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Another big crowd is expected to come for the music and beverages on Sunday for the annual Sausage & Suds festival on Parrott Street in downtown San Leandro.

Beer and Bands on Tap in Downtown SL

Music, beer and sausage will liven up Parrott Street when the San Leandro Downtown Association presents the annual Sausage & Suds Festival on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Bands will take the stage throughout the afternoon while the beer and wine garden serves an array of wines and brews that go with grilled sausages.

The music line up includes The Spazmatics, Bang Data, Hella Fitzgerald, The Midnites – and earlier in the morning,

the San Leandro High Marching Band and the Zumba at DC Dance.

The music stage will be at one end of Parrott Street near East 14th Street, and the Chill Zone will be at the opposite end of the block with games, face painting and a photo booth. In between will be booths with food and drinks.

Bring a reusable water bottle to fill up at the EBMUD mobile water trailer, water on wheels (WOW).

Sausage & Suds is a fundraiser that

helps bring other free events to downtown San Leandro.

Admission is free. There's a \$20 ticket price for 2018 commemorative beer or wine glass that includes two drink tickets. Additional pour tickets may be purchased for \$5 each.

You must purchase a 2018 glass to be served. All proceeds benefit the Downtown Association's free San Leandro events such as "It's A Wonderful Night" and "Bike San Leandro".

Speakers Tell Sheriff to Cool It with ICE

Sanctuary county policy violated by giving information to feds, say speakers at forum

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Alameda County Sheriff Greg Ahern faced an angry crowd as he addressed the topic of how his department works with the federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) at a special Board of Supervisors forum in Oakland on Monday afternoon.

The Board of Supervisors' forum was legally required by the Truth Act, which was signed into law in 2016 by Governor Jerry Brown. It mandates that the sheriff's office make public how many ICE interactions have happened in the past year.

Ahern said that as of Sept. 27, ICE has taken 86 people into custody after their release from county jail this year, based on 966 ICE inquiries. Of those inquiries, 773 were made about Latino men.

The figures outraged several speakers at the forum, who demanded that the sheriff cease co-operating with ICE, as the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office has recently stated it would.

"I'm appalled that Alameda County calls itself a sanctuary county when it is clear that the sheriff cooperates with ICE," said speaker Valeria Suarez. "How can we claim to be here for immigrants as a sanctuary when we can't make people feel safe?"

Under the current county

sanctuary policy, deputies can respond to ICE requests but cannot make inquiries into an inmate's immigration status.

Ahern said at ICE request, his
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Shafer Says City Needs To Serve The People

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Jeromey Shafer didn't see any other candidates willing to make a change as mayor of San Leandro so he decided to run.

Shafer is part of a group calling themselves the "clean slate" of candidates running for San Leandro offices this November – Shafer and City Council candidates Victor Aguilar, Eva Acre, and Maxine Oliver-Benson. If they all win, they would have a four-vote majority on the Council.

The slate is running on a platform of fiscal responsibility
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Cutter Says Give Her Four More Years to Keep Momentum Going

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

For the past year or so, Mayor Pauline Cutter has been touting San Leandro as being a city "where kindness matters," which she acknowledges may seem a little cheesy, but she stands by the sentiment.

Cutter, who is running for her second term as mayor in the Nov. 6 general election, says kindness means everything from looking

out for your neighbors to promoting environmental sustainability.

"You say 'kindness' and people seem to think it's this wimpy thing," said Cutter. "To me, trying to incorporate kindness into city matters was a brave thing – it's about treating everyone with dignity."

Cutter has been a mainstay in San Leandro politics since the 1990s. She served 12 years on the school board before joining



Pauline Cutter says kindness isn't wimpy.

the City Council for one term and then being elected mayor in 2014.

Cutter says she deserves four more years because San Leandro has a lot of momentum and she's been a key part in creating that.

"I want to finish the things I've started," said Cutter. "We've gotten a lot of attention on the national level, and a lot of regional grants, and I'm the right person to continue that work."

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CITY COUNCIL

Council meets on the first and third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 835 E. 14th St., San Leandro. For more information, call the City Clerk at 577-3367.

SAN LEANDRO SCHOOL BOARD

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



Pets of the Week



Wafer

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, are Wafer the kitten and Freddy the kitten.

Wafer, a 5-month-old kitten, can be a little shy at first, but she's a very pretty, sweet girl who enjoys cheek rubs and wand toys. Will you be her family?

Freddy, a 5-month-old, arrived as a tiny, trembling kitten.



Freddy

Now he's a calm, cool cat who loves to play, get petted and cuddle. For more information on Wafer or Freddy, call the Hayward Animal at 293-7200.



PHOTOS BY JIM KNOWLES

Raider fans from Corpus Christi, Texas Lou Dog Hinojosa, John Sanchez and Fermin Sanchez visited Ricky's Sports Bar on Saturday, and posed for a picture with owner Ricky Ricardo (second from left). The Sanchez brothers grew up in Oakland and all three are part of the Raider Nation in Corpus Christi where the Raider hangout is a spots bar called The Nest.

All Saints to Bless Four-Legged Creatures

All Saints Episcopal Church, 911 Dowling Blvd, San Leandro, will be observing Saint Francis Sunday on Sunday, Oct. 7, with a blessing of the animals at services offered at 8 and 10:15 a.m. The 10:15 a.m. service will include a

Celtic Rite Holy Eucharist with readings, a sermon, and songs honoring all the creatures of the earth. People are invited to bring their animal friends to the services. All are welcome to attend, including four-legged friends.

Ricky's Undaunted by Fire

Famed Raider hangout reopens same day; firefighters limited blaze to just the facade

By Jim Knowles
San Leandro Times

Ricky's Sports Bar was open on Saturday after a small fire in the early morning slightly damaged the facade.

The fire broke out around 1 a.m. in an outside shed that houses an ice machine. Firefighters put out the blaze within 15 minutes.

No injuries were reported, according to the Alameda County Fire Department.

"We're 99 percent open," said Ricky's owner Ricky Ricardo on Saturday afternoon, as the bar was busy with fans watching college football and having lunch.

The well known Raiders hangout at 15028 Hesperian Blvd. in San Leandro opened at around noon after officials



Ricky's patrons watched college football with lunch on Saturday, and on Sunday watched the Raiders notch their first win of the season.

deemed the building safe, since the damage was just on the exterior of the building.

The wooden shingles of the

facade could have turned into a much worse fire, but the fire department extinguished the blaze in time.

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Landfill Harmonic Documentary at SL Museum

The San Leandro History Museum, 320 W. Estudillo Avenue, will hold a free public screening of the award-winning documentary film *Landfill Harmonic*, about the Recycled Orchestra of Cateura, Paraguay on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 11:15 a.m. and again at 2 p.m. Be sure to bring your favorite movie snacks.

Landfill Harmonic follows the musical youth group who live next to one of South America's largest landfills. The unlikely orchestra plays music from instruments made entirely out of garbage.

Their story goes viral and the orchestra is catapulted into the global spotlight, and then they must navigate this new world of arenas and sold out concerts. The film is in Spanish with English subtitles.



In body camera footage shot by Sgt. James Russell at the Alameda County Sheriff's Office Eden Substation in San Leandro, Russell is heard telling Lt. Timothy Schellenberg (pictured) that he secretly recorded privileged conversations between juvenile suspects and their attorneys. This week, Russell was charged with multiple felonies.

Sergeant Charged with Four Felonies after Recording Inmates

Alameda County District Attorney Nancy O'Malley announced this week that her office has filed four felony charges against Alameda County Sheriff Sgt. James Russell based on the illegal and secret recordings of four in-custody juvenile suspects in an interview room at the Eden Township Sheriff's substation on Foothill Boulevard in unincorporated San Leandro on March 15.

