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City Budget Up Despite Belt Tightening

By Amy Sylvestri

San Leandro Times

The city’s budget will be in the black for the next fiscal year, but deficits are expected in future years, according to San Leandro Finance Director David Baum.

Baum presented the City Council with a proposed 2019-2020 general fund operating budget of \$117 million, with revenue coming in \$48,000 higher than expenditures.

The city budget in 2009-2010 was \$82 million, and in 2015-2016 it was \$93 million.

Baum said the budget increases can be attributed to rising employee costs, the city taking on some large capital improvement projects, and inflation.

Offsetting some of the expenses were recent city tax measures including sales tax increase and taxes on marijuana sales, hotel occupancy, and warehouse space.

“The measures that have passed in the past five years have really given us a boost,” said Baum.

The city is exploring putting new parcel and property transfer tax measures on an upcoming ballot to bring in more money.

The city is in the black for now, but by 2029 Baum estimates a revenue of \$139 million, while expenditures are estimated to top \$150 million, leaving the city in the red by \$11 million, Baum said.

“Simply put, our expected costs are growing faster than our expected revenue,” said Baum.

“We need to control our costs.”

The shortfalls which Baum had predicted to begin this year are now predicted to begin in 2021, with a \$2.5 million deficit that year.

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EBMUD Plans to Raise Rates Once Again

By Amy Sylvestri

San Leandro Times

Every two years, the East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) makes a new budget and – more often than not – that means rake hikes for water and wastewater customers.

At a budget workshop last month, EBMUD proposed a 2019-2021 budget that totals \$2.3 billion. If adopted, it will include a 6.5 percent rate increase for water service on July 1 of this year and another 6.25 percent increase on July 1, 2020. Additionally, wastewater rates would increase by 4 percent in fiscal year 2021.

EBMUD says the proposed budget is what they will need to cover more than \$800 million

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PHOTO COURTESY NATIVE GARDENS TOUR

The Native Gardens Tour offers a glimpse of pesticide-free, water conserving gardens in the East Bay that have at least 60 percent native plants.

Sign Up to Tour the Native Gardens

Register now for the Fifteenth Annual Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour, which will take place on Sunday, May 5, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This award-winning, self-drive tour features thirty seven Alameda and Contra Costa county gardens that are pesticide-free, water conserving, provide habitat for wildlife, and contain at least 60 percent native plants. Five of these gardens are located in Castro Valley, San Leandro, and San Lorenzo.

Register for the tour by Saturday, \$10 to purchase the garden guide, donations requested. To register, visit [www.Bringing-BacktheNatives.net](http://www.Bringing-BacktheNatives.net) or call 236-9558.

Homeless Shower Program Faces Dry Year

By Jim Knowles

San Leandro Times

A program that provides showers, a meal, clothing and other essentials to the homeless is about to become homeless itself.

April Showers lets homeless people have a shower on Sundays, two or three times a month, at the Boys & Girls Club on Marina Boulevard in San Leandro. But the club is about to start a renovation project on its building, so it will be closed for a year.

The good news is that the Boys & Girls Club is near its fundraising goal for the \$10 million renovation of its building.

They expect to start construction around August and the work will take a year or a little longer, according to Bob Glotch, the club’s executive director.

In the meantime, April Showers will have to find another place to have showers for the homeless.

“Construction is expected to start in August, so we’re going to be homeless ourselves,” said April Showers volunteer Moria Fry.

The shower program has been searching for another place, but

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TIMES FILE PHOTO

Camelo Perez picked up some clean clothes at the April Showers program.

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### 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.



## Pets of the Week



Luigi



Fiona

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, are Luigi the cat and Fiona the dog.

Luigi is a handsome 4-year-old who's easygoing, friendly and leans in for pets, ear rubs, and chin scratches. While not fond of loud noises, he's okay with being picked up and carried.

Fiona is a sweet, 9-month-old pup who loves life. She enjoys walks, picking up sticks and playing with other dogs. She needs an active, experienced family who'll take her to training to learn more good manners. Okay with teens.

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



PHOTO COURTESY OF CHANTICLEERS

Sarah Nowicki, Marika Kuzma, Jim Rupp, and Peter Marietta appear in the Chanticleers production of *Other Desert Cities*, opening on May 3 at the Chanticleers Theatre in Castro Valley.

## Other Desert Cities to Open at the Chanticleers

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Friday, May 3.

The show runs from May 3 to May 26 on Friday and Saturday nights at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. (no show on May 5). Opening night, May 3, includes Chanticleers traditional complimentary hors d'oeuvres, desserts and beverage gala.

General admission is \$25, seniors (60+), students, and military \$20. On Bargain Night, May 4, all tickets are \$18. Chanticleers Theatre is located within the Castro Valley Community Park at 3683 Quail Avenue, Castro Valley.

For tickets, call 510-SEE-LIVE (733-5483) or go to chanticleers.org.

This funny and searing play, by Jon Robin Baitz (creator of the hit ABC show *Brothers & Sisters*), was recently one of the hottest tickets on Broadway and a finalist for the 2012 Pulitzer Prize.

After a 6-year absence, Brooke Wyeth returns to her politically conservative parents'

glamorous Palm Springs home for the Christmas holidays. Her parents are Lyman Wyeth, an actor-turned-ambassador during the Regan administration, and matriarch Polly, a former screenwriter and political socialite.

Brooke, a liberal would-be novelist, drops a bomb on her parents when she reveals that she has written a memoir about a very difficult chapter in the family's history and wants to publish it. As they battle over who has the right to tell the family's story, new revelations emerge. Full of witty and entertaining dialogue, this is a story of family love, compassion and forgiveness.

Chanticleers' production is directed by Katina Letheule, an accomplished actress and director and recently named, artistic director for Altarena in Alameda. The talented cast members are all new to the Chanticleers stage and include Sarah Nowicki; Marika Kuzma; Jim Rupp; Peter Marietta and Marsha van Broek.

## Join the Happy Stampers

If you like crafts, join the Happy Stampers who use rubber stamps to make greeting cards. The club meets on the second Monday of each month at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. For more information, call Janie at 483-0389.

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# POLICE & FIRE



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## Kitchen Fire at Dessert Shop

A one-alarm kitchen fire broke out at Sweethoney Dessert at 1423 East 14th Street in the early morning hours of April 19, according to the Alameda County Fire Department. Firefighters were able to contain it before it spread to neighboring buildings. No one was injured and the cause of the fire is under investigation.

## Federal Charges for San Leandro Man Who Pled Guilty to Robberies

A San Leandro man pled guilty in federal court last week to multiple robberies, including a phone store in Castro Valley.

Marty Skyler Guillen, 22, admitted that he committed six robberies over a four day period in October of 2018. The thefts included taking \$74 in cash from a store in Castro Valley, iPhones from stores in Hayward and Daly City, three silver chains from a jewelry store in Hayward, \$730 from a cash register at an Oakland store, and \$1,000 from the register and \$100 from an employee at a store in Fremont.

According to the U.S. Department of Justice, Guillen brandished a BB gun in each robbery and directed employees to hand over cash and merchandise.

Guillen and co-defendant Elijah Kimani Crowder, 20, from Hayward were charged with conspiracy to commit robbery

affecting interstate commerce, a federal offense.

Guillen pled guilty and agreed to pay restitution in each case in exchange for prosecutors dropping a conspiracy charge. He is scheduled to be sentenced in August and faces a maximum of 20 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Crowder pled guilty to one robbery and is scheduled to be sentenced in June.

The U.S. Department of Justice said the robbery investigation was headed by the FBI with the assistance of the Alameda County Sheriff's Office, and the San Leandro police as well as the police departments of Hayward, Fremont, Oakland, and Daly City.

## Teen Accused of Robbing Blind Woman Downtown

A San Leandro teen is accused of robbing a blind woman downtown after being caught with the help of bystanders.

A visually-impaired woman, 38, was walking on Davis Street near Clarke Street using her cane at around 9:30 a.m. last Wednesday when she said she felt her cane make contact with another person and felt someone grab her iPhone out of her hand, according to a press release from the San Leandro police.

The woman told police she

tussled with the suspect – later identified as 18-year-old high school student Jajuan Despanie – and tried to keep hold of her phone, but she lost her balance and fell to the ground.

The suspect got the phone and ran off. The woman called for help, which attracted the attention of a nearby witness on a bicycle, who called 911 and followed the suspect as he ran into a residential area.

Another witness watched the scene from an apartment balcony

and told officers who arrived on the scene that the suspect was hiding between two parked cars. The suspect then allegedly tried to run away and discard some items which were evidence of the crime as he ran, police said.

Eventually, Despanie was taken into custody and the victim's cell phone was found on him during the arrest.

On Friday, the Alameda County District Attorney charged Despanie with two felony offenses: robbery and abuse against a dependent adult, and one misdemeanor count of resisting arrest.

San Leandro police Lt. Isaac Benabou thanked the witnesses who helped out in the case. In addition to the people who helped identify the suspect, an AC transit bus driver who witnessed the robbery went to assist the woman on the ground. He helped her onto the bus and took her to the San Leandro BART station where she received help from the station attendant.

## What Should Be in Your Disaster Preparedness Kit?

The Alameda County Office of Emergency Services recently sent out a reminder of what should be kept in a kit in the event of a disaster, including: paper towels, toilet tissue, first-aid kit, cash, important documents, hygiene products, scissors, can opener, AM/FM radio, flashlights, batteries, matches, candles, blankets, duct tape, a whistle, basic tools, and soap.

Food and water sources will be particularly important and you should keep a sterno stove, cooking pot, aluminum foil, paper

plates and utensils..

A supply of non-perishable food should include canned goods, peanut butter, dried fruits, nuts, nutrition bars and boxed dry goods.

All kits should include at least one gallon of water per person per day.

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## Call 811 Before You Do Any Digging

Tomorrow is Arbor Day and lots of people plant trees in honor of the holiday. PG&E is reminding people to call before they do any digging.

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## NEIGHBORS



## Happy Birthday Broadmoor Preschool



Broadmoor Preschool celebrated its 80th Anniversary with a carnival on Sunday, April 7, on the Roosevelt Elementary School Campus on Dowling Street in San Leandro. A large crowd came in support of the school and to enjoy the free kid-friendly attractions, including face-painting, bouncy castles, carnival games, and clown performance. The school was first formed at Broadmoor Community Church in October 1939. Today, Broadmoor Preschool operates as a parent cooperative under the San Leandro Adult School.

## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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### ❖ Student Art Display

Art by local students will be on display from May 1 through June 3 at the Hayward Area Historical Society (HAHS), 22380 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward with an opening reception on Wednesday, May 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. The Gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** You might be tempted to be more assertive when dealing with a job-related matter. But a carefully measured approach works best at getting the cooperation you're looking for.



**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** While others urge you to act now, you instinctively recognize that a move at this time is not in your best interests. You should know when to do so by week's end.



**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** A busy schedule keeps you on the move for much of the week. But things ease up by the time the weekend arrives, allowing you to reconnect with family and friends.



**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Travel dominates the week, and despite some delays in getting to where you want to go, the overall experience should prove to be a positive one in many ways.



**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Your Leonine self-confidence comes roaring back after a brief period of doubt and helps you get through a week of demanding challenges and ultimately emerge triumphant.



**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** Virgos who have made a major commitment -- personal or professional -- should be able to tap into a renewed reservoir of self-confidence to help them follow through.



**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** You soon could receive news from a surprising source that could cause you to change your mind about how you had planned to deal with an ongoing job-related problem.



**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** A surprise move of support from a colleague who has never been part of your circle of admirers helps influence others to take a new look at what you've put on the table.



