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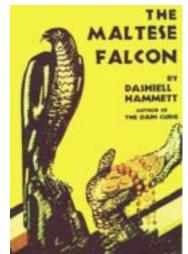
The California Independent Film Festival Association has announced its California Independent Film Festival will run April 16-20, 2008.

The association celebrates its festival's tenth year by expanding the festival to five days of screenings, contests, and special events to be held at venues such as Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center, The Vine Cinema, Livermore Theaters, and Wente Vineyards Restaurant & Events Center, among others.

The association also named Livermore resident and filmmaker Wendy Madden as its new festival director.

We're very excited to have Wendy take on this role," said Derek Zemrak, festival founder. "Her dedication and connection to filmmaking, coupled with her stellar multi-tasking skills will

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State Clamps down on Charter School's Finances

By Patricia Koning The California Department of Education (CDE) has told the Livermore Valley Charter School (LVCS) to get its financial house in order, or face possible revocation of the school's charter.

"The bottom line is that the CDE does not trust our num-bers," said LVCS Board President Bill Batchelor. "This does not indicate that we are in financial crisis or have mismanaged money.

LVCS has been awash in controversy for the past several months, stemming from issues

related to middle school discipline and irregularities with the school's process of selecting students. Executive Director Lon Goldstein has been the topic of many heated Board meetings. Revelations about Goldstein's

personal bankruptcy and employment history, which the Board was seemingly unaware of when he was hired in October, shocked and polarized the school community. On June 11, the Board terminated Goldstein's contract and began exploring an administrative restructuring. He was offered a different job at lower pay.

At the June 21 Board meet-ing, the trustees revealed the depth of the problems with which LVCS is grappling. Since April the CDE, which is LVCS' chartering authority, has been questioning and reviewing the school's finance.

On April 3, the CDE issued a "Notice of Concern" because of issues with LVCS' second interim budget report and the more than \$1 million debt the school had incurred. The CDE was alerted to the loans by the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District (LVJUSD).

When the LVJUSD approved

charters for two new schools, the Livermore Valley Charter Academy (LVCA) and Livermore Valley Charter Preparatory (LVCP), one of its conditions was access to financial records, including loan documents. LVJUSD Superintendent Brenda Miller said she became concerned after seeing the amount of debt the school had acquired and that it was projected to end the year \$600,000 in the red. Miller contacted Marta Reyes, the Director of the CDE's Charter Schools Division.

"I wanted to be sure I was interpreting the information cor-rectly," explained Miller. "Marta wasn't even aware of the loans.'

The loans were necessary to cover the expenses of an enrollment growth of 128 students going into the 2007/08 school year. Average Daily Attendance (ADA) funding is based on prior year attendance, so growing schools have to play catch up with funding.

According to Batchelor, the loan situation looked worse than it was. By the time the CDE was aware of the loans, more than half had already been paid off.

"This was more of a communication issue with the State," he (See CHARTER SCHOOL, page 2)



wife has some health problems that are made worse by the poor air quality in the area. The decision was made to leave now.

Turner was Livermore's first elected mayor, something he said he is proud of on a personal level. He served as mayor for 10 years. Turner was a city councilmember for 10 years before that. "One of the things I enjoyed was helping

people get through the red tape at city hall," recalled Turner.

The last seven years he has spent as a member of the LARPD board. Asked what he was most proud of, he replied, "Completing the arena cover at the rodeo

'I really enjoyed my time on the board. I am sad to be leav-ing," he added. He mentioned that he enjoyed working with LARPD board member Scott Kamena.

In his letter of resignation he provided further reasons, "Sabrina and I have decided to scale back and start doing some things we have put off for years. (See TURNER, page 2)

Pleasanton Backs Away From Support for TVBC

Gone are the days when Pleasanton will open its checkbook to pay for operations of the Tri-Valley Business Council (TVBC). The TVBC has taken political positions that are contrary to the council's positions or where the city wants to be."

Those were comments made by Pleasanton City manager Nelson Fialho during a discussion of the general plan subre-

Senior Planner Janice Stearn noted that the element is designed to "facilitate Pleasanton's involvement in regional planning." One of the changes would be to consider subregional programs that are more closely aligned to Pleasanton's economic interest.'

Along those lines, the city is deleting any reference to the Tri-Valley Business Council (TVBC), making text more ge-neric. Stearn provided an ex-

Photo - Doug Jorgensen

Bob Nazum, RCD project manager; Darrel Sweet, rancher, and Terry Huff, district conservationist NRCS, are reviewing a riparian corridor on the Cross Road Ranch.

Caltrans Is First Customer for New Habitat Mitigation Register

Caltrans is the first to sign up matching of developers who with a unique, new register in Alameda County that will facili-impacts with landowners who tate finding landowners who have listed species habitats to ofhave habitat mitigation ease-ments to offer to development forces. Caltrans is looking for mitigation ease-forces. Caltrans is looking for the federal Natural Resource

Staffs and board members in-

volved in the process are feeling good about the signing of the Caltrans contract. They hope that more developers and landowners will sign up to be on one of the two sides of the partnership's register, which is the key tool to



Pleasanton **Takes on The Big Read**

The Pleasanton Public Library will launch its Big Read program in celebration of Dashiell Hammett's "The Maltese Falcon" with special events held throughout the community in September and October of 2007.

The Big Read in Pleasanton is presented in partnership with Pleasanton Mayor Jennifer Hosterman, the Pleasanton Downtown Association, the Pleasanton PTA Council, The Pleasanton Hotel, Camp Parks Combat Training Center, Calaveras Repertory Theater, The Pleasanton Weekly, and Towne Center Books.

Congressman McNerney is also a sponsor of the Pleasanton Big Read.

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) designed to restore reading to the center of American culture.

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Photo - Doug Jorgensen Sunflowers are in full bloom on Santa Clara Way in Livermore.

mitigation land to offset its Conservation Service (NRCS) in phase II widening of Highway 84 through Pigeon Pass.

The new process is a pilot program, bringing all of the aspects together in one package. It is the first in California, and maybe the United States, to easily facilitate and streamline the

approved moving forward with a

ground lease for a fixed base op-

erator (FBO) at the Livermore

council added several require-

ments to be included in the lease.

One would preclude the airport from being used by cargo planes.

Another would institute penalties for violation of the airport's

voluntary no fly times, between

10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Penalties could

include fines or loss of a hangar

Also approved was a 5 percent increase in hangar rents and a

noise monitoring study to be conducted in conjunction with

the City of Pleasanton. Minimum

standards were set in place for

is Livermore Air Center, LLC,

headed by Jim Ghielmetti of Sig-

Selected to serve as the FBO

The FBO will take over fuel

sales from the city. It will also

provide aircraft repair, ancillary

support services, and build 65

new small to midsize hangars.

operation of the FBO.

nature Properties.

The vote was unanimous. The

Airport.

lease.

Council OKs Changes

for jets.

in more jets.'

at the airport.'

At Livermore Airport

Livermore. NRCS is one of the agency partners in the new program. Huff and others involved expect many more to sign up before the July 31 deadline. There are 13 landowners who have expressed interest so far, and several developers, too.

make everything work. One side of the register is the developer category. They are pri-vate firms and public agencies that are looking for land to miti-gate impacts of their developments on habitats for such listed

(See PILOT PROGRAM, page 3)

gional planning element. Pleasanton is the only city in the Tri-Valley to include a subregional planning element in its general plan.

Last week, the city council reviewed the proposed updated version. The element addresses natural resources, open space, housing, economic development, water, sewer and transpor-

tation.

ample. She said that when it council would support any ag plan, not just the one proposed by TVBC.

In practical terms, Mayor Jennifer Hosterman noted the city will be looking at supporting specific programs proposed by (See ELEMENT, page 3)

The Livermore City Council Also to be constructed is a 25,000 square foot facility that can be used to house the services and potentially serve as hangar space Max Curtis, a member of the Livermore Airport Citizens Group (LACG), a group that opposes the FBO, said he wasn't sure what their group would do next. He said after the meeting, "I believe the public is being misled in thinking this is about han-gars. It's not. It's about bringing Ghielmetti was asked by the city council whether he thinks there will be more jets as a result of the FBO. He replied, "There will probably be more jets stored

Photo - Doug Jorgensen

Lights and music attract visitors to the midway at the Alameda County Fair in Pleasanton. The fair runs through July 8. In addition to the carnival, visitors will find exhibits, contests, animals, food, live horse racing and more.

Livermore Council Candidates Narrowed to Six

Candidates for Livermore City Council were narrowed to

six applicants last week. They are Doug Horner,

Steven Hunter, Carolyn

Siegfried, Darryl West, Jeff Williams and Tom Vargas.

Interviews of the six were to

Frappacino is a cute little 8-year old Miniature Pinscher weighing about 12 pounds. He is extremely sweet and likes to cuddle and sit with someone, and he gets along great with cats and other dogs. He is housetrained, loves his crate, and loves his walks and riding in the car. Frappy is a very easy-going companion and a joy to have around the house. For

The selection of the new councilmember will be made next Monday, July 2 at a special meeting.

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more information on Frappy, please call Valley Humane Society at 925-426-8656, or stop by Valley Humane Society's new Adoption Center at 3670 Nevada St. in **Pleasanton's Stanley Business** Park Wed-Sun 11 am-5 pm to visit our cats. Valley Humane Society holds mobile pet adoptions for dogs at Pet Extreme in Livermore every Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.



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an increased numbers of jets flying in and out of Livermore. Other concerns included increased air pollution and a drop (See AIRPORT, page 5)

Opponents of the changes at

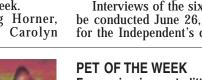
the airport characterized them as

opening the door to creation of a

"jet-port." They expressed strong concerns about increased noise

from what they believe will be

be conducted June 26, too late for the Independent's deadline.





Emigrants from the Philippines

Beginning in the 1920s, emigrants from the Philippines began coming to California in response to a demand for farm workers. In 1920, 3,300 Filipinos were in the state; by 1930 the number had risen to 30,000. Often, they were used as strike breakers in the farmers' attempts to keep wages down and organized labor out of agriculture. Like the Chinese and the Japa nese, who had immigrated in large numbers earlier for "stoop labor, the Filipinos were discriminated against and stereotyped. Their working conditions were generally the same as those portrayed by John Steinbeck in *The Grapes of Wrath*: poor housing, low pay, backbreaking toil. Since men outnumbered Filipino women 14 to one, many of them sought the company of white women; this threatened some in the white community, and California passed an anti-miscegenation law. In Livermore the 1930 U.S. census listed 28 Filipinos working at the Veterans Administration Hospital as waiters, porters, orderlies, and pantrymen; 10 were kitchen helpers at the Livermore Sanitarium.

Chris Tejada grew up in a small village in the province of Ilocas Sur on the northwest coast of Luzon, the largest island in the Philippines, in a family of six children. His father had gone to Hawaii to work in the sugar plantations, and his maternal grandparents took care of Chris. In an area of scattered grassland, his grandfather raised corn and cattle. They spoke Ilocano, different from the more common Tagalog. Chris learned English in school. In order for Chris and his brother Jesus "Jimmie" to come to the United States, their grandfather mortgaged land and their father sent money from Hawaii to pay for the boat fare. Chris and Jimmie arrived in California in 1930 at age 18 and 17 respectively; the journey lasted 21 days. Their older brother, Gasper "Gus," had arrived two years earlier and found work with his cousins with Jackson and Perkins rose growers in Pleasanton. Chris and Jimmie were also hired by the nursery and spent the next 11 years at their assigned jobs, crawling from rosebush to rosebush on kneepads. Gus taught them the intri cate process of using the extremely sharp budding knife.

When World War II started, Jimmie enlisted in the U.S. Army and Chris in the Navy. Jimmie served in the South Pacific and in the Philippines; Chris was stationed at the Livermore Naval Air Station, where he was the cook for the officers' mess. One of the men he served was the movie actor Robert Taylor. While shopping in downtown Livermore at the Sprouse-Rietz store, he met his future wife, Ruth Harding. Because of California's anti-miscegenation law, which wasn't repealed until 1948, they had to travel to Vancouver, Washington, to be married. His senior officers were sympathetic to their problem and gave Chris a two-week leave. On their long Greyhound bus ride to Vancouver and back in 1944, Chris, even in his navy uniform, had to sit in the back of the bus and Ruth near the front.

After his discharge from the Navy in 1945, Chris and Ruth came back to Livermore. Before the war, Filipinos were not allowed to become U.S. citizens. However, an amendment to the Nationality Act of 1940 allowed noncitizens who had joined the military to become citizens. Chris and Ruth Tejada's children, Bernard and Nancy, were both born at St. Paul's Hospital and eventually graduated from Livermore High in 1963 and 1965 respectively. From 1949 to 1954, Chris worked for Amling-DeVor, another of the big rose growers in the Livermore Valley. His was one of the most critical jobs, grafting buds into the root stock. Typically, he could graft about 3,000 buds per day and was paid \$9 per 1,000. Again, he crawled from rosebush to rosebush: his "golden handshake" from this job is the severe arthritis in his knees.

In 1954 he started working at the radiation laboratory in Livermore as a custodian. The hiring officials asked him if he was familiar with a certain building. It was the old mess hallof course he knew it. He was assigned the same locker he had had in the Navy. He retired in 1967. Ruth died in April 2005 after a marriage that lasted 60 years. Chris, age 93, now lives with his daughter, Nancy, in Livermore. He repaid his grandfather for the mortgage and helped Filipino relatives monetarily after World War II, but he has never wanted to go back to the Philippines. At an interview at the IHOP in Livermore, Chris d identifying the roses outside in the landscaning, the eniov yellow Eclipse, the red and white 49er, the white President Kennedy. Chris remembered that white roses were the most delicate to bud. At first, after the war Jimmie worked for the Clark Nursery in San Jose. Later he and his family moved to Livermore. He became the superintendent of grounds for the Livermore School District. He and his wife, Antoinette, had three daughters. He served for many years as the landscaper and rose gardener for St. Michael's Church, and there is a plaque in his memory on a column across from the church office. It ends with the words, Jimmie Tejada has returned to the Lord the beauty that dwelt in his soul." He died in 1981.

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(continued from page one) said. "We gave them exactly what they asked for in the second interim report. Unfortunately that did not include information about loans.3

The CDE requested that the Financial Crisis and Manage-ment Team (FCMAT) conduct a review of LVCS to determine the school's continued viability. At that point, the CDE directed LVCS to cease incurring any additional debt and limit expenditures to payroll and other employee-related costs, rent/lease payments, and loan payment obligations.

On June 18, the CDE directed Bachelor and Board Vice President Brian Rittman to immediately institute internal control procedures to ensure a separation of duties and "checks and balances" in handling school finances. The CDE expressed concern that Goldstein, the Executive Director, was wholly in charge of the school's finances, including payments, loan management, and general ledger accounting, among other duties. The LVCS Board took action

at the June 21 meeting to demonstrate that it is addressing the problems. The Board approved a new administrative structure, Executive Director (ED) and Finance Director (FD) job descriptions, and a fiscal services agreement with Fiscal Crisis and Management Team. They also approved interim ED and FD positions to expedite the hiring process.

The new administrative structure is similar to the existing structure, with the governing Board overseeing the ED, who in turn oversees the LVCS principal and eventually the charter academy and charter preparatory principals. Two positions were added, the FD and a Systems & Network Senior Technologist, both reporting to the executive director.

Batchelor explained that the Board is working to satisfy the CDE's concerns before the CDE's next meeting on July 11, at which it could issue a "Notice of Cure" to LVCS. If a Notice of Cure is issued, the charter school would have 30 days in which to comply with the CDE's demands or face closure of the school.

'We are one step away from a draconian move that will put our charters at risk. If we don't do something now we are likely to end up at the next step," said trustee Jerry Mullins. "We need to stay in front of this and make changes that will get us back into the good graces of the State."

Another big step involved engaging the fiscal crisis team as a financial consultant to LVCS for a 12-month term at a cost not to exceed \$20,000. FCMAT's role will be to determine for the CDE if LVCS can remain cash solvent for the remainder of the 2007/08 fiscal year (which runs from July to July) and assist in the development of a three-year recovery plan. A big concern for LVCS is a

summer construction plan to add portable classrooms to the school campus to accommodate the addition of the 8th grade and one second grade class. Bachelor said the State is aware of LVCS' construction needs and believes it will approve the project in time for the start of the new school year.

"The CDE is very much in support of our school. They understand that it is very important that our school open in late August with those buildings in place," said trustee Katie Hazen. "I strongly believe the FCMAT process will only add to our transparency and financial viability over time.

Bachelor also noted that a lot of positives could result from FCMAT oversight, including better financial management. He proposed an Accounting and Auditing committee that will mirror FCMAT and continue its work after the relationship with FCMAT ends.

"As chairman of the foundation that asks for donations of time and money, I'm 200% in favor of as much oversight as possible. People want to know how the money they donate is being spent," said Ron Boeder, Chairman of the Choice for Children Education Foundation, a nonprofit organization that supports LVCS. "We raised \$500,000 in the 2006/07 school year and hope to raise even more in 2007/

The FCMAT process is simi-

lar to the Alameda County Office of Education-appointed Fiscal Advisor who oversaw finances in the LVJUSD from Sep-tember 2003 to December 2004. The Fiscal Advisor was brought in after LVJUSD was determined to be in fiscal crisis, a process that Miller says had several positive impacts on LVJUSD.

When the Fiscal Advisor was assigned to us, the community had doubts about our finances. His oversight gave credibility to what we had been saying all along," Miller said. "We also made our budget more transparent and began presenting monthly user-friendly budget reports ať Board meetings.

LVCS emerged as a parent re-action to the 2004 closures of Almond Avenue and Arroyo Mocho Elementary Schools and other budget cuts by the district. Parents, led by Goldstein, created the school from the ground up as an alternative to LVJUSD.

LVCS features a longer school day, smaller class sizes, individualized learning plans, laptops for middle school students, and specialists in Art, Music, Science, PE, and Spanish. The school opened in August 2005 with 582 students, making it the largest charter school startup in Califor-

nia. Despite the administrative controversy, LVCS' educational success has been evident. The school earned an API score of 888 in the first year and consistently has had a waiting list in the hundreds.

Stevens Is New Zone 7 Board President only other director who has spent

Bill Stevens has been elected president of the Zone 7 Water Agency board of directors. Sarah Palmer is the new vice president, succeeding Stevens.

Both votes were 6-0. Director Jim Kohnen was absent because he departed on the meeting date June 20 for China with a sister city delegation from Dublin. Normally, the new president is chosen at the meeting in July. However, general manager Jill Duerig reported that because of the Delta water pumping crisis, it would be better to make the transition this month, to allow the new president "time to consider such matters as critical committee assignments with no gap in committee or officer assignments.

Long-time director Steve Kalthoff nominated Palmer to be vice president. Kalthoff said that Palmer works well with the board. She will spend a year as vice president, and "we'll see how well she performs," said Kalthoff, who added that if she does a good job, she would be in line to ascend to the board presidency.

Palmer was elected to the board last year. Two others who have served on the board longer have not served as a board officer. They are Kohnen and director Dick Quigley. Both were appointed to the board three years ago by Alameda County Supervisors, because there was no election. Only three candidates, including board veteran Jim Concannon, had filed for the three expired terms in 2004. Filling the seats automatically defaulted to the supervisors' appointment of the candidates.

