin Chau-Chiu turned the game around with a long goal from the halfway line, ending the 1st half, 2-1. Alex Lee opened the 2nd half scoring off a cross from the right wing by Colin Roeder. Francis Dunne extended the lead with a nice volley shot to the far left post from right outside the negative by the total the control of the c penalty box, then Jacob Duarte drilled a powerful shot to the lower right corner to end the game with a 5-1 victory. Ballistic also benefited from solid goalkeeping from Francis benerited from soin goal keeping from Francis Dunne and Sam Musbach, outstanding de-fense from Andrew Bridge, Peter Schlachte, Benjamin Chau-Chiu, Sam Shahriary and Matthew Teng and creative midfield plays from Aron Laszik, Tristan Boyd and Colin

Rallistic won 6-0. 2-1 in 2 games and lost 0-4 in the semifinal earlier in the tournament The U11 Ballistic United team beat Sacramento United Sacramento United Invitational.

The U11 United team was undefeated in the tournament and had no goals scored against, facing Eldorado Crew, East Diablo Strikers and Elk Grove White, on its way to the finals. Top Offensive Players: Alex Valencia, Salvador Morales, Vince Naples; Top Defeating Players: Dors Wilcom

Valencia, Salvador Morales, Vince Naples;
Top Defensive Players: Derek Wilcox Keeper, Joey DeVivo, Brian Hsu, Sam Olson.

The BUSC U13 Black played in the
Pleasanton Fall Harvest Classic Tournament
September 23rd & 24th. In their first match,
the visiting BUSC Black played the Almaden
Arsenal in a 2 - O shutout win. A total 12 shots on goal were made in the match coming from Barron Kim, Hunter Meurrens, Jared Shohfi, Bobby Sehrgosha, Karsten Jurkiewicz, and Jason Chow who also made both goals in the 2nd and 31st minutes of the match. Goalie Lukas Moses preserved the shutout win with

In their second match, the home BUSC Black played the Los Gatos Fusion in a 0 - 1 loss. The BUSC Black fought hard in the I loss. The BUSC Black rought hard in the match with a total 14 shots on goal coming from Jake Lorentz, Jared Shohfi, Bobby Sehrgosha, Nick Bayley, and Jason Chow. Goalie Lukas Moses had 4 saves in the match. In their third match, the home BUSC Black played the SASC Earthquakes in a 0 – 2 loss. The BUSC Black had 11 shots on real coming from Parran Kim Love Persing. goal coming from Barron Kim, Joey Pereira, Jack Richardson, Jake Lorentz, Karsten Jurkiewicz, Nick Bayley, and Jason Chow.



SPORTS NOTES

Goalie Randy Copeman had 4 key saves. Also providing strong midfield and defensive support throughout the tournament was Eric Brooks, Randy Copeman, Manraj Mangat, Jack Lyons, Tyler Mende, and Alex Hall.

U-9A/C Ballistic Gold Y ellow finished up their visit to the Sonoma State Harvest

up their visit to the Sonoma State Harvest Cup Tournament in a match against the Livermore Strikers. In a very cold, early morning contest, Livermore started very quickly. In a tight first half, the Strikers scored twice. Seven minutes into the second half. Livermore added a third tally. Being half, Livermore added a third tally. Being down 3-0 seemed to bring out the best in Ballistic. Sam Molz battled hard to get Ballistic finally on the scoreboard. A few minutes later Molz scored again to cut the deficit to 3-2. With two and a half minutes left the Strikers brought down one of the left, the Strikers brought down one of the Ballistic forwards in the box. Cameron Ritchie converted the penalty kick to tie the match at 3-3. In the game's waning moments Livermore were on the attack deep in the Ballistic box. With some waiting for the final whistle to see if the Ballistic defense could hold on for a draw, the Strikers were stopped. Suddenly, a ball was fed to Chudi Atuegbu Suddenly, a ball was fed to Chudi Atuegbu who raced up the left side, beat the last defender and slotted the ball past the onrushing goalkeeper to score the game winner moments before time expired. Ballistic made an incredible comeback from being 3-0 down to pull this one out 4-3 in an exciting, fantastic finish!

Top Offensive Player: Ryan Racer; Top Defensive Player: Sebastian Perry. The Ballistic Black under-16 boys Al Caffodio soccer team finished second in the BUSC Fall Harvest Classic at Pleasanton, California with a 3-1 record over the weekend.

California with a 3-1 record over the weekend. In the championship game, Ballistic met the Santa Cruz Sledgehammers and ended in a PK shoot out (3-2) after a 0-0 tie with two OT periods. Ballistics only allowed one goal throughout the tournament. Goal keeper Stephen LaCommard was once again outstanding, with many saves. Phil Viebeck and Patrick Yee converted their PK in the championship game. Strong defense led by Austin Richwood, Eric Burnett, Yee, Mike Chen, and Viebeck.

and Viebeck.

Ballistics started the tournament with a 3-1 win over the Rockridge Sting on Saturday morning. Mason Ridgeway scored quickly for the Ballistics. Nathan Roberts powered one through the goalie from a fine pass by Mark Gusha just before the half. Justin Dorsey converted another fine pass by Gusha to make it 3-1.

In the second game, Ballistics defeated the SVU U16 Greg 4-0. Viebeck. Chris Lee, Gusha, and Julio Gomez accounted for the goals. Noel Moldvai, Roberts, Gusha assisted in the goals.

Ballistics continued its strong play on Sunday morning with a 2-0 shut out of River City Metro Vipers. Ridgeway pass back from inside the box to Gomez whose shot from the 16 yard hit the top bar and bounced in for the lone goal in the first half. Roberts hit one in from Gomez with minute left in the game to make it 2-0.

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The Ballistic United Soccer U10 Class 1 Team finished in 3rd place this weekend in the Puma Harvest Cup Tournament. Ballistic defeated Central Marin Arsenal 3-1. Stephen Dougherty, Daniel Payne and Jason Sarubin led the offense. In the next game Ballistic lost a hard fought battle to Ca. Boca Jrs. 96, 1on In the Sundaya.m. game Ballistic came out with major offensive power by Matthew Powell, Jackson Still, Jason Sarubin, and Stephen Dougherty. Sahit Menon, Jared Siegel set up great assist to lead the charge. Daniel Payne, Daniel Rodriguez, Jack Geasa, Leffrey Klein played outstanding defense al.

Daniel Payne, Daniel Rodriguez, Jack Geasa, Jeffrey Klei played outstanding defense allowing only one goal.

In the Consolation game against Santa Rosa United Gold 97 Ballistic scored early. Collin Richardson assisted Jackson Still. Ballistic quickly jumped out to a 2-0 lead on another goal by Jackson Still. Sahit Menon would assist in the next two goals to Alexander Krause and Jack Geasa. The defense again of Daniel Payne, Daniel Rodriguez, Jeffrey Klei and Stephen Dougherty, played strong, allowing only one goal. Ballistic won the consolation game 4-1. The entire team played a great tournament.

Top Offensive Players: Matthew Powell, Daniel Payne, Jackson Still; Top Defensive

Daniel Payne, Jackson Still; Top Defensive Players: Stephen Dougherty, Jeffrey Klei, Daniel Rodriguez. The BUSC U17 Black continued to

amaze with a thrilling consolation win over the Newark Rebels to take 3rd place at the Fall Harvest Classic. Playing in the U19 bracket, the Black just missed playing in the finals when a forfeit win they picked up left them short in tie-breakers. The Black came out motoring with a 3-2 win over Alameda. Great passing with Brent Cambra sending a pass to Matt Carlucci who kept it going to Jason Ash set him up at the far post and he nailed it. Ballistic went ahead when Cambra drove the box and was hauled down, with Trevor Dawson converting the PK. Alameda did manage to tie it up, but Ballistic got the game winner in the second half. Aaron Scott threaded a pass to Kamron Behzadi, whose shot was blocked. He stayed with it and converted the rebound for the winner.

