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PHOTO BY JIM KNOWLES

Dylan Hernandez received a gift of a trip to Maui from the Make-A-Wish foundation as he's surrounded by his parents, Ray Hernandez and Bianca Gentry, and family and friends.

## Hawaiian Wish Granted

By Jim Knowles  
San Leandro Times

Dylan Hernandez is just a 10th grader but he's spent more time on the operating table than most old folks.

Because he's been through a lot, the Make-A-Wish foundation granted him a wish last Tuesday, arriving at the family's house on Arlington Court with a surprise. Dylan, along with his mom and dad – Bianca

Gentry and Ray Hernandez – will be going to Hawaii for a week.

"It was my wish but I didn't know it was coming true," said Dylan.

Dylan was diagnosed with ulcerative colitis five years ago when he was 10. Earlier this year, he underwent surgery at the Stanford Medical Center that took seven hours, and another surgery followed after that.

"He's been through a lot," said his

grandmother Martha Hasal.

But Dylan is now back at school, at James Logan High, and he plays shortstop on the baseball team.

The trip to Hawaii will give Dylan and his parents some time on a nice beach, but that's not what he's looking forward to the most.

"Honestly," said Dylan, "I'm looking forward to eating!"

## Farrelly Pool Delayed for Another Summer

By Mike McGuire  
San Leandro Times

San Leandrans who miss swimming at Farrelly Pool on Dutton Avenue are going to have to do without it for at least another summer, until 2021.

Earlier this year, the new pool was estimated to be finished by the summer of 2020. But now it's not expected to be finished until the end of 2020, and re-open in the summer of 2021. City officials say only one bid for the work was received and it ran way above the estimated cost. The pool has been closed since 2016.

City staff will report to the City Council at the Nov. 4 meeting at 7 p.m. about bids received and ask them to approve an increase in cost over what had been expected.

Demolition of the old pool has been completed, but construction of a new one cannot start until the City officially approves a bid for the work.

The city had reported this past March that rebuilding Farrelly Pool would begin in June and be finished in time for the summer of 2020. However, that timeline has been pushed back, according to City Engineer Nick Thom.

That happened because only one bid was submitted for the construction work and it was well above what had been budgeted for the project, he said.

"With just one qualifying bid, we wanted to give it another shot to see if we could get the cost down," Thom said.

So they put it out to bid again,

but even the lowest bid at \$6.2 million exceeded the city's original estimate of \$4.6 million. The City Council will decide whether to approve the increase at its Nov. 4 meeting.

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## Asphalt Speed Bumps Make a Comeback

By Mike McGuire  
San Leandro Times

The speed bumps along Sybil Avenue, once torn apart by passing vehicles, have been repaired by the city. That street, while residential, gets heavier traffic than some due to people driving on it to get to I-580.

Historically, speed bumps have been made of asphalt applied to the road surface. In recent years, however, San Leandro started installing rubber speed bumps. On those, several pieces are fitted together, and the bump is bolted to the road surface.

On Sybil Avenue, some of the missing rubber parts have been replaced with asphalt. That is because of difficulty getting

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## Kathy Maier Named Teacher of the Year

By Linda Sandmark  
San Leandro Times

Longtime Castro Valley resident Kathleen Maier was honored as 2019 Teacher of the Year by the San Leandro School District in a ceremony Oct. 3.

The ceremony was held at Castro Valley's Center for the Arts before an audience of some 250 people.

Maier was one of 18 teachers from all over Alameda County to receive the award for their district. Because other staff members submit nominations, the award often comes as a surprise

to the recipient.

That was the case with Maier, who teaches strings, woodwinds and brass at McKinley Elementary School, and Orchestra at John Muir Middle School.

Maier says her 40 years as a music teacher in public school education have brought her great joy.

"If you want to become a teacher, follow your passion and do it, because if you love teaching the children will love learning," she says. "It's very humbling to think that people I work with took the time to write such nice



PHOTO BY LINDA SANDSMARK

Kathy Maier of CV holds her award from the Alameda County Office of Education.

things that this honor would come to me."

Maier also directs the Castro Valley Community Band which gives several free concerts throughout the year. And, during the summer she directs the Hayward Municipal Band as well.

Maier dedicated her award to the teachers she had while growing up, to her family, and also to her students.

"My class is an elective, so the fact that they come back year after year means they're finding joy, and they're finding camaraderie," she said. see MAIER, page 7

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

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



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## PETS OF THE WEEK



Enid



Drea

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, are Enid the chihuahua and Drea the cat.

Enid is a sweet, 2-year-old with smooth tan and white fur, wants to be the center of attention and would love to go to a home with older children and teens. She's okay with other dogs who give her space.

Drea is a quiet 7-year-old who was rescued from a drainage pipe. She's learning to trust people and loves to be cuddled on your lap.

She would be a good fit with a patient family who will give her time and TLC to come out of her shell.

For more information on Enid or Drea, call the Hayward Animal Shelter at 510-293-7200.

## Kiwanis to Host Texas Hold 'em Tournament At The Englander

Kiwanis Club of San Leandro invites you to a Charitable Poker Tournament on Saturday, Nov. 9, at The Englander (Comedy Club Room) 101 Parrott St. in San Leandro.

Check-in and free lessons are at 5:30 p.m. The tournament begins at 6:30 p.m. Cost varies: \$60 Buy-in, \$20 Re-buy, and

\$40 Add-on. Includes delicious appetizers.

Beverages available for purchase. Must be 21 or older. All proceeds benefit the charitable projects supported by the Kiwanis club of San Leandro. Tickets are limited to 50. For tickets or for more information, call Mary Grodin at 510-562-1029.

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The tumultuous life of a Berlin nightclub in the 1920s comes to life in *Cabaret* at The Chanticleers Theater in Castro Valley.

## Chanticleers in Castro Valley Presents the Musical Cabaret

The Chanticleers Theater, 3683 Quail Ave. in Castro Valley, presents *Cabaret* through Nov. 17.

Show times are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$18 to \$25 and may be purchased online at <https://chanticleers.org/> or by calling 510-SEE-LIVE (510-733-5483). Group discounts are available.

*Cabaret* is based on the play by John Van Druten and stories by Christopher Isherwood.

In a Berlin nightclub in the 1920s, *Cabaret* explores the dark, heady, and tumultuous life of Berlin's natives and expatriates as Germany slowly yields to the emerging Third Reich. Cliff, a young American writer newly arrived in Berlin, is immediately taken by English singer Sally Bowles.

Meanwhile, Fräulein Schnei-

der, proprietor of Cliff and Sally's boarding house, tentatively begins a romance with Herr Schultz, a mild-mannered fruit seller who happens to be Jewish. Musical numbers include "Willkommen," "Cabaret," "Don't Tell Mama" and "Two Ladies."

Starring in the leading roles are Johnny Orenberg as "Emcee," Melissa Mombosse as "Sally," Darrien Cabreana as "Cliff," Marsha Howard as "Fraulein Schneider," and C. Conrad Cady as "Shultz."

Rounding out the leading characters are Kenny Silberberg as "Ernst Ludwig" and Heather Warren as "Frau Kost." A very talented group of local and regional actors complete the cast and ensemble.

Chanticleers Theatre is a nonprofit community theater organization with a rich history dating back to 1948. Today, Chanticleers Theatre is a 99-seat

playhouse, serving Castro Valley and the greater East Bay.

Known as "Castro Valley's Little Theatre in the Park," Chanticleers is located in the Castro Valley Community Park right across from the new Veteran's Memorial and next to the children's water park and playground.

## Grief Workshop At Hope Hospice

For people who have experienced the death of a loved one, the winter holiday season can be painful.

Hope Hospice in Dublin offers a free workshop to present specific ideas and healthy coping strategies to help those who are experiencing grief during the winter holiday season. The workshop is offered at no cost.

Hope's Handling the Holidays workshop will be offered twice (the program is the same): Monday, Nov. 4, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 9, from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

There is no cost to attend, but registration is required and seating is limited. To register, call (925) 829-8770.

These workshops will take place at the Hope Hospice office located at 6377 Clark Avenue, Suite 295, in Dublin.

## Correction

Two names were misreported in the Oct. 17, 2019 story, "Winchester Takes Women's Championship." Ms. Winchester's mother's first name is Labarta; and the "legendary wrestling coach" referred to was Bill Martell.

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# Power Shutoffs Spare Most; Second Shutoff Canceled

By Mike McGuire  
San Leandro Times

San Leandro residents mostly kept their power during PG&E's weekend shutoffs, but a few areas weren't so lucky. A second planned outage in San Leandro Tuesday night was called off late in the day.

The Sheffield Village neighborhood, around Revere Street and Marlow Street just east of I-580, lost power for over a day in the weekend event, getting it back just in time for sunset on Monday.

Not far away but across the freeway, the area around Brookfield Boulevard also had their power go out. Some homes in Bay-O-Vista also lost power.

About 500 homes here lost power due to planned outages, according to PG&E's shutoff map.

Unplanned outages due to wind and fallen tree limbs also knocked out power to small groups of homes all around the city.

Power was gradually restored to those without it, and by Tuesday morning everybody in the city had their lights back on.

The windstorm knocked down tree limbs and sometimes entire trees across San Leandro, and city Public Works crews scrambled to keep up. Four crews were called in on Sunday to clean up debris, according to Deputy Public Works Director Jennifer Auletta.

Between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Sunday alone, the crews responded to 42 different locations to clear debris. Another crew answered several calls in the middle of the night, she said.

Particularly hard-hit by debris was the area around East 14th Street and Bancroft Avenue, where sycamore trees with heavy limbs were damaged by the winds, said Auletta.

