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Cutter, Cox, Lopez Re-Elected; Aguilar Beats Thomas; School District Taxes Pass



Mayor Pauline Cutter was surrounded by her supporters on election night as the returns came in.

History Buff Looking Up the Forty-two San Leandrans Lost in WWII

By Jim Knowles
San Leandro Times

Forty-two San Leandrans were killed in World War II and Bob Vincent wants to learn about every one of them.

Vincent is compiling a book about the local lads who went off to Europe or the Pacific in the Second World War but didn't come back alive. He has one copy of the book-in-progress at the Veterans Memorial Building on Bancroft Avenue. He's hoping families of the 42 will hear about his endeavor and provide more information.

Vincent researches the names online and at the library's history room. One of the 42 names on the list is Joseph P. Piazza who went down aboard a B-24 Liberator bomber, shot down in Germany in 1945. His body was never

recovered.

Piazza was the tail gunner of the B-24. He was born on July 13, 1923, and went to San Leandro High where he played football, ran track and was on the student court. He enlisted in San Francisco in August 1942.

To help track down the history of Piazza, Vincent gives credit to Kay Arnold at the library's history room. She found that Piazza's father immigrated from Italy in 1912 when he was 17 and later married another Italian immigrant. Their first child, Joseph, was born in New York before they moved to California where two more sons were born, Alphonso and Charles.

Through her research so far, Arnold has found that around a



Bob Vincent is on a mission to research the 42 San Leandrans who were killed in World War II.

dozen of the 42 killed in action were the sons of immigrants.

Vincent plans to keep adding to his book as the research turns up more information about all

of the San Leandrans killed in World War II.

Vincent was in the Air Force for four years, working at a hos-

see FORTY-TWO, page 5

No ranked-choice needed as Cutter wins with 54 percent

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Incumbents had easy victories in three of four San Leandro City Council races on election night, but "fresh, clean slate candidate" Victor Aguilar beat out incumbent Lee Thomas in City Council District 3.

Mayor

Incumbent Pauline Cutter will serve four more years as San Leandro's mayor, having gotten 54 percent of the vote (5,661 votes) on election night.

Challenger Benny Lee got 26 percent of the vote (2,741 votes), slate candidate Jeromey Shafer

got 13 percent (1,408 votes) and Bal Theater owner Dan Dillman got just under 7 percent of the vote (733 votes).

With four people in the mayor's race, it could have been decided by ranked choice voting, but that wasn't necessary because Cutter received over 50 percent of the vote.

"I'm really proud of my first four years as mayor and I'm proud of my campaign," said Cutter. "Now we pick up where we left off and get back to work see MAYOR, page 15

Simon Wins FPPC Seat on Oro Complaint Loma Board Fizzles Out

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Some fresh faces will be joining the Oro Loma and Eden Healthcare District boards following this week's elections.

In the Oro Loma Sanitary District Board of Directors race, newcomer Fred Simon won a spot on the board with 22.5 percent of the votes (96,326 votes) where four candidates ran for three open seats.

Simon, a Stanford-educated see ORO LOMA, page 14

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

A campaign finance violation complaint against the four "fresh, clean slate" candidates in the City Council races has been dismissed by the California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC).

The slate candidates said the complaint was a political ploy to keep them out of office.

Former City Councilman Michael Gregory and property developer Tom Silva alleged that see COMPLAINT, page 5

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Pets of the Week



Oso



Maple

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, are Oso the dog and Maple the kitten.

Oso, an 8-month-old pup, is full of wiggles and whimsy. He loves playing with toys, going for walks, and getting attention. OK

with kids of all ages.

Maple is an easygoing, 6 month old Turkish Van mix who seeks attention and loves getting full body pets, behind the ear rubs, and cheek scratches.

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

Nancy Angiola to Celebrate 100th Birthday

Nancy Angiola will be joining the growing population of centenarians and celebrating her 100th birthday on Monday with family and friends. Nancy was born and raised in Boston, and is one of nine children. She moved to San Leandro 66 years ago and still calls it home. Nancy is an excellent cook and baker, who is famous for her homemade ravioli and biscotti. When asked the secret to a long life, she smiled and said, "Keeping active."



Nancy Angiola



SLHS Show She Kills Monsters Continues Tonight at 7:30 p.m.

San Leandro High School presents *She Kills Monsters* at the San Leandro Performing Arts Center at 2250 Bancroft Ave. The show continues for another weekend, this Friday and Saturday night at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$5 for students. Not recommended for children 12 and under.

Watercolor Show at the Library

Studio 820, the San Lorenzo Adult School Watercolor Class, will exhibit students' watercolor paintings at the San Leandro Main Library through Nov. 29.

There will be a reception

on Saturday, Nov. 10, from 1 to 3 p.m. to meet the artists of all ages who are students of Monica Satterthwaite.

Many of the artists are long-time residents of San Leandro

and the surrounding area and all are currently enrolled in the San Lorenzo Adult School. Some of the students have recently been celebrating milestones in their lives.

You Need The Right Diagnosis To FIX SCIATIC Nerve Pain



Your nerve system is involved in everything your body does, from regulating your breathing to controlling your muscles and sensing heat and cold. Because your nerve system is so critical for your health when things go wrong with it you may experience EXCRUCIATING PAIN and/or some very strange symptoms...

There are three types of nerves in the body:

1. **Autonomic nerves.** These nerves control the involuntary or partially voluntary activities of your body, including heart rate, blood pressure, digestion, and temperature regulation.
2. **Motor nerves.** These nerves control your movements and actions by passing information from your brain and spinal cord to your muscles.
3. **Sensory nerves.** These nerves relay information from your skin and muscles back to your spinal cord and brain. The information is then processed to let you feel pain and other sensations.

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What Are the Symptoms of Nerve Pain and Nerve Damage?

With nerve damage there can be a wide array of symptoms. Which ones you may have depends on the location and type of nerves that are affected. Damage can occur to nerves in your brain and spinal cord. It can also occur in the peripheral nerves, which are located throughout the rest of your body.

Autonomic nerve damage may produce the following symptoms:

- Too much sweating or too little sweating
- Lightheadedness
- Dry eyes and mouth
- Constipation
- Bladder dysfunction
- Sexual dysfunction

Damage to motor nerves may produce the following symptoms:

- Weakness
- Muscle atrophy
- Twitching, also known as fasciculation
- Paralysis

Sensory nerve damage may produce the following symptoms:

- Pain
- Sensitivity
- Numbness
- Tingling or prickling
- Burning
- Problems with positional awareness

In some instances, people with nerve damage will have symptoms that indicate damage to two, or even three, different types of nerves. For instance, you might experience weakness and burning of your legs at the same time. To further complicate matters we don't all develop the same way and different un-expected nerves can cause similar problems. This has made it very difficult to diagnose disorders caused by nerve damage based on which nerve "should" cause what.

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POLICE & FIRE



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House Fire in San Lorenzo

Alameda County firefighters put out a one-alarm house fire at 15943 Paseo Largavista in San Lorenzo last Sunday morning at just after 9 a.m. The fire started outside of the house and extended inside and the cause is under investigation, according to the fire department. No one was injured.

Man Arrested for Hatchet Assault

A man came into the San Leandro Hospital emergency room suffering from a laceration to his head and fractured skull during the early morning hours of Nov. 1.

The victim told authorities that he'd been attacked by an

his companion at a gas station in the 1100 block of East 14th Street.

The male suspect was identified as Trevor Vee, 30, of Berkeley. Vee was taken into custody and booked for attempted homicide. The female companion was identified as a witness to the incident and is cooperating with the investigation, according to

San Leandro police.

On Monday, Nov. 5, the Alameda County District Attorney charged Vee with assault with a deadly weapon, great bodily injury, and several felony enhancement charges.

Vee is being held without bail at Santa Rita Jail in Dublin, with his next court appearance scheduled for Nov. 13.



Trevor Vee

acquaintance with a hatchet after they got into an argument, according to the San Leandro police.

Officers found the scene of the crime in the 1600 block of Alvarado Street based on information provided by the victim. Video surveillance footage from a nearby business was discovered that had recorded the attack, police said.

