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CRUISE NIGHT: A WAY OF LIFE

By Debbie Tee
SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

If it weren't for the presence of cell phones, digital cameras, business chains such as Starbucks and Rigatoni's and modern day vehicles like SUVs or Tesla cars, one might actually believe they were back in the 1960s along Castro Valley Blvd. this past Saturday night.

After a well-received inception last year, Castro Valley hosted its second annual Cruise Night featuring classic and exotic cars as well as nearly everything in-between.

Participants either parked their vehicle along the route for display or drove slowly (aka "cruised") on the boulevard between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. as onlookers ooh-ed and aah-ed.

Featured vehicles included the Chevy Camaro and Corvette, the Plymouth Barracuda, the Shelby Cobra, the Lincoln Continental, the VW Beetle and Microbus and the iconic 1964 Ford Mustang.

Older cars with white wall tires like the Cadillac Fleetwood also received praise, as did newer muscle cars like the Dodge Charger.

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MAC MEETING

Concerns Over Projects on Old Route 238 Land

By Amy Sylvestri
CASTRO VALLEY FORUM

The Castro Valley Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) heard public comment about the ongoing discussion of the State Route 238 parcels.

A 200-acre swath of land from Cherryland to South Hayward that was once set for an expansion of State Route 238 (Mission Blvd.) has been divided into 10 parcels and is now set to be transformed with new uses including a large affordable housing project from Eden Housing.

Caltrans bought the land in the 1960s for what was once termed the "Foothill Freeway," but the 14-mile project never materialized and the City of Hayward eventually bought the land, which is located both within the city limits and in the unincorporated area.

Some of the parcels are much closer to being developed than others. Construction is already underway on 472 townhomes near the South Hayward BART station. But the futures of parcels in Castro Valley and Cherryland are still up in the air.

At the Monday night MAC meeting, over a dozen speakers told the council they opposed in particular the development of a parcel of nearly 19 acres (13 acres of which are in the unincorporated area) which runs between Grove Way and Carlos Bee Park. It's zoned for neighborhood commercial and residential uses of up to medium density and also for open space.

Another parcel relevant to Castro Valley, the Cherryland parcel, called the "Apple/Oak parcel" is 4 acres, with 1.5 acres in the unincorporated area. It's zoned for high-density residential and commercial office uses.

What's challenging is that so many different entities are involved in the project including the cities, the unincorporated area, the

county, the Hayward Area Recreation District, residents, and other stakeholders.

City of Hayward Deputy City Manager Jennifer Orr says the goal of the project overall is to "try to mitigate blight and work with communities" and to make the area "more cohesive."

Orr said that one city of Hayward parcel is slated to become a hotel marketed to business travelers.

She said that there have been lots of demand for nicer hotels, as rates in the Silicon Valley top \$600 per night. Orr said they'll put out a request for bids on the hotel next year.

Another desired use for the 238 parcels are apartments, as affordable housing developers Eden Housing wants to put 81 units on a little less than three acres in the area of Grove Way and A Street, according to senior project developer Ellen Morris.

The item before the MAC was simply there to be discussed, not voted on. Perhaps unsurprisingly, most public speakers were to speak against the Eden housing project, saying they support affordable housing in general, but don't want it built in an already busy area.

Other concerns were parking, homeless congregating in the area, and loss of natural open spaces.

"We want affordable houses, but we want them in places where habitat is not damaged," said Bruce King of the Friends of the San Lorenzo Creek.

Liz Dunbar lives on Knox Street, near A Street, and had concerns about the proposed development.

"One of our biggest concerns is traffic," said Dunbar. "Turning from Ruby to A is a nightmare every day. When we read there was going to be a hundred more cars traveling that street, we are concerned about the traffic our neighborhood is going to get."

