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Mel Speed with his daughter Tori and wife Dayna.

# CV's Man of Light and Sound

#### **By Michael Singer** CASTRO VALLEY FORUM

If you've ever been to a street fair or school dance in Castro Valley over the last 30 years, it's likely that you've caught a glimpse of local businessman Mel Speed.

fedora and usually running the sound board behind the scenes, Speed has been extremely influential in giving Castro Valley its sparkle and sound in the Bay Area. He's currently working on getting participants and community support for the annual Light Parade he was doing brisk business until Orinda. Speed's production team which will be held on November one day when his business shifted. has helped with past Fall Festival 10.

you see the Light Parade, you get Middle School-it must have

similar to how it felt here when I there for 24 years.' was growing up."

Castro Valley in 1964 where he Productions provides sound syssays he remembers a 4-way stop tems and music services for corpo-Often sporting his trademark Valley Boulevard and Redwood meetings as well as planning mu- sounded like a possible violation by arson suspect William Priest, Road.

He went to local schools including Canyon High School before it was merged with Castro Valley High School. After graduation, Speed set up a record store in the Castro Village for 15 years where

"We are very excited that we kid who wanted to DJ at the high baby now is the Light Parade and have already received a number school, but they wouldn't hire him an adjunct Storefront Decorating of entries," Speed told the Castro because he was so young-so, he contest. Valley Forum. "Last year, we had convinced me to help him DJ the over 65 entries, and we are hoping show," Speed says. "It was such a in town are here because the comfor many more this year. When hit that I got a call from Canyon munity supports us," Speed says.

that sense that we are a small com- been around 1990-and we did munity with a lot to offer. It's very the music at every single dance

PHOTO COURTESY OF THE SPEED FAMILY

The DJ business morphed into Speed and his family moved to The Music Company, while TMC sical acts for large street fairs and events.

County on various projects including some at the Alameda County Fair as well as events in the cities of Alameda, San Leandro, and "There was this 14-year-old and Rodeo Parade events. His

> "I think for a lot of merchants see MAN on page 8

### ShakeOut Earthquake Drills Tomorrow

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# MAC Approves Bylaws Revamp

#### By Amy Sylvestri CASTRO VALLEY FORUM

The Castro Valley Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) unanimously approved changes to its bylaws at Monday night's meeting know the outcome and who voted in an effort to clean up what had for whom, but there wouldn't be become a messy process of appointing new internal leadership.

This past June, current Chair Marc Crawford and MAC member Ken Carbone were both nom- Chair may serve for no longer than inated by fellow MAC members two consecutive years, so next to serve as Chair of the council for June, Crawford will be replaced. a one year term. Ultimately, Car- Also, a 12 year term limit has been bone withdrew and Crawford was established for all MAC appoinelected by his fellow MAC mem- tees. bers to a second term.

cussed clarifying some point of its about fire safety. Previously, the bylaws, which were last adjusted MAC had been displeased with in 2003.

There was some discussion of Chair elections being done via paredness along the Ten Hills a "secret ballot" presumably to trail. avoid creating animosity among the council members, but pubsign at the intersection of Castro rate events, trade shows, and board lic speaker Tom Hervey said that the Canyonland area, allegedly set of the Brown Art, as it would lim- 39, who was arrested by Park Disit public knowledge of how each trict police. Speed works with Alameda member voted on a matter.

"Hate to tell you this, but the Brown Act prohibits that," said Hervey.

The MAC then amended that provision to be voted via a written ballot, so that the public would an opportunity for a verbal clash during the voting process as there was this summer.

Also under the new bylaws, the

Also at Monday night's MAC Since then, the MAC has dis- meeting, the council heard more how the East Bay Regional Parks District was handling fire pre-

On Sept. 23 San Ramon fire came within 30 feet of homes in

see MAC on page 15



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE ALAMEDA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Girls Fire Camp

A two-day camp was help at the Fremont Fire Department Tactical Training Center over the weekend for high school aged girls interested in becoming firefighters. The inaugural NorCal First Alarm Girls Fire Camp gave participants training with actual firefighting tools and equipment, as well as classroom instruction. All of the camp topics were designed to encourage those interested in a career in the fire service by giving them hands on experience.





PHOTO COURTESY OF GRACE TISCARENO-SATO

Photo taken at the museum when (from left) Tina Rude (Milagro's intervener), Milagro Sato, Kotomi Sato (CVHS freshman) presented the binders of Braille content to Director Diane Curry of the Hayward Area Historical Society at right.

# Scouts' Idea Results in Braille Exhibits at HAHS Museum

When Girl Scout Cadette Milagro Sato was attending Vannoy Elementary school, she visited the idea to Braille the permanent ex- ing on both a hearing aid and a co-Hayward Area Historical Society hibits at HAHS for their Silver chlear implant to process sounds. (HAHS) museum with her classmates.

touch anything and information create a Braille guide for the main words correctly. Hour after hour, wasn't available in Braille. The exhibit area. field trip was disappointing for her. Like many public places, the mu- the project, they were pleasantly visitor.

Milagro, a Braille-literate high school student at California School for the Blind (CSB), and her sister make the Children's Area Exhibits with Milagro and embossed the Kotomi (a freshman at Castro Valley High) have visited several Na-Castro Valley and the surrounding area accessible to blind visitors?

Last fall, the Girl Scouts ap-

When the girls returned to start been typed up. seum was unprepared for a blind surprised that their suggestion had School District employee who already resulted in progress. Diane serves as Milagro's intervener at Curry, the current interim director, CSB, printed out all text for Kotobecame the girls' project advisor to mi's review, revised files at school available in Braille.

The teens visited the displays tional Parks where park brochures several times this year. Kotomi were available in Braille. So the read the captions and labels on the ed three copies of Braille exhibit girls wondered: Why not make the exhibits aloud; Milagro listened text to Ms. Curry, completing the fascinating history of Hayward, and typed into her BrailleNote Girl Scout Silver Award project. (a computer with a refreshable KTVU Channel 2 featured the Braille display).