Game two was a convincing 4-1 win over Santa Cruz. Willie Berger set the tone early, Santa Cruz. Willie Berger set the tone early, just missing a goal after a big run down the side. Dawson sent a big cross to Behzadi far post for a spectacular header goal to jump out in front. Kieren McEntee threaded a pass to Ash driving the weakside for another goal and a 2-0 halftime lead. Santa Cruz cut the lead in half early in the second half, but BUSC responded big time. Eric Lobao sent a precision cross to Cambra far nost for another sion cross to Cambra far post for another header, and Kris Tayyeb led McEntee on a middle run which left him one-on-one with the keeper, and he connected. Jay Guilmart and Kurt Lenamon led a shutdown effort on the SC offense. In the consolation final. Lobao and Nate Weber combined for a shutout through regulation and the overtime. Weber, Nick Bonham, and Dawson wore out the Newaysk forward, and Tim Gaisor, and Weber, Nick Bonham, and Dawson wore out the Newark forward, and Tim Gaisor and Bryant Dante battled hard to keep Newark off the scoreboard. In PKs, Lobao was stellar, stopping 3 of 4, and BUSC was able to convert on kicks by Joey Halim, Carlucci, and Behzadi, who nailed the winner. RECREATIONAL GAMES Under-12: Renegades 4, Rays 1; Rebels 3, Revolutions 0; Ricochet 3, Rockets 3; Ranids 1. Roadrunners 0:

3, Revolutions 0; Ricochet 3, Rockets 3; Rapids 1, Roadrunners 0; Top Offensive Players: Barrett Fitzgerald, Steven Kinnard, Grayson Meurrens -Renegades; Matthew Malko, Derek Banister, Jarrod Poston -Rebels; Aaron Brossard -Ricochet; Scott Simpson, Zach Shields, Chase Torquemada -Rockets; -Nema Mahini - Ranids:

Chase Torquemada - Rockets; - Nema Mahini - Rapids; Top Defensive Players: Brett Lewis, Jamie Ebbs, Daniel Reedy - Renegades; Christopher Ford, Jason Sereda, Aaron Do-Rebels; Bailey Roberts, Adam Baxter, Alex Jenezon - Ricochet; Darian Simas, Bryce Hwang, Jose Vasques - Rockets; Qiu Fang - Ranids;

Under-10: Jetstream 1, Jets 1; Alliance 7, Admirals 0; The Jetstream and the Jets played a terrific soccer match. The Jets scored the first goal towards the end of the first half, and then Jordan Ott of the Jetstream tied the score a minute later with a booming kick over the head of the Jets goalie. Patrick Pipitone made a beautiful up field pass to Jordan, who then dribbled past two defenders to kick the goal that tied the score. The rest of the game was a tough played defensive epic, with each team having many opportunities to score, only to be turned away by superb goalie play and tough defensive play. Brennon Morris and Miles Santos played excellent in goal for

and wines Samios piayed excellent in goal for the Jetstream.

Top Offensive Players: Jordan Ott, Patrick Pipitione, Reed Marques -Jetstream; Dante, Rod, Nishant - Alliance: Top Defen-sive Players: Brennon Morris, Miles Santos,

Sive Players: Brennon Morris, Miles Santos, Shantanu Deshmane -Jetstream; Aditya, Chase, Bryce - Alliance. Correction: BUSC Recreational League: a name appeared incorrectly in the Under-8 results last week. Jarod Moyers is the correct name of one of the top defensive players.

Blue Dolphins

In this weekend's swimming action, Livermore Blue Dolphins traveled out of zone to participate in the USS Swimming meet hosted by the Vallejo Sharks. An energetic group of 15 Dolphin swimmers made a big splash with A times, new Junior Olympic times and several new team members making their debut. The Dolphin swimmers were ballenged last March teams a new bers making their debut. The Dolphin swimmers were challenged last March to earn a new Junior Olympic time at every meet until the end of the year. To date, they have met the challenge, achieving a new JO in each of the last seven meets.

All swam well. However, two swimmers that stood out: Alex Wang (10) who earned a new JO in the 100 Back and Max DeSantis (7) who earned a new A time in his 50 Free. Special mention goes to Joey Daigler (13).

(7) who earlied a flew A filler in this 30 Free; Special mention goes to Joey Daigler (13), Danielle Ploeger (9), Marissa Ansari (8), Rebecca Blasco (8), and Michelle Ansari (6), all of whom were able to drop significant time in every event. Two of the Dolphin girls, Natalie Dimits (12), and Hannah Folmar (9), were able to advance to the next time standard

in every event. Iwo or the Doiphin girts, Natalie Dimits (12), and Hannah Folmar (9), were able to advance to the next time standard by earning new BB times.

The Blue Dolphins specialize in spectacular technique and guarantee improvement in all of their clinics. Recently, USA Swimming has challenged its member teams to recruit more minority and disadvantaged swimmers. Blue Dolphins offers free academic tutoring to all swimmers and offers discounted and no cost opportunities to all the Tri-Valley children who are interested in competitive swimming. For more information on any Dolphin Program please contact the team at 447-SWIM.

Top 3 Dolphin finishers include: Hannah Folmar (9), 3rd 50 breast 44.70; Kate Scheibner (12), 3rd 200 free 2:46.88; Kym Buyer (14) 3rd 50 free, 36.10; Max DeSantis (7), 2nd 50 free 40.18, 1st 25 back 24.55, 1st 25 breast 24.89; 3rd 50 back 51.73, 2nd 50 breast 55.00, 3rd 25 free 19.46; Alex Wang (10), 3rd 50 brey 4.53, 1st 100 back

2nd 30 breast 35.00, 3rd 25 free 15.40, Alex Wang (10), 3rd 50 fly 37.13, 1st 100 back 1:22.76, 3rd 50 breast 45.34, 3rd 50 back 37.53, 1st 100 breast 1:36.56; Brendan Ploeger (11), 3rd 50 free 34.47.

Phantom Are First

The Phantom 12 and Under girls softball traveling team took 1st in the NSA Fall Parade tournament in Tracy over the week-end. Phantom beat Fire and Ice in the Championship game 11-0. Katie Mannion threw a no-hit shutout. Catching was Kimberly Beaudin. With 7 K's and only one walk, Mannion had good defense behind her. Phantom's offense was extremely strong with a total of 12 hits.

Phantom scored draws in the 1st with a

Phantom scored 4 runs in the 1st with a leadoff slap from Krista Williams to get on base. Mannion doubled scoring Williams. Julia Petros added a single in the 1st. Hits. from Jenny Yang and Beaudin and a base hit bunt from Williams added three hits in the 2nd scoring 2 runs. In the 4th, Phantom added 6 more hits which included a base hit bunt from Williams, and hits from Yang, Mannion, Jessica McKeehan, Nicole Borchard and Petros. In the semifinal, Phantom played the host team Tracy Titans winning 8-3. On the mound Krista Williams had 8 K's, 1 walk and gave up only one hit. Catching was Natalie Tiongco. A base hit bunt from Yang, a single from McKeehan and a double from Brooke Questinburg gave Phantom 4 rugs in the left. Quesinberry gave Phantom 4 runs in the 1st. In the 2nd, Aubry Wolff started off with a single, Williams added a base hit bunt while Yang and Mannion each added singles. Petros added a single in the 3rd for a final of

Phantom started off Sunday in single elimination against the Union City Twisters with a 10-0 win in the 4th. Phantom also played Lady Lightning 6-5, Union City Twisters 6-2 and Bobcats Green 8-0 Saturday seeding 1st in pool play.

Livermore Football

Livermore Youth Football League re-

sults:
The Livermore Junior Midget Norsemen improved their record to 3-0 Saturday defeating the Spartan's of West nty 44-14. Keeping it close in the first half, Jeremy Mata threw a touchdown pass to quan Madison with less than a minute left in the first half. Livermore went into half time in the first half. Livermore went into half time leading 14-8. The Norsemen's speed was too much in the second half for the Spartan's. Diquan Madison finished the day with 3 TDs and over 100 yards rushing. Walik Gilmore scored twice, and Jake Kearney had a touchdown run and two rushing PATs. Mata went 3 for 3 for PATs. Livermore 's defense was led by Cameron Sawyer and Madison. Jordan Moss recovered an on-side kick, with Joe Wood and Blaine Call both recording a sack.

Livermore Gladiators played West County Spartans. Livermore Stand outs were Sean Haggerty. Tyler Gonzales and James

Sean Haggerty, Tyler Gonzales and James Jackson. C.J. Shimozono, Sam Guasch, Armando Fagliano and Garret Almeida also played well for the Gladiators.

Gymfinity Gymnastics

The level 4, 5 and 6 teams from Gymfinity Gymnastics competed at the Mikhail's Navy Invitational held at Peninsula Gymnastics in San Mateo this past weekend. The level 6 team combined to take second place in their session. The level 6 team was led by Sophie Libkind, who earned the highest all-around score of the session, a 35.25. Valentina Barbalinardo brought home the bar title in the child age group and Lyndsay Albiani finished first on bars in the junior age group. The level 5 team was led by Angelica Leporati, she finished second on floor and in the all-around.

