

# **Pleasanton Wants SR 84 Improvements Included**

The City of Pleasanton was unhappy with a vote last week by the Tri-Valley Triangle Traffic Study Policy Advisory Committee that removed State Route (SR) 84 improvements from the package of projects.

The Triangle Traffic Study was in-tended to evaluate and prioritize future regional traffic projects on I-580, I-680 and State Route 84. The Policy Advisory Committee was established to provide policy direction. Committee members include Livermore Mayor Marshall Kamena and Councilmember Marj Leider, Pleasanton Mayor Jennifer Hosterman and Councilmember Cindy McGovern, Dublin Mayor Janet Lockhart and Councilmember Kasie Hildenbrand, and Alameda County Supervisors Scott Haggerty and Nate Miley. The committee's decision is being sent to CMA for its consideration next week.

In a vote on March 26, the policy committee voted 6 to 2 to approve a package known as Hybrid 1 that does not include the State Route 84 improvements between Pigeon Pass and I-680 (Hybrid 1A). Pleasanton's representatives, Mayor Jennifer Hosterman and Councilmember Cindy McGovern were the dissenting votes.

At the heart of the matter is the Stoneridge Drive extension.

The Pleasanton City Council on Tuesday approved a letter to be sent to the Alameda County Congestion Man-agement Agency (CMA) stating the city's concerns with the recommendation adopted by the committee. The let-ter asks that the CMA postpone any decision on the package of projects while members of the committee work to resolve the issue of 84.

The vote was unanimous to send the letter. There was no vote taken on whether to continue discussions with other committee members to try to come to a consensus. However, every member of the council expressed support for that direction.

At Tuesday's council meeting, McGovern told other councilmembers, when asked, that she believes the other committee members selected the option they did in an attempt to convince Pleasanton to approve the Stoneridge exten-sion. "We had no way of saying we would or would not extend Stoneridge. I don't think the extension is part of the purview of the Triangle study," said McGovern.

One of the points made in the letter being sent to CMA is that Pleasanton will proceed with pending litigation regarding the I-680 northbound HOV lane project. The city believes the project will bring additional traffic to the I-680/I- 580 project and result in additional cut-through traffic in Pleasanton. In addition, Pleasanton would challenge every project in the future that did not include improvements along 84.

The city filed suit against Caltrans in 2005 asking that an environmental impact report be completed for the HOV project. City attorney Michael Roush said, "Processing of the lawsuit was stayed by agreement of the parties pend-ing the conclusion of the Triangle Study." Stūdv.

In the letter, Pleasanton suggests that the purpose of the study was "to develop by consensus" a range of projects, not (See TRIANGLE, page 4)

### JPA Underway **To Aid Emergency** Communication

Cities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties and the county governments are expected to sign on, perhaps as early as next week, to a new joint powers agreement (JPA) for a unified radio system for emergency communications.

Bill McCammon, the retired fire chief of Alameda County, is the project coordinator for the East Bay Regional Communications System (EBRCS), which is creating the JPA. Lawyers have already worked out the language. The EBRCS board is expected to approve a final draft for the JPA this week. Then the draft will go to the counties, 33 prospective member cities, and eventually some special districts that have expressed interest.

"It's crucial to get it all in place within two months, because a new federal fund totaling \$1 billion for Homeland Security projects will be available,' said McCammon.

Cost of the EBRCS project is estimated at \$60 million. Most of the current radio towers will be used. However, new radios with digital capabilities will have to be added. Most or all of the expense ideally will be covered by grants, said McCammon. There will also be an ongo-

ing fee to members, based on the number of radios they have in the system. Overall, some 17,000 radios will be part of the system. Many of the existing ones will be part of that number. McCammon said he didn't have



Ron White, Angelika Voss-Quinn and Peter Quinn check over gear they will use on the climb.

## 'Old Geezers' from Rotary to Climb Mt. Kilimanjaro

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Although all have done their

Quinn.

Seven members of Livermore Rotary, ranging in age from 50 to 70, plan to climb the great Mount Kilimanjaro in August to raise funds for the Wheelchair Foundation.

"We're just a group of guys with a sense of adventure," said

#### can make a difference!" she said. it doesn't require technical skills Also in training for the climb and average people can do it if are Paul Thompson, Millie they're fit. The Rotary group is training hard. "It requires quite a bit of dedication, but the reward Angelika's husband, Peter will be worthwhile," Voss-Quinn said.

The Rotarians plan to leave

### **Future Of Entire Nuclear Complex Should Be Part of Discussion on Warhead**

Winning the Reliable Re-placement Warhead (RRW) competition gives the Lawrence Liv-ermore National Laboratory a better chance of surviving what will likely be growing pressure in the coming years, as in the past decade, to continue to reduce government expenditures on national laboratories.

That is a viewpoint expressed by Tom Ramos, Associate Divi-Leader sion for Counterproliferation Analysis in the Laboratory's Q Division. In that position, he manages several other programs dealing with homeland defense and analyzing activities involving the production of weapons of mass destruction.

Hugh Gusterson in his most recent column in the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists, "Understand-ing the Reliable Replacement Warhead, " suggests that the fu-ture of the entire nuclear labora-tory complex should be part of the debate when discussing the RRW. He writes, "We need, then, to debate Complex 2030 and the RRW as two sides of the same coin and to ask whether we want to go back to being a country that mass produces nuclear weapons with all the political, environmental, and health costs that entails.

Gusterson spent time in Livermore over a span of years researching information for his doctorate thesis. His research tocused on the political culture of nuclear weapons scientists and anti-nuclear activists in the U.S. and the former Soviet Union. He is currently a professor, Cultural Studies Cultural Studies Program

at George Mason University

Complex 2030 is a plan to establish a smaller, more efficient Nuclear Weapons Complex with the idea that it would be able to respond to changing national and global security challenges.

The thinking behind the RRW is to develop a replacement warhead for the nuclear arsenal that improves manufacturing practices, lowers unit costs and increases performance margins while staying within the design parameters validated by past nuclear tests. If Congress moves forward with funding, this would be the first new nuclear warhead design in two decades.

In 2006, Congress authorized the two nuclear weapons labs, Los Alamos National Laboratory and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, to develop competing designs for an RRW that might replace the most common warhead in the current stockpile--the W76. This is the warhead that sits atop most U.S. submarinebased missiles. Congress stipu-lated that the RRW design should be safer and more reliable than the existing W76 design, that it should not confer new military capabilities, and that it should not require nuclear testing in order to be certified.

Ramos contends that the RRW program is needed by the country. "The nuclear stockpile is getting smaller. At the same time it's becoming more aged. Af a time when individual warheads become relatively more important components of our strategic deterrence, they also become less reliable.

Photo - Doug Jorgensen

an exact figure. Livermore and Pleasanton's police and fire services already have phones and a phone system that fie in with the Alameda

(See COMMUNICATION, page 4)

Angelika Voss-Quinn, who at 50 is the youngest member of the group

We like to combine having fun with a greater purpose. Hey, we want to prove that old geezers

share of hiking, biking and exercising, they are far from being elite mountaineers. Kilimanjaro, the tallest mountain on the African continent, stands at 19,340 feet. Though an arduous climb,

for Africa August 7 and return in three weeks. They've hired guides. It's anticipated the ascent will take 11 days.

The project has been in the (See CLIMB, page 3)

(See DISCUSSION, page 4)

### Livermore Building **Department**, Official **Receive Awards**

The City of Livermore has been selected the California Building Officials Building Department of the Year.

In addition to the Building Department award, the city's building official, Stephan Kiefer, was recognized as this year's Building Official of the Year – marking the first time that both awards have been presented to the same city.

The award recognizes the community whose building de-partment has contributed the most in four key categories: education, state affairs, community involvement and innovation. This year's finalists included the cities of Newport Beach, Lincoln, Simi Valley, Temecula, and the County of Imperial.

This is a well-deserved honor for our exceptional staff.

It's really nice that their dedication and commitment to service has statewide recognition. It makes us all very proud," said Livermore Mayor Marshall Kamena.

Livermore was recognized for its regional and statewide leadership in: Code development, legislative advocacy, industry partnerships, educational presentations on subjects such as land development, emergency management, Green Building Resource Center development, weekend information booths at local building supply stores, Sat-urday morning neighborhood clean-up and housing rehabilitation programs, and unique community services such as in field permit issuance, and evening inspection services.



Photo - Doug Jorgensen

Pleasanton Seahawks played host to the Far Western Championships last week at the Delores Bengsten Aquatic Center. There were 1400 swimmers on hand for the competition. For the Seahawk results, see page 8. Pictured is a preliminary heat in the 100 butterfly.

(See AWARDS, page 4)

## **Pleasanton Schools Will Appoint Haugen Successor**

The Pleasanton school board will again appoint a new trustee, this time succeeding Juanita Haugen, who died last month.

This will be the third time in one year that the board will have made an appointment. Jim Ott was appointed last May to succeed Gloria Fredette, who resigned for personal reasons. Chris Grant was appointed in February to replace Steve Pulido, who was appointed a juvenile court judge.

Pulido was the last school board member to be elected, in November 2003. Kris Weaver is the only current trustee who came on the board as the result of an election.

The board will make the appointment April 24 at a meeting that will include public interviews of the candidates. The appointee would serve until the next regular election, November 2008, when the term expires. Applications are due to the district by 4:30 p.m. April 16.

There will be an orientation meeting for the candidates April 18 to acquaint with the workings of the district. Application packets are available at the superintendent's office, 4665 Bernal Ave. between 8 am. and 4:30 p.m. They may also be downloaded from the board's web site, www.pleasanton.k12.ca.us. More information is available from Carol Fernandez, administrative assistant to the superintendent, at 426-4333.

As with the past two appointments to the board, trustees deliberated whether they should go for a special election in November, 2007, which would leave the seat vacant until then, or make the appointment. The board discussed the issue at its last meeting, March 27, and at the one previous, on March 13, when they also called for the public's feedback on the issue.

Board members said that an election has the advantage of empowering district residents to make the choice in a broader, democratic way than assigning it to the four trustees. They said the down side of a special election is the estimated cost of \$110,000 to \$150,000, which they said could be better devoted to the district's general fund.

Teamwork was also mentioned. Trustee Pat Kernan, who is board clerk and chairs the meeting, said it was important to have someone on board soon, and have a team working through the year.

Several trustees said that the screening process for an appointment covers a lot of ground, and shows how much knowledge candidates have about the schools. At a previous meeting, Ott pointed out that he was appointed, but no one opposed him or Kernan when they were on the ballot last November.

One resident said earlier that some potential candidates may not bother to file because they assume the incumbent has an advantage. However, Ott said March 23 that board incumbency can work against a candidate if voters don't like his or her record.

The board also discussed a half-way position. Members would appoint a candidate who agreed to serve out the remainder of the term, and not run in the regular election in November 2008. That would put the board at full strength, but also eliminate any perceived advantage an incumbent might have in running for the office.

The board left the idea of a temporary appointment open, stating that anyone applying for (See APPOINT, page 4)

## '08 Campaign Is Already Starting For **McNerney**

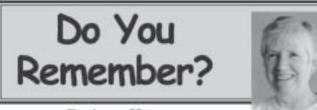
Seated for barely more than three months in Congress, Rep. Jerry McNerney of Pleasanton is starting the campaign for 2008 by phoning last year's election donors to build up his campaign chest.

Republicans are already out to win back the 11th Congressional District seat, which McNerney won from seven-term Republican Richard Pombo in November. The ex-congressman is now an employee of a landowners' rights, pro-business natural resources lobbying firm.

The Republican National Congressional Committee (NRCC) has talked to Assemblyman Guy Houston about the possibility of a run for the office. Houston was in Ireland this week on an economic mission for the Legislature, and was unavailable for comment.

Houston's district director, Matthew Del Carlo, said that Houston still has young children, and would not like the separation from family that serving in Washington would entail. If term limits laws are changed next year, as is being discussed in Sacramento, Houston would have the chance to run again after 2008 for the Assembly. He would pre-fer that, said Del Carlo. If Houston were elected to Congress, it would be a natural step up to a higher level, said Del Carlo.

Houston has been focused on transportation and education issues in Sacramento. The federal government has opportunities to bear on those topics for the dis-



#### By Anne Homan

### **Kinder Methods of Treatment**

After Dr. John W. Robertson graduated from UC Berkeley in 1877, he continued there at the medical school and received his M.D. in 1880. By 1894 when he came to Livermore, he had become an internationally known psychiatrist. He bought the Livermore Collegiate Institute building on College Avenue from Professor James D. Smith in 1894 and later the neighboring mansion and grounds belonging to William M. Mendenhall. Robertson founded a sanitarium, a private 120-bed psychiatric hospital, at the site. He added many buildings in the area; the College Avenue entryway to the complex, lined with palm trees, led to an oval driveway with the Mendenhall house at the back. Robertson's large shingled Victorian home was built on the southwest corner of College and South L Street in 1903.

In 1902 he also acquired property to the east, and several years later he erected a large Grecian-style hydrotherapy building. The "hydro," as it was called, took the place of the old college building, which Robertson sold to John McGlinchey. A columned cement struc-ture, 135 by 250 feet, the hydro was built around an inner courtyard. Besides the water therapy rooms, the interior included doctors' offices, business offices, reception rooms, a billiard room, and a library as well as 75 rooms for patients. An annex attached to the south contained the dining room and kitchen and rooms for the attendants and other employees. The annex burned in 1909 but was quickly rebuilt

The hydro was for patients who required only general nursing and were "capable of properly conducting themselves," people who had dyspepsia, nervous exhaustion, alcoholism, or addiction to drugs such as morphine. On the west side of L Street in the Mendenhall mansion and in various cottages, the more severely mentally ill and the nursing staff were housed. In 1896 prices for care varied from \$75 to \$200 per month. Sometimes early film stars stayed here incog-

nito—the privacy of all patients was protected. Robertson believed that peaceful surroundings could help the healing process, so he had his 160 acres beautifully landscaped. The hydro's site at South L Street and College Avenue, called by some the Green Corner, still has a landscaped lawn with many century-old palms and deodar cedars. By 1920 the grounds contained more than 17 buildings, including a gymnasium with a swimming pool, and the sanitarium employed about 300 people.

Granddaughter Lin Robertson Tobin remembered that the complex was almost completely self-sufficient, its own little city. The sanitarium "employed gardeners, cleaning personnel, painters, carpenters, electricians, floor waxers, laundry workers, food and kitchen help. ... There were occupational and physical therapists, nurses and attendants, and a staff of at least six or seven psychiatrists.

"Our own wells provided all the water needed," Tobin recalled. "A steam plant generated heat for the buildings, and a laundry complex washed, ironed and mended the myriad of sheets, tablecloths, uniforms, etc. There was even a greenhouse to provide annuals and perennials for landscaping the year-round. Dairy cattle, pigs and chickens were raised on the premises; and, in northern California, a Hereford cattle ranch provided beef for the Sanitarium. During World War II much of our work force joined the service or went to work in factories, but I don't think the patients were deprived.'

In 1894 Dr. Robertson's theories were new in the treatment of mental health: "As the first step of a cure as well as for the protection of the public, they should be separated from their families, but kinder methods of treatment should prevail. They should be secluded in some quiet resort where pleasant associations with those at least no worse disordered should be secured. They should, above all, be isolated and carefully guarded against any appearance of restraint or any suggestion that they, in any way, differ from other people or are other than sick." After 17 years at the sanitarium, Dr. Robertson retired in 1912 and lived in Šan Francisco. He died in 1941, at age 84; his wife, Mary, had died in 1929. She enjoyed entertaining the "literary and artistic colony that congregated in San Francisco at the time.

Dr. John W. Robertson Jr. continued his father's work with the mentally ill when he returned to Livermore in 1926 after completing medical school and a period of psychiatric study in Vienna. In 1931 he built the house on South L Street in which his daughter and son-in-law live today. A major heart attack in 1954 forced him to retire. He moved to Carmel but came back in the summers to fill in for doctors on vacation. Lin and Don Tobin moved back to Livermore in 1958. Don took over the business management of the sanitarium.

### Marylin Avenue Parents Get a Hands-on Cooking Lesson

#### **By Patricia Koning**

Forget the Food Channellast week Marylin Avenue Elementary School parents got a personal cooking lesson through Healthy Helpings program. Chef John Silva demonstrated how to prepare healthy mac n' cheese, French fries, chicken strips, sour cream dip, roasted spice almonds, and romaine salad with red onion and balsamic dressing.

"My kids love the recipes I learned in this class," says parent Rosa Suarez. "I was surprised at how good everything tastes. We're eating a lot more vegetables.'

The Healthy Helpings programs aims to teach strategies for healthy eating, with the longterm goal of reducing obesity and related diseases among school-age children. The best way to impact children is through their parents, says Bar-

bara Lee, director of Campus Catering for the Livermore School District.

"We were frustrated with always talking about nutrition without really getting through to the kids," she says. "To make children believers you have to get it into their mouths.

Last year the Rincon Library branch offered a special story time, which was paired with an apple/mango/pear tasting. The program was very well-received and inspired librarian Donna Pontau, Lee, and District nurse Vicki Leary to pursue the concept of a health program centered around exposing children to new foods.

With the help of the City of Livermore and the Library, the District secured a \$20,000 grant through the Kaiser Permanente Community Benefits program. Pontau found a program in Or-

companying CEQA document for

public review and comment. The

man-made stock pond in the

drainage area is currently over-

grown by cattails and is support-

ing several non-native species,

such as green sunfish and bull-

frogs. The stock pond's reha-

bilitation is considered key to

maintaining the health of the

drainage area as a complete ri-

parian habitat that can support a

stable population of the Califor-

nia Red-Legged Frog, California

Tiger Salamander, and Western

Pond Turtle, all threatened spe-

cies protected by the Endangered

Species Act.

## LARPD Votes in Support of Cap on Property Tax Shift

pacts.

The Board of Directors of the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD) voted on Wednesday to approve a resolution supporting an effort to cap the property tax shift losses to no more than 25%. The District's current property tax shift loss is 48%, which translates to more than \$6 million this fiscal year.

In 1992 state legislators enacted the Education Reimbursement Augmentation Fund (ERAF) at a time when the state faced huge deficits. In effect, the legislature turned to local governments to shift property taxes to the schools in order to balance the state budget. Since then, LARPD has lost more than \$47.8 million through June of 2006.

By capping the property tax shift losses to no more than 25%, the District would be able to address a backlog of park and facility maintenance and improvements. It would also be able to implement programs that will contribute to the increased health and well being of the community, such as after-school programs and sports activities for youth and teens, and additional services for senior citizens.

"It is critical for the District to recapture some of the funds originally designated by the taxpayers for recreation and parks that have been redirected to the State's General Fund," according to Board President Dale Turner. The resolution will now be forwarded to state legislators to confirm the District's intentions on the matter and its advocacy for

egon that was reaching families by offering cooking classes.

The partners found Silva through the Pacific Coast Farm-Market Association ers' (PCFMA), a non-profit organization that runs 47 Bay Area farmers' markets, including those in Livermore and Pleasanton. One of his roles for PCFMA is doing cooking demonstrations at farmers' markets.

One idea behind the classes is to introduce participants to new vegetables and demonstrate new uses for common vegetables. In an earlier class, Silva used carrots in every course-carrot salad, carrot soup, and braised carrots. Lee worried that the menu was too carrot-heavy, but to her surprise the participants loved the food.

Silva conducted two sessions of Healthy Helpings. The first was four classes and the second was three classes. At the first class of each session, he took suggestions from participants and incorporated those into subsequent classes.

At each class, participants watch a cooking demonstration while the children work on crafts

related to healthy eating. Once the food is ready, the children join their parents to sample the food

After each class participants go home with a shopping list and grocery bag filled with the produced used. At the end of the session, they receive a \$20 Safeway gift card. Last week's cooking class concluded the second session of Healthy Helpings.

About 25 parents participated in the classes. Lee plans to hold a focus group with the parents to refine the program for next year and follow up with the children to see if they are living healthier.

Next year Lee hopes to offer the program at both Marylin and Portola elementary schools. She'd also like to hold a farm stand event at Marylin, which would bring the Livermore Farmers' Market to the school.

"It's a baby step," says Leary. "But I like the fact that we are trying to involve the community as a whole.'

The final word, of course, is from the kids.

'Two thumbs up," declared eight-year-old Melanie Flores.



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The advent of new tranquilizing drugs, the opening of community-oriented treatment centers for outpatient care, and the estab-lishment of psychiatric wards in general hospitals all contributed to the demise of this private hospital in 1964. The hydro building was razed in 1965. The rest of the complex to the west was torn down to make way for the Forest Glade development.

Robertson Park, Livermore's rodeo and sports complex, is named for Dr. John W. Robertson Sr., founder of the sanitarium.

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(Readers can reach me at am3homan@yahoo.com.)

### property tax relief.

In other action, the board approved requesting a grant with the Coastal Conservancy to restore a riparian corridor in Sycamore Grove Park. It released the ac-



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## VALLEY ROUNDUP

#### More Reports of Mountain Lions

There were several more sightings of mountain lions in Pleasanton last week.

Calls to the Pleasanton Police Department reporting a mountain lion came from residents on Chadbourn Court and Grillo Court. Both streets are located near Vintage Hills Elementary School.

The school staff was immediately notified and implemented standard security procedures locking students inside the facility. Police and animal services officers monitored students arriving at the school and surrounded the home where the animal was last seen.

Another resident reported seeing a mountain lion trotting along a drainage ditch on Valenza Way in Ruby Hill.

Police officials says they are concerned about these sightings and will strive to address the issue as best they can to ensure both public safety and the welfare of any mountain lion.

The police department offers the following suggestions for a person encountering a mountain lion:

• Avoid hiking or jogging alone when in parklands or rural areas, particularly when lions are most active such as dawn, dusk and night.

• Keep a close watch on small children in areas where lions have been encountered or in neighborhoods adjacent to parklands.

• Never approach a mountain lion, do not run; instead face the animal and stand upright. Try to appear as large as possible, make noise and throw rocks or sticks in an effort to further scare the animal off. If small children are accom-

scare the annual off. If small children are accompanying you, pick them up.
If you are attacked by a lion, fight back. These animals prefer easy prey and usually will retreat from an aggressive response.
If a mountain lion is sighted, immediately report it to head police.

report it to local police.

An earlier sighting in the city occurred two weeks ago in Kottinger Park, which is adjacent to the area of these most recent sightings. No attacks of either people or pets have been reported.

Police say that residents of Pleasanton should not be afraid to enjoy the many parks and city amenities because of these sightings. Most of the time mountain lions avoid people and will retreat from the area.

Pleasanton Police have called in representatives from the Fish and Game Department to discuss how to respond to the situation. Information about mountain lions is available from the California Department of Fish & Game website at www.dfg.ca.gov/keepmewild/lion.html.

#### State Math Grant

Alameda County Superintendent of Schools Sheila Jordan and Senator Pro Tem Don Perata announced the acquisition of a new state math grant that is part of an initiative to increase the number of well-prepared mathematics teachers and improve teacher retention at underperforming schools in the county.

Sen. Perata pushed for the \$1.8 million grant during the state budget negotiations last year, successfully securing the allotment. The Alameda County Office of Education worked

collaboratively with both the San Diego and Fresno County Offices of Education to respond to this very competitive grant process. Their successful proposal pooled expertise and proven resources among the three county offices.

"This one-year grant is a great opportunity," Jordan said. "The next logical step is to leverage this collaboration to identify additional funding that enables us to focus on retention of these new teachers during the critical first three to five years. Some 20 percent of all new hires leave the classroom within three years. This can be prevented with focused and meaningful support that has been proven to increase teacher retention."

Under the terms of the \$1.8 million award, Alameda County will receive \$600,000, San Diego County will get \$800,000 and Fresno County will be awarded \$400,000.

Jordan said ACOE will use its share of the funds by working closely with California State University, East Bay to identify upper division math majors for teaching careers. Once identified, these teacher candidates will receive assistance, including tuition reimbursement, to complete their credentials. Once they receive their credentials, they will receive additional tuition reimbursement incentives to work at low-performing schools in Alameda County.

A second component focuses on improving preparation of current math teachers. Qualifying teachers will receive stipends to attend focused professional development. Additionally, site math coaches will be trained to continue to provide direct one-on-one support to new math teachers.

#### Housing Starts Decline

Total housing starts in California fell back once again in February, showing a modest 6 per-cent decrease from January, but a 42 percent drop when compared to February 2006, the California Building Industry Association announced last week.

In February, permits were pulled for 6,214 single-family homes statewide, down 9 percent from the previous month and 35 percent from February 2006, while multifamily housing starts - condos and apartments - totaled 3,111, down almost 1 percent from the previous month but down 53 percent from February 2006. Both February and March 2006 saw unusually large numbers of multifamily permits, however.

Overall for the month, builders pulled permits for 9,325 homes, condos and apartments, according to statistics compiled by the Burbankbased Construction Industry Research Board.

CBIA Chief Economist Alan Nevin attributes the continuing decline in total starts to the fact that builders have scaled back on production in order to concentrate on moving existing inven-

In his 2007 Housing Forecast, Nevin pro-jected that housing starts for single-family homes, condominiums and apartments should total be-tween 155,000 and 170,000 in 2007, keeping pace with 2006.

CBIA President and CEO Robert Rivinius declared that the state needs to be building well over 200,000 new homes, condos and apartments a year to meet the need for housing.

## **Pleasanton Taking Input on What** To Study in Staples Ranch EIR

A scoping session for the environmental impact report being prepared for Staples Ranch will be held Wed., April 11 at 7 p.m. in the Pleasanton City Council Chambers, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

Staples Ranch is approximately 124 acres of undeveloped land belonging to the Alameda County Surplus Property Authority. There are plans to develop a portion of the property.

Hendrick Auto Group proposes to build an approximately 37-acre auto mall, with up to 331,000 square feet of buildings and up to 3,270 parking stalls.

Continuing Life is looking at a 45-acre senior continuing care community with about 1,400,000 square feet of build-

### CLIMB (continued from page one)

making since last August when Paul Thompson made an announcement about it at a Rotary meeting and asked for volunteers.

The climbers are collecting sponsorships and hope to raise \$14,000 for the Wheelchair Foundation. The worldwide foundation provides wheelchairs to persons who cannot afford them.

'Each sponsorship will actually be triple its amount, as the Wheelchair Foundation and Rotary International will match what we raise," said Voss-Quinn.

The climbers from Rotary are keeping their endeavor in per-"Training for and completing

this climb will be a challenge, but nothing in comparison to the daily challenges of disabled people who cannot use their legs and whose only means of forward motion is using their arms to crawl," Voss-Quinn said.

'Could you envision just for a minute not being able to use your legs and not having a wheelchair? How would you function? Cook, clean, shop, eat or work? It is unimaginable!"

She said millions of people throughout the world need a wheelchair but can't afford it. She said a donation of \$75 covers the price of a wheelchair and it's a ings housing and approximately 800 assisted living units, nursing beds and common facilities;

In addition, there could be commercial development of up to 175,000 square feet of retail or up to 280,000 square feet of non-retail office and services uses on approximately 16 acres.

A 17-acre community park is included in the proposal. The park may include lighted sports fields, lighted tennis courts, a dog park, trails, a trail staging area, a pedestrian bridge connecting the north and south sides of the arroyo, a four-rink ice-skating facility on up to 8 acres, and similar park-related activities;

Preservation of the Stoneridge Drive extension right-of-way

life. "A wheelchair means hope, mobility and freedom," Voss-Quinn said.

Sponsor forms are available by writing to her at: Angelika Voss-Quinn, 1080 Concannon Boulevard, Livermore CA 94550. She may be called at (925) 606-7353.





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"Last year over 570,000 people died from the same cause" Yet nobody built them a monument ...

Dear friend,

them well. My family does not take medication to seek health and it just can't have any interference. With chiropractic, we

gift that transforms the recipient's

It's hard to believe, I know, but it's true. Last year, prescription drugs killed more Americans than guns, AIDS, suicides and terrorists combined, but we'll get to that in a minute.

Let me start by explaining the photo in this letter. You know, when I meet people in town they usually say, "Oh, yeah, I know you, you're Dr. C, the Chiropractor on East Avenue." Well that's me. I'm also that lucky guy in this photo with my beautiful sons.

Years ago something happened to me that changed my life forever. Let me tell you my story.

"I was just driving home from a family party and barn! I was involved in a horrible head-on car accident. After being released from the hospital, I was left with severe problems in my neck and upper back. I started to lose feeling on the whole left side of my neck and shoulder area. It was so bad that when I tried to use my shoulder. I had no strength and the pain was unbearable. I stopped weight lifting and playing sports because I tried to use my left arm as little as I could due to the pain. At the age of 19, school and sports were my life. Being a young man, I figured that I could deal with the pain. But, after some time, it didn't seem to be getting any better. And that's not all.