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Castro Valley Weather Aug. 28 - Sept. 1, 2019



Wednesday
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Thursday
Mostly Sunny
High 75° Low 60°



Friday
Mostly Sunny
High 74 Low 60°



Saturday
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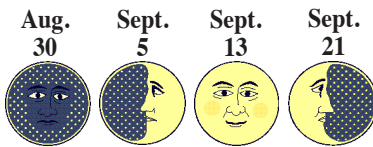
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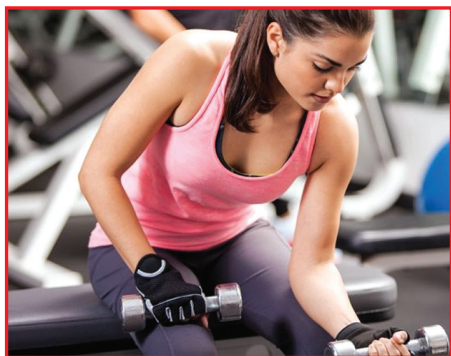


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'Odd Dog' Premieres Free Next Month at CV Center for the Arts

By Terry Liebowitz
SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

You and your family are invited to the short animated film premiere of "Odd Dog," at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Castro Valley Center for the Arts.

"Odd Dog" tells the story of a little boy who said only a dog would do as a pet. Meet the cat that changed his mind!

This free, special event is sponsored by the Castro Valley Arts Foundation to celebrate the work of CVHS '98 alumna Keika Lee (formerly Diana Lee) and to introduce the community to the newly installed \$26,000 projector donated by the Arts Foundation.

Keika and several of her creative team will talk about their process of making Odd Dog and will field audience questions.

Since graduating from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco, Keika worked extensively in the industry creating and



"Odd Dog," a short, animated film by CVHS 1998 graduate Keika Lee, will premiere free at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Center for the Arts.

producing video games (Electronic Arts and Facebook — Farmville 2 and Mafia Wars); films (Dreamworks — Madagascar II and Megamind); social gaming (Zynga); and mobile phone gaming.

Keika's real dream, however, was to make her own film. In October 2017, she organized a Kickstarter campaign and sent out Facebook, Instagram and Twitter blasts resulting in 300-plus donations, raising over \$12,000 to help fund her film.

Keika was able to hire character designers, animators, a sound designer, background painters, a composer and an editor who believed in the message of Odd Dog.

"My team of 15 was amazing. I want to do everything I can to make this film successful for them," Keika commented.

After the screening, Keika will enter her film in over 30 children's and animated film festivals nationally and internationally. Keika lives with her husband and six year old son in Castro Valley.

Register for your free tickets at: <http://odddogfilm.eventbrite.com>

Terry Liebowitz is a founding member of the Castro Valley Arts Foundation.



DAHLIAS BY THE DOZENS: The San Leandro Dahlia Society is getting ready to show off a dazzling array of colors and types of dahlias from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 8, in the Karp Room at the San Leandro Library, 300 Estudillo Avenue. The show is free and a good time to learn about these amazing flowers. For more information, or to enter your own dahlias, visit: sanleandrodahliasociety.org.



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Hog Wild: Hungry Hogs Visit Castro Valley Neighborhoods

By Linda Sandsmark
CASTRO VALLEY FORUM

Castro Valley resident Donna Boyer has had an unexpected visitor this summer – in the form of a wild black pig.

A handsome animal — if you like that sort of thing — it appears to trek down from nearby Hayward Area Recreation District property (off Sydney Way and Stanton Avenue) to forage in her yard.

“They roam around here frequently. I never saw one in my yard before, though,” she says. “One morning I heard him in the front yard and he was in the flower bed. We were looking at each other eyeball to eyeball through the glass pane. That was a little unsettling.”

Sometimes Boyer can snap a photograph, but other times she just sees the pig on her Ring doorbell security system. He has been scarce recently, but for a while was coming every morning or evening to snack in her yard.

Similar-looking pigs have been sighted all around her Talbot Lane neighborhood.

Boyer’s friends who are hunters estimate the pig to be over 200 pounds. Some jokingly suggested a luau to solve her pig problem.