The video showed a man assaulting the victim as a woman looked on. The following day, cops patrolling downtown San Leandro located the suspect and

Men Arrested for Guns, Drugs

Police announced the arrest of two brothers last week for a roiling gun battle that occurred the week before. The arrests led to a large drug bust and multi-million dollar asset seizure.

At around 2 a.m. on Oct. 25, two speeding vehicles were driven through the 300 to 600 blocks of MacArthur Boulevard.

Police dispatch received several reports from callers who heard multiple gunshots from two speeding vehicles, according to Lt. Isaac Benabou of the San Leandro police.

Officers then found a disabled unoccupied vehicle riddled with bullets on the eastbound I-580 freeway on-ramp and began to investigate the scene, according to San Leandro police.

They found an evidence trail of bullet casings from high-powered weapons strewn across the roadway and approximately six pounds of marijuana inside the car.

But the police were unable to locate any suspects in the area.

Detectives began talking to

witnesses and obtaining video surveillance. A day later, the driver of the abandoned car was identified as Kyle Booth, 30, of Hayward.

Over the next few days, detectives began searching for Booth and finally located him in Hayward on Oct. 31 while driving with his younger brother, Kameron Booth, 27.

Detectives followed the Booths to San Francisco and detained both outside a barber shop in the Bayview neighborhood.

When he was stopped, Kyle Booth was in possession of a loaded firearm and a large sum of cash.

Kameron Booth was also in possession of a large amount of money and inside their vehicle was more cash and approximately one pound of finished marijuana.

In total, the brothers were in possession of close to \$43,000 in cash at the time of arrest, police said.

Investigators obtained and executed a search warrant for their home in the Hayward hills

and discovered what appeared to be a high-level drug trafficking operation, police said.

Inside the home, the cops found:

- Approximately 180 pounds of marijuana
- Packaging materials, scales, and transportation containers
- Four additional handguns, ammunition, and high-capacity magazines

• Nearly \$2 million in U.S. currency of various denominations in several duffel bags.

• A money-counting machine and heat shrinking plastic bags used to calculate and process large sums of cash.

"This is a major bust," said Benabou in a written statement. "The street value of the marijuana alone is close to one million dollars, coupled with the cash and other assets makes this the largest asset seizure case by the San Leandro police department."

The Booths remain in custody at Santa Rita Jail in Dublin, with their next court appearance set for Nov. 13.

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Mayor Visits Carlton Plaza

San Leandro Mayor Pauline Cutter took time out from her busy schedule to visit with the seniors at Carlton Plaza.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

❖ SL High School Theater

The San Leandro High School Theater department will produce the award winning play *She Kills Monsters*, the second weekend in November at the San Leandro Performing Arts Center, 2250 Bancroft Ave. Performances are on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 9 and 10, at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. The SLHS in theater department promises

this will be an edgy play, not the standard high school production, with thought-provoking themes to help the community connect with larger issues we face today. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$5 for students.

❖ The Englander Restaurant

Join in the fun at the Englander Restaurant, 101 Parrott St. in San Leandro on Saturday, Nov.

3, at 7 p.m. for a music show. Three bands will be performing, Shark Punch, Stereo Freakout, and Angry Jonny & The Radio. Tap takeover by Alameda Island Brewing Company and Orbit Skate Shop will sponsor the event. Admission is \$10 for all ages. For more information, call 317-9907.

❖ SL Museum Auditorium

The San Leandro Players present old-time melodrama *Chaos at the Cannery* 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.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

❖ Artful Steps 18th Annual Art Auction

The 18th Annual Art Auction and holiday craft sale will be on Friday, Nov. 9, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the 21st Amendment Brewery, 2010 Williams St. in San Leandro. The auction will feature collective works by artists from the Artful Steps program of Stepping Stones Growth Center. For more information, contact Missy Brooks, director of Artful Steps at mbrooks@steppingstonesgrowth.org.

❖ I.D.E.S. St. John Lunch & Bingo

I.D.E.S. St. John, 1670 Orchard Ave. in San Leandro, will host a turkey lunch and bingo on Saturday, Nov. 10, at noon. Tickets are \$15 and include lunch and four bingo cards. Extra cards are 25 cents each. For tickets, call Darlene at 589-6536, Willie at 635-6326 or Frances at 886-1568.

❖ Watercolor Exhibit & Reception

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❖ San Leandro Art Association Meeting

The San Leandro Art Association will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. with a demonstration by graphic artist and photographer Robert West. There will be an art swap to buy, trade or sell art supplies before the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

❖ Resources Information Session & Job Fair

San Lorenzo Adult School, 820 Bockman Road in San Lorenzo, will host a Community Resources Information Session and a Job Fair on Tuesday, Nov. 13. The first event will run from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and the second from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Language translators will be on hand for the Community Resources Information Fair which so far include America's Job Center of California (AJCC), Eden I&R, Meals on Wheels, and Spectrum Community Services, Inc. Free and open to the public. Anyone interested in participating as a vendor in the Job Fair should contact Trish Jetson at 317-4224 or pjetson@slzusd.org.

❖ 4-H Club's Next meeting

Come see what 4-H is all about at The Redwood 4-H Club's next meeting on Thursday, Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. at Canyon Middle School in Castro Valley, in the cafeteria. 4-H is for boys and girls, ages 5 to 18. Besides animal projects, they have needle works, archery and more. Other opportunities include life long friendships, weekend retreats about government and leadership, outrageous summer camp, team work, public speaking, county fair showings, volunteerism. For more information, go to www.redwood4H.org or call Karen at 566-3672.

❖ Hearing Loss Association Meeting

The Hearing Loss Association will meet on Saturday, Nov. 10, 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, ALDS (assistive listening devices), custom musician's earplugs, and does balance and tinnitus evaluations. He earned his Ph.D at UC San Diego. Dr. Thakkar has practiced in other countries and speaks five different languages. Parking is free in the old garage across from Howe Street. For more information, email info@hearinglosseb.org or call 221-6080.

❖ The Eagles Thanksgiving Luncheon

The sisters of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Eden Auxiliary 1139 will serve its Thanksgiving luncheon on Monday, Nov. 12, at noon at the Eagles Hall, 21406 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward. The luncheon will consist of turkey with all the trimmings, veggies, dessert, coffee and tea. A donation of \$8 will include one bingo card. Bring a couple friends for a fun afternoon. Proceeds will benefit the George Mark House of San Leandro. For more information, call Glenda at 584-1568.

❖ America Recycles Day

City of San Leandro will host an America Recycles Day event on Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Blvd. This year's campaign theme "Be Recycled" is aimed at motivating residents to recycle 365 days per year and to reuse materials to give them a second, third or even a fourth life. America Recycles Day is a national campaign aimed at encouraging reuse, recycling and buying recycled products. The event is open to San Leandro residents only. "#BeRecycled" encourages residents to recycle pharmaceuticals, household batteries and electronic media, such as floppy disks, DVDs, CD cases and toner cartridges. Residents also may drop-off mercury-containing items including thermometers, thermostats and fluorescent lights.

❖ Bay Area MG Walk

Participants affected by myasthenia gravis (MG) will gather to celebrate the lives of MG patients, physicians and caregivers, and walk to raise awareness and funds to support the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America (MGFA) at the Bay Area MG Walk on Sunday, Nov. 18, at Lake Merced Park in San Francisco. MG affects people of any age, race or gender. The most common form of MG is a chronic autoimmune neuromuscular disorder that is characterized by fluctuating weakness of the voluntary muscle groups. To learn more, visit the MGFA website at www.myasthenia.org and the MG Walk website at www.MGWalk.org or call 1-855-MGWALKS (855-649-2557).

❖ Hayward Area Museum of History

The exhibit *Day of the Dead 2018* will be on view through November 25, at the Hayward Area History Museum, 22380 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward. Day of the Dead at its core is a celebration of life. It's about remembering deceased loved ones and honoring their lives. This year's exhibition presents all forms of ofrendas from community members, from traditional altars to innovative sculptures. Some artworks highlight big moments in a loved one's life while others illustrate the impact of an historical figure. All show the many ways that Day of the Dead is celebrated. Admission is free.