The Medical doctor gave me some powerful drugs, but nothing was helping. I started to get pretty scared. Here I was, this young guy, losing muscle strength and in pain everyday. Would I have to live like this forever? But, there's more.

A friend of mine convinced me to give his doctor a try. This new doctor did an exam, ran a few tests (which didn't hurt), and then 'adjusted' my spine. The adjustment didn't hurt; it actually felt good. I got relief, and my muscle strength started to come back, again. Oh, did I mention that this doctor was a chiropractor? It worked so well for me, and I was so impressed with the other 'miracles' I saw in his office, that I finished up my undergraduate school and headed off to chiropractic school myself. And that's how it happened!"

Mateo, the older boy in the photo, is my first son. He is 2 1/2 years old and gets adjusted on a regular basis. He has only had 3 colds his entire life and has never been on antibiotics. Dominic my other son who is 10 months and also gets adjusted regularly. Both of my kids love getting adjusted, because it doesn't hurt. I have to say that chiropractic has been a blessing in our family.

A healthy family does NOT rely on medication to make

we don't have a "medicine chest" in our home. Due to years of advertising saturation from the pharmaceutical companies, most Americans seek health from outside in and most families have a medicine chest filled with an average of 16 different medications.



In an average year, the World Health Organization (WHO) reported over 1.5 million hospitalizations due to medication. Last year, the WHO also reported 570,000 deaths due to medications people took and 160,000 of these deaths occurred when the drugs were prescribed correctly. More people died last year from medications than at Pearl Harbor and Vietnam. Amazing, huh?

If drugs make people well, then those who take the most should be the healthiest, but this simply isn't the case.

Many people are beginning to understand that health comes from within. This is why chiropractic helps so many people. You see, God created a body that can heal itself. Your body doesn't need any help; don't add anything to the body, or take anything from it. We find interference in the nervous system and remove it, thus enhancing the healing capabilities of the body. We get tremendous results; it really is as simple as that. Here's what some of our patients have to say:

"I was having horrible migraines and headaches, but since I started seeing Dr. C I no longer have these problems." (Gloria Fulford – Livermore)

"I am living a better life now, since seeing Dr. C." - (A. Scott Tibbets - Livermore)

Being a chiropractor can be tough because there's a host of so-called experts out there. They tell people a lot of things that are just plain ridiculous about our profession. Usually it's "My neighbor's sister's friend said ... " Let me ask you, do you make your health care decisions based on honest facts or biased opinions? Interesting question, isn't it?

You Can Benefit from an Amazing Offer - When you bring in or mention this article, you will receive my entire new patient exam for \$17.

That's a consultation, exam, paraspinal thermal imaging... the whole ball of wax. This exam could cost you \$350 elsewhere. But, please call right away- because this offer expires on April 21, 2007. You see I'm not trying to seduce you to come see me with this low start up fee, then to only make it up with high fees after that. By law, this offer excludes Medicare/Medi-caid patients.

Great care at a great fee ... Please, I hope that there's no misunderstanding about quality of care just because I have a lower exam fee. You'll get great care at a great fee.

My assistant is Cindi and she is a really great person. Our office is both friendly and warm and we try our best to make you feel at home. We have a wonderful service, at an exceptional fee.

Our office is called CONTRERAS CHIROPRACTIC and it is at 4200 East Avenue. Our phone number is (925) 606-5490. Call Cindi or me today for an appointment. We can help you. Thank you.

-Gerardo Contreras, D.C.

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# **EDITORIALS**

### 'The Right Direction'

The Livermore City Council took two big steps last week boosting the vitality of the downtown. A superstore ban was approved and Second Street was designated as part of the downtown core, extending the area beyond First Street.

The superstore ban, which was approved unanimously, won't fall on big-box membership and regional retail stores. A superstore is defined as a store containing 90,000-plus square feet, with nontaxable items such as groceries occupying 5% of the floor area.

The ban was precipitated by Wal-Mart's proposed superstore on 19 acres at the corner of Jack London/ Isabel. Wal-Mart already boasts a large store in Livermore, a business that has contributed in a positive way to the local economy. The superstore, however, was seen as a negative force that would drain business from neighborhood shopping centers and from the downtown.

In addition to extending downtown to Second Street, the council also opened up upstairs locations. Restaurants, nightclubs, grocery stores, personal services, and other businesses will now be permitted on the second floors of the area.

Among the citizens who commented at the council hearing was Douglas Payne, who related that he and his wife have moved to downtown because they like what is happening there. "We think Livermore is going in the right direction," Payne said.

It's indeed going in the right direction. In taking the two actions, the City Council is helping to create an environment in which the downtown may flourish.

### TRIANGLE (continued from page one)

to select a recommendation by majority vote.

"It is unclear to staff why Hybrid 1A was not supported, based on the traffic analysis that stated that Hybrid 1A provided the most significant improvement to regional traffic," commented Pleasanton Public Works Director Rob Wilson in a report to the council.

McGovern pointed out that studies prepared by Pleasanton indicate that all three roads work together. To make improvements on two and not on all three highways does not make sense, said McGovern.

Pleasanton has been pushing for the improvements on highway 84 as a way of cutting down on cut-through traffic through the city.

The northbound I-680 HOV lane is of particular concern to Pleasanton. It ends at the point where Highway 84 branches off from I-680. Without the improvements on 84, drivers would continue on I-680 until they reach Pleasanton, where they would just get off and cut-through the city to reach I-580.

During the discussion on Tuesday, both councilmembers Jerry

the extension, it could be built.

Hosterman added, "The city recognizes the importance of the 580 corridor and that it represents the greatest need for improvements. "However, data shows that building improvements on 84 will improve traffic on both 580 and 680.

She and other councilmembers said they hope there is an opportunity to continue discussions to try to reach a consensus.

The letter to CMA includes the following points: The study is not a consensus document. All of the committee members have unanimously supported the consensus concept and deviating from the purpose at this time is "counterproductive to addressing regional traffic issues." Pleasanton is asking that all future regional traffic models include versions with and without the route 84 improvements as a way to determine the level of impact of the projects on the City of Pleasanton's local traffic.

## COMMUNICATION

## DISCUSSION

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"The technical issue, in my mind, is that because the high explosives housed inside the warheads are corrosive, there is corrosion going on in those warheads. They will not remain viable forever. At some point we will have to do something about them. Under the START Treaty, the Russians were allowed to continue building nuclear warheads and use them to replace older like warheads. So, the Russian nuclear weapons stockpile is not aging at the rate ours is," says Ramos.

Ramos believes that the RRW will be safe without having to be tested. "We have enough experience from the days when we were actively designing, manufacturing, and testing nuclear weapons to judge that certain aspects of a nuclear weapon's design are inherently safe. For instance, the use of insensitive high explosives adds a significant amount of safety to a nuclear weapon.

"I believe that we can also calculate and model a nuclear weapon design to determine whether or not that warhead would be one point safe, that is, to determine whether or not the warhead could withstand the initiation of its high explosive at a single point and not release a significant nuclear yield. For instance, if a terrorist attempted to start a nuclear explosion by shooting a high velocity bullet at it, he would fail. Other safety features such as safe and secure firing sets and anti-intrusion devices that protect the warhead from unauthorized intrusions can also be tested for the RRW warhead," according to Ramos.

Ramos adds that knowing the reliability of the warhead without conducting a full scale nuclear test is another matter. "Our computer codes and the experience of some of our nuclear designers are excellent tools to ensure that the RRW design will work. It is certainly true that not testing that design will mean that we cannot assign the design the same degree of reliability that we might have had we tested it. However, when Congress voted to end nuclear testing, they consciously made the decision that it was worth the risk of giving up a degree of reliability in our nuclear stockpile in return for a cessation of testing," explains Ramos.

One issues raised in support of the RRW is that it would allow further reduction in the nuclear stockpile.

Gusterson, in his column, discusses some of the reasons why some believe the RRW is needed. He points out that the existing stockpile, of Cold War vintage, was designed to squeeze the most explosive yield possible out of the smallest amount of plutonium. "These warheads, instead of being built to last, were deof viability on the assumption that they would be retired after a few years and replaced with newer designs. Congressional advocates of the RRW, such as Ohio Republican Rep. David Hobson, have seen it as a program to replace temperamental nuclear

Porsches with reliable Honda Civics in the hope that future administrations would be bolder in cutting the stockpile if they had more confidence in each warhead's reliability.'

Gusterson notes that there is not solid support for the RRW. "The navy, which has had a legendary blood feud with Livermore for at least two decades, was always ambivalent about spending the money a new warhead will cost. Now that Livermore has won the design contest, the navy's limited enthusiasm for this project can be expected to ebb still further. Also, judging by comments on the entertaining Los Alamos blog, there are Los Alamos scientists determined that the Livermore RRW will die at birth.

"An interesting political struggle looms on the horizon as Congress moves toward hearings on the RRW. In this struggle, New Mexico and California politicians, who pay close attention to the weapons labs, are on both sides of the issue--though all claim to speak in the name of arms reductions. California Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein. New Mexico Democratic Sen. Jeff Bingaman, and New Mexico Democratic Rep. Tom Udall have criticized the RRW, while New Mexico Republican Sen. Pete Domenici and the representative from Livermore's district, Democrat Ellen Tauscher, have lined up behind it (the latter suggesting a bargain whereby the United States builds the RRW while, finally, ratifying the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty)."

There have been concerns raised by opponents about the impact on proliferation.

In his column, Gusterson points out that the New York Times has editorialized that the RRW is "a public relations disaster in the making overseas," while Feinstein has said the mass production of a new warhead, at a time when the United States is trying to isolate North Korea and Iran for their nuclear initiatives, would appear hypocritical and "could serve to encourage the very proliferation we are trying to prevent." Ramos believes that the im-

pact on proliferation would not be significant. He explains, "Some of the greatest leaps in proliferation (Iraq, North Korea, Iran) have occurred in the last fifteen years, during a period in which we ceased nuclear testing. I distinctly remember many arguing that a major reason to stop testing was that continued testing would encourage proliferation. There does not seem to me to be any strong correlation between our abstaining from nuclear testing and seeing less efforts among proliferating countries. And, I am sorry to say that there is also no reason to believe that our RRW program would have any significant impact on the rate at which countries attempt to proliferate. It seems to me that countries embark in proliferation more for regional issues than for any global issues such as American nuclear policy. Pakistan became a nuclear country because India

became one. Iran wants nuclear weapons because, among other things, Israel has nuclear weapons. Our nuclear arsenal did not seem to have any impact in deterring Saddam Hussein from invading Kuwait and for embarking on his own nuclear program,' Ramos contends.

There are monetary costs that involve more than the RRW.

Gusterson argues that something important has been missing from the debate, the cost. "It is my own feeling that, if given the choice of waving a wand and changing all the current W76s into RRWs, one would do so because the RRW is a safer warhead whose design is less likely to trigger neurotic doubts about reliability among the men and women in white lab coats who can bring the test ban regime crashing down if they tell the president that they have lost confidence in the reliability of the stockpile.

'Changing the W76s into RRWs cannot be done by the swish and flick of a wand. Given that the United States currently has the capability to produce about a dozen new pits (nuclear components) each year and that we are talking about replacing all the W76s--and eventually, the entire nuclear stockpile, after future RRW design exercises--it can only be done by expanding the U.S. plutonium pit production capability and, presumably, by building the new Consolidated Plutonium Facility Energy seeks as part of its \$150 billion Complex 2030 initiative.

"Ten years after the test ban treaty was signed, at a time when the U.S. and Russian stockpiles are shrinking, at a moment when the U.S. budget deficit arcs deeper into the red each year, in a year when the Iraq War is adding \$100 billion to the \$450 billion defense budget, we need to ask whether we want to restore the

## Las Positas Discussion On **Nuclear Nonproliferation**

Las Positas College (LPC) will present a panel discussion on the topic of "Nuclear Nonproliferation, the Middle East and the Future of Nuclear Weapons."

The discussion will be held on Wednesday, April 18 at 7:00 p.m. The event will take place at the Las Positas College Student Center, Building 1700. The program is free to the public. Parking regulations are enforced. Permits may be purchased for \$2 in the parking lot.

Speakers include Urs Cipolat, a lecturer in Undergraduate and Interdisciplinary Studies at UC Berkeley, whose research interests include globalization, scirelevance of nuclear weapons by devoting this much of our treasure to their refurbishment.

"The real question is not so much what the RRW might mean to others, but what nuclear weapons mean to us now," writes Gusterson

Ramos contends, "The RRW program is not extravagantly expensive (estimated at \$119 million). Congress and society need to make a cost-benefit analysis of the value of maintaining the nuclear stockpile so that it remains effective. It seems to me that most Americans and most members of Congress believe that a nuclear deterrent is still necessary for our security. For a nuclear deterrent to be effective, it must be credible. So maintaining the nuclear deterrent force simply makes sense.

"The costs of the RRW program are not so prohibitive as to turn the major decision makers away from it," says Ramos.

Ramos added, "Regardless of which party is in power, the RRW program will probably be funded. I think societies throughout the ages seem to always place a pre-mium on security. They will foot the bill to achieve that security.'

Ramos provided some examples from the past. Da Vinci was employed by his local prince to design weapons of war. The interstate highway system was originated in the 1950's as a defense measure to allow the rapid deployment of troops. Fleming, who discovered penicillin, was a member of the British Army looking for a cure for military casualties, as was Walter Reed in the American Army looking for a cure for malaria.

That interest in maintaining security through the ages, Ramos believes, will be carried forward when it comes to funding the RRW

Nations Senior Political Affairs Officer and adjunct professor of the Middle East at Diablo Valley College and CSU San Francisco; and Marylia Kelley, Executive Director of Tri-Valley CAREs, a local group working to strengthen global security by stopping the development of new nuclear weapons in the United States and promoting the global elimination of such weapons.

For more information, please contact Ted Blair of the LPC Political Science Department at (925) 424-1000, extension 2198,

tblair@laspositascollege.edu or Paul Torres at (925) 424-1293

Thorne and Matt Sullivan said that the decision on whether to extend Stoneridge would be based on data and public input. The decision would be based on what is best for Pleasanton. "It is not a decision that others will force on us by coercion or bullying.

Sullivan noted that Pleasanton works on a regional basis on many issues.

Resident John Carroll said he would not raise the issue of the impacts of operations at the Livermore Airport and massive development in East Dublin on Pleasanton. Rather he would like the city and its neighbors to work together to resolve the issue of 84.

In an interview Tuesday, Livermore Mayor Marshall Kamena said the goal of the committee was to play regionally. "Assuming that Pleasanton will not put in Stoneridge, the best regional solution is not to put in the 84 improvements," said Kamena. He added that while it would be best if there were consensus, CMA has said that if there is not 100 percent agreement that the majority prevails.

Kamena pointed out that at the beginning of the process, Pleasanton threatened to pull out of the study if Stoneridge Drive were included in the analysis. He felt that the extension has always been a part of the study. "It is up to the city to play ball and subscribe to regionality." Kamena said he wanted Pleasanton residents to be aware that to get the \$190 million needed to improve 84, the city needs to commit to extend Stoneridge.

For Pleasanton's part, Hosterman pointed out that there is a memorandum of understanding that retains the Stoneridge extension right-of-way. In the future, if there were political will and funding in Pleasanton to build

County system. The decision facing those cities will be whether they want to become part of the bigger system, which in the long run can save maintenance cost, McCammon said.

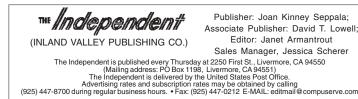
Once the JPA is up and running, many different agencies will be approached about joining, including Zone 7 Water Agency. Alameda County Water District in Fremont and Contra Costa Water District already have inquired about the possibility of their membership. Public works departments and transit agencies are also on the list.

Dublin Mayor Janet Lockhart, one of two Alameda County mayors who serve on the EBRCS board, said she is hopeful about obtaining federal funds for the project. She said that when she and other area mayors, including Livermore Mayor Marshall Kamena, were in Washington in February, there was a receptive audience. Sen. Dianne Feinstein liked the idea, but added that she "wants to see the names on the (dotted) line.'

Sen. Barbara Boxer was also supportive of the project. According to Lockhart, Boxer commented that she wants to expand the ring of Homeland Security funding around cities beyond 10 miles, so that projects like the Tri-Valley's will be funded.

Lockhart said that the Tri-Valley has its own merits for Homeland Security money, because of the presence of LLNL and an army base (at Camp Parks).

Boxer reportedly said that the Tri-Valley agreement could become a model for other areas of the nation. Pleasanton Mayor Jennifer Hosterman also put in a few words for the project on her recent lobbying trip to Washington with Councilmember Cheryl Cook-Kallio. "We're hopeful we will get federal dollars for it," she said



## AWARDS

(continued from page one) The Building Official of the Year award is given to the individual who best contributed to the profession at the state, regional, and local levels. Kiefer is a recognized leader in statewide code development and local government emergency management.

Community Development Director Marc Roberts stated, "We are very proud of both awards. Steve has been with us for the past seven years. He is a very strong manager. Clearly he is a real asset to the city.

Keifer represents Livermore and local government before the State Building Standards Commission and various legislative bodies. He also sits on the Association of Bay Area Government's Earthquake Hazard's Outreach and Mapping Committees and is Chair of the State Fire Marshal's Building and Fire Code Development Committee.

When City Manager Linda Barton was hired, one of her goals

### APPOINT

(continued from page one) the appointment could declare that he or she will not run during the regular election. Members of the board would make up their minds then about a temporary

appointment. The board didn't mention it. However, the only precedent in modern times about a promise to be only a place-filler was in 1998. The board then appointed Chuck Eddinger to replace Laura Bassett, who resigned to move out of state. Eddinger, who was defeated by Bassett a year earlier, agreed not to run when the next election came up. Deborah Kleffman was elected to fill out the two years remaining on Bassett's term.

The choice of Eddinger was not popular with some Bassett ence and ethics, and the notion of progress; Norman Bowen, Associate Professor at CSU East Bay who teaches courses in international relations, comparative politics and public policy on the United Nations; Amer Araim, a former Iraqi diplomat and United

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The event is co-sponsored by the LPC Political Science Department, CSU East Bay Department of Political Science, Tri-Valley Cares, and the United Nations Association East Bay Chapter.

one-stop center, where representatives are available from all departments to answer questions. "Other cities are looking at our service. We work well with the development community and want projects to move smoothly. The one-stop center has provided a way to make that happen," said Barton.

Roberts added that the city has received very positive feedback regarding Steve and the entire building department. Livermore city service was ranked in the top 1 percent when compared against other West Coast cities. The city also keeps information from individual surveys. "On a scale of ten points, the response rates service at 9.6 points," said Roberts.

Some of the programs that the city provides are evening inspection service at no additional costs to the client and by moving resources around. There is no additional cost to the city, explained Roberts.

The city staff does not intend to rest on its laurels. Roberts said there are plans to continue to integrate electronics with the ability to provide more permits in the field and quicker review times. The fire department is working on streamlining its inspection services.

The city is conducting outreach education with architects and builders regarding the city's green building program, which becomes mandatory next year. In addition, Roberts continued, the city will extend its neighborhood preservation efforts.

**California Building Officials** is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to promoting public health and safety in building construction through responsible legislation, education, and building code development. The organization represents approximately 350 local municipalities and counties, along with industry professionals involved in building design and construction.

supporters, who felt that Bassett's triumph over him in the election was a repudiation of his outlook on the issues. However, they decided not to call for a special election to challenge Eddinger, although it is permitted under law for any appointment. The public feedback period

since the March 13 meeting brought in more than 100 phone calls and e-mails, said Ott. He counted 112 favoring appointment, and three for an election. One resident suggested a vote by e-mail, which Ott said is not legal. Another person expressed trust in the board to make the right decision.

Ott said that someone suggested that Jill Buck, the close runner-up to Grant for the last va-

cancy, be appointed. However, Ott said that would be going from the fully democratic end of the spectrum (calling an election), to the other extreme, where no one else would have a chance to try for the position.

There may have been people who didn't have time, or had other considerations last time, who now would apply for the seat, said Ott.

#### FUNDING ASKED FOR ENRICHMENT

The board also heard a pitch from one-half dozen teachers and parents for more money at the elementary and middle school levels next year for the hiring of specialists. They would be in the subjects of physical education, language, science and art. Adding PE at the elementary

level would help get kids in shape for the standards they must meet in middle school, said one speaker. Underlining the benefit of PE for kids' health, the speaker said that the federal Centers for Disease Control say that one in three children born in 2000 will develop Type 2 diabetes. It used to be called age-onset diabetes, and affected old people. Now, people get it in their 30s and 40s, she said.

Another speaker said that hiring PE and science enrichment instructors are in line with recommendations from the district's excellence committee.

The presentation was made during communications to the board, so there was no board discussion, since it was not an agenda item.

was to improve the service provided by the city. She gives credit for making that happen to the whole management team. "I think the fact that in a recent

community survey, residents

gave a 100 percent favorable rat-

ing to city service reflects the fact

that we are doing well," said

Asked how service is per-

ceived by businesses, Barton

noted that response has been

positive. She provided an ex-

ample. "In some communities,

when there is a call for an inspec-

tor, there is a waiting period. Work has to stop. We try for a

rapid turn-around. Delays cost both time and money," Barton

added that the same level of ser-

vice is provided to homeowners

planning remodels or repairs. "Our folks do a great job work-

ing with people," commented

difference in the time it takes to

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## MAILBOX

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#### **Directional Signs Don King** Livermore

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The Livermore City Council, at its meeting of January 22, 2007, agreed to include on a forthcoming agenda a proposal to amend the city's sign ordinance to permit the establishment of directional signs to certain houses of worship. The request, supported by more than two hundred signatures on a petition, including several pastors, would pertain to permanent, offsite signs. Upon application, a religious community that felt a need for such a sign because of its location on a side street in a residential area, could be approved for such a sign.

Some worship centers that might be eligible for such a sign are the Shiva Vishnu Temple (Hindu) on Arrowhead Way, St. Charles Borromeo Catholic on Lomitas, the Mormon Church on Hillcrest, Holy Cross Lutheran on Mocho Street, and Trinity Baptist on Olivina.

The present ordinance restricts all signage in the public right-of-way to public facilities only.

Those who are interested in this issue should watch for it to be listed on one of the council meeting agendas. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Your opinion, pro or con, is invited and welcomed by the mayor and councilmembers.

#### **Airport Expansion Purnam Sheth** Pleasanton

BOARD

It's funny, in any discussion with the Livermore airport man-

ager, city councilmembers, and the mayor, they "forget" to mention the large expansion of a 10 acre Aviation facility (FBO) that they are about to build -minimum size hanger space of 25,000 sq feet (this is in addition to the 9 acres of smaller hangers)! Services for larger airplane repair, avionics, and other facilities. And the building of a new terminal (\$2.4 M).

In a meeting with City officials, once this is FBO approved, they admitted that the city can not deny any application for cargo service, jet plane repair, as long as there is approved acreage. If Fedex/UPS decides to make this a base for operations, as long as space is available, the city can't deny it — once the FBO is approved. Luxury hangers and liquor/food services for restocking jet galleys. And this won't attract operations? And won't increase noise?

This is going to fundamentally change the nature of the airport, increase the noise, and make this a jetport beacon. For the minutes of the meeting where City Officials give the real an-

#### swers to these and other questions, go to www.lacg.org. No one is talking about closing LVK just don't encourge its growth (and noise).

Simply allow small hangers for recreational pilots, outsource the Fuel FBO Only, and don't allow the Full Service FBO acreage — and we are done. The recreational pilots are happy, the city is happy because it is out of the fuel business — and this doesn't encourage growth. Councilman Reitter is wrong — it is not in the FAA hands — by not allowing the acreage for the large FBO facility - the city has power to stop any build out.

The Council promised they would not do any buildout (under the 1975 or any other plan in prinicipal), and first do noise monitor and actually lower noise (look at the minutes from the January 2005 Council meeting with 1000+ citizens) before building out anything. That they have failed to do this is a clear sign of how of the strength of a council agreement. I'll bet any Livermore Councilmember/ Mayor \$10,000 that within 3 years of the Full Service FBO operational, there will be at least a 10% increase in airplane operations — will you take me up on my offer?

#### Ban Trucks on 84 **Kimberley Hagen** Livermore

Riddle me this one, Batman. Why is anyone considering spending millions upon millions of dollars to put a passing lane on Pigeon Pass? What are people passing? Big rigs. Trucks that can barely make it up the hill, come barreling down too quickly and can't stay in their own lane if they wanted to, because they are too wide for the narrow lanes. Why will no one take on the challenge of simply banning those kind of trucks from the roadway, unless they can prove they have business somewhere between Ruby Hills and Highway 680?

A ban would cost nothing and any funds that had been allocated for this project can be spent somewhere useful, like paving the potholes on I-580. I was in favor of re-routing Highway 84 along Isabel, even though I live very close by, in order to keep traffic from downtown. Now let's ban these unnecessary vehicles from this back country road and keep them on I-580 and I-680 where they belong.

#### American Facism **Paulette Kenyon** Pleasanton

Reading Ted Tully's letter, I am reminded that fans of

authoritarianism are alive and well in Pleasanton. Mr. Tully, brandishing his rightwing talkshow talking points, fastidiously revised several events in history, carefully explaining why liberals are to blame. Of course, he didn't say "liberals.'

Waxing nostalgic over historical moments in history when our basic rights have been meddled with, he goes on to threaten "us" with the possibilities that unless we genuflect before this administration, we too shouldn't be surprised to expect a scene out of Rwanda here in America. These extremist, rightwing evangelicals all believe they have God on their side, while supporting a war that is illegal and hideously cruel. Not unlike those average Joes back in the 30's, when Hitler promised them the moon, if only they could rid the world of "the Jews." Now, it's "the liberals."

So, thank you very much for the warning, Mr. Tully. I saw a whole giant crowd of you smashing free speech at the Pleasanton City Council. And, I'm not impressed. If anyone is to blame for 9-11, it is the criminals who are in the Whitehouse right now. I suppose, according to you, we should be watching our local churches for signs of machete shipments and head for the hills, since we don't agree with you.

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

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Amador Valley Quilt Guild will meet on Saturday, April 14, at 1:30 p.m. at the Pleasanton Middle School, 5001 Case Avenue, Pleasanton. Featured speaker will be noted quilt artist, author and fabric designer Becky Goldsmith. Becky and her friend Linda Jenkins created Piece O'Cake Designs. Becky is a master of appliqué and will hold a workshop the following day. The guild is a non-profit educational association for quilters of all skill levels. Anyone interested in quilting may attend. For further information about the guild or upcoming speakers, please visit our website, http:// visit

VISIT our website, http:// amadorvalleyquilters.org. Armchair Travelers, April 12 program at Livermore Civic Center Library, 1188 So. Livermore Ave, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Ben Draper will give a slide show on his recent trip to Venice and Rome entitled, "Italy." Adults are invited to this free program. Information, 373-5500 ext. 5505.

Parents without Partners hosting a dance open to those over 18 every second Saturday of every month. The next dance will be April 14, 2007, 8:00 PM - Midnight. Members \$8 and Others \$12. It is located at the Rhythm Street Dance Studio, 6635 Dublin Blvd. #D, Dublin. For more informa tion call 925 373-2112

Scholarships; Foothill High AABC Booster Club of Pleasanton is offering 3 Scholarships (two \$1,000 each and one \$500) for higher education to their seniors. Details of the applications are at the Counseling Office, Mrs. Jan Bing, 925-461-6600 and also published at the Foothill HS website http://www.pleasanton.k12.ca.us/foothill/). If unable to reach, please call Rishi Chowdhury at 925-462-9088. The deadline for applica-

tion submission is April 16, 2007. Computer Training Classes, free, Liv-ermore Library, 1188 So. Livermore Ave. Schedule: Basics of word processing using Microsoft Word, Sat., April 7, 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 n m Introduction to the Internet Sat 12:15 p.m. Introduction to the Internet, Sat., April 14, 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Searching the Internet, Sat., April 21, 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Classes are hands on, first come, first served in the community meeting room

Antonio, Texas. He is the son of Donald Michniuk of Pleasanton. Michniuk is a 2006 graduate of Amador Valley High School,

**ElegantScape Fashion Show**, nation-wide fashion tour promotes historic first collections ranging from lingerie to cocktai dresses. One stop is April 22 at Castlewood Country Club, 5 p.m. Refreshments and gift bags for all VIP ticket holders. Tickets 225 to \$60 can be purchased by calling 1-877-289-3389 or online at www.elegantscape.com Dress semi-formal to formal wear only.