This wasn't easy. Milagro is proached museum staff with the blind and hearing-impaired - rely-Award project. The education pro- Kotomi exercised great patience, gram manager loved the idea. She spelling proper names phoneti-Sadly, she wasn't allowed to hired a Braille transcriptionist to cally to ensure Milagro heard the they progressed until all text had

Then, Tina Rude, a Hayward Braille onto sheets of paper truly a team effort.

Last week, the team presentsee SCOUT on page 7



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## Our Town



PHOTO BY LINDA SANDSMARK

Families will enjoy a trip to Moore's Pumpkin Patch (open through Halloween evening). It features rides, a tall slide, a bounce house, and thousands of pumpkins to choose from.

## Picking the Proper Pumpkin

#### **By Linda Sandsmark** CASTRO VALLEY FORUM

Moore's Pumpkin Patch, a Castro Valley favorite for nearly include a big slide, rides, a bounce 35 years, is back this year at its house and a pirate ship to climb a fall harvest theme rather than the Rowell Ranch location. The venue offers free parking and free admission, with lots of opportunities for tiny to huge. More pumpkins are www.moorespumpkinpatch.com. families to take fall photos.

"I've been doing this since 1984 and still enjoy it," says owner

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Johnny Moore. "We'll be open ev- able to help transport the bigger ery day through Halloween night, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m."

Activities at the Pumpkin Patch plenty to choose from.

The Patch has wagons avail- the Rowell Ranch.

pumpkins to vehicles. It also offers group reservations by calling 886-6015. This pumpkin patch focuses on

on. There are also thousands of dark and gloomy side of Hallowpumpkins to choose from, from een. For more information, visit: arriving all the time, so there's Moore's Pumpkin Patch is located at 9711 Dublin Canyon Road., on

### **Oversight Committee Volunteers Needed**

The Castro Valley School Dis- five alternates who serve without serve on the Oversight Committee year term. that monitors the use of Measure G funds for school facility repairs one of the following: and improvements.

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SHERIFF'S REPORTS

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#### Wanted for Vehicular Manslaughter

Monday, October 15: at 1:11 a.m., Sheriff's deputies arrested a 38-year-old man from Edmond, ular manslaughter. The man was pulled over on Grove Way near Center Street for failing to have uties found the man had a warrant from the manslaughter charge in bail.

**Passing Bad Checks** 

Saturday, October 13: at 11:31 a.m., a 55-year-old woman was arrested as part of a warrant issued for passing bad checks. Deputies Haley Drive near Brickell Way residents - Robert Souza and after the woman called to report of a stolen U-Haul on the street. Deputies found the report to be unfounded but made a positive Souza was recognized for his of the Mental Health Association identification on a warrant issued for the woman. The woman was taken to Santa Rita Jail and held without bail.

**Suspected Rapist Captured** Friday, October 12: at 11:00 a.m., deputies arrested a 30-year-old man who gave no home address on suspicion of charges related to rape and sexual assault. The man was driving on Redwood Road near Miller Road when deputies pulled him over for questioning. Deputies identified the man as

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intent to rape. The man was handcuffed and taken to Santa Rita Jail Thursday, October 11: at 10:46 pending \$420,000 in bail.

#### Spousal Assault

Oklahoma on suspicion of vehic- Friday, October 12: at 8:23 p.m., damaging private property, trying a 49-year-old woman from Livermore was arrested on suspicion of the wrong way in traffic to avoid spousal assault. Deputies respondtwo license plates on his car. Dep- ed to an emergency call about an on Lake Chabot Road near Eden altercation outside a business on Medical Center when deputies issued for his arrest stemming Center Street and Heyer Ave. The realized the woman had a warwoman was found to have a war- rant issued for her arrest. Deputies San Mateo. The man was taken rant issued for her capture. Depu- stopped the woman, handcuffed to Santa Rita Jail and held without ties took the woman to Santa Rita her and took her to Santa Rita Jail Jail pending \$15,000 in bail. The where she was held without bail. victim was treated at the scene.

Joy Ride Ends in Arrest a.m., deputies arrested a 38-yearold woman from Hayward on suspicion of driving a stolen vehicle, to outrun deputies, and driving arrest. The woman was traveling see REPORTS on page 15

CASTRO VALLEY FORUM Wednesday, October 17, 2018

Two CV Residents Honored

Senator Bob Wieckowski re- Ranch Rodeo, veterans celebrawere dispatched to a home on cently honored two Castro Valley tions and numerous others. Elaine Peng — as Local Heroes her volunteer work since 2013 from the 10th Senate District.

coverage of meetings of the Cas- for Chinese Communities. tro Valley Municipal Advisory Council and the County Planning Sen. Wieckowski's State of the events as the Fall Festival, Rowell emony on Sept. 26.

Elaine Peng was honored for with the National Alliance on Longtime journalist Robert Mental Illness and as the founder

The awards were made during Commission as well as such civic District Address and Awards Cer-

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#### CASTRO VALLEY FORUM 6 Wednesday, October 17, 2018

## Former Owner of Swiss Delices Serves Up Fall Comfort Food Classes with Global Spin

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#### By Linette Escobar SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

As the weather gets colder was an active volunteer. wouldn't you want to walk into Mexican soup with corn muffins fresh from the oven?

Bakery in Castro Valley, is making added a second location in CaV fall cooking both delicious and (CVACE) starting in October.

Born in Switzerland, Ms. Clem- ingredients.

ent says she "immigrated to the

sell her baked goods and put her will be held Wednesday, Oct. 24. entrepreneur studies to work. She

al comfort food classes at Castro butter and bread from scratch. This Au Gratin on Nov. 29. Valley Adult & Career Education is where she developed her love for home cooked food with fresh

On Nov. 17, travel across the Christine Clement, former own- opened her first bakery, Swiss globe and learn to create a Vegan er of the beloved Swiss Delices Delices, in Hayward in 2008 then Indian Curry Potato Casserole and spice it to your liking. For elegant

When asked why she wanted to teach these classes, she said, "I Chair of Castro Valley Adult & love to share. I still have former Career Education.