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.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although your energy level is high, be careful not to commit to too many projects at this time. You'll do better focusing on just a few tasks rather than spreading yourself too thin.



TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your heart might be leading you in one direction, but pay attention to your keen Bovine intellect. I'm cautioning you to think things through before making any commitments.



GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your "serious" Twin has been dominant in your life for quite a while. It's time now to let that "wilder" half take you out for some good times -- perhaps with someone very special.



CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Career aspects are high for Moon Children who make a good impression. Show people not only what you can already do, but also how you can be more valuable to them in the future.



LEO (July 23 to August 22) Things start to brighten for the Lion's immediate financial future. But be careful to resist the urge to splurge. You need to tuck something away to help you through another tight period.



VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Having to do too many tasks in too short a time could lower your mood to just above the grumbling level. But if you handle things one at a time, you'll get through it all soon enough.



LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your usually carefully made holiday plans could be subject to change later this month. Use this week to prepare for that possibility by starting a Plan B just in case you need it.



SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be careful about joining a colleague's plan to solve a workplace problem. Investigate it thoroughly. Otherwise, you could find yourself in a predicament with other associates.



SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Slow down that high-paced whirl you've been on. Spending quiet time alone or with people you care for can be both physically and spiritually restorative.



CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Make suggestions, not demands. You'll be more successful in getting people to follow your lead if you exercise quiet patience instead of strong persuasion to get your ideas across.



AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You still need more facts before you can make an informed career choice. One note of caution: Be careful about whom you ask for that information; otherwise, you could be misled.



PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Changing situations through the end of the week could lead to some challenging opportunities for those perspicacious Pisceans who know how to make them work to their advantage.

Forty-two: Idea started with a dog walk

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pital in Langley, Virginia. In his career as a video engineer, he worked a good part of that time at Moscone Center.

When Vincent walks his dogs he stops at the flagpole in Memorial Park, right next to the Veterans Memorial Building.

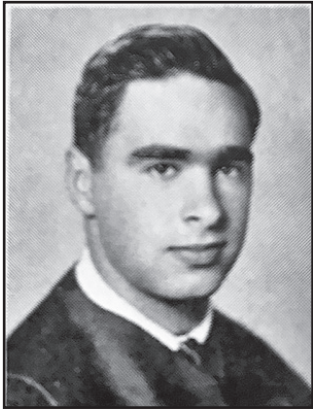
"I always stop at the flag there and clean the pine needles off the plaque," Vincent said.

As he was cleaning off the plaque one morning, looking at the 42 names, he had a thought.

"I thought, I'm going to look up these guys," Vincent said. "So the idea came from exercise and walking the dogs."

Another San Leandro casualty of World War II, Dan Carey Wade, was a sailor on the U.S.S. Brennon, a ship that had the latest technology at the time, Vincent discovered.

Vincent has been hashing over his ideas with friends at



Joseph Piazza

the San Leandro Breakfast Club which meets on Wednesdays at the Tequila Grill downtown. Several club members are veterans.

Vincent is hoping to hear from family or friends of the 42 fallen soldiers to gather more information, in addition to what he finds online and at the library's history room.

Brave Men From San Leandro Who Gave Their Lives Fighting For An Ideal -The United States of America - World War II		
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"I'm there for hours just looking at microfilm," he says.

Vincent's book-in-progress can be viewed at the Veterans Me-

morial Building, 1105 Bancroft Ave., on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 10 a.m. and noon. Call before at 532-3785.

Sign Up for Boys & Girls Club Basketball

The Boys and Girls Club of San Leandro is taking sign-ups for its Winter 2019 instructional basketball program for all boys and girls in grades 3 through 6. The league begins in January.

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

All players are required to play two quarters per game, so all players have an opportunity to be on the court and part of the action.

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

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

The Boys & Girls Club is also looking for volunteer coaches for the program.

For more information on the program or if you are interested in volunteering as a coach please contact Ross Lim, at 483-5581 or via e-mail at rosslim89@gmail.com.

Complaint: No evidence

continued from front page

mayoral candidate Jeromey Shafer and council candidates Eva Arce, Victor Aguilar, and Maxine Oliver-Benson committed finance violations stemming from the fact that Shafer has been filing financial statements on behalf of the entire slate, confusing who has received which contributions and made which expenditures.

Gregory filed the complaint



Jeromey Shafer

"It's a desperate attempt to stifle proponents of rent control for San Leandro."

— Mayor Candidate Jeromey Shafer

in mid-October and late last week, the FPPC ruled that there was not enough evidence to prompt any further investigation.

In a letter addressed to Gregory dated Nov. 1, the FPPC wrote: "Based on a review of the complaint and the documentation provided, the Enforcement Division found insufficient evidence of a violation of the Political Reform Act and will not pursue an enforcement action in this matter."

Shafer said that Gregory and Silva's complaint was a political attack to try to stop the slate, which was running with the goal of bringing rent control to San Leandro. Ultimately, District 3 candidate Aguilar was the only slate member who was successful in his run for the council.

Shafer said that he was always confident that he and his fellow slate candidates would be cleared because he knew they had done nothing wrong.

"Mr. Silva's desperate attempt to stifle proponents of rent control for San Leandro has shown the level he is willing to go to maintain his waning influence," said Shafer in a written statement. "I will continue to advocate for protections from displacement for renters and against the monetary influence of lobbyists at City Hall."

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LEAF Integrates Cutting-Edge Tech

By Steve Schaefer
San Leandro Times

The Nissan LEAF, introduced in 2010 as a 2011 model, is the world's most popular mass-production electric car. But, with an expanding EV market, it was time for an upgrade.

While the original car was a study in soft curves, the 2018 is edgier, and looks more like a regular car, with a traditional face on the outside and a more upright and structured dash panel inside. The body shape remains a four-door hatchback with room for five and generous cargo space.

While the similarly sized and shaped Chevrolet Bolt EV gets 238 miles of range from its 60-kWh lithium-ion battery, the LEAF pulls just 150 from its 40-kWh one. Nissan says a 60-kWh, 200+ mile-range battery is coming, but my Deep Blue Pearl test car had the 40.

Why would Nissan introduce

a brand-new LEAF with significantly less range than the Bolt EV, its most direct competitor? One reason is that 150 miles is a lot more than the previous model's 107 (from a 30-kW battery), and it may be enough for most uses.

The other reason is price. While the lower-level Bolt LT stickers at \$36,620, the base S model LEAF starts at just \$29,990. The mid-level SV begins at \$32,490, while the upper-level LEAF SL, with leather seating (blended smooth hide and suede), with power adjustment (unavailable in any Bolt), and more, lists at \$36,200—nearly identical to the base Bolt. My SL tester came to \$38,115, including a few options and an \$885 destination charge. For comparison, a fully configured Bolt EV runs just under \$44,000.

The LEAF's 110-kW AC synchronous electric motor is good for 147 horsepower and a potent 236 lb.-ft. of torque. You can really feel it as you zoom ahead in

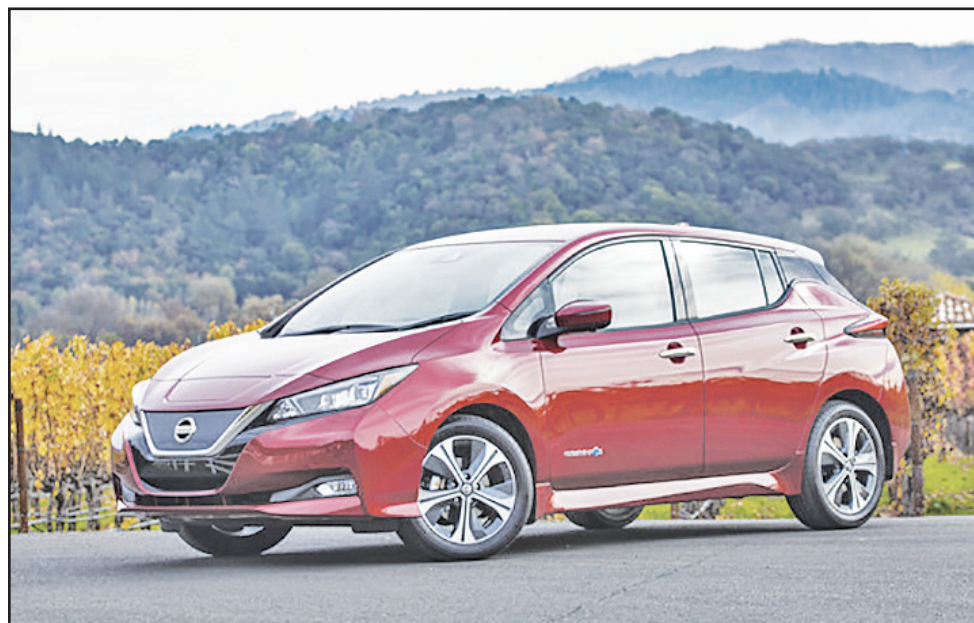
normal driving; the ECO setting makes acceleration more lethargic, but still adequate, moving the 3,508-pound car down the road competently. For comparison, the Bolt EV is more powerful, with a 150 kW, 200-horsepower motor, with 266 lb.-ft. of torque.

