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PHOTO BY JIM KNOWLES

Meadow Presley applies tiles to a planter in downtown San Leandro to make an Ohlone-themed mosaic.

## Mosaics Adorn Downtown Planters

By Jim Knowles  
San Leandro Times

Meadow Presley keeps getting compliments as she works on the sidewalk in downtown San Leandro these days.

People seem to like her work as she affixes tiles to make a mosaic of the planters at East 14th Street and Juana Avenue. Presley is finishing the first three planters of the

dozen that will be done when the project is finished.

"This one is an Ohlone theme with shells," said Presley, who teaches ceramics at the Stepping Stones Growth Center's Artful Steps program.

The themes of the first two planters were of San Leandro's agricultural past and the Casa Peralta.

The first three planters done by Stepping Stones were sponsored by the San Leandro Improvement Association. The remainder will be sponsored by arts groups and local businesses.

The tiles are handmade at Stepping Stones on MacArthur Boulevard by Presley, students and volunteers. One volunteer, see MOSAIC, page 8

## EBMUD Prepares for The Big One

Flexible pipes, connecting water systems to keep taps flowing

By Amy Sylvestri  
San Leandro Times

April 18 marks the 112th anniversary of the great San Francisco earthquake and Bay Area water agencies held a tour of various sites around the East Bay to demonstrate just how they are preparing in the inevitable event of another massive quake.

On Tuesday morning, the East Bay Municipal Utilities District (EBMUD) demonstrated the new flexible plastic pipes they've been installing over the past few years to replace old cast iron pipes.

They hung a flexible pipe over a loading dock bay at their San Lorenzo yard and then used a backhoe to press down in the middle. The pipe bent over five feet and was able to spring back up. It looked a bit like a drinking straw that had been bent in half but liquid could still flow through.

Then it was onto the Castro Valley/Hayward border where a new \$15 million steel tank reservoir is currently under construction. It's a 9-million-gallon tank replacing a 50-million-gallon reservoir which was originally made of cement poured over earth. The new tank will hold far less water but is also not as vulnerable to earthquakes.

The tour continued on to Hayward where EBMUD showed off one of its "interties," which

connect the pipes of different water districts. The four districts that are interconnected in the Bay Area are EBMUD, the Contra Costa Water District, the Santa see EBMUD, page 5

## HUD Hands City \$659,000

By Amy Sylvestri  
San Leandro Times

The City Council approved the allocation of this year's share of federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant funds, distributing \$659,582 to city projects and local organizations.

HUD has been giving the need-based grants out to municipalities since 1974 to "develop viable urban communities." San Leandro received a similar grant of around \$650,000 last year.

On Monday night, the council heard from Maryann Sargent, the city's senior housing specialist, about how the funds might be allocated, and approved the proposal by a vote of 6-0 with see HUD, page 14

## City Looks at Buying Part of East 14th Street

By Amy Sylvestri  
San Leandro Times

If you drive down East 14th Street, you can't help but notice it's pockmarked by pot holes.

East 14th Street is San Leandro's main thoroughfare, but is maintained by CalTrans because it is a state highway, State Route 185.

But given its poor condition, the City of San Leandro is considering asking CalTrans to relinquish ownership of the road so the city can repair it more quickly, without having to wait for the state to act.

CalTrans has bundled the East 14th Street repairs in with other major state and regional projects which could take years to be completed.

The city is mulling over whether to apply to get state funds directly and use them to repave the road, according to Assistant City Manager Eric Engelbart.

At a recent Facilities Committee meeting, the city said they were considering taking action

because the road is in disrepair and most of the San Leandro section of the pavement isn't scheduled for repaving from CalTrans for at least three or four years.

State Assemblyman Rob Bonta informed the city that CalTrans has suggested the city could get funding directly from the state, which could expedite the process.

Engelbart said the idea came about after the City Council as well as Bonta made multiple requests to CalTrans to give them options to repair East 14th Street as soon as possible.

But if the city takes ownership of the street, it will be see EAST 14TH, page 8

## The Times' Loyal Reader Subscription Campaign

The campaign for Loyal Reader subscriptions to the San Leandro Times during the month of March was successful beyond our imagination.

We were overwhelmed by the number of responses and touched by a number of supportive notes that were included

with the subscriptions.

Next week we will publish the names of all the subscribers, but we wanted to say this early "thank you" to all of you who participated.

—Fred Zehnder  
Publisher,  
San Leandro Times

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### CITY COUNCIL

Council meets on the first and third Monday of each month at 7 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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## Louise May Alcott Classic Opens on Friday at Chanticleers

The novel *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott comes alive on stage at Chanticleers Theatre in Castro Valley, opening on Friday, April 6.

*Little Women* opens with Chanticleers' traditional complimentary hors d'oeuvres, desserts and beverage gala on April 6 and runs through May 6. Curtain time for Friday and Saturday evening shows is 8 p.m., and Sunday matinees start at 2 p.m. (no show on April 8).

General admission is \$25; admission for seniors (60+), students, and military is \$20. On Bargain Night, April 7, all tickets are \$18.

The Chanticleers Theatre FlexPass (gives you four tickets to use anytime during the season)

is \$85 general and \$68 seniors/students/military.

Chanticleers Theatre is located within the Castro Valley Community Park at 3683 Quail Avenue, Castro Valley. For tickets, call SEE-LIVE (733-5483) or go to [chanticleers.org](http://chanticleers.org).

*Little Women* follows four sisters—independent, aspiring writer Jo; romantic Meg; pretentious Amy; and kind-hearted Beth; all under the watchful eye of their beloved mother, Marmee, while their father is away serving in the Civil War.

Each sister follows a different path but not necessarily what is expected.

This coming-of-age tale is filled with drama, romance, humor and music.



PHOTO COURTESY OF CHANTICLEERS

The Chanticleers Theatre brings Louisa May Alcott's *Little Women* to the stage with Jordana Meltzer as Beth, Chloe Angst as Jo, Georgia Lee as Marmee, Heather Warren as Meg, and Riley Hyde as Amy. The show opens with complimentary hors d'oeuvres this Friday night.

## 4-H to Host Meet and Greet

Redwood 4-H will host a meet and greet at Mikes Feed, 710 East 14th St. in San Leandro on Sunday, April 8, from 11 a.m.

to 3 p.m. Come pet some bunnies and see that 4-H is about more than animals. For more information, call Karen at 566-3672.

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## Correction

The story, "Apartments Near BART Get Green Light" (March 29, 2018), incorrectly stated the vote tally in January by the Board of Zoning Adjustments to approve the apartment building at the corner of San Leandro Boulevard and

Parrott Street. The board approved it with four yes votes (Michael Santos, Thomas Fitzsimons, Marguerite Mazzitti and Catherine Vierra Houston), one member abstaining (Jeff Falero), and one member absent (Rick Solis).

## Ping Pong for 50 and Over

The Hayward Area Recreation and Park District has table tennis for players 50 and older on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon at the San Lorenzo

Community Center, 1970 Via Buena Vista in San Lorenzo. All levels welcome. Drop-in fee \$2 per player. For more information, call 881-6766.



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## Fire at Factory on Easter

A fire broke out at the Cintas uniform facility at 777 139th Avenue last Sunday afternoon at just after 4 p.m. The one-alarm blaze was contained to a storage area and did not spread into the main building. No injuries were reported and the cause of the fire is under investigation.

## Police Say Groups on Bikes Are a Danger on City Streets

Groups of bicyclists have drawn complaints for not adhering to traffic laws, riding recklessly and taking over city streets and intersections, according to San Leandro police.

But some cyclists say they are being targets and unfairly harassed by police.

The groups ride what are sometimes called "scraper bikes," which they customize themselves. They ride in groups and often pop wheelies and do other stunts.

The cyclists use social media to organize, police said. A group of riders will show up at any given time and location with one text or post.

The SLPD said it received 107 calls for service regarding bicyclists disrupting traffic since November of last year.

The police say they can normally get the cyclists to disperse quickly, but on some occasions bicyclists turn to more aggressive behaviors by damaging motorist's vehicles, knocking over trash cans and disregarding officers' commands.

The East Bay Express recently ran a story saying that San Leandro police were targeting

Oakland youth and had confiscated numerous bikes.

The SLPD said that since last November, a total of four bikes have been impounded as part of arrests being made. In these cases, three juveniles were cited and one adult was taken to jail.

Two of the impounded have been released to their owners;

the other two haven't yet been claimed, police said.

In other cases, riders have been given traffic tickets.

The SLPD says their goal is to maintain an environment where everyone can safely use the roadways and sidewalks and anyone with questions the rules of the road should contact them at 577-3208.



A scraper bike group from Oakland posted this image on their website of one of their rides.

## 11 Critical Home Inspection Traps to be Aware of Weeks Before Listing Your San Leandro Home for Sale

San Leandro - According to industry experts, there are over 33 physical problems that will come under scrutiny during a home inspection when your home is for sale. A new report has been prepared which identifies the eleven most common of these problems, and what you should know about them before you list your home for sale.