Russell is charged with four counts of eavesdropping on or recording of confidential communications.

Upholding the Constitution is the highest priority of this office, including protecting the attorney/client privilege, O'Malley's office said in a written statement. The District Attorney's office conducted an investigation into this matter, and concluded that the evidence supports the filing of these felony charges against Russell. No individual is above the law, and when a law enforcement officer commits a crime, he or she

must face the consequences, just as any member of the community must, the DA's office said.

"Every one of us working in the justice system must be held to the highest of standards when it comes to protecting an individual's constitutional rights, including the sacrosanct right to privileged communication between a client and his or her attorney," said O'Malley.

At the time that the facts of this incident came to light, the DA's office was not aware that Russell recorded a conversation between the four minors and an assistant public defender. The DA's office, relying on a police report authored by the sheriff's department, was aware that the minors involved in the case had invoked their right to remain silent.

A deputy district attorney provided all discovery to the attorneys for the minors, including videos from body worn cameras. A review of those recordings by

the public defender revealed the illegal recordings.

When the DA's office learned that Russell had recorded a conversation, which is privileged communication, the DA dismissed the cases and has since examined all juvenile cases that have been submitted by the sheriff's department since the start of this year. That review is ongoing.

Russell is scheduled to be arraigned on Oct. 17 at the Wiley Manuel Courthouse in Oakland.

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Suspect Leads Police to Woman's Body Near Lake Chabot Dam

The body of a woman was found near the Lake Chabot dam early Monday morning and police believe it to be a missing Richmond woman. The woman's estranged boyfriend led police to the location after turning himself in.

Mariah Davis, 18, was last seen on Wednesday, Sept. 26 at La Piñata restaurant in San Leandro with her boyfriend, Anthony Pimentel, 19.

Family members became

concerned that day when Davis stopped responding to texts and calls. They called police and put up missing persons fliers, but authorities told them that, as an adult, Davis was free to not contact them.

There was little action in the case until Pimentel and his father went to the San Leandro police department at 3:30 a.m. Monday. Pimentel led officers to a body on East Bay Regional Park District land and the investigation was

turned over to that agency.

Pimentel allegedly confessed to killing Davis, according to the East Bay Regional Park District police.

The body has not yet been formally identified by the coroner's office and no cause of death or motive for the killing has been made public at this time.

Pimentel is being held without bail on suspicion of first degree murder and is scheduled to be arraigned later this week.

Man Charged with Attempted Murder in Walmart Shooting

The man arrested in September for a shooting at the Hesperian Boulevard Walmart has been charged with attempted murder by the Alameda County District Attorney's office.

Israel Jaquez, 29, was charged on Sept. 21 with attempted murder, along with several other gun charges and probation enhancements, according to Lt. Isaac Benabou of the San Leandro police.

Due to Jaquez's criminal history as a "three strike" felon, he could face up to three life sentences if convicted of these new offenses.

The shooting occurred on

Sept. 16 at around 12:30 p.m., when San Leandro police responded to Walmart after numerous calls of a shooting in the parking lot.

When officers arrived, they located one victim who had been shot once in the neck.

The victim was conscious and alert and taken to Eden Hospital in Castro Valley for treatment and he was eventually released.

Video evidence from Walmart provided information on the suspect's vehicle and that allowed detectives to learn the identity and whereabouts of the suspect.

Jaquez was arrested that eve-



Israel Jaquez

ning in San Jose and his vehicle and what is believed to be the gun used in the shooting were also found, Benabou said.

Dear Community Members,

Thanks to the support of the San Leandro community, San Leandro Unified School District is making tremendous strides to improve local schools.

In November, Measure I will appear on your general election ballot. Measure I would restore funding previously approved by voters and re-authorize a \$39 per year school parcel tax that expired last year. This parcel tax helped fund the District's core academic programs in math, science, technology, skilled trades, and the arts.

Measure I funds would be used to help the District attract and retain quality teachers and maintain manageable class sizes. All funds will benefit San Leandro children. Additionally, seniors may qualify for an exemption. For more information about the November 6 election and Measure I visit: <https://www.acvote.org/election-information/elections?id=236#>.

Please join us at the **State of the District Breakfast & Bus Tour** on **October 12 at 7:30 am** in the FTK campus gym at San Leandro High School. RSVP for the event at slusd.us. I look forward to celebrating our many accomplishments with you.

Sincerely,

Mike McLaughlin, Ed.D.
Superintendent



The market will be closing for the season **October 10th**! Thank you to all of our loyal customers, partners, vendors, and farmers who make this market so wonderful year after year! This was one of the best years yet, and we hope to continue the trend when we return in **2019**.

See you next spring!

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NEIGHBORS



Students celebrated International Peace Day at Principled Academy in San Leandro on September 21.

A Day to Celebrate International Peace

The students of The Principled Academy took a few minutes out of their week to celebrate International Day of Peace on September 21. They painted rocks to put on their globe made of colored chalk. They stood in a circle to think about how the world can be a better

place and how it starts here in San Leandro.

They took a few minutes to walk down the street holding their signs and the hands of their reading buddies chanting, "Honk for peace!" as voices filled the air. They know it starts with them.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

❖ San Leandro Museum Auditorium

The San Leandro Players present old-time melodrama *Chaos at the Cannery* Oct. 20 through Nov. 18, at the San Leandro Museum/Auditorium, 320 West Estudillo Ave. in San Leandro. Tickets are \$20 for general, \$15 for seniors, TBA members, under 12, students. Show times are Saturdays

at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Also Fridays at 8 p.m. on Nov. 9 and Nov. 16. For information and reservations, call 895-2573 or online at www.slplayers.org. Professor Mack is back. Welcome to 1881 San Leandro. This old-time melodrama mixes mayhem, murder, mystery, scalawags, and scoundrels, toe tappin' old time music, and shenanigans.

❖ Castro Valley Center for the Arts

Mark Mackay, a blazing guitarist, evocative vocalist, and songwriter, will be presented by the Castro Valley Arts Foundation on Saturday, October 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the Center for the Arts, 19501 Redwood Road. Mackay makes his stand at the crossroads of country music and rock-and-roll. Fronting a powerhouse band, Mackay rocks the room with rowdy charm and persuasive conviction. Tickets for Center for the Arts events are available online at www.cvcfa.com; or at the Center Box Office, Thursdays and Fridays from 3-5 p.m. (phone 889-8961), or at the Castro Valley Adult School, 4430 Alma Avenue.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A bid for you to step in and take over an incomplete project could prove to be an excellent learning experience that you can take with you when a new opportunity opens up.



TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time for socializing, both with family and with friends. Your aspects also favor developing new relationships, any or all of which might become especially meaningful.



GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your success in handling a recent difficult situation prompts a request to handle another workplace problem. But this is one you should accept only if you get all of the relevant facts.



CANCER (June 21 to July 22) New information about a past decision raises some unsettling questions from an old friend. Be prepared to explain your actions fully and, if necessary, make adjustments.



LEO (July 23 to August 22) This is not a good time to share personal secrets, even with someone you've known for a long while. What you don't reveal now won't come back to haunt you later.



VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Pushing yourself to meet a project deadline is admirable. But be careful not to leave out important details in your rush to complete your work and send it off.



LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Watch that you don't take on more than you can handle when offering to help someone with a personal problem. There might be hidden factors you weren't told about.



SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) That major move you've been considering could come sooner than you expected. Make sure you'll be ready with the facts you need when decision time arrives.



SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Languishing relationships can benefit from a break in routine. Get out of the rut and do something new and maybe more than a little unpredictable this weekend.



CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although you don't think of yourself as a role model, your ability to make a tough decision at this time sets an example for others, who admire your courage.



AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You need to move any remaining obstacles out of your way before you can take on a new challenge. Seek advice from close, trusted friends and associates.



PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A career change appears increasingly likely to happen during the next several weeks. It's a good idea to start now to prepare, so you can be ready to make the move when the time comes.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

❖ SL Unified Beautification Day

All schools in SLUSD are asking the public for their help beautifying their campuses during this annual clean-up day on Saturday, Oct. 6. Come to any of the 12 SLUSD schools in the morning, starting at 8 a.m. and help with a variety of projects. All materials will be provided, including refreshments. All ages are welcome.

❖ Bancroft Middle School Flea Market

Come By and See local artist and vendors at the flea market at Bancroft Middle School, 1150 Bancroft Ave. in San Leandro, on Saturday, Oct. 6, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Seller booths are \$30. For more information, call Joanna Garcia at 618-4380, ext. 3612.

❖ San Leandro Readers Roundtable Meeting

The San Leandro Readers Roundtable will meet Saturday, Oct. 6, at 2 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave., to discuss *The Year of the Runaways*, Sunjeev Sahota's story of Indian immigrants in England. All are welcome, and all books discussed are available for purchase in the Library's Booktique bookstore.

❖ SL Library Fall Book Sale

The Friends of the San Leandro Library announce the fall two-day book sale on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 6 and Oct. 7, at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. with over 10,000 quality books at bargain prices. Friends of the Library members have first pick of available books during the first two hours of the sale on Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m., and then the sale will be open to the public from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. On Sunday, the sale will be open from noon to 3 p.m. with an all-day sale at \$2 a bag. Join the "Friends of the San Leandro Library" by applying for an individual membership at \$10 or a family membership at \$15. Register or renew the Friends of the San Leandro membership at the door, or pick up a membership application at the Main Library. For more information, call the San Leandro Library Information Desk at 577-3971.

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❖ Lives Worth Living at CV Library

The Castro Valley Community Alliance, in partnership with the Castro Valley Library, will host *Lives Worth Living* on Sunday, Oct. 7, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Castro Valley Library, 3600 Norbridge Ave. This powerful film depicts the history of the disability rights movement in America with eventual passage of the American Disabilities Act in 1990. The film screening will be followed by a panel discussion.

❖ San Leandro Art Association's

Don Ramie, instructor of murals and illustration, will be the speaker at the San Leandro Art Association's monthly meeting on Tuesday, Oct.

9, from 6:30 to 8:45 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. For more information, call Molly at 483-1208.

❖ Oktoberfest at All Saints Episcopal Church

All Saints Episcopal Church, 911 Dowling Blvd. in San Leandro, will hold an Oktoberfest on Saturday, Oct. 13, from 5 to 8:30 p.m. The parish hall will be transformed into a traditional beer garden setting, serving up Bavarian food, music, dancing, raffles and an auction. Pull out the lederhosen and dirndls for a festive evening. For more information, visit saintsalive.net.

❖ Hearing Loss Association Meeting

The Hearing Loss Association will meet on Saturday, Oct. 13, at the Oakland Kaiser Permanente Hospital, Fabiola Bldg., 3801 Howe St., lower level, room G26. Refreshments are at 9:30 a.m. with the program starting at 10 a.m. The speaker will be Dr. Anish Thakkar, audiologist at the "Hearing Zone" in Oakland and Alameda, where he provides hearing tests, dispenses hearing aids, assistive listening devices, custom musician's earplugs, and does balance and tinnitus evaluations. Parking is free in the old garage across from Howe Street. For more information, email info@hearinglosseb.org or call 221-6080.

❖ SL Climate Change Forum

The City of San Leandro and Community Impact LAB invites the public to discuss climate change and how it affects everyday lives in the first-ever Resilient San Leandro Forum on Saturday, Oct. 13, from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Senior Community Center, 13909 East 14th St., San Leandro. Learn about climate resilience through emergency preparedness, lawn replacement with drought-tolerant landscaping, creekside invasive management, food security, preparing homes for hotter summers, and more. This event is free and open to the public, but RSVP is required at: www.rsl2018.eventbrite.com.

❖ Book Sale SLZ Library

Friends of the San Lorenzo Library will host a weekend book sale on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 13 and 14, at the San Lorenzo Library, 395 Paseo Grande in San Lorenzo, a fundraiser for the library and its community programs. Lots of books, CDs and DVDs for sale. Most book prices range from 10 cents to \$1 with some specialty books priced individually. Free admission. For more information email kwebb1956@gmail.com

❖ Luna Mexicana Ballet

The City of San Leandro and the San Leandro Unified School District (SLUSD) invite the public to attend the Luna Mexicana ballet performance by the Oakland Ballet Company in celebration of Dia de los Muertos on Thursday, Oct. 18, at 6 p.m. at the San Leandro High School Performing Arts Center, 2250 Bancroft Ave. This event is free and open to the public, but tickets are required for the evening community performance with seats available on a first-come, first-served basis. Find tickets and RSVP at <https://bit.ly/2MIertV>.

❖ San Leandro Toastmasters

The San Leandro Toastmasters meet on Thursday 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.

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.

Former Arroyo Player Making Waves on the Diamond

Former Arroyo High catcher Bryan Rosario had a big summer on the baseball diamond, playing in Virginia Beach in the Mid Atlantic Collegiate League (MACL).

Rosario played a key role in helping the Vipers win the MACL Championship.

But then as soon as Rosario got back to California, he got a call from another college-level summer team, the San Diego Waves. They were headed to the National Baseball Congress World Series in Wichita, Kansas and needed another player to fill out the roster.

So Rosario joined the Waves who finished fifth out of 30 teams in Wichita.

Not only that, Rosario had the highest batting average of any player in the tournament with a .714 average. He had 10 hits in the tourney, including three doubles, drove in five runs and stole two bases.

This fall, Rosario is in his second year at Delta College in Stockton where he's a catcher

and utility player, playing about every position except pitcher and first base. He hopes to transfer to a Division 1 college next year, or get drafted by a major league team.

"I like to broaden my horizons and show that I'm not just a one-position player," Rosario said.

Rosario is known as B. Rosi to his family. His parents say he started playing baseball when he was 4 years old, but he spent several years in gymnastics and played just about every sport. He decided to concentrate on baseball but he can still do backflips, say his mom and dad, Martina and Andres.

Rosario was the starting catcher and lead-off hitter at Arroyo High, including the 2017 team that won the North Coast Section (NCS) Division II Championship, the first time the Dons have ever won the NCS. That year, Rosario was named Arroyo's Player of the Year.

In the upcoming year, Rosario said he hopes to help the Delta



Bryan Rosario gets a hand from a coach at Delta College in a game last spring.

Mustangs win a championship ring.

"It was a big jump from high school but I've been learning a lot," Rosario said. "I've been getting a lot of tips, improving

my swing and just getting better as a player."

And Rosario just wanted to add one more thing.

"I just want to say, 'Hi mom!'"



Bryan Rosario with his mom and dad, Andres and Martina, celebrated when he was named the West Alameda County Conference Player of the Year while playing for Arroyo High in 2017.

Thousands of Books to Go on Sale

The Friends of the San Leandro Library announce the fall two-day book sale on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 6 and Oct. 7, at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Avenue with over 10,000 quality books on sale at bargain prices.