**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** While a bold decision to take an "I know what I'm doing" approach impresses some colleagues, it also raises the risk of causing resentment among others.



**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** A misunderstanding "twixt you and a friend might not be your fault at all, despite what he or she suggests. Talk it out to see at what point the confusion might have started.



**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** Getting into a community operation fulfills the Aquarian's need to help people. It also can lead to new contacts that might one day help you with a project.



**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** A minor problem could delay the start of a long-anticipated trip for two. Use the time to recheck your travel plans. You might find a better way to get where you're going.

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### ❖ Meeting of the SL Democratic Club

The next meeting of the San Leandro Democratic club will be tonight, April 25, at 6:30 p.m. in the Trustee Room of the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave.

### ❖ San Leandro Toastmasters

The San Leandro Toastmasters meet on Thursday nights from 7 to 8 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. The group fosters improved communication and public speaking. All levels of speakers from novice to seasoned are welcome.

### ❖ Dahlia Society Tuber Sale

The San Leandro Dahlia Society will hold its annual tuber and cutting sale on Saturday, April 27, from 9 a.m. to noon at Root Park, 1033 East 14th St. in San Leandro. Plant now for summer color. Cuttings are small plants, ready to be planted. Dahlias come in many sizes, shapes and colors. Dahlia society members will be on hand to answer any questions or give advice on planting.

### ❖ A Pop Up Event at Bancroft Middle School

Join the fun at Bancroft Middle School, 1150 Bancroft Ave. in San Leandro on Saturday, April 27, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be arts and crafts projects and lots of good food. This event benefiting Razas Unidas Club at Bancroft Middle School.

### ❖ Kiwanis Club Welcomes Visitors

Find out what the volunteers of Kiwanis are all about. Join them at one of their weekly lunch meetings and consider becoming a member on Tuesdays from 12:10 to 1:30 p.m. at The Englander, 101 Parrott St. in downtown San Leandro. A portion of each meeting is dedicated to a community speaker.

### ❖ Spring Auction for Local Schools

Come to the Annual Spring Auction benefiting Roosevelt Elementary School and Bancroft Middle School on Saturday, April 27, from 5 to 10 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building, 1105 Bancroft Ave. The theme this year is Casino Royale and includes gambling, food and drinks, and entertainment. Tickets are \$40 each or \$75 a pair. Come out to support the students of San Leandro public schools. For advanced purchase tickets and more information Visit: <https://roosevelt.schoolauction.net/auction2019>.

### ❖ Community of Faith Breakfast

Bay Area Family Church, 2305 Washington Ave. in San Leandro will hold its monthly Community of Faith Breakfast on Saturday, April 27, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. with featured speaker Bishop Billy Wydermyer, pastor of Bethel Temple Pentecostal Church in Richmond. All are welcome.

### ❖ Community Cleanup at Marina Park

A community cleanup will be held at the San Leandro Marina Park, 1400 Monarch Bay Drive, on Saturday, April 27, from 9 to 11 a.m. Meet at the benches. Make a positive impact. For more information, call Bryan Azevedo at 706-3125.

### ❖ SL Parkinson's Support Group Meeting

The San Leandro Parkinson's support group will meet on Thursday, May 2, at 10:30 a.m. at the San Lorenzo Community Church, 945 Paseo Grande in San Lorenzo. The speaker will be Barbara Blaze from Magnolia Wellness. For

more information, call Lona White at 276-3119.

### ❖ 21st annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration

The City of San Leandro City Council will host its 21st annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration on Friday, May 3, at 6 p.m. at the Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Boulevard. The fiesta is free and promises to be a fun celebration of Mexico's culture and traditions. Mariachi bands and the Ballet Folklorico de Carlos Moreno will perform. Children will be able to make traditional Mexican arts and crafts. Spanish translation, and an ASL sign language interpreter will be available. Light refreshments will be served.

### ❖ SL Garden Club Spring Luncheon

The San Leandro Garden Club will host the 47th annual spring salad bar luncheon, "Plant Seeds of Happiness," on Saturday, May 4, at the First United Methodist Church, 1600 Bancroft Ave. in San Leandro. Doors open at 10:30 a.m., luncheon will start at noon. A donation of \$17 is suggested. There will be pick-a-prize raffle and previously loved jewelry, plants, accessories, and pot scrubbers will be on sale. Reserved seating only, to make reservations, call Sharon at 785-2057.

### ❖ San Leandro Readers Roundtable

The San Leandro Readers Roundtable meets Saturday, May 4, at 2 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Avenue, to discuss *Sing, Unburied, Sing*, Jesmyn Ward's tale of a family's journey through Mississippi's past and present. All are welcome, and all books discussed are available for purchase in the Library's Booktique bookstore.

### ❖ Buon Tempo Club Family Dinner

The Buon Tempo Club is having a family style dinner on Tuesday, May 7, at 7 p.m. at Transfiguration Church, in the Mt. Tabor Hall, 4000 E. Castro Valley Blvd., in Castro Valley. Everyone is welcome to attend. A five-course dinner of pasta pesto and chicken will be served. Red and white wine and soda are also included. Happy hour is at 6 p.m. The dinner is \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members. Make reservations by Friday, May 3, by calling the Buon Tempo dinner line at 483-6929. For more information, about events or membership visit [www.buontempoclub.org](http://www.buontempoclub.org).

### ❖ Youth Orchestra Concert

The Youth Orchestra of Southern Alameda County (YOSAC) will present its Spring Concert on Saturday, May 11, at 3 p.m. at Cal State East Bay, Music Building. YOSAC Concert Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra and the Horizons Ensemble will perform their works. Tickets are \$10 general, \$5 seniors and students. YOSAC is a nonprofit organization started by parents, teachers and music professionals to augment school instrumental programs of Southern Alameda County. For more information, visit [www.yosac.com](http://www.yosac.com).

### ❖ Hearing Loss Association Meeting

The Hearing Loss Association meeting will be on Saturday, May 11, at the Oakland Kaiser Hospital, Fabiola Bldg., 3801 Howe St., lower level, room G26. Refreshments at 9:30 a.m. with the program beginning at 10 a.m. The speaker will be Attorney Steven Derby, whose law practice is exclusively devoted to people with disabilities. He tells how best to deal with unfair treatment in society. Parking is free on Saturdays at the garage on Howe St. For more information, call 221-6080 or email [info@hearinglosseb.org](mailto:info@hearinglosseb.org).

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.



# Lee, DeSaulnier to Host Meeting on Race

Congresswoman Barbara Lee will host a joint town hall meeting on race in America with fellow Bay Area representative Congresswoman Mark DeSaulnier this Saturday, April 27, from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Black Repertory Group Theater, 3201 Adeline St. in Berkeley for a discussion of gentrifica-

tion, mass incarceration, and immigration.

Other speakers will be John A. Powell, director of the UC Berkeley Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society; Dr. Chinyere Oparah, professor of Ethnic Studies at Mills College; and Vanessa Moses, executive director of Causa Justa.

# City Council to Address Short-Term Rentals

## Proposed ordinance would only allow hosted short-term rentals

The San Leandro City Council invites the public to attend the discussion on the first reading of a proposed short-term rental ordinance that the Council will consider on Monday, May 6, at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 835 East 14th St.

The ordinance would add to Chapter 4-40 of the San

Leandro Municipal Code to regulate short-term rentals of residential dwelling units. The proposed ordinance will prohibit all non-hosted short-term rentals but allow regulated hosted short-term rentals.

The City Council considered policy options for short-term rental regulations in December

2018 after conducting multiple community meetings around short-term rental policies in San Leandro. A moratorium is currently in effect that prohibits the short-term rental of homes to paid guests when the owner of the property is not also living on-site during guests' stay.

A short-term rental is defined as the rental of any residence to paid guests for fewer than 30 days. The interim ordinance that established this policy remains in effect until July 22, 2019.

For more information, contact the Community Development Department at 577-3415.



## LEGAL NOTICE



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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Bamboo Advance Beauty College located at 14624 E. 14th Street, San Leandro, CA 94578, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Mai-Pham Investments LLC, 232 Lexington Avenue, Hayward, CA 94544. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. This business commenced on N/A. /s/Bamboo Advance Beauty College This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Nate's Customs & Collision located at 2420 Davis Street, San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Nathan Jaramillo, 2586 Williams Street, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced on N/A. /s/Nathan Jaramillo This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Pablo Handyman located at 1274 62nd Avenue, Oakland, CA 94621, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Pedro Matias Pablo, 1274 62nd Avenue, Oakland, CA 94621. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced on 3-29-19. /s/Pedro Matias Pablo This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Melissa Michelle Grooming located at 1109 MacArthur Blvd, San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Melissa Michelle Grooming Inc., 875 Begier Avenue, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by a corporation. This business commenced on 3-28-19. /s/Melissa Michelle Grooming, Inc. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Power Nex Construction Inc. located at 375 Santa Paula St., San Leandro, CA 94579, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Power Nex Construction, INC., 375 Santa Paula St., San Leandro, CA 94579. This business is conducted by a corporation. This business commenced on N/A. /s/Power Nex Construction, INC. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: (1) Windy Treats (2) Lion's Garden (3) Divines Cloud 9 (4) Stovall Group & Associates (5) Merry For Jane, located at 24438 Santa Clara Street #3035, Hayward, CA 94540, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): (1) JeAnna Stovall and (2) Margaret J. Stovall, 660 Fargo Avenue #9, San Leandro, CA 94579. This business is conducted by a general partnership. This business commenced on N/A. /s/JeAnna Stovall, Margaret J. Stovall This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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**APR. 11, 18, 25, MAY 2, 2019**  
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### NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

**Stella F. Gigli**  
**Case Number:**  
**RP19014367**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Stella F. Gigli, also known as "Stella Gigli", "Stella Cisneros", "Stella F. Medina", "Fedelina Stella Montes" and "Fedelina Stella Montez"**.

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

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

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

**A HEARING on the petition will be held on 5/22/2019, 9:31 a.m., Dept. 201, at 2120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, 2nd Floor, Berkeley, CA 94704.**

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

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

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

Attorney for petitioner:  
Clifford R. Lancaster  
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Alameda, CA 94501 510-523-9100

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: P & G Power Corp. located at 375 Santa Paula St., San Leandro, CA 94579, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): P & G Power Corp., 375 Santa Paula St., San Leandro, CA 94579. This business is conducted by a corporation. This business commenced on N/A. /s/P & G Power Corp. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Innovative Training Consultants, LLC located at 211 Joaquin Avenue, San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Innovative Training Consultants, LLC, 211 Joaquin Avenue, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. This business commenced on N/A. /s/Innovative Training Consultants, LLC This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Special Kids Special Choices located at 20955 San Miguel Ave., Castro Valley, CA 94546, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Geri Baskind, 20955 San Miguel Ave., Castro Valley, CA 94546. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced on 12/2012. /s/Geri Baskind This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Golden Touch ILS located at 1271 Washington Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Pastoor C. Creese, 350 Breed Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced on N/A. /s/Pastoor C. Creese This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: Lane Mortgage, LLC located at 604 Oakes Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Lane Mortgage, LLC, 604 Oakes, San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. This business commenced on 08/15/17. /s/Lane Mortgage, LLC This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 17900-17930

The name of the business: DayintheLifeguard located at 890 Dowling Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94577, in Alameda County is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Peter DeQuincy, 890 Dowling Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94577. This business is conducted by an individual. This business commenced on N/A. /s/Peter DeQuincy This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

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## AUTOMOTIVE

## Old World Luxury Meets Electric Efficiency with New Range Rover

By Steve Schaefer  
San Leandro Times

**T**he new Range Rover Sport HSE P400e stops any argument that electrified vehicles need to be small or funny-looking. As Land Rover's first plug-in hybrid, it offers potent off-road four-wheel drive, sublime comfort and luxury, and 27 miles of silent, all-electric motoring.