Whether you own an old home or a brand new one, there are a number of things that can fall short of requirements during a home inspection. If not identified and dealt with, any of these 11 items could cost you dearly in terms of repair. That's why it's critical that you read this report before you list your home. If you wait until the building inspector flags these issues for you, you will almost certainly experience costly delays in the close of your home sale or, worse, turn prospective buyers away alto-

gether. In most cases, you can make a reasonable pre-inspection yourself if you know what you're looking for, and knowing what you're looking for can help you prevent little problems from growing into costly and unmanageable ones.

To help homesellers deal with this issue before their homes are listed, a free report entitled "11 Things You Need to Know to Pass Your Home Inspection" has been compiled which explains the issues involved.

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## Drones and Dogs Used to Chase Pair Accused of Stealing Wheels

San Leandro police used drones and a police dog but a suspect who was hiding from them after he allegedly stole wheels from parked cars got away from the scene.

Police got a call at around 5:30 a.m. on March 30 for a report of a wheel theft in progress on the 2100 block of Benedict Drive.

When the cops arrived they saw a man stealing the tires from a new model Honda, according to police.

The suspect saw the officers and ran to a waiting vehicle and drove off.

The suspect vehicle then collided into a parked car and an officer had to jump out of the way in order to avoid being hit, San Leandro police said.

Officers pursued the suspects' vehicle south on Benedict Drive until it crashed into the hillside near Kindred Hospital on the 2800 block of Benedict Drive.

One suspect was immediately taken into custody at the vehicle and one suspect fled on foot up the hill into unincorporated San Leandro.

A perimeter was setup with the assistance of the Alameda County Sheriff's Office and the California Highway Patrol.

The sheriff's office sent three drones and after an extensive search of the hillside and yards, a police dog tracked down suspect foot prints that suggest he made it out of the perimeter along the freeway and he wasn't found.

The suspect vehicle was a black Mercedes sports utility

vehicle and was reported stolen in October, but was displaying paper dealer plates.

This suspect vehicle was seen at two prior thefts in San Leandro over the past few months.

Officers located eight additional tires and wheels inside the suspect vehicle suggesting there were two additional victim vehicles having yet to be identified.

"This could have ended with tragic results had the officer not been able to move out of the way of the fleeing suspect vehicle," said Lt. Ron Clark in a written statement. "More and more frequently we are seeing suspects that have a disregard for safety as they focus on getting away."

Investigators are requesting anyone who has had their tires and rims stolen contact them. The case agent is Detective Vincent and he can be reached by email [jvincent@sanleandro.org](mailto:jvincent@sanleandro.org) or voicemail 577-3234.

## Cold Cases

The Alameda County Sheriff's Office is asking the public help on two cold case murders in San Lorenzo.

In the first case, Guillermo Deleon, 22, was stabbed to death in the parking lot of the Black Angus restaurant on Hesperian Boulevard on March 24, 1988.

Deleon had been at the restaurant with several friends. When they left at around 1:40 a.m., a fight broke out in the parking lot among several patrons.

Witnesses said that the suspect called Deleon over to him and they began to fight and Deleon was stabbed and killed.

The suspect is described as Hispanic, 20-22 years old, with black hair, about 5-foot-6 and 160 pounds.

In the second, unrelated, case Angelo Ravello, 22, was shot and killed while riding in the passenger side of a friend's car on Via Chiquita on March 28, 2003.

The suspect vehicle was a dark-colored 1980s Cadillac with four or five people inside it, last seen traveling at a high rate of speed southbound on Via Chiquita.

The suspect is decided as a white or Hispanic man between the ages of 18 and 25, possibly wearing a black beanie cap at the time of the shooting.

Anyone with information about either case is asked to call the sheriff's at 667-3661 or the anonymous tip line at 667-3622.

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# NEIGHBORS



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## The New BART Cars Are Here

A BART train made up of the new cars pulled into San Leandro station recently on the way to Fremont. BART has ordered 775 of the new cars that will be arriving at a rate of 16 to 20 per month. The new cars are designed to be quieter, and cooler on hot days.

## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

### ❖ Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir

The Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir, under the direction of Terrance Kelly, will host the Annual Free Spring Concert at the First Congregational Church of Oakland, 2501 Harrison St. on Saturday, April 7, at 7 p.m. Guest artists will include the Lighthouse Gospel Choir of Marin County,

Anthony Washington & Levitical Movement, and Robin J. Williams & Peace Gospel Choir. For more information, call 839-4361 or go to [www.oigc.org](http://www.oigc.org).

### ❖ SL Players Present *Death by Design*

The San Leandro Players present *Death by Design*, a comedy/mystery with surprising twists,

opening on April 7 and running through May 6 at the San Leandro Museum/Auditorium, 320 West Estudillo Ave. in San Leandro. Show times are Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m., plus two Friday shows at 8 p.m. on April 27 and May 4. Tickets are \$20 general, \$15 seniors, TBA members, under 12, students. For more information or reservations call 895-2573 or online at [www.slplayers.org](http://www.slplayers.org).

### ❖ Films about the Earth at San Leandro Museum

The San Leandro History Museum, 320 W. Estudillo Ave., will present two Disney movies –*Earth* (at 11:15 a.m.) and *Earth: One Amazing Day* (at 2 p.m.) on Saturday, April 7. In between the films (1 to 2 p.m. and 3:15 to 4 p.m. ) there will be hands-on activity stations about animal coloration, adaptation and natural selection in the museum classroom area. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 577-3990.

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### ❖ SL Parkinson’s Support Group Meeting

The San Leandro Parkinson’s support group will meet today, April 5, at 10:30 a.m. at the San Lorenzo Community Church, 945 Paseo Grande in San Lorenzo. The speaker will give information about the Parkinson Institute. For more information, call Lona White at 276-3119.

### ❖ I.D.E.S. of Saint John Lunch & Bingo

I.D.E.S. of Saint John, 1670 Orchard Ave. in San Leandro, will have a salad bar lunch and bingo on Saturday, April 7, at noon. Tickets are \$15 and includes lunch and four bingo cards, additional cards are 25 cents each. For more information and tickets, call Willie Calvo at 635-6326, or Frances Leite at 886-1568.

### ❖ San Leandro Readers Roundtable

The San Leandro Readers Roundtable will meet on Saturday, April 7, at 2 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. The book for discussion is *The Moor’s Account* by Laila Lalami, a work of historical fiction that recounts the imagined memoirs of the first black explorer of America in 1527. All are welcome, and all books discussed are available for purchase in the library’s Booktique bookstore.

### ❖ Comedian Mark G at The Englander

Comedian Mark G will perform at The Englander Pub, 101 Parrott St. in downtown San Leandro, on Saturday, April 7, at 8 p.m. in a benefit to support the work of Unity in the Community – San Leandro, which seeks to foster a community free of racism where people celebrate their differences. Doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$20 in advance at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com), \$25 at the door. This is a 21-and-over event and seating is limited. For more information, email [UnityInTheCommunitySL@gmail.com](mailto:UnityInTheCommunitySL@gmail.com).

### ❖ Buon Tempo Club Dinner-Dance

The Buon Tempo Club will celebrate its 60th anniversary with a dinner-dance on Saturday, April 7, at Transfiguration Church, 4000 East Castro Valley Blvd. in Castro Valley. Happy hour begins at 5 p.m. and a six-course dinner begins at 6 p.m. The Castro Valley Adult Orchestra will play jazz, pop and big band favorites. Tickets for the dinner are \$25 for members and family and \$30 for guests. Everyone is invited. For reservations, call the dinner line at 483-6929.

### ❖ SL Library Spring Book Sale

The Friends of the San Leandro Library will host the Spring Two-Day Book Sale on Saturday and Sunday, April 7 and 8, at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. The sale will be open on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. Over 10,000 quality books will be on sale at bargain prices. By joining the Friends of the Library, you can attend the members preview from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday. Membership is \$10 or \$15 for a family and applications at the Main Library can be picked up on the day of the sale.

### ❖ The Eagles Bingo Luncheon

The Fraternal Order of Eagles Eden Auxiliary 1139 will host their charity bingo luncheon on Monday, April 9, at noon at the Eagles Hall, 21406 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward. Soup and sandwiches will be served along with dessert and coffee or tea. A donation of \$8 includes lunch with one bingo card and there will be a raffle. The luncheon proceeds will go to a local charity. For more information, call Glenda at 584-1568.

### ❖ San Leandro Art Association

The San Leandro Art Association will have its work on display at the Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave., from April 2 to April 30. There will be a free art demonstration in the Karp Room by Tracy Vinzant on April 10 with refreshments at 6:30 where you can meet the artists and the demo begins at 7:35.

### ❖ Redwood 4-H Club

Redwood 4-H is hosting an open house on Thursday, April 12, at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria of Canyon Middle School in Castro Valley. Come see that 4-H is about more than animals. For more information, call Karen at 566-3672.

### ❖ Hearing Loss Association Meeting

The Hearing Loss Association will meet on Saturday, April 14, at the Oakland Kaiser Permanente Hospital, Fabiola Bldg., 3801 Howe St., lower level, room G26. Refreshments are at 9:30 a.m. with the program starting at 10 a.m. Dawn Abrahamson, from the Canine Companions for Independence center, will discuss how to get a hearing ear dog to alert the owner to a variety of sounds. Parking is free in the old garage across from Howe Street. For more information, email [athos.artist@att.net](mailto:athos.artist@att.net) or call Kay at 886-4717.