LEVEL 4, CHILD: VAULT - Mariel Chiong, 8.6; Julia Garrison, 8.425; Alyson Gilkerson, 8.375. BARS - Garrison, 7th, Gilkerson, 8.375. BARS - Garrison, 7th, 7.975; Chiong, 8th, 7.85; Gilkerson, 7.275. BEAM - Chiong, 7th, 8.2; Garrison, 7.5; Gilkerson, 6.65. FLOOR - Chiong, 6th, 8.25; Gilkerson, 5th, 8.25; Garrison, 7.35. ALL-AROUND - Chiong, 7th, 32.9; Garrison, 31.25; Gilkerson, 30.55. SENIOR: VAULT - Chelsea Werner, 7.9. BARS - Werner, 7.425. BEAM - Werner, 6.0. FLOOR - Werner, 7.15. ALL-AROLIND - Werner Werner, 7.15. ALL-AROUND - Werner,

- Werner, 7.15. ALL-AROUND - Weiller, 28.475.
LEVEL 5, CHILD: VAULT - Amy Morrison, 2nd, 8.225; Rebecca Meister, 3rd, 8.2; Ashley Person, 7.4; Isla Andrews, 7.15; Victoria Enos, 6.8 BARS - Meister, 10th, 7.65; Person, 7.375; Enos, 7.05; Andrews, 6.95; Morrison, 6.125. BEAM - Meister, 10th, 8.35; Enos, 8.125; Morrison, 7.9; 10th, 8.35; Enos, 8.125; Morrison, 7.9; Andrews, 7.8; Person, 7.425. FLOOR -Person, 7.825; Morrison, 7.8; Enos, 7.675; Meister, 7.6; Andrews, 7.4. ALL-AROUND

- Meister, 9th, 31.8; Morrsion, 30.05; Person, 30.025; Enos, 29.65; Andrews, 29.3. JUNIOR: VAULT - Angelica Leporati, 2nd, JUNIOR: VAULT - Angelica Leporati, 2nd, 8-575; Kaitlin Hausmann, 11th, 7.825; Celina Moufarrej, 6.4. BARS - Angelica Leporati, 4th, 8.45; Hausmann, 7.275; Moufarrej, 6.75. BEAM - Leporati, 6th, 8.8; Hausmann, 10th, 8.6; Moufarrej, 7.7. FLOOR - Leporati, 9th, 8.7; Hausmann, 11th, 8.55; Moufarrej, 7.825. ALL-AROUND - Leporati, 2nd, 34.525; Hausmann, 32.25; Moufarrej, 28.675. SENIOR: VAULT - Chrissy Craham 7.0

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SENIOR: VAULT - Chrissy Graham, 7.0.
BARS - Graham, 7.05. BEAM - Graham,
8.175. FLOOR - Graham, 7.8. ALLAROUND - Graham, 30.025.
LEVEL 6, CHILD: VAULT - Valentina
Barbalinardo, 2nd, 8.85; Gabriella Schulz,
4th, 8.575; Moiro Androys, 6th, 8.45; Haloy,
4th, 8.575; Moiro Androys, 6th, 8.45; Haloy, 4th, 8.575; Moira Andrews, 6th, 8.45; Haley Brott, 8.15. BARS - Barbalinardo, 1st, 8.9; Brott, 7th, 7.85; Schulz, 7.35; Andrews, 6.775. BEAM - Barbalinardo, 5th, 8.7; Brott, 7.725; Andrews, 7.3; Schulz, 7.175. FLOOR - Barbalinardo, 5th, 8.325; Brott,

FLOOR - Barbalinardo, 5th, 8.325; Brott, 7.75; Schulz, 6.7; Andrews, 6.5. ALL-AROUND - Barbalinardo, 2nd, 34.775; Brott, 31.475; Schulz, 29.8; Andrews, 29.025. JUNIOR: VAULT - Morgan Allen and Lyndsay Albiani, T6th, 8.25. BARS - Albiani, 1st, 8.275; Allen, 5th, 8.1. BEAM - Allen, 7th, 8.225; Albiani, 7.2. FLOOR - Allen, 3rd, 8.475; Albiani, 7.8. ALL-AROUND - Allen, 3rd, 33.05; Albiani, 31.525. SENIOR: VAULT - Libkind, 2nd, 9.2; Allison Hyatt, 7th, 8.15. BARS - Libkind, 2nd, 9.0; Hyatt, 7.45. BEAM - Libkind, 1st, 8.875; Hyatt, 7th, 8.35. ALL-AROUND - Libkind, 1st, 8.35.25; Hyatt, 31.5.

Pleasanton Football

Pleasanton Junior Football League re-

sults:
Senior Division: Sam Ludden picked off three passes and threw for a touchdown to lead the Senior 49ers to a 14-6 victory over the Titans on Saturday. The 49ers opening drive was short and sweet. Ludden ran for 10 drive was short and sweet. Ludden ran for 10 off left tackle, followed by Zach Probert going for 20 around left end. Ludden then finished off the drive hitting Andrew Villar on a fade pass in the right corner of the end zone. Villar and Ludden also hooked up on the conversion to give the Niners a 8-0 lead. Later in the half Kyle Schnicker intercepted an attempted hitch pass in the left flat and returned it 40 yards for a score. Ludden's conversion attempt fell incomplete, but the 49ers led 14-0 at the half. The Titans scored 49ers led 14-0 at the half. The Titans scored early in the second half on an inception return, but the Niners defense was stout all game. Joey Silva contributed three sacks to help keep the Titans offense from scoring.

Senior Contact: Dolphins 20, Bucca-

neers 18: David Camarena scored the winning PAT and threw touchdown passes to Rees Curtis and Alex Osterholt to lead the Dol-phins to a 20-18 victory over the Buccaneers. Kevin Lois scored the go ahead touchdown and Max Kurth ran for 180 yards on the ground, as the Dolphins O-Line of Angel Irizarry, Michael DeVivo, Andrew Garcia, Dean Tan and Parker Wood controlled the line of scrimmage all day. The defense was led by Brian Hill with 10 solo tackles, including a big stop on the final Buccaneers PAT attempt that clinched the game. Patrick Gibbons made a key interception and Tanner Cark grabbed a fumble recovery. Austin Haire had a huge day at defensive end, knocking down two passes and making two sacks, as he pressured the Bucs quarterback all day.

Lacrosse Registration

The Pleasanton Lacrosse Club Spring 2007 season registration is now open. Programs are available for girls and boys entering grades 3 thru 8.

The season runs from February thru mid May. Players will practice 1-3 times per week with scheduled games throughout the Bay with scheduled games throughout the Bay Area and Sacramento region on weekends. Full equipment required for all players. Registration fee is \$170 for boys grades 3&4, \$215 for boys grades 5-8, \$150 for girls grades 3&4 and \$185 for girls grades 5-8. Register early as spots are limited and additional fees for late registration will apply. To register and/or obtain more informations by the grades and the second state and the se

tion about game and practice dates and times see www.pleasantonlacrosse.com or call Byron Hay at 925 998-5550.

Hats Off America

A Hats Off America Red T-Shirt 10K A Hats Off Affierred Actu 1-5min 1974. Run/5K Walk will be held beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday, November 11 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 and a barbecue lunch after the run. 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 organiza-tion. 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 volun-teer, contact Sparky George at (925) 855-1950 or the bearflagrunner@yahoo.com Visit www.hatsoffamerica.us. The site includes links to other organizations that support our troops. Hats Off America is a nonprofit, taxexempt 501(c)(3) organization.

Players for Fall Season

Livermore National Little League is looking for ball players, age 13-14 to participate on the Fall Season's. If interested, please contact John Jewel at fixitman13@yahoo.com.

Phantom Girls Softball

The 2007 Registration for all Pleasanton Phantom Girls Softball divisions is now open. Phantom softball is open to girls in grades K-12 living in Pleasanton, Dublin and

Registration can be made online or mailin. An in-person registration is scheduled for September 28 from 6pm – 9:00 pm at Round

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Teams Tryouts: Uppers Divisions teams are for all experienced players in grades 3 thru 8 who are interested in learning to play at a more advanced, competitive level. To be selected for an Uppers team, players must tryout. Tryouts will be held from October 2 thru 12 based on the schedule below. Players interested in pitcher and catcher positions should be there by 4:15 pm on their appro-priate date. All other positions should be there by 4:45 pm. Tryouts will be held at the Pleasanton Sports Park GSB 6 & 7. If the fields are closed, tryouts will be in the parking lot. If you cannot make the assigned time, contact the division director listed in the Board of Directors on the PGSL website. For

additional information check the PGSL website: www.pleasantonsoftball.org.

Tryout schedule: October 2 - Mini Uppers (3rd and 4th Grade) Last name A-G October 3 – Mini Uppers (3rd and 4th Grade)
Last name H-Q October 4 – Mini Uppers (3rd
and 4th Grade) Last name R-Z October 5 –
Minor Uppers (5th and 6th Grade) Last name
A-G October 6 – Minor Uppers (5th and 6th
Grade) Last name H-Q October 9 – Minor
Uppers (5th and 6th Grade) Last name R-Z Uppers (5th and 6th Grade) Last name R-Z
October 10 – Major Uppers (7th and 8th
Grade) Last name A-G October 11 – Major
Uppers (7th and 8th Grade) Last name H-Q October 12 – Major Uppers (7th and 8th Grade) Last name R-Z

Girls Softball

Livermore Girls Softball Association/ Livermore Smoke Spring 2007 Registration will be held Oct 10 & Oct 24, 2006 from 6 pm-9pm at Holy Cross Lutheran Church located on Mocho Street. Further information contact Stacie Heinz (925) 454-1406 or visit the website at www.livermoregirlssoftball.org.