This fall and winter she is teach- customers asking for the classes. I U.S. for love." Her kids went to ing "comfort food" classes to share wish more people would learn to Castro Valley schools where she the same recipes she cooks for her eat at home, to know that it's not a family. Mexican soup and corn lot of work and helps you to really She decided to listen to the muffins is a family-friendly recipe, know what you are eating instead the house and smell a simmering friends who were telling her to and is her own kids' favorite. Class of buying something full of preservatives.

Classes offer a great activity to spend time with friends or a date before the busy holiday season begins. Classes are \$45-50 each plus Clement grew up on a farm entertaining for both meat eaters a small materials fee. Visit www. easy with a series of internation- where her family made their own and vegetarians alike, try Polenta cvadult.org or call 510-886-1000 to register or get more information. Linette Escobar is Marketing



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the group's focus is on helping raise money for the indigent, battered and elderly members of the community. A recent addition is helping at-risk women become free from trafficking in the East Bay. Born in New York City in 1947 to an Italian-American family, Lynn attended Hunter College and then went on to own her own ethnic music store in Greenwich Village, "he House of Musical Traditions." She was an accomplished craftsperson, building dulcimers, and later did music management. Lynn has one son who she home schooled and who graduated from Dominican College on a tennis scholarship with a degree in business. And, of course, saving the best for last -9 years ago, she was blessed with a beautiful granddaughter.

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### Scout: Idea Now in Use At Museum

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girls' inspirational story on October 5th.

and their learning.

for the museum in my city so more people who are blind like me can learn our history," said Milagro. "I learned that it's important to focus on listening when I'm working on a team."

"I discovered that while I was frustrated at times, I have an advantage over other people who may work with Milagro," Kotomi 47 years - overlapping three shared. "I've learned what works to get her to cooperate."

The girls, members of Troop 31052 led by Castro Valley's Teresa Martin and Julia Kasl-Godley, for new books, and even started a are thrilled that their suggestion children's radio club. and painstaking work resulted in all of the permanent exhibits at HAHS becoming accessible.

it the museum, located at 22380 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward, and of the former Castro Hill Branch. ask the public to please spread the word to Braille readers that they too can enjoy the fascinating history of our area.

They also hope to see Braille menus in restaurants soon.

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The Castro Valley Library will hold its 100th anniversary celebration on Saturday, October 27, from 2 to 4 p.m.

In preparation for the big event, the Forum continues a 4-part se-The girls reflected on skills used ries on the library's history by John Christian, Archivist of the "I used my expert Braille skills Hayward Area Historical Society.

#### By John Christian SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

#### Part 2: The Castro Hill Branch

The Castro Hill Branch of the Alameda County Library system operated for years with the next library on Redwood Road. During those 47 years, Mrs. Due worked the circulation desk, petitioned the county

In May 1965, the Castro Hill Branch closed. Less than two years later, Emmarene Due passed They invite the public to vis- away. Today, the Castro Valley Gertrude Booth and the

#### Tank House Library

The direct descendant of today's Castro Valley Library dates to 1927. At the time, the Castro Hill

PHOTO COURTESY OF THE HAYWARD AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY Masonic Center occupies the site Librarian Gertrude Booth, who converted an old tank house on her property to become the "new" CV Library in 1927.

> living in the valley's canyons. With decided to petition the county for no library in the heart of town, resi- another library branch. Following in the footsteps of

The History of the Castro Valley Library

dents had few options. Encouraged by the local Parent Teacher Associ- the brooder branch, Mrs. Booth new demands on the relatively Branch mostly served residents ation (PTA), Mrs. Gertrude Booth converted an old tank house on small library,

her property for use as a library. Apparently a tank house was more changes. Classes on interior decpalatable than a chicken coop, as orating and design, for example, the County did not hesitate and were meant to attract the valley's named Mrs. Booth the librarian of new suburban homeowners. the new Valley Branch.

Walgreens sits today.

was an immediate hit with the community kept growing. community. The new branch had tales of piratical adventure .....' meet.

the community well through the to seriously consider a new library depression and World War II. for Castro Valley. During this time, Castro Valley was still a sleepy, rural community.

ever, starting in the late 1940s. for 32 years until health problems Following the war, Castro Valley forced her retirement in early began its transformation from an 1959. Soon after, Mrs. Booth's agricultural area into the suburban property was sold to the corporacommunity we know today. Housing tracks were planned and built, and a large influx of residents put house library approaching, the

Library programs reflected the

By 1950, the Castro Valley Soon the name was changed to Library had broken its all-time the Castro Valley Branch and the circulation record, lending almost modest space opened its doors 17,000 books in that fiscal year in August 1927. It was located alone. The Library began opening roughly where the Castro Village seven days a week to keep pace with demand. In 1952, an addi-Mrs. Booth's tank house library tional wing was opened, but the

By the mid-1950s, the old tank 880 books in its collection includ- house library stood in sharp coning "books of fiction ranging from trast to the modernizing commucream-puff romances to imaginary nity. Once surrounded by open fields, the Library was now sur-The new space also gave commu- rounded by the Castro Village nity groups like the PTA a place to shopping center and other new developments. The surging popu-The tank house library served lation pushed community leaders

For Gertrude Booth, the tank house library remained a labor of This changed drastically, how- love. She worked in the library tion that built the Castro Village.

With the destruction of the tank community had to act quickly to build a new Castro Valley Library.

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## Lynnette Bailey











## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

### Tani and Tara Ng

This week's Athletes of the Week are Tani and Tara Ng, both members of the Castro Valley High School's varsity girls golf team. These sisters each took first team all-league at the Western Alameda County Conference (WACC) Championships on Monday, at Monarch Bay Golf Course in San Leandro. Next, Tani and Tara will be competing in the Division 1 Championships at the Tilden Park Golf Course on Monday, October 29.





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## Man: Speed

*contiuned from front page* "In the late '90s and early 2000s we saw a lot of people going over the hill into Pleasanton and Livermore to go shopping. Now it feels like a reverse where now you can't get a parking space in the Village and people are appreciating going shopping here instead of leaving town."