### ❖ Film on Holocaust Survivor

The Castro Valley Community Alliance, in partnership with the Castro Valley Library, will show the film *One Survivor Remembers* on Sunday, April 15, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Castro Valley Library, 3600 Norbridge Ave. in Castro Valley. The film depicts Gerda Klein’s account of surviving the Holocaust as a child. After the film, a panel will discuss the Holocaust, antisemitism and how these issues continue to affect members of our community. The panelist will be Iris Bendahan who will be bringing her exhibit CHAIM.

### ❖ Buon Tempo Family Dinner

Buon Tempo will have its April Family Dinner on Tuesday, April 17, at 7 p.m. at Transfiguration Church, 4000 E. Castro Valley Blvd. in Castro Valley in the Mt. Tabor Hall. Chef Lisa Briones will serve a six-course family style dinner, featuring canelloni. Dinner includes dessert, and carafes of red and white wine. Everyone is invited. Happy hour is at 6:30 p.m. The dinner is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. Advanced reservations are required by Friday, April 13, and made by calling the Buon Tempo dinner line at 483-6929. For information about upcoming events and/or membership check out [www.buontempoclub.org](http://www.buontempoclub.org).

### ❖ United States Air Force Band

Travis Brass, one of the cornerstone ensembles of the United States Air Force Band of the Golden West, will present a free concert of patriotic and classical music on Tuesday, April 17, at 7 p.m. at the All Saints Episcopal Church, 911 Dowling Blvd. in San Leandro. The band is based at Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield and is comprised of two trumpets, French horn, trombone, and a tuba, and performs for a wide variety of musical events such as military ceremonies, patriotic shows, veteran appreciation events, and formal concerts. This concert will show case much of the music that will be performed at the end of the April when Travis Brass heads to Eastern Washington where they will be the featured soloists with the Witworth Wind Symphony.

Calendar items should be submitted at least one week prior to the desired edition of the Times, which is published Thursdays. Space limitations require we print items of the most general interest.

### HOROSCOPE by Salomé

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**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** Resist a confrontation with that irksome person. The matter will soon blow over anyway. Meanwhile, channel your high Arian energy into areas with more positive potential.

**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** The innovative Bovine finds a creative way to resolve a sensitive domestic problem by midweek. A former colleague returns with an intriguing business suggestion.

**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** An unexpected critical statement from someone you trust could catch you momentarily off guard. But you soon recover your equilibrium and rise to the challenge.

**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** You might feel you can handle a new project on your own. But advice from someone with experience could help you avoid possibly costly as well as time-consuming obstacles.

**LEO (July 23 - August 22):** Waiting for others to make decisions is difficult for the take-charge Lion. But by week’s end, you should hear news that will help you regain control of the situation.

**VIRGO (August 23 - Sept. 22):** Your superjudgmental side could dominate the week unless you try to keep it in check. Otherwise you risk offending people, including some who are very close to you.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - October 22):** Expect more information to come out about that possible career shift. Meanwhile, your loving concern helps someone close to you get through a worrisome period.

**SCORPIO (October 23 - November 21):** Despite an occasional setback, workplace pressures should continue to ease through most of the week. This would be a good time to plan that long-delayed trip.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** The sage Sagittarian quickly recognizes an opportunity when she or he sees it, especially if it’s one you’ve been planning for. Take aim and go for it.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19):** The Sea Goat’s unique insight guides you as you check out a questionable situation. Your efforts should prove rewarding for you and your many supporters.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** You might want to pace yourself a bit more. Rushing could lead to serious slip-ups. Take more time to check out details you might otherwise overlook.

**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** The best way to resolve those remaining problems is to ask others for help. They’ll be happy to do so, especially when you agree to share the credit for a job well done.



## EBMUD: Water districts believe in connections and flexibility

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Clara Water District, and the San Francisco Water Power Sewer.

It's that type of regional cooperation that's going to be key in the event of an earthquake or even just a drought, according to Alison Katsama, EBMUD's manager of public affairs.

To have the ability to connect one regional water system to another will allow a more vulnerable water district to get help from one that hasn't suffered as much damage. EBMUD was placed on standby to help San Francisco during the peak of the drought, though they never wound up having to open their pipes and transfer the water.

"If something major were to happen to our major lines, we'd have that backup," said Katsama.

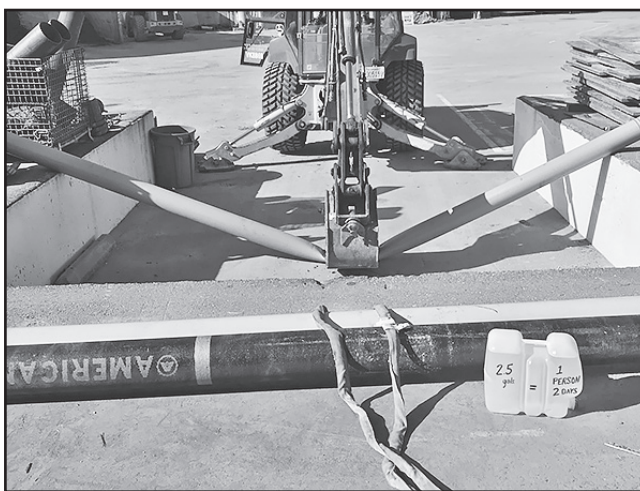
EBMUD also showed off a spot in Hayward where a pipe physically crosses the Hayward fault line above ground. The

utility says it has done its best to move transmission pipes away from the fault line, but some still have to cross it. To mitigate that, they have temporary flexible piping that is ready to be installed to bypass broken portions of pipe so water can flow as soon as possible after the quake.

The tour also included stops in Fremont and Milpitas to see improvements to the Hetch Hetchy pipelines and the connection with the Santa Clara Water South Bay Aqueduct in San Jose.

A lot of this infrastructure work has been gradually taking place since the 1989 Loma Prieta quake, explained EBMUD Director Richard Sykes.

"Everything we do has a seismic element," said Sykes. "Some projects come up and aren't directly seismically related, but if during the construction we see where we can make things more seismically sound, we do so."



EBMUD is in the process of replacing rigid cast iron pipes with more flexible plastic ones which are less likely to crack in the event of an earthquake.



A new 9-million-gallon tank is replacing a reservoir in the Castro Valley/Hayward hills as part of a seismic upgrade being done by EBMUD.

PHOTOS BY AMY SYLVESTRI

## Museum to Show Two Films About the Earth

The San Leandro History Museum, 320 W. Estudillo Ave., will present two Disney movies at no charge this Saturday – *Earth* (at 11:15 a.m.) and *Earth: One Amazing Day* (at 2 p.m.). In between the films (1 to 2 p.m. and 3:15 to 4 p.m.) there will be hands-on activity stations about animal coloration, adaptation and natural selection in the museum classroom area.

*Earth* (1:35 mins) tells the story of three animal families on a global journey revealing how animal mothers struggle to raise their young in an increasingly dangerous environment.

In the Arctic, a polar bear and her two newborn cubs must find food across the quickly melting ice. In Africa, an elephant and her calf begin an arduous journey in search of water. In the ocean, a

humpback whale must keep her calf safe over thousands of miles as they migrate from the equator to Antarctica.

*Earth: One Amazing Day* (1:10 mins) takes the audience from the early morning to the dark of night, revealing what an animal experiences at different times of day. From towering giraffes to tiny hummingbirds, the creatures are shown in ways that most people have never seen.

The film is the stunning result of technology and artistry in an astonishing journey revealing the awesome power of the natural world – tracking the sun from the highest mountains to the most remote islands and exotic jungles. The film highlights how every day is filled with more wonders than one can possibly imagine.

## Adopt-A-Pet



Coconut



Penelope

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, are Coconut the cat and Penelope the bunny.

Coconut is a quiet, reserved 3-year-old kitty. She's looking for a family who's patient and quiet, just like her. She's low maintenance and with a little

TLC, she'll blossom.

Penelope is a shy bunny who's still getting used to people. She enjoys scampering about her room, flopping on a soft bed, and snacking on parsley. She's spayed.

For more information on Coconut or Penelope, call the Hayward Animal Shelter at 293-7200.



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## AUTOMOTIVE

## Rio Delivers More Bang per Buck

By Steve Schaefer  
San Leandro Times

The average price of a new car sold in the United States in January 2018 was \$36,270, according to Kelley Blue Book analysts. If that seems like a lot, consider buying a new Kia Rio instead. The base model, with a manual transmission, starts at just \$15,095, including shipping. Take two!

There has always been a need for good, reliable new cars in the marketplace. In the 1960s, you could drive off in a shiny new VW Beetle for less than \$2,000. The Japanese began selling Toyotas and Datsuns (Nissans) in the mid 60s, and owned the segment in the 1970s. My first new car, a base-model 1980 Toyota Tercel, came to just \$4,350 out the door — including tax!

As the Japanese models moved upward, the Koreans took over the low-price field in the mid-1990s with cars like the Hyundai Excel and Kia Sephia.

