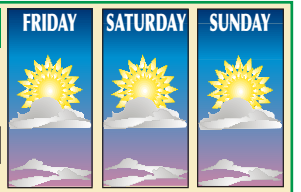
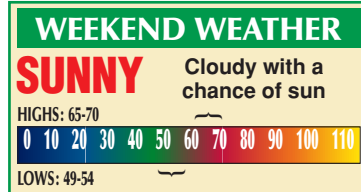




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Downtown Farmers Market

Salvador Ramos of J&J Ramos Farms produce stand sells fresh fruit from Stanislaus County at the downtown San Leandro Farmers' Market, held every Wednesday evening from 4 to 8 p.m. on Parrott Street.

Camp to Head SLZ School District

San Lorenzo schools find new permanent superintendent

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

The San Lorenzo Unified School District has hired a new superintendent, who will be taking leadership of 12,300 students this summer after the school year ends.

Dr. Daryl Camp is currently superintendent of the Riverbank School District in Stanislaus County and was previously an assistant principal at James Logan High School in Union City.

Earlier this month, the San Lorenzo School board hired Camp as a permanent replacement for former superintendent Dr. Fred Brill, who left San Lorenzo mid-school year for a job outside of education.

Brill left the district in October and an interim replacement, Dr. Bruce Harter, has been on the job since January while the school board conducted the search for a permanent superintendent.

Camp's new contract runs from July 1 to June of 2023 with a salary of \$274,000 the first year and 3 percent annual raises thereafter.

The contract also allows for up to 22 days of paid vacation in addition to school holidays, 12 days of accrued sick pay, and \$6,000 in moving expenses. The school board will conduct performance evaluations each September starting in 2020.

Camp graduated from More-

house College in Atlanta, earned a master's degree from Cal State Hayward, and a doctorate in educational leadership
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Former Mayor Tony Santos Dies

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Former San Leandro Mayor Tony Santos, who was on the City Council for almost 20 years, died Monday morning at the age of 86.

Santos first joined the City Council in 1984 and served until 1992, before rejoining the council in 2001 and being elected as mayor in 2006.

Shelia Young, who was mayor immediately before Santos, remembered him for his commitment to the city.

"He always gave his all and really wanted to make things better," said Young.

Young said she was able to visit Santos during the last days of his life when he was under hospice care for health issues
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Kennedy Park Closed for Renovations

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Kennedy Park in San Lorenzo has closed for an extensive renovation and the Hayward Area Recreation District (HARD) hopes to reopen the park by summer 2020.

In 2016, voters approved a \$250 million bond for HARD to upgrade and expand parks in the Eden area and the largest project paid for by that bond is the \$26.5 million overhaul of Kennedy Park.

The main idea is to get more green space and better connect the park at 19510 Hesperain Boulevard to the neighboring McConaghy House, according to Meghan Tiernan, development director for HARD.

The tennis courts that are currently between the main park area and the McConaghy house will be eliminated and replaced
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PHOTO BY AMY SYLVESTRI

Kennedy Park will be closed until next summer for renovations.

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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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PETS OF THE WEEK



Biscotti

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

Biscotti is a sweet, lovable tabby with medium-length orange fur. He arrived at the shelter with an old fracture that didn't



Casper

heal properly. Now his leg is fixed, he's neutered, up to date on vaccinations and ready to go home.

Casper is a cute black bunny who had a difficult start. Given as a gift to a family who wasn't prepared for a bunny, she became ill and underweight. With TLC she's gained weight and is healthy. She's also getting better with handling.

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

“There are two means of refuge from the miseries of life: music and cats.”
— Albert Schweitzer



Chorus to Perform at Library for Arab American Heritage Month

The Aswat Men's and Women's Choir will perform at 2 p.m. this Saturday at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave., in a celebration of Arab American Heritage Month. Admission is free.

Aswat is an ensemble for

classical and folk Arabic music. It performs Muwashahat (Arabic poetry, sung in the tradition of Andalusia, Spain) as well as traditional and contemporary songs from the Arab World.

Aswat has appeared in numerous colleges, universities, festivals and conferences in the Bay Area. For more information, please call the Main

Library at 577-3971.

The group consists of 20 singers and musicians from different parts of the world and welcomes anyone who is interested or even curious about Arabic music.

Aswat is part of Zawaya, a non-profit forum that provides instruction and presentation of all aspects of the Arabic culture.

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collected will be used to shape future programs and services.

If you are age 55 and older, and reside in Alameda County, please take a few minutes to fill out the online survey at: <http://bit.ly/aaa2019survey>

Help Remove Non-Native Plants at Park

Help Friends of San Leandro Creek remove non-native plants like ivy and blackberry from the creekside at Chabot Park, Estudillo Avenue and Sylvian Circle, this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Volunteers should wear long pants and sleeves, sturdy shoes, and mosquito repellent.

FSLC will provide tools, snacks, drinks and a free pizza lunch for all. Scout troops, clubs and groups are welcome, as well as individuals. The Friends will certify volunteer hours for community service for schools. For more information and to register visit www.fslc.org.

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POLICE & FIRE

Missing Teen From Hayward Was Last Seen at Lake Chabot

The East Bay Regional Park District police department is asking the public's help in locating Patrick Kennedy, a 19-year-old Hayward resident who was last seen at Lake Chabot.

Kennedy was dropped off at that park on April 14 at about 5:30 p.m. with plans to go for a hike and meet up with his family later that night, but he has not been in contact since.

Officers conducted a search of Lake Chabot park and could not locate Kennedy. He is known

to visit Don Castro Regional Park as well and may be in the San Leandro, Castro Valley, or Hayward areas.

Kennedy has brown hair and blue eyes and is around 5-foot-7 and 150 pounds. When he was last seen, he was wearing a green sweatshirt.

The East Bay Regional Park District police department and Kennedy's family ask that anyone with information call the park district police at 881-1833 and reference case number 19-04088.



Patrick Kennedy

Firefighters Build Support Structure After Car Damages Insurance Store

A driver accidentally drove a car into the storefront of the Fred Loya Insurance company at 20942 Mission Boulevard in Cherryland on Monday afternoon at around 3 p.m.

Due to the vehicle damaging a major structural support, firefighters built a wooden box on the scene to shore up the structure, according to the Alameda County Fire Department.

No one inside the building was injured and the driver of the vehicle sustained minor injuries and declined medical attention.

The cause of the accident is under investigation.

Consumer Alert On Towing

The Alameda County District Attorney's Office is investigating Private Property Impound, Inc., an Oakland towing company. If you believe that your car was improperly towed by PPI since January 2017, call 383-8600.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ACFD

An Alameda County firefighter helped build a temporary wooden support after a car drove into a strip mall this week.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ACFD

Two passengers in a Ford sedan were injured and hospitalized in a multi-car crash on I-880 near the Davis Street exit earlier this month.

Chain-Reaction Crash on I-880

A chain-reaction crash on I-880 blocked all northbound lanes just north of the Davis Street exit on the morning of April 7.

The first collision occurred shortly after 5 a.m., according to the California Highway Patrol, when a Lexus with a flat tire was in the far right lane and was

rear-ended by a box truck.

About 10 minutes after, a sedan rear-ended the truck. Two passengers in the sedan were hospitalized with major injuries and one had to be extracted from the car by first responders, according to the CHP.

There were a total of seven people involved in the collision

and six needed medical attention while one declined being taken to the hospital, according to the Alameda County Fire Department.

The collisions resulted in lane closures and heavy traffic. The two left lanes were reopened just before 7:30 a.m. and all lanes were open by 8:30 a.m., according to the CHP.

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NEIGHBORS



Cecy Silva, Bea Abreu and Gerry Goias all in their 90s are still keeping in touch.

Three Sisters Reach 90 Mark

When Gerry Goias turns 90 this month it will make three sisters who are all in their 90s. Gerry's sister Cecy Silva is 91, and her other sister Bea Abreu is 93. All three sisters have lived in San Leandro most of their lives, but Bea moved to Martinez a few years ago.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

❖ **PhotoCentral Photo Exhibit** be on display through May 11 at PhotoCentral Spring Exhibition: "Celebrating HARD," will

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ward, Upstairs Gallery Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Downstairs Monday 5 to 10 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and (2) Adobe Art Gallery, 20395 San Miguel Ave., Castro Valley, open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact PhotoCentral Geir Jordahl at 881-6721 or email info@photo-central.org.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might need to do a bit more investigating before making a career move. You do best when you come armed with the facts. A personal matter still needs tending to.



TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your creativity plus your good business sense once more combine to give you an important advantage in a difficult workplace situation. An ally proves his or her loyalty.



GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Avoid rushing into something just because it offers a break from your usual routine. Take things a step at a time to be sure you're moving in the right direction.



CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Bouncing back from a disappointing incident isn't easy, but you should find a welcome turn of events emerging. Spend the weekend with someone special.



LEO (July 23 to August 22) An incomplete project needs your attention before someone else takes it over and uses it to his or her advantage. There'll be lots of time for fun and games once you get it done.



VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Doubts involving a potential career change need to be resolved quickly so they don't get in the way when you feel you're finally ready to make the big move.



LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Looking to blame someone for a workplace problem could backfire if it turns out you've got the wrong "culprit." Best to get more facts before acting on your assumptions.



SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Patience might still be called for until you're sure you finally have the full story that eluded you up till now. A trusted associate could offer valuable guidance.



SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Look into your recent behavior to see if you could have caused the coolness you might now be sensing from a loved one. If so, apologize and set things straight.



CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Easing up on your social activities allows you to focus more of your energies on a long-neglected personal matter. You can get back into party mode by the weekend.



AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A dispute with a colleague can be resolved peacefully once you both agree to be more flexible about the positions you've taken and allow for more open-minded discussions.



PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Volunteering to take on added responsibilities could be a risky way to impress the powers-that-be. Do it only if you're sure you won't be swept away by the extra workload.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR



❖ Good Friday Service

All Saints Episcopal Church, 911 Dowling Blvd. in San Leandro, will host the Annual San Leandro Ecumenical Good Friday Service at noon on Friday, April 19. This service will include familiar hymns and reflections on Christ's "Seven Last Words" by clergy from different congregations throughout San Leandro as well as from the Chief Executive Officer of Davis Street Family Resource Center, Rose Padilla Johnson. A special collection will be taken at the service to support Davis Street's services to low income residents of our community. All are welcome to attend.

❖ Easter Treasure Hunt

The Heritage Baptist Church will host an Easter Treasure Hunt at James Monroe Elementary School, 3750 Monterey Blvd. in San Leandro, on Saturday, April 20 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This free event will include games, prizes, and exciting activities for children 4-11 years old. For more information, go to www.hbc.or/easter or call 357-7023.

❖ I.D.E.S. St. Salad Bar Lunch & Bingo

I.D.E.S. St. John, 1670 Orchard Ave. in San Leandro, will have a salad bar lunch and bingo on Saturday, April 20, at noon. Tickets are \$15 and includes four bingo cards. Extra bingo cards are 25 cents each. There will also be a 50/50 cash raffle. For tickets, call Darlene at 589-6536, Willie at 635-6326 or Frances at 886-1568.

