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CV Relay for Life will be held this Saturday from 10am - 10pm at CVHS

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Thousands Crowd CV Pride Event

By Michael Singer CASTRO VALLEY FÖRUM

The sun was shining, the flags were flying, and the crowds came out in force to the 2017 edition of the Castro Valley Pride event this past Saturday.

Now in its seventh year, the gathering along Redwood Road is showing no signs of slowing down. Nearly 2,000 family, friends, and businesses showed their support of LGBTQ issues.

"People expect CV Pride to happen every year now," said CV Pride organizer Billy Ray Bradford. "I'm glad that its part of our community. It shows that we are growing in diversity and more willing to say that we have a Pride

Guest speakers U.S. Congressman, Eric Swalwell and Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley reaffirmed the organizer's themes of awareness, community, and distages with performances by six Center for the Arts Theatre. Now, says, we are here to show a much different bands.

Pride organizers also presented their annual "Community Hero" Wendy Franklin-Willis for her work starting and advising the Canyon GSA Student Club for been a question, 'Do we even need section of the National AIDS Quilt LGBTQ students.

The celebration has expanded Bradford said. "Things felt pretty ing the 50 lives lost at the Pulse everyone," Bradford said.



different picture of what a commu-

Prominently displayed for the first

tremendously since its first itera- good in our community right up nightclub in Orlando, Florida last

All 70 spaces for vendors sold versity. The event supported two ingup in front of the Castro Valley Despite what the administration out including a car and a truck from event sponsor, San Leandro Ford. Nearly a dozen churches and synagogues from Castro Valley, the Tri Valley, Oakland, and Hay-That community also came out award to Castro Valley native And the event almost didn't hap- in force for this year's Pride event. ward also staffed booths with information promoting their support Board. "A year ago, there might have time this year, was a two-by-six for the Pride community.

alongside a banner commemorat- it's a family event that welcomes underground tanks had migrated

tion seven years ago. Bradford re- until (the U.S. Presidential Elec- year.

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Of Vapor

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A second form of chemical contamination has been discovered near Castro Valley homes which had previously been tainted by leaky underground gas tanks.

A recent report by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board documented a finding of trichloroethylene (TCE) at levels nearly twice what is considerable acceptable by the Environmental Protection Agency.

TCE is a non-flammable liquid commonly used as a solvent.

This TCE vapor intrusion was found near the Xtra Oil site at 3495 Castro Valley Boulevard. Gasoline tanks there were first discovered to have leaked back in 1992 and efforts to clean it up have been ongoing ever since, according to engineering geologist Barbra Sieminski of the Water

In 2007, it was determined "It's churches, it's businesses, that hydrocarbons from the leaky over 500 feet via groundwater to the nearby Redwood Court apartment complex.

Further clean-up efforts were mounted and in the summer of 2015, "vapor barriers" beneath the buildings were installed, as were air filtration systems. At that time, a sampling of indoor air at Redwood Court showed that the vapor mitigation systems were working, Sieminski said.

Throughout all of this, the owner of the tanks has been testing indoor air concentrations at Redwood Court. In April, it was discovered that TCE levels at two units were higher than acceptable.

However, the TCE leak and the hydrocarbon leak are not related, according to Sieminski. The source of the TCE contamination is not known at this time.

Sieminski says the TCE may have migrated to Redwood Court though sewer or storm drain backfill or even from inside the residences, as some building materials and household products contain TCE.

CASTRO VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT PHOTO

Ground Broken for CVHS Wellness Center

members about 150 people show- tion in) November of last year.

the event stretches all the way

parking area on Redwood Road.

a Pride celebration any longer?"

pen this year.

along Castro Valley High School's nity can be."

Ground was broken Monday morning for the Castro Valley High School Wellness Center, a Measure G-funded project which will serve as a hub of support services for students. School District and other officials gathered for the ceremonial shoveling of soil to begin construction. School Superintendent Parvin Ahmadi began by thanking the voters for passing the \$123-million bond issue last year which will enable the district to modernize school buildings and outdoor facilities. The Wellness Center, she noted, will provide much needed space for staff and other partners to serve students. "The social, emotional and mental health of students are vital to their success in school and as young adults," she told the crowd of community members and elected officials who had attended the event.