These initial vehicles were pretty spartan and felt less than fully equal to the segment leaders, but that distinction disappeared years ago. Now, Hyundais and Kias are good deals of equal quality.

Compared to the historical bottom-feeders, today's entry-level cars are no longer so basic. Although my Silky Silver Kia Rio 5-door came with crank windows (really) and a regular metal key, it also had air conditioning, power door locks, and an audio system with SiriusXM and steering-wheel-mounted controls.

It gets better. My tester boasted an array of standard safety equipment unimaginable on my 1980 Tercel. These include a bevy of airbags, anti-lock braking, traction control, a vehicle safety management system, and even a tire pressure monitoring system.

Perhaps the icing on the cake is that the new fourth-generation Rio is pleasant to drive and doesn't punish the driver and

passengers who ride in it. There is a generous 90.5 cubic feet of space inside, including 17.4 cubic feet of cargo space with the rear seat up and 32.8 cubic feet with them folded.

The seats are comfortable and wear a stylish triangle-pattern cloth. The steering wheel and controls feel substantial, and the design of the dash is restyled to look like it belongs in 2018. Plastic surfaces are well assembled and pleasant to look at.

Performance is more than satisfactory, with a 1.6-liter direct-injection four-cylinder engine putting out 130 horsepower and 119 lb.-ft. of torque through, in my car's case, a six-speed automatic transmission. The engine sends the 2,714-pound Rio down the road with enough authority to prevent anxiety on freeway entrance ramps.

The EPA awards this engine just a 3 for smog but a nice 7 for greenhouse gas. Fuel economy numbers are 28 City, 37 Highway, and 32 Combined; I averaged a laudable 29.7 mpg. If you're saving initial purchase costs, why waste money on extra gasoline?

There are three levels of Rio: LX, S and EX. The base LX is the only one that offers a manual six-speed transmission. I didn't sample it, but that base car would be a real draw for bargain hunters who like shifting for themselves.

When you tell your neighbors how much you paid, they'll be shocked. Although the car has plastic covers over its 15-inch wheels, those wheels are placed in the corners for a well-plant-



The all-new 2018 Rio sedan and 5-door hatchback are the latest additions to the Kia Motors America (KMA) model lineup.

ed look. The styling is modern, blending smooth, curved surfaces with some gentle creases. Thank Peter Schreyer and his team; Mr. Schreyer formerly drew Audis. The proportions are right and there's not a bad angle on the car, from its tiger nose grille to its carved taillamps.

The Rio is assembled in Mexico and 42 percent of its parts originate there. The rest of the car is imported from Korea. Historically, building south of the border has allowed numerous manufacturers, including Nissan and Ford, to provide a worthwhile car at a low price.

My tester, an LX with the automatic, came to \$16,315, with a set of carpeted floor mats. The S starts at \$17,295 and adds power windows, Bluetooth, cruise control, rear camera display, map lights, and remote keyless entry. The EX starts at \$19,595, but it includes an upgraded 7-inch touch screen, leather-wrapped



The Rio's interior is decidedly more spacious, modern and upscale with an improved instrument panel.

steering wheel and shift knob, Android Auto and Apple CarPlay, 15-inch alloy wheels, fog lights, and the safety of an autonomous emergency braking system. And you can still drive it off for less than \$20K. Four-door sedans are \$300 less expensive than five-doors at each level.

Yes, it is a bit retro to crank your own windows and to use a real metal key in an ignition, and there are no map lights, but stepping up to the S or EX level solves that problem.

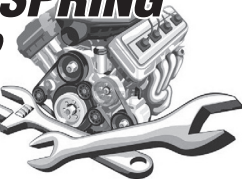
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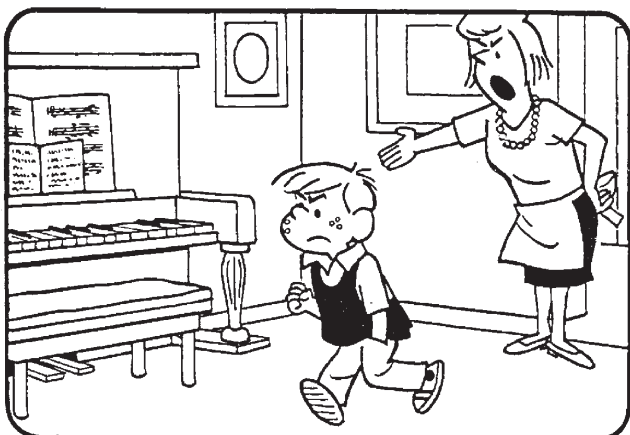
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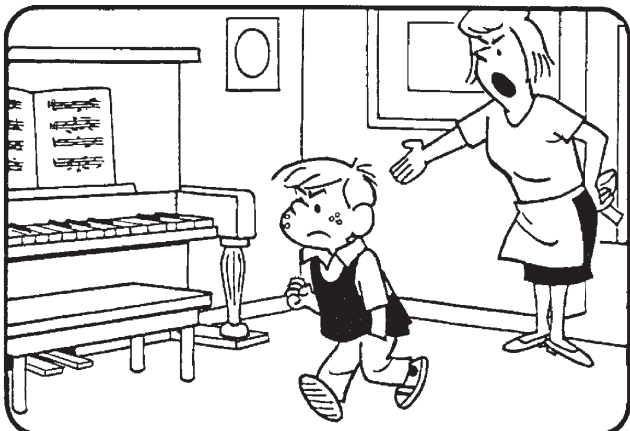
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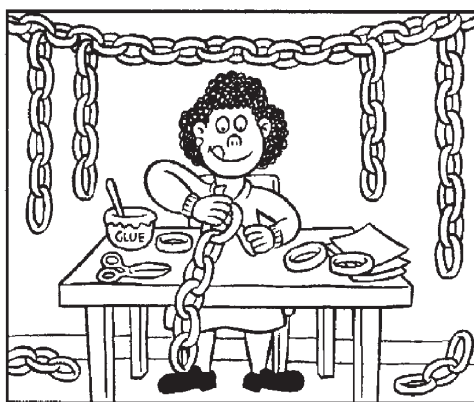
## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY  
HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Songbook is missing. 2. Cushion is missing. 3. Picture is different. 4. Arm is moved. 5. Leg is shorter. 6. Beads are missing.



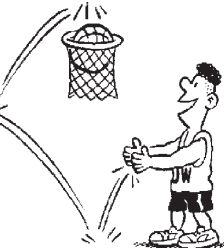
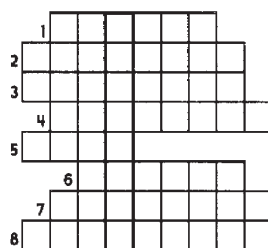
**MAVIS LOVES TO MAKE PAPER CHAIN DECORATIONS.** See how many paper links you can count in the above drawing.

Answer: We found 58. How about you?



by Charles Barry Townsend

DON'T THROW AN AIR BALL SOLVING THIS ONE



Sink the following eight words and win the game. In the grid there is room to enter eight words or terms pertaining to basketball. The following hints should help you dribble to victory.

1. A credit for scoring.
2. For some, a sure point maker.
3. You can't play without them.
4. Shooting while in the air.
5. To pass the ball.
6. What teams need to win.
7. To score off the backboard.
8. To shoot over your head.

There is a dark frame around one of the columns in our grid. If you correctly solve the puzzle, the letters in the frame, top to bottom, will spell out the name of a spectacular shot.

dark framed column spells "Slam dunk."

Answers: 1. Assist. 2. Foul shot. 3. Sneakers. 4. Jump shot. 5. Feed. 6. Hustle. 7. Bank shot. 8. Hook shot. The

**A NEAT WAGER!** Draw nine dots on a sheet of paper (Fig. 1). Challenge your friends to connect them up by drawing four straight lines through them without lifting the pencil from the paper. (See Fig. 2 for solution.)

FIG. 1

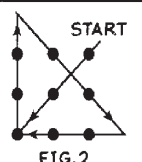
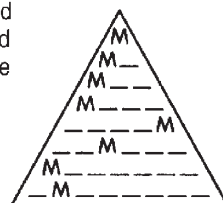


FIG. 2

**THE "M" PYRAMID!** As you move down the word pyramid shown here, each word contains the same letters as the word above it, plus a new letter. We give you all the M's. Here are some hints from the top down:

1. Roman numeral for 1000.
2. Rebus for "none left."
3. Found in a wrestling ring.
4. A radio antenna.
5. A source of power.
6. Poorest excuse.
7. Short-handled hammers.
8. Baby Bear's bed.



Answers: The words are: M, MT (empty), mat, mast, steam, lamest, mallets, smallest.



## East 14th: Benefits versus cost

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responsible for paying for the maintenance in the future, a multi-million dollar burden.

"Those are all the types of outstanding questions for which further discussion and analysis is necessary," said Engelbart. "Generally speaking, when a city or county accepts relinquishment of a road right-of-way from the state, it also accepts responsibility for the future maintenance costs of that portion of right-of-way."

Engelbart said that even though it might wind up costing the city millions, it could be worth it.

"There are several potential benefits that could be derived from this process," said Engelbart.

