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Blaze Destroys Three Businesses on East 14th



PHOTO BY JESSICA BARAJAS

Firefighters battle the blaze at Knops Upholstery at East 14th Street and Georgia Way on Friday night.

Firefighters work all night to put down stubborn blaze

By Denis Perez
San Leandro Times

Three San Leandro businesses are red-tagged and will require demolition after a 3-alarm fire broke out at Knops Upholstery Inc. at 460 East 14th Street on Friday night.

Knops was destroyed and the adjoining businesses, Fashion City and Sweet Fingers Restaurant, were heavily damaged in the fire. No one was injured.

The Alameda County Fire Department (ACFD) has closed down portions of the street, sidewalk and a duplex building adjacent to the burnt buildings over concerns that the building structure will collapse. At this time, no dollar estimate of the damage is available, according to Alameda County Fire Department spokeswoman Aisha Knowles.

Seven people have been displaced and the Red Cross responded to give those people support, according to the fire department. Five people living in the properties that were burned down were displaced, plus two from the duplex in the rear of the property, Knowles said.

Three of those seven people displaced by the fire are the family that operates and owns Sweet Fingers.

"I live upstairs, my business is downstairs and now it is all gone," Sweet Fingers owner Clive Barnes said.

Barnes, his 8-year-old son and his wife, are currently staying in a hotel.

At around 8:15 p.m. Friday, Barnes was in the backyard of his restaurant talking with customers

when he smelled burning wood and then heard someone yell fire.

"I got everybody outside and I start watching the fire engulf Knops Upholstery," he said.

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EB Parks Offers Tips On Safety In the Water

In light of two recent drownings in non-lifeguarded areas at Lake Del Valle Regional Recreation Area in Livermore, the East Bay Regional Park District is again urging visitors to learn how to be water safe if you're planning to go swimming or boating.

East Bay Regional Park District provides life-guarded lakes and swim facilities April through September.

"While some 120 lifeguards patrol our swim beaches and lagoons, water safety should be a serious concern for every person entering our parks," says Pete DeQuincy, Park District's Aquatics Manager. "Our lifeguards are trained rescuers not babysitters. We often find unattended youngsters around water."

DeQuincy provides these guidelines:

- Keep a close eye on your

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Sausage & Suds Festival Canceled

Downtown Association calls off Suds Fest, says a new and improved festival next year will have healthy food and be family friendly

By Jim Knowles
San Leandro Times

The annual Sausage & Suds Music Festival has gone up in smoke.

The annual street fest on Parrott Street won't happen this year. But the San Leandro Downtown Association says a new festival will be back in its place in 2020.

Sausage & Suds started in the late '90s and quickly became San Leandro's most successful event of the year. It combined San Leandro's longtime sausage-making tradition with beer making to create an earthy festival that was a hit the first year it started.

But the organizers say times are changing.

"2019 Music Fest on Hold; We'll Be Back!" reads the announcement on the Downtown Association website.

"The board felt that everybody loves doing it but it wasn't

generating as much profit as we would like," said Larry Allphin, a downtown jeweler and president of the Downtown Association. "We're going to re-brand it. We're getting away from the alcohol part."

Allphin said the board wanted less emphasis on alcohol and making it more family friendly. They will still have beer, but not as many selections. More healthy selections of food other than sausage will be available at the "new, improved" festival that comes back in 2020, Allphin said.

"We'll have foods that will be more healthy, other than the high-fat, high-cholesterol sausage – which is my favorite," Allphin said.

People are understanding and they're likely to come back to the new, improved festival next year,



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The annual Sausage & Suds Music Festival drew several thousand people every October.

Allphin said.

"I think people are ready for a different feel," he added.

Allphin said people have expressed interest in expanding the wine offerings, and getting more vegetarian food, broadening

the appeal.

Some festival goers were surprised Sausage & Suds was canceled.

"It's a nice tradition. We look forward to it," said Mike Brown see CANCELED, page 5

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PETS OF THE WEEK



Neah



Cabbage

The Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, are Neah the cat and Cabbage the cat.

Neah, a bit over a year old, may first come off as a wallflower. But once she gets to know you she's quite the love bug. This gorgeous girl might be the perfect addition to your family. She's spayed and up to date on vaccinations.

Cabbage, 3 years old, is a pudgy, gorgeous feline with an apple shaped face and big green eyes. This sweet girl loves to sing when you scratch her sweet spot. She'll need your help to lose a

few pounds to keep her healthy.

For more information on Neah and Cabbage, call the Hayward Animal Shelter at 510-293-7200.

Red, White & Blue Pet Adoption

The Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, will host its annual Red, White & Blue pet adoption on Saturday, June 29, from 1 to 5 p.m. with dogs, puppies, cats, kittens, bunnies, Guinea pigs and a chinchilla. All adult pet adoption fees are sponsored by Santa Con Hayward.



St. Felicitas Sixth Graders Win Metro League Championship

The St. Felicitas Catholic School sixth grade girls' basketball team won the Metro League playoffs for the 2018-2019 season.

The team finished the season with a 10-0 record. This is the

fourth year that the girls have held this title and proven that together as a team they can do anything.

They also came in runner-up this season in the Oakland Diocese championship game against

St. Leo the Great, a title that they've held since the 2017 season.

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Senior Lunch Menu

Lunch provided by Spectrum Community Services

A low-cost senior lunch provided by Spectrum Community Services is served on weekdays at the San Leandro Senior Center, 13909 East 14th St.

Everyone age 60 and up can have lunch. A suggested donation is \$3.75, but no one is refused for lack of funds. Call 24 hours ahead to reserve a lunch (1-510-825-9793) or sign up at the Senior Center.

The menu for lunch next week, July 1 to 3, is:

Monday – Turkey chili,

garden salad, cornbread and strawberries.

Tuesday – Baked chicken with cucumber sauce, minestrone soup, tossed vegetable salad, Jamaican coconut brown rice and tangerines.

Wednesday – Beef burger with whole wheat bun with lettuce, tomato, onion and pickle, potato salad, watermelon and chocolate chip cookies.

Thursday and Friday – Spectrum is closed for Independence Day holiday.

SLUSD Invites All to the SF Pride Parade

The San Leandro Unified School District's contingent that's going to the San Francisco Pride Parade will meet at the San Leandro BART Station at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 30. Families are encouraged to come along and all are welcome.

Older Adults Invited to Take Survey on Aging

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>

Benefit Comedy Night At The Englander

Unity in the Community will host a benefit comedy night on Saturday, July 13, at 8 p.m. at The Englander Pub, 101 Parrott St. in downtown San Leandro. Comics Jeff Applebaum, Patrick McDermott and others are on the bill. Tickets are \$20 at the door.

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POLICE & FIRE



San Leandro policeman Kenny Shedd (left) posing for a picture during his visit to Nevada's Special Olympics.

San Leandro Policeman Visits The Nevada Special Olympics

San Leandro policeman Kenny Shedd went to Reno to be in the welcoming line when Nevada law enforcement brought in the torch to light the flame at the opening ceremony of the Nevada Special Olympics.

Shedd, a former Raider wide receiver, was called on by the Raiders to be part of the ceremony. He also brought along a sign made by the San Leandro Police Department letting the athletes know they support them.

The Nevada law enforcement torch run is the culmination of a year round fundraising campaign to support Special Olympics Nevada. It's also designed to raise public awareness of the Special Olympics.

About 325 Special Olympics athletes and 85 coaches came to Reno



to compete in the 2019 Special Olympics Nevada Summer Games. After weeks of training and qualifying competitions, the athletes competed in bocce, swimming, and track and field.

Fireworks Banned on 4th of July Say Police

The San Leandro Police Department will increase patrols in all parks and neighborhoods to ensure residents and visitors are not using illegal fireworks on July 4th.

Violators are subject to confiscation of fireworks, citation or arrest, according to the police department.

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Rep. Swalwell in Tonight's Democratic Presidential Debate

Rep. Eric Swalwell will be one of 10 presidential hopefuls appearing on tonight's (Thursday) nationally-televised Democratic Presidential Debate in Miami.

This second night of the first debate will be broadcast on NBC (KNTV Channel 11), MSNBC and Telemundo — from 6 to 8 p.m. PDT.

Moderators for the two nights include MSNBC show host Rachel Maddow (formerly of Castro Valley and a graduate of CVHS), NBC News' anchors Lester Holt, Savannah Guthrie, and Chuck Todd, and Telemundo's José Díaz-Balart.

NBC selected the field of 10 candidates for each debate by random drawing, set up so that a mix

of higher-profile and lesser-known candidates will appear each night.