Endurance Riding

Learnabout the sport of equestrian endurance 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 Participal Park Liviernesse.

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.

Golf Tournament

First Annual Granada High Lady Matadors Charity Golf Tournament will be held October 30th at Poppy Ridge Golf Course, Livermore. Please contact Timme Taylor @ 925-550-0986 or email jbsport20@aol.com. Funds will benefit the Granada Lady Matador Basketball team.

Lacrosse Festival

The Livermore Phantom Lacrosse Club is holding a Beginner Clinic and Festival on Saturday, October 7 from 2 to 5 p.m.. Sticks are required, but may be purchased. Advance registration is recommended. For more information, go to www.phantomlacrosse.com.

Foothill Golf

Foothill High School will host the first annual Golf Classic on Saturday, October amutar Got Classic on Saturday, October 7th. Registration is \$125 per person. Spaces are limited. Sponsorships are available. Contact Jaylene Groeniger at JayGroeniger@aol.comor925 426-5680, or Chris Faubion at 925 462-9161 or cfaubion@pleasanton.k12.ca.us, for more information on registration and enorsorship information on registration and sponsorship opportunities.

Richard D. Branton and Lori-Anne (L.A.) Williams are engaged to be married June 3rd, 2007 at the Grand Island Mansion in Walnut

California. Richard was born in San Francisco and has lived in the Tri-Valley most of his life. He is a Production **Director for Coast** Radio Company in Pleasanton.



L.A. was born in Laconia, New Hampshire and has lived in the Tri-Valley area for ten years. She works for Elios Inc at Bishop Ranch in San Ramon.

April Wedding Plans Announced

Robert Tucknott of Pleasanton and Debra Aizikovitz of Carlsbad announced the engagement of their daughter, Robyn Anne Tucknott to Brian Smith, son of Kathy Smith of Pleasanton and Dennis Smith of Brentwood.

Ms. Tucknott attended Amador Valley High School and graduated from Cal State University San Marcos with a business degree. She is now Co-Owner/ Manager of Curves for Women in San Diego County.

Mr. Smith attended Foothill High School and graduated from Cal State University Sacramento with a communications degree. He is now a Firefighter/ EMT in

San Diego County. An April 2007 wedding is planned. The couple plans to live in San Diego County.



Robert Tucknott and Debra Aizikovitz to wed.





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Benefit Baby Shower Gets Underway

Valley Community Bank will throw its first Benefit Baby Shower October 2-31, at its Pleasanton and Livermore locations. The event will benefit Axis Community Health's prenatal

The Bank has purchased new playpens, which will be set up in the lobbies at 465 Main Street in Pleasanton and 1986 Second Street in Livermore. The general public, as well as Valley Community Bank customers, are invited to deposit new items for infants such as disposable diapers, wipes, toiletries, clothing, receiving blankets and baby toys during Bank hours. The playpens and baby items will be donated to new mothers who are Axis Community Health pa-

Axis Community Health provides medical, mental health, substance abuse counseling and health education services to residents of the Tri-Valley, regardless of their ability to pay. Recently, Axis has expanded its services to expectant parents with the addition of the Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP), an enhanced Medi-Cal prenatal program available only through state-approved providers. CPSP provides all-inclusive care and support to pregnant women in an effort to improve the outcome of every pregnancy and give every baby a healthy start in life.

Approximately 25-28 Axis babies are born each month, most at ValleyCare Health System and a few at Alta Bates. ValleyCare is Axis' partner in the CPSP program, offering monthly classes in English and Spanish and tours of the hospital's labor and deliv-

Valley Community Bank Senior Vice President Brent Chaney, who also serves on the Axis Community Health Foundation Board of Directors, stated, "As we know, a new baby brings with it a whole new list of expenses. We know our generous

community will have fun participating in our Benefit Baby Shower and help ease the burden for these families so they can enjoy their new babies with fewer worries.'

More information about Valley Community Bank's Benefit Baby Shower is available by calling Theresa Jones at (925) 484-



Rachel Anderson, manager of the Axis Community Health prenatal program, and Brent Chaney, senior vice president of Valley Community Bank, prepare to receive donations to the bank's Benefit Baby Shower.

BOARD BULLETIN

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

Holiday fundraisers - nonprofit organizations wishing to list their annual holiday fundraisers in The Independent's Oct. 26 magazine, should send the information to editmail@compuserve.com by Thurs., Oct. 5. Information can also be faxed to 925-447-

5. Information can also be laced to 32.3-47.0212.

Vendors sought, The Livermore Lion's annual Christmas boutique to be held Nov.
4 in Livermore is looking for vendors to participate. The event features handmade gifts from local artists. Information, call Joan ason at 373-1131.

Two documentaries, about female pioneers, "Fly Girls" and "Taking the Heat," to screen Wed., Oct. 4, 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 1893 N. Vasco Rd., Livermore. Hosted by Tri-Valley NOW. Fly Girls is about the story of the Women Airforce Service Pilots during WWII; Taking Airforce Service Pilots during WWII; Taking the Heat is about the first women firefighters in New York City. Short group discussion will follow the films. Admission is free. The meeting is open to the public. Refreshments. Tri-Valley NOW at 462-1776.

Valley Spokesmen Bicycle Touring Club, Sat., Sept. 20, undetermined number of miles Mountain Bike ride out of Macedo Panch, meat 10 am at the ranch staging area.

Ranch, meet 10 a.m. at the ranch staging area, Jim Duncan, 806-9467. Those planning on

Jim Duncan, 806-9467. Those planning on going on the ride are asked to call the leader for details on where to meet and what to bring.

45th Class Reunion, Livermore High School class of 1961. Cocktail party at Granada Bowl Ange's Lounge on Fri., Sept. 29, 6:30 p.m. Committee is extending an invitation to the graduates of 1958, 1959, 1960 and 1962 to join us at this evening's celebrations. No fee, just call in a RSVP, leave name and graduation year. Name tags can be picked up at the Double Tree Inn Hotel or at the Granada Bowl Friday evening. Call Tina Schudel, 548-2250 for name tags or more info. Reunion Dinner and Dance will be at the Double Tree Inn Hotel/Springtown on at the Double Tree Inn Hotel/Springtown on Saturday September 30, 2006 at 6:30pm. Dinner tickets are available for \$60; Call Lynn Murray at 371-0824. Deadline Sept. 28th. Hospitality Suite, open Frid., Sept. 29 through Sunday, Oct. 1, til check out time.

Child Care licensing orientation, Oct.
3. 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 receive a certificate redeemable for an applica-

tion packet and handouts with information rding the licensing process. Child Care Links will also offer an overview of the Links will also orrer an overview or 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 orientation. This includes, but is not limited to, translators, drivers, family members and friends. Please bring a check or money order. friends. Please bring a check or money order for \$25.00 (no cash or credit card) made out for \$25.00 (no cash of 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

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Ohlone Audubon Chapter meets,
Oct. 3 "Birds and Bird Habitats of Point
Reyes" by David Wimpfheimer at the Bethel
Community Church, 14235 Bancroft Ave.,
San Leandro at 7:30 pm.
Retired Public Employees' Association, Tri-Valley Area Chapter 075. Meets
Thurs., Oct. 5, 10:45 a.m. Emil Villa's
Hickory Pit, 3064 Pacific Ave., Livermore.
Dawn Burton, National Sales Director for
Primerica Financial Services. will discuss Primerica Financial Services, will discuss about the importance of asset accumulation and protection. RSVP by Oct. 3 to Bob at 846-6563 or June at 461-0315.

VFW of Pleasanton, is seeking Korean War Veterans. The 2006 Tri-Valley Veterans Day Parade will proudly honor Veterans of the Korean War. If you are a Korean Veteran, or you know someone who is, and would like to be an honored participant

is, and would like to be an honored participant in the November 5, 2006 Parade on Main Street in Pleasanton, please call Gloria Stahlnecker (VFW Auxiliary) at 846-5453.

Teen, Pre-teens & Family Square Dance Come join the Cactus Corners youth square dance club for an evening of square dancing. Youth (aged 8 & up) and their families are invited. No experience, partner or special clothing is necessary. Thursdays Sept. 28, Oct 5, 12, & 19, 7:30-9:00pm at Del Valle High School, 2253 5th Street, Livermore. First night is free. More info. Ruth (408) 730-4884 info@yellowrockandrollers.org.