In addition to getting it fixed faster, San Leandro would have local control over the road right-of-way for any future projects and would be able to connect East 14th Street traffic signals, streetlights, and other infrastructure into the city's traffic control system.

Engelbart emphasized that

the city has not yet received a proposal or timeline from CalTrans that outlines what if any they would be offering to fund before the relinquishment, which will be necessary before the city will be able to evaluate this proposal.

**“There are several potential benefits that could be derived from this process.”**

— Assistant City Manager  
Eric Englebart

"That information will be critical for the city to fully evaluate whether the potential benefits of the proposal would outweigh the long-term costs,"

Engelbart said.

Such a move isn't unprecedented — last year the Alameda County Board of Supervisors authorized \$10 million to buy a 2.4-mile portion of East 14th from 162nd Avenue to I-238.

Engelbart said that CalTrans is trending towards relinquishing some roads to local municipalities.

CalTrans has made a proposal to the Alameda County Transportation Commission that said they would be open to relinquishing roads which primarily support local travel as they would be "best managed by local agencies."

They have identified over 30 miles of roads with the potential for relinquishment in Alameda County and 72 percent of the proposed roads are said to be in "distressed" condition.

No matter what happens with the relinquishment, some good news for people weary of the rough ride on East 14th Street is on the horizon. CalTrans says that a half-mile segment of East 14th Street from Bayfair Drive to Hesperian Boulevard will be repaved this summer.



PHOTO BY JIM KNOWLES

The tiles include an acorn on the Ohlone-themed planter downtown.

## Mosaic: Passersby admire work

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teer, Kathleen McCabe-Martin, worked with Presley on a recent afternoon installing the tiles.

For the Ohlone-themed planter, the tiles are mixed with shells — both real shells and tiles with shell patterns. Mortar is applied to the planter to hold the tiles in place.

The work looks fun as they lay on the thick mortar and scrape off the excess. Plus, the people passing by appreciate it.

"Keep up the good work," said a woman walking by. "I

like it."

Ideas for the remaining planters will include the San Leandro Bay shore, San Leandro industry, the Cherry Festival, the cultural diversity of San Leandro, the Gold Rush and the railway system.

Artful Steps is one of the many programs Stepping Stones Growth Center, a non-profit agency that provides a variety of programs and services to more than 400 adults and children with developmental disabilities, has in place to teach individuals of

every level of ability, methods for self-expression through the visual arts. Through community art projects, Artful Steps' goal is to enhance not only the artistic abilities of the participants but their self-esteem and independence.

To sponsor a mosaic planter in downtown San Leandro, email mail@downtownsanleandro.com. More information about the installment of the mosaic planter project or the San Leandro Improvement Association, can be found at www.downtownsanleandro.com.

## Sign Up for Boys & Girls Club Basketball

The Boys and Girls Club of San Leandro is now taking sign-ups for its Spring 2018 instructional basketball program for all boys and girls in grades 3 through 6. The league begins on April 11.

The program is designed to give players a fun and competitive basketball experience. Each player is evaluated prior to being assigned to a team so that all teams have a balanced number

of veterans and rookies.

All players are required to play two quarters per game, so every player will be on the court and be a part of the action.

All practices and games are held at the Boys and Girls Club of San Leandro, 401 Marina Blvd.

The basketball program fee is \$85 for current "After School" members or \$95 for all others and includes uniforms and awards.

The club is also looking for volunteer coaches for the program. For more information on the program or if you are interested in volunteering as a coach, call Ross Lim, at 566-3305.

## I.D.E.S. St. John Lunch And Bingo

I.D.E.S. St. John will host a salad bar lunch and bingo this Saturday at noon at 1670 Orchard Ave. in San Leandro.

Tickets are \$15 which includes lunch and four bingo cards. Extra bingo cards are 25 cents each. For tickets, call Willie Calvo at 635-6326, or Frances Leite at 886-1568.

## Art to Go on Display At Main Library

The San Leandro Art Association will have its work on display through April 30 at the Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave.

There will be a free art demonstration in the Karp Room by Tracy Vinzant on April 10 with refreshments at 6:30 where you can meet the artists and the demo begins at 7:35.



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# Can I Use Father's POA To Accelerate Medi-Cal Eligibility?

By Gene L. Osofsky, Esq.

Special to the Times

**Q** My father suffers from advanced dementia and needs care in a nursing home. It costs about \$9,500 per month, and we are rapidly spending down his savings. I was told that he might qualify for a Medi-Cal subsidy to help with the cost once his savings are below \$2,000.

Years ago he signed a power of attorney ("POA") naming me as his agent. Can I use that POA to gift his excess savings to myself and thereby accelerate his eligibility for a Medi-Cal subsidy?

**A** The question may seem straight forward, but the answer is somewhat complicated. To get to a possible "yes," there are a number of legal hurdles to overcome:

- 1) Is the POA "Durable"? The word "durable" means that the powers granted in the POA survive your father's incapacity. If it is not durable, then it's authorizations expired when your father lost capacity.

Fortunately, most of the POA's that I see these days have been drafted as durable powers, and so it is likely that yours is also a durable POA.

- 2) If a "Springing" POA, Have The Triggers Been Satisfied? Often POA's are drafted to only spring into life when the signer loses capacity, usually then requiring one or two doctors' letters so certifying. If this describes yours, make sure that you have secured the doctors' letters in order to make the POA operative.

- 3) Is Gifting Expressly Authorized? As your father's agent (or, Attorney-In-Fact), you are a fiduciary and cannot give away your father's assets, unless that power is expressly granted in the document; it cannot be implied. If not expressly stated, the making of gifts might be considered a breach of your fiduciary duty and/or financial elder abuse.

- 4) Does the POA Set Gifting

Limits? Very often, we see POA's that do permit some gifting, but limit it by reference to an Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") section, the import of which may not be immediately apparent.

Example: If the POA limits gifts to the maximum authorized under IRC § 2503(b), then gifts would be limited to the amount of the Annual Exclusion Gift, currently \$15,000 per year per recipient.

- 5) Can You Gift To Yourself?: As your father's Agent you are his fiduciary, and cannot make gifts to yourself unless the POA expressly so authorizes, usually by permitting what we call "self-dealing."

Sample Language to look for: "In exercising the power to make gifts of my assets, I hereby authorize my Agent to include himself/herself as a gift recipient, i.e. I authorize my Agent to self-deal."

Also, sometimes, POA's impose the aforesaid § 2503(b) gifting limit only upon gifts to the Agent, but not upon gifts to others. If so, know that there may yet be "work-arounds" to design a more generous gifting plan to all recipients, which is still compliant with the limits in the POA.

- 6) Gifting Prohibition By Medi-Cal: If you get over all of the above hurdles, remember the following over-arching caution: Medi-Cal does not like it when applicant's give away their assets to qualify, and may disqualify an applicant for benefits based upon the value of the gifted assets.

Nevertheless, there are lawful techniques that can still be used to give away assets without a loss of Medi-Cal benefits, but they should be designed and carefully supervised by an Elder Law attorney experienced in Medi-Cal planning.

Gene L. Osofsky is an elder law and estate planning attorney in Hayward. Visit his website at [www.LawyerForSeniors.com](http://www.LawyerForSeniors.com) plication in the particular case, and to thereafter shepherd the Medi-Cal application through to approval.

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By Jim Miller

Special to the Times

**W** eak leg muscles and poor balance are two of the biggest factors that cause seniors to fall.

Most people, after age 40 lose about one percent of their muscle mass each year, which really adds up over time. But study after study has shown that it's never too late to rebuild muscle through strength training.

Regular resistance or strength training can help you build muscle strength, increase your bone density and improve your balance, coordination and stamina, and will help prevent falls.

It can also help reduce the signs and symptoms of many chronic conditions, too – like arthritis, diabetes, high blood pressure, back pain, depression and obesity. And some studies even show that it helps improve cognitive function too.

Here are some simple ways to help you get stronger.

## Getting Started

After you get your doctor's okay, consider working with a professional trainer or physical therapist for a few sessions to help you develop a safe and effective routine you can continue on your own.

Or go to GrowingStronger.Nutrition.Tufts.edu for a free program from Tufts University in Boston and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Also see Go4Life.NIA.NIH.gov, a resource created by the National Institute on Aging that offers a free exercise guide that provides illustrated examples of exercises you can do at home to strengthen your body. You can order your free copies online or by calling 800-222-2225.

To improve your strength you have to keep stressing your muscles, so you'll need to exercise at least two or three days a week for

30 to 45 minutes, and increase resistance and the number of repetitions over time.



But be sure you give your muscles a day off between workouts. It makes the muscle stronger and more able to resist future injury.

## Equipment

If you work out at home you'll probably need to invest in some equipment. While some strength training can be done using your own body weight (like push-ups, sit-ups and leg squats), hand weights, ankle weights, medicine balls, resistance bands or rubber tubing, are all great tools for strength training.

Cans of soup, water bottles

or plastic milk containers filled with water or sand can also be used (like small hand weights) for resistance.

## Senior Classes

If you don't like exercising alone consider joining a gym, or call your local senior center to see if they offer any strength training exercise classes.