Rep. Swalwell told the *San Francisco Chronicle* last week that he will decide in December whether to register to run for re-election to Congress, depending on his standing in the polls and whether he continues to qualify for the debates.

Earlier this year, before announcing his bid to become president, Swalwell said he didn't plan to seek re-election to California's 15th Congressional District if he became a presidential candidate. His district covers Castro Valley, most of eastern Alameda County and part of central Contra Costa County.

The other candidates that will be



Rep. Swalwell

participating in this debate will be Pete Buttigieg, Bernie Sanders, Joe Biden, Andrew Young, Marianne Williamson, Kirsten Gillibrand, Michael Bennet, Kamala Harris and John Hickenlooper.

Library to show Spider-Man movie

Catch this amazing animated feature film, *Spider-Man: Into the Spider Verse*, that earned an Oscar for Best Animated Feature on Wednesday, July 3, from 2 to 4

p.m. at the Manor Branch Library, 1241 Manor Blvd. in Washington Manor.

Spider-Man is not alone: how many people with extra spi-

der-sense does the world need? See who else in your community has spider sense. The library encourages teens going into 7th through 12th grade to join the fun.



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Friends of SL Library Award Scholarships to Outstanding Students

The Friends of the San Leandro Library presented their 2019 scholarship awards to four outstanding, recently graduated San Leandro High School seniors, Krystle Kong, Cynthia Kim, Jia En Fang and Gleanna Agustin.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

❖ Apollo 11 at San Leandro History Museum

Next month will be the 50th Anniversary of Apollo 11 Moon Landing. On the morning of July 16, 1969 Apollo 11 took off from Kennedy Space Center carrying astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins to the moon – a voyage of over 240,000 miles. To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the moon landing, the San Leandro History

Museum, 320 W. Estudillo Ave., will show the 2019 documentary *Apollo 11* on Saturday, July 6, first at 11:15 a.m., and again at 2 p.m. The winner of two Sundance Film Festival Awards, “Apollo 11” allows viewers to relive the mission as it unfolded through original archival footage – some never before seen. The film (Not to be confused with the “Apollo 13” movie with Tom Hanks.) is rated G and is 1:33 in length.

Admission is free. For more information, call 510-577-3991.

❖ Newsies Woodminster Amphitheater

Newsies, the Disney musical, will begin the 53rd season of the Woodminster Summer Musicals July 5 to 7 and 11 to 14 at Woodminster Amphitheater in Joaquin Miller Park in the Oakland Hills. The play was inspired by the real-life “Newsboy Strike of 1899,” when newsboy Kid Blink led a band of orphan and runaway newsies on a two-week-long action against Pulitzer, Hearst and other powerful newspaper publishers. Filled with one heart-pounding number after another, it’s a high-energy explosion of song and dance you don’t want to miss. All performances at 8 p.m. For tickets or more information, visit www.woodminster.com

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR



❖ Democratic Presidential Debate on TV

Watch the 2020 Democratic presidential candidates debate with your neighbors on TV tonight, June 27, from 6 to 8 p.m. hosted by Our Revolution San Leandro. The debate will be on the screen at Elio’s Restaurant, 260 Floresta Blvd. in San Leandro.

❖ Washington Homeowners Meeting

The Washington Homeowners and Residents Association will hold its monthly meeting tonight, June 27, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Patio Room at the Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Blvd. in San Leandro. The guest speaker will be Officer Camarillo of the San Leandro Police Department. Topic will be Homelessness in San Leandro including coping with mental illness. Come discuss your community concerns. If you have questions related to Washington Manor that you would like to discuss please forward them to Marti Lantz at volunteermarti@pacbell.net. All Washington Manor residents and friends are urged to attend the meetings for discussions on city as well as local Manor issues.

❖ July Celebration at Meek Park

Come to the Fourth of July Celebration at Meek Park, 17365 Boston Road in Hayward, on Thursday, July 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fun for the whole family. Get a peek inside the historic Meek Mansion and learn about the Meek family history. Enjoy historic games and crafts, patriotic activities, face painting, and local community booths. Grab a hot-dog and stay for the music of Johnny Mahalo and the Wild Coconut. Bay Area BikeMobile will give free bike repairs to the first 20 signups that day.

❖ Boys & Girls Club of San Leandro Benefit

A benefit for the Boys & Girls Club of San Leandro will be held on Friday, July 5, from 4 to 9 p.m. at Drakes Brewing Co., 1933 Davis St., Bldg. 177 (by Walmart) in San Leandro. Taste an array of brews, a variety of foods and live entertainment will be provided by The Blend, playing classic rock. A \$5 donation to the Boys & Girls Club is requested but not required for admission. Brew tasting is \$18 and includes a logo mug and three tokens. For more information, call 483-5581.

❖ Ashland Holy Ghost Annual Festa

The Ashland Holy Ghost Association will have its annual festa on Saturday and Sunday, July 6 and 7, at the Ashland Holy Ghost Association Hall, 16490 Kent Ave. in San Lorenzo. On Saturday there will be a dance at 8 p.m. with music by Erminio Lemos and a presentation of the queens, their court and officers. On Sunday at 10:30 a.m. the parade will lineup at the hall and proceed to St. John’s Church for mass at 11:30 a.m. After Mass the procession will go back to the hall. There will be an auction at the hall on Sunday afternoon.

❖ Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center

Find out which animals call the shoreline home, on Saturday, July 6, from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center, 4901 Breakwater Ave. in Hayward. Discover what their homes look like and where they are at the shoreline and make your own model habitats. For children ages 3 to 5 years. The cost is \$9 per child. Drop in or pre-register at <https://apm.activecommunities.com/haywardrec>

❖ Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center

Learn how birds build their nests on Sunday,

July 7, from 11 to noon at the Hayward Shoreline Interpretive center, 4901 Breakwater Ave. in Hayward. Look for nests around the building and on the trail. Make your own nest to take home. For children five and older. The cost is \$6 per child. Drop in or pre-register at <https://apm.activecommunities.com/haywardrec>

❖ Alta Mira Club Luncheon

The Alta Mira Club, 561 Lafayette Ave. in San Leandro, will host a salad bar luncheon on Monday, July 8, at noon. Members are invited to decorate their table with a picnic theme for a prize. Tickets are \$15, which includes a bingo card for prizes. For reservations, call 510-562-7144. Proceeds go to the club’s general fund.

❖ Family Movie Nights

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and snacks, and enjoy this summertime family event. Showtimes are at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 10, Halcyon Park, *Small Foot*. Wednesday, July 24, Chabot Park, *Trolls*. Wednesday, Aug. 7, Washington Manor Park, *The Incredibles 2*. All movies are rated PG.

❖ Sons in Retirement Meeting

Sons in Retirement (SIR) branch #26, an organization of retired men, meets on the second Wednesday of each month at the Fairview Event Center, Metropolitan Golf Course, 10051 Doolittle Drive in Oakland. Social Hour starts at 11 a.m., followed by lunch at noon. The guest speaker for Wednesday, July 10, is Truman Howard, a docent at the Blackhawk Museum. Sponsored guests are welcome. To become a Sponsored guest, call Ken at 510-537-4804, as soon as possible, to request that you want to attend the July luncheon. The cost for the July luncheon \$25, payable in advance. Checks should be made payable to SIR Branch #26. To receive a full refund, the last day to cancel is noon Sunday, July 7. For more information, call Ken at 510-537-4804.

❖ Comedy Night at The Englander Pub

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❖ SLZ Community Church Flea Market

The San Lorenzo Community Church, 945 Paseo Grande, will have a flea market on Saturday, July 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come find new treasures. If you are interested in reserving a space, call 826-7615.

❖ Chabot College Football Reunion

A reunion of football players from Chabot College for the years 1962 to 1978 will be on Sunday, July 28, from 2 to 6:30 p.m. at the Shannon Community Center in Dublin. Former Chabot College football players, coaches and special guests for years 1962 to 1978, only. For more information, see the website: chabotfootballreunion62-78.com or call Dr. Keith Calkins at 949-244-4419.

❖ East Bay Regional Park Survey

The East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) is seeking public comments to help plan for the future. Surveys are online or available at the EBRPD exhibit in the Agriculture Building at the Alameda County Fair. Take the survey at www.eastbayparksurvey.com. Learn more and stay connected with the Park District by visiting www.ebparks.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.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Don't be surprised if, in spite of your well-made plans, something goes awry. But don't worry. Your knowledge of the facts plus your Arian charm will help you work it out.



TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A personal relationship seems to be demanding more than you feel you're able to give. Best advice: Confront the issue. You could find the situation surprisingly easy to work through.



GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Resist being pressured into meeting your self-imposed deadline. This is important if you really feel that taking more time to finish a project could save time in the long run.



CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A vacation choice seems less interesting than when you first made it. Could it be a matter of the place or the people going with you? Find out before you consider a change of plans.



LEO (July 23 to August 22) Someone might be overriding your Leonine logic to get you to agree to “favors” that you would normally avoid. Take a new look at what you've been asked to do and see if you've been misled.



VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Try to keep that emerging “judgmental” aspect in check this week. Too many critiques on relatively unimportant issues could create a lot of negative bounce-back reactions.



LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Facing unpleasant facts about an associate isn't easy. But ignoring them isn't wise. Ask a trusted (and neutral) friend to help guide you on what to do and how you might do it.



SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A shift in opinion regarding a workplace situation could go a long way in vindicating the stand you've taken. But be aware that a satisfactory resolution could still be a long way off.



SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) It's not like you to choose the easy way rather than the right way to do things. So, follow your instincts and feel assured they will lead you to the right decision. Good luck.



CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Hold off on making a personal commitment until you find out what it really entails and whose interests are actually involved. There could be hidden facts you need to know.



AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new friend offers an unexpected opportunity that could lead to a career change. Check it out carefully and consider getting an assessment from someone familiar with this field.



PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A surprising discovery leads to mixed reactions from those involved in the “revelation.” But as you come to appreciate the truth, you'll be able to come to terms with your feelings.

Fire: 'The fire started getting out of hand'

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At that moment, he said he felt helpless.

"The fire started getting out of hand and it started burning down Fashion City and then my restaurant," Barnes said.

Firefighters responded at 8:24, and began to fight the fire inside Knops Upholstery at the rear loft and the attic above. The fire was difficult to access, because it was in the rear loft and attic, according to the fire department.

As the fire spread, it caused the ceiling and loft to collapse and firefighters retreated. Once outside, firefighters began to fight the fire from the exterior.

As the fire started to spread to Fashion City and Sweet Fingers, firefighters went inside the restaurant and fought the fire.

The fire department brought out 15 engines and three trucks. The firefighters worked till early morning on Saturday to contain 90 percent of the fire. The fire was stubborn due to the material



PHOTO BY JESSICA BARAJAS

The fire department pours water on Knops Upholstery from the Georgia Way side.

in the upholstery store.

Around noon Saturday, the fire department was able to fully

extinguish the fire completely, Knowles said.

The cause of the fire is un-

known at this time and is still under investigation, according to the fire department.

Canceled: New fest will have health food

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of San Leandro. "I don't know why they would cancel it, even for a year. If you let it slide, people might forget about it, because there's so much to do in the Bay Area."

The Buon Tempo Club used to serve the best sausage sandwiches at the festival with grilled onions and peppers, and at a good price. But the group stopped being a part of the festival in the last few years.

"It got too commercial," said

Jim Pineo of the Buon Tempo club. "We did it as a fundraiser for our scholarships and the George Mark House, but they started bringing in a lot of commercial vendors and we just didn't get enough return on it."

But when the Sausage & Suds Festival started it quickly became popular.

The festival inspired then-mayor Ellen Corbett to persuade the state legislature to proclaim San Leandro as "The Sausage Capital of California."

Meeting on Marina Library

The City of San Leandro will host a second community meeting about the Mulford-Marina Library reconstruction on Saturday, June 29, at noon at the

Mulford-Marina Library, 13699 Aurora Ave. in San Leandro. The meeting will include a discussion of the library's building initiative and space design.

Truth Thursday Returns Tonight by the Statue

Downtown San Leandro's "Truth Thursdays" returns today (Thursday, June 27) surrounding the iconic 55-foot Truth is Beauty statue at the San Leandro Tech Campus, 1600 Alvarado St., from 5 to 8:30 p.m.

The monthly "Truth Thursdays" events, organized by the San Leandro Improvement Association, will feature multiple food trucks, beer, wine, recreational games and live entertainment for the whole Bay Area to enjoy.

This year, each "Truth Thursdays" will have a theme. June 27 will be a special "Made in San Leandro" event, presented by the San Leandro Improvement Association in partnership with the Gate 510 Center.

In addition to featuring multiple food trucks with tasty offerings presented by Food



Food trucks will be on hand at Truth Thursday.

Truck Mafia, beer, wine, recreational games, live entertainment and more, this June's Truth Thursdays will incorporate locally made products, including Scandic, Mr. Plastics, Tiny Farms (Fried crickets), Dr.

Hops Kombucha Beer, Hidden Star Orchards (Organic agricultural products), Prime Roots (Fungi-based protein products), Ghirardelli, 21st Amendment Brewing, and Drakes Brewing Company.

EB Parks Survey

The East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) is seeking public comments to help plan for the future.

Take the survey at www.eastbayparksurvey.com.

Our Readers Remember

The Times is accepting items now for the annual "Our Readers Remember" section coming up on July 11.

Photos or stories from days gone by are welcome – whether it's your wedding, your first car, your high school rock 'n' roll band, or anything else. It's

a section our readers always enjoy.

We can scan your photo, so bring it by or send it to The San Leandro Times, 2060 Washington Ave. San Leandro CA 94501. Or email to jimk@ebpublishing.com or call 510-614-1557.

City of San Leandro's Home Earthquake Strengthening Course

The City of San Leandro is again offering its nationally recognized and award-winning Home Earthquake Strengthening Course to homeowners. This is a "do-it-yourself" course geared towards owners of older, raised-floor homes. Homeowners will be shown how to identify and strengthen structural weaknesses in their homes. Upon completion of this four-day course, each homeowner will have a customized blueprint for their seismic project.

If you own a hillside home, please contact the Division of Building & Safety at (510) 577-3405.

When: July 11, 16, 18 and 23

This is a four-day course.

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AUTOMOTIVE

Hybrid Corolla Blends the Classics

By Steve Schaefer
San Leandro Times

It was inevitable, really. The Corolla, Toyota's oldest nameplate, with 46+ million units sold over 53 years, is now available with the company's famous hybrid powertrain.

Adding two electric motors and a nickel-metal hydride battery to the Corolla's 1.8-liter gas engine creates the Hybrid Synergy Drive system. It brings up the fuel economy numbers while generating 121 horsepower.

The last gas-only Corolla I tested, almost exactly a year ago, had official EPA numbers of 28 City, 35 Highway, and 31 Combined, and I got 26 mpg during my test. My Blueprint (blue) Hybrid test car, on the other hand, earned EPA figures of 53 City, 52 Highway, and 52 Combined. It got 44.8 mpg during its week-long stay, again a bit below EPA numbers but much improved over the gas model.

EPA Green scores for the hybrid are 7 for Smog and a perfect 10 for Greenhouse Gas vs. 3 and 7 for the gas model.

Besides all this efficiency, the 12th-generation 2020 Corolla is completely restyled. Taking its cue from the wildly energized Camry and other recently updated offerings, the new Corolla is more aggressive, with slices for eyes up front and a chiseled taillamp that stretches across the tail.

Inside, the dash and everything else are brought up to modern standards, with an 8-inch touch screen prominently floating above the dash center. Apple CarPlay is finally available, and it provides an up-to-date interface. The 6-speaker audio system was pretty decent. The fabric-wrapped seats were comfortable, and as you would expect, everything felt and worked just fine.

As with the Prius and Toyota's other hybrids, the drivetrain balances use of the gasoline engine with the electric motor, while using regenerative braking to charge up the small battery. The car often used battery only while cruising through town, providing an EV experience. If your battery is full, you can press a button to make the car an EV only, but only under certain conditions.

Choose from three drive modes—Power, Eco, and Normal. I sampled Power briefly, but it's not really in the spirit of a hybrid to race around. Normal was fine, while Eco, when commuting or in town, gets the most efficiency out of the powertrain.

With no plug, the Corolla requires absolutely no special attention—you just get in and go. The instrument panel and screen provide you with information and incentives to drive intelligently, avoiding stomping on the pedals for quick acceleration or sudden braking. That's the way to drive any car more efficiently, but with a hybrid, it just makes sense. For each trip I received a score on my driving, based on acceleration, cruising, and braking. When I got a 93 (presumably out of 100) I received an "Excellent Steady Driving" message, but there were other suggestions as well.

The Corolla Hybrid comes only as an LE model, while the standard Corollas offer multiple trim levels. The LE is not the base car, but doesn't have the upgrades of the XLE level, either. My tester had plastic wheel covers and cloth seats—not premium features. It did boast several op-



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tions, including a HomeLink frameless rearview mirror (\$175), which looked great but a little fancy for the Corolla's straightforward interior. The Body Protection Package (\$467) included body side moldings, a rear bumper protector, and door sill enhancements, and the Paint Protection Film (\$395) would surely keep your Corolla looking good over its likely very long life, if history is an indicator.

