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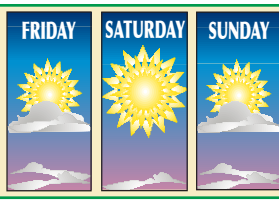


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Cub Scout Pack 635 took a bike ride along the Bay Trail, the last outing of the summer before the start of school.

Last Ride of the Summer

On August 14 some of the Cub Scouts from San Lorenzo Pack 635 had a final outing before school started.

They met at the Hayward Shoreline parking lot at the west end of Grant Avenue and bicycled north along the paved walking trails to Monarch Bay golf facility in San Leandro.

The management of Monarch Bay very kindly lets those developmentally challenged people served by Arc of Alameda County use the driving range and practice putting green of their Marina course each Tuesday. They are helped by the volunteer Ambassadors of Monarch Bay.

Last Tuesday the Cub Scouts who had

bicycled there got to use the upper deck of the driving range. Management loaned them junior-sized golf clubs and plenty of balls to hit.

They thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Across the street is Manor Park where they ate their lunches and then bicycled south to their original starting point.

Long-Awaited Fix Coming to East 14th Street

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

At least a small portion of pothole-plagued East 14th Street may be patched up by CalTrans in the next couple of months.

But the City of San Leandro is also moving forward with a plan to take over maintenance of the street from the state, saying the rough road needs to be fixed sooner.

East 14th Street is San Leandro's main drag, but is maintained by CalTrans because it is a state highway, State Route 185. The street is in such poor shape that the city is considering asking CalTrans to relinquish ownership of the road so the city can do repairs itself.

At the next meeting of the city's Facilities and Transportation Committee – scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 5, at 4 p.m. at City Hall – they will discuss the next step in the relinquishment process, according to Eric Engelbart, San Leandro's deputy city manager.

"The City Council and city staff share in the public concerns regarding the pavement condition of East 14th Street," said Engelbart.

CalTrans has bundled the East 14th Street repairs with other regional projects, so progress doesn't happen quickly. The idea behind the relinquishment would be that the city could apply for state funding directly and cut out the wait.

Engelbart added that the most recent news that the city has

received from CalTrans is that a half-mile portion of the street from Bayfair mall to Hesperian Boulevard will be repaved within

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School Board Candidates All Shoo-Ins

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

The election is still a couple of months away, but we already know that James Aguilar will be on the San Leandro School Board as the Trustee for Area 6.

Aguilar's name won't appear on the ballot since he's the sole candidate in Area 6, so he's guaranteed victory.

Aguilar, 18, just voted in his first election earlier this year in the June primary, but he does have some political experience under his belt, having previously served as the student board member of the San Lorenzo School Board last year.

"I'm really excited for someone my age to be elected to office – it's big," said Aguilar, who will be attending San Francisco State this fall with plans to major in

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New Parking Plan Enforced Downtown

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

You may have noticed color coded stickers on the meters downtown, part of the city's parking management plan to revamp they city's approximately 3,000 downtown paid public parking spaces.

There are now seven parking zones downtown. And you can't just move your car a short distance and have a fresh start on the time limit. Cars can't park in the same zone past the stated time limits even in free spaces.

You'll need to move at least one-tenth of a mile to be in the clear. The monitoring of this is done electronically, so don't look for a chalk mark on your tire to serve as a warning.

Parking rates vary in the different zones that have recently been put in place. Parking is free throughout downtown after 6 p.m., all day on Sundays, and on designated holidays.

The new parking plan includes meters where people have the option pay via phone see PARKING, page 9



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Pets of the Week



Frenchie

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, Frenchie the dog and Milo the dog. Frenchie is a spayed, 2-year-old Chihuahua mix, loves attention although she sometimes

Milo

needs reassurance that all is okay. She's calm and cool around other dogs. Okay with teenagers. Milo is a 2-year-old Chihuahua with a big personality. He likes people and dogs. He's both independent and people oriented and likes sitting in laps. He doesn't want too much attention, though. For more information on Frenchie or Milo, call the Hayward Animal Shelter 293-7200.



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Free Parking

Bicycles wait for their owners to return in the afternoon sun at the San Leandro BART Station.

Pinochle Players Wanted in CV

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Cars on Display at Elio's Every Second and Fourth Thursday

A classic car show is held on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month from 4 to 7 p.m. through October in the parking lot at Elio's Restaurant, 260 Floresta Blvd. in San Leandro. Cars from a 1915 Model T on up through more modern vehicles are on display. Motorcycles and dune buggies have been shown, too. No fees, just park your car and walk around and see the vehicles on display.

SL Demo Club To Meet Aug. 23

The San Leandro Democratic Club will meet tonight (Thursday, Aug. 23) from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. The guest speakers will be from the April Showers program and Building Futures.

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The Alameda County Sheriff's Explorers and deputy Jessica Ignatov gave out hundreds of backpacks in Ashland last week.

Deputies Give Out School Supplies

Last Thursday, the Alameda County Deputy Sheriffs Activities League (DSAL) held their second annual back-to-school drive at the DSAL Soccer Park at 166th Avenue in Ashland.

The DSAL started this event last year after learning that many families in the area need assistance with school supplies. Less

fortunate families have a hard time purchasing the necessary supplies and it can be added stress during a new school year. It's also an opportunity for kids and cops to come together in a positive way.

This year 325 backpacks filled with supplies were donated through generous donations from Costco, Honda of Hayward, the Davis Street Family Resource Center, Grace United Methodist Church in San Ramon, the Love from Margot Foundation, the DSAL and county employees.

There were over 240 youth, from pre-kindergarten to high school seniors who received backpacks stuffed with school supplies. This was a huge turnout and the DSAL says they nearly

doubled the donations from last year.

DJ Randall Anderson, a music instructor for the Love from Margot Foundation, volunteered his time and services for the event. The DSAL provided light snacks for families as they waited in line to receive their backpacks.

There are about 75 backpacks and some supplies left over, which the DSAL plans to donate to schools in Ashland and Cherryland as needed.

Overall this was a great event that will continue to grow each year. The DSAL wants to give a special thank you to Deputy Jessica Ignatov for leading this program and the young people in the police explorer program who assist her.

DA Offers Clean Slate Program

The Alameda County District Attorney's Office offers something called the "clean slate" program- the possibility of cleaning up a criminal history.

You may either file petitions on your own (pro per) or seek

legal representation. You can petition for various things including sealing an arrest record or asking for early termination of probation.

Visit www.alacoda.org or call 272-6222 for more information.

Deputies May Have Recorded Attorney-Client Conversations

The Alameda County district attorney's office is reviewing at least a dozen juvenile cases after discovering that the Sheriff's Office wrongly recorded a confidential conversation between a juvenile suspect and his attorney at the sheriff's Eden Township Substation in unincorporated San Leandro.

Footage of officers discussing the recordings was captured by a body camera worn by an officer and turned over to the county's public defender's office.

You can view the body cam footage of the two law enforcement officers discussing the taping of the conversation between the juvenile suspect and his lawyer on Youtube at <https://bit.ly/2OW6Iow>.

Sheriff's Office spokesman Sgt. Ray Kelly issued a statement saying that defense attorneys visited clients at that substation a dozen times in the past year.

The district attorneys' office says that they will be looking into all juvenile cases that have

been submitted by the sheriff's department since the beginning of this year.

The recording of privileged conversations is a felony under state law.

Sheriff Greg Ahern called the recording an "isolated incident."

He added that a special room at the Eden Township Substation is being remodeled for suspects and their attorneys to meet which will have no recording equipment.

The current interview rooms at the Eden substation have recording devices.

Sheriff Seeks Help Finding Sex Offender

On July 30, the California Superior Court issued a \$1,000,000 arrest warrant for Alexander James Rhodes, age 30, for the sexual assault of a small child.

Rhodes is transient and known to frequent the Castro Valley and Hayward area. Sheriff's detectives are looking for him.

If you have knowledge of Rhodes' location, call 667-7721. Anyone with more information is asked to call Detective Kernin Ng at 435-6379.



Rhodes

Vector Control Has A Brand New Lab

Alameda County Vector Control recently opened a new \$2.5 million laboratory facility on Harbor Bay Parkway in Alameda.

