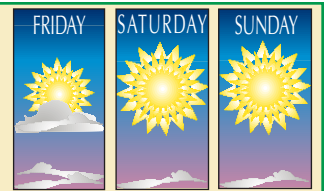




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The Bancroft Middle School girls wrestling team and assistant coaches celebrate the state championship they won April 1 at Windsor High School in Sonoma County. Coach Dave D'Antonio is at right in the back row.

## Bancroft Wrestling Wins State Title

By Mike McGuire  
San Leandro Times

The Bancroft Middle School girls wrestling team triumphed at the state championships held April 1 at Windsor High School in Sonoma County.

Wrestlers Gianna Carbieri, Ja'me Mosley-Self and Mia Poe all won individual titles in their weight classes.

While all three faced tough opponents, Mosley-Self had to beat the defending state champion in double overtime to prevail.

Those three victories, coupled with other strong performances, propelled the team to the championship. A point system is used to determine team standings, with 10 points for a wrestler

finishing first.

The team victory came for Bancroft after seven recent second-place finishes at the Middle School Girls Wrestling State Championships. Their only previous title had been in the first year of the tournament in 2005.

Longtime coach Dave D'Antonio  
see *WRESTLING*, page 12

## Homeowners Between a Creek And a Hard Place

Residents could face bills as yards slide into SL Creek

By Mike McGuire  
San Leandro Times

Homeowners along Cary Drive, off Estudillo Avenue near Bancroft Middle School, normally would have been pleased to find out they legally owned half the creek behind their houses. Some only found this out, though, when the question of fixing recent storm damage came up and they discovered they were on the hook for any repairs.

Alameda County Flood Control Director Daniel Wol-desenbet told residents about this at a March 30 meeting on called by Supervisor Lena

Tam. He said at the same meeting that the county owned to the middle of the creek on the opposite bank, behind the homes on Glen Drive, and was responsible for any damage there.

The Cary Drive residents, by that point, had watched garages, decks and parts of their backyards begin a slow descent to the creek far below, as recounted by homeowner Tery Sussman in a San Leandro Times article earlier this year ("Backyards, Decks see *CREEK*, page 11

## Gonzalez to Deliver State of City Address

The City of San Leandro and the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce will co-host the annual State of the City Address with Mayor Juan Gonzalez on the evening of Tuesday, April 25, at the San Leandro Senior Community Center, 13909 East 14th Street.

A reception with light refreshments will start at 6 p.m.,

and the program begins at 6:30 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend this free event.

"We have many hard-working people who dedicate themselves to helping our city thrive, and I look forward to sharing some of our successes," said Mayor Gonzalez in a press release. "While celebrations are exciting, we also see *ADDRESS*, page 11

## H.A.R.D. Names New Soccer Fields For Longtime Coach Luis Rodriguez

By Michael Singer  
San Leandro Times

Next week, the new soccer fields at the San Lorenzo Community Park will be dedicated the Luis "Omar" Rodriguez, Sr. Soccer Fields, a well-known coach who passed away in 2018.

The reopening ceremony and the field dedication will be on Friday, April 28, at 3:30 p.m. at the park at 1970 Via Buena Vista in San Lorenzo.

Rodriguez was born in 1935 in Canelones, Uruguay. His family emigrated to the United States in the early 1960s. He married Victoria, "Vicky," in 1968 and the couple started their family in San Lorenzo.

Omar coached, managed, and promoted youth soccer from the early 1970s until a few years before his death. In his 40-plus years of coach-

ing, he taught and mentored thousands of youth and adult players, acting solely as a volunteer.

The renovations are part of a \$9.3 million contract to build one new softball field, two natural turf soccer fields, one synthetic turf soccer field, a new play area, a dog park with separate areas for large and small dogs, and other amenities. The fields are part of Phase 2. Proceeds from the

HARD Measure F1 Bond and Measure WW funds from East Bay Regional Park District funded Phase 2.

Phase 1 improvements to the Community Park were completed in 2017, including a new play area with a zipline, basketball court, three softball fields, group picnic areas, pond improvements, pathways, site furnishings, and parking lot expansion.

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### CITY COUNCIL

Council meets on the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 835 E. 14th St., San Leandro. For more information, call the City Clerk at 577-3367.

### SAN LEANDRO SCHOOL BOARD

Board meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 835 E. 14th St., San Leandro. For more information, call Michelle Mayfield at 667-3522.



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## Pets of the Week



Ivy



Stefanie

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, are Ivy, a shepherd, and Stefanie, a pit bull mix.

Ivy is a 1-and-a-half year old shepherd looking for a calm home to call her own. Ivy sticks to you like glue and is low energy. She would like to find a home with teens

and adults.

Stefanie is an 8-year-old pit bull mix looking for a home that is calm but adventurous. Stefanie loves toys and loves her naps. She would like to find a home with older kids.

To adopt or for more information about Ivy or Stefanie, call the Hayward Animal Shelter at 510-293-7200.



## Bank, Chamber Celebrate Remodeling

The US Bank branch in downtown San Leandro held a re-opening ceremony after its recent remodeling. The San Leandro Chamber of Commerce came to congratulate the bank on the improvements. Representatives from US Bank presented a check to the Oral Lee Brown, CEO and founder of the Oral Lee Brown Foundation, which provides educational assistance to underprivileged children. And another check was presented to the East 14th Eatery & Kitchen, a food business incubator and community kitchen in Ashland.