Flea Market, Fraternal Order of Eagles. Sat., Sept. 30, set up from 6 a.m., close at 4 p.m. 527 No. Livermore Ave., Livermore. \$15 for 15 x 15 space; \$5 to rent a table. Sign up for a space at the social room or call 449-6281 or 449-5807. Vendors welcome.

Wage & Hour Laws, program Wed.,

Wage & Hour Laws, program Wed., Oct. 11, for human resource professionals. 7:30 to 9 a.m. Radisson Hotel, Dublin 6680 Regional Street, Dublin. Hosted by the Greater Tri Valley Chapter of NCHRA To register, go to www.nchra.org, select chap-ters (onleft) select Greater Tri Valley Chapter, register online. \$30 members, \$50 non

members. Additional \$10 for walk-ins. Breakmembers. Additional \$10 for walk-ins. Breakfast, Networking until 8am, program 8-9am. Preserving Your Medical Choices: Stating Your Health Care Wishes in Advance is the topic of an evening class held at the Pleasanton Senior Center on two consecutive Thursdays, October 5 and 12. You may state your choices of preferred medical treatment in advance. You may choose the preson who will speak for you neutral treatment in advance. You may choose the person who will speak for you. Doctors will honor your choices. An Advance Health Care Directive is as important as a Will or Trust. Learn about choices for your future and ensure some certainty in your medical world. An Advance Health Care Directive will be provided. Learn when, how, and why it is used. Learn how to fill out this and why it is used. Learn now to fill out this form and what questions to ask your self while doing so. For more information call Jill Moore at (925) 931-5369. Class size is limited. Fee: \$15.00 resident/\$17.00 non-

res plus a \$2.00 materials fee.

Armchair Travelers, Livermore Library, Armchar Travelers, Livermore Library, 1188 So. Livermore Ave. Thurs., Oct. 12, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. James Koponen will present "European Highlights," a side show with music of his travels through Europe. Adults are invited to this free program. For information, call 373-5500.

Seniors out Sightseeing: Take a day trip to enjoy the Greater Bay Area. Schedule: Steven Kent Winery & Callippe Preserve Golf Course (includes lunch), Wells Fargo History Museum, 10/12/06 from 10:30am-4:30pm, residents \$10, non-residents \$12; Please stop by or call the Pleasanton Senior Center for details 931-5365.

Learn to square dance, Pleasanton Singles & Pairs, Camp Parks, Dublin. Families, couples and singles welcome. Free lessons through October, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Call Hank, 510-537-0293, Clay, 454-0791, Bill, 606-0310, or Judi, 828-2335.

Twin Valley Mothers of Twins Club, semi-annual used and some new clothing, cost 730 knows to Couling the Couling to Same new Couling.

Series and accessory sale on Sat., Oct. 7 at The Barn, 3131 Pacific Avenue, Livermore. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Entry fee \$1. If you know someone in need that the club can help, contact Carole at 736-4641.

RELIGION

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WINGS, weekly gathering of Christian women that encourages spiritual growth through inspiring speakers, small group discussions, prayer, Scripture study, catechesis, life sharing and community. Meetings begin on Thurs. Oct. 5, at the Catholic Community of St. Charles Borromeo, 1315 Lomitas Avenue, Livermore, from 9:15 AM to 11:15 AM. Theme is Spirituality. Childcare provided for a nominal fee. Registration fee to join \$25/year; includes materials. Contact Mary Fair at 925-447-4549 or bob.mary.venter@comcast.net.

OBITUARIES

Jack (Ron West) Lindgrin

Jack (Ron West) Lindgrin died September 16, 2006 of cancer. His wife and companion of 20 years, Carol Fohl, was at his bedside in their home.

He was born Nov. 3, 1935 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada to Jacob and Christina Lindgrin, both deceased. He served as a First Class Seaman in the Canadian Navy for six years and as a Canadian policeman for three years. He moved to Fort Francis in the late 1960s where he opened the first Toyota dealership, wining the top award for best salesman across Canada. He came to the United States in 1972 and settled in the Bay Area. He was an avid golfer known for his quick wit and humor. Ron was loved by many and will be missed

He is survived by his daughters, Candice Shaw of Kelowna, BC, Canada and Jacqueline Lindgrin of Surrey, BC, CN, a son Kevin Lindgrin of Vancouver, BC, CN, his brother and sisterin-law Mervin and Uta Lindgrin of Port Coquitlan, BC, CN, his extended family Pamela Erickson and Sean Šellars of San Lorenzo and Lourdes Fohl of Isaquah, WA, ten grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Per his wishes, there will be no services. A casual memorial will be held at his home at a future date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to Hope Hospice, 6500 Dublin Blvd., Suite 100, Dublin, CA 94568.

Howard Tilleman

Howard Leonard Tilleman died September 18, 2006 in Oakland. He was 80.

The native of Oklahoma had lived in Patterson for 5 years, moving there from Livermore where he had lived for many years. He was a U.S. Navy veteran. He owned Allied Metal Fabricators in Livermore sine the 1960s. He liked to bowl and enjoyed spending time on his tractor driving around his property. In his younger years, he enjoyed boating and water skiing on the Delta and traveling in his motor home.

He is survived by his ex-wife Anna Tilleman of Livermore, daughter Vickie Lynn Tilleman of Delhi a son, Russell Tilleman of Berkeley, a sister Lee Black and niece Diane Friedrichsen, both of Virginia.

Funeral services were held September 22 in Livermore. Burial was at Roselawn Cemetery in Livermore.

Donations may be made to the American Heart Association, PO Box 1325, Merced, CA 95341-1325.

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September 18, 2006. She was 85. She was born in Camden

Township, Michigan and raised in Michigan and Ohio. She was a former resident of Cloverdale and Grass Valley. She will be remembered as a loving mother and grandmother.

She is survived by daughters, Beverly McClung and husband Maxey of Grass Valley, Sharon Law of Stockton, Brenda Thomas of Cloverdale, Linda Ashcraft of Roseville, a son, James Thomas of Julian, six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband David (Jim) M. Thomas.

A graveside service was held Sept. 21 at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Livermore.

Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

Beatrice Wolcott

Beatrice Lucile Wolcott died September 21, 2006 in Livermore. She was 84.

The native of Nebraska had lived in Livermore since 1955. harter member of Del Valle Home Economics, a member of Sirrettes, elected member of Phi Upsilon Omicron (national honorary home economics organization) a volunteer at children's school when they were in school, and a volunteer for the American Cancer Society and American Heart Association. Her hobbies included family, travel, genealogy, counted cross stitch, crossword puzzles, and bridge.

She is survived by a daughter, Kay Thornton of Beaumont, sons Pat Wolcott and Tim Wolcott, both of Livermore, and Robert Wolcott of Washington, a sister, Donna Draper of Nebraska, a brother, Richard Gorham of Illinois and five grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Bill Wolcott, her parents, brother Raymond and sisters, Elinor Carnes and LaRue Pearson.

Funeral services were held September 25 at Asbury Methodist Church in Livermore. Private burial was at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Livermore.

Donations may be made to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society. Arrangements by Callaghan

Robert Wren O'Donnell

Robert Wren O'Donnell died September 21, 2006 in Pleasan-

ton. He was 82. He had lived in Livermore for over 50 years. He was born Nov. 8, 1923 in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. In 1941, he joined the Navy, which entertained his passion for understanding all things mechanical. He was an 18 year old aviation engineer. He also served in the Air National Guard. His drive to serve extended to the VFW, where he was an active

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member, former Post Commander, and member of the Color Guard.

In 1943, fate brought Bob to Jeanne his wife of 62 years. In 1951, Bob went to work at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory as a technician and stayed until his retirement after 34 years. His hobbies included wood and metal working, all puzzles mechanical, fishing, and trips to Yellowstone National Park. He was an inventor, husband, father, grandfather, friend. He will be truly missed.

He is survived by his wife Jeanne, children Peggy and husband Ted Anderson, Jane and husband John Nunes, Tim and wife Sandy O'Donnell, seven grandchildren, two great grandchildren, sister Betty Nietz, and his faithful dog, Toto.

A private military burial is planned. A celebration of his life was held Sunday in Livermore. Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

Julio A. Soto

Julio A. Soto died September

The native of San Leandro had lived in Stockton for four years. He was raised in Pleasanton. He was a great friend, father and brother who will be deeply missed. His love of laughter and being with family and friends are what they will remember. His hobbies included hunting and fishing, gambling, and trips to Reno and Tahoe.

He is survived by a daughter, Nina Lamfers of Livermore, sisters Santia Mori of Verna and Laniada Hernandez of Tracy, brothers Frank Soto of Livermore and Amador Soto and Angel Soto, both of Manteca, and one grandchild, Alexander Brand of Liver-

A memorial mass was celebrated September 29 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Pleasanton. Burial was at St. Augustine Catholic Cemetery in Pleasanton.