Corollas are made all over the world, but my test car came from Japan. I think it's the first Japanese-built Toyota I've tested in years.

The car is safe, with standard Toyota Safety Sense 2.0. This package includes a Pre-Collision System with Pedestrian Detection, Full-Speed Range Dynamic Radar Cruise Control, Lane Departure Alert with Steering Assist, Lane tracing assist, Automatic High Beams, and Road Sign Assist. That's a mouthful, but it could save your life (and others' too).

Corollas have never been expensive cars. The Hybrid starts



An 8-inch touch screen floats above the dash center, complete with Apple CarPlay and an up-to-date interface.

at \$22,950, \$3,000 over the base price of the non-hybrid LE model. The base gas-only Corolla L starts at just \$19,500. My tester came to \$25,233, with options.

Driving the Corolla Hybrid is pleasant, but not exciting or particularly quiet. My wife commented on the drone of the continuously-variable automatic transmission when we were climbing a grade or entering the freeway, and some road noise permeates the cabin. That's part

of what makes it feel less than premium. I did grow to like the car over a week, as it is honest, and the interior is nicely upgraded. However, the real rewards of ownership are the age-old Corolla virtues—reliability, efficiency, and longevity. You get more style now, thanks to the 2020 significant update.

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

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Contact Alice Kim with the City Manager's Office at
akim@sanleandro.org for more information or to request interpretation.

Our Readers Remember...

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July 11, 2019

We invite our readers to share their stories and photos — old and not so old — of life in San Leandro.

All photos will be returned. Please include your name, address and phone number on the back of each photo. Items must be submitted no later than Friday, July 5, 2019 to San Leandro Times, 2060 Washington Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577. For more information, call Jim Knowles at 510-614-1557. For advertising information, call Claudette Morrison at 510-912-1490, Linda Nakhai at 510-915-1513 or Mary Florence at 510-861-3270.

LIFESTYLE

Ultimate Strawberry Shortcake

Strawberry shortcake, one of America's favorite desserts, became popular in the mid-1800s.

Since that time it has gone through many modern variations using sponge cake, angel food cake and pound cake. You'll find many of these pre-made "shortcakes" stacked neatly alongside the strawberries in most supermarkets.

But real shortcake is not cake at all, it's a biscuit and it's really easy to make. The big reward comes in the eating.

Here are some tips for making a light, flaky biscuit.

Cut the chilled butter into the flour until the dough is coarse and mealy. The even distribution of fat makes for a flaky texture. Quickly stir the liquid into the dry ingredients. Overmixing makes for a tough biscuit. Gently knead the dough on a lightly floured surface.

ULTIMATE STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

4 pints strawberries, rinsed and hulled
1/4 cup sugar
10 shortcake biscuits
2 cups whipped cream,

Cut strawberries in half and toss with sugar. Set aside for 30 minutes.

Split each shortcake while still warm. Spoon plenty of strawberries over the bottom of each shortcake, top with a generous spoonful of lightly sweetened whipped cream and set top half of shortcake on top. Makes 10 servings.

Shortcake Biscuits

2 cups flour
1 tablespoon fresh baking powder
3 tablespoons sugar
Dash salt
1/2 cup chilled butter, cut into 8 pieces
3/4 cup whipping cream

Sift flour, baking powder, sugar and salt into a medium mixing bowl. Rubbing between fingers, or cutting with pastry cutter, work butter into dry ingredients until mixture forms consistency of cor meal, with a few larger lumps of butter left intact.

Add half of the cream and stir into dry ingredients with fork. Add remainder of cream, bit by bit, until mass forms that pulls cleanly away from bottom and sides of bowl (you may not need all of the cream).

On a lightly floured work space, quickly and lightly knead dough until smooth and cohesive. Gently roll out 1/2-inch thick. Cut out biscuits with a 3-inch biscuit cutter or a lightly floured juice glass. Gather leftover dough together, knead again briefly and roll out again, cutting out remaining biscuits.

Place biscuits on unbuttered baking sheet and bake at 400°F until light brown and slightly crusty, about 10 to 15 minutes.

Remove from oven and cool slightly before splitting and serving. Makes 10 biscuits.

CLASSIC STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

2 cups flour
1/4 cup sugar
4 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
Dash nutmeg
1/2 cup butter or margarine
1/2 cup milk
2 eggs, separated
Additional sugar
2 pint baskets of fresh strawberries, stemmed and sliced
1 cup whipping cream, whipped and sweetened

Sift flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and nutmeg into a large bowl. Cut in butter to resemble coarse meal.

In a bowl, blend meal and egg yolks with a fork. Stir into flour mixture to make a soft dough. Divide dough into 6 portions, form into balls. Pat balls out on greased baking sheet into 3-inch circles, moistening fingers with egg whites. Brush biscuits with egg whites and sprinkle with sugar.

Bake in preheated 425°F oven 10 to 12 minutes until golden. Remove to rack and cool. Sweeten strawberries to taste. Halve biscuits horizontally. On plates, fill and garnish with strawberries and whipped cream. Serves 6.

STRAWBERRY BUTTERMILK SHORTCAKE

2 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 cup sugar
1 tablespoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/3 cup butter, chilled and cut into pieces
3/4 cup buttermilk
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
Fresh, ripe strawberries
Whipped cream

Preheat oven to 400°F.

In a large bowl, combine flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Rub in butter with your finger tips until mixture resembles coarse crumbs (or pulse a few times in a food processor).

Stir in buttermilk and vanilla extract until the dough comes together. Add an additional tablespoon of buttermilk if the dough is slightly dry. Drop by 1/4 cups (use a measuring cup) onto a parchment-lined baking sheet.

Bake for 15 minutes, or until golden. Cool completely on a wire rack. When ready to serve, slice each shortcake in half and top generously with strawberries and whipped cream.

Alternatively, you could simply put out the sliced cakes with bowls of whipped cream and berries and let your friends top the buttermilk shortcakes themselves.

BISCUIT MIX SHORTCAKE

2 cups buttermilk biscuit mix
3/4 cup sugar
2/3 cup milk
2 baskets fresh strawberries
Whipped cream

Combine biscuit mix, 1/4 cup of the sugar and milk in large bowl. Mix until dough is formed. Beat by hand for 30 seconds. Drop dough onto paper-lined baking sheet and spread with spoon. Bake at 360°F for 8 or 9 minutes until lightly browned. Cool completely. Set aside.

When ready to serve, sprinkle strawberries with remaining 1/2 cup sugar. Set aside 6 whole berries for garnish and slice remaining berries. Split cooled biscuits in halves. Set top of biscuit aside.

For each serving, place bottom half of biscuit on a cold dessert



plate, split side up. Top biscuit with a serving of whipped cream. Place some of the sugared strawberries over whipped cream. Cover with biscuit top and top with remaining strawberries. Dollop with remaining whipped cream. Serves 6.

STRAWBERRY TRIFLE CAKE

2 cups whole strawberries
1/2 cup sugar
1/4 cup water
1-1/2 tablespoons cornstarch
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 (9x5-inch) home-baked pound cake in pan, or 1 (12-ounce) frozen pound cake in foil pan
Whipped cream

Slice berries, reserving 6 for garnish. Place 1 cup sliced berries in saucepan with sugar and water. Bring to boil. Cook 3 minutes.

Remove from heat. Mix cornstarch with small amount of water. Stir into berries. Cook and stir until thick, about 2 minutes. Add lemon juice. Cool to room temperature.

Fold in remaining sliced berries. Cut cake crosswise into 12 slices. Return slices to cake pan, 1 at a time, hold pan on slant and spoon glaze between them. Spread

remaining glaze on top. Cover and chill 4 hours or overnight. Carefully remove cake from pan (a foil pan can be cut away with scissors).

Transfer to serving platter and pipe whipped cream around base and top of cake. Garnish with whole berries. To serve, cut cake into diagonal slices. Makes 8 servings.

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SUMMER HOME IMPROVEMENT



Checklist of Summertime Home Improvement Projects

There's no time like the start of summer to begin tackling some of the projects on your home improvement checklist. They can range from small repairs to major remodeling projects.

Get a head start on your projects by walking around your house to see what repairs need to be done.

Here's a quick list of things you can do to spruce up your home, both inside and out, while days are long and the weather is warm.

Check Detectors

Check your home's smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to make sure they're working properly.