Janice Pementel

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Asked later about a tradition of board succession to the offices at Zone 7, and whether Kohnen and Quigley were passed over, Kalthoff said that his understanding was that the tradition of rotating board officers applied only to moving the vice presi-dent up to president. Asked why he didn't nominate Quigley, who was at the meeting, Kalthoff said that he "felt Sarah was a good choice. I don't know Quigley as well.

Quigley told the Independent that he did not feel "passed over," and works very well with Palmer.

On another item, the board imposed a five minute limit on reports from directors, who sometimes go to conferences and community activities representing Zone 7. The resolution, brought up at a previous meeting by Stevens, passed 5-0, with

Quigley abstaining. Quigley told the Independent later that he abstained because he doesn't "agree with putting an official muzzle on any board members "As L said at the dais members. "As I said at the dais (during the meeting), there is a need for staying on issues that are important to Zone 7. We shouldn't be talking about things that are not water." It may take more than five minutes in a real board discussion about some of the issues that are brought up, he said. Quigley acknowledged he "tends to speak more than other directors," but that he also passes out handouts to directors first, as a courtesy. "In my opinion, the chair doesn't have the prerogative of censorship. We are a board

of seven. We should be able to manage ourselves.

The limit on reports may be a topic that will come up at a board retreat in July, Quigley said. The

CANDIDATES (continued from page one) The new councilmember will

replace Tom Reitter, who has resigned effective June 30.

Four of the six finalists were selected because of their involvement with the city on commissions or the council. The two others were chosen by a vote of the current councilmembers, with each naming their three top candidates.

Vargas served on the city council from 1985-89 and 1991-2003 including four terms as vice mayor. He is currently chairman of the board for ValleyCare Health System. Vargas works in title insurance for First American Title in Pleasanton.

Horner is a member of the Planning Commission and has also served on the Design Review Committee, and the Livermore General Plan Review Committee. He works for the Chabot-Las Positas Community College uistrict in facilities planning and management.

Review Committee and currently serves on the Planning Commission. He works in civil engineering construction for Teichert Construction.

much time reporting on his vari-

ous visits to conferences and

community activities has been

Kohnen.

Williams conducts govern-ment research and development at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. He currently serves on the design review committee.

Hunter works in national security research at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. He has participated in the Livermore Leadership Program, the Livermore Police Department Citizens Police Academy and says he has also appeared at several city council meetings.

Siegfried interviews all four local mayors for TV30's Mayor's Report. In addition, she has conducted interviews of almost every candidate who has run for elected office in the Tri-Valley since 2002, providing her with what she describes as a "broad understanding of the issues and concerns of local school, water and park districts.'

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

TURNER

(continued from page one) Additionally, as you remember, we have lost many members of our family in the last 12 months and that has prompted us to re-

think our priorities." Kamena stated, "He has been a mentor to me. Dale was a very important source of political experience and local agency knowhow." Kamena mentioned that Turner's early city experience was valuable to the board, because he knew who had built all the homes and deals that were made for trails and parks.

Kamena said of Turner's time on the board, "He was a strong advocate for equestrian programs and anti-smoking efforts.

There is one year left on Turner's term. A successor could be appointed or the board could opt for an election. Kamena said, "I imagine we

would appoint someone. It would be cheaper and we would get someone started immediately. At the same time, Kamena noted that the city has an election this November that the district could tie into. That would lower the cost of a vote, if that were the direction the board decided to g0.

"We can function without a fifth member better than most boards or commissions. By and large we decide things by consensus," Kamena added.

Turner and his wife, Sabrina, will be moving to Fiddletown. a town in the Sierra Foothills.

He is in the process of wrap-ping up his real estate business. Their home has been sold One comment he offered during an interview was, "I was proud that The Independent finally endorsed me.'

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VALLEY ROUNDUP

Hayashi Honored

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi (D-Hayward) has been named Legislator of the Year by the Neuropathy Action Foundation (NAF) for her outstanding contributions to health care issues. NAF presented her with the award at its "Neuropathy Action Awareness Day" dinner at 7:00 PM at the University of California San Francisco, Mission Bay Campus.

NAF President Dominick Spatafora stated, "She has been a great champion of health care issues, inspiring others with the quality of her actions and the integrity of her intent. NAF is proud to call her our Legislator of the Year.'

The NAF is a nonprofit foundation committed to educating the public on neuropathy and to helping neuropathy patients obtain access to medications and treatments. The organization raises awareness among the general public that neuropathy, or nerve disease, is a serious, widespread and disabling condition, and that with the appropriate medical care it is treatable.

In the area of neuropathy, Assemblymember Hayashi has taken the lead on helping secure access to IVIG (intravenous immune globulin), a human plasma product that prevents complications in certain chronic diseases in neuropathy patients. IVIG receives low and sometimes no reimbursement by Medicare and private insurance. Eight people nationwide recently died because of lack of access to the product. Assemblymember Hayashi has teamed up with other legislators to call upon the U.S. Congress to restore access to this important drug.

McNerney Meeting with VA Leader Congressman Jerry McNerney (CA-11) has announced that he will meet with Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary Jim Nicholson on July 12 to discuss the availability of services at the French Camp Outpatient Clinic as well as the possibility of maintaining the current level of service at the Livermore Veterans Affairs Medical Center. He will also pursue the idea of open-

ing a post traumatic stress disorder clinic at the Livermore site.

McNerney sent Secretary Nicholson a letter on Thursday, May 17, requesting such a meeting. Rep. McNerney sent Secretary Nicholson a follow up letter outlining his concerns regarding the current level of treatment for veterans suffering from post traumatic stress disorder.

Kamena Hits Pay Increase

Scott Kamena, Livermore Parks Director and candidate for the 15th Assembly District, spoke out last week against the law which allowed state officeholders to accept a pay increase without publicly casting a vote in favor of it. The compensation increase was approved under the guidelines of Proposition 112, which was approved by voters in 1990 to put a Governorappointed compensation panel in charge of salary increases.

"I agree with the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association on this one," said Kamena, "If Legislators want to accept salary increases, that is one thing, but they should be forced to publicly cast a vote to accept or reject the increase. Whether you agree with the raise or not, there is no question that the current system is broken. Proposition 112 was hugely misleading to California voters, and pay hikes for elected officials should never take effect until after voters have reelected them.

"In the State Assembly, I will fight for higher transparency and ethics. I will never accept a pay increase before an election and I will always make my intentions clear to the voters," promised Kamena.

Scott Kamena is running for the Republican nomination for the 15th Assembly District to replace termed-out Assemblyman Guy Houston. The District sprawls across four counties and includes the cities of Livermore, Walnut Creek, San Ramon, Danville, Oakley, Brentwood, Elk Grove, Galt, Stockton, Pleasanton and Isleton. His father Marshall Kamena is currently serving his third term as Mayor of Livermore.

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the business council that are in the city's best interest. "However, we have severely narrowed our scope of interest in TVBC."

The subregional element evolved out of a program that was launched in 1992 by Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin, San Ramon, Danville and the counties of Alameda and Contra Costa. A plan for working on a subregional basis was developed with the idea that all of the agencies would adopt the policies. Pleasanton was the only one to adopt it.

Another change in the economic area is the deletion of a discussion of dividing tax revenues among Tri-Valley jurisdictions.

The element also makes it clear that while wording may express support for various programs through different agencies, no funding is included with the support.

These include programs such as ABAG's "Focusing our Vision," which is a multi-agency collaborative to identify priority development areas and priority conservation areas where growth can be channeled and high quality open space and natural resources areas can be preserved.

The housing issue was raised by David Stark, who heads one of the TVBC's committees, during the public hearing. He told the council, "Pleasanton needs to be a team player on regional

issues, particularly the housing issue. I am concerned with current growth controls in working towards regional policies. The housing cap will make achieving housing supplies difficult. If the city is committing to regional planning, there is a need to commit to local land use planning that fits." He commented that the more arbitrary restrictions may need to be revisited, not just the housing cap. He referred to zoning and density.

Hosterman said of regional polices, "They are strategies, not mandates.'

Councilman Jerry Thorne offered the view that it may be time to have a special meeting to deal with housing. "The cap is voter mandated. At some time, Pleasanton may have to stop making regional commitments if it wants to keep the cap." Thorne also said that the city should make an effort towards a better jobs/housing balance. He referred to the ABAG "Focusing Our Vision" program as "pie in the sky."

On the other hand, **Councilmember Matt Sullivan** said the city could meet a lot of the goals within the city's growth limits. "They are limits put in place for very good reasons. They are environmental and quality of life issues. And, the voters want it that way."

Councilmember Cindy McGovern pointed out that the recent survey indicated that people felt that the city is growing too fast. "We need to address that issue at some time.'

All in all, the council felt that the city had gone further than any other community to try to address regional issues. "At least we have a policy in place that says we want to work regionally," said Sullivan.



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PILOT PROGRAM

(continued from page one) species as Alameda whipsnake

and California tiger salamander.

On the other side of the register are the landowners, who have qualified habitat to offer. The Partnership for Land Conservation and Stewardship (PLCS), which was formed last year by county supervisors, created the register. In implementing the program, the PLCS has the aid of the NRCS and another long-time conservation agency in Livermore, the state-funded Resource Conservation District (RCD).

The RCD acts as the major staff for the project, under a twoyear contract signed with the board of supervisors. The county and the RCD each contributed \$90,000 to get the process started.

The NRCS contribution is staff research. which determines what habitats are available on the landowners' parcels. NRCS is able to fund the work from its current hudget said Huff

parcels can be so detailed that NRCS can go to the regulating agencies, such as the federal Fish & Wildlife Service, "so they agree about the (conservation) values on the property." That's not an automatic approval by the regulator. However, it's a big step in that direction, said Huff.

That makes this process "almost a one-stop shop" for the developers who need to find mitigation, he said. That time-saving can help developers immensely, said Huff. It's not unusual for developers to lose tens of millions of dollars in project delay because they are searching for habitat mitigation. Huff said that will be a big incentive for developers to join the program.

Although there are cooperative habitat agreements elsewhere in California, this pilot program was put together faster than those in other areas, said Huff. It took eight or nine months for the Califans work. Now that the paradigm is established, the next one will take about one-half as long. The one following that will take one-half the time of the second one, because more will be learned about speeding the process. Then the speed should continue at the same pace, in most instances, said Huff.

landowners so they can learn what it takes to offer mitigation. There is some information about habitat, and also about estate planning, which is a question that many agriculturalists ask, said Sweet. The information helps them to size up the fiscal picture in making a decision

about signing up. The cash that comes with signing a mitigation agreement can help farmers and ranchers make some capital investment in equipment, said Sweet. Some agriculturalists might use the money to buy out family members who don't have an interest in staying on the land.

ÖFFICIALS PRAISE THE START

Among the officials happy to see Caltrans get on board was Supervisor Scott Haggerty. He praised the PLCS as a "unique way to leverage federal assistance programs. We look forward to seeing a successful pilot pro-

rect benefit for landowners, resource agencies and the entities whose projects require mitigation. It keeps money resulting from impacts in Alameda County working for conservation in Alameda County.

Charles Crohare, Jr., chair of the PLCS, had praise for all three agencies involved in implementing the process. He emphasized the cooperation among the three agencies, and the need to keep the trust of local landowners.

Crohare said that the program is "a major step forward in making more conservation transactions happen, and keeping more conservation funding in Alameda County."

Paul Banke, a longtime Livermore rancher who serves on the RCD board, said that the pilot program "is a true conservation program, not a method to get rich quick." He added, "We look to the landowners to tell us what they want and their demand for this program will guide planning for future programs.' For more information, or to apply for the pilot program, visit the joint RCD/NRCS office at 3585 Greenville Road, Suite 2, Livermore, or call Sweet at 371-0154, ext. 111.

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The NRCS detailed inventory of a landowner's parcel is important, because it provides the landowner a clear picture of what the land might be worth to mitigators. Of course, the other advantage for landowners is that their property is listed, including mention of how much acreage or linear feet are available for each specific plant and animal species.

The inventory of available

Another important aspect of the program is education. Karen Sweet, executive officer of RCD, is conducting workshops for

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gram, and to measuring the response of private landowners to this new way of protecting working landscapes and natural resources, while also meeting federal and state conservation requirements."

Haggerty said that the program "not only protects, but can enhance our valuable natural resources with focus on a regional conservation strategy. The program is designed to provide di-

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EDITORIALS

Tree Preservation Ordinance

Save Mount Diablo (SMD) spokesmen praise Livermore's proposed tree preservation ordinance, but say it could be better.

SMD is concerned especially about preserving the relatively small trees found along the arroyos, trees that are often too small to qualify for protection.

What would the arroyos be without these trees? They deserve protection, says SMD.

Without recommending a specific size, SMD points to limits that are in place in several other cities. One example is Lafayette, where riparian trees as small as 19 inches in circumference are protected.

One might wonder why Livermore trees would be of concern to an organization whose purpose is to save Mount Diablo.

Mount Diablo isn't just the mountain itself. Mount Diablo is interdependent with the wildlife corridors lying to its south, extending through the Altamont and on through the Diablo Range.

SMD's goal is to create a protected open space corridor that will keep Mount Diablo connected forever to the south. The Livermore tree ordinance has an important role to play here.

The ordinance is slated to be heard by the City Council July 23. We urge the council to work with SMD in a spirit of partnership. This is an opportunity to create a model tree ordinance.

Dale Turner

There are those who would consider it a step down to serve for 10 years as mayor and go on from that to a park and rec. board. However, when Dale Turner took that step, his finest energies rose to the fore.

Spending the last seven years as a Livermore Area Recreation and Park District board member, Turner treated this relatively unheralded post as a genuinely important job. Even though this has been a time of budget hardship, he brought to LARPD a spirit of optimism, a can-do outlook toward meeting the needs of the community.

Turner — who is currently president of the board has announced his resignation, effective July 10. He and wife Sabrina are moving to Fiddletown in the Sierra foothills, for personal reasons.

So long, Dale. Your leaving is a loss for Livermore. You made a difference.

Elected Officials Want Equal Benefits for Livermore Lab Employees

Following a barrage of complaints, Rep. Ellen Tauscher along with her California colleague Senator Diane Feinstein (D) and Senators Jeff Bingaman

tories. Maintaining a competitive environment requires equity between these institutions, and success requires a stable workforce throughout the complex and the scientific and technical talent to deliver results to protect our nation. 'The whole point of the competitive lab structure is that competition breeds the best science in order to bolster our national security. If the labs aren't able to recruit and retain the best and brightest minds equally, then the whole concept of competition is lost, the best science isn't being achieved, and our national security is weakened," said Tauscher. The Lab unveiled its benefits packages recently to employees. The comment period for LLNS proposed benefits packages for Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory employees was extended to noon Monday, July 2, 2007. Previously, the comment period was scheduled to close at noon Thursday, June 28, 2007. "The benefits plans are integrally tied to the future of the Laboratory's ability to recruit and retain the very best," explained LLNS President George Miller. "This extension allows Laboratory employees an appropriate amount of time to study the plans and submit their comments." As required by the contract, LLNS must submit two compensation packages. One package, available to transferring employees, must be substantially equivalent in the aggregate to that provided by the predecessor contractor (the University of California). The other package, available to new hires and transferring employees who opt for this package, is a market-based total compensation plan (401 k).

Bay Area Selected for One of DOE's Bioenergy Research Centers

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Secretary Samuel W. Bodman Tuesday announced that DOE will invest up to \$375 million in three new Bioenergy Research Centers that will be located in Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Madison, Wisconsin; and a location yet to be determined near Berkeley. The Centers are intended to accelerate basic research in the development of cellulosic ethanol and other biofuels. The Department plans to fund the Centers for the first five years of operation (Fiscal Years 2008-2013).

The Centers will bring together diverse teams of researchers from 18 of the nation's leading universities, seven DOE national laboratories, at least one nonprofit organization, and a range of private companies. All three Centers are located in geographically distinct areas and will use different plants both for laboratory research and for improving feedstock crops.

The new center led by Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (Berkeley Lab) will Michigan. be known as the DOE Joint BioEnergy Institute (JBEI) and is expected to receive \$125 million in DOE funding over its first five years.

The DOE JBEI's other partners are Sandia National Laboratories, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL), the University of California (UC) campuses in Berkeley and Davis, and Stanford University. Plans call for the center to be headquartered in a yet to be leased building in the East Bay, central to all partners. Initial work will take place at the West Berkeley Biocenter on Potter Street in Berkeley.

The other two DOE Bionergy Research Centers are the DOE **BioEnergy Research Center, led** by the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and the DOE Great Lakes **Bioenergy Research Center, led** by the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisconsin, in close collaboration with Michigan State University in East Lansing,

Research at the DOE JBEI will focus on biofuels — liquid fuels derived from the solar energy stored in plant biomass. Harnessing even a tiny fraction of the total solar energy available each year could meet most if not all of the nation's annual transportation energy needs.

Sandia's role in the center will build on the lab's expertise in science-based engineering, computational science, and microsystems. Sandia's capabilities in enzyme engineering, systems biology, membrane transport, protein expression, and hyperspectral imaging are expected to contribute significantly to the DOE JBEI mission. Sandia facilities, including the Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT), Microsystems and Engineering Sciences Applications (MESA), and the Combustion Research Facility (CRF), will play leading roles

lized at LLNL are the the Center for Accelerator Mass Spectrometry and the MicroArray Center.

Secretary Bodman said. "The collaborations of academic, corporate, and national laboratory researchers represented by these centers are truly impressive. I am very encouraged by the potential they hold for advancing America's energy security.'

A major focus will be on understanding how to reengineer biological processes to develop new, more efficient methods of converting the cellulose in plant material into ethanol or other biofuels that serve as a substitute for gasoline. Future biofuels production is expected to require the use of feedstocks more diverse than corn, including cellulosic material like agricultural residues, grasses, poplar trees, inedible plants, and non-edible portions of crops.

Subject to the finalization of contract terms and congressional appropriations, the Centers are expected to begin work in 2008.

Among facilities to be uti-

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What Are We Fighting For? **David Jonas** Livermore

In 1965, the band Country Joe and the Fish released "I-Feel-Like-I'm-Fixin'-to-Die Rag", a grimly sardonic song about the Vietnam War. The song's refrain become a mantra for the anti-war movement:

/And it's 1-2-3 What're we fightin' for? Don't ask me I don't give a damn the next stop is Viet Nam../

Over 40 years later, we're fighting a different war but facing the same question:

What exactly are we fighting for?

I know what we're supposed

tification 2.0 disturbs me greatly. Our prospects for military success disturb me even more. Just like in Viet Nam, our superior firepower has been neutralized by the commingling of civilians and combatants, the enemy's use of unconventional weapons and tactics, and our unfamiliarity with the land. Frankly it's not a fair fight. They have IED's, booby-traps, infiltrators, and suicide bombers. We have rules of engagement and the imperative to capture "hearts and minds." We don't stand a chance.

More than four years after President Bush's fatuous declaration of 'Mission Accomplished', and after the deaths of over 3,400 Americans and tens of thousands of Iraqis, we fight on. Why?

The war is a lost cause. In financial terms, we continue to throw good money after bad. In human terms, we continue to spill good blood after bad.

