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PHOTO BY JIM KNOWLES

Parents rushed to San Leandro High on Wednesday morning after they heard of a shooting threat at the school and listened to school officials and police who told them their kids couldn't come outside because the school was in lock-down.

Shooting Threat Shuts Down School

By Jim Knowles
San Leandro Times

Parents rushed to San Leandro High on Wednesday morning after receiving phone messages from their kids about a shooting threat.

The school was locked down at 9:30 a.m. and students were held in their classrooms as police searched the building. Students were allowed to leave at 1 p.m. and school officials announced the school would be

closed the next day as a precaution.

A threat to shoot up the school was written on a bathroom wall, and a photo of it spread on social media.

"I was in tears. I was at work and took BART here," said Paula Peav who came to the school on Bancroft Avenue, joining about a hundred other parents. "It feels better just being here with other parents."

Bancroft was blocked off for traffic, police cars were parked in front of the school

and TV helicopters hovered overhead.

A San Leandro policeman and a school official tried to calm parents' nerves, saying that all the students were safe.

But some parents demanded that their kids be let out. They felt that the lockdown – holding the kids inside the building – was keeping their kids in danger, not keeping them safe.

As the hours passed, some of the par-
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Attendance Figures Boost School Revenue

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

There was some unexpected good news at last Tuesday night's San Leandro Unified School District meeting – a boost in enrollment means that the district got more money than expected this school year.

About 250 additional students enrolled in district schools this year over last year, which assistant superintendent Kevin Collins called unanticipated but good. Schools get funding based on average daily attendance and the more kids, the more cash.

Collins said the extra enrollment brought about \$327,000 more into the district from the state than they have previously estimated.

Collins said they don't know why more students than they anticipated came to San Leandro schools, especially given that enrollment is down throughout the county. He said the additional students are good for the bottom line, but it also means more books, chairs, classes and other expenses.

In his update, Collins revealed that for the first time the school district's budget is expected to cross the \$100 million mark.

"We're now projected to be a \$100 million district, so we can put that on our resumes," said Collins.

The district's current general fund revenue is \$100,343,000 and expenditures are \$98,682,000.

Collins said that the district also has about 4.7 percent of its

budget set aside as unrestricted reserves – a figure the district wants to double by 2020.

The district also has around \$330 million in existing bond debt, over \$90 million of which
see *BUDGET*, page 10

Kaiser Parking Lot Patrolled By Robot

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Privacy advocate Mike Katz-Lacabe spotted something unusual when he went to an appointment at the San Leandro Kaiser Hospital last week – a roaming robot.

"He was just hanging out in the parking lot," said Katz-Lacabe.

The robot is named K2-P2 and is about 4 feet tall and 400 pounds and is a product of a company called Knightscope. K2-P2 has been on patrol since last May and has the Kaiser "Thrive" logo painted on him and somebody with a sense of humor slapped a sheriff's badge sticker on him as well.

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Homeowner in TOD Area Opposes Apartments

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

A man who lives next door to a planned four-story apartment building just across from the San Leandro BART Station has filed an appeal with the City Council in the hopes of stopping the project or at least getting the developers to redesign it.

Jim Blaine will present his case to the City Council at the meeting on Monday, March 19, in an effort to halt the 62-unit

apartment affordable housing project planned by Eden Housing to be built at 1604 San Leandro Boulevard.

The city's Board of Zoning adjustments approved the construction of the 60-foot tall building at a meeting in January.

City planners have called the location "optimal" as it's right across from the San Leandro BART station and is part of the Transit Oriented Development area that the city has designated

as a priority high-density housing zone near public transit hubs.

But Blaine says the building will "blot out the sun" over his small home. A shadow study shows that shade will be on his home by around 3 p.m. in June and much earlier in the winter.

Blaine says at the very least he hopes he can convince the City Council to make Eden set the building back further on the property or angle the building differently.

The land is zoned for a maximum density of 46 units, but because the project is designated for low-income housing, the city allows a "density bonus" of 35 percent so 62 units are allowed.

Blaine says that he's gone door-to-door in his neighborhood and he says most people have no idea such high-density housing is allowed there.

The appeal cost Blaine nearly \$6,000 – the city charges for staff
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Pets of the Week



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Shirley

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, are both cats, Laverne and Shirley.

Laverne and **Shirley** are bonded, 7-year-old cats. Laverne is friendly, yet reserved and enjoys head-to-tail pets. Shirley is shy but friendly and loves getting behind-the-ears strokes.

They hope to find a patient, loving family who will adopt them together. They're already spayed and ready to go home

with you.

For more information on Laverne and Shirley, call the Hayward Animal Shelter at 293-7200.

'St. Pitties Day Pet Adoption'

Also, the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, will host an adoption on pitbulls and pitbull mixes – "St. Pitties Day Pet Adoption" – on Saturday, March 17, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Air Museum to Host Open House On Sunday

Hop into the cockpit of a famous fighter plane at the Oakland Aviation Museum's "Open Cockpit Day" on Sunday, March 18, from noon to 4 p.m. at Oakland Airport's North Field, 8252 Earhart Road in Oakland, just off Doolittle Drive.

On Open Cockpit day museum visitors are allowed to sit inside aircraft such as the A-3 Skywarrior, A-7 Corsair, or a Harrier jump jet.

The huge flying boat, the Short Solent Mk 111 that was used in the movie "Raiders of the Lost Ark," will be open for limited tours at a cost of \$7.

Activities include an F/A-18 flight simulator, live music by the Friends of Ken Band, face painting, roller derby demonstrations, and drone demonstrations.



The Oakland Aviation Museum educates the public on the development of aviation at the historic North Field.

The regular hours are 10 a.m.

to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday.

For more information, call 638-7100 or see www.oaklandaviationmuseum.org.