The new lab is composed of seven rooms where different aspects of research are conducted to support the overall epidemiologic and surveillance programs. This includes rooms for insecticide testing, vertebrate testing, an insectary to raise insects, and the main laboratory where samples are processed and arthropods are identified.

In 2017, vector control responded to over 7,700 requests for service, including 2,917 requests related to rodents, 2,267 requests concerning wildlife, 701 service requests related to raccoons, 571 requests related to skunks, 14 mosquito related service requests, and 848 service requests for venomous arthropods (including arachnids and insects).

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NEIGHBORS



San Leandro High School students are all smiles holding their completion of internship certificates.

SL High School Students Successfully Complete Summer Internships

A group of 42 San Leandro High School students celebrated the completion of their summer internships this month with prominent local companies through the San Leandro Unified School District's work-based learning program. The hands-on experience exposed students to high-demand career opportunities.

"Work-based learning is an integral part of making school relevant and helps students start thinking of their future," program coordinator Lisa Jackson said. "We are truly indebted to our local businesses who continue to open their doors to support our students."

Jackson worked with the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce

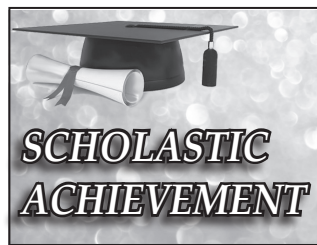
to connect with local companies, including OSIsoft, 440 Graphics, San Leandro Hospital and many more. Students spent four weeks on the job while attending courses that focused on career readiness.

For more information on the San Leandro Unified School District, visit slusd.us.SLHSstudents.JPG

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

❖ **Bill Owens Photo Exhibit** *Legacy of Suburbia*, running through Oct. 20. The exhibit celebrates the work of Bill Owens, spanning six decades, for his PhotoCentral, 1099 E St. in Hayward, presents *Altamont to America: Bill Owens and the*

80th birthday. The exhibition coincides with the book release of the same title. Gallery hours: Upstairs gallery – Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Downstairs gallery – Monday 5 to 10 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and by appointment. For more information, call PhotoCentral at 881-6721 or email info@photo-central.org.



Wauson Liang of San Leandro has been named to the Dean's List for the spring 2018 semester at Washington University in St. Louis. Liang is enrolled in the university's School of Engineering and Applied Science.

Washington University in St. Louis is counted among the world's leaders in teaching, research, patient care and service to society. The university draws students to St. Louis from about 100 countries and all 50 states.

READ & RECYCLE!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

❖ Hot August Thursdays

The City of San Leandro invites the community to the free summer music concert series, Hot August Thursdays, at Marina Park that takes place every other Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. in the month of August. The 3Day Weekend Band will play on Aug. 30. Chuy Gomez from Q102.1 will be hosting. Food and beverages are available for purchase during the event from Habana's Cuban Cuisine and the San Leandro Scholarship Foundation. For more information, contact Lydia Rodriguez, Recreation Supervisor at 577-3477 or lrdriguez@sanleandro.org.

❖ Cherry City Toastmasters Meetings

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. Public speaking is said to be the number one fear in America. If this sounds familiar, you are not alone. The Toastmasters offer a safe, supportive environment to grow your public speaking and leadership skills. Come explore what Toastmasters is all about.

❖ Career Technical Education Open House

San Leandro Adult School, 1448 Williams St., will host a Career Technical Education open house tonight, Aug. 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. Explore these certificated training programs: accounting technician, administrative assistant, barbering and cosmetology, banking careers, nurse assistant, home health aide, homecare worker, optometric technician, pharmacy tech and clinical medical assistant. For more information, call 667-6250 or go to www.sanleandroadultschool.org.

❖ American Legion Horseshoe Tournament

American Legion Post 117 will have its 8th annual Vets & Friends Horseshoe Tournament on Saturday, Aug. 25, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Kennedy Park, 18897 Hesperian Blvd. in Hayward. A donation of \$25 for each player, lunch is \$5 for non-participants. Tournament benefits various veteran's programs. For more information, call Mike Nettles at 499-4146.

❖ SLZ Community Church Flea Market

The San Lorenzo Community Church will have a Flea Market on Saturday, Aug. 25, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 945 Paseo Grande in San Lorenzo.

❖ SOS Meals on Wheels Fundraiser

"Tip for Senior Meals" Fundraiser to benefit SOS Meals on Wheels will be on Sunday, Aug. 26, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Don Jose's Mexican Restaurant, 3430 Village Drive in Castro Valley. Enjoy a great Mexican meal and leave an extra tip for SOS Meals on Wheels. For more information, go to www.sosmow.org or call 582-1263.

❖ 4th Sunday Breakfast for Veterans

American Legion Post 117 will host breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. every 4th Sunday of the month, except on holiday weekends, at the San Leandro Veterans Memorial Bldg., 1105 Bancroft Ave. in San Leandro. The menu will be eggs-to-order, bacon/sausage, hash browns, toast and coffee. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$5 for veterans, and all others. All donations benefit American Legion veteran programs.

❖ SL High School Baseball Fundraiser

The 8th Annual San Leandro High School Baseball Fundraiser will be on Friday, Sept. 7,

at the Redwood Canyon Golf Course, 17007 Redwood Road in Castro Valley. Shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. \$120 per golfer which includes putting contest, 18 holes of golf, driving range balls, golf cart, raffle prizes, awards, and dinner at the golf course. Register this week by calling coach Mike Bungarz at 449-2383 or email bungarz@comcast.net.

❖ Hearing Loss Association Meeting

The Hearing Loss Association will meet on Saturday, Sept. 8, at the Oakland Kaiser Permanente Hospital, Fabiola Bldg., 3801 Howe St., lower level, room G26. Refreshments are at 9:30 a.m. with the program starting at 10 a.m. Are there activities you avoid because you can't hear well enough? Steve Sells is a hard of hearing engineer who will share tips and technologies that have helped him make these activities enjoyable. Parking is free in the old garage across from Howe Street. For more information, email info@hearinglosseeb.org or call 221-6080.

❖ I.D.E.S. St. John Lunch & Bingo

I.D.E.S. St. John, 1670 Orchard Ave. in San Leandro, will host a barbecue ribs lunch and bingo on Saturday, Sept. 8, at noon. Tickets are \$15 and include lunch and four bingo cards. Extra cards are 25 cents each. For tickets, call Darlene Cornell at 589-6536, Willie Cavo at 635-6326 or Frances Leite at 886-1568.

❖ 9-Mile Run Fundraiser for Homeless

The Jefferson Service Club at San Leandro High will host a 9-mile run to raise money for a homeless rehabilitation center on Monday, Sept. 10, starting at 12:30 p.m. The run will be over the Bay Bridge from Treasure Island to Oakland. Registration for the run is \$100 with a t-shirt included. To register and for more information, call Jack Nelson at 303-2305 or email SLjeffersonservice@gmail.com.

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

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♈ **ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** A little "wool-gathering" for the usually productive Lamb is all right if it helps you unwind. But be careful; too much daydreaming can put you behind schedule in your work.

♉ **TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** A work problem is close to being resolved. Now you can go ahead and celebrate the week, accepting invitations from friends who enjoy your company.

♊ **GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** Getting your new plan accepted won't be a major hassle if you have the facts to back it up. Your supporters are also prepared to help you make your case. Good luck.

♋ **CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Dealing with a pesky job problem might be time-consuming but necessary. The sooner you get this situation settled, the sooner you can move on to other matters.

♌ **LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Career advancement is favored thanks to your impressive work record. On the personal side, you should soon hear some good news about an ailing family member.

♍ **VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** There might be mixed signals from a certain someone who doesn't seem all that certain about their intentions. Best to sort it all out before it becomes more confusing.

♎ **LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** Get all the facts about that investment "opportunity" before you put even one dollar into it. There could be hidden problems that could prove to be costly.

♏ **SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** Compromising on a matter you feel strongly about not only ends the impasse, but can be a win-win deal for all. Remember: Scorpios do well with change.

♐ **SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** With all the demands you currently have to deal with, accepting the help of family and friends could be the wisest course to take at this time.

♑ **CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** Recent upsetting incidents might have left you with a big gap in your self-assurance. Refill it by spending time with those who know how worthy you really are.

♒ **AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** A dispute about money needs to be resolved quickly, before it festers into something more serious. Consider asking an impartial colleague to mediate the matter.