America's recent history is littered with indisputable military defeats. Viet Nam in 1972. Lebanon in 1984. Somalia in 1993. We exited each of these conflicts with the equivalent of our tail between our legs.

A similar conclusion to our misadventure in Iraq is inevitable. The catalyst for our departure from Lebanon was a suicide attack that killed 241 US Marines. I pray that a less catastrophic event is sufficient to bring our troops home from Iraq. /And it's 1-2-3 What're we fightin' for? I believe we've really been had The next stop is Bag-dad. /

of May visiting my grandmother, who lives on Alisal Street. I have a horse with me and I have been up to the trail several times, riding along Alisal Street and then along Westbridge to the entrance of the trail. I feel it should be brought to the attention of the city council that in order to reach the trail, one must ride in the street, because there are no paths available along the side of the road.

It would be great to trailer up to the trail. However, just yesterday I saw a maintenance golf cart on that side of the road. In order to turn around, the golf cart had to do a three point turn. A car would have to back down the hill about 60 feet and into Westbridge in order to get out. There is no way that a trailer could use that access road, either to park and ride or to even drop horses off and seek parking elsewhere as there is no where to turn around. It makes me wonder where hikers are supposed to park their vehicles, as there is no parking area at the trail entrance.

For this reason, I have ridden to the trail. It takes approximately 10 to 15 minutes to walk my horse from 6300 Alisal to the trail entrance. In that time, one must navigate the environmental "hazards," walking on concrete, barking dogs along fences 3 feet from the road, and being passed by cars going well above the speed limit. These cars pose a real problem even for the most even tempered horses, as the danger to both driver and rider are considerable when there is no safe path on which the horse can travel off the road. I have watched these cars drive up to me without slowing down, then cross the double yellow line to get around me and continue up Westbridge without a pause. This is not a feat I would attempt with any but the most confident riders. I walk (on foot) with my dog every morning, following a similar route. I have to consider it dangerous, as the traffic moves so quickly that one must jump into the brush in order to get out of the way of the cars. For such a nice, family oriented neighborhood, this road is not one I would recommend to anyone biking or walking with children. The equine/hiking path above the golf course is very well advertised to the public. But it is almost inaccessible to most people. I think it is a shame, because the trail could and should be a jewel for the city. With a place to park, a trailer turnaround area, and a path along the side of the road for locals, the trail could live up to its advertised expectations building affordable housing by its very own Specific Plan. The affordable housing that has been built in the downtown consists of senior only and studios for artists to work and live.

So where is the affordable housing being built? Between the valley and the downtown. In fact, the city is very proud of their \$13 million dollar project on the corner of Carmen and South Livermore. Never mind that this project is the highest density in the entire city. No problem that it violates Article 34 of the California Constitution. No worries that the future residents of the Carmen Avenue Project will have very little open space and live nearly 2 miles from a grocery store and service retail. No sweat that the city has violated the neighborhood residents' civil rights.

So, drive by the latest city dump. It is simply the most recent and most offensive action taken by the City of Livermore to prevent poor people from soiling their rich valley and newly constructed downtown. .

Support Local Hospitals Joe Carlucci Pleasanton

There are things we count on daily, like water and electricity working, teachers and police going to work, and our local hospital being there to care for us when we are sick or injured. Oops, that last item is not necessarily the case. While public services are guaranteed by our paying bills and taxes, hospitals have no such funding guarantees. Let me give you a brief course in hospital economics-decreasing reimbursements and rising costs make this a brutal business. Hospitals use ancillary services such as lab tests, xrays and MRIs, and physical/occupational therapy to provide revenue to offset costs of doing business. These pay for equipment and staff, including nurses, the dieticians who make your meals, engineers who keep the building safe, and housekeepers who keep it clean. There is a growing trend for physicians' offices, including in the TriValley, to offer these services within their offices. Some are now even doing outpatient surgeries in offsite surgical centers that they own in an attempt to capture the hospital portion of procedures. These practices strip hospitals of badly needed income and severely diminish revenue sources. These services are not necessarily any different, better, or cheaper. What this does is leave the hospital to care for patients whether they can pay for procedures or not. The physician office services, unlike the hospital, are not mandated to provide care to those who cannot pay. This creates a slippery slope of your local hospital being left to care for it's community members who may not be able to pay for care, or who have insurances that do not cover costs. This means reimbursement of dimes, nickels, or pennies on the dollar, but almost always not covering its cost to save lives, which is its obligation. Think about this when you or a loved one needs to go to an overcrowded emergency room, or cannot find access to needed medical services due to underfunding. The old saying is penny- wise and pound foolish.

(D-NM), and Pete Domenici (D-NM) have sent a letter to Secretary of Energy Samuel Bodman Tuesday stressing that a new benefits package for employees of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) can only be in the best interest of national security, scientific advancement and equity if it is congruent with the package being offered at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) in New Mexico.

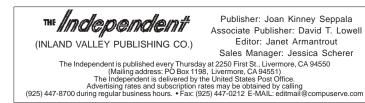
The proposed benefits package for the Lab is less than benefits established at the Las Alamos Laboratory. The letter states, "We are extremely concerned about the impact of the recent contract competitions at the two design laboratories on NNSA's ability to fulfill its national security requirements, because we understand that just such an imbalance now looms among the different labs.'

The letter comes on the heels of a request from Tauscher and her colleagues last week that the Department of Energy (DOE), at the very least, hold a public comment period for employees to voice their thoughts on the benefit package. The DOE has agreed and this comment period will move forward, according to Tauscher.

The letter recommends that DOE accept the Lawrence Livermore National Security (LLNS) proposed "LANL comparable" pension and benefits plan for LLNL starting October 1, 2007 to resolve the potential inequities between the two benefits packages. The new management team takes over on Oct. 1.

The letter points out that a key component of the nation's strategy to provide scientific leadership to support the nation's nuclear deterrent is sustaining two competitive design labora-

Comments may be submitted to LLNS by calling 925 424-5567 or via the Internet at www.llnsllc.com.



to be fighting for: Saddam Hussein had sponsored the 9-11 terrorists, acquired weapons of mass destruction and broken bread with Al Quaida. Saddam posed a 'grave and gathering threat' to the free world. Either we take him out, or he would take us - an open-and-shut case of

justifiable preemption. Moreover, the long-suffering people of Iraq would welcome our troops as conquering heroes. By deposing Saddam we would open the door for western-style democracy. Iraq could look forward to a constitution, open elections, city councils, PTA luncheons, and Young Republican chapters. Iraq would serve as an example for other benighted countries of the Middle East. Iran, Syria, and Lebanon - even the Palestinians if they were paying attention - would surely follow Iraq down the yellowbrick road to The American Way.

As we all know, things didn't quite go according to plan. Saddam's WMD didn't materialize, and his purported connections to 9-11 and Al Quaida were never established. And that welcome mat we expected? Turns out it was resting on an IED.

With his /casus belli /exposed as a complete fraud, President Bush faced two choices: Admit that the invasion of Iraq was a terrible mistake, or reinvent the justification for the invasion. With hubris as big as Texas, our President is not one to acknowledge mistakes. Instead, he resorted to a tactic that his administration practices with frightening proficiency: He invented a new reality.

So now, we're told, the war is not, in fact, about WMD or 9-11. Rather, we went to war to protect America from the Islamic extremists who have infested Iraq. If we don't bring the fight to them, they will surely bring the fight to us. The 9-11 attackers were merely a vanguard for the Muslim hordes standing by for Osama Bin Laden's signal to bring intifada to our shores. If we can just kill enough Muslims on their home turf, before they have a chance to mobilize, we'll be OK.

The disingenuity of War Jus-

Protect Open Space Anne Fox **Friends of Pleasanton**

The City of San Ramon has an Open Space and Conservation Advisory Committee chartered to identify and protect significant natural areas, ridgelines and viewsheds, wildlife habitats in need of protection and creek environments. Four out of five of the members of the Livermore City Council have repeatedly supported grassroots initiatives that favor preserving North Livermore as open space. In addition to Dublin's existing Emerald Glen Park, in East Dublin, the City of Dublin has completed a master plan for the 68 acre Fallon Sports Park to be located near El Charro/Fallon Road that will be located between Dublin and Livermore.

In the late 1990's, Pleasanton's Planning Commission unanimously approved plans for Kaufman & Broad to build a 34 acre sports park to be located at Staples Ranch including three lighted soccer fields, two softball diamonds, a baseball field and several courts for basketball and volleyball, playground and picnic areas, but it was never built.

If you think it is time that Pleasanton step up to its responsibility for parkland and open space in order to make Pleasanton the best possible place for families, young adults and seniors to live, join Friends of Pleasanton by contacting friendsofpleasanton@yahoo.com

Trail Access Laura Linfoot Pleasanton

I am writing regarding the hiking/equine trail available above the golf course on Westbridge. I am in the area for the month

Segregated City **Carmen Swift** Livermore

There is a sign hanging on a fence at the corner of South Livermore and Carmen Avenues. It reads, "City Dump."

A small neighborhood in Livermore has been battling with the city for 3 years (there is still an action pending in the Alameda Superior Court). Why? Because the city is spending over \$13 million dollars to build 30 apartments on one acre. You see, Livermore has become a segregated city. There are the expensive valley homes that are protected by a Specific Plan that actually states that no affordable housing will ever be built in those areas. Then there is the Downtown which is also protected from

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in property values due to the proximity of the airport to their homes.

There were comments made by several speakers that planes fly too low over homes.

Operations at the airport have declined over the last seven years, dropping from 240,000 a year to just under 180,000. Public Works Director Dan McIntyre said that the number of flights is driven by the area economy, not services provided at the airport. Between 2 and 6 jets are based at the airport. He did not know how many fly in and out on a regular basis

Opponents accused the council of moving forward with changes proposed in a new master plan tabled by the council last year. However, it was noted by several councilmembers that the FBO and new hangars are all provided for in the 1975 master plan, which is still in effect.

Concerns were also raised over the length of the noise study, a one-week effort to establish a noise baseline. Many felt that was not long enough.

Councilmember Tom Reitter wondered how a study could be accurate that only looked at one week, when flights vary based on weather and other conditions. He was also interested in a study that included single events, not an average of noise.

McIntyre said that the study could be broken into different periods to make sure it captures more data. He said that once the FBO is up and running, a second study could be conducted to determine the impact of the FBO.

Noise is the biggest problem facing the airport, according to those who spoke against the proposal. Greg Olsen was among those who said that there has been a definite increase in the amount of noise generated by operations at the airport in the last few years. "It's affecting our quality of life. I would like to keep the airport small and serve only recreational pilots."

Nick Fitton pointed out that what is missing from the lease is a guarantee in writing that noise won't increase when the FBO is established.

Another resident, Purnam

Sheth, declared that the city is violating CEQA in not conducting a full environmental review of the changes.

Max Curtis declared that the whole purpose of an FBO is to increase traffic. He predicted that there would be future requests for cargo and charter services coming into the airport. They are allowed as part of the minimum standards for the lease.

Shirley Taylor felt it was time to place the issue of airport changes on the ballot. She added, "An FBO is not necessary, since operations have decreased."

A supporter of the changes, pilot Kathy Chase accused the opponents of distortions and gross exaggerations. "What will drive the jet traffic is both residential and commercial development. An FBO won't impact the number of operations at the airport. Livermore is not equipped to be a jet airport.'

Greg Hefner urged the council to approve the FBO. He said he was speaking for the silent majority in the city who support the airport. "It is a great asset to the city.

Russ Greenlaw noted there are only three airfields left in Alameda County. "It is important to keep the airport economically viable," he told the council, adding, "The presence of large corporations in the valley is the source of jets. I don't think the airport has done anything to attract the jets.'

Pilots have been advocating for new hangars for many years. There is a waiting list of over 200 aircraft owners. The new hangars will eliminate some of the tiedowns, reducing the number of planes based in Livermore.

Mayor Marshall Kamena asked Ghielmetti what an FBO could do to stop late night and early morning flights that the city can't do.

For one thing, said Ghielmetti the FBO will be able to communicate with pilots in a better way than the city could. "We will be able to advertise nationwide that our hours of service are between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. We can control those who want our service. If anyone comes in late, an extra fee would be charged for service, along with some sort of penalty. We would take an additional step for those with hangar leases. If pilots violate the curfew, they would be in violation of their leases and we would expel them."

Councilmember Marj Leider commented, "Any jet capable of landing here will land here." She asked for information on how many jet flights go in and out of the airport.

It was also noted that the city cannot prohibit jets from using the airport, or control when they land and take-off.. Kamena said of the FBO, "It's

hard for me to think the sky is falling, because an FBO is taking over operations the city has provided for years.

Councilmember John Marchand called it a hard decision to support the FBO. It appears we can impose contractual conditions that would include penalties for violation of the city's flying hours. Right now the city has little control with respect to the airport operations.

No Free Transit Rides During All-Star Game

There will be no free rides on Bay Area transit services if a spare the air day is declared July 9 or 10. That's because of heightened security requirements around AT&T Park in San Francisco and expected heavy passenger loads on many transit systems during Major League Baseball's All-Star Game.

The modification of the 2007 spare the air/free transit program was announced last week by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District and Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).

The program officially began June 1 with MTC and the air district committing a combined \$8.5 million to sponsor free rides on 29 Bay Area transit systems the first four times the air district issues a spare the air advisory on a non-holiday weekday.

For more information about the program, visit www.511.org.

Livermore Urged to Make **Tree Ordinance a Model**

Livermore has an opportunity to create a model tree preservation ordinance, state leaders of

Save Mount Diablo (SMD). The Mount Diablo group has announced plans to work for a protected open space and wildlife corridor reaching south from the mountain through the Altamont, "ensuring that Mount Diablo is never cut off from the rest of the Diablo Range to the south," in the words of Troy Bristol.

'If we're successful," he added, "we'll be able to help preserve the visual backdrop for the Livermore Valley, protect wildlife corridors and extend recreational corridors.

Bristol was recently hired by SMD to work on land conservation issues in the Livermore area. He has begun reviewing city agendas, leading him to take notice of

the proposed tree ordinance.

In a recent presentation to the Livermore Planning Commission he said, "Save Mount Diablo commends Livermore for replacing the existing tree ordinance with a more protective one. ... We hope that our recommendations will help Livermore create a model tree ordinance that will effectively maintain the city's urban forest and all of the benefits it provides.

Among the recommendations, SMD urges a decrease of the circumference size qualifying a tree for protection. SMD points out that Lafayette protects riparian trees as small as 19 inches in circumference. Mill Valley protects trees as small as 12.5 inches. Santa Cruz and Orinda have circumference standards of 44 and 47 inches respectively.

SMD proposes the addition of three trees — madrone, alder and grey pine — to the protected list. Riparian trees should also be considered for the protected list, even though many of them are small trees, usually considered too small to qualify for protection. Lafayette is pointed out as a city that protects riparian trees.

The proposed tree ordinance assigns tree removal applications to two departments. SMD recommends that one department, rather than two, be in charge of this process. "We believe that having more than one oversight department in the permit and appeal process could be confusing for applicants and the public," said Bristol.

The proposed ordinance is scheduled to be heard by the City Council July 23.

MAILBOX

(continued from page 4) The moral to this story is: You

have the right as a medical consumer to get your services where you wish, despite where your doctor may direct you. Ask him or her if they have a financial relationship to where you are being referred. Remember to support your local hospital. Otherwise, it may not be there when you really need it.

Faulkner Quote **Tom Darter** Livermore

Regarding your article about the dedication of the Downtown Plaza (June 21, page 14): The initial action that led to the inclusion of the Faulkner quote was a proposal presented to the Livermore Commission for the Arts by Karen Hogan. That original proposal suggested a Writer's Corner in the area near the flagpole, with the Faulkner quote (from his Nobel Prize speech) seen as the first in a series of quotes about the importance of writers to the community, and to humanity as a whole. This initial proposal was folded into the plans for the Downtown Plaza. Based on your coverage of the ceremony, it seems that these facts were left out of the dedication, so the person who was the driving force behind the origi-nal idea and the selection of the Faulkner quote went unmentioned, and the reason why the quote was suggested was also left out.

Full disclosure: Karen Hogan

is my wife.

dence of Karen's interest in Faulkner's Nobel Prize speech, just walk by 2235 4th Street, the home of 4th Street Studio, where Karen has been hosting monthly readings by local writers for the last three and a half years. There is a door-size placard in the front yard, which contains (among other things) another quote from Faulkner's speech. It has been on display there for almost two years.

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Subject. Finone number and contact person should also be included. Valley Humane Society's Wiggle Waggle Dog Wash will be held from noon to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 30 at the VHS office, 3670 Nevada Street, Pleasanton, Donations

ings, newborns and breastfeeding babies only, please. For more info visit w.tvmotc.com or call club voice mail: 5-948-0004. Refreshment will be served.

Book Sale, Friends of the Livermore Library will hold their monthly book sale on Sunday, July 1, from noon to 4 p.m. in front of the former Library at 1000 South Livermore Avenue in Livermore. Fiction and nonfiction books, magazines and audio-visuals will be a table of free books. From 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. books will be sold for \$ 2.00 a shopping bag full of books. Valley Spokesmen Bicycle Touring Club, Sat., June 30, 58 miles Calaveras-Palomares special, meet 9 a.m. at Val Vista Park in Pleasanton, Jim Duncan, 209-1369. Sun., July 1, 60 miles out Mines Rd. and back, meet 9 a.m. at old Nob Hill center, Rob Delfosse, 216-4823. Tues., July 3, 25 miles San Francisco Museum Ride, meet 10 a.m. San Francisco Museum Ride, meet 10 a.m. at Ferry building at the Embarcadero, Randy Huey, 518-8439. Anyone planning to go on a ride is asked to call the leader for details on where to meet and what to bring. Interested in teaching, sharing a special talent? Livermore Adult Education is looking for community members who have talents and training that may qualify them to teach a class. Instructors for Taiko Drumming, Dog Training, Senior Fitness, Dance, Guitar, Posting on Craig's List computer class and any other course ideas are appreci-Class and any other course ideas are appreci-ated are being sought. Phone (925)606-4722 or stop by 1401 Almond Ave. Livermore. Pleasanton-Tulancinco Sister City As-sociation Dinner, Mon., July 9, Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main St., Pleasanton. 6 p.m. cocktails, 7 p.m. dinner. \$25 per person. Reservations required by July 1. Call 462-6723 6723

info, please call Rishi at 925-462-9088 or 408-472-8932 cell. **RELIGION**

Unitarian Universalist, 1893 N. Vasco Rd., Livermore. Sunday Service at 10:30 a.m. Topic for July 1 is "Living Your Dream Life." Dr. David Olkkola will lead the

service. Information 447-8747. .Catholic Community of Pleasanton, bereavement support ministry meetings meets 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 7:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton in the chapel, 4001 Stoneridge Dr., Pleasanton. Upcoming sessions: June 28; July 12, 26; and Aug. 9, 23. All are welcome. Questions? For additional information, conact Joan Bell at 828-6864. Group open to all regardless of reli-

more Ave. 447-1246. A donation of \$10 for

more Ave. 44/-1240. A donation of S10 for each camper is requested. **SonForce Kids**, vacation Bible school, 9 a.m.-noon, July 30-Aug 3, 4743 East Ave., Livermore. For children ages 4 to current 5th graders. S5 per child. 447-950 Asburylive.org Registration deadline is July 23. **Spirituality - Open Round Table** William Fowler will host an Inter-Faith/ Inter-Path discussion Group on Mon. 7/2/07 46 p.m. No charge and no group/organiza-

accepted. The public is invited to bring their dogs for a wash. Proceeds benefit the Society. For information, call (925) 426-8656.