## Local Students Make Dean's List

Simmons University in Boston, Mass. named students who made the 2022 fall semester dean's list, including two local students – Ariel Cordova of San Leandro, and Alondra Chavez of Oakland. To qualify for dean's list status, undergraduate students must obtain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, based on 12 or more credit hours of work in classes using the letter grade system. Simmons University, founded in 1899, is a private university in the heart of Boston.

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# Community Calendar

## Carrington College Open House

The Carrington College San Leandro campus will host an Open House on Thursday, April 20, from 10 a.m. to noon at 15555 East 14th St. in San Leandro (Bayfair Mall). The open house will include a pet adoption fair with local non-profit K911 Animal Rescue as well as live demonstrations with students from our Veterinary Technology, Dental Assisting, Medical Assisting and Pharmacy Technology programs. Visitors can also view training equipment and talk to instructors while touring the campus.

## Books Inc. Warehouse Sale

Books Inc., 2483 Washington Ave. in San Leandro, will have a warehouse sale on Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. with lots of books, games, and goodies, all at 60 percent or more off list price.

## Friends of San Leandro Library Spring Book Sale

Thousands of quality books and media items will be available at the San Leandro Library Book Sale at the Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave., on Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23. On Saturday the hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the public, and 9 to 11 a.m. for members of Friends of the Library. On Sunday, the hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the \$3-a-Bag Sale, open to everyone. For more information or to questions about Friends of the Library membership, call the Library Reference Desk at 510-577-3971.

## Friends of San Lorenzo Library Weekend Book Sale

The Friends of the San Lorenzo Library will hold a weekend book sale on Saturday, April 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, April 23, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the San Lorenzo Library, 395 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo. This sale provides funds for the San Lorenzo Library's community programs. Lots of books, CD's, DVD's for sale. Book prices range from 25 cents to \$1. Free admission.

## Eden Garden Club Meeting

The next meeting of Eden Garden Club will be on Monday, April 24, at 9:30 a.m. at the Castro Valley Methodist Church, 19806 Wisteria St. in Castro Valley. The speaker will be Yonaton Hardisty of Forestr.org. Whose mission is to educate local communities about permaculture practices, plant local lands with the forests of the future and employ local visionaries in green jobs for all ages. Come and hear about what his organization is accomplishing in our community. Meetings are free and guests are always welcome. For more information, call 510-397-1268 for further information.

## Pictures of Beijing on Display

The San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave., presents the "Touring Exhibition of Beijing Urban Landscape Photos," through April 30. The exhibit includes a collection of beautiful pictures depicting Beijing, its scenery, culture, people and activities. The exhibit has been arranged by the Northern California Beijing Association and the U.S. Chinese General Chamber of Commerce. The exhibit is free to the public.

## Police Department Meeting on Staffing

The San Leandro Police Department will host a community meeting about staffing the police department on Saturday, April 29, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Blvd. The police department wants to hear from the community as to how the department should be staffed today and in the future. Following the meeting, Matrix Consulting Group will prepare a comprehensive staffing analysis. Public comments will be instrumental in deciding future staffing needs.

## Arts & Crafts Swap Meet

California Brain Waves Healing Arts Program will host an arts & crafts swap on the first Wednesday of the month from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. Art, craft, office, school supplies and recycled items.

# Students Awarded for Creative Bookmark Designs

The San Leandro Public Library conducted a Bookmark Design Contest in March in honor of Art is Education Month.

Designers were encouraged to be creative and submit their designs for a chance to win a prize and have their design mass printed. The votes are in, and the three lucky winners are: Casey Tran (Kids K-5th), Molly Morgan (Teens Grade 6-12), and Louise Chau (Adults 18+).

The winning prizes were donated by local San Leandro businesses and included: 1 month karate lessons and uniform from Pallen's Martial Arts, Braille Skateboard and 1 hour skateboarding Lessons from Braille Skateboarding (Braille House), and \$50 Gift Card to Sons of Liberty Ale-house.

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to the prize sponsors and all participants for their sub-

missions. Bookmarks will be available, while supplies last, at the Main Library and Manor

Library starting the week of April. 23 for National Library Week. Posters displaying all bookmark submissions will be available for viewing at the Main and Manor libraries during the month of April.



Casey Tran  
Kids (K-5th)



Molly Morgan  
Teens (Grades 6-12th)



Louise Chau  
Adults 18+

## Briefs & Announcements

### San Leandro Toastmasters Upcoming Meetings

San Leandro Toastmasters meets every Thursday from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. online through Zoom. Email us at sanleandrotm@gmail.com for more information. Additionally, the Toastmasters meet in person at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave., on the last Thursday of every month. The next in-person meeting will be Thursday, April 27, from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

### Nobody's Perfekt Fundraiser In Castro Valley

Nobody's Perfekt's dog and cat adoption center, 3810 Castro Valley Blvd, in Castro Valley, will hold a fundraising event on Saturday, April 22, from 3 to 6 p.m. with a jazz trio, refreshments, beverages, silent auction and guest appearances from special needs dogs. This fundraiser will help cover the renovation costs of the new adoption center. Tickets are \$25. To donate or purchase tickets, visit <https://www.nobodysperfektdogs.org/fundraiser>

### 2nd Division Association Reunion Looking for Members

The Second (Indianhead) Division Association is searching for anyone who served in the Army's 2nd Infantry Division at any time. The association will hold its 100th annual reunion in Colorado Springs, Colorado from September 20 to 24, 2023. For more information, visit [www.2ida.org/product/reunion/10](http://www.2ida.org/product/reunion/10) on the web, send an email to [2ida.pao@charter.net](mailto:2ida.pao@charter.net) or call Mike Davino at (919) 356-5692.