Sign Up for Boys & Girls Club Basketball

The Boys and Girls Club of San Leandro is now taking sign-ups for its Spring 2018 instructional basketball program for all boys and girls in grades 3 through 6. The league begins on April 11.

The program is designed to give players a fun and competitive basketball experience. Each player is evaluated prior to

being assigned to a team so that all teams have a balanced number of veterans and rookies.

All players are required to play two quarters per game, so every player will be on the court and be a part of the action.

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

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

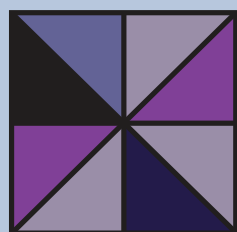
The Club is also looking for volunteer coaches for the program. For more information on the program or if you are interested in volunteering as a coach, call Ross Lim, at 566-3305.

Woodminster to Hold Auditions for Summer Shows

Woodminster Summer Musicals in Joaquin Miller Park will hold auditions on March 24 and 25 for the three shows this summer out the outdoor Woodminster Amphitheater.

Woodmisters' 2018 shows are Rodgers & Hammerstein's

Oklahoma (July), *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (August), and *In The Heights* (September). For the audition times, go to Woodminster's website at: <http://woodminster.com/auditions-2018.html>.



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Mayor's State of the City Address

Monday, March 26 • 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Senior Community Center • 13909 East 14th St.

Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter invites the public to attend her annual State of the City address, which will highlight progress the City has made on a range of exciting projects and programs, as well as areas of opportunity and challenges. There will be a reception with light refreshments from 6:30pm to 7:00pm, with the address commencing at 7:00pm sharp.

La Vereda Senior Apartments Now Accepting Applications



The lottery application period for the "La Vereda" Senior Apartments is now open until March 23rd. This highly anticipated project that is nearing completion across the street from the downtown BART station will offer 85 rental units to lower income seniors aged 62 and over. Pre-application forms are available at www.bridgehousing.com or by visiting the leasing office at 13939 East 14th Street, Suite 190. For more information, please call 510-351-1063.

Annual Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 31, 10:00am
Stenzel Park • 1300 Wicks Blvd.

Parents with children ages 10 and under are invited to the City's Annual Egg Hunt. Children should bring their own basket. Pre-registration is required either online at www.sanleandrorec.org or in person at the Marina or Senior Community Centers.



Free Event!

Oakland Ballet Presents: Jangala

Friday, March 16, 7:00pm - 8:15pm
San Leandro High School Performing Arts Ctr.

In partnership with the San Leandro Unified School District, the City will be co-sponsoring the return of the Oakland Ballet. Inspired by Rudyard Kipling's classic, *The Jungle Book*, *Jangala* follows the story of a lost boy adopted by a pack of wolves. Pre-registration is required on a first-come, first-served basis at <https://jangalas.eventbrite.com>.

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Burst Main Makes a Mess

Southbound lanes at the busy intersection of Hesperian and Lewelling boulevards were shut down temporarily due to a water main break last Friday, March 9, at around 1 p.m. Two fire engines, the East Bay Municipal Utility District, and the California Highway Patrol came to the scene to help. Traffic was heavy until the main was repaired later that afternoon. There were no reports of injuries.

Two Men Charged in Rough Washington Manor Robbery

Two young men were arrested and charged last week after they allegedly committed a violent street robbery in Washington Manor.

A female victim was walking home after visiting a bank at around 4:15 pm on March 5 when three suspects approached her and violently threw her to the ground, according to Lt. Isaac Benabou of the San Leandro police.

The suspects stole the vic-

tim's cell phone and backpack. The victim sustained moderate injuries from the attack and some passersby came to her aid.

With information provided to police by the witness, detectives located a suspect vehicle within hours of the crime and Anthony Davis and Jordan Corbino, both 20, were arrested.

The stolen items from the robbery were found, including the woman's cash, cell phone,

and backpack.

"This was a great effort by many to solve this case so quickly and most importantly return all of the loss to the victim," said Benabou.

Both Corbino and Davis were charged by the Alameda County District Attorney's Office with one count of robbery.

A third man who was arrested along with Corbino and Davis was not charged.

Corbino has been released on bail and Davis remains in custody in lieu of \$50,000 bail at Santa Rita Jail in Dublin.

Make Art From Guns

Alameda County District Attorney Nancy E. O'Malley, in partnership with The Robby Poblete Foundation, is proud to announce a groundbreaking new project entitled "The Art of Peace - Alameda County."

This collaborative effort will engage local artists to create three dimensional art pieces out of the remains of dismantled firearms.

Currently, there are more than 700 of those firearms due for destruction.

Rather than incinerate them,

the DA's Office has engaged a company to make the firearms inoperable and separate the parts.

Submission proposals from local artists are due March 16 and the art work will be exhibited.

Seven artists will be selected for the projects and six small table-top size sculptures and one larger free standing piece will be commissioned.

Interested applicants can find all details regarding the project and the submission process at ArtOfPeaceAlameda.com.

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Luciano and Alice Celebrate Their 60th Wedding Anniversary

Luciano and Alice Neves celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last month. They're both from the island of Faial, Azores and were married on Feb. 15, 1958.

Luciano and Alice immigrated to Canada where they lived for 8 years before settling in San Leandro in 1966.

They have 3 children. Their son Alvaro Neves is married to Colleen and they have five children; Sebastion, Gracie, Marciano, Mary, and Lucia.

Daughter Lina Jimenez is married to Miguel, and a daughter Olga Galindo, widowed to Antonio, has two children, Lorenzo and Alexis.

Luciano and Alice have enjoyed their time traveling, camping, gardening, attending Portuguese functions, and spending time with their seven grand children.