Wash Window Exteriors

Wash your windows on the outside — one of those things that doesn't get done very often. Fill a bucket with hot soapy water and get scrubbing. If you wash your windows frequently, you may be able to get away with a spray bottle of Windex and paper towels. But for an overwinter layer of grime, a bucket of soapy water and a sponge will usually

deliver the best results.

Clean Window Screens

Wash screen doors and window screens with hot soapy water. If your window screens are damaged or too dirty to be cleaned, it might be best to replace them.

Caulk around Windows

Adding caulk around windows and doors can help save on energy bills and make your home more comfortable. This is a fairly simple project that just requires caulk, a caulking gun and putty knife. If this is your first time, practice on a piece of lumber first. The trick is to use the same pressure when squeezing out the caulk and moving your hand along at a steady pace.

Clean Air Conditioner Filter

There's nothing worse than a 100-degree day without A/C. If you have a window unit, be sure to remove and clean the filter every season. If you have central air, the rule of thumb is to have the AC unit inspected by a professional once a year to keep the frigid air blowing.

Check Your Furnace Filter



Just like your A/C unit, your furnace has a filter that needs to be cleaned. Turn off power to the furnace and locate the filter behind the service door. You may need to unscrew a panel or two. Remove the filter and give it a wash if it is a reusable one. If the filter has a cardboard frame, you will need to replace it instead of washing it.

Touch-up Exterior Paint

A quick outdoor home maintenance job is touching-up the paint where needed on the outside of your home. This can be a simple weekend summer home maintenance project if you've stored cans of leftover paint in

the right colors in your garage.

Inspect and Clean Driveway

Thoroughly clean your walkways and driveway using a pressure washer. Check for cracks and weeds.

Wipe Down Baseboards

Baseboards are often overlooked when it comes to cleaning. It can be tough to muster up the energy to get on your hands and knees and clean the trim, but it is something you should do at least once a year to keep dust and dirt from building up. A damp cloth and a little patience is all you need to clean up the trim around your home.

Inspect Attic and Basement

Check your attic for any indication of pests or insects, water leakage, mold or mildew, and turn off the lights to check for any sign of peeking daylight. You will also want to check your basement for any indication of pests or insects, water leakage, mold and mildew, as well.

Check Your Roof

Weather, wind, and everyday wear and tear can hurt your roof. Check for missing shingles or any damage. Better to make small repairs every summer than spend thousands of dollars to replace the whole roof.



Bright Ideas for Outdoor Spaces

Many homeowners spend time and money perfecting curb appeal, but forget to make it shine at night. A well-lit home exterior and surrounding landscape is both beautiful and functional.

"The addition of outdoor lighting is transformative, making it possible to see beauty that would ordinarily be hidden at night, while also extending your living space to the outdoors at all hours of the day," said Lincoln Dixon, product manager at Progress Lighting. "Additionally, lighting provides safety and security, creating visibility and eliminating hiding spots."

To help you tailor lighting for enhanced beauty, visibility, security and ambiance, consider these tips:

Just like inside the home, layering light outside is essential to create a welcoming atmosphere. Light layering uses three layers of light: ambient, task and accent lighting.

Begin by selecting ambient lighting that provides a comfortable level of brightness. Wash the home's exterior with light, using a combination of downlights and uplights to cast a warm, gentle glow on outdoor living spaces while providing

indirect lighting to entryways.

Next, select task lighting to add focused illumination that makes entrances and pathways visible and shadow-free. A rule of thumb for lighting doorways is to size lighting in proportion to the door itself.

Select wall sconces and lanterns that measure anywhere from 1/4 to 1/3 the size of the door. Mount outdoor sconces and lanterns at eye level, with the center of the light source between 5 1/2 to 6 feet off the ground and 8 to 10 feet apart.

Install soft, non-glaring path fixtures about 14 inches high that direct most of the light downward. Define the edges of the path by placing lights about one foot from one or both sides of the walkway, staggering the placement slightly to create a natural flow.

For steps, install lights directly into the risers. This soft light provides just enough brightness to mark each tread and prevent glare.

Finally, add accent and decorative lighting that accentuates your home's architectural features.

For entertaining areas, select wall-mounted fixtures such as sconces or lanterns, or overhead lighting that focuses task light on work surfaces.

Outdoor chandeliers and pendants are a stylish way to bring the design appeal of indoor lighting outside. For a professional, pulled-together look, choose light fixtures with the same finish as door pulls, fencing and outdoor furniture.

Other accent lighting choices that add flair include post lights, spotlights, strip lights and water-feature lighting.

As a finishing touch, use timers, dimmers or motion sensors to control lights, turning them on or down as desired.

Remember, outdoor lighting must be rated for outdoor use to ensure that it's waterproof and that dust and rain won't interfere with the bulb or circuitry.

For more outdoor lighting tips, trends and inspiration, visit Progress Lighting at bit.ly/LightingOutdoors.

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HEALTH & FITNESS

Don't Let the Heat Get You Down

While it doesn't happen often, a heat wave like last week's in the East Bay can have unwanted effects if we don't take proper care.

When the thermometer rises, there are precautions that can be taken that will keep you and yours safe.

● **Stay hydrated.** Try to drink water. Increase your intake of non-alcoholic, non-carbonated caffeine-free beverages. Avoid hot drinks. Carry water and juice with you to drink continuously — even if you do not feel thirsty. Because the heat makes you sweat, loss of fluids and salt could become

a problem.

● **Slow down.** Avoid strenuous activity such as running, biking and gardening when it heats up.

Do your physical activities and exercise during the cooler hours of the day — morning and evening are usually the best bet.

Take regular breaks when engaged in physical activity on warm days. Take time out to find a cool place. If you recognize that you or someone else is showing the signals of a heat-related illness, stop activity and find a cool place. Remember, have fun, but stay

cool!

● If you do not have air conditioning, keep windows open for cross ventilation.

● Check on older neighbors or family members. Also, keep an eye on or check infants and young children.

● Try to stay in cooler locations, shade or rooms with cross ventilation or air conditioning.

● If you have breathing problems, like asthma — especially on a “spare the air day,” try to stay indoors. Air conditioning helps.

● Watch out for food products. Don't defrost dinner in the



Make sure to stay hydrated when temperatures rise.

kitchen sink, defrost in the refrigerator. Don't have food with mayonnaise out — the heat will increase the bacterial count.

● Don't forget your pets. Keep the water bowl full.

● Don't leave a child or pet in a locked car.

General care for heat emergencies are: Cool the body, give fluids and minimize shock. Heat-related illness usually comes in stages. Get into a cooler location, drink cool liquids slowly. Don't chug the liquid — it could bring on nausea.

And, as always, be especially watchful of children around pools and during swimming activities.

Also, don't forget the increased fire danger. If you do go outside to barbecue, be very cautious!

Let's Have a Tick Talk

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that 300,000 people are diagnosed with Lyme disease in the U.S. every year. However, because diagnosing Lyme can be difficult, many people who actually have it may be misdiagnosed with other conditions. Many experts believe the true number of cases is much higher.

Lyme disease affects people of all ages. The CDC notes that it is most common in children, older adults, and others such as firefighters and park rangers who spend time in outdoor activities and have higher exposure to ticks.

Lyme is called “The Great Imitator,” because its symptoms mimic many other diseases. It can affect any organ of the body, including the brain and nervous system, muscles and joints, and the heart.

Patients with Lyme disease are frequently misdiagnosed with chronic fatigue syndrome, fibromyalgia, multiple sclerosis, and various psychiatric illnesses, including depression. This may delay the correct diagnosis and treatment as the underlying infection progresses unchecked.

Patients treated with appropriate antibiotics in the early stages of Lyme disease usually recover rapidly and completely.

How Do People Get Lyme Disease?

Most people get Lyme from the bite of an immature tick about the size of a poppy seed. Not all ticks are infected. Because they are so tiny and their bite is painless, many people do not even realize they have been bitten.

Once a tick has attached, if undisturbed, it may feed for several days. The longer it stays attached, the more likely it will transmit the Lyme and other

pathogens into your bloodstream.

If pregnant women are infected, they sometimes pass Lyme disease to their unborn children and, while not common, stillbirth has occurred.

Lyme disease has been found all across the U.S., with a particularly high incidence on the East and West coasts. Rates have increased significantly over time. Some of this increase likely reflects growing public awareness of the disease.

Symptoms

Symptoms of early Lyme disease may present as flu-like (fever, chills, sweats, muscle aches, fatigue, nausea and joint pain). Some patients may have a rash or Bell's palsy (facial drooping).