Be Smart Buy Smart, Joaquin Murphy of the California Dept of Consumer Affairs identifies various scams and how to avoid them. Find out what smart shoppers know about telephone, mail order, and Internet sales; prizes and gifts; door-to-door sales; sweepstakes, lotteries, and contests; and re-funds. Tuesday, July 10, 10am-11:30am at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., \$1.25 residents/1.75 non-residents. Call 931-5365

Twin Valley Mothers of Twins Club: Meets July 10th, Tuesday at John Knox Presbyterian Church, 7421 Amarillo Road, Dublin. Dublin. Club membership is a mix of Alameda Co. & Contra Costa Co. residents in and surrounding San Ramon/Dublin/Pleasanton. The goal is to provide support, infor-mation & friendship for Mothers of Multiples (Mom's). Roundtable discussion is open to new and prospective multiple moms (a Q&A forum that deals with parenting multiples, from pregnancy on up.) hosted by one of the Club's members. Round table discussion begins at 6:30 PM. The general meetings begin at 7:30 PM. Speaker approx. 8:00 PM. Babies up to eight months are welcome to the Roundtable discussions. At the general meet-



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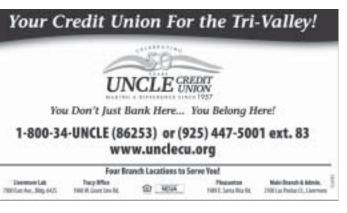
Indian Odissi Dance Workshop: Dona Ganguly, one of the top Indian Odissi dancers from Kolkata, India will be providing a workshop from July 6 thru 8 at Pleasanton. The fee for the workshop for all 3 days is \$125. Children, teems and adults learning any form of Indian dances are welcome. Private lessons provided from July 3-14 by apt. For more

gious affiliation Jews for Jesus, presents the Liberated Wailing Wall, Sun., July 8, 10 a.m. Discov-ery Church of the Nazarene, 5860 Las Positas Rd., Livermore. Jewish gospel music and drama. 449-5256.

Vacation Bible Camp, Our Savior Lutheran Ministries. July 9-13, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for ages 3 to 5th grade. Singing, games, crafts and snacks. Theme, "Quest for Truth." Registration forms in the church office or on-line at oslm.net. 1385 S. Liver-

at 6 p.m. No charge and no group/organiza-tion affiliation. 4047 First St, 2nd Fl break room Livermore, (925)606-6606

Design4Living Conference. July 20 -21 The Cost \$78 includes all main & breakout sessions, Fri concert, & Sat coffee & lunch. This year's theme is ...Divine truths of the Yahweh Sisterhood. Authors and speakers from around the country will be featured, such as Jennifer Rothschild, Nancy Stafford, Sheri Rose Shepherd and Debbie Alsdorf. Chonda Pierce as special guest comedian & Bethany Dillon will perform in concert Friday night. This is the third year with the Design4Living Conference, which is hosted by Cornerstone Fellowship in Livermore. Register online at www.cornerstoneweb.org or call 925-447-3465.



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SPORTS NOTES

Youth Soccer

As the Pleasanton Ballistic United Soccer Club (BUSC) United U18 team took the field agains Bay Oaks in the Norcal Regional semifinal game, it had all the makings of a different kind of game. Injuries and other commitments led the United to field just 11 players, for their second game of the day in trilled digit theat. The arefores were the day in triple digit heat. The referees were almost 30 minutes late to the game. And on the opening kickoff, the Bay Oaks forward sent a direct shot on net. From then on, the United played a magnificent 90 minutes of undermanned soccer. While Bay Oaks could the send in 2-3 subs at a time. Ballistic was forced to use guts and guile to persevere. And that they did for 85 minutes, until a Bay Oaks forward drove a hard shot home for the eventual 1-0 win. To attempt a story on the United's effort would not do it justice. But from luctin Mullaney's clear of a shot at their The associated would not be in the associate of the open net to Ricky Rojas' bicycle kick attempt at a goal to Trevor Morrisey getting robbed on a near post laser, Ballistic provided their fans with outstanding soccer, at two points of the game playing a man down due to injury. Congratulations to GK Brett Webber, backs unter Mullaney. La Largence and Trevor Congratulations to GR Brett Webber, backs Justin Mullaney, Jay Jafarpour, and Trevor Morrissey; midfielders Jeff Squier, Mike Florian, Ricky Rojas, and Matt Carlucci, and forwards David Norton and Stefan Rabrenovich for a herculean effort and a successful tournament

successful tournament. The BUSC U18 United advanced to the semifinals of the NorCal Regional tourna-ment with a 1-1 tie against the Orchard Sharks. Back Justin Mullaney was very active in the initial stages of the game, making a strong run up the left side before sending a precision through ball to David Norton for a try in the 9th minute, and again in the 17th minute with a cross to Trevor Norton for a try in the 9th minute, and again in the 17th minute with a cross to Trevor Morrissey. Back-up GK Niko Lecco kept the game scoreless with a leaping punch over the crossbar on a high bouncer in the 30th minute, and forced an attacking Shark wide on a 1v1 try in the 33rd minute. Mullaney was forced to make a strong defensive play 20 seconds into the second half, running down a semi-breakaway and blocking the attempted try. BUSC got on the board first after Norton faked out two defenders and was finally tripped by a third in the box. Nestor Negrete converted the PK in the 56th minute. United seemed to have the game in hand, especially seemed to have the game in hand, especially when Orchard lost a player due to injury. But they ratcheted up the intensity and forced a foul from straight on net, 19 yards out. A creative combination and solid finish tied the game 1-1 in the 72 minute. Lecco grabbed the last-gasp direct kick from 40 yards out to preserve the tie. Strong backline play by Jay Jafarpour, with Mike Florian and Matt Carlucci

Jatarpour, with Mike Horian and Matt Carlucci cleaning up the midfield, aided Lecco defen-sively. Top Offensive Players: Nestor Negrete, Justin Mullaney, David Norton; Top Defen-sive Players: Niko Lecco, Mike Florian, Matt Carlucci.

Matt Carlucci. The Livermore Roadrunners boys U13 AC1 team lost 3 and won 1 at the California Cup in Sacramento over the week-end. They lost their first match against the Tracy Futbol club by a score of 1-3. The Roadrunners got on the board first early on when a strong well placed, left footed strike by Trevor Long found the upper left corner of the net. He was assisted by Alexander Zandian. The Tracy Futbol club tied the score in the 21st minute on a break away run. The Tracy Futbol club were able to get 2 more un-

Tracy Futbol club were able to get 2 more un-answered goals in the second half. The Roadrunners won their second match 5-0 over the Cap FC United. Evan Enzmann scored the first goal off an assist by Juan Carlos Alfaro. Alfaro doubled the score in the first half with the assist going to Long in the first half with the assist going to Long. The scoring continued in the second half when Alfaro scored his second goal of the

when Alfaro scored his second goal of the matchafter very nice sequence of passes from Patrick Taylor to Marco Arana-Nolasco. Ryan Gollott scored the forth goal by follow-ing up on a shot by Arana-Nolasco that went off the cross bar. Jeffery Gellerman scored the fifth goal off an assist by Long. On Saturday the Roadrunners fell to the San Juan Lightning 95 Blue by a score of 0-2. The Roadrunners held the Lightning scoreless in the first half with excellent defensive efforts by Brandon Marantan, Long and Gollott. Addington made several great saves including an amazing one-handed save that appeared to have gotten pasthim over his head, but he was able to reach behind him to make the save. The Lightning continued to make the save. The Lightning continued to press hard in the second half and despite the excellent defensive effort by the Roadrun-

ners, were able to score two goals. The Roadrunners fell 1-2 in their final game of the tournament against the Santa Rosa United Heat. The Roadrunners were up 1-0 in the first half with a goal by Gollott who kicked in a rebound from a free kick taken by Alfaro. The Santa Rosa United Heat tied the game in the second half and the well-matched game looked destined for over time when they scored another goal with a minute to go in the game. The U14 San Ramon Santos had an incredible run over the 4 day US Club Regional Tournament held June 16th thru 19th in Ripon. The Santos won their bracket Alliance and the Santos wonthen bracket in pool play by defeating Sonoma County Alliance and the San Juan Lightning and finishing with a tie against the Cal South Team from Tustin. The victory in pool play set up a semi-final game against Dixon played early Tuesday Morning. Dixon came out victorious in the semi-final. It was a great washand and an outstanding team affort for weekend and an outstanding team effort for the Santos. the Santos. San Ramon Santos 1 - Santa Clara Sporting 2: The San Ramon Santos jumped out to an early lead over the Santa Clara Sporting Sunday night in NorCal Premier Division Soccer. Dimitri Shocron converted a loose ball from the 18 in the 5th minute of New to give the Santes 1 Olaced The Source play to give the Santos a 1-0 lead. The Santos held the 1-0 lead at the half. The second half was a defensive battle for the Santos. Santos was a defensive battle for the Santos. Santos keeper Jacob Boyd had an incredible game making numerous saves in both halves to keep the game close. Sporting was finally able to convert in the 43rd minute of the game to bring it 1-1. A second goal was scored later in the half to give the undefeated Sporting their closest victory of the season. The Santos defense of Matt Robbins, Stevie Rector, Grant Matsumoto, Albert Glancy and Jake Boyd all had an outstanding game in what Boyd all had an outstanding game in what was one of the most exciting games of the season thus far. The Mustang Strikers U-16 Boys team competed in the US Club Region H Cham-pionship tournament reaching the finals on Tuesday, June 19, but unfortunaley lost to the Juventus Strikers with a Score of 2-1 Mus-tang started off the scoring with Franco Cruz feeding Justin Chew for the lst score. Musfeeding Justin Chew for the lst score. Mus-tang pressured the Juventus Defense, but could not net another goal. In preliminary action Mustang started off the tournament with a convincing 5-1 win over San Juan Lightening. Franco Cruz had a hat trick, Scott Brensel added the 4th goal assisted by George Mayer and George Mayer added the 5th after catching the goalie out of the nets on a free kick and scored the 5th goal for Mustang. for Mustang. In game 2 versus Davis Legacy United— Mustang defeated them with a score of 3-1.. Franco Cruz had two goals assisted by Gerardo Garcia and George Mayer. Gerardo Garcia added goal 3 assisted by John Wainscott by flicking the ball over the goalie hands for the score e score In game 3 of preliminary play, Mustang tied Santa Rosa United 1-1 with a goal by Naday Kariv assisted by Gerardo Garcia. Mustang finished pool play advancing to the semifinals playing Gilbert Arsenal of Arizona. In a tough fought battle, Mustang came out on top 1-0 with the winning goal being scored by Franco Cruz assisted by Nadav Kariv Pyan Rivera was solid in the nets for Nadāv Kariv Ryan Rivera was solid in the nets for Mustang assisted by Michael Janjigian, Patrick Watson, Nick Feeney, Tori Jorgensen, and Dominic Daley. Alex Alvarez, Jose Garcia, George Mayer, Scott Brensel, and Shaun Daut provided excellent midfield play while John Wainscott, Nadav Kariv, Gerardo Garcia Dillon Mullaney, Max Mendes, and Franco Cruz pressured the defense with their offense.



About 1,500 young track and field athletes competed at the Pacific Association/USA Track & Field Junior Olympic Track & Field Championships over the weekend at Granada High School. They represented over 60 PA/USATF track clubs from all over Northern California and northwest Nevada. The top three in each event advance to nationals. In the photo, a competitor cleared one height in the high jump competition. He went on to win the event.

finishes were also turned in by Alyssa Goard for the 50 Breast, 50 Fly, 100 IM, and the 200 Medley Relay, and Lani Cohen for the 50 Free, 50 Back, and 200 Free Relay. The Pirhanas also had outstanding performances by Emily Hickey, 25 Back, Shawn Kim, 25 Fly, Winky Wong, 200 Medley Relay, and 100 IM, for the girls and Daniel Huang,50 Breast and 100 IM, Andrew Silva,25 Back and Fly, and Bret Tombley, 50 Breast, for the Boys. Please visit the league website, www.trivalleyswim.us, for league results.

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Blaze Champs Again

Blaze Cnamps Again The Tri Valley Blaze U12 Girls Fastpitch Softball team vent 5-1 this past weekend in Fremont facing tough competition and won their second consecutive USSSA World Series Qualifier. On each game of Sunday's bracket play the Blaze took the field with determination winning all three and bringing home the championship trophy. Championship Game: Tri Valley Blaze 5, Lady Patriots 4. The whole Blaze package of pitching, offense, defense and true team-work secured the lead the entire game in this exciting victory. Winning pitcher McKayla Saavedra did an outstanding job on the mound fighting hard to get out of a couple mound fighting hard to get out of a couple crucial innings. A number of key outfield plays by Breanna Herrera, Ocean Garcia and Heather Smith held off the Lady Patriots from scoring opportunities. Nicole Evans' double, Josie Howatt's RBI single, and singles off the bats of Rachel Norman, Breanna Herrera and bats of Kachel Norman, Breanna Herrera and Adriana Segovia led blaze offense. Semi Final Game: Tri Valley Blaze 4, Nevada Lightning 2. The Blaze displayed over the top play vs. the tough Nevada team. Josie Howatt showed poise and confidence on the top of Graziera in the intermediate of the second Sister Howards how cupoes and commence on the mound for 7 innings in this well-earned win. Blaze defense was sharp with outstand-ing fielding from shortstop Rachel Norman; Alyssa Lanza, Danielle Lacombe and Breanna Herrera also played solid defense and catcher Nicole Evans had 3 throw-downs on base runnars for outs. Blaza bats ware hot and Nicole Evans had 3 throw-downs on base runners for outs. Blaze bats were hot and hitting streaks continued for: Alyssa Lanza 2 singles, 2 RBI's; Nicole Evans single, 2 RBI's and Breanna Herrera 2 singles. Tri Valley Blaze 15, Gilroy Shockers 0. In this first bracket play game, Blaze pitchers Josie Howatt & McKayla Saavedra shared pitching duties holding the Shockers to 1 hit. Nicole Evans hit 2 home runs bringing her season HR total to 5 and Alyssa Lanza & season HR total to 5 and Alyssa Lanza & McKayla Saavedra each hit home runs. Breanna Herrera's 2 solid singles, Danielle Deerinck's RBI line drive single and Heather Smith's line drive single were just a few highlights of the Blaze offensive domination. 3 Game Pool Play: Tri Valley Blaze 6, San Lorenzo Patriots 4. Winning Blaze pitcher McKayla Saavedra took charge pitch-ing the entire game. Blaze offense: Nicole Evans double, single, 2 RBI's; Alyssa Lanza triple, single; McKayla Saavedra single, 2 RBI's and Josie Howatt 2 singles. Solid defense by Blaze second baseman Danielle Lacombe. Tri Valley Blaze 9 East Bay Thunda Stryke 2 tion Blaze second baseman Danielle Lacombe. Tri Valley Blaze 9, East Bay Thunda Stryke 2. Throwing a complete game, winning Blaze pitcher was Josie Howatt. Blaze offense: Audrey Howatt double, single, 3 RBI's; Josie Howatt single, 2 RBI's and Alyssa Lanza 2 singles. Solid defense by outfielder Ocean Garcia. San Ramon Stompers 6, Tri Valley Blaze 4. In the first inning, Blaze batter Nicole Evans drove a ball deep for a stand up home run. A final inning rally shed

light but the Blaze fell short in the loss. Additional Blaze offense in this game: Rachel Norman doubled, Adriana Segovia singled and aggressive base running by Danielle Descripted. Deerinck

ClugSport Swims to Win

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Back: Maddle 1aylor: 23.85 (CSP), Bella Mairs: 27.34 (BH), Kearin Van Lare: 28.59 (BH). **Girls 9&10**: 50 yd Free: Emily Barrett: 35.01 (CSP), Jacqueline Wood: 37.62 (CSP), Lexi Venema: 37.64 (CSP): 25 yd Fly: Danielle Taylor: 15.12 (CSP), Brittany Achziger: 17.01 (BH), Meagan Tang: 21.30 (CSP); 25 yd Breastroke: Brittney Achziger: 19.44 (BH), Kelsey Ouyang: 22.12 (CSP), Camille Perich: 22.36 (BH); 100 IM: Brittney Achziger: 1:26.85 (BH), Danielle Taylor: 1:27.51 (CSP), Lexi Venema 1:34.14 (CSP); 25 yd Back: Julia Densmore 20.39 (CSP), Emily Barrett 21.02 (CSP), Carley Robertson 21.47 (CS). **11&12 Girls**: 50 yd Free: Natalie Tang 29.30 (CSP), Haley Lukas 30.25 (BH), Bernadine Martin 30.71, Katie Bindert 31.97 (CSP); 50 yd Breastroke: Bernadine Martin 37.26 (CSP), Cayla Jetter 39.51 (CSP), Lessica Clouse 39.52 (CSP),

Ellen Ouyang 36.92 (CSP); 50 (7d Breastroke: Bernadine Martin 37.26 (CSP), Cayla letter 39.51 (CSP), Jessica Clouse 39.52 (CSP); 100 IM: Marissa Bergh 1:11.03 (BH), Jackie Taylor 1:11.69 (CSP), Ellen Ouyang 1:19.77 (CSP); 50 yd Back: Natalie Tang 32.33 (CSP), Marissa Bergh 32.61 (BH), Cayla Jetter 38.11 (CSP). **13&14 Girls**: 50 yd Free: Alison Hernbroth 28.90 (CSP), Emily Truax 31.58 (CSP), Eryn Powers 31.77 (CSP); 50 yd Fly: Rachel Miller 32.49 (CSP), Gemma Bateman 34.78 (CSP), Eryn Powers 36.50 (CSP); 50 yd Breastroke: Rachel Miller 37.64 (CSP), Alison Hernbroth 38.84 (CSP). Shannon Corrigan 40.18 (BH); 100 IM: Rachel Miller 1:12.89 (CSP), Shannon Corrigan 1:24.97 (BH), Megan Sidran 1:25.43 (BH); 50 yd Free: Hayley Burghardt 27.07 (BH), Kelly Avon, 28.74 (CSP), Whitney McMurdie 28.90; 50 yd Fly: Rebecca Payne 32.50 (CSP), Amanda yd Fly: Rebecca Payne 32.50 (CSP), Amanda Venema 32.84 (CSP), Jaclyn Bianchi 33.19 (CSP); 50 yd Breastroke: Alyse Bateman *s1.*u5, Cindy Cech 37.36 (CSP), Jenna Vidovich 38.00 (BH): 100 IM: Alyse Bateman 1:11.39 (CSP), Haley Burghardt 1:12.59 (BH), Cindy Cech 1:12.75 (CSP); 50 yd Back: Amanda Venema 32.68 (CSP), Haley Burghardt 34.80 (BH), Lauren Stuart 34.83 (CSP). 37.05, Cindy Cech 37.36 (CSP). Jenna Burghardt 34.80 (BH), Lauren Stuart 34.83 (CSP). 6& under Boys: 25 yd Free: Joey Grywczynski 18.90 (BH), Nick Skinner 20.38 (CSP), Michael Groves 25.29 (BH); 55 yd Fly: Joey Grywczynski 24.20 (BH), Nick Skinner 28.32 (CSP), Scott Renton 34.07 (CSP); 25 yd Breastroke: Joey Grywczynski 28.07 (BH), Cole Reznick 29.23 (CSP), Matthew Clesen 33.39 (BH); 25 yd Back: Cole Reznick 27.51 (CSP), Robert Torress 31.15 (CSP), Logan Calhoun 38.94 (BH). 7&8 Boys: 25 yd Free: Ben Wooldridge 15.30 (CSP), Matthew Grywczynski 17.05 (BH), Michael Martin 17.69 (CSP); 25 yd Fly: Ben Wooldridge 16.92 (CSP), Nicholas Clark 20.59 (CSP), Matthew Grywczynski 21.98 (CSP) 25 yd Breastroke: Nicholas Clark 22.87 (CSP), Matthew Grywczynski 26.15 (BH), Alexei Pacholuk 26.28 (BH); 25 yd Back: Michael Martin 20.67 (CSP), Jackson Calhoun 23.98 (BH), Nikolas Cory 25.97 (BH). **9&10 Boys:** 25 yd Fly: Christopher Malek 21.21 (BH), Justin Lee 21.44 (CSP), Tommy Cunnie 23.09 (CSP); 25 yd Breastroke: Jordan Reznick 22.31 (CSP), Anthony Jhong 22.71 (CSP), Brendan Gold