You might not expect that kind of efficiency from a brand known for ruggedness and exclusivity, but it's on its way. My weeklong test was of a pre-production 2020 model. The 2019 is not sold in the U.S. yet. In a jaunty Firenze Red, it stood out from the crowd, with only the badge giving a clue as to its battery-powered secret.

Under the tall hood you'll find a 2.0-liter, four-cylinder gas engine and an electric motor, the latter fueled by a 13.1 kWh battery tucked under the rear cargo area. With 398 horsepower and 472 lb.-ft. of torque, some of it delivered instantly from the motor, you can sprint from 0 to 60

in just 6.7 seconds.

While you fill the fuel tank from the usual side-mounted door, you need to flip up a section of the plastic grille to expose the J-1772 charging socket. The car likes to keep its EV side a secret. I had to look it up in the owner's manual to figure out where the plug was.

It takes about 7-1/2 hours to fill an empty battery on normal Level 1 household 120-volt current. If you use a Level 2 240-volt charger, it'll be under three hours.

As a plug-in hybrid, the P400e delivers the most efficiency if you don't take it on long trips. Its standard way of moving is as a parallel hybrid, which means that the engine and motor work together to deliver the "best" mix of power and efficiency. One or both will be working at any particular time. You can also set it up to run as an EV only—for as long as the battery has sufficient charge—even at freeway speeds. The Save feature lets you retain the battery charge until later, so you could use the engine on the freeway and drive in town with the

motor, for example.

I got about 27 miles of electric range per charge, and the car delivered 24.7 miles per gallon during its stay. However, it was the kind of week where I took a couple of longer weekend trips. If I had just used the car locally, the miles-per-gallon number would surely have been better.

As it is, once you climb in, the electric drivetrain gives a strong and silent performance. Like other Land Rovers, you get the feeling of a powerful truck with lots of extra luxuries, all presented in a restrained, tasteful way. That means Windsor leather chairs, high-quality fittings throughout, and gesture-controlled blinds for the panoramic roof. My tester featured a Meridian Surround Sound System with 18 speakers and 825 watts of power—and it wasn't even the top audio system they offer!

The plug-in hybrid has the famous rock-crawling capacity of its fellows, and in this case, you can do it silently with electric power. I didn't try this, but you can use the standard electronic air suspension to lower the car as much as 2 inches for freeway cruising but also raise it up to 3 inches above normal for off roading. How many electric or gas cars do you know of that can wade through 33.4 inches of water? The manufacturer recommends running the engine during dips to keep water out of the exhaust system.

The interior is traditional in design, but up-to-the-minute in features. Two 10-inch screens



Under the tall hood you'll find a 2.0-liter, four-cylinder gas engine and an electric motor, the latter fueled by a 13.1 kWh battery tucked under the rear cargo area.

provide you with all the entertainment, navigation, climate, and app features you could want in 2019. With double screens, you can see a map and audio functions at the same time. The top screen has touch, swipe, and pinch-to-zoom features, like a tablet. The instrument panel features a 12-inch screen that you can configure in multiple ways.

This is one fancy car, but that doesn't mean you can't make it fancier. Starting at \$79,000 even, my tester had nearly \$13,000 worth of options, including a bunch of electronic safety features; a heated steering wheel; a front console refrigerator; a 10-inch, full-color head-up display; Ebony Morzine Headlining; soft door close; and a bump up to 21-inch alloy wheels (20-inches are standard). For \$93,200, it's all yours.

This lovely plug-in hybrid



Two 10-inch screens provide you with all the entertainment, navigation, climate, and app features you could want in 2019.

Range Rover is not alone—there are several upscale electrified SUVs available and more on the way from Audi, BMW, Porsche, Jaguar, and others. But I bet the competition can't wade through nearly three feet of water, and

Range Rovers have a special cachet. I'm hoping that their next model is all-electric.

Steve Schaefer lives in Castro Valley. He has been reviewing new cars in the Times for 27 years.

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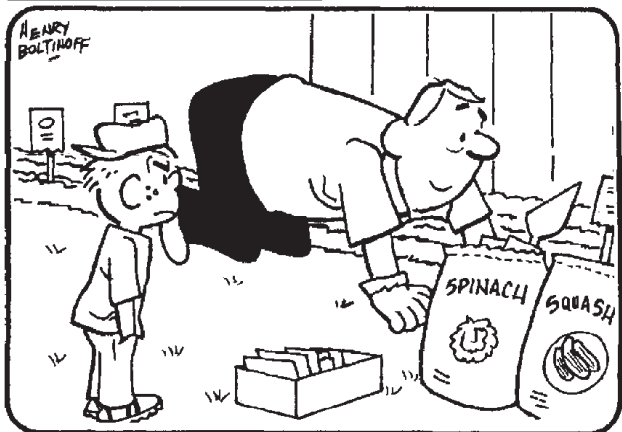
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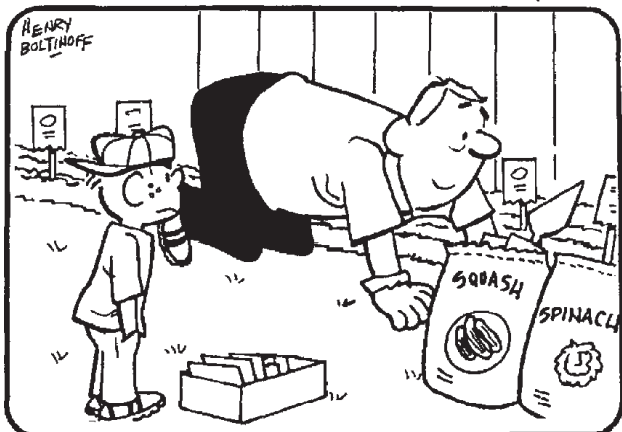
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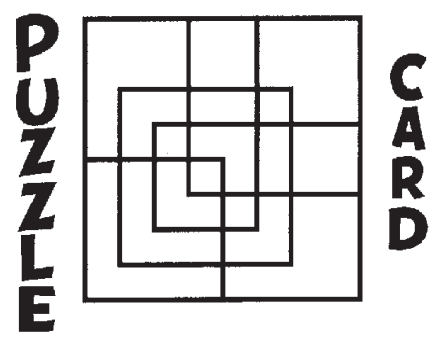
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Answers: 1. Boy's cap is backward. 2. Days have been switched. 3. Man's shoe is different. 4. Fence is longer. 5. Box is closer to boy. 6. Extra marker is in garden.



YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES to count all of the squares in the above drawing

Answer: 17 squares

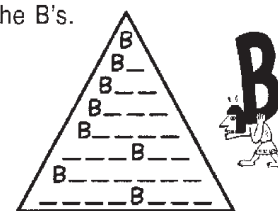
SEE IF YOU CAN make this math expression correct by inserting three plus signs and one minus sign between the numbers:

**9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 = 100**

Answer: 98 - 76 + 54 + 3 + 21 = 100

**THE 'B' PYRAMID!** As you move down the word pyramid shown here, each word contains the same letters as the word above it, plus a new letter. We give you all the B's. Here are some hints from the top down:

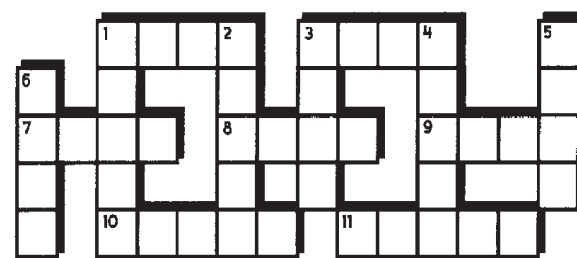
1. Blood type (given).
2. To exist.
3. A wager.
4. To defeat.
5. A whining complaint.
6. Home to animals.
7. Shattered apart.
8. Type of trucks.



Answers: The words are b, be, bet, beat, beat, bleat, stable, blasted, flatbeds.

## Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



### A PET PARADE PUZZLE!

Pictured above is a crossword puzzle grid. Below are words pertaining to cats and dogs that you will need to complete the puzzle, using the trial-and-error method. Try to finish before chow time!

4-letter words	5-letter words
BRED	FLEAS
BULL	LEASH
HEEL	LITHE
OBEY	SMELL
	WOOFs

Answers: (Across) 1. Show. 3. Bull. 7. Heel. 8. Obey. 9. Tail. 10. Leash. 11. Fleas. (Down) 1. Smell. 2. Woofs. 3. Bred. 4. Lithe. 5. Yelp. 6. Shed.



## LIFESTYLE

Chicken, Plain *and* Fancy

Nothing lends itself to new treatments more than chicken. It can be fried, grilled, poached, roasted or broiled with any number of spring vegetables, fruits and nuts.

**CHICKEN PARMESAN**

4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves  
Salt and pepper  
1/2 cup Italian bread crumbs  
1 egg, beaten  
4 teaspoons butter  
2 cups spaghetti sauce  
4 slices Mozzarella cheese  
1 teaspoon grated Parmesan cheese

Pound chicken to flatten and sprinkle with salt and pepper to taste.

Dip chicken in egg; then in bread crumbs and fry in butter in hot skillet, turning and browning for 10 minutes or until chicken is done.

Remove from skillet. Pour spaghetti sauce into skillet and heat thoroughly. Add chicken. Place slices of Mozzarella on top of chicken and sprinkle with Parmesan.

Cover and cook until cheese is melted. Serve with a side of spaghetti. Serves 4.

**FRIED CHICKEN**

1 quart buttermilk  
2 teaspoons cayenne pepper, divided  
2 (2-1/2-pound) fryer chickens, cut into 8 pieces  
2 cups all-purpose flour  
Salt and freshly ground pepper  
Olive oil, for frying

Stir together the buttermilk and 1 teaspoon cayenne pepper in a large bowl; add chicken, turning to coat. Cover with plastic wrap, and refrigerate at least 6 hours or

up to overnight.

In a large brown paper bag, combine flour with remaining 1 teaspoon cayenne, 1 teaspoon salt, and 1 tablespoon pepper; shake to combine. One at a time, place chicken pieces in the bag; shake to coat. Place coated pieces on a clean plate or tray.

In a large skillet, heat 2 inches oil to 350°F. Using tongs, add chicken one piece at a time, being careful to not overcrowd pan.

Fry, turning every 3 to 4 minutes, until deep mahogany in color, about 18 minutes. Remove chicken from skillet, and drain on a brown paper bag. Serve hot, warm, or cold.

**CHICKEN PORTOBELLO**

4 pounds chicken leg quarters (or 4-pound roaster chicken, cut-up)  
Salt and pepper to taste  
1/4 cup olive or vegetable oil  
1 Onion, sliced  
1 tablespoon minced garlic  
4 Portobello mushroom caps, sliced  
2 tablespoons fresh chopped oregano (or 2 teaspoons dried oregano)  
2 tablespoons flour  
1 cup red wine  
1 (28-ounce) can chopped tomatoes

Preheat oven to 425°F. Drain and rinse chicken, trimming off any excess fat. Pat dry. Sprinkle all over with salt and pepper.

Arrange in baking pan and roast 30 minutes, or until juices run clear when pricked at thickest point.

Meanwhile, in Dutch oven, heat olive oil and lightly brown onion. Stir in garlic, cook together 2 minutes and add mushrooms and oregano. Continue cooking 5 minutes longer, or until mushrooms have softened. Stir in flour and cook 5 minutes. Add red wine and

tomatoes. Bring to boil, reduce heat and simmer 20 minutes or until thickened. Add chicken and any cooking juices to pot.