Luciano and Alice Neves on their wedding day in 1958 and today 60 years latter.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

❖ St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance

Walter O'Brien Council #3518, of the Knights of Columbus, will host a St. Patrick's Day dinner and dance on Saturday, March 17, at St. John Catholic Church, 264 E. Lewelling Blvd. in San Lorenzo. Tickets are \$25 before March 11 and \$30 after March 11 at the door. Diners can choose between corned beef or baked chicken with all of the trimmings. Live music for dancing and raffle prizes will make this an evening to remember.

❖ Community of Faith Breakfast

Bay Area Family Church, 2305 Washington Ave. in San Leandro, will hold its monthly Community of Faith Breakfast from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 17, with featured speaker Mr. Jabali Smith, who will speak on "In My Darkest Hour, I Found My Greatest Strength: A True Story of Love, Compassion and Forgiveness." Smith is a Bay area native, author, Tae Kwon Do instructor, musician and founder/executive director of The Well Child Foundation. All are welcome.

❖ St. Patrick's Day Singles Dance

Single professionals of all ages are invited to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with new single friends on, Saturday, March 17, from 8 p.m. to midnight, at Crow Canyon Park Hall, 8000 Crow Canyon Road in Castro Valley. Tickets are \$20 at the door and include dancing to your favorite hits. Everyone should wear at least a little green. The party is sponsored by The Society of Single Professionals, the world's largest non-profit singles organization. Anyone wishing a discount or wanting information about other singles parties may visit www.ThePartyHotline.com.

❖ St. Patrick's Day Dinner

St. Leandro's Church will host a St. Patrick's Day Dinner fundraiser on Saturday, March 17, at Ryan O'Connell Hall, 575 W. Estudillo Ave., San Leandro. No host bar at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. with corned beef or chicken, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, rolls, dessert and coffee. Adults \$15, children 12 and under \$8. Tickets available at St. Leander Parish Office, 474 W. Estudillo Ave. Entertainment, door prize, raffle. For more information, call 895-5631.

❖ Aviation Museum's Open House

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❖ SL Seeking Vendors for Flea Market

The City of San Leandro announced that table

reservations are now available for the first Indoor Flea Market, which will be held at the San Leandro Senior Community Center, 13909 East 14th St., on Friday, May 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be space for over 40 vendors to sell their wares. Table reservations may be made in person at the San Leandro Senior Community Center between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The cost for a reservation is \$25 for residents, or \$30 for non-residents and includes one 6-foot table and two chairs. Reservation charges are not refundable. Each registrant is allowed up to two tables. Table location is selected on a first come, first served basis at the time that you register.

❖ Cherry City Toastmasters Open House

Cherry City Toastmasters (CCTM) is happy to invite all previous members and the public to its 15th anniversary celebration open house on Tuesday, March 20, from 12:05 to 1:30 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library in the Trustees Room, 300 Estudillo Ave. The public is invited to see Toastmasters in action at the open house as well as at regular meetings. Meetings are held every Tuesday from 12:05 to 1:05 p.m. For more information, contact Merci Del Rosario at vp@cherrycitytoastmasters.org or 610-4510. CCTM provides ongoing training and practice in communication and leadership skills – specifically in delivering presentations, giving and receiving constructive feedback, and effectively leading teams and conducting meetings.

❖ Lifestyle Coaching Session

"Celebrate You Coaching" Expert Phoebe Jue offers a 1-hour lifestyle coaching session about "Finding Harmony in Work, Rest, and Play" on Tuesday, March 20, from 7 to 8 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. Space is limited. Call 577-3971 to register for this free event.

❖ Easter Bake Sale at St. John's Church

The Members of St. Gerard Women's Club of St. John's Church, 264 East Lewelling Blvd., San Lorenzo, will have its annual Easter bake sale and raffle on Saturday & Sunday, March 24 and 25, starting after the 4:30 p.m. Mass. There will be a continental breakfast offered after all the Masses on Sunday, March 25. It is a great weekend celebration with lots of great baked goods, raffle prizes and "trinkets & treasures" table, with all proceeds for the weekend going to St. John's Church. For more information, call Evelyn McMillen, chairperson at 481-2467 or 501-8407.

❖ The Plant Exchange

The Plant Exchange will be on Saturday, March 31, from noon to 4 p.m. at 4500 Lincoln Ave. in Oakland. The Plant Exchange is the free, one-day event where gardeners, landscapers, urban farmers, educators, and enthusiasts all come together to exchange plants, equipment, tools, and information about ways to make our urban environment more sustainable, aesthetic, and healthy. For more information, visit <http://theplantexchange.org>.

❖ Woodminster Theater Auditions

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Calendar items should be submitted at least one week prior to the desired edition of the Times, which is published Thursdays. Space limitations require we print items of the most general interest.

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ARIES (March 21 - April 19): You could have some problems with doubters who don't share your enthusiasm for that new project you're supporting. But use the facts to win them over to your side.



TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): Someone is impressed by how you managed to get your case to the right people, despite attempts to keep you on the outside looking in. Expect to hear more about this.



GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): Good for you -- your gift for seeing both sides of a dispute helps cool down a potentially explosive workplace situation. Some family-related tensions also begin to ease.



CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Your determination to prove yourself is put to the test by midweek. Counting all the positive factors you have going for you will help you get over your self-doubt. Good luck.



LEO (July 23 - August 22): Several co-workers are still determined to resist coming over to your side. But don't let that stop you from presenting your proposal to the people who count. Stay the course.



VIRGO (August 23 - Sept. 22): You might prefer to be taken on faith and not have to prove yourself. But the truth is, you need to offer more facts if you hope to persuade people to accept what you say.



LIBRA (Sept. 23 - October 22): A family situation takes an unwelcome turn. While others might be looking around for answers, you'll soon sort it all out logically, and the matter will be resolved.