ClutterLess (CL) is a nonprofit, peer based, self-help, support group for people with difficulty discarding unwanted possessions. Cluttering is a psychological issue, not an organizing issue. Meetings are every Monday 7:00 to 8:30 pm at Pleasanton Presbyterian Church, Rm 7, 4300 Mirador Drive. Just come, or call 925-297-9246

Twin Valley Mothers of Twins Club Meets monthly on the 2nd Tues, April 10th at John Knox Presbyterian Church, 7421 Amarillo Road, Dublin, Ca. Our goal is to provide support, information & friendship for Mothers of Multiples (Mom's). Roundtable discussion is open to new and prospective members (a Q&A forum that deals with parenting multiples, from preg-nancy on up.) hosted by one of the Club's nembers. Round table discussion begins a :30 PM. The general meetings begin at 7:30 PM. Babies up to eight months and guests are welcome to the Roundtable discussions. At the general meetings, newborns and breastfeeding babies only, please. For more

info visit www.tvmotc.com. Free New Business Success Seminar Thursday, April 19, 9-10:30 a.m., Liver more. For new business owners, come to a seminar in which three industry leaders will discuss information about setting up your business for success. Hear Anthony McPeake from Farmers Insurance, Denise Chambliss from Garcia Law Group, and Thomas W. Petty from WSI lead a discussion n topics that all new business owners should hear about. More information is available on www.wsismartsolutions.com under "What's New" or call 925-245-0216. Preregistration is required, because seating is limited to the first 30 people who sign up

Wildflower Train, Ace Club will host a wildflower train and wine tasting with Christy on Sun., April 22. The trip will be between 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on the

pm at the Livermore Public Library, 1188 So Livermore Avenue, Livermore

Coffee and Conversations: The Pleas anton Senior Center will host Dr. Ken Howayeck for "What You Thought You Knew about Your Health," a lecture on how to empower yourself by taking an active role in your own health and wellness. The lecture is part of the Pleasanton Senior Center's community lecture series. "Coffee and Conversation with the Experts." The usual com-munity lecture fee is \$1.25 for Pleasanton residents and \$1.75 for all others. Tuesday April 10, between 10:30 a.m. and 12 Noon easanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. easanton. (925) 931-5369.

Hidden Gardens of the Valley Tour May 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Featuring 10 Pleasanton gardens. All proceeds benefit the Valley Humane Society. Tickets are \$35/ person. Contact Wendy McNelley at (925)462-90706741 Just Konsteiner Society. 8656 for tickets or further information. Spon

sorship opportunities available. Livermore Area Blood Drive - Friday, April 13, 2:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Robert Liver-more Community Center, 4444 East Avenue in the Gym. There is a severe shortage of blood in the Bay Area, and only 3% of the eligible people give blood. Please help save a life by giving blood. The process takes 1-1½ hours, and snacks and refreshments are sarved after yourdness. You must he 17 years served after you donate. You must be 17 years old, and have a form of identification with you. To sign up, go to www.GiveLife.org, and use ASBURY as the sponsor code. For information contact Tom Petty at 447-1950. enu #7 (leave a message) or BloodDrive@asburylive.org.

Preparing and presenting the busi-ness plan, TVC's Center for Commercialization & Entrepreneurial Training on Wednes-day, April 18th from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm istration/continental breakfast at 8 am) This session takes the entrepreneur step by step through the process of developing and writing a business plan directed toward achieving equity financing for his/her inno-vation and company. Technology Ventures Corporation (TVC) provides consulting and support services to technology start-ups. TVC's training sessions are free to attendees and will be held at the Carr America Conference Center, 4400 Rosewood Drive, Pleasan ton. Please register online at: http:// w w w . 1 2 3 s i g n u p . c o m / calendar?org=techventures. For more information, contact TVC at 925.960.1600 or

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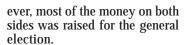
McNerney won a plum assignment in his first days in Congress when Speaker Nancy Pelosi assigned him to the House Transportation Commission. He has pledged to work on various freeway traffic bottlenecks in the district, including Interstate 580.

Rep. Ellen Tauscher, whose district includes Livermore, is also on the Transportation Committee.

McNERNEY RAISED LESS, **BUT IT HELPED HIM WIN** 

A Livermore resident who donated to McNerney last year told the Independent that that there was a call several weeks ago from McNerney asking for a contribution to his re-election campaign. McNerney reportedly said that the Republicans will be putting big money into winning the seat back.

Last year, McNerney raised \$2.4 million, little more than one-half of Pombo's \$4.5 million. The donation records include the primary election. How-



McNerney said after the election that once the total rose to \$1.5 million in the fall, he knew that he would be competitive enough to beat Pombo. The rest of the credit went to his hundreds of volunteers who scoured the district ringing doorbells from Gilroy to Stockton to Tracy to Pleasanton in a district that touches parts of four counties. Two environmental organizations recruited volunteers, and many union supporters and Democratic activists walked precincts.

McNerney said that he was proud that most of his donations came from individuals. Data on the Congresspedia web page, which is sponsored by the Sunlight Foundation and the Center for Media and Democracy, show the statistical breakdown. Some 79 percent of the dollars came from individuals, 18.2 percent

from political action committees (PACs), 2.7 percent from "others," and 0.1 percent (\$2043) from McNerney.

By comparison, Pombo raised 55 percent of his total from individuals. PACs provided 40 percent, and "others" 6 percent. Pombo did not contribute any money to his campaign last year.

An analysis of donations to McNerney by "industry source" shows \$282,000 from retired persons, the top category. Lawyers were in second place, with \$64,000, followed by leadership PACs, candidate committees and transportation unions.

Leadership PACs are committees established by officeholders, usually those with safe seats, who donate some of their campaign income to other candidates.

In first place among Pombo's donors were leadership PACs, with \$280,000, followed by crop production and basic processing, real estate, casinos and gambling, all of them above \$200,000, and oil and gas at \$192,000.

The Prostate Cancer Support Group at

B. Information at the Adult Information Services Desk or call 373-5505. NARFE, Livermore Chapter 0397,

regular meetings back, now at 12:30 p.m. still at Emil Villa's Restaurant, corner of Pacific and S. Livermore Ave., Livermore. For further information, call 484-0813 or

April 7, John Muir National Historic Site, 9 to 11 a.m. Meet at Caltrans Park and Ride lot corner of Alhambra Ave. and Franklin Canvon Rd., Martinez. Admission is free. Tervaling shoes. Bring water. Rain or unsafe conditions cancels. Information 228-8860.

Valley Spokesmen Bicycle Touring Club, Sat., April 7, 25 miles Yountville and Napa Valley area, meet 9 a.m. at Vintage 1870, John Rodriguez, 680-025.6 Wed., April 11, 35 miles Osage Park in Danville to Mt. Diablo Junction, meet 9 a.m. Barb Hailey, 820-8006. Anyone planning to go on a ride is asked to call the leader for details on where to meet and what to bring. Service news: Air Force Airman Michael

S. Michniuk has graduated from basic mili-tary training at Lackland Air Force Base, San

Niles Canyon Railway, with boarding at 6 Kilkare, Sunol. Cost is \$10 members, \$30 non-members (includes membership). Infor non-members (includes membership). Infor-mation at http://www.ace-club.com, irena@ace-club.com or Mark at 408-849-4749. During the Spring the route the train takes passes fields of wildflowers- mustard flowers, Lupin, California Poppies, Rose-mary, and wild Almond. In their annual "Toast to Spring" Sunol area vintners offer free samples of their wines on-board these wildflower trains. Now that the Nilesstation is up and rupping this war the ride will Withnower trains. Now that the Priles statuon is up and running, this year the ride will include a stop off in Niles for lunch. The train leaves at 12:00. Ace Club is Silicon Valley's Adventure and Social Club. The club was started in 1998 to help Bay Area professionals get more out of their evenings, and help our

ekends turn into vacations. San Ramon Newcomers Luncheon, April 19, noon at Alden Lane Nursery, Livermore, box lunch. Open to new and established residents of San Ramon, Dublin, Pleasanton, Danville and Livermore. Call 735-3508 for information. Tri Valley Conservancy Board of Di-

rectors Meeting, Thursday, Åpril 12, at 7:00

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A Night in Rio, benefit for Hope Hospice will be held on Friday May 4, at the Blackhawk Museum, Danville. KPIX – 5's Roberta Gonzales will encee this voyage of dining, dancing, and live entertainment. Upon arrival, bid on unique silent auction treasures on display. Live auction items will be featured in a panoramic view above the dance floor. Live music provided by the *Cool Tones.* The sites and sounds of Brazil will be featured in an authentic floor show and the dazzling footwork of Samba do Coracao. Cocktails 6:30 pm. Exceptional cuisine by Scott's Seafood. Seating limited. Tickets \$85.00. For more information call Pattie DiLauro (925) 829-8770 or email: pattied@hopehospice.com Stress reduction through guided im-

agery, workshop will help those with cancer and their caregivers focus and relax the mind and their caregivers focus and relax the minin and body to experience relief from negative emotional states. Thurs., April 19, 6 to 8 p.m. ValleyCare Medical Plaza, ValleyCare Health Library, Suites A & B, 5725 W. Las Positas Blvd., Pleasanton. Free. Reserva-tions are required. For information, call 933-0107



## Intimacy After Prostate Cancer

### A free educational discussion



San Romon Regional Medical Center invites prostate cancer survivors to a discussion on sexual intimacy after prostate cancer treatment. Many men experience erectile dysfunction (ED) or impotence following surgery or radiation treatment for prostate cancer. Our unologist will explain how nerve damage can cause this condition, and the medical and surgical treatments available for ED, including the differences among the various medications and how they work. Partners are invited and encouraged to attend.

Speaker: Charles Wen, M.D. Urologist

A Free Educational Program Tuesday, April 10, 2007 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

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

Reserve your place by calling 800.284.2878 or online www.sonramonmedctr.com

PLEASANTON NOTICE OF COMMISSION/ COMMITTEE VACANCIES

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

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

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

#### Youth Master Plan Implementation Committee (One-Year Term)

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

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

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

## SHORT NOTES

#### Wisdom to Grow On

Getting the Most Out of Life, a talk by Chuck Acquisto, will be presented Sun. April 15 at 2 p.m. at the Pleasanton Library. The talk is based on his book, "Wisdom to Grow On."

One month after his son's birth, Charles Acquisto wrote to 365 successful people asking for advice and wisdom to pass along to his son. He asked them to respond to one of four ques-tions. Only later, after the amazing response, did he compile the lettersfrom notables such as George Bush, Bill Clinton, Gloria Steinem, and Walter Cronkite-into the book Wisdom to Grow On.

Towne Center Books will sell Wisdom to Grow On at the event. Proceeds of book sale will be donated to The Good Tidings Foundation.

The program is free and open to all. No registration required. For more information, call Penny Johnson, 931-3405.

#### Human Constellation

"The Human Constellation," is the theme of a Sat., April 7 program pre-sented by the Livermore Area Recre-ation and Park District ranger staff. Meet Ranger Glen Florey at

8 p.m. at the group picnic area in Veterans Park.

There are numerous objects mov-ing through the night's sky that are not natural at all. We're not talking about UFO's, we're talking about satellites. Many of these can be seen at predictable times. Come learn about how much humanity has put into orbit, and which pieces can be seen from earth. Please call (925) 960-2400 to make a reservation.

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

#### Easter Crafts

The Springtown Branch Library will host an Easter and spring crafts program on Thurs., April 5 from 11:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The program will immediately follow the lapsit/preschool storytime, which starts at 10:30 a.m.

The library is located at 998 Blue-bell Drive. Please call 373-5517 for additional information.

#### Adult Education Classes

Livermore Adult Education is taking registration for a variety of classes. The education center is open Monday-Thursday until 7 p.m. for registration, 1401 Almond Ave., Livermore. Classes include the following:

• Computer classes: MS Publisher (4/23), Intro to PC (5/2), Selling on EBay (4/7), Exploring the Internet (4/ 18), E-Mail (4/25). College Prep Com-puters for High School Seniors (4/2): covars the babic computer computer covers the basic computer competencies and tools to help incoming college freshmen succeed. Students will take home a CD with templates created for utilization in college. Senior computer

classes:e Windows XP (4/16), Senior Surfing (5/7), and E-Mail (5/21). • Notary Public Class (5/12) for new

and renewing notaries offers same day testing; Living Trusts (3/29); Begin-ning Birdwatching (5/20).

Art classes taught by local artists: Painting (4/16), Drawing & Painting Water (4/25), and Pastels (3/22). Photo Fun! (4/21), Beginning Crocheting (4/ 17).

Memoir Writing (4/2) class: Helen Daniel, a writing teacher for 26 years, will help writers or would-be-writers explore techniques for improving their writing in a supportive atmosphere in the Creative Writing (4/3) class. Adult Diploma and GED classes are

available as well. Register online at www.livermoreadulted.org or phone (925) 606-4722.

#### Math Challenge

Mathnasium of Pleasanton chal-lenges your math IQ during April awareness month

How long will it take to get to grandma's house if traffic is moving at 40 miles per hour? How big a tip should be left for the waiter if the bill is \$17.63? Kids know that math is all around us, yet many kids (and their parents!) are intimidated by it. In honor of Math-ematics Education Month, Mathnasium of Pleasanton reminds its neighbors that all kids can learn to love math, and challenges you to test your math IQ online at www.mathnasium.com/

"Our philosophy is based on the idea that children don't hate math - they hate being confused, frustrated, em-barrassed, and intimidated by math," said Ara Chakrabarti of Mathnasium of Pleasanton. "By teaching children math in a way that makes sense to them, we eliminate all of those negative feel-

According to Chakrabarti, the key to understanding math is "Number Sense," a deep mathematical under-standing developed over time through instruction and materials that make

Sense to the learner. To get local residents started, Chakrabartioffers the following tips for parents to help their children build Number Sense.

 Children become good problem solvers when they are asked to solve a broad range of problems early on, both at home and at school. Just as you read with your kids, try "mathing" with your kids. Have your kids make change at the store, or figure out how long it

will take to get to grandma 's house. • Challenge children with problems both orally and visually, with little or no writing. This will enhance their ability to "see" the problems without getting frustrated with mathematical rules.

• To develop counting skills, help children learn to count from any number, to any number, by any number (e.g., count by 5s starting at 4). Do all counting forward and backward. To expand children's thinking processes and help them "see" groups, ask ques-tions like: "7 and how much more make 10?" "How far is it from 89 to 100?" "How many 4-person teams can you make out of 12 kids?"

For more information about Mathnasium of Pleasanton, please con-tact Ara Chakrabarti at (925) 462-8411 or pleasanton@mathnasium.com.

#### Immunization Clinics

Axis Community Health has sched-uled its free immunization clinics for children on April 7, May 5 and June 2, 2007 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. The clinics will take place at Axis' Pleasanton Clinic only, 4361 Railroad Avenue in downtown Pleasanton.

Saturday Immunization clinics are open to all Tri-Valley families who are low income or uninsured, including those enrolled in Medi-Cal and Medi-Cal Managed Care. Parents should bring child's immunization records and in-formation about family income and medical insurance. There is a fee for some immunizations.

#### Hike Mount Diablo

Save Mount Diablo upcoming hikes

Save mount -April 7, Sat. at 9am, Young Canyon (Save Mount Diablo), Leader: Burt Pogardus 925-947-3535; smdinfo@savemountdiablo.org. Meet at Clayton Library, at 6125 Clayton Road

April 7, Sat. at 8:30am, Diablo Foothills from Macedo Ranch (Orinda Hiking Club), Leaders: Dave Moyer (925-376-8926) & Catherine Ferber (925-258-9737). Regular hike, 8-10 miles with up 2000 feet of elevation. Sturdy Hiking boots required, bring plenty of water and lunch. Please call hike leader if you have questions. Meet at Orinda Community Center.

#### **Special Needs Children**

Judy Winter, author of "Breakthrough Parenting for Children with Special Needs: Raising the Bar of Ex-pectations," will speak at the Pleasan-ton Public Library on Monday, April 16, from 7pm to 8pm in the Pleasanton Public Library Meeting Room. 400 Old Barral Avo Pleasanton

Old Bernal Ave., Pleasanton. Families of children with special advice that gets results need look no further. Winter delivers inspiring success stories, valuable resources, parenttested strategies for success, and the validating words families of children with special needs need to hear to help

their children achieve better lives. Her words are both emotional- as when Winter shares her struggles to achieve full societal inclusion for her son, Eric, and his sudden death in 2003 at age 12, and empowering- as she recaps Eric's remarkable life achieve-ments, including composing music. Winter is a trained, experienced

volunteer children's grief facilitator and assistant hospital chaplain who parented a musically talented child with cerebral palsy for nearly thirteen years.

Towne Center Books will sell Breakthrough Parenting at the event. For pre-sale call 846-8826.

The program is free and open to all. No registration required. For more information, call Penny Johnson, 931-

**Eagle Project Helps Callippe Golf Course Become Audubon Certified** 

Rvan Deeds. a 16-vear-old Junior at Amador Valley High School in Pleasanton, has attained the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in the Boy Scouts of America. Ryan began in scouting in 1996 as a Cub Scout in Čub Scout Pack 944 and advanced in ranks from Tiger Cub to Webelos Scout, where he also received the Arrow of Light award in 2001. That same year, Ryan crossed-over from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts and joined Troop 941. Ryan advanced through the ranks of Boy Scouts and after hard work; he achieved the rank of Eagle on October 4, 2006 at the age of 16. In order for Ryan to reach the rank of Eagle, he was required to earn at least 21 merit badges. He also held various leadership positions in Boy Scout Troop 941, including Patrol Leader, Den Chief, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader and Senior Patrol Leader. Ryan was required to show kyan was required to show leadership by initiating, plan-ning and leading a community service project. He organized and led a service project that helped Pleasanton's new Callippe Preserve Golf Course in their efforts to be Audubon cer-tified. Ryan Deeds and scouts from his troop built and installed 4 raptor perches, 4 Kestrel boxes, 4 double-chamber bat houses, 4 Barn Owl and 20 Western Bluebird houses around the new golf course for a total of 754 manhours of labor on the project. Ryan's Eagle Advisor was Mr. Calvin Masuda, Eagle Scout and former Scoutmaster of Troop 941.



add to his Eagle Scout Award. He is continuing with adventures in scouting and will be returning to Camp Emerald Bay again this summer to take advanced scuba instruction and is scheduled to attend a 10-day backpacking trip at the Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico.

An Eagle Court of Honor was held on Sunday, March 11th at the Valley Community Church

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#### Casino Night

The Hats Off America 3rd Annual Casino Night will be held from 8 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, April 21 at The Sycamore Clubhouse, 635 Old Orchard Drive, Danville.

It will be an evening of jazz com-bined with the fun of casino gaming by Vegas Magic. There will be warm-up exercises led by a dance troupe, hors d'oeuvres prepared by Ruggie's Restaurant, live and silent auctions, a draw-ing and a no-host bar.

Performing will be Bob Belanski's Spectrum musicians Pete Yellin, War-ren Gale, John Seppala and John Nichols. They have performed with Tito Puente, Buddy Rich, Al Green, Aretha Franklin, Chaka Khan, Stan Getz, the Glenn Miller Orchestra and Johnny Cach Johnny Cash.

The award-winning jazz photogra-pher, Rudolph J. Omania, will be sign-

ing his limited-edition photos. Auction and drawing items include gift certificates from Truckee's Wagon Train Coffee Shop, Tahoe City's Pete 'N Peters Bar, The Pleasanton Hotel, Back Forty Restaurant of San Ramon, The Orinda House, Castlewood Coun-try Club in Pleasanton for golf, Vidal Sassoon salon for haircuts and certificates for weekend getaways and mer-chandise from local businesses. There will also be gift baskets and signed photos of local sports stars to bid on. Hats Off America's is a 501(c)(3)

nonprofit organization that benefits families of soldiers who have died in

Iraq and Afghanistan. Tickets are \$40 per person. Reservations are required. Guests must be 21 years of age. For reservations, sponsorship and

volunteer opportunities, and informa-tion, contact Sparky George at 855-1950 thebearflagrunner@yahoo.com For more information, www.hatsoffamerica.us. visit

#### Russian Dance

Members of Barynya's Russian Collection Dance Ensemble will present a program of music and dance at the Pleasanton Library as part of the library's series Dance & Sing Around the World.

The ensemble will perform Satur-day, April 14th starting at 2 p.m. The Russian Collection will blend colorful dance, enchanting music, costume and folklore depicting Russia's rich cultural heritage.

Dance & Sing Around the World! is a free series of dance and music programs for children celebrating Pleasanton's international heritage. This program is open to all ages. Reg-istration is not required.

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

#### Mad Hatter's Tea

Assistance League® of Amador Valley presents the annual "Mad Hatter's Tea" on April 28, from noon to 4 p.m. Tea and sandwiches will be served while patrons view a spring fashion show presented by Chico's. Elegant tables will be previewed before lunch is served at noon. Angela Mastrantonio will play background music. At 1 p.m. the tea luncheon is served.



Students at Valley View Elementary raised money for the Valley Humane Society. Pictured are Kaitlyn Glover, President at Valley View Elementary and Vice President, Scott Simpson. They are both 5th graders in Mr Palassou's class. Kaitlyn and Scott help rallied the students during their flag salutes and student council meetings to encourage kids to bring in spare change for animals in need. The students raised \$450. Kaitlyn came up with the idea "Coins for Cats" and "Dollars for Dogs" to help fund the needs for the animals at the Valley Humane temporary shelter in Pleasanton. Kaitlyn and Scott were treated to a behind the scene tour of the Kitty City area for homeless cats and met some of the staff of volunteers at the shelter.

The afternoon's activities include a hat contest, raffle, and the sale of lucky teacups.

This charity event will be held at the Shrine Event Center in Livermore. It will benefit Assistance League of Amador Valley's many philanthropic projects, including Operation School Bell<sup>®</sup>. Ninety percent of all net proceeds go toward philanthropic projects. For further information contact Annette at 925-462-5275 or Rickie at 925-846-3922 or email alamadorvalley@yahoo.com. Addi-tional information is available on the

www.amadorvalley.assistanceleague.org.

#### Sidewalk Sale

A sidewalk sale will be held Saturday, April 7 in downtown Pleasanton. It is sponsored by the Pleasanton Downtown Association from 10 a.m. to 6

p.m. Many downtown retail shops will have sale tables outside on the sidewalk in front of their businesses and feature special promotions and sales inside to

celebrate Spring. For additional information, visit www.pleasantondowntown.net.

#### Speaker at School

Livermore High School GATE (Gifted and Talented Education) Committee presented a performance by Charles Sedlak in concert at the school

on April 4. Sedlak, a new age Flamenco artist, performed for the 9th, 10th and 11th grade GATE students. There are about 400 identified GATE students at LHS. Students are identified through referral

and testing. Sedlak is an international recording and touring artist, having recorded

fifteen albums to date. He performed for the 2000 Grammy Awards dinner. Between his tours, Sedlak teaches students in "Music Theory - Classical and Flamenco Guitar: class at Music Unlimited in Dublin.

#### Branch Closed

The Springtown Branch Library will be closed for maintenance Fri., April 6 through Mon., April 9, During the closing, the Civic Center and Rincon libraries will be open normal hours. To renew library materials, call the Civic Center at 373-5500 or Rincon at 373 5540 or go on line at www.livermore.lib.ca.us under "Your

Account." The Springtown Branch will open for full public service on Tues., April 10 at 10 a.m.

### Annual Egg Hunt In Pleasanton

Buenas Vidas Youth Ranch will host an Easter Egg Hunt, on Sat., April 7.

It will take place at Amador Valley High School, 1155 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton. There is no admission charge.

The hunt, open to toddlers through 5th grade begins at 10 a.m. There will be a \$100 prize egg

In addition to the egg hunt, there will be a special \$100 hay hunt for 6th through 8th graders.



Ryan has enjoyed many mag-

#### **RYAN DEEDS**

nificent opportunities in Boy Scouts, including the opportu-nity to attend the National Boy Scout Jamboree held at Fort A.P. Hill in Caroline County, Virginia in the summer of 2005. This is an event that is only offered every four years. Last summer, Ryan attended Camp Emerald Bay on Catalina Island, CA and had the opportunity to spend the week learning to scuba dive and received his open-water PADI certification. He also accom-plished a 62.5-mile hike in Yosemite with members of his High Adventure Crew in Troop 941. They utilized their orienteering and camping skills to travel through the National Park.

Ryan continues his scouting career with Troop 941 and is currently serving in the leadership role of Junior Assistant Scoutmaster. He is responsible for assisting all Life rank scouts to advance to the rank of Eagle Scout. He has earned a Bronze Palm to

in Pleasanton to recognize Ryan Deeds' achievement. Ryan has received many letters of congratulations and recognition of this achievement including messages from President Bush, Governor Schwarzenegger, Senators Boxer and Feinstein, Representative McNerney, and our own Pleasanton Mayor, Jennifer Hosterman. At his ceremony, he was presented with a certificate of recognition from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 6298. The VFW has been the sponsoring organization for Troop 941 since the troop began in 1999. Mem-bers of the VFW performed the Color Guard duties led by Color Guard Commander, Jim Lyon, during the Court of Honor.



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## RELIGION NEWS

Easter Concert, The Temple Hill Choral Singers will perform "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked" April 6 at the Pleasan-ton Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Science Science Science True Latter-day Saints, 6100 Paseo Santa Cruz. This will be the opening night concert before the singers perform in Oakland and Fremont. The 32-member mixed choir will be celebrat-

The 32-member mixed choir will be celebrat-ing the life and mission of Christ. Admis-sion is free and open to the public. The concert will begin at 8 p.m. in the chapel. **Tri-Valley Unity Church** joins with Unity Church of Castro Valley to hold a special Good Friday service, April 6th, 7:00 p.m. at the Castro Valley church, 20121 Santa Maria Ave. All are welcome. (925) 829-2733 ar wuw tivallaymity com

829-2733 or www.trivalleyunity.com. Tri-Valley Unity Church celebrates Easter Sunday, April 8th at 10 a.m. with a very special service. The Tri-Valley Unity choir will perform, and the age-old mystery of that first Easter morning will be explored in the message "As It Began to Dawn," All are welcome. Rev. Mary Anne Harris, minister. Call (925) 829-2733 or visit www.trivalleyunity.com

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 Our Savior Lutheran Ministries, 1385
 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore, Maundy Thursday, April 5, 7 p.m. service; Good Friday, 7 p.m.; Easter Sunday, April 8, 9
 a.m. Information 447-1246.
 St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350
 Honyard Rd. Pleasanton Maundy Thurs-

Hoyard Rd., Pleasanton. Maundy Thurs-day, April 5, 7:30 p.m. Good Friday, April 6, noon Stations of the Cross; 7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross and Good Friday Liturgy. Information 462-4802. CrossWinds Church, 6444 Sierra Court,

Dublin. East Sunday services at 7:30, 9 and 10:30 a.m. and 12 noon. Information at 560-3800

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic **Church**, 1215 Lomitas Ave., Livermore. Holy Thursday, April 5, 7:30 p.m. Mass of Holy Inursday, April 5, 7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper and Adoration of the Eucharist. Good Friday, April 6, 1:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion; 7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross. Holy Saturday, 8:30 p.m. Great Easter Vigil; Easter Sunday Masses at 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Infor-mation 447, 4540 mation. 447-4549

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1020 Mocho St., Livermore. Palm Sunday worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Passover Sunday School Seder meal at 9:45 a.m. Maundy Thursday 7 p.m. service; Good Friday, 7 p.m. features Drama "Re: Remember Me." Saturday Easter Vigil at 7 p.m. Imaging the Word. On Easter Sunday, worship celebra-tions at 8:30 and 11 a.m. 447-8840. St. Elizabeth Seton, 4001 Stoneridge Dr. Pleasenton Holy, Thursday, April 5

Dr., Pleasanton, Holy Thursday, April 5, Mass of the Lord's Supper 8 p.m. Good Friday, April 6, Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Communion 8 p.m., Easter Vigil at 8 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 8, Mass at 9 and 11 a.m. and 4 and 6:30 p.m. 484-5020. St. Augustine Catholic Church, 3999

Bernal Ave., Pleasanton, Good Friday, April 6, meditation noon to 3 p.m.; Stations of the Cross 12:30 p.m. Cross walk start 4:30 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 8, Mass at 8 and 10 a.m. and 12 noon also at 10:05 a.m. in the Grotto. 846-4489

United Christian Church, 1886 College Ave.(at So. M. St): April 5, Maundy Thursday, Soup supper at 6:30 pm and worship at 7pm. Easter Sunday breakfast goodies served from 9:30-10:30am. Wor-ship at 10:30. Children welcome; Easter Egg Hunt after worship. For information call 925-449-6820.