You should also check out SilverSneakers (SilverSneakers.com, 888-423-4632) or Silver&Fit (SilverandFit.com, 877-427-4788), two fitness programs offered in thousands of fitness centers, gyms and YMCAs throughout the U.S. that offer special classes designed for older adults.

These programs are available

for free to seniors that have certain Medicare supplemental policies or Medicare Advantage plans.

## Aerobic & Balance Exercises

Some other good fall-prevention exercises that can help you get stronger include aerobic activities like walking, cycling or water aerobics. And to improve your balance there's Tai chi, along with a number of simple balance exercises that you can do anytime like standing on one foot for 30 seconds then switching to the other foot, and walking heel-to-toe across the room.

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GUEST COMMENTARY



### There's No Price Relief in Sight

For Realtors struggling to land buyers a home in the current sizzling hot market, the same question surfaces daily: "How long will the current market last?"

It's a difficult question to answer, considering the fact a normal real estate cycle is 10 years, implying we should have seen a market correction more than two years ago.

Looking for answers, while checking my newsfeed last week, a headline by Marion McPherson, staff write for Inman.com, jumped off the screen.

"Home price growth is unstoppable, 'no weak spots' in housing markets," she touted.

Responding to January's S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price NSA Index, McPherson made the point that even with our current record-high home prices, the housing market across the country is showing no signs of slowing down.

She went on to state, "S&P

Dow Jones Indices managing director and chairman of the index committee David M. Blitzer says the increase in home prices is due to two factors — low inventory and a low vacancy rate among owner-occupied housing."

Good news for sellers. For buyers? Not so much.

As homes in the San Francisco Bay Area, along with Seattle and Las Vegas, continue leading the nation with year-over-year pricing increases, buyers attempting to get local homes into escrow are becoming increasingly frustrated.

Although some local buyers are being affected by increasing mortgage rates and stock market volatility, there are still thousands of buyers in the queue trying to grab their piece of the American dream.

Those seeking to buy have seen seller demands dramatically increase. Not only are homeowners looking for the highest prices possible, they are now de-

manding that offers arrive with all contingencies removed. To lift the loan contingency, buyers need assurance from their lender that their loan is fully approved. Removal of the appraisal contingency means they have enough extra cash to make up a shortfall in the event of a low appraisal.

To facilitate deletion of the Inspection Contingency, many listing agents are providing comprehensive informational packages, including seller disclosures, pre-sale inspection reports (property, termite and roof inspections, as applicable), a preliminary title report, CC&Rs, receipts for any repairs/upgrades, a natural hazard disclosure report, HOA package as required and more.

Our advice to buyers? To get the lowest price possible, do what you need to do to get into the market now. With no imminent relief in sight, prices will apparently not be stabilizing anytime soon.

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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## WEEKEND GARDENER

### Irrigation Systems

Although the rainy season isn't probably over, more warm weather is headed our way. Check drip irrigation systems and sprinklers to see that they are working properly and watering where and when they are supposed to. Replace broken or damaged parts.

### Vegetables

When planting radishes, corn carrots and lettuce, do so in successive plantings to lengthen the harvesting period. Remember that corns should be planted in blocks, not single rows, since they are wind-pollinated. If you started vegetable seeds already, thin them to prevent overcrowding when the plants are two or three inches tall.

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538 Dutton Avenue	94577: \$788,000	3 BD - 2,041 SF - 1924
239 Foothill Boulevard	94577: \$535,000	2 BD - 864 SF - 1942
211 Garcia Avenue	94577: \$650,000	2 BD - 1,179 SF - 1927
931 Kenyon Avenue	94577: \$550,000	3 BD - 1,302 SF - 1948
2447 Longview Drive	94577: \$860,000	3 BD - 1,898 SF - 1963
2201 West Ave 135th	94577: \$680,000	3 BD - 1,380 SF - 1972
15225 Central Avenue	94578: \$655,000	3 BD - 1,649 SF - 1947
14052 Reed Avenue	94578: \$455,000	2 BD - 1,084 SF - 1973
16024 Wellington Way	94578: \$560,000	2 BD - 1,134 SF - 1947
1761 Boxwood Avenue	94579: \$421,000	3 BD - 1,400 SF - 1954

**TOTAL SALES: 11**  
**LOWEST AMOUNT: \$326,500** **MEDIAN AMOUNT: \$560,000**  
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21053 San Miguel Avenue	94546	\$680,000	3 BD - 1,537 SF - 1948
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19811 Wisteria Street	94546	\$1,205,000	6 BD - 2,330 SF - 1945
37789 Palomares Road	94552	\$1,650,000	3 BD - 2,120 SF - 1976
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1395 Jacqueline Place	94580: \$538,000	3 BD - 1,457 SF - 1972
15766 Paseo Largavista	94580: \$650,000	3 BD - 1,000 SF - 1944
2148 Via Rancho	94580: \$660,000	3 BD - 1,760 SF - 1956
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Fifteen-year home loans averaged 3.90 percent, down from 3.91 percent.

Five-year hybrid adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) averaged 3.66 percent last week, down from 3.68.

## Realtors Pack Tons of Produce For Alameda County Food Bank

The Bay East Association of Realtors Young Professional Network teamed up with the Alameda County Food Bank to sort and pack almost 21,000 pounds of fruit and vegetables to support their mission of pursuing a hunger-free community.

Their effort will enable the Food Bank to distribute 17,000 meals

"At Bay East, we like to create a positive change in our industry, and one of the main facets of our Young Professionals Network is getting involved with the communities we serve," said Elisa Chao, 2018 Chair of the Young Professionals Network.

"Working with the Food Bank allows us to help out those in need and also get a great team building experience out of it," Chao said.

"Pursuing a hunger-free community is a huge movement that is possible with the help of a supportive community and group of volunteers coming together to help make a difference," said Alex Kim, Chair of the YPN event.

The Food Bank works with more than 18,000 volunteers every year to ensure that all children, adults and seniors in the county always have access to a free meal.

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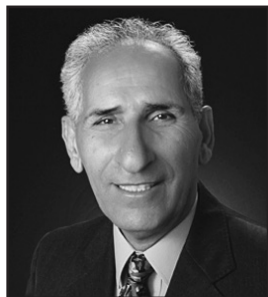
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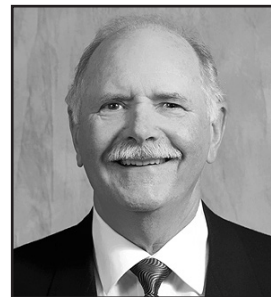
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# Buon Tempo to Host Dinner HUD: City distributes HUD funds

By Michael Singer  
Special to the Times

What do you get when you mix food, family, and fundraising? Just ask the members of the Buon Tempo Club, an Italian-American organization celebrating its Diamond Anniversary this Saturday.

The anniversary dinner at the Transfiguration Church, 4000 East Castro Valley Blvd. in Castro Valley is expected to include a five-course meal and the Castro Valley Adult Orchestra.

This Saturday's dinner will include a souvenir wine glass, commemorating the evening.

The doors open at 5 p.m. for happy hour with dinner starting at 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 for members and family, and \$30 for guests.

For reservations, call 483-6929.

The dinner dance is an opportunity to celebrate the heritage of the club but to also attract new members to its current roster of 250, said Jim Murphy who serves on the Buon Tempo board of directors.

"People find a group because they like the membership, they like the food, or they like the amenities," Murphy says. "It just so happens that I like all three at Buon Tempo."

Cooking is shared among members who want to prepare classic and contemporary Italian fare. Recent meals included Italian Roast Beef, Cannelloni, and Fettucine.

The club has a long history of philanthropy including an annual open bocce tournament and

a separate dinner fundraiser to support the George Mark House, a children's hospice in San Leandro.

The club also sponsors several different athletic, academic, and vocational scholarships for high school seniors.

To date, the club has awarded more than \$170,000 in scholarships.

Other fundraisers supported remodeling the San Leandro Main Branch Library and a donation of \$3,000 presented to the mayor of the hard-hit Italian city of L'Aquila, which suffered a massive earthquake in 2009.

Buon Tempo is also a major sponsor of the "Relay for Life" cancer walk and car show as well as a float in the Rowel Ranch Rodeo Parade.

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Councilman Pete Ballew absent.

The city plans on spending \$138,000 on Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility enhancements, \$122,000 on city staff and administration costs, \$190,000 to pay back a portion of the loan they took out from HUD to build the senior center, and \$100,000 for grants to provide home repairs for low-income homeowners.

That's the majority of the funding, but HUD mandates that 15 percent of the money be given to nonprofit public service providers.

The city has chosen to give \$42,000 to Meals on Wheels and \$20,000 to CALICO, a non-profit that interviews children who have been abused.

The remaining \$36,000 will go to the Davis Street Family Resource Center, the organization at the center of an ongoing

controversy in San Leandro.

Davis Street CEO Rose Padilla Johnson has accused San Leandro City Manager Chis Zapata of sexual harassment. In turn, Zapata accused Johnson and her business partners of seeking special treatment and offering bribes in order to be awarded a lucrative medical marijuana permit.

The City Council hired a law firm to conduct an independent investigation into those allegations and is waiting for the findings.