The crews traveled around the city, first trying to make sure major arterial roads like East 14th Street, Bancroft Avenue and Davis Street were free of debris.

A number of power lines in the city were knocked down by falling trees or limbs, Auletta said. Public Works crews generally let PG&E employees do

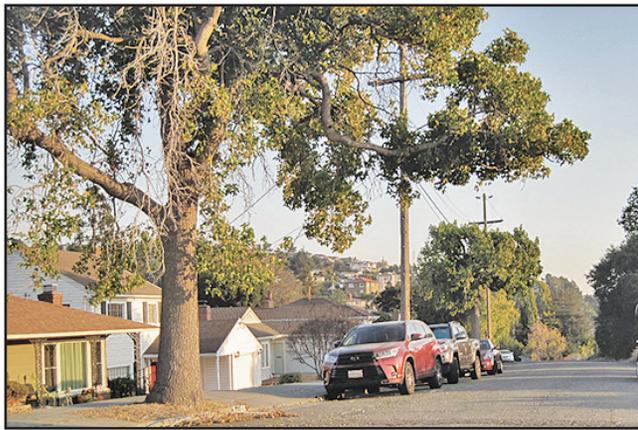


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**Not only did the residents of Middleton Street, just east of I-580 in Sheffield Village, get a nice sunset Monday night, but they got their lights back on just in time for evening.**

their work first so the area was safe, she said, then cleaned up the debris. Very often, Auletta said, it was PG&E who called Public Works to tell them of trees or limbs down.

One streetlight, on Parrott Street, was brought down by a tree, Auletta said.

The East Bay Municipal Utilities District, which provides water to San Leandro, switched to emergency generators and portable pumps after power outages affected some 190 of EBMUD's facilities. Some water treatment plants, pumping plants and local

water storage tanks were left without PG&E power.

By carrying out its backup plans, EBMUD was able to provide water and wastewater services to customers without interruption.

EBMUD has asked customers in affected pressure zones to minimize water use. These areas are shown online at edbmud.com/psps2019.

East Bay watershed trails and recreational facilities are also closed until further notice, due to extreme fire danger, EBMUD announced.

## Man Killed By Train On Hesperian Blvd.

A man was struck and killed by a train on Oct. 24 at the railroad crossing at Hesperian Boulevard and Springlake Drive.

The accident occurred at 2:20 p.m. as the man was crossing the tracks. He was identified as Nathan William Doyle, whose last known address was in Turlock, according to the Alameda County Coroner's office.

The train was a Capitol Corridor train No. 537 on its way from Sacramento to San Jose. There were no injuries to anyone on the train, according to Amtrak spokeswoman Olivia Irvin. Amtrak police and local police are investigating the

incident. Amtrak reminds people to use caution around railroad tracks and crossings. Each year, 2,000 people are killed or injured nationwide on grade crossings and trespassing incidents.

Amtrak works with Operation Lifesaver (OLI) to communicate the dangers of grade crossings. Operation Lifesaver's website is www.oli.org.

# POLICE & FIRE



PHOTO COURTESY OF ALAMEDA COUNTY FIRE

**Firefighters head through the vineyards and toward the smoke at the Kincadee Fire that threatened Wine Country and forced evacuation of several cities.**

## San Leandro Fire Crews Help Fight North Bay Fire

Alameda County Fire Departments are part of four strike teams with 16 engines

at the Kincadee Fire in Sonoma County. All Alameda County fire stations were fully staffed in case of local Red Flags. Much of Sonoma County has an evacuation warning in effect.

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### FOOD DRIVE FOR LOCAL FAMILIES



We are proudly partnering with the Alameda Food Bank for the 2019 holiday food drive.

Please participate in aiding those in need by donating non-perishable food items. The Lovewell Team, of Re/Max Accord will distribute food bags in early November (select areas) and collection day will be Saturday, November 23.

We also invite you to drop off non-perishable food to our office: **3327 Castro Valley Blvd. or Call 510-351-5555** and we can come and pick it up.

*Thank you for your contributions in helping those in need in our communities!*

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# NEIGHBORS



## Vivienne Celebrates Her 104th Birthday

Vivienne Fawcett, seated, celebrated her 104th birthday on Oct. 1 at Paradiso Restaurant on Bancroft Avenue. Attending the celebration was her partner of over 40 years, Clifford Antonne (third from left), and friends from San Leandro, Oakland, Fremont, Sacramento, Elko, Nevada and Kansas.

## Happy Birthday Veteran Ernie Hardman

Ernie Hardman grew up picking apples in Wenatchee, Washington and if he worked hard enough, he could fill 600 boxes a day and earn six dollars.

On Oct. 4, Ernie Hardman turned 101 years old. He has lived in the city of San Leandro for over 70 years and served as a shepherd at the San Leandro Church of Christ for more than two decades.

He attended Pepperdine

University after high school, and then enlisted in the Navy immediately upon graduation because of the WWII draft. The ship that Ernie served on, the PC 1264, was the first to have a predominantly African-American crew. (Before 1944, African-Americans could only be cooks.)

Happy Birthday, Ernie! Thank you for all that you've done for our country and local community.



Ernie Hardman

## Orwell's 1984 at the San Leandro Museum

The San Leandro Players production of George Orwell's *1984* is running through Nov. 17, at the San Leandro Museum/Auditorium, 320 West Estudillo Ave.

Big Brother is watching in this frighteningly relevant dystopian drama, where the government insists that reality is not "something objective, external, existing in its own right" but rather, "Whatever Big Brother and The Party holds to be truth." Show times are Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Two Friday shows at 8 p.m. are scheduled for Nov. 8 and Nov. 15. Tickets are \$20 general; \$15 seniors, TBA members, under 12, students.

For more information or reservations, call 510-895-2573 or visit at [www.slplayers.org](http://www.slplayers.org).



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Deadline for Calendar Items is Friday for the Following Week



❖ **Free Trunk-or-Treat Halloween Night**  
Free Trunk-or-Treat Halloween night at the San Leandro Church of Christ, 601 MacArthur Blvd. in San Leandro, on Halloween night, Oct. 31, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Enjoy a bounce house, a haunted house, and trick-or-treating from car trunk to car trunk in the parking lot behind the church building right off of Lewis Avenue.

❖ **C.V. Women's Club Holiday Fundraiser**  
The Castro Valley Women's Club invites you to its 7th annual Holiday Fundraiser for SOS Meals On Wheels on Friday, Nov. 1, from 5 to 8:pm and Saturday, Nov. 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the clubhouse, 18330 Redwood Road in Castro Valley. Local artists and their unique handmade crafts will be on display. Food prepared by Chef Eric will be sold for eating in or take-out. The popular Pick-Your-Prize is filled with great gifts from local business, including the grand prize from the Claremont Hotel. There will be musical entertainment on Friday evening.

❖ **Marine Corps Birthday Breakfast**  
The annual Birthday Breakfast honoring the 244th birthday of the Marine Corps will be on Saturday, Nov. 2, at 8 a.m. at the San Leandro Veterans Hall, 1105 Bancroft Ave. in San Leandro. The cost for the breakfast is \$20 at the door.

❖ **Bingo Night at the Carpenters Hall**  
The Goodie Bag Lady is hosting a bingo night fundraiser on Saturday, Nov. 2, at 6 p.m. at Carpenters Hall, 1050 Mattox Road in Hayward. Cost starts at \$30. Adults only. Snack bar, enter to win prizes. No alcohol. The Goodie Bag Lady makes goodie bags for needy children at local shelters.

❖ **Fun with Reptiles**  
East Bay Vivarium presents the wonderful world of reptilian creepies, crawlies, and critters at The Manor Branch Library, 1241 Manor Blvd., on Saturday, Nov. 2, at 2:30 p.m. Fun for the whole family. Light refreshments will be served.

❖ **Hill & Valley Club Scholarship Bazaar**  
The Hill and Valley Club will hold its annual scholarship bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 2, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the clubhouse, 1808 B St. in Hayward. Featured items include jewelry, homemade jams, jellies, candy, baked goods, gift baskets, handcrafted items, holiday decorations, collectibles, plants, books, and more. Box lunches are available for \$5. This event funds scholarships for graduating seniors from local high schools and assists nursing students.

❖ **SL Readers Roundtable**  
The San Leandro Readers Roundtable meets on Saturday, Nov. 2, at 2 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave., to discuss *One Station Away*, Olaf Olafsson's story of a neurologist and the three women who influence his life. All are welcome, and all books discussed are available for purchase in the Library's Book-tique bookstore.

❖ **I.D.E.S. Lunch & Bingo**  
I.D.E.S. St. John, 1670 Orchard Ave. in San Leandro, will have a Turkey & Bingo lunch on Saturday, Nov. 2, at noon. Tickets are \$15 per person. Lunch includes 4 bingo cards. Additional cards may be purchased for 25¢ each. For more information or tickets, call Darlene at 510-972-0366, Willie at 510-635-6326 or Frances at 510-886-1568.

❖ **Activities at Manor Branch Library**  
"Game On" Wednesday, Nov. 4, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Manor Branch Library, 1241 Manor Blvd. in San Leandro. Free snacks, games, and crafts

for teens in 6th through 12th grades. Celebrate National Kindness Day on Saturday Nov. 9, from 2 to 4:30 by making cards for hospitalized kids. The library will provide all the craft supplies. All ages are welcome at this event. Children need to be accompanied by an adult. Free, no registration needed. For more information, call 510-577-7971.