SCORPIO (October 23 - November 21): Someone might try to create doubt about your reliability for his or her own agenda. But your reputation and your colleagues' long-standing faith in you saves the day.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): An unexpected change of plans forces you to come up with an alternative by the end of the week. Look for colleagues to offer valuable suggestions.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): Nothing upsets the Goat as much as broken promises. But before you vent your anger, consider that this could ultimately prove to be a blessing in disguise.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): An old workplace problem you thought you had solved for good resurfaces. But this time, co-workers will take a more active role in helping you deal with it.



PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Be careful not to be misled by a negative reaction to one of your more important projects. If you believe in it, then it has worth and is, therefore, worth staying with.

Alta Mira Club Dinner Canceled

The corned beef and cabbage dinner that had been planned for Saturday, March 17, at the Alta Mira Club had to be canceled due to unforeseen circumstances.

The club wishes to thank everyone and will schedule another event in the near future.

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There are literally dozens of apps on the market designed to find and pay for a local babysitter but a new app has been developed that's designed to help that sitter keep the kids safe when the parents aren't there.

SitterAdvantage offers emergency help in the palm of their hands and contains important information about the kids and an easy way to contact the parents at any time.

Developed by Brian Presley, a former youth worker, camp program director, and stay-at-home dad, the idea came to him years after witnessing a tragic drowning while working at a local youth organization.

Although the lifeguards were doing everything they could to

save the young boy, other staff were so overwhelmed that they didn't know what to do or knew much about the boy or how to contact the parents.

This tragedy has stuck with Presley for many years as he's always wondered if there was something more that could have been done to prepare the staff.

It wasn't until many years later while working on an app on his parenting website "What To Do With The Kids," did Presley recognize the opportunity to add features that could actually help keep the kids busy, happy and safe, by providing access to games, crafts and activities for babysitters and nannies.

SitterAdvantage is designed to easily enter important informa-

tion about each kid including any allergies, handicaps and disabilities they may have; as well as any medications they may be taking.

A photo can also be taken and becomes part of the kid's profile which can be used if the child goes missing. The parent's information is also easily entered which includes: their name, address and contact information so that they can be reached easily.

When the Emergency page is opened, the "Call 911" icon appears. With one touch the phone feature appears with 911 programmed. Once the sitter is sure there is an emergency, they just select dial to get help. This fast, two-step process is designed to eliminate the misuse and accidental dialing of emergency services

which may result in a fine for the parents.

If the sitter has taken the kids to the park or shopping and an emergency happens, the "Show my Location" icon on the Emergency page uses the smartphone's GPS to find where they are.

The Emergency page also shows the parent's address which will help the sitter give the authorities the proper address.

Although the sitter may have been there before, during an emergency, they may panic and not remember the actual address.

Information about each kid appears on the Emergency page as well as the parent's contact information where they can be reached by text or phone.

One feature that many parents had mentioned was that their sitter may be overwhelmed and forget to do something they were asked to do.

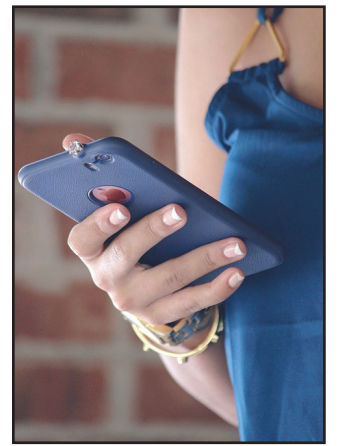
The Task feature allows the sitter to enter a task with a description along with a start and end time if needed. A reminder can also be set so that there is little chance of an important task not being completed such as the proper bed time or when to give medication.

SitterAdvantage also features a Resource page with tips and

advice for the sitter including a potential job checklist, a pre-job checklist and a location checklist for when they arrive to look after the kids. It also features links to the games, crafts and activity pages so that they can find a great selection of fun things to do with the kids that don't involve using a screen.

All of the information entered into SitterAdvantage is safe and is not transmitted. There is no third-party advertising and no in-app purchases are needed. Profiles can be permanently deleted with a swipe of a finger.

The What To Do With The Kids website also features a quiz for potential babysitters, free business



cards that they can download and advice on how to find a babysitting job.

SitterAdvantage is available on the App Store and Google Play. For more information, visit www.whattodowiththekids.com.

Limit Your Blue Light Exposure

An American Optometric Association (AOA) survey revealed that 88 percent of us know that digital devices can negatively affect their vision, but the average American still spends seven or more hours per day looking at their screens.

This overexposure to blue light — high-energy visible light emitted from digital devices — can lead to digital eye strain, sleep problems, blurred vision, headaches and other things.

The survey also indicates that the average millennial spends nine hours per day on blue light emitting devices such as smartphones, tablets and flat-screen TVs.

The following tips explore ways people can protect their eyes and monitor digital screen usage while at home or work:

- Turn your digital devices off at least one hour before bed.

- Unplug with the 20-20-20 rule: When you are using any device or computer, make a conscious effort every day to take a 20-second break and look away from the screen, every 20 minutes and view something 20 feet away.

- Maintain a comfortable distance from your digital device by using the zoom feature to see small print and details, rather than bringing the device closer to your eyes.

- Reduce glare by adjusting the device's settings or use a glare filter to decrease the amount of blue light reflected from the screen.

- Schedule an appointment for a comprehensive eye exam to detect and address vision problems.

"This year, we're challenging you to prioritize not only your eye health, but your overall health and well-being, and limit your exposure to blue light," said Andrea Thau, O.D., president of the AOA.

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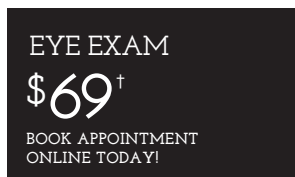
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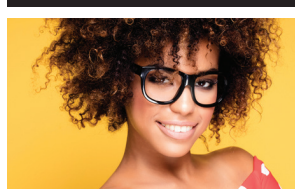
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Castro Valley Looks at Sewer Ordinance

Attempting to keep rainwater out of Castro Valley sewers, CVSan* has proposed a Point of Sale Ordinance (POS) that would mandate sewer lateral testing and repair for any Castro Valley home with a sewer system older than 20 years.