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## Cherry Festival Deadline for Food Vendors, Artisans Extended to April 21

The San Leandro Cherry Festival is coming back and 50,000 visitors from around the Bay. Don't miss this great opportunity. The application deadline is April 21. Visit [www.sanleandrocherryfest.com](http://www.sanleandrocherryfest.com) for more information.

## Join TOPS to Loose Weight

Join TOPS (Take Off 9 a.m. at the United Methodist Pounds Sensibly) for the support you need to start your weight loss journey. TOPS is a non-profit weight loss support group that meets on Fridays at 9 a.m. at the United Methodist Church, 19806 Wisteria Street in Castro Valley. For more information, call Sandy Montero at 510-299-7312. Join for fellowship and support.

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Chef’s Specials Revealed



Not all of our memorable recipes came from the likes of Martha Stewart or Julia Child. In fact, many regional favorites were born in the work-a-day kitchens of large chain restaurants and small mom-and-pop diners.

Sometimes these eateries made their recipes available to the public. In other cases, inventive chefs produced copycat versions. Some of the establishments have disappeared from the landscape, but their classic innovations live on in countless cookbooks

DENNY’S-STYLE FRENCH TOAST

- 4 eggs
- 2/3 cup whole milk
- 1/3 cup flour
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon cinnamon
- 6 slices Texas toast thick bread
- 3 tablespoons butter
- Powdered sugar
- Butter and syrup
- Fresh berries, optional

Mix together the eggs, milk, flour, sugar, vanilla, salt and cinnamon.

Heat a large skillet, or griddle. When the skillet is hot, add 1 tablespoon butter. (If butter smokes, the pan is too hot – turn down the heat.)

Dip each slice of bread into the batter for 30 seconds on each side. Let some of the batter drip off, then put in skillet. Cook each slice 1-1/2 to 2 minutes per side until each side is golden brown.

Add more butter, if necessary, to cook all of the slices. To serve, put on plate, dust with powdered sugar. Serve with butter, syrup and fresh berries if you like. Serves 6.

OLIVE GARDEN’S MINESTRONE SOUP

- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 cup minced white onion
- 1/2 cup chopped zucchini
- 1/2 cup frozen cut Italian cut green beans
- 1/2 stalk celery, minced
- 4 teaspoons minced garlic
- 4 cups vegetable broth (not chicken broth)
- 2 (15-ounce) cans red kidney beans, drained
- 2 (15-ounce) cans small white beans or great northern beans, drained
- 1 (14-ounce) can diced tomatoes
- 1/2 cup shredded carrot
- 2 tablespoons minced parsley

- 1-1/2 teaspoons dried oregano
- 1-1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon dried basil
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme
- 3 cups hot water
- 4 cups fresh Baby Spinach
- 1/2 cup small shell pasta

Heat olive oil over medium heat in a large soup pot.

Saute onion, celery, garlic, green beans, and zucchini for 5 minutes or until onions begin to turn translucent.

Add vegetable broth, tomatoes, beans, carrot, hot water, and spices and bring soup to a boil, then reduce heat and allow to simmer for 20 minutes.

Add spinach leaves and pasta and cook for an additional 20 minutes or until desired consistency. Makes eight 1-1/2 cup servings.

SPENGER’S CRABLEGS IN SHERRY WINE SAUCE

- 3 pounds crab legs
- 6 tablespoons butter
- 1/4 cup chopped green onions
- 1/2 cup sliced mushrooms
- 1/4 cup Sherry
- 1/4 cup clam juice

Roll the crab legs in flour. In a large pan, heat the butter. Add crab legs. Sauté 2 minutes on one side and turn. Add onions and mushrooms; cook 2 minutes. Add Sherry and clam juice. Cook 3 minutes while shaking pan. Serve on hot cooked rice. Serves 6.

BLACK ANGUS GARLIC BREAD

- 1 loaf French bread
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1 cup shredded Asiago cheese
- 1 cup shredded Jack cheese
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 bunch green onions, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, puréed

Split French bread loaf into halves horizontally. Mix butter, cheeses, mayonnaise, green onions and garlic in bowl, blending well. Spread the cut side of bread halves with spread.

Bake at 350°F for 7 minutes, then place under broiler about 3 minutes longer.

Cut into slices and serve. Makes 10 to 12 slices.

TONY ROMA’S ONION RING LOAF

- 4 to 6 mild white onions
- 1 cup milk
- 3 eggs, beaten
- Salt
- 2 cups pancake mix, about
- Oil for deep-frying

Parsley

Slice onions crosswise and separate into rings. Soak rings in mixture of milk, eggs and salt to taste in bowl for 30 minutes. Dip each onion ring in pancake mix and fry in oil heated to 375°F until golden brown. Pack fried onion solidly, without pressing, into 8x4-inch loaf pan and bake at 400°F for 10 to 15 minutes. Turn onto serving plate. Garnish with parsley. Makes 4 servings.

PANERA BREAD BLACK BEAN SOUP

- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 celery ribs, finely chopped
- 1/4 red bell pepper, chopped
- 2 small chicken bouillon cubes
- 2 (15-ounce) cans black beans, undrained
- 1-1/4 cups boiling water
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon cumin
- Juice of 1/2 lemon
- 1-1/2 tablespoons cornstarch

In a pot, combine the first six ingredients; simmer for 10 minutes. Add half a can of beans, salt and cumin; cook for 5 minutes.

Puree soup and add the rest of the beans to the soup. Combine the cornstarch with 1-1/2 tablespoons of water. Add the lemon juice and cornstarch and cook until thickened. Yields 4 to 6 servings.