❖ **Buon Tempo Club Family Dinner**  
The Buon Tempo Club is having a family dinner on Tuesday, Nov. 5, at 7 p.m. at Mt. Tabor Hall, Transfiguration Church, 4000 E. Castro Valley Blvd. in Castro Valley. Everyone is welcome. We will serve a five course family style of Italian Roast Beef dinner. Red and white wine and soda are included. Happy hour is at 6 p.m. Cost is \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members. Make reservations by Friday, Nov. 1, by calling 510-483-6929 (option 1). For more information, visit our website at [www.buontempoclub.org](http://www.buontempoclub.org).

❖ **Nutrition Class & Cooking Demonstration**  
The San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. invites residents to attend Fresh Approach's VeggieRX nutrition class and cooking demonstration on Thursday, Nov. 7, from 6 to 7 p.m. The class will include a cooking demonstration, where participants can taste delicious, tasty and healthy recipes made with seasonal fruits and vegetables. Learn a new recipe just in time for the holidays. Space is limited. Please register in-person or call the Main Library at 510-577-3971 to sign up for the class. For more information, call the Main Library Information Desk at 510-577-3971.

❖ **Parkinson Support Group**  
The Parkinson Support Group will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Nov. 7, at 10:30 a.m. at the San Lorenzo Community Church, 945 Paseo Grande in San Lorenzo. The talk will be on community resources for independent living. For more information, call Lorna White 510-276-3119.

❖ **Kiwanis Club Poker Tournament**  
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❖ **Hearing Loss Association Meeting**  
The Hearing Loss Association Meeting will be on Saturday, Nov. 9, at the Oakland Kaiser Hospital, Fabiola Bldg., 3801 Howe St., lower level, room G26. Refreshments at 9:30 a.m with the program beginning at 10 a.m. The speaker, Dr. Sharik Mobin, PhD will talk about how you can get the most out of Blue Tooth technology, and also about his recent research projects. Parking is free on Saturdays at the garage on Howe St. For more information, call 510-221-6080 or email [info@hearinglosseb.org](mailto:info@hearinglosseb.org).

❖ **Saturday Social at Cleophus Quealy Beer Co.**  
Family Paths is the proud community partner for the month of November with the San Leandro local brewery, Cleophus Quealy (CQ), 448 Hester St., which is culminating with a Saturday Social on Saturday, Nov. 9. This a free day-long event starts at noon, with programs and raffle prizes from 2 to 4 p.m. Family Paths is a non-profit that serves San Leandro clients with mental health treatments, parent education classes, and more.

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**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Lots of choices could make it difficult to select what is best for your needs. Avoid snap judgments. Take the time to check them all out to find the one that really meets your goals.
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**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** You could once again experience pressure from others who would like to see you move in another direction. But heed your Bovine instincts to stay on your own path.
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**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** Taking charge of a project that seems to be about to stall or collapse altogether could be a challenge. But once everyone knows what you expect of him or her, things should go smoothly.
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**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Avoid the pressures of the upcoming holiday period by setting a time right now to discuss how to divide up the responsibility of helping a loved one come through a difficult period.
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**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** It's not too early for all you Leonas and Leos to start making long-distance travel plans. The sooner you stop procrastinating and start deciding where, when and how you're going, the better.
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**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** Someone you've known for years might disappoint you, or even make you feel you've been betrayed. But check the facts carefully before you make charges that could backfire on you.
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**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** A holiday plan might need to be revised to accommodate an unexpected complication. Come up with an alternative arrangement as soon as possible to avoid more problems down the line.
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**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** Don't accept halfway explanations for a situation that requires full disclosure. The more you know now, the better able you will be to handle any complications that might arise.
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**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** The cooperation you relied upon might not be easy to get. Maybe there's an information gap. See if everyone understands the situation. If not, be sure to offer a full explanation.
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**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** Problems caused by that recent workplace distraction should soon be easing, allowing you to resume working at a less frantic pace. That personal matter also begins to ease up.
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**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** Changing your mind about a job decision isn't easy for the usually committed Aquarian. But once you check it out, you'll find facts you didn't know before. And facts don't lie.
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**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** Your unique way of sizing up a situation gives you an edge in resolving that upsetting workplace problem. Stay on your current course regardless of any attempts to distract you.



PHOTO BY MIKE MCGUIRE

# Fundraiser at Marina Park

One of the teams at the TVC fundraising walk held at Marina Park on Oct. 19 pose for a photo. Tuberous Sclerosis Complex is a disease affecting both children and adults in which non-cancerous tumors form in the brain and other organs, interfering with their function. It is the leading genetic cause of both epilepsy and autism. The event raised some \$70,000 toward finding a cure and helping people with the condition. For more information or to donate, go to <http://www.tsalliance.org>.

## Game On at the Manor Library

Come after school on the first Wednesday of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. to surf the net, game with friends, and hang out at the Manor Branch Library, 1241 Manor Blvd. For teens in 6th through 12th grades on Nov. 6, Dec. 4.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the businesses: Guidos Carpet Care located at 237 E. Lewelling Blvd. Apt. A, San Lorenzo, CA 94580, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Eliseo Guido, 237 E. Lewelling Blvd. Apt. A, San Lorenzo, CA 94580. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced 10/2/19. /s/ Eliseo Guido  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the businesses: Iglesia Misionera Ebenezer Torre Fuerte located at 22370 Mission Blvd, Hayward, CA 94541 in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Cesar Aranda, 215 Parrot St., San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced 09/30/19. /s/ Cesar Aranda  
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## ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No: RG19031417  
Superior Court of California, County of Alameda. In the matter of the petition to change the name(s) of **Martin Torres**. Petitioner(s) **Martin Torres** has/have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name(s) as follows: **MARTIN LUIS TORRES** to **MARTIN JOSEPH TORRES**. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. **1221 Oak Street Dept. 17, Oakland, CA 94612 on NOVEMBER 11, 2019 at 11:00 o'clock am.** A copy of this order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county The San Leandro Times. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter are directed to make known any objection that they may have to the granting of the petition for change of name by filing a written objection, which includes the reasons for the objection, with the court at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and by appearing in court at the hearing to show cause why the petition for change of name should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**Dated: OCTOBER 11, 2019**  
**Wynne Carvill - Judge of the Superior Court**  
**OCT 17, 24, 31, NOV 07, 2019**  
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FILE NO. 564138

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the businesses: Registration Express Services located at 2835 Miller St., San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Nhung Thanh Cao, 2835 Miller St., San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced 10/03/2019. /s/ Nhung Thanh Cao  
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## NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

**Harold Andrade**  
Case Number:  
RP19-036475

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Harold Andrade**.

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

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

**A HEARING on the petition will be held on 11/25/2019, 9:31 a.m., Dept. 201, at 2120 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Berkeley, CA 94704.**

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

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

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

Attorney for petitioner: Marlene P. Getchell  
790 Mission Avenue, San Rafael, CA 94901 (415) 457-8830 x 578  
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# Legal Notices

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the businesses: Bay Area Hearing Aids located at 13847 E. 14th Street #200, San Leandro, CA 94578, in Alameda County; mailing address 3170 Plymouth Road, Lafayette, CA 94549 in Contra Costa County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Scott Rubenstein, 3170 Plymouth Road, Lafayette, CA 94579. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced N/A. /s/ Scott Rubenstein  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the businesses: Fast Lane Security located at PO Box 663, San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Akram Morrar, PO Box 663, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced N/A. /s/ Akram Morrar  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the businesses: MellRose located at 5850 Owens Dr. #101, Pleasanton, CA 94588, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Melissa Robinson, 5850 Owens Dr. #101, Pleasanton, CA 94588. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced January 1, 2014. /s/ Melissa Robinson  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the businesses: Alexis Robert located at 1350 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): OnClimate LLC, 1350 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. This business commenced N/A. /s/ OnClimate LLC  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the businesses: Alameda County Equestrian located at 6671 Ebensburg Lane, Dublin, CA 94568, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): (1) Dawn L. Benson (2) Greg Benson, 6671 Ebensburg Lane, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by a married couple. This business commenced N/A. /s/ Dawn L. Benson, Greg Benson  
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## NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

**Kenneth George Jensen**  
Case Number:  
RP19040016

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Kenneth George Jensen**.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by **Stonecrest Acquisitions, LLC: Denise Hill, Manager** in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda. The Petition for Probate requests that **Stonecrest Acquisitions, LLC: Denise Hill, Manager** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

**A HEARING on the petition will be held on 12/03/2019, 9:31 a.m., Dept. 202, at 2120 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Berkeley, CA 94704.**

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

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

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Attorney for petitioner: Heather Ledgerwood, Esq  
2400 Professional Drive Suite 100, Roseville, CA 95661 800-835-2634  
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# AUTOMOTIVE

## Plug-In Hybrid Is a Smart, Efficient, Super Cruiser

By Steve Schaefer  
San Leandro Times

**P**lug-in hybrids (PHEVs) deliver some of the benefits of all-electric motoring while removing any concerns about charging or range. The 745e is a version of BMW's large sedan that fits that description, with an electric socket in one fender and a gas filler in the other, and an official all-electric range of 16 miles.

You can get a 7 Series sedan with a turbocharged gas engine with 6, 8, or 12 cylinders. The 745e combines the inline, 280-horsepower, 3.0-liter 6-cylinder with the 111-horsepower eDrive electric motor and a 10.3 kWh lithium-ion battery pack to deliver a potent 388 total horsepower. That's good for a 4.9-second zero-to-sixty sprint.

It all runs through an 8-speed Steptronic automatic transmission, so you can select gears manually, minus a clutch. And, with "xDrive iPerformance" as part of its name, the 745e comes with all-wheel drive for better traction and safety, although it's unlikely you would ever take it off-road.

