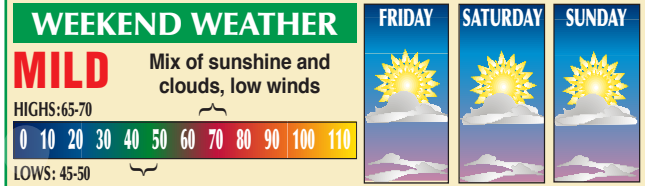


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Castro Valley's Acorn A's Ford Classic Car Club has been meeting Monday mornings at 9 o'clock in the parking lot at Rudy's Donuts on Castro Valley Boulevard. Last week they showed off two of their member's Model A's. Nearly five million Model A's were produced between 1927 and 1932.

## Car Club Marks 50th Birthday

Model A Ford fans keep rolling through the pandemic

By Linda Sandmark  
San Leandro Times

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Castro Valley's Acorn A's Ford classic car club, which has kept meeting throughout the pandemic in the parking lot of Rudy's Donuts.

Rudy's is the perfect spot to meet every Monday morning, grabbing a donut, coffee

and camping chairs to sit socially-distanced behind the popular shop.

"My husband and I have been going to Rudy's since we were in high school, and we're 74 now," says the club's secretary Judy Satariano. "It's just a fun place to go."

The club is all about fun, touring and decorating their cars for parades. They've appeared in the Rowell Ranch Rodeo Pa-

rade, the Dublin St. Patrick's Day Parade, San Leandro's Cherry Festival, and tours to places like Half Moon Bay and Las Vegas.

"If I hadn't been with them, I wouldn't have gone to any of the places we've been," says Dahlia Amaral, 82.

The past year has been tougher, working around COVID-19.

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## Candidates Step Up in Bid for Assembly Seat

Rob Bonta picked by Newsom as state attorney general

By Mike McGuire  
San Leandro Times

Assemblymember Rob Bonta, whose 18th district includes San Leandro, has been nominated by Governor Newsom to become state attorney general, and candidates are stepping up to fill his seat in the assembly.

If confirmed by the legislature, Bonta would replace Xavier Becerra, just sworn in as the nation's Secretary of Health and Human Services. Bonta was first elected to the assembly in 2012.

Candidates are scrambling to fill Bonta's Assembly seat, which will be filled in a special election whose date has not yet been announced.

Governor Newsom announced Bonta's nomination on March 24 in front of San Francisco's International Hotel, where Bonta's mother Cynthia was among the leaders of a 1977 effort to protect elderly Filipino tenants from eviction. Cynthia Bonta was at the press conference.

Newsom praised Bonta's record in the legislature.

"Bonta has led first-in-the-nation efforts to end cash bail, ban for-profit prisons, protect renters from wrongful evictions and strengthen hate crime protections," said Newsom.

The Governor noted that Bonta, if confirmed, would be the

first Filipino attorney general in state history, just as he had been the first Filipino elected to the state legislature.

Bonta said he hoped to fix a see ASSEMBLY, page 4

## Cutter Condemns Attacks On Asians

Mayor Pauline Cutter issued a statement last Thursday to address the recent attacks on Asian Americans.

"On behalf of the City of San Leandro, I strongly condemn the recent attacks on Asian Americans in our city and all across the nation," Cutter said. "Diversity is one of San Leandro's greatest strengths with 32 percent of San Leandro residents of Asian descent, including many city employees."

There is no room for racist remarks or violence directed toward any minority group. In May 2020, I was honored to join my

see CUTTER, page 2

## Free Shuttle Continues through Pandemic

For almost 20 years, the San Leandro LINKS Shuttle has provided free transportation between the Downtown San Leandro

BART station and the West San Leandro industrial area, and it has continued through the pandemic.

Throughout the COVID-19

pandemic, the service has continued to serve riders by implementing a variety of safety protocols. Buses are sanitized daily, masks are required, and social distancing is maintained.

"We want our riders to know that LINKS continues to operate on its regular schedule," said LINKS Executive Director Mike Oliver. "We have implemented safety protocols to protect our riders and drivers. We anticipate that the roll-out of the COVID vaccine will further ensure rider safety and make riders feel confident continuing or returning to public transportation."

LINKS offers comfortable buses and connects riders between the San Leandro BART Station to popular retail centers such as Marina Square, Costco

and Walmart, Kaiser Permanente, employers, and residential areas. LINKS uses NextBus which allows riders to locate nearest stops, find real-time arrival estimates and get walking directions using the NextBus website and free mobile app.

The free LINKS shuttle receives funding from businesses along the bus route, the City of San Leandro, TFCA federal clean air funds and voter-approved Measure BB which funds transportation projects throughout Alameda County.

For more information on LINKS, including the route map, service hours, stop locations and NextBus links, visit [www.sanleandrolinks.com](http://www.sanleandrolinks.com) or contact the LINKS Shuttle at [linksshuttle@sanleandro.org](mailto:linksshuttle@sanleandro.org).

## County Moves into Orange Tier, More Activities Open

Alameda County met the requirements to move to the Orange Tier this week, allowing more activities, but the pandemic isn't over yet.

"Our metrics have improved, but this pandemic is not yet in our rear-view mirror," said Dr. Nicholas Moss, Alameda County Health Officer. "Variants of the virus that causes COVID-19 are

circulating in our county, case rates are rising in other parts of the country and, while nearly a quarter of Alameda County residents aged 16 and older have been fully vaccinated, we aren't at the levels required for broad community protection or immunity."

We need to continue to practice safety measures, wearing see ORANGE, page 12

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### CITY COUNCIL

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

### SAN LEANDRO SCHOOL BOARD

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



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## Pets of the Week



Nyx



Lola

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter are Nyx the cat and Lola the dog.

Nyx is a 1-year-old female cat who, like her Greek goddess namesake, is a quiet, shadowy figure. Nyx enjoys being high up where she can observe without engaging. She was previously a community cat and needs a special family that will be patient while Nyx decides if she wants attention from people, and will

be accepting if Nyx just wants to do her own thing. She might make a good garden cat, earning her keep as pest control.

Lola is a 12-year-old sweet and charming vocalist. She is rollie-pollie sweetheart who loves spending time with people. Lola is working on losing a few pounds to help alleviate her arthritis, and enjoys short, leisurely walks. She would prefer a home with older children.

## Register for Summer Camp

The City of San Leandro will host two summer day camp programs.

COVID-19 safety guidelines and procedures will be administered during camp to maintain proper safety protocols.

**Chabot Day Camp** serves youth entering grades K-9 in addition to Counselor-in-Training and Junior Counselor programs for those entering grades 10-12. Daily activities include enriching games and activities designed with each child's health and safety in mind.

Camp hours are 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily with an extended care

option from 3 to 6 p.m. Lunch is included daily. Chabot Day Camp is from June 14 through Aug. 6.

**Camp Hooty Hoo** will be hosted at Bonaire Park this summer, serving youth entering grades K-12. Daily activities will provoke amusement and excitement as campers enjoy the outdoor environment, play sports and games, create art, and so much more. Camp hours are 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Lunch is included daily. Camp Hooty Hoo runs from June 21 through Aug. 6.

Space is limited, and register *see CAMP, page 10*



PHOTO BY MIKE MCGUIRE

## Rally Against Attacks on Asians

Stopping attacks on Asian-Americans and racial hatred in general drew demonstrators to Root Park, near City Hall on East 14th Street, last Friday evening. Local residents of all races and ages, several members of the City Council and several San Leandro police officers joined in the event. San Leandro resident Vida Benavides said, "As an Asian-American raised and living in San Leandro, this is very important to me. We stand for all communities threatened by violence."