Memorial gifts may be made to Children's Hospital of Oak-

Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

Johanna Bump

Johanna Bump died September 22, 2006 in Livermore. She

The native of North Dakota had lived in Livermore for six years. She was raised in North Dakota and Washington. Johanna belonged to the German Club of Sacramento. Her hobbies included dancing (polka) and collecting owls.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law Ray and Roxanne Bump of Livermore, sisters Helen Wangler, Rosie Kozacan and Elizabeth Lawrence, all of Washington, brothers Johnny Huck of Folsom and Frank Huck of Washington, and three grandchildren, Tyler, Shelby and Richard. She was preceded in death by her husband William Bump in 1967.
Private services and burial are

planned.

Donations may be made to a charity of choice.

Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

Jack L. Taylor

Jack L. Taylor died September 21, 2006 in Pleasanton. He

The Bakersfield, CA native had lived in Livermore for 24 years. He was raised in Seattle, Washington. Jack was a former member of the Shriners and Masons. His hobbies included hunting, working on his computer,

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Bernice Taylor, sons Jeffrey Taylor of Walnut Creek and Gregory Taylor of Westwood, a sister, Eloise Smith of Corona, and a brother, Craig Taylor of Red Bluff.

Services will be held at a later date. Burial will be private. Donations may be made to a

charity of choice. Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

Brian C. Bernard

Brian C. Bernard passed away on September 24, 2006 in Oakland following a stroke. He was

He was born Feb. 12, 1941 in Oakland and graduated from Castlemont High School in 1958. He attended Oakland City College and graduated from UC Berkeley in 1967 with a degree in mechanical engineering. Brian spent 37 years with Clorox Technical Center in Pleasanton designing and building various plant facilities throughout the world. He also did contract work with Lockheed and General Electric. He retired in 1999.

Brian had numerous friends and was known for his infectious smile and caring demeanor. He was very artistic and enjoyed the great outdoors and traveled extensively.

He is survived by his wife, Linda, a brother and his wife Terry and Karen, nephews Chris and Tim Bernard, niece Deanna

(Nick) Trakas, and grand-nephew Nicholas Trakas III.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Mon., Oct. 2 at Graham-Hitch Mortuary, 4167 First St., Pleasanton, followed by a celebration of Brian's life at 11 a.m. at the same location.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers donations to the American Heart Association.

Carol Ann Siedschlag

Carol Ann Siedschlag died September 25, 2006 in Pleasanton after a one month battle with cancer.. She was 61.

The native of New Jersey had lived in Pleasanton for 25 years. She graduated from Paramus High School in Paramus, NJ and was a homemaker for 38 years. Her hobbies included cooking and gardening.

She is survived by her husband Paul Siedschlag of Pleasanton, a son Andrew Siedschlag of Fremont, sister Marilyn Simcox of San Jose, nieces Kelly Simcox and Kaycee Simcox, both of San Jose and Terry Simcox of

Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Thurs., Sept. 28 at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 4001 Stoneridge Dr., Pleasanton. Burial will be at St. Michael's Cemetery in Liver-

Donations may be made to Glide Foundation, Attn: Development Office, 330 Ellis St., San Francisco, CA.

Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

Virginia Sickels
Virginia Elizabeth Sickels died September 16, 2006 after a courageous battle with breast cancer. She was 69.

Ginny, as she was known, was born in Eureka, CA to Jeannette Barter Sansom and Robert Dravo Sansom. When she was just a little girl, her father died leaving a space in her heart for the rest of her life. She attended Immaculate Conception Elementary

School and St. Francis High School in Sacramento. Throughout her life, Ginny was simply the best mother a child could have. She was an exceptional homemaker who could cook, clean, comfort, encourage, love and care for others. She was a lover of all nature, taking great please in her hummingbirds, gardening, dogs, the ocean and the ever beautiful Bay Area fog. She was a seamstress adept at origami, and a voracious reader. She was the keeper of all birthdays, anniversaries, holidays and just special days in general to all her family and friends.

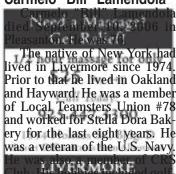
She is survived by her husband of 47 years. Charles Jens Sickels, three children, Dawn Ackerman (and her husband Aaron), Kristen Sickels, and Robert Sickels (and wife Becky), six grandchildren, brothers, Dravo and Tom. Her brother, Skippy, preceded her in death. She leaves behind her faithful companion, Serene, who was lucky enough to precede Susie, Magyar, and Maya.

memorial service will be held on Thurs., Sept. 28 at 2 p.m. at Valley Community Church, 4455 Del Valle Parkway, Pleas-

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Ginny's memory to WellSpring Women's Center, 3414 4th St., Sacramento, CA 95817 or Hope Hospice, 6500 Dublin Blvd., Suite 100, Dublin, CA 94568.

Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

Carmelo "Bill" Lamendola



He is survived by daughters Renee Clancy of Livermore and Sheri Leri of Tracy; sons Joseph Lamendola of Tracy and Stephen

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Lamendola of Livermore, sisters

Clara Volve of New York and
Margaret Hill of Sacramento, and THE HOT six grandchildren. He was pre-ceded in death by his vife Flo-rence Lamendola in 2001.

PROFES A Chapel Blessing will be held an Sept. 28 at Callaghan Mortuary, 3833 East

Ave., Livermore. Private burial will be at St. Michael's Catholic semetery in Livermore.

Memorials may be made to Valley Care. Pulnonary Rehab, 1015 E. Stanley Blvd., Livermore. more, CA 94550.

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Troupe of Student Artists to Perform in Young Expressions

Professional Pleasanton musician Don Lewis and a troupe of local student artists in Young Expressions will be featured in a program to be performed on Friday, October 6, at 7:30 p.m.

Young Expressions will showcase a fusion of musical eras, genres and talent - traditional to contemporary, classical to pop, vocal to instrumental. The production will feature students who applied for Pleasanton Cultural Arts Council scholarships, many of whom plan careers in the per-

forming arts.
City of Pleasanton Civic Arts will host the show at the Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton. The performance will be followed by a "meet-the-art-ists" reception in the school li-

Civic Arts is a program of the City of Pleasanton Department of Parks and Community Ser-

The theme that runs through this show is one of connectedness," says the show's writer and producer, Julie Lewis. "We acknowledge that negatives exist in the world, but show how music and art can make the world a better place by healing and creating an atmosphere of well being and peace."

Don Lewis is a musician and educator who began playing piano as a Dayton, Ohio high school student. Later, at Tuskagee Institute, he performed with the Tuskagee Chorus and played for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Freedom Rallies. Don became a pioneer in synthesizer use and technology and, in 1977, designed and built a synthesizer system that was an inspiration for Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI). He has created scores for film and television and has composed music for commercial videos.

Performing with Don Lewis will be alto saxophonist Michael Czaja, dramatist Caitlin O'Leary, vocalist Josselyn O'Neill and pianists Sierra Stevens and Brian Szeto.

Michael is a sophomore at Foothill High School. He has performed at Pleasanton's Youth Music Festival and Children's Arts Festival for several years. He plays first alto in Foothill's Jazz Band A for the second year and has won solo awards at the Campana Jazz Festival, as well as the Folsom, Santa Cruz and Reno Jazz Festivals.

Caitlyn is a theater student at

Cal State East Bay. She has studied with the American Musical Theater of San Jose Conservatory for two years. She has won many awards for her acting and hopes to perform on Broadway. In Young Expressions, she and Don Lewis play the roles of spoken word "connectors" between mu-

sical segments. Josselyn is a junior at Amador Valley High School. She began voice lessons at age five and has performed in many local musicals and at UCLA's Performing Arts Camp. In addition, Josselyn has achieved honors in voice competition with the California Music Teachers Association. Currently, she participates in the Young Rep's Musical Theatre Program at the Dean Lesher Regional Center for the Arts.

Sierra is a graduate of Foothill High School and is currently a Las Positas College student where she is studying music. She says, "Music is not a passion; it's a lifestyle." While in high school, Sierra performed in the orchestra for the Amador and Foothill High Schools Spring Concert and played organ for her church. Recently, she was hired as pianist for all Pleasanton Playhouse pro-

Brian Szeto, a sophomore at Foothill High School, has received awards at many competitional and the state of tions, including the East Bay Music Festival and the U.S. Open Competition. He has performed in several Junior Bach Festival concerts in Berkeley, Calif. Brian now studies cello and string bass and plays cello in Foothill's string orchestra. He plays bass guitar as a hobby.

'Young Expressions is a show for the entire family - positive, uplifting and fun," concludes Julie Lewis. "We pose the question, What Good is a Song?, and we answer it! We hope our audience will join us in the library afterward to visit with the performers and view a fine art display by students, too.'