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AUTOMOTIVE

Third Time Could Be the Charm

By Steve Schaefer
San Leandro Times

The 2019 Honda Insight is brand new, but it's not a new model for Honda. The original Insight, the first hybrid in America, was a tiny two-seater with skirted rear wheels that got 70 miles per gallon (old rating). Despite its charm and peerless fuel economy, the Insight was overwhelmed by the larger four-seat Toyota Prius. With the now ubiquitous 2004 model, the Prius clinched the deal.

Honda tried again in 2008, with a Prius-like Insight four-door hatchback that offered fewer miles per gallon and less interior room than the Prius and less of the quality that Honda had been known for. It disappeared after a few slow years.

Now, Honda is offering something nobody can complain about. The all-new 2019 Insight is based closely on the Honda Civic, saving development costs

and providing a very nice sedan with excellent fuel economy. The styling is less polarizing than the Civic, as well as being more attractive than the current iterations of the Prius.

As always, Honda's notion of hybrid is different from Toyota's. The Prius is a parallel hybrid, using the gasoline engine or the electric motor (or both) to power the front wheels and drive the car, as decided by its electronic brain. The plug-in Prius, known now as the Prime, enables just under 30 miles of all-electric range. Honda doesn't offer a plug-in Insight.

The Insight's 1.5-liter gas engine puts out just 107 horsepower and a mere 99 lb.-ft. of torque. Luckily, the main motor adds 129 horsepower and a hefty 197 lb.-ft. of torque, for 151.5 total system horsepower. The driving experience never feels short of pep, but there will not be a race series created for 2019 Honda Insights.

The Insight provides three modes of driving. All-electric EV Drive mode works in gentle, in-town driving and braking. The

gas engine is off and disconnected from the drivetrain entirely. It lets you cruise silently for a mile or so, slowly, under level conditions.

The Hybrid Drive mode is what you'll use mostly in town, where the electric propulsion motor powers the front wheels directly while the decoupled gas engine charges the second, electric-generator motor, which sends power to the battery pack. If you need a lot of power, the electric-generator motor can send it directly to the electric-propulsion motor. This is known as a series hybrid.

When you're zooming down the freeway in Engine Drive mode, the gas engine and the electric-propulsion motor are both connected to the front wheels and moving the car along. This a parallel hybrid method, like the Prius.

In each driving mode, you can select Econ, Sport, or EV. These settings adjust the driving qualities to help you achieve a little more economy or a little more fun. The car's computer sorts it out to provide EPA fuel economy numbers of 55 City, 49 Highway, 52 Combined. I got 45.7 mpg during my test week.

Like other Hondas, the Insight comes in multiple trim grades: LX, EX, and Touring. There are the expected differences as you climb up from the base LX to the Touring. The Touring has lower fuel economy numbers—51 City, 45 Highway, and 48 Combined, and I'm not sure why. The Touring weighs only 91 pounds more than the LX.

My tester was a Touring, in



All Insights come standard with multi-element LED headlights, push-button start, and the Honda Sensing® suite of advanced safety and driver-assistive technologies.

lovely Aegean Blue Metallic. It flaunted heated leather-trimmed seats (eight-way power adjustment for the driver), a one-touch power moonroof, mobile hotspot, leather-wrapped steering wheel, dual-zone climate control, navigation system, 17-inch alloy wheels, and much more.

All models use the same drivetrain, but the audio systems are staircases. The LX gets a 140-watt system with six speakers. The EX has 180 watts and eight speakers. The Touring gets a big jump to 450 watts and 10 speakers, including subwoofer. The screen to interact with the car is easy to use and understand.

While the Civic has the right look for young people looking for an in-your-face image, the Insight is more like the Accord, restrained inside and out, and the high-quality interior pieces give it a pleasant, comfortable feel. Al-

though the rear doors slam with a cheap-sounding clang, the overall impression is of a well-designed and built ride.

Pricing starts at \$23,725 for the LX, through \$24,955 for the EX, and \$28,985 for the Touring, including shipping.

I was pleased to be able to stash my bass guitar in the trunk

when I went out for a beer with my friends. Trunks are handy sometimes. This new Insight should bring in folks who want higher fuel economy with zero effort to charge their car (the range is more than 500 miles, too). And while today's Prius and Civic push the design envelope, the Insight looks like an old friend.



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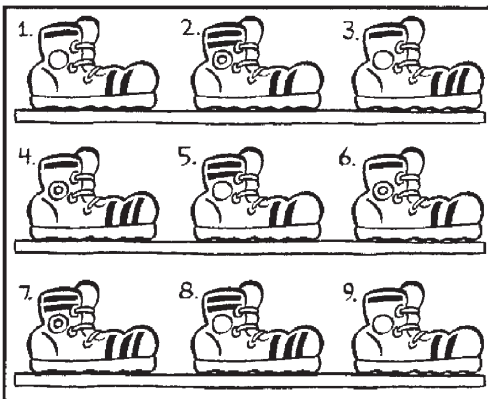
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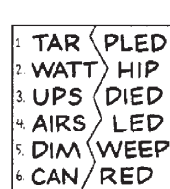
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LINK-UPS! Here's a list of 12 short words, divided into two columns. Turn them into six longer words by linking them together. To do this, draw a line from one word in the left column to one word in the right.

Answers: Tarded, wattled, upsweep, airship, dimpled, candied.



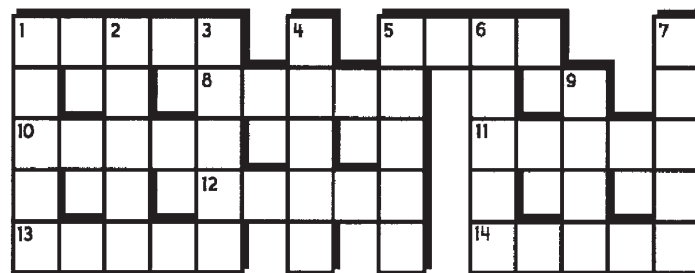
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Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

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Answers: (Across) 1. Cadre, 5. Gale, 8. Ashen, 10. Baler, 11. Bipod, 12. Tempt, 13. Neath, 14. Radio. (Down) 1. Cabin, 2. Delta, 3. Earth, 4. Champ, 5. Gnats, 6. Labor, 7. Audio, 9. Aped.

Pirates Water Polo Team Picks Up First Win of Season

By Andrew Joseph
San Leandro Times

The San Leandro High water polo team got its first win of the season on Tuesday, 7-6, against the Lick-Wilmerding Tigers of San Francisco.

The Pirates (1-5) got out to a great start in the first period. The offense set up drives for Marco Guilbert and Gavin Harrington to score one goal each and the defense held the Tigers scoreless.

"The mindset heading into today was work on our drives, set up the offense, and do what we've been working on in practice," said Pirates' head coach Jack Davis. "It felt good to get the first win of the season. It was long overdue."

San Leandro's offensive intensity continued in the second and third periods, scoring two goals in each of those periods.

"We showed up today mentally and physically," said Pirates goalkeeper Aidan Zuber. "We felt we could win today so we were a lot more aggressive both on defense and offense."

But Lick-Wilmerding rallied in the fourth period to make it a close match, so the Pirates had to work for the win.

"I think we really had it in

our head today to set up good drives, make sure that we ran all of our plays as well as we could, and be very meticulous in how we played," said Oliver Breslin.

The Pirates' offensive attack was spread evenly as Guilbert scored two goals, Breslin finished with two goals, Andrew Fletcher

"We showed up today mentally and physically."

— San Leandro water polo player Aidan Zuber

added two goals, and Harrington finished with one goal.

"It helps having so many returning juniors from last year, so instead of starting from square one we can start where they left off last year," said Davis.