## Cutter: Attacks causing fear

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colleagues to unanimously proclaim the city's stance against racism and xenophobia.

A number of attacks on mostly elderly Asians in recent months has caused fear among Asians. In one incident in San Leandro in February, an Asian man was violently robbed and knocked down as he was going to make a deposit at the Bank of America branch on Marina Boulevard.

In another attack, broadcast widely on the news, a 91-year-old Asian man was knocked down on a sidewalk in Chinatown in Oakland. A 28-year-old man was later arrested for the attack.

Cutter said the Acting Police Chief Luis Torres reinforced the Police Department's zero-tolerance stance on hateful acts. In response to the attack on an Asian man in San Leandro, the police department also publicly distrib-

uted a community safety video message in English and Mandarin.

"As a city of kindness, we will never waver in the face of hateful acts," said Mayor Cutter. "I encourage the San Leandro community to come together during this difficult time to acknowledge the Asian American experience and their positive contributions to San Leandro."



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# Community Calendar

## Umpires Needed

The Hayward Softball Umpires Association is recruiting year-round to work paid HARD recreation softball games – men's, women's and co-ed slow pitch. We train all age groups. For more information, call the Education Director at 510-586-8592 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.

## #ownvoices Adult Book Club

Join the San Leandro Library for a friendly and casual adult book club focused on #Own-voices books, a hashtag that started in 2015 to promote diverse authors and books, on Thursday, April 1, at 6 p.m. Diversify your reading list, learn about new perspectives and find aspects of your own experiences in the pages of a book. Come and chat about any #ownvoices books you've read (any genre, any format) or drop by and get some inspiration for your next read. Register at [sanleandrolibrary.org](http://sanleandrolibrary.org) for this free virtual event.

## Davis Street's Virtual Fashion Show

Join Davis Street for a Virtual Fashion Show Fundraiser to support the well-being of 121 disabled adults served by the Davis Street Developmental Disabilities Program on Wednesday, April 7, at 6 p.m. Visit [davisstreet.org](http://davisstreet.org) for the link to the livestream. The virtual event will celebrate the creative potential in each of our artists, highlighting art pieces with a fashion show along with behind-the-scenes footage of our artists in their creative process. Art pieces, mosaics, clothing, and jewelry will be for sale via silent auction and raffle.

## Hearing Loss Association Talk on Accessibility

Hearing Loss Association of America, SF East Bay Chapter presents disability rights attorney Steven L. Derby will discuss how COVID regulations have disabled access, how businesses use COVID to avoid access obligations, and what can be done on Saturday, April 10, via Zoom. Greetings at 9:30 a.m., presentation at 10 a.m., and discussion from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Register at <https://www.hearinglosseeb.org/> for the Zoom meeting. Free and open to all.

## Teen Poetry Workshop

Calling all poets! Teens in grades 6 through 12 are invited to submit their poems to the San Leandro Library's poetry contest, and to attend a poetry workshop in early April. Visit the library website [sanleandrolibrary.org](http://sanleandrolibrary.org) for more information.

## Dungeons & Dragons For Teens at the Library

Join the San Leandro Library (via Zoom) every Friday in April to play a fantasy Dungeons & Dragons for teens role-playing game. You'll create a character, and then, along with your teammates, go on an adventure — solving mysteries, conquering bad guys, and exploring new worlds. An experienced facilitator will help with everything from character creation to how to navigate the world of the game. No experience necessary, registration required. Visit [www.tinyurl.com/projectteenlounge](http://www.tinyurl.com/projectteenlounge) to learn more.

## Learn about the Climate Action Plan

Learn about the City of San Leandro's Climate Action Plan and its emphasis on resilience, sustainability, equity, and community-driven strategies on Thursday, April 8, at 6 p.m. Register for this free virtual event at [sanleandrolibrary.org](http://sanleandrolibrary.org) and receive a free copy of the Book to Action Community Read, Paul Hawken's *Drawdown*, while supplies last. The city's Office of Sustainability Manager Hoi-Fei Mok will be the speaker.

## H.A.R.D. Picnic Table Rentals

The Hayward Area Recreation Dept. began registering park picnic rentals at eight sites last week, including Palomares Park, Alden E. Oliver Park, Birchfield Park, Cannery Park, Greenwood Park, San Felipe Park, San Lorenzo Park and Weekes Park. Only those with rental permits will be allowed to use the picnic tables. Rentals are for two hours. Up to three households may attend at the same time. Masks are required when not eating, and all County and State guidelines will be enforced. Rentals are available at [haywardRec.org/Register](http://haywardRec.org/Register).

Items for the calendar can be emailed to [jimk@ebpublishing.com](mailto:jimk@ebpublishing.com) or call 510-614-1557.

# Club: 'We're like a rolling event'

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"We used to get together once a month for a dinner and meeting," says Satariano. "The pandemic slowed everybody down. But we decorated the cars and went on a St. Patrick's Day drive to Sunol. We had a socially-distanced outdoor picnic down there."

Member George Diamante, who joined 50 years ago at age 22, says the lure of the Model A is that it was the first practical car in the United States. Its predecessor, the Model T, was "basically a bench and a motor," he says.

The Model A was larger, had a bigger engine, four-wheel brakes, shock-resistant bumper, electric starter and upholstered seats.

On the other hand, club members report that driving the Model A (almost 5 million of which were produced from 1927 to 1932) can be quite a physical activity.

"There's no power brakes, no power steering, no heater and no air conditioning," says member Jim Rodrigues.

Satariano adds, "They are cars you have to pay attention to. My husband Carl says you have to 'herd it down the road.' And you've really got to jump on those brakes and leave a good distance between you and the car ahead of you."

The club's president, Tony Shull of San Leandro, says that just driving the Model A's locally seems to give a boost to the community.

"During the summer doldrums last year we would get out and just drive around," Shull says. "It was always worth it when people saw the cars. It's still fun even during the pandemic. We're like a little rolling event."

You don't even have to own a Model A to join the Acorn A's.

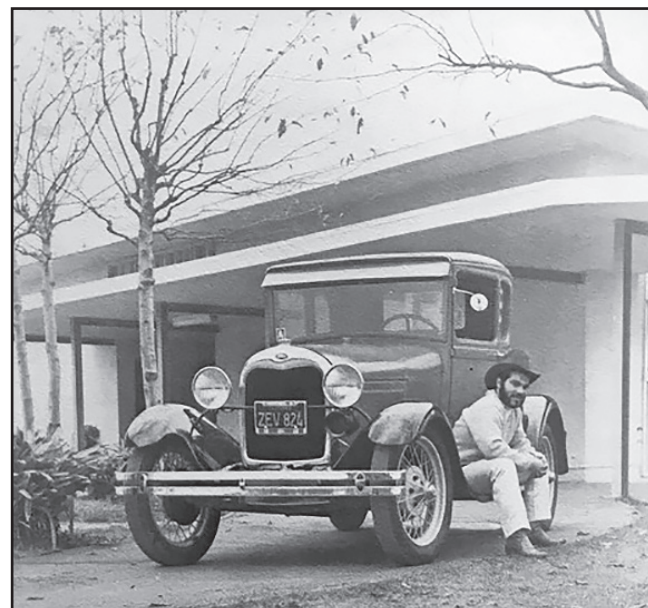


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## Club member Nick Soares with his restored Model A.

Many members don't own one, but they appreciate the look and history of the cars. Judy Satariano says she likes to picture folks driving the early Model A's out from Oklahoma in the late 1920s, with kids inside and furniture tied to the top.