A proposal from the CVSan Board of Directors meeting on March 6 states, "Most homes in the eastern region of the San Francisco Bay Area are more than 65 years old and a large number never had their private sewer laterals replaced. These laterals, which are typically made of vitrified clay pipe, can become disjointed, dis-

placed, or crack over time. Infiltration and inflow of storm water and ground water into the sanitary sewer system can overwhelm the sewer system's capacity and cause sanitary sewer overflows."

There is no disagreement that many older East Bay sewer lateral systems are failing and need repairs or replacement.

In question, however, is the proposed POS methodology. CVSan currently does not know how many defective sewer laterals exist, where they might be located or when a POS sale might prompt inspection and/or repair.

David Stark, Public Affairs Director for Bay East Association of Realtors clarifies, "Our primary argument against POS is that it's highly inefficient and ineffective. If CVSan wants to repair or replace sewer laterals it makes more sense for them to work with ALL property owners on an incentive program to have ALL defective laterals replaced."

"Waiting for a home to sell means that very few laterals would be replaced and some would never be replaced (some homes never sell, are kept in families, etc.) Plus, POS implementation and enforcement would be extremely CVSan

staff-intensive."

Realtors selling homes in cities with existing POS sewer lateral programs argue the programs inject unwieldy layers of complexity to transactions.

They also add barriers to buyers looking to purchase homes. While POS legislation is worded such that the responsibility for sewer laterals belongs to sellers, in a hot market, sellers foist the financial responsibility onto buyers.

For homeowner wannabes already straining financial boundaries to purchase homes, additional sewer lateral costs can be prohibitive. As an example, EBMUD's website states, "completely replacing a leaky private sewer lateral can cost a property owner, on average, \$5,000."

In reality, it frequently costs substantially more and is usually covered by buyers.

Our recommendation? Institute a program that works for all homeowners, not the relatively few selling their homes in any given year.

*Castro Valley Sanitary District
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Mortgage Rates Push Higher

Long-term mortgage interest rates increased for the ninth consecutive week last week, according to Freddie Mac's weekly nationwide survey.

The 30-year fixed-rate mortgage averaged 4.46 percent, up from 4.43 the previous week.

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Grill's Drippings Stain Patio Bricks

By Samantha Mazzotta
Special to the Times

Q The patio bricks underneath my grill tend to catch a lot of grease and oil drippings. I clean up after every barbecue, but there are still stains on the brick from the grease. How can I get these up without bleaching out the spots?

A With porous surfaces like brick and concrete, oil stains can set in and be tough to get out. Your instinct to avoid using bleach or another type of acid to clean up the stains (like lemon juice) is right on. These can just make things worse and can discolor some types of paving.

Clearing the grease stain may take a few attempts with a number of cleaning agents. Start with the least harmful materials, most of which can be found in your kitchen or garage.

First, fill an old coffee mug with warm water, a couple of tablespoons of dish soap and a

teaspoon of salt. Grab a clean synthetic scrubber brush (like a dishwashing brush). Scrub the stain with the soapy water and rinse with warm water, repeating a few times and letting the bricks dry out to see the results in between each try.

If that doesn't clear the stain, you can try an oil-stain cleaner purchased at your local home-improvement store. Some DIYers recommend applying an engine degreaser and letting it sit for about an hour, but test any

cleaning agent or degreaser on an inconspicuous spot first.

The sad truth is that it's unlikely any cleaner, commercial or homemade, will completely clear away the grease stain. More powerful or acidic cleaning agents could damage the brick, so they should be avoided. If the stain is really bad, consider replacing the brick. If it's not too bad, clean the area as best you can and cover it with a grill mat to prevent further staining.

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Threat: During the lock-down, students texted, watched a movie

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ents, waiting at the school's front sidewalk, got updates on their phones from their kids.

"They want to leave. They're scared," said parent Sandra Hylton who got a message from her daughter inside the school.

"My daughter said she feels like she's going to pass out. She just wants to leave. She said they're telling them to tell their families not to come to the school."

The principal came outside at one point to talk to the gathering of parents. He said the school sent

out a robocall to all the parents.

Later at a press conference, Superintendent Mike McLaughlin said the threat on a bathroom was found by a school security guard. It must have been written between the opening of school and 9:30 a.m., and then the school



A parent argues with officials that he wants his kid to be let out of the school.



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Police arrive at the high school with a dog to search the building.

trying to stay on pace with social media.

After students were let out of school, they said they knew about the threat from their phones before the announcement and lockdown.

"We all saw the picture before they made the announcement," said 12th grader Amir Alghheimer.

In lockdown mode, they close the curtains and lock the doors.

"So then we just texted our friends and chilled," Alghheimer said. "Some people were kind of worried, most people were texting their parents."

You can't leave class to go to the bathroom when the school is in lockdown.

"They had a bucket," Alghheimer said.

Tables were set up around the bucket for privacy, he said.

Though the bucket wasn't used. Apparently nobody had to go that bad.

During the lockdown, a false rumor went out on social media that guns were found.

"It's fueled by social media," said 12th grader Isaiah Ashford. "But we just waited for information and watched a movie, *Coco*. That kind of took away the worry."