♓ **PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** A soft approach could be more effective than making a loud demand for the information you need. You might even find yourself with more data than you expected.

East 14th: Drivers are demanding new pavement

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the next few months.

Engelbart says that CalTrans has received permission from the California Transportation Commission to use state gas tax funding to repave East 14th from the southern end of San Leandro all the way to Davis Street, but such a project would not happen for several years.

If City Takes On the Maintenance of East 14th, Repairs Could Be Costly

If CalTrans does agree to relinquish the road to the city, not only would San Leandro have to find money for the repairs, the city would also likely become permanently responsible for future maintenance costs. Engelbart said the condition of the road and other considerations would be made in determining a price for the street.

According to CalTrans, the annual average preventative maintenance cost per lane mile is \$106,000, while major rehabilitation work is around \$800,000 per lane mile. (So a 2-lane street would be double that amount

per mile.)

But in addition to getting the road in better shape, a relinquishment would mean that San Leandro would also have local control over the road right-of-way for any future projects and would be able to connect East 14th Street traffic signals, streetlights, and other infrastructure into the city's traffic control system.

CalTrans has already relinquished a 2.4 mile portion of East 14th Street in the unincorporated area to the county for \$10 million and the state trend seems to be going towards relinquishing local roads.

CalTrans has made a proposal to the Alameda County Transportation Commission that said they would be open to relinquishing roads which primarily support local travel as they would be "best managed by local agencies."

CalTrans has identified over 30 miles of roads with the potential for relinquishment in Alameda County and 72 percent of the proposed roads are said to be in "distressed" condition.



PHOTO BY AMY SYLVESTRI

The pavement is rough along East 14th Street with potholes that are worse than what's seen here at East 14th and Hesperian Boulevard.

Handa Fills In at City Clerk's Office

After three years with the City of San Leandro, City Clerk Tamika Greenwood has left for a new job and the city is currently interviewing candidates for her replacement.

Greenwood joined the city in 2015 after former City Clerk Marian Handa retired. Currently, Handa is back at City Hall filling in until a new City Clerk is hired.

The City Clerk is in charge of everything from making sure council agendas and minutes are available to the public, to organizing election information, to swearing in officials with the oath of office.

Greenwood's last day on the job was Aug. 3 and she now works for Sutter Health.

Handa says she's been happy to step in and bridge the gap, especially because it's election season.

"It's like de ja vu, being back," said Handa. "I definitely missed the election work more than I thought. It's fun."

— By Amy Sylvestri



16th Annual Independent Watchdog Committee

Report to the Public FY2016-17

Measure B and Measure BB Sales Tax Activities

In November 2000, Alameda County voters approved Measure B, which extended the County's 1986 half-cent transportation sales tax to 2022 and set forth a 20-year Expenditure Plan to enhance the County's transportation system. Measure B also established a Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC) to review all Measure B expenditures for compliance with the Expenditure Plan.

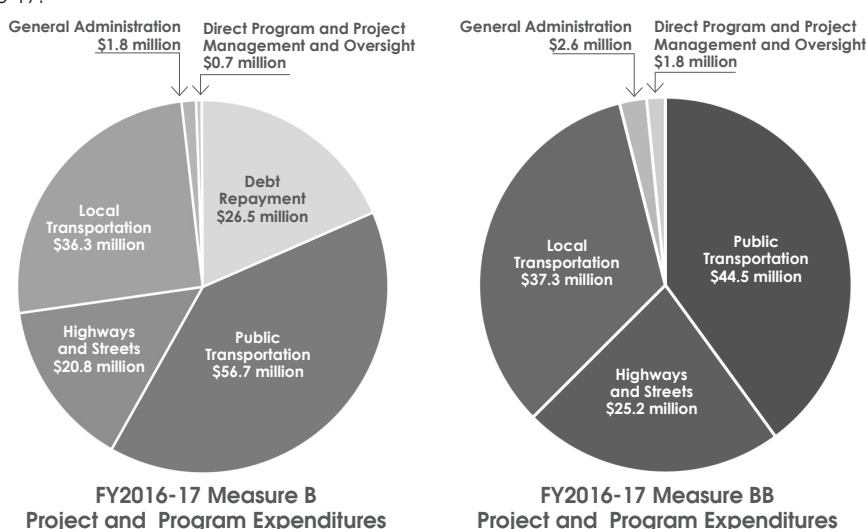
In November 2014, Alameda County voters approved Measure BB, which increased the County's half-cent transportation sales tax to one full cent, extended the tax through 2045 and set forth a 30-year Expenditure Plan for essential transportation improvements in every city throughout the County.

Measure BB established an Independent Watchdog Committee (IWC) that reports its findings annually to the public to ensure appropriate use of sales tax funds and provides oversight by reviewing Measure B expenditures and Measure BB expenditures and performance measures. The IWC does not opine on other funds the Alameda CTC manages and/or programs. The IWC replaced and assumed responsibility for CWC activities in July 2015. This 16th annual report covers expenditures and IWC activities during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 (FY2016-17). The full report is available at www.AlamedaCTC.org/IWC2018Report.

The IWC concludes that 2000 Measure B and 2014 Measure BB tax dollars were spent in accordance with the intent of the two measures during FY2016-17, except as noted on the last page of the full report. However, opportunities for improvement remain.

Summary of Expenditures

The Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) is responsible for administering the Measure B and Measure BB transportation sales tax measures. In FY2016-17, Measure B revenues for Alameda CTC totaled \$142.9 million, and audited expenditures totaled \$142.8 million. Measure BB revenues totaled \$141.9 million, and audited expenditures totaled \$111.4 million in FY2016-17.



Measure B and Measure BB Funded Programs

Alameda CTC allocates approximately 60 percent of Measure B and 65 percent of Measure BB funds on a monthly basis by formula to local jurisdictions and transit operators for ongoing maintenance, operations and small infrastructure or capital projects, and through competitive grants paid on a reimbursement basis. In FY2016-17, Alameda CTC expended \$77.2 million in Measure B funds and \$73.3 million in Measure BB funds on programs.

Measure B and Measure BB Funded Projects

Alameda CTC allocates approximately 40 percent of Measure B and 35 percent of Measure BB funds to specific capital projects. In FY2016-17, Alameda CTC expended \$36.6 million of 2000 Measure B funds and \$33.6 million of 2014 Measure BB funds on capital projects.

Independent Watchdog Committee Activities

IWC members performed the following activities from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017.

- Ongoing Programs and Capital Projects Monitoring:** The IWC monitors specific programs, capital projects and issues of concern.
- Independent Audit of Alameda CTC:** The IWC reviews the independent auditor's plan for the audit before it begins and reviews the draft audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report regarding Measure B and Measure BB revenues and expenditures.
- Audit and Compliance Report Review:** The IWC members review audited financial statements and compliance reports, including performance measures, received from Measure B and Measure BB direct local distribution (DLD) recipients to ensure expenditures comply with the requirements in the applicable Expenditure Plan.
- Issues Identification Process:** IWC members may request and receive information from DLD recipients and/or Alameda CTC staff if they have concerns regarding Measure B and Measure BB expenditures. The committee may also review issues regarding Measure B and Measure BB expenditures identified by the public.
- Annual Report to the Public:** Each year, the IWC establishes a subcommittee to develop the annual report to the public regarding Measure B and Measure BB expenditures and to discuss distribution of and outreach for the annual report.

How to Get Involved

Independent Watchdog Committee meetings are open to the public. If you are interested in vacancies on Alameda CTC's advisory committees, contact Alameda CTC. Visit www.AlamedaCTC.org or contact the IWC at IndependentWatchdog@alamedactc.org to learn more. Follow Alameda CTC on:



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AUTOMOTIVE

Honda Accord Still American Favorite

By Steve Schaefer
San Leandro Times

After 42 years, the Honda Accord is a familiar part of American life and the second-oldest Honda nameplate, after the Civic. The 10th-generation model that debuted for the 2018 year is all-new and filled with updates, improvements, and even some excitement.

America's favorite retail mid-size car from 2011-2016, the Accord still provides the qualities that people have prized for decades. Hondas promise comfort, quality, reliability, and good resale value. Now, the Accord is a capacious midsize, and so ubiquitous that in any traffic situation you'll see Accords everywhere—occasionally even an old one.