The club is always looking for new members. Contact Bill Biddell at 510-582-6207 or stop by Rudy's Donuts (3692 Castro Valley Blvd.) Monday mornings at 9 a.m.

Also, if anyone has a Model A in need of repair, club members would be happy to help. The Acorn A's are part of the larger Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA), which in non-pandemic years sponsors state and national meets and competitions.

## Find Out How to Fix Anything

Join the San Leandro Library's virtual fix-it clinic on Thursday, April 17, at 11 a.m. Fixers and people needing repairs around the globe will collaborate to help you fix items.

From faulty toasters to CD players that don't work anymore or smart phones unable to charge, we'll collaborate and help try to find a solution. Guest speaker Hoi-Fei-Mok will preface this green event with an overview on conservation and sustainability. Register at [sanleandrolibrary.org](http://sanleandrolibrary.org) for the clinic.

## RECENT HOME SALES

### Castro Valley

22033 Vergil Street	94546: \$740,000 3 BD - 1,020 SF - 1949
21895 Verneti Way	94546: \$820,000 3 BD - 1,282 SF - 1954
18345 Crest Avenue	94546: \$850,000 4 BD - 1,572 SF - 1950
4370 Edwards Lane	94546: \$932,000 3 BD - 1,603 SF - 1947
21508 Gail Drive	94546: \$935,000 3 BD - 1,766 SF - 1960
25567 Foggy Glen Dr	94552: \$950,000 3 BD - 1,374 SF - 1998
18828 Parsons Avenue	94546: \$998,000 3 BD - 1,674 SF - 1952
19057 Helton Street	94546: \$1,000,000 3 BD - 1,801 SF - 1975
4020 Meadowview Drive	94546: \$1,025,000 5 BD - 1,480 SF - 1952
17627 Almond Road	94546: \$1,120,000 1,624 SF - 1959
3093 Massachusetts St	94546: \$1,552,000 4 BD - 2,929 SF - 1986
TOTAL SALES:	11
LOWEST AMOUNT:	\$740,000
HIGHEST AMOUNT:	\$1,552,000
MEDIAN AMOUNT:	\$950,000
AVERAGE AMOUNT:	\$992,909

### San Leandro

14461 Doolittle Drive	94577: \$415,000 2 BD - 865 SF - 1979
1907 Placer Drive	94578: \$500,000 2 BD - 1,327 SF - 1943
15550 Lark Street	94578: \$645,000 2 BD - 938 SF - 1920
2245 Buena Vista Ave	94577: \$660,000 2 BD - 1,035 SF - 1948
487 Olive Street	94578: \$695,000 2 BD - 865 SF - 1947
2021 Eveleth Avenue	94577: \$700,000 3 BD - 1,431 SF - 1952
926 Douglas Drive	94577: \$700,000 3 BD - 950 SF - 1942
2069 Horne Street	94578: \$725,000 2 BD - 1,359 SF - 1948
3847 Monterey Blvd	94578: \$730,000 3 BD - 1,076 SF - 1954
1136 139th Avenue	94578: \$775,000 3 BD - 1,525 SF - 1952
837 Portola Drive	94578: \$825,000 3 BD - 1,142 SF - 1956
3453 Monogram Road	94577: \$840,000 3 BD - 2,014 SF - 2000
350 Bristol Boulevard	94577: \$850,000 3 BD - 1,390 SF - 1944
830 Kenyon Avenue	94577: \$876,000 2 BD - 1,194 SF - 1949
446 East Merle Court	94577: \$885,000 2 BD - 1,189 SF - 1932
1360 Lake Chabot Rd	94577: \$950,000 3 BD - 1,620 SF - 1949
15911 Gramercy Drive	94578: \$1,025,000 4 BD - 1,895 SF - 1952
2484 Marina Boulevard	94577: \$1,261,000 8 BD - 4,260 SF - 1956
TOTAL SALES:	18
LOWEST AMOUNT:	\$415,000
HIGHEST AMOUNT:	\$1,261,000
MEDIAN AMOUNT:	\$752,500
AVERAGE AMOUNT:	\$780,944

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# City Manager Candidates Narrowed Down to Three

## Recruitment town hall meeting set for Saturday

The San Leandro City Council has narrowed the search for the next city manager to three candidates who will speak at a virtual town hall meeting on Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m.

Go to the City of San Leandro's website (sanleandro.org) for a Zoom link to the meeting where you can virtually meet the final candidates for the city manager job.

The three candidates are Sean Charpentier, Terrence R. Moore, and current acting City Manager Fran Robustelli. They all speak and take questions that the public has been invited to send in online.

The city received 67 resumes from across the nation, which included candidates with a variety of relevant backgrounds. CPS HR Consulting screened and vetted numerous qualified candidates.

The City Council subsequently identified the strongest eight candidates, who were invited to advance for additional consideration. During the course of evaluations, three candidates withdrew for personal reasons or other professional opportunities. The City Council then spent significant time interviewing and evaluating the remaining candidates and advanced three

candidates to participate in the final selection process.

Following the Town Hall, the public may also email feedback to CPS HR Consulting at [anelson@cpsr.us](mailto:anelson@cpsr.us), which will be communicated to the City Council.

### Sean Charpentier

Sean Charpentier has 20 years of experience in local government. His professional journey has focused on serving the public and building equitable, prosperous, and sustainable regions and cities.

Charpentier is currently a Program Director with C/CAG,



Sean Charpentier



Terrence R. Moore



Fran Robustelli

the City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County, where he oversees transportation planning and funding. Previous roles include Interim and Assistant City Manager in the City of East Palo Alto.

Charpentier has a master's degree in City and Regional Planning from UC Berkeley and an undergraduate degree in International Development from Clark University. Charpentier lives in San Francisco with his wife and two daughters.

### Terrence R. Moore

Terrence R. Moore was appointed city manager of College Park, Georgia in March 2013, and served for a total of eight years, making him the longest continuously tenured manager in that city's history.

Prior to College Park, Mr. Moore served as city manager of Morgantown, West Virginia; Las Cruces, New Mexico, and Sebastian, Florida.

A native of Chicago, Illinois, Moore earned both undergraduate and graduate degrees in economics and public administration from the University of Illinois, as well as post-graduate certificates from the Florida Atlantic University Department of Urban and Regional Planning, and the University of Virginia Senior Executive Institute for Local Government Management.

From 2010 to 2020, Moore served on the Board of Directors of The Alliance for Innovation, an international network of progressive governments and partners committed to transforming local government by accelerating the development and dissemination of innovations. He is an International City/County Management Association Credentialed Manager (ICMA-CM).

### Fran Robustelli

Fran Robustelli has served in managerial and executive

roles with special districts and city governments for the past 25 years.

Robustelli has specialized in human resources and organizational change management, and is also skilled in a wide range of city service areas, including economic development, budget and risk management, and emergency services.

Since December 2020, Robustelli has been the interim city manager for the City of San Leandro. She took charge of the city manager position amid the coronavirus pandemic, calls for police reform, budget shortfalls, and City Council leadership changes.

She said the past several months has been one of the busiest times in her public sector career, but she's determined daily to meet the unpredictability and challenges with the traits of servant leadership, consensus building, and strategic communication.

## Assembly: Aguilar to run for assembly

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"fundamentally broken criminal justice system" if confirmed as attorney general.

We need leaders in government and law enforcement who will build bridges with communities that have been excluded and persecuted, Bonta said.

Another top priority was fighting hatred and hate crimes, he said.

Bonta pledged to make sure that we protect those who are facing the forces of hate, and that we hold accountable those who would perpetrate hate violence against others in our community.