"We've had a rough season," added Breslin. "Knowing as a team that we have improved this season but we haven't had much success, we really wanted this win to show we can do it."

The Pirates still have a chance to make the playoffs this season if they win their last two games of the season.

"I think Piedmont is beatable, we're trying to win out our last two games and give it our all," said Zuber.

The Pirates' last game of the season is away at Piedmont on Oct. 16.



San Leandro's Oliver Breslin shoots and scores a goal in the third period.

PHOTO BY ANDREW JOSEPH

ICE: Supervisors policies put sheriff in dilemma

continued from front page

deputies give the release time and location of inmates in custody, which is public information. If ICE then chooses to take a former county inmate into federal custody, that's not the purview of his department, Ahern said.

But several members of the crowd called for the county to cease all cooperation with the feds and called Ahern's stance disingenuous and not what the people of the county want.

"That is acting in defiance of the spirit of the will of the people," said speaker David Brazil. "Stand against this man (Ahern) and his racist policies if you want to be on the right side of history."

Ahern countered that sharing the inmates' release date and location is a policy that was set forth by the Board of Supervisors years ago as a victims' rights measure, not a tool for ICE.

"Each individual is treated



Immigrant rights' lawyer Grisel Ruiz said the county could refuse to work with ICE if it wanted to.

exactly the same regardless of their immigration status," Ahern said.

Ahern said that immigration officials are asking for information about fewer inmates today than they did during the Obama administration, as requests to

access inmates' information have dropped since SB 54 (the state sanctuary law) went into effect.

Ahern said that in 2012 and 2013, ICE sent representatives to Santa Rita Jail in Dublin and Glen Dyer Jail in Oakland every morning at 5 a.m. to check on the identities of inmates in custody. In comparison, Ahern said that ICE officials now visit Santa Rita two or three times a month and have not visited Glen Dyer since June.

Speaker Judith Stacy said that Ahern's policy of letting ICE know where an inmate will be and then stepping away from the situation is a "run around" of SB54.

"There really is a discrepancy between the stated policies of the county and the sheriff's office," said Stacy.

But, on the other hand, San Leandro resident Leo T. West urged the Board of Supervisors to do away with their sanctuary

policy entirely.

"I don't want the county, city, or state to interfere with federal law," said West. "This is a sanctuary state for criminals."

Grisel Ruiz, an attorney with the Immigrant Legal Resource Center, said that there is nothing stopping the county from refusing to work with ICE.

"This policy deteriorates public trust — individuals are increasingly scared to report crimes if they think they'll be turned over to ICE," said Ruiz. "And why involve ICE when these individuals are already dealing with the sheriff's department? They are essentially being punished twice."

Ruiz acknowledged that more ICE information requests were made under the Obama administration, but said that today ICE's requests "feel more aggressive."

"We're still seeing deportations increase and the tactics are extremely disturbing," said Ruiz.

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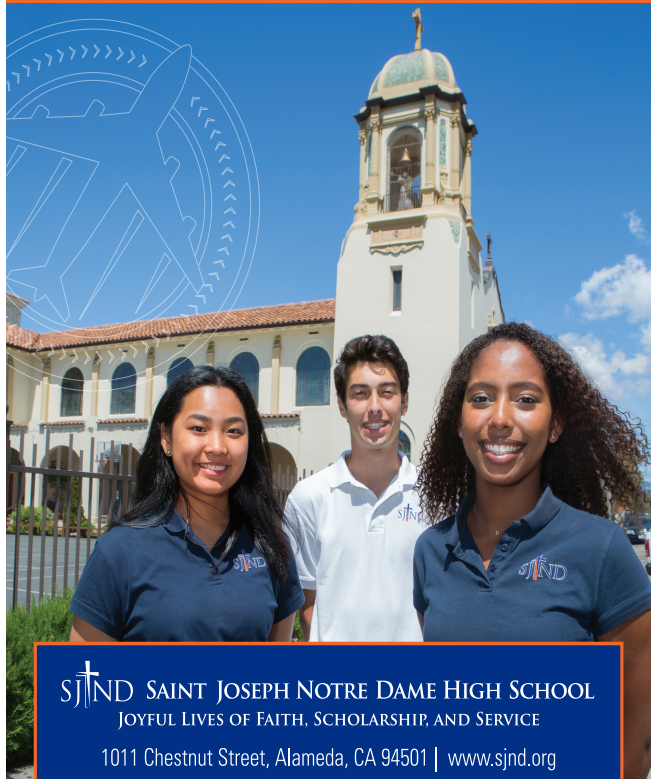
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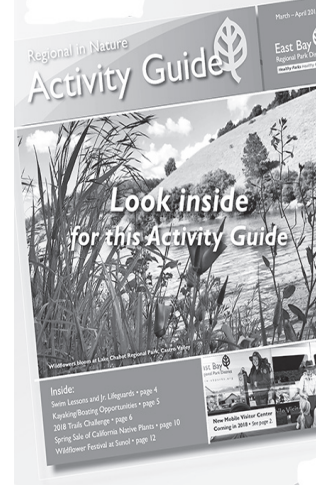
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Will New VA Aid, Pension Rules Make it More Difficult to Qualify?

Q Has the Veterans Administration announced new rules yet about qualifying for an Aid & Attendance Pension to help Vets with long term care expenses? I recall that rules were in the planning.

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

A Yes! The VA just announced final rules for those Veterans and their surviving spouses who seek to qualify for a pension to help with long term care expenses, and some of these new rules will make it much more difficult to qualify.

These rules were adopted, in part, to protect Veterans from marketers selling annuities and other financial products to Veterans, which promoted the divestment of assets just to qualify for pension.

But the new rules will also make it much more difficult for veterans' advocates to legitimately assist them accelerate eligibility for pension, often known as an Aid and Attendance Pension. Here are some highlights:

1) Net Worth: Under the old rules, a Vet could only qualify for pension if his Net Worth met VA regulations, which were vague and

uncertain, resulting in inconsistent awards and denials by VA adjudicators.

By contrast, the new rules adopt a "bright line" test to improve consistency. A qualifying Net Worth will now be the same as for a married couple under the Medi-Cal program, currently \$123,600 (in 2018), and this will be the rule whether the Vet is married or single.

This bright line test is considered a vast improvement over the previous vague standard.

2) Transfer Penalties: Under the old rules, a Vet could transfer away assets to adult children, or purchase an irrevocable immediate annuity, and immediately bring down his Net Worth to qualifying levels. There was no transfer penalty.

This planning option has been eliminated. Now, any excess Net Worth transferred away within three years of application will trigger a penalty period of as much as five years, depending upon the value of the transferred assets, during which time the Vet or Surviving Spouse will be ineligible for Pension.

The penalty period will only

start running in the month of the last such transfer, heavily penalizing multiple transfers. This is a major development and will all but eliminate crisis planning.

3) Purchase of Annuities Now 'Out': Under the new rules, a Vet will no longer be able to purchase an irrevocable annuity to convert excess net worth into a stream of income, as before. Such a purchase will be considered a transfer of assets and will trigger a transfer penalty.

4) Medical Expense Deduction More Liberal: Some good news: the new rules expand the definition of medical expenses that will be allowed as a deduction from the Vet's income, for purposes of both reducing his Net Worth and increasing his Pension Award.

It should now be easier to qualify expenses for home care, even if provided by an adult child, as well as care in assisted living facilities.

Alert: The new rules become effective on October 18, 2018. Until then, the old rules apply.

If a Veteran is considering applying for a VA Pension in the near future, and believes he may need to divest himself of assets in order to qualify, he should consider doing so before October 18, so as to avoid a transfer penalty, even if his application is filed long after that date.