23.17 (CSP); 100 IM: Collin Miller 1:42.48 (CSP), Justin Lee 1:44.57 (CSP), Christo-pher Malek 1:47.11 (BH); 25 yd Back: Camden Murtagh 19.24 (CSP), Christopher Malek 21.48 (BH), Alec Gauthier 22.02 (CSP). **11&12 Boys:** 50 yd Free: Sean Kenney 36.63 (BH), Alex Johnson 38.15 (CSP), Sherman Vuong 38.31 (BH); 50 yd Fly: Alex Johnson 40.35 (CSP), William Bateman 42.81 (CSP), Sean Kenney 45.32 (BH); 50 yd Breastroke: Braden Holt 44.22 (CSP), Sherman Vuong 53.54 (BH), Chris-topher Leahy 53.58 (BH); 100 IM: Braden Holt 1:30.44 (CSP), Sean Kenney 1:41.72 (BH), Christopher Leahy 1:42.78 (BH); 50 yd Back: William Bateman 46.10 (CSP), Kevin Kelly 47.80 (BH), Nick Johal 1:01.02 (BH). 23.17 (CSP): 100 IM: Collin Miller 1:42.48

yd Back: William Bateman 46.10 (CSP). Kevin Kelly 47.80 (BH), Nick Johal 1:01.02 (BH). **13&14 Boys:** 50 yd Free: Kyle Surber 25.55 (CSP), Jamie Somerville 28.27 (BH), Joey Ugarte 28.81 (BH); 50 yd Fly: Eric Hildebrand 30.22 (CSP), Cavan Page 30.88 (BH), Cody McMurdie 39.43 (BH); 50 yd Breastroke: Ryan Fornoles 37.03 (CSP), Cody McMurdie 38.39, Abraham Barrera 44.90 (CSP); 100 IM: Cavan Page 1:10.40 (BH), Eric Hildebrand 1:13.38 (CSP), Ryan Fornoles 1:14.96 (CSP); 50 yd Back: Joey Ugarte 34.59 (BH), Abraham Barrerea 36.66 (CSP), Jamie Somerville 36.71 (BH). **15&18 Boys:** 50 yd Fre: Brent Reed 24.31 (BH). Brandon Lind 24.32 (BH), Joe Luke 24.45 (CSP); 50 yd Fly: Brent Reed 25.93 (BH), Joseph Kim 27.74 (CSP), Stephen Jacobe 28.10 (CSP); 50 yd Breastroke: Kyle Schempp 31.59 (CSP), Brandon Lind 32.19 (BH), Mitchel Capece 32.71 (CSP); 100 IM: Bran-don Lind 1:00.44 (BH), Stephen Jacobe 1:05.50 (CSP), Kyle Schempp 1:05.64 (CSP); 50 yd Back: Joseph Kim 28.25 (CSP), Brent Reed 28.40 (CSP), Stephen Jacobe 30.19 (CSP).

Livermore American LL

Livermore American Little League results:

A Division: Mets 12, Yankes 10: The A Division: Mets 12, Yankes 10: The Mets have gelled and come together as a team to play big in the playoffs. Nick Monica led the way hitting 3 for 4, 2 runs and 2 Double plays in the bottom of the 4th and 5th and catching a popfly in the 3rd. Hunter Burke was on the same wave hitting a Double in the 1st inning, getting 1 RBI, 2 runs, and a single and great defensive plays. Julian Chavira had big hits moving his teammates around the diamond and gaining an RBI, his defensive was on larget with a great play to 1st for an big hits moving his teammates around the diamond and gaining an RBI, his defensive was on target with a great play to 1st for an out in the 4th. Davis DeFina played with 3 RBI's, 2 Runs and 2 singles, he also caught a popfly to add to his awesome defense. The Yankees (10) put up a fight and played hard with Noah Stewart moving his teammates with 3 RBI's, 1 run and 3 singles. Kate Marcel showed the boys how its done with 1 run and 1 single, Go Katel Cole Escover was swing-ing his bat to 2 singles, 1 run and 1 RBI. Yankees played outstanding defense keeping the score tight. Braves 10, Orioles 16: Top Players Orioles: Kaine Montez - 4 hits, 4 RS, 4 RBI's Nathan Barney - 3 hits, 2 RS, 1 RBI Lucas O'Brien - 3 hits, 1 RS, 1 RBI's Bryce Barsnick - 1 hit and 1 RBI. The Orioles played with much excitement in this playoff game with great work performed by Lucas O'Brien defensively at short stop at the bottom of the 1st inning. Lucas O'Brien also assisted Justin Hill at 1st base at the bottom of the 2nd inning. The highlight for the Orioles was the pickle play from Lucas O'Brien between 1st and 2nd base at the top of the 3rd inning. Top

and 2nd base at the top of the 3rd inning. Top Players Braves: Noah Pettit - 2 for 3, 1 Double, 1 RS Tristan McDougall - 1 for 3, 1 RS Jensen LaBlanc - 3 for 3, 1 Double, 2RS. The Braves fought hard defensively with an outstanding pop up catch to make a double play from Chris Roessler in the 1st inning. A great stop and throw by Jensen LaBlanc as pitcher to Chris Roessler in the 4th

Orioles 13,. Braves 1: Top Players Ori-oles: Kaine Montez - 3 for 3, 2RS Nick Volponi - 2 hits, 4 RBI's Zachariah Eme -2 hits, 2RS, 1 Double, 1 RBL Great plays of the game were a foul ball catch from Justin Hill at first base at the top of the 4th inning and a beautiful double play with an out at 2nd base by Lucas O'Brien to 1st base to Justin base by Lucas O'Brien to 1st base to Justin Hill at the top of the 6th inning. A special thank you goes out the the Coaches and assistants for the Orioles, Rudy Montez, Chris O'Brien, Jimmy O'Brien, Casey Koch and Jason Skinner. What a great season gentlemen! Top Players Braves: Jarod Heise - 2 for 3, 1RS Nathan Tabaracci - 2 for 3 Jose Mariscal - 2 for 3. Outstanding fielding for the Braves were Noah Pettit and Alan Comrad. Outstanding Coaching for the Braves during Outstanding Coaching for the Braves during the Playoffs and the season were Louis Roessler and Don Heise. Great Game & great

Season! **AA Division:** White Sox 3, Cardinals 0: In a pitcher's duel, the White Sox were able to pull together just enough to beat the Cardinals in playoff action. Jeffery Baron (1 B. Pitching) and Ben Parker (Pitching) were

Ryan Meagher and Carter Dickson. The Reds answered back with 3 runs of their own. The Astros scored again in the third on a 2 RBI double from catcher Trevor Davidson. The Astros sealed the deal in the 5th with a 2-run single by Jax Mamaoag. White Sox 4, Indians 3: For the second consecutive night, the White Sox were led offensively by Craig Mains, with two solid hits. Aaron Jorgensen's double and Logan Potter's 2 RBI single in the fourth secured the victory. Indians played a tough game, led by Baily Wirth and Sam Bothwell who both had two singles and played great defense. Alec two singles and played great defense. Alec Jensen made a stellar catch 1st for the Indians

Jensen made a stellar catch 1st for the Indians hat certainly saved a run from scoring and came home for the first Indians score after being hit by a pitch. White Sox 9, Reds 7: Battling for a chance at the championship game, the White Sox jumped out early and held on for the win against the hard-hitting Reds. Aaron Jorgensen (T 1B, 1 2B, 3 RBI) brought in the first two runs with a double in the 1st. Kevin Mains spotlighted an active defense with a fantastic catch in left field in the 4th. Also playing sharp for the White Sox was Sean Stavert (2 1B, 1 3B, 1 RBI) who scored on every at bat. Despite the score, Reds fought hard on defense, led by play from Armando Fagiliano, Kris Jones (1 1B, 1 2B) and Mauricio Zavala (1 3B, 1 RBI). Reds scored five runs in the second for a brief lead, but the Sox answered with five in the third and stayed on top for the with five in the third and stayed on top for the

rest of the game. Tournament of Champions: The Livermore American AAA A's took on the Pleasanton Foothill AAA Giants in Round 2 of the Tournament of Champions. The Pleasanton Foothill Giants who finished their regular season undefeated with 19 wins and 1 tie and knocked off Pleasanton National 3-2 in yesterday's Round 1 match. The 3-2 in yesterday's Round 1 match. The Giants won the coin flip and elected to be the home team, sending the A's to the plate first. The A's scored first and never looked back, The A's scored first and never looked back, sending the Giants to their first loss of the season in a 4 inning shortened game, 20-1. The A's bats were hot the entire day with: Travis Adams collected 2 - 1b, 2b, sacrifice, 3 rbi's and scored 4 runs, Josh Revay collected 2 - 1b, 2b, BB, 4 rbi's and scored 3 runs, Taylor Wirth collected 3 - 1b, 3 rbi's, and scored 3 runs, Jesse Robles collected 1b, 3b, BB, 4 rbi's and scored 2 runs, Anthony Lagorio had a big 1b and HBP and scored 2 runs, and Jonah Maranon added 2 - 1b, an rbi and scored 2 runs. and scored 2 runs.

The Gants were never given a chance to get their bats going as Trevor Escover turned in an outstanding pitching performance go-ing a complete game and striking out 8 Giant's over the shortened 4 inning game. He Giant's over the shortened 4 inning game. He gave up two hits and walked only one batter holding the Giants to only 3 base runner all day. It was truly a team effort as every single player contributed to the victory and the A's will next face the host Diablo Little League tomorrow at 5:00. Diablo Little League bested Tassajara American Little League today 2-1.

Legends Take Title

The Tri-Valley Legends 12U baseball team won the USSSA Summer Splash tour-nament at Big League Dreams in Manteca this weekend. After losing their first two games during pool play, the Legends rallied to win three games on Sunday. The Legends de-feated the Fremont All-Star 60s 11-1, then wan a tough both a graingt the Delta Dawas won a tough battle against the Delta Dawgs 4-3 setting up the championship game against the Laguna Thunder. The Legends came out on top with a 7-0 win.

on top with a 7-0 win. Legends pitching was led by Daniel Ocasio 5 IP, 3R, 7H, 6K; Josh Sprugasci 6 IP, 0R, 4H, 6K; Aaron Grewal 4 IP, 0R, 1H, 4K. Legends hitting was led by Ryan Kirby 6-1B, 2-2B, 6RBI; Kyle Campiotti 2-1B, 3-2B, 4RBI; Justin Chase 3-1B, 2B, 3RBI; Scott Emrich 3-1B, RBI; Aaron Grewal 1B, 2-3B, 3RBI, Jackson Katz 5-1B, 2RBI; Casey Soltis 1B, 2B, RBI; Jhett Sposeto 3-1B, 3B, RBI; Scott Trask 1B, 2-2B, RBI The Tri-Vallev Legends are a 12U baseball The Tri-Valley Legends are a 12U baseball team from Livermore.

PALL Junior 80s

Blake Schultz allowed only two runs (none earned), and went 2 for 3, to lead the PALL Junior 80 Yankees to a quarterfinal 7-2 victory over the San Ramon Bandits in District 57 Tournament of Champions play.

Schultz was on his game from the begin-ning he limited San Ramon to three hits while striking out eight over his six innings of work. Garrison Janes came on to close the game out in the seventh. The Yanks took the lead in the second when Paul Leoni led off with a single to right and came around on a stolen base, a passed ball, and a throwing error by the catcher. San Ramon put the pressure on Schultz in the third, getting the bases loaded with one out. Schultz got the Bandit's number three hitter to ground to Trevor Uyeda at short for the force out, allowing one run to score, but then got a big strike out to end the The Yankees and they went to work in the bottom of the inning. Mitchell Reed started off with a walk and scored on Michael McKinley's single. McKinley stole third and scored a passed ball to make the score 3-1. Uyeda then drew a walk to keep the rally going. After stealing second, Uyeda came in to score on Paul Leoni's long double down the left field line. Leoni, after advancing to

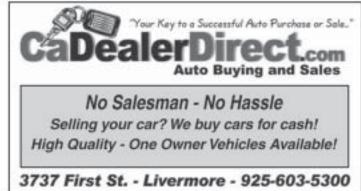
Del Prado Fast

The 2007 Tri-Valley Swim League kicked off the season on Saturday. Competition between the Del Prado Stingrays and DBAC Pirhanas was hot from the start, with Del Praco swimming to the front 600.50 to 443.50. There were one relay and two indi-vidual team records, set by the Stingrays. Stephanie Doisey set a new 11-12 fly record with a time of 31.51; Taylor Peterson broke a 10, vaer, old record in the 15.18 from with a a 10-year-old record in the 15-18 free with a 26.11; and the 11-12 medley relay team of Stephanie Doi, Sara Cohen, Lindsey Dewilde, and Elaina Gates with a 2:14.50. First place

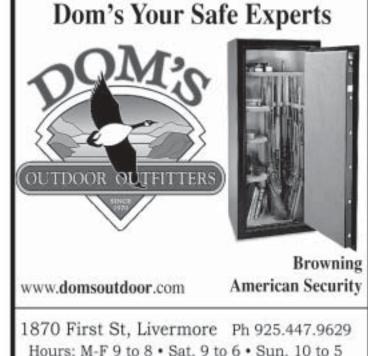
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1B, Pitching) and Ben Parker (Pitching) were both strong on the mound for the Cardinals, while Braden Cartwright (1 1B) provided a spark of offense for the 'birds. Sean Stavert (Pitching) of the White Sox proved too strong for the Cardinal batters for 3 1/3 innings solid pitching. Craig Mains (2 1B, Defense) was an offensive spike with a single in the 5th that positioned him to score the winning run and Robbie Payne (3 1B) had three solid hits for the White Sox Pitching) and Ben Parker (Pitching) were the White Sox.

the White Sox. Reds 3, Astros 6: The Astros continued their winning streak in playoff action, beating a tough Reds team 6 to 3. The Astros scored first in the top of the second on RBI hits by







SPORTS NOTES

third on a wild pitch, scored on Joey Silva's infield single to give the Yankees a 4-1 lead. San Ramon again threatened. With two out, Schultz temporarily lost command of the strike zone and walked the bases loaded. Uyeda got him out of the inning, however, by fielding a grounder in the hole at short and throwing to Jason Silva at third to end the threat. The score stayed 5-1 into the fifth when the Bandits, with some help from the Yankees, scored to make the score 5-2. The Yankees Becker McGuire singled up the middle and went to third when Leoni's fly to right center was dropped. With runners at the corners, Leoni took off for second before the pitch as delivered and the resultant balk

the corners, Leoni took off for second before the pitch as delivered and the resultant balk brought McGuire in to score. Patrick O' Brien brought Leoni around to score by lining a 2-2 pitch into left center for a single. With Schultz settling down and Janes closing out the game, the 7-2 lead was more than enough to send the Yankees into the semi-finals. The Yankees couldn't overcome a big inning and superlative defense by the LALL Giants losing 7-4 in the semi-finals. After falling behind 2-0, the Yanks took the lead in the third. Michael McKinley led off with abooming triple into the right centerfield gap

In the third. Michael Mickinley led off with abooming triple into the right centerfield gap and came into score on Trevor Uyeda's single to right. After the Giants' first baseman made an over the shoulder catch to rob Becker McGuire of a hit, Paul Leoni was hit with a pitch. Joey Silva moved the runners up with a hard grounder up the middle that the pitcher somehow flagged down. From there, Jason Silva hit a clutch single into left center to make the score 3-2 Yankees. Despite getting runners to second and third, the Yankees could not add to their lead.

The critical inning was the fourth. With two out and no one on, the Giant's number nine hitter squibbed one to the left side for a base hit. After a hit by pitch and a double steal, a flare to right gave the Giants the lead back. Thou then corred methors we use hat the state They then scored another run on a hot shot that

They then scored another run on a hot shot that Jason Silva couldn' thandle to take a 5-3 lead. The Giants got single runs in the fifth and sixth to take a 7-3 lead, but the Yankees threatened to get it all back in the bottom of the sixth. Jason Silva led off with an infield single and Blake Schultz walked. Sam Skolnick lined an 0-2 pitch down the left field line to bring home Silva and make the score 7-4. After an out was recorded, McKinley was walked intentionally to load the bases and put the tying run on base. With the middle of the Yankees order due up, things looked good for Yankees order due up, things looked good for Pleasanton, but it was not to be. Uyeda hit a soft liner to third and Schultz

was caught too far off the base. The promising rally was snuffed out. The Yankees got a lead off single in the seventh, but could do no more. The Yankees

seventh, but could do no more. The Yankees finished the season going 13-11 despite playing one of the toughest schedules in the league. Six of the Yankees losses came to three teams with a combined won loss record of 62-5.

Cortez Wins Tennis

Livermore's top seed Jaimeson Cortez won the Walnut Creek Northgate Jr. June Challenger Boys 12 Tennis last Juen 23. He defeated Orinda's Alexander Hwang, 6-1, 6-1; Berkeley's Mattias Christensen, 6-0, 6-1; Fremont's Simar Mangat, 6-1, 6-4; and San Carlos's Nicolas Chua, 6-3, 6-1.

Carlos 5 Ivicolas Chua, 6-3, 6-1. Cortez, an eighth grader this fall at Our Savior Lutheran School, Livermore, plays at the Ruby Hill and Livermore Valley Tennis Club.

Tiger Sharks Swim LifeStyleRX Tiger Sharks turned in solid performances in a Valley Swim League

meet over the weekend. Anna Winegarner, 13-14 girls, broke team records in the 50 fly, 35.21, 100 IM 1:21;56, and 50 back, 38.50.