Unitarian Universalist, 1893 N. Vasco Rd., Livermore. Service at 10:30 a.m. April 8, Easter inter-generational service; "The Three R's of Easter: Rabbits, Resurrection and Rebirth," Rev. Eric Meter and Sonya Sukalski, ministerial intern, speaking. Child care provided for yougest. Information 447-

Boundaries Workshop: Insight into ourselves and our relationships, two Thursdays, April 7, 7 to 9:30 p.m. and April 26, 6:30 to 9 p.m. George Papageorge, MFT, presents this 5-hour workshop based on the popular book "Boundaries" by Dr's Cloud and Townsend. The fee is \$40; refreshments are provided. Childcare is available if reserved by 4/12/07 for children under 12 years at \$5.00 per child per night. No refunds after 4/13/07. Contact Claudia if you have questions at 925-560-3826 or

csiglin@crosswindschurch.org. Go to www.crosswindschurch.org/workshops for more information or to register.

Jewish Culture and History Series, California State University, East Bay (CSUEB) Jewish Culture and History Series "The Shoah: A Survivor's Testimony," Wednesday, May 2, 2007 2:40-4:30 p.m. Studio Theatre, 25800 Carlos Bee Blvd., Hayward. Free, reception will follow http://class.csueastbay.edu/jewishculture, 510-885-3179. Parking in lots F, G, H, and K on the east side of the Cal State East Bay campus in Hayward will be available for \$1.50 per vehicle. Permits can be purchased at any labeled dispenser in those lots.

**WINGS** is a weekly gathering of Christian women that encourages spiritual growth through inspiring speakers, small group discussions, prayer, Scripture study, catechesis, life sharing and community. Meetings on Thursdays, at the Catholic Commu-nity of St. Charles Borromeo, 1315 Lomitas Avenue, Livermore, from 9:15 AM to 11:15 AM. Theme is Spirituality. Childcare pro-vided for a nominal fee. Registration fee to

vided 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. **Catholic Community of Pleasanton**, bereavement support ministry meetings on April 12 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton in the chapel, 4001 Stoneridge Dr., Pleasan-ton. All are welcome. Questions? Please call Kim at 735-3741. **Pathway Community Church.** 3470

Pathway Community Church, 3470 Fostoria Way, Suite D, San Ramon, east of Costco and the Iron Horse Trail. Contemporary Sunday Worship Service meets at 10:30 rary Sunday Worship Service meets at 10:30 am. Nursery and Programs for elementary, middle, and high school ages. Adult, Col-lege, Career and Small Groups. Brian Owyoung, Senior Pastor. www.pathwaycommunitychurch.org (925)830-4PCC (4722). **Solutions** meets Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. at Tri-Valley Church of Christ, 4481 East Ave, Livermore. The new series called, "It's Not My Fault!," is currently being held. For more information call Greg Brown at

For more information call Greg Brown at 925-447-4333 or visit www.trivalleychurch.org.

## **Easter Sunrise Service at Shadow Cliffs**

On Easter Sunday, April 8, there will be an Easter Sunrise Service at Shadow Cliffs Regional Park located on Stanley Blvd. in Pleasanton. The entrance will be open at 5:30 a.m. The Sunrise Service will begin at 6 a.m. sharp. The program will be over just af-ter the sun comes up, which will be before 7 a.m.

Each year Pleasanton Presbyterian Church is the primary sponsor of this traditional service. This year a number of pastors will be assisting with the program:

on some social justice theme.

This year the walk will be from

the perspective of the migrant

Vía Crucis de Jesús Migrante -

The Way of the Cross of the Mi-grant Jesus," Gioacchino Campese, CS., published by Libros Liguori in 2006.

This year, with so much in-

The stations are based on "El

Cross Walk.

Jesus.

They are Pastor Mike Barris of PPC, Youth Pastor, Geoff Haskell of PPC, Worship Ministry, Rob Bryceson of PPC, and Šenior Pastor Doctor Jim Meek of Trinity Baptist in Livermore.

Coffee and donuts will be available after the service. Flashlights are recommended because our lighting this year will be powered by a generator.

As a public service, the Regional Park Board will not be charging for parking, unless people decide to remain at the park for fishing and picnics.

In case of rain, the Sunrise Service will be held at the Pleasanton Presbyterian Church at 4300 Mirador Drive. Maps will be given out at the gate on Stanley Blvd.

For further information about the program please contact, Pastor Mike Barris at 846-4436. Other information can be obtained from Howard Neely, Chairman at 462 3346.

On April 6, everyone is invited to take part in a walk from on the Good Friday cross walks celebrated in front of the Catheone end of Pleasanton to the other dral of Tijuana (Baja California) in the eighth annual Pleasanton since 1999. The walk is intended to express through prayer the suf-The annual event remembers fering and hope of the undocu-mented and the deported. the passion of Jesus and focuses

**Cross Walk Focus on Migrant Issue** 

At 4:30 pm, those planning to walk will gather at St. August-ine Catholic Church, 3999 Bernal Avenue, in Pleasanton. Numerous small crosses, prayer cards, and picket signs will be passed out.

The Cross Walk will follow a path northwards for about 3.3 miles to end up at St. Elizabeth Seton church, 4001 Stoneridge Drive around 7:15 pm.

terest in immigration reform, the organizers from the Catholic At each of fourteen stations, Community of Pleasanton chose the Cross Walk will stop for a to base the text and reflections

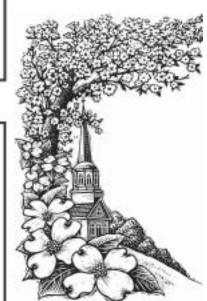
short reading about what happened to Jesus and a short reflection on what is happening to migrants today.

Rain does not cancel the Cross Walk.

At the end of the Cross Walk, carpools will be formed to the starting point. After the Cross Walk ends, all are invited to the Good Friday service at St. Elizabeth Seton at 8:00 pm. For additional information,

please contact Gustavo Nystrom, GANystrom@sigmaxi.net home or 829-9554. He is the local leader of Pax Christi (the Catholic Peace and Justice Movement sponsoring the Cross Walk). He is also an active member of the Catholic Community of

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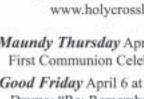
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## Holy Week

Holy Cross Lutheran Church 1020 Mocho Street 925- 447-8840 www.holycrosslivermore.org

Maundy Thursday April 5 at 7:00 pm First Communion Celebration

Good Friday April 6 at 7:00 pm Drama: "Re: Remember Me"

Saturday Vigil of Easter April 7 at 7:00 pm Imaging the Word

Easter April 8 - Worship Celebrations 8:30 & 11:00 am Breakfast served by youth between services 9:45 Children's event

Adult Discipleship Series Kick-Off: "If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat"

## SPORTS NOTES



#### Photo - Doug Jorgensen

Members of the Peninsula Princesses were among the riders who took part in the annual Cinderalla bike ride last Saturday. There were 2500 women and girls riding in the annual event hosted by the Valley Spokesmen.

#### LHS Hosting Tourney

Livermore High School and Victory Uniforms are sponsoring the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Livermore Stampede Victory Uniforms Varsity Softball Tournament, April 12-14, 2007 at Robertson Park.

The tournament consists of sixteen high schools from the Bay Area, including Reno High School from Reno. Thursday and Friday are pool play. Each team will play 3 games. Saturday will be bracket play with the Champions crowned in the 7:15 p.m. game. Thursday and Friday Pool Play Sched-

ules are as follows: April 12: 9 a.m. Alameda vs Castro Valley; 9:30 Clayton Valley vs. Moreau Catholic; 11 a.m. Arroyo vs. Livermore; 11:30 Analy vs. Carondelet; 1 p.m. Castro Valley vs. Monte Vista; 1:30 Granada vs. Moreau Catholic; 3 p.m. Freedom vs. Arroyo, 3:30 Foothill vs. Analy; 5 p.m. Monte Vista vs. Archbishop Mitty; 5:30 Valley Christian vs. Granada; 7 p.m. Reno vs. Freedom; and 7:30 Deer Valley vs. Foothill. April 13: 9 a.m. Monte Vista vs.

Alameda; 9:30 Moreau Catholic vs. Valley Anaheda; 9:30 Moreau Canonic vs. Vaney Christian; 11 a.m. Arroyo vs. Reno; 11:30 Analy vs. Deer Valley; 1 p.m. Alameda vs. Archbishop Mitty; 1:30 Valley Christian vs. Clayton Valley; 3 p.m. Livermore vs. Reno; 3:30 Deer Valley vs. Castro Valley; 5:30 Cranada vg. Clayton Valley; 5:30 Granada vs. Clayton Valley; 7 p.m. Liver-more vs. Freedom; 7:30 Carondelet vs. Foothill.

Information regarding the tournament can also be found at eteamz.active.com/ LHSCowboys06.

#### Seahawks Do Well

The Pleasanton Seahawks hosted the Far Westerns Championships at the Delores Bengsten Aquatic Center this past weekend. On hand were 1,400 swimmers from the western part of the US, Canada, & Mexico. Despite the stiff competition, several Seahawk swimmers excelled.

Results: Pat Darrow placed 4th in the 17-18 Boys 200 Free. Andrew Seitz had a great meet, taking 2nd in the 200 IM, 8th in the 200 Free, 8th in the 100 Free, and 8th in the 500 Free (13-14 Boys). Rachel Knowles took 3rd in the 100 Fly, 4th in the 500 Free, and 6th in the 200 Free (10-Under Girls). Josh Meints swam to some great finishes by placing 2nd in the 100 Free, 3rd in the 100 Breast, 5th in the 100 Back, 6th in the 200 Breast, and 7th in the 200 Back (15-16 Boys).

Tory Houston took 3rd in the 200 Breast, 4th in the 500 Free, and 6th in the 100 Breast and 200 IM (13-14 Girls). Nick Silverthorn placed 5th in the 100 Free, 6th in the 200 Back, and 7th in the 500 Free (11-12 Boys).

The 13-14 boys' relay team of Kyle Lindsay, Brandon Chandler, Edward Zhang, and Andrew Seitz, placed 6th in the 400 Medley, 5th in the 200 Free Relay, 6th in the 200 Medley Relay, and 6th in the 400 Medley Relay. The team of Lillian Sun, Rachel Knowles, Stephanie Aronson, and Kayla Lindsay, placed 7th in the 10-U Girls 200 Medley Relay.

and Gerardo Alvarez had a RBI hit. Fagliano and Gerardo Alvarez had a RBI htt r agitano and Silvas hit singles and stole bases. Stevens and Harmison both hit RBIs, and Jones hit a RBI double. Overall super hitting, pitch-ing, and teamwork sealed the win for the Reds

Reds 10. Astros 0: Rvan Ball and David Reds 10, Astros 0: Ryan Ball and David Harmison pitched great for the Reds with a total of 6 strike-outs combined. Isaac Lingnell then hit a double bringing in 2 RBIs. Standouts on defense included Harmison with 4 outs at 1st, Ball with an incredible catch and assist, Mauricio Zavala and Fagliano stopped a steal at 3rd, assist by Jones, and Christian Morris prevented runner advance. Christian Morris prevented runner advance-ment. Most valuable players for the Astros included Kevin Key with 3 strike-outs in 2 innings pitched, and 2 hits. Jax Mamaoag of the Astros had 2 hits and a stolen base. Aaron Spiller of the Astros pitched 2 innings with 3 strike-outs

AAA Division: A's 9, Angels 4: It was a competitive game against the Angels and the A's! McCall scored the first run for the Angels off a nice bunt in the first inning. Logan Casey was hot on the mound for the Logan Casey was hot on the mound for the A's for the first two innings. But Brown and McCubbin's great pitching couldn'thold the A's back. The A's awesome batting and base stealing from Revay, Wirth, Maranon, Casey, Josh Davidson, Solis, and Escover contrib-uted to the exciting win for the team. **Majors:** A's 5, Major Giants 0: The Athletics took control early and never relin-guished their lead over the Giants. Will Stewart allowed only 2 hits in 6 innings pitched. The Athletics took an early 2-run lead after Scott Chapeta and Will Stewart got

pitched. The Athletics took an early 2-run lead after Scott Chapeta and Will Stewart got hits for RBIs. The A's added another 2 runs in the 4th inning on sharp hits by Will Stewart and Joe Wood. Ryan Faulk displayed solid defensive skill at catcher for the Giants, defensive skill at catcher for the Giants, laying tags on 3 A's players at the plate. Final score: A's 5, Giants 0. Top Players (A's): Will Stewart, 6IP, 2 hits: Joe Wood, 2 hits; Anthony Dubberly, single, walk, scored. Top Players (Giants): Ryan Faulk, defense; Sarah Marquez, single; Patrick Taylor, single. White Sox 6, Yankees 4: Jacob Payne pitched strong innings for the Sox and helped with his bat as well. White Sox: Sean Followill, Kyle Christopher, Jacob Payne; Yankees: Hunter Lewis foe Hallwell Burcky

Yankees: Hunter Lewis, Joe Halliwell, Bucky Lavton

Indians 5, Athletics 1: Indians: Kyle Franco, Nick Merrill, Matt Stoebe-Indians; Athletics: Anthony Dubberly, Will Jaureguito,

Autheuts: Anthony Dubberry, Win Jaureguno, Brenton Arndt. Indians 3, White Sox 0: Top Players: Indians: Devin McMahon, Mat Puls, Bran-don Hunt; White Sox: Dustin Frisk, Cody Warner, Pooja Patel. The LALL Major Athletics won their first grame of the greeon speaking next the

first game of the season, sneaking past the White Sox 10-8. Brenton Arndt and Matt White Sox 10-8. Brenton Arndt and Matt Neale provided the A's with doubles. Scotty Chapeta, Joe Wood, Colton King and Will Stewart had singles. Brent McGarvey pro-vided the crucial single in the 5th inning, allowing tworunnersto score and "A's to take the lead. McGarvey and Neale each had two RBI's. Key players for the White Sox was Nick Gaul with a double, Chris Wilson with a home run and three RBI's.

Nick Gaul with a double, Chris Wilson with a home run and three RBI's. No errors and outstanding defense al-lowed the LALL Mayor Athletics to trounce the Giants 5-0 for their second win of the season. Anthony Dubberly, Scotty Chapeta and Brenton Arndt provided key hits. Will Steward brought in two RBI's. Scotty Chapeta and Lee Wood had one RBI each and Lee Wood had one RBI each. Junior 90s: LALL Giants 12. Granada

Juniors Division : Giants vs. GLL A's; LNLL Giants won 11-1 in a game shortened to five innings by the ten run rule. Brandon Beran tripled and scored three times to lead the Giants attack. Pooch Furr tripled and scored twice and Cole Blackwell singled, walked, stole two and scored one. Bender, Diaz, Mazotti, Mori, and Robles also scored. Furr Mazotti and Scott Varrage niched well Furr, Mazotti and Scott Vargas pitched well for the Giants. Cosby walked and scored the A's only run, Kaufman had their only hit, a single, and Erickson pitched tough for four

Scores: Giants (11)-GLLA's (1); Giants Scores: Giants (11)-GLL A's (1); Giants (10)-San Ramon Burgundy (0); Top Players: Giants: Brandon Beran, Cole Blackwell, Pooch Furr; GLL A's: Cosby, Erickson, Kaufman; Giants: Tyler Amador, Brandon Beran, Pooch Furr; San Ramon Burgundy: Burke, Fernandes, Palomino; **Majors:** Cardinals vs. Dodgers; Pitchers Craig Royster, Austin Hall, and Daniel Slominski, all pitched outstanding while helping the Cardinals defeat the Dodgers by ascore of 8 to 1. Henry Robbins, Joe Martin, and Nick McCuen supplied the big hits and RBI's for the Cards. And Joshua Tudino

RBI's for the Cards. And Joshua Tudino RBI s for the Cards. And Joshua Tudino chipped in with a great defensive play. For the Dodgers, Jake Williams And Dalton Miller really pitched well. And on offense Jake Williams and Josh Sanders provided the hits. With David Gomez making a Spectacular uncesisted develo a later.

With David Gomez making a Spectacular unassisted double play. Scores: Cardinals (8)-Dodgers (1); Astros (10)-A's (9); Top Players: Cardinals: Craig Royster, Henry Robbins, Joshua Tudino; Dodgers: Jake Williams, David Gomez, Josh Sanders; Astros: CJ Veach, Rob McLeod, Zach Rosas; A's: Kevin Humus, Blake Garvis, Josh Les; AAA Division: Scores: Diamondbacks (10)-Giants (10): A's (10)-Dodgers (10): Top

(10)-Giants (10); A's (10)-Dodgers (10); Top Players: Diamondbacks: Noah White, Nathaniel Marlin, Thomas Navarro; Giants: Michael Ditzel, Vince Rizzo, Eric Salgado; A's: Tristen Thalhuber, Kyle Berg, Gabriel Culver; Dodgers: Timmy Ragusa, Chandler Miller, Marcus Rivera;

A Division: Cardinals vs. Nationals; A closely played game. For the Cards; Jacob Lester had several ame. For the Cards: Jacob Lester had several forced outs at 1st base, Justin caught and tagged outs at 2nd, and Tyler tagged runner out at 3rd in a pickle. For the National's: caught great 2nd base outs, Zachery Voisin played an awesome defensive game, and Vassilis Dimitropoulos played great posi-tioning at 1st base. This was a closely matched game. Top Players: Cardinals: Jacob Lester, Justin Merrill, Tyler Doyle; Nationals: An-drew Williams, Zachery Voisin, Vassilis Dimitropoulos; Dodgers: Joel Cook, Garret Barker, Kellen Bowen; Astros: Ian Slominski, Jaren Dietsch, Arion Ford; **T-Ball Division**: Padres vs. Cardinals; The Padres hosted

Padres vs. Cardinals; The Padres hosted the Cardinals for a real nail biter. Nolan the Cardinals for a feal nail biter. Notan Kituse had some big hits for the Padres, with Brett Oelrich doing a great job pitching for the Cards. Marcas Mejia had a great day at first base for the Cardinals, and Ryan Mitchell made some unassisted plays for the Padres. Zoe Russ showed a lot of hustle running the bases for the Padres and Zachary Harris was bases for the Padres, and Zachary Harris was a hitting machine for the Cards. Top Players: Padres: Ryan Mitchell,

Nolan Kituse, Zoe Russ; Cardinals: Zachary Harris, Brett Oelrich, Marcas Mejia; Nation-als: Jarret Baucke, Jordan Beakey, Nick Benfield; A's: Colby Smith, Mason Smith, Eric Valdez.

#### Junction Wrestling

Junction Avenue won 86 medals through-out the season and was considered the odds on favorite going into the tournament and lived up to the hype. For the Eighth Grade, Junction Avenue took first with 84 points, East Avenue was second with 52 points and Mendenhall took third with 45 points. Seventh Graders for Junction Avenue also took first with 79 points, Mendenhall took second with 56 points while Hart took third with 49 points. Sixth Graders from Harvest Park came in first with 79 points, East Avenue second with 73 points and Junction Avenue

third with 39 points. Individual Results for Junction Ave. are: 8th Joey Wolfson, 106; Tyler Cuneo 1, 119; Joe Gonzales 1, 149; Joey Bennet 1, 174; Doug Lewis 1, 179; Connor Higgins 2, 118; Joey Costa 2, 120; Corey Johnson 2, 147; Joey Costa 2, 120; Corey Johnson 2, 147; Cole Kraft 3, 114; Quincy White 4, 129; 8th Grade Girl Ashley Negron 4, 170 Girls. 7th Jake Boland 1, 85; Jeremy Mata 1, 119; Troy Gomez 1, 136; Frank Robles 1, 144; Jonathan Enriquez 2, 123; Jake Vital 2, 138: Fernando Manzano 3, 102; JD Talamayan 3, 92; Jayse Ingraham 4, 72; Jacob Baxter 4, 100: Craig Lewis 4, 202. 6th Brandon Olsen 2, Curtis Agnes 3, 68; Jake Manzanara 3, 101; Keanue Anderson 3, 176; Logan Mitchell 4, 87; Jason Chandley 4, 94; 6th Grade Girls Summer Johnson 3, 77; Brianna Hevle 4, 72.

Harvest Park Wrestling

Livermore High School hosted this year's Junior High East Bay League Champion-

Junior Frigh East Bay League Champion-ships Saturday. Harvest Park won the 6th Grade title edging out East Avenue in team points 79 to 73. Jacob Anderson, Austin Hamilton (finals pin 14 seconds), and Grant

Bonham all won their weight classes. Austin Bay and Max Niels lost closed matches to

finish 2nd , along with Travis Chubb. Tommy Barrera placed 3rd to help out the

team effort. In the 7th Grade bracket Nick Gaither placed 2nd, and Jack Berquist brought home a 3rd place medal. At the 8th Grade level Adam Aslam won a League

Championship, Michael Flores took 2nd , Devin Aziz 3rd , and Ani Harnur and Alex

Christensen Middle School took 16 wrestlers to the league tournament on March 31st. Nine placed with medals. Sixth graders

Ryan Viano (103 lbs) took 4th place in his weight class. Rio Castillo (99) took 2nd.

Ryan Gollot (87) took 2nd. Sixth graders Nathan Weinstein (106), Richard Kent (113),

and James Stalie (98) wrestled hard in every match. Seventh graders Matt Fulton (113) place 2nd, Casey Crall (153) finished in 4th.

Kevin Coburn (78) would have placed if he

hadn't been injured. Eighth graders Drew Royster (138) finished 2nd. Devin Sneed

(166) placed 4th. Jeremy LeClair placed 3rd. Raj Singh finished 1st. John Cook and Lucas

The Hart Middle School Huskies, led by

a third place team finish by their seventh

Wenzl had 4th place finishes.

**Christensen Wrestling** 

graders, had a very successful league meet

with 12 of 23 participants grabbing medals. The Huskies had three seventh graders taking first place: Cal Dutrow took the 186 pound round robin, Kevin Thompson in the 77 pound round robin and Titus Norton in the 97 pound bracket. Rounding out the scoring for the seventh graders was Michael Meneses who took home the 119 pound third place medal. Louis Desprez garnered the only other first place finish for Hart, taking the sixth grade 83 pound title. Also earning medals for the sixth grade was Adalberto Rodriguez with a third in the 94.

Not to be out done, the eight graders placed six of their 10 participants and took fourth place overall in the league. Although they didn't have any champions, Spencer Miller (231 RR) and Chad Carandang (161) took second, Jesse Leanos took a third (106). and Joey Silva (141), Andrew Linday (146) and Connor Johnson (106) took home fourth place medals.

#### Youth Lacrosse

Livermore Phantom (C team) goalie Steven Martinez and defensemen Sean Vanlandingham, Zach Chapman, David Marshall, and Eric Wurster shut down the Fair Oaks Colts in Sacramento to notch the Fair Oaks Colts in Sacramento to notch the Phantom's second consecutive win, 5-2. Attackers Brandon Class (2 goals), Collin Rigby (1 goal), Zach Swinford (1 goal), and Evan Martin took care of the offense. Middies Kyle Zendarski (1 goal, 1 assist), Parker Wood, Grant Lewis, Taylor Class, and Mike Herlihy all played solid for the Phantom. In 6th grade, 12-year-old boys PUP Jacrosse Pleasanton Vortex beat the tail off the

lacrosse Pleasanton Vortex beat the tail off the Diablo Scorpion 6 to 3. Justin Garcia scored the most goals at 3 and made the most shots. Kyle Banda and Zachary Wilhite each scored a goal; Kyle using his 3-iron. Nico Quero scooped up the most ground balls. Devin Bell

won the most face-offs. Vortex was beaten by the Elk Grove Gladiators 2 to 4. Goals scored by Kenton Koos and Daniel Arthur. Andrew Arabejo, Alex Trombadore, and Daniel Arthur scooped up the most ground balls. Devin Bell made the most shots.

The Pleasanton Girls Lacrosse Blizzard team continued their winning streak with victories over the San Jose Extreme and Ross Valley Grizzlies on Saturday, March 31, at Hart Middle School in Pleasanton. The Blizzard showed no mercy as they beat the San Jose Extreme with a score of 9 to 1. Top scorers for the Blizzard were Cambi Cukar and Evan Murphy. Excellent assists by Andrea Arden and Molly Grozier. Goalie McKalee Mooney did a great job blocking the shots. Excellent ground balls by Cambi

It was a closer game against the Ross Valley Grizzlies, but the Blizzard still won varies Grizznes, but the Brizzard still woh with a score of 6 to 3. Cambi Cukar, Kirsten Jensen, McKalee Mooney, and Evan Murphy scored the goals for the Blizzard. Excellent ground balls by Evan Murphy. Outstanding assists by Tori Larsen and Cierra Kocik. Tough defense by Lindsey Kail and Mallory Manzano.

#### Pleasanton American LL

Pleasanton American Little League results: T-Ball: Red Sox vs. Indians: The Red Sox Played outstanding ball this week against the Indians. Jake Gebb showed his depth early with a stellar catch at 1st base and later hitting a deep line drive to left field! Owen Lahr saw great play throughout; contributing a solid hit in the 2nd inning. Jake Borges powered an awesome in-the-park home run to end the game in style. Red Sox vs. Athletics: Joey Herz was solid at bat all three innings while Aaron Zheng showed great defensive skills. Jake Gebb, the birthday boy, enjoyed his day smacking the ball all over the field. Farm B: Twins vs. White Sox: Zach Bell

birthday boy, enjoyed his day smacking the ball all over the field. **Farm B:** Twins vs. White Sox: Zach Bell batted strongly, including a high one to left field to bring everyone home. Logan Still showed fielding skills at first and second base, getting two players out. Jake Vilevac hit firmly along the ground each time at bat. Angels vs. Athletics: James Kroll in the pitcher position and Will Muat at 1st base managed to get three outs in a row. Sebastian Gwoatz also managed a few outs his turn up at first base. Athletics vs. Angels: Sam Zevanove, Harrison Carter and Scott Renton were the outstanding players of the game. Athletics vs. White Sox: Some of the outstanding players of this game were Jaden Orr, Blake Bettencourt and Nathan Williams. Twins vs. Angels: Nick Torre at bat hit firm grounders to reach first base each time he was up to bat. He also fielded well, running one batter out. Eric Thomas had a terrific this du and up to bat. He also fielded well, running one batter out. Eric Thomas had a terrific third inning as first baseman, getting to the ball and running two batters out in a row. Kapil Raman at bat had strong hits, including a high one to left outfield and one that drilled straight through the pitcher. **Farm A:** Athletics vs. White Sox: Ethan Williams played strong offensive and defen-sive for the A's this week and double plays made by Michael Koidal and Logan Caton kept the team energy flowing

that brought in 2 rbi's to lead the Indians to a 4-3 victory! Collin Miller snagged a hard hit line drive towards short and second and fired it to Vincent Tanisawa at first who got the tag out for the Indian's second double play of the season. Brett Barker took the mound where he Sustain Drite mark 1 Sonsecutive White Sox batters and closed the game keeping the Indi-ans hard earned 1 run victory. Angels 7, Rangers 6: Barret Fitzgerald

drove in four runs to cap a superb comeback by the AAA Angels to take a 7-6 thriller from a tue AAA Angels to take a 7-6 tilritier from a tough Rangers squad. The bottom of the sixth opened with the score still 6-3. Barrett Fitzgerald came to the plate with Justin Levis on second, and Dustin Bradley on first. Justin and "Deej" then applied the double steal put-ting men on second and third with two outs. Fitzgerald doubled with two strikes on him to bring home Justin and "Deej" to tie the score, and came around to the plate himself on an error for the win, keeping the Angels unde-

feated. Red Sox 6, Indians 4: Stars on offense:

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Parker Moberg walked twice and racked up a bunt single; Jack Geasa had 2 singles; Bowen Smith and Jake Wilson had back to back doubles, both driving in runs. Blair Pacini stole home, plowing through the catcher to score the 4th run for the Red Sox. Pitching; Will Pickett pitched 2 innings: 1 unerned run, 1 hit, 3 walks, 4 strike-outs
Angels 8, Athletics 0: Jake McIntosh, Jake Kinney, and Justin "Lefty" Levis combined in pitching an 8-0 gem as the AAA Angels won their 4th straight game against a tough A's squad.
Majors: Rangers 11, White Sox 2: The Rangers continued great team defense and offense against the White Sox this week. Led by the strong hitting of Jacob Wipfli and Ryan Anderson the Rangers were able to prevail against a strong White Sox team led by Jake Dronkers, Mitchel Worsey and Zach Schmidt. Bryson Sherman and Eric Crispell showed that this week with great attitudes.
Red Sox 8, Yankees 3: The Red Sox played a great game against the Yankees to win their first game of the season. Great pitching performances by Ryan Meisenheimer and Jimmy Doyle kept the Yankees at bay. Jimmy Doyle struck out 10 Yankee batters. The bats were alive with Brian Hsu, Ryan Meisenheimer, Drew Gray, Jason Menger, Nick Goldstein, Jeff Horne, Justin Cruz and Cameron Myers all producing hits. Jimmy Doyle kept the infinst Home Run of the season with a 2 run shot over the center field fence in the 4th inning.