San Leandro school board

member James Aguilar, the Bay Area's youngest elected official at 21, is among those running, according to his website. So are Alameda City Councilmember Malia Vella and social justice attorney Janani Ramachandran, who announced their candidacies on social media sites.

Aguilar pledged to fight for full funding for education, for treating housing as a human right, providing supportive services for the homeless, and for strong tenant protection if elected to the Assembly.

Ramachandran said on her website, "We need bold solutions now — starting with Medicare for All, making the minimum

wage a living wage and ending evictions."

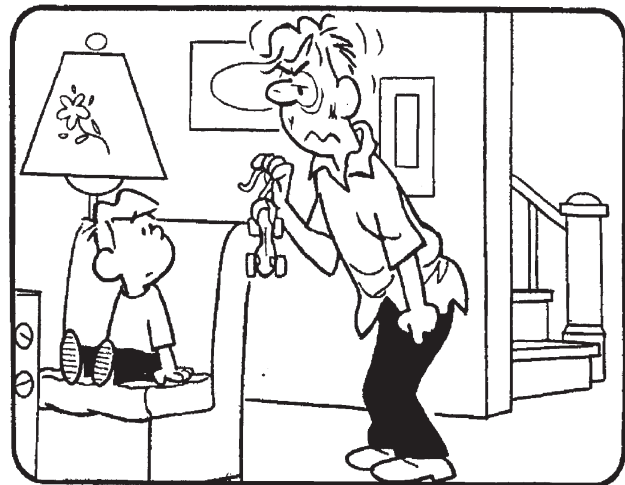
Vella said her perspective is needed in Sacramento.

"I believe my experience as vice mayor of Alameda, an attorney to working people, a wife and mother to two young kids, is needed in Sacramento," Vella said. "Too often, young, experienced diverse voices are left out of the highest levels of decision making, and I aim to change that."

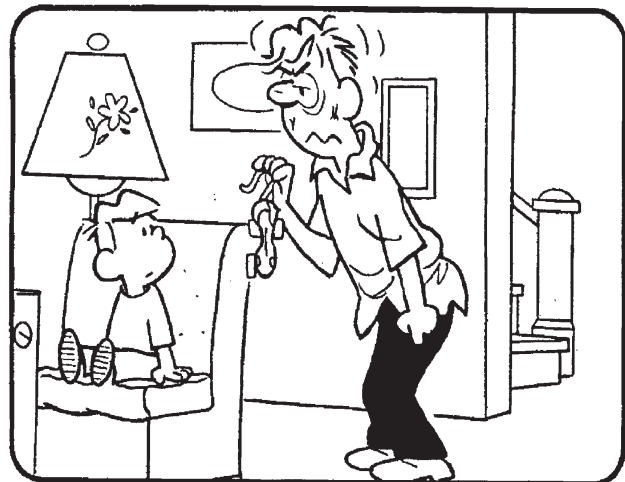
Oakland City Councilmember Sheng Thao and Liz Ortega-Toro, Alameda Labor Council secretary-treasurer, told reporters they are considering running for the assembly vacancy.

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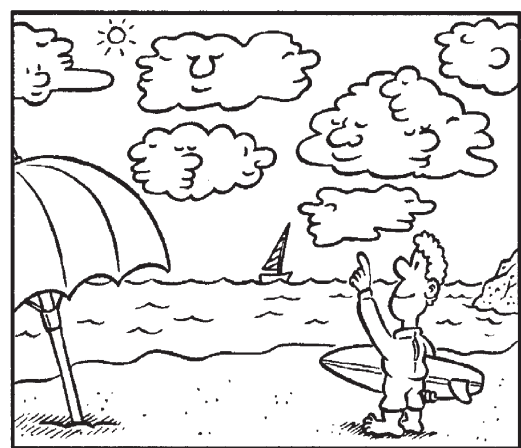
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**HEADS IN THE CLOUDS!** With a little imagination, you should be able to pick out at least 15 people who have their heads in the clouds.

**TIME OUT!** One night, during a storm, lightning struck the Town Hall clock, sending the face of the clock to the ground, where it broke into three pieces. On examination, it was noted that the numbers on each piece added up to 26. Can you figure out how the face of the clock was broken?

**YOUR AGE IS!** Did you know that you can tell how old a person is just by knowing what their shoe size is? Here's how:

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2. Tell him to multiply the size by 2.
3. Have him add 5 to the result.
4. Next, he must multiply the sum by 50.
5. Now tell him to add the "magic number" 1748 to the product.
6. Finally, tell him to subtract the year of his birth from the previous sum.

You now ask him what number he is left with. You'll find that the last two digits will be the person's age on his birthday this year. (Each year the magic number is increased by 1. This year, 1998 is 1748; next year, 1999 is 1749, etc.)



by Charles Barry Townsend

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### FIND THE BIG WORDS

Using the definitions and anagrams below, you must find the seven eight-letter words that fit into the framework pictured on the left.

The letters in the two anagram words, for each definition, must be unscrambled and used to form the word asked for.

#### Definitions:

1. Fellow member
2. Liquids separator
3. Cashew casing
4. Appreciative
5. People mover
6. Easily broken
7. Large animal

#### Anagrams:

- meat + tame
- nits + rare
- shun + tell
- gulf+ tear
- rove + tale
- date+ lice
- neat + help

Time limit: 2 min. each.



are moved. 4. Pants are different. 5. Skate wheel is missing. 6. Frame is thinner.

1. Teammate. 2. Strainer.
3. Nutshell. 4. Grateful.
5. Elevator. 6. Delicate.
7. Elephant.



## LIFESTYLE



## Baked Ham an Easter Tradition

Christians will observe Good Friday this week and Easter on Sunday. While Easter has no particular ceremonial foods, baked ham has become the traditional fare for Sunday's dinner.

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

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

### PINEAPPLE-GLAZED HAM

- 1 (6-pound) fully-cooked bone-in ham
- 1 fresh pineapple
- 2 (6-ounce) cans pineapple juice

Preheat oven to 325°F. Place the ham, cut side down, into a roasting pan.

Cut skin off the pineapple with a sharp knife. Remove any brown spots of skin and slice into 1/2-inch slices, cutting the cores out of the slices. Pin the slices onto the ham with toothpicks.

Bake ham in the preheated oven until a meat thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the ham reads 140°F, about 1-1/2 to 2 hours.

While the ham is baking, mix the pineapple juice and brown sugar in a microwave-safe bowl

and microwave on medium power until the glaze is boiling and slightly thickened. Be careful, as the glaze will be very hot and sticky.

Pour about half the glaze evenly over the ham and pineapple about 1 hour before the end of baking; pour the rest over the ham about 30 minutes before the end of baking. Serves about 18.

### EASTER BAKED HAM

- 1 (7-pound) boneless ham
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 3 tablespoons prepared yellow mustard, or as needed
- 1 (8-ounce) can pineapple rings in juice, drained and juice reserved
- 1 cup honey

Preheat oven to 350°F. Score ham by making 1/2-inch deep diagonal cuts, creating a diamond pattern; transfer ham to a roasting pan.

Mix brown sugar with enough yellow mustard to make a smooth, pourable sauce.

Pour reserved pineapple juice over ham, followed by the honey.

Pour brown sugar mixture over honey and arrange pineapple rings decoratively atop ham. Secure pineapple rings with toothpicks.

Bake in the preheated oven until diamond pattern on ham splits open, 1 to 1-1/2 hours. Baste ham every 15 minutes with pan drippings. Yields 20 servings.