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Castro Valley Weather July 12 - 16, 2017



Wednesday Clouds then Sun High 78° Low 58°



Thursday Mostly Sunny High 78° Low 57°



Friday Mostly Sunny High 77° Low 57°



Saturday Sunny & Warm High 82° Low 58°



Sunday Sunny & Warm High 82° Low 58°

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Enjoying the barbecue at Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Camp in Scotts Valley are, seated from left, Sidney Shaw (CVHS), Matthew Dzoan (RCHS), Elena Lottich (CVHS), Samantha "Sami" Siu (CVHS), Allison Lam (RCHS), and Allison "Alli" Fontillas (RCHS). Standing in back: Rotarian Bruce Johnson, Sonja Chen (counselor, RCHS Class of 2013, RYLA Alumni and recent graduate from U.C. San Diego), and Castro Valley Rotary President Jim Negri.

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Six Local High School Students Attend Rotary Leadership Camp

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high school students from Oakland to Hollister.

Scotts Valley, where they were

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership

Valley High School and three Redwood Christian High were cal and social issues of today. from Redwood Christian High Matthew Dzoan, Allison Lam and School recently attended Camp Allison Fontillas.

Awards) where theay received ership in youth by recognizing and tional leadership roles and to find training in leadership at Mission rewarding deserving students who additional ways to serve. Springs Conference Center in are chosen to attend RYLA as an "award" for their past and present and retired schools superintenjoined by more than 150 other leadership and service activities.

They attend an all-expenses-paid Rotarian and Redwood Christian camp where they are inspired by a Schools Superintendent Emeritus Those from Castro Valley High diverse group of speakers, make Bruce Johnson attended the endwere Sidney Shaw, Elena Lottich, life-long friends through fellow- of-the-week camp barbecue.

Three students from Castro and Samantha Siu. Attending from ship activities, and discuss the ethi-

The result is that these students return to their schools and commu-RYLA encourages servant lead- nities motivated to take on addi-

> Castro Valley Rotary President dent Jim Negri, and Castro Valley

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or the 23rd year, Jenny Lin tion of a six-week summer music her Castro Valley home.

ing Arts Center on Chabot College campus beginning at 7:30 p.m.

used the facilities at Canyon Middle School for rehearsal and other

Diana Ryan (Chorus), Greg Conto parents. way (Symphonic Band), and Cary Nasatir (Symphonic Orchestra).

These all-season music teach- ny's Jewelry (including necklaces, Foundation will present a ers have made it possible for the bracelets and earrings) at the confree summer concert fea- Foundation to host a free music cert to support the Foundation's turing over 300 young musicians program every summer in memofrom across the Bay Area on Fri-ry of Jenny Lin, a 14-year-old studay evening, July 28, the culminadent who was murdered in 1994 in sented as well, one from the Youth

While the Foundation was es-With "Shine Your Way" as the tablished to carry on Jenny Lin's theme, this year's community conlove of music, child safety issues cert which will be held in the Reed remain its top priority. To ensure L. Buffington Visual and Perform- the safety of the program's participants, members of the Alameda County Sheriff's office were pres-Participants of the program ent for the rehearsals.

Together with the many volunteers who directed traffic, providactivities two evenings a week ed supervision during break-time from June 19 to July 26, thanks to and served in other capacities. the Castro Valley School District. they helped to make sure that the Donating their time and energy Summer Youth Program was not to the program again this year are only cost-free, but also worry-free

The public will have an opportunity to purchase handmade Jen-

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Squatters with Guns

Thursday, July 6: at 6:09 p.m., Sheriff's deputies arrested two people on trespassing and weapons possession charges. An anonymous tip about suspicious activity sent deputies to a home on Massachusetts Avenue near Carlton Avenue. There, they arrested a 49-yearold woman from Castro Valley on suspicion of illegal trespassing and a 30-year-old man with no permanent address on suspicion of possession of a concealed weapon, possession of a high-capacity ammunition magazine, and resisting arrest. The couple were handcuffed and taken into custody.

Reckless Driver

Friday, July 7: at 3:29 a.m., a 34-year-old man from CV was arrested on suspicion of reckless driving. Deputies pulled the man over on Redwood Road near the westbound onramp to Interstate 580. Deputies had been following the man for a mile as he wove in and out of traffic in the area. The man was taken into custody.