Wild pigs can be destructive and aggressive. They have been seen in many other areas of town, and have done damage to yards in the Palomares hills development and the area around Cull Canyon.



PHOTO PROVIDED BY DONNA BOYER

A 200-pound wild black pig has been foraging in Donna Boyer’s yard in Castro Valley.

According to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife website, wild pigs are found in 56 of the state’s 58 counties. They are omnivorous, eating both plant and animal matter. Their favorite foods include grasses, herbs, edible

seeds and fruits, roots, tubers and invertebrate animals.

More information on wild pigs, including regulations for hunting them, may be found at <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Wild-Pig>

BART Survey: Significantly Higher Rider Scores for Station Cleanliness

BART received significant higher rider scores for station cleanliness during the three-month period from April to June this year.

The biggest year-over-year ratings improvement was for elevator cleanliness, with 58% of riders giving a “good” or “excellent”

rating, up from about 43% for the same period last year.

BART officials say one main factor in the increase is because of the elevator attendant program launched last year at the Powell Street and Civic Center stations which has virtually eliminated in-

appropriate behavior in these station elevators.

BART’s Board of Directors has voted to expand the program to the Embarcadero and Montgomery Street stations as early as this fall.

Ratings were compiled using rider responses to survey questionnaires. Up to 6,000 questionnaires are collected every three months.

Other increases were seen in the cleanliness of station platforms as “good” or “excellent.” It was just under 70%, up from 63.3% for the same quarter last year.

Restroom cleanliness rated as “good or excellent” rose to 40.6%, compared to 35.2% for the fourth quarter of last year.

SHERIFF’S REPORTS

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Drunken Fight with Dad

Sunday, August 25: at 11:27 p.m., Sheriff’s deputies arrested a 28-year-old man from San Lorenzo on suspicion of public intoxication. An emergency call about an altercation between a father and son sent deputies to an apartment on Grove Way near Betlen Way. The son was outside in the parking area when deputies arrived. The son admitted he had been drinking and smoking prior to the argument. Deputies registered his blood-alcohol content at more than twice the legal limit. The man was taken into custody.

Drugs in His Pocket

Sunday, August 25: at 11:50 a.m., a 26-year-old man with no permanent residence was arrested on suspicion of possession of illegal narcotics and related drug paraphernalia. Deputies were called to a fast-food restaurant on Grove Way near Center Street after the manager received complaints of a vagrant in the parking lot. The man showed deputies the drugs in his pocket during questioning and was taken into custody.

Can’t Stay Away

Saturday, August 24: at 10:35 p.m., deputies arrested a 37-year-old man from Oakland on suspicion of violating a court-issued restraining order and violating the terms of his probation. The man was spotted outside an apartment on Anita Avenue near Somerset Avenue prompting a call to the sheriff. Deputies made a positive identification and took the man into custody.

Asleep at the Wheel

Saturday, August 24: at 11:54 p.m., a 32-year-old man from Castro Valley was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol. Deputies were called to the parking lot of a fast-food restaurant on Strobbridge Avenue near Castro Valley Boulevard after reports of a man asleep behind the wheel of a parked car. The man failed his field sobriety test and was taken into custody.

Caught with Drugs for Sale

Saturday, August 24: at 2:51 a.m., deputies arrested a 33-year-old man from Castro Valley on suspicion of possession of illegal narcotics prepped for sale. The man was hanging outside a home on Forrest Avenue near Castro Valley

Boulevard when deputies stopped him for questioning and discovered his stash. The man was also wanted as part of a warrant issued for his capture. Deputies took the man to Santa Rita Jail pending \$1,000 in bail.

Illegal Narcotics and Fought the Law

Wednesday, August 21: at 8:44 a.m., deputies arrested a 38-year-old man with no permanent address on suspicion of possession of illegal narcotics, violating the terms of his probation, and resisting arrest. Deputies responded to reports of a man harassing commuters at the Castro Valley BART station and found the suspect in the parking area. The man initially re-

fused to cooperate and was handcuffed by deputies and taken into custody.