Accords are assembled in Marysville, Ohio, in the first Japanese-built plant in the U.S., which opened on November 1, 1982. It was also the first Japanese plant to export cars from the U.S.

I remember the first Accords.

Arriving in 1976, they were a little bigger than the Civic, which was firmly established as the small car to own. The Accord came only as a two-door hatchback with a 68-horsepower engine through either a five-speed manual or two-speed automatic. Life was simple back then.

A sedan arrived in 1979, and beginning in 1982, a new, better, bigger Accord arrived every four or five years. The sedan became the mainstay, with coupe and wagon models coming and going. Over the last 10 years, a sedan, coupe and fastback have been offered.

The imposing all-new model comes only as a sedan. The new styling is significantly more aggressive, with a stubby nose with chrome wing grille, sweeping sides, and whimsically extended taillamps that pay homage to the Civic's. If Accords had become boring over the last few iterations, they are anything but that today.

Inside, the Accord feels extra wide, although it's only a frac-

tion of an inch wider than the previous model. The 2.16-inch longer wheelbase allowed Honda to move the seats inward and the rear ones back, so it feels more spacious with more room between passengers and the doors.

Materials are luxury-car appropriate despite the car's mainstream status. Grained plastics feel familiar, and the instrument panel pod provides clean, classic gauges.

Accords have long offered four- and six-cylinder engines, but the new one features only turbo-charged four-cylinders. That means the base 1.5-liter engine with dual Variable Timing Control puts out a healthy 192 horsepower and a matching 192 lb.-ft. of torque. The 2.0-liter premium engine option is also a turbo, and jumps to a generous 252 horsepower and 273 lb.-ft. That's a lot from a four-cylinder and plenty for a 3,428-pound midsize sedan.

Interestingly and historically, the Accord still offers a manual transmission in the Sport model with either engine. Shifting yourself is almost a lost art today.

You can still buy a hybrid model, with twin electric motors. It will be the subject of a future review.

As ever, the Accord is meant for a wide swath of the public. Six trim levels span LX to Touring, with Sport and EX in between. EX can be enhanced with leather and navigation. The base LX comes only with the 1.5-liter engine, but the other models offer the 2.0-liter as an option. Even the Hybrid comes in five versions, so you don't have to buy the top-of-the-line to get its significant advan-



Accord offers three advanced powertrains, including 1.5L and 2.0L turbocharged engines, and a next generation two-motor hybrid system.

tages.

My Crystal Black Pearl test car, a top-level Touring model, was so well equipped that it had no options. The \$35,800 base price plus \$890 destination charge on the sticker added up to \$36,960. Drive home an optionless LX for as little as \$24,480.

The 2.0-liter pulls strongly through the 10-speed automatic, which is the first of its kind in a front-wheel-drive car. Today's small turbos are marvels at conveying the effect of a substantial V6 but take up less space and provide better fuel economy. My car's powertrain earned EPA scores of 22 City, 32 Highway and 26 Combined. I averaged 23.5 mpg over 190 miles. The Hybrid earns 47 mpg for City and Highway (which means 47 Combined as well).

EPA Green scores for the 2.0-liter 6 are 7 for Smog and 5 for Greenhouse Gas—just a little



Adaptive cruise control and lane departure warning and mitigation are standard on every Accord.

better than average.

This car has so many fine and fascinating things about it that it's hard to know where to start. The Honda Sensing system includes Adaptive Cruise Control, mated to a Collision Mitigation Braking System, Lane-Keeping Assist System, and Road Departure Mitigation to help prevent accidents. It's the next step towards autonomous

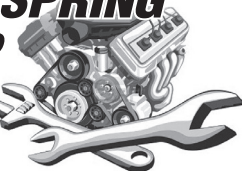
motoring, but you still need to drive this car.

The Accord is a fine companion for commuting or taking trips, but honestly there is nothing especially memorable about the experience. I know that it was pleasant and comfortable, but that's about it. And that's what buyers apparently want today, as much as they have since the 1970s.

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RIDDLE CARD

1. What animal doesn't play fair?
2. When is a door not a door?
3. When do you have four hands?
4. If two's company and three's a crowd, what are four and five?
5. Why is a baseball team like a cake?



Answers: 1. A cheetah (cheater). 2. When it's ajar. 3. When you double your fists. 4. Nine. 5. They both need a good batter.

MONEY MADNESS! Spike is holding a coin in his hand that, if you take away half of its value, it will double in value. What is the coin?

Answer: A half-dollar (the "value" of the coin). If you take away the "half," you will be left with a "dollar."

LINK-UPS! Here's a list of 12 short words, divided into two columns. Turn them into six longer words by linking them together. To do this, draw a line from one word in the left column to one word in the right.

1. KNEE	ION
2. IMP	PIER
3. SEA	ICES
4. NIP	LORE
5. OFF	RING
6. PENS	LED

Answers: Kneeled, implore, implore, searing, searing, nippler, offices, pension.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

DON'T "GET" CAUGHT SOLVING THIS ONE!

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Above is a puzzle grid of eight words, each of which contains the word "get." Using the following hints, see if you can figure out what these words are:

1. An outfit or costume.
2. A tricky device.
3. A desired goal.
4. A solid lump.
5. A spending plan.
6. Nervous behavior.
7. A vacation spot.
8. To do nothing.

Answers: 1. Getup. 2. Gadget. 3. Target. 4. Nugget. 5. Budget. 6. Fidget. 7. Getaway. 8. Vegetate.

HEALTH & FITNESS

How Medicare Can Help with Cataract Surgery

By Greg Dill
Special to the Times

Cataracts often come with age and can affect your vision. By age 80, more than half of all Americans either have a cataract or have had cataract surgery.

New eyeglasses, brighter lighting, anti-glare sunglasses, or magnifying lenses may help your symptoms. If not, you may need surgery.

If you have cataracts and need cataract surgery, Medicare can help. And after surgery, Medicare helps pay for cataract glasses, contact lenses, or intraocular lenses you get from an ophthalmologist.

Generally, Medicare doesn't cover eyeglasses or contact lenses. However, following cataract surgery that implants an intraocular lens, Medicare Part B helps pay for corrective lenses (one pair of eyeglasses with standard frames or one set of contact lenses).

Medicare covers the surgery if it's done using traditional surgical techniques or using lasers.



At present, there is no cure for cataracts, and consequently the only available method to treat cataracts is by surgical removal.

Medicare will only pay for contact lenses or eyeglasses provided by a supplier enrolled in Medicare. This is true no matter who submits the claim (you or your supplier).

What will you pay if you have Original Medicare?

- You pay 20% of the Medicare-approved amount for one pair of eyeglasses or one set of contact lenses after each cataract surgery with an intraocular lens.

- You pay any additional costs for upgraded frames.

- The Part B deductible (\$183 in 2018) applies.

How much will you pay for the surgery with Original Medicare?

With surgeries or procedures, it's hard to know the exact costs in advance. This is because no one knows exactly what services you'll need.

If you need surgery or a procedure, you may be able to estimate how much you'll have to pay. You can:

1. Ask the doctor, hospital, or facility how much you'll have to

pay for the surgery and any care afterward.

2. Find out if you're an inpatient or outpatient because what you pay may be different.

3. Check with any other insurance you may have to see what it will pay. If you belong to a Medicare Advantage or other Medicare health plan, contact your plan for more information. Other insurance might include:

- Medicare Supplement Insurance (Medigap)
- Medicaid
- Coverage from you or your spouse's employer

4. Log into MyMedicare.gov, or look at your last "Medicare

Summary Notice" to see if you've met your deductibles.

- Check your Part A deductible if you expect to be admitted to the hospital.

- Check your Part B deductible for a doctor's visit and other outpatient care.

- You'll need to pay the deductible amounts before Medicare will start to pay. After Medicare starts to pay, you may have copayments for the care you get.

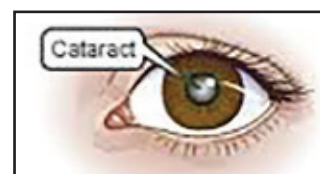
Greg Dill is Medicare's regional administrator for California and other Western states. You can always get answers to your Medicare questions by calling 1-800-633-4227.

Cataracts and What Causes Them

A cataract is a clouding of the lens in the eye that affects vision. The lens lies behind the iris and the pupil. It works much like a camera lens, focusing light onto the retina at the back of the eye, where an image is recorded.