### SHERRIED RAISIN SAUCE

- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 3/4 cup dry Sherry
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 3/4 cup raisins
- 1 lemon, thinly sliced and seeded

In a 1-quart saucepan, melt butter over medium-low heat. Mix in sugar.

Combine sherry and cornstarch and add to saucepan with remaining ingredients.

Bring to a boil, stirring. Simmer over low heat about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Serve hot with baked ham slices. Makes about 2 cups.

### ORANGE-GLAZED HAM

- 2 tablespoons orange juice
- 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1 cup honey
- 1/4 teaspoon almond extract (optional)
- 1 (8-pound) fully-cooked whole ham

Preheat an oven to 325°F. In small bowl, stir together the orange juice, cinnamon, cloves, honey, and almond extract (if using) and set aside.

Place the ham in a shallow roasting pan. Bake in the preheated oven 1 hour and 15 minutes. Remove ham from oven, and baste with the honey glaze.

Return to the oven; continue cooking until the ham reaches an internal temperature of 140°F, about 45 minutes longer.

Baste occasionally as the ham finishes baking. Yields about 20 servings.

### HONEY & BROWN SUGAR GLAZED HAM

- 1 (5-pound) fully cooked and sliced ham
- 1/4 cup whole cloves
- 1 cup pineapple juice
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup honey
- 2 oranges, juiced

Preheat the oven to 350°F.

Place ham in a roasting pan and dot with cloves. In a saucepan combine the pineapple juice, brown sugar, honey and orange juice.

Stir and simmer over medium-low heat until thickened, about 10 minutes. Pour the glaze over the ham.

Bake the ham uncovered for 1 hour in the preheated oven.

### LEFTOVER HAM & BEAN SOUP

- 1 pound dry great Northern beans
- 8 cups water

- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 ham hock
- 1 cup chopped carrots
- 1/2 stalk celery, chopped
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 teaspoon mustard powder
- 2 bay leaves
- 2 cups chopped ham
- 1/2 teaspoon white pepper

Rinse the beans, sorting out any broken or discolored ones. In a large pot over high heat, bring the water to a boil. Add the salt and the beans and remove from heat.

Let beans sit in the hot water for at least 60 minutes.

After the 60 minutes of soaking, return the pot to high heat and place the ham bone, carrots, celery, onion, garlic, mustard and bay leaves in the pot. Stir well, bring to a boil, reduce heat to low and simmer for 60 more minutes.

Remove ham bone and discard. Stir in the chopped ham and simmer for 30 more minutes. Season with ground white pepper to taste. Yields about 8 servings.

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## REAL ESTATE REALITY

By Carl Medford, CRS  
Special to the Times

GUEST COMMENTARY



## Questions Sellers Ask Prospective Listing Agents

Sitting through numerous listing appointments over the years, I have encountered countless questions from sellers interviewing me as a potential listing agent.

Some of the questions are meaningful, including; "How many homes have you sold in the past 12 months?", "Can you provide a list of past clients I can contact?", "How do you plan to market the home?" and more.

Frequently, homeowners turn to the internet for help. As it happens, there is no end of lists of potential questions, many of which are similar. Sellers will frequently download the questions and then ask them line-by-line with prospective agents. Over the years I have encountered the same lists many different times.

While many of the questions on the lists are valid, others are not, especially in today's market. Here are two questions frequently asked in interviews that are actually invalid:

1. What is the average Days on Market (DOM) for your listings?

Sounds like a great question, right? The seller wants to know how long they can expect their home to sit on the market. There are a few problems, however.

First, a Realtor's job is to coach the seller with an effective price to list their home. Some sellers, however, have an inflated idea of pricing and

list way above current values. These homes typically languish on the market and run the DOM counter up and up.

Second, a home might get knocked out of escrow for any number of reasons and have to go back on the market, increasing the DOM.

Third, in this current overheated market with limited inventory, agents actually keep homes on the market longer than necessary to prime the pump for multiple offers with an offer deadline. It is not unusual for us to get calls within hours of putting a home on the market with requests to allow preemptive offers.

2. What Is Your List-to-Sale Price Ratio?

Again, there are problems. First, if a seller lists higher than

the market, offers may come in lower, providing a negative list-to-price ratio. Second, some agents and/or sellers list homes artificially low to prompt a massive number of offers. Agents who use this tactic brag about their homes selling significantly over asking and they highlight their staggering list-to-price ratios.

Personally, I think this practice is deceptive and skews the data.

Ready to interview agents? Use a list of questions – just make sure they are actually valid.

Carl Medford is a licensed Realtor with Keller Williams Realty and a licensed general contractor. This article is sponsored by the Central County Marketing Association.

## Mortgage Rates Jump

Long-term fixed mortgage rates jumped to their highest level since last June, according to Freddie Mac's weekly nationwide survey.

The 30-year fixed-rate loan averaged 3.17 percent for the week ending March 25, up from 3.09 percent the week before. A year ago at this time, the 30-year FRM averaged 3.50 percent.

Fifteen-year fixed-rate mortgages averaged 2.45 percent, up from 2.40 percent.

Five-year hybrid adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) averaged 2.84 percent, up from 2.79

percent.

"During the course of the pandemic, 'home' has become more important than ever. As a result, strong purchase demand continues—but buyers also outnumber the sellers," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's Chief Economist. "Since January, mortgage rates have increased half a percentage point from historic lows and home prices have risen, leaving potential homebuyers with less purchasing power. Unfortunately, this has disproportionately affected the low end of the market, where supply is the slimmest."



## WEEKEND GARDENER

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# SPRING HOME IMPROVEMENT



## Home-Maintenance Checklist for Spring

- ✓ Clean Your Gutters, it's that time again to remove all the branches and leaves from your gutters.
- ✓ Examine roof shingles to see if any were lost or damaged during winter. If your home has an older roof covering, you may want to start a budget for replacement. Shingles that are cracked, buckled or loose or are missing granules need to be replaced. Flashing around plumbing vents, skylights and chimneys need to be checked and repaired by a qualified roofer.
- ✓ Examine the exterior of the chimney for signs of damage. Have the flue cleaned and inspected by a certified chimney sweep.
- ✓ Re-seal your driveway. Look for cracks and movement in your concrete and asphalt driveway. Fill cracks with a crack filler or sealer to prevent water from getting underneath your driveway. Re-seal your driveway to give it a fresh, new look.
- ✓ Get your patio or deck in tip-top shape for outdoor living. Sweep and hose it down. Remove patio furnishings from storage. Wipe down surfaces and vacuum cushions (or launder them if they're machine washable).
- ✓ Use a screwdriver to probe the wood trim around windows, doors, railings and decks. Make repairs now before the spring rains do more damage to the exposed wood.
- ✓ Remove firewood stored near the home. Firewood should be stored at least 18 inches off the ground at least 2 feet from the structure.
- ✓ Have a qualified heating and cooling contractor clean and service the outside unit of the air conditioning system. Clean coils operate more efficiently, and an annual service call will keep the system working at peak performance levels. Change interior filters on a regular basis.
- ✓ Check your gas- and battery-powered lawn equipment to make sure it is ready for summer use. Clean equipment and sharp cutting blades will make yardwork easier.
- ✓ Check for any holes in your siding and overhangs. These holes become the nesting points of various forms of wildlife. Over time the nests become deeper and more damaging as the animals make themselves more comfortable.
- ✓ Remember to clean or replace filters. Check and clean the dryer vent, air conditioner, stove hood, and room fans. Keep heating and cooling vents clean and free from furniture and draperies.