IHOP BUTTERMILK PANCAKES

- 1-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 egg
- 1-1/4 cups buttermilk
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 cup cooking oil
- 1 pinch salt

Preheat a griddle or skillet over medium heat. Mix all of the ingredients till combined.

Melt a little bit of butter in the pan. Pour the batter by spoonfuls into the hot pan, forming 5-inch circles. When the edges appear to harden, flip the pancakes. They should be golden brown.

Cook the pancakes on the other side until they are also golden brown. Yields 8 to 10 pancakes.

APPLEBEE’S HOT ARTICHOKE & SPINACH DIP

- 1 (10-ounce) package frozen chopped spinach, thawed
- 1 (14-ounce) can artichoke hearts, drained and roughly chopped
- 1 cup shredded Parmesan-Romano cheese mix
- 1/2 cup shredded Mozzarella cheese
- 10 ounces prepared Alfredo sauce
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 4 ounces softened cream cheese
- Pepper, to taste

Preheat oven to 350°F.

Combine ingredients thoroughly in a bowl and spread mixture into a small (about 3x8-inch) baking dish and bake for 25-30 minutes until cheeses are bubbling and melted.

Yields 10 to 12 servings.

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The name of the business(es):  
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The name of the business(es):  
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## Mulford Gardens to Host SL Dahlia Society Sale

The San Leandro Dahlia Society will be selling dahlia tubers and cuttings/small plants on Saturday, April 22, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Mulford Garden Improvement Association Clubhouse, 13055 Aurora Drive in San Leandro, (across from Garfield Elementary School).

Tubers will sell for \$6 while cuttings are \$8 – a bargain either way. Dahlias bloom in a variety of colors, shapes, and sizes. Knowledgeable helpers will be able to give you planting advice. Periodically, there will be a demonstration of planting tubers for the inexperienced grower. Come early for the best selection.

## Hill and Valley Club Flea Market And Rummage Sale Next Saturday

Hill and Valley Club, 1808 B Street in Hayward, will hold its annual flea market on Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This old-fashioned indoor rummage sale will feature clothing, jewelry, household

goods, plants, toys, books, sewing and craft materials, electronics, linens, baked goods, holiday decorations, and more.

Plenty of parking available. Cash, checks, debit and credit cards accepted.

## Senior Meals Menu For Upcoming Week

Senior Meals prepared by Spectrum Community Services are available weekdays at the San Leandro Senior Community Center, 13909 East 14th St. Join us for a tasty, nutritious lunch Monday through Friday at noon.

Anyone who is 60 years or better is eligible to register to come get a meal.

You must register first, and make lunch reservations three days in advance.

Spectrum requests a \$3.75 donation towards each meal or get our valued 10-meal ticket for only \$35.

Option to dine-in or take-away is available. To make your advanced reservation, call and leave a message for the San Leandro Spectrum Meals Program: 510-881-0302

Visit the website for more information at, [www.SpectrumCS.org](http://www.SpectrumCS.org)

### The menu for the upcoming week is:

Thursday, April 20: Albondigas soup with beef meatballs, tossed salad, tortill chips, fruit.

Friday, April 21: Barbecued chicken sandwich on whole wheat bun with lettuce, tomato and onion, broccoli, cranberry salad, fruit.

Monday, April 24: Herb baked chicken, potato cabbage, soup, peas and carrots, whole wheat roll, fruit.

Tuesday, April 25: Moroccan chickpeas, baked sweet potatoes, house salad, couscous, fruit.

Wednesday, April 26: Meatball sub with marinara sauce on sourdough hoagie, Italian cut green beans, spinach medley salad, fruit.

Thursday, April 27: Garlic ginger glazed pork, roasted broccoli, carrot coins, brown rice, fruit.

Friday, April 28: Baked cod with melted leeks sauce, roasted cauliflower, brussel sprouts, brown rice, fruit.

## SENIORS

# May Someone With Dementia Sign a Will?

*Q. My husband and I would like to make wills, but I am concerned because he has been recently diagnosed with early-stage dementia. Legally, can he still make a will?*

By Gene L. Osofsky, Esq.  
SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

A. It depends, but very often the answer would be yes. Under the law, he must have what is called “testamentary capacity”. This means that at the time he signs a will he must understand what he is signing and the implications of making a will. Simply because he has been diagnosed with a form of mental illness or disease process, does not necessarily mean he lacks legal capacity to make a will.

Generally speaking, he would be considered mentally competent to make a will if: (1) he is able to understand that he is making a will, (2) he understands the nature and extent of his property, which means he understands what he owns, and (3) he knows and understands who his family relations are. Further, he would only need to meet these requirements at the time he signs his will. Some persons are more lucid at certain times during the day, and he should sign his will during those lucid periods.

A related question is whether he would also have sufficient capacity to make a trust. The question here is whether signing a trust requires a greater degree of capacity than signing a will, as trust

documents are usually more complex.

A few years ago a California court addressed this question in a case called Andersen vs Hunt. In that case, a father made an amendment to his original trust, created years earlier, to leave a 60% portion of his estate to his longtime romantic partner, thereby reducing the share going to his three children. When the father died, his children contested the trust on the ground that their father lacked sufficient capacity, urging that the act of creating a trust required a greater degree of capacity than signing a will. On appeal, the court upheld the trust amendments, concluding that they were rather simple in nature and therefore the law concerning the capacity to make a will should control. The lessons: (1) if a trust document were drafted to be relatively simple and straightforward, then the requirement of capacity would likely be construed under the more relaxed standard applicable to the making of wills; (2) alternatively, for a person whose capacity were questionable, perhaps a will would be the better choice.