With the PHEV drivetrain, you can hope to get the EPA's estimated 56 MPGe if you use both engine and motor, and 22 mpg if you use only gas. The Smog rating is just 3 while the

Greenhouse Gas rating is a decent 6. This is no Prius.

The 7 Series BMW is a remarkable and legendary vehicle, and it should be wonderful, considering its base price of \$95,550. My handsome tester, in a new shade—Donington Grey Metallic—came to a whopping \$119,875, with five option packages, special wood interior trim, M Sport brakes, a killer Bowers & Wilkins sound system, a fully featured rear entertainment system with dual screens on the front seatbacks, and the destination charge.

Many things make this vehicle special. It performs like a super athlete, as you'd expect from a BMW. It has all the right moves, thanks to the standard adaptive suspension, including electronically controlled dampers and two-axle air suspension with automatic self-levelling.

High tech is everywhere. The Active Driving Assistant package, bristling with camera and radar technology, includes Collision and Pedestrian Warning, City Braking, Lane Departure Warning, Blind Spot Detection, Rear Collision Preparation, Cross Traffic Alert, and more. My tester had the extended "Professional" version (\$1,700), with extended Traffic Jam Assistant, which steers, accelerates, and brakes for you up to 37 mph on limited-access divided highways.

The 745e boasts Active

Cruise Control with Stop-and-go, Active Lane Keeping Assistant with Side Collision Avoidance, and on and on. There is simply too much in this car to list in an article.

Drivers will enjoy service from the Intelligent Personal Assistant. It learns routines and habits and applies them appropriately, including your favorite settings and frequently used nav destinations. You can even give it a personalized name.

Customize the experience by selecting Sport, Hybrid, or Electric on the console. Sport gives you the rocket ship performance you expect, Hybrid uses the car's brains to balance the engine and motor appropriately, and Electric uses the motor and battery only—as long as there's juice. This is especially valuable in Europe, where some city centers are starting to limit access of petrol cars.

There are layers of tech features if you explore a little. I found the Caring Car program selector. You can choose from "Vitalize" or "Relax." Each has preset settings that change the climate control, light, and music to put you in the preselected mood. When I picked "Vitalize" I got random gusts of cool air and three minutes of music that I wouldn't have chosen myself. It's the future.

Rear seat occupants get a spectacular experience as well.



My handsome tester, in a new shade—Donington Grey Metallic—came to a whopping \$119,875, with five option packages, special wood interior trim, M Sport brakes, and much more.

For one thing, there's an incredible amount of legroom, but also complete control over the entertainment and climate systems. The rear seats are heated, ventilated, and include massage as part of the Luxury Rear Seating Package (\$3,900). The Panoramic Sky Lounge LED Roof, part of the Executive Package (\$2,500) adds to the feeling of spaciousness (like flying first class).

So, who's the customer? Likely someone who can afford a car of this caliber who wants to at least make a gesture toward doing something environmentally beneficial. Granted, it's a lot less impact than driving an all-electric Tesla (some of which pass the \$100K mark too), but it's a start. And, if the car is used for local driving and is charged

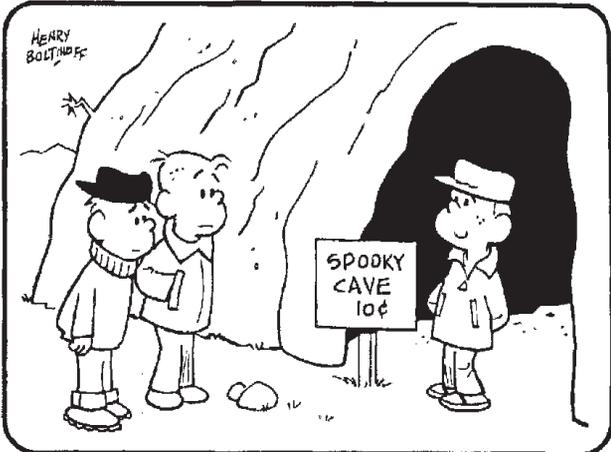


The 745e boasts Active Cruise Control with Stop-and-go, Active Lane Keeping Assistant with Side Collision Avoidance.

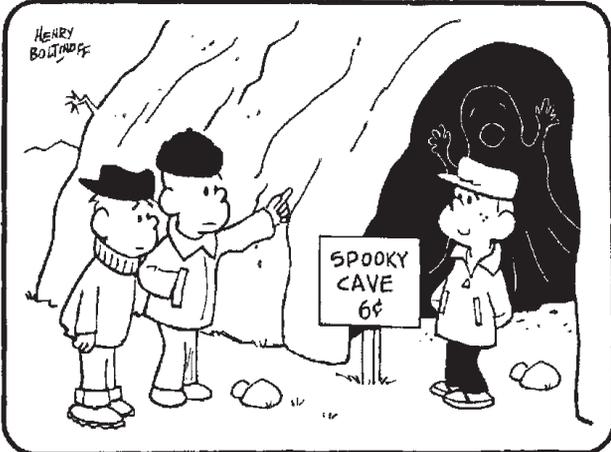
diligently, its consumption of fossil fuels will be significantly less than the gasoline versions. Tesla, Porsche, Audi, Mercedes, and others, an all-electric 7 Series may arrive then.

### HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sign is different. 2. Boy's slacks are black. 3. Ghost is added. 4. Boy is pointing. 5. Stocking hat has been added. 6. Rocks are added in cave.

### RIDDLE CARD

1. Why is a river rich?
2. If 12 makes a dozen, how many make a billion?
3. What is always behind time?
4. When is a window like a star?
5. Who earns his living without doing a day's work?



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Answers: 1. Because it has two banks. 2. Not very many. 3. The back of a watch. 4. When it is a skylight. 5. A night watchman.

**NUMERIC MARCHING ORDERS!** Can you tell us how the following numbers have been arranged?

**8 5 4 9 1 7 6 3 2**

Answer: The numbers are arranged in ascending alphabetical order.

**LET'S HAVE A WORD "RALLY"!** Can you find the four five-letter words needed on the right that match the definitions below? All words must read the same across and down.

1. Radio detection.
2. Main artery of the body.
3. Fawning show of thanks.
4. Ring-shaped coral island.
5. An enthusiastic gathering (given).

1	2	3	4	5	R
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3					L
4					L
5	R	A	L	L	Y

Answers: 1. Radar. 2. Aorta. 3. Drool. 4. Atoll. 5. Rally.

### Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



#### THE PYRAMID OF WORD POWER

Starting with the given word HAILSTORM at the bottom of our word pyramid, try dropping one letter at a time as you work your way up, so that the remaining letters at each level spell out a new word. The following helpful hints are in ascending order, beginning with HAILSTORM.

1. An icy shower (given).
2. Student of moral problems.
3. They work with cloth.
4. He travels by water.
5. Type of energy.
6. In addition to.
7. Nickname.
8. For instance.
9. Blood type.

Answers: (from the bottom up): Hailstorm, moralist, tallors, sailor, also, Sal,

as, a.

# Bumps: Returning to asphalt

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spare parts to repair those rubber speed bumps, according to City Engineer Nick Thom.

The city may be returning to traditional asphalt speed bumps anyway, he said.

He explained that the original reason for using the rubber bumps was to let fire trucks speed down residential streets while preventing other vehicles from doing the same.

Those channels in the rubber strips are for the fire trucks, not

“At the time we ordered the rubber speed bumps, they were comparable in price to asphalt.”

— Nick Thom, city engineer



PHOTO BY MIKE McGUIRE

When rubber spare parts cannot be obtained quickly for speed bumps needing repair, asphalt can be substituted.

car or other truck drivers, Thom said. Fire trucks have an unusually wide wheelbase that matches the location of the channels.

When the rubber speed bumps went in, the city's paving contractors had not yet figured out how to make similar grooves in asphalt, which is poured onto the road, he said.

But, Thom added, the pavers have figured out how to do so since, so fire trucks can roar down streets with asphalt speed bumps if they need to.

“At the time we ordered the rubber speed bumps, they were comparable in price to asphalt,” said Thom. “But prices have changed.”

The rubber itself holds up as well as asphalt, which should be for the life of the street, Thom said. However, the rubber ends up needing more maintenance, partly because it's attached to

the road using bolts and the bolts tend to work themselves loose over time.

When that happens, pieces of the rubber can be torn off by traffic, he said.

Speed bumps are part of the city's Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program.

Putting them in is “request-driven,” according to Thom. A block usually requests them, and a majority of street residents must sign off on them. In addition, the homes closest to the bumps, who will be most affected by any noise from cars passing over them, must also agree.

While some cities report that people often change their mind and ask for the bumps to

be removed due to noise, in San Leandro this is unusual. People who ask for bumps keep them, Thom said.

Requests run ahead of the ability to buy and install speed bumps, so the city studies and prioritizes them, Thom said.

Streets with the worst speeding problems get them first. A street moves up the list if there are schools, senior centers or other community facilities that would generate large numbers of pedestrians.

“Sometimes we'll get a request,” said Thom, “and when we look into it we find most cars are already going 20 miles an hour, so the bumps wouldn't help much.”

# Maier: ‘Music just does this for children’

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raderie, and they really want to be there,” she says. “No matter where they come from, or what happened to them that morning before school ... we start, and within two or three minutes they're playing. Music just does this for children. It just brings them together.”

Besides learning music, children also share the excitement of

being part of a successful group.

“I don't know if they even realize I get paid for having this much fun every day,” she says.

Maier goes above and beyond for her students, raising funds for their activities and writing orchestration for piano soloists at John Muir's Concerto Concert during the school's Open House each spring.

“I'm a teacher because teach-

ing is my soul,” says Maier. “Walt Disney said that the greatest natural resource we have is the minds of our children. It's truly awesome to be touching the future.”