Stole Liquor Bottles

Tuesday, August 20: at 11:52 p.m., a 62-year-old man with no permanent address was arrested on suspicion of assault and battery as well as possession of illegal narcotics and related drug paraphernalia. Deputies responded to a call from a manager of a grocery store on Castro Valley Boulevard near Redwood Road. The man admitted to stealing some liquor bottles from the store and hitting a store clerk on his way out the door. Deputies found a crack pipe in his pocket and several needles

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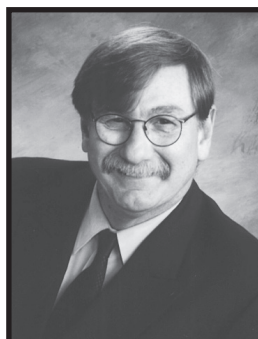
The 154th Scottish Highland Gathering & Games will be taking place at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton this weekend, Aug. 31 and Sept. 1, as the Caledonian Club of San Francisco celebrates the very best of Scottish culture, competition, cuisine and entertainment. Gates open at 8 a.m. and games end with the Massed Bands march-off at 6 p.m. both days. Tickets will be on sale at the Fairgrounds entrance gates. There will also be a Friday night concert at the San Ramon Marriott with tickets available at the door. For more information, visit www.thescottishgames.com.

Music Volunteer Training

Become a Trained Music Volunteer for Music for Minors II. Free training is offered in 11 sessions Sept. 16 through Nov. 4 from 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. at Proctor Elementary School, 17520 Redwood Road in Castro Valley.

Attend an orientation meeting from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 11, at Proctor Elementary.

For more info, visit: www.musicforminors2.org or phone 510-733-1189 or send an email to mfm2recruitment@gmail.com.



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The Week Ahead

● Tuesday, September 3: Buon Tempo Club Family Dinner

Everyone is welcome to attend Buon Tempo Club's family dinner at 7 p.m. on Sept. 3 at Mt. Tabor Hall, Transfiguration Church, 4000 E. Castro Valley Blvd. Chef Paul Grazzini and crew will be serving a five-course dinner of chicken cacciatore. Red and white wine and soda are also included. Happy hour is at 6 p.m. The dinner is \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members. Make reservations by Friday, Aug. 30, by calling the Buon Tempo dinner line at 510-483-6929 (option 1). Visit www.buontempoclub.org for more information about events/membership.

● Tuesday, September 3: Rotary Topic: CV School District

School Superintendent Parvin Ahmadi and School Board Member Gary Howard will update Rotary Club of Castro Valley members on the state of Castro Valley Unified School District at a buffet lunch at Redwood Canyon Golf Course, 17007 Redwood Road, from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday. The cost of lunch is \$15 and reservations must be made by 9 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 1, by contacting Rotary at cvtrotary@iCloud.com or 510-402-5123. More information is available at castrovalleyrotary.org.

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LABOR DAY SCHEDULES

Monday, September 2, 2019

Government Operations

All Federal, State, County and City offices will be closed on Monday, except for emergency services.

Business Offices

Financial institutions and stock exchanges will be closed. Most business offices, including The Forum, will be closed.

Stores & Restaurants

Some will be open but may be operating on reduced schedules.

Public Transportation

BART and AC Transit buses will operate on a Sunday schedule.

Garbage Collection & Sanitary District

Recycling, organics, and garbage collection services will occur as regularly scheduled by Alameda County Industries (ACI). Please call ACI at 510-483-1400 with billing and customer service questions, or visit ACI's website www.alamedacountyindustries.com.

Castro Valley Sanitary District (CVSan) offices will be closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day. Please call 510-506-5821 for sewer emergencies. Visit www.cvsan.org for information regarding CVSan services and programs.