If there is concern that capacity may later be questioned, it would be helpful to have evidence of your husband’s capacity at the time he signs the will or simple trust, such as a current letter from his physician attesting to his capacity and/or a video-taped pre-sign-



ing interview conducted by the attorney preparing the will.

If your husband has sufficient capacity to meet the relaxed standards for making a will, or even a simple trust, I would urge him to do so as soon as possible. Further, if he does not plan to disinherit any children, or to treat them differently in the overall division, the chance of a later contest is much reduced.

Gene L. Osofsky is an elder law and estate planning attorney who has been helping East Bay families with legal matters for over 30 years. Visit: [www.LawyerForSeniors.com](http://www.LawyerForSeniors.com).



**At the time of signing the will, he must understand what he is signing and the implications of making a will.**

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## Clean Up Shoreline On Earthday

Earth Day, the annual worldwide rededication to preserving and enhancing our planetary environment, falls on Saturday, April 22 this year, and a variety of programs are planned in the East Bay Regional Parks in observance of the occasion.

One such Earth Day program to protect parks is shoreline cleanup. You can volunteer to help pick up trash and debris at regional park locations throughout the District.

Shoreline cleanup will take place at Hayward Shoreline, Tidewater Boating Center in Oakland, MLK Shoreline in Oakland (two locations), and Crown Beach in Alameda (two locations).

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GUEST COMMENTARY



# Decreasing Inventory Fueling Housing Price

By Carl Medford, CRS  
Special to the Forum

While all indicators suggest we should be in a slumping housing market, the opposite appears to be true. While location and condition are still real factors, we are seeing multiple offers on almost every home hitting the market, which is forcing prices upward once again.

There appear to be two primary considerations at play. First is the extreme lack of inventory. For a number of reasons, sellers are simply not selling at the rate we would expect at this, the beginning of the peak selling season. In fact, inventory is continuing to decrease.

Hayward had 39 homes that came on the market in March/22, whereas this year, there were only 33, a 15.4% decrease. Similarly, Castro Valley went from 19 to 18, a decline of 5.6%. San Leandro saw a same

period decrease from 21 in 2022 to 19 in 2023, down 10.5%. San Lorenzo is the only city that remained level, with 6 homes on the market in both March/22 and March/23.

In a supply and demand market, as inventory decreases, prices usually go up. This was the case in Hayward, as the average sales price in March/22 was \$1,007,000. In contrast, prices rose in March/23 to an average of \$1,178,000, an increase of 14.5%. Castro Valley prices jumped from \$1,147,000 in March/22 to an average of \$1,474,000 in March/23, a whopping 22.2% increase. Same period San Leandro averages went from \$851,000 to \$982,000, up 13.3%. San Lorenzo also saw an increase as average prices increased from \$821,000 to \$963,000, a 14.7% gain.

To put this in perspective, we need to look at the overall number of Q1

sales in Alameda County in 2022 vs 2023. In 2022, Q1 single family residential sales totaled 2,957. In 2023, however, Q1 sales dipped to 1,867, a dramatic decrease of 37.86%.

This brings up the second trend. As buyers have become accustomed to the fact that higher interest rates are here to stay, they have been reentering the market in hordes. As the number of buyers increases and the number of available homes decreases, desperation is starting to resurface. Whereas we saw almost no multiple offers in the last few months of 2022, that trend has reversed. We are also seeing parents writing cash offers way over asking to ensure their kids get a home.

Given that inventory is way below seasonal norms, it is hard to say when this might end.

Carl Medford is a licensed Realtor with Keller Williams Realty and a licensed general contractor. This article is sponsored by the Central County Marketing Association.

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# Three Tips to Produce a Sweeter Grapefruit

By Buzz Bertolero  
THE DIRT GARDENER

**Q** I have a beautiful grapefruit bush, but the grapefruits are extremely bitter. It is fed regularly with Citrus Food. What else do I need to do to sweeten up the fruit?

**A** There are a number of factors you need to consider.

One: grapefruit can be red, pink, or white and, while it is definitely known for its

pucker power, can range from intense to mild in flavor. Red grapefruit varieties are the sweetest, and Rio Grande is the sweetest.

Two: It is commonly assumed that all citrus matures within a twelve-month window. This is not the case with grapefruit and Valencia Oranges. These varieties take eighteen months to mature under normal conditions. So you could be harvesting them too soon. The crop takes longer to mature, so let the fruit hang on the tree to sweeten up.

**Q** Whenever I start seeds in peat pots, I get mold all over the outside of the pots. How can I keep that from happening?

**A** Peat pots are designed to hold moisture. With the right conditions, usually humidity and warmth, mold will form. You can improve the air circulation by spacing the plant's father apart to dry things out. If mold continues to be a problem, switch to plastic pots. Also, the mold doesn't interfere with the seed germination or the seedlings.

Buzz Bertolero is an Advanced California Certified Nursery Professional. The Dirt Gardener's website is [www.dirtgardener.com](http://www.dirtgardener.com).