The awards program, in its 30th year, is sponsored by the Alameda County Office of Education.

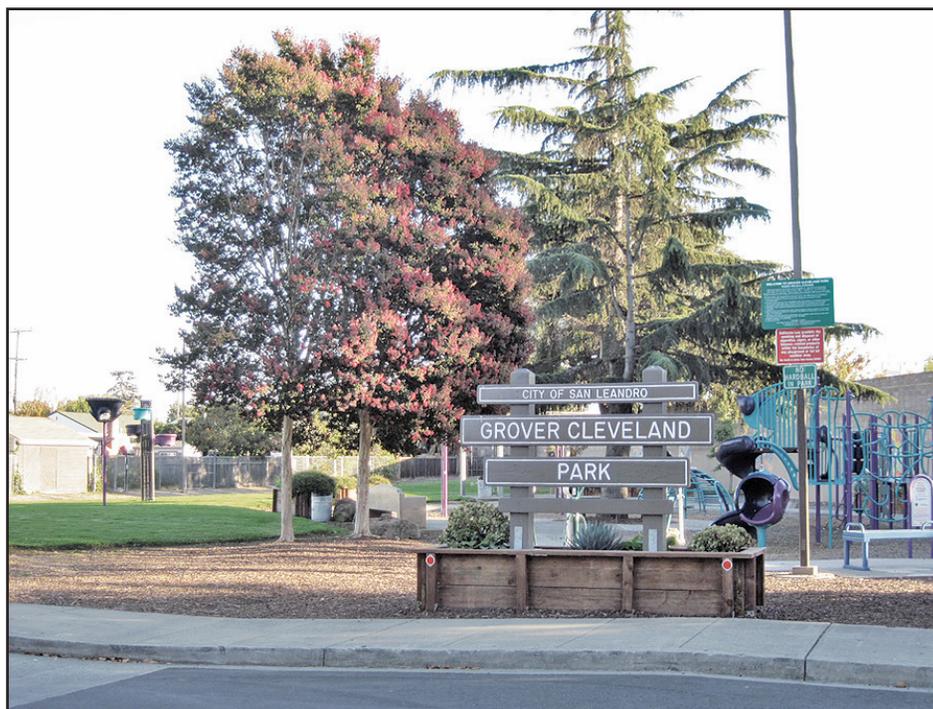


PHOTO BY MIKE McGUIRE

# Park Named for Santos

Grover Cleveland Park, on O'Donnell Avenue just east of I-880, is becoming Tony Santos Park, in honor of the late mayor. The City Council voted Oct. 21 to rename the park, at the request of the Santos family. Friends and former city leaders said getting the park opened was Mayor Santos's single proudest accomplishment. Santos passed away April 15 of this year, after serving one term as mayor and several terms as a city councilman.

# Apply Now for Newly Formed Eden Area Municipal Advisory Council

Council to cover Ashland, Cherryland, San Lorenzo and Hayward Acres

Supervisor Wilma Chan and Supervisor Nate Miley are accepting applications for appointments to the Eden Area Municipal Advisory Council.

Applications will be accepted through Monday, Nov. 4.

The Council consists of seven members serving four-year terms. Supervisor Chan will have four appointments and Supervisor Miley will have three appointments.

The Council advises the Board of Supervisors on matters concerning Ashland, Cherryland, San Lorenzo, and Hayward Acres as defined within the boundaries established by the Eden Area General Plan.

There will be one meeting per month at the San Lorenzo Library. The Council may hold special meetings as deemed necessary.

Applicants must be a resident of Ashland, Cherryland, San

Lorenzo, or Hayward Acres, shall have owned or operated a business in these communities for a period of five years prior to their appointment.

Appointees will receive a \$50 stipend per meeting. Visit <https://www.acgov.org/bnc> to complete an online application.

For more information about

the Council for District 3 Supervisor Chan's appointments, contact Jared Savas at 510-278-0731 or at [jared.savas@acgov.org](mailto:jared.savas@acgov.org).

For more information about the Council for District 4 Supervisor Miley's appointments, contact Austin Bruckner at 510-670-5717 or at [austin.bruckner@acgov.org](mailto:austin.bruckner@acgov.org)



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# LIFESTYLE

## Neighborhood Parties Offer Best Halloween Treats

Parties are a great way to celebrate Halloween, both for kids and their families.

Here are some party treats you can scare up quickly for tonight's festivities.

### SPICY HALLOWEEN COOKIES

- 3 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
- 3/4 cup vegetable shortening
- 1-1/4 cups sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 cup canned pumpkin
- 1/4 cup milk
- 1 cup chopped nuts
- Cinnamon Frosting

Sift together flour, soda and spices. Cream together shortening and sugar until fluffy. Beat in egg and pumpkin. Mix in flour mixture alternately with milk. Add nuts. Place rounded teaspoons of dough on lightly greased baking sheet. Bake at 375°F for 12 to 15 minutes. Cool, then ice with Cinnamon Frosting. Makes about 6-1/2 dozen.

### Cinnamon Frosting

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1-3/4 cups powdered sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 to 3 tablespoons milk



Chocolate-Pumpkin Halloween Brownies

Cream butter until light, then beat in other ingredients until smooth.

### CHOCOLATE-PUMPKIN HALLOWEEN BROWNIES

For Pumpkin Mixture:

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/3 cup cream cheese
- 6 tablespoons sugar
- 1 egg
- 1/2 cup pumpkin purée

- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/3 cup flour

For Chocolate Mixture:

- 3/4 cup plus 1 tablespoon butter
- 7 ounces dark chocolate, chopped
- 3 large eggs
- 1-1/3 cups sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup plus 1 tablespoon flour

- Pinch of salt
- 1/2 cup pecans, coarsely chopped

Preheat the oven to 355°F. Grease and line an 8x12-inch rectangular baking pan with parchment paper.

To make the pumpkin mixture, beat all the ingredients together until smooth. Keep to one side. For the chocolate mixture, melt the butter and chocolate together, either in a bowl over a pan of simmering water or gently in the microwave.

In a separate bowl, beat together the eggs, sugar and vanilla extract with an electric hand whisk until thick and creamy. Mix in the melted chocolate and butter. Finally, stir in the flour, salt and pecans.

Pour the chocolate mixture into the lined baking pan and level off the surface. Using a tablespoon, drop dollops of the pumpkin mixture all over the top, and then, using the back of a table knife, loosely swirl it into the chocolate mixture.

Place in the oven and bake for about 25 minutes, until the top is cracking and the center is just set. Leave to cool in the pan for 40-45 minutes before cutting into about 20 bite-sized squares.

### CARAMEL APPLES

- 1/3 cup packed light brown sugar

- 1/4 cup agave nectar
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 3 tablespoons chopped unsalted nuts
- 6 small apples

Line a baking sheet with wax paper and coat with cooking spray. Coat a tablespoon measure with cooking spray.

Combine brown sugar, agave, butter and salt in a small saucepan. Place over medium heat; as soon as the syrup starts to lightly bubble around the edges, cook, stirring constantly, for 1 minute more. Add nuts and cook, stirring constantly, until the sugar is melted and the mixture darkens, about 1 minute. Remove from the heat.

Working quickly, spoon about 1 tablespoon of caramel over each apple. Repeat, spooning another tablespoon of caramel over each apple, turning as you pour.

Let cool on the baking sheet for 5 minutes. Insert popsicle/craft sticks into the tops. Press any stray strands of caramel back onto the apples. Let cool for at least 30 minutes.

### PUMPKIN CORN

- 8 cups popcorn
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon canned



- pumpkin
- 1 teaspoon brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon powdered sugar

Place popcorn in large bowl. Melt butter in small pan over low heat. Remove from heat. Stir in ground cloves, cinnamon, pumpkin and brown sugar. Spoon onto popcorn and toss with hands to coat thoroughly. Sprinkle with 1 tablespoon of powdered sugar.

### HOT MULLED APPLE CIDER

- 6 1-inch cinnamon sticks
- 1 tablespoon whole cloves
- 1 tablespoon whole allspice
- 2 pieces whole nutmeg
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 1 gallon apple cider
- 16 whole cinnamon sticks

Tie first four ingredients in a cloth bag. In a large pot, stir together the sugar and cider. Add the spice bag.

Bring to a boil and simmer for about 20 minutes. Remove the spice bag and serve hot with a whole cinnamon stick in each mug. Serves 16.

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## Halloween at Washington School

Children dance to the DJ at the Washington Elementary School Halloween Festival on October 18. Children and adults enjoyed a range of activities, booths and a haunted house. The annual event raises money for school programs.

## Farrelly: Two city pools out of commission for several years

continued from front page  
4 meeting.

Once a bid is approved and construction authorized, it would take most of the calendar year 2020 to complete, Thom said. The next swim season after opening, though, would be for the summer of 2021.

City residents have also been doing without the San Leandro Boys & Girls Club Pool on San Leandro Boulevard. That is also

expected to reopen toward the end of 2020, when renovations are finished on both the pool and the building that houses it.

While both pools are being worked on, city residents have been left with a smaller pool at the city's Aquatic Center at Washington Manor Park.

The reconstruction of Farrelly Pool had started out as a routine replacement of its fiberglass liner several years back when

problems arose.

City staff discovered that the old pool was in violation of current safety codes due to a small internal wall, 8 inches wide, separating deep and shallow water. A person could have easily have been pitched into the deep water suddenly when just leaning against that wall, Thom said.

Safety codes now give cities a choice of either a more sub-

see FARRELLY, page 16

# Age-Friendly Communities Preparing for the Future

By Bella Comelo  
Special to the Times

An Age Friendly community enables people of all ages to actively participate in community activities and treat everyone with respect, regardless of their age. It is a place that makes it easy for older people to stay connected to people that are important to them.