The lens also adjusts the eye's focus, letting us see things clearly both up close and far away. The lens is made of mostly water and protein. The protein is arranged in a precise way that keeps the lens clear and allows light to pass through it.

As we age, some of the protein may clump together and start to cloud a small area of the lens. This is a cataract. Over time, the cata-



ract may grow larger and cloud more of the lens, making it harder to see.

Researchers suspect that there are several causes of cataract, such as smoking and diabetes. Or it may be that the protein in the lens just changes from wear and tear over the years.

A cataract can occur in either or both eyes, but it can't spread from one eye to the other.



Connecting Your Hearing Aid to Your Smartphone

By Danielle Robertson
Special to the Times

Today's hearing aids do much more than just help you hear. They've been re-engineered into smart assistive tools that transform the way wearers interact with the world.

The key to unlocking the full potential of modern, advanced hearing aids is to connect them to your smartphone.

1. Discreet volume and setting control: Many people don't want others to know they're wearing hearing aids. Hearing aid apps let you easily adjust volume and settings directly from your smartphone. Instead of pushing buttons on your hearing aids, you can adjust them for optimal performance with a few swipes on your screen.

2. Access to remote hearing care: Smartphones make it easy to communicate with other people and that now includes your hearing care professional (HCP). Skip the in-office appointment for minor adjustments by using a telehealth hearing aid app to schedule a virtual visit. Your HCP can evaluate your progress with your hearing aids and fine-tune them remotely.

3. Stream audio: Hearing aids don't only help you hear sounds you would have otherwise missed as part of the broader soundscape. You can now connect to your smartphone and stream sound directly to your ears via Bluetooth for greater clarity. Look for options that transmit phone, TV and music audio in stereo to both hearing aids for the highest-quality listening experience.

4. Improve hearing aid performance: You can adapt to new hearing aids faster by using apps with listening exercises to track your hearing health and rate your hearing aid performance in settings such as the car or restaurant. The apps can also let your HCP know how you're adapting to your new devices and if anything needs to be adjusted.

5. Adjust settings based on your motion: Smartphones have built-in motion sensors that your hearing aids can leverage to improve how you hear. Instead of just focusing on the sounds in front of you, connected hearing aids detect sound from all around. This can be especially important when walking or running outside because it enables you to remain aware of environmental sounds such as approaching cars.

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Pirates Beat Foothill in Season Opener

By Andrew Joseph
San Leandro Times

The San Leandro Pirates beat the Foothill Falcons Friday night 51-29 at home in their first game of the season.

San Leandro received the opening kickoff and tight end Jordan Cobbs scored a touchdown on their first possession to give them an early 7-0 lead.

"You only get one chance to go 1-0," said San Leandro Head Coach Brad Bowers. "I told our team to take advantage of that opportunity and they did that tonight from the very beginning."

The Pirates' passing game kicked in during the second quarter when San Leandro quar-



PHOTO BY ANDREW JOSEPH

San Leandro wide receiver Amari Roberson escapes Foothill defenders in the fourth quarter to score a touchdown.

“This win shows we can play with anybody.”

— San Leandro wide receiver
Amari Roberson

terback Cameron Stanley found Daniel Bryant for a 21-yard completion to set up the offense at the 1-yard line. Osaro Aihie then ran in a touchdown to give San Leandro a 14-0 advantage.

"It's an amazing feeling to start the season off with a win," said Pirates' starting quarterback Cameron Stanley. "We knew what the game plan was, we went out there and executed tonight and it feels good."

Foothill got on the board in the 2nd quarter with a touchdown after a San Leandro safety to narrow the Pirates' lead to 14-9. The Pirates' kicker Jorge Diaz drilled

a 35-yard field goal to give them the 17-9 lead at the half.

"This game gives our team confidence knowing that if we play how we practice we could go very far this season," said Cobbs. "I don't think there's much that we can't do."

San Leandro's offense came out strong in the second half and never looked back, scoring five of their seven touchdowns after halftime.

"We want to get to where we fell short last year and change the outcome," added San Leandro wide receiver Amari Roberson. "This win shows that we can play with anybody."

The Pirates' defense proved to also be a factor in the game-sealing play that came in the 4th quarter when San Leandro strong

safety J'kazee Dorrough returned an interception for a touchdown.

"Foothill ran that exact same play a few snaps before that interception and we almost picked it off," said Cobbs. "We saw them run it again and J'kazee undercut the play and took it back for a pick 6."

Aihie finished the game with a game high 3 touchdowns and 64 yards rushing. Daniel Bryant, Roberson, Cobbs, and Dorrough each finished the game with one touchdown.

There is importance in playing against the Falcons and beating them early in the season, knowing that they are a potential playoff opponent and studying film against them to prepare for a second meeting down the line.

"We have a mental edge over Foothill now if we see them in the playoffs," said Bowers. "The first game of the season tells you if what you worked on during the summer paid off and I believe it has. Our guys stepped up and did a good job today, now we feel confident in preparing for Monte Vista."

After a breakout year last season that led the Pirates into the North Coast Section (NCS) playoffs for the first time in 12 years, San Leandro looks to push their goals even further in 2018. San Leandro is now undefeated at 1-0 and plays Monte Vista tomorrow at home.

Call for Art for Day of the Dead Show

This year, the Hayward Area Historical Society is developing a Day of the Dead exhibition that will focus on the big moments that make a life well-lived and shape the person we remember in death.

Such moments could be birth of a child or grandchild, marriage, graduation, job success, or a bucket list item completed.

Send a photo, a conceptual design of the proposed artwork or altar, or any questions to no later than Aug. 15 to communitygallery@hayward-

areahistory.org.

Artwork may be framed pieces of any kind or installation pieces. Altars should be no more than 8 feet wide by 8 feet tall by 4 feet deep.

There is no fee for participating in this exhibition. Proposals will be reviewed and artists will be notified by the end of August.

The exhibition will be on view in the Community Gallery at the HAHS Museum of History and Culture, 22380 Foothill Boulevard in Hayward, from Sept. 29 through Nov. 25.

San Leandro Players Auditions for Melodrama 'Chaos at the Cannery'

San Leandro Players' auditions for *Chaos at the Cannery* will be on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 28 and 29, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. with callbacks on Wednesday, Aug. 29, at the San Leandro Museum/Auditorium, 320 West Estudillo Avenue.

All ethnicities encouraged, non-AEA, no pay. Rehearsals begin Tuesday, Sept. 4.

Open auditions, read from script. Some singing required (this is a play with music). Appearances possible.

For more information, contact Dana Chohlis at danabegood@yahoo.com.

The San Leandro Players website at www.slplayers.com.

The show will run on Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. from Oct. 20 through Nov. 18; and on Fridays at 8 p.m.: Nov. 9 and Nov. 16.

Chaos at the Cannery is an old-fashioned melodrama (see website for more information and script review at www.heroandvillain.com), set in San Leandro in the late 1800s.

Parking: License plate readers put cars into Nor Cal data base

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app, which charges a 20 to 35 cent service fee per transaction. The app can tell you if your time is running out and offer you a chance to pay to extend your parking period remotely.

About 630 people paid for their parking via the app in the month of July, according to Alice Kim, the city's communication manager.

To enforce this new payment structure, the city is using two Jeeps equipped with license plate readers to see if parked cars are all paid up.

The license plate readers can also tell whether a car is stolen. The data from the license plate readers will be uploaded at the end of each shift to the Northern California Regional Intelligence Center (NCRIC), a regional law enforcement data center that compiles information.

The city's parking plan is still evolving, according to Kim.



PHOTO BY JIM KNOWLES

New signs in the Downtown Plaza (in red) warn drivers that the time limit covers the entire zone. So you can't just move your car to another parking space every 2-hours. The license plate readers log the car into a computer that remembers how long a car has been in the zone.

The city is currently researching and working with businesses in Pelton Center to see if paid parking may be viable there. City

staff is also planning to contact people who live in the downtown area about a residential permitted parking plan.

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GUEST COMMENTARY



Market Romp Has Ended, Inventory Crisis is Over

Market corrects itself after 7 years

Like an out-of-control wildfire, the real estate housing market has been ablaze the past 7 1/2 years. While forest fires are fueled by an abundance of combustibles, the housing inferno has been fed by the absence of homes to purchase.