A rash shaped like a bull's-eye is considered characteristic of Lyme disease. However, many people develop a different kind of rash or none at all.

Preventing Tick Bites

Reducing exposure to ticks is the best defense against Lyme.

While it is a good idea to take preventive measures against ticks year-round, be extra vigilant in warmer months (April–September) when ticks are most active.

Avoid wooded and brushy areas with high grass and leaf litter. Walk in the center of trails.

Use repellents that contain 20 to 30 percent DEET on exposed skin and clothing, and always follow product instructions.

Bathe or shower as soon as possible after coming indoors (preferably within 2 hours) to wash off and more easily find ticks. Conduct a full-body tick check using a hand-held or full-length mirror to view all parts of your body upon return from tick-infested areas.

Examine gear and pets. Ticks can ride into the home on clothing and pets, then attach to a person later, so carefully examine pets, coats, and day packs.

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GUEST COMMENTARY



Top 6 Things to Ready A Home for the Market

With Bay Area home-owner wannabes expectations soaring, sellers seeking the best results need to ensure their homes meet today's lofty standards. Readiness is critical; here are our Top 6 recommendations:

- Enlist the help of a qualified Realtor from the beginning.

Many sellers believe they know what is required to get a home ready for the market. Truth is, the rules have dramatically changed. If you have not sold a home in the

past 5 years, you may be in for a shock: *everything* is different. It is critical to get a listing agent involved from day one to correctly guide you through the process.

- Produce a property prep list.

With the help of your agent, prepare a hit list of things that need to be done to maximize your home's potential. This can include maintenance, repairs and potentially, upgrades.

- Order a full round of inspections.

There are two reasons for this. First, there is nothing worse than a surprise once you are in escrow. Key items from the inspections should be addressed sooner than later and included on your prep list.

Second, most buyers today anticipate that the inspection reports will be provided as a part of a comprehensive disclosure package available when they are looking at any given home.

Before ordering inspections, make sure inspectors can easily investigate attics and crawl-spaces by removing any items from around the access panels. Make sure the perimeter of

the garage is free of items and access to the electrical panel(s), furnace and water heater are unobstructed.

- Complete all applicable repairs/upgrades and provide documentation.

Once the repairs and/or upgrades have been completed, prepare a list of everything you have done, including applicable receipts, warranties, permits, etc. This material should be included in the disclosure package and made available to any potential buyer to provide comprehensive information as to what has been done (or not done) to prepare the property.

- Clean the house.

Once repairs/upgrades are done, deep clean the home. This includes carpets, tile grout, windows and coverings, bathrooms and so on. Pay special attention to the stove to remove all grease, including exhaust fan filters.

- Stage the property.

It's the icing on the cake: it's what buyers see first and is the one thing that does the most to captivate. Do not skimp here – you have 7-10 seconds to sell your home and first impressions are everything.

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Wet Conditions Caused Rust

By Buzz Bertolero
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What is the dark round parasite on the undersides of the leaves of my Rose of Sharon? It's just starting to bloom with beautiful pink flowers, so I hate to cut it down, but the leaves are really grossing me out. What can I do to save the plant?

The dark brown raised structure on the undersides of the leaves is not a parasite or bug. It is a fungus called Rust, which can be a problem on a variety of hosts.

On roses, and turf, it's a bright orange color. Typically, the dark reddish brown type is found on Snapdragons and Hollyhocks; however, it will infect Rose of Sharon, flowering maples, and

mallows.

Rust is an air-borne disease that infects only when the right conditions are present. It spreads from plant to plant or area to area mostly by the wind, however, insects, rain, and animals may help spread the problem.

The spores are dormant while they circulate. It requires moisture on the foliage of a host plant at night to germinate the spores along with mild temperatures. Usually, three to four hours is sufficient.

With some plants, overhead watering late in the afternoon can be the problem, but I don't think this is the case with your plant. The trigger here was the wet conditions we had in May. The fungus always shows up after the fact.

You could apply a fungicide, but it probably would do nothing. The rainy season is over for the year, so the dry conditions limit the infection. Pick off the worst

of the infected leaves and encourage new growth by feeding the plant with all-purpose plant food and remove any of the debris that may have fallen at the base of the plant.

Note: Rose of Sharon or *Hibiscus syriacus* is a widely cultivated deciduous ornamental shrub. It's native to Asia and is the national flower for South Korea. But it is often mistakenly thought of as a biblical plant. The biblical reference is for a different plant, *Pancratium maritimum*, which blooms in the late summer on the 'Sharon Plain' on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea just above the water line.

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Important to Control Mosquitoes During West Nile Virus Season

By Buzz Bertolero
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Q Is there a way to prevent mosquitoes from breeding in my pond? I'm not having a problem yet, but afraid it's not too far off?

A Mosquitoes are easily controlled in ponds, fountains, water gardens, and birdbaths with a larvicide, an insecticide that specifically targets the larval stage of an insect.

Besides mosquitoes, they're commonly applied to control the worm stage of caterpillars such as the tomato hornworm, cabbage looper and budworm on petunias and geraniums.

Mosquitoes are a problem where water is stationary and not moving. So it not necessary to bait every water source. In addition, I'd include any saucer where water may collect for more than 24 hours.

We need to be diligent in controlling Mosquitoes because of the concerns with West Nile Virus.

For the home and garden, the typical larvicide for mosquitoes is *Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis*, known as Bti, and *Bacillus sphaericus*. They're naturally occurring bacterium and pose no threat to kids, pets, other insects or the environment.

In water, Mosquito Dunks and Bits, made by Summit Chemical Co are available for controlling mosquitoes. The Mosquito Dunks are a solid material in the shape of a donut that floats on the water's surface and will keep on working for 30 days or longer.

While floating, they slowly release the larvicide on the water's surface where it is eaten by the mosquito larvae (wigglers),

which then die before reaching maturity. You would apply one dunk per 100-square-foot of surface water. They can easily be broken up to treat small areas and any unused dunks retain their potency so you can store them indefinitely.

Mosquito Bits are designed to provide a quick kill when a large

population of mosquito larvae is present. They're also used in those areas where the dunks are not practical, such as in saucers.

These fast-acting controls need to be reapplied every 14 days.

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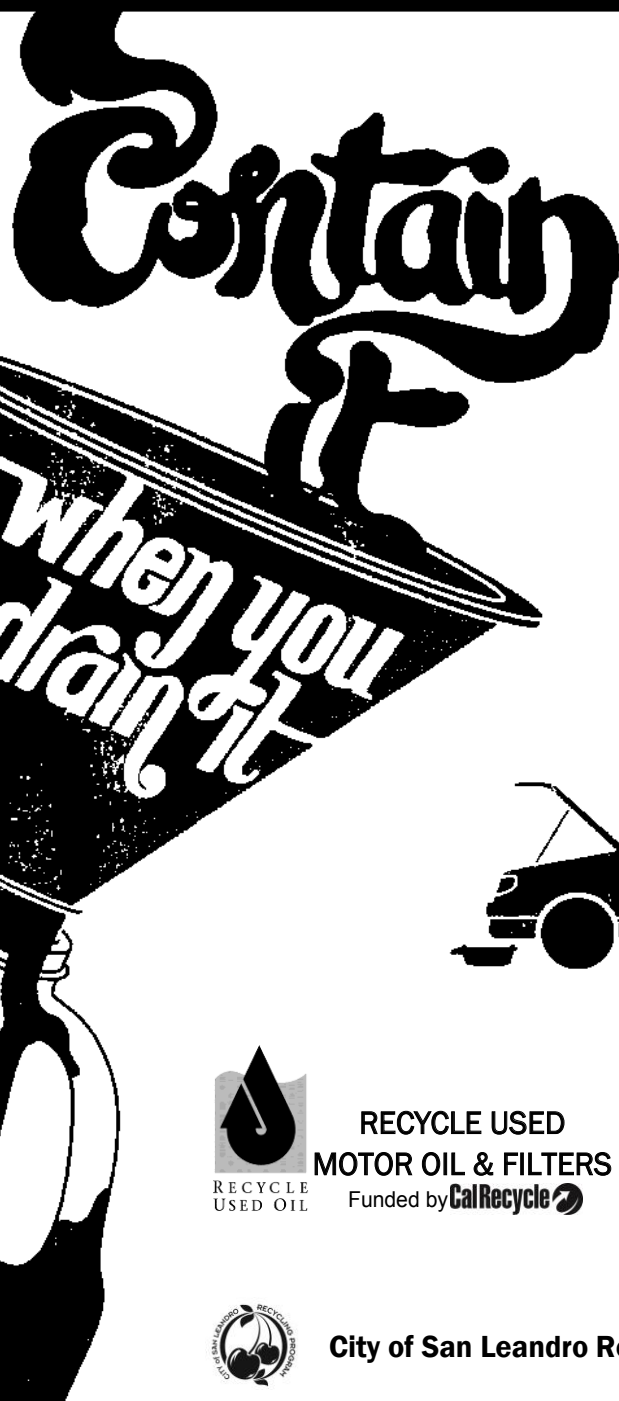
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Recycled Water Now Available at Treatment Plant

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Mayor Pauline Cutter and the City Council held a ribbon-cutting at the facility on Tuesday, June 18.