First place finishers were: Emma Valen-tine, 6-under girls, Nathaniel Spraul, 7-8 boys; Patrick Leary, 11-12 boys; Anna Winegarner,, 13-14 girls; Katie Paredez, 15-18 girls; and Jeremy Wada, 15-18 boys.

Dolphins Win Dual Meet

Pleasanton Valley Club Dolphins opened their dual swim meet season with a 844 to 791 victory over the Rhonewood Sharks of Livermore. These teams have enjoyed a friendly rivalry for many years. This is the first time PVC has won a dual meet against Rhonewood in well over 10 years. The following PVC swimmers are recognized for their perfor-mances this week: 25. Yard Ergestyle: 6. g. Under (Cirls):

swimmers are recognized for their perfor-mances this week: 25-Yard Freestyle: 6 & Under (Girls): Emily Haskell - 24.77 - 1st; 6 & Under (Boys): Jackson Butler - 20.38 - 1st; 7-8 (Girls): Faith Shinnick - 18.82 - 1st; 7-8 (Boys): Matthew Dotson - 17.90 - 1st; 9-10 (Girls): Taylor Truex - 33.65 - 2nd; 9-10 (Boys): Daniel Rodriguez - 35.03 - 1st; 50-Yard Freestyle: 11-12 (Girls): Karoline van der Zee - 29.58 - 1st; 13-14 (Girls): Rachel Cilk - 30.96 - 1st; 13-14 (Girls): Rachel Cilk - 30.96 - 1st; 13-14 (Girls): Kattlyn Cilk - 28.09 - 2nd; 15-18 (Boys): Christopher Dotson - 25.94 - 1st; 6 & Under (Boys): Hannah Thoe - 31.93 - 1st; 6 & Under (Goys): Jackson Butler - 26.56 - 1st; 7-8 (Girls): Amy Silva - 23.06 - 1st; 7-8 (Girls): Kattlew Dotson - 19.51 - 1st; 9-10 (Girls): Kennedy Truex - 16.52 - 2nd; 9-10 (Boys): Thomas Gjerde - 19.90 - 1st; 50-Yard Butterfly: 11-12 (Girls): Lissi Knell - 31.77 - 1st; 11-12 12 (Girls): Lissi Knell - 31.77 - 1st; 11-12 (Boys): Brent Bockover - 34.05 - 1st; 13-14 (Girls): Allie Rodriguez - 33.98 - 2nd; 13-14 (Boys): Christopher Dotson - 27.88 - 1st; 15-18 (Girls): Mary Marotto - 31.22 - 3rd; 15-18 (Boys): Garrett Worsey - 28.27 - 2nd 25-Yard Breaststroke: 6 & Under (Girls) 25-Yard Breaststroke: 6 & Under (Grifs) - Grace Shader - 34.62 - 1st; 6 & Under (Boys) Nathan Williams - 32.06 - 1st; 7-8 (Girls): Sophia Bartolomucci - 26.31 - 2nd; 7-8 (Boys): Brian Wiener - 23.63 - 1st; 9-10 (Girls): Taylor Truex - 19.86 - 1st; 9-10 (Girls): Taylor Truex - 19.86 - 1st; 9-10
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(Boys): Andrew Bailey -23.14 - 3rd; 50-Yard
Breaststroke: 11-12 (Girls) - Lissi Knell 36.91 - 1st; 11-12 (Boys) - Dominic Giordano
- 39.55 - 1st; 13-14 (Girls) - Rachel Cilk 40.24 - 4th; 13-14 (Boys) - Daniel Usedom
- 45.46 - 1st; 15-18 (Girls) - Kaitlyn Cilk 36.28 - 2nd; 15-18 (Boys) - Brody Bockover
- 34.69 - 3rd;
100-Yard IM: 9-10 (Girls) - Rachael
Butler - 1:36.48 - 2nd; 9-10 (Boys) - RJ Scott
- 1:36.57 - 1st; 11-12 (Girls) - Lissi Knell 1:14.60 - 1st; 11-12 (Boys) - Dominic
Giordano - 1:14.88 - 2nd; 13-14 (Girls) - Beth
Battershell - 1:28.63 - 4th; 13-14 (Girls)
- Natalie Corsie - 1:14.67 - 4th; 15-18 (Boys)
- Brody Bockover - 1:11.43 - 3rd; 25-Yard Back: 6 & Under (Girls) -Caroline Gjerde - 30.47 - 1st; 6 & Under (Boys) - Gavin Wallace - 28.15 - 1st; 7-8 (Girls): Nicole Melo - 25.05 - 1st; 7-8 (Boys): Matthew Dotson - 23.62 - 1st; 9-10 (Girls): Rachael Butler - 20.54 - 1st; 9-10 (Boys): RJ Scott - 19.84 - 1st; 50-Yard Back: 11-12 (Girls) - Ali Gonsman - 36.57 - 2nd; 11-12 (Boys) - Brent Bockover - 37.10 - 1st; 13-14 (Girls) - Mary Gruen - 44.79 - 6th; 13-14 (Boys) - Daniel Usedom - 38 14 - 1st; 15-18 (Girls) - Daniel Usedom - 38.14 - 1st; 15-18 (Girls) - Natalie Corsie - 34.70 - 2nd; 15-18 (Boys) - Justin Avriett - 31.98 - 2nd.

Foothill Little League

Foothill Little League Pleasanton Foothill Little League high-lights: AAA Division: Cardinals Vs Giants In the Play Off Championship game, Patrick R. held the Cardinals scoreless for the Ist 3 innings. Patrick R. also contributed at the plate with two singles. Collin R caught apopat 1st, and made a game critical play on the mound when he fielded a grounder and spun and threw out the lead runner at 2nd. Sanjam S crushed a hit out into center. Spivey put the ball in play in the 4th for a critical RBL. Giants end up winning the Championship game in a well played game by both teams.

Championship game in a well played ğame by both teams. The Brewers defeated the Yankees 9 - 8 in a seven inning epic game in the final round of the PFLL AAA playoffs in 105 degree heat. The Yankees' pitchers Tanner Wiese, Ryan Probst and Ryan Ortisi struck out 12 Brewers batters. Tanner Weise struck out four, Ryan Probst six and Ryan Ortisi two. Jordan Ott, Ryan Probst, Kyle Peterson and Ryan Ortisi lead the Yankees offensive attack. Iordan bad lead the Yankees offensive attack. Jordan had a single, double, a walk and drove in three runs. Ryan Probst had two singles and scored two runs. Kyle Peterson had a single and scored two runs. Ryan Ortisi walked twice and scored two runs. On defense, the Yankees and scored two runs. On defense, the Yankees made many outstanding plays. Tanner Wiese and Jordan Ott teamed up to tag out two Brewers runners trying to steal home in the first two innings. With the bases loaded in the fifth inning, Ryan Otisi fielded a ground ball at the pitchers mound and made a perfect throw to Zeke Bergermesiter at home to force a Brewers runner. On the next pitch, Jordan Ott fielded a hard ground ball at shortstop and made a perfect throw to Zeke Bergermesiter at home to force a Brewers runner. Both plays kept the game tied at 8. In the bottom of the sixth inning, Ryan Ortisi made a great throw to Jordan Ott at catcher who blocked the plate and kept the Brewers from scoring the win-ning run. In the seventh inning, Ryan ning run. In the seventh inning, Ryan McDonald made a perfect throw to Zeke Burgermister at second base to cut down a Brewers runner trying to advance on an over throw. Also in the seventh inning, Tan Wiese made a great play at third base to force a runner for the second out. The Brewers eventually scored the go ahead run to win 9 - 8. Jordan Ott and Ryan Ortisi earned game balls for

Ott and Ryan Ortisi earned game balls for their outstanding play. **Majors:** Mets 7, Canyon Creek A's 4: The PFLL champion Mets concluded a fantastic season by reaching the second round of the Majors Tournament of Champions in San Ramon. The Mets opened the TOC by defeating the Canyon Creek A's 7-4 on June 23. In that game, Grant Soyka pitched five hitless innings with 10 strikeouts, and Max Sanderson had three hits and three RBIs. Sanderson had three hits and three RBIs, including a big two-run double in the fifth inning. Soyka, AJ Curtis, Kevin Vigallon, and Clint Mankins added two hits each, and Neal Mankins, Chase Miller, and Vigallon had RBI singles. In the second round Iume 24 Sanderson

had RBI singles. In the second round June 24, Sanderson hit a three-run homer, and Kevin Buscheck pitched brilliantly for five innings, but the Mets, despite leading 3-1 entering the final inning, fell 7-3 to the Livermore American Indians. The Mets finished the season with 17 victories

Indiaŭs. The Mets finished the season with 17 victories. Rangers 9, Giants 8: In the final playoff, the Giants held the Rangers for 7 innings in an action-packed game resulting in 2 extra innings to break the tie. The Giants offense opened with Cory Frederickson's single line drive followed by Richard Vanderbilt's single RBI. Starting the 3rd, Derek Banister smacked a single. Sam Wagner delivered his hit of the season slamming a monstrous home run past right field and tallying another 2 RBIs. The Giants were fired up with more singles by Josh field and Yallying another 2 RBIs. The Giants were fired up with more singles by Josh Stevens, Ryan Maund with an RBI, Kyle Wiest and Ben Case. Entering the 4th, Sam Wagner's bat was still smoking as he pounded a huge single to right field. Josh Stevens kept the momentum going with a single RBI triple hit followed by Ryan Maund with a single. Nick Mendonca set the stage in the 5th with a huge triple to center with Ben Case and Richard Vanderbilt delivering singles. Sam Wagner produced the Giants' final hit in the 8th with an impressive double. For the Giants' defense. Derek Banister

8th with an impressive double. For the Giants' defense, Derek Banister took the mound consistently delivering over the plate for the 1st 3 innings with strike-outs for 5 of the 9 outs. Josh Stevens took over for 5 of the 9 outs. Josh Stevens took over in the 4th producing strike-outs on all 3 outs. Ben Case pitched a 2 strike-out 5th with Richard Vanderbilt delivering consistently in the zone in the 6th. The Giants were on top of their fielding with the teamwork of Josh Stevens, Sam Wagner and Zachary Hart producing the fielded outs through the 4th. Kyle Wiest landed 3 outs at 1st in the 5th & 6th with an unassisted fly hall and assists by 6th with an unassisted fly ball and assists by Richard Vanderbilt at shortstop and Zachary Hart at 3rd. Daniel Kim picked off a high fly Hart at 3rd. Daniel Kim picked off a high fly ball in left field to complete the inning. With the score tied at 8-8 at the end of the 6th, Sam Wagner took the mound delivering strike-outs to the 1st 2 batters. Daniel Kim wrapped up the inning with another impres-sive, sun-loaded, flyball catch at right field. In the 8th, Sam Wagner fired the ball to Kyle Wiest at 1st for the 1st out followed by the quick arm of Richard Vanderbilt in left field to Nick Medonca at 3rd for a successful chase to Nick Medonca at 3rd for a successful chase to tag the 2nd out. Mets 14, Rockies 4: The regular-season Mets 14, Rockies 4: The regular-season champion Mets added another title June 14 by defeating the Rockies 14-4 in the cham-pionship game of the Majors tournament. The Mets will represent PFLL in the District 57 Tournament of Champions beginning June 23. Clint Mankins, Grant Soyka, Joel Jurich, and Logan Finley led a 17-hit attack. Mankins hit a two-run homer and an RBI double; Soyka had two hits, including a double, and three RBIs; Jurich had a single. double; Soyka had two hits, including a double, and three RBIs; Jurich had a single, double, and two RBIs; and Finley had three singles. Kevin Vigallon and Louis Desprez had two hits and an RBI each, and AJ Curtis had two hits and pitched three imnings in relief. Max Sanderson added a single and two RBIs, while Chase Miller contributed a single and two runs scored. Mets 5, Giants 4: The Giants put up a

gallant fight against the Mets. Nick Mendonca and Ben Case fired off singles in the 1st inning with Mendonca scoring the first run on a passed ball. Cory Frederickson smacked a double in the 3rd, stole 3rd base on an overthrow and stole home on a passed ball. Starting the rally in the 5th was Richard a doubte in the bite, home on a passed ball. Starting the rally in the 5th was Richard Vanderbilt with a single followed by Nick Mendonca's single. Both were in stealing mode with Vanderbilt scoring on an over-throw to tie the score 3-3. Ben Case popped a sacrifice fly allowing Mendonca to score putting the Giants ahead 4-3. The bat was smoking when Sam Wagner smashed a double to the fence followed by Josh Stevens with a single. With Zachary Hart on the mound and Josh Stevens behind the plate, the Giants defense was ready. The Mets were kept in check until the 6th with outstanding fielding by the Giants including a great fly ball catch in right field by Kyle Wiest and solid line drive catch by shortstop, Cory Frederickson. The Giants were on top of their game and can be proud of their performance.

Sharks Come Up Short

The Pleasanton Meadows Sharks gave the Ruby Hill Killer Whales a run for their

money, but fell short, losing 491-461. Several swimmers posted great indi-vidual efforts. Blake Tucker (free, back), Emily Tincher (fly, breast), Nicholas Tucker (Fly, IM) and Drake Southern (fly, breast) all posted two first place fluiches posted two first place finishes.

In addition to the double winners, the Sharks also got first place finished from Perry Cheney (free), Luke Pinney (fly), Meghan Pickett (breast), Joey Geasa (breast), Jack Geasa (breast), Aldin Dallos (breast), Joey Silva (IM), Kevin Driver (IM), Shari Nishijima (back) Kaiyun Colaman (back). Colin Burka (back), Kailyn Coleman (back), Colin Burke (back) and Parker Brown (back).

Pleasanton Phantom

Pleasanton Phantom Girls Softball League tournament game results: The Pleasanton Phantom 10U 'B's

were undefeated in taking the championship at the Oakland Metro ASA tournament last at the Oaklahd Metro ASA tournamen fast weekend. The win earned the team a trip to the 2007 Western Regional Championship tournament to be held in Las Cruces, New Mexico Aug 1-5. The semi final pitted Phantom against the Castro Valley Synergy. The game started out as a pitchers' duel with ne one reaching here in the first. Phantom no one reaching base in the first. Phantom scored first in the bottom of the second on a RBI single by Johanna Grauer for a 2-0 lead. The score remained for two innings when Synergy mounted a threat in the top of the fourth. But a great outfield catch and quick throw to first by Corinne Valdix resulted in a double play to end the threat and the inning. Phantom then scored three in the bottom half of the inning as Victoria Molina hit a RBI single then drew a throw down to second allowing Molly Phillips to score as Phantom defeated Synergy 5-1. Phantom then met the San Ramon Stompers in the championship game on Sunday. Again the game started as a pitchers duel in the first but in the top of the second, Corinne Valdix hit a 2 RBI single followed by a RBI single by Mallory Masajlo and Katie Eppard beat out a bunt for another RBI and a 4-0 lead. The Phantom defense stayed tight through the rest of the game allowing only one runner to reach base on a hit. Phantom bats remained alive in the remaining innings as well with RBIs on a triple by Hanna Moreno, a double by Corinne Valdix, and hits by Jenni Beadle, Johanna Grauer and Molly Phillips. In the fifth, Casey Eddy hit a single then drew a throw to second scoring Hannah Moreno for a final score of 10-

Phantom 12 & Under fastpitch softball team took 2nd in the 2007 Oakland Metro this weekend. With interse play, Phantom defeated Albany Berkeley Sting 8-3 and Livermore Smoke 12-1 moving Phantom to the Semi Finals. While Phantom scattered 6 hits in the semis from Katie Mannion, Julia Petros, Krista Williams and Kennedy Petros, Krista Williams and Kennedy Poplawski it was not enough falling 6-1 to Castro Valley Synergy. In this double elimination tournament, Phantom moved on to play Albany-Berkeley Sting with a nail biting 6-5 win. Down 2-3 in the 7th, Phantom bats came alive with hits from Williams Nisole Brochard Better and Kelly. Williams, Nicole Borchard, Petros and Kelly Taylor giving Phantom a 6-3 lead. Phantom held the Sting to two runs in the bottom of the 7th with the go ahead run at the plate. Meeting Synergy again in the Champion-ship, Phantom struggled to string hits to-gether. Even with seven hits collectively from Williams, Jenny Yang, Mannion, Jes-ica Makeshar, Bachard and Datasa Bhas sica McKeehan, Borchard, and Petros, Phantom fell short of the win. Placing 2nd in the

Basketball Camp

Livermore Girls Basketball Association will host a Youth Girls Basketball Camp 3rd-8th grade July 23-27th, 12-2pm at Granada High Register by July 6th-S80, after July 6th-\$95 All proceeds to benefit the Granada High Girls Basketball Program. Contact jbsport20@aol.com.

Summer Lacrosse

The Pleasanton Lacrosse Club Summer Program registration is now open. Programs are available for boys entering grades 1 thru 12, no experience required. The program runs for six weeks starting week of July 9th. 1st. 8th grade program includes one clinic station style practice per week with a pickup type game on Saturday mornings. 9th-12 grade game on Saturday mornings. 9th-12 grade program is pick-up games only on Thursday evenings. Full equipment required for all players. Registration fee is \$50 per player. All games and practices are at Thomas Hart Middle School in Pleasanton. To register and/or obtain more information about the and/or obtain more information about the program see our website at www.pleasantonlacrosse.com or contact Byron Hay at 925 998-5550 or byron.hay@comcast.net.

Bowling News

Gene Bruihl led all bowlers last week at Granada Bowl in Livermore with a 981 four game series that included scores of 263, 247, 237 and 234. Larry Clifton, of the same league, had top game honors when he rolled a 279 game followed close by Mark McCreary when year 6, 268 to consult to 2000 cr

who used a 268 to complete his 909 series. Scott Cooper rolled a perfect 300 game on the way to a 898 four game. Brian Edmondo just missed when he rolled 10 strikes in a row for a 288 and finished with a 246 for a 718 three game set in the Sunday Family Affair during last week's bowling action. Ray Salas for the third week is a row rolled a 959 4-game set that included games of 226, 226, 249 and a 258. John Easley was

of 226, 226, 249 and a 258. John Eastey Was consistent with games of 213, 203, 223 and a 206 for a 845 to improve his 185 average. Robert Nardy had a 267 to complete a 651 series in the Sunday Rollers league while Eric Dennison rolled his first ever 200 game with a 207 in the Strikes and Spares loop. Greg Kuraspiel beurled of 277 and a 874 to complete Kwasniak bowled a 277 and a 257 to complete a 721 Series; Bill Deuell a 255 and a 254 on his way to a 709 series in the Monday Mashers league. Manuel Juerez of the Wednesday Wonders League rolled a 246 on his way to

Average with a 616 series that included games of 229 and 210. Fritz Rittman turnedin a pair of nice series last week when he rolled a 233 for a 610 series in the Friday Primetimers and a 267 in his way to a 620 in the Sunday Family Affair League Youth Bowler Alex Stuber rolled a 265 and a 225 on his way to a 678 Series while Katey Nelson rolled a 234 Game and Michael Shaffer combined games of 223, 211 and 237 for 671 series.