In a textbook supply-and-demand scenario, the lack of supply

has sustained a record-breaking run of buyers chasing available homes with multiple offers and ever escalating prices.

Fanning the flames like the Santa Anna winds has been an unprecedented run of low interest rates.

Until now. It appears the housing shortage is over.

To get an idea of what is happening, you only need to examine the numbers.

In Alameda County, May/17 saw 1,527 new listings and 1,395 pending (91.4% sold). June/17 had 1,490 new listings and 1,308 pending (87.8%). July/17's percentages were down with 1,428 new homes for sale and 1,161 sold (81.3%).

It is a different story in 2018, however.

May/18 saw 1,720 homes come to the market, an increase

of 13.6% from 2017. Conversely, only 1,392 homes went pending (a drop to 80.9%).

June/18 saw an additional 4% in increased inventory over 2017 and an even larger drop in the percentage pending: 1,547 properties were listed, yet only 1,175 went pending (83%).

July/18 saw further compounding as 1,762 actives hit the market, an additional 3% increase from 2017. However, only 1,135 homes sold in July – a huge reduction in sales from 81.3% in the same period 7/17 to only 77.5% in 7/18.

It seems that the long upward ride has ended, at least for now. With interest rates climbing, affordability has been slipping, even for those with double tech incomes.

Recently quoted at www.businessinsider.com, a survey by Blind stated that 59% of Bay



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Do You Own Your Stuff or Does Your Stuff Own You?

By Melissa Martin
Special to the Times

Humans love stuff—all kinds of stuff. Small, medium, large. We love different sizes of stuff. We just love our stuff!

But, do you own your possessions or do your possessions own you? Think about it.

Our houses, garages, attics, basements, and sheds are full of stuff. Then, we rent storage space for the rest of our stuff. And we visit it, to make sure its safe. We don't want our items stolen, so we buy special locks.

Boxes, baskets, bins. We need

containers for our stuff. Knick-knacks, bric-a-brac, ornaments. We like shelves, cabinets, and lockers for our stuff. We desire walk-in closets for our stuff and lots of storage places and spaces.

We install security systems and put up surveillance cameras to protect our stuff. Fences surround our property and we add a dog to guard our stuff.

On holidays, birthdays, graduations, and special events, we buy more stuff for people or we receive more stuff from people. Gifts, gadgets, gismos.

Glass, granite, ceramic, marble, metal, plastic, wooden, fabric—we love stuff made out of all

kinds of elements. Gold, silver, platinum—we adore our jewelry. Diamonds, rubies, sapphires. We purchase insurance to replace our stuff in case it's stolen or lost.

Some individuals make room for bigger trophy cases to display more memorabilia, collector items, and awards. More things.

We put televisions, computers, and gaming systems in every room. We don't like to take turns with our stuff. Each family member gets their own cell phone, laptop, and tablet.

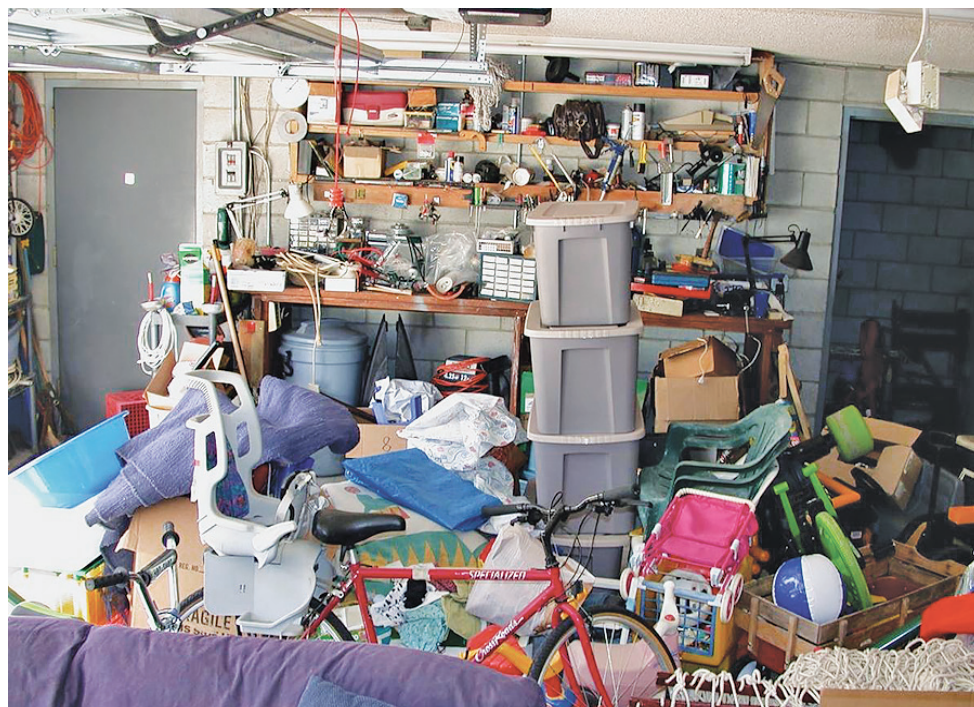
We remodel our kitchens for more cabinet space, so we can add more stuff. We like cupboards and cubbies for our things. Hodgepodge, mismatch, miscellaneous.

And when we leave our homes, we carry our stuff in handbags, wallets, backpacks, suitcases, and duffle bags. We are fond of pants with pockets because we can carry our stuff around. Chewing gum, coins, tissues. A pocket knife, lip-stick, mints.

And when we have babies, our diaper bags are packed full of stuff—every item we would ever need if stranded on a desert island. A parent's purse is packed with products for toddlers. And toys galore lay on the floor. We turn our children into mass consumers who love stuff, too.

When we go on vacation, we disguise our homes with lamp timers to fool burglars. Don't you dare steal our stuff! Police officers patrol neighborhoods to protect our stuff.

Companies deplete the planet's natural resources to make more stuff for consumers. Malls stock all the newest stuff. Amazon.com



Protect from Bad Water Leaks

By Samantha Mazzotta
Special to the Times

What to do if a pipe in your apartment springs a leak and the maintenance crew cannot get there right away?

You can minimize damage from an uncontrolled water leak in your apartment, even before the maintenance person arrives. Here are steps to follow:

- Review your apartment's lease and information packet today. These papers include instructions on contacting leasing management or maintenance in an emergency.

- In emergencies such as water leaks, apartment communities normally specify that maintenance will be on site within 24 hours, and often much sooner. Take note of their exact time frames.

- Familiarize yourself with the apartment's water shutoff valves. You will at least have shutoffs under the sink (for the hot and cold water) and behind/beside the toilet. There also should be a shutoff for the water heater (if it's inside your apartment).

- If a water leak occurs, locate the source of the leak as quickly as possible. Close the nearest shutoff valve, if possible. Put a bucket underneath the leak and use towels to sop up any spilled water.

- Contact the leasing office or the maintenance number immediately. Describe the problem, its location and the time that the leak occurred.

- If it's after hours (and these emergencies always seem to happen after hours), the on-call main-

tenance person should call you back, usually within an hour, to provide further instructions.

What if there's no shutoff for the pipe that's leaking? The most important thing is to try and minimize the water damage until the water can be shut off (sometimes the shutoff is located elsewhere in the apartment building and can only be accessed by maintenance). Keep a bucket under the area and empty it before it gets too full.

What if maintenance takes days to address the leak? Keep a record of dates and times of the calls you made, and when the repair was made. Meantime, if maintenance can't get to the building for some reason—such as a snowstorm—ask the on-call person if the shutoff is accessible so that you can stop the water from flowing in.

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I have a fondness for books, globes, and maps. Enjoyment comes from visiting bookstores, antique shops, and specialty boutiques. Picking up nostalgic items from Flea markets spark surre-

al memories. Heirlooms passed down through generations keep history alive in our living rooms.

Lifetime collectors garner satisfaction from rare findings. Humans form emotional connections to possessions; especially, items given to us by our loved ones who have passed away.

And growing up, my daughter had too many toys; too many clothes; and too many shoes. Television commercials bombard our children with must-have messages about stuff.

As a therapist, I've conversed with aging individuals about detaching from earthly wares. Stuff

won't fit into caskets. Beloved belongings are bequeathed to family members, friends, and charities. And sometimes, auctioned off to strangers.