Another group who has come under scrutiny from City Hall and is getting some HUD money is ECHO Housing, which will get \$10,000 to provide fair housing counseling.

The City Council has been highly critical of ECHO Housing, saying the organization is not doing enough to help their clients as a housing crisis continues to hit the Bay Area.

With a shortage of apartments in the city, rents are going up and more and more tenants

are seeking help from the city and ECHO. At a meeting last year, the Council said they received multiple complaints from ECHO clients who said they aren't being helped and can't even get their phone calls returned.

But Acting City Manager Jeff Kay said that ECHO was the best recipient for the HUD funding because it goes specifically to fair housing and ECHO specializes in things like investigating landlords accused of discrimination.

In addition to the HUD money, San Leandro allocates up to \$55,000 annually of city money to ECHO for their services, including tenant and landlord rent arbitration and fair housing evaluations.

And Sargent says there aren't many options when it comes to agencies to work with even if the council has its doubts about ECHO.

"ECHO is kind of the only show in town when it comes to fair housing," Sargent said.

## LOCAL DEATHS

**MEDEIROS, Dolores B.**  
**MENDES, Jose V.**  
**PENA, Juan**  
**PAULOS, Richard J.**

■ **Dolores Betty Medeiros**, a long time resident of San Leandro passed away March 27, 2018. Visitation was at Santos-Robinson Mortuary last Tuesday. The graveside service was yesterday April 3rd at 10:30 A.M. at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward. Arrangements made by Santos-Robinson Mortuary in San Leandro follow at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward. Arrangements by Santos-Robinson Mortuary, San Leandro (510-483-0123, santos-robinson.com).

■ **Juan Pena**, born June 24, 1965 passed away March 29, 2018 at his home. The Funeral Liturgy will be tomorrow at St. Louis Bertrand in Oakland starting at 10:00 A.M. Burial will be on Saturday April 7th at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward at 11:30 A.M. Arrangements made by Santos-Robinson Mortuary in San Leandro. (510-483-0123, santos-robinson.com).

■ **Jose V. Mendes**, born August

11, 1928 passed away April 2, 2018 in San Leandro. Visitation will be Monday from 12 pm to 8 pm at Santos-Robinson Mortuary 160 Estudillo Ave. San Leandro. The Vigil Service will begin at 7 pm at the mortuary. The Funeral Liturgy will be Tuesday April 9th at 10 am at St. Leander Church in San Leandro. Burial to follow at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward. Arrangements made by Santos-Robinson Mortuary in San

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■ **Richard Joseph Paulos**, 87, of San Leandro, California, passed away peacefully on March 31, 2018 at home. A ro-

sary will be held at Holy Angels Sorensen Chapel, 1140 B Street in Hayward on Thursday, April 5th at 6 p.m. A funeral mass will be held at St. Felicitas Catholic Church, 1662 Manor Blvd., San Leandro on Friday, April 6th at 10:30 a.m. with a Celebration of Life luncheon immediately following the mass.

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Char was an active member of the community. She was a current member of the Piedmont Montclair Rotary Club, the Board of Trustees at Moreau Catholic High School and previously served on the board at Holy Names High School.

Char was a kind and generous human being who contributed greatly to the lives of everyone around her. When you walked through her door, you became a part of the family. Her strength of character and faith in God assured her a place in all our hearts, and a presence never to be forgotten.

She is survived by her daughters, Cheryl Meares, Michelle (Jim) Thompson, and Stacey (Mike) Ferreira, her brother, Ray Souza and his partner, Greg Short, and grand-children, Nick, Brianna, Bailey, Alexis, Danielle, Sophia, and Juliette.

Visitation will be on Monday, April 9, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., with the Vigil Service beginning at 7 p.m. The funeral mass will be on Tuesday, April 10, at 9 a.m. All services will be at All Saint's Catholic Church, 22824 2nd St., Hayward.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made to Moreau Catholic High School to establish the John and Charlene Raimondi Scholarship Endowment. Checks can be made payable to Moreau Catholic H.S., and please note "Raimondi Endowment" in the memo section.

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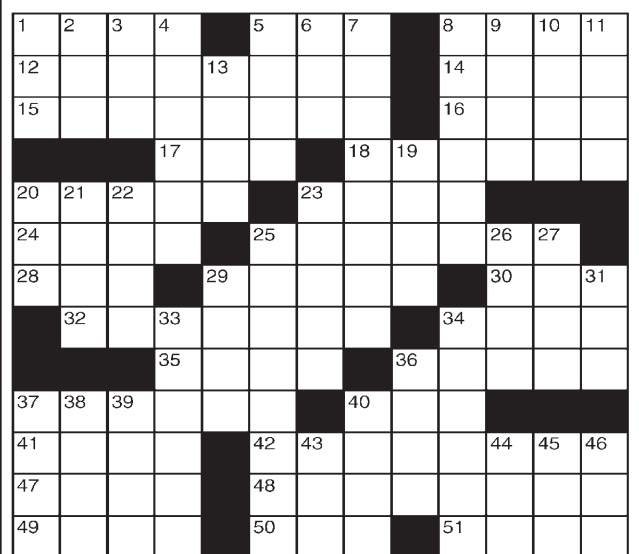
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## OPINION

## LETTERS to the EDITOR

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**Says Souza Should Act Mayor-Like Even Though She Lost**

Editor:

Diana Souza's question ("Why is Mayor's Chair Vacant at City Council Meetings?" Letters, March 29) was answered by our very own SLT's reporter Amy Sylvestri: Recovery from knee surgery. No controversy and conspiracy there. Good enough for me.

Diana has made it clear from her prior letters to the editor that she doesn't like the current Mayor.

I appreciate anyone who is willing to serve in public office. Diana's prior service to the City is appreciated.

But I have to ask her to please suck up her 2014 election loss. Show us you could have been a great mayor, Diana, by acting like one even if you don't hold the position.

Show us you can work well with others, can use normal channels of communications, and are not just interested in stirring up a public fuss about nothing.

—John Clouston  
San Leandro

**\$6,000 Just to Appeal a City Decision?**

Editor:

The recent meeting of the City Council reminded me of a scene from "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy" in which people are told the Earth is about to be destroyed to make way for a hyperspace bypass.

The explanation they are given is: "There's no point in acting surprised about it. All the planning charts and demolition orders have been on display at your local planning department in Alpha Centauri for 50 of your Earth years, so you've had plenty of time to lodge any formal complaint and it's far too late to start making a fuss about it now."

"What do you mean you've never been to Alpha Centauri? Oh, for heaven's sake, mankind, it's only four light years away, you know. I'm sorry, but if you can't be bothered to take an interest in local affairs, that's your own lookout. Energize the demolition beams."

The modern equivalent is San Leandro, where if you want to appeal a decision, you have to cough up \$6,000 just to speak at a meeting where the mayor doesn't even show up.

For \$6,000 I think the event should be catered, and maybe with dancing girls jumping out of a giant cake.

—Victor De Grande  
San Leandro

**Marchers Will Change "NRA" to "No Longer Relevant"**

Editor:

Kudos to all the marchers who turned out to end gun violence.

Ignore the naysayers who whine that you were coached, made to do it by your teachers, or are "actors".

Through your actions eventually the letters "NRA" will stand for "No Longer Relevant."

—Tony Shull  
San Leandro

**Your Donation to AIDS Lifecycle Ride Will Make a Difference**

Editor:

It's time to raise money for a great cause.

The 2018 AIDS Lifecycle Ride is just around the corner. Twenty-five hundred dedicated bike riders and 600 support volunteers will leave the Cow Palace in San Francisco on June 3rd finishing seven days later at Los Angeles City Hall.

And, for the third year in a row, I'm on traffic detail helping to get those 2,500 riders in and out of camp safely every day as we travel down the beautiful California coast.

AIDS Lifecycle is a 545-mile bike ride from SF to LA to raise money for vital services and research to find a cure for AIDS, hopefully in our lifetimes.

The progress we've made in the last few years is amazing but we have so far to go. The answer is a vaccine which continues to elude researchers.

The AIDS Lifecycle is committed to raising money not only for research but also to help vulnerable LGBTQ populations in both metro areas. The current hateful climate in Washington DC makes this year's ride even more important.

We must find a cure for AIDS. In just the two years I've been involved with AIDS Lifecycle we've raised over \$32 million in that cause. Being a part of this small well-tuned army of about 3,200 people making their way down the coast has become something I look forward to all year. We all come from different walks of life with very different life stories, but we're all committed to raising a lot of money to put an end to this horrid disease once and for all.

I've set a fundraising goal of \$3,000 this year and I'm asking for your support and donations to this very worthy cause.

Your donation along with thousands of others really does make a huge difference. The link for your your support is: <https://bit.ly/2q7pgaB>.

I'd also like to encourage you all to sign up and participate yourselves. Being with thousands of people all committed to the same cause is a very powerful and moving thing to be a part of. I know I'm changed person for having been a part of AIDS Lifecycle.

—Gary Langbehn  
San Leandro

**Wants Commercial Properties to Share Tax Bite with Homeowners**

Editor:

I just noticed that my registration renewal fees for a 20-year-old car went from \$118 last year to \$146 for this year.