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❖ Eden Area Village Coffee

Join Eden Area Village for coffee on Saturday, April 20, at the Cannery Cafe, 22380 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward at 9 a.m. this Saturday and learn how we are working together to help seniors remain in their homes and active and engaged in the community. For more information visit the website edenareavillage.org

❖ Meeting of the Eden Garden Club

The next meeting of the Eden Garden Club will be Monday, April 22, at 9:30 a.m. at the Moose Lodge, 20835 Rutledge Road in Castro Valley. The speaker will be Jim Ryugo from Kitasawa Seed Company of Oakland, the oldest Asian seed company in America, who will talk about Asian vegetables and what sells best. Meetings are free and guests are always welcome. For more information, call 397-1268.

❖ Meeting of the SL Democratic Club

The next meeting of the San Leandro Democratic clubs will be on Thursday, April 25, at 6:30 p.m. in the Trustee Room of the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave.

❖ San Leandro Toastmasters

The San Leandro Toastmasters meet on Thurs-

day nights from 7 to 8 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. The group fosters improved communication and public speaking. All levels of speakers from novice to seasoned are welcome.

❖ Dahlia Society Tuber Sale

The San Leandro Dahlia Society will hold its annual tuber and cutting sale on Saturday, April 27, from 9 a.m. to noon at Root Park, 1033 East 14th St. in San Leandro. Plant now for summer color. Cuttings are small plants, ready to be planted. Tubers are like roots, ready to be planted. Dahlias come in many sizes, shapes and colors. Dahlia society members will be on hand to answer any questions or give advice on planting.

❖ A Pop Up Event at Bancroft Middle School

Join the fun at Bancroft Middle School, 1150 Bancroft Ave. in San Leandro on Saturday, April 27, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be arts and crafts projects and lots of good food. This event benefiting Razas Unidas Club at Bancroft Middle School.

❖ 4th Sunday Breakfast for Veterans

American Legion Post 117 will host breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. every 4th Sunday of the month, except on holiday weekends, at the San Leandro Veterans Memorial Bldg., 1105 Bancroft Ave. in San Leandro. The menu will be eggs-to-order, bacon/sausage, hash browns, toast and coffee. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$5 for veterans, and all others. All donations benefit American Legion veteran programs.

❖ Kiwanis Club Welcomes Visitors

Find out what the volunteers of Kiwanis are all about. Join them at one of their weekly lunch meetings and consider becoming a member on Tuesdays from 12:10 to 1:30 p.m. at The Englander, 101 Parrott St. in downtown San Leandro. A portion of each meeting is dedicated to a community speaker.

❖ Spring Auction for Local Schools

Come to the Annual Spring Auction benefiting Roosevelt Elementary School and Bancroft Middle School on Saturday, April 27, from 5 to 10 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building, 1105 Bancroft Ave. The theme this year is Casino Royale and includes gambling, food and drinks, and entertainment. Tickets are \$40 each or \$75 a pair. Come out to support the students of San Leandro public schools. For advanced purchase tickets and more information Visit: <https://roosevelt.schoolauction.net/auction2019>.

❖ Student Art Display

Art by local students will be on display from May 1 through June 3 at the Hayward Area Historical Society (HAHS), 22380 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward with an opening reception on Wednesday, May 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. The Gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

❖ Cherry City Toastmasters Meetings

The Cherry City Toastmasters Club meets every Tuesday from 12:05 to 1:05 p.m. in the Trustees Room on the first floor of the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. Learn how to speak effectively in a safe and supportive environment. Build confidence and effectiveness in your professional and personal life. Come explore what Toastmasters is all about.

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. Only Non-Profit Organizations should submit calendar items.

Santos: Cutter: 'A great friend and neighbor who will be missed by many'

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including heart problems. He was surrounded by his family including his wife Melitta and children and grandchildren.

"True to form, he was holding court for some of his final days," said Young.

Santos did not get a second term as mayor after losing the city's first ever ranked-choice

"He was a person who always pressed for more. He was always striving to do more for his community."

— Bob Glaze

election — a voting method he originally supported. He famously refused to concede the race despite the loss and admitted that pushing for ranked choice likely cost him another term.

"I won't concede, that's about all I can do about it," said Santos at the time. "But I have had a good run and I am proud of what I have done."

His colleagues agreed that

Santos had a legacy of civic service to take pride in.

Former City Councilman Bob Glaze said his friendship with Santos began more than 35 years ago as they learned the ins and outs of City Hall.

"We were elected together back in 1984," said Glaze. "He was a person who always pressed for more — he was on to environmental issues even in that day — and he was always striving to do more for his community."

Current Mayor Pauline Cutter described Santos as a great friend and neighbor who will be missed by many.

Cutter cited numerous advancements that took place during Santos's time in leadership including the expansion of the city's open spaces, the ground breaking of the Kaiser Permanente Hospital, and construction of senior affordable housing and the Senior Community Center.

Santos' political life began following a career as an insurance claims specialist. He was a native of Hawaii and lived in San Leandro for more than 50 years.

Santos served four years in the 84th Air Rescue Squadron for the U.S. Air Force and was stationed in Germany. He then served in the California Air National Guard, and was an active member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in his later years.



Tony Santos and his wife Melitta celebrated their wedding anniversary in 2015, and at right on their wedding day.

VFW Post 819 Post Commander Dylan Boldt remembers Santos as a source of wisdom of both military and San Leandro history who was an asset to all the members of the group.

"Tony was our chaplain for a few years and just a tremendous part of the veteran community in San Leandro," said Boldt. "Tony was actually on the island as a child when Pearl Harbor happened and would speak about history with such a fresh point of view and a great presence. He will be dearly missed. He meant a lot to everybody."

Young says that she and former City Manager John Jermanis

already have a plan to honor Santos' legacy in San Leandro — they want to rename a 1-acre park which had a special meaning to him.

"On the council back in the '80s, he really fought hard to preserve this space in his community," said Young of what is now Grover Cleveland park on O'Donnell Avenue. "It was really important to him and he worked hard for it. I think re-naming it after him would really honor his commitment to his community."

Santos is survived by his wife of more than 50 years, Melitta, his children Michael and Karen, and three grandchildren.



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WAVZ ULTRASOUND located at 17257 Via La Jolla, San Lorenzo, CA 94580, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Raymond Zeng, 17257 Via La Jolla, San Lorenzo, CA 94580. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced on N/A.

/s/Raymond Zeng

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The name of the business:

Power Nex Construction Inc. located at 375 Santa Paula St., San Leandro, CA 94579, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Power Nex Construction, INC., 375 Santa Paula St., San Leandro, CA 94579. This business is conducted by a corporation. This business commenced on N/A.

/s/Power Nex Construction, INC.

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Bamboo Advance Beauty College located at 14624 E. 14th Street, San Leandro, CA 94578, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Mai-Pham Investments LLC, 232 Lexington Avenue, Hayward, CA 94544. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. This business commenced on N/A.

/s/Bamboo Advance Beauty College

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The name of the business:

P & G Power Corp. located at 375 Santa Paula St., San Leandro, CA 94579, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): P & G Power Corp., 375 Santa Paula St., San Leandro, CA 94579. This business is conducted by a corporation. This business commenced on N/A.

/s/P & G Power Corp.

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Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business:

Nate's Customs & Collision located at 2420 Davis Street, San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Nathan Jaramillo, 2586 Williams Street, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced on N/A.

/s/Nathan Jaramillo

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Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business:

Special Kids Special Choices located at 20955 San Miguel Ave., Castro Valley, CA 94546, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Geri Baskind, 20955 San Miguel Ave., Castro Valley, CA 94546. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced on 12/2012.

/s/Geri Baskind

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The name of the business:

Melissa Michelle Grooming located at 1109 MacArthur Blvd, San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Melissa Michelle Grooming Inc., 875 Begier Avenue, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by a corporation. This business commenced on 3-28-19.

/s/Melissa Michelle Grooming, Inc.

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The name of the business:

Lane Mortgage, LLC located at 604 Oakes Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Lane Mortgage, LLC, 604 Oakes, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. This business commenced on 08/15/17.

/s/Lane Mortgage, LLC

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The name of the business:

(1) Windy Treats (2) Lion's Garden (3) Divines Cloud 9 (4) Stovall Group & Associates (5) Merry For Jane, located at 24438 Santa Clara Street #3035, Hayward, CA 94540, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): (1) JeAnna Stovall and (2) Margaret J. Stovall, 660 Fargo Avenue #9, San Leandro, CA 94579. This business is conducted by a general partnership. This business commenced on N/A.

/s/JeAnna Stovall, Margaret J. Stovall

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Dons Softball Holds Off San Leandro Rally for 5-4 Win

By Andrew Joseph
San Leandro Times

The Arroyo High softball team held off a sixth-inning rally to beat San Leandro on Tuesday, 5-4.

"Our philosophy is get runners on base—move them up then move them over and move them in," said Arroyo head coach Matthew Rose. "It's a seven-inning game, if we can focus each and every inning we will come out with the win."

The Dons' took the lead in the first inning when Emily Andrews hit a single to center that drove in Haley Jones who had stolen third base with two outs.

"We wanted to come out and put runs together early, and as a pitcher I wanted to try to hit my spots," said Arroyo starting pitcher Marissa Dorr. "It's always fun to go up and compete against a team where we already know each other."

San Leandro tied the score with a run in the first inning, but Arroyo's pitching staff held the Pirates from scoring again until the sixth.

Arroyo scored again in the second inning when Celeste Casillas hit a long ball to left field that drove in Asha Mathur to make it a 2-1. The Dons scored once more in the third inning



PHOTO BY ANDREW JOSEPH

Emily Andrews of Arroyo hits an RBI single in the first inning to drive in Haley Jones to score the first run of the game at San Leandro High on Tuesday.

when Tali Agatupu hit a single to drive in Kaitlin Lavulo to make it 3-1 Arroyo.

"In our pitching, we try to hit the spots and areas we believe are the batters' weaknesses," said coach Rose.

Lavulo hit an RBI single that drove in Casillas to score a run in the top of the fourth. During

that same inning, Andrews hit a ground double to left field with two out as Lavulo came home for a 5-1 Dons lead.

"We knew what their pitchers were going to throw so we practiced hitting our outside pitches," said Lavulo. "It took teamwork, staying strong mentally, and pushing through to get this win

today."

But in the sixth inning the game became close.

The Pirates began their rally in the sixth when Maya Flores hit a 2-out single that drove in Aritza Brown to narrow the gap to 5-2.

"What led to our comeback rally was our focus," said Brown. "Our goal was to put as many hits

"It's always fun to go up and compete against a team where we already know each other."

— Arroyo starting pitcher
Marissa Dorr

together as we could and drive in more runs with the belief that we would win."

Though the Pirates would drive in two more runs, it was too little too late as the Dons improved to 4-4 in league and 8-8 overall. San Leandro falls to 1-11 overall, and 0-6 in league.

"To beat College Park we are going to have to play near-perfect on defense, we may even have to bring home runs by playing small ball with bunts and steals, and we need our pitchers to hit their spots," said coach Rose.

Arroyo's next game is at College Park in Pleasant Hill on Monday at 4 p.m. San Leandro's next game is Tuesday at home against Piedmont at 4 p.m.

City Councilman Aguilar Named to LGBTLO Caucus

Councilmember Victor Aguilar who represents district three on the San Leandro City Council has been elected vice president of the National League of Cities (NLC) Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual,

Transgender Local Officials (LGBTLO) caucus, the City of San Leandro announced last week in a press release.