Simmer together 10 minutes longer. Serve over steamed white rice. Makes 8 servings.

**CHICKEN PIZZAIOLA**

4 (8-ounce) boneless chicken breasts  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon black pepper  
6 tablespoons olive oil, divided  
1 small yellow onion, diced  
8 ounces white mushrooms, sliced (about 3 cups)  
1/2 cup white wine  
1 (8-ounce) can tomato sauce  
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano or 2 teaspoons chopped fresh oregano  
1 tablespoon chopped fresh Italian parsley

Season chicken with salt and pepper. In large skillet, over medium-high heat, heat 2 tablespoons of olive oil. Add chicken and cook until brown on both sides and center is no longer pink, about 15 minutes.

Transfer to serving platter and cover to keep warm. To skillet, add remaining 4 tablespoons oil. Add onion; cook and stir until translucent, about 5 minutes. Add mushrooms, increase heat and stir until lightly browned, about 5 minutes longer. Pour in wine and stir to scrape any browned bits from the skillet; add tomato sauce and oregano. Reduce heat to low and simmer, uncovered, until slightly thickened, about 20 minutes.

Pour sauce over chicken, sprinkle with parsley and serve. Makes 4 servings. Place coated pieces on a clean plate or tray.

In a large skillet, heat 2 inches oil to 350°F. Using tongs, add



chicken one piece at a time, being careful to not overcrowd pan. Fry, turning every 3 to 4 minutes, until deep mahogany in color, about 18 minutes. Remove chicken from skillet, and drain on a brown paper bag. Serve hot, warm, or cold.

**CHICKEN CORDON BLEU**

6 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves  
6 slices Swiss cheese  
6 slices ham  
3 tablespoons flour  
1 teaspoon paprika

6 tablespoons butter  
1/2 cup dry white wine  
1 teaspoon chicken bouillon granules  
1 tablespoon cornstarch  
1 cup heavy whipping cream

Pound chicken breasts if they are too thick. Place a cheese and ham slice on each breast within 1/2 inch of the edges. Fold the edges of the chicken over the filling, and secure with toothpicks.

Mix the flour and paprika in a small bowl, and coat the chicken pieces.

Heat the butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat, and cook the chicken until browned on all sides. Add the wine and bouillon. Reduce heat to low, cover, and simmer for 30 minutes, until chicken is no longer pink and juices run clear.

Remove the toothpicks, and transfer the breasts to a warm platter. Blend the cornstarch with the cream in a small bowl, and whisk slowly into the skillet.

Cook, stirring until thickened, and pour over the chicken. Serve warm. Yields 6 servings.

San Leandro Downtown Association presents

**Sunday  
May 5<sup>th</sup>  
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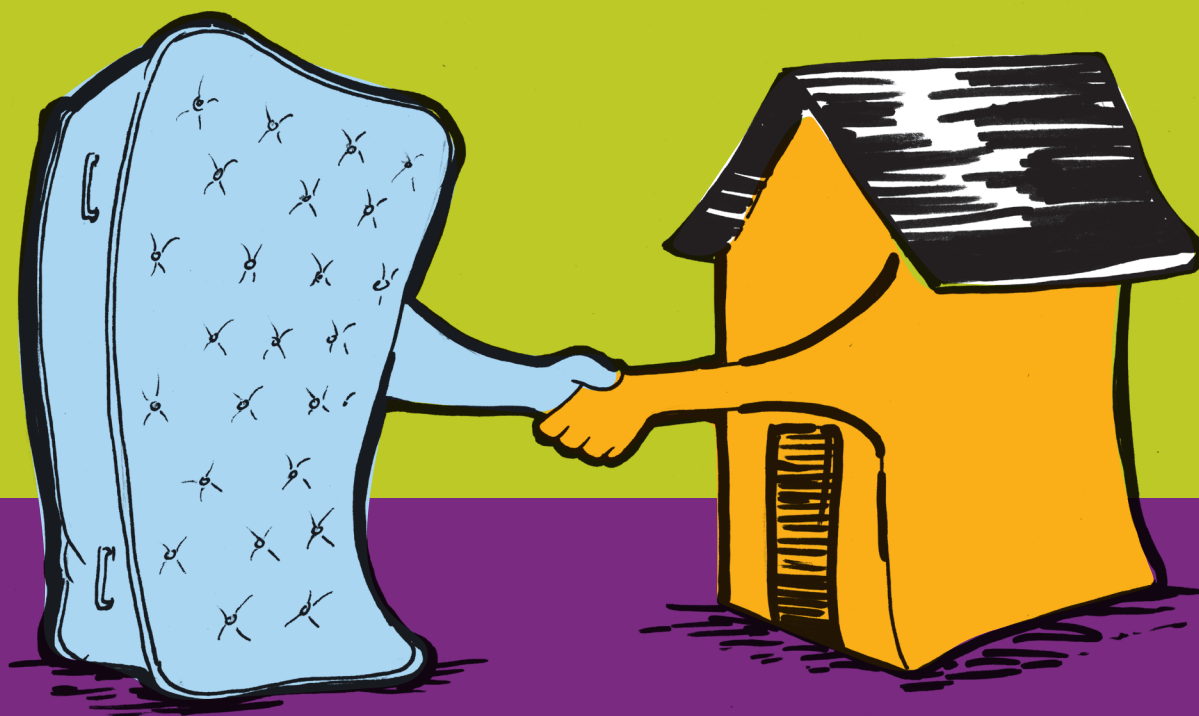
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# HEALTH & FITNESS



Your doctor can tell you whether you have kidney disease and what to do about it.

## Talk to Your Doctor About Kidney Health

Chronic kidney disease (CKD) is a serious health problem, affecting an estimated 30 million adults in the United States. Yet more than nine out of 10 people who have kidney disease don't know they have it.

The sooner you find out you have kidney disease, the sooner you can take steps to prevent or delay serious health problems.

CKD means your kidneys are damaged and can't filter blood the way they should. Kidney damage can cause wastes to build up in your body and can lead to other health problems such as anemia, bone disease and heart disease.

You can have CKD without any symptoms, especially in the early stages of the disease, and over time it may lead to kidney failure. If your kidneys fail, you will need dialysis or a kidney transplant to maintain your health.

You can't reverse progressive kidney damage but you may be able to avoid or delay dialysis or a kidney transplant with medications and lifestyle changes.

### • Understand Your Risk

If you have diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease or a family history of kidney failure, you are at risk for kidney disease. An estimated one in three people with diabetes, and one in five adults with high blood pressure, have CKD. Therefore, it's important for people who are at risk for the disease to get tested.

### • Get Tested Early

Testing for kidney disease is simple—it involves a blood test and a urine test. Your health care provider uses a blood test to check how well your kidneys are filtering your blood and a urine test to check for protein in your urine.

### • Talk with Your Doctor

If you have diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease or a family history of kidney fail-

ure, talk with your health care provider about kidney disease. Stay informed and ask for the results of your kidney tests.

You can start the conversation with your doctor by asking these three questions:

1. Have I been tested for kidney disease and how healthy are my kidneys?
2. How often should I get my kidneys checked?
3. What should I do to keep my kidneys healthy?

### • Protect Your Kidney Health

If you don't have kidney disease but are at risk for it, your health care provider may suggest ways you can keep your kidneys healthy. Here are some steps you can take to protect your kidney health:

- Manage your diabetes, high blood pressure and heart disease
- Make healthy food choices
- Aim for a healthy weight
- Make physical activity part of your routine
- Get enough sleep—aim for seven to eight hours of sleep each night
- Stop smoking
- Find healthy ways to cope with stress.

For more information about kidney disease, kidney failure, diabetes and more, visit the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) website at [www.niddk.nih.gov](http://www.niddk.nih.gov).

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By Dr. Edmund Lipskis  
Special to the Times

It's estimated that 22 million Americans have sleep apnea, and that 80 percent of moderate to severe cases are undiagnosed.

Also known as Obstructive Sleep Apnea Syndrome (OSAS), the condition affects between 5 and 20 percent of adults and 10-20 percent of children. While many are familiar with some side effects—loud snoring, disturbed sleep, and daytime sleepiness—other related issues are talked about less, but can be quite severe.

The disruption of nasal breathing can affect digestion, brain function, mood, attention, growth, heart health, head pain, metabolism and much more.

Sleep apnea in children can be treated at a young age. The symptoms include irritability, lack of concentration, poor school performance, pseudo ADHD, and nighttime bed wetting.

Obstructive sleep apnea occurs when a blocked airway prevents the body from getting the oxygen it needs. Breathing can stop for several seconds numerous times during the night.

This causes the brain to wake up so the sleeper can breathe. People with OSA usually don't remember every instance of waking up, but the result is fragmented sleep.

Proper diagnosis, combined with advanced technology, can lead to successful treatment. There are more than 100 FDA-approved appliances for treating sleep apnea and proper selection is key to addressing the individual's special needs.

For adults, that can mean therapy using an oral appliance. For children, it can mean orthopedic orthodontics for airway development and correction.

Four of the less-discussed but serious side effects of sleep apnea include:

### Depression

Depression is linked with OSA and works both ways. That is, people who are depressed are more likely to develop OSA, and people with OSA are more likely to develop depression. One study found that slightly less than half of people with OSA showed de-

pressive symptoms. This is not so surprising, considering that restful sleep is so important for physical and mental health."

### Chronic pain

As with depression, chronic pain may be a cause of, or may be caused by, OSA. A study found that over half the people with OSA had chronic widespread pain and that the risk was higher in women than in men.

### Hormone disruption

Sleep is a critical time for the body to regulate hormones. An important one to note is the growth hormone HGH, which is produced during Stage 3 sleep. It helps with cell reproduction, cell regeneration, and metabolism. If Stage III sleep is cut short, or never reached, HGH can't perform its job. So rather than repairing itself during sleep, the body continues to break down.

### Nocturia

This is the frequent need to

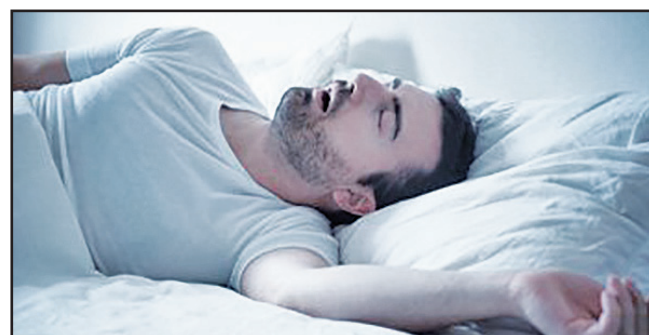
urinate at night. People with OSA are more likely to get up in the middle of the night to go to the bathroom. That's because it affects the release of antidiuretic hormone (ADH), which prevents fluid from filling the bladder and prevents the need to urinate during the night.

When ADH can't do what it's supposed to, the bladder fills and the urge to urinate appears. This is yet another way that OSA disturbs proper bodily functions and compounds disordered sleep.

If you suffer from OSA or

suspect you do, have a sleep study done, which includes a diagnosis by a medical physician. This is the only way to correctly diagnose OSA or other sleep disorders. OSA should be treated as a serious medical condition because the consequences go far beyond daytime fatigue."

Dr. Edmund Lipskis, DDS, MS is a Master Senior Instructor in the International Board of Orthodontics and board-certified by the International Board of Orthodontics and the American Board of Craniofacial Pain.