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Jimmy Doyle. Jimmy Doyle was on fire at the bat with his second home run of the week and had 3 RBIs. Drew Gray was outstanding in the field with an awesome catch on the fly then a great throw to second for a double play. At the bat he had 3 hits with 2 RBS. Justin Cruz turned a double play with a tag at second then fired a shot to first. Jason Menger had a hard hit double and accumulated 3 RBIs. The PALL Yankees put their hitting shoes on and rapped out 11 hits in a 13-2 victory over the PNLL Cubs. The Yankees had three players with multiple hits with Joey Silva recording three hits while Andrew Black and Michael McKinley both chipped in a pair. Trevor Uyeda was the pitching star for the Yankees with four shutout innings and four strike-outs.

strike-outs. Yankees 9, PNLL Cubs 8: The Yankees Yankees 9, PNLL Cubs 8: The Yankees answered back with a three spot of their own in the bottom of the inning with a little help from the Cubs. Jason Silva reached after a third strike was in the dirt and went to the backstop. Joey Silva reached on an infield single, and, after the throw to first got away. Jason Silva came in to score. After Trevor Uyeda walked, another error brought in the other Silva. Garri-son Janes RBI grounder to tie the game 3-3. The game was tied again at 5 to 5. The Yankees took a 9-7 lead heading to the top of the sev-enth. A couple of Yankee errors brought home made the score 9-8 and put the tying run at second base, but Skolnick made a nice throw on an attempted steal of third to end the game. **Junior 80**: S Gold team made a stirring come-back to tie the talented San Ramon Gold team 6-6. Michael Lam was brilliant again on the

back to the the talented san realision Gold team 6-6. Michael Lam was brilliant again on the mound as he went 3 1/3 innings striking out 5 batters while giving up only 3 hits. Pleasanton took an early 2-1 lead after one inning. The key hit was provided by Calvin Brown with a bloop single to left that knocked in the first run. With human early a strike out Lorden Paesil early early single to left that knocked in the first run. With two runners on and two out, Jordan Ramil came to the plate and hit a long triple to deep center scoring two runs. Nate Johansen then hit a clutch single to score Ramil to tie the game. Joey Manzi came in to pitch a masterful final three innings, holding the San Ramon team scoreless. The lanky right-hander had 5 strike-outs and gave up only two hits. The defensive highlight came in the bottom of the 6th. After a pop out and a strike-out, Manzi gave up a double. However, Manzi promptly picked off the runner at second with Nate Johansen cover-ing the bag.

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allow a hit. The offensive star was Nate Johansen. In the 6th, Eldridge reached base on a walk and promptly stole second. He was then sacrificed to 3rd by Nate Papageorge. The fleet Eldridge then scored on a wild pitch. Angels 4, Angels 5: The PALL Junior 80's Gold team lost a hard fought game to Tassajara, 5-4. Pleasanton was down 2-0 after 1 imning. However, they quickly came back, highlighted by Nate Johansen's monster home run in the top of the 2nd. Pleasanton scored 3 more runs in the top of the 3rd with the key hits provided by Justin Taylor and Nate Johansen, both singles that scored runs. However, Pleas-anton was not able to hold the lead as Tassajara scored a run in the 4th and 2 more in the 5th to take the lead. Unfortunately, the game ended after 5 due to darkness. **Junior 90s:** Phillies 6, Phillies 14: With new membership for 2007, the PALL 90's Gold team has fallen into early season hard times. RJ Anderson and Jay Coles demonstrated that strategically placed line draws can bring in truns. Nick Johnson and Sean O'Connell showed steady pitching from the mound in game one.

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#### **Granada Little League**

Granada Little League results from last

week: Junior 90: GLL Dodgers 5, San Ramon #33. Top Hitters Dodgers - Max Vasquez-1B, 3B, 2 RBI, 1 run scored; John Linney-1 IB, 1 run scored; Sam Fox-1B, 1 RBI. San Ramon-S. Suvdon-1 1B, 1 3B, 1 RBI, 1 run scored; Chessing-1 1B, 1 2B, 1 RBI. Top Pitchers Dodgers-Sam Fox 6IP, 1R,3H; Justin Smyth-2IP, 3H, 2R, 2K. Top Pitchers San Ramon-Kelly Finnegan- 4IP 2H, 1R, 5K. Max Vasquez led the Dodgers with stellar defense and strong hitting. Vasquez hit a triple and scored in addition to driving in 2 runs with a single. Sam Fox pitched an runs with a single. Sam Fox pitched an outstanding game allowing only 3 hits and one run.

The Granada Gold Junior 90's team took The Granada Gold Junior 90's team took three out of five games last week to push their record to 11 and 3 on the season. They dropped two games to the Colt 45's but then swept Pleasanton American for three wins to end the week. In the losses to the Colts, Austin Gavello tripled and Max Kurth, Zach Martin, and Kyle Van Schaack all doubled. Granada then beat Pleasanton American 16-1 as Van Schaack got the win and Brett 1 as Van Schaack got the win and Brett Wagner the save. Kevin Stein went 2 for 4 to lead the hitting. In the next game, Granada beat Pleasanton American 17-7. Wagner got the win and also went 3 for 4, while Adam Dickinson and Kurth also collected two hits each. In the final victory over Pleasanton, Rett Cortez got the win and Matt Epps got the save. Ryan Rogers doubled, Wagner the save. Ryan Rogers doubled, wagner tripled, Dickinson ripped two doubles and Eddie Horn went 3 for 3.

Itipled, Dickinson ripped two doubles and Eddie Horn went 3 for 3.
 Junior 80: Granada Red Sox 11 vs LANL Giants 4 Granada Red Soxs-Blaine Call dbl and 2 runs, Dustin Simon triple 1 run, Damariay 2 Dbls 3 runs, Greg White 2 singles, Nick Davis 1 single and 2 runs. LANL Giants Holzschuh 2Dbls and Casino 1 DBL with 2 runs. Dustin Simons of the Red Soxs Pitched 6 innings with 5 hits 3 runs and 5 strike outs Brisco of the Giants pitched 5 innings 5 hits, 7 runs and 3 strike outs A's 8, PNLL Cardinals 6. Top Hitters Jake Kauffman 2b, 1B 1RBI; Andrew Hill 2B, run scored; Austin Frost 1B; Joey Martinez 1B; Conrad Cosby 2B. Top Pitch-ers - Jimmy Goritz 3IP,4R,2H,2K; Jake Kauffman 4IP,2R,2H,2K.
 Majors: Cubs A, A's 0. Top Hitters Cubs - Kevin Rogers 1B; Ryan Flayler 1B, 1 run scored; Kyle Tracey IB. A's - Jaysen Heist 2B; Josh Quadara 1B; Ryan Mathia 1B. Top Pitchers Cubs - Ryan Flayler 6IP, 0R, 3H, 8K. A's - Brandon Jefferis 4IP, 0R, 1H, 1K, Ascore-less game thru 4 inning, then the Cubs scored three in the top of the fifth on smart baserunning and an RBI single from Ryan Flayler. Majors - Giants 4, A's 1. Top Hitters Giants -Tanner Cortez 1B, 2 runs scored; Dylan Tupper 1B; Logan Van Schaack 1B, 1 run scored; Chris-tian Palomo 1B. A's Cory Johnson 1B. Top Pitchers Giants - Justin Whitman 6IP, 1R, 1H, 14K. A's Brandon Jefferis 42 J7, JR, 4H, 8K. Justin Whitman led the Giants to a 4-1 win with a 1 hit complete game. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cubs 3, Cardinals 0, Top Hitters Cardi-

Justin Whitman led the Giants to a 4-1 win with a 1 hit complete game. Cubs 3, Cardinals 0. Top Hitters Cardi-nals - Daniel Whitney 1B; Ryan Dearborn 1B; Casey Soltis 1B. Cubs - Taylor Downey 2B; Trevor Bondoc 1B. Top Pitchers Cardinals -Ryan Dearborn 4IP, 4H, 3R, 4K. Cubs - Ryan Flayler 5IP, 3H, 0R, 7K. It was a tough loss for the Cordinale with the Cubs coming out on ton

Hyan Dealborn 4II, 4II, 5IK, 4IK (2005) - Register of the Cardinals with the Cubs coming out on top behind the solid pitching of Ryan Flayler. Cubs 3, Red Sox 0. Top Hitters Cubs - Kyle Tracy 1 1B, 1 2B, 2 runs scored - Kyle Campiotti - 1 2B. Red Sox - Josh Knight 1 B. Top Pitchers Cubs - Kyle Campiotti 6IP, 0R, 1H, 12K. Kyle Campiotti pitched a complete game, 1 hit shutout. Cardinals 6, Mariners 2. Top Hitters Cardinals - Robert Stratford 1B; Nick Perry 2-1B, 2 runs scored. Dakotah Mendez 1B. Top Pitchers Cardinals - Daniel Whitney 6IP, 2R, 2H, 6K; Mariners - Sebastian Martinez 4IP, 6H, 3K. A well played game by the Cardinals with timely hits and solid pitching from Daniel Whitney.

Whitney. Mariner 6, A's 0. Top Hitters Mariners

#### Livermore American LL

Livermore American Little League results from last week:

sults from last week: **T-Ball**: Brewers: Trenton Crisp, Branson Jewell, Jacob Zayas; Dodgers: Alyssa Fuller, Avery Kempton, Quinn Tudor **Farm:** Royals: Conner Livingston, Peyton Gibbs, Elijah Mangabay; Giants: Rigo Zapien Jr., Nicholas DeLisle, Ryan Escover, Nicholas Bouillerce; Rockies: An-drew Scull, Garon Michaelis, Grant Hrdlicka; Royals: Conner Livingston, Peyton Gibbs, Elijah Mangabay.

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Single A: Yankees 18, Mets 5: Top Players: Braden Jackson (3 1B, 2B, 4 R, 3 RBJ), Noah Stewart (2 1B, 2 R, 3 RBI), Ralph Miller (3 1B, 2 R) - Yankees Nick Monica (3 1B, R), Julian Chavira (3 RBI), Brandon Julko (Defense) -Mets Mets 12, Red Sox 10: Mets -Davis DeFina (3 1B, 2RBI, 2 R), Brandon Will-iams (3 1B, 2R), Hunter Burke (2 1B, 2 R)

ams (3 1B, 2R), Hunter Burke (2 1B, 2 R), Red Soxs - Austin Hosmer (3 1B, 2 R), Tanner Paiso (2 1B, 2R), Jonah Wagner (3 1B, 2DB) 1B. 2RBI)

1B, 2RBI) Phillies 15, Devil Rays 5: Phillies jumped out to an early lead behind the hot bats of Logan Cole (3-3 with a triple), Noah Green (2-3 with a double and 2 rbis) and great fielding by Bobby Canteline and Miko Asifoa. Devil Rays had great fielding by Nate Redditt and Jordan Esling and good hitting by Nate Redditt and Griffin Bateson Braves 21 Yankees 6: Perfect day to play.

Braves 21, Yankees 6: Perfect day to play ball! All players give their best effort. Braves came out swinging from the first inning but the Yankees managed to score late in the game. Braves: Noah Petit 2/4, Don Dawes 2/3, Tristan Dillman 4/4 Yankees Zack Hrplicka 2 hits, Braden Jackson 2 Hits, Jack Darwe, 2 Hito.

Hrplicka 2 hits, Braden Jackson 2 Hits, Jack Perry 2 Hits Braves 6, Orioles 7: The Orioles Zach, 3 hits, 2 Runs scored, 1 RBI with a beautiful catch in outfield at the bottom of the 5th inning, Laz, 3 hits and 1 RBI, Ethan, 1 double, 1 RBI, 2 Runs scored, with an awesome pop fly catch at the bottom of the 3rd. Justin Hill had great coverage on first at the bottom of the 4th. Nick Volponi assisted with a mean throw from outfield in the bottom of the 3rd. Top Players for the Braves were Jaime Ororio 3-3 and 1 double play, Don Dawes 1-2 and 1 run scored. Alex Griffin 2-Dawes 1-2 and 1 run scored, Alex Griffin 2-

Dawes 1-2 and 1 run scored, Alex Griffin 2-3 and 2 RBI's. **AA** Division: Cardinals 17, Tigers 3: The Cardinals unleashed the bats on the Tigers amassing 23 hits in 5 innings. The Gouble in the first inning. Connor Jones did great for his first outing on the mound, and a great defensive effort by Joshua Frazier. Cardinals: Nico Medina, Ben Parker, Dylan Guilin. Braden Cartwright Tigers: Joshua Guilin, Braden Cartwright Tigers: Joshua Frazier, Connor Jones, Austin Birdwell Cardinals 5, Tigers 4: After allowing the

Cardinals 5, Tigers 4: After allowing the Tigers 4 runs in the top of the 1st inning the Cardinals put together timely hitting and strong pitching to post a 5-4 victory. The Tigers key players for the game where Matt Calcagno (3 innings on the mound), Joshua Frasier (2 innings on the mound, 2 Hits), and Comor Jones (2 hits). Cardinals: Dylan Guilin, Ben Parker, Jason Swiers, Braden Cartwright Tigers: Joshua Frazier, Connor Jones, Matt Calcagno White Sox 6, Cubs 2: Kevin Patel of the White Sox had a key base hit, helping the Sox to a 6-2 victory. From the Cubs, Joey Hajduk had some great glove work and Garrett Smith contributed on offense. Top Players: Garret Cordisco (Defense), Kevin Patel (1 1B) -White Sox :Garrett Smith (1 1B), Joey

White Sox :Garrett Smith (1 1B), Joey Hajduk (Defense) - Cubs Reds 11, Cardinals 0: Ryan Ball of the

Reds II cardinals O: Ryan Ban of the Reds pitched a 2-hitter shutout game in four innings against the Cardinals. In the first inning, Armando Fagliano and Christian Morris teamed up to get an out on a steal. Taylor Crenshaw had a great hit, and Morris referse DBL bioreiter the second to 4.0 Links advior Crensida indu a great int, and worns got an RBI, bringing the score to 4, 0. In the 2nd inning, Stevens and David Harmison got an out on 1st. In the bottom of the 2nd, Isaac Lignell, Ball, Mauricio Zavala all hit singles, Junior 90s: LALL Giants 12, Granada Dodgers 3: Derek Herberth allowedonly 1 run on 1 hit over 4 innings to seize a win for the Livermore American Little League Junior 90s Giants over the Granada Dodgers at Max Baer Park. Derek helped his cause by hitting a single and drawing 3 walks. Leading the Giants' bats were Gary Chapeta with a triple, Dante Sblendorio, who had 4 hits and 3 runs batted in, and John Murphy who also batted in 3 base-runners. Giants: Derek Herberth, 4 innings pitched, 1 for 1, 3 walks, Dante Sblendorio, 4 for 4, 3 RBIs, Gary Chapeta, triple, John Murphy, 3 RBIs.

### Foothill Freshman

Foothill High School freshmen win close game against the San Ramon Wolves at home. Will Anderson led the Falcon offense with an RBI in the 1st and scored in the 3rd in 2 -1 victory. On the mound Will Anderson pitched 5 2/3 innings limiting the SRV team to 4 hits and 1 unearned run. Michael Silfer finished out the pitching Michael Shifer Hinshed out the pitching duties allowing only 2 additional hits over the last inning and a third. The Falcon offense provided singles by Garrett Moore and Ellias Khoury. Khoury also took one for the team in the 3rd inning, bringing in the 2nd run of the arome gatting bit but bout the barenet bare the game, getting hit by the pitcher with bases loaded. On defense the Falcon squad was able to put together timely outs, stranding 10 SRV runners on base.

Earlier in the week, the team tasted defeat for the first time this season when they met a solid San Ramon team. They dropped EBAL opener to San Ramon Valley 11-1. A close game through 5 innings was broken open by the SRV bats in the 6th inning as the Wolves scored 7 runs. The Falcon offense was quieted by SRV pitching picking up only 3 hits, one each by Reece Yamada, Garrett Moore and Michael Hisaka. Yamada scored the sole Falcon run in the 1st inning.

#### Livermore National LL

Livermore National Little League results from last week



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the team energy flowing. White Sox vs. Indians: The White Sox While Sox vs. Indians: The While Sox played an exceptional game with critical plays by Andrew Liggett and Jonathan French. (An-drew also hit a double!!). Tanner Strangmeyer was another player who showed superior bat-ting that evening with two major hits blasting over second base.

over second base. Red Sox vs. Indians: The Red Sox contin-ued their hot hitting and defense against the Indians. Christian Richter displayed his tre-mendous power by crushing a long three-run homer and a two-run double. Jared Lem coninfield, finishing several plays without any errors. Radley Kel and Alex Rigl each ripped four solid base hits. Yankees vs. White Sox: The Yankees hit-ting una theorem the ordina line una critical sector.

Yankees vs. White Sox: The Yankees hit-ting was strong from the entire line up getting hits from every player. Justin Cho beat out an infield single allowing for a run to score from third. Donovan Mayer clobbered one clearing the infield and the bases. With a two run double, Bobby Lasica had the big hit. **Minor AA**: Indians 11,. Twins 10: Cold weather and a string of walks in the first three innings plagued Tuesday's game. James Kozuch hit a triple, and Andrew Kroll and Brian Collins slammed a couple of base hits. Our very own Josh Narayan clinched the come-back victory with a base hit on the last pitch tipping the score 11-10. Athletics 20, Angels 12: It was another high scoring game for the A's. This time they took on the Angels with both teams showing some good fielding and much improvement for the pitching crew. Saving some valuable points out in the field were some high flying

for the pitching crew. Saving some valuable points out in the field were some valuable points out in the field were some high flying catches in the hands of A's Centerfielder, Joshua Merryman and shortstop, Devin Julien. Devin continued to show his power by pitch-ing a crewn inping

ing a strong inning. **Minor AAA:** Indians 4, White Sox 3: Vincent Tanisawa had a 2 and 2 count with 2 outs when he crushed a fastball for a double

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the runner at second with Nate Johansen cover-ing the bag. Angels 3, Angels 0: The PALL Junior 80's Gold team looked very comfortable on the regulation size field in Manteca as they came through with their best game of the season, winning 3-0 against the Manteca Blue Devils. Michael Lam was the starting and winning pitcher as he fanned 7 Blue Devils while giv-ing up only 1 hit and 1 walk in 3 2/3rds innings. Travis Eldridge came on in relief and continued to baffle the Manteca hitters. Eldridge had 5 strike-outs, 1 walk, and did not

Sean Westphal scored 2 runs and hit 2 singles and a triple that just missing going over the center field fence. Tyler Offill also hit a triple. Dakotah Mendez hit a double and scored a run. Dakotah Mendez hit a double and scored a run. A's-Derek Wilcox and Jayson Heist hitsingles and Cory Johnson hit a double. Top Pitchers Mariners-Dakota Mendez 4IP, no runs, 2H, 4K; Tyler Offill 3IP, no runs, 2H, 2K.; A's Cory Johnson 5IP, 2R, 6H, 5K. Minor AAA: Red Sox 7, A's 2. Top Hitters Red Sox-Carter Richardson-2B,1RB1,Cesar



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#### Sadowy competed hard in every match but did not place. Coach Coburn and Cook want to thank the team for their hard work and dedication this season. Also competing were 8th grader Alex Baxter as well as 6th graders Andrew Lord and Eric Westphal.

Hart Wrestling

## SPORTS NOTES

Becerra-2B,1RBI. A's- Calvin Rasbold-3B, 2 RBIs, Gino Belluomini-2 1B, 1RBI. Top Pitch-

RBIs, Gino Belluomini-2 1B, 1RBI. Top Pitch-ers Red Sox-Anthony Aguilar-6K, A's-Aaron Stoien-4K. Red Sox 16, Cardinals 4. Top Hitters Red Sox-Nick Winter-1B,2B,1RBI, 2 runs scored. Cubs-Curtis Wiggington 1 B, 2B, 2 runs scored. Top Pitchers Red Sox-Jacob Storti 4 3H, 7K. Jacob Storti had an in the park home run for the Red Sox with 2 RBIs. Cardinals 7, Mariners 4. Top Hitters Car-dinals-Michael Bohl 2B, Nick Stanley IB,2RBI, Llewelyn Slone 2B,1B, Matt Carlo 2B. Top Pitchers-Michael Pierce, Llewelyn Slone, Jason Bohl. Mariners-Jared Buranis 1B, Jake Mitchell 1B. Pitchers-Kyle Tompkins,

Slone, Jason Bohl. Marmers-Jared Buranis IB, Jake Mitchell IB. Pitchers-Kyle Tompkins, Jared Buranis. Minor A: Cardinals vs "A's" Offensive Players: Cardinals: Nick McClendan, Kyle deBard, B rad Cahall A's: Mathew Rodriguez

deBard, B rad Cahall A's: Mathew Rodrigüez Defensive: Cardinals: Michael Silva, Matt Zukowski, Ryan Doty A's: Mike Puso, Jarret Leon, Joel Gauch Red Sox -vs-Mariners Offensive players Red Sox -Jackson Taylor, Garrett Hart, Morgan Kelly Offensive players Mariners - Zack Scribner, Jack Kath, Michael Steim, Defensive players - Red Sox- Riley Heffron, Matt Benavidez, Tim Evans Defensive players -Mariners-Chandler Davis, Charlie Mitchell, TJ O'Ferrall Giants vs. Cubs. Ryan Dicus for the Cubs

Giants vs. Cubs. Ryan Dicus for the Cubs had an outstanding game with 2 triples and 2 RBI's! Andrew Preece also hit a triple! Connor Swaderer and Connor Glasco hit doubles. Connor Swaderer pitched 4 strike-outs for the Giants! Victor Serpa, Nick Baddets and Troy Forward each had base hits for the Giants. **Farm:** Cardinals (Offense) Tyler Young, Cole Sofonio, Hector Salcedo, (Defense) Lucas Anninos, Brian Mahoney, Colton Morlan, (player of the Game) Noah Dameral, Dominic Giuliano: Mariners - (Offense) Colby Smith, Garrett Borba Connor Sweeney, (Defense) Giants vs. Cubs. Ryan Dicus for the Cubs

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Bladel, Gabriel Vargas, Nate Wilson: Blue Jays (Offense) Brodie Wolf, Jacob Azevedo, Zachary MacDonald (Defense) Robert Sandoval, Riley VanTrease, Jonathan Cantu. Giants vs. Braves: Giants top offensive players; Sean Croghan, Chad Hemming, MitChell Rocereto. top defensive players; Brian Cuy, Cameron Geyer, Chad Goldsberry, Braves top offensive players; Christopher Irwin, Ben-jamin Wright, Cameron Sanchez. top defen-sive players; Dominic Shepherd, Jason Snell, Colton Clore. Mariners (offense) Garrett Borba, Tyler Rodgers, Trevor Bantley (defense) Troy Wentworth, Ben Rocha, Colby Smith; Pirates (offense) Kevin Spence, Eric Azevedo, Bradley Bailey (defense) Zachary Stewart, Owen Bell, Grant Blockley Cardinals (Offense) Gustavo Arreola, An-thony Barrow, Noah Dameral, (Defense) An-drew Divita Cole Sofonio, Dominic Giuliano, (player of the Game) Daniel Granados **TeeBall:** Red Sox (Offense) Madison Forneris, Jacob Gonzalez, Nathaniel Kamm, (Defense) Wyatt Moseley, Alex Northrop, Noah Wiesner Giants- (Offense) Bloda Etke Burgovich, Andrew James, Chase Griffin (Defense) Dylan

(Defense) Wyatt Moseley, AleX Normrop, Noan Wiesner Giants- (Offense) Nicholas Gregovich, Andrew James, Chase Griffin (Defense) Dylan Krauss, Ryan Van Bladel, Ethan Payne; Mari-ners (Offense) Rudy Ayala, Colby Brocklesby, Henry Kath (Defense) Jacob Gutke, Adrian Ayala, Ryan Lortie. Cardinals (Offense) Peyton Stultz, Douglas Wynne, Benjamin Knuth (De-fense) Cameron Schrader, Jason Wiggington, George Zika; Yankees (Offense) Payan Layton, RJ Mata, Ray Montes; (Defense) Jacob Morton, Colby Newton, Peyton Peterson. Cubs - (Of-fense) Griffin Lawrence, Julia Rocha, Spencer Williams; (Defense) Jeremy Dyson, Zachary Macintire, Westley Gladen Minor AA: Red Sox 10, Mariners 4. Top Hitters Red Sox - Tim Gibson 1B, 1RB1, 1 run scored; Sam Guasch 1B, 1RB1, 1 run scored; Ryan Norton 1B, 2 runs scored. Mariners -Jackson Kennedy 2B, 2RB1; Conner McGee 2B, 1RB1, 1 run scored; Hunter Gonsalves 2

Ryan Norton 1B, 2 runs scored. Mariners -Jackson Kennedy 2B, 2RBI; Conner McGee 2B, 1RBI, 1 run scored. Top Pitchers Red Sox -Max Wiggington 2IP, 2H, 2R, 3K; Griffin Miller 2IP, 3H, 2R, 2K, Mariners - Gregory Moreland 2IP, 5K; Johnny Bailey 2IP, 2H, 1R, 3K. Giants 15, Cardinals 16. Top Hitters Gi-ants - Bret Rassmussen -2B, 2RBI; Harrison Goold - 2-1B, 1RBI; Samuel Heuton - 2-1B, 1RBI; Domenic Lestochi -2-1B, 1RBI; Sean Haggerty - 1B, 1RBI; Haydon King - 1B, 1RBI; Conner Gibbons, and Jacob Parsons each 1B. Top Hitters Cardinals - Ryan Graves - 2-2B, 3RBI; Jacob Linney - 1B, 2RBI; Benjamin Smith - 1B, 2RBI; Austin Harrison, Blake Lesky, and Devon Shortridge each 1B; Jason Whitney - 1RBI. Top Pitchers - Giants. Cubs 10, Mariners 12. Top Hitters Mari-ners - Gregory Moreland 1B, 2B, 2RBI's, run scored; Luke Dangler HR, 4RBI's, run scored; Connor McGee 1B, 2RBI's, 2 runs scored; Brandon Thompson 1B, 2RBI's, run scored; Kevin Zaia 1B, run scored. Top Pitchers Mari-ners - Johnny Bailey 21, 1H, 2R, 6K; Jackson Kennedy 21, 2H, 5R, 2K. Cubs - Dominic Mariners 4, A's 6. Top Hitters Mariners -Connor McGee 1B, 2-2B'S, 3 runs scored; Gre-

21,1H,6R,2K. Mariners 4, A's 6. Top Hitters Mariners -Connor McGee 1B, 2-2B's, 3 runs scored; Gre-gory Moreland 2B, RBI, run scored; Jackson Kennedy 1B, 3B, 3 RBI's. A's - Alec Foster 2-1B's RBI; Jordan Buranis 1B, RBI; Jack Walker 1B, RBI, run scored. Top Pitchers Mariners -Connor McGee 2I, 2H, 3R, 1K; Gregory Moreland 2I, 3H, IR, 3K; Johnny Bailey 11, 3H, 2R 2K A's- Justin Walker 21 4H 2R 4K-Alex

inning of shut out ball and had a base hit. Cardinals 5, Cubs 4. Cardinals came from behind for the win. After loading the bases in the 3rd, 4th and 5th innings, an RBI by Brian Blasquez gave the team the first score by Collin Blaney. The 6th inning was the turnaround with runs scored again by Blaney. Chet Koziol Rvo Nagal and Jake Blaney, Chet Koziol, Ryo Nagal, and Jake Wilgus for the winning run thanks to a strong base hit by Scott Rasnick for the RBI. Great all around pitching by Stephen Chipman and Morgan Johnston.