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### CASTRO VALLEY

Total: 5 – Average Price: \$1,031,000  
High: \$1,390,000 – Low: \$805,000

21953 Ada Street 94546: \$805,000  
[3 BD - 1,554 SF - 1948  
2159 Grove Way 94546: \$830,000  
[3 BD - 1,190 SF - 1947  
19889 Forest Avenue #U-9 94546:  
\$830,000 [3 BD - 1,519 SF - 1979  
4319 Watters Court 94546:  
\$1,300,000 [4 BD - 1,965 SF - 1965  
6325 Mount Olympus Drive 94552:  
\$1,390,000 [4 BD - 2,537 SF - 1988

### HAYWARD

Total: 20 – Average Price: \$924,300  
High: \$1,805,000 – Low: \$595,000

25700 University Court #106 94542:  
\$595,000 [2 BD - 1,250 SF - 1982  
23118 Sheila Street 94541:  
\$638,000 [1,250 SF - 1954  
2024 Sarasota Lane 94545:  
\$700,000 [3 BD - 1,119 SF - 1956  
27850 Andrea Street 94544:  
\$700,000 [4 BD - 927 SF - 1952

24862 Soto Road 94544: \$703,000

[2 BD - 1,023 SF - 1948

22350 Peralta Street 94541:

\$720,000 [2 BD - 1,089 SF - 1926

199 Hermes Court 94544: \$722,000

[2 BD - 936 SF - 1951

26578 Taft Street 94544: \$733,000

[3 BD - 1,142 SF - 1954

347 Mason Drive 94544: \$735,000

[3 BD - 951 SF - 1950

24513 Diamond Ridge Drive 94544:

\$740,000 [3 BD - 1,475 SF - 1992

27734 Tampa Avenue 94544:

\$775,000 [3 BD - 1,264 SF - 1954

1218 Inglewood Street 94544:

\$785,000 [3 BD - 1,081 SF - 1953

2490 Cabrillo Drive 94545:

\$925,000 [4 BD - 1,852 SF - 1974

107 Orchard Circle 94544: \$960,000

[3 BD - 1,938 SF - 2015

2619 D Street 94541: \$1,015,000

[3 BD - 1,654 SF - 1982

25312 Calaroga Avenue 94545:

\$1,150,000 [2,678 SF - 1959

3253 Round Hill Drive 94542:

\$1,200,000 [3 BD - 1,887 SF -

1969

27106 Columbia Way 94542:

\$1,315,000 [3 BD - 2,038 SF - 1984

2842 Seadrift Circle 94545:

\$1,570,000 [5 BD - 2,687 SF - 2006

4186 Mystic View Court 94542:

\$1,805,000 [5 BD - 3,133 SF - 2000

### SAN LEANDRO

Total: 8 – Average Price: \$806,875  
High: \$1,210,000 – Low: \$505,000

680 Fargo Avenue #17 94579:

\$505,000 [2 BD - 850 SF - 1965

15910 Selborne Drive 94578:

\$750,000 [2 BD - 969 SF - 1948

1058 Victoria Avenue 94577:

\$760,000 [2 BD - 846 SF - 1953

1650 Lawndale Avenue 94579:

\$770,000 [3 BD - 1,158 SF - 1957

1888 Vining Drive 94579: \$800,000

[3 BD - 1,111 SF - 1956

1616 Gardner Boulevard 94577:

\$820,000 [3 BD - 1,008 SF - 1943

646 Juana Avenue 94577: \$840,000

[3 BD - 1,382 SF - 1950

576 Begier Avenue 94577:

\$1,210,000 [3 BD - 1,462 SF - 1936

### SAN LORENZO

Total: 1 – Average Price: \$780,000  
High: \$780,000 – Low: \$780,000

17846 Via Rincon 94580: \$780,000

[3 BD - 1,306 SF - 1944



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# The Weather and You

## Reservoirs Filling Up And Fair Weather Ahead

By Mike Pechner  
Special to the Times

Many parts of the United States have already seen spring temperatures in the 90s. Last week the Great Lakes, Upper Mid-west and the Northeast recorded record highs in the Upper 80s to low 90s, while much of the West including the Rockies have been locked into well below normal temperatures all winter and now in the spring.

Another cold front from the Gulf of Alaska moved through Northern California and the Bay Area Monday night and early Tuesday morning with light rain here and more snow for the Sierra Nevada. The Central Sierra Snow Lab operated by University of California, Berkeley picked up 5 inches of new snow, bringing the total seasonal snowfall

to 737 inches – 300 percent of average snowfall this season.

California's water supply is in its best shape since the winter of 2016-17. So much so, that the dried up lake bed of Tulare Lake in the Southern San Joaquin Valley has reappeared after a 70 year absence. The Tulare Basin would fill every year as run-off from the Sierra snow pack carried by the Kings, Kern and Kaweah Rivers would fill and area bigger than Lake Tahoe. However, the intense summer heat and increased irrigation dried it up by the early 1930s.

Large farms planted crops on the dried up lake bed and levees were to protect the agricultural lands from flooding. Thousands of acres are now underwater.

With much of the Sierra snow melt yet to come, Pardee

Reservoir in the Mother Lode is 62 percent full, allowing room for the run-off that will begin in earnest next month as temperatures warm. The rest of the East Bay Municipal Utility District lakes and reservoirs are 89 percent full.

In the North Bay Marin and Sonoma County, lakes and reservoirs are full and spilling over. The short range forecast models show temperatures around the Bay Area climbing up to near 80 for the seconded time this spring. But record lows in the 30s with local frost are a good possibility in the North and East Bay Valleys the next two mornings.

Longer range models show dry weather for the Bay Area through the end of the month but the Sierra will see more snow above 5,000 feet in the last week of the month.



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#### City Council Carrying Out Voters Wishes

Editor,

The progressive City Council members are getting a bum rap from the conservative landlords in the city. According to the recent survey that the city contracted, the progressives are in line with the residents of the city, both the homeowners and renters.