The LEAF offers e-Pedal, which lets you use your right foot to press on the accelerator to move forward and ease up on the pedal to slow down—even to a stop. This is possible with electric motors, not gas engines. The e-Pedal works almost exactly like L (Low) in the Bolt, but once you set it, it stays on until you turn it off, while the Bolt defaults to normal D (Drive) and needs an extra flick of the lever to engage.

Nissan offers ProPILOT Assist Technology on the LEAF, meant to reduce driver fatigue. While it's not autonomous driving—you must keep your hands on the wheel—you can set a following distance from the car in front while steering assist keeps you in the center of the lane automatically. It's a toe in the water of autonomy.

The LEAF's electric port remains in its nose. You need to pop it open using a button on the dash, unlike the Bolt's left-fender-mounted door. In there, two sockets sit side by side, since the LEAF still uses the J-1772 connector for Level 1 and 2 charging and the big round CHAdeMo socket for quick charging.

You can add up to 111 miles to the battery charge in five hours on Level 2 (240-volt) charging. Home charging on 120-volt household current is much slow-



The signature V-Motion grille, the boomerang light signature, and the floating roof give the LEAF an appearance similar to other Nissan models, such as the popular Rogue.

er, but you can add around 50 miles of range overnight. At public quick-charge stations you can add 90 miles in 30 minutes, so a 45-minute lunch stop should get you on your way.

I like the Bolt's 238 miles, but for my 18 miles each way of commuting, and running around the San Francisco Bay Area on weekends, 150 miles is actually plenty. The official EPA stats are 125 MPGe City, 100 Highway, and 112 Combined. Compare these numbers to other battery-electric vehicles. Naturally, the Smog and Greenhouse gas numbers are perfect 10s.

Time in the LEAF is very pleasant, with supportive bucket seats and padded door panels that feel more luxurious than the more utilitarian Bolt. The screen in the center of the dash is much smaller than the generous 10.2-inch one in the Bolt. Climate controls

sit in a low-mounted but easy to decipher bow tie. The steering wheel is adjustable for height but does not telescope. The little, round, blue-illuminated shift knob remains and is easier to use than the Bolt's.

The new LEAF is much improved, both for its increased range and its style. But looking

carefully, I realized that much of it is actually carried over. The distinctive windshield pillars remain, as do the front doors—inside and outside—and the interior and exterior door handles! With the changes, though, the car looks current and matches better with its fellow Nissans in the showroom.



The new LEAF comes with the e-Pedal, which allows the driver to accelerate, decelerate or stop by using the pedal alone.

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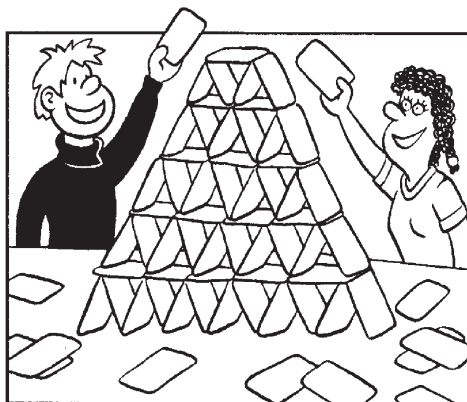
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: Sign is missing. 2. Backpack compartment is missing. 3. Shirt is shorter. 4. Cap is different. 5. Can is missing. 6. Hot dog is missing.



BILLY AND MARY are about to set a card house record. Can you correctly count all of the cards in this picture in 30 seconds?

Answer: We counted 67 cards. Did you find that many?

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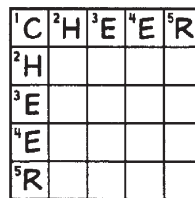
To the right is a list of five words. Can you figure out which word doesn't belong on the list?

Answer: Abject. In the other words, every other letter is a vowel (a, e, i, o and u).

ARE YOU A "WORD" CHEERLEADER? See if you can shout out the four five-letter words needed on the right that match the definitions given below. All words must read the same across and down.

1. Shout encouragement (given).
2. To divide in two.
3. Mischievous creatures.
4. A sporting contest.
5. Cessations from work.

Answers: 1. Cheer. 2. Halve. 3. Elves. 4. Event. 5. Rests.



Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

NO, THIS IS NOT BILLY GOAT HEAVEN!

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This is a "can-do" word puzzle for you. Each of the words in our grid begins with the word "can." Using the following hints, see if you can find these words in five minutes.

1. A Fourth of July salute.
2. Protective rooflike coverings.
3. A metal can for sugar.
4. A military hangout.
5. A delicious appetizer.
6. (slang) A prison informant.
7. Frankness or sincerity.
8. Type of picture-taking.
9. Careful and shrewd.

Answers: 1. Cannonnade. 2. Canopies. 3. Canister. 4. Caniteen. 5. Canape. 6. Canary. 7. Candor. 8. Candid. 9. Canny.

Pirates Football Wins in NCS Playoffs, 24-21

By Andrew Joseph
San Leandro Times

The San Leandro Pirates football team edged out a 24-21 win Saturday night at home in front of over 1,000 fans against the Dougherty Valley Wildcats in the first round of the North Coast Section (NCS) Division I playoffs.

"We showed a lot of heart tonight up until the very end," said San Leandro quarterback Cameron Stanley. "It's the playoffs so it's win or go home and we found a way to win."

The Pirates advance to 6-5 overall, 4-1 in league and move on to the second round of the playoffs on Friday at California High. San Leandro also adds another victory to their current four game winning streak, which started with a 27-14 win over Piedmont in week six of the regular season.

"This win and every win is huge, every victory is a huge victory," said Pirates' head coach Brad Bowers. "This four-game win streak we're on is big for us, we're just taking one game at a time."

The run game got started early for San Leandro, highlighted by Osaro Aihie who had 12 carries for a total of 127 yards.

"Our linemen committed to their blocks that led to our run game to having success," said Stanley. "We were able to prove that we can work downfield quickly on offense and move the ball effectively."



PHOTO BY ANDREW JOSEPH

Pirates wide receiver Jordan Cobbs catches a 50-yard reception from Cameron Stanley down the field in the second half.

The Wildcats gained momentum at the end of the first half until the end of the game, their defense holding San Leandro to scoreless in the entire second half.

"Right at the end of the first half they just had a few plays go their way that boosted their spirits and gave them some momentum into halftime that helped them get back in the game," said Bowers.

Stanley led the San Leandro offense to victory, including passing 50 yards to receiver Jordan Mason and 67 yards to Jordan Cobbs, completing 4 of 9 passes for 117 yards. Stanley has a total of 906 passing yards for the season.

Cobbs leads all Pirate receivers with five touchdowns

and 653 yards receiving this year.

"It was an emotional win because it's our first playoff win this year, last home game of the season, and our seniors won't be playing here anymore next year," said Stanley. "All of that is driving us right now to go as far as we can in the NCS playoffs."