This group encourages the full participation and active involvement of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender municipal officials and their supporters in NLC programs. Aguilar was recently elected during the 2019 Congressional City Conference in Washington, DC.

LGBTLO's mission is to provide LGBTQ municipal officials and their colleagues with a forum to share and develop leadership experience. This year this constituency group will focus on the Census 2020.

"I am honored to have been elected to serve on this caucus with the National League of Cities, and proud to represent San Leandro at the national level," said Councilmember Aguilar in a city press release. "We know that working together collectively and encouraging more representation of the LGBTQ community at local levels will help us be more inclusive and reflective of our communities."

As a leader in this constituency group, Aguilar will play a key role in highlighting the issues of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender municipal officials within NLC.

Additionally, the group contributes to NLC's advocacy efforts, ensuring that the needs of diverse communities are reflected in NLC's national municipal policy.

The leadership of this year's LGBTLO constituency group will also consist of President Tom Green, Vice Mayor, Wilton Manors, FL and First Vice President Jeffrey Zane Slavin, Mayor, Somerset, MD.

For more information on NLC's constituency groups, visit: <https://www.nlc.org/membership/groups-networks>.



LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE OF PREPARATION Of an Environmental Impact Report County of Alameda Whitcotton Cottage Demolition Project

As the Lead Agency overseeing this project's environmental review, the County of Alameda is soliciting comments on the scope and content of the EIR for the proposed demolition of Whitcotton Cottage. This existing vacant 3,942 square-foot building is located at the Alameda County Fairmont Hospital campus. The Fairmont Hospital campus is bounded by Fairmont Drive to the northwest and Foothill Boulevard to the southeast. Whitcotton Cottage occurs towards the southeastern portion of the campus and is bounded by a roadway (Meadow Drive) to the west, a parking lot to the south, a medical building (Cherry Hill Detox Center) to the northeast, and landscaped area to the north.

Whitcotton Cottage, built in 1903, was the former residence for the Superintendent of the Alameda County Infirmary and is eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources because of its association with historic events. Therefore, the project would result in potentially significant impacts to historic resources, necessitating preparation of an EIR. While the building remains in its historic location, it has not been maintained for approximately 20 years and is in an advanced state of disrepair.

Demolition of the structure would involve: the removal of asbestos-containing materials; stabilization of loose and peeling lead-based paint; removal and proper disposal of components coated with lead-based paint; excavation and disposal of approximately 222 cubic yards of soil, including lead contaminated soil around the structure; and rough grading of the site.

The County of Alameda General Services Agency would manage the demolition. All project activities, including demolition, excavation, remediation, and grading would be expected to take approximately eight weeks. There are no current redevelopment plans for the site. Once the structure is demolished, the site would be covered in gravel.

Responses to this NOP and any questions or comments should be directed in writing to: Jason Garrison, Environmental Project Manager, Environmental Department-Capital Programs, 1401 Lakeside Drive, Suite 800, Oakland, CA 94612, or via email to jason.garrison@acgov.org. Comments on the NOP must be received on or before May 17, 2019. Comments should focus on possible impacts on the physical environment, ways in which potential adverse effects might be minimized, and alternatives to the proposed project.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

Stella F. Gigli
Case Number:
RP19014367

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Stella F. Gigli, also known as "Stella Gigli", "Stella Cisneros", "Stella F. Medina", "Fedelina Stella Montes" and "Fedelina Stella Montez"**.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by **Darlene Green** in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda. The Petition for Probate requests that **Darlene Green** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The PETITION requests that the decedent's wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 5/22/2019, 9:31 a.m., Dept. 201, at 2120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, 2nd Floor, Berkeley, CA 94704.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the **later** of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Innovative Training Consultants, LLC located at 211 Joaquin Avenue, San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Innovative Training Consultants, LLC, 211 Joaquin Avenue, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.
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The name of the business: DayintheLifeguard located at 890 Dowling Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Peter DeQuincy, 890 Dowling Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced on N/A.
/s/Peter DeQuincy

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LIFESTYLE

2 Important Religious Holidays Coming Up This Weekend

For Jews and Christians, the weekend ahead will be filled with some of the most important religious holidays of the year.

The eight-day Passover holiday begins at sundown on Friday, celebrating the redemption of the Jews from slavery in Egypt.

The basic rules for Passover are universal. Nothing that includes any leavening may be served during the eight days, including grains, cereals, beans and legumes. That's because the faithful identify with the Israelites who fled Egypt in such haste they had no time to let their bread rise.

Christians will observe Good Friday at the end of the week and Easter on Sunday, commemorating the Resurrection of Christ.

Although Easter has no particular ceremonial foods, baked ham has become the traditional fare for Sunday's dinner.



Easter

Since most hams we buy today are fully cooked, creating a meal around one doesn't require all the preparation that the annual Thanksgiving turkey does. To be served warm, a fully-cooked ham need only be reheated in a 325°F-oven until it reaches an internal temperature of 140°F.

But there are many ways to "customize" the reheating process with glazes and sauces. Brush glaze on during the last 20 to 30 minutes of cooking time.

LEMON-DIJON GLAZED HAM & PINEAPPLE

- 1 cup Dijon mustard
- 2/3 cup lemon juice
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 (6 to 8-pound) spiral-cut fully cooked ham
- 1 fresh pineapple, cored and sliced into 1/2-inch rings
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh chives, optional

Blend mustard, lemon juice and brown sugar in small bowl for glaze. Reserve 1/2 cup.

Place ham flat side down in large non-aluminum roasting pan. Cover loosely with foil and bake at 325°F for 1 hour. Remove from oven; remove foil and turn ham onto its side.

Place pineapple slices in pan around ham. Generously brush ham and pineapple with glaze. Return to oven and bake 45 minutes longer or until meat thermometer inserted into the thickest part of ham reads 140°F, turning pineapple



slices and brushing ham and pineapple with additional glaze.

Stir chives into remaining glaze if desired. Serve ham and pineapple with glaze. Serves 12 to 18.

Passover

Matzo is one of the best-known Passover foods. Cakes, cookies and dumplings for Passover are made from either potato starch or matzo meal made from ground matzos or a more finely ground version called cake meal.

The Seder dinner, with its traditional dishes, is held on the first night of Passover and is the principal ceremony of the festival.

MATZO BALL SOUP

- 4 large eggs
- 1/4 cup rendered chicken fat or vegetable oil (kosher for Passover)
- 1/4 cup chicken stock
- 1 cup matzo meal
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 to 2 tablespoons freshly grated ginger
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley, dill or cilantro
- 1 teaspoon salt, more for cooking

Black pepper

In a large bowl, combine the eggs, chicken fat, stock, matzo meal, nutmeg, ginger and parsley. Season with 1 teaspoon salt and a few grinds of pepper. Gently mix with a whisk or spoon. Cover and refrigerate until chilled, about 3 hours or overnight.

To shape and cook the matzo balls, fill a wide, deep pan with lightly salted water and bring to a boil. With wet hands, take some of the mix and mold it into the size and shape of a ping-pong ball. Gently drop it into the boiling water, repeating until all the mix is used.

Cover the pan, reduce heat to a lively simmer and cook matzo balls about 30 to 40 minutes for al dente, longer for light. If desired, the cooked matzo balls can be transferred to chicken or vegetable soup and served immediately. Alternatively, they may be placed on a baking sheet and frozen, then transferred to a freezer bag and kept frozen until a few hours before serving; reheat in chicken or vegetable soup or broth.

POTATO KUGEL GRATIN

Salt and pepper

- 1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil, plus extra
- 6 large peeled russet potatoes
- 5 shallots, thinly sliced
- 3 tablespoons fresh thyme leaves, plus more
- 5 large eggs, at room temperature
- 1-1/4 cups chicken broth
- 1 cup unsalted matzo meal
- Sea salt for serving

Preheat oven to 425°F with rack in upper third.

Combine 4 teaspoons salt and 1 teaspoon pepper in a small bowl.

Oil a 2-1/2 quart baking dish and sprinkle bottom with some salt-and-pepper mixture.

Cut potatoes into 1/8-inch-thick slices. Arrange slices vertically in baking dish. Wedge in shallots and sprinkle thyme throughout. Brush with oil and season between potato slices with remaining salt-and-pepper mixture. Place baking dish on a rimmed baking sheet.

Whisk together eggs, broth, 1/4 teaspoon salt, and 1/4 teaspoon pepper in a medium bowl. Add matzo meal and stir to combine. Pour mixture evenly over potatoes, tapping baking sheet on the counter to make sure mixture settles to bottom of baking dish.

Cover with parchment, then

with foil, and transfer to oven. Bake 45 minutes. Remove foil and parchment, rotate baking sheet, and continue baking until potatoes are tender when pierced with the tip of a paring knife, about 40 minutes more. Increase heat to

broil and broil until golden brown, about 5 minutes. (Watch carefully to prevent over-browning.)

Garnish with thyme and sea salt. Let rest at least 15 minutes and up to 30 minutes.

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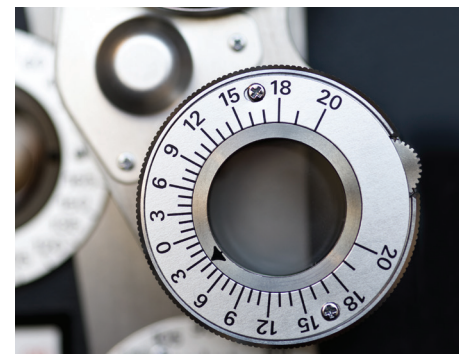
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PARENTS GUIDE



Always eat meals at the table and eating as a family is best.

Important Nutrition Ideas for Children

Childhood obesity in this country has more than tripled over the past 30 years, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. But you can help your family get the right nutrition and exercise to stay healthy.

"Not only is it extremely important for kids to get all the vitamins, nutrients and physical activity they need to stay healthy, but habits formed early in life – both good and bad – can last a lifetime," says Dr. Thomas McNerny, president of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

The AAP is offering some healthy living tips for parents to help kids get on the right track.

Improving Eating Habits

- You may have bad childhood memories of being forced to sit at the table until you cleaned your plate. Don't perpetuate this method of mealtime management! It sends the wrong message by emphasizing quantity over quality and can lead to significant overeating. Foster a healthier attitude toward food by focusing on what you serve in the first place.

- Establish a routine with regular meal and snack times. Always eat meals at the table. Children who eat meals with their family consume more fruits, vegetables, fiber, calcium-rich foods and vitamins.

- Once kids are old enough,

encourage self-feeding as much as possible.

- Avoid soda, which is full of empty calories or artificial sweeteners. Milk and water are the best drink choices for your child. Offer whole milk or 2 percent milk to children ages 12 months to 2 years old, unless your pediatrician recommends low-fat milk. After age 2, offer low-fat milk. Limit juice to four to six ounces a day.

- Kids can be picky at first, but don't let a refusal of a new food stop you from trying again. Offer new foods multiple times in multiple ways. For infants, you may need to even try 10 to 15 times over several months. Parents are extremely influential and can serve as a child's best role model. Eat a variety of foods of different flavors, colors and textures.

Encourage Active Play

- Don't let a full day go by without active play. Take trips to the park, play in the yard, go for walks and make physical activity a part of your family's daily routine. Reduce the amount of time spent in devices that restrain movement, such as strollers and bouncy seats.