Cross Country Training

Cross country training camp Registration is now open for a new cross country training camp for high school-age runners. The Tri-Valley Cross Country Pre-Season Training Camp will be held 8-11 a.m. Aug 13-17 at the Foothill High School track. Cost is \$120. The five-day camp, open to all interested runners, will include training, conditioning, goal setting, time trials and racing tactics, as well as off-site running sessions on local Pleasanton trails.

The coaching staff includes Rik Richardson, president of Athenian Ahtletics and assistant coach of Foothill's cross coun-try and track teams, and Shannon Sos, Foothill's head cross country coach and assistant coach for track and field. For more

Locals Do Well at **Rodeo Finals**

Coming off one of the best seasons in team history, the West Hills College Coalinga rodeo team finished the season with an 11th place at the College National

information, contact Rik Richardson at (925) 518-9356

Football/Cheer

Livermore Youth Football/Cheer is now taking registrations. Livermore Youth Foot-ball & Cheer (LYF&C) is a full contact football league that has been established for more than 30 years. There are 5 levels of play to tryout for with ages 7 to 14 (football) 5 to

to tryout for with ages 7 to 14 (football) 5 to 14 (cheerleading). The football and cheer squads have been very successful in the highly competitive Diablo Valley Youth Football Conference (DVYFC). DVYFC is one of the strongest

youth football conferences in Northern CA. It consists of 16 "city" teams that attract the best football players and cheerleaders in the Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. In the past 5 years LYF&C has sent at least 2 teams to the playoffs each year, with one team reaching the championship 4 consecutive years. The cheer squads consistently place in regional as well as national cheer competi-tions

Registration will be held June 28th 6-8 .m. at Round Table Pizza 1024 East Stanley Blvd. For additional information: web-site www.eteamz.com/lyfc or call 925-454-1421(evenings).

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2007 Oakland Metro advances the Phantom 12 & Under fastpitch softball team to the ASA Western Nationals Softball tournament

in Las Cruces, New Mexico August 1-5 The Phantom 14U 'B' team finished in 2nd place Oakland ASA Metro Tournament over the weekend to qualify for the 14u B Nationals to be played in Stockton August 2nd - 5th. The Phantom defeated the San Ramon Stompers in a close 7-6 elimination game. Then on Sunday played another close game winning 5-4 against the Castro Valley Synergy. Livermore Smoke Black won the championship with the 14-6 victory over Phantom. Phantom was led on offense by Macy Masajlo, Tara Cayton, Syd Schaffer and Jenica Holt. The defense was led by Gabby Faccini.

Rodeo Finals in Casper, Wyoming, earlier this month.

Ranger College, Texas, won the competition with 917 points followed by Utah Valley State College with 630 points. The West Hills team finished with 295 points.

Falcon team members from Livermore were Teddy Athan, who was 15th in bareback with a score of 211 and . Kyle Labrucherie, 32nd in bareback with a score of 65.

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Alexander's Main Street Gallery and the Pleasanton Downtown Association are coordinating a fundraiser to support both the Pleasanton Downtown Association Mural Project and the Firehouse Arts Center.

Alexander's Main Street Gallery has commissioned renowned artist Miguel Freitas to paint "The Best of San Francisco," a 26"x48" acrylic on wood panel to be raffled exclusively for this fundraiser. The artwork features the best of San Francisco's known landmarks...in the artist's whimsical style.

The drawing will be held at 2pm on Saturday, August 4th at Alexander's Main Street Gallery. All proceeds from the ticket sales to be shared between the Mural & Firehouse projects. Ticket sales available

through August 1st for \$25 or 2/ \$45; make check payable to Pleasanton Downtown Association (PDA).

Alexander's Main Street Gallery is located at 610 Main Street, Pleasanton. For information, call 846-6015 or go to www.alexandersmainstgallery.com. 846-6015 or to



Livermore Library Focuses on Jazz in July

The sounds, sights and words of jazz will be featured during July as the Livermore Library presents "Jazz in July," a series of events around this genre of music.

The series kicks off on Sunday, July 8 at 2 p.m. with Mimi Fox/Cindy Browne Rosefield Duo. Fox, an internationally known jazz guitarist, has been called "a prodigious talent" by Guitar Player Magazine. Her latest recording is "Perpetually Hop" on the Favored Nations label. She is joined by bassist Cindy Browne Rosefield, a noted jazz clinician and music instructor. On Sun., July 15, at 2 p.m. coauthors Elizabeth Pepin and Lewis Watts discuss their book. "Harlem of the West: The San Francisco Fillmore Jazz Era." They will show excerpts form KQED's documentary, "The Fillmore." In the 1940s and 1950s the fillmore boasted two dozen nightclubs within its one square mile. Continuing on July 22 at 2 p.m. the Jazz in July series features "Adventures in Jazz with the Dave Rocha Band." Rocha has been playing jazz trumpet in the Bay Area for over 15 years. He and his band will be playing "straight ahead" jazz and giving the audience a peek into the workings of a jazz band - the music, the instruments, and how it's all put together. Concluding the months events will be "Jazz History - A Crash Course." Las Positas College music instructor Cindy Browne Rosefield examines the history, trends and influences of the phenomenon of jazz. All month long, "The Times of Dave Brubek," a traveling multimedia exhibit will be on display in the library's gallery. The exhibit is from the University of the Pacific.

Civic Center Library, 1188 So. Livermore Ave. There is no admission charge.

The Friends of the Livermore Library have underwritten this program as part of the Authors and Arts Series. For additional events, check the library's website at www.livermore.lib.ca.us.

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The session, held at Les

Chenes Vineyards, also the area's

oldest winery, Wente Vineyards.

Thomas Coyne Winery and Page

Mill Winery also poured wines

400 food professionals. Mem-

bers include chefs, writers, art-

ists, farmers, teachers, retailers,

product developers, marketing professionals, caterers and more.

visit, the third in a series of local

wine tours, which he described

as "designed to prove there is

wine outside Napa." Patterson provided a brief his-

tory of the wine growing region, noting that in the 1890s there

were 4000 acres planted in

grapes. "It took 100 years to get back to that level," referring to the recent increase in planting of

grapes. Patterson also talked

about various reports to the Cali-

fornia State Viticulture Commis-

sion. One referred to Livermore

as "the most promising wine

growing region in California for

producing the higher fine

Tim Patterson organized the

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at the event last Saturday.

He also raised issues such as the problems facing small wineries, how history impacted where wine grapes were grown, and soil and climate.

Carolyn Wente explained that the great soils/gravel and the climate both contribute to the full ripening that brings a lot of flavor to the grapes. She said that local grapes are picked ten days to two weeks later than those in Napa providing a good, long growing season.

Wente also pointed out that Livermore weather has gotten a bad rap as being too hot. A UC Davis study has found the climate is about the same as that of St. Helena.

Thomas Coyne focuses on Rhone varietals. He also makes some Bordeaux wines. He too mentioned the gravelly soil, quoting landowner Walter Detchens as saying, "If you took the rocks away there would be

nothing left.. Dane Stark talked about the move of Page Mill Winery to Livermore.. The winery makes 14 wines from grapes grown all over the state. However, said Stark, "More and more of my contracts are being released so I can use more grapes grown in Livermore.

at 2 p.m. An open mic will be held following the feature readers and a short break (poems to be one page &

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val opens the gates an hour before show time for picnicking at Retzlaff Estate Winery. The Comedy of Er-

rors is a robust comedy with two pairs of mix-matched twins, entwining desire with hi-jinks and past loss with

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F./Sat July 27 and 28, and F/Sat August 3/4 all at 7:30PM; \$30/\$25

I am very excited about wines this region is producing.

Les Chenes owner, winemaker, farmer Richard Dixon quipped of the size of wineries, "Each one that opens is smaller than the one that preceded it." He too focuses on Rhone varietals. "The terrior and weather are superb for growing Rhone wines.³

Each was asked to list wines they felt would flourish in Livermore. Coyne and Dixon commented again on the success of Rhone varietals.

Stark said he is very, very imressed with Cab. Sauvignon Blanc and Petite Sirah also do well.

"It's not a monolithic climate," stated Wente. "We don't just grow one thing well. Chardonnay was first grown in California by my family. At one point, my family owned onethird of all the Chardonnay planted in California. We became the source of 80 percent of the grape grown today from the Wente clone."

One of the wines poured for the visitors was a Wente Chardonnay and two other white wines, Pinot Noir and Rousanne. Other wines tasted included a barrel sample of Page Mill Cabernet. Red blends from Murrieta's Well and Les Chenes. All were well received by the visitors.

Club members also wondered what were the disadvantages and advantages small wineries faced.

Dixon noted that a disadvantage is that wine making is capital intensive. Small wineries cannot spread the cost. The advantage is the hands-on aspects. "I know what's going on in the vineyard.'

Distribution can be a problem for the "little guys." It is both fi-nancially and physically difficult. He referred to having to pay a distributor.

Coyne felt that specializing in a variety provides some prof-itability. "And, it can be a lot of fun too. There are more grapes grown than wine produced and sold in Livermore I would like to see some 10,000 to 25,000 case wineries locate here.³

Wente felt that small wineries have provided an advantage for Napa in attracting publicity. "Each winery has one voice. You will get a lot more noise in Napa and Sonoma with 400 wineries versus 38 here. That doesn't mean grapes grown there are better.'

Wente explained that one reason for the larger number of wineries in the Napa area was zoning. The minimum parcel size in Alameda County was 100 acres. In Napa, they had five, ten, fifteen and twenty acre parcels available. A hundred acres representing a huge investment. That steered a lot of people away. That's why you don't see a midsize wineries here.

"The South Livermore Plan changed that, allowing land to be subdivided in twenty acre paces. The great news," said Wente, "Is there are fewer places in California where you can buy land in a great climate for growing wines grapes. There are 10,000 to 15,000 acres of arable land locally that represents a huge potential for additional grapes and wineries," she added.

Coyne felt that one of the most difficult aspects has been overcoming the perception that Livermore doesn't have any good wines. Restaurants are not as receptive to serving Livermore wines.

He said of local winemakers, there are more Ph.D.s involved than in any other area. "We have wines with a very good education.

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- Phil Kellogg and Sean Smith in Con cert at the WestEnd Stage, The Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th Street (between "G" and "H" Streets), Liv-ermore. July 21, 8pm (doors open at 7:30). \$10. Tickets may be placed on hold lryan@livermoreperformingarts.org or 925-447-ARTS. Seating is lim-
- Paul Manousos in Concert at the WestEnd Stage, July 28, 8pm (doors open at 7:30). The Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th Street (between "G" and "H" Streets). \$10. Tickets may be placed on hold at lryan@livermoreperformingarts.org or 925-447-ARTS. Seating is lim-
- Post. Featured readers Lynne Knight and Roxane Beth Johnson will begin

is part of PAL's Public Art Circuit. Other PAL circuit artists have work on display in Pleasanton at Bank of America (Main Street branch), Towne Center Books, Keller Will-iams Realty, Me & Mai Friend's Café, and ValleyCare Regional Oncology Center. All circuit paintings are for sale to the public. A portion of all circuit sales supports PAL's commu-nity education programs. To join the circuit as an artist or a site partner, call 925-518-4436 or go to www.palart.com.

Blues on the Patio 5:30 - 9:30 pm. Music will be played on the patio every Thursday through September. Cocktails, appetizers and light dinner selections served. Open to the public. No cover charge. Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main St., Pleasanton; 846-8106, www.PleasantonHotel.com. Blacksmith Courtyard is planning a

series of concerts to enjoy while tasting wine and shopping. The schedule: Saturday June 30th — Craig Petit's Project. Blacksmith Square is located at the corner of So. Liver-more and Railroad Avenue in downtown Livermore.

Pleasanton Art League Fourth An-nual Children's Art Workshop, a two day drawing workshop. This two-day workshop for children ages 10 and older will be held at the Pleasanton Cultural Arts Center at 4477 Black Ave. in Pleasanton (next to the Aquatic Center), on Monday, July 9, and Tuesday, July 10, from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. The cost for the two-day workshop is \$40 per child, or \$25 for one day. Siblings are \$30 for the two days or \$20 for one day. This cost includes all supplies. For questions, please contact instructor Madelynn Ellis, (925)462-7964 or mtellis@pacbell.net.

Livermore Chamber of Commerce 2007 Wine Country Summer Luncheon, Thurs., June 28, Mayor Marshall Kamena, "State of the City

4280 Greenville Rd., Livermore 11:30 a.m. Seating is limited; ad-vance reservations are required. Seats are \$35 for members & their guests, \$45 for nonmembers. Reservations, 447-1606.

Free Shakespeare in the Park, City of Pleasanton Civic Arts will host San Francisco Shakespeare Festival for three weekends beginning Saturday June 30, at 7:30 p.m. A Midsummer's Night Dream. Performances will take place every Saturday and Suntake place every Saturday and Sun-day evening, from June 30 – July 15, 2007, with the exception of July 7. The play will be performed on Fri-day, July 6, instead of Saturday, July 7. All performances will take place at Amador Valley Community Park located at 4301 Black Avenue, cor-ner of Black Avenue and Santa Rita Road Pleasanton Admission to this Road, Pleasanton. Admission to this event is free. For more information, call the Department of Parks & Community Services at (925) 931-5340 Art Collecting 101: "Displaying and lighting your art and collectibles with

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West. Discussed will be the new en-ergy efficient LED lighting and how it can be used in the home to illuminate artwork.Worthington Gallery West, 739 Main St., Pleasanton, Sat-

West, 739 Main St., Pleasanton, Sat-urday, June 30, from3-4 p.m. Free. Please RSVP 485-1183 or wgallerywest@sbcglobal.net. Jazz at the Ridge, Poppy Ridge Golf Course, 4280 Greenville Rd., Liver-more. Every Thursday 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Smooth jazz by Two Guys or Opie Bellas and Jeff Massanar. Infor-mation 456-8215 or info@nonpyridgegolf.com.

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All events take place at the

Joyce Nevins at 373-5500 ext. 5577.

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Pleasanton is one of nearly 200 communities nationwide participating in the Big Read in

In September and October 2007 members of the community will celebrate "The Maltese Falcon." There will be a full calendar of events including talks by famous mystery authors, a theatrical reading of the Maltese Falcon presented by Calaveras Repertory Theater, film screenings hosted by Las Positas College, a murder mystery dinner at the Pleasanton Hotel, an exhibit of falconry by Mayor Hosterman, an excursion into San Francisco for the Dashiell Hammett Walking Tour and an after-hours 1930's themed party at the Pleasanton Library.

Everyone in Pleasanton is in-vited to participate in this citywide promotion of literature. The goal is that books will once again be discussed across all age groups, ethnicities, and education levels with the same enthusiasm as popular TV shows or movies.

The NEA presents the Big Read in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in cooperation with Arts Midwest.

For more information on the grant events, please contact Penny Johnson, Programs Librarian at 925/931-3405.

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Hipwaders Play at Farmers' Market

The Hipwaders will be featured at Livermore's Family First Night on Thurs., July 5 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Livermore Certified Farmers' Market.

The market is held at Carnegie Park at 3rd & J Street Livermore.

The 2006 Parents' Choice Award Winning band, The Hipwaders will be performing their "Hip Music for Kids."

The Hipwaders is comprised of Tito Uquillas on vocals and guitar, Chris Blubaugh on vocals and bass, and Nick Baca on vocals and drums. Paramedic partners Tito and Chris, along with visual artist Nick Baca, have won many awards and accolades for their music culminating in an invitation to perform on the "kidz" stage at this years' Lollapalooza festival in Chicago

There is no admission charge.



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OBITUARIES

Richard Allen Wood, Sr.

Richard Allen Wood, Sr. died June 9, 2007 in Pleasanton. He was 69.

He had suffered 27 years with Multiple Sclerosis. The native of South Dakota had lived in Dublin ten years and Pleasanton for 21 years. He served in the U.S. Navy as a radioman and after the military worked for 20 years as a printing supervisor at the Drawing Board. His hobbies included drawing, playing cards, doing puzzles, playing dominos and playing with his grandchildren. He was a member of the Dublin Senior Center.

He is survived by his wife of 45 wonderful years, Edith Jewell Wood, a daughter, Carrie West of Dublin, son Richard Wood, Jr. of Fremont, four sisters, two brothers and grandchildren Melissa West and Staci West of Dublin and A.J. Wood of Fremont. He was preceded in death by his parents Clare and Ernest Wood.

Private services are planned. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation or the National Kidney Foundation

Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

Debra L. Van De Vreugde

Debra L. Van De Vreugde, age 51, passed away peacefully Sunday, June 17 at Kaiser Medical Center Walnut Creek, after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born in Sheboygan, WI, and moved to Livermore, in 1975.

For the past 15 years Debbie was employed through the Livermore School District, most recently at Livermore High School as a senior food services assistant. Debbie also committed herself to the Livermore High Band & Colorguard as a volunteer. She truly loved her work and cherished the many friends she made.

She is survived by her hus-

band Jim, son Erik (Sara) of Bakersfield, and daughter Kristen. She is also survived by her parents Norm and Diane Worm, sisters Colleen (Bob) Reineking, Donna (Rick) Mulder, and their children, all of Sheboygan Falls, WI; by her father-in-law Joe Van De Vreugde of Sheboygan Falls, WI; brotherin-laws John (fiancé Abbe) Van De Vreugde of West Bend, WI; and Joel (Christine) Van De Vreugde of Plymouth, WI, and their children. She is further survived by her special aunt, Elaine Worm, of Sheboygan, WI. She was preceded in death by her mother-in-law Dorothy Van De Vreugde.

Debbie was loved dearly and will be greatly missed. Her memory will remain in our hearts and will be forever cherished. We have all been enriched with her friendship and her great sense of humor right up to the end.

Her family will always cherish the special care and compassion given to Debbie during her final days at Kaiser Medical Center. Especially the care provided by Kathy, Joan, Mary, Ariella, and all of her health care providers on third floor oncology.

At her request, no services will be held. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society.

Lynn M. Lindberg

Lynn M. Lindberg died March 17, 2007 while vacationing on Maui. She succumbed to ovarian cancer after a seven-year battle with that dreaded disease.

Lynn had an incredible zest for life. In the last several years Hawaii had become a favorite destination with its warm waters, sea turtles, and humpback whales. She enjoyed gardening, hiking, kayaking, and snorkeling. Lynn loved animals and volunteered her time in support of

several wildlife organizations. As a member of the Board of Directors for The Wildlife Center Inc., Española, Lynn served terms as Treasurer, Vice President, and Chairman.

A native of Connecticut, Lynn had lived in California and New Mexico most of her adult life. After spending 30 years in the Santa Fe area she returned to Northern California in 2002, moving to Livermore.

She held a B.F.A. from Massachusetts College of Art, Boston. A gifted artist, illustrator, graphic designer, and entrepreneur Lynn created many logos and brand identities that can still be found in the San Francisco Bay Area and New Mexico. She also volunteered with the Northern New Mexico Community College serving on its Drafting Department Advisory Board for four years with a term as President in 1994

Lynn is survived by her husband Chris of Livermore, her son David Phipps of San Rafael, and many friends in California, New Mexico, and Hawaii. She was preceded in death by her parents Francis and Alice Malarney.

A memorial service was held April 5th in Livermore. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations may be made in her memory to The Santa Fe Raptor Center (P.O. Box 32021, Santa

Fe, NM 87594), or your favorite wildlife center.