In the end it was the Pirates' defense that won the game, forcing a Wildcats field goal in the final seconds that would have tied the game if it went good. Instead, it was a turnover on downs to the San Leandro offense with the three-point lead and just 17.9 seconds remaining

in the contest.

J'kazee Dorrough leads the San Leandro defense with 82 tackles so far on the season, though his highlight of the night was a 70-yard run on offense as a running back.

"The defense has been on point," said Bowers. "With Amari Roberson and J'kazee Dorrough making big plays I think our defense is a factor."

San Leandro will travel to California High in San Ramon for the NCS second round playoff game on Friday at 7 p.m.

"I know California is always a good team, they play tough," said Bowers. "It will be a physical game and we'll be ready."

City, Legion to Mark Veterans Day on Sunday

The City of San Leandro and American Legion Post 117 invite the public to the Veteran's Day observance and 33rd annual flag raising ceremony at the San Leandro Senior Community Center, 13909 East 14th St., on Sunday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m.

The observance and ceremo-

ny honors and thanks military veterans, both living and dead, who served in the United States Armed Forces.

Post 117 plans to honor a veteran who passed on to "Post Everlasting" with a ceremony that includes the stacking of rifles, placement of an American Legion cap, and a flag raising.

Monarch Butterfly Walk

Flying thousands of miles at speeds of up to 25 miles per hour and a mile high in the sky, Monarch butterflies return annually to the same trees at the San Leandro Marina and hunker down to spend the winter.

Learn about the life cycle and mysterious migration of the Monarch butterfly from a butterfly expert. After a brief talk, take a short walk to see large clusters of butterflies on the eucalyptus trees.

This is one of only two places in Alameda County to witness this natural phenomenon with a naturalist guide.

Wear comfortable shoes that can get a bit dirty. Be prepared to walk a few blocks to the site on paved surfaces, then on grass to

view the butterflies. Bring binoculars, or some will be available to borrow.

For more information, call 577-6085 or email monarchs@sanleandro.org. Weekday school programs are available on a limited basis. Email for details. The overwintering site is not open to the public.

Register in advance. Programs occur rain or shine, no refunds for inclement weather.

Go to apm.activecommunities.com and use keyword "Monarch" to register. Resident registration fee: \$15 adults, \$8 children.

Sunday, Nov. 18, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 6, noon to 1:30 p.m.

City to Host Recycling Day Next Tuesday

City of San Leandro will host an America Recycles Day event on Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Blvd.

This year's campaign theme "Be Recycled" is aimed at motivating residents to recycle 365 days per year and to reuse materials to give them a second, third or even a fourth life. America Recycles Day is a national campaign aimed at encouraging reuse, recycling, and buying recycled

products.

The event is open to San Leandro residents only. "#BeRecycled" encourages residents to recycle pharmaceuticals, household batteries and electronic media, such as floppy disks, DVDs, CD cases and toner cartridges. Residents also may drop-off mercury-containing items including thermometers, thermostats and fluorescent lights.

America Recycles Day is the only nationally recognized day dedicated to promoting and celebrating recycling in the United States. More than 2,000 events are held coast-to-coast, engaging more than 2 million estimated participants nationwide.

For more information, visit www.RecycleSanLeandro.org or call the City's Recycling Hotline at 577-6026.

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Downside to Gifting a Home

I am thinking about just gifting my home to my son now, in order to minimize estate administration after I'm gone. Of course, I would continue to live here as long as possible. Any downside to this?

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

A Yes, there may be a big one. Consider the following:

Taxes: If your home has appreciated substantially in value since you purchased it years ago, a gift of the home during your lifetime would not be "tax smart." Here's why: Let's suppose you bought the home years ago at a price of \$75,000, but that it is now worth \$775,000. Let's also assume you have not made any improvements.

From a tax viewpoint, your tax basis in the home would be \$75K, i.e. its cost. So, if you sold it now for \$775K, you would realize roughly \$700K in gain. Even assuming you are eligible to exclude \$250K of that gain under the 'sale of home residence' exclusion, you would still realize \$450K in capital gain upon which you would be taxed.

Likewise, if you gifted the home to your son during your lifetime, he would step into your shoes and would then also have a tax basis of \$75K. If he later chose to sell, the home would generate a large potential tax liability for him. (Whether he, too, would have the 'home residence exclusion' available would depend upon whether he met the home residence test before sale.)

In any event, his potential tax liability upon a later sale would be very substantial, and would likely increase over time

as the home's value increased, because the home would continue to carry your older, low cost basis.

By contrast, if you passed the home to him as a result of your death, then under current tax law he would receive an adjusted tax basis equal to the home's fair market value at the time of your death.

Let's suppose by then the home's value has increased to \$1,000,000. That would then be his new tax basis, and this adjusted basis would then offset much of any taxable gain upon a later sale, potentially saving him tens of thousands of dollars in taxes.

So, trying to keep things simple now would potentially be very costly for your son down the road.

That said, there are ways to "have your cake and eat it, too":

If you create a lifetime transfer now, but use a technique whereby the transfer is only complete at death, then you can both eliminate estate administration and also obtain favorable tax treatment for your son.

One technique: the Life Estate Deed, which preserves your right to occupy the home for your lifetime, but gives him

the 'remainder interest' after your demise. Visit our website for more information.

Medi-Cal Subsidy for Long Term Care: If you believe that you may need long term care in the future, the home transfer should be handled in a manner that complies with the Medi-Cal rules, so as to both preserve your eligibility and avoid a post-mortem reimbursement claim.

Child's Credit Issues: If your son has unpaid creditors, you may wish to re-think your plan, as the home might then be exposed to his creditors' claims.

Borrowing Unavailable: A gift now would make you ineligible to take out a conventional or Reverse Mortgage on your home to help with expenses.

In your situation, it would be wise to consult an attorney experienced in these matters to devise the best plan.

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What You'll Pay for Medicare Next Year

By Jim Miller
SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services recently announced their cost adjustments for 2019, and you'll be happy to know that the standard Medicare Part B monthly premium for most beneficiaries starting in January will be \$135.50, a modest increase of just \$1.50 per month over 2018's standard premium.

There are, however, a small group of Medicare beneficiaries (about 2 million people) who will actually pay less than \$135.50 because the 2.8 percent cost-of-living increase in their Social Security checks will not be large enough to cover the full premium increase.

Thanks to the Social Security Act's "hold harmless" provision, Medicare cannot pass along premium increases greater than the dollar increase in their Social Security checks.

In addition, there are also a small group of high-income beneficiaries (about 3 million people) that will pay higher Part B premiums because their income is above \$85,000 as a single, or \$170,000 as a married couple filing jointly.

Medicare uses modified ad-

justed gross income from your tax return from two years ago to determine your premiums, which means that 2019 Part B premiums are determined by 2017 income.

So, if your income was \$85,001 to \$107,000 (or \$170,001 to \$214,000 if filing jointly), your monthly premium will increase from \$187.50 to \$189.60. Monthly premiums for singles with an income of \$107,001 to \$133,500 (joint filers with income of \$214,001 to \$267,000) will rise from \$267.90 to \$270.90. And premiums for singles earning \$133,501 to \$160,000 (\$267,001 to \$320,000 for joint filers) will increase from \$348.30 to \$352.20.

If you had higher income than that, your monthly premium for 2018 was \$428.60. In 2019, there will be an extra surcharge tier for people with the highest income.

If your income is between \$160,001 and \$499,999 (\$320,001 to \$749,999 for joint filers), you'll pay \$433.40 per month. Single

filers with income of \$500,000 or more (\$750,000 or more for joint filers) will pay \$460.50 per month.

If you fall into any of these categories and you've experienced certain life-changing events that have reduced your income since 2017, such as retirement, divorce or the death of a spouse, you can contest the surcharge.

For more on contesting or reducing high-income surcharge, see "Medicare Premiums: Rules for Higher-Income Beneficiaries" at SSA.gov/pubs/EN-05-10536.pdf.

In addition to the Part B premium increases, the annual deductible for Medicare Part B, which covers physician services and other outpatient services, will see a mild bump from \$183 to \$185 in 2019. The deductible for Medicare Part A, which covers hospital services, will increase from \$1,340 in 2018 to \$1,364 in 2019.