- Limit screen time, including TV, video games and computers, to less than two hours a day. Avoid placing computers or television sets in children's bedrooms so they can get the best sleep possible.

- Encourage your kids to take part in sports teams, gymnastic and dance classes, and other activities that will get them moving.

More ideas about healthy living for families can be found at www.healthychildren.org/growinghealthy.

"No matter how old your child is, it's never too early to establish household routines that foster healthy habits," says McNerny.

—StatePoint

5 Ways For Parents To Empower Daughters In An Unkind World

*Sheri Engler
Special to the Times*

While opportunities for women have advanced significantly in recent decades, studies reflect that the path to personal independence and growth isn't always smooth – starting in early childhood up through high school.

Gender stereotypes persist. According to a survey of 1,900 girls and young women between 7 and 21, conducted by the charity Girlguiding, many feel that pressure from social media, TV, friends, teachers and parents affects how they think and act.

Another study in the Journal of Adolescent Health reported that stereotypes of girls were reinforced by schools, parents and the media, thereby limiting their mobility and access to opportunities.

One possible answer is for parents to empower their daughters from a young age.

We parents need to take the necessary time from our busy lives to find out what our daughters are experiencing on a daily basis.

We must break down barriers to success early on. Otherwise, girls frequently surrender their "surplus" qualities before they even leave grade school, because they feel they won't be accepted if they are "too much." They are not allowed too many gifts for fear of alienating boys and competing with other girls. This has to stop.

Here are five ways parents can empower their daughters and help them grow into strong, successful women:

- Explain the social dynamic. Help them understand the reasons why boys may be intimidated by powerful girls, and

why girls may become jealous and pull down a girl who has too much.

- Help them avoid social programming. Most forms of mass media bombard girls with destructive messages. With char-

- Help them identify their unique desires and abilities. Encourage pride in being who they are on an authentic level. Help them experience life's many aspects so they may explore their natural abilities and interests,



acter development so important, parents need to offer more positive influences. Discouraging Facebook is a good place to start, due to its entrainment of a "me-oriented" society.

- Provide social alternatives. Connecting with other parents and families who hold similar values is one option. Parents need to find out what's really going on with their daughters, both at home and at school. Sadly, damaging messages come from every direction.

- Teach them to help others. Parents can role-model strengthening values. These values could be exemplified by going together to volunteer in soup kitchens, to foster homeless animals, or to visit lonely, old people in nursing homes. Learning compassion for others supports strong self-esteem through character building.

while paying particular attention to what truly brings them joy, because that is usually where their authentic selves reside.

We need to prevent damage early on, instead of trying to fix it after it's too late.

—Sheri Engler is an experienced mentor, author, and metaphysicist with a background in psychology, counseling and research. She received a BA in Clinical Psychology at San Francisco State University.

Teen Driver Safety Class

The California Highway Patrol and Castro Valley Library present the popular Start Smart: Teen Driver Program at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30 at the Library.

The Start Smart program is a driver safety education class which targets new and future licensed teenage drivers between the age of 15 - 19 and their parents/guardians.

CHP officers will discuss traffic collision avoidance techniques, collision causing factors, driver/parent responsibilities, and seatbelt usage.

Additionally, testimonies will be provided by officers who have investigated fatal collisions involving teens, and family members who have lost love ones in traffic collisions.

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Economics 101: How Much Do Your Kids Know About Money?

With consumer debt on the rise and many failing to adequately save for the future, experts say that financial illiteracy is a major problem for Americans — and one that communities and parents have a joint responsibility to address, starting in childhood.

And right now, most children are coming up short in this area.

Over 62 percent of the 15- to 18-year-olds tested by the National Financial Educators Council received either a “D” or “F” on the 2017 National Financial Literacy Test. Without intervention, these young people could grow up without the skills needed to manage credit cards, loan debt or savings goals.

If you’re a parent, you’ve likely already instilled in your children the importance of good grades and healthy decisions, but if you aren’t also discussing concepts like overall saving, budgeting and the importance of having an emergency fund, now is the time to start.

Children are never too young to learn skills needed for a secure financial future. To get started, consider these tips:

- Teach young children money basics by playing “store” at home. Take turns being the customer and the cashier. Play board games involving money exchanges to practice addition and subtraction.

- Give children an allowance and help them create a budget. Stress the difference between needs vs. wants to help them make smart decisions when it comes time to shop for clothes, school supplies, toys and more.

- Offer children incentives to save, promising to match any money they sock away



Children are never too young to learn how to spend responsibly and save for the future. Get started now.

so they’ll learn how invested money grows.

- Encourage teenagers to get part-time jobs, then help them make smart decisions about how to allocate their income, whether that’s saving for big-ticket items, putting money away for college or donating to charity.

- Review free, online financial education materials together that are geared for school-age children, such as those found at PurchasingPower.com and JuniorAchievement.org.

“Purchasing Power has been helping adults learn to manage their money in smarter, more flexible ways for years,” says Richard Carrano, Purchasing Power CEO. “Expanding these efforts to include resources for young people empowers parents to put their kids on the right path in their formative years.”

- Seek out community initiatives helping to combat financial illiteracy. For example, Purchasing Power, LLC, a workplace voluntary benefit that allows US workers to buy brand-name products and services interest-free through payroll deduction versus traditional high-interest credit options, partners with Junior Achievement USA, an organization dedicated to giving young people the knowledge and skills they need for economic success.

“Financial illiteracy and confusion over money matters is a national problem that won’t be solved overnight,” adds Carrano. “However, families, employers and communities can take proactive steps to raise money-smart kids and foster healthy financial futures.”

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Importance of Raising Young Readers

By Melissa Martin
Special to the Times

Why is it important to expose babies, toddlers, and younger children to the world of books? Why is it important to read aloud to babies and toddlers? Why is it important to make reading fun for children?

“Children are made readers on the laps of their parents,” surmised Emilie Buchwald. I agree.

Parents are a child’s first teachers, first role models, and first communicators; talking, listening, singing, making sounds, smiling, laughing, and hugging. Homes are the building blocks of society.

In a 2016 Scholastic Study, the results revealed three out of four parents who have children ages 5 and younger start reading aloud before their child reaches his first birthday. And 40 percent of parents reported they started reading when their child was less than three months old. www.scholastic.com/.

I give a round of applause to these parents. And the reading tip of the day is to make reading fun for younger children so they will read for pleasure in the future.

Family experiences with books prepare children for learning long before they start school. Kids need to develop an emotional connection to reading

materials.

Reading books with children can help with empathy skill-building as they identify with the characters and relate to their feelings. And reading exercises a child’s brain like movement exercises her body. Imagination and creativity dance together in book-reading. And books are downright entertaining!

Think about your favorite picture books of childhood. How do you feel about these books? I remember the Little Golden Books and The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter.

Learning to read and write doesn’t start in kindergarten or first grade. Developing language and literacy skills begins at birth through everyday loving interactions, such as sharing books, telling stories, singing songs and

talking to one another.

Does technology hinder or help toddlers’ learning? In our modern lives with technological devices, children can become overly dependent on television, video games, and table computers (just like adults). That’s why it’s important to make books the centerpiece of learning and limit screen time for younger children.

Should parents read an electronic book or a paper book to children? Balance is the word of the day. Holding a paper book adds the sensation of touch and children like to turn the pages.

Make your public library a frequent stop as you encourage the love of learning via books.

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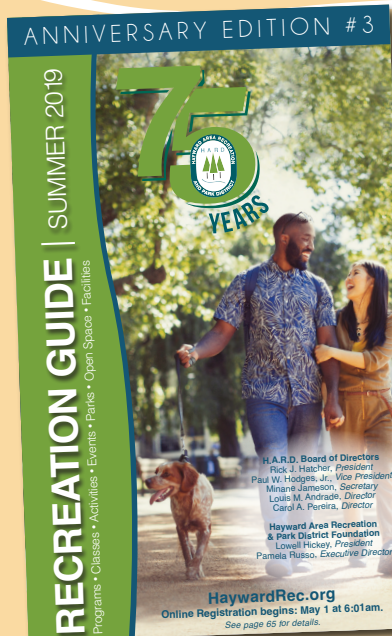
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Trikes for Grown-Ups

By Jim Miller
Special to the Times

Three-wheeled bikes – also known as adult trikes – are a great cycling option for older adults, especially those who have concerns with their balance or stamina. Here's what you should know, along with some tips to help you shop for one.

Safer Cycling

If you'd like to take up, or continue bike riding, but worry about falling, adult trikes are a smart option to consider because of the stability they provide.

With a trike, you can ride as slow as you want without ever losing your balance and you can put both feet on the ground while seated, which is very reassuring for many older riders.

In addition, adult trikes are also made with a low "step through" design making mounting and dismounting easier; they typically come with big tires that ensure a smooth ride; have ergonomic handlebars that are easy to reach and grip; and offer oversize seats (some even have backrests) for comfort and support. And, other than the frame, tricycles use the same standard components as traditional bikes

do, so replacement parts are readily available, and repairs are not an issue.

There are dozens of different types of adult trikes to choose from with prices ranging anywhere from a few hundred to several thousand dollars.

To help you figure out the right kind of trike that meets your needs and budget, here's a breakdown of the different styles and costs, along with some popular models to check out.

Upright Trikes

If you're primarily interested in a leisurely ride around the neighborhood for pleasure, fitness or running errands, upright trikes are a good choice.

These are traditional upright-positioned tricycles that come with rear cargo baskets and limited gear options, usually ranging from one to three speeds.

A great choice in this category is the Sun Traditional Trike (see Sun.bike/trikes) that cost between \$440 and \$550. Or, for a less expensive option consider the Schwinn Meridian Adult Tricycle sold at Walmart, Target

or Amazon.com for around \$300.

Recumbent Trikes

These are the low-to-the-ground, stretched-out frame trikes that allow you to recline with your legs positioned in front of you. Available in various styles, recumbent trikes are very comfy, easy on the back and aerodynamic which make them ideal for longer rides.

TerraTrikes (Terratrike.com) and Catrike (Catrike.com) are two of the biggest U.S. companies that make tadpole-style (the two wheels are in front) recumbent trikes.

Or, see Sun Seeker (Sunseeker.bike), which sells several Delta recumbent trikes (two wheels in back) that offer a higher seat level. But be aware that recumbent trikes are much more expensive, typically ranging between \$1,000 and \$4,000.

E-Trikes

If you want a boost from time-to-time, electric trikes are a great option too. These trikes are hybrids that have pedals and a battery powered electric motor, so you can exercise when you want, or when you need



a boost, you can let the motor assist you.

A great place to find these is at ElectricTrike.com, which offer a variety of options ranging from \$1,500 to \$3,000. You can also find them on e-bike sites like PedegoElectricBikes.com, Pro-

decoTech.com and Evelo.com.

Folding Trikes

If you like to travel or if you have limited storage space, trikes that are designed to fold up to fit in tight spaces are another option. The Kent Adult Westport Folding Tricycle and

Mantis Tri-Rad Folding Adult Tricycle sold at Amazon.com for around \$300 are two popular options to check out.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org.

Underutilized Palliative Care Services Can Help Relieve Pain

By Jim Miller
Special to the Times

What can you tell me about palliative care? My husband suffers from lung disease and is receiving radiation for prostate cancer but is not terminally ill. I've heard that palliative care can help him with his pain and discomfort. What can you tell me?