"Age Friendly Cities is not about elevating one group over another," said Scott Means, Aging & Adult Services Manager at the City of Oakland. "When we create livable communities for people of all ages it improves everyone's lives now and through the stages of the aging process."

Like climate change, the "Silver Tsunami" is coming fast to California, the United States and parts of the world.

International effort was launched in 2006, to make Age Friendly Cities and Communities by the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Network to prepare for the rapid population aging.

AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities is the United States Affiliate of the WHO Global network.

In California, seniors are the state's fastest growing age group, far outpacing the rate of growth of children or working-age adults. According to state projections,

by 2030, more than 9 million Californians will be over the age of 65 – three million more than we have today.

"The biggest advantage in my opinion to support becoming an Age Friendly Community in the AARP Network is to create more awareness about seniors' needs by purposefully and strategically adding seniors' perspective in the planning of resources by cities and counties and now the state level too," said Lenore MacDonald, Director of Development and Government Relations, Center for Elders' Independence.

To get fast results, WHO Global Network has developed 8 domains as guidelines for the cities, counties and the states:

- Domain 1: Outdoor Spaces and Buildings
- Domain 2: Transportation
- Domain 3: Housing
- Domain 4: Social Participation
- Domain 5: Respect and Social Inclusion
- Domain 6: Civic Participation and Employment
- Domain 7: Communication and Information
- Domain 8: Community and Health Services

As cities and counties get Age-Friendly, it is important to keep the needs of the middle-class senior citizens in mind. Most middle-class citizens are on fixed income, but the cost of

assisted living facilities, skilled nursing homes, care homes, and hiring caregivers through agencies has sky rocketed. There are long waiting lists for senior housing. Even if the income of these seniors are a few dollars above the low-income threshold they are denied government aid.

Some of the care homes, assisted living facilities and skilled nursing homes are overcrowded and understaffed.

They are like human warehouses, dejecting and depressing, with sounds of moaning and groaning. There is a pressing need for more facilities for the aged. More and more seniors are pushed to live in tent encampments. The Governor's Map on Aging needs to take the plight of these seniors into consideration.

To prepare for the aging population, the following cities in the Bay Area have already declared themselves Age Friendly: Berkeley, Emeryville, Fremont, Lafayette, Oakland, San Jose and Sunnyvale. It is important that San Leandro joins these cities soon. Alameda County has joined this year. Thanks to Governor Newsom who has signed Bill AB1118 – California is now an Age Friendly State!

Bella Comelo is vice chair of the City of San Leandro's Senior Commission. This article is her own opinion and not necessarily the views of the commission.

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## REAL ESTATE REALITY

By Carl Medford, CRS  
Special to the Times

GUEST COMMENTARY



## Top Five Ways to Prevent Buyer Fright and Flight

**S**izzling hot seller markets have a common theme: the sellers can do almost anything and still sell their home.

When the market shifts and slows down, however, things change and buyers — with more options to choose from along with lower prices — will beat a hasty exit if something gives them the creeps.

Want to avoid giving a buyer the chills this Halloween? Avoid these five things:

- Zombie Sellers

This is the name given to homeowners who insist on hovering around prospective buyers during showings. Buyers hate having owner(s) present; they prefer to freely examine and discuss properties with key decision makers and their agent without being overheard.

This cannot happen if a seller is stalking close by. This also applies to sellers who may want to monitor their homes electronically and listen in or

watch video while buyers are in the home.

- Pet Cemeteries

Anyone who has had a beloved pet understands that some may wish to honor the memory of their deceased pet by immortalizing their remains in the rear yard.

Unfortunately, this can cause issues for prospective purchasers who cannot imagine what they will do with the headstone or other memorials once the sellers depart.

- Deathly Colors

Over the years I've seen numerous colors in bedrooms. While some can be expected, such as varying shades of pink, I have seen Caltrans orange, firetruck red, Barney purple, fluorescent lime green and more.

The worst color, however, is black. Your teen may love their Goth environment, but if you want to sell your home, it is best to remove hair-raising paint schemes with more traditional colors.

- Undisclosed Deaths

It is not uncommon for people to pass away at home, and, when death occurs, the sellers have a legal obligation to disclose. While some die of natural causes, some sellers must contend with suicides and, in extreme cases, homicides. Failure to correctly disclose can lead to serious legal issues.

- Unwanted Residents

Over the years of showing homes I've had to wade through massive accumulations of spiderwebs, observed rats scurrying about, found mouse traps complete with deceased victims

and seen unsavory insects of varying kinds.

A great way to resolve issues like this, especially in vacant homes, is to hire a pest abatement service.

Buying a home can be scary all by itself: keep on top of these five issues to prevent buyer fright and flight.

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## Divide and Conquer Your Daylily Transplant

By Buzz Bertolero  
Special to the Times

**Q** Is it too late to divide and transplant my daylilies? If so, how far back should they be trimmed? Isn't the green and healthy foliage usually cut back after they finish blooming?

**A** No, it's not too late to divide and or transplant daylilies, because the rainy season hasn't started. If it had, I'd wait until late February or early March to divide them.

Unlike other types of lilies, the foliage doesn't die back after flowering; so, they can be cut back now or later. My preference is to wait until next year, so there isn't a void in the landscape all winter long. It really doesn't matter to the plants.

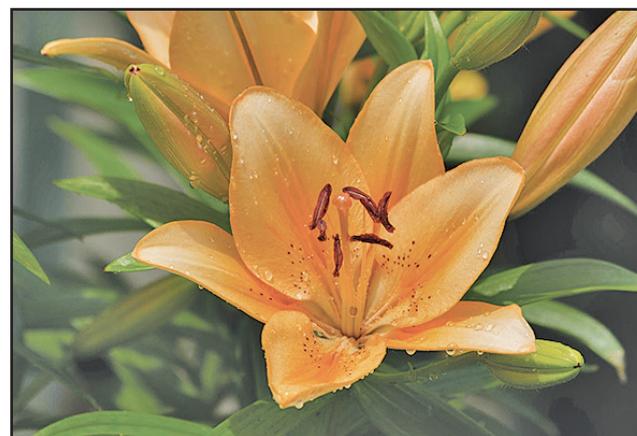
Those plants trimmed in the fall produce no new growth

until next spring. The green foliage is far more visibly pleasing during the winter than the short stubble left after pruning them to the ground. They can get shabby looking from a winter storm and freezing temperatures, but I can live with that.

Dividing and transplanting an established daylily clump is pretty straightforward. With a round-nose shovel, sever the lateral roots around the clumps then gently lift the clumps out of the ground.

Next, slice the clumps in half or quarters, depending on their size. Before replanting, remove any of the loose debris from the clumps and cut the foliage back to the ground, which makes it easier to move the plants.

Dig a hole that's twice to three times as wide as the largest size clump and add plenty of homemade compost, soil conditioner, or blended organic mixes to the native soil.



Then, add a handful of starter fertilizer to the bottom of the hole. Your newly divided Daylilies will reward you with extra bloom for years to come, as they don't need to be split four

another four or five years. Buzz Bertolero is an Advance California Certified Nursery

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## Don't Want a Tall Tree? Don't Plant One!

By Buzz Bertolero  
Special to the Times

**Q** I planted a Deodora cedar in my front yard, and it's already about twelve feet tall. I do not want it to grow huge, maybe around 20 feet tall. How would I control this? Should I cut off the top to keep it under control?

**A** You really can't stop a healthy tree from growing. When it gets too large, you'll have to either live with it or replace it.

I don't mean to be critical, but why in the world would you plant a tree that wants to grow to 40 to 60 feet tall (or more) and expect to maintain it at half that height?

Topping a tree to reduce

or restrict its size is never a good solution. Not only does it destroy the natural and graceful growth habit, but it very often shortens the lifespan, allowing the entry of various disease pathogens and insect pests.

It is far better to select a tree or shrub that is expected to grow to the height or spread desired without excessive pruning or topping to keep size in check.

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# Extend the Life of your Carved Pumpkin

By Melinda Myers  
Special to the Times

It's time to select and decorate pumpkins for your Halloween display. Get family and friends involved in a trip to the pumpkin farm and consider hosting a decorating party.

Whether you grew your own or plan on purchasing one at a farm or garden center, select pumpkins free of holes, cuts and soft spots for decorating. Damaged fruit tends to rot faster, ruining your fall display. And always carry the fruit cradled in your arms, not by the stem. Once the stem breaks away from the fruit, the pumpkin is more susceptible to rot and its beauty fades.

Store carving pumpkins in a cool location until you are ready to start cutting. Extend the beauty of carved pumpkins by washing them with warm water and letting them dry before making the first cut. Try leaving the top intact and scooping the insides out through a hole in the back. This limits water entering the carved cavity and helps extend the life of your jack-o'-lantern.

Coat the cuts with petroleum jelly or vegetable oil to seal in the moisture and prolong your display. Take it one step further and use a commercial preservative or peppermint oil to keep your jack-o'-lantern looking its best for as long as possible.

Once in place, sprinkle your pumpkin with cayenne pepper to help repel hungry animals. Avoid touching your eyes and wash your hands thoroughly after using the cayenne pepper. Don't give up when your jack-o'-lantern begins to shrivel. Give it a cold bath to freshen up its appearance.

Or put away the knives and break out the paint and crayons to further extend your pumpkin's beauty. A painted face or design can be just as



impressive. And don't worry if you have limited artistic ability; just download one of many free pumpkin templates.

Put all those broken crayons to use creating a multicolored crayon dripped pumpkin. You'll wow guests and kids will enjoy this safer pumpkin decorating option.