Speed says events like the Light Parade and the recent Cruise Night are testament that the community will support local businesses even with the increase of brand-name stores and restaurants in the area. "In my 15 years in the Village,

in my 15 years in the vinage, merchants complained about being open during events because of parking or lack of foot traffic," Speed says. "I tell them pay attention to the customers that come back later. You might not be getting an instant satisfaction but are you picking up business because of the exposure maybe in the weeks following that event."

In addition to his music and production companies, Speed is a tattoo artist who runs the new tattoo parlor called Fura Bodyworks. He still lives in Castro Valley with his daughter and wife, Dayna, a former record store employee Speed says is a great MC and can, "entertain the crowd and sing much better," than he can.

"I brought my daughter down on Cruise Night and I told her she had to see this event because this is what we were doing when we were her age," Speed says. "It's cool to see how we have gone retro back to 30 or 40 years ago. It's fine that we are supporting the businesses we have in town but it's really great to see people coming out for Cruise Night and the Light Parade and really support the community." The Light Parade will fall on

The Light Parade will fall on Veterans Day weekend, so the organizers are incorporating a veterans theme as a tribute. Castro Valley Boulevard will start closing around 2:00 p.m. and the parade route will stretch from San Miguel Avenue to Redwood Road. The Storefront contest stretches all the way west to Lake Chabot Road. A food court and special

Also, back by popular demand, at the end of the parade, there will be a special "Red Carpet Meet and

Greet Party" for our special guests of honor, Mr. & Mrs. Claus.

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CVHS SPORTS SCHEDULE

#### **GIRLS TENNIS**

Thurs., Oct. 18, 3:30 p.m. CVHS Varsity vs. Berkeley at CVHS Tues., Oct. 23, 3:30 p.m. CVHS Varsity vs. Alameda at CVHS

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Sat., Oct. 20, 8:00 a.m. CVHS All levels participating in the Mt. SAC Invitational at San Antonio College in Walnut, Ca.

#### FOOTBALL

Thurs., Oct. 18, 5:30 p.m. CVHS Freshman vs. Granada at CVHS Fri., Oct. 19, 4:00 p.m. CVHS JV vs. Bishop O'Dowd away Fri., Oct. 19, 7:00 p.m. CVHS Varsity vs. Bishop O'Dowd away

#### **GIRLS GOLF**

Mon., Oct. 22, 8:00 a.m. CVHS in NCS Championships, location TBD.

#### **GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**

Thurs., Oct. 18, 4:00 p.m. CVHS freshman vs. Piedmont at CVHS Thurs., Oct. 18, 5:15 p.m. CVHS JV vs. Piedmont at CVHS Thurs., Oct. 18, 6:30 p.m. CVHS Varsity vs. Piedmont at CVHS

#### WATER POLO

Fri. & Sat., Oct. 19, 20, Time TBD CVHS girls JV in WACC league playoffs Fri. & Sat., Oct. 19, 20, Time TBD CVHS boys JV in WACC league playoffs Tues., Oct. 23, Time TBD CVHS boys Varsity in WACC league playoffs Tues., Oct. 23, Time TBD CVHS girls Varsity in WACC league playoffs

### CVHS VARSITY TENNIS

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#### SINGLES

- 1. Makenna Thiel (P) Elena Lottich 6-1, 6-2
- 2. Emily Becker (P) Anya Mortensen 5-7, 6-4, 6-0
- 3. Kiana Kastovi (P) Gáby Madison 6-3, 6-3
- 4. Lauren Young (P) Helena Liu 7-5, 6-3

#### DOUBLES

- 1. A. Edel / M. Miefe (P) Lauren Leong / Sammie Lee 3-6, 6-0, 6-0
- 2. Kele Fong / Alex Tam (CV) E. Lee / Ă. Call 6-4, 4-6, 6-1 3. L Orta / M. Bouch (P) - Sky Kim / Tania Beringer 7-6 (7), 4-6, 7-5

#### TENNYSON AT CV ON TUES., OCT. 9 CASTRO VALLEY 7, TENNYSON 0

#### SINGLES

- 1. Camile Camoro (CV) Jar Laohn 6-0, 6-1
- 2. Harneel Mangat (CV) Kayla Birdsell 6-0, 6-1
- 3. Tennyson default
- 4. Tennýson default

#### DOUBLES

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Hannah Pilgrim / Aneet Mangat (CV) -Kaydee Nguyen / Sajz Azizi 6-0, 6-0
Alisha Grewal / Aleah Wasserbauer (CV) -Aiko Dazu / Giselle Camacho 6-0, 6-0

#### SPORTS NOTE

NorCal Top Gun Girls Volleyball Club is holding 2019 club season tryouts for the U13 Premier team from 9:30-11 a.m. on the Saturdays of Nov. 3 and 10. Tryouts for the U14, U15, and U16 Power teams will be from 8-9:30 a.m. on the Saturdays of Nov. 3 and 10. Tryout fee is \$20 per player. No open gym scheduled for Top Gun. For online registration and tryout location, visit: norcaltopgun.com or email Kathy Yao at bgyao@ meyao.net.

> **CVHS FOOTBALL SCORES** Friday, Oct. 12 at CVHS

Varsity lost to San Leandro 37-6 JV won against San Leandro 49-18

## Seniors

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# Tax Law Change Means its Important to Review Trusts

My wife and I set up a Living Trust back in upon the first death 2001, but we have never was designed to updated it. In view of the avoid this unkind recent change in the tax law, is that result. Very likely, something that we should consider? this is the structure

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

exemption was only \$675,000 2025. Further, this trust-split techper person, and the first spouse's nique is no longer required to preexemption died with that spouse serve the first spouse's exemption; unless the couple's trust directed a "trust-split" upon the first death compliant with relevant tax rules.

Under that technique, the deceased spouse's share would go into an irrevocable Exemption portion is now "portable". Sub-Trust, and the balance would be allocated into the Survivor's emption rules has made these old-Sub-Trust.

vor would typically have only restricted access to the funds in have an estate worth \$3 million, the Exemption Sub-Trust. This that \$2.5 million of that is your arrangement would preserve the own separate property acquired first spouse's exemption so that – prior to your current marriage, that at the survivor's later death - the \$500K is community property, couple's two exemptions could be and that the value of these assets combined, thereby doubling the remains the same over time. Your assets they could pass estate tax trust directs a trust split upon the free to their children or other ben-first death, requiring the exempeficiaries.