Palliative care is a very effective service that can help patients

relieve the symptoms and stress that often comes with serious illness. But unfortunately, most people don't know about it, or don't understand how it can help them. Here's what you should know.

What is Palliative Care?

Most people hear the words "palliative care" and think "hospice," but they are different types of care. Hospice is reserved for when curative treatments have been exhausted and patients have less than six months to live.

Palliative care, on the other hand, is a medical specialty that focuses on providing relief from the symptoms such as pain, shortness of breath, fatigue, constipation, nausea, loss of appetite, trouble sleeping

and even depression. It can also help patients deal with the side effects of medical treatment.

Anyone with a serious illness can benefit from palliative care, including those with cancer, heart disease, lung disease, kidney disease, Alzheimer's, HIV/AIDS, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's and more.

Palliative care is provided by a team including palliative care doctors, nurses, social workers and other specialists that work with your doctor to provide an extra layer of support and care.

It is appropriate at any age and at any stage in a serious illness, and it can be provided along with curative treatment.

Palliative care teams are trained to help patients

understand all their treatment options as well as the quality of life ramifications, so they can make informed decisions about what's best for them.

Often patients assume their doctors will take care of their pain and stress, but most doctors in our specialized medical system have not been well trained in pain and symptom management. That's why palliative care is invaluable.

Palliative care was developed in the United States in the 1990s but only became a formal medical subspecialty in 2008. Today, three-quarters of U.S. hospitals with more than 50 beds have a palliative care program, and 90 percent of hospitals with 300 beds or more offer it.

How to Get Care

There are around 6 million people in the U.S. that have a

need for palliative care, according to the Center to Advance Palliative Care, but most patients don't know to ask for it.

If you feel that a palliative care specialist could help your husband, start by talking to his doctor and ask for a referral.

If your doctor isn't helpful, go to GetPalliativeCare.org, where you can search for a specialist in your area.

Palliative care can be provided in a variety of places, including hospitals, long-term care facilities, doctor's clinics and at your own home.

You'll also be happy to know that most private insurance plans, as well as Medicare and Medicaid, cover palliative care services.

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Air Travel Tips for Older Passengers

By Jim Miller
Special to the Times

Q My son is getting his PhD next month and I would like to fly my parents in from across the country for his graduation, but I have some concerns about the flights. My dad is 82 and has trouble walking long distances and uses an oxygen tank for his COPD. What airport or airline services are available to help elderly passengers?

A Flying across the country can be exhausting for anyone, but for seniors with health issues or physical limitations it can be extremely challenging. Here are a few flying tips and a number of resources that can help.

Booking: When you go to book your parent's flight, this is the time to make special requests that can help make the trip easier for your parents. You'll need to make these requests over the phone.

For example, you may want to book preferred aisle seats in the front of the plane for easier access or bulkhead seats that provide extra leg room, and you should probably request a wheelchair or two with attendant(s) to maneuver your parents through the airports they will be departing from and arriving to, and if there's a connecting flight in between.

If your parents don't want a wheelchair, but want some help, ask about electric carts.

You also need to check with the airline regarding their policy for oxygen units for your dad. While the Federal Aviation Administration prohibits the use of personal oxygen tanks

during flights because they contain compressed gas or liquid oxygen, they do permit certain portable oxygen concentrators.

Getting to the airport: If your parents need help getting to the airport there are various senior transportation options depending on your parent's location. To find out what's available in their area visit Rides in Sight at RidesInSight.org.

Airport assistance: If your parents are flying on their own, most airports allow elderly fliers to be escorted to and from the gate by a non-traveling companion as long as they get a gate/escort pass, which he or she can get at the airline check-in counter by showing a government-issued photo ID.

But if no one is available to help your parents, find out if the airline can assist them when you call to book their flight. Some airlines offer special check-in and escort assistance to passengers that request it.

Or, consider hiring an independent company like Royal Airport Concierge Services (RoyalAirportConcierge.com), who will meet your parents at the curb, check their bags, expedite all check-in and security processes and escort them to a VIP lounge and to the aircraft gate when they are ready to board. Costs typically range between \$200 and \$400.

If your parents need even more help, there are also a number of traveling companion services you can call on like FlyingCompanions.com and FirstLightHomeCare.com.

These services will do everything including making the travel arrangements, accompanying your parents on the trip, and facilitating their needs

along the way. Fees for these services will vary depending on what's needed and travel costs.

Security and boarding: To help you parents get through security screening a little easier, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) offers special expedited screening to passengers 75 and older as well as those with disabilities and medical conditions. This allows them to move through security without removing their shoes or jacket, and some airports may have a special line.

Call TSA Cares at 855-787-2227 or visit TSA.gov/travel/special-procedures to learn more.

When it's time to board, your parents can also take advantage of the airlines pre-boarding option for elderly passengers who need some extra time to get on the plane and get settled.

And for getting off the plane, they can wait for the other passengers to disembark so attendants can assist them with carry-ons and escort them from the plane.

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Setting The Incapacity 'Trigger' in Your POA & Trust: Two Doctors or One?

By Gene L. Osofsky, Esq.
Special to the Times

Q I am in my late 80's and am updating my estate plan. I find I have an important decision to make: in my Power of Attorney ("POA") and my Trust, if I ever lose mental capacity should I require the opinion of two doctors, or just one, to certify my incapacity before duties transfer to my Agent or Successor Trustee? Requiring two doctors to sign off would seem to give me greater protection against a "wrong call" by only one. What do you think?

A That is really an excellent question and my compliments for giving it special thought.

A bit of background: The most common choice in these matters is to require that two (2) physicians must render an opinion on mental incapacity before responsibility shifts to one's designated successor.

This approach may make sense for younger individuals, who might reasonably believe that requiring two medical opinions will protect against a "wrong call" by a single physician.

Hence, the "two doctor" requirement is typically the default approach in most estate plans.

However, for older persons, or those who – in the future – may need care in a facility, this two-doctor requirement could pose a big problem for one's family, probably at a time of stress, and may actually make managing one's financial affairs

much more difficult.

Here's why: When and if incapacity becomes an issue, it is likely that you, the principal, will then be residing in a care facility, such as a nursing home.

In the nursing home and in some other care facilities, typically only one physician covers the entire facility, visits each patient at a prescribed interval, and directs his or her care.

In those situations, it is very difficult to arrange for a visit by a second physician, as there is typically no second doctor who also makes those rounds.

Thus, to comply with a "two doctor requirement" in one's POA or Trust, your family would need to search for a physician outside the facility who makes "house calls" to nursing home patients, and who is willing to assess you for legal capacity and write an opinion letter based upon that assessment.

It would also be an expense that would not likely be covered by private insurance, Medicare or Medi-Cal.

This process can be very difficult for one's family, especially at a time of stress, and can

actually impede the prompt and smooth transfer of responsibility for financial affairs to one's designated successors.

For these reasons, in our practice we consistently recommend that our clients only require the opinion of only one (1) physician to establish their incapacity.

By doing so, we believe that we make the process easier down the road for the client's family, help to smooth transition to his or her designated successors, and thereby help ensure uninterrupted management of our client's financial affairs.

In this regard, we typically provide in our legal documents that the client's incapacity, if it ever occurs, is to be "established by the opinion of one (1) physician, licensed in the state in which the principal then resides, who has examined the principal, and who renders an opinion in writing that the principal is incapable managing his or her own financial affairs."

You may wish to discuss this matter with your family and with your attorney and consider using the "one (1) physician" requirement for the reasons discussed.

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GUEST COMMENTARY



Vacant Homes Targets For Squatters

As California's housing crisis increases, opportunistic individuals are capitalizing on a weak link in the housing market. Looking for vacant properties being prepared for sale or already in escrow, they move themselves in.

Think "Squatters."

Last week in Hayward, sellers were horrified to discover that their vacant property, due to close in a week, had been broken into and occupied by an individual claiming to be the new owner. When challenged, he produced a fake purchase agreement, showing how far some will go in their attempts to secure housing.

Without a proper key, this person had used a prybar to gain access through a brand-new rear window, doing extensive damage in the process.

The sellers contacted the police, who, upon determining that the person had indeed entered illegally, arrested him and secured the property. The sellers are now faced with repairing the damage and cleaning up the mess so they can close escrow.

This is not an isolated incident, and is a reminder that sellers need to be extremely diligent in protecting vacant

homes during the sale process. Not only is harm done to the property itself, it can also traumatize buyers who, hoping they were moving into a safe neighborhood, discover that their future home has been broken into.

We have seen a number of these incidents over the past few years. Vacant homes are ripe targets as they typically have the utilities turned on, have often been upgraded and can even be fully furnished with staged furniture.

While some dwellings have been occupied for temporary shelter, others have been accessed by those claiming to be property managers who in turn have rented the property to unsuspecting tenants, pocketing a damage deposit and monthly rent payments.

We advise the following:

Check vacant properties regularly. Frequent visits can deter those who might be monitoring a prospective residence.

If a squatter is allowed to occupy a home for a prolonged period of time, it is much more difficult to extricate them, and may end up involving the legal system.

Install an alarm system.

If it appears your home has unwelcome occupants, contact the police and allow them to

access the home.

Consider marketing your home without a For Sale sign out front. In some neighborhoods, the sign might be viewed as a welcome mat.

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Home Garden Tomatoes Not Genetically Engineered

By Buzz Bertolero
Special to the Times

How would I know if the hybrid vegetable seed I've planted has been genetically engineered? I've planted several hybrid crosses along with some heirloom tomatoes, and now I'm concerned that they may be unhealthy.

This should not be an issue nor would I pull the plants and discard them.

For generations, plant breeders have been cross-breeding

the genes of compatible plants. Their goal is to create a new plant with the best traits from both parents such as early maturity, early flowering, disease resistance, etc.

The new plants are called F-1 Hybrids or just Hybrids. Seedless watermelons and pluots are recent examples of popular hybrids along with a countless number of tomatoes, other vegetables, and seasonal color plants.

If you're a seed saver, hybrids have a significant drawback; they're very unpredictable in the next generation, so it's generally recommended not to

waste your time saving the hybrid seed. Instead, you want to save open-pollinated varieties.

Open-Pollinated varieties are simply those varieties that are capable of producing seeds that will produce seedlings just like the parent plants. They breed true year after year because of the natural selection.

Any variety that has been around a minimum of 50 years — an arbitrary number — are then called an "heirloom" variety. These terms are often used interchangeably. F-1 Hybrids and Open-Pollinated varieties should not be confused with the modern-day gene splicing or genetically engineered plants.

To be really technical, USDA considers any plant, animal or microorganism produced through any type of genetic modification as to be a genetically modified organism (GMO's).

While a hybrid plant is a GMO, it's not genetically engineered. Genetically engineered varieties combine atypical genes that are not found in nature. The only way for them to occur is by human intervention and manipulation.

Plants like corn that has the pesticide Bt engineered into its genetic makeup to make it resistant to certain pests is an example.

Bt is a natural pesticide, but



it would never naturally find its way into corn seed. They're created using molecular genetics techniques such as gene cloning, splicing, and protein engineering.

Another example, is herbicide resistant soybean, cotton, canola, and alfalfa, so you control broad spectrum grasses and broadleaf weeds without damaging the original plant. These varieties have no application in home gardens. So you will not encounter any packets of genetically engineered seed in home and garden catalogs or in the seed rack at their favorite garden centers.