Tickets to Don Lewis and Young Expressions are: Adults-\$10, \$14, and \$18; Child-\$6, \$10 and \$14. They may be purchased: online

www.civicartstickets.org until 1:00 a.m. the day of the performance; charged by phone at (925) 931-3444; or purchased in person at the Amador Theater Box Office from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., weekdays, and for two hours prior to the performance. Group discounts are available.

"Late Harvest Artists' Featured in Show at Livermore Library Gallery

The work of three artists call- ing music for most of her life. She ing themselves "Late Harvest Artists" will be featured in the Livermore Library Civic Center Gallery October 1 to 9.

Al Sinerco, Heana Soto and Candace English work in ceramics, textile collage and music. An opening reception will be held on Sat., Oct. 7, 2 to 5 p.m. It will feature the premiere of a new tuba quartet by Candace English performed by Faultline Brass at 3 p.m.

Soto's work as a therapist and weaver led her to begin creating art of the fabrics of people's lives. Her collages tell a story in cloth of life and relationship. These pieces are not only art, but a personal tribute and keepsake for the families they represent, comments Soto.

English has been performing, composing, teaching and direct-

received awards for composition and musical direction and for her work with the choir, Music in the Blood. The tuba quartet is based on themes from her children's musical, "Orpheus in the Outer World."

Sinerco is a ceramic artist whose work is both fanciful and functional. His sculptures, often large figurative forms, show the influence of ceramists such as Bob Arneson and Tony Natsoulus, as well as Sinerco's primary teacher, Bill Abright. The Livermore show represents a more recent direction in his work, the bas relief.

The Library is located at 1188 So. Livermore Ave., Livermore. The show is open for viewing during regular library hours.

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Ekphrasis, Poets Responding to Art. Poets spending September writing responses to art on display at Big White House and el Sol Winery, 6800 White House and el Sol Winery, 6800 Greenville Rd., Livermore. Ekphrasis Reception on Oct. 7, 1 to 4:30 p.m. Exhibit closes Oct. 29. Tasting room open noon to 4:30 p.m. .weekends. No admission charge.

Long Day's Journey Into Night, Eugene O'Neill Foundation and National Park Service present the 50th anniversary production of O'Neill's Pulitzer-prize winning play per-

Pulitzer-prize winning play per-formed by Pear Avenue Theatre of Mountain View. Performances in the Old Barn at O'Neill's Tao House estate in Danville. 7:30 p.m. Oct. 6 and 7; 2:30 p.m. Oct. 8. Tickets \$30 at the Regional Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek. Tickets include transportation to the site. 943-7469, www.dlrca.org, www.eugeneoneill.org.

Crafters needed, Forest Home Farms

Harvest Festival on Sat., Oct. 28, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The festival will have a bluegrass band 12 to 2, a pumpkin patch, lots of scarecrows, interpretive demonstrations, crafters and more. For more info or application,

more. For more info or application, call 973-3281. Forest Homes Farm is a 16-acre historic park in San Ramon. **Prometheus Symphony**, concert Oct. 8, 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 116 Montecito St., Oakland. Program: Le Coqd' or Suite by Rimsky Korsakov and Symphony #9 "New World:" by Antonin Dvorak. Admission is free. Donation is requested. For information go to

quested. For information go to www.prometheussymphony.org.

St. George Spirits Dinner, Wed., Oct. 18, 7 p.m. St. George's Hanger One Vodkas will be featured and paired with Chef Neil's menu selections. Advance reservatoins being taken. Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main St., Information, 846-8106

San Francisco Comedy Competition Semifinals at the Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Rd., Pleasanton. Sun., Oct. 1, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. City of Pleasanton Civic Arts program. This show is appropriate for adult audiences. Advance tickets are \$15, \$20, and \$25. Tickets may be puronline

www.civicartstickets.org until 1:00 a.m. the day of the performance, by phone at (925) 931-3444, or in person at the Amador Theater Box Office from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., week-

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tively. Admission includes dessert. For information, please call 925-

Worthington Gallery West is will feature an exhibit of recent

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Angela Johal: The Eucalyptus Series,
Livermore artist Angela Johal's new-Livermore artist Angela Johal's newest series of oil paintings is on exhibit at Art!Space Contemporary Fine Art & Craft Gallery through October 6. The paintings are based on her photographic studies of eucalyptus tree bark formations. Art!Space hours are Wed. through Sat. 10-7; 12-5 Sunday; Mon. & Tue. by appointment. The gallery is located at 133 S. Livermore Avenue (across from Peet's), in downtown Livermore.

Photography Exhibit: Mark Oatney, Nature photography by Mark Oatney is now on exhibit at Art!Space Contemporary Fine Art & Craft Gallery. temporary Fine Art & Craft Gallery. Oatney, an art teacher at Livermore Valley Charter School, has been published internationally in National Geographic as well as numerous photography magazines. Art!Space hours are Wed. through Sat. 10-7; 12-5 Sunday; Mon. & Tue. by appointment. The gallery is located at 133 S. Livermore Avenue (across at 133 S. Livermore Avenue (across from Peet's), in downtown Liver-

Pops concert, Pops at the Zoo, Liver-more-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. Costumes 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

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Romania - Beyond Dracula, featuring

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www.romaniaanimalrescue.com. **The Marriage of Figaro,** Sept. 12-Oct. 7. Center REPertory Company, Regional Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek. Wednesdays 7:30 p.m., Thurs.-Sat. 8 p.m. Sun. 2:30 p.m. Sept. 17 and 24 and 7:30 p.m. Oct. 1. \$14-\$38. 943-7469.

Ridging 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, youth programs and promotes the continuance of New Orleans style music. Devil Mountain JB, Jazzinators, Mission Gold JB, Natural Gas JB, San Francisco Feetwarmers and youth bands. Vintage costume ral Gas JB, san Francisco Feetwarmers and youth bands. Vintage 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, Pleas-anton, CA 94566. Our Town, Pleasanton Playhouse Stu-dio Theatre, 1048. Sementing Lane

dio Theatre, 1048 Serpentine Lane, Suite 309, Pleasanton. Sept. 29, 30; Oct. 1, 6, 7, 8 This winner of the Pulitzer Prize, by Thornton Wilder, is perennially one of the most popular selections for high school produc-tions, was revived in 2002 on Broadway starring Paul Newman. Tickets 462-2121 or on-line at

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Fabulous Cruisetones from 8:30; Sept. 30: Major Link with Terry and Mary from 8:30. Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main St. Pleasanton; 925-846-8106.

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Amanda Monyhan will appear along with GO.

Two Spoken **Word Poets Focus of Century** House Reading

Two spoken word poets, Amanda Monyhan and GO, will be featured at the October 1 Century House Poetry Reading.

Pleasanton Poet Laureate Cynthia Bryant will host the Sunday afternoon event from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Century House, 2401 Santa Rita Road in Pleasanton. Admission is \$5.00. The event is sponsored by City of Pleasanton Civic Arts

Amanda is a writer/poet/artist/tarot reader who moved to the Bay Area in 2005 from Kentucky. She wrote and performed for the improv/comedy troupe Friends of Lucy and performed her one woman show, I Got Feathers, But I'm Not a Chicken, at Cincinnati's Playhouse in the Park and other local venues. While writing for the theater, Amanda found her voice as a spoken word poet. She performed in the poetry ensemble showcase Inter-Sex-Tions at the 2005 Cincinnati Fringe Festival.

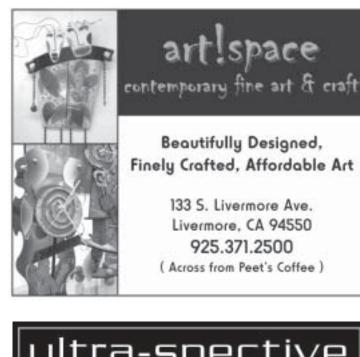
GO entered the spoken word scene in 2000 while writing and performing his children's poetry under the name Uncle GO. Since then, he has produced live shows (three for television) and commercials. In addition, he has worked as a consultant for The Voice of Our Opinion, a Solano County adult literacy newspaper, and performed on KPFA radio in Berkeley, Calif. Currently, he produces and directs 3rd Eye Collective's *Artistic Insomnia* on Channel 27 in Vacaville.

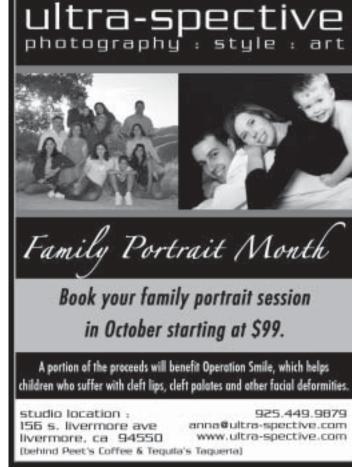
An open mic segment will follow readings by Amada Monyhan and GO. Novice and experienced poets will be invited to recite one favorite or original poem of 40 lines or less. Time will dictate the number of open mike readings. Light refreshments will be served during intermission.