Kicked Out of Eden

uties arrested a 29-year-old man shopping area. The man admitted

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picion of refusing to leave Eden the man and took him into custody. Medical Center on Lake Chabot Road after being asked repeatedly by hospital security. The man had man became aggressive in nature. The man was taken into custody.

Spousal Battery

Thursday, July 6: at 11:26 a.m., a 911 call about a loud and aggressive-sounding argument sent deputies to a home on San Miguel Avenue near Somerset Avenue. There, they arrested a 24-yearold man from Castro Valley on Monday, July 3: at 9:50 a.m., three suspicion of spousal assault and people were arrested on charges battery. The man was taken into of attempted burglary and illecustody. The victim was treated at the scene.

Drug Possession

Thursday, July 6: at 9:35 p.m., a A 26-year-old man from Castro 31-year-old man from San Francisco was arrested on suspicion possession of lock picking tools. of possession of a controlled sub- A 26-year-old man who refused to stance and illegal drug paraphernalia. Deputies spotted the man hanging outside a business on aphernalia and violating the terms For more information, visit Friday, July 7: at 3:41 a.m., dep- Patio Drive in the Castro Village of his parole. A 37-year-old wom-

with no permanent address on sus- he had drugs. Deputies handcuffed

Wanted Man

Wednesday, July 5: at 2:02 a.m., been on site causing a commotion deputies arrested a 37-year-old when staff asked the man to leave. man with no permanent address as Deputies were called in after the part of a court-issued warrant for his arrest. The man was traveling on Castro Valley Boulevard near John Drive when deputies stopped him for questioning and identified the man's outstanding warrant. Deputies took the man to Santa Rita Jail and held without bail.

Three Arrested for Attempted Burglary

gal drug possession. Deputies were called to a home on Cold Water Drive near Shadow Ridge Drive following a silent alarm. Valley was charged with illegal provide his address was arrested on possession of illegal drug parsee REPORTS on back page

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CV Residents to See Jump In Their Water Bills... Again

Castro Valley residents will see a jump in their water bills starting from 195 million gallons in 2007 this month.

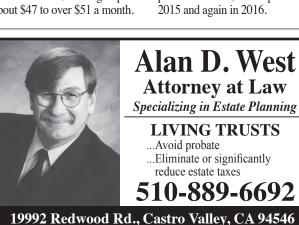
The East Bay Municipal Utility District yesterday approved don't change because water use an 18.25 percent increase in rates decreases. They say the extra monthrough 2018. The first phase, a ey is needed to maintain its aging 9.25 percent increase, becomes infrastructure - 4,200 miles of effective this month. It will be fol- pipeline – some of which is more lowed by a 9 percent boost on July than 100 years old.

about \$47 to over \$51 a month.

Water use in the district dropped to 125 million gallons last year. But district officials say their costs

Over all, the cost of EBMUD Under the new increases, the water has gone up more than 35 average household using about percent in the past five years, with 200 gallons of water a day will raises of 10 percent in 2013, 9.5 see their EBMUD bill go up from percent in 2014, and 8 percent in

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The Week Ahead

Wednesday, July 12: Sons in Retirement Meeting

SIRs, an organization of retired men, meets on the second Wednesday of each month in the Wedgewood Center at the Metropolitan Golf Links, 10051 Doolittle Drive in Oakland. Happy Hour at 11 a.m., followed by lunch at noon. For more info, call Mel at 510-357-0601.

● Friday, July 14: Georgie Porgie Miniature Golf Fundraiser

The nonprofit Bay East Foundation will host its family-friendly annual Georgie Porgie miniature golf fundraiser from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Buon Tempo dinner – open to everyone – at 7 p.m. on July 18 at Trans-Friday at Golden Tee Golfland. The general public is invited to enjoy unlimited miniature golf, unlimited arcade, a BBQ lunch, face-painting, balloon artists and numerous raffle prizes (including at least a dozen bicycles) for children and adults. Grand prize items include a 3-night stay in a Lake Tahoe cabin, \$500 in cash and more! For tickets (Children ages 3-12 are \$10 advance, \$15 at door; Adults \$30 advance, \$35 at door), visit www.georgieporgie2017.eventbee.com online.