For more on all the Medicare costs for 2019 visit Medicare.gov or call 800-633-4227.

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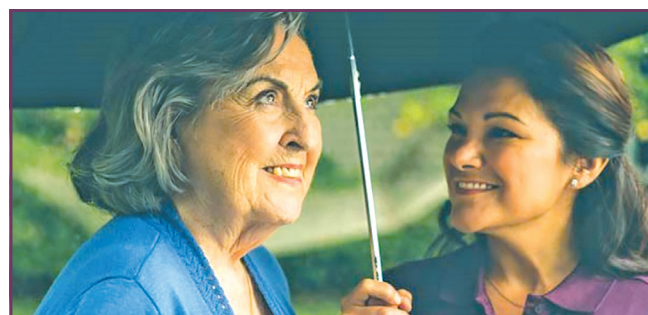


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By Carl Medford, CRS
Special to the Times

GUEST COMMENTARY



Real Estate Pricing Reality

Meeting with a seller, a Realtor was handed a list of numbers. "Here are our obligations," the seller stated. "It includes our mortgage, 2 cars, student loans and line of credit." The agent added them together, factored in closing costs and produced a net sheet. "To pay everything off," she explained, "your home would have to sell for \$940,000. Our challenge is," she continued, "comparable sales put your current value in the range of \$860,000." "Ok," said the seller, "we will list our home at \$940,000 and not accept a penny less. Someone out there will love our house enough to buy at our price."

While this logic may have made sense a few months ago when multiple offers were driving prices upwards, the



market has shifted downward and the rules have subsequently changed. In the current real estate reality, this scenario has some fatal flaws.

1. Correct pricing strategy is to price ahead of the market: if prices are going up, you can price higher than previous sales. If values are headed down, you should list lower than previous sales.

2. Since prices are currently trending down, offers are typically being written under previous comparable sale prices. In fact, even with lower list prices, many offers are coming in under list price. A substantial number of Central County homes have closed under list price in the past few months.

3. Today's buyers are very savvy when it comes to pricing. With access to online valuation tools, they have a good idea what values should be in any given neighborhood. They will not pay

more than a home is worth just because a seller "needs" to net a higher price. Even if they did, an appraiser will not provide a value that is not in line with current market pricing. In reality, if buyers sense a home is priced too high, they will simply not show up.

4. Homes priced too high for the market will sit for a long time. In a declining market, the longer a home sits, the wider the gap between list price and actual value. If a seller is adamant about getting a price over perceived market value, they will not sell at all.

While understandable that a seller may want a specific amount from their sale, they need to understand they will actually only receive what the current market deems their home is worth.

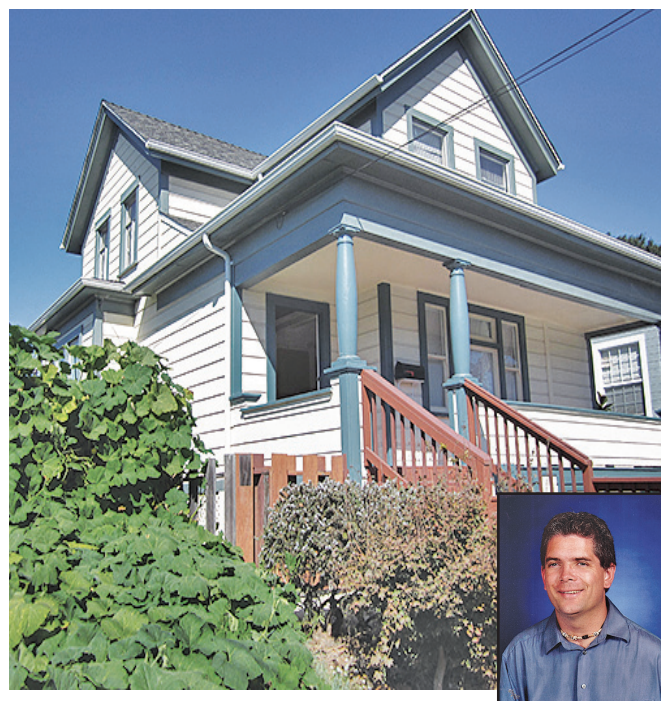
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Fifteen-year loans averaged 4.23 percent, down from 4.29 percent.

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Getting Outdoor Plants Ready for Winter

By Samantha Mazzotta
SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

As it gets closer to the frosty season, gardeners should be wondering: which outdoor plants need protection?

For exact information on which plants to protect and how, you'll want to ask at your local garden center. Each plant is different, but most are classified in the U.S. based on the growing zone in which they do best.

If a plant is classed as "hardy" for your zone, it should do

all right in the cold weather, with a few precautions.

If not, or if it is a potted plant, consider bringing it inside, or wrap the plant or shrub in burlap tied with string to protect it from frosts and freezes.

Many perennials need just a fresh layer of mulch, applied before the first hard frost. Again, check with your garden center or research your type of plant on the Internet to determine which mulch is best to use – bark, hay, straw or leaves – and how deep to mulch.

Other ways to prepare your yard for winter include clearing away any loose debris, such as leaves and fallen branches, to prevent them from blowing around in the winter. If your garden has been harvested, now's the time to turn the soil and remove any stalks and dead vines before the ground freezes.

It's also a good time to start a compost heap, if you haven't got one already. By spring, you should have some good compost to start the next garden.

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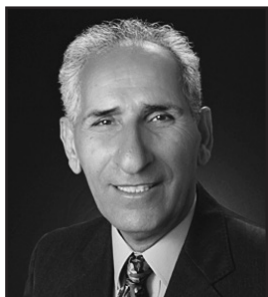
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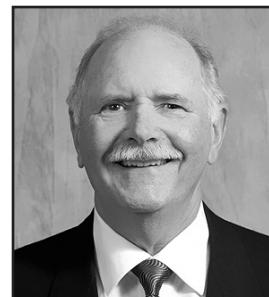
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Oro Loma: Two new members elected to Eden Township board

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water engineer, said he was grateful for an opportunity to join the board.

"I think my campaign went really well because of all the doors that I knocked on," said Simon on election night. "I met a lot of different people and got an idea about what is important to them. I heard a message about water recycling loud and clear and that's something I'm going to bring to the board."

The top two spots in the Oro

Loma race went to incumbents Rita Duncan (29 percent, 8,073 votes) and former San Leandro mayor Shelia Young (28 percent, 7,797 votes). Incumbent Tim Becker came in fourth, so he was not reelected after more than a decade on the Oro Loma board.

Eden Township Board

In a "pick three" race among eight candidates for the Eden Healthcare District board, newcomer Mariellen Faria was the top vote-getter in the EHD race with 23 percent (21,257 votes)



Rita Duncan



Fred Simon



Shelia Young

"I met a lot of people and got an idea of what's important."

— Newly elected Oro Loma board member Fred Simon

most and managed 31 percent of the vote (9,130 votes) but still fell well short of incumbent Mark William's 67 percent of the vote (19,833 votes).

Similarly, Harvey managed 30 percent of the vote (5,891 votes) in the East Bay Municipal Utility District Ward 7 race against incumbent Frank Mellon who won with 68 percent of the vote (12,986 votes). Mellon had been a critic of Harvey's strategy of running in so many races, calling it a waste of taxpayers' time and money.

Harvey managed to get 15 percent of the votes for Fairview Fire Protection District Director, 8 percent of the votes for a seat on the Hayward school board, and just under 6 percent of the votes for the EHD board.

and former San Leandro City Councilman Gordon Galvan also won a seat on the board with just under 16 percent of the votes (14,419 votes).

The only EHD incumbent to be re-elected was Roxann Lewis, coming in third with 15 percent of

the votes (14,087 votes). Fellow incumbents Tom Lorentzen and Lester Friedman failed to get reelected.

Former San Leandro mayor Stephen Cassidy also did not win a seat on the EHD board, coming in sixth with 9.5 percent of the votes (8,786 votes).

And Nicholas Harvey — the man who ran in five different races this election — came in last in all five, including the EHD race.