Wesley Tsunco Saki

Wesley Tsunco Saki died June 18, 2007 in Livermore. He was 55.

The native of Lanai, HI had lived in Livermore for one year. He earned a BBA from the University of Hawaii and worked as a sales representative for four years at US Pipe. His hobbies included reading, and playing ten-

nis and golf. He is survived by his wife Diane Cynthia Saki, his mother Mrs. Sueko "Joyce" Saki, a daughter, Cam Saki of Oregon, sisters Denise Saki and Ann Saki-Eli and brother Clyde Saki, all of Hawaii. He was preceded in death by his father, Mr. Hiroshi Saki.

A memorial service at Milalani Mortuary in Hawaii is pending. Burial will be at Mililani Memorial Park in Hawaii.

Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

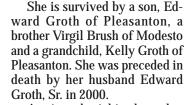
Elma Evangeline Groth

Elma Evangeline Groth died June 19, 2007 in Pleasanton. She was 93.

The native of California had lived in Pleasanton for 20 years and prior to that in Merced for 35 years. Elma worked as an administrative assistant for forty vears.

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A private burial is planned. Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

Rasiklal Acharya

Rasiklal Acharya died June 20, 2007 in Livermore. He was 87

The native of Jamnagar, India had lived in Livermore for three years. He moved here from Valsad. India where he had lived for 50 years. He earned a Master of Science in chemical engineering and worked as a chemical engineer for 40 years at Atul Products Ltd. in Atul, India. His hobbies included music, literature, travel and bridge. He was a member of the University of Wisconsin Alumnus.

He is survived by daughtersin-law Geeta, Vandana and Ismani, sons Magay, Pallav and Jagat, a sister Arvinda Pandya and grandchildren Isman, Amesh, Shree, Satya and Shiv as well as nieces and nephews Yamini and Tushar. He was preceded in death by Mrs. Taralika Acharya.

A visitation was held June 22 in Pleasanton.

Arrangements by Graham-Hitch Mortuary.

Irene G. Bauer

Irene G. Bauer died June 20, 2007 in Livermore. She was 84.

The native of Colorado had lived in Livermore for 21 years. Prior to that she had lived in Northridge for 31 years. Irene liked reading and doing crossword puzzles. She was a member of ValleyCare Hospital Auxiliary.

She is survived by a daughter, Sandra Murray of Livermore, a son, Edward Bauer of Cedarburg, WI, brothers, Fred, Kenneth and Dwayne Gammel, four grandchildren and three great grandchildren as well as many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband Henry Bauer.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Fri., June 29 at Graham-Hitch Mortuary, 4167 First St., Pleasanton.



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LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 395874 The following person (s) do-

ing business as Aloha Transportation 4613 Gerrilyn Way #102, Livermore, CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Scott Puuwaialoha Torres 4613 Gerrilyn Way #102, Liv-ermore, CA 94550 This business is conducted bv:a individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or

names listed Signature of Registrant /s/: Scott Torres This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on May 15, 2007. Expires May 15, 2012. The Independent Legal No. 2174. Publish June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2007.

County on June 5, 2007. Ex pires June 5, 2012. The Independent Legal No 2177. Publish June 14, 21, 28. July 5, 2007

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 397022 The following person (s) do

ing business as Bay Town Stu dios, 1452 N. Vasco Rd #342 Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the fol lowing owner (s): Stephen Dosch, 6014 Climbing Rose Common, Liver more. CA 94551 This business is conducted by:an individual

to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed. Signature of Registrant: /s/:Doralene Campbell and Bruce E. Campbell This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on June 19, 2007. Expires June 19, 2012.

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FILE NO. 397325-397328 The following person (s) do-ing business as (1) Cuda Ridge, (2) Cuda Ridge Wines, (3) Cuda Ridge Cellars, (4) Cuda Ridge Vineyards, 7878 Cedar Mountain Road, Unit B, Livermore, CA 94550 is hereby registered by the folowing owner (s): Cuda Ridge Wines, LLC, 4518 Country Lane, Livermore, CA 94550 This business is conducted by:limited liability company Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed. Signature of Registrant: /s/:Lawrence Dino This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on June 18, 2007. Expires June 18, 2012. The Independent Legal No. 2184. Publish June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2007.

NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 397125-397126 The following person (s) doing business as (1) JDG Sales. (2) JDG Marketing, 2129 Bluffs Drive, Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Janet Doreen Thomas, 2129 Bluffs Dr., Livermore CA, 94551 This business is conducted by:an individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or

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by:an individual names listed 2007 Signature of Registrant Signature of Registrant :Janet Doreen Thomas /s/:Charles L. Bennett This statement was filed with This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on June 13, 2007. Expires June 13, 2012. pires June 18, 2012. The Independent Legal No. 2187. Publish June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2007 12, 19, 2007.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 396643

The following person (s) do-ing business as Bay Auto Recon Appraisers, 813 Roma Street, Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Rebecca S. Bell, 813 Roma Street, 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/:Rebecca S. Bell This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on June 1, 2007. Expires June 1, 2012. The Independent Legal No. 2176. Publish June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2007.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 396731

The following person (s) doing business as Xarxa International, 3989 First Street #G, Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Frederick N. Fisher, 260 Jasmine Way, Danville, Ca 94526 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/Fred N Fisher This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1.2007. Signature of Registrant: /s/·Stenhen Dosch This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on June 12, 2007. Expires June 12, 2012. The Independent Legal No 2180. Publish June 21. 28. July 5, 12, 2007

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FILE NO. 396287 The following person (s) do ing business as AiroSound, 487 Joyce Street, Livermore CA 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): olleen S. Bullard, 487 Joyce Street, Livermore, CA 94550 Thomas A. Bullard, 487 Joyce Street, Livermore, CA 94550 This business is conducted by:a general partnership The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 15. 2005. Signature of Registrant: /s/:Colleen S. Bullard This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on May 23, 2007. Expires May 23, 2012.

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FILE NO. 397006 The following person (s) do ing business as Archuleta Construction, 5251 Peony Drive, Livermore, CA 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Rick Archuleta, 5251 Peony Drive, Livermore, CA 94551 This business is conducted by:husband and wife Registrant has not vet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed. Signature of Registrant: /s/:Rick Archuleta This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on June 12, 2007. Expires June 12, 2012. The Independent Legal No

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NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 397389 The following person (s) do-ing business as First Call Property Solutions, 1931 De Vaca Way, Livermore CA. 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Doralene Campbell, 1931 De Vaca Way, Livermore CA, 94550 Bruce E. Campbell, 1931 De Vaca Way, Livermore CA, 94550

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 397482

The following person (s) doing business as Lambco Electric, 3881 MacGregor Common, Livermore CA, 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Jesse E. Lamb, 3872 MacGregor Common, Livermore CA. 94551 This business is conducted by:an individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June

1.2007 Signature of Registrant: /s/:Jesse E. Lamb This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on June 21, 2007. Expires June 21, 2012. The Independent Legal No. 2185. Publish June 28, July 5, 12. 19. 2007.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 397473 The following person (s) do-ing business as Tri-Valley Stump Grinding, 51 Murdell

Lane, Apt 52, Livermore CA. 94550 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Kevin Robert Mould, 51 Murdell Lane Apt. 52, Livermore CA, 94550 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/:Kevin Robert Mould This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on June 20, 2007. Expires June 20, 2012. The Independent Legal No

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 397498-397499 The following person (s) doing business as (1) JDG Sales, (2)JDG Marketing, 2129 Bluffs Dr., Livermore CA, 94551 is hereby registered by the following owner (s): Janet Doreen Gordon, 2129 Bluffs Dr., Livermore CA 94551 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/:Janet Doreen Gordon This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on June 21, 2007. Ex pires June 21, 2012.

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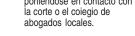
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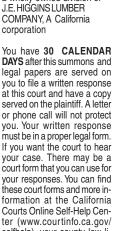
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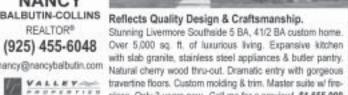
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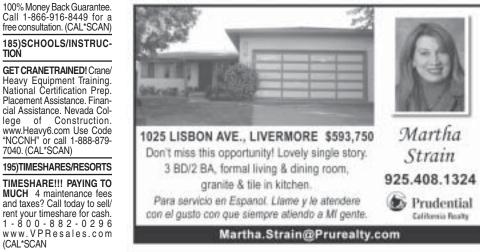
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under the family name. On top of his role as proprietor of Picazo Vineyards, Jose is Founder, President and CEO of Iconix, an email fraud solution software company based in Mountain View.

Before dedicating all of her energy to PicazoVineyards, Pam managed process improvement at one of the world's largest automotive companies. Outside of raising her children, Pam has committed her time to working with non-profits while living her passions for skiing, cooking and entertaining friends and family.

The Picazos determined that they needed a winemaker who shared their vision for fineness. At the same time, 26-year wine industry veteran, Mark Clarin, was keeping his ears open for an opportunity in Livermore Valley to make truly great wine. Bonny Doon Vineyards had sold off the division in which he was employed for the past two years. The Picazos and Mark Clarin found

what they were each looking for and realized the ideal partner-

ship. The distinction between Picazo Vineyards 2004 Merlot and others begins with uncovering the true expression of grapes grown on the hillside soils of gravel and clay. The wine is aged in distinctly different oak barrels. Of the 2004 Merlot, Clarin shared, "The inaugural vintage is youthful and can be aged for at least 15 years. Its vibrant red color offers up lots of spicy oak and clove in the nose with some white pepper. Full bodied with a long finish, the mouth offers black raspberry and spice from the oak then toasted marshmallow character through the finish. The tannins have softened and I anticipate them to smooth out over time. I recommend decanting this wine as the fruit really shows up with some air. For the perfect food pairing, filet mignon.

The wine is now available online at the website www.picazovineyards.com. Eventually wines will be available at a tasting room now in the planning stage.

Storyteller at Springtown Library

The Springtown Branch of the Livermore Public Library will be presenting a special performance by storyteller Marijo on Wed., July 11 as part of the library's Summer Reading Game, entitled "Get a Clue @ Your Library."

Marijo is an actress, storyteller, writer, and arts educator, a member of NPR's StoryCorps project, and an artist in residence with the California Arts Council. She uses her work to inspire, educate and entertain, revealing the common bond between cultures. Reviewers have called Marijo "a spellbinding storyteller—thought-provoking & entertaining!

Wednesday's performance, entitled "Story, Story, Who's Got the Story?-Everybody!" will be an interactive program of folktales and fables from many lands that teach important life lessons through a celebration of the global family using stories, songs, and instruments.

The Livermore Public Library's Springtown branch is located at 998 Bluebell Drive.

Storyteller Marijo's free public performance will begin at 10:30am. It will take place outside the library, with the audience to be seated on tarps. Aftendees are encouraged to arrive early for best parking and viewing opportunities.

The Livermore Public Library's "Get a Clue @ Your Library' Summer Reading Game is a free program for all young people and their families. Children earn a variety of prizes for reading books, as well as attending storytimes, crafts, and special events at Livermore's three library locations. Special programs throughout the summer are scheduled to include magic shows, puppets, animals, and interna-tional music, dance, and stories. The Summer Reading Game began June 8, and ends August 11, 2007.

Photo - Doug Jorgensen

The Relay for Life in Livermore drew a large number of participants walking around the track at Livermore High School. The annual event raises money for the fight against cancer. Cancer victims and survivors were also remembered during the event.

Senior Estate Apartments Open

Leisure Care announced the opening of Heritage Estates Senior Apartments in Livermore. A ribbon cutting ceremony with key members of the community, including Livermore Mayor Marshall Kamena, was held Wednesday.

Heritage Estates Senior Apartments will cater to 62+adults that enjoy active, fun and healthy lifestyles.

Heritage Estates Senior Apartments consists of 130 units available to lease, ranging from 579 to nearly 1,200 square feet. Amenities include a fitness center, large outdoor pool/hot tub located in the Feng Shui courtyard, computer lounge, concierge services, entertainment lounges with plasma TV and secured underground parking. Located at 800 E. Stanley in

Livermore, residents are just minutes away from downtown Livermore, world-class wineries, fine restaurants, shopping, the Livermore Valley Opera and brand new Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center.

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Drug Trends

"Drug Trends in Livermore" is the theme of a community education presentation offered by the Livermore Police Department in cooperation with the Livermore Police Department Citizens Police Academy Alumni Associa-tion (CPAAA) and the Livermore Area Recreation and Parks District (LARPD)

The program is to be held at the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Avenue on July 5 at 7 p.m. The presentation will be made by Sergeant Jim Horton who has extensive experience in narcotics enforecement, source of information regarding uni-versity life," said co-director Tacker, a

film student at San Francisco State. To achieve its goal, Livermorons kNOw more will conduct a series of free presentations this summer that are entertaining, informative, and real – "a College 101-type crash course on *all* aspects of college life" as described by founder and co-director Adler, who graduated from Occidental College in

May and will pursue a master's degree at the University of Cambridge this fall. The presentations will highlight four

see what can be found lurking in the waters of Veterans Park. Dress to get wet. Shoes that cover toes are required - "water shoes" or old tennis shoes are ideal. This program is for people in good physical condition as the going may get rough. In some spots the water may be 3 or 4 feet deep. Children need to be at least 8 years old and accompa-

nied by a parent. 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 informa-

4th of July Parade

Niles will play host to the City of Fremont's 4th of July parade. This year's theme is "America the Beauti-There are two Grand Marshals this

ar. Both are decorated war veterans. One is Karina Saavedra. She is the

youngest of three daughters and also has a younger brother. Karina joined the Army shortly after High School in March 2000. In April 2004 her unit was hardward to David ed three and follow deployed to Baghdad, Iraq and fell under 89th Military Police Brigade, out of Ft. Hood Texas. During her tour of



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1	\$46,350
2	\$53,000
3	\$59,600
4	\$66,250
5	\$71,550
6	\$76,850

Application packets may be obtained at Livermore City Hall 1052 S. Livermore Ave., all Livermore libraries, the Multi-Service Center, 3311 Pacific Ave., or online at www.ci.livermore.ca.us. All applications must be received by the City of Livermore Community Development Dept., 1052 S Livermore Avenue, Livermore, CA, no later than Friday, July 20, 2007 by 5:00 p.m. Applications received after this date and time will not be considered, even if postmarked earlier. Faxed applications will not accepted.

Please direct questions to housing@ci.livermore.ca.us or visit our website at: http://www.ci.livermore.ca.us/ housing_assistance/housing_opportunities.html



a drug recognition instructor, and regularly teaches course for the California Narcotics Officers Association.

Sergeant Horton will be discussing a variety of topics related to illegal drugs. Current drug trends, signs of influence, drug identification, drug paraphernalia identification and intervention will be covered. What signs to look for if you believe a family member is using illegal drugs. There will be an opportunity for the audience to ask questions of Sgt. Horton and to share drug related concerns. "Any opportunity to spend time with community members discussing drug problems is an opportunity to

drug problems is an opportunity to provide education and guidance" said Sgt. Horton. "I know it is important that our community members learn about the types of drugs that are prevalent in our area and what we are doing to combat them. Parents need to be aware of current drug trends and how to be

or current urug trends and how to be aware of warning signs that their chil-dren may be using drugs." Reservations can be made by call-ing LARPD at 925-373-5700 and ask-ing for class #2722.

This drug awareness presentation is co-sponsored by the Livermore Police Department and the CPAAA, an organization of members from the community who have graduated from the Citizens Police Academy. For more information about the Citizens Police Academy, please www.livermorepolice.org visit

College Awareness

Lifelong Livermore residents and current college students Kevin F. Adler and Jamie Tacker recently launched Livermorons kNOw more, an organization to increase the level of college awareness and readiness among high school students and their parents.

Livermorons kNOw more seeks to overcome a pressing challenge in our community: high school students are all-too-often unaware of what to expect in college. "Animal House and Old School should not be a student's sole



major aspects of college life: transi-tions, living, friends / relationships, and academics. Issues to be covered include financial aid, laundry, dating, and classes.

"By attending one of our presenta-tions, we are confident that all attendees will gain a more comprehensive per-spective on what college life is like, and thus make better decisions on what type of college experience they personally desire," said Adler.

The presentations are free and open to the public. Presentations are cur-rently scheduled for 7pm on July 12th, 19th, and 26th at the Livermore PD Community Room, 1110 South Livermore Avenue. For more information, e-mail Kevin@livermorons.com or visit www.livermorons.com.

Best of the Bay

The 2007 Best of the Bay Wine Competition & Zinfandel Challenge Awards Reception and Tasting Event will be held on July 3 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Palm Pavilion at the Alameda County Fair..

Awards presentation will be at 7

p.m. Tickets are \$50 for a VIP package for two, which includes 2 wine tasting admissions, 2 gate admissions, and preferred parking; oterh tickets are \$20

per person. For reservations please call (925)426-7678 by June 27, 2007

Creek Walk

There will be a Creek Walk on Sat., June 30 in Veterans Park. Meet Ranger Amy Wolitzer at 2

p.m. for this Livermore Area Recreion and Park District program. Participants travel downstream and

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teams entered in Relay For Life events and 1,000 registered walkers in Mak-ing Strides to qualify as a National Corporate Team Program Member. Independent Curves locations across the U.S. fielded 555 Relay For Life teams and 411 Making Strides teams in 2006, and raised more than \$780,000. Curves and the American Cancer

Society are located in all 50 states and internationally. Curves has more than four million members worldwide.

Shot Clinic

Axis Community Health has sched-uled its free immunization clinics for children on July 7, August 4 and Sep-tember 8, 2007 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. The clinics will take place at Axis' Pleasanton Clinic only, 4361 Railroad Avonue in downtown Pleasenton 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.

Immunization appointments are also available at (925) 462-1755.

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duty Karina participated in various missions from assisting the Iraqi Police at their stations, serving and protecting the locals, providing Protective Ser-vices Detail to the Task Force Commander, General Sanchez, conducting combat patrols, escorts, raids, guard-ing POW's manning check points and providing FOB security. Karina ended er active military career as Military

Police with a Honorable Discharge along with many awards . The other is Captain Leon Woodie Spears, one of the remaining original Tuskegee Airmen. The airmen flew 200 bomber escort missions and never

lost a bomber to enemy aircraft. More than 80 entries including giant helium balloons, floats, marching bands and drum corps, dancers and equestrian entries will take part in the parade. The parade begins at 10am on

Wednesday, July 4. The parade route is approx. 7 miles. It starts at D Street and Second Street, turns right on Niles Blvd., and concludes on I Street.

For information about this year's event please visit the following website @_www.nilesmerchants.com Or please call Winton Turner @ 510-790-2853, Marie Dear @ 510-552-6034, or Al Cunha @ 510-396-0675

Volunteers are still needed, inter-ested persons should contact Jesse Gomez @ 510-299-4450

Notice of Public Hearing

The Citizens Watchdog Committee which reviews all expenditures of the Alameda County

Transportation Improvement Authority and the agencies to which it provides funding has completed

its Draft Fifth Annual Report to the Public. CWC invites the public to comment on it at a public hearing on July 9, 2007 at 6:30 PM at

1333 Broadway, Suite 300, Oakland, CA. The draft report can be found on the ACTIA web site at www.actia2022.com or at the ACTIA offices (address noted above).

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