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Swapan Chaudhuri performed in concert with Rahul Sharma on March 23 at the Bal Theatre in San Leandro. At right, Chaudhuri receives the Padma award from the president of India in a ceremony in Delhi on March 16.

## One of India's Greatest Musicians Performs at the Bal Theatre

Pandit Swapan Chaudhuri, one of the leading tabla [Indian drum] players in Indian classical music, performed at the Bal Theatre in San Leandro on March 23.

Swapan Chaudhuri received the prestigious Padma Award from the government of India, one of the highest civilian honors from the Indian government, directly from the President of India at an award ceremony in Delhi last month.

Lovers of Indian classical music from throughout the Bay Area attended the concert at the Bal Theatre. Tabla is a percussion instrument originating from the

Indian subcontinent, consisting of a pair of drums, used in classical music, and played with the hands.

(Pandit is an honorary Indian title bestowed upon Swapan Chaudhuri recognizing him as a talented Indian classical musician and teacher of music.)

Chaudhuri, a resident of San Rafael, is a recipient of the prestigious American Academy of Artists Award and has received the Excellence in Performing Arts Award from the Global Indian Congress in San Francisco. He has also been nominated to the International Percussive Arts

Society's Hall of Fame.

Swapan's music reaches beyond the scope of classical music to include performances and recordings with musicians such as Stevie Wonder, L. Shankar, Mark O'Connor, John Handy, Larry Coryell, John Santos, the reputed Persian musicians Alizade and Kayhan Kalhor, the African drum master, Malenga, and the renowned guitarists, Vlatko Stefanovski and Miroslav Tadic.

He has participated in many International Music Festivals such as Bath, Perth, Sydney, Tokyo, Toronto, San Francisco,

Kuala Lumpur, Stuttgart and Berlin. He has composed for several percussion ensembles that have received tremendous appreciation from Western as well as Indian audiences. He is associated with various American and European Universities as a visiting professor.

Swapan Chaudhuri has held the position as Director of Percussion at the Ali Akbar College of Music in San Rafael, California and in Basel, Switzerland, where students from all over the world receive intensive training in Tabla.

He is also the Department



Chairperson for the World Music Department at California Institute of the Arts in Los Angeles, California.

### Older Adults Invited to Take Survey

The Area Agency on Aging (AAA) is conducting a survey for older adults to gain perspective on what community components are important for the development of the Countywide Plan for Older Adults. The information

collected will be used to shape future programs and services.

If you are age 55 and older, and reside in Alameda County, please take a few minutes to fill out the online survey at: <http://bit.ly/aaa2019survey>

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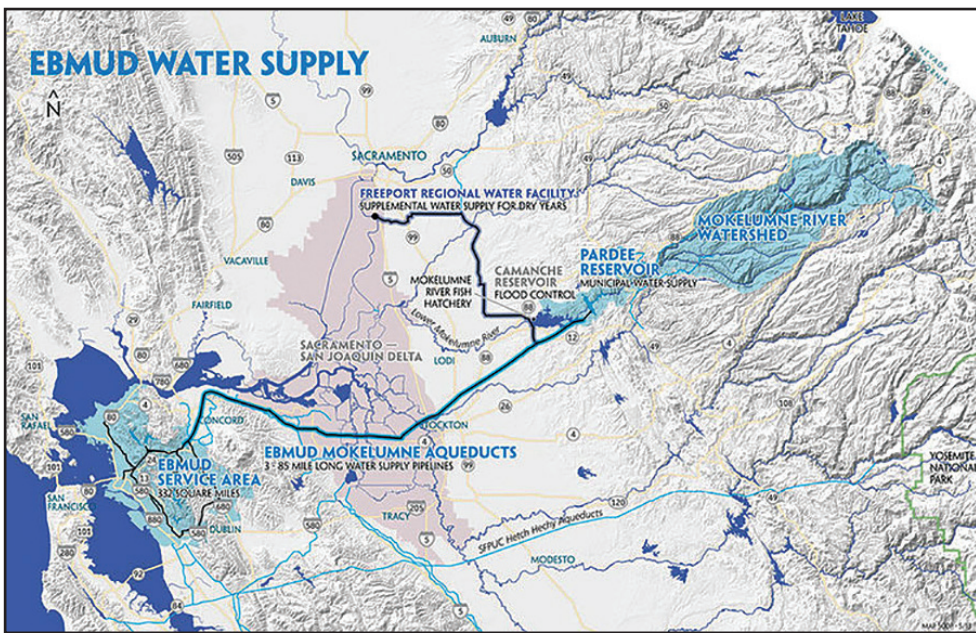
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An EBMUD map shows the source of the water in the Mokelumne River watershed, Pardee Reservoir and the aqueducts that transport the water to the East Bay.

## Rates: Board to vote on June 11

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for improving the aging water infrastructure over the next two years, as well as their IT department where they need to replace outdated financial and human resource computer systems.

The EBMUD board will vote on the proposed increase at a

public hearing on June 11 at their administrative office at 375 -11th Street in Oakland. The public is invited to attend the meeting and also can address any questions and comments to EBMUD at (866) 403-2683 or at eb mud.com.

The new proposed rate increases are part of a pattern of

regular annual rake hikes. During the last biannual budget process in 2017, EBMUD rates went up 9.25 percent beginning that year and another 9 percent on July 1, 2018.

And from 2013 to 2016, water rates went up an average of 9 percent a year.

## Auction to Benefit Roosevelt and Bancroft

Come to the Annual Spring Auction benefiting Roosevelt Elementary School and Bancroft Middle School this Saturday from 5 to 10 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building, 1105 Ban-

croft Ave.

The theme this year is Casino Royale and includes gambling, food and drinks, and entertainment. Tickets are \$40 each or \$75 a pair. Come out to support the

students of San Leandro public schools.

For advanced purchase tickets and more information Visit: <https://roosevelt.schoolauction.net/auction2019>.

## PhotoCentral Spring Exhibition Runs Jointly with Adobe Art Center

PhotoCentral's annual spring photography exhibition is running jointly with the Adobe Art Center this year.

The exhibition will run through May 11 at both galleries – PhotoCentral, 1099 E St. in Hayward; and the Adobe Gallery, 20395 San Miguel Ave. in Castro Valley.

See over 200 inspiring works in this eclectic group show featuring a wide variety of works from over 70 artists in two exciting galleries. Vote on your favorite pictures. Awards, prizes, fun and gorgeous photographs, paintings, sculpture, fiber arts and works on paper. Celebrate and take home some great art and memories.

Gallery hours at PhotoCentral are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the upstairs gallery. Downstairs gallery hours are Monday from 5 to 10 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and by appointment.

Hours at the Adobe Art Center are Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and by appointment.



## Job Search Workshops At SLZ Adult School

San Lorenzo Adult School, 820 Bockman Road in San Lorenzo, will hold several job search workshops on the following dates.

• Hear directly from employers and recruiters during a panel discussion, "What Employers

Want You to Know," on April 29 from 9 to 10:30 a.m.; April 30 from 9 to 10:30 a.m.; and April 30 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

• Interview Techniques Workshops on May 6 from 9 to 10:30 a.m.; May 7 from 9 to 10:30 a.m.; and May 7 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

• The Spring Job Fair will be on Tuesday, May 14, from 9 to 11 a.m.

To register for these workshops, or vendors who want to be in the job fair, contact Trish Jetson at [trishjetson@slzusd.org](mailto:trishjetson@slzusd.org) or call 317-4224.



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# REAL ESTATE GALLERY



## REAL ESTATE REALITY

By Carl Medford, CRS  
Special to the Times

GUEST COMMENTARY



## Pictures Raise Security Concerns For Some Buyers

A realtor was contacted about a virtual tour produced for a home they had sold more than a year ago. The virtual tour was still available on online websites and the buyer was concerned about her safety.

She had recently, in two separate incidents, suffered the theft of articles left on her porch by an online company's delivery service. She had video tapes of both incidents and sent them to the listing agent, along with a request to remove the virtual tour.

The agent was quick to reiterate what the police had already conveyed to the owner: having a virtual tour and/or pictures posted on real estate websites does not entice burglars. Leaving parcels on your doorstep for prolonged periods, however ... does.

Especially if your front porch is highly visible from the street.

In this age of growing concerns about security, listing agents have begun fielding questions about online pictures used to market homes which are subsequently left on internet portals such as Realtor.com, Trulia, Zillow and so on.

Some buyers have asked that all pictures be removed

from the MLS, a request that can cause problems for the real estate community at large.

When pictures, virtual or 3D tours, videos and/or drone footage are taken, they are usually placed first on the local multiple listing service (MLS). From there they are pushed out to all major real estate websites.

As long as the pictures remain on the MLS, they will normally show up on internet sites as well.

While the pictures posted for homes for sale are important for potential buyers, they have another important purpose as well. Once a home is sold, the pictures and sale data become a part of the local real estate historical record.

This historical database is critical to Realtors, appraisers and lenders in determining values for homes that will either be coming on the market or are already in escrow.

Listing agents need the pictures to effectively set list prices, buyer's agents need them to write correctly priced offers and appraisers and lenders need them to provide valuations for purchases, refinances and so on.

Since pictures from past sales help sharpen the numbers by providing a visual comparison,

it is critical that they remain on the MLS.

For those concerned about pictures that remain online, however, the MLS can change a setting so the pictures are no longer available to other sites.

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.

## Coming Soon! Spectacular Bay Views



Located on an approx. 12,359 sq. ft. lot in the hills above Sheffield Village, the versatile floor-plan of this two-story home offers good separation of space and was clearly designed to maximize the beautiful bay views. The approximately 2,087 sq. ft. of living space features three bedrooms (including a master suite with walk-in closet) and two-and-a-half bathrooms. Other amenities include an eat-in kitchen, formal dining room and two large bonus rooms, one on each level! Conveniently located next to the foyer, the two-car attached garage offers interior access. For a buyer with creativity and a vision of their own, the possibilities are endless. For more information, contact **Michelle R. Miller, Associate Broker, of Compass Real Estate at 510-701-3442. BRE# 01012751**



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## Reduce Maintenance and Increase Success with Self-Watering Gardens

By Melinda Myers  
Special to the Times

Raised beds and containers expand our planting options. They allow us to grow edible and ornamental plants even where there is no plantable space to garden. Use them to make planting, tending and harvesting convenient by bringing the garden to your back door. And fill them with pollinator-friendly plants to enjoy the colorful hummingbirds and butterflies that visit and flit past the window, deck and balcony.

Their need for frequent watering may have discouraged you from growing in raised beds and containers. The limited soil mass and increased exposure to wind, heat and sunlight make fast-draining potting mixes dry out more quickly than in-ground gardens.

Self-watering raised gardens are now available, making these gardens a realistic option; even for the busiest gardener. Consider one with a large built-in water reservoir, like Gardener's Corrugated Metal Self-Watering Raised Bed, that extends time between watering.

Create mixed plantings of

edibles and flowers for beautiful combinations in raised beds. Include some edible flowers like nasturtiums, pansies and calendulas that you, the hummingbirds and butterflies will enjoy. Lettuce, parsley, kale, Swiss chard and red cabbage combine nicely with most flowers and chives provide an edible vertical accent. Select compact vegetable varieties like Patio Choice yellow cherry tomato, Patio Pride peas, Mascotte bush beans and Astia zucchini suited to container and raised bed culture. And if concerned about maintaining the integrity of the patio or deck surface consider a Patio Raised Bed with Base (gardeners.com) that protects the underlying surface.

Elevated gardens raise your plantings to a comfortable height. No bending or kneeling needed to plant, weed and harvest. These are basically containers on legs. Many have wheels so you can move them out of the way or into the sunlight as needed.