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exemption would evaporate upon only restricted access. the first death, and would not be later death. This loss would potentially increase the estate tax payable.

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The "trust-split" of your own trust. But with the Tax

Osofsky Cuts & Jobs Act of 2017 ("TCJA"),

the time you created increased to \$11.18 million per your trust, the estate tax person, at least through the year now, it can now be preserved for later use by the survivor making a timely election on a federal estate tax return.

In "tax speak", the decedent's

This dramatic change in the exer trusts quite problematic in the To make this work, the survi- current tax climate. Here's why:

Let's say that you and your wife tion amount to be fully funded into Under former law, without this an irrevocable Exemption Sub-"trust-split," the deceased spouse's Trust over which the survivor has

First Example: Let's pretend available for use at the survivor's you died back in 2001, after your trust was signed.

> Your estate would have been allocated as follows: \$675,000 to the

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irrevocable Exemption Sub-Trust, and the balance of \$2,325,000 to your surviving spouse. Under old law, that arrangement would have left your surviving spouse with unrestricted access to substantial assets, preserved both of your individual exemptions, and made good tax sense. Second Example: Now let's say

Yes, by all means! At the estate tax exemption has been you die in 2018, when the maximum exemption is now \$11.18 Million per person. Your trust has not been changed. The allocation would now be as follows: \$2.5 Million + \$250,000 = \$2,750,000 into the irrevocable Exemption Sub-Trust, and only \$250,000 into the Survivor's Sub-Trust. Big difference.

Note: Even if your estate is comprised entirely of community property, the difference under the tax law then, and now, is still significant. If you and your spouse wish to leave the survivor with unfettered access to your entire estate after the first death, you ever put the same focus on your should have your trust reviewed and updated to meet current tax

law Gene L. Osofsky is an elder law and estate planning attorney in Hayward. Visit his website at www.LawyerForSeniors.com



Does your driving need a tune-up? Eden Medical Center and the California Highway Patrol have teamed up to provide the Age Well Drive Smart class to keep seniors driving safely.

## **Drive Smart Class**

**By Pamela Stoker** SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

You've spent time and money to tune-up your car, but have you driving habits?

Periodically it's important to refresh your knowledge of traffic rules, evaluate your vision and reflexes, and learn if there are tips

As you age, your body underinclude vision or hearing changes, loss of muscle flexibility or

changes, so you can drive safely, difficulty concentrating and even longer.

see DRIVE on back page

## Manage Restless Leg Pain

**By Jim Miller** SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

If an irresistible urge to move your legs has you kicking in your sleep, then chances are pretty good you have restless leg syndrome (RLS), a condition that affects 7 to 10 percent of Americans. Here's what you should know.

RLS, also known as Willis-Ekbom Disease, is a nervous system problem that causes uncomfortable sensations (often described as a creepy-crawly feeling, tingling, itching, throbbing, pulling or aching) and an irresistible urge to move one or both legs while you're sitting or lying down.

The symptoms usually get worse with age and typically hapgoes physical changes which can pens while resting. Moving eases the unpleasant feeling temporarily.

The main problem, other than strength, and slower reaction times. it being uncomfortable and an-You can't stop aging, but you noying, is that it disrupts sleep, can learn to cope with age-related leading to daytime drowsiness, depression.

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# EAL ESTATE GALLERY

## **Student Loans Provide Significant Obstacle for Home Ownership**

By Carl Medford, CRS Special to the Forum

s if high Bay Area home high enough entry barrier to those of repaying student loans, when attempting a home purchase, many Millennials (aged 18-34) are encountering another significant obstacle: Student loans.

NeighborWorks America (www. are hit the hardest: neighborworks.org/housingsurvey) explains, "Nationally, student loan student debt. debt now surpasses \$1.5 trillion and comprises 42 percent of all consumer debt. Millennials are shouldering most of the ballooning student loan debt, which has risen 130 percent since 2008.'

Hospital. Asking \$625,000.

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It's a catch 22 for homeowner of the time. wannabes. Education is required to prices and rising interest land the lucrative jobs required to cal nonprofits offer student loan debt rates did not provide a qualify for home loans, yet the costs counseling for free or at a low cost. es homeownership out of reach for many. A survey by Neighborhood-Works America reveals Millennials

> • 57 percent are burdened with careers." • 59 percent say either they or ers in three significant ways: someone they know has delayed

purchasing a home due to student loan debt. • 56 percent with student loans

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· 46 percent are not aware that lo-

Mia Taylor with The Simple added to buyer's debt ratios, push- Dollar adds, "83 percent of people age 22 to 35 with student loan debt who have not bought a house blame it squarely on their overwhelming loans - not their age, and not their

Student debt affects potential buy-

Credit Scores: some students, unable to secure adequate jobs immediately after graduation, let student loan payments lag, eroding credit scores.

Debt/Income Ratios: many have student loan numbers that push their debt ratios over the limits required by lenders, making loan qualification impossible.

Down Payments: most students do not save while attending college and building up a down payment takes time.

There is hope, however. Karen Hoskins, acting vice president of homeownership programs and explains, "It's important for people often seems a daunting, confusing debt."



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process. They also will benefit by

to have the tools and resources they need to be informed consumers from thinking about nonprofits as helpful the moment they consider owning a home."

Down-payment assistance is espelending at NeighborWorks America, selor can guide them through what struggle because of student loan a licensed general contractor. This

Our recommendation? Start now with effective planning and help, sources of services and information. homeownership can still be in reach. Carl Medford is a licensed Real-She clarifies, "A housing coun- cially helpful for homebuyers who tor with Keller Williams Realty and article is sponsored by the Central



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- Daniel Roy Delucchi, Jr.
- Carl "Tex" Phippin
- Gerald (Jerry) Robbins

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## **Carl "Tex" Phippin**

#### July 28, 1937 ~ October 2, 2018



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Longtime proprietor of Castro Village Bowl & Manor Bowl in San Leandro has passed away from Leukemia, at the age of 81.