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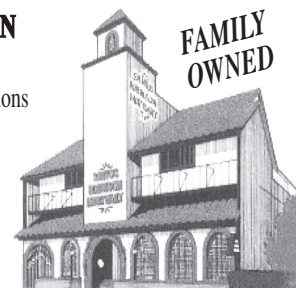
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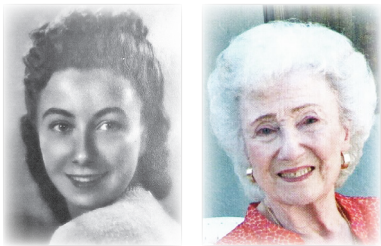
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October 10, 1925 - October 30, 2018

June Joyce (Sylvia) De Silva, 93, of San Leandro passed away on the morning of October 30, 2018 in the comfort of her home, surrounded by lifelong memories. She was born October 10, 1925 in Oakland as the only child of Joseph Sylvia (of Portugal) and her cherished mother Virginia Liles Sylvia.

June is preceded in death by her husbands: Joseph De Silva, Norman Noia, and Ernest Liebelt along with her beloved three oldest sons Ernie Gustav Liebelt, Craig Joseph Liebelt and Scott Alan Liebelt. Left to cherish her memory is her son Jeffery Norman Noia and wife Valerie Noia; her beloved 'Son by Another Mother'! (as he was adorably nicknamed) — Don Routh; Step Daughter and Cherished Companion — Barbara Bohenna and Beloved Daughter-in-Law — Linda Liebelt; along with Grandchildren Joey Fanjul, Jeffery Liebelt, Brittany Noia, Travis Strong, Bree Toccagino, and several great-grandchildren.

While June flourished from the love and friendship of her childhood friends, she embraced all who came into her life with open arms and warmth. She orchestrated holiday get-togethers and social gatherings, all with a creative flare. She found time to create beautiful holiday and home décor crafts that she gifted to all. Her bountiful culinary treats, entrees and dishes will forever be remembered while we grace our dinner tables, especially while celebrating her favorite holidays. Her recipes and Cowboy Cookies will be shared and passed forward for generations.

This extraordinary woman, family matriarch to so many, lived with Grace and Selflessness. While entrenched in all our hearts she will forever be remembered for her never-ending devotion to family and friends.

Memorial Service celebrating her life will be held at Santos-Robinson in San Leandro at 1 p.m. on Thursday, November 15th.

**"IT IS NOT WITH TEARS THAT WE
SAY FAREWELL, BUT WITH 'JOY' THAT YOU
LOVED AND LIVED SO WELL"**

ABFALTER, Barbara Ann
REGAN, John C.
DE SILVA, June Joyce

noon. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. until service time. Burial to follow at Lone Tree Cemetery in Hayward.

■ **John C. Regan**, a long-time resident of San Leandro, passed away on November 5, 2018. John was employed by the Port of Oakland. A Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2018 at Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro, beginning at 12

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Barbara Ann Abfalter

October 15, 1927 – July 15, 2018

Barbara Abfalter, a native Californian, passed away on July 15, 2018 at the age of 90.

Barbara was born and raised in Oakland, California and graduated from Fremont High School in 1945. She met the love of her life, Loren (Scotty), in Oakland and they married in January of 1946. They moved to Iowa, where Scotty was from, but returned to California in 1952.

Barbara was preceded in death by her husband Scotty of 56 years, son Mark Abfalter, her two brothers Richard and Jerrold Kelly, and sister Jean Banks. She is survived by her sons Russell Abfalter and Steven Abfalter, daughter Cheryl Saak, eight grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Barbara began her 30 year career at Montgomery Wards in 1955. She belonged to the Diamond Athletic Volleyball Club, San Lorenzo Sociables, and the Castro Valley Rebels Square Dancing group. She enjoyed weekly cards with friends, crocheting, knitting, sewing and gardening. She and Scotty loved to golf and travel throughout the U.S. and Mexico, Calistoga Hot Springs being one of their favorite spots. Barbara's loving, generous and welcoming spirit will be sincerely missed by all who knew her.



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Mayor: Benny Lee is fine with not being in the SL political in-crowd

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for the people of San Leandro.”

Cutter celebrated election night at Drake’s brewery with most of her fellow council members as well as a slew of familiar faces from local politics.

Benny Lee, who held his party at Fusion Delight restaurant in the Greenhouse Marketplace shopping center, said he was not surprised that most of the rest of the council was together without him.

“I’ve always been a bit of an outsider on the council in some sense,” said Lee. “But it’s not about what the council thinks of me. In all my decisions, I try to consider what’s good for a large cross section of people.”

Lee displayed an app on his smart phone that showed where 500 of his campaign lawn signs had been put up around town and said he was grateful for the support he did receive even if he fell short of victory.

“My campaign reached out to a lot of folks – over half of these signs were put

up by people whose doors we knocked on and spoke with,” said Lee. “I’m proud of that.”

Slate candidate Jeromey Shafer spent election night at the 991 Club in Washington Manor where politics mixed with karaoke music.

Shafer said that despite a third-place finish, he made his impact felt at City Hall.

“I’m feeling great about the whole experience,” said Shafer. “We controlled the narrative of this election. We shook up the whole process. Without the slate, two (City Council) races were uncontested and the candidates would have walked right onto the council. Because of us, they had to campaign and reach out to the voters.”

City Council

City Council District 1 incumbent Deborah Cox won reelection with 66 percent of the vote (6,704 votes) over second place finisher Ken Pon (19



Victor Aguilar won a seat on the City Council

percent of the vote, 1,968 votes) and slate candidate Eva Arce (15 percent, 1,502 votes).

Cox said she looks forward to four

more years of serving San Leandrans. “That’s what it is all about – the people,” said Cox. “That’s why I do what I do.”

District 5 Incumbent Corina Lopez won with 71 percent of the vote (6,813 votes) over slate candidate Maxine Oliver Benson, who had 28 percent of the vote (2,699 votes).

Just like Cutter and Cox, Lopez said she’s just getting started and has a lot more she’d like to accomplish while on the City Council.

“San Leandro has a lot of challenges ahead and I’m ready to help lead the city as we face them,” said Lopez. “There will also be many successes. I’m very proud of what I’ve done and delivered

in the past and I’m hopeful about the future.”

The only incumbent to not win reelection was District 3 candidate Lee Thomas, who lost to slate candidate Victor Aguilar. Thomas received 47 percent of the vote (4,520 votes) to Aguilar’s 52 percent (4,959 votes).

Aguilar could not immediately be reached for comment, but slate campaign manager Guillermo Elenes said he was thrilled to have one of his underdog candidates make it onto the City Council.

“We’ve knocked off an incumbent,” said Elenes. “They said it couldn’t be done and we did it. We made change in San Leandro.”

OPINION

LETTERS to the EDITOR

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Says Rules Not Being Followed In ‘Giant Condo’ Proposal

Editor:

Regarding “Michael Gregory Files Complaint on Slate,” Page 1, *The Times*, Nov. 1, since when is Tom Silva concerned about following the rules? Only when they don’t apply to him, apparently. Jeromey Shafer’s accounting is off by \$6, which he has offered to pay for.

Tom Silva is trying to shoehorn a giant condo into an area that it’s not zoned for. Doesn’t that mean it’s against the rules?

I don’t buy whatever it is this whole Silva/Gregory thing is trying to sell!

—Jenni Romero
San Leandro

Claims ‘Community Energy’ just a Politicians’ Scheme for Money

Editor:

By now we’ve all received the notice that starting in November, our power will be provided by the “East Bay Community Energy” group. They promise lower electricity rates and a commitment to renewable energy sources.

Sounds good, doesn’t it? But take a look at who will be running this outfit: elected politicians. Not people who know anything about energy, or transmission lines, or even elementary business practices. No, these are politicians, the same people who have brought so many of our East Bay cities low with bloated salaries for city workers, unfunded pension promises to unions, homeless on the street, cuts in services, and always more taxes, taxes, taxes.