Many advocates are therefore urging Veterans in this situation to consider transfers of excess assets before the new rules, and their transfer penalties, become effective. The pension benefit for a married Veteran can be as high as \$2,169 per month (in 2018).

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Fixed Income Benefit Programs

Many older adults who live on a fixed income struggle every day with financial security—the ability to afford essential needs. Being financially secure is an important part of healthy aging, and there is help available for those who need it.

The Problem

According to the Social Security Administration, 23 percent of married couples and 43 percent of singles who get Social Security depend on it for 90 percent or more of their income.

What's more, a third of older adults have no money left over at the end of the month or are in debt after meeting necessary expenses, such as rent, food and transportation — according to research by the Institute on Assets and Social Policy.

Many of these individuals also have trouble with health care costs, housing costs, inadequate nutrition, and access to transportation. Just one major adverse life event can become a catastrophe.

An Answer

Fortunately, there are more than 2,500 federal, state and private benefit programs available to consumers.

Finding the right one for you, however, can seem daunting. That's where the BenefitsCheckUp tool comes in. Created by the National Council on Aging and co-sponsored

by Anthem Blue Cross, it's a comprehensive, free, online tool that connects older adults with benefit programs that can help them more easily afford health care, utilities, rent, groceries and more. It matches an individual's unique needs to benefit programs based on factors such as location, income, assets, and mar-

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GUEST COMMENTARY



New "Transparent Pricing" Strategy Enters Market

With home prices sliding, market tenures increasing and inventory levels surging, real estate agents are grappling with effectively pricing properties for sale. Having enjoyed a seven-and-one-half year romp where most homes sold almost immediately, realtors are now facing a new reality requiring a

different set of skill.

While the market was hot and multiple offers poured in on almost every property, a bizarre pricing strategy emerged in some parts of the Bay Area. Called "fake pricing", agents and sellers set prices significantly lower than the market attempting to lure as many bidders as possible. Since it was readily apparent sellers using this tactic had no intention of accepting offers at "list" price, the integrity of this practice was questionable. In contrast, agents in other locales listed homes at realistic prices, refusing to use tactics they categorized as "misleading" at best or, worst case, "blatantly dishonest."

Confusion reigned as the two pricing strategies collided, leaving many buyers wondering how to effectively determine any property's fair market value. Some buyers, priced out of neighborhoods with fake prices, migrated their searches to re-

gions with realistic prices. With no clearly defined boundaries as to where fake pricing strategies ended, many buyers, encountering homes with normal pricing, assumed those sellers also wanted dramatically higher prices than listed. The end result: many buyers refused to write offers, thinking the prices were already too high.

Fortunately, with the market slowing, the "fake pricing" strategy is disappearing as current buyers are more prone to write offers UNDER list price than over. In an effort to bring credulity back to home pricing, some agents are beginning to borrow a technique long used in the auto industry.

Enter "transparent" pricing.

Put succinctly, some agents formerly using the "fake" strategy are now listing homes at prices sellers will actually accept and, to avoid confusion, are advertising "transparent pricing" to communicate that

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I should point out that the colorful portion of a poinsettia is not a "bloom," but a modified leaf bract.

The leaf bract turns color as days get shorter and nights get longer. The actual bloom is the tiny yellow and/or red structure found in the center of these bracts.

The structure is referred to as an incomplete flower as it has no sepals or petals.

Bougainvillea is another example of a plant with colorful leaf bracts that are called flowers. The white cross like-structure in the center of the bract is the actual flower.

Bougainvilleas naturally change color outdoors with the change in seasons. But poinsettias need help because the indirect light around

most homes interferes with the blooming cycle.

You can trigger the poinsettia blooming cycle for the Christmas holidays starting this month.

This is done by covering the plant in the evening with a box and removing it in the morning. Repeat this daily for the next six to eight weeks and stop when the leaves start to show a maroon color.

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

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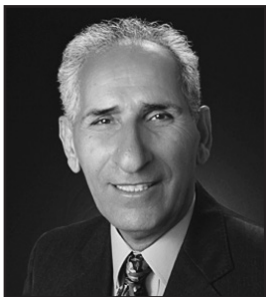
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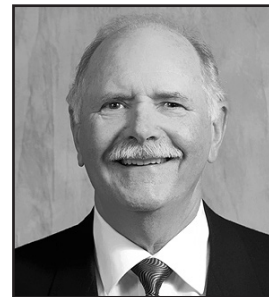
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by the EAST BAY PUBLISHING CORPORATION, a California Corporation dba "THE SAN LEANDRO TIMES" has filed in the above entitled Court a Verified Petition requesting that the Court adjudicate that "THE SAN LEANDRO TIMES" is a newspaper of general circulation. You are further notified that Petitioner has alleged in its Petition that it is the owner and publisher of "THE SAN LEANDRO TIMES", and that it has been established and published at regular intervals in the City of San Leandro since 1991 in excess of the statutory requirement of one (1) year (see Government Code Section 6000) preceding the filing of the Petition.

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DATED: September 18, 2018
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Cutter: Proud of networking

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Cutter is running against Councilman Benny Lee, who is running for mayor in the middle of his second term as District 6 councilman.

"I understand Benny probably has his eye on other offices and would like to get experience as mayor, but now is not the time," said Cutter. "I've worked harder in the last four years of my life than I ever have before. As a mayor, you do everything from congratulating young people when they achieve Eagle Scout status to traveling to Washington D.C."

In addition to Lee, Cutter also faces Bal Theatre owner Dan Dillman and Jeromey Shafer, who is running on a slate with council candidates who are in favor of rent control.

Cutter acknowledged that affordable housing is one of the biggest issue in San Leandro today.

"The slate is going to be a referendum on how San Leandro feels about rent control and that's something we will have to listen to," said Cutter.

Cutter said that rent control isn't the solution for skyrocketing rents in San Leandro, but increasing inventory is. She says that over 1,000 new housing units will be coming to the city in the next five years.

Another major challenge is rising pension costs – San Leandro has a projected \$200 million in unfunded retirement

and benefit costs by 2025. Cutter's campaign has received the endorsement of the police union (San Leandro Police Officers' Association), which also gave her campaign \$1,500.

Asked how she can reconcile courting the union and its rising pension costs while saying she's looking out for the fiscal health

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— Mayor Pauline about one of her opponents, Benny Lee

of the city, Cutter says she always plays to her strengths as a cooperative leader.

"It's true police and fire are a major part of pensions costs, but we bargain on this issue," said Cutter. "Now we have our employees paying their share (into their pensions) and soon will have employees paying some of the employers' share. I always try

to consider these things in a fair way and I always treat the way city money is spent like I treat my own money."

Perhaps the most controversial thing to happen during Cutter's term as mayor was the investigation into former City Manager Chris Zapata, who was accused of sexual harassment. After a five month investigation by an independent lawyer, Zapata was cleared of any wrongdoing.

Many citizens encouraged the City Council to fire Zapata immediately, but Cutter advocated for due process. Ultimately, the council voted to give Zapata a \$325,000 separation agreement.

"In my dreams, I never thought this would happen," said Cutter. "In the end, Chris was harmed and I think we handled the separation the best way we could. We handled the entire thing by the book."

Cutter says that what she's most proud of as mayor has been getting San Leandro a "seat at the table" in regional and national matters.

Cutter is Chair of the U.S. Conference of Mayors Women's Leadership Alliance and Vice Chair of the Alameda County Transportation Commission and says she uses these positions to advocate for San Leandro.