## On Shaky Ground: Many Older Homes in Need of Retrofitting

By Glenn Pomeroy  
Special to the Times

The ongoing pandemic has taught us to appreciate more than ever the roof over our heads as we continue to spend time indoors, waiting our turn for the Covid-19 vaccine.

In the same way many Californians are vulnerable to Covid-19, many of their older homes are vulnerable to earthquakes, which can occur anywhere, anytime, any day in the Golden State.

In Alameda County, the nearby Calaveras and Hayward faults extend up the east side of the San Francisco Bay. These and other major faults in the region are part of the San Andreas fault system and can cause major earthquakes like the Loma Prieta earthquake, which occurred in 1989 during the World Series between the Oakland Athletics and San Francisco Giants.

Older homes, especially those built before 1980, are more susceptible to earthquake damage because they were constructed before modern seismic building codes were put in place. According to U.S. Census data, more than 68 percent of the housing units in Alameda County fall into the category

of being built before 1980 and could need to be retrofitted.

With a 99 percent chance of at least one major earthquake striking anywhere in California in the next 30 years, there has never been a better time to take action to strengthen your home against earthquake damage.

As renowned seismologist Dr. Lucy Jones once said on CNN, "The earthquake is inevitable, but the disaster is not. The disaster is what the earthquake does to human structures. We change those human structures, we can eliminate the disaster."

For many homeowners, the value of their property and the equity they have in it represent the lion's share of their savings and retirement nest egg. A simple, relatively inexpensive seismic retrofit can significantly reduce the chances of an older home falling completely off its foundation – perhaps resulting in a total loss – even in a moderate earthquake.

One of the key self-help elements in strengthening your home is seismic retrofitting, a process which can be straightforward and often not as expensive as homeowners might think.

Depending on the type of retrofit needed, the work can usually be done in a couple of days, with costs ranging from \$3,000

to \$7,000. And importantly, as we continue the practice of social distancing during the pandemic, homeowners can remain inside their dwelling as workers do the job without entering the residence.

Compared to the potential cost of repairing an earthquake damaged home, spending a smaller amount of money to help prevent damage can help avoid a much bigger repair bill after an earthquake. Whatever the cost, it is a relatively small price to pay to protect the value of your home and, more importantly, make it safer for your family.

The pandemic has forced all of us to become more personally and psychologically resilient. Think of seismic retrofitting as something you can do to make your home more resilient as well.

Learn more about the importance of seismic retrofitting homes at [www.strengthenmyhouse.com](http://www.strengthenmyhouse.com). Here you will find helpful information about how to retrofit your home to mitigate against earthquake damage.

It is not a matter of if, but when the next big one will strike. So why not be better prepared and invest in your future?

Take the path of most resilience by strengthening your home against earthquake damage today!

Glenn Pomeroy is the Chief Operating Officer of the California Earthquake Authority. For more information, visit [earthquakeauthority.com/](http://earthquakeauthority.com/)

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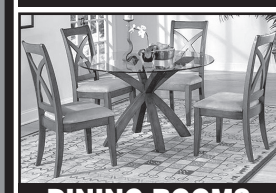
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# Season to Open for HARD Senior Softball League

The HARD-sponsored Senior Softball Day League will begin practices in early April with the 50s league starting practice on April 1 and play on April 15 at Oliver Park in Hayward.

The 60s and 70s divisions will tentatively start play on June 1 (this could be moved up). The 60s will play on Tuesdays, the 70s on Wednesdays. Games start at 9:30 a.m.

The Co-ed league has three

divisions-50s, 60s and 70s. Anyone interested in joining the league can find directions by going to [hardseniorsoftball.com](http://hardseniorsoftball.com).

The league has published these guidelines which must be followed regarding the upcoming season:

- All players will wear masks while at the fields, with the exception of when they are playing in the field defensively, batting or running the bases.

- No spectators are allowed at the games.

- No more than three players are permitted in the dugout at a time, others will be socially-distanced in the bleachers or in folding chairs.

- Players must leave the fields in a timely manner when the game ends.

The league will provide sanitizing equipment.

Players can only participate

in one division this season. (It is anticipated that this current restriction will be lifted prior to the start of 60s and 70s, but there are no guarantees.)

If a player tests positive for Covid, that player must notify his manager right away, and the manager must immediately notify the commissioner.

The league will be suspended for a minimum of 14 days and the player must obtain two negative

tests prior to his/her returning to play.

If you have any questions

email Joe Farias at [farias23718@comcast.net](mailto:farias23718@comcast.net).

—Joe Farias

## Camp: Registration

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tration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration will open on Thursday, April 1, at 8:30 a.m. for San Leandro res-

idents and on Thursday, April 8, for non-residents. Register at [SanLeandroRec.org](http://SanLeandroRec.org). RecLINK scholarships are available for San Leandro residents.

## OPINION

### LETTERS to the EDITOR

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#### Regulate Gun Use Like Automobile Use

Editor:

"There's not a big appetite to do things that actually don't do anything to fix the problem," said Republican Senator John Thune (SD).

"I'm not attracted to something that doesn't work," said Republican Senator McConnell.

What doesn't work? Republican insistence on doing nothing about gun control doesn't fix the problem. Time after time, multiple people are being gunned down. Even before we can grieve over the last mass murder, another gun rampage has happened. Doing nothing, time after time, doesn't work.

Let's do better. Let's regulate gun use like we regulate automobile use: license gun owners to use their weapons after they pass a safety test, a background check, and gun inspection. The law should require periodic license renewal, as well as insurance for any damage done by the gun owner.

Gun ownership is enshrined in the 2nd Amendment, yet, use of these weapons can and should be regulated.

—Bruce Joffe  
Piedmont

#### Advice to Cope with The Pandemic

Editor:

The year 2020 was a hard one for everyone. The breakout of the Covid-19 pandemic crashed our economy, causing numerous tragic losses. Life changed drastically in this terrifying and tough time.

However, with the safety and effectiveness of the two-dose Moderna and Pfizer vaccines we began to regain our hope and we have to keep our hope alive, because without hope we will sink. With hope we will be able to return to a normal and safer life and eventually put an end to the pandemic. Thereby, we could visit our relatives and friends and look forward to returning to public venues, sports and entertainment events.

Please allow me to furnish our readers with seven key behaviors to combat the virus:

1. Wear a mask in public.
2. Wash your hands frequently.

3. Eat good food.
4. Get a good night's sleep.
5. Exercise regularly.
6. Practice social distancing.
7. Manage stress to improve the quality of life.

The above information is from books written by medical professionals concerning Covid-19. Until then, I wish all of you and your families health, happiness and a wonderful 2021.

—Alfred Kwok  
San Leandro

#### Grateful for Turn Signals

Editor:

I'd like to encourage people to remember to use their turn indicators when driving.

It seems like nowadays using indicators is not the norm. I'm not sure why this has occurred (it would be interesting to know what's behind it).

Now when I experience someone using their indicators I find myself extremely grateful, where as in the past, I just took it for granted that we were all required to use them.

Have others noticed this phenomenon?

—Wendy Smith  
San Leandro

#### Inaction, Posturing and Fake News

Editor:

A number of articles about the San Leandro City Council's actions in the San Leandro Times do a real poor job in depicting the reality.

The San Leandro City Council has been signing all kinds of deals behind their computer screens without scrutiny. The council has shown its ineptness in developing a plan to open the city's departments. They love it the way it is now.

The "Budget Task Force," a group of handpicked individuals who, not surprisingly, came out with recommendations that had already been adopted by the City Council – rubber stamp. However, as one caller suggested, it looks like there was not an unanimous consensus, but that's why the "chairs" are there to massage the report.