• Saturday, July 15: Redwood Chapel Car Show

Redwood Chapel Community Church presents its annual Classic Car Show from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Saturday at 19300 Redwood Road in Castro Valley. Car registration from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., Hamburger BBQ at noon, followed by an inspirational talk and trophies at 1 p.m.

● Saturday, July 15: Castro Valley Relay for Life

Join the Relay for Life from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. this Saturday at Castro Valley High School. Survivors and caregivers are encouraged to come out and walk the first Survivors Lap. A luminaria ceremony will be held at dark (around 8:30) for those who have lost their fight, are still battling, or are free of the disease. For info, call 510-331-3335.

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• Monday, July 17: Castro Valley MAC on Daughtrey Bldg.

The Castro Valley MAC will hold a meeting on the fate of the Daughtrey's Bldg. at 6 p.m. this coming Monday at the Castro Valley Library. For agenda, visit acgov.org/uninc

• Tuesday, July 18: Buon Tempo Club Family Dinner

Chef Joe Sotello and his crew will be serving spare ribs in a six-course figuration Church, 4000 E. Castro Valley Blvd. \$15.00 for members, \$20 for guests. For reservations, call 510-483-6929 by this Friday. Buon Tempo is looking for new members. For info, visit buontempoclub.org

Wednesday, July 19: HARD Golf Classic

Join the Hayward Area Rec District Foundation's "Chip in for HARD" Golf Classic next Wednesday at the Skywest Golf Course, 1401 Golf Course Road in Hayward. Basic entry \$175, Golfer's Special \$200. Net proceeds go to support Mia's Dream All-Inclusive Park, scholarships and services. For info, or to register, call 510-888-0111.

▶ Thursday, July 20: Hayward Downtown Street Party

Hayward's next Street Party is 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on July 20, with bands entertaining at various B St. locations. DJ Robert Louis will entertain at the Chamber of Commerce Main Street Stage in the midst of the classic car show. Additional fun for kids – face-painters and the bicycle art show. For more info, visit www.hayward.org/

• Saturday, July 22: Summer Gospel Concert

The 4th Annual Summer Gospel Concert by Oakland Interfaith Community Choir will feature over 100 singers of various religions, races, ages, and backgrounds lifting their voices in joyful harmony at 7 p.m. July 22 at First Congregational Church of Oakland, 2501 Harrison Street. For tickets (\$10-\$15) visit www.brownpapertickets.com/. For more info, visit www.oigc.org

● Sunday, July 23: Exotic Orchid Workshop

Many orchids end up in compost bins after the first bloom fades. Learn how to care for common orchids from 2 to 3:30 p.m. on July 23 at the Castro Valley Library. Understand how orchids grow and how to help them bloom again. Bring your orchid if you have a specific question. This workshop is presented by Sung Lee, past president of the Diablo View Orchid Society. No tickets are required.

• Tuesday, July 25: Start Smart Teen Driver Safety Class

The California Highway Patrol Castro Valley Area and the Castro Valley Library present a "Start Smart" teen-driver safety class at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, at the Castro Valley Library for new and future licensed teenage drivers ages 15-19 and their parents. CHP officers will talk about traffic collisions, their causes and avoidance techniques, and driver responsibilities. To register, RSVP to 510-581-9028 (CHP) or 510-667-7900 (Library).

• Tuesday, July 25: Sizzling Summer Pool Tournament

Join us in either the beginner or advanced bracket for this fun pool tournament from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on July 25 at the Aitken Community Center, 17800 Redwood Road, Castro Valley. \$5 entry fee, prizes to top

• Friday, July 28: Jenny Lin Summer Music Concert

For the 23rd year, the Jenny Lin Foundation presents a free summer music concert, "Shine Your Way," with over 300 young musicians at the Reed L. Buffington Visual and Performing Arts Center on July 28 at 7:30 p.m., co-sponsored by Chabot College. The Arts Center is located on the Chabot campus at 25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward. For more information, visit jennylinfoundation.org/

● Saturday, July 29: "Bark for Life" Fundraiser

Hayward Relay for Life is hosting a "Bark for Life," an American Cancer Society fundraiser, at the Hayward Dog Park at Eden Greenway on July 29. Have some fun while we honor our caregiving loving dogs. For more information, visit www.relayforlife.org/BarkHaywardCa



Entertainment

CASTRO VALLEY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Tickets for Center for the Arts events listed below are available online at www.cv.k12.ca.us/cfa; or at the Center Box Office, 19501 Redwood Road, Thursdays and Fridays 3-5 p.m. phone 889-8961; or at the CV Adult School, 4430 Alma Ave.