"It's really helpful to network, to make sure San Leandro has a voice," said Cutter. "It's also great to get out there and speak with people and bring ideas back to San Leandro. That's how policy gets made."

Shafer: City Hall needs to change

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and rent control, and pledge to not be influenced by lobbyists or contributors.

"When I saw these races filling up with candidates, I saw people I shared values with in three races and I thought it didn't feel right to say to the voters, 'Here are three-quarters of the votes – of the change – you need to do something,'" said Shafer. "I decided to run and we decided to team up."

And Shafer says the first thing the slate will change is bringing rent control to San Leandro.

When the City Council passed the tenant relocation assistance program last year, Shafer said that at first he was glad they were seriously considering the issue of tenant's rights. But he ultimately realized that giving someone three months rent for moving money wasn't doing much to keep people off the street.

"I talked with the council on that (ordinance) and I tried to be diplomatic, but this wasn't keeping people in their homes," said Shafer. "The whole process was an eye-opener for me."

Shafer and his wife moved to San Leandro seven years ago, and when his daughter was born, he quit his office job with the San Francisco Symphony to become a community organizer and spend more time on local politics. He is currently a member of the District 18 Democratic State Central committee.

Shafer was a delegate for



Jeromey Shafer says City Hall isn't addressing the needs of the people.

Bernie Sanders at the Democratic National Convention, and then he joined Our Revolution San Leandro to promote those progressive Bernie-inspired ideas locally.

"I'm an advocate for pushing the Democratic party to the left," said Shafer.

Shafer says that the current City Council has been "fiscally asleep at the wheel" and gotten the city into debt. Shafer said that, if elected, he'll personally go through every item in the budget. "As mayor, I'll independently

audit all department's budgets," said Shafer. "We don't need to hire consultants for every issue that comes up. I'll spend time looking at each item and consider what benefit it has to the community."

Shafer and his fresh, clean slate compatriots are selling themselves as an alternative to the status quo. Shafer points out that if they weren't running, two out of the three City Council races would have incumbents running unopposed.

"One big thing this city needs to address is the civic engagement process," said Shafer. "Our city can't thrive on the same old routine."

Shafer is running against incumbent Mayor Pauline Cutter, City Councilman Benny Lee, and Bal Theatre owner Dan Dillman. His opponents are good people, he says, but they aren't necessarily who is best for the people of San Leandro.

"We need to restore faith in our government," said Shafer. "We can do better. I hope that's what the residents of San Leandro will allow me and the Clean Slate to do."

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1950 to Ernest and Josephine Tkach. She moved to San Leandro, CA, and opened a preschool where she passionately taught children. She kept in contact with many of her students throughout their adult lives. Deborah then moved to Florida to be with her aging parents. She will be deeply missed by

her family, and especially by her two grandnieces - Jovee and Adelynn Tkach. Deborah was a very kind, loving soul who never knew a stranger. A memorial service will be held on October 6, 2018, at 11 a.m., at Union Missionary Baptist Church of Venice at 404 Warfield Ave., North, Venice, FL 34285.

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Norman Darrell Bradley

April 19, 1927 - September 12, 2018

Norman Darrell Bradley passed into the Mystic on September 12, 2018 at the age of 91 surrounded by family. Norman was born April 19, 1927 in Conde, South Dakota to his parents Walter and Carrie Bradley.

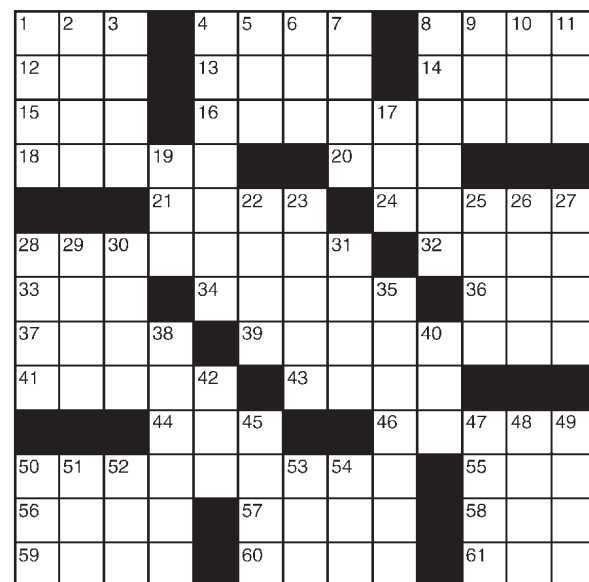
Norman was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years Mary, daughter Patricia and son-in-law Edward Decou. Norman is survived by his daughter Karen Decou, sons Brian (Robbin) and Darrell Bradley, grandchildren Stacy, Jenessa (Tyson) Jared, and Brittany Bradley and great-grandson Dean Wayne Mutoza.

Norman was a resident of Washington Manor for 60 years. As a WWII Veteran Norman had many stories of his adventures at sea.

Interment will be held on Thursday, Oct. 11 at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, 26320 Mission Blvd., Hayward, followed by a burial at sea.



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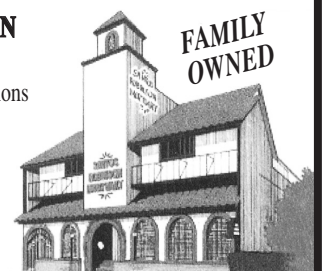
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Comedy and Dinner for St. Felicitas Scholarships

Comedian Mark Lundholm will perform at an Evening of Dinner and Comedy on Saturday, Oct. 27, at the St. Felicitas School gym. Doors open at 5 p.m. with a no-host beer and wine bar, cash only. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. and the comedy show starts at 7 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the St. Felicitas Scholarship Fund. Tickets are \$60 and available on Eventbrite.com or at St. Felicitas School.

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Players are accommodated to meet their schedules. If you haven't played pinochle in years, that's okay, you pick it up again quickly after a couple of hands.

The group has lots of fun, there is no money involved, just the \$1 a day for the center. If you are interested in getting back into the game, stop by during those times and see how much fun you will have.

OPINION

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Claims Rent Control Will Increase Rents, Decrease Availability

Editor:

Warning: Candidates Shafer, Aguilar, and Oliver-Benson want rent control.

Rent control will decrease the number of rental units in San Leandro and encourage less building of rental units, and rents will go up. Why? Rent control discourages investors to build, and encourages present landowners to sell their own rental property.

If rent control passes, this will happen: (1) present rents will increase substantially because owners will sense they will not be able to level rents to market rates with rent control in the future, and (2) investment in new rent control units will disappear because there is a cap on returns for investors.

Example: You want to put \$1,000 in the bank and get a good return rate. One bank offers 4 percent on your money, another bank says because some people think that rate is too high for your return you can only make 2 percent. Which bank are you going to invest your money with? Obviously the 4 percent. Land investors have the same concerns for return.

San Leandro will join Berkeley, San Francisco, and other towns where they have said you can only make 2 percent on your investment, thus new units are restricted because investors can go to another town (bank in this example) and

get more return for their investment. And those who are stuck with units in this town will raise the rents to the full extent each year to try to make up for their losses, or evict present renters and sell their properties. Thus, renters will be forced to move out of San Leandro.

Vote against rent control. Renters, do not vote yourselves to be forced out of San Leandro. Don't let rent control candidates such as Shafer, Aguilar, and Oliver-Benson take away your homes. Rent control unfairly disenfranchises renters.

—Corey Anderson
San Leandro

Says Measure I Will Benefit Entire Community in the Future

Editor:

When my wife and I moved to San Leandro eight years ago we had a three-year-old and eight-month-old. Our children's education were very important to us and when our son turned five and began to attend Jefferson Elementary, we got involved in his education and worked to support the hardworking teachers at the school.