Buzz Bertolero is an Advance California Certified Nursery Professional. The Dirt Gardener's website is www.dirtgardener.com and questions can be sent by email to buzz@dirtgardener.com or on Facebook at [Facebook.com/Buzz.Bertolero](https://www.facebook.com/Buzz.Bertolero)



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Prepare Now for Natural Disasters

By Jason Alderman
Special to the Times

Today, April 18, will be the 113th anniversary of the great San Francisco earthquake.

Natural disasters are inevitable, unpreventable and often come without warning. No part of the world seems to be spared, whether it's a hurricane, earthquake, tornado, drought or flood.

Even though such catastrophes can't always be predicted, their likely aftermaths often can, including property loss, power or water service disruption, scarcity of food and supplies or overtaxed relief organizations.

By planning ahead and knowing what you might need under dire circumstances, you can save yourselves a lot of time, money and grief.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) offers great suggestions for developing a family emergency

plan, building an emergency supply kit, and learning what to do before, during and after emergencies – even a plan for family pets (www.fema.gov).

Once your physical safety has been assured, you'll inevitably need to access important financial and legal records, whether to file insurance claims, apply for loans or simply withdraw cash. Taking these few steps now will make accessing such information much easier when the time comes:

Create a log of all account numbers, toll-free emergency numbers, contact information and passwords for your bank and credit card accounts, loans, insurance policies, utilities and other important accounts.

Update it regularly and save copies in secure, offsite locations such as a safety deposit box or with a trusted friend living in another area. You can also email the list to yourself in an encrypted, password-protected file, save it on a CD or

USB drive, or use a cloud-based storage service like Dropbox that will let you access it from any Internet connection.

Make PDF copies of tax returns, insurance policies and legal documents and save offsite in the same manner as above, in case your files or computer are destroyed by fire or flood. Also make digital copies of invaluable family photos, documents and memorabilia that money can't replace.

Document your possessions. If you should ever need to file an insurance claim or claim a tax deduction for lost, stolen or damaged property, it'll be much easier if you have an inventory of everything you own – photos or videotape are even better. A few available tools:

- The IRS' Casualty, Theft and Loss Workbook (IRS Publication 584) includes a worksheet for cataloging and estimating the value of your possessions.
- The Insurance Information Institute maintains a free,

secure online home inventory software application that lets you access your home inventory, anywhere, anytime (www.iii.org).

- Your insurance company's website likely contains a downloadable inventory form.

Make sure you fully understand what is and isn't covered by your insurance policies for natural disasters. You may need additional coverage for damage associated with hurricanes, tornados, earthquakes and other weather conditions. Also:

- Document any damage with photos or video before you start cleanup or repairs.

- Keep track of expenses you incur to prevent further damage, for temporary housing or to move your possessions for safekeeping, as they may be reimbursable under your insurance claim.

- Don't delay submitting your claim, since insurers often settle claims in the order filed.

FEMA provides information



on how you might be able to get government assistance before, during and after a disaster at www.disasterassistance.gov.

Bottom line: Develop a fam-

ily emergency plan now and make sure everyone knows what to do when disaster strikes.

Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs.

Mortgage Rates Inch Up

Mortgage rates rose modestly last week with the 30-year fixed-rate averaging 4.12 percent, according to Freddie Mac's weekly nationwide survey. The 30-year FRM averaged 4.08 the previous week, and a year ago at this time, the FRM averaged 4.42 percent.

"Rates moved up slightly this week while mortgage applications decreased following last week's jump in rates – indicating borrower sensitivity to changing mortgage rates. Despite the recent rise, we expect mortgage rates to remain low, in line with the low 10-year treasury yields, boosting homebuyer demand in the next few months," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

Fifteen-year rates averaged 3.60 percent last week, and five-year hybrid adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) averaged 3.80 percent. A year

ago at this time, the 15-year FRM averaged 3.87 percent, while the 5-year ARM averaged 3.61 percent.

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20345 Stanton Avenue	94546: \$580,000 3 BD - 1,349 SF - 1949
18662 Stanton Avenue	94546: \$630,000 3 BD - 1,014 SF - 1952
3288 Barlow Drive	94546: \$650,000 3 BD - 1,020 SF - 1952
2224 Lessley Avenue	94546: \$670,000 3 BD - 1,141 SF - 1948
4874 Crow Canyon Rd	94552: \$750,000 3 BD - 1,578 SF - 1950
4250 Nando Court	94546: \$820,000 3 BD - 1,530 SF - 1957
1848 Knox Street	94546: \$825,000 3 BD - 1,389 SF - 1953
3712 Seven Hills Road	94546: \$850,000 3 BD - 1,774 SF - 1955
18646 Capricorn Court	94546: \$875,000 4 BD - 1,974 SF - 1961
17624 Walnut Road	94546: \$935,000 3 BD - 1,866 SF - 1954
22698 Princeton Place	94552: \$1,075,000 3 BD - 2,082 SF - 2000
6043 Skyfarm Drive	94552: \$1,185,000 4 BD - 2,310 SF - 1987

TOTAL SALES: 15

LOWEST AMOUNT: \$520,000 MEDIAN AMOUNT: \$750,000
HIGHEST AMOUNT: \$1,185,000 AVERAGE AMOUNT: \$763,333

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16890 Ehle Street	94578: \$295,000 1 BD - 624 SF - 1929
1470 Thrush Avenue	94578: \$356,500 2 BD - 749 SF - 1994
1531 Thrush Avenue	94578: \$405,000 1 BD - 638 SF - 1946
14721 Fisk Court	94579: \$540,000 3 BD - 1,459 SF - 1951
13867 Seagate Drive	94577: \$585,000 3 BD - 1,595 SF - 1988
14628 Acacia Street	94579: \$620,000 3 BD - 1,096 SF - 1953
14378 Outrigger Drive	94577: \$680,000 3 BD - 1,957 SF - 1987
2012 Arctic Street	94577: \$712,000 3 BD - 1,522 SF - 1950
14283 Tiburon Road	94577: \$768,000 5 BD - 1,584 SF - 1963
271 Williams Street	94577: \$825,000 4 BD - 2,089 SF - 1917
705 Arbor Drive	94577: \$838,000 3 BD - 2,097 SF - 1931
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TOTAL SALES: 12

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Easy to Live with Hyundai Ionic Electric

As the electric car market grows, Hyundai is quietly, determinedly, building a wider assortment of choices. The Ioniq is the brand's direct competition with the ubiquitous Toyota Prius, and comes as a hybrid, plug-in-hybrid, or pure electric. You can identify the EV by its big black grilleless nose, unique headlamps and taillamps, and its own custom alloy wheels.

My Black Noir Pearl test car was the all-electric model. Since its debut as a 2017, it has made the case for how easy an EV is to live with. Not as outlandishly styled as the Prius, it employs the same teardrop shape and clever wind-cheating tricks to get an aerodynamic 0.24 cd, slipping smoothly through the air.

The Ioniq EV's 88 kW motor equates to just 118 horsepower, but with a generous 218 lb.-ft. of torque, the 3,285-pound EV scoots along fine in traffic and never leaves you feeling frustrated. Hyundai brags that the Ioniq EV is the "most efficient electric vehicle sold in America," at 136 MPGe Combined (150 City, 122 Highway). Compare that to other EVs, such as the Chevrolet Bolt EV, at 119 MPGe Combined and the new

Range is a big issue with EVs, and that's where the Ioniq EV isn't ideal. It has 124 miles of range, which is actually plenty for nearly everything most people do. But—if you want to travel 350 miles during the holidays to visit your aunt in the next state, you'd better plan to take a couple of long rest stops. At least the Ioniq comes with standard DC fast charging.

The Ioniq's 28 kWh lithium-ion polymer battery is under the rear seat, so it doesn't intrude that much on cargo space—you get a useful 23 cubic feet. The polymer in the battery means it's easier to shape to fit in specific areas. The range math is easy to do: a Chevrolet Bolt has a 60-kWh battery and earns an EPA range of 238 miles vs. 124 for the 28 kWh Ioniq EV.

As an all-electric vehicle, the Ioniq Electric gets perfect 10's from the EPA for Smog and Greenhouse Gas. With electricity much cheaper than gas, you'll spend only about \$500 a year on fuel.

One way that electric vehicles extend range is by regenerative braking. In most EVs, you can have either a lot of regeneration or none. Having it “on” means you can slow down and sometimes even stop without using the brake pedal. In the Ioniq Electric, as with other Hyundai and sister

Kia EVs, you can set regeneration to four levels, from 0 to 3, with 3 being the strongest.

There are two trim levels – base and Limited. My tester, as a Limited, enjoyed the benefits of everything from chrome outside moldings to HID headlights, a power sunroof, a heat pump (great in an electric car), 10-way power driver's seat, leather upholstery, BlueLink Guidance Package, fancy door sill plates, and a premium eight-speaker Infinity audio system.

Besides the luxury and convenience stuff, the Limited includes a package of electronic features that make it a much safer ride. These include Blind Spot Detection with Rear Traffic Alert (this feature has saved me numerous times over the last few years), Automatic Emergency Braking with Pedestrian Detection, and Lane Keep Assist (noisy, but keeps you in your lane). You also get the convenience of Smart Cruise Control (not available on any Bolt EV) and headlights with Dynamic Bending Light that can “see around corners.” And don’t forget about Driver Attention Warning, to keep you aware.

The mechanicals are the same in base and Limited, and the base still has loads of fine features, so if you can manage with less you can save a cool six grand. The base car starts at \$31,200 while the Limited



The high-efficiency electric motor can operate at speeds up to 75 MPH and delivers instantaneous torque at low speeds, with available power-assist at higher vehicle speeds.



Materials for the interior were chosen with an ecologically-sensitive focus and are used to create a simple and clean look.

is \$37,200. Both prices include shipping, and both qualify for California rebates and Federal tax credits, so the actual price could be as much as \$10,000 less if you buy.

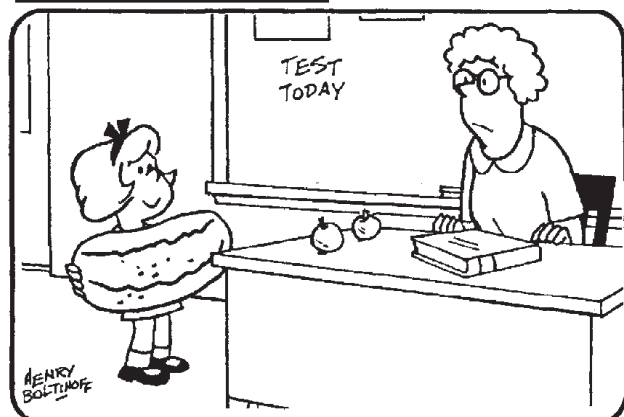
Hyundai now offers the small Kona crossover as an EV, the Sonata large midsize sedan as a plug-in hybrid, and even the all-new Nexō hydrogen fuel cell vehicle. It's a pretty impressive lineup, and you get the advantage of style directed by the former Audi chief designer, Peter Schreyer. Hyundais are better looking than Audis these days!