The Century House Poetry Reading series continues year round on the first Sunday of even-numbered months, the next scheduled for December 3, 2006. For more information about all Civic Arts poetry events, contact Michelle Russo at 931-5350 or mrusso@ci.pleasanton.ca.us.









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The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on County under file number 365417.

Lydia Dao, 6354 El Capitan Ct., Livermore, CA 94551 This business was conducted by: an individual

/s/:Lydia Dao This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on September 6,

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS FILE NO. 384923

The following person (s) doing business as First Nail Spa, 2026 1st Street, Livermore,

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CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Hoa Huynh, 1249 Lucille Street, San Leandro, CA

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Signature of Registrant:

names listed.

/s/:Karen L. Hogan

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/s/:R. Helmer Miller This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on September 6, 2006. Expires September 6, 2011. The Independent Legal No. 2053. Publish September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 2006.

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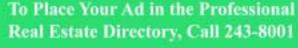


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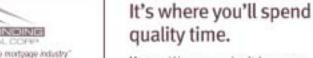












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Girls Collaborative

The California Girls Collaborative Project (CAL Girls) will award grants in amounts of \$1,000 in October and November to programs that encourage and support girls in science, math, engineering and technology (STEM). Eligibility for the grants will require two

collaborating partners.
CAL Girls will hold its second annual conference from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 18, at the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave. in Livermore. The conference is sponsored by the University of California, Edward Teller Education Center and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

During the conference, representatives from schools (K-12), higher education, professional organizations, business, government and communityorganizations will learn about the CAL Girls mini-grant program, as well as network, share best-practices and form collaborations in order to apply

for a grant.

CAL Girls is part of the National
Girls Collaborative Project, which has
been awarded a National Science Foundation (NSF) three-year grant to extend the capacity, impact and sustainability of existing and evolving STEM projects and programs committed to motivating

girls.

Registration fee for the conference is \$25. To register online and for more information about this program, go to the Web at http://calgirls.llnl.gov.

Towne Center Books

Food Writer Dianne Jacob will be at the store on Thurs., Sept. 28 at 7:30 Dianne is the author of Will Write for Food: the Complete Guide to Writing Cookbooks, Restaurant Reviews, Articles, Memoir, fiction and More. Donations for the Alameda County Food Bank are welcome but not required to attend.



PET OF THE WEEK: EMMITT Emmitt is the brains and ringleader of his playful little band of acrobats. He and his siblings Bentley, Rosie, and Madison are 4-months old and always ready for action. They are healthy, spayed and neutered, and ready for their forever-homes. For more information on Emmitt and pals, call Valley Humane Society at (925) 426-8656. Valley Humane Society holds mobile pet adoptions for dogs and cats at Pet Extreme in Livermore every Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Bookclubs: Teen Mother / Daughter Bookclub - grades 8-11 Wed., Oct. 18 at 7:30 at the store. Book discussion will be AngelMonster by Veronica Bennett. This is a retelling of the life of Mary Shelley. New members are welcome. Adult bookclub meets Wed., Oct. 18 at 7:00 at Coffee Beans and Bistro 401 Main Street Pleasanton. The discussion will be on Flanders Panel by Arturo Reverte-Perez. The Flanders Panel presents a tantalizing puzzle for any connoisseur of mystery, chess, art, and history. New members are welcome.

Towne Center Books is located at 555 Main Street., Pleasanton.

Seeds for Trees

Seeds for Trees is the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District ranger program for Sat., Sept. 30.

Meet Ranger Darren Segur at 10 a.m. in Sycamore Grove Park. It's time to collect the seeds that will become the next generation of native flora for the park. Oaks, buckeyes, walnuts and more are what volunteers will be looking for (or whatever is ready to har-

vest). Bring some gloves, if you have them. Canceled if raining.

Participants may call (925) 960-2400 for more information.

Educational Seminar

San Ramon Regional Medical Center presents a free educational seminar, "Treatment Options for Female Incontinence," Thursday, Oct. 5, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Urologist Richard Bevan-Thomas,

M.D., will speak at the community seminar in the South Conference Room in San Ramon Regional's South Building, located at 7777 Norris Canyon

Bevan-Thomas will discuss a number of surgical and non-surgical treatments for female incontinence, including: minimally invasive sling procedures, office procedures for stress urinary incontinence, prolapse repairs for the bladder, as well as other medical treatments. Partners are invited and encouraged to attend.

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

Monster Bash

The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District is hosting a Monster Bash! Bring the kids, 5 yrs. & up, out for an All Hallows Eve themed evening in the park. Participants will start by making some ghostly decorations. Afterwards, play some games while a barbecue dinner, complete with all the fixin's, is prepared. After dinner, there will be a hay ride through the park. This will be followed by a campfire. Drink hot chocolate, eat s'mores, learn about the history of Halloween, hear a few spooky stories and maybe even sing Halloween themed songs. Every-one will take home their ghostly décor and memories of a great time. Under

18 must be accompanied by an adult. Monster Bash takes place on Saturday October 28, 4:30-9:00 pm at Sycamore Grove Park in Livermore. Fee is \$27 per person. To register, call (925) 373-5700.

Book Sale

The Friends of the Pleasanton Public Library host the Fall Book Sale

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2006 on Friday, September 29, Saturday, September 30 and Sunday, October $1^{\rm st}$ at the Library in the Large Meeting Room. The Friday night sale will run from 7-9 PM for members only of the Friends of the Library, (member-

ships available at the door).

The sale is open to everyone on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and

Sunday from noon to 3 p.m.

More than 40,000 donated books of all types from best-sellers to biographies to children's picture books will be for sale with paperbacks costing 50 cents and hardbacks and trade backs a dollar. The books are in good to perfect condition and are a great bar-gain. There will also be videos and

other media for sale.

The Friends of the Pleasanton Library is a 501©3 nonprofit organization created to support the Library. All revenues from the Booksale will go to purchase new library materials, pro-

grams or equipment.

The Friends are seeking *adult* volunteers to help set-up the sale and during the sale hours. For book sale or volunteer information, please call Nancy Bering, 462-4368.

Grape Stomp

Crooked Vine Winery is hosting an event for wine lovers who want to

experience winemaking at its roots. The winery's annual Grape Stomp will take place on Oct. 1 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on its grounds at 4948 Tesla Rd. in Livermore.

"Guests will have a chance to experience just what Lucy and Ethel did on the classic I Love Lucy episode when they visited Italy and stomped around in a vat with the Italian women," said Crooked Vine owner Dale Vaughn-

The day includes a continental breakfast, a gourmet lunch and entertainment. Tickets are available by calling the winery at 925-371-8156 or visiting the Crooked Vine Tasting Room at 4948 Tesla Rd. in Livermore. The price is \$55 to the general public and \$50 to Crooked Vine or Stony Ridge Wine Club members. Those interested can join one of the wine clubs at no charge before purchasing their

Crooked Vine and Stony Ridge have just released new white wines, a Viognier and a Chardonnay respec-

Oktoberfest

The community is invited to a fun day with a German twist -the Oktoberfest Family Festival held at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church on Sept. 30, 1315 Lomitas Avenue, Livermore (near the corner of Holmes Street and Concannon Blvd.).

The day's activities will run from noon until 9:00 PM and include: festival games for all ages, a raffle, silent and live auctions, a German music concert from 3:15 - 4:00 PM in the church, and live music by the Edelweiss German Band from 5:00 - 9:00 PM. Throughout the afternoon German bratwursts, wieners, and handmade cookies will be for sale along with refreshing beverages (soda, beer, and wine) and snow cones.

Advanced ticket purchase is required for the German Dinner, prepared by Sigi's Catering, and served from 5:00 - 7:30 PM. German Dinner tickets are \$18.00 each and. a hot dog meal ticket is also available for \$5.00

Senior computer classes offered during the day include Beginning Windows XP (10/2), Senior Surfing (10/ 30) and E-mail (11/13).

fund-raiser has contributed over \$130,000 to local youth programs from past car shows.

Cruisers annual Nostalgia Day Car Show in Livermore. Hot rods were also featured. The annual

can be purchased by calling 447-5228 or 449-4372 and need to be purchased State approved Notary Public Class is available for new and renewing no-Mass will be celebrated in English and German on Saturday, September 30 and will begin at 4:00 PM instead of taries. The exam and class are offered on the same day 9/30. First Aid (10/25) 5:30 PM to allow those attending Saturday evening mass to join in the Oktoberfest festivities. and CPR (11/13) are good for two year certification.
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