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- 12 Sore
- 13 "All the Things You ____"
- 14 Stylish
- 15 Item on stage
- 16 Moving vehicle
- 17 Shakespeare villain
- 18 Elvis' Mississippi birthplace
- 20 Feathery cluster
- 22 Gave up
- 26 Censor's sound
- 29 Tic-tac-toe win
- 30 Scoffer's laugh
- 31 Libretto
- 32 Play on words
- 33 Mexican money
- 34 French article
- 35 Moonshine container
- 36 Petruccio's Kate, e.g.
- 37 Western capital
- 40 Freeway access
- 41 Attractive person
- 45 "Zounds!"
- 47 Mauna ____
- 49 Church section
- 50 VHS alternative
- 51 Mischievous tyke
- 52 Enrages
- 53 Keg contents
- 54 Greek consonants
- 55 Opening day?

DOWN

- 1 Engrossed
- 2 Beige
- 3 Buy stuff
- 4 Prepare for printing
- 5 Devastation
- 6 Historic period
- 7 Bring up
- 8 Bradbury genre
- 9 Margaret ____
- 10 Bailout recipient in 2009 news
- 11 Sgt., e.g.
- 19 Tract circuit
- 21 Venusian vessel?
- 23 Cheek enhancer
- 24 Facility
- 25 Arab boat
- 26 A/C measures
- 27 Musical Horne
- 28 Denounce
- 32 Jack-o'-lantern
- 33 Southwestern city
- 35 Bread spread
- 36 Pigpen
- 38 "M*A*S*H" role
- 39 Types of tides
- 42 MacDonald's place
- 43 Eye layer
- 44 Not as much
- 45 "Chicago" lyricist Fred
- 46 "Golly!"
- 48 Ostrich's cousin

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called police.

It turned out that everyone was safe and no guns were found and there was no violence at the school, said Lt. Isaac Benabou of the San Leandro police, who added that social media played a part in this.

Benabou said the school and police send out messages and press releases to keep the public informed, but it's important to make sure the information is accurate and not add to the confusion and panic by rushing an announcement,

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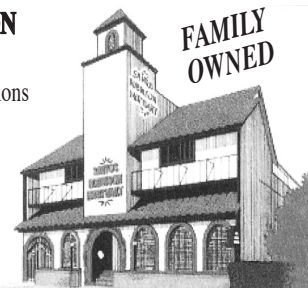
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Budget: No guns

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is in high-interest Capital Appreciation Bonds (CABs).

The majority of the bond debts are gradually paid off in annual payments and are part of the district's annual expenditures, but CABs are not.

CAB debt all comes due at the end of the term of the bond which are due for the San Leandro school district in 2029 and 2039. The district has said it will attempt to refinance the CABs so it can pay off the debt sooner.

A parcel tax which brought in \$750,000 annually to the district will end after this year. Last year, the district attempted to get a \$1.5 million parcel tax in place, but voters rejected it.

The district will submit its final budget to the school board for next school year in June.

Also at last Tuesday night's meeting, Jon Sherr of the San Leandro Teachers' Association told the board that he and his

fellow teachers are rejecting President Donald Trump's suggestion that teachers be armed in the event of a school shooting, saying the idea seemed almost comical.

"We've been forced to embrace the surreal," said Sherr. "The San Leandro Teachers' Association is opposed to arming teachers."

Sherr said a contingency from the school district will be attending the Oakland "March for Our Lives for Gun Control" rally at 10 a.m. on March 24. It's one of several marches across the country.

In other news, San Leandro High will be making some tweaks to its mascot. School board member Evelyn Gonzalez announced that San Leandro High is distancing itself from its old logo of a male pirate and instead using a depiction of a pirate ship.

"We aren't doing a logo redesign, but we are moving away from the male pirate," said Gonzalez.

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In Loving Memory Tecla L. Marshall

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Loving and devoted mother, sister, grandmother, aunt and friend.

Tecla was one of 4 children born to San Leandro natives Ann Alocco and Roy Fouche'. She enjoyed bowling, travel, attending A's games and spending time with her family. She was an avid Oakland A's fan and booster, collector and car enthusiast.

She was loved by all and will be greatly missed.

Robot: Picture taking robot doesn't violate patient privacy, says Kaiser

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Knightscope's roam parking lots, malls, and other public spaces recording audio and video. The creator, a former police officer named Stacy Stephens, calls them "fully autonomous data machines that gain actionable intelligence through eyes and ears."

Those eyes and ears are various sensors and cameras installed on the machine.

Katz-Lacabe was also the first to spot a camera installed on a pole in front of the Highland Hospital emergency room entrance.

After he brought that to public attention, county officials removed the camera over concerns about patient privacy. He added that he's worried the Kaiser robot may be similarly violating patient privacy rights.

"There are different issues around patients – if the cameras are capturing images of people, it begs all sorts of questions," said Katz-Lacabe.

The robot stays in the parking lot and so doesn't violate the privacy of any patients, according to Debra Lambert, Kaiser public affairs director.

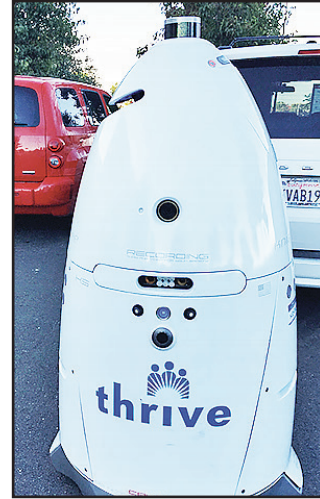
"If the cameras are capturing images of people, it begs all sorts of questions."

— Mike Katz-Lacabe

Lambert added that the robot doesn't replace previous security measures including human guards and other security cameras.

Lambert also said that the footage from the robot is collected and stored the same as video from the security cameras they've always had and is for internal use. She said Kaiser will "cooperate fully" with law enforcement if requested but the footage is not automatically uploaded into law enforcement databases.

Knightscope rents the robots at a rate of \$7 per hour or about



\$62,000 annually. Knightscope customers include Microsoft, the Sacramento Kings, and NBC.