"The drought may be over for now, but it's a good habit to conserve our drinking water for inside the home and office use," says Justin Jensen, Manager of H2O Works.

In the summer months, H2O Works produces about 1.1 million gallons of recycled water per day, primarily used to water golf courses. Through this program, it expects to provide about 20,000 gallons per day to San Leandro residents and businesses. The recycled water station will be open to the public on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at H2O Works, 3000 Davis St.

Recycled water receives

extensive treatment and is rigorously tested to meet strict requirements. It can be used for ornamental landscaping and for vegetables, fruits and herbs (rinse them with drinking water before

"The drought may be over but it's a good habit to conserve water."

eating). It should not be used for drinking water, cooking or washing dishes, or in any way that it might come into contact with people, such as wading pools, squirt guns and dog washing.

To receive the water, residents and businesses will need to submit an application, available on the agency's website at www.sanleandro.org/depts/pw/wpcp. Participants must review a short

presentation about proper use of recycled water and submit their application before or during their first visit to the facility during the open hours posted above.

After receiving an ID card, customers can come for water during station hours. Customers will need to bring their own containers, with a minimum of 1 gallon and a maximum of 275 gallons. There's no limit to the number of times customers can receive water.

H2O Works serves about 50,000 customers in San Leandro. Wastewater from homes, businesses and factories is collected and carried to the plant through 130 miles of sewers.

The plant cleans about 1.8 billion gallons of wastewater every year. The recycled water goes through secondary and tertiary treatment, which means it's suitable for non-potable uses. Tours of the facility are available.

For more information, contact the Public Works Service Department at 510-577-3440.



PHOTO BY DENIS PEREZ

San Leandro Dodgers base runner Connor McCarthy slides into second base safely against the Future Prospects in a game this week. Karl Johnson applies the tag.

Tough Week for Dodgers Ends in a Win

The San Leandro Dodgers had a tough week, going 1-3.

Last Tuesday, Bay U beat the Dodgers, 8-2. For the Dodgers James Rogge had a pair of singles, walked once and scored a run. Tyler Finamore doubled and had two RBIs. Cam Weatherford walked and scored a run and Adrian Enriquez pitched two innings and struck out four batters.

On Thursday, the Dodgers lost a tough one to the Bombers, 2-1. Luis Gonzalez got a hit. James Cardera walked and scored a run. Devin Castro singled and walked while James Rogge pitched five innings, gave up three hits, no runs and struck out seven batters.

On Saturday, the Dodgers played a double header against Bay U, losing the first game, 4-2. Daniel Passilas singled and scored a run. James Cardera singled and drove in two runs. Connor McCarthy singled, and Matt Vallar pitched 4 and a third innings and gave up two earned

runs and struck out four. Victor Hernandez pitched 2 and two thirds innings and gave up no earned runs and struck out seven.

In the 2nd game of the doubleheader, the Dodgers beat Bay U, 6-2. David Greene walked and hit a single. Enrique Batz had two singles and an RBI. Danny Mendoza went 1-for-3 and scored a run. Sammy Hadley singled,

scored a run, walked, had an RBI and stole four bases. Denzel DeHoyos singled, drove in a run and scored a run. James Cardera pitched two innings and gave up one hit and no runs.

The San Leandro Dodgers will be in Reno beginning this Friday through Sunday for a Pre-Fourth of July tournament playing a minimum of five games.

Safety: Tips for safe swimming

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children. Drowning can occur quickly and silently, even in a foot of water.

- Do not drink alcohol if you plan on swimming or boating.
- Obey all rules and posted signs.
- Only swim in areas with a lifeguard on duty.
- If you're not a strong swimmer, take swim lessons. The Park District offers swim lessons

throughout the summer.

- Swim with a buddy and don't engage in horseplay in the water.
- If you're unsure of your swimming abilities, wear a life jacket. Regional park swim facilities have free loaner life jackets available. Boaters should always wear a life jacket.
- Children 12 years old and under are not permitted in the swimming area unless accom-

panied by a responsible, actively-supervising individual 16 years old or older.

- No lifeguard service is provided at bay beaches.
- Swimming at your own risk is allowed in designated areas and when lifeguards are off duty at some parks.

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Ivan Dugorepec

September 17, 1937 ~ June 18, 2019

Ivan Dugorepec, 81, of San Leandro, California peacefully passed away on Tuesday, June 18, 2019. Ivan was born Sept 17, 1937 in Dubrava Zabo ka, Croatia to Frankie and Anna (Gojsi). In Jun 8, 1962, he married Dragica (Simuni) and in Jan 1969, he moved the family to the United States where they still reside in San Leandro.

He was a tailor by trade and was an avid world traveler. He enjoyed going on cruises with his wife and family, making his own wine, chewing on his signature toothpick and spending time with his children and grandchildren whenever he could.

Ivan is survived by his wife Dragica, his daughter Jasna of San Leandro, his son Milenko and wife Debbie of Dublin, four grandchildren: Bella, Lexie, Lauren and Brayden; along with several nieces and nephews. A celebration of life service will be held at 3 PM, Thursday, Jun 27, 2019 at Santos Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave, San Leandro, CA 94577. There will be a reception following the service at the Dugorepec Home in San Leandro.

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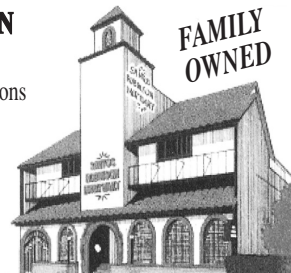
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OPINION

LETTERS to the EDITOR

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Outside Youth Bike Gangs are Threatening Public Safety

Editor:

Since last year, senior citizens and others have been terrorized by youth bike gangs from Oakland and Hayward. These youth come into San Leandro, halt traffic and encircle our citizens in hopes of shaking them down for a few dollars.

Ultimately, this will end in tragedy either by a senior citizen having a heart attack or one of the youths getting hit by a car as the owner tries to flee to safety.

Many SLPD officers idle away in parking lots or pursue low level traffic tickets and should reinvest their time in pursuing these youth gangs from Oakland or Hayward.

SLPD should pursue targeted campaigns and also track this activity on social media until these youth learn that San Leandro is the wrong place to pick on seniors and other citizens.

The SLPD should do more to earn its extremely generous salaries, benefits and pensions by knocking out this threat to public safety and quality of life in San Leandro.

—Ricardo Trigueros
San Leandro

Mayor: More Context on 'Police Account of Shooting'

Editor:

Following up on last week's article regarding the events of June 11th ("Mother Disputes Police Account of Shooting," Page 1, The Times, June 20), as Mayor I feel it is important to provide residents more context so that all of us understand what occurred and how the City intends to respond.

As San Leandrans, we are blessed to live in a diverse city with a strong sense of community and high expectations for public safety. Yet like many other cities throughout the region, we must at times grapple with challenging situations that test our resolve.

In the aftermath and analysis of what happened, as a community, our hearts are heavy as we reflect upon the incident.

Every loss of life is devastating and my thoughts are with the family and friends of Anthony Gomez.

My thoughts are also with the members of our Police Department who were impacted.

I am sure that none of the officers who came to work that day had any notion of the events that would unfold. Instead, they came to their jobs bringing their commitment to our community and to keeping our residents safe, even as they recognize the personal risk that is ever-present in their profession.

I know that many in the community are anxious to hear more details and I share that sentiment. Rest assured, additional information, including recordings from body-worn cameras used by the officers, will soon be released to the public.

This information will provide some

much-needed context and I have no doubt the public will be able to evaluate for themselves the actions of all who were involved.

Please join me and every member of our City Council in offering our solemn thoughts and reflections regarding this event.

—Pauline Russo Cutter
Mayor of San Leandro

Asks When Citizens are Going to 'Drain the Swamp in Sacramento'

Editor:

Yet another young female police officer was killed in Sacramento less than a week after the Democrats passed new legislation that ties police's hands even more when dealing with criminals.