If you are not of the landlord class, the issues of affordable housing and homelessness topped the concerns followed by pot holes and crime. Crime in my opinion

is overblown, more of an Oakland problem that KTVU exploits in its "if it bleeds it leads" mentality. Also the Republicans have been harping on crime in their bankrupt solution-less agenda. These same Republicans also talk a lot about gas prices but only Manchin and Sinema are non-Republicans getting money from Big Oil. The Republicans should return Big Oil contributions until gas prices drop, if they weren't such hypocrites.

Locally the young progressives are a breathe of fresh air and have a good sense of what San Leandro

needs for its citizens. They are bright and have a passion for justice and will be advocating other progressive reforms in the upcoming months.

I applaud the work of Aguilar, Simon, Azevedo, Reynes and Bowen, the future of the city is in good hands.

Craig Williams  
San Leandro

#### No More Catch and Release

Editor,

San Francisco finally wised up and recalled their "progressive" District Attorney Chesa Boudin last year.

It's time for District Attorney Pamela Price to suffer the same indignity here in Alameda County. She doesn't like a judge and goes on social media after him, she wants to "review" a dozen past police shootings, ya kill 3 people: "not a problem" and likes to let violent offenders off with "short time" and "good behavior."

"Catch and Release" is fine for



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sport fishing but it has no part in our justice system.

Ken Kellogg  
San Leandro

#### Reject HR 1

Editor,

It is shameful that the Republican-led House of Representative has passed HR1, an amendment which is a big giveaway to big oil companies so they can pollute the water around the country. For example, some oil compa-

nies can get the go-ahead to build projects that will pollute the San Francisco Bay near where I live.

It is hypocritical when Republican representatives label their political opponents "socialists" when in fact they are doing socialism themselves by giving oil companies a big giveaway by allowing them to do projects that will pollute the water. I urge the United States Senate to reject HR1.

Billy Trice, Jr.  
Oakland





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This view shows some of the slide damage in Cedric McCraw's backyard on Cary Drive, looking down toward San Leandro Creek.

## Writers, Performers On Hand for Annual Hayward LitHop

Hayward's annual literary happening kicks off this Saturday at 2 p.m. at Heritage Plaza, across the street from the Hayward Public Library.

Hayward Lit Hop will open with remarks by local civic and literary leaders and a performance by the East Bay Symphonic Band. Next, at 3 p.m., East Bay teen and adult poet laureates will read some of their work.

From 4 to 7 p.m., the Lit Hop moves to various locations on and around B Street. Performances will be given by the Afro-Surreal Writers Association, students from Chabot College, a bilingual Spanish/English reading, the Queer Writers, local Horror Writers' and Mystery Writers' Association chapters, among other groups.

Venues include Aranea's Craft Studio, the Sun Gallery, the Odd Fellows Lodge, The Bistro, Dirty Bird Lounge, the Pizza House, The World Famous Turf Club, Yoga Sociale.

The event concludes with an afterparty at the Sun Gallery with music, food and drinks. The gallery will show a climate art exhibit.

This event aims to support local businesses, celebrate Hayward's diverse cultural scene, and allow people to meet their neighbors and see each other's talents. It also helps people with an interest in writing or art find local groups to support and foster their talents.

## Creek: Homeowners look for assistance

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Caving into SL Creek," Jan. 26, 2023).

Homeowners elsewhere were then being urged to apply for government assistance in fixing storm damage, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) set up local centers to speed disaster aid.

What the Cary Drive homeowners found out at those centers was that nobody was willing to help, said resident Cedric McCraw. FEMA, the city, and the county suggested they call private structural engineers to assess and fix damage.

McCraw, Sussman and other neighbors soon discovered that was a no-go as well. The ground was still moving, and before any preliminary repair work could be done the engineers insisted on doing soil surveys to see what they were dealing with.

The soil is still moving, if slowly, said McCraw, who has been taking comparison photos from his backyard every week. Once it stops, it

would cost \$8,000 to \$10,000 for each homeowner to do a soil survey, before they even find out what repairs and preventative work is possible.

Or, he added, if it's possible at all.

Nearby, Tery Sussman, after seeing her deck start to slide down the hillside, had it hauled back up and disassembled to prevent that large a piece of debris from potentially blocking the creek.

McCraw said he had been turned down for assistance so far by FEMA, the city, the county and private insurers, the latter saying landslides aren't covered by homeowner policies. They told him he should have bought flood insurance, for the creek that flows some 100 feet below his backyard.

"I understand it's private property, but the whole city has an interest in the creek flowing freely," McCraw said.

He added that the cost for each individual homeowner shoring up the banks would be prohibitive.

"I'm worried about debris

clogging the creek and turning it into a lake. Where's the water coming down from Lake Chabot going to go then?" McCraw asked.

McCraw pointed out areas of the creek where the flow was already partially blocked by debris from the recent storms.

"The Small Business Administration did offer me a low-interest loan, but it wouldn't even cover the cost of the soil survey," McCraw said.

"I guess the key question is just what owning to the middle of the creek really means," Sussman said. "We don't really have any control over the water's flow. It's not like we can build out over it. But we still get the bill when things go wrong."

Who does own the creek? It varies, according to Mayor Juan Gonzalez.

"Generally, the county owns half the creek on the north side, and individual homeowners do on the south side," Gonzalez said.

It's not clear if any single agency is responsible for

keeping the creek flowing, the mayor said, a concern echoed by Sussman and McCraw. What is more clear is that you need permits from several different agencies to do any repair or maintenance work in the creek, Gonzalez said.