- "Wizard of Oz, Jr." will be presented by the Castro Valley Theater Academy at 7 p.m. on Friday, July 28, and at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 29. For tickets (\$5-\$10-\$12), see above.
- "Winnie the Pooh Kids," will be presented by the Castro Valley Theater Academy at 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 29 and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, July 30. For tickets (\$5-\$10-\$12), see above.
- "Chorus Line High School Edition," will be presented by the Castro Valley Theater Academy at 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 29, and at 1 p.m. on Sunday, July 20. *For tickets* (\$5-\$10-\$12), *see above*.

Season Tickets on Sale

Tickets for the Castro Valley Arts Foundation 2017-2018 Series are now on sale. If subscribers wish to keep their same seats, please go to the box office by June 30th. Seats will be blocked out for new series subscribers until July 14. The series includes: "The Filharmonic" on Aug. 19, "The Spouse Whisperer" on Sept. 16, "New Year's Eve Cabaret" on Dec. 31, "Super Diamond: The Neil Diamond Tribute" on Jan. 27, "Wake the Dead" on Feb. 24, and "Franc D'Ambrosio's Broadway"

THEATRICAL & MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

- "Elvis Has Left the Building," a comedic farce, will be presented by Chanticleers Theatre, 3683 Quail Avenue in Castro Valley through July 23. It is December 20, 1970 and Elvis Presley has disappeared. No one, not even his wily manager "The Colonel," knows of his whereabouts. Hi-jinks abound as the Colonel takes desperate measures to replace a man who is irreplaceable. This hilariously funny story will keep you guessing until the end. General admission is \$25 (\$20 for seniors 60+ and military). For more information or tickets, call 510-733-3483 or visit chanticleers.org
- "Mamma Mia!," the stage musical, will be presented by Producers Associates, Inc. with a live orchestra at 8 p.m. on July 13, 14, 15 and 16 at the Woodminster Amphitheater in Joaquin Miller Park, Joaquin Miller Road at upper Sanborn Drive, Oakland. For tickets, call 510-531-9597 or visit www.woodminster.com
- "Flavors of Latin America," a summer concert, will be presented by the Morrisson Theatre Chrorus under the direction of César Cancino at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, July 21-22, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 23, at the Douglas Morrisson Theatre, 22311 North 3rd St. in Hayward. For tickets (\$18-\$15-\$12), call 510-881-6777 or visit www.dmtonline.org

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- "Welcome Home Project" and "In My Own Backyard," a dual exhibition, continues at the John O'Lague Galleria in Hayward City Hall, sponsored by the Hayward Arts Council. "The Welcome Home Project" is a collection of 20 stories and photos of formerly incarcerated Alameda County residents who were able to turn their lives in a positive way. "In My Own Backyard" features digital prints of 35 Hayward landmarks by Jeanne Bertolina.
- San Leandro Art Association members' paintings are on display at Zocalo Coffeehouse, 645 Bancroft Ave., San Leandro. There will be an artists' reception at Zocalo at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 20. Singer/Songwriter Rebecca Parks will perform as folks view the Association exhibit.

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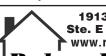
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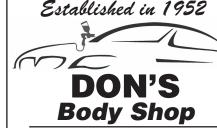
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Castro Valley Dramatic Arts Academy Helps Young People Learn to Spread Their Wings

By Michael Singer CASTRO VALLEY FÖRUM

heatre classes may teach young people acting, dancing, and singing — but just as important are the life skills these students acquire.

This weekend, more than 30 students from Castro Valley Dramatic Arts Academy (CVDAA) will be showing off their talents as part of an end of summer program extravaganza.

The troupe will present three short plays and a musical theatre dance performance this Friday, July 14 and Saturday beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Canyon Middle School's performance space.