A few months ago another young female police officer was killed not far from Sacramento and, an illegal, who bragged in court that he was deported many times to come back again to California, also killed a police officer in Sacramento not long ago and he vowed to kill many more if he gets out.

It's obvious that the Democrats prefer to see dead cops than criminals; after all, Barack Obama and Jerry Brown released thousands of criminals before they left.

After each killing the hypocrites send condolences and lower the flag to half mast; I wonder to what flag they pledge allegiance, like our City Council who also passed the sanctuary for criminals declaration, supported by the Chief of Police who, more likely, will send a delegation to the officer's funeral. Repugnant!

Many cops have been killed in California because of restrictions imposed on police; in addition, when a criminal "of color" gets killed or arrested, the family immediately sues the city and the police department, collecting millions of dollars of taxpayers money that the Democratic politicians hand over happily without even going to court. That's another form of restriction.

When are the citizens of this state going to drain the Sacramento swamp?

—Leo T. West
San Leandro

Thanks to Walgreens for Alert on Uncovering Computer Scam

Editor:

Recently, I was locked out of my computer and I called "Microsoft" to get help getting back in.

Well, you guessed it! The number was not Microsoft, but a scam.

I am writing, though embarrassed, so that others might benefit from my experience and to thank Debbie and the manager at the San Leandro Walgreens on Washington. It was Debbie who put me on to the scam when I attempted to purchase a Google Play Card as directed to do so by "'Patrick" from "Microsoft."

Thank you, Debbie and your manager! I can, certainly, find a better use for my \$200! I will continue to

frequent Walgreen's as it looks out for its customers...

—Margaret Ann Kennedy
San Leandro

Longtime Resident Sees New Future for San Lorenzo

Editor:

I have lived in San Lorenzo for 25 years, and during all of my time here, the center of our community has been an empty lot. Now, there's a solution to that vacant area, the San Lorenzo Village Green project.

It will create a real downtown for San Lorenzo residents and visitors. The Village Green will bring quality retail businesses and attractive new housing to the heart of San Lorenzo and also be a catalyst for future development. The developer has also proposed restoring the outside of the abandoned and derelict Lorenzo Theatre, another community treasure that I've cared deeply about and have worked to save while living in this community.

On Tuesday, July 9, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors will decide whether or not the project may move forward. Please email Supervisor Wilma Chan at wilma.chan@acgov.org or call her office at 1-510-278-0367 and ask her to support the San Lorenzo Village Green.

I urge San Lorenzo Village residents to learn more about the San Lorenzo Village Green project, support it, and ask your neighbors to support it also.

—Kent Kavasch
San Lorenzo

Village Green will Create a Downtown for San Lorenzo

Editor:

San Lorenzo is a great community but for over 20 years a vacant asphalt lot has occupied the center of the town. A new proposed development, the San Lorenzo Village Green, will create a downtown for residents and visitors.

Located on the west side of Hesperian Blvd, between Paseo Grande and Via Mercado, the Village Green will bring new housing and retail businesses to the heart of San Lorenzo. Rental prices will be at the middle of the Bay Area market (and much less than in Downtown Oakland and San Francisco) providing needed housing for young adults and families — 163 apartment units in a series of buildings that will be built to a high-quality construction standard and based on a beautiful art deco design. Discounts for teachers, public safety officers and veterans will be provided.

The Alameda County Planning Commission approved the project, finding it complied with all applicable zoning codes and California's environmental laws. On July 9, 2019, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors will decide whether or not the project may move forward. Please let Supervisor Wilma Chan know that you support the project by sending her an email message at wilma.chan@acgov.org or calling her office at (510) 278-0367.

—Stephen Cassidy
San Leandro

10 Reasons to Go Meatless on The Fourth of July

Editor:

Here are Ten Best Reasons for bar-

becuing veggie burgers and hot dogs this Independence Day, rather than ground-up animal body parts:

(1) Focusing on traffic and fireworks safety, rather than food safety,

(2) Giving your eyes a break from reading government food warning labels,

(3) Not sweating nasty E. coli and Salmonella bugs, if temperature is too low,

(4) Not sweating cancer-causing compounds, if barbecue temperature is too high,

(5) Not wondering about what's really in that burger or hot dog you're

chewing,

(6) Giving your body a holiday from saturated fat, cholesterol, and hormones,

(7) Not sweating the animal cruelty and environmental devastation guilt trips,

(8) Not having to explain to your kids why we feed Rex and eat Babe,

(9) Distinguishing your Independence Day menu from your friends and neighbors, and

(10) Celebrating a day of independence from the meat industry.

—Dennis Roth
San Leandro

INQUIRING REPORTER

Your plans for 4th of July?

— Asked along MacArthur Boulevard

We're going to go hang with friends at Discovery Bay. They're friends we met here at Sabino's. We've been coming here since they opened and love the network of people.

Judy and Matt Beall
San Leandro



I'll be going northwest of Lake Tahoe to go tent camping with my girlfriend. National forest land is the location goal.

Charlie Cubeta
Berkeley



I will be in Kazakhstan because I'm going back home to live there again after studying at Cal.

Azat Sembayev
Berkeley



I'll probably shoot some fireworks and watch fireworks from my house.

Niko Myllymaki
San Lorenzo



I'm working at my shop until we close at 6 o'clock and then we'll be going to a friend's house in the Oakland hills, as well as attending a Bridge Road parade and festivities earlier in the day.

Stacy Tingstrom
San Leandro



San Leandro Celebrates LGBT Pride Month

By Denis Perez
San Leandro Times

LGBTQ+ community members are being honored throughout this month through different public events and actions held by the City of San Leandro.

Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter proclaimed June as Pride Month in San Leandro during the San Leandro City Council Meeting on June 3.

Cutter said to value all San Leandro residents, the city council members unanimously agreed to this proclamation.

"San Leandro is proudly one of the most diverse cities in California," Cutter said. "San Leandro's diversity includes lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual and questioning queer individuals."

Also, during the June 3 council meeting proclamation, members of the Lavender Seniors of the East Bay were recognized for the organization's 25th anniversary.

"The Lavender Seniors of the East Bay have been in the forefront of providing advocacy and education to promote broader understanding of the diversity of the LGBTQ+ community by helping establish better safety and services for seniors, youth and other residents," Cutter said.

City Council Member

Deborah Cox also pushed for a rainbow-themed crosswalk to be installed in Downtown San Leandro. Cutter hosted the ribbon cutting event for the rainbow-themed crosswalk at the corner of Parrott Street and Washington Avenue on June 19.

The idea for the rainbow-themed crosswalk originated in 2015 when former Community Development Director Cynthia Battenberg brought it up to the city council. Only Cutter and Cox voted in favor of it. Since then, Cox had gathered community support to convince the rest of the council members to be in favor of this project.

Throughout June, a pride flag is being flown at Root Park at 1033 East 14th Street near downtown San Leandro. And this weekend, a pride flag will be put up in front of City Hall to coincide with San Francisco's Pride Parade.

Being born and raised in San Leandro, Terry Randol remembers a time where these types of events were avoided and instead a hostile environment towards him and his LGBTQ+ community existed. Although, at that time Randol said he was able to find support and strength in his mother when he came out as gay.



PHOTO BY JIM KNOWLES

Mayor Pauline Cutter cut the ribbon to open the rainbow crosswalks at the corner of Parrott Street and Washington Avenue last Wednesday to the cheers of the LGBTQ community and supporters.

"It feels good to be open, and loved by your family and peers," Randol said.

Unfortunately, a lot of LGBTQ+ people don't have

support and they end up in a dark place because it is so hard to go through living gay alone, Randol said.

"Having the city paint side-

walks and wave your flag, it means change is coming, you don't have to hide anymore and you can be comfortable in your own skin," Randol said.

Randol said he is happy the city will continue to celebrate Pride every June. "I hope to see a parade in San Leandro soon," he said.

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Washington Homeowners To Meet June 27

The Washington Homeowners and Residents Association will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, June 27, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Patio Room at the Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Blvd. in San Leandro.

The guest speaker will be Officer Camarillo of the San Leandro Police Department. The topic will be homelessness in San Leandro, including coping with mental illness. Come discuss your community concerns.

If you have questions related to Washington Manor that you would like to discuss please forward them to Marti Lantz at volunteermarti@pacbell.net.

All Washington Manor residents and friends are urged to attend the meetings for discussions on city as well as local Manor issues.

See U.S. vs. France Friday

See the Women's World Cup quarter-final match between the United States and France at noon on Friday in the San Leandro Main Library Lecture Hall, 300 Estudillo Ave. Free admission.

All ages are invited to watch international soccer at its finest. Enter a raffle to win a jersey from the Main Library atrium display.