Built in Ulsan, Korea of 91 percent Korean parts, the Ioniq Electric is well designed and well made, as the brand picks up good stats in the J.D. Power surveys for initial quality. For 2018, Hyundai came

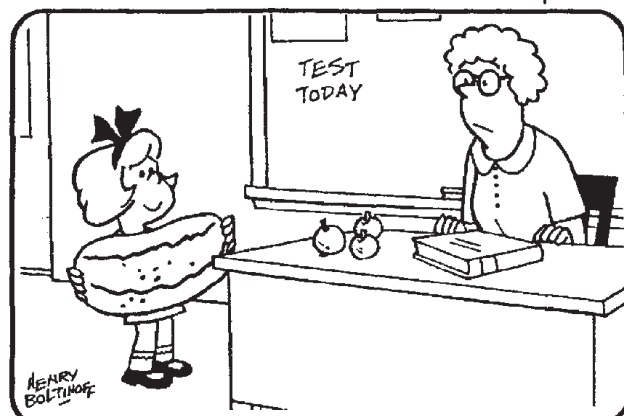
in third, ahead of Porsche and just behind siblings Kia and Genesis. **Electric.** edly with a Hyundai Ioniq Electric. *Steve Schaefer lives in Cas-*

Other than its limited range, there's absolutely no reason you can't live content-

BY
HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Girl's bow is bigger. 2. Socks are different. 3. Teacher's dress has buttons. 4. Extra apple is on desk. 5. Blackboard is smaller. 6. Girl's left hand is shown.

1. Who was the greatest actor in the Bible?
2. What key is the hardest to turn?
3. What goes up and never goes down?
4. What has 18 legs and catches flies?
5. What must one do to have soft hands?

Answers: 1. Samson. He brought down the house. 2. A donkey. 3. Your age. 4. A baseball team. 5. Nothing.



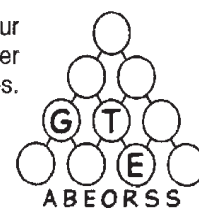
CHEMICAL CONFUSION! That young genius Jimmy A. Chiever is shown here creating a new chemical compound he calls "HIJKLMNO." Can you guess what he's really mixing up?

Answer: "HUKLMNO" is really WATER (H to O, or H_2O).



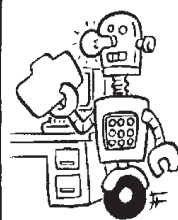
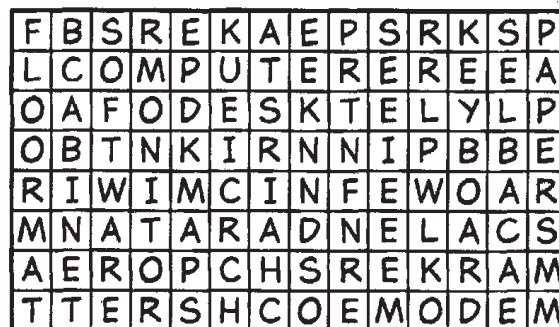
CHAIN REACTION! Take the seven letters printed below our diagram and place them in the circles so that eight four-letter words can be read, top to bottom, along the connecting lines. All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle.

Answers: Top to bottom, left to right: Hage, rags, rats, rate, rots, role, robe



Junior Whirl

- by Charles Barry Townsend



THE OFFICE OF THE FUTURE ... TODAY!

Hidden in the above diagram are 21 words associated with things you might find in a "home office" today. They can be found by reading up or down, side to side, or diagonally. Letters can be used more than once. Listed below are the words you're looking for:

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Cabinet	Floor mat	Pens
Cables	Keyboard	Printer
Calendar	Maps	Scale
Chairs	Markers	Scanner
Computer	Modem	Software
Desk	Monitor	Speakers

Youth Center Marks 5th Year of Success

By Sophie Linder
Special to the Times

The REACH Ashland Youth Center (Recreation, Education, Arts, Career, and Health) serves youth in all of Alameda County with a primary focus on the Ashland, Cherryland and San Lorenzo areas, unincorporated communities long associated with poverty, crime and chronic health issues.

REACH aims to empower young people by promoting resiliency in spite of social disadvantage.

REACH provides youth with health services, career development opportunities, educational programs, and creative projects and activities. From 2015 to 2018, an average of 3,000 youth visited REACH annually. The majority of youth served by REACH are people of color.

The youth center's success was highlighted in their 2016-2017 evaluation report. Youth members who utilized REACH services saw an increase in school success, job opportunities and improved physical and mental health. Over 90 percent of members reported that as a result of engaging in REACH activities, they have taken an active role in strengthening their communities.

Marco Alberto grew up in San Lorenzo and first heard about REACH while attending Arroyo High School, later becoming a teaching artist at REACH. He recalled the shortage of local safe spaces to congregate and obtain resources.

Alberto joined forces with the local Youth Leadership Council to create a vision for REACH. They presented their vision to the county, jointly constructing REACH as a youth center with art, live music and opportunities for empowerment and autonomy.

As a REACH member, Alberto participated in conferences aimed at tackling teen issues. Reproductive justice was his generation's focus due to the high rate of teen pregnancy in the unincorporated community. The next generation's focus shifted to alcohol and drug abuse.

Alberto wrote about the youth center in his college application. He first attended Chabot College and then transferred to the University of California, Berkeley where he was awarded the Public Service Center's Shinryo-en Peace Fellowship. He chose to do his fellowship at REACH, where



Marco Alberto helped create a vision for REACH as a student at Arroyo High and later became a teaching artist at the youth center.

he was offered a teaching artist job upon completion.

The youth center made headlines in December of 2017 when Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley announced that the Alameda County Sheriff's Department would take over as lead operator of REACH.

The takeover was scheduled to occur in July of 2018, but the plan was met with community backlash. Miley conceded that fear and lack of trust around law enforcement were factors in the community resistance.

Miley rescinded his announcement, declaring that the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency will continue to be the lead operator of REACH at present. At REACH, the recreation programs are run by the Sheriff's Office nonprofit arm, the Deputy Sheriff's Activities League.

REACH celebrated its fifth year anniversary last May and its youth organizing body – formerly called the Youth Leadership Council—has a new title: the Youth Empowerment Representatives of Ashland. They meet with Supervisor Miley quarterly to have ongoing dialogue and foster clear communication.

Discussions between the two parties focus on needs as defined by the youth body, including consultation before center-wide decisions are made. Their goal is to preserve the original vision of REACH and to be among the decision-makers regarding the

future of REACH.

"The story of REACH shows what happens when an under-re-

sourced community thrives," Alberto said. "It's a model for the rest of the world."

Camp: 'He has the methods to help a diverse student population learn'

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from Sacramento State. He received the Association of California School Administrators "Valuing Diversity" award and has served as that organization's regional president. Camp also serves as president-elect of the California Association of African American School Administrators.

San Lorenzo School Board President Penny Peck said Camp emerged as the best candidate because of his forward-thinking approach to education.

"I think he's going to really help us move to a 21st century way of understanding how kids learn," said Peck. "He has the methods to help a diverse student population learn. And he's also a very well-liked, trusted person and a good listener."

Peck went on to thank Harter,



Dr. Daryl Camp will move from Riverbank to the San Lorenzo school district.

who she said was invaluable as the district transitioned leadership.

"Dr. Harter has been a great help to us all, we can't thank him enough," said Peck.

Spring Cleaning Event

Saturday, May 18

EVENT FEATURES

Citywide Garage Sale ~ 8am - 1pm
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Dahlia Society's Annual Sale on April 27

Plant now for summer color; cuttings and tubers on sale at Root Park

The San Leandro Dahlia Society will hold its annual tuber and cutting sale on Saturday, April 27, from 9 a.m. to noon at Root Park, 1033 East 14th St. in San Leandro. Plant now for summer color. Cuttings are small plants, ready to be planted. Tubers are like roots, ready to be planted. Dahlias come in

many sizes, shapes and colors. Dahlia society members will be on hand to answer any questions or give advice on planting. For more information, visit Sanleandrodahliasociety.org.

They all have the "Wow" effect in any garden. Dahlias grow well in our area as long as they have at least 6 hours of sunlight.



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Dahlia cuttings and tubers (roots) will be on sale at Root Park for anyone who wants to start a dahlia garden in their own yard.

Meeting on Green New Deal Launch

The National Sunrise Movement and San Leandro community members will host a town hall on Monday, April 22, at 6 p.m. at Station SL, 1455 Hays St. in downtown San Leandro to launch the next phase of the campaign for the Green New Deal and share how the 10-year mobilization to stop climate change and create millions of good jobs would improve the lives of people in San Leandro.

This town hall will be one of over 250 similar events happening in churches, classrooms, and union halls across the country this spring as part of the national Road to a Green New Deal tour.

The Green New Deal is a 10-year plan to mobilize every aspect of American society to 100 percent clean and renewable energy by 2030, guarantee a living-wage job for anyone who needs one, and facilitate a just transition for both workers and frontline communities.

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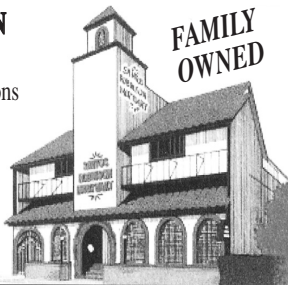
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Nathan Kleinstein

1922 – 2019

Nathan Kleinstein of San Leandro passed away peacefully on March 31, 2019 in Roseville, CA. He served his country in the Army during WWII. After the war, he worked for the East Bay Municipal Utility District until retirement.

His wife of 59 years, Thelma Kleinstein (Jensen), passed away in 2004. Nathan is survived by his two children, Bob Kleinstein (Roberta) and Lynn Brown (James), along with three grandchildren, Amy Henkle (Mike), Jeff Brown (Kelly) and Allison Neher (Tyler), and six great-grandchildren. His older brother, Benjamin Kleinstein, preceded him in death. He has three surviving nieces, Judith Kleinstein, Amy Hamel, and Susan Kleinstein.

He was active in the San Leandro community in little league and the Bonaire Homeowners Association. He also served as a member of San Leandro School Board, Planning Commission, and the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Nathan was interested in politics, history, chess and movies. He was an avid reader of both books and newspapers. He enjoyed his daily walks around the neighborhood.

Our own special memories will always stay with us. He was an upright and honorable man.

KLEINSTEIN, Nathan
KOLKMANN, Joyce
MOSCARDINI, Eleanor

October 9, 1940, Berkeley, CA; died April 26, 2018, Canby, OR. Surviving: brothers, Oliver Kolkman, Willits, CA and Harry Kolkman, Livingston, MT.

■ Kolkman, Joyce, 77; born

Eleanor (Tuie) Moscardini

July 27, 1924 - April 2, 2019

Eleanor (Tuie) left this planet on April 2, 2019 at age 94 for her final trip to the stars.

Tuie was born and raised in Oakland and was a graduate of Oakland Technical High School where she met her husband Bob. They got married when Bob returned from serving in the U.S. Navy. During WW2 she did her part, working for Hallscoft, MFG of Marine Engines, Standard Oil Service Stations.

Bob and Tuie were married for 72 years and 8 months. They had one son, Douglas; 2 grandchildren, Douglas Jr. and Melissa; plus three great-grandchildren, Conner, Olivia, and Ellie.

Tuie was part of a very large family, nine brothers and sisters. Sole survivor Robert Narvaez of Mill Valley.

Tuie was a wonderful wife, mother and homemaker. She will be missed by all.