The academy is a non-profit youth theatre organization that has been operating in Castro Valley since 2003. The group encourages and fosters the development of creative thinking and performance in young people through the practice of dramatic and performing

interpersonal relationships, how to yard. collaborate on ideas and negotiate



MOVEMENT FOR ACTORS: The Castro Valley Dramatic Arts Academy unde the direction of instructor Laurie Brown,

how to present ideas clearly.

"It is so wonderful to work with these talented young people," Academy President, Michael Lushington said. "Their perfor-Lushington, who worked as an mances are such a celebration of actor and director in New York their hard work and a great way City, says the theatre training also for the community to see this talprepares them how to deal with ent in Castro Valley's own back-

mutually beneficial outcomes, and on to a professional career in theatre, but the skills they learn with us can carry them through nearly any life situation."

> CVDAA does have former students move on to larger stages. Recent guest instructors — also online at: www.cvdaa.org/index. former students - include New php/box-office

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York playwright, Gino DiIorio and San Francisco performance artist and TED Talk speaker Katie Sabria Rubin.

CVDAA is also working to spread its own wings. Lushington said the organization has been working with the Douglas Morrison Theatre in Hayward on staging some productions but is looking for a more permanent location to hold their larger shows.

"Canyon Middle School is a great location for us, but the theatre space we use was never built with air conditioning. It gets very hot in the summer for the audience, not to mention our actors.' Lushington said.

The academy offers after-school classes in acting, improvisation and performance during the school year and a full day, five-week summer dramatic arts academy program that is offered at Canyon Middle School every year. No student is refused participation whether on the basis of financial need or where they start out.

Tickets for the end of summer program shows can be purchased



Flag Ceremony on The Fourth of July

CHP Officer Bruce Josslin, with children Sophia and Jesse, and Clark Smith of Boy Scout Troop 738 at the Fourth of July flag ceremony last Tuesday morning at the Castro Valley LDS Church. A children's bike parade and pancake breakfast followed the flag raising.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Dakine Hoops 11U AAU Boys Basketball

This week's Athletes of the Week are the members of Dakine Hoops 11U AAU boys basketball team. They won all 3 games over the weekend, at the "Summer Jam" tournament hosted by Bay Area Mambas this past Saturday at Las Positas College.

In Dakine's first game, they won 39-9, against the MTBallers, followed by a close one versus the Wildcats, with Dakine prevailing, 33-30.

They closed out their un-

defeated day, by beating East Bay Swag 38-22. Dakine, now, travels to Southern California in their quest to bring home the gold.

They played hard in preparation for the Cal-State Championship Tournament, in San Diego row, Coach Kevin Chinn, Head Coach Armando this coming weekend.



Shown above, front row from left, Ryan Co, Nevin Thomas, Justin Chinn, Jalen Tran and Shrivans Vittal: middle row, Aadi Malali, Rilev La Rosa, Ekam Sandhu and Porter Tien; back La Rosa and Coach John Tien.

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BAYWOOD COURT PHOTO

Three Honored at Baywood Court

Three Baywood Court employees - from left, Program Services Manager Keelin Jardin. Executive Director Bruce Udelf and Volunteer Services Supervisor Brittany Fate - recently received awards honoring their service to the community. Udelf was named Mentor of the Year at the 2017 LeadingAge Annual Conference. Jardin and Fate were honored by the California Park & Recreation Society's Recreation Therapy Institute.

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Relay for Life: Signature Fundraiser Walk for American Cancer Society

By Joanne Sexton SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

N MAY 1985, Dr. Gordon "Gordy" Klatt walked and ran for 24 hours around a track in Tacoma, Washington.

He did this to raise money to help the American Cancer Society with the nation's biggest health concern: cancer. An organization that has been making a global impact on cancer since 1913.

Gordy circled the track, cheered on by friends, family, and patients, until he'd covered 83.6 miles and raised \$27,000 in pledges.

As he walked and ran he thought about how he could get others to take part. He envisioned having teams participate in a similar fundraising event. The next year, 19 teams were part of the first Relay for Life which raised \$33,000 to help save lives from cancer.

Commitment

Relay for Life is the signature fundraiser cancer walk for the American Cancer Society, Money raised is used for cancer research, prevention education and patient care programs in our own community.