Then, there are the articles about the police statement and the selection of the city manager, which are closely related, so a whole new barrage of public meetings are scheduled to give the appearance of "public input." A public already intimidated to speak out by the vandals' destruction of this city and the police inaction.

And here comes the chief of police posturing, by declaring, "...let's make sure our Asian community knows that we will not tolerate any act of hate against them." "Hate," assault is assault, murder is murder, vandalism is vandalism; stop the politically correct language and enforce the laws. The people of San Leandro are still waiting for a report on damages, arrests. They don't exist.

"Not tolerate." This is using politically correct language to disguise their inaction, under the orders of a City Council that invites the advocates of criminals to make a presentation at City Hall twice, but it has yet to come up with a public repudiation of the crimes committed against the Asian people, something that the mayors of Oakland and San Francisco have already done.

San Leandro Times reporters are equally biased. You're not going to see the pictures of the Bay Area criminals in the Fake News.

—Leo T. West  
San Leandro



## INQUIRING REPORTER

### How's Biden doing so far?

— Asked downtown

They say Biden's spending too much money, but on the other hand I think he's doing OK on immigration. I'm in favor of immigration as long as it's done legally.

**Betty Fontes Carpenter**  
San Leandro



He's promising stimulus checks. He needs to take care of the homeless because a lot of that is because they lost their jobs.

**Roy Carpenter**  
San Leandro



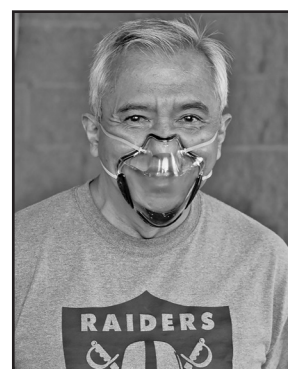
I think he's doing a fine job. On the coronavirus, he's trying to get more vaccine. He has a pleasant personality and he's a Christian and he exemplifies that. He has good qualities.

**Elois Williams**  
Oakland



I think he's doing a great job. He's getting the shots out there. First, he acknowledges that there's a problem. He's using his power to ramp up vaccinations. The relief will hopefully go to small business this time. And he doesn't back down to Putin.

**Wilson Nacario**  
San Leandro



I'm real happy with Biden. He puts his foot on the ground and keeps focused on what has to be done, and he's taking care of the American people.

**Debra Nacario**  
San Leandro





## LOCAL DEATHS

## Patricia Ball

January 24, 1925 ~ March 23, 2021

Pat was born in Griggsville, Illinois to Thomas and Hazel (Sleight) Ball. She was a 3rd generation public school teacher whose family put a high value on education and public service.

Pat loved her adventurous childhood which enabled her to explore the entire community on her bicycle. Whether enjoying her tree house with one of her best friends or hours down at the local Wabash railroad station with Boone Stead, the station master, watching the huge steam locomotives pass through. It was a wonderful, memorable time.

Pat's elementary school years were highlighted by her experiences as a Girl Scout from 5th to 9th grades. Summer Scout camps increased her interests in birding and environmental aspects of her world. These would continue throughout her life.

Pat graduated from Griggsville High School in 1943 and enrolled in Western Illinois State College pursuing her interest in US History. After graduation in 1947 with a BA and began her teaching career at a small Illinois town.

In 1950, Pat moved to California to continue her teaching career. First in Oroville, and then in 1958 she moved to Castro Valley. She taught in Castro Valley and then at Pacific High in San Leandro she taught US History. Pat also earned two Masters Degrees from Stanford in elementary education and California State University Hayward in US History.

After 33 years in teaching, Pat retired in 1982. She traveled several programs through Elderhostel with her decades-long friend, Marilyn Sundberg. They also attended the Shakespeare Festival in Ashland Oregon for many years.

She was a 50 year+ member of the Eden United Church of Christ, American Association of University Women (life member), American Civil Liberties Union, League of Women Voters, and several environmental groups including the Nature Conservancy, Save The Redwoods League and others.

Pat passed away peacefully at Baywood Court, Castro Valley on March 23, 2021.

She will be interred in her family plot in Griggsville, Illinois.

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Christine Marchini  
MacLaughlin

Christine Marchini MacLaughlin passed into eternity in San Leandro on February 17, 2021. She was born in Oakland on January 8, 1953, a birthdate she proudly shared with Elvis Presley. Raised in San Leandro with her older brother, Mike, Chris attended James Monroe Elementary, Bancroft Junior High and San Leandro High School. They spent many summers with their maternal grandmother and cousins in Seattle and Mt. Vernon, Washington. One highlight of those summer trips was attending a 1966 Beatles concert. Tickets were \$5.00. As a teen, Chris volunteered at San Leandro Memorial Hospital, working up to Senior Candy Striper. Following high school graduation in 1971, she worked at Sears in Hayward while taking business and office courses at Chabot College. A promotion at Sears sent her to Cupertino. Later, she held a variety of administrative positions with Chase Manhattan Mortgage, Montague Company, and others, retiring from Acme Analytical in 2015. She met her husband Ken MacLaughlin, Jr. during one of many Caribbean cruises. They were married in 2000 and moved into Ken's home at Mission Bay Mobile Home Park. Chris and Ken loved vacationing in Waikiki, often staying at the Moana Surfrider Resort where they developed many friendships. Chris had great stories of Ken driving around Waikiki on his motorized scooter scaring pedestrians. Since Ken's passing in 2016, Chris enjoyed spending time with Mission Bay friends and occasional trips back to Hawaii. Preceded in death by her parents, Eugene and Bernice Marchini and husband, Ken, Chris is survived by her brother Michael (Debbie) Marchini, nephew Kyle (Elizabeth) Marchini, niece Kayla Marchini, friend and neighbor Liz Griffiths, and her Shih Tzu Kamalani. A small, private memorial is planned for Saturday, April 10 at 4 p.m.

To attend by Zoom, request an invitation at [chrismacLaughlin.memorial@gmail.com](mailto:chrismacLaughlin.memorial@gmail.com)

Favorite charities: SPCA, St. Jude's Children's Hospital and Wounded Warriors.



## Alfred Anthony Frates

Our beloved husband, dad and grandpa, Alfred Frates, passed away in his sleep on March 20, 2021. A 57-year resident of San Leandro, "Big Al" was just the finest soul you ever met – gregarious and so kind.

Al was born in French Camp, CA and raised in Berkeley by his parents, Marie and Alfred. He had four older sisters, who have predeceased him.

He lived life with such enthusiasm. A veteran of the Korean War, he bicycled through Western Europe, moved to Los Angeles and was a happily committed outdoorsman his entire life – having a passion for fishing, playing tennis, swimming and hunting. He enjoyed nothing more than a good cigar and a high ball with a friend.

Al married Kathe (née Burns) in June 1963. After nearly 58 years of marriage, he knew he was fortunate to have found his life-long best friend. Together, they raised six children – so proud of each of them, teaching them so many valuable lessons in life (including how to lose in cards, especially Hearts). He loved traveling the West with his kids in the old station wagon, from the Klamath to Yosemite to Disneyland.

Al was owner/operator of two local Fosters Freeze restaurants, along with Alans Drive-in, in San Leandro and Oakland. He also spent a decade selling cars at Daily Chevrolet in San Leandro.

He loved his kids, his wife, his friends. He loved poker nights, trips to Baja and blackjack tables in Tahoe. He loved working many Assumption men's club events. In addition, he supported many community activities.