Hold on—it's okay to own stuff; things you need as well as things you don't need. But, do you own your possessions or do your possessions own you?

If things own you, it's time to pry your fingers off. And step away from your stuff.

Melissa Martin, Ph.D., is an author, columnist, educator, and therapist. She resides in Ohio. www.melissamartinchildrensauuthor.com.

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High School Students Can Apply for County Leadership Academy

Applications are being accepted for Alameda County's 2018 Youth Leadership Academy (YLA), a free educational program for local 11th and 12th grade students interested in learning about local government, developing leadership skills and networking with peers from throughout the county.

Youth from high schools across Alameda County will participate in five Saturday morning sessions this fall from September to December 2018. Sessions will allow young leaders to learn about county programs, engage with county staff and elected officials, and build leadership

skills to help solve community problems.

To apply for the 2018 Youth Leadership Academy, or to learn more, go to www.acgov.org/youthleadership/.

The application deadline is Aug. 25.

The 2018 Alameda County Youth Leadership Academy will be held on the following dates at facilities throughout Alameda County:

- Sept. 15
- Oct. 13
- Oct. 20
- Nov. 17
- Dec. 15

To be eligible, applicants must live in Alameda County and be a junior or senior at a school within the county.

Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis with consideration given to geographic location to ensure representation of students from throughout Alameda County.

Art Show in CV

The Adobe Art Gallery, 20395 San Miguel Ave. in Castro Valley, presents "Elevate," the work of over 20 artists, from Aug. 11 through Sept. 29.

Aguilar: Willing to make the decisions

continued from front page
political science and minor in education.

Aguilar says that he knows he'll have his doubters, but believes his age will be a help, not hindrance as he serves on the board.

"Of course, if people don't think I have enough experience, I'd refer them to my time on the San Lorenzo board," said Aguilar. "I truly believe that if anyone my age wants to get involved, they should. We are the generation who is going to inherit the consequences of decisions that are being made now, so get involved in those decisions."

As a student school board member last year, Aguilar was on the board during two particularly tough decisions – budget cuts and the changing of San Lorenzo High's mascot from the controversial Rebels to the Grizzlies – both of which he says helped him mature as a politician.

"The mascot issue was emotional for a lot of people," said Aguilar. "During that process, I changed my mind about what was the best decision. I learned how to allow myself to listen and that things change, opinions change and I appreciated experiencing that."

The board dealt with the serious matter of recommending



James Aguilar says it's his generation that will inherit the consequences of the decisions that are being made now, so it's good to get involved.

where to make over \$5 million in budget cuts. Aguilar said that even though his vote as a student was symbolic, going through the process of meeting face to face with employees facing reductions was very real.

"That was difficult," said Aguilar. "School districts are a people business and we're talking about people's jobs and making cuts. It's very difficult."

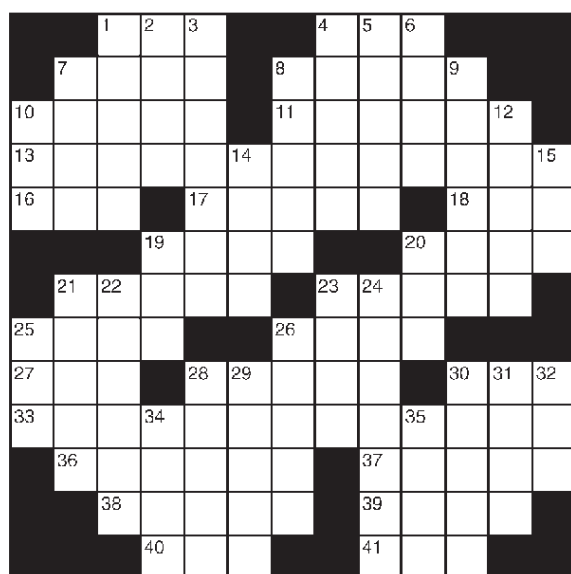
The other school board seats in Areas 2 and 4 are also one-candidate elections this year, with business owner Christian Rodriguez the only candidate in Area 2 and incumbent Leo Sheridan the only candidate in Area 4.

In years past, the San Leandro school board has had trouble attracting candidates. In the last election in 2016, all the races were also uncontested. That same

year, a teenage trustee was temporarily appointed to the school board when no other candidates came forward.

"Apathy is an issue in San Leandro and nationwide," said Aguilar. "I feel like that's something that needs to be examined. I see very few people at board meetings and I'd like to get people more engaged in what's happening in their schools."

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LOCAL DEATHS

Debra Bowie
David E. Jose Sr.
Nola Joyce McElroy
Bonnie Jean Peterson
Gilbert S. Vieira

■ **Debra Bowie**, resident of San Leandro passed away August 18, 2018. Per families request no services will be held. Arrangements held by Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro. 510-483-0123.

■ **David E. Jose Sr.**, passed away August 17, 2018. Per families request no services will be held. Arrangements held by Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro. 510-483-0123.

■ **Nola Joyce McElroy**, long time resident of San Leandro passed away on August 14, 2018 at age 69 in Melbourne, Florida. She was an RN and worked in Surgery at San Leandro Hospital until she retired. She moved to Florida and battled cancer for over

a year. Inurement will be in Jamaica at her family's compound.

■ **Bonnie Jean Peterson**, resident of San Leandro passed away August 20, 2018. A Memorial Service celebrating her life will be Thursday, August 30, beginning at 11 a.m. at Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., 510-483-0123.

■ **Gilbert S. Vieira**, passed away August 17, 2018. Per his request no services will be held. Arrangements held by Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro. 510-483-0123.

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Adding More Housing? What About Schools?

Editor:

In last week's Times, it was stated that we need more housing ("City Eyes Sites for Housing," Page 1, Aug. 16) and several sites were proposed. But while we build more housing and invite more families to live here...what about schools?

We have eight elementary schools (Roosevelt, Washington, McKinley, Jefferson, Wilson, Monroe, Garfield, and Madison), two middle/junior high schools (Bancroft and John Muir), and only one high school (San Leandro). We also have the failed 9th grade campus (Korematsu), which has turned into an extension of the high school and now has students commuting back and forth.

We need another high school.

We once had three: San Leandro, Marina, and Pacific. That was great, as kids didn't have to find a way to SL High every day if they lived way down by the Marina. It also helped ease overcrowding.

Now our one school is bursting at the seams, as kids commute from all over town to attend our one school.

Shoehorn in housing everywhere, but ignore education? We need to rethink this.

—Jenni Romero
San Leandro

Says Non-Resident Investors Buying Up San Leandro Homes

Editor:

My Councilman tells me the reason people live in San Leandro is it is cheap. While this may be why people bought or buy here, it is *not* why they stay here, and it is not why they make their home here. City staff believe that people live in San Leandro because of "safety." I believe that safety is in large part due to community members, and that the human fabric of San Leandro is being harmed by outside interests.

Price does matter, but San Leandro is relatively unregulated (compared to neighboring cities) and *that* is what is attracting so many who are buying investment property here. San Leandro is a cherry that is being plucked.

If you are not seeing neighbors being priced out, your neighborhoods — and even the land under your house — being sold to people who won't live here, I believe you are not paying attention. What is driving this? The people who profit from it will tell you it is "the market," but I believe that somebody is throwing the gate open for them.

The investors buying up San Leandro pay property taxes, but do they pay sales tax here? I submit that they don't buy their cars, their groceries, their furniture, shoes or clothes here; don't have their doctors or dentists here, or get their cars repaired here. Do they even buy lunches or their gas here? They don't send their kids to school here. They don't vote here.

Let me be clear that I am not talking about people who live here but work elsewhere. Only 11% of San Leandrans live and work here as illustrated by the streams of traffic coming and going East

and West during the commute hours. I am talking about short-term rental barons and absentee landlords, and those making a profit from buying and selling San Leandro who do not have their home here and who could care less what happens here as long as it does not affect the profit they take out and home to somewhere else.

What will San Leandro be when it is dominantly owned and controlled by people who don't live here? How hard will you then have to fight to save your home, your neighborhood?

Pay attention to what developments are planned around your home or where you shop. Find out what the zoning codes are for your neighborhood. Talk to your neighbors about this. Save San Leandro now while you still can.