Tex was born in Hope, AK and moved to S. San Francisco at the age of 9. It was there that he began his career in the bowling world by setting

pins at the age of 13. With his strong work ethic and positive attitude, he was quickly promoted to lane mechanic, working his way up to General Manager. Tex managed bowling centers all over the East Bay, and was well known by everyone in the business. He eventually landed at Castro Village Bowl in 1978 and worked there until the opportunity to purchase came in 1989. He and his wife Pam never looked back, adding Manor Bowl in 1995. Husband, Father, Bowler, Golfer...friendly, kind, and gen-

"(He) never had a bad day"

**Gerald (Jerry) Robbins** 

September 24, 1952 – September 25, 2018

Jerry was born in Massachusetts

to Margaret and Jacob Robbins,

M.D., the youngest of three chil-

dren. In 1954, the family moved to

try to Castro Valley. In 1970, Jerry

graduated from CVHS. While there,

he made lifelong friendships includ-

ing "the men" who enjoyed sports,

producing movies, and performing

In 1960, they drove cross-coun-

Levittown, NY.

#### Editor's Note: The Forum will not publish letters with political attacks in the Oct. 31 issue since there would be no opportunity for a rebuttal before the election.

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TO THE EDITOR

FREDZ@EBPUBLISHING.COM

#### **Retiring Assessor Endorses Johnson as Replacement** Editor:

I thank you, the citizens of Alameda County, for your support during my 18 years as your Alameda County Assessor. I have decided to retire at the end of the four-year term. An important decision must be made in this year's Nov. 6 election to select your next assessor.

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I'm endorsing Jim Johnson because of his 26 year career in your assessor's office as an experienced leader. He's the sole candidate with the working knowledge and experience in assessment administration to be the next assessor of Alameda County.

Experience matters when annually managing the assessments of 500,000 properties and business personal property accounts with assessed values totaling over \$300 billion.

Mr. Johnson is well thought of in the assessment community. You don't build your reputation on what you say you're going to do, you build it on what you've actually done. Jim has succeeded in achieving his good reputation on what he's actually done.

Jim's opponent has no assessment experience, yet is being supported by a few state and local partisan politicians for the non-partisan position of assessor. The assessor is a non-partisan office for a reason. Politics should have no influence on your assessments and therefore your property taxes. Politics has always been kept out of your assessor's office and that will continue under Jim Johnson's leadership. Do not allow the politicians to have influence over your assessments.

Mr. Johnson is dedicated to providing you fair and accurate assessments, transparent assessment services and exceptional customer services. He's committed to provide taxpayers with the lowest possible assessments under the law. He's in favor of supporting legislation to increase the homeowner's exemption that will lower homeowner's



#### Daniel Roy Delucchi Jr. Dec. 19, 1964 - Oct. 3, 2018 Resident of Castro Valley

Daniel passed away Oct. 3rd, 2018. He was loved by his family and many friends. He is survived by his father Daniel Sr., his mother Carol, his sister Alyse and brother Brian, and his Uncle Allen. He is also survived by his nephews, Ryan and Nick, his Great Niece, Zoey and Great Nephew, Jason and his step sisters, Nadine and Lauretta and his God Father, George.

Danny as his family and friends called him, loved sports, and was an avid Oakland A's fan. Danny loved the outdoors, he would go backpacking in the mountains and take wonderful pictures. His family and friends have many memories of being out on his boat, camping and water skiing. Danny will be missed so much by everyone.

A Memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct.20th, 2018 at 11a.m. at Spencer Mortuary, 21228 Redwood Rd., Castro Valley, CA. 94546

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#### CORRECTION ON DATE OF CRUISE NIGHT 2019:

A Letter to the Editor published on Sept. 19 gave the wrong date for the 2019 Castro Valley Cruise Night. The correct date is Saturday, Aug. 24, not Tuesday, Aug. 27.

property tax liability.

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I strongly encourage and respectfully ask that you vote for Jim Johnson as your next assessor.

-Ron Thompson, Castro Valley

#### Criticizes Harvey for Ducking Out of Candidate Forums Editor:

What is a Nick Harvey?

For the past couple of weeks the League of Women Voters has been setting up candidate forums. The League goes through a lot of time and effort to set these things up. They contact candidates to confirm their attendance and go through the work of confirming and setting up good locations.

This past Sunday there were four Forums - Fairview Fire Protection, Oro Loma Sanitary, EBMUD and AC Transit. Harvey was on the list for Fairview, EBMUD and AC Transit. At the last minute, Harvey advised the League that he couldn't make any of them because of an immediate family conflict – a wedding in Dallas.

Now this could be understood, if it wasn't for him also missing the other candidate forums he was scheduled to participate in previous weeks. In other words - five candidate forums and five no shows. This is outrageous. And disrespectful – to the League and the persons (candidates and voters) who committed their Sunday afternoon to these important interactive events. The Cherry Land Candidate forum is the only one he has shown up for.

Harvey is a Whack-a-Mole; popping up here and there and disappearing; with no ballot candidate statement for anything; without any coherent message; no campaign; and, by his absence - completely disrespects the voters for the five areas he is on the ballot. Because he is the sole challenger to three agencies with incumbents, he is costing those agencies plenty of money. In the case of EBMUD over \$300,000 — money that could have been spent for more staff or equipment.

It's time for Harvey to stop his disruptive behavior and do the honorable thing - bow out! The cost to the agencies is lost, but it would be respectful to everyone.

-Frank Mellon, Candidate, EBMUD Director, Castro Valley

#### Says Re-electing Mellon to EBMUD Would Be a Mistake Editor:

I believe that re-electing Frank Mellon as EBMUD director again would be a mistake. I once went to a benefit for our local high school and not once did he contribute towards the cause. He only used the coupons that accompanied his tickets. He didn't talk with anyone at our table and only sat there with his arms folded looking down on us as though we were peasants.