● Tuesday, September 3: New Yoga Class to Begin

The Aitken Senior Center is offering a new Yoga-for-Everybody Class on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8 p.m., starting Sept. 3 and running through Sept. 24. Students taking this course will gain strength, increased flexibility and mental focus. Participants must sign up prior to the course start date. The fee is \$44. The class will meet weekly at the Kenneth C. Aitken Senior & Community Center, 17800 Redwood Road. For more information, please call 510-881-6738.

● Wednesday, September 4: Economic Development Forum

The Alameda County Community Development Agency invites you to hear from the founders and leaders of the Eden Area's major food businesses sharing their insights and experiences, at a panel discussion from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Public Hearing Room 160 at 224 West Winton Ave. in Hayward. More info at 510-670-5333.

● Tuesday, September 10 : VFW Post 9601 Meeting

Veterans and active duty military are invited to Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9601 meetings on the second Tuesday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building, 22737 Main St. in Hayward. For more information, visit www.vfw9601.org

● Tuesday, September 3: Ohlone Audubon Meeting

Peter Pyle will talk about ecology and conservation of the Gulf-of-the-Farallones marine vertebrates, from birds to pinnipeds to cetaceans, with emphasis on his main research species – breeding and pelagic seabirds, and Great White Sharks, at the next meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Carlton Plaza of Fremont, 3800 Walnut Avenue. No admission charge, refreshments will be served. For more info visit www.ohloneaudubon.org

● Wednesday, September 4: Wild Goose Qigong Class Begins

The Aitken Senior Center at 17800 Redwood Road will be offering a four-week Wild Goose Qigong beginning class from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. on Wednesdays, Sept. 4 through the 25th. The class fee is \$24. Wild Goose Qigong is a mind-body practice that promotes the healthy functioning of the whole body. Class is appropriate for all abilities and can be done standing or while sitting. For more information, please call 510-881-6738.

● Thursday, September 5: New Lap Harp Class Beginning

The Aitken Senior Center at 17800 Redwood Road is offering a beginning music class from 1 to 2 p.m. on four Thursdays, Sept. 5 to 26, on an easy to learn lap zither that provides beautiful, soothing music. Seniors with arthritis or limited mobility are encouraged to attend. The September class is \$24 plus a \$10 material fee, which is payable to the instructor on the first day of class for use of the zither and songbook. For more information, call 510-881-6738.

● Friday, September 6: CV School of Music Grand Opening

Come celebrate the Grand Opening at the new location of Castro Valley School Of Music at its new location — 20990 Redwood Road — from 5 to 7 p.m. on Sept. 6. Enjoy food, performances by students, raffles, prizes and much more. For information, please call 510-397-0721 or visit www.cvsom.com

● Friday, September 6: Eden Area Village Meeting

Join Eden Area Village at Hayward City Hall at 2 p.m. on Sept. 6 to meet some members and hear about how they are working together to help seniors in the Castro Valley, Hayward and San Lorenzo area to remain in their homes and engaged in their community. For more information, visit edenareavillage.org

● Saturday, September 7: Community Garden Open House

See what's growing at Paradise Community Garden, 20095 Mission Blvd. in Cherryland/Hayward from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sept. 7. Free speaker series at 11: "What Is Horticultural Therapy? Plants and Their Superpowers" by Mary Purpura, HTR. Live music 12:30 to 1:30. Beekeepers meet and greet at 2. Snacks and drinks. Visit vendors for native plants, body work, handmade soaps, prize-winning jams, tie dye and jewelry, community booths, urban farming info. Rent your own garden box. Questions? Rick Hatcher 510-909-4077.