During this time, we witnessed first hand how hard it was for our school's PTA to fund field trips and school events for the students. But there was not much we could do because we are a 70% low-income and 50% English Learner school.

Thanks in part to funding from Measure L that was passed in 2012 and SLED, I was able to chaperone on my son's fifth grade Outdoor Education Science Camp in Livermore earlier this year. Seeing kids learning outside of the classroom, challenging themselves on the rock wall and, for some, spending their first night away from home, I saw how transformative this program is for students.

Without funding from the parcel tax, I don't think this would have happened for Jefferson students and we wouldn't have made those memories that we will cherish forever!

Now our children are eight and eleven years old attending Jefferson Elementary and Bancroft Middle School. We are still involved in their school parent groups but we see the need for broader support of all of San Leandro schools. That's why we are voting Yes on Measure I.

Measure I restores the same \$39 tax we have been paying since 2012. We aren't especially wealthy but we do value education and know that our \$39 is an investment in our children that will benefit our entire community in the future.

—Chris Deng
San Leandro

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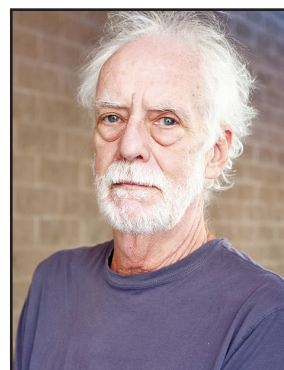
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Do you believe Ford or Kavanaugh?

— Asked last Friday around town

Ford, because it's difficult for a woman to come forward and make accusations and risk that nobody would believe you. I'm a male and I want to see the unsung heroes appreciated. Kavanaugh was whining and too emotional and unstable to be a judge on the highest court.

Louis Castillo
San Leandro



Ford. She had a credible story. None of Kavanaugh's people came up for him. His outrage rang false. I think he's a bum.

Jeff Hickey
San Leandro

Ford. She had nothing to gain. She seemed legitimate and smart, and why would she put herself through that? Kavanaugh has too many questions. Why is his friend in hiding?

Marvin Roy
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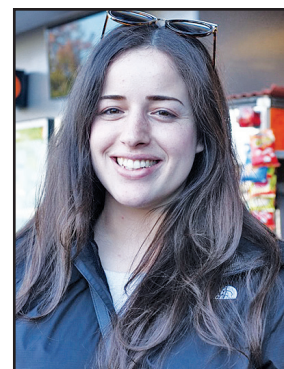
I believe Ford. I don't think she would put her family through that, with the death threats and everything, if it wasn't the truth.

Kathy Eastham
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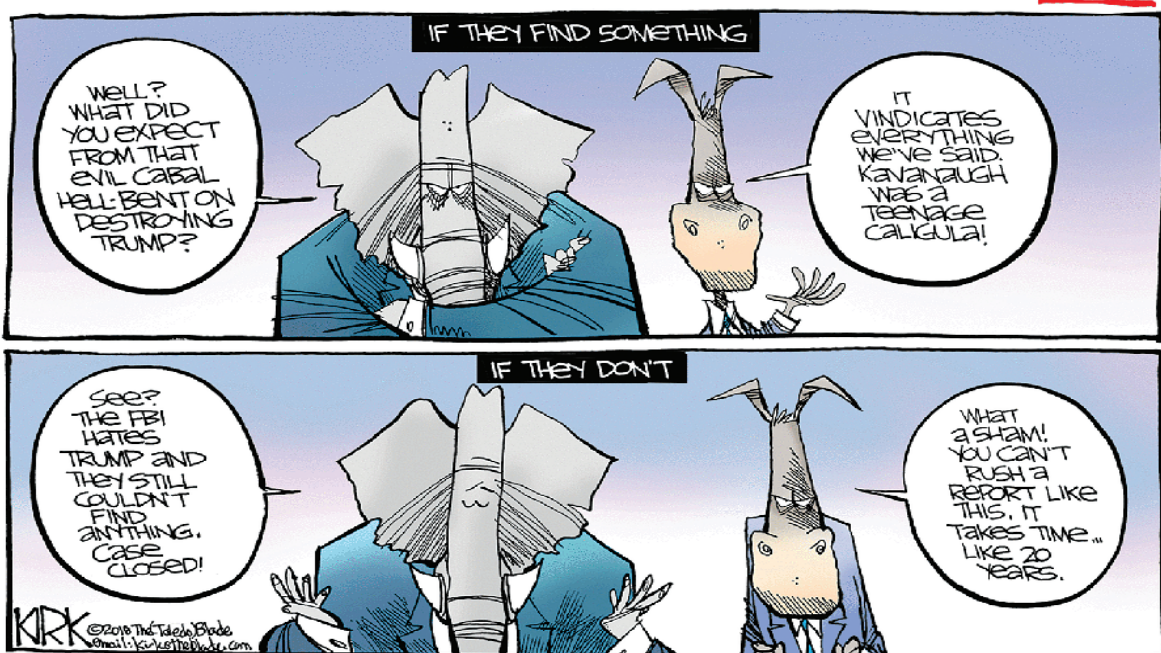


Ford, because she seems honest and there is nothing for her to gain. Her expressions seemed truthful. Kavanaugh I doubt, just because he was picked by Trump.

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Oakland Raiders tight end Lee Smith hurdles Cleveland Browns defensive back E.J. Gaines for a 10-yard reception in the second quarter of the team's first win on Sunday at Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum.

Unlikely Heroes Help Raiders Get First Win



RAIDER REPORT

BY GREG BENSON

San Leandro Times

They did it! It took a total team effort, but they finally did it. The Oakland Raiders figured out a way to overcome their shortcomings, fight back and finish a game for their first win of the season.

Maybe it was the injection of enthusiasm from newly acquired players, like sixth-year defensive tackle Johnathan Hankins and rookie placekicker Matt McCrane from Brownwood, Texas — both just joining the team within the last few weeks.

Hankins recovered two fumbles and helped swing the momentum back to a trailing Raiders team when they needed it most.

"We got a lot of contributions from people that didn't expect to probably have the type of day that they had," said Oakland Raiders head coach Jon Gruden. "There were a lot of peaks and valleys in the game and we finished today."

Then, there's McCrane, fresh out of Kansas State, full of wide-eyed energy, throwing all of his 160 pounds into a dog pile for a loose ball. Not to mention, he also kicked the game-winning field goal after missing a 50 yarder in the opening drive of overtime.

"To get that field goal with our third-string kicker and a back-up snapper..." said Gruden.

"I've never been so nervous on a 29-yard field goal in my life!"

Or, maybe it was the pow-wow between team leaders, running back Marshawn Lynch and quarterback Derek Carr, that inspired the team to find a way to fight through adversity and finish strong.

In the end, it was a total team effort, from the strength of a solid performance at center by Rodney Hudson to the encouraging words from Carr to his rookie kicker on the sideline. All the little things added up to a big 45-42 overtime win over the Cleveland Browns Sunday afternoon.

There's still a lot of work to do for Gruden and his team. With three rookie defensive linemen, an inconsistent receiving corps and an entirely new coaching staff, the Raiders are still building their confidence and developing a competitive character.

It will especially take some time for these new rookie starters to get up to speed.

It looks like these guys may be forced to learn some tough lessons the hard way these next few weeks as the team will travel to Los Angeles to face Philip Rivers and the Chargers. Then, it's off to the pitch of Wembley Stadium in London for a challenging contest against Russell Wilson and the Seattle Seahawks before their bye week.

"We've got a long way to go," said Gruden after the game. "We've got to get back to work."