For example, because of the American Cancer Society the Cancer Program at Eden Medical Center is able to offer support services at no cost for patients or caregivers.

These services include: free rides to appointments, free wigs, free lodging, and free cancer support groups! Our Look Good Feel Better classes teach patients good skin care, show them how to wear head wraps and send them home feeling good about themselves (they also receive a free, stocked make-up bag!).

San Leandro Relay for Life was held earlier this year and raised over \$53,000 dollars!

Castro Valley Relay for Life will be held this Saturday, July 15, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at Castro Valley High School, 19400 Santa Maria Avenue. We have nine teams this year so we need as much community support as we can get! This is a family event so bring the kids too. We will have face painting, games and music throughout the day.

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Community

two men in the U.S. will be diag- Health's Eden Medical Center and nosed with cancer in their lifetime, CV Relay Team Captain for Hemaking it hard to find someone roes Helping Heroes (Eden Medwho hasn't been touched by can- ical Center).

cer in some way. Relay offers a place where people can come together and share both their joys and sorrows that stem from cancer.

Each Relay includes a luminaria ceremony, during which candles are lit to honor those who lost their fight, those still battling and those who have won the battle

Another tradition is the Surviday and kicks off Relay by showing the strength of survivors!

Eden Medical Center continues to be a proud sponsor of the Castro Valley Relay for Life.

Joanne Sexton, CTR, is the Manager of Tumor Registry and One in three women, and one in Cancer Data Services, at Sutter

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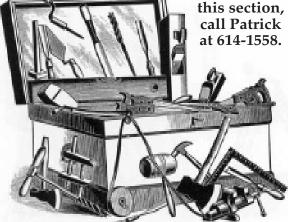
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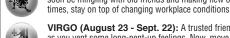


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uncertainty about one of your goals. Use this period of shifting attitudes to reassess what you really want and what you're ready to do to get it. **LEO (July 23 - August 22):** Your social life is picking up, and you'll soon be mingling with old friends and making new ones. But 'twixt the fun

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TO THE EDITOR FREDZ@EBPUBLISHING.COM



Concerned About One Daughtrey's Building Proposal

I would like to urge people to come to the upcoming (July 17) MAC meeting to discuss what will finally happen to the Daughtrey's

It is very encouraging that Castro Valley has three quality developers interested in bringing some much needed change to our downtown, but I want to discuss a serious concern about the Main St. Properties

I believe that there is strong interest in an upscale market/grocer and a new restaurant in Castro Valley, but I worry that allowing it at this location would be a huge mistake.

The new shared parking project that is going to be completed later this year has a total of 165 spaces for all of the businesses, and there is not enough parking to accommodate 24,000 square feet of retail at this location without damaging the other businesses in the lot. In fact, it would make the parking in the village even worse!

What is being proposed amounts to a retail location that would be more than twice the size of Trader Joe's, with less parking than is found in the Trader Joe's lot. Instead of helping the neighboring businesses, this proposal will significantly damage them.

Castro Valley could use another grocer option, but it should be at a location that has enough capacity. The Rite-Aid building strikes me as the ideal location and there is plenty of parking there.

Please come to the meeting to hear from the three developers and to ask any questions that you want answered this coming Monday at 6 p.m. at the CV Library.

-Peter Rosen, Castro Valley

A Tribute to Sheriff Greg Ahern and His Message to Students

We are all so fortunate to have a role model like Sheriff Greg Ahern leading our country law enforcement officers. He is a man of great integrity, who is dependable and honorable.

In May, Sheriff Ahern was the speaker at the Castro Valley/ Eden Area Chamber of Commerce Luncheon featuring the 2017 Student Citizens of the Year from Castro Valley and Eden Area

He stated that it was critical for the students to develop both character and competence. He stressed that the students: Be Bold (say what you believe); Be Brave (step out there and do what others will not do); and Be Brilliant (excel at whatever you do).

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What a great example for everyone in attendance, and he finished by stating the two things he tries to do every day: Make his day count and make a difference.

So the position of character and strength witnessed by those who attended the meeting where Sheriff Ahern spoke was not a surprise to any of us who know this man.

Yes, we are so fortunate to have him serving all of us in Alameda County.