● Saturday & Sunday, Sep. 7-8: Free Dahlia Show

The San Leandro Dahlia Society is ready for its annual dahlia show from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10-4 on Sunday in the Karp Room at the main San Leandro Library, 300 Estudillo. You'll be amazed at the variety of sizes, shapes and colors. For further information (or if you wish to enter your dahlias), visit sanleandrodahliasociety.org

Arts & Entertainment

CASTRO VALLEY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Tickets for Center for the Arts events (unless otherwise listed) are available at www.cvcfa.com; or at the Center Box Office, 19501 Redwood Road, Thursdays and Fridays 3-5 p.m. (phone 510-889-8961), or at the Castro Valley Adult School, 4430 Alma Avenue. Tickets for the Center's entire 2019-2020 Series are available for \$173 to \$209.

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● **Tom Rigney and Flambeau:** Fiery Cajun two-steps, low-down blues, funky New Orleans grooves and heartbreakingly beautiful ballads and waltzes: Tom and his band play it all on Saturday, Sept. 14 at 7:30 p.m. Come early for dance lessons in the Exhibition room at 6:15 p.m. (Limited to the first 40 dancers). *For tickets (\$28/\$30) see above.*

OTHER THEATRICAL & MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

● **Kent Ludwig's "The Three Musketeers"** is kicking-off the 40th Anniversary season at the Douglas Morrisson Theatre. This adaptation, which was commissioned by the Bristol Old Vic in England, is based on the timeless swashbuckler by Alexandre Dumas, a tale of heroism, treachery, close escapes and above all, honor. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 2 p.m. on Sundays through Sept. 29 at the theatre, 22311 N. Third St., Hayward. For tickets (\$10 preview, \$29 general), call 510-881-6777.

ART GALLERIES & ART INSTRUCTION

● **Superhero Drawing Class:** The Adobe Art Center in Castro Valley is offering a Superhero Drawing Class this Fall. In this awesome art class you'll learn to draw superheroes in action. You'll practice drawing shapes with shading and 3-D forms, learn to use shapes as building blocks for your figures, make powerful action poses, and practice drawing details to make your superhero look realistic. You'll watch videos of the world's best comic artists and see how they sketch and hear about being a professional, including artists who draw Wonder Woman and Black Panther. The class will be held Tuesdays for ages 10-13, and the first and third Saturdays of the month for ages 10 through 100. Register through the Hayward Area Rec District. Visit ArtSpaceCastroValley.com for more info!

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FROM THE BOULEVARD

Krayon's at 40- From Bar to Star

By Thomas E. Lorentzen
SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

As a we season in time we also tend to reason in time. We grow to understand the cycles of life, along with respect and appreciation for the forces of time and motion that foster those seasons. It is also from within them that acts of creation, art and beauty can emerge.



A perspective on this process became center-stage at the recent 40th anniversary celebration of a favored local tavern – Krayon's.

Hundreds of people gathered — sharing memories, friendships, hugs and kisses. For those who experienced Krayon's during these last four decades there was a shared feeling among the throng — that we were among a family of people that gathered there.

It was not a "country club," but was a like a local club where people could go to be with others in a friendly environment.

Given the warmth of the celebration it was obvious that Krayon's has been, indeed, a place of friendship and camaraderie. It was, in a way, not only a "Cheers," but a "home-like place to visit."

Good times were shared there, as well as a place to receive comfort with bad times. Friends could gather there. Friends could be made there. Or, if one wanted to simply be there by one's self, it was also a good place to go.

For those of us who are "seasoned" here in Castro Valley we can recall that this place of warmth and friendship was not always that way.

see KRAYONS on back page



Cruise: Hot Rods, Low Riders and More

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There were a few cars that emitted a futuristic-looking blue and purple neon glow and a couple of souped-up motorcycles, including one with a goggle-wearing dog as co-pilot.

One person was even riding a tricked out unicycle with a Maier racing tire. Essentially, any mode of transportation with wheels that had chrome or could be polished took center stage.

Of course, no car show would be complete without the quintessential low rider. Three customized cars fitted with air or hydraulic systems defied gravity by hopping, jumping, dancing up and down and, at times, riding on two wheels to the amazement of the crowd. Pronounced gasps by spectators often indicated that a low rider was nearby.