Wipe the surface of the pumpkin clean and allow to it to dry before you start decorating. Remove the labels from the crayons and break them in half.

Glue the crayons to the top of the pumpkin to prevent them from rolling off the pumpkin while you work. Place one end of the crayon against the stem

and the other end pointing away from the center of the pumpkin.

Use your hair dryer to melt the crayons so they'll drip down the side of the pumpkin, creating a colorful waxy covering. A high heat setting will speed up the process but may make a bigger mess by splashing the melted wax all over the table.

To further dress up your landscape consider converting a few pumpkins into fall planters. Remove the top. Cut a hole large enough to accommodate the pot you'll be inserting.

Remove the seeds and flesh, cut a few drainage holes in the bottom and then set a pot of pansies, asters, mums or orna-

mental peppers inside.

When your pumpkins start to rot, move them to the compost pile. They will break down into a wonderful soil amendment to use in next year's garden.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses How to Grow Anything DVD series* and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment TV and radio segments*. Myers' website, [www.MelindaMyers.com](http://www.MelindaMyers.com), features gardening videos, podcasts, audio tips and monthly gardening checklists.

## WEEKEND GARDENER

### Transition of Seasons

November is a time of transition for your gardens. As one growing season comes to a close, another will begin in just a few months. Now is the time to clear out exhausted summer plants, to prepare for frosty nights and to plan and plant for spring.

### Flowers

Perennials for next spring and summer can be planted from nursery stock now. Look for seedlings of candytuft, columbine, cineraria and Sweet William. Take care of chrysanthemums by dusting for pests and staking for support. Stop pinching them out at the tips. There is still time to plant bulbs for a brilliant display of spring flowers.

### Vegetables

Prepare the vegetable plot and get ready for winter gardening. You can plant radishes, spinach, cabbage, lettuce, broccoli, carrot, beat and much more.

### Prevent Erosion

If your gardens are on slopes, as many in the East Bay hills are, make sure you have enough plants there to keep the hillside from washing away if rains are heavy this winter. Sow seeds of wildflowers and a perennial grass, such as blue wild rye.

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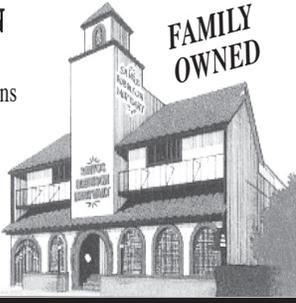
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The San Leandro History Museum is working with the San Leandro Historical Society to update its permanent exhibits to include the story of housing discrimination in San Leandro from its inception to the late 1980s.

Residents, friends, and community members who have a story related to housing discrimination in San Leandro are invited

to share their experience.

The Museum is also interested in documents and photographs that pertain to housing discrimination. The documents or photographs can be scanned at the Museum and returned the same day.

The project will encompass recording these stories in order to share them with the community through an exhibit at the Museum.

In 1960, San Leandro had a population of 65,962 with only 17 African Americans, as the population was 99.3 percent white. The statistics stayed much

the same through every census until 1980 when the diversity of the city population began to change.

Today, government census estimates for 2018 show the population is 23.4 percent white, 33.4 percent Asian, 27.6 percent Hispanic or Latino, and 11.9 percent African American, with an estimated total population of 89,703.

The early census numbers were a result of policies of racial discrimination that kept non-whites, and in particular African Americans, from moving into the city. Redlining, restrictive

covenants, agreements by homeowner associations, apartment owners and realtors all resulted in keeping black people from renting or buying property in San Leandro.

It was not until two television exposes, *The Suburban Wall* and *The Invisible Wall*, aired that change began to happen. Today, San Leandro is proud to celebrate the city's diversity.

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## LOCAL DEATHS

### Margot Clara Nash

April 25, 1918 ~ October 15, 2019

Margot Clara Nash passed away peacefully at home on October 15, 2019 at the age of 101 years old. She was preceded in death by the love of her life and husband of 44 years, Paul Nash, and parents Chris and Martha Lueders. She is survived by numerous close friends as well as her darling dog, Cosmo.

Born in Germany on April 25, 1918, Margot came to the United States after her father got a job as an electrical engineer in San Francisco, California. For 20 years, she worked as a secretary for the Western Orthopedic Association. Also, it was here in the Bay Area that Margot met her beloved husband. Together, the two purchased a home in San Leandro where she would come to reside for 72 years.

At home, Margot loved to cook and bake. A Thanksgiving meal was not complete without her signature cranberry salad and her homemade oatmeal raisin cookies became an integral part of every holiday gathering. In her free time, she enjoyed tennis, swimming, and golfing. Her days were often spent with her Maltese dog, Cosmo, who she walked twice a day and treated like her baby. It was during these neighborhood strolls that she got close with nearly everyone she lived around. She was a fiercely independent woman who lived on her own, maintained strong relationships with her friends, and even drove her Magenta-colored Chevy Geo up until she was 99 years old. Her poise and elegance were indisputable, and she radiated a sense of warmth and love that was felt by every person she met.

Margot was someone who undoubtedly touched the lives of many with her kind and gentle spirit. She will always be remembered as a devoted wife, loyal friend, and loving individual. This "101-year-old dolly living on Social Security" will always be in our hearts and greatly missed.

Our deepest gratitude to Margot's caregivers who took such good care of her and always made her feel safe and secure.

In keeping with Margot's wishes, there will be no funeral services. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be sent to a non-profit organization that was important to her, Dusty Paws Rescue, whose mission is to save abandoned, neglected, and abused animals. Their address is P. O. Box 2794, Castro Valley, CA 94546 and phone number 510-886-8925.

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**DAVIES, William David**  
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**NASH, Margot Clara**

■ **Michael H.R. Davison**, 73, died Oct. 29, 2019 at his home surrounded by his loving family. Survived by his wife Lorraine and daughters Angelique, DeAnna, Nicole and 4 grandchildren. Services will be held at Santos-Robinson Mortuary, San Leandro on Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Arrangements taken care by Santos-Robinson Mortuary San Leandro, CA 510-483-0123.

### William David Davies

August 8, 1942 - October 24, 2019

William David Davies, 77, of San Leandro, CA, passed away Thursday, October 24, 2019. He was born in Ellwood, PA on August 8, 1942 to the late Kathryn J. (Gibson) and William T. Davies. He leaves behind his sons, Matthew Davies and his partner Matthew Holling, of Sacramento, CA, and Jeff Davies and his wife Pam Davies, of San Leandro, CA; and grandchildren, Jeremy, Justin, and Zachary Davies. He was preceded by his beloved wife, Louann Davies. At his request there will be private family services only. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.danermortuary.com](http://www.danermortuary.com) and signing the guest book.

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# OPINION

## LETTERS to the EDITOR

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### Open Letter to Gordon Galvin, President of Eden Township Healthcare District Board of Directors

Dear Gordon,

I was at a meeting of a Hayward Leadership Group with Supervisor Richard Valle, when Michael Mahoney announced that he may not be with the District for much longer as his contract has not been renewed and he is on a month-to-month basis.

I am writing as a resident of Castro Valley and an interested party (who knows the District's business intimately) and a voter of the District, to express my concern over the process or lack thereof in determining the competence of Mr. Mahoney.

I happen to have been part of the recruitment process and played a part in ensuring that the District exists today, when the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo), two elected representatives and two Mayors of cities in the District felt that the District should be dissolved and the net assets distributed to the County to dispose of.

The community responded overwhelmingly in public meetings and testimony that the District was doing good work and should continue to exist and do the work it was doing.

I mention this as a basis for the recruitment process which yielded a candidate like Mr. Mahoney, who came with substantial healthcare experience, a necessity for someone who is Chief Executive Officer of the District.

The District has continued to provide the kinds of services that LAFCo found to be valuable to the Community, expanding them to some extent.

In my occasional contacts with the District, the staff members have expressed their satisfaction with the administration of the District under the leadership of Mr. Mahoney.

The Chief Executive of the District serves at the discretion of the Board and can be terminated with or without cause. However, a process that does not seem rational is likely to create a

cloud that would prevent the District from hiring someone of real competence and gravitas for the position, in the future.

From my brief conversation with Mr. Mahoney, it appears that there was no reason given other than that the District is looking for a full-time Executive with an approximate salary of \$200,000. He also said that he could apply for the job if he wishes.

While personnel matters may be discussed in closed session, an action to terminate a CEO or to hire a new one or the substantial change in position should be discussed in open session, after providing proper notice to the public.

I expect that has not yet occurred and so there is still an opportunity for the members of the public to hear the Board's thinking on the subject and make comments.

If the District is indeed expecting to change the position to a full-time one, I strongly advise against it since it flies in the face of necessity and the arguments made in the LAFCo hearings of 2014-2016, where the District was questioned for having excessive administrative costs, which we demonstrated were not the case.

Increasing this expense only invites further scrutiny from regulatory agencies and elected representatives.

There was actually legislation passed that restricts the healthcare districts to certain overhead percentages and such a move may exceed those limits and cause such a violation.

The District should operate in the open environment of California's superior sunshine laws. This sudden change without explanation is not an action which inspires confidence that the District's Board of Directors is acting in a responsible manner to safeguard its assets and its resources, which includes people.

In that spirit, I am sending this letter to you and since it is public, to the newspapers, if they choose to pursue the subject.

—Dev Mahadevan  
Castro Valley

### East 14th is a Mess

Editor:

Regarding the article, "County Plans East 14th St. Improvements," (Page 1, The Times, Oct. 24), East 14th Street from Davis Street to 150th Avenue is a mess.

The road is full of potholes and deteriorated asphalt. How can you justify improving public transportation without making improvements to the road itself?