Morgan Johnston. Giants 10, Brewers 4: For the Giants, Garrett Leone was on the job and came up with two great catches in deep Center and Right to keep the Brewers off the bases. Two more infield pop flies were caught by Kenny Spivey and Garett Leone at 2nd Base. Nick Soldati came up with a difficult grounder and threw out the runner at 1st. Justin Gibson and Collin Richardson were throwing smoke that accounted for 10 strikeouts between them. **Maiors:** Giants 8. Mets 2: Despite jump-

accounted for 10 strikeouts between them. **Majors:** Giants 8, Mets 2: Despite jump-ing out to a 2-0 first-inning lead, the Mets fell 8-2 to the Giants in a PFLL Majors game March 31. Things looked good for the Mets as Logan Finley, Joel Jurich, and Clint Mankins hit consecutive doubles in the first, putting the Mets ahead by two. However, the Giants scored five runs in the third and three more in the fourth to win. Mets nitchers more in the fourth to win. Mets pitchers

more in the fourth to win. Mets pitchers Kevin Buscheck and Grant Soyka combined to strike out 11 batters. Top Offensive Players: Clint Mankins, Teddy Wu; Top Defensive Players: AJ Curtis Rangers 2, Mets 7: Despite excellent pitching performances by Robbie Wilson and Alex Hamm, the Rangers were unable to overcome a strong Mets team in their season onener. The Rangers had 3 hits-1 each by opener. The Rangers had 3 hits-1 each by Hamm, Defazio, and Severn. Top Offensive Players: -Bradley Severn, Grant Defazio, Alex Hamm Top Defensive Players: -Grant Defazio, Troy Maxoutopoulis, John Anthon, Travor Maco Trevor Maes

Rangers 4, Giants 1: Giants led by starting pitcher Robbie Wilson, followed by relief pitcher Alex Hamm, the Rangers held the Giants to 1 run. Top Offensive Players: Trevor Maes, Greg Hadley, Bradley Severn; Top Defensive Players: Amir Patel, Alex Hamm, Troy Maxoutopoulis. Junior 80s: Jacob Jefferies was domi-

Junior 80s: Jacob Jefferies was domi-nate on the hill throwing four shutout innings and striking out five to lead the PFLL Cardinals to victory in Junior 80's action Saturday at the Pleasanton Sports Park. Evan Martinez pitched the final three innings allowing just one unearned run as the Cards cruised past the GLL Red Sox 7-1. Hunter Moureage scarked the Cards of

Hunter Meurens sparked the Cards of-fense going 2-3 with two runs scored. Joe Schneider also had two key hits as the Cards scored three times in both the third and fourth innings to jump out to a 7-0 lead. Evan Martinez, Joe Accretand Sam Accret each had BRU's with clutch bits Lacob Lefferise drave RBI's with clutch hits. Jacob Jefferies drove in two with a booming triple. The Cards improved their record to 5-1 with the win.

#### Pleasanton Phantom

Pleasanton Phantom Girls Softball League results

results: **U14 - Major Rec:** Ken's Painting -Stompers 21, LJK Farms - Razzles 4: Ken's Painting Key Players: Brienna Brown pitch-ing complete game, Madeline Bush 6 RBIs, Tina Nguyen 3 RBIs; LJK Farms Key Players: Margo Little defense, Jenny Orbell double, Rachel Dermoody double www.pleasantonhomes.com vs. Sallman Yang & Alameda - Wild Thingz:

WWW.Pleasantonhomes.com vs. Sallman, Yang, & Alameda – Wild Thingz: Pleasantonhomes.com Key Players: Rachel Cilk, Alyssa Dunlap, Alex Dickenson; Sallman, Yang, & Alameda Key Players: Nicole Lingenfelder, Taylor Dragotta, Carley Dachmer Boehmer

State Farm Insurance/Leslie Wolf – Misfits vs. Sallman, Yang, & Alameda – Wild Thingz: State Farm Insurance/Leslie Wolf Key Players: Trevor Konopka, Chris-tina Schuler, Cheyenne Wolf, Sallman, Yang, & Alameda Key Players: Samantha Miller, Konstanti, Dai G. Pasala Schuerber

Stephanie Bricker, Presley Strother U12 – Minor Upper: Cardinal Jewelers – Panthers 2, Alain Pinel Tim McGuire – Stix - Panthers 2, Alam Pine 1 Im McGuire - Stu 1: Cardinal Jewelers Key Players: Johanna Grauer, Kennedy Poplawski, Hanna Moreno; Alain Pinel Key Players: Krista Williams, Julia Petros, Molly Phillips U12 - Minor Rec: Belden Consulting Engineers-Hot Tamales 18, 3PARdata - All Stars 1: Bolden Consulting Engineers Key

Engineers – Hot Tamales 18, 3P ARdata – All Stars 1: Belden Consulting Engineers Key Players: Lanie Markert 3 singles 4 RBIs, Brianna Molina 3 singles, double, 3 RBIs, Kendall D'India 3 singles 2 RBIs; 3PARdata Key Players: Haley Hjerpe single RBI, Nicole Chin single, Ivory Beltran single. Fowler Painting – Blue Crush 11, Tanner Insurance – Rebels 5: Fowler Painting Key Players: Raquel Nino 2 singles, Emmy Rodriguez 2 singles, Darby McLaughlin defense; Tanner Insurance Key Players: Jessie Alemeida defense RBI, Cressa Duarte de-fense RBI, Emily Czaja pitching RBI. fense RBI, Emily Czaja pitching RBI. Stainless Distributors – Dolphins 5, Dr. Bob Dees/Canyon Chiropractic – Mustangs

Glass Key Players: Haley Sigg defense, Mary Tincher made an out at home, Megan Colbacchini defense

#### Pleasanton National LL

Pleasanton National Little League results

sults **Majors:** Giants 4, Pirates 1: Giants Nip Pirates Stellar defense and great pitching led the Giants to their 5th straight victory of the young season. Brad Pluschkell pitched 5 strong inning giving up no walks and only asingle run on a moon shot by Jason Gregory. Chris Thomas pitched a scoreless 6th for the save. Jack O Loughlin set the tone for the Giants making two plays that are worthy of Giants making two plays that are worthy of ESPN's Sports Center's highlights! Zach Landers, Luis Solórzano, Brad Pluschkell and Chris Thomas led the Giants offensively

Landers, Luis Solórzano, Brad Pluschkell and Chris Thomas led the Giants offensively. Excellent pitching by the Pirates Evan Ander-son and Jason Gregory kept the Giants bats in check for most of the day. **AAD Division:** Giants 9, Cubs 2: Alex Williams pitched a great 3 innings holding the Cubs to one run and was a great leader on the field and in the dugout. He also played solid defense at Third and Short making great grabs and throws to 1st for the out. Anthony Trucco played great short stop today making good defensive plays and throws to 1st and also took the mound for 2 innings in the 4th and the 5th holding the Cubs to one run. Andrew Griehshammer had a hard hit line drive up the left field line for an RBI. Ryan Gedwill played great behind the plate taking care of the ball and holding the runners and also had a single today for an RBI. Francis Dunne hit the ball for a single for an RBI and made great defensive plays at third. Hunter Milano made an outstanding day at the plate and a big smash for a RBI double in the 2nd inning and a single for an other RBI making that a 2 RBI day. Matt Rooney also had a huge single for an RBI in the bottom of the 5th inning. **AD Division:** Cardinals 10, Pirates 9:

inning. AA Division: Cardinals 10, Pirates 9: Tough defense and pitching highlighted the early innings including Alec Baughman striking out 3 of the 4 batters he faced in the second and James Cowick making an over-head catch deep in left. Bobby Kaufman, catching, threw out a runner at 3rd attempting to steal with the tag being applied by Jimmy Kaufman, who returned the favor by nailing a runner at home trying to score from 3rd as Bobby Kaufman blocked the plate and made the tag. With the bases loaded in the bottom of the last inning, Jimmy Kaufman drove a pitch into the right center field gap allowing Brandon Jordan to score the winning run from 3rd. Alec Bevc had 2 hits! and Marc Tsuno and Bryce Veitboth reached base 3 times. The RBI leaders were Jimmy Kaufman, Drew Highfill, James Cowick, and Joshua Halperin all with 2. Mets 5, Padres 4: The Mets pitching kept

Mets 3, Padles 4: The Mets pitching repr them in the game, as did the Padres pitching. Kodie Wardthrew well, collecting 4 strikeouts, Nick Padilla threw 3 strikeouts, and both Matt Flanders and Todd Ristow recorded 2 more strikeouts. Other defensive notes: Jack Traube and Sachin Chinta combined again for assisted throw outs of runners at 2nd based. Nick Martinez performed well at catcher. The Padres pitching staff contained the Mets only in the 3rd inning. On offense Justin Miller, Nick Padilla, and Sachin Chinta each knocked out a strong single, a walk, and stole 3rd base. Nikhil Patel and Kodie Ward both tapped singles.

#### Pony Baseball

Pony Baseball scores from last week: **Mustang Division:** Livermore Indians beat Pleasanton Phillies 22-8 The Indians were led by the bats of Kameron Johnson,

beat Pleasanton Phillies 22-8 The Indians were led by the bats of Kameron Johnson, who had a perfect 5 for 5 night at the plate, Drew Webber (4 for 5), Alex Cupps (4 for 5), Ryan Ruley (1B,2B,HR), James Dayton (2B,1B,1B), (Tristan White (1B), and Joe Carr (1B). Webber and Ruley pitched well for the Indians. Patrick Murphy scored three times for the Phillies on one hit. Mario Roman had a double, Jack Murphy had a hit and was also robbed on a towering drive to center field to end the Phillies 4th inning. The Pleasanton Mustang White Sox narrowly defeated the league-leading Pleas-anton Mustang Giants with an 8 to 7 win in extra innings. Zane Pedersen led the offense with 5 RBIs, scoring on his 4th inning hit were were Zachary Larkin, Jax Pedersen, and Cody Teague. Defense held solidly with a double play: Reed Marques (2B) caught a line drive and threw to Andrew Crabill (SS) The Giants rallied to tie up the game in the 6th and force extra innings. Jeffrey Deguchi answered in the top of 7th with a perfect bunt that brought in Damian Johnson with the go-ahead run. The White Sox defense again held in the bottom of the 7th, with Justin Taylor (CE) helping to secure the victory with 2 in the bottom of the 7th, with Justin Taylor (CF) helping to secure the victory with 2 clutch catches deep in center field.

Bronco Division: Livermore Bronco A's 16, Pleasanton Bronco Royals 11 Xavier Sosa lead the A's offense with three hits and Sosa lead the A's offense with three hits and 3 RBIs. Christian Pesqueira and Jonathan Rainey each had 2 RBIs. Christian Pesqueira led the A's defense, pitching four innings with four strikeouts. Jonathan Rainey caught the entire game, making several stops to prevent wild pitches. Chris DiPeso closed the rame, ettiling out the cide game, striking out the side. Fremont Bronco Twins: 16, Livermore Bronco A's: 7 Colten Paynter pitched two scoreless innings, throwing three strikeouts to lead the A's pitching. Catcher Jeremy Edwards threw out a runner attempting to steal third in the first inning. Edwards also had two RBIs, one during a fifth inning rally tying the game at seven runs. Jack Renteria capped the game tying rally with an RBI double. Nima Jafarkhani started a three run rally in the third with a single and a stolen base

Bill Howard Hardwood Floors Crossfire 8. The Crossfire played evenly with the Blue Ice, but the Blue Ice pulled away late. For the Crossfire, Carolyn Fletcher had two hits, Kandee Valdez reached base all three times at bat, scoring twice, and Ramsey Schmitt had a single and came back to pitch in the fourth inning to allow only two Blue Ice runs. Meredith Real Estate Brokers Orange Crush 12, Diablo Dental Services Flamin Hot Red Sox 8. Outstanding players for the Flamin Hot Red Sox include Alessandra Dake with a great hit and scored two runs. Elise Robinson with Bill Howard Hardwood Floors Crossfire 8. The

Sock of Suckataning Papers for the Panini root Red Sox include Alessandra Dake with a great hit and scored two runs. Elise Robinson with solid pitching and sound defense. Bill Howard Floor Co. Crossfire 12, Diablo Dental Services Flamin Hot Red Sox 5. The Crossfire played their best all-around game against the Flamin' Hot Red Sox, led by Jessica Choi with two singles in two at-bats, and speared a line drive while pitching a shutout first inning. Deanna Moreno reached base twice and scored both times, and Daniela Ambiz walked both times at bat and cut off a hit to the outfield in the last inning. The Flamin' Hot Red Sox were led by excellent hitting with a three-run double by Audry Vaughn, Jamie Harmison pitched two strong innings, and Danielle Carter showed her speed on the base paths.

Danielle Carter snowed net speed on the base paths. Maryalice Faltings Sneaky Cleats 10, Re/ Max Cindy Greci Vipers 10. The Vipers went ahead top of the third, but the Sneaky Cleats came up and sneaked in five runs for the tie. For the Vipers, Rachel Gaeza had a base hit and a RBI, Nicole Sandoval had a two hit including a double, two RBI and scored twice, and Alex unled twice, scoring a run

a double, two RBI and scored twice, and Alex walked twice, scoring a run. AP Concrete Lady Yanks 13, Re/Max Cindy Greci Vipers 7. Defensively for the Lady Yanks, KC Pereida got a runner out at third trying to steal, while Audrey Walke received the throw, and Brittany Curtis did a fine job backing up third to prevent other runners from coming in. The Lady Yanks broke open a tie game, scored six runs in the top of the fourth inning and shut the Vipers out at the end. For the Vipers, Annie Santos had two hits, a RBI and scored two runs, Megan Gilmore had a base hit with wo RBIs, and Allyson Walker hit a double and two RBIs, and Allyson Walker hit a double and

scored run. Maryalice Faltings Sneaky Cleats 10, Little Maryalice Faltings Sneaky Cleats 10, Little Rascals Learning Center Demolition 3. The Demolition put up a hard fight against the first place team, allowing only one run in the final two innings. Brandy Guillen had two runs, Marla Hayley stole home for a run, and Jamie Orr had a major contribution on defense with two strikeouts and a caught pop fly to wrap up the third inning. the th

third inning. 10-Under Black Division: Groth Brothers

10-Under Black Division: Groth Brothers Bad News Babes 6, Interstate Concrete Pump-ing Blue Lightning 5. For the Blue Lightning, Sara Novell pitched two innings with three strikeouts and hit a double, Mickele Schmitt had a great catch at second base and walked twice, and Katie Lortie pitched a great inning with a strike out. For the Bad News Babes, Amanda Montano was the catcher for four in-nings and got three runners out at home plate, Robyn Dobson slammed a hit to right field for a single, and Brithwer Gunderson had a nice

nings and got three runners out at home plate. Robyn Dolson slammed a hit to right field for a single, and Brittney Gunderson had a nice single to left field and then stole second base. The Hired Guns answered with seven runs in the top of the fourth inning to overtake the Black Smoke, led by winning pitcher Rachel LaRont who struck out two batters and caught a fly to end the game, and Lily Rebello had a double and single and four RBIs. **10-Under Red Division**: Line X Lucky Charms 13, Diablo Dental Service Warriors 0. The Lucky Charms played an outstanding game winning by a score of 13-0. Top players in-cluded Jordan Volponi with two hits and two RBIs, pitcher Sarah Swanson had the shutout while striking out two batters and played strong defense by catching a fly ball, and Christie Swinton closed out the game with a nice bare hand pickup and relay to first to record the final out. The Warriors had some fine defensive plays by Gissel Manzano, Kat Rowe, and Hanna Beauchamp. Beauchampadded two strikeouts in two innings. Faltings Race Team Jumpstart 8, Abramson & Thaete MVPs 7. For the Jumpstart, Jesslyn Faltings pitching great and had two hits, Kamallii Wetherell did her job as lead-off hit-ter with three walks and six stolen bases, and

Kamallii Wetherell did her job as lead-off hit-ter with three walks and six stolen bases, and Racquel Wilkins came through in the bottom of the inning with the game winning hit. In a close game, the MVPs Madison Kemp hit a strong single bringing in a RBI, Maureen Thaete had a walk and a great single bringing in two runs, and pitched the last innings earning four strike-outs, and Jennifer Leon hit a single bring-ing in a score.

strike-outs, and Jennifer Leon hit a single bring-ing in a score. Line-X Lucky Charms 7, Faltings Racing Team Jumpstart 7. In a hard fought contest, outstanding performances by the Lucky Charms included pitcher Shalena Andersen, who held Jumpstart scoreless in the fourth inning and had a hand in all three outs, the offense was led by Taylor Enderlein who blasted two hits and collected three RBIs and Irais Ortiz who also had two hits including a long double to left. The Jumpstart had some real nice defensive play by Kyleigh Anderson and Natalie Palomo, and Cassandra Stanley catch-ing for an inning. ing for an inning.

ing for an inning. Crawford Family Thrillerz 9. Abramson & Thaete MVPs 6. Hitting and defense from the Thrillerz were highlights for this game. Sammy Seeds went two-for-two with four RBI, Amber Granato had a RBI single, and Kaitlyn Daven-port had a single with two RBI. For the MVPs, Corinne Heinstein and Jennifer Leon each hit a mighty singles for a RBI, and Maureen Thaete contributed a scoring run and pitched a strong inning.

Greci L'il Gems. Coaches' selections - Danielle Groth, Taylor Sullivan, Kaitlin Krakoski (R). John L. Sullivan Toyota Fireballs vs. Austin Precision, Inc. Bubble Gum Girls. Coaches' selections - Sierra Wysock, Kennedy Griffith, Alex Amavizca (F); Carlie Spruiell, Emma Val-entine, Clara Geise (BBG). Austin Precision Bubble Gum Girls vs. Brent Bowen Photogra-phy Dandelions. Coaches' selections - Isabella Cusimano, Audrey Castro, Kayla McClendon (BBG). Around the Bay Pest Control Crushers vs CaDealerDirect.com Tiger Cubs. Coaches' selections - Rachel Myers, Alexiah Nava, Pricilla Borja (C). Around the Bay Pest Control Crushers vs. Cindy Greci L'il Gems. Coaches' selections - Isabella Quintana, Skylar Vinson, selections - Isabella Quintana, Skylar Vinson, MacKenzie Wallace (C).

#### CYO Track & Field

St. Michael's CYO Track & Field results

St. MICHAELSCI O TIACK & FIGURESHIG from last week: GIRLS 1600 Meters: 4th Grade - Dana Anex (1st, 06:48.4), Teresa Jimena (4th, 07.30.37), Sariah Baker (5th, 07.44.06) 5th

Anex (1st, 06:48.4), Teresa Jimena (4th, 07.30.37), Sariah Baker (5th, 07.44.06) 5th Grade - Kirsten Mork (1st, 06.40.48), Alyssa Stevenson (2nd, 06.41.83) 7th Grade - (Natalie Dimits, 1st), Shelby Leary (4th, 06.57.15) BOYS 1600 Meters: 4th Grade - Lan Ran-som (2nd, 08.08.65) 7th Grade - (Eric Clements 1st, 06.30.65), 8th Grade - Daniel Pierson (2nd, 05.34.37), Ben Baker (5th, 07.20.64) GIRLS 400 METERS: 2nd Grade - Samantha Anderson (3rd, 01.41.41), Grace Leary (6th, 02.00.81) 3rd Grade - Pamela White (1st, 01.23.99), Moragan Leonard (3rd, 01.26.06), Alice Aufderheide (7th, 01.43.48) 4th Grade -Sariah Baker (4th, 01.32.82) 5th Grade - Mor-gan Brandt (5th, 01.23.20), Hannah Stepanek (7th, 01.28.67), Julia Lee (8th, 01.34.92) 6th Grade - Rachel Leonard (2nd, 01.12.96), Amanda Crabb (3rd, 01.14.12) 7th Grade -Stephanie Beaulieu (1st, 01.07.93), Shelby Leary (7th, 01.25.44) 8th Grade - Amanda McNary (2nd, 01.06.63) BOYS 400 METERS: 4th Grade - Zachary Burnet (3rd, 01.28.65) 5th Grade - Lais Ramirez (4th, 01.18.66), Austin Roeder (6th, 01.21.09),

BOYS 400 METERS: 4th Grade - Lais Ramirez (4th, 01.18.66), Austin Roeder (6th, 01.21.09), Angelo Strongone (8th, 01.32.08) 6th Grade -John Stephanek (2nd, 01.08.60), Cody Scribner (5th, 01.12.54) 7th Grade - Daniel Replogle (1st, 01.01.81), Eric Clements (3rd, 01.17.21) 8th Grade - Gregory Aufderheide (1st Heat, 3rd, 01.46.31), Kyle Shearn (2nd Heat, 1st, 01.00.26), Wesley Ostroski (2nd Heat, 2nd, 01.01.49) GIRLS 50 METERS: 2nd Grade - Samantha Dukes (1st Heat, 1st, 8.77), Isabel Minton (1st heat, 3rd, 9.57), Adriana Sblendorio (1st heat, 3th, 9.67), Samantha Anderson (2nd Heat, 2nd, 00.11.56), Grace Leary (2nd Heat, 7th, 00.12.27) 3rd Grade - Alexa Chavarria (2nd, 8.85) 4th Grade - Marisa Ansari (8th, 10.34) BOYS 50 METERS: 2nd Grade - Marquis Pruitt (1st Heat, 1st, 9.05), Brian Cabill (1st

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GIRLS 100 METERS: 2nd Grade - Samantha Dukes (1st Heat, 1st, 17.05), Isabel Minton (1st Heat, 4th, 19.97), Shannon Kai (2nd Heat, 5th, 23.86) 3rd Grade - Alice Aufderheide (4th, 18.61), Alexa Chavarria (9th, 17.34), Moragan Leonard (11th, 18.21) 4th Grade - Marisa Ansari (1st Heat, 5th, 20.55), Jazmynn King (2nd Heat, 2nd, 2.00), Teresa Jimena (2nd Heat, 4th, 4.00) 5th Grade - Morgan Brandt (1st, 16.55), Cassandra Dukes (3rd, 17.52) 6th Grade - Rachel Leonard (1st, 15.60), Allison Lau (3rd, 16.20), Skylar Burt (9th, 15.92), Kaitlin Harvey (11th, 16.89) 7th Grade - Jessica Wofford (3rd, 15.50), Katie Gannon (5th, 17.43), Monica Acton (6th, 10.83) 7th Grade - Jessica Wolford (3rd, 13.30), Katie Gamon (5th, 17.43), Monica Acton (6th, 17.57), Ashley Lyons (7th, 19.23) 8th Grade -Tynesha Campbell (1st, 13.81) BOYS 100 METERS: 2nd Grade - Marquis Pruitt (1st Heat, 1st, 17.85), Brian Cahill (1st, Heat, 4th, 19.62), Armando Ramirez (1st heat, 1st, 19.00), Corverse Aschlerking, (1st, 19.00)

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#### **Bowling News**

Mike Wood led bowling action at Granada Bowl in Livermore. Wood, ReMax Reality Cheyenne League, bowled an eleven strike game of 290 to go with 267-236 for a big 791 series. Youth bowler Casey Albert, Genera-tion Gap, rolled the final eleven strikes on his way to a big 290 and 709 series. Way over average games were performed with Clint McFaddin, Eagles Renovations, rolled ninety nine pins over his 165 norm with a 264 game; Sylvia Rogers, Sunday Rollers, improved her 138 average with a 225 game and 529 series

Laura Rensink posted a 228 game and 521 series surpassing her 136 average. Dennis James Murphy, ReMax Reality, started with a 277 then rolled 248 - 212 for a 737 set; Gene Bruihl, Gene's Pro Shop, had highs of 256-248 for his 722. The Lab league followed Daniel Repose and his series of 717 with 215-256-246; William Lindke, 4 Seasons Heat ing and Air League, came in with 245-216-249 - 710 series

Greg Kwasniak had a pair of 700's with 248-230-226-704 followed with 224-258-226 for 708. In the Kings and Queens league, Dave Thompson had highs of 258-231 for his 706 total. Tanya England, Eagles Renovations league, was top lady bowler with here 619 series. Mike Sharp in the Kings and Queens upped his 146 norm with a 204 game and 539 set; Myrtle Hamilton, Sunday Rollers with a 103 average, bowled her career high game of 154.

#### **U15 Soccer Players**

The Livermore Elite Rampage 92, a U15 Division 1 Girls team, is looking for serious players to put together a competitive team for the 2007-08 season. Tryouts will be held April 22nd and 29th from 8:00am-10:00am at Las Positas College (3033 Collier Canyon Road) located in Livermore. Please contact Sara Girotto 925 337 0080 with any questions.

#### Youth Basketball

In MVP Flight 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls basketball action the Octilligonnos lost 2 tough-fought games over the weekend. In both games the Octilligonnos outscored their opponents in the  $2^{nd}$  half, but ran out of time before being able to overcome the first half deficits. High scorers were Grace Naylor with 14 and Shannon Rosemark with 8. Also scoring for the Octilligonnos were Nicole Alcaraz Danielle Dufek, Delaney Gill-Sommerhauser Amanda Montano, Anna Neitzel, and Samantha Trask.

#### Coaches Sought

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

#### **California Gymnastics**

California Gymnastics Academy sent Katie Kinser to the Level 9-10 State Meet in

Vovville. RESULTS: LEVEL 9 Age Group: Se-nior D VAULT - Katie Kinser (8.225), BARS - Katie Kinser (7.625), BEAM - Katie Kinser (7.575), FLOOR - Katie Kinser - T3rd place, (9.275) ALL AROUND - Katie Kinser (32.7)

2R, 2K. A's - Justin Walker 2I, 4H, 2R, 4K; Alex

R, 2K, A's - Justin Walker 2I, 4H, 2R, 4K; Alex Furtado 2I, 1H, 1R, 5K. A's 15, Cardinals 4. Both teams had great hitting and pitching. For the Cardinals, Austin Harrison pitched 2 Innings with 2 strikeouts and Daniel Byrnes pitched two also with 1 strike-out. Ryan Graves started a rally for his team in the 3rd inning with a nice hit. Jake Linney got on base every time up and had 1 RBI. Blake Richards slammed a double which brought in 2 runs. For the A's, Jordan Buranis threw 3 strikeouts and had some nice hits. Justin Walker pitched 3 strikeouts and had 3 RBIs. Alec Foster was on fire, with 3 great hits. Ryan Nunes showed promise with some pitch-ing, hitting and fielding, and Jack Walker was hitting every time at bat, with 1 RBI.