-Bruce D. Johnson, Castro Valley

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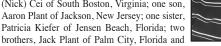
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Barry William Plant Barry William Plant, 64, of Castro Valley, bassed on June 30, 2017 at UVA Transitional

Care Hospital in Charlottesville, Virginia. He was born on February 8, 1953, and was preceded in death by his wife, Diane Hickey

Barry is survived by two daughters, Megan Nichole Plant of Bealeton, Virginia and Casey (Nick) Cei of South Boston, Virginia; one son Aaron Plant of Jackson, New Jersey; one sister, Patricia Kiefer of Jensen Beach, Florida; two



Alan Plant of Clermont, Florida; and five grandchildren. Funeral services were held on July 9 at Joynes Funeral Home in Warrenton Virginia. Interment was at Bright View Cemetery, also in Warrenton.

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School in 1949. In March 1950, she married the love of her life, Bob Presnell, in Modesto, California, where they resided and raised their two children, Greg and Jayne.

The family moved to Castro Valley in 1968.

In her younger years, Vangie enjoyed playing tennis and golf, and loved spending time with friends playing bridge. She loved traveling with her husband on tours all over the world. Vangie enjoyed cooking, baking and loved to

play the piano singing beloved gospel hymns. Vangie will be remembered by many for her beautiful smile and her con-

Vangie will be dearly missed by many on earth, but is rejoicing in heaven with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, July 29, at 11 a.m. at: Redwood Chapel Community Church, 19300 Redwood Rd., in Castro Valley.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: Mount Hermon Christian Conference Center, P. O. Box 413, Mount Hermon, CA 95041.

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REAL ESTATE GALLERY



Presale Inspections Provide Preemptive Info

By Carl Medford, CRS

t's standard procedure for once they get an accepted offer. While I understand a buyer's this practice, in my opinion, is to be in excellent condition. backwards and sets the stage for transaction failures.

I'm a firm believer in effective merous foundation cracks. information management.

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buyers to order inspections erty, roof and termite inspections of-state and needed the proceeds to help them assess the condition of their home prior to sale. They responsibility to thoroughly inves- lived in a normal tract home built tigate their prospective purchase in the 1970s. We did not anticipate and pay for applicable inspections, any issues as their home appeared

> We were startled when the property inspection report revealed nu-

Concerned, we ordered a foundation inspection and discovered I encourage sellers to order in- that the home's perimeter founspections as early as possible. The dation had 105 feet of horizontal

We ordered a second opinion from another foundation compa-Since surprises in escrow fre- ny and they concurred – it was the ed while the home was in escrow. quently derail transactions, a small worst case of horizontal cracking. It could have resulted in a failed upfront investment in inspection they had ever seen, most likely reports can save a seller thousands resulting from a bad batch of con-

and even increase the price they crete when the home was built.

The sellers began panicking. A couple recently ordered prop- They'd purchased a home outfrom their existing house as quickly as possible.

> We quickly discovered that, due to the recent massive rains, foundation issues had become a significant issue Bay Area-wide and foundation repair companies were booked for months. We managed to find a company with a small scheduling window and had the work done immediately.

> The home hit the market, sold in a week with multiple offers \$150,000 over asking and the sellers headed off to their new home.

> Imagine if this had been detecttransaction or seriously delayed the close of escrow. Either option would have resulted in the consequent failure of the out-of-state purchase.

Our opinion? The more you know up front the better. For this reason, many sellers are now ordering pre-sale inspections. While it requires an up-front investment, it's a wise practice that I believe should become standard operating procedure.

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Drugs and Stolen Property Among the Fireworks

Tuesday, July 4: at 1:49 p.m., deputies arrested a 26-year-old woman with no permanent address on suspicion of possession of stolen property, possession of methamphetamine drugs, possession of illegal narcotics, possession of illegal drug paraphernalia, and violating the terms of his parole. Deputies spotted the woman in the parking lot of a drugstore on Castro Valley Boulevard near Marshall St. The woman was handcuffed and taken into custody.

Patriotic Public Intoxication

Tuesday, July 4: at 6:08 p.m., a 54-year-old man with no permanent address was charged on suspicion of public intoxication. The man was hanging outside a business on Park Way near San Carlos Avenue when deputies stopped him for questioning. The man failed his field sobriety test and was taken into custody.

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