I am also shocked to learn from that article that Caltrans knows of all the deaths and injuries to pedestrians on East 14th and does very little to mitigate the problem.

I have complained about failed asphalt to San Leandro City Hall, Nancy Skinner, Bob Bonta and Caltrans and also about the lethal pedestrian dangers specifically on East 14th and Blossom Way. I have been either ignored or given the run-around.

I voted last time to extend the gas tax for road improvements and transportation. I see improvements in other districts and on other roads but not on East 14th. So what gives?

—Yolanda Bocanegra, San Leandro

### Trump's Gift to Putin

Editor:

Trump's withholding of military assistance to Ukraine until they manufacture false investigations against his political opponents is illegal, unconstitutional, and weakened Ukraine's resistance to invading Russian forces. But, his impulsive withdrawal of our troops from Kurdish Syria is a far worse calamity.

The Traitor-in-Chief has now given a big chunk of the Middle East to Russia, for no good reason. Our warriors were rushed out as if defeated in battle. Russian soldiers now stroll inside our military bases. Our stalwart allies against ISIS abandoned, Kurds now face "ethnic cleansing." Our solemn commitments betrayed, our reputation has been desecrated, permanently.

Russia now controls Kurdish oil fields. Days later, Putin visited his new best friend in ... not Turkey ... not Syria ... but ... Saudi Arabia! He told MbS that Russia is replacing USA. Soon, Putin may control the world's oil supply. Trump's gift to Putin is treason, pure and putrid.

—Bruce Joffe, Piedmont

### Meat Industry's Grim Contribution

Editor:

Halloween zombies, witches, ghosts and goblins lurking about don't scare

me; what's really frightening is the meat industry.

This is the industry that deprives, mutilates, cages, then butchers billions of cows, pigs, turkeys, chickens — animals who feel joy, affection, sadness, and pain, just like us...that exposes undocumented workers to chronic workplace injuries at slave wages, and exploits farmers and ranchers by dictating market prices...

The industry that contributes more to our epidemic of diabetes, heart disease, stroke, and cancer than any other, then bullies health authorities to remove health warnings from dietary guidelines...

The industry that sanctions world hunger by feeding nutritious corn and

soybeans to animals, instead of people...

The industry that generates more water pollution than all other human activities, that spews more greenhouse gases than all transportation, that destroys more wildlife habitats than all other industries.

Fortunately, our local supermarkets offer a rich selection of plant-based meats, milks, cheeses, and ice creams, as well as a colorful display of fresh fruits and veggies. According to the meat industry publication Feedstuffs, sales of plant-based foods doubled from 2017 to 2018, jumping another 20% from 2018-19.

That's what gives me my courage... and hope.

—Dennis Roth, San Leandro

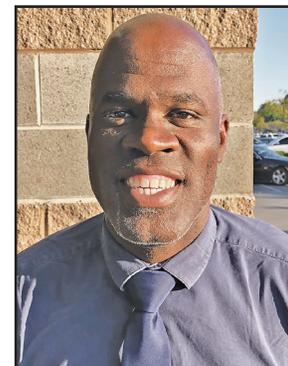
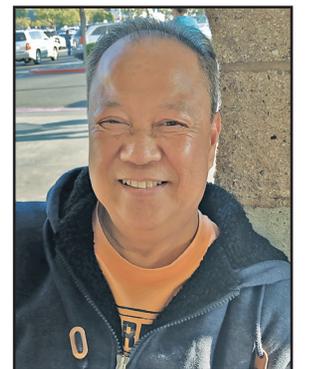
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### Scariest thing to ever happen to you?

— Asked around town

When I got robbed. I was a high school student, 15 years old, and fairly new to the United States from the Philippines. I was at a bus stop on my way home from school when that happened to me.

**Rudy Deleon**  
Alameda



Being shot at when I was 16 and walking home along Bancroft from a party. My friends and I were apparently mistaken for a rival gang. Fortunately, the three of us ran track. We spread out and hid behind concrete trash containers, which likely saved our lives.

**Tavare Williams**  
Castro Valley

In 2013, I was mugged and hit in the face with the butt of a gun. My jaw was broken. It happened at night in front of our apartment. I was with my husband, who was new to our country. The whole thing was horrible.

**Hosanna Martinez**  
Oakland

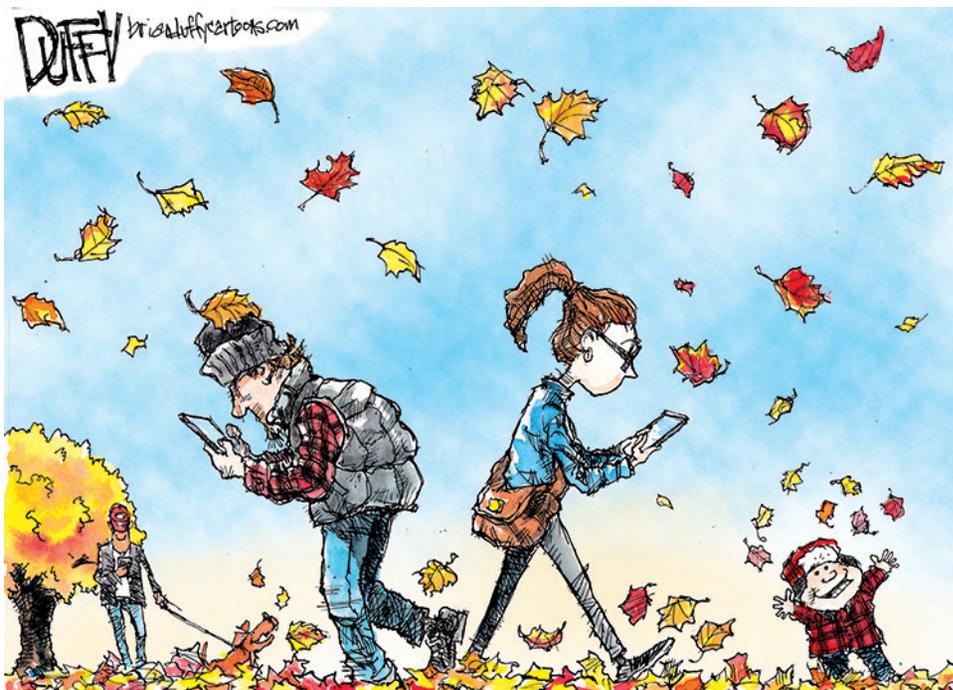


I was at an amusement park with my family when, one by one, they all disappeared. I was with my siblings and parents. I remember this as my scariest moment because security was calling my name. In the end, I was picked up at lost-and-found.

**Jason Felarca**  
San Leandro

Finding out about this thing called The Momo Challenge online. My cousin warned me about the scary things it said, so I didn't click on it. Seeing the picture of Momo scared me enough.

**Mya Perez with mother Vivian Perez**  
San Leandro



## Socialist Workers Candidate to Speak in SL

Joel Britton, Socialist Workers Party Candidate for Mayor of San Francisco, will speak in San Leandro on Friday night, Nov. 1

Britton will speak at the Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Blvd. in San

Leandro, at 7 p.m.

The candidate said he will make the case for nationalizing PG&E and running it under workers' control due to its "disdain for working people," through its deadly fires and mas-

sive power shutoffs.

Britton said he will also explain why his party calls for Turkey out of Syria and for the United States to withdraw all its military forces from the Middle East.

According to Britton, PG&E

workers, most of whom are members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, need to be in control of operations of this utility. They know from their experiences what is safe and what is dangerously unsafe.



Set builders prepare for the San Leandro High drama department's production of the *Twelfth Night*.

## Twelfth Night at San Leandro High

The drama program at San Leandro High will present *Twelfth Night* at the Performing Arts Center, 2250 Bancroft Ave.

The show opens on Friday, Nov. 8, at 7:30 p.m., and continues on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2 p.m.; and runs

the following weekend – Nov. 15 to Nov. 17, – at the same times. Tickets are available at the door.

The student actors and crew have been working hard on this show since mid-September, and all are invited to see a rollicking funny show.



Kids take a swimming lesson at Farrelly Pool in 1953.

## Farrelly: New pool

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stantial separation or a gradually sloping pool floor, he said. San Leandro, like most operators of municipal pools, chose the gradually sloping floor, according to Thom.

The new Farrelly Pond will come with several improvements, Thom said.

One will be able to enter the pool directly from Gill Lane and

not have to cross the Roosevelt School grounds, he said. There will also be a new shade structure and new seating.

Accessibility features first required by law long after the pool opened had fitted a bit awkwardly into the old design, Thom said. The new design will incorporate these features more gracefully, he said, making the pool easier to enjoy for everybody.

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## Senior Lunch Menu

Lunch provided by Spectrum Community Services

A low-cost senior lunch provided by Spectrum Community Services is served on weekdays at the San Leandro Senior Center, 13909 East 14th Street.

Everyone age 60 and up can have lunch. A suggested donation is \$3.75, but no one is refused for lack of funds. (\$10 for those under 60.)

Call 24 hours ahead to reserve a lunch (1-510-825-9793) or sign up at the Senior Center.

The menu for lunch next week, Nov. 4 to Nov. 8, is:

Monday – Chicken salad

over romaine lettuce, hearty vegetable soup, whole wheat rolls, fruit mix.

Tuesday – Hearty beef stew, vegetable medley salad, biscuits, strawberries.

Wednesday – Baked cod, melted leeks in cream sauce, green beans, whole wheat roll, oranges.

Thursday – Rustic chicken cacciatore served on whole wheat spaghetti, vegetable medley salad, pear.

Friday – Spinach lasagna, tossed vegetable salad, whole wheat rolls, grapes.