Additionally, Mr. Mellon approved and replaced a 50-million-gallon reservoir next to Strobridge school with a 9-million-gallon tank. Please reference Castro Valley Forum issue 4/4/18 issue. How does that seem smart with the water shortages we've experienced in the past? That's less than 1/10 of what we originally had. With this backward mentality and no sense of giving to the community why would we put him back in office?

#### -David Kintz, Castro Valley

#### Opposes Widening of Fire Break Along Ten Hills Trail; Editor:

In response to John Sullivan's (Letters, Oct. 10) call to clear (at least) a 100-foot wide fire break along the Ten Hills Trail that boarders Lake Chabot park and the residential housing tracks on it's south side. I would hope that the impact of such a invasive measure would also be considered.

Currently this trail is part of my preferred hiking route which I enter from Redwood road in order to avoid the crowded paved access roads at the park's main entrance off of Lake Chabot Road. It, along with a few other connecting trails, provides a surprisingly pleasant break from the hustle and bustle of urban life. Even though there always others doing the same, I can still get a taste of solitude and peace in this less traveled area of the park.

Along this trail, which is actually already a "fire road," there are many majestic oak (and bay?) trees as well as smaller more numerous native trees which together create much needed relief from the summer sun. I just cannot fathom the loss and devastation to this little piece of nature that has been set aside for all of us if such a measure was taken. -Craig Linford, Castro Valley

Letters to the Editor must include writer's first and last names, phone number, city of residence, and must be under 300 words. We reserve the right to edit as necesary. Email Letters to: fredz@ebpublishing.com or mail to: The Forum, P.O. Box 2897, Alameda, CA 94501.



in the Senior Show- Jerry portrayed James Brown. In 1974, Jerry received a degree in History from UC Da-

vis. In 1978, he received a Masters in Urban Planning from the University of Washington.

In 1985, after working at Alan Voorhees and Wilbur Smith firms, Jerry became a Transportation Planner with the SF City Planning Commission, then the Department of Parking and Traffic. Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to work on large projects with diverse groups of people were highlights of his distinguished career. Equally impressive were Jerry's relationships with neighborhood and merchant associations.

In 1987, Jerry met and then married Noelle Rubaloff. In 1989, Emily was born, and Jessica in 1992. Travels included family camp, hiking and visiting cousins.

Jerry excelled at word and card games. He was a Giants and Warriors fan, loved music, viewed documentaries, read non-fiction, and enjoyed Jerry Seinfeld. Jerry respected President Obama and Democratic causes. He treasured time spent with family and friends and felt people need more emphasis on community and less on material acquisitions.

After bravely battling pancreatic cancer for three years, Jerry died at home.

Jerry is survived by his wife Noelle; daughter Emily Robbins and husband Matt; daughter Jessica; sister Winnie Thompson and husband Gerry; brother Michael Robbins.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to SF Chronicle's Season of Sharing.

Celebration of Life will be January 5, 2019, 1-3pm, Elks Lodge, 2255 Santa Clara Ave., Alameda.





Performing at the last Songwriter's Showcase were, from left, Kate Lamont, Paul Keim, Safiyah Hernandez, and Ted Gould.

## This Week at Smalltown

#### • Thursday, October 18th: **THE LAB: Open Mic**

• Saturday, October 20th:

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The Lab is a monthly open mic lighting local art and the music of Wilson Wong & the Dudes, the art that allows musicians, poets, and and among friends. Everyone is vard. welcome! Sign-ups start at 6:50. First performances start around • Friday, October 26th: October 7:15 p.m. Sets run between 10-15 Gathering & Costume Party minutes.

singer/songwriter Safiyah Hernan-

Connect with your community, society.com or text "Smalltown' hear from local artists and advo- to 797979. Smalltown Society is cates, and experience the devel- located at 22222 Redwood Road, Smalltown Society Art Sessions oping narratives of your neighbor- Castro Valley

Join Smalltown and Pampas Cafe hood! Come wearing your most in the parking lot at Pampas, high-ridiculous costume! The music of of Julie Barrett, and the Work of other artists to workshop pieces dez. Free 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Pampas Mandela Marketplace! Free (sugthey are working on, in front of Café 3483 Castro Valley Boule- gested contribution \$10) 7:30 p.m. nessed the scene put the woman – 10 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

> More details on these events and others visit www.smalltown-

### In Uniform: Ernest Frida

U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, studies, Air Force core values, fit-San Antonio, Texas.

tro Valley High School and the son basic training also earn four credof Giuliana Lauricella-Rodrigues its toward an associate in applied of Castro Valley and Sunil Frida of science degree through the Com-Los Altos.

Class Ernest Frida graduated eight-week program that included from basic military training at training in military discipline and ness, and basic warfare principles Frida is a 2013 graduate of Cas- and skills. Airmen who complete munity College of the Air Force.

Frida completed an intensive,



## County Wants Your Opinion on Artwork for Utlility Boxes

Box Art Program in Castro Valley Castro Valley. The public can on "What's New"). are now available for public com- view the proposals and submit ment.

The Utility Box Art Program CVProposals or the Alameda in Castro Valley. Each artist will

comments by visiting bit.ly/UB- selected for some 40 utility boxes

Artists' proposals for the Utility trolled sidewalk utility boxes in site at www.acgov.org/arts (click provide a series of designs that are related in style or imagery. The A small group of artists will be designs will be printed on vinyl, which will wrap the utility boxes. The online comment period



### **Reports: CV** Arrests

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Driving Under the Influence Tuesday, October 9: at 10:22 a.m., a 38-year-old man from CV was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol. The man also was found to have a warrant issued for his capture. Deputies pulled the man over on Castro Valley Boulevard near Stanton Avenue. The man failed his field sobriety test and was taken to Santa Rita Jail and held without bail.

#### Senior Citizen Assaulted

Tuesday, October 9: at 5:42 p.m., a 911 call about a woman assaulting a senior citizen sent deputies to a park on Proctor Road near Walnut Avenue. There, they arrested a 51-year-old woman from CV on suspicion of assault and battery against a senior citizen and violating the terms of her probation. Neighbors at the park who witunder citizen's arrest until deputies came. The woman was taken into custody. The victim was treated at the scene.