That is a 24 percent increase in one year and the fees have been going up every year before that.

Looking at the DMV website I see that fees for a myriad of (no doubt worthy) projects are being piled onto hapless drivers of geriatric vehicles. Fees like finger printing, for example,

really have nothing to do with automobile operation.

I wish our State Assemblyman Bonta could spare a little time away from his constant promotion of identity politics and devote that time to some bread-and-butter issues like exploding government fees and/or street/highway maintenance.

I know there is a shortage of money, but a lot could be done to address that shortage by a more fair sharing of the property tax burden which, as a result of Prop. 13, has been shifted primarily to single family home owners. I would like to see Mr. Bonta sponsor legislation requiring the same property tax treatment for commercial property as for single family homes: re-assessment or sale/transfer.

—Jim Mehner  
Oakland

**Meat Industry Fools Us with Their 'Dictionary'**

Editor:

April Fool's Day last Sunday reminds us how the meat, egg, and dairy industries play us for fools every day.

The meat industry has developed a whole dictionary designed to fool unwary consumers.

The flesh of pigs is called "pork" or "bacon" to fool viewers of Charlotte's Web into eating it. Killing of stunned animals for food is labeled "humane." And, cesspools of pig waste that spill into our drinking water supplies during hurricanes are named "lagoons."

The egg-laying industry is arguing with USDA whether chickens laying organic eggs should have access to the outdoors. But few seem to care that, for each hen that lays eggs, a male chick was ground up alive or suffocated in a plastic garbage bag, because it doesn't. Or that laying hens themselves get to live less than one tenth of their natural lives. A number of states have also enacted "ag-gag" laws that criminalize exposés of factory farm and slaughterhouse atrocities.

The meat, dairy, and egg industry's fooling days may be counted. Many of us are seeing through the deception and replacing animal meat, milk, cheese, and ice cream with kinder, healthier, and eco-friendly nut and grain-based products available in every supermarket.

—Kurt Champller  
San Leandro

**Getting Rid of Household Pests Without Killing Them**

Editor:

I live in an old house. That seems not to matter to rats and mice, who seem to enjoy the comfortable living conditions indoors. I have a fix that really keeps uninvited visitors outside.

After jamming steel wool in every nook and cranny where critters can find a way in (anywhere a pipe comes in needs special attention), find some small cups of any kind.

Put a couple of cotton pads in the bottom and soak them with peppermint oil. Place the cups under the kitchen sink, bathroom sinks, and the hot water tank closet. If you have a built-in microwave, stick one up next to the vent, too.

Mark your calendar to re-soak the pads every 3-4 weeks. You can buy peppermint oil online or at most drugstores. It's not expensive and one bottle lasts awhile since it's highly concentrated.

Peppermint is toxic to cats, so make sure the cups are inside cupboards or otherwise out of reach.

This remedy really works and no one has to die for simply trying to survive another day. Bonus: Your house will have a faint pleasant fragrance. Visit PETA.org for more tips.

—Jennifer O'Connor  
PETA Foundation  
Norfolk, Virginia

**Ploughman's Breakfast – a Simple Pleasure We Can Still Enjoy**

Editor:

When I feel like I deserve a special treat, I come to Ploughman's Restaurant in San Leandro for one of their superb breakfasts.

Most of the staff has been there for

years and years, so they know their customers and they serve us just the way we like it. For example, I like my orange juice mixed with grapefruit juice. No problem! And with six special breakfast choices I could start nearly every day of the week at Ploughman.

In times of dread and peril, it is important to be thankful for the simple pleasures we can still enjoy. If Trump starts a war to distract attention from the Investigation or from his Impeachment, such memories of Ploughman's breakfast may be all we'll have, as we sift through radioactive dust.

—Bruce Joffe  
Piedmont

## INQUIRING REPORTER

## Favorite baseball memory?

— Asked at Marina Faire (Doolittle and Fairway)

It's got to be when the A's swept the Giants in the 1989 World Series, or when Rickey Henderson broke the stolen base record. Either one.

**Jason Mendoza**  
San Leandro



When Rickey Henderson stole the most bases. He would get on base, and sometimes he would steal two bases and score a run.

**Arthur Addison, Jr.**  
San Leandro



When Giants catcher Brian Johnson hit a home run against the Dodgers to put the Giants in the playoffs. I went to high school with him at Skyline. It was a game the Giants had to win near the end of the season.

**Larry Mar**  
San Leandro



Taking my daughter to an A's game. She had a blast. The tickets came as a prize from the library's summer reading program, and we got an extra ticket for my wife.

**Ray Forzane**  
Alameda



When Miguel Tejada hit a walk-off, 3-run home run against Minnesota to extend the A's winning streak to 18 games in 2002. He hit it against Guardado, the Minnesota closer, who was lights out. It was a fastball and Tejada hit it into the stands.

**Anthony Martinez**  
Oakland, works in San Leandro





# Arroyo Holds Off San Lorenzo, 5-4

By Andrew Joseph  
San Leandro Times

The Arroyo High baseball team stopped a rally to nip cross-town rival San Lorenzo last Thursday at home, 5-4.

"When we play San Lorenzo it's a big game because we get to play against our friends and say that now we're number one in San Lorenzo," said Arroyo starting pitcher Cameron Weatherford.

Andres Lopez and Chris Giles, Jr. both had one RBI each for the Rebels. Jerrick Romer led all San Lorenzo scorers with two runs, as Lopez and Gonzalo Barajas each scored once.

Jacob Gurule led Arroyo with two RBIs, as Alex Harrell and Zach Soto each had one. The Dons' Josh Valenzuela had a team high two runs scored, as Mike Pullido, Harrell, and Noah Amaral each scored one run.

"If we focus on getting the little things right I'm confident we will come out on top with a win," said first-year Dons head coach Ajay Bromstead.

San Lorenzo took a 1-0 lead in the first inning when senior Jerrick Romer scored for San Lorenzo's only lead of the game.

Arroyo responded by scoring twice in the first inning when Mike Pulido and Josh Valenzuela came home.

The Dons established a solid lead in the third inning. Valenzuela ran scored after a past ball to make give Arroyo a 3-1 lead.

Shortly after, Jacob Gurule drove in Noah Amaral and Alex Harrell for a 5-1 lead in the bottom of the third with only one out.

San Lorenzo started their comeback in the fourth inning when Chris Giles, Jr. hit an RBI triple to make it a 5-2 game.

In the sixth inning San Lorenzo started to erupt as Romer hit a single to left field and then stole second base. Then Andres Lopez singled to right field, moving Romer to third.

Romer scored on a past ball



PHOTO BY ANDREW JOSEPH

Arroyo batter Josh Valenzuela hits a single to right field in the bottom of the sixth inning.

to make the score to 5-3. Giles Jr. was hit by a pitch. But Arroyo starting pitcher Cameron Weatherford then struck out Logan Vanhille with the bases loaded to end the inning.

"The mentality in today's matchup was to get the ball down and put our dominance out there," said Weatherford.

Pulido came on in relief for Arroyo in the seventh inning. San Lorenzo batter Lopez drove in Gonzalo Barajas to close the gap to 5-4.

But Pulido ended the threat and nailed down the win by striking out Philip Bodas with the bases loaded.

"I feel like what gave the Rebels the ability to come back in the sixth and seventh innings

is that we were satisfied with the lead we had instead of keeping the pressure on them," said Weatherford.

"To win league this year we have to grind and keep doing what we're doing. Our goal this year is to get to the NCS playoffs," said Valenzuela.

The Dons have won league for the past three years. Even though they lost 12 seniors from last year, Arroyo is now on a four-game winning streak.

"San Lorenzo stayed hungry, they just wanted to win," said

Bromstead. "They wouldn't go away and they have a good ball club over there. Our guys just bore down at the end and kept playing the game."

With the victory, Arroyo moves to 8-1 overall and 4-1 in league play.

San Lorenzo is 3-5 overall and 2-2 in league standings.

The Dons next game is at home against Castro Valley on Wednesday, April 11, at 4 p.m.

San Lorenzo's next home game will be on Tuesday, April 10, at 4 p.m. against Berkeley.



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## San Leandro Players Present Comedy-Mystery at SL Museum Theater

The San Leandro Players present *Death by Design*, a comedy/mystery with surprising twists, opening on April 7 and running through May 6 at the San Leandro Museum/Auditorium, 320 West Estudillo Ave. in San Leandro.

Show times are Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays

at 2 p.m., plus two Friday shows at 8 p.m. on April 27 and May 4.

Tickets are \$20 general, \$15 seniors, TBA members, under 12, students. For more information or reservations call 895-2573 or online at [www.slplayers.org](http://www.slplayers.org).



## Friends of Library to Host Spring Book Sale

The Friends of the San Leandro Library will host the Spring Two-Day Book Sale this Saturday and Sunday at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Avenue in San Leandro.

The sale will be open on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Sunday from noon to 3 p.m.

Over 10,000 quality books will be on sale at bargain prices. By joining the Friends of

the Library, you can attend the members' preview from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday.

Membership is \$10 or \$15 for a family and applications at the Main Library can be picked up on the day of the sale.