Drivers who could be heard revving their engines at red lights as if to signal the start of a race equally impressed the large number of attendees. The roaring engines ignited excitement and anticipation and served to prevent vehicles from stalling.

A secondary gain for the audience occurred when the light



turned green and vehicles advanced through the intersection, some leaving the smell of burning rubber in their wake. This visceral experience heightened the elation of many bystanders who were invested in an up close and personal experience.

The event attracted local residents as well as people from other parts of the Bay Area. Attendance was high and there was a strong police presence to address safety issues.

TMC Productions/The Music Company supplied music through large speakers to pump up the crowd and many restaurants offered special discounts. T-shirts were available for purchase and the Chabot Theatre held a fundraiser and offered a free screening of "American Graffiti." Donations support the purchase of new seats and the expansion of comfort at the venue.

This family friendly event had an air of inclusiveness. People from different walks of life came together to appreciate a recreational activity that relies on social interactions.

This was not just about shiny grills, glistening airbrushed rides and engines that purr and roar. Cruising provides us with an opportunity to take pride in our accomplishments and to recognize beauty in others.

It is about the ultimate expression of freedom. As long as our engine is running, we can go anywhere. And, it is a lesson about slowing down and appreciating the journey.

Cruising, after all, is a way of life and something in which we can all participate equally.

MAC: Hayward Will Need To Finalize Plans by 2022

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MAC Chair Marc Crawford said he had some questions on how the various agencies were involved in the planning process and also said he wanted Eden Housing to do a traffic study on Redwood Road, and Ruby and A streets.

"It is baby steps at this point,"

said Crawford. "We're going to take it one step at a time and see what we can do."

Whatever happens with the land, Hayward will need to finalize plans by 2022, or the property automatically will revert back to Caltrans as per terms of the contract.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Jenner Christiansen

This week's Athlete of the Week is Jenner Christiansen, a 2005 graduate of Castro Valley High School and a member of Team USA and they participated in the 2019 Pan American Games.

The 18th Pan American Games, held from July 26 to August 11 in Lima, Peru is a multi-sport event that features about 7,000 athletes from 41 countries who compete in 39 sports.

Team USA brought home the silver medal in Men's Fastpitch softball, which was the first medal a men's fastpitch softball team has brought home since 2003.

When asked about his time in Peru, Christiansen said, "It was a once in a lifetime experience and such an honor to represent my country."

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Claire Wong swims as part of the medley relay team.

Chabot Marlins Set Records

The Chabot Marlins had a number of memorable and record-setting performances at the annual East Bay Swim League (EBSL) Championships at Chabot College on July 27.

Agron won the 50 yard backstroke for 15-18 year olds and recorded the Marlins' second fastest times in the freestyle and butterfly events and the third fastest time in the backstroke.

Arakawa won the 50 yard freestyle in the 13-14 year old age group. The EBSL Championships features 1,200 swimmers from teams located in Castro Valley, San Leandro, Hayward, Fremont and Newark.

Corinne Arakawa picked up three silver medals in freestyle, butterfly and as part of the medley relay team with Eliana Miller, Alenea Loera and Claire Wong.

They were part of a very strong group of 11-12 year old girls. Representing the same age group in the 200-yard free relay, Chloe Gilbert, Isabelle Nicole, Kayah Matangelo and Alexa Ford won bronze.

Other medalists were Sabanovic with a silver in the 50 yard freestyle and Noe Jamal with a bronze in the 13-14 50-yard breaststroke.

Rayah Miller now has the team's fastest time in the back-

stroke and the third fastest time in the butterfly. Relay teammate Sabanovic has the fastest freestyle time and third fastest individual medley time.

It's no wonder that, when joined with Emily Miller and Kyra Matangelo, their 200-yard medley relay is the second fastest in team history.