And now this same crew proposes to manage your energy use and consumption? Who are they kidding? Their track record is abysmal. They can’t manage their way out of a wet paper bag.

What’s worse, did they give you a choice in the matter? No – with the arrogance of the self-appointed elite, they enrolled you automatically because they know what’s better for you than you do, so why ask your permission?

This is really nothing more than a way for the politicians to stick their fingers into yet another revenue stream. The question is how much money will they siphon off to cover their other financial mistakes?

Call them at (833) 699-3223 and do the only thing they’ll let you do: opt out of their rank scheme.

—Allan Lindsay-O’Neal
San Leandro

Wants More Info on ICE Custody Issues from the Sheriff

Editor:

I read the article written by Amy Sylvestri, regarding the recent forum in Oakland (“Speakers Tell Sheriff to Cool It with ICE,” *The Times*, Page 1, Oct. 4) and feel that additional information should have been obtained to give readers details regarding the ICE custody issues.

I would like to know the breakdown on the types of crimes committed by the 86 people taken into custody. Were these minor offenses, like un-paid parking tickets, or were these violent crimes.

I am in favor of providing sanctuary for people escaping war, famine, genocide, threats from drug cartels and persecution based on race or religion.

However, I am not in favor of shielding people that entered the country illegally and commit violent crimes. We should not be protecting criminals from deportation. Maybe if Sheriff Ahern had provided data regarding the types of crimes the 86 people committed, it would help the audience determine that ICE had valid reasons for taking them into custody for deportation processing.

I am sure that as you read this, you are thinking, this lady is racist. Well, half of my family is Latino, so *no*, I am not racist. Some of my family members also came into this country illegally and went through the process to gain legal status. They are also hard-working, honest people that do not commit crimes.

As an American, if you commit a

crime in another country, such as Mexico or South American countries, you would be deported in a heartbeat, after you served your sentence and/or paid a fine. Our neighboring countries have no tolerance for foreigners, legal or illegally coming into their country and committing crimes, nor should we.

—Linda Nelson
San Leandro

Mitigation of Climate Change Requires Switch in Our Diets

Editor:

Right on the heels of utter devastation wrought by Hurricanes Florence and Michael, comes an alarming report in the prestigious journal *Nature* that mitigation of global climate change will require a massive switch to plant-based eating.

The report concludes that global warming threatens the world’s very food supply, in addition to generating scorching heat, raging wildfires, devastating hurricanes, massive flooding, and rising sea levels. It was compiled by an international panel of 23 climate experts and follows the latest warning about rising temperatures by the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

A 2010 United Nations report blamed animal agriculture for 19% of greenhouse gas emissions, 70% of freshwater use, and 38% of land use. Carbon dioxide is emitted by burning forests to create animal pastures and by operating factory farms. The more damaging methane and nitrous oxide are released from digestive tracts of cattle and from animal waste cesspools, respectively.

In an environmentally sustainable world, just as we replace fossil fuels by wind, solar, and other pollution-free energy sources, we must also replace meat and dairy products in our diet by vegetables, fruits, and grains.

Our next supermarket visit offers a superb opportunity to get started.

—Kurt Champler
San Leandro

INQUIRING REPORTER

Most fun you ever had?

— Asked downtown

I was in Berlin when they broke down the Berlin Wall and Pink Floyd played. Just after high school, a group of kids of Rotary Club members went to Germany. I paid a scalper 50 bucks to see Pink Floyd. We stayed with families, and a friend I met in Germany, Bernie, later came here and stayed three weeks.

Matt Jones
San Leandro



I ride horses and the best time was with a group that gives rides as therapy for people who are paraplegic. I was back riding for a boy and that’s when he opens up and starts talking. He said, “I love horses.”

Jennifer Ray
San Leandro

There were three couples all married in the same year, 1948. We took trips together, and on our 25th anniversary we took a 2-week Caribbean cruise. It was so much fun.

Eleanor Manuel
Oakland



I went to South Beach, Miami. Just the whole ambiance, the people are friendly, the parties, the clubs. The sidewalks are wide and some of the clubs are outdoors, so even if you can’t get in you can hear the music – Latin hip-hop, Reggae, Caribbean, every kind of music.

Chip Littleberry
San Leandro



Riding an ATV, a 3-wheeler, in Pismo Beach. It almost tipped over once but it was all right. A group of about 20 of us went.

Tracy Levy
San Leandro



Parcel Taxes Pass for Both SL and SLZ School Districts

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Voters passed parcel taxes for both the San Leandro and San Lorenzo school districts Tuesday night – Measure I in San Leandro and Measure J in San Lorenzo.

Both needed two-thirds of the votes to pass. Measure I surpassed that threshold with managed 73 percent of the votes (6,925 votes).

Measure J in San Lorenzo had a much closer call, winning by just a handful of votes – 66.78 percent of the vote (6,490 votes). Two-thirds of the 9,718 total votes would have been 6,478 votes, so the measure has ten-

tatively passed by just 11 votes. San Leandro's Measure I is a \$39 per parcel annual tax that will bring in an estimated \$745,000 annually to the district.

The district says Measure I is basically a continuation of a similar \$39 school parcel tax that ended this past June. But unlike the tax that recently expired after five years, Measure I will be permanent.

Revenue from the tax will go to the district's general fund. As with the previous parcel tax, a senior exemption is available to residents 65 and older.

"This is a wonderful win for our schools," said San Leandro Superintendent Mike McLaugh-

lin in a statement. "We have a huge appreciation for our community for supporting us and our steering committee who did a ton of work getting the word out about Measure I."

San Lorenzo's Measure J is a \$99-per year parcel tax that will generate \$2 million annually for the next eight years for the district's general fund. A senior exemption is available for residents over the age of 65.

"We are very hopeful, but it's such a close race that we'll have to wait for the registrar of voters to confirm it," said San Lorenzo school board member Penny Peck.

Kindergarten Social at Assumption Vendor Spaces Available At the Holiday Market

TK & Kindergarten Social at Assumption School, 1100 Fulton Avenue, on Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Enjoy a playdate with the Assumption community, witness play-based learning stations, see the classrooms, meet teachers and the principal and school families. Pizza and refreshments will be served. For more information call the school office at 357-8772.

The San Leandro Senior Community Center, 13909 East 14th St., is taking table reservations for the Holiday Market that will be held on Friday, Dec. 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the San Leandro Senior Community Center, 15309 East 14 St. Over 40 vendors will display unique items for sale.

Vendor spaces are now available. Applications are available at

the Customer Service Desk at the senior center.

Cost per table is \$25 for residents, \$30 for non-residents and includes one 6-foot table and two chairs. There is a limit of two tables per vendor. Table reservations and selection of table location can be made in-person at the senior center.

For more information, contact Susan Criswell at 577-6053.



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Historical Society Presents Talk on Japanese Internment

The San Leandro Historical Society will present a first-hand account of the Japanese intern-

ment during World War II on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 2 p.m. in the San Leandro Senior Community

Center, 13909 East 14th St.

Speaker Tak Kato was a small child when his family was swept up by the government's mass incarceration of people of Japanese descent during World War II. See a slide show of historical photographs and hear his story and the story of thousands of families like his.

For more information visit www.sanleandrohistory.org, email sanleandrohistory@gmail.com, or call and leave a message at 969-0975.

Frank Mellon EBMUD Director THANK YOU



This recent election was different and difficult in so many ways.

And yet, so many people were incredibly supportive and helpful.

The outpouring of support and help from you was both humbling and gratifying.

You were business people, labor, and just plain folks. Every one of you made a difference.

Thank you so very much.

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SLZ Adult School Job Fair Open To The Public

San Lorenzo Adult School, 820 Bockman Road in San Lorenzo, will host a Community Resources Information Session and a Job Fair on Tuesday, Nov. 13. The first event will run from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and the second from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Language translators will be on hand for the Community Resources Information Fair which so far include America's Job Center of California (AJCC), Eden I&R, Meals on Wheels, and Spectrum Community Services, Inc. Free and open to the public.

Anyone interested in participating as a vendor in the Job Fair should contact Trish Jetson at 317-4224 or pjetson@slzusd.org.