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Submit Nominations for the 2019 Arts Leadership Awards

The Alameda County Arts Commission invites County residents to submit nominations for the 2019 Alameda County Arts Leadership Awards. Nominations are due on Wednesday, May 15 and must be submitted online at www.acgov.org/arts/awards

This annual program enables the Alameda County Arts Commission to recognize five individuals, one from each of the five districts of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, for their outstanding achievements and contributions impacting the arts community and the residents of Alameda County. Award recipients will be presented to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors by the Arts Commission.

Nominees must be residents of Alameda County and involved in an arts discipline including, but not limited to, music, dance, visual arts, literature, theater, film and video, traditional crafts and folk arts, and new media. Nominees must be affiliated with an Alameda County arts organization through their role as an artist, staff person, board member, teacher, volunteer, donor, supporter, advocate, etc. For complete details, please review the online nomination instructions.

Nominations must be submitted by Alameda County residents. Each individual may submit only one nomination. Nomination statements must include a description of the nominee's major achievements in the arts that have benefited the community and residents of Alameda County; the impact and results of the achievements; and other background information about the nominee's contributions to the Alameda County arts community such as what distinguishes the nominee from his/her peers or colleagues. It is anticipated that the Members of the Alameda County Arts Commission will review the nominations in June and the award recipients will be recognized in early October in conjunction with the County's celebration of National Arts and Humanities Month.

For more information please contact the Office of the Alameda County Arts Commission at (510) 208-9646, artscommission@acgov.org or www.acgov.org/arts/awards.

OPINION

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Letters must include the writer's name, address and phone number, and must be under 300 words. We reserve the right to edit as necessary. E-mail letters to: letters@ebpublishing.com or fax to: 510-483-4209, or send by mail to: The Editor, San Leandro Times, 2060 Washington Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577.

Why are the Speed Bumps on Superior So Inferior?

Editor:

I have lived on Superior Avenue on the two block long section between Dutton and Mac Arthur for 25 years. Because the entrance to I-580 is at the end of the street there is a great deal of through traffic moving dangerously fast in both directions.

For nearly two decades my neighbors have petitioned to get speed bumps installed and after much time and effort they were approved about a year ago and then installed this past week. We were all so excited to finally have them in place.

I was immediately perplexed when I first saw them because they were so low in height and have long gradual edges. The first few cars that I saw drive over them barely slowed down at all, and while other cars did slow down they will soon learn that these speed bumps are basically a joke. Some cars with tall clearance glided over them effortlessly as they drove and then went even faster between the bumps. They are about the poorest excuse for speed bumps that I have ever seen!

There are other types of speed bumps in San Leandro that are much more effective.

Why were these designed in this manner? The bump going into my driveway is bigger! These are about the poorest excuses for speed bumps that I have ever seen! It's extremely frustrating and disappointing that these do not serve the purpose of slowing down the speeders! Why are the speed bumps on Superior so inferior?

—Chris Morreale, San Leandro

An Open Letter to City Councilman Victor Aguilar

Editor:

Thank you for standing up against Reflex and for the common citizens of San Leandro.

It seems the City Council has lost any concept of the fact that we elected them and they should be representing us and not an Australian company instead. Several other communities have voted to remove these cameras recently.

I hate that the rest of the City Council members just rubber stamp any and every way to pick the pockets of our residents, most recently by installing more parking meters downtown and now this red light

camera Bravo Sierra.

I've never been fined, but do remember two years after they were first installed, one council member lamenting the fact that the city wasn't making any money off of them and that the profits were going to Reflex.

But that didn't stop him from voting to renew their contract again.

After talking to several neighbor's about these two topics, I'm hardly a politician but am actually tempted in running against Pete Ballew, but it seems the incumbents will always win.

—Ken Kellogg, San Leandro

Restore the Glory of the No-Parking-Meter Days

Editor:

The parking meters in the Pelton and Parrott shopping centers are a bad idea. Rent increases and parking meters it will drive away the remaining businesses that are left in these shopping centers. The city needs to create a friendly atmosphere for the shoppers and business owners in these two areas. The parking situation should be regulated by a fair time limit for parked cars, not by parking meters. It's sad to see 2 once-thriving business centers die on the vine due to poor decisions by the city and the owner of the two centers. Take the meters out and bring back free parking. Help restore the glory days of Pelton and Parrott shopping centers.

—Mike Brotsis, San Leandro

Presidential Lies Getting Little Attention in The Times

Editor:

On Saturday, April 13th at 7:30 pm Eastern Standard Time, President Trump stated publicly that "The New York Times Sanctuary City/Immigration story today was knowingly wrong on almost every fact." 38 minutes later, at 8:08 pm, the President publicly confirmed the most controversial portion of that New York Times story, that he wanted to spend additional taxpayer money to send those seeking asylum in the United States to "Sanctuary Cities (which) must immediately act to take care of the Illegal Immigrants..."

The President went on to list a set of despicable lies to claim that asylum seekers are made up of the worst sorts of violent criminals. These were preposterous, wild, racist lies, but the President of the United States stated them anyway.

This would be a good time to recall that the Ku Klux Klan endorsed President Trump's 2016 Presidential campaign.

Nonstop lying and explicit racism are the most prominent character traits of this President. These are a stain on this Nation. The acts of Trump's terrifically corrupt Administration as they attempt to implement his uncommonly vile and frequently illegal policy preferences have also warped the morals of many Americans and grievously harmed many vulnerable people.

These facts and conditions are rarely discussed these days on the pages of the San Leandro Times. As a long time resident of the City, I think they are worth mentioning. I don't like the idea of people living in future generations looking at back issues of this paper published during the Trump Presidency and finding that City residents looked at this unbearable Presidency with indifference.

—Doug Jones, San Leandro

Celebrate Earth Day at the Supermarket Produce Counter

Editor:

Earth Day is April 22, marking a half century of promoting environmental awareness and calling for protection of our planet. But are we making a difference? Can we do more than reduce, reuse and recycle? Sure! We can adopt a plant-based diet and stop consuming animals.

Why the focus on meat and dairy?

An article in Nature argues that animal agriculture is a major driver of climate change, air and water pollution, and depletion of soil and freshwater resources. Oxford University's prestigious Food Climate Research Network reports that solving the global warming catastrophe requires a massive shift to plant-based eating.

Animal agriculture is responsible for carbon dioxide emissions from burning forests to create animal pastures and the operation of machinery to raise and transport animals.

More damaging methane and nitrous oxide are released from digestive tracts of cattle and animal waste ponds, respectively. In fact, meat and dairy production dump more animal waste, fertilizers, pesticides and other pollutants into our waterways than all other human activities combined, and it's the driving force behind wildlife extinction.

An environmentally sustainable world replaces meat and dairy products in our diet with vegetables, fruits, and grains, just as fossil fuels are replaced by wind, solar, and other pollution-free energy sources.

We can celebrate the observance of Earth Day at our supermarket.

—Dennis Roth
San Leandro

INQUIRING REPORTER

Could you get along without a car?

— Asked downtown

Not me, because I have to get to work in Hayward. A friend at work doesn't have a car and he has to take the bus to BART and then transfer to another bus, and he's always late.

Francisco Duenas
Oakland



I have been. I haven't had a car in a year. I take BART to work in San Francisco, in the financial district, close to the BART station.

Joe Vallette
San Leandro



How are we going to get around without a car? I have to pick up my daughter at school. I need a vehicle to get to work, school, shopping. You can't get to all those places on public transit. Not everyone is single.

Angelica Buckingham
Hayward, works in San Leandro



I got around without a car on BART, Uber, the bus. But I recently got a car. My dad got it for me, because I need it to get to job interviews and going to school.

Brianna Belfield
Oakland



I have done that for four years. It was okay. I was saving up for a car, because I like the freedom to go wherever you want whenever.

Yvette Smith
San Leandro





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St. Felicitas School fourth graders made 200 lunches for the homeless people who came to the April Showers program on a recent Sunday.

St. Felicitas Fourth Graders Make Lunch for the Homeless

Students of the fourth grade class at St. Felicitas Catholic School donated and packed almost 200 lunches on Sunday, March 31, to donate to the homeless.

The lunches went to the April Showers pro-

gram, which provides showers, food, clothing and other necessities to the homeless.

One student came up with the idea of making doggy treat bags, too, for the homeless people who have dogs.

Auction to Benefit Roosevelt and Bancroft

Come to the Annual Spring Auction benefiting Roosevelt Elementary School and Bancroft Middle School on Saturday, April 27, from 5 to 10 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building, 1105

Bancroft Ave.

The theme this year is Casino Royale and includes gambling, food and drinks, and entertainment. Tickets are \$40 each or \$75 a pair. Come out to support the

students of San Leandro public schools.

For advanced purchase tickets and more information Visit: <https://roosevelt.schoolauction.net/auction2019>.

City of San Leandro's Home Earthquake Strengthening Course

The City of San Leandro is again offering its nationally recognized and award-winning Home Earthquake Strengthening Course to homeowners. This is a "do-it-yourself" course geared towards owners of older, raised-floor homes. Homeowners will be shown how to identify and strengthen structural weaknesses in their homes. Upon completion of this four-day course, each homeowner will have a customized blueprint for their seismic project.

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Congressman Eric Swalwell held a campaign kick-off rally in his hometown of Dublin.

Swalwell Kicks Off Prez Campaign

Congressman Eric Swalwell kicked off his presidential campaign in his hometown of Dublin on Saturday to the cheers of about a thousand supporters at Dublin High School.

Swalwell talked about his

middle-class upbringing from his paperboy route to coaching baseball, in an attempt to distance himself from President Trump's wealthy childhood. The congressman called for a ban on assault rifles and presented his plan to

buy back every assault weapon in the country.

Swalwell represents the 15th District which includes Livermore, Pleasanton, Fremont, Hayward, San Lorenzo and part of San Leandro.

Park: Popular train, petting zoo

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by a lawn to help the park flow to the historical home, which was built in 1886.

Tiernan says that when the 13-acre park reopens, there will be a new central play area, a teacup amusement ride, new concession building, new bathrooms, improved pathways and seating, new picnic areas, and about 40 new trees.

Popular park features including the 1950s-era train ride, the petting zoo, pony rides, and the

carousel will remain.

Tiernan says that the park has been partially closed since last fall when staff members left, but the public was able to picnic and use the open spaces. But as of last week, the construction fences went up and the park is completely closed.

"The hope is to get the work done over the next year or so and get it open in the summer of 2020 for everyone to enjoy," said Tiernan.

Besides the Kennedy Park

project, the other HARD projects paid for by the bond include further renovations to the San Lorenzo Community Park, known as the "duck pond."

A large \$11.5 million overhaul of that park was done in 2017 when the pond was partially filled in. Before the remodel, the pond attracted dozens of ducks and geese, and the animals virtually took over the park, spreading waste.

Now the pond is one-third of its former size and features a pedestrian boardwalk, which separates people from the ducks and hopefully discourages feeding. Dirt was also added to raise the fields up to five feet in some areas because they were prone to flooding.

Phase 1 of that project is complete, but Tiernan says that HARD is not done with the park. Phase 2 is planned, which will include renovations to the community center at the park, three soccer fields, a softball field, dog park, and playground.

Also included in the HARD bond package:

- \$4 million for the Fairmont Terrance Park expansion
- \$2 million for a new 2-acre park at 18470 Via Toledo in San Lorenzo
- \$1.3 million to renovate the Hayward Plunge
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