Al is survived by his wife, Katherine; his six children and their spouses: Alfred (Edith) Frates, Elizabeth (Chris) Morris, Teresa Frates, Greg (Sandy) Frates, MaryAnn Frates, and Glenn (Jennifer) Frates; his nine grandchildren: Taneya, Marcus and Elizabeth Frates, Christopher and Scott Morris, Benjamin and Callie Frates, and Cecilia and Liam Frates; his first cousin/brother, Mickey Machado; and many loving nieces, nephews and cousins. Al was predeceased by his granddaughter, Sadie Frates.

The Family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to: Davis Street Community Center, 3081 Teagarden St., San Leandro, CA 94577. In 6 to 12 months, there will be a "Celebration of Life Service".

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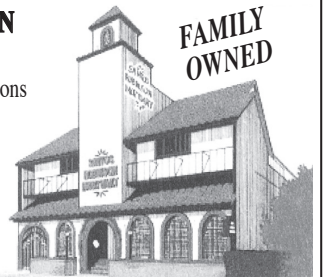
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**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** Regarding your upcoming challenges, the Aries Lamb should very quickly size things up and allow you to make the best possible use of whatever resources you have on hand. Good luck.



**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** You rarely blame others for missteps that worked against you. But this time you need to lay out all the facts and insist that everyone acknowledge his or her share of the mistakes. Then start again.



**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** You might want to start making vacation plans. And don't be surprised by unexpected family demands. Maintain control. Be open to suggestions, but don't get bogged down by them.



**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** Work with both your Moon Child and Crab aspects this week to keep both your creative and your practical sides balanced. Your intuition sharpens, giving you greater insight by the middle of the week.



**LEO (July 23 - August 22):** The Big Cat finally should have all the information needed to move on with a project. If not, maybe you'll want to give everything a new and more thorough check before trying to move on.



**VIRGO (August 23 - Sept. 22):** Too much emotional pain caused by someone you can't win over as a friend? Then stop trying to do so. You have other things you need to work on this week. Go to it, and good luck.



**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - October 22):** It's a good time to reassess where and how your strengths can help you build, and where your weaknesses can hinder you. Remember to build on your strongest foundation.



**SCORPIO (October 23 - November 21):** That personal matter that seemed so hard to deal with should be less confusing now. Don't rush. Let things happen easily, without the risk of creating even more puzzlement.



**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** Change continues to be a strong factor in many important areas. Keep on top of them, and you won't have to worry about losing control. A personal situation takes on a new look.



**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19):** A business offer sounds intriguing. But if you don't check it out thoroughly, you could have problems. Take a set of questions with you when you attend your next meeting.



**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** Your self-confidence should be coming back. That's good news. But it might be a bit over the top right now, so best to let it settle down before you start making expensive decisions.



**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** Your life, your decisions. Good enough. But be sure you have all the facts you need to put into the decision-maker mixing bowl and hope it will come out as it should.

## LOCAL DEATHS

## David Gerard Mendez

David Gerard Mendez, 64, passed away on Sunday, March 28, 2021. Born and raised in Lebanon, Indiana, he received his undergraduate at Indiana University and his law degree from the University of Michigan. After he graduated, he made the big move to the west and built his successful solo practice, as a civil law attorney. He fell in love with the Bay Area and has resided in Alameda County since 1986.

David had a warm heart, always making it a point to spend time with those he loved. His wisdom and wittiness spread cheer to anyone he came across. His hobbies included watching film noir, crossword puzzles, watching sports, posting on social media, and hanging out with his beloved family.

He is survived by the mother of his children Marina, his daughters; Sharon, Karen and Lucia, sons; Paul, and David, grandchildren Antonio, Alex, and Patrick, as well as his beloved pets, Suzy Peggy, Layla and Nala.

Gone but not forgotten.

Rest in Peace

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# Vaccinations Available for All Promised by April 15

By Michael Singer  
San Leandro Times

It's no joke. Starting today (April 1) if you are 50-years and older, you are eligible to get a COVID-19 vaccination no matter where you work or your current health condition.

Last week, Gov. Gavin Newsom extended California's Covid vaccination eligibility for those born in 1971 or earlier. The governor additionally announced that Californians aged 16 and older will be eligible for the coronavirus vaccine starting April 15.

That totals to more than 1.2 million people in Alameda County, according to county health spokesperson Neetu Balram.

"Vaccine supply continues to be the greatest challenge for vaccinating more Alameda County residents and workers," Balram said. "More than 309,000 residents in Alameda County, or nearly 24 percent of all residents age 16-plus, are fully vaccinated."

As of last week, more than 680,000 vaccine doses were delivered to county residents with 446,968 residents receiving at

least their first dose.

Currently, all three federally approved vaccines (Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Jonson) are available through super-sites such as the Oakland Coliseum and Alameda County Fairground as well as in localized distribution sites such as the Castro Valley Library. County health officials say they're looking forward to receiving even more doses to comply with federal and state goals.

"Masks are still required for everyone when outside their home, even if you've been fully vaccinated. When it's your turn, we encourage you to get the first vaccine offered to you," Balram said.

Alameda County is expected to enter Orange Tier 3 starting this week, which will open the doors to more indoor activities including restaurants, malls, and places of worship.

"We're moving in the right direction," Balram said. "When we do move to the Orange Tier, we expect to align with the state on permitted activities and restrictions for that tier."

Alameda County has been in the more restrictive Red Tier for the last three weeks but will move into its next, less-restrictive phase if it maintains fewer than 3.9 daily new cases per 100,000 people and fewer than 4.9% positive tests for the entire county.

Reaching the Orange Tier is due in large part to the increasing number of vaccinations and to residents continuing to take to preventative measures. The county has not been in the Orange Tier since last October.

One shift that may bring vaccines available to more

neighborhoods is the shift in management from federal and state control to working with health insurance provider Blue Shield. The Alameda County Health Department has been negotiating the details of the transition, Balram said.

Starting this week, Blue

Shield will work with the county to redistribute vaccines to their supported sites.

This gives the county health officials a greater role in advising on vaccine allocation locally and making sure that highest risk communities get the doses they need.

## Orange: Restaurants: up to 50 percent capacity; limited number of fans at outdoor sports

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masks and social distancing, say health officials.

Alameda County has an adjusted daily new case rate per 100,000 residents of 2.6, a testing positivity rate of 1.1 percent, and a health equity quartile positivity rate of 1.9 percent.

Businesses and activities permitted to open, with capacity restrictions and modifications:

- Bars: Outdoors with modifications, no meals required to be served

- Breweries, Distilleries, and Wineries: Indoors at 25 percent

maximum capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer; No meals required to be served

- Family entertainment centers: Indoors for naturally distanced activities like bowling, escape rooms, and billiards; 25 percent maximum capacity

- Gyms, fitness centers and studios (including at hotels): 25 percent maximum capacity and indoor pools are permitted; Indoor hot tubs, saunas, and steam rooms continue to be closed

- Movie Theaters: 50 percent maximum capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer

- Museums, Zoos and Aquariums: 50 percent maximum capacity

- Offices: Indoors with modifications and remote work (telework) is strongly encouraged

- Places of worship: 50 percent maximum capacity

- Restaurants: 50 percent maximum capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer


- Retail: Open indoors with modifications and food courts permitted with indoor dining restrictions

Activities Eligible to


Start on April 1:

- Outdoor sports and live performances with fans/attendees:

- Amusement parks: In the Orange Tier, overall park capacity and indoor capacity will be limited to 25 percent, including indoor dining. Small groups with a maximum of 3 household groups may attend together. Attendance will be limited to in-state visitors. Walk up ticket sales will be permitted, but park operators must collect name and contact information of the ticket purchases for necessary contract tracing.



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