Look for those with built-in trellises and supports when growing vines like cucumbers, pole beans and Malabar spinach and tall plants like tomatoes,



dinner plate dahlias and cosmos. But like containers, they dry out more quickly than in-ground gardens and need frequent irrigation.

Look for easy care, self-watering containers like the Self-Watering Standing Garden with large reservoirs to maximize the time between watering. Look for those with fill tubes and water-level indicators to help you determine when to water. These features help keep your garden looking and producing its best. You'll have plenty of fresh greens for salads, herbs for seasoning drinks and meals, and flowers to dress up your table.

Don't fret if you already have a raised bed or elevated garden that lacks these easy-care features. DIY irrigation kits are available and easy to design for these types of gardens. Select systems that allow you to customize and fit the irrigation layout to your gardening needs.

Further reduce maintenance by incorporating a slow release

fertilizer at planting. These types of fertilizers release small amounts of nutrients over a longer period of time. No weekly mixing and applications needed. Just give them a mid-season boost if needed and according to the fertilizer label.

Reducing ongoing maintenance of raised beds and container gardens makes it practical to expand your gardening space. Just be sure to fill them with a quality potting mix and plants suited to the growing conditions and in no time, you'll be enjoying the flavor and beauty these gardens provide.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses* "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the *Melinda's Garden Moment* TV & radio segments. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and was commissioned by *Gardeners Supply* for her expertise to write this article. Her web site is [www.MelindaMyers.com](http://www.MelindaMyers.com).

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# Fertilizer Contains Nutrients for Plant Growth; Epsom Salt Rejuvenates Foundation Canes of Roses

By Buzz Bertolero  
Special to the Times

**Q** I'm new to gardening and I'm wondering why one must fertilize container plants frequently. If you buy good plants, have good soil and take care of them, why then is fertilizer necessary?

Also, why does 0-10-10 help plants bloom? Won't they bloom on their own?

**A** Plants require nutrients to grow and thrive. Without them, they struggle and eventually die.

One of the functions of roots is to absorb nutrients. The nutrients are then transported upward throughout the plant.

Nutrient depreciation or loss in containers is rapid because every time you water, which is frequently, water carries them away as the container drains.

It's important to recognize that container plants have perfect drainage versus those plant-

ed in our clay or adobe soil that drains poorly. Also, the roots are restricted to a pre-defined area, the pot size, while those plants in the ground have plenty of room to expand beyond their canopy.

Soil microorganisms are also present absorbing organic matter and converting them into nutrients. Over time the volume of soil disappears in containers and is replaced with roots while this is not the case with those planted in the ground.

The three primary elements necessary for plant growth are Nitrogen (N), Phosphorus (P) and Potassium (K), also known as NPK. There are 10 or more secondary elements like Boron, Iron, Sulphur, Copper, Magnesium, and others needed in lesser amounts.

Nitrogen is necessary for growth and lush green foliage. It leeches quickly from soils because it is a mobile element, so it needs to be replaced frequently. Phosphorus and Potassium are for fruit and flower

production, aids in the general plant hardness, and remains longer in our soils.

The nutrient/fertilizer analysis is on every bag of fertilizer and is expressed as a percentage. The first number is always Nitrogen (N), next is the Phosphorus (P) and finally Potassium (K). On the back of every fertilizer bag, you'll find a detailed listing of all the elements including the secondary ones.

Some plants fail to bloom when they are growing too vigorously while others are not affected by the growth cycle.

Light and temperature are two other strong influences in flowering. Low or no nitrogen type fertilizers like 0-10-10 help plants bloom and are applied during the winter months to Bearded Iris, Citrus and others. Gardeners will switch to 0-10-10 with Fuchsias, Tuberous Begonias, and other flowering plants once the desired size has been reached to maximize color.

Today, we're spoiled as we have many different types of fertilizers to choose from, such as time release, organic, water-soluble and synthetic. They're all right answers, but which one is the best?

I prefer the time-release fertilizers. I then only have to feed a couple times a year to keep plants thriving. For you



and your yard, the Nursery Professional at your favorite garden center is the resource for plant-specific fertilizers and fertilizing.

**Q** Can epsom salt be applied at the same time you are adding a systemic fertilizer to roses? I don't think there is a problem, but I'm just double-checking.

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## Deadline for Down-Payment Assistance Approaches

First-time home-buyers must complete a pre-application by this Friday, April 26, as the first step in an application process to receive down-payment assistance during the first round of lending made possible by Alameda County affordable housing bond Measure A1.

The program, called AC Boost, will provide down-payment assistance in the form of shared-appreciation loans to borrowers with total incomes at or below 120 percent of area median based on household size.

Loans of up to \$150,000 are available depending on buyer income and need.

AC Boost down-payment assistance loans are interest free and have no monthly payment during the time the borrower owns the home. Instead, they are repaid when the home is sold, the owner wants to take cash out through mortgage refinancing or no longer wishes to occupy the home, or the 30-year term of the original purchase mortgage loan comes to an

end.

At the time of payoff of the AC Boost down-payment loan, the homeowner repays the amount borrowed plus a proportional share of any increase in the home's overall value.

For example, if the down-payment assistance loan was for 15 percent of the original purchase price, the homeowner would repay the amount borrowed plus 15 percent of any increase in the home's value.

A lottery drawing will establish a random ranking order of pre-applications among qualified applicants. Additional information on eligibility requirements, and on lending preferences for teachers and first-responders are available at [www.acboost.org/](http://www.acboost.org/).

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53 Schuyler Avenue	94544: \$540,000 2 BD - 820 SF - 1951
194 Shepherd Avenue	94544: \$550,000 2 BD - 1,025 SF - 1959
27746 Tampa Avenue	94544: \$550,000 3 BD - 1,000 SF - 1954
31214 Tepic Place	94544: \$575,000 3 BD - 1,435 SF - 1981
428 Rousseau Street	94544: \$600,000 3 BD - 1,134 SF - 1955
209 Gloria Street	94544: \$615,000 3 BD - 1,170 SF - 1952
27182 Whitman Street	94544: \$620,000 3 BD - 951 SF - 1950
25476 Belmont Avenue	94542: \$639,000 3 BD - 1,135 SF - 1952
27694 Pensacola Way	94544: \$640,000 4 BD - 1,000 SF - 1954
1060 Edgemere Lane	94545: \$655,000 3 BD - 1,276 SF - 1958
3095 Randall Way	94541: \$665,000 3 BD - 1,116 SF - 1954
24273 Willmet Way	94544: \$670,000 3 BD - 1,456 SF - 1955
3105 D Street	94541: \$678,000 3 BD - 1,142 SF - 1952
30568 Vanderbilt Street	94544: \$720,000 3 BD - 1,408 SF - 1958
32272 Trevor Avenue	94544: \$735,000 3 BD - 1,228 SF - 1955
893 Resota Street	94544: \$735,000 3 BD - 1,350 SF - 1959
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1833 Dahill Lane	94541: \$839,000 3 BD - 2,262 SF - 1959
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27104 Belvedere Court	94544: \$1,150,000 4 BD - 3,168 SF - 1963
2691 Beachwood Street	94545: \$1,320,000 4 BD - 3,240 SF - 2004
336 Drummond Drive	94542: \$1,410,000 4 BD - 3,799 SF - 2010

**TOTAL SALES:** 28  
**LOWEST AMOUNT:** \$456,000 **MEDIAN AMOUNT:** \$674,000  
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1420 Thrush Avenue	94578: \$402,500 2 BD - 820 SF - 1994
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224 Caliente Drive	94578: \$520,000 3 BD - 1,245 SF - 1980
730 Fargo Avenue	94579: \$528,000 3 BD - 1,136 SF - 1965
2394 Cheshire Place	94577: \$550,000 3 BD - 1,659 SF - 1977
1833 Nelson Street	94579: \$638,000 3 BD - 1,214 SF - 1959
14845 Crosby Street	94579: \$670,000 3 BD - 1,577 SF - 1956
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15212 Galt Street	94579: \$735,000 3 BD - 1,714 SF - 1950
2410 Easy Street	94578: \$755,000 4 BD - 1,378 SF - 1950
442 Cape Cod Drive	94578: \$793,000 3 BD - 1,812 SF - 1980
2075 West Avenue 134th	94577: \$1,185,000 7 BD - 3,493 SF - 1938
1120 Glen Drive	94577: \$1,275,000 3 BD - 2,298 SF - 1939

**TOTAL SALES:** 14  
**LOWEST AMOUNT:** \$402,500 **MEDIAN AMOUNT:** \$654,000  
**HIGHEST AMOUNT:** \$1,275,000 **AVERAGE AMOUNT:** \$699,312

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17790 Via Valencia	94580: \$595,000 3 BD - 1,077 SF - 1951
16100 Channel Street	94580: \$698,000 4 BD - 1,350 SF - 1951
16227 Ashland Avenue	94580: \$1,010,000 5 BD - 2,596 SF - 1908

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A	1-4	1-4	14451 Flagship St.	\$495,000	2/1	United Brokers RE	Tere Lee	510-305-8827
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H	—	1-4	22139 Castille Ln. #70	\$550,000	3/2	United Brokers RE	Tere Lee	510-305-8827
A	—	1-4	389 Woodland Park	\$799,000	2/1	Coldwell Banker	Laurie Pfohl	510-851-3551
A	1-3	1-4	954 Lee Ave.	\$860,000	3/1.5	Robert Jones & Assoc.	Ron/Matt	510-357-0120
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C	1-4	1-4	18715 Mt. Lassen	\$1,125,000	4/3	Re/Max	Leslie Peterson	510-697-1208
H	—	1-3	3906 Arbutus Ct.	\$1,750,000	4/3	J. Rockcliff RE	Kristy Peixoto	925-251-2536
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# Container Gardens for Every Occasion

By Melinda Myers  
Special to the Times

Make every occasion special by designing and growing containers for summer holidays, weddings, anniversary parties or other special celebrations. Pick a color scheme appropriate for the occasion or a variety of colors and shapes sure to add a festive touch.

Look for opportunities to include edible and flower filled planters. Set containers at your front entrance to welcome family and guests. Use smaller containers to line a pathway and decorate each table. Fill large pots with tall plants and ornamental grasses to provide privacy and define spaces.

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eties trialed and proven for their performance in gardens and containers. All-America Selections (AAS) is a non-profit trialing organization with test sites across the U.S. and Canada. Volunteer judges rate entries based on their improved performance, flavor and unique qualities. Visit the AAS website for help selecting edibles and flowers suitable for container gardening. (all-americaelections.org)

Then pick a color theme. Red, white and blue combinations are perfect for patriotic holidays like the fourth of July. Or pick one color and display it in patriotic pots. For reds consider Summer Jewel red salvia, Viking XL Red on Chocolate begonia and Double Fire Zahara zinnia. Add a light airy touch with Sparkle White guara and

Gypsy White Improved baby's breath. Evening Scentsation petunia, Strata salvia and Lavender Lady lavender provide the blue. Add an explosion of texture with fiber optic grass or Fireworks penstemon.

Host a sports event using flower colors or containers of your favorite team. Add to the festivities by growing them in a football, baseball or soccer shaped planter.

Gold is always a great choice when celebrating anniversaries, golden birthdays or any special occasion. Dress up the tables with the plump blooms of Marigold Big Duck Gold or the feathery blossoms of Fresh Look Gold celosia. Let them know they're special by including Super Hero™ Spry marigold. The maroon and golden yellow flowers top 12" tall plants and the name says it all. All these golden beauties will continue to flower and thrive long after the party ends. Combine them with other bright colors like South Pacific Orange canna, and Calliope® Medium Dark Red geranium to create a festive atmosphere.