#### Foothill Little League

Foothill Little League results from last

week: AA Division: The White Sox scored in every inning to beat the Padres 16 to 6. The White Sox hitters were led by Joshua Ott who had two hits, two RBI and two runs scored. Matt Stilles, Jack Sanderson, Tommy Serrano and Sam Cukar each had one hit and one RBI. Tommy Serrano and Tatsuya Hareyama scored three runs. Ethan Lipsker, Hector Vega, and Nicholas Powers made great defensive plays in the field, Joshua Ott also pitched two

in the field. Joshua Ott also pitched two innings and struck out four batters, and received the game ball for his batting, catch-ing and pitching performance Phillies 0, Devil Rays 6: The Phillies started game 2 of the season with a bang. The Phillies got 11 hits in total. Rookie pitcher, Andrew Kim did a great job during his first time on the mound. Top Offensive Players: Jonathan Dourneau, Joshua Lim & Ollie Allen. Ton Defensive Players: Desmond Allen. Top Defensive Players: Desmond Deverux, Alex Parrella & Kane Millerstrom Padres 6, White Sox 15: Although the

game was a little unevens core wise the Padres showed a lot of heart and promise for their second league game of the season. Top offensive players: Jimmy Ritter, 2 run double, Jadon Gonzaga followed that up with an RBI single. AAA Division: Cubs 7, Brewers 7: Cruce Camble second 2 runs and stole 2 heare:

Greg Gamble scored 2 runs and stole 2 bases; Dane Delany got 2 base hits, had some heads up base running, and made a great defensive catch; Ryan Hobbs doubled, scored a run and had an RBI

had an RBI Yankees 12, Astros 10: The Yankees came back from a 6 to 1 deficit and scored 11 runs in the final 3 innings. The Yankees batters were led by Ryan Probst who had two hits and three RBI, Cameron Meikle who had two hits and two RBI and Zeke Burgermesiter who scored threa rune "Prora P" received one two hits and two RBI and Zeke Burgermesiter who scored three runs. "Ryan P." received one of the game balls for his hitting. The three Yankee pitchers struck out 12 Astros, and Ryan Orisi pitched the final two innings for the victory. "Ryan O." received the other game ball for his pitching performance. Daniel Kim, Jordan Ott and Greg Miller made great plays on defense for the Yankees. Cubs 4, Cardinals 5: Hayden Berson made a great stop at 3rd base with a quick throw to first for the out; Jacob Richey slammed 2 base hits, Tyler Winger three wone

4: Stainless Distributors Key Players: Katie Ludington pitching, Mackenzie Shields pitch-ing, Cassidy Holmes, Laura Donohoe, Zandi Wesenberg; Tanner Insurance Key Players: Meghan Fletcher defense, Ashleigh Kovacs defense, Chloe Connolly, Nicole Dees, Kasey

U10 – Mini Upper: Coldwell Banker/ John & Daisy Ng – Diamond Dogs 5, Friends of PGSL – Wildcats 1: Coldwell Banker/ John & Daisy Ng Key Players: Jenna Crawford, Jennifer Zaballos, Katie Jefferies; Friends of PGSL Key Players: Fiona Moreno fielding, Kendall Morrissey defense, Madison Duval pitching

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Pleasanton Ready Mix – Bobcats 8,
Aragon Landscaping – Pink Panthers 8:
Pleasanton Ready Mix Key Players: Brianna
McGraw triple double, Siena Moca 2 hits
RBI, Jillian Pluschkell 3 Ks; Aragon Landscaping Key Players: Alex Sweitzer, Carly
Robertson, Danielle Taylor
U10 – Mini Rec: Fernando's Mexican
Restaurant – Dalmatians vs. Gary West
Masonry – Purple Dynamites: Fernando's
Restaurant Key Players: Darcy Kron, Nadia
Firoozamand, Denell Ontiveros; Gary West
Masonry Key Players: Allison Kuhfal, Caitlyn
Peel, Natalie Kaccem
E2 Automotive Group – Dynamite vs.
Friends of PGSL - Dynamites: E2 Automotive Key Players: Maddy Warren fielding,
Olivia Larsen defense, Makenzie Fox defense, Lilliana Tierney catching; Friends of

fense, Lilliana Tierney catching; Friends of PGSL Key Players: Lauren McNamara de-fense, Kortney Gonzaga double, Serena Hermona-Hester 2 RBIs

Association Management Solutions – Starlights vs. J Lohr Winery – Pirates: Association Management Solutions Key Players: Kelsey Miles, Marissa Underwood, Adriana Harrii; J Lohr Winery Key Players: Abby Sage, Katelyn Krammer, Madison

Gallagher Friends of PGSL - Crushers vs. Hathaway Friends of PCSL - Crushers vs. Hatnaway Dinwiddie Construction – Red Devils: Crush-ers Key Players: Erin Overland double 2 singles, Sonora Andrews 2 singles, Felicia Yulo 2 singles RBI, Emily Santiago 2 singles, Celine Germaine 2 singles 2 RBIs, Emily Roskopf double, Katie Shigamoto pitchin

pitching ASR The Sunroom Company – Da Bomb vs. La Bella's Pool Service – Blue Hurricane: ASR The Sunroom Company Key Players: Lucy Brunswick hitting, Soyeon Kim defense, Marlo Bourland defense; La Bella's Pool Service Key Players: Jacqueline Wood good all around, Cassandra Balducci hitting, Monica Martinez 6 Ks IB – Micro Rer: Avial Industries Key

Wood good all around, Cassandra Balducci hitting, Monica Martinez 6 Ks UB – Micro Ree: Axial Industries Key Players: Nicole Riordan defense, Sadie Grozier single, Sophia Herzfeldt fielding; J.P. Build-ers Key Players: Allie Mercer RBI, Karlee Schweitzer fielding, Kate Haskell base run-ning; RE/Max Accord/John Rocha Key Play-ers: Sophia Molina hitting, Meghan Pickett 3 hits defense, Ashley Nielson 3 hits; DAW Inc. Key Players: Jessica Schmidt hitting, Bella Mora pitching, Amanda Harding pitch-ing

U6-T-Ball: California Car Sounds Key Players: Casey Carros hitting, Hannah Gossett defense, Haley Schmidt hitting. Pleasanton

#### Livermore Smoke

Livermore Smoke Girls Softball results from last week: Middle School Black Division: AMS.Net, Inc. The MOB 12, Santa Rita Chevron Black Attack 6. Black Attack led the whole way until Auda to Diaka Auda K Head He whole way unin the last inning when The Mob took advantage of some breaks in a comeback victory. Leslie Carlson led the way with a double and a single, while Korting Botelho and Tabitha Heing added

while Korrina Botelho and Tabitha Heinzadded a pair of singles each. Carlson and Botelho pitched outstanding in defeat. Brent Bowen Photography Purple Mafia 8. All Star Sports Sneaky Cleats 2. The Mafia's Katie Drashner a hit with two runs scored. Sarah Smith also had a hit with an RBI, and strong pitching by Jordan Hansen helped the Purple Mafia beat the Sneaky Cleats. AMS.Net, Inc. The MOB 6. All Star Sports Sneaky Cleats 0. Santa Rita Chevron Black Attack 3. Brent Bowen Photography Purple Mafia on top until the bottom of the sixth inning when The Black Attack's Alexes Meyer steened into the box and with a full count inning when The Black Attack's Alexes Meyer stepped into the box and with a full count roped a double into left center to score two and win the game. Marina Van Vliet and Korrina Botelho pitched outstanding. Despite a great three-for-three performance by the Purple Mafia's Taylor Morton, an RBI single by Kayla Block, and great pitching by Jolene Long, the Black Attack came from behind for the victory. **Middle School Red Division:** Olson Con-struction Gold Rush 14, RE/Max Cindy Greci Vipers 10. For the Vipers, Lacie Crawford hit a single, had a RBI, stole all three bases in scor-ing the tving run in the bottom of the first, and

single, had a rob, stole an unce bases in scor-ing the typing run in the bottom of the first, and forced in arun with a hit batter, Megan Gilmore hit a single, walk, and stole six bases scoring two runs, and Rachel Garza walked, caught an infield fly, and rushing the ball in to keep Gold Rush from scoring

Nuclear the second seco highlights include Jackie Maruskin with a double, Paige Darrow with two RBL, and Amanda Bray with two hits. Both teams played strong to keep the game close throughout. Standouts for the Demolition include a double from Allyson Clark, a steal to home for a score by Marla Hayley, and three solid innings of pitch-ing by Rachel Tabaracci, giving up only two hits.

Interstate Concrete Pumping Blue Ice 12,

contributed a scoring run and pucneu a suong inning. The Oaks Group, Smith Barney Royal Dames 5, The Crawford Family Thrillerz 3. In the third inning for the Royal Dames, Sierra Hoggatt struck three girls out, Brianna Payne hustled in for a run, and Mary Ellam arrived just in time to replace Payne, who was injured in the play at home plate. For the Thrillerz, Taylor Robles, Shannon McGowan, and Samantha Whalen each had RBI singles. William Thompson Pink Panthers 8, Groth Brothers Hurricanes 7. Top players for the Hur-ricanes were Taylor Cole with a hit and three stolen base, and Skylar Kriz with a hit, a RBI and three strikeouts in her inning pitched.

stolen base, and Skylar Kriz with a nit, a RBI and three strikeouts in her inning pitched. Groth Brothers Hurricanes 11, Diablo Den-tal Services Warriors 11. Top players for the Hurricanes were Sabrina Downey with a hit and two stolen bases, Selena Sanchez with three stolen bases and was on base all three times at-bat, and Danielle Lewis with two hits and a stolen base

two stolen bases, Selena Sanchez with three stolen bases and was on base all three times at-bat, and Danielle Lewis with two hits and a stolen base. The Oaks Group, Smith Barney Royal Dames 6, Hertz Rental Equipment Lightning 4. For the Royal Dames, Julie Maruskin fielded a grounder and threw it solid to first for an out, Cheyenne Higgins fielded a grounder and tagged an out at third, and Danielle Dufek fielded a grounder threw to first for the last out of the game. Close to the very last out with bases loaded, but the Lightning girls played great and had fun. Kirah Van Trease once again played a great game at catcher and had three stolen bases, while Haley Segundo played some awesome defense, and Haley Houts had two singles and two stolen bases. **8 Under:** Livermore Valley Cellars Chee-tahs vs. AP Concrete L'11 Yanks (score unavail-able). For the Cheetahs, Abby Patterson had strong presence at the plate, and Shruthi Sukir and Natalie Waters each pitched two strikeouts. Brian J. Emrich, DDS Kool Katz 3, John J. Sullivan Toyota L'11 MVPs 3. The KoolKatz proved once again that their fielding is out-standing, led by Kamryn Farro, Alyssa Rosa, and Margaret Sneed. The L'11 MVPs played a great game against the KoolKatz. The standout players for the L'11 MVPs were Danielle Kolling and Kennedy George for hitting, and Victoria Little for her pitching. KKIQ Pink Pamthers vs. White Lightning (score unavailable). The Pink Panthers were led by solid pitching by Elise Williams, and great offense from Angelina Medeiros and Mia Niklewicz each with two hits and an RBI. For the White Lightning vs. Denise Rupert Wild-cats. For the White Lightning Jerny Connolly pitched very well, August Yocher made a great out on second base, and Madisson Taylor played great defense. Dave Curtis Diamond Diggers 6, AP Con-cret L'11 Yanks 6. For the Diamond Diggers 6, AP Con-cret L'11 Yanks 6. For the Diamond Diggers 6. AP Con-cret L'11 Yanks 6. For the Diamond Diggers 7.

played great defense. Dave Curtis Diamond Diggers 6, AP Con-crete L'il Yanks 6. For the Diamond Diggers, Sierra Stone pitched a great game, while Olivia Curtis and Jennifer Gibson made several nice Folding relay.



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### **Gymfinity Gymnastics**

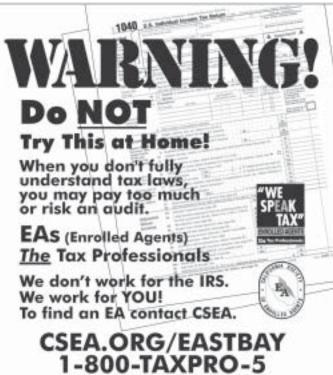
Kimmie Lisiak of Gymfinity Gymnas-tics competed in the Level 9 Norcal State Championships held this past weekend in Oroville. Kimmie, competing in the Senior B age group, placed 5th on bars with an 8.775, 8th on beam with an 8.7 and 9th on floor with a 9.05 on her way to finishing in 8th place in the all-around with a 35.05. Kimmie scored well enough to qualify for Regional Cham-pionships which will be held in Orem, Utah April 20th to 22nd.

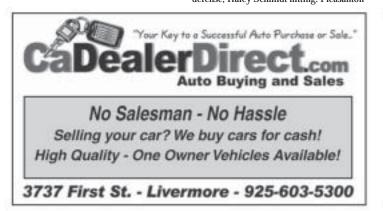
#### Football/Cheer

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

and responsibility, accountantly, and teammate. All coaches are CPR and First Aid certified as well as NYSCA certified. They are required to attend coaching clinics each year to strengthen their knowledge of the game. Football and cheer squads have been very

Football and cherer squads have been very successful in the highly competitive Diablo Valley Youth Football Conference (DVYFC). The league consists of 16 "city" teams that attract the best football players and cheerlead-ers in the Alameda and Contra Costa Coun-ties. In the past 5 years LYF&C has sent at least 2 teams to the playoffs each year, with one team reaching the championship 4 con-secutive years. The cheer squads consistently place in regional as well as national cheer competitions. There are 5 levels to tryout for with ages 7 to 14 (football) 5 to 14 (cheerleading). Registration will be held April 12th 6-8 p.m. and April 22nd from 1-3 pm at Round Table Pizza 1024 East Stanley Blvd. "Accept the challenge" and come play for LYF&C. web-site www.eteamz.com/ lyfc or call 925-454-1421(evenings).





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Randy Watson, Julie Blaze, Dara Stepanek, Katrina Kalantar, and Garrett Clark (from left) get ready to perform at Carnegie Hall.

## Granada High School Students Perform at Carnegie Hall

#### **By Patricia Koning**

Last week, four Ğranada High School students and one music teacher had the opportunity of a lifetime—playing a concert at Carnegie Ĥall.

"It was an awesome experience," said Randy Watson, Livermore School District Music Coordinator. "This was a first for me too. Carnegie Hall is an incredible place.

Joining Watson on the revered stage were students Julie Blaze, Garrett Clark, Katrina Kalantar, and Dara Stepanek. They played with the 110-member Delta Winds ensemble band for the New York Wind Band Festival.

The Delta Winds is based out of Delta College in San Joaquin County. It is comprised of musicians from the college as well as members from community bands in Stockton, Brentwood, and Lodi. Last fall, the band auditioned high school students and selected 25 to join them for the Carnegie performance.

The New York Wind Band Festival, now in its fifth year, is produced by World Projects International Music Productions. The express purpose of the festi-

val is "to provide young musicians with an experience that offers the opportunity for musical growth and rewarding performance events while they create memories that will last a lifetime.'

The Delta Winds was one of two showcase bands that performed on the evening of March 28—the last day of the festival. They were the first junior college/community band to be invited to the New York Wind Band Festival.

An additional six bands performed earlier in the festival. All the performances were held in the Isaac Stern Auditorium/ Ronald O. Perelman Stage, the largest hall in Carnegie Hall.

The Delta Winds played for over an hour that evening. The repertoire included fast songs, such as "El Camino Real" and "Scootin' on Hard Rock" along with slower songs such as "An American Elegy.

The concert also marked a first for Delta College band director Art Holden III. While he played Carnegie Hall 25 years ago, this was his first time as a conductor.

"This was a once in a lifetime shot," he says.

Robert Gross, the director of the Lodi Community Band, and Bruce Stuart, director of the Brentwood Community Band, also each conducted one piece.

The Delta Winds performed in front of the largest audience ever for the New York Wind Band Festival, according to Holden. About 1,400 people were in the audience that night.

We received a standing ovation. It was very exciting," says Katrina Kalantar. "I was nervous when we first arrived in New York. But it was such a great atmosphere, it became really fun."

Kalantar, who is a freshman at Granada, played clarinet in the band as well as junior Dara Stepanek. Julie Blaze, also a freshman, played flute. Junior Garret Clark played trumpet, which is also Watson's instrument.

"Conducting at Carnegie affected me more than I expected," says Holden. "Just being in the same dressing room where Bernstein and other legends once were—it's pretty cool."

### Review Two Consummate Artists Are Heard

American accent, until she

spelled out a name for me and

said "Zed, zed," (Zz) when I asked her afterwards who had

made her cello. It is a fairly mod-

ern Italian cello, created in 1901,

by Antoniazzi of the Cremona

about the Chopin's Cello Sonata, his last major work. His *Allegro moderato* begins with a long pi-ano solo that is almost cadenza

like in its complexity. Then the

mood shifts with the cellist's entrance. Both parts are very demanding, and the pianist never overpowers the cellist. In a so-

nata recital there are two equal

parts and Ms. Djokic and Mr.

Jalbert merge their two talents

with great sensitivity. Neither overshadows the other. The *Scherzo* had soulful melodies in

the cello skillfully supported by the piano followed by lightning quick passages for both players. The *Largo* featured rich tonali-

ties. Beautiful melodies one as-

sociates with Chopin and the ro-

mantic era are heard. When the

cello is low in pitch, the pianist

had an effective running passage

up high on the keyboard for con-

trast. In the Finale, her bow

danced over the strings. One

player would toss off the motif

seemingly without effort and the

other musician would pick it up

and elaborate on it. Here again,

two equal voices were raised.

Her double stops were perfectly

in tune and there was good into-nation throughout. The pianist was sensitive to her every nu-

ance. Chopin lived for only 39

years, yet left the world much

richer for his magnificent works for the piano and with this gem

This duo of young, gifted musicians have also given the listening world a rich gift, a fine musical offering. Even the many

youngsters in the audience

seemed awed by this talented pair

and sat silent and enthralled

throughout the evening. After several curtain calls the

Rachmaninoff's Vocalise, featur-

ing a haunting melody intro-duced by the cellist and echoed in the piano. Ms. Djokic played

this composition from memory

and seemed to almost stroke her

instrument. The Vocalise

evolves into an almost dreamlike

state ending in a high, ethereal

And thus ended the concert,

Sergei

played

for cello and piano.

duo

harmonic.

on a high note.

They were both enthusiastic

school.

#### By Nancy O'Connell

Beautiful sonorities from Denise Djokic, cellist, and David Jalbert, pianist, filled the First Presbyterian Church in Livermore on Saturday evening in the fourth Del Valle concert of the season. The performers were young, yet played with a maturity of style. They didn't have to resort to high jinx and gyrations to hold the audience's interest. There was no sword play with bows or the bobbing up and down that some of the earlier artists this year have indulged in to hold onto their listeners. With these two consummate artists, they let the music shine forth.

Composed in the 1740's, the first work on the program was Johann S. Bach's <u>Viola da Gamba</u> <u>Sonata #2 in D.</u> That instrument is very different from the modern cello. It had six strings instead of four and was tuned in fourths with a third stuck in the middle, (DGcead) rather than fifths. The hair on the bow was loose and controlled by the gambist's right fingers, and no vibrato was used. That means that a piece calling for a rapid notes and frequent string crossing is much more dif-ficult on the cello than it was on the viola da gamba. Denise Djokic managed the transition without apparent problems in her interpretation.

The *Adagio* began quietly with a beautiful melody in the cello, which the pianist answered with a melody of his own. The cellist wore a stunning green gown. Very slender, she exhibited great strength in her fingers and in her bow control. The Allegro was much livelier and contrapuntal, as is so much of Bach's music. The two parts were of equal importance and her bowing technique enabled her to play with subtle changes in her tone colors. The Andante had a rich melodic line in the cello, and again her bowing showed a flu-idity and grace. Her control near the tip of her bow was amazing, and the pianist never overpowered her voice. The Allegro placed great demands on both musicians. She had several passages high in the thumb positions, and his fingers flew over the keyboard.

In Robert Schumann's Adagio and Allegro, Opus 70, again Ms. Djokic had to interpret a work on her cello which was originally for another instrument. Written for the new valve horn in Schumann's time, it called for long, sustained notes in the cello part. The melodies were lyrical

and song like. Composed in 1849, a good hundred years after the Bach just heard, the era of Scotia, seemed to speak with an Romanticism appeals to the sub-jective, dreamlike qualities found in music. Some of the structural rules of classicism are abandoned here, but every phrase appeals to the emotions. Even in his directions to the play-Even in his directions to the play-ers, this is evident. Adagio, Langsam, mit innigem Ausdruck means quite literally, "Slow, with inner expression." And in the Al-legro which follows, the full tempo markings read: Allegro, rasch und feurig - Etwas ruhigert- which means "Quick and fiery - somewhat slower" and fiery - somewhat slower.' And fiery it was! The music was very difficult for both performers, yet they made it look effortless. Rapid runs skittered over the keyboard, but David Jalbert played with great mastery. Ca-sually clad all in black, his shirt over his slacks and without a tie, he looked completely at ease as his fingers raced over the keys.

Claude Debussy's Sonata for Cello and Piano followed. Composed in 1915, just three years before his death, this is one of Debussy's major works. He is playing with images here, creating colors. Programmatic, it tells the story of the clown, Pierrot, in love with the moon. In the Prologue, Lent, the pianist introduces the motif and the cellist answers with a difficult passage in tenor clef which crosses over all four strings. Later, when the pianist is playing quiet chords, the cellist is dancing above playfully, then both have technically demanding parts. A haunting cello melody was echoed in the piano score. This may be programmatic, but it is also 20th century music which leads directly to the music of Schoenberg. The first movement ends on a high note, with the cellist up on her fingerboard on an A harmonic.

The second movement, the Scherzo, will be remembered for the pizzicato in the cello part. It's as though fragmented thoughts are tossed back and forth between the two performers as Debussy experiments with many different effects. The Finale follows without a pause and is marked Anime, *Leger et Nerveux* (Animated, light and nervous). He creates a lot of tension here by utilizing 17 tempo changes and several climaxes.

After the intermission, both musicians spoke briefly about the final work. Mr. Jalbert had a charming French Canadian ac-cent, and Ms. Djokic, from Nova

Botanical Artist Featured at LAA/PAL Meeting

Livermore Art Association at Filoli Estates in Woodside, and Pleasanton Art League will CA. Watters also documents the meet April 16. The program will plants growing in Filoli's garotanical artist Catherine feature

this country and in France. Watters serves on the Board of Directors of the American Soci-

## Jazzy Blues to Fill Amador Theater Stage

Rod Piazza and The Mighty Flyers performs in the season finale of the City of Pleasanton Civic Arts Presents 2006-2007 season.

The group performs Fri., April 13 at 8 p.m. Their jazzy blues music combines Chicago grit,

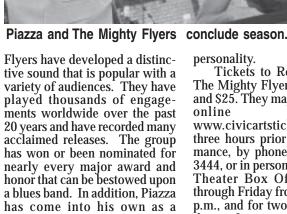


West Coast Swing and the rhythms of early R&B and rock and roll. The performance will take place at the Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton.

Piazza's infatuation with blues began in the late 1950s, a time when many of the masters were still in their prime years. He was in the middle of the blues resurgence in the mid-1960s when he and The Dirty Blues Band made their first recording.

During the following decade, Piazza released five albums and became one of the leaders of the West Coast Blues scene. In the early 1970's, he joined forces with Honey Alexander on piano. She later became his wife. Piazza's career as a blues artist reached maturity when he and Honey formed The Mighty Flyers in the early 1980s.

By artistic blending of blues styles, Piazza and The Mighty



songwriter and his vocals are appreciated for their warmth and personality.

Tickets to Rod Piazza and The Mighty Flyers are \$15, \$20 and \$25. They may be purchased online at www.civicartstickets.org up to three hours prior to the perfor-mance, by phone at (925) 931-3444, or in person at the Amador Theater Box Office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and for two hours prior to the performance. Group discounts are available.

## Children's Art Show at Library Features **Pixar Studio Animation Artist**

Fusion Pleasanton presents a Pleasanton Children's Art Show with Sanjay Patel on Sat., April 7 at noon.

Patel is a Pixar Studio Animation artist and author of The Little Book of Hindu Deities.

The Pixar animation artist, who created the character Lightning McQueen in the movie Cars, helps to better understand the Hindu religion through his Little Book of Hindu Deities. Patel will draw for children, talk about working at Pixar and present his book at the Library, April 7, at

12noon. A screening of the film Cars, will follow the artist's demonstration.

Art by Pleasanton schoolchildren will be on display.

There is no charge for this program sponsored by the East Bay Marathi Mandal and the Pleasanton Public Library.

It is funded by a California State Library Grant through the California Cultural Crossroads Program and the Friends of the Pleasanton Public Library

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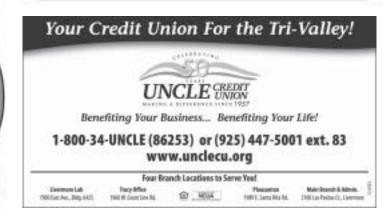
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Watters.

The meeting will be held at Almond Avenue School, 1401 Almond Avenue, Livermore, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Catherine Watters of Orinda is the guest artist. She is a botanical artist who teaches botanical art to small groups in private homes as well as to larger groups

### Fairytale Adventure Coming to Library

Join Sir John Gallant and his band of good knights on A Fairy Tale Adventure as they journey through the woods.

This free adventure will be offered in the storytime/craft room at the Livermore Civic Center Library on Wed., April 11 at 10:30 a.m.

A Fairy Tale Adventure is presented by Creating Learning through Arts Program (CLAP), a nonprofit organization specializing in educational and entertaining performing arts programs for children of all ages.

The library is located at 1188 So. Livermore Avenue. For additional information, call 373-5504.

dens for their florilegium (anthology of floral illustrations).

Her love of art and flowers began in Paris, where she was born. As a botanical artist, Catherine paints in watercolor on paper and vellum. She exhibits her work in several international juried shows each year. Her illustrations appear in 5 books in

Call for

details.

ety of Botanical Arts. In addition, she leads garden tours in the Normandy region of France in the summer and lectures regularly on French gardens and botanical

The public is invited to attend the meeting. There is no admission charge.

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Cast members include (from left to right) Marcia Hetzler, Lillian Askew, William Giammona, Marcia Hetzler, Mark Enea. Photo - Patrick Tracy.

## **Role Players Ensemble** Staging Sondheim Review

Danville Role Players Ensemble Theatre's new production of Stephen Sondheim's review "Putting It Together" runs Thursdays through Sundays, April 20 to May 12.

Sondheim is famously ad-dicted to anagrams and "Putting It Together" is a form of theatrical anagram - taking well-known songs from multiple Sondheim productions and creating a new and original theatrical event. A "review" is Sondheim's own term for this piece, rather than the more traditional "revue." The production, directed by multiple Shellie award winning director of musical theatre, Kathryn G. McCarty with musical direction by Joan Ciferelli runs Thursdays through Sundays at 8pm (Sunday matinees at 2pm) from April 20 to May 12 at the Village Theatre, 233 Front St. in Danville.

Tickets are \$18 \$24 or \$15 for groups of 10. They can be purchased at the Danville Community Center, 420 Front St. Danville, on-line at www.villagetheatreshows.com, or by telephone from (925) 314-3400 or 314-3463.

## World Premiere of Work Composed for Pleasanton Chamber Players Highlights Program

"Memories of Music," the next concert of the Pleasanton Chamber Players, is slated for April 29 at 3 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Pleasanton.

An evocative musical program has been built around the premiere of "...softly through the night...memories of music...", a work specially composed for the group by Fremont composer Helena Michelson through a grant from the American Composers Forum. It is inspired by the dream world of the Romantics, illuminating the uniquely resonant and warm sound of the harp as it blends with flute, cello and various percussion instruments such as drums, cymbals and vibraphone. Conductor Lois Musmann

will direct the commissioned piece. The composer, who hails from Latvia originally, will present a short pre-concert talk at 2:30, before the concert begins.

The other pieces on the program also celebrate romantic thought and sensibility, even though they belong to the 18th and 20<sup>th</sup> century. The lyrical Clarinet Quintet in A Major K. 581 is one of Mozart's most beloved masterpieces. Legend by Alfred Holy and Féerie by Tournier both feature the harp in enchanting late romantic fairy garb, the first a poetic meditation, the second a fiery dance. Cantilena and Scherzo, with its haunting string melodies, will be performed as a tribute and fare-



**Composer Helena Michelson** 

well to its famous American composer, Gian Carlo Menotti, who just passed away at the beginning of the year. Last but not least, Lullaby and Doina by Osvaldo Golijov brings to life the colorful world of Eastern European Gypsy and Klezmer music.

Instrumentalists performing are Joseph Bonfiglio, clarinet, Cecilia Huang and Patricia Drury, violin, Anne Martin, viola, Elizabeth Struble and Gay Hagen Dunn. cello, Mark Drury, double bass, Karen Stasko Veca, flute, Dominique Piana, harp and Scott Welsh, percussion.

Admission is \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door and free for children 18 and under. Tickets can be purchased at Towne Center Books and Ingram & Braun in Pleasanton, and at Fine Fretted Friends in Livermore. The church is located at the corner of Hopyard and Del Valle.

For further information, please call (925) 600-1331 or e-mail to dominiquepiana@comcast.net.

## Chamber Symphony Will Premiere Feinsmith's 'Anointed'

will perform a concert on Thurs., April 26 in Pleasanton.

Theme is "Landscapes." Lawrence Kohl conducts. The program will include works by Kodaly, Mendelssohn and

Pacific Chamber Symphony Daniel David Feinsmith's world premiere "Anointed."

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. It will be held at Our Savior Lutheran Ministries, 1385 Livermore Ave., Livermore.