## **MAC:** Alerts

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The MAC heard from various police and fire personnel who said that one thing residents can do is signup for as many text and phone alerts as possible, so they will know when and where a fire has broken out. These platforms include Nixle, PulsePoint, and AC Alert.

The MAC also unanimously approved a letter to be sent to the EBRPD highlighting the need more fire prevention attention in Castro Valley.

## COMMENT Count Me In: The Dynamic Dance

**By Amy Ramos** SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

astro Valley Educational Foundation's (CVEF) Dynamic Dance will be held on Friday, October 19th at the Masonic Lodge in Castro Valley.

The theme for the Dynamic Dance will be in honor of "Dia de los Muertos." This year they are skipping the sit-down dinner and focusing on the FUN in FUNdraising!

There will be a no-host bar, music by DJ Anthony, nacho bar/ taco bar. They will still have our live dessert auction featuring the beautiful and delicious designs by Jenn's Cupcakes and, back by popular demand, they will be auctioning off sets of 4 reserved seats as well as reserved parking for CVHS graduation and the Canyon and Creekside Middle School advancement ceremonies!

Come join us for this fun evening! Tickets can be purchased at www.cvef.org/

Would love to see you there. The CVEF gives grants to programs and teachers in our school district.

Amy D. Ramos is a resident of Castro Valley, and president of Stanton Parent Club and a School District parent. You can contact her at adramos@mac.com



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### **Drive:** Smart

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These changes can affect your ability to drive safely, but an upcoming free class can teach you how to correct for these changes.

Eden Medical Center and the California Highway Patrol have teamed up to provide the Age Well Drive Smart class to keep seniors driving safely. The Age Well Drive Smart class will be held from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 8, at Eden Medical Center, 2nd floor at 20101 Lake Chabot Road, CV. Call 510-727-8485 to register.

This class will be facilitated by California Highway Patrol officers and trained senior volunteers.

Eden Medical Center is a Trauma hospital - which means it's specially equipped to treat patients with critical injuries. More than 35% of traumatic injuries treated at Eden Medical Čenter result from motor vehicle accidents, and over 10% involve seniors. Eden provides lifesaving care to the most critically injured, but by offering classes like this one we also hope to prevent injuries.

Pamela Stoker is Trauma Injury Prevention Specialist at Eden Medical Center in Castro Valley.





TERRA AND TERRANCE are slightly shy 6-month-old siblings. TLC, a calm home with soft beds and good window views will help them blossom into the sweet little souls they truly are. Altered, chipped and current on vaccinations. Please Call Hayward Shelter: (510) 293-7200.



STEWART AND SYDNEY, 3-month-old siblings, are extra sweet, playful and talkative lap kitties. They'd love to go to a home together or with another playful cat. Altered, chipped and current on vaccinations. For more information, please email: Loveallpawzrescue@gmail.com.

## Leg: Treatment Options for RLS Symptoms

#### continued from page 9 **Treatment Options**

While there's no cure for RLS, there are things you can do to alleviate the symptoms. Depending on the severity, some people turn to RLS medications like gabapentin enacarbil (Horizant), an ceps and hip flexor stretches – are anticonvulsant, and dopamine agonists ropinirole (Requip), rotigotine (Neupro) and pramipexole Certain drugs including antinausea or stockings. There's also a new (Mirapex).

But be aware that these drugs have side effects including nau- lergy medications containing sesea, lightheadedness, fatigue and insomnia. And, while these medications can provide short-term relief, they can also make symptoms worse in many people who use them long term.

So before turning to medication, you should consider some of the following natural RLS treatments first, which are very effective for most people.

· Check your iron levels. Iron deficiency is believed to be one of the major contributors to RLS, so make an appointment with your doctor and get a blood test to check for this. If you test positive for iron deficiency, your doctor may recommend iron supplements.

• Exercise: Getting moderate, regular exercise like walking, cyrelieve symptoms, but overdoing it also helpful.

drugs, antipsychotic drugs, some antidepressants, and cold and aldating antihistamines can make lief to those who use it. RLS worse. If you take any of these, ask your doctor if something the NBC Today show and author else can be prescribed.

## Have You Seen Me?

TOBY, an 11-year old male Chihuahua-Papillon mix, has been missing since August 11. Last seen on Chateau Court and Thousand Oaks, wearing a collar. If you have any information, please call or text to: 510-828-2383

· Avoid triggers: Alcohol, caffeine, nicotine and refined sugcling, water aerobics and yoga can ar can all make RLS symptoms worse. Try these remedies: Soakor exercising late in the day may ing in a hot bathtub and massaging intensify them. Daily leg stretches your legs can relieve symptoms, as - include calf, hamstring, quadri- can applying a hot pad and/or ice pack to your legs.

Pressure can also help, so con-· Check your medications: sider wearing compression socks non-drug FDA approved vibrating pad called Relaxis that interrupts RLS episodes and can provide re-

Jim Miller is a contributor to of "The Savvy Senior" book.



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## **Breast** cancer screening event.

If you're 40 or older and haven't had a mammogram within the past year, visit our convenient cancer screening event on Saturday, Oct. 27. You must call 510-727-8499 to schedule.

Saturday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Eden Medical Center 20103 Lake Chabot Rd., Castro Valley

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## **CVSan MARSHALL ST. PROJECT UPDATE**



Castro Valley Sanitary District (CVSan) is currently preparing for its 2019 Annual Repairs Project. The largest section of next year's project will be on Marshall Street between Veronica Avenue and Greenacre Road, and on Normandy Court. 1,350 linear feet of 10" vitrified clay pipe (VCP) will be replaced by 12" high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe, which will allow the sewer main to handle more flow during wet weather. Additonally, a sewer main that runs parallel to the existing 10" VCP pipe will be abandoned and the private sewer laterals will be extended to the new 12" HDPE pipe.

This project is currently being designed by Sandis Civil Engineers and is anticipated to be released for bid in early spring 2019. For more information on CVSan's construction projects, visit www. cvsan.org/Projects.

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