Bring the garden to the party with a few edible containers for a bit of interactive dining. Encourage guests to harvest herbs and vegetables as they create a salad, season their dinner or flavor their favorite drink. Then



dress up the meal with edible flowers like calendulas and Baby Rose nasturtium with its peppery flavored flowers and leaves.

Make any outdoor wedding, reception or rehearsal dinner at your home memorable by creating planters that complement the bride's color scheme. Include white flowers, like Summer Jewel White salvia, Mont Blanc nierenbergia, Starlight rose zinnia and Gypsy White

Improved gypsophila. White is the perfect neutral and lights up any evening celebration.

Once you experience the difference specially-designed containers can make, you'll be looking for more opportunities to host events and grow more planters.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Garden-*

*ing. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" gardening DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio segments. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by AAS for her expertise to write this article. Myers' web site is www.melindamyers.com.*



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## Mortgage Rates Continue to Rise

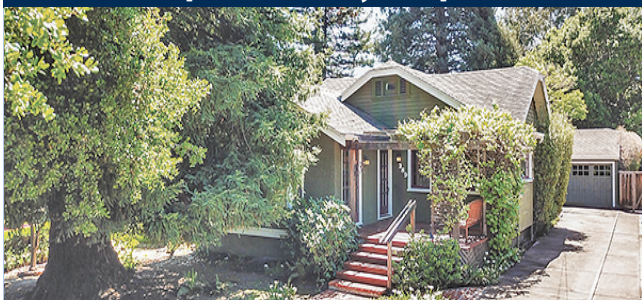
Mortgage rates continued to rise for the third consecutive week, according to Freddie Mac's weekly nationwide survey. The 30-year FRM averaged 4.17 last week, up from the previous week at 4.12 percent. A year ago at this time, the FRM averaged 4.47 percent.

"After dropping dramatically in late March, mortgage rates have modestly increased since

then. While this week marks the third consecutive week of rises, purchase activity reached a nine-year high – indicative of a strong spring homebuying season," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

Fifteen-year rates averaged 3.62 percent last week, and five-year hybrid adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) averaged 3.78 percent.

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## SPORTS

## San Lorenzo Baseball Keeping Heads Up after Shutout

By Andrew Joseph  
San Leandro Times

The San Lorenzo High School Grizzlies baseball team lost on the road to the Piedmont Highlanders on Tuesday evening by a tally of 15-0 in a conference game.

"We have five games left, I told our guys just keep playing hard," said San Lorenzo head coach Andrew Lonsdale. "Hopefully our seniors can look back at these past years as a positive time in their lives."

Logan Vanhille connected for the Grizzlies in the first inning with a single to left field with one out. Raul Dominguez also had another San Lorenzo base hit to begin the second inning. But additional base hits became few for the team during the remainder of the ball game.

"My pitching plan every day is to go out there and throw strikes to help my team go win the game," said Grizzlies' senior starting pitcher Dominguez. "I played varsity pitcher for San Lorenzo for the past three years, and it means a lot as a senior right now to represent this school because I grew up here."

Piedmont took at 4-0 lead at the end of the first inning and never looked back, scoring multiple runs on the Grizzlies pitchers and stealing bases on San Lorenzo's errors.

"We are just trying to go out and have fun these last few games of this season for our seniors," said San Lorenzo junior Kerwin Marshall. "I've been learning a lot from our seniors this year and will carry that momentum and knowledge forward into next season."

The Grizzlies' single win so far this season came against Oakland Tech by a final score of 6-3 on March 23 at home in a non-conference game.

"The highlights from this year for our returning players next season is our work ethic, staying positive and trying to always improve our game," added Dominguez.

It was the Highlanders' defense that made it tough for San Lorenzo batters, being unable to put a runner across the plate. They now fall to 0-8 in league play and 1-16 overall.

"As long as we give it all that we have every time we step on the field I will be happy, no matter if we win or lose the game," said Lonsdale.

The Grizzlies play San Leandro at home tomorrow at 4 p.m. The Pirates are 11-9 overall and even at 5-5 in league play, winning two of their last three games.



PHOTO BY ANDREW JOSEPH

San Lorenzo batter Raul Dominguez (#23 grey) singles with no outs in the second inning at Piedmont High School on Tuesday.

## Mayfest to Bring Bands, Comedians to The Englander

The 2nd Annual Mayfest will be held on Saturday, May 11, starting at 4 p.m. at The Englander, 101 Parrott St. in downtown San Leandro, with music, comedy and beers by local bands, local breweries and local talent. Admission is \$20.

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## Spring Cleaning Event

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#### Spring Cleaning Event ~ 10am - 3pm

Bring appliances, mattresses, electronics, scrap metal, clean wood/yard trimmings, tires household batteries and fluorescent lamps. Residents may also drop off cell phones, chargers, CDs, DVDs and audio and video tapes for recycling.

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# Budget: Discussion on taxes at May 5 City Council meeting

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"We've bought some more time," said Baum. "We aren't going to solve this overnight, but we've bought ourselves extra time to solve this budget."

The deficit was temporarily put off thanks to the creation of a task force of members from every city department who tightened their belts, according to Mayor Pauline Cutter. Cutter said the cost-saving measures were so exacting that the task force has employees only allowed to make black and white copies at work.

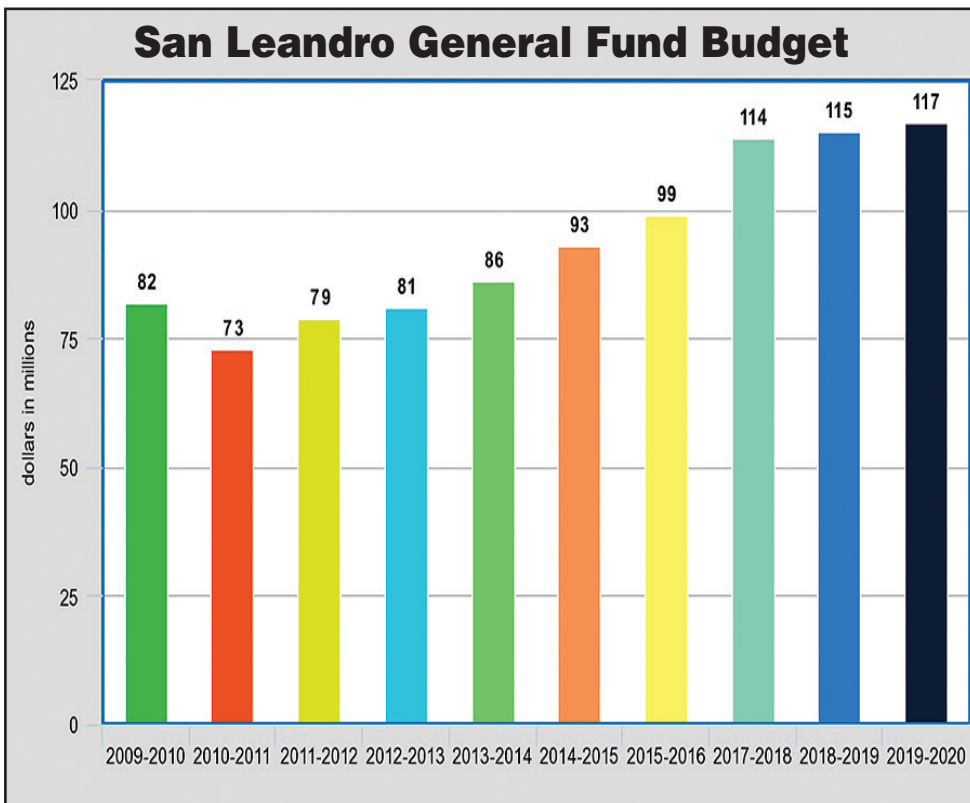
Baum says that a lean number of city staffers is key to reducing the budget gap. Baum says the city now has 437 full-time equivalent employees, down from

500 a decade ago. He said that running with fewer employees is an efficient cost-saver, but there is the danger of losing the most competitive candidates and overworking the staff they do have.

Salaries, benefits, and retirement costs continue to make up the largest part of the city's expenditures. This fiscal year, personnel costs will total \$56 million and by 2029 they will cost \$78 million.

And when it comes to personnel costs, a staggering amount of unfunded retirement costs continue to loom over the city's future.

The city is trying to mitigate that through a special account that was created to set aside pension funding for the future. Baum said



another practice is to pre-fund their annual required payments to the California Public Employee Retirement System (CalPERS) and the city received a \$300,000 refund from CalPERS this year by doing that.

"It continues to be a big issue, but we continue to address it," said Baum.

Notably in the budget, expenditures for the current fiscal year include almost \$30 million

in transfers out of the general fund budget to the capital improvement budget. Baum said it's an unusually large amount, but necessary for a number of large ongoing projects.

Among the projects included in this year's funding are \$6.7 million for the police office expansion, \$2.5 million for the construction of the new Marina/Mulford branch library, \$4.5 million for Casa Peralta im-

provements, and \$2.3 million for decommissioning the boat harbor.

The City Council is expected to discuss the proposed taxes at the Monday, May 6, meeting at

7 p.m. at City Hall. Baum will present any changes at another budget meeting on May 20 and the adoption of the 2019/2020 budget is scheduled for June 3.

## Auditions for *And Then There Were None*

The San Leandro Players will hold auditions for *And Then There Were None* by Agatha Christie on Monday and Tuesday, May 20 and 21, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the San Leandro Museum Auditorium, 320 West Estudillo Ave.

Read from script. No pay, non-Equity. 8M-2F, all adult, all ages and ethnicities encouraged.

Rehearsals begin May 27, Monday through Thursday evenings. Performances are on Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m., July 20 through Aug. 18. Opportunity for stage crew/lights and sound operators.

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## Anthony B. Santos

Anthony B "Tony" Santos, aged 86, passed away April 15th, 2019 peacefully at the family home in San Leandro, surrounded by family. Tony, a pillar of the community, was Mayor of San Leandro from 2006-2010. He also served 14 years as a councilmember.

Tony was born in Honolulu, Hawaii to Isabelle and Anthony, the oldest of 4 children. The family moved to the mainland in the 1940's where his father secured a job at Todd's Shipyard. He graduated from Alameda High School in 1951 and entered the Air Force, meeting his wife Melitta while stationed in Germany. They were married for 63 years. Tony came back to the Bay Area after his Air Force Service and was the first in the family to graduate from college, earning a degree in history from San Francisco State. He went to work for Safeco Insurance as a claims manager and spent almost 50 years in the insurance arena. Growing up during the depression, Tony's childhood hero was President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, which led to his love of politics and wanting to do all he could for his community. Tony dreamed to one day see his name on a ballot, a dream eclipsed by actually winning 4 council races and a mayor's race.

He is survived by his wife Melitta, his children Mike and Karen, and 3 grandchildren, Francesca, Phillip and Tyler. For those who would like to join his family in celebrating his long and inspiring life, a viewing will be held April 26th at Santos and Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave, San Leandro from 12-8 with a vigil at 6:30 P.M. A Memorial Mass will be held at Our Lady of Good Counsel on May 4th at 9:30A.M. Arrangements handled by Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 510-483-0123.