Tickets are adult \$15 & \$25

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phony is a mid-sized orchestra that melds the full sonic range of a large symphony and the transparent textures of a small ensemble in illuminating performances

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Farallon Recorder Quartet, performs Sat., April 21 at Las Postias College, Building 2000, 3033 Collier Canyon Rd., Livermore. Pre-concert talk 7:30 p.m., concert at 8 p.m. Letitia Berlin, Frances Blaker, Louise Carslake, Cléa Galhano. Hauntingly austere works from the Middle Ages share the stage with the rich harmonies and sparkling rhythms of the Renaissance and the graceful counterpoint of the Ba-roque Works by Bach, Frescobaldi, Blaker, Isaac, Lacerda, Leenhouts and others. Tickets available at the door students \$5.00, general admission \$15.00. Venue is wheelchair accessible. For tickets and informa-tion Marilyn Marquis 925.424.1209 www.lpcearlymusic.org.

www.ipccurightsorg. Auditions, Valley Concert Chorale will hold auditions by appointment for the 2007-2008 season on Monday, May 21 in Livermore. The Cho-rale is looking for experienced sing-ers who enjoy performing a wide range of music from classical to con-temporary and from folk to jazz. If you have sight reading skills and enjoy singing exciting and challeng-ing music, call 925-462-4205 to schedule an appointment. Next season's highlight for Valley Con-cert Chorale will be the performance of Carmina Burana at the new Liver-mere Valley Performing Arts Contor more Valley Performing Arts Center in March 2008. For more informa-

Killer Laughs Comedy Competition, Tommy T's Comedy and Steakhouse, 5104 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton; info 227-1800. Each show will feature a special guest comedian after the competition Procomedian after the competition. Pre-sented by Laugh-A-Lot Productions Presents. Finals: April 3 featuring nine comics. All shows start 8 p.m.; doors open 6 p.m. \$7 cover plus two item minimum. For More Information Call (925) 264-4413 or e-mail john@laughalotproductions.com. 2007 Livermore Lives! Teen Art Expo Teen Expo Artwork will be on dis-play from April 2-29 in the Civic Center art gallery during regular library hours. For more information, visit the library's website at www.livermore.lib.ca.us or contact Mary Sue Nocar at 373-5500 ext. 5583. City of Angels, Las Positas College nuy of Angels, Las Positas Conege musical, March 22-April 6 on cam-pus, 3033 Collier Canyon Rd., Liv-ermore. Play won 1990 Tony Awards for Best Musical, Best Music and Lyrics, and Best Book. For further information call the Performing Arts Events Line of 025 424 1100 Events Line at 925-424-1100. **Carolyn Lord** is offering a Plein Air watercolor floral workshop in the gardens at Alden Lane Nursery in Livermore April 14 and 15, spon-sored by PAL. The workshop fee is \$150. Šend check made out to Pleas-anton Art League (PAL) c/o Linda Beach, 5833 Ida Ct., Livermore, CA 94550 or call (925) 449-4226 for availability.
 Linda Smith will be teaching a 6-week painting class through the Livermore Adult Education program on Mon-days April 16-May 21 at 9:30 a.m. The class is desired for artists with The class is designed for artists wish-ing to learn how to take an idea for a painting (the inspiration) through the planning process - sketching, value and color mapping through to the finished painting. Students will choose their own medium. For more information contact Livermore Adult Education: (925) 606-4722. **Carol Maddox** will be teaching her 7th workshop at La Romita School of Art

September 3, 2007. Participants will visit small Italian hill towns. Carol is a Signature member of the National Watercolor Society. For more information about this opportunity con-tact Carol at (925) 462-8866 or email: cmad4paint@pacbell.net.

cmad4paint@pacbell.net. Contra Costa Ballet's 20th Anniver-sary Gala, Friday, May 11, 2007 at 7:30 pm Dean Lesher Regional Cen-ter for the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek. \$30; \$25 for students and seniors at DLRCA Box Office, Or 040 7400 1401 Civic Dr. 925-943-7469; 1601 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek. Retrospective of rep-ertoire highlights featuring solos, pas de deux, excerpts from classical and contemporary ballets, and a surprise or two by Contra Costa Ballet Alumni. Easter Brunch, Garré Winery Brunch With The Easter Bunny features all you can eat buffet brunch. The Easter Bunny will visit the little ones at their

tables and bring goodies from his family back at the Bunny Patch. He will be available during and immediately after brunch for pictures. Space is limited; one seating only at 11am. Easter Sunday, April 8. \$34,95 per person, children 12 & under are \$17.50, under 3 are free. Reservations are required. Garré Winery at the Martinelli Event Center, 3585 Greenville Road, Livermore. 925-71-8200. www.garrewinery.com **3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt**, Tesla Vintners, Livermore, Saturday April 7th at 1 p.m. Open to children age 12 or younger. There will be a separate hunt for the younger ones and one for the older kids. There will be arts and crefts and live music from

and crafts and live music from theSinging Winemaker between each hunt. Find the "Special Egg" and win a prize. Taste wines from Fenestra, Hidden Creek, Red Skye and The

Singing Winemaker. To help us plan, RSVP at 925-606-WINE(9463). Contra Costa Wind Symphony, Paraguayan Harp and Violin virtuoso Carlos Reyes joins Maestro Duane Carroll and the Contra Costa Wind Symphony in a concert featuring the enchanting and exciting music of South America from the samba and tango to a musical tour of Machu Picchu. Selections include "Bachianas Brasileiras No. 4" by Heitor Villa-Lobos, "Braseijo," by Edmundo Villani-Cortes, "Brazil" by Ary Barroso and "Tico Tico" by Zequinha de Abreu. 8 p.m. April 15, Lesher Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek. \$18 general admis-sion, \$15 seniors, \$12 students,on sion, \$15 seniors, \$12 students,on sale at the ticket office (925) 943-7469 (www.dlrca.org). More information: (925) 944-5392, www.CCWindSymphony.org.
Oliver Ranch Sculpture Park, tour Sat., May 5, private collection of Steven and Nancy Oliver at their home in Geyserville. Benefit for Bedford Callery exhibitions and pro-Bedford Gallery exhibitions and programs. \$100 per person includes transportation, tour and picnic. Reservations deadline, April 12. Departure 8 a.m. Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek; return 4 p.m. For information, call 295-1418. Works by Cynthia Lait, on exhibit at Stanford Art Spaces, Palo Alto, Feb. 16-April 19; and 201 California Street, San Francisco through April Vallejo Music Theatre, Auditions for Rodgers & Hammerstein's "The Sound of Music." Director: Harry Diavatis, Musical Director, Lana Poklad. Fetterly Playhouse for the Arts, 3467 Sonoma Blvd., Suite 10, Vallejo, corner of Redwood & Sonoma Boulevard, behind Seafood City. Show calls for 7 men, 1 women,

6 children (5-13) and women's ensemble. Prepare a Broadway show tune; bring sheet music; accompanist provided; cold read; dance. No appointment necessary. Auditions: April 13, 7pm to 10 pm, April 14, 1 pm to 5 pm, callbacks April 16 at 7 pm. Rehearsals begin April 24. Per-formances weekends June 29-July

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Enter Laughing, by Joseph Stein. Presented by Act Now! April 6-28, Dean Lesher Regional Center for the Arts1601 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek. Adapted from the book by Carl Poince it is the rictows account of a Reiner, it is the riotous account of a stage struck youth who works as a delivery boy in answering machine factory. His parents want him to be a druggist, but as soon as he's saved enough money, he enlists in a hammy, comi professional company that will semi-professional company that will put anybody in any play for the right amount of money. He is a dreadful Seniors \$23. 17 and under \$12.50. **30th Gala Spring Art Show**, Opens March 31: The Alamo-Danville Artists' Society is featuring the 2-D works of local artists in this 30th annual show. A portion of sales go

annual show. A portion of sales go toward grants for art teachers in the San Ramon Valley School District. All work is juried-in and available for sale. Exhibit is free and open to the public through April 20th at the Danville Fine Arts Gallery (upstairs from the Village Theater at 233 Front Street). Weekly hours are Tue-Sat 12-5pm. 925-838-1959 or 510-245-7543. (www.adas4art.org).

7543. (www.adas4art.org). **Miniature Oil Painting Workshops** with Instructor Barbara Stanton, April 28th & 29th, 2007: 10:00AM-4:30PM. Where: Bothwell Art Cen-ter- 2466 8th St. Livermore. \$65.00

intermediate students. Students will be painting "Cat Napping" and " "Deer Under the Oak" Limited space. Spring Wildflower Festival, Sunol Regional Park Visitor Center, Sunol 11am-4pm, Saturday, April 7. Learn all about wildflowers on interpre-tive lobilos Variety of bikes from tive-led hikes. Variety of hikes from kid-friendly, to ethnobotany to longer hike to Little Yosemite Waterfall. Also, slideshows, presentations, lots to do for kids with arts and crafts, games, face painting and more. Con-tact, 925-862-2601 for more infor-

 History Talk, Wed., April 18, 7 p.m.
 Livermore Library, 1188 So. Livermore Ave. "Remember When . . . . " Bud Lima will share memories of growing up in Livermore in the 1930s. His father owned the State Theater in Livermore and the Roxy in Pleasanton. Presented by Livermore Heri-tage Guild. Information, 449-9927.



Artist Work at Alexander's

Recent works by Stephen Sanfilippo with the theme "vineyards, hills and pathways" will be featured at Alexander's Main Street Gallery in Pleasanton April 7-30.

Sanfilippo was born in San Jose, California in 1964. Coming from a family of talented Italian artists, he showed artistic promise at a young age and has pursued drawing and painting for over 25 years. After graduating from San Jose State University, with a degree in

Graphic Design, he spent 15 years in advertising as a successful Art Director. This career in commercial art often relegated his studio painting to a "hobby." Inheriting his grandmother's art supplies in 1999, Stephen began venturing outdoors to paint. This sparked his transition from occasional artist to dedicated oil painter in 2004. Stephen is consistently invited to display his work in juried exhibitions throughout the U.S. He plans to conduct more demon-

strations and workshops in 2006.

There will be an opening reception on Sat., April 7, 4pm-7pm. There is no admission charge. The public is invited to attend. Alexander's Main Street Gallery is located at 610 Main Street, Pleas-anton. For information call 925-846-6015 or go to www.alexandersmainstgallery.com.

### Trio Celebrates Jazz Appreciation

The Tom Hoffman Trio will celebrate National Jazz Appreciation Month this Friday, April 6 at 7 pm in the West End Auditorium located in the Bothwell Arts Center.

The Trio is comprised of award-winning composer/guitarist Tom Hoffmann, pianist Chris Norden a graduate from the Berklee School of Music in Maine, and bassist Ewan MacDonald. The trio all have deep roots in the Brubeck Institute and the Thelonious Monk Institute.

Hoffmann taught jazz composition at UOP Stockton, and is the author of A Composer's View: a Guide to Jazz and Contemporary Composition and Arranging. Norden has recorded sound tracks and played as a studio musician for major stations, and MacDonald is currently studying under bay area jazz bassist Glenn Richman. A sampling of Hoffmann's recordings can be heard on his website at www.themusicoftomhoffmann.com. The Bothwell's West End Stage opened in late January, offering small-venue intimacy with professional stage lighting, draping and staging. The Bothwell Arts Center is a project of the Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$15 general and \$10 for seniors and students. To reserve will-call tickets, contact lryan@livermoreperformingarts.org or call 925-447-2787. The Bothwell Arts Center is located at 8th and H Streets in Livermore

### **Sneak Preview of California** Independent Film Festival Set

Several filmmakers will offer a "sneak preview" of films to be featured at this year's California Independent Film Festival, April 14 to 22.

The festival showcases independent films from around the world at various venues in Livermore wine country.

Tim Neeley, festival director, will host the sneak preview on Wed., April 11 at the library. The screening begins at 7 p.m.

Films to be shown include the animated short "Bibi," about an adventurous little girl full of ideas; and "The Little Gorilla," the story of a boy who is afraid to climb the playground jungle gym and must unleash his inner Kong to find the courage to conquer. A selection of trailers will also be shown.

This free event will be at the Civic Center Library, 1188 So. Livermore Avenue. The Friends of the Livermore Library have underwritten this program as part of the Friends Authors and Arts Series.

For additional events in the series, go to www.livermore.lib.ca.us. For more information, contact Joyce Nevins at 373-5500, ext. 5577.

### Moreality Performs at Campo di Bocce

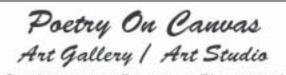
Local band Moreality will play at Livermore's Campo di Bocce this Saturday, April 7th. It will be their first performance at this new venue for live music.

Campo di Bocce of Livermore is located at 175 E. Vineyard Ave, at the corner of Isabel and Vineyard Ave.

Moreality will be performing their original material as well as classic rock covers from the Beatles, Stones, Pink Floyd, Santana, and more. They will be playing from 9pm-1am. Their debut CD "OPEN" will be available for purchase at the venue, and is available at www.cdbaby.com/moreality.

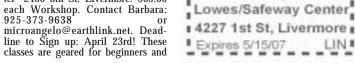
In addition to indoor and outdoor Bocce Ball courts, Campo di Bocce has an excellent restaurant serving Italian cuisine, and a full bar that includes imported and local Livermore wines.

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### OBITUARIES

### Anita Ann Moore

Anita Ann Moore went home to her Lord March 8, 2007.

Anita was born March 14, 1958 in Fond-du-lac, WI to Gilbert and Lois Weigelt. She married Richard Moore and settled in Livermore. Anita was very active in her church, Crosswinds, in Dublin. She was an avid outdoors person who loved camping and fishing. She was a rider with the Black Sheep motorcycle ministry and the Livermore Hog Chapter. Another activity close to her heart was her work with the Yorkshire Terrier Rescue. She was "mommy" to Pebbles, Bonnie and Joeben who miss her every day.

Anita is survived by her loving husband Richard, her parents Gilbert and Lois Weigelt of Fonddu-lac, WI; sisters Suzanne Dammen of Beloit, WI and Nancy Becker of Fond-du-lac, WI; two nieces and three nephews. She was a loving wife, daughter, sister, aunt and friend. She will be missed by all who knew her.

A celebration of her life will be held April 7, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at her home, 5211 East Avenue, Livermore. Her family has requested donations be made, in her name, to the American Cancer Society or Yorkshire Terrier Rescue

"Yorkshireterrierrescue.net." Arrangements by A Special Touch Funeral and Cremation

#### **Margret Parson**

Margret Parson passed away peacefully in her sleep on March 23, 2007.

Margret was known for her beautiful personality. She was a wonderful, loving wife, mother and sister and grandmother. She always carried herself with grace and dignity. Margret led a life of service to her family, church and faith and the community in which she lived. Up until the last few years of her life (battling Alzheimers), she lived alone with grace, dignity and an inner strength. Even in her last suffering days in the hospital, she was still a kind, loving person, willing to please.

Services were held March 31 in Livermore.

Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

#### Gregory Allen Thomas

Gregory Allen Thomas died March 27, 2007. He was 49.

He was born September 3, 1957 and lived with his parents Wendell and Lois and older brother Dave in Gallipolis, Ohio, until he left for Boston to attend MIT. He graduated with a masters in mechanical engineering. He married Susan Godwin in 1980 and they moved to Livermore where he began working at Sandia National Laboratories. His current position was Deputy Director. He was an amazing hus-

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FILE NO. 393503

Edwin

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band to Susan, extraordinary father to Jonathan and Andrea, and friend to many. He will be incredibly missed.

Greg enjoyed boating, snow skiing, reading, running, recreational travel and being with his family and friends. Greg's faith was evident in everything he did. He was an example of godliness and integrity to all whose lives he touched. A gifted leader at both Sandia and Cedar Grove Community Church, he always demonstrated wisdom and compassion.

A memorial celebration of Greg's life was held March 31 at Cedar Grove Community Church in Livermore.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cedar Grove Community Church, 2021 College Ave., Livermore, CA 94551.

Arrangements by Callaghan Mortuary.

Leslie R. Karlstrom-Krebs

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#### Thaddeus Matusiewicz

Thaddeus "Tedd" Casimer Matusiewicz passed away April

1, 2007 at the age of 77. He was born Sept. 27, 1929 in Chicago and had lived in Livermore since 1971. He retired from the United States Air Force in 1970 and as a San Jose Police Dispatcher in 1994. He was an active member in his union. Tedd was Past Grand President of the Danish Society Dania of California and Nevada and Past President of Dannevang #7, a local lodge.

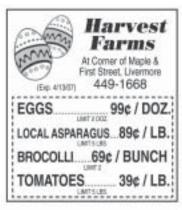
He was a member of the Air Force Association, the Air Force Sergeants Association (AFSA), Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the American Legion. His volunteer duties included assisting in raising the POW/MIA star on Mt. Umhunum each year from 1985 to 1989, trustee for 17 years, president for 6 years, and trea-

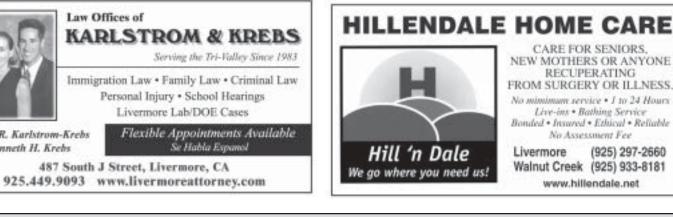
surer for 4 years of AFSA Chapter 1379. Tedd presented the U.S. and Chapter flags at the annual San Jose Veterans Day Parade, the annual Four Chaplains Ceremony in San Jose, and the annual Memorial Day Ceremony in San Jose. With his wife, who is president of the AFSA Auxiliary Chapter A1379, performed as ambassadors to the local military and civilian communities. He participated in a variety of military events during the year. He is survived by his wife of

53 years, Dee Matusiewicz of Livermore, sister Genevieve Solak and brother Joseph Matusiewicz, both of Chicago, a son Mike Matusiewicz of San Jose, daughters Debbie Brucker of Sacramento and Tina Gehrig of Tracy, seven grandchildren, five great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was precede din death by a brother Edward, and a son, Thomas Matusiewicz in 2001.

Visitation will be 4 to 8 p.m. Thurs., April 5 at Callaghan Mortuary, 3833 East Ave., Livermore. Services will be held at the same location at 1 p.m. on Fri., April 6.

Memorials may be sent in his name to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.





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FILE NO. 392263 The following person (s) doing business as Soap Made Simple, 2738 Gelding Lane, Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Michelle Fraser, 2738 Gelding Lane, Livermore, CA 94551 This business is conducted by:an individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed. Signature of Registrant: /s/:Michelle Fraser This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on February 27, 2007. Expires February 27, 2012. The Independent Legal No 2133. Publish March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2007

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 392652 The following person (s) doing business as Nana's Precious Little Ones, 2007 Eilene Dr., Pleasanton, CA 94588 is hereby registered by the folowner (s Charla I. Enes, 2007 Eilene Dr., Pleasanton, CA 94588 This business is conducted by:an individual Registrant has not vet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed. Signature of Registrant: /s/:Charla I. Enes This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 7, 2007. Expires March 7, 2012. The Independent Legal No. 2135. Publish March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2007.

## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO. 392435 The following person (s) do-The following person (s) doing business as Utterback Auing business as Tri-Valley dio Video, 2498 Allegro St. Computers, 803 Marvlin Av-Livermore, CA 94550 is enue, Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the folhereby registered by the following owner (s): lowing owner (s): Nicholas Utterback, 2498 Al-Patrick legro St., Livermore, CA 94550 Reynolds, 803 Marylin Av-This business is conducted enue, Livermore, CA 94551 by:an individual This business is conducted Registrant has not yet begun by:an individual to transact business under the Registrant has not yet begun fictitious business name or to transact business under the names listed fictitious name or names listed. Signature of Registrant: Signature of Registrant: /s/:Patrick E. Reynolds /s/:Nicholas Utterback This statement was filed with This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 2, 2007. Ex-County on March 26, 2007. Expires March 2, 2012. pires March 26, 2012. The Independent Legal No. 2138. Publish March 29, April The Independent Legal No. 2136. Publish March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2007. 5, 12, 19, 2007. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 392826

NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 393517 The following person (s) do-The following person (s) doing business as Kingdar Office ing business as Selwav Outfit-Systems, 506 Alden Lane, Livters. 1031 Alison Circle. Liverermore. CA 94550 is hereby more, CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following registered by the following owner (s): owner (s): Adesmo, LLC., 506 Alden Donald Paul Seibel, 1031 Lane, Livermore, CA 94550 Alison Circle, Livermore, CA This business is conducted 94550 by:limited liability company The registrant commenced to by:an individual transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 01. 2004. Signature of Registrant: /s/:Francois Clement This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 12, 2007, Expires March 12, 2012. The Independent Legal No 2137. Publish March 22, 29, 5, 12, 19, 2007. April. 5, 12, 2007.

## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO. 392754 The following person (s) doing business as Industrial Motor Control Solutions, 3940 Hillside Ave., Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Britt Lee Wilson, 3940 Hillside Ave., Livermore, CA 94551 This business is conducted by:an individual

1, 2007 Signature of Registrant:

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 9, 2007, Expires March 9, 2012. The Independent Legal No. 2140. Publish April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2007

### NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 393132-33

The following person (s) do-ing business as 1)Vineyard Staging 2)Tri-Valley Staging, 724 Newbury Street, Liver-more, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Titan Group Holdings, LLC.

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 393690

The following person (s) doing business as D.H. Gomes Construction, 639 Enos Way, Livermore, Ca 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Duane Harry Gomes, 639 Enos Way, Livermore, CA., 94551

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/s/:Duane Gomes This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 28, 2007, Expires March 28, 2012. The Independent Legal No. 2142. Publish April, 5, 12, 19,

## NAME STATEMENT

The following person (s) do-ing business as 1)Fantasy Sound 2)Fantasy Sound Event Services, 2614 Old First Street, Livermore, CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Kevin M. Dennis, 829 Arbor Ct., Livermore, CA 94550 This business is conducted by:an individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 21, 2000. Signature of Registrant: /s/:Kevin M. Dennis This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 9, 2007. Expires March 9, 2012 The Independent Legal No. 2143. Publish April 5, 12, 19, 2141. Publish April 5, 12, 19, 26. 2007.

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** 

NAME FILE NO. 384727-28 The following person (s) has (have) Abandoned the use of

he Fictitious Business Name: 1)Fourth Street Storytellers 2)Unusual Evenings Productions located at 2109 Fourth Street, Livermore, CA 94550 The Fictitious Business Name Statement referred to above was filed on August 31, 2006, in the County of Alameda. Shakespeare's Associated, Inc. 2109 Fourth Street, Livermore. CA 94550

by:a corporation Signature of Registrant: /s/:Lisa Tromovitch

the County Clerk of Alameda County on March 21, 2007. The Independent Legal No. 2144. Publish April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2007

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for a decree changing names

Petitioner

Stubbles

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Present Name

Proposed Name:

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Jonathon Martin Stubbles

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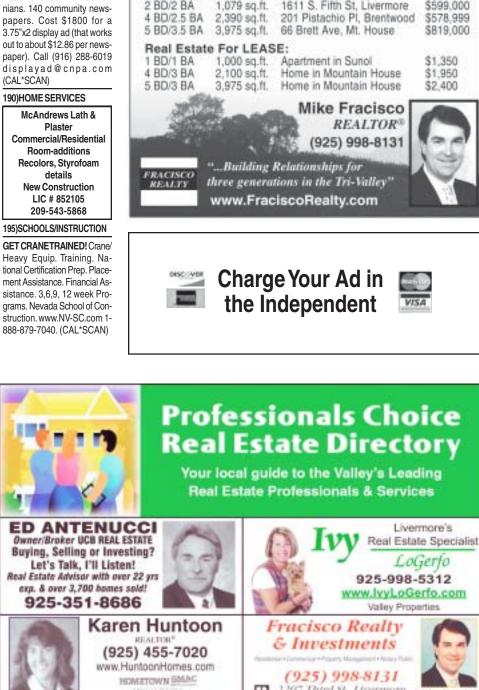
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In what will be remembered as one of the toughest tournaments in Nationwide Tour history, Omar Uresti was the last man standing at the \$625,000 Livermore Valley Wine Country Championship.

He finished with an even-par 288 -- two strokes in front of Skip Kendall (74) and Aron Price (73).

After beginning the day with a four-shot lead, Uresti (76) stumbled early with bogeys on three of the first seven holes. He finished with 10 straight pars before a double bogey on the par-4 finishing hole.

Sunday's victory -- worth

\$112,500 -- moves Uresti into second place on the money list and on course to return to the PGA TOUR.

Fast, firm and windy conditions at the picturesque Course at Wente Vineyards this week resulted in the cumulative scoring average soaring to 75.235 -- the highest on Tour since a 75.421 average at the 2002 Monterey Peninsula Classic (Bayonet Course). Should that average hold the remainder of the season, it would represent the second straight year the course has ranked as the Tour's toughest layout.

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Nearly 300 local students in grades 7 through 12 from Danville, Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton and San Ramon competed for cash and other prizes at the 11th annual Tri-Valley Science and Engineering Fair (TVSEF) hosted by the Lawrence Liver-more National Laboratory. Judging took place on Wednesday, March 28, at the Robert Livermore Community Center in Livermore. Awards were distributed during a ceremony there that evening.

More than 100 local scientists, engineers and science teachers, served as fair judges, deliberating over this year's 230 project entries. The majority of judges represented the Liver-more Laboratory. A total of 216 special and project awards were presented. Science projects were judged on a wide range of criteria that represent standards of research held by the scientific community.

Sweepstakes winners in the Senior Division are: Richard Li, an 11th grade student from Monte Vista High School in Danville for "A Novel Approach to Rapid Diagnosis of Cancer;" and Yuyang John Mei, an 11th grade student from Monte Vista High School for "A Novel Path-way for PTEN Chemo Sensitization.

Winners in the Junior Division are: Nitya Furtado, an eighth grade student from Pine Valley Middle School in San Ramon for "Magnetic Magic!" and Alison Burklund, an eighth grade stu-dent from Valley Montessori School in Livermore for "Haz-ardous Waste: What Soil Fits Its Taste?'

Senior Division Sweepstakes winners will go on to compete in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, May 13-19, in Albuquerque, N.M. Junior Division winners are eligible to compete at the State Science Fair.

Research categories for fair projects covered a wide spectrum



PET OF THE WEEK:

Leah's owner died and the family that took her in was too allergic to her to keep her. This 8-year old Calico loves attention and lots of

love and cuddles, and misses her family terribly. She can't wait to find a forever home. She is gentle and mellow, and very social. She likes children as long as they are gentle with her. she likes other cats, but has never been with dogs. She was declawed when she was a kitten, and therefore must be an indoor-only cat. For more information on Leah, ID# 6411, call Valley Humane Society at 925-426-8656. Valley Humane Society holds mobile pet adoptions for dogs and cats at Pet Extreme in Livermore every Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.





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## **Professional Football Comes to Pleasanton**

The Tri-Valley Ranchers, a professional football team play-ing in the National Indoor Football League (NIFL), will play its home games in Pleasanton.

The home season will be played in the Amador Pavilion at the Alameda County Fairgrounds. The season will run from April 21 to August.

Coaching the team is Michael Greer. He talked about the team and league during an interview. Greer called the style of play

in the NIFL the "closest thing to real football. Unlike other indoor leagues, the NIFL includes both running and passes with about 60 percent of the plays passing. There are limitless formations available. When people see the game, they will love it." The offense can come out in an "I," a shotgun, have two backs in motion, line up two tight ends, and so on. Unlike its bigger brother, the NFL, three players can go in motion at one time. A linebacker must mirror the quarterback at all times. "It is a much more exciting, quicker game," Greer said. Greer quotes former Dallas Cowboy coach Jimmy Jones as saving the NIFL style of play "is the purest form of football there is at the indoor level. It stays true to the game." There are eight men on each side with each team having a 22man roster. Linemen are threeon-three. Greer's line would match up with any pro team for size, with five or so tipping the scales at 300 pounds and over. Doug Sams (6'3", 380 pounds) played for the Buffalo Bills in the NFL. Play is on a 50 yard field with two end zones. The area is 28 to 32 yards wide, depending on where the games are played. The league is in its seventh year. With 24 teams it is the largest indoor league. This year there are seventeen start-up teams with much more expansion to come, said Greer. There are four other California teams, three in Los Angeles and one in San Diego. "I believe the league will be competitive with a high calibre of play," said Greer. He bases that on the fact that there are a large number of college football players who will not be going to the NFL, yet are very good players. He points out that while there are 200,000 kids coming out of college every year who play football, there are only 32 teams in the NFL. The NIFL gives them an opportunity to play and to aim for a spot on an NFL roster. "I owe it to them to prepare them for the NFL. If one of our players is offered a chance to play at a higher level, we will release that player from his contract," ex-

plained Greer.

There is one local player on the roster, Henry Fraser, who lives in Pleasanton. He is a wide receiver with professional experience in the arena leagues.

And, there is a real rancher, Frank Borba from Stockton. A couple of the other players are from the Stockton area, the remainder from San Francisco and Oakland. They come from all walks of life from ranching to a pit boss at a local casino to a loan

broker and several realtors. "The players are excited at having the opportunity to play





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at home," Greer commented.

Greer has a strong background in football. He worked as VP of football operations for the Pro Football Institute, served as head scout for an arena team, vice president of player personnel for the NIFL, and president of foot-ball operations for the North American Indoor Football League. He has coached at every level from Pop Warner to the NFL.

He said when a franchise opened in California, "I was the first one to get one.

As for his plans for how the Ranchers will play, "I want to put up 68 points a game. We will use the run as the element of surprise, with about 20 plays a game. We will not carry a kicker. The quarterback will kick-off. I am not interested in kicking. There will be no field goals for us.'

For additional information or tickets, tickets, go to www.trivalleyranchers.com or www.NIFLfootball.com.



Photo - Doug Jorgensen Coach Michael Greer and wide receiver Nick lano stand in front of a banner promoting the Ranchers.