The robots have fallen in ponds and down stairs and been tipped over by pranksters, in which case they call for help by setting off an alarm. Katz-Lacabe said the Kaiser robot got a bit angry with him when he blocked its path in order to take a photo.

"Of course, it couldn't stop me from taking the photo, but he let off an little alarm," said Katz-Lacabe. "It was pretty amusing."

OPINION

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Letters must include the writer's name, address and phone number, and *must be under 300 words*. We reserve the right to edit as necessary. E-mail letters to: letters@ebpublishing.com or fax to: 510-483-4209, or send by mail to: The Editor, San Leandro Times, 2060 Washington Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577.

Arming Teachers? Some Questions for Leo West

Editor:

Leo West ("Says Stop the Lies and Arm the Teachers," Letters, March 8), in his endless tirades seems to know everything and given plenty of room to say so. Since you have the Leo West editorial page, maybe you could give him the full page to answer my questions.

I am a teacher. When armed, where should I keep my gun? Is it on my desk, in my hand, or locked safely away in another part of the campus? To protect students, it would need to be out, loaded, and ready to go. There is little time to fetch it once the shooting begins.

If guns are locked away, will students be left alone while someone goes to get them? Would guns be high-powered and high capacity to match most shooters? What is the deterrent to the shooter? Most of them want to die.

Wouldn't arming teachers make them the first target? What happens when a student is collateral damage from a well-intended but well-armed teacher?

I teach at the college level, many of my students could over-power me and take my gun if he or she wanted. How can that be prevented? Would anyone suggest that the answer to car accidents is more cars? How can the answer to gun violence be more guns?

—Mary Lundberg
San Leandro

Calls for Limiting Accessibility To Guns and Background Checks

Editor:

Assault weapons and large-bullet magazines were illegal in this country for ten years (1994-2004). During that time murders with those weapons declined.

Studies show that trained police officers do the wrong thing in an emotional gun situation 55% of the time. Yet, extreme idiotlogs like Leo T. West think the solution to school shootings is to give everyone a concealed gun.

What percentage of lightly-trained teachers might accidentally shoot a student? Probably more than 55%, since armed protection is not their primary job. What if a student overpowers the teacher and takes her/his gun? Suppose

the teacher has locked the gun for safekeeping, then how would he/she get hold of it in time to prevent an armed intruder from killing? Only gun fanatics ignore these questions.

The solution is to limit accessibility to guns, to require frequent background checks and test-based licensing for gun owners, and to require a valid gun license to purchase bullets.

Yes, Leo, our safety and the safety of our school children will not change overnight. It will improve gradually over a decade or more. Criminals will probably continue to have guns for quite a while as well. But the shooters who killed children in schools throughout our country were not criminals, they were unhappy loners who snapped and had way-too-easy access to high efficiency murder machines.

—Bruce Joffe
Piedmont

Appreciated the Help in Cleaning Up the Community

Editor:

I would like to thank everyone that took the time to help clean up our community.

Thanks to those that donated water, gloves, vests, garbage bags, snacks and money. Thanks to our sponsors the San Leandro Democratic Club and San Leandro Our Revolution and former City Councilman Jim Prola for helping us clean up.

What's so great about San Leandro is we have the diversity of a big city but we still keep that small city feeling! San Leandro has a community that actually cares about our quality of life! Thanks for doing your Part to make San Leandro a city for all.

—Bryan Azevedo
San Leandro

Supports Times' Request for Loyal Reader Subscriptions

Editor:

I was very moved by last week's Important Message to the Readers on page 2 in the San Leandro Times.

The San Leandro Times is a much loved newspaper here in our wonderful city of San Leandro and I love it as well. I look forward to each Thursday

Morning. Along with keeping me connected with our community, it also provides me with resources that I would not find online.

I hope our entire community responds to this subscription request - I am mailing mine today.

Much thanks to the San Leandro Times for your commitment to our community.

—Tom Baker, Commissioner, Dist. 2
San Leandro Planning Commission

Endorses Delaine Eastin for Governor of California

Editor:

A few weeks ago the 2018 California Democratic Party held its annual convention in San Diego. There, delegates to the state party voted to see if there was a consensus on who best represents Democrats for statewide offices. One of those campaigns that soon will dominate the conversation is to elect the next Governor of our state.

In that race as your elected Central Committee person, I voted to endorse Delaine Eastin for Governor. That's right #ImWithHer.

Many of the readers of San Leandro Times voted for me in 2016 responding to a call for ending money in politics and choosing honest people to high office. #BernieWouldHaveWon

Clearly of the four available options Delaine is the the most honorable and the only one that will not take money from corporate PACs.

There are many other good reasons to vote for Delaine Eastin to be the first woman elected California Governor, starting with her focus on education, her unique position to *Ban the Freaking Fracking* that will save our ground water from pollution, her opposition to the delta tunnels, and her bold position to reform Prop. 13 to tax *commercial property* while maintaining tax protections to home owners.

I look forward to sharing more about the convention and the upcoming June primary in these letters.

Please joins us at the Alameda County Democratic Party regular meetings at the San Leandro Library.

—Guillermo Elenes
San Leandro

INQUIRING REPORTER

What part of the country would you like to visit?

— Asked around town

I was blessed to go to all the national parks in the United States. My ex-husband was in the space program and he got six months to travel. I would like to go to South America someday.

Wafaa Aborashed
San Leandro



The East Coast. I would like to see Boston and Massachusetts and see all the colleges and architecture and the history that is there.

Taressa Chandra
San Leandro



Hawaii, because of all the beautiful beaches, and you can go hiking and the great mountains and the weather.

Eliseo Alejo
Oakland,
works in San Leandro



Texas or Chicago. Those are the only two places in the country I haven't seen. My favorite place is Spokane, Washington because of all the forests around there.

Andrew Macko
San Leandro



Probably Hawaii because of the beautiful islands and beaches and the water.