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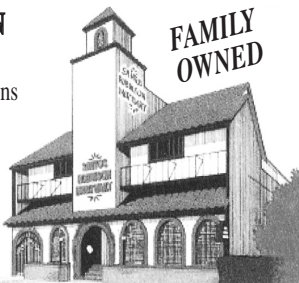
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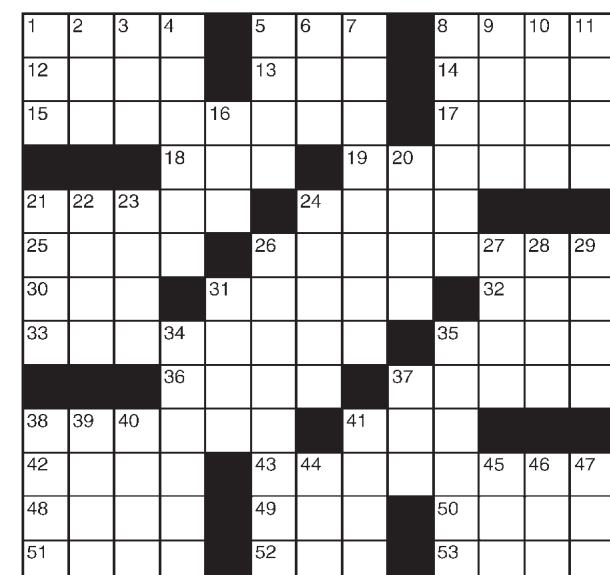
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## Seniors Share Memoirs at Writing Class

A group of seniors shared their stories at the last-class party of the senior memoir writing class at the Main Library earlier this month.

Seniors in the class wrote a story about a life experience for the class, organized by Bella Comelo, a member of the city's Senior Commission. Retired teacher Kathleen McCabe-Martin taught the class, helping students put their memories down in print.

The class drew a good number of students, 26, and most finished their memoir, and others are still working on it. Sometimes the memories can be difficult, said McCabe-Martin.

And sometimes they can be funny, as it was with student George Banks who read an excerpt of his story at the ceremony. Molly Dolly and Michael Noel also read for the class. City Council members Corina Lopez and Pete Ballew also attended.

Comelo said her own memoir is the American Dream. She came to America in 1983, and settled in San Leandro five years later.

"We got a house and my children are all doing well — that's the American Dream," she said.

— By Jim Knowles

**Michael Noel reads his work at the memoir writing class at the Main Library.**



## OPINION

### LETTERS to the EDITOR

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#### Tony Santos; Great Leader, Fantastic Friend

Editor:

The tragic news of the death of former Mayor Tony Santos came to us as a great shock.

While words of sympathy surely could not remedy a loss so great, I pray that memories of this sorrowful event would gradually fade away in the lapse of time.

To the Santos family, the loss of a loving husband, a wonderful father and a remarkable grandfather is indeed very painful. Equally as painful to the community and myself is the loss of a great leader and a fantastic friend.

With our greatest condolences,

—Alfred Kwok, San Leandro

#### Answering Some Complaints

Editor:

Red light cameras. It's not a money grab.

The violation rate clearly justifies the need. That an Australian company has the best technology is not the problem. The problem is that people caught by a camera just don't want to be punished.

The money is your punishment and where it goes does not change the benefit the City gets from creating safer roads. You argue about the money but fail to offer an equivalently painful alternative. Just stop breaking the law and my tax dollars don't need to go towards police and cameras. City Council has my solid vote on this issue.

Parking in San Leandro. How is this any different from BART, the Colosseum, OAK airport charging for parking. It isn't. Nobody likes the change, but the next guy won't know the difference. It is a limited resource and often abused when offered for free. Put a quarter in the machine and enjoy your lunch. If you drove there, you can afford it.

Senior Housing. Mr. West. Your generation failed to build the low cost, subsidized housing that you now demand (Socialism). That there are not enough spots for the Baby Boomer generation, a well-documented population bubble, clearly falls on your own generations shoulders. Your guy Trump also just proposed to defund HUD by \$8.8 Billion...so your generation continues to hurt itself.

—John Clouston, San Leandro

#### Questions the Sale of Davis Street Building that Donations Bought

Editor:

How many of you offered up donations to help Davis Street Family Resource Center (DSFRC) buy their building on Teagarden years ago?

Several years ago, DSFRC received an evaluation from Alameda County to help them understand how to best ensure their sustainability going forward. One main outcome was the recommendation to purchase their building, hence the birth of the Capital Campaign to help DSFRC buy their building.

The campaign was a success and DSFRC was able to pay cash and buy their building, thanks to many generous San Leandro residents and businesses. Since then, DSFRC, with Rose Johnson at the helm and Gordon Galvan her lead Board member by her side, accumulated millions of dollars in debt, and has now felt the need to sell the building that the community bought! Interesting part — it appears that Gordon Galvan is part of the group that bought the building. Gordon helps drive DSFRC into millions of dollars in debt and is now collecting lease payments from them...huh.

Through the years I have given DSFRC the benefit of the doubt and referred residents in need to them for services. Though every time I heard back, I heard that DSFRC indicated they have no money for that right now.

Let's not be fooled again and be tricked into donating money to DSFRC to purchase their building AGAIN any time soon!

—Diana Souza, San Leandro

#### Climate Change: Everyone Shares the Responsibility

Editor:

"By the end of the century, the manifold consequences of unchecked climate change will cost the U.S. hundreds of billions of dollars per year."

So says a new study by the EPA published April 8 in Nature Climate Change.

Why am I writing to my local newspaper, in a city of only about 90,000 people, about this global crisis? Because we cannot wait for federal and state government agencies to address this looming disaster.

One scientist in the EPA report remarked, "It's kind of like, all politics is local. Climate change is the same," reflecting the report's prediction that there will be "no regions that escape some mix of adverse impacts."

Local governments and individual citizens must step up and do everything

we can NOW. Are there times when you could walk or bicycle rather than drive? Can you turn the heater down and the AC temperature up a few degrees? Can you hang up your laundry to dry? San Leandro now has its own cool website that can help you take steps like these. Visit [www.GoGreenSL.org](http://www.GoGreenSL.org) and learn actions, big and small, that you can take to reduce your impact on the environment.

I have found using this website fun and a much more satisfying way to spend my time than hand-wringing and worrying about the future of our planet.

—Carol Bardoff, San Leandro

#### Calls for Impeachment of President Trump

Editor:

If a schoolyard bully insults and assaults other kids, supervising adults may "tsk-tsk" with a cluck of their tongues, but if they do nothing else, they aid, abet, and enable the bully's bad behavior. Reprimand is demanded for the sake of the other kids, and for the sake of abiding by the rules, if not for the sake of teaching the reprimanded child as well.

And so it is with our precious democracy, that those whose responsibility is to check our President's lawless obstruction are now called to active duty.

Disparaging clucking sounds without meaningful reprimand would enable the White House bully to continue treating our collective government and trusted commonwealth as his personal platform for pecuniary power. Cheats, liars, law-benders and law-breakers, including — and especially — the President and his minions, must face consequences for their actions, or else our civil society will deconstruct to schoolyards where might makes right.

Those who say this is not the time for Congressional impeachment fail to acknowledge that the clock runs out in nine months when 2020 election campaigning will be fulsome, and calls for lawful accountability will be misinterpreted as political grandstanding.

Those who say that Congressional impeachment is futile because Republican Senators will not vote to convict an impeached Trump fail to believe that America can self-correct and regain its course toward the ideals of liberty and justice under law.

If Congressional Representatives and Senators fail to hold the President accountable for breaking our laws and for endangering us from foreign intervention, voters can fail to reelect them in 2020. So-called political realists who call for more investigation, outside of impeachment proceedings that bring consequence, would enable the law-breaker to continue evading and lying while bullying others and enriching himself at our peril.

—Bruce Joffe, Piedmont

## INQUIRING REPORTER

### Your plans for the summer?

— Asked around town

Just healing up and having a better outlook on life. I got an infection in my leg. I was in Las Vegas and I just partied like crazy and I cut my leg. I woke up in the hospital. My buddies said we partied for two or three days. I don't even remember. I almost lost my foot. I'm going to take classes and have a better outlook.

**Casey Benson**  
Oakland



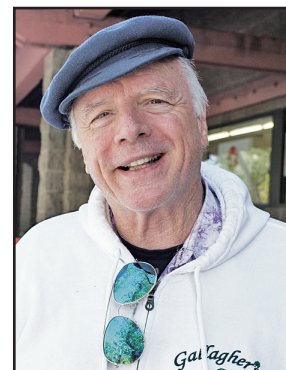
To go see my sister on a horse ranch in Texas. I'm going to help her with a very obstinate horse named Buddy. If you try to canter he throws you off. I'll work with him.

**Victoria McBride**  
San Leandro



I want to spend more time on the seashore at Land's End as a way to reduce the stress of modern living. My dad died and my mom has a melanoma in her eye and I've been taking care of her. I was in IT for 30 years and it's good to go to the seashore.

**Francis Grinnon**  
Oakland



I don't know but someday I would like to go to Alaska on a cruise ship and see the eagles and the whales and the glaciers.

**Sharon Grisby**  
Oakland



Well, we're taking off for the Southwest in a couple of weeks — to Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado. We rented an SUV. It's a family trip. My brother will be having his 80th birthday.

**John Carpenter**  
San Leandro





## Showers: Program needs temporary home

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hasn't had much luck, Fry said. Possibly, they might get ahold of one of those trailers with showers that a few other cities have used.

April Showers began in 2002 after Clement McMenemy, a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War who was living on the streets, was found dead. He had been attending St. Leander's Church, and a group of local churches formed the Interfaith Homeless Network to put their faith into practice in helping the homeless.

At the shower on Sundays, people from social service agencies are available. Around 65 to 120 homeless people come on an average Sunday, and they have referrals for medical, dental and mental health care, Fry said.

"So there's somewhere for people to go when they're ready for more than a Band-Aid," she added.

Fry said that April Showers is grateful to the Boys & Girls Club and the City of San Leandro for their help with the program.



TIMES FILE PHOTO

**Hair stylist Ana Lopez donates her time to give Joe Sanchez a haircut at the April Showers program where homeless people can take a shower and get clean clothes and a meal.**

Now she's hoping there's a way to keep the program going during the construction on the club.

Glotch is hopeful there will be a way to keep the shower

program going, too.

"Unfortunately, they haven't had much luck in finding a space," Glotch said. "But I'm sure there's got to be some sort of

solution, and it's just temporary.

I'm hopeful the community will find a way to meet the needs of April Showers, it's a really important program."



## Student Art Show On Display at Hayward Museum

Art by local students will be on display from May 1 through June 3 at the Hayward Area Historical Society (HAHS), 22380 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward with an opening reception on Wednesday, May 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. The Gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Students from the 2nd through 12th grades will showcase their art at the Community Gallery of the HAHS Museum of History and Culture. The art show is a collaboration between HAHS, and several East Bay school districts, and Seneca Family of Agencies, a local nonprofit mental health agency.

When asked what it meant to her to be in the show, a junior at Mt. Eden High School replied: "I get to be brave and put myself out there. People get to see part of my imagination."

"It's important to support kid's art to help them express themselves and get better. People should support kids getting more jobs in art - painting, graphic design. We should help kids have more confidence to do what they want."

## Cherry City Toastmasters

The Cherry City Toastmasters Club meets every Tuesday from 12:05 to 1:05 p.m. in the Trustees Room on the first floor at the

San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. The club offers a safe, supportive environment to grow your public speaking skills.

## Mass for Santos Set for May 4

The public is invited by the Santos family to a celebration of the life of former Mayor Tony Santos.

A viewing will be held at Santos and Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave. in San Leandro, on Friday, April 26, from noon to 8 p.m. with a vigil at 6:30 p.m.

A Memorial Mass will be held at Our Lady of Good Counsel, 2500 Bermuda Ave. in San Leandro, on Saturday, May 4, at 10 a.m.

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