City Chief Engineer Sheila Marquises said that fixing the Haas Street footbridge, badly damaged when a tree fell on it during a storm last month, requires permits from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Regional Water Quality Control Board and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. That's in addition to checking with PG&E, in case any electrical conduits are affected, and with the school district, whose land is near the bridge.

Gonzalez, while not immediately offering city aid to the Cary Drive homeowners, did have some advice for them.

"Keep letting the city know what your needs are, perhaps including at public meetings, and involve your City Council member in pursuing assistance from the city and others," the mayor suggested.

## EBMUD Board Member Turner Violates Campaign Finance Ordinance

The East Bay Municipal Utility District has determined that Matt Turner, who ran in 2022 for a seat on the EBMUD board of directors, violated EBMUD's Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance by not filing the required final campaign statement.

According to District Secretary Risha Cole, the statement was to detail campaign contributions, loans, and expenditures for the period between October 23, 2022 and December 31, 2022. Turner had until March 28, 2023 to meet the reporting deadline. Turner's failure to do so violated Section VI.3 of the

EBMUD Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance.

Turner was unsuccessful in his bid for the Ward 7 seat, which includes Castro Valley; communities of Cherryland and Fairview; and portions of San Leandro, San Lorenzo, San Ramon, and Hayward.

EBMUD sent out a press release about the campaign finance violation. Under the East Bay Municipal Utility District Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance, adopted in 1992 and last amended in 2010, all violations of the reporting requirements of the ordinance must be noticed to the news media.

## Address: Mayor

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recognize the reality that we face a number of challenges, including public safety, infrastructure, housing, and homelessness. On Tuesday night, I will describe the path forward, as we advance the revitalization of our city and truly embrace the 21st century."

Gonzalez will discuss the above-mentioned topics and his vision for a brighter future, as highlighted in his key remarks on progress, challenges, and movement. Additionally, Mayor Gonzalez desires to communicate the total cost of running a city government.

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# Wrestling: Winning title a pleasant surprise

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said he was proud of the team and their hard work. D’Antonio was called the “father of girls wrestling” by one area newspaper for his role in getting the sport started in California.

“We’ve had a very strong girls’ wrestling team from the beginning,” D’Antonio said.

“The morning of the tournament, I pulled the team

“We’ve had a very strong girls’ wrestling team from the beginning.

— Coach D’Antonio

aside and told them their goal was to wrestle tough, no matter how strong the competition. And they did.”



PHOTO BY MIKE MCGUIRE

## The City Council recognized the wrestling team at Monday night’s meeting.

D’Antonio said. “Winning the championship was a pleasant surprise. Though having so many second-place finishes was starting to bother me a little bit.”

Not just individual wrestlers had to defeat champions to win their matches. The team also had to beat last year’s champions to win their title, he added.

The Bancroft girl’s wrestling team began in 2005 with D’Antonio coaching, and he has coached them since. His coaching career goes back even further at Bancroft, though, some 32 years.

D’Antonio has also been in the classroom at Bancroft just as long. This is also his 32nd year of teaching history at Bancroft.

“Whenever we go out for a meal together, a parent or grandparent approaches the table to thank Dave for the academic or sports success he gave their child,” said family friend Gordon Imrie of San Leandro, a former college wrestling champ.

D’Antonio said, “Winning state was truly a group effort from each person involved in the program, from the girls to the boys whom they often wrestled against in practice to a phenomenal group of coaches I am super lucky to work with.”

# Rodriguez: Field

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Phase 3 will include improvements to the existing 8,200-square-foot community center, originally built in 1968. The interior layout will be reorganized to provide a reception area closer to the entry and enhance the function of multi-purpose rooms. There will be some exterior improvements surrounding the building to improve the

entrance and parking lot.

The community room will be enlarged and have direct access to a new outdoor plaza with pond views.

Construction is anticipated to start in mid-2023 and be complete by the end of 2025. Proceeds from the HARD Measure F1 Bond and Measure WW funds from East Bay Regional Park District will fund Phase 3.

# Hope: On Zoom

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youth learn to process these feelings and find ways to move forward in a positive direction. Our services are offered at no charge to the local community, even if your loved one was not on our hospice service.

## Upcoming Support Groups

Hope’s grief support services are free of charge, but register in advance by phone. Call (925) 829-8770 on weekdays, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. A brief assessment is required.

Support groups are currently being conducted online by Zoom video conference. Our services for young children are temporarily paused

until we can resume in-person group gatherings.

## General Grief

May 8–June 26, 2023  
Mondays, 6–7:30 p.m.  
Spousal/Partner Loss  
Option 1 May 9–June 27, 2023  
Tuesdays, 6–7:30 p.m.  
Option 2 May 17–July 5, 2023  
Wednesdays, 1:30–3 p.m.

## Loss of a Child

May 8–June 26, 2023  
Mondays, 6–7:30 p.m.

## Teens Group

Please call for dates.

Our groups are offered once per quarter. If you cannot make the next sessions, call our office to put your name on the interest list for the following quarter.



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SAT. APRIL 29	MASTERPIECE THE BAND	6PM
SUN. APRIL 30	NEW SHOES BLUES BAND	4PM
FRI. MAY 5	DANILO ORQUESTA UNIVERSAL	8PM
SAT. MAY 6	TOUCH OF CLASS	6PM
SUN. MAY 7	PATRÓN LATIN RHYTHMS	4PM
FRI. MAY 12	DEE COCO & CO.	8PM
SAT. MAY 13	GET IN THE GROOVE TRIBUTE BAND	6PM
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