Lisa Moore
Fremont





A 4-story apartment building is planned for the corner of San Leandro Boulevard and Parrott Street.

Apartments: City Council to hear appeal

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time dedicated to responding to the appeal and says that they'll return any portion of the fee that isn't used. The cost is to prevent frivolous appeals, city staff told Blaine.

Blaine says he doesn't have a large number of neighbors on his side like the Estudillo Estates homeowners had when they opposed an apartment development in their neighborhood, but he hopes people will come out support him as he makes his case to the City Council.

"If they can do this to me, it could happen anywhere in the rest of the neighborhood," said Blaine. "It's going to happen to a lot of people as high-density housing goes in."

The City Council will consider Blaine's appeal Monday night, but the project is within the city's stated goal of having more housing near transit.

The City of San Leandro has also already given Eden Housing \$1 million loan and \$4 million of San Leandro's share of the county affordable housing

bond money in order to build the project.

Cherry City Toastmasters Open House

Cherry City Toastmasters (CCTM) is happy to invite all previous members and the public to its 15th anniversary celebration open house on Tuesday, March 20, from 12:05 to 1:30 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library in the Trustees Room, 300 Estudillo Ave.

See Toastmasters in action at the open house as well as at regular meetings. Meetings are normally held every Tuesday from 12:05 to 1:05 p.m. For more information, contact Merci Del Rosario at vpn@cherrycitytoastmasters.org or 610-4510.

CCTM has long provided resources for personal and professional development. Many award winning speakers got their start at CCTM. Others have gone on to find more success in their careers.

This open house will include a regular meeting format with a special speaker, special presentation/proclamation and food for all.

CCTM provides a supportive and positive environment where members have the opportunity to overcome their fear of public speaking and sharpen presentation skills.

San Leandro Sports Hall of Fame Seeking Nominations for 2018

The San Leandro Sports Foundation is accepting nominations for the 2018 class of the San Leandro Sports Hall of Fame in four categories:

1. Athlete: at least five years after graduation from high school.
2. Coach: a former athletic coach, instructor, or trainer whose accomplishments merit recognition, who has been inactive as a coach, instructor or trainer for

three years.

3. Contributor: An individual who has made outstanding contributions to athletics in some capacity other than as an athlete or a coach.
4. Team or Club: an athletic team or club that has distinguished themselves above and beyond normal standards: undefeated seasons, league championships and state tournament

appearances.

The induction ceremony will be held on Oct. 19 at halftime at a San Leandro High football game at Burrell Field. Tickets for the ceremony and pre-game dinner will go on sale in July.

To nominate a candidate for the San Leandro Sports Hall of Fame or for more information, visit www.slsfi.org or call 895-1918.

Apply for Healthcare Scholarships From the SL Hospital Auxiliary

The San Leandro Hospital Volunteer Auxiliary is now accepting applications for its annual health care scholarship program.

Each year, the Auxiliary awards scholarships to college students and graduating high school seniors pursuing medical careers.

To be eligible, these students must live in San Leandro or San Lorenzo and enroll in health-care-related studies. Scholarships

will be awarded in June for studies in the fall.

Since 1972, the San Leandro Hospital Auxiliary volunteers have donated more than \$500,000 in scholarships. Past scholarship recipients have gone on to become physicians, nurses and health professionals.

Applications are available at the information desk or in the gift shop in the lobby of San Leandro Hospital, 13855 East 14th St.

Students can also request an application from a career counselor at San Leandro or Arroyo high schools. The deadline to apply is April 20.

For more information about the San Leandro Hospital Auxiliary scholarship program or if you are retired and interested in volunteering at the hospital, call 667-4501 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

NEWS BRIEFS

San Leandro Scholarship Foundation's Annual Fundraising Dinner

The community is invited to the annual Scholarship Dinner on Thursday, March 22, at the Senior Community Center, 13909 East 14th St. in San Leandro. The silent auction starts at 6 p.m. and dinner will begin at 7 p.m. and include a keynote speaker and entertainment by San Leandro students. The annual scholarships have been given to San Leandro students for over 50 years. Tickets are \$60 per person and must be purchased in advance. Tickets may be purchased through the website www.slsf.us or by calling 289-9225. Deadline to RSVP is March 18.

Morrisson Theatre Chorus Spring Concert

The Morisson Theatre Chorus, under the musical direction of César Cancino, will present its "Spring Concert: A Celebration of American Music" on Friday and Saturday, March 23 and March 24, at 8 p.m.; and Sunday, March 25, at 2 p.m. The spring concert will feature a selection of works from the stage and the movies at the Douglas Morisson Theatre, 22311 N. Third St. in Hayward. Tickets are \$18 adult, \$15 for adult H.A.R.D. resident, \$15 for under 30/over 60 and \$12 for youth/student. For the box office or more information, visit www.dmtonline.org

or call 881-6777.

Relay for Live Planning Meeting

A planning meeting for the American Cancer Society's annual Relay for Life will be on Saturday, March 24, from noon to 3 p.m. at Mountain Mike's Pizza, 699 Lewelling Blvd. in San Leandro. Meet and talk with amazing people. Learn what you need to do to have a successful and fun time at Relay whether it is joining a team, creating your own team, helping with a fundraiser, and a lot more. Almost everyone has been affected by cancer in some way and Relay for Life is a way to make a difference in a lot of people's lives. For more information, contact Christina Olson at 925-306-2155.

Relay for Life is the signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society (ACS). The 24-hour event will start on Saturday, Aug. 4. The 2018 Relay for Life of the East Bay, will combine Castro Valley, San Leandro, Hayward and San Lorenzo Relays.

Ramana Vieira to Perform

Fado singer Ramana Vieira of San Leandro will perform on Friday, March 16, at 8 p.m. at The Sound Room, 2147 Broadway in downtown Oakland. For more information, visit www.soundroom.org.

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