—Virginia Madsen
San Leandro

City Manager Pay-Off Had Nothing to do with Street Paving

Editor:

In response to Jai Naidu ("City Can Pay \$350,000 to Zapata, But Can't Pave East 14th Street," Letters, Aug. 16), the \$350,000 given to former city manager Chris Zapata was not shameful; Zapata and the city mutually parted ways, but he had been cleared of wrongdoing. It was a deal that both parties agreed to. I don't know what he did or didn't do but the fact remains, there is no conclusive evidence to support either Zapata's or Johnson's claim. Furthermore, East 14th is actually a state road, SR 185. Your gripe is with California, not San Leandro.

—Luke O'Leary
San Leandro

Report Bad Conditions on E. 14th To Caltrans, Not San Leandro

Editor:

I don't know why people get upset with the City for the poor condition of East 14th Street. East 14th Street is also known as Highway 185 and is maintained by Caltrans. I report problems either online at csr.dot.ca.gov/ or by calling the local District Office at 510-286-6173.

—Evelyn Olivera
San Leandro

Those 'Little Libraries' are Nice, But in the Wrong Places

Editor:

They say you get more out of people if you use a cup of sugar...

Well, I do not have enough words to get my point across eloquently, so I will be offensively blunt about my concern. Besides, I will save you all from diabetes by not using sugar.

The "Little Libraries" that have been popping up around San Leandro and other communities has been amazing. It shows the power a community has beyond its crooked town hall and how much we can do together without the bureaucracy.

But, I feel that we missed the point. From my perspective, if we are indeed offering enlightenment and access to learnedness for those who do not have it, why on earth would we place these marvelous little mansions of hopes and dreams in our own insulated, rich

communities? Obviously, we do not need them as many others who are less fortunate in gaining access to such information and in such a format(s) do.

If people want to truly help others by giving them all of this information, why don't we simply install them where the neediest people are? It's ludicrous to put these out for children and adults who already have full access to jobs, education, money, and the wherewithal to use them.

It feels more like a status symbol. It's like having a BMW or Mercedes in the driveway. It shouts: "The people in this house are intelligent and superior!" It feels disingenuous at best.

I know in many poor neighborhoods that these beautiful miniature libraries will simply be destroyed. But we would have to be determined to keep putting them up. If only to help one or two children who can use them as tools for self improvement, growth, and a way upward.

—Fritz Limmer
San Leandro

City Councilmembers Should Look For Parking Like the Rest of Us

Editor:

My husband and I had the pleasure of attending the "Hot August Thursday" at the Marina. What a great evening of music, food and fabulous weather! Another great free addition to summer Thursdays in San Leandro!

We arrived at about 5:45 p.m. and starting looking for parking. The first lot was filled, aside from 12 empty spaces, marked with cones for "City Council Parking." Really? The city council members can't find their own parking space like everyone else? I laughed and found a convenient space on the street and we carried our chairs in from there.

As a society we wonder how such an arrogant, egotistical and self-absorbed person can be elected President of the United States, I think it starts by treating elected officials like they are anything but paid employees of the city. They are no better than those they serve. I saw the mayor and two council members that evening. Several of the spaces were used by "other" city hall employees and several were empty all night.

Hope this doesn't happen again at the next concert on the 30th. Come on council members, remember walking is good for you. Come down like the rest of us and find your own parking spot.

With a smile,

—Janet Gebhardt
San Leandro

Urges that You Speak Out When Smokers Break the Rules

Editor:

The other day I was walking past the Post Office on Washington Ave. when I heard an elderly woman say out loud to herself what is that awful smell and who is smoking. As I continued walking, I passed the offender but did not say anything. I decided the next time I would speak out.

So another day as I was walking past all the stores and coming around the corner by McDonalds, I saw a man starting to light up a cigarette. I spoke up and told him it was illegal to smoke in this area. He apologized, stated he did not know that and I kept on walking. I turned around to glance

back only to see the same man had lit his cigarette and stood there smoking.

Another day I wrote down that there are three signs by Safeway, one by the Post Office and one outside of the Cigarette Max store that state: No loitering, No Scavenging, No Solicitation, No Smoking, No Littering.

If my research is correct, repeat offenders can be cited and fined \$100 for the first violation, \$200 for the second violation and \$500 for each additional violation. Violations can be reported to the police dispatch at 577-2740. It would be nice to see some San Leandro police on bikes stopping the offenders.

I urge people to speak out and

educate yourself about the hazards of second-hand smoke and third-hand smoke. Contact Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights for information. Per their web page, "Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights is the leading national lobbying organization (501 (c) 4) dedicated to nonsmokers' rights, taking on the tobacco industry at all levels of government, protecting nonsmokers from exposure to second-hand smoke, and preventing tobacco addiction among youth. ANR pursues an action-oriented program of policy and legislation."

—Kathleen Starzenski
San Leandro

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If you could drive any car?

— Asked around town

I'd drive an electric. Well, I'm an electrician. You can use renewable energy — wind, solar or hydroelectric. I'd drive a hybrid, at least. I wouldn't be driving around in a big truck with a V-8.

Paul Tyler
Oakland



I'd want to drive a Tesla. It's new innovation, the latest technology. It's a no-brainer.

Ken Smith
San Leandro



Any car that can get me from point A to point B. A car is a car. I don't need anything fancy.

MarkAnthony Pruitt
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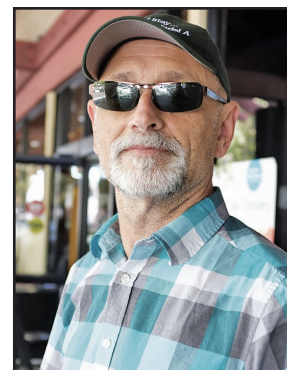
I already have it — a '73 450 SL Mercedes convertible. They call it a roadster. I'm the only mechanic that works on it. It needs a paint job, though.

Ken Kellogg
San Leandro



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Tony Shull
San Leandro



'Fresh, Clean Slate' Candidates To Meet Saturday at Library

The candidates for mayor and City Council who bill themselves as the "Fresh, Clean Slate" invite San Leandro residents to meet with them on Saturday, Aug. 25, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in front of the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave.

Candidate for mayor Jeromey Shafer and City Council candidates Eva Arce and Victor Aguilar will be on hand for informal conversations with residents to share

their vision for San Leandro and answer questions.

There will also be voter registration forms available. The slate candidates say that many people don't vote because people feel the system is rigged, and they plan to give voters a choice this time.

Arce said that the candidates are "Unapologetically progressive, stand for rent control, believe Black Lives Matter and we need civilian oversight of police,

we support having a minimum wage that is also a living wage. We embrace diversity in our community, and our votes are not for sale, we put the community first.

"We want voters, new and old, to meet us, ask us tough questions and give us their ideas on how life in San Leandro can be improved for all."

The Fresh, Clean Slate website is: www.freshcleanslate.org/.

Join San Leandro High Students in Run to Support Homeless Shelter

The Jefferson Service Club at San Leandro High will host a 9-mile run to raise money for a homeless rehabilitation center on Monday, Sept. 10, starting at

12:30 p.m.

The run will be over the Bay Bridge from Treasure Island to Oakland.

Registration for the run is

\$100 with a t-shirt included.

To register and for more information, call Jack Nelson at 303-2305 or email SLjeffersonservice@gmail.com.

Goodwill Stores Cuts Prices by 15 Percent

Goodwill Industries of the Greater East Bay has reduced its prices by around 15 percent at stores in Alameda, Contra Costa and Solano counties.

The price cut is at Goodwill's 30 East Bay stores and will continue through 2018.

Goodwill has a store in the Greenhouse Marketplace, 699 Lewelling Blvd. in San Leandro, and a store in the Durant Square Shopping Center, 10800 International Blvd. in Oakland.

Goodwill Industries said its mission is to turn donations

into jobs. In 2017, the company processed 901,410 donations and served 3,854 people living in East Bay communities, resulting in the employment of 1,690 people and an economic impact of \$124.5 million across the three counties it serves.



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To learn more about Bigge's crane rental, crane sales, and crane parts divisions, visit the website at bigge.com

Rent Review Board to Meet

The City of San Leandro Rent Review Board will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 28, at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 835 East 14th St. Hearings will be held on apartments at 999 Karol Way and 1198 Jefferson St. The annual Rent Review Evaluation Report is also on the agenda.

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. Public speaking is said to be the number one

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