In addition, Corinne Arakawa posted the second fastest time in the butterfly for her 11-12 year old group. Lauren French now has the third fastest time in the butterfly for the 13-14 age group and Tommy Ryken posted the third fastest time in team history in the 15-18 year old freestyle.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Protecting People With Parkinson's

Nearly a million Americans have Parkinson's disease (PD), a neurodegenerative disorder that affects the brain.

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Symptoms include tremor, trouble moving, trouble sleeping, dizziness, a masked face, a low voice and diminished handwriting.

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You can get the kit at Parkinson.org/AwareinCare or by calling the Parkinson's Foundation Helpline at 800-473-4636.

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FRIDAY, AUG. 30, AT 7:00 P.M. CV
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FRIDAY, SEPT. 6, AT 7:00 P.M.
CV VS. IRVINGTON AWAY

FRIDAY, SEP. 13,
AT 7:00 P.M. CV VS.
DOUGHERTY VALLEY AT CVHS

FRIDAY, SEPT. 20, AT 7:00 P.M.
CV VS. AMADOR VALLEY AWAY

FRIDAY, OCT. 4, AT 7:00 P.M.
CV VS. ENCINALAWAY

FRIDAY, OCT. 11, AT 7:00 P.M.
CV VS. BERKELEY AT CVHS

FRIDAY, OCT. 18, AT 7:00 P.M.
CV VS. SAN LEANDRO AWAY

FRIDAY, OCT. 25, AT 7:00 P.M.
CV VS. O'DOWD AT CVHS

FRIDAY, NOV. 1, AT 7:00 P.M.
CV VS. PIEDMONT AWAY

'Yoga for Everybody' Class

The Kenneth Aitken Senior Center at 17800 Redwood Road in Castro Valley is offering a brand new Yoga for Everybody Class from 7 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday evenings, starting Sept. 3 and continuing through the 24th.

Students taking this course will gain strength, increased flexibility and mental focus.

Participants must sign up prior to the course start date and the fee is \$44.00. For more information, call 510-881-6738.

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Summer's Final Fling

Although the East Bay typically has a lot of nice, outdoor weather for the next two months, Labor Day marks the unofficial end of vacation season for most of us.

It's a great time to get out with family and friends for a picnic in the park or a cookout in the backyard before the back-to-business fall pace sets in.

GRILLED CORN ON THE COB

Peel husks back, but do not remove. Using your fingers, remove silk from corn and pull husks back up around corn. In a large pan, cover corn (husks on) with cold water. Soak for at least 1 hour. Drain, shaking corn to remove excess water. Cover corn as much as possible with husks. If necessary, tie the tips of the husks together with wet kitchen string.

Grill corn (with husks) on an uncovered grill directly over medium-hot coals about 25 minutes or until tender, turning several times. Carefully remove the husks and strings.

Meanwhile, melt some margarine or butter with a little lemon juice, and thyme. Brush mixture over the corn before serving.

CLASSIC CHEESEBURGERS

Safflower oil, for grill
1-1/2 pounds ground beef
chuck (80 percent lean)

Salt and freshly ground pepper
4 slices sharp Cheddar cheese
4 large hamburger buns
4 teaspoons mayonnaise
1 beefsteak tomato, cut into 4 slices
1/2 onion, cut into 1/4-inch rings
4 lettuce leaves (green-leaf, Boston, romaine, etc.)

Preheat grill to medium-high; brush grates with oil.

Gently form beef into four 1-inch-thick patties, about 4 inches in diameter. Make an indentation in the top of each patty. Generously season both sides with salt and pepper.

Grill burgers 3 minutes. Flip, top with cheese, and grill 4 minutes for medium-rare.

Toast buns face-down on grill until just lightly charred, about 30 seconds. Spread them with mayonnaise.

Place burgers in buns with tomato, onion, and lettuce. Yields 4 burgers.

HAM & MACARONI SALAD

1 cup packaged elbow macaroni
1-1/2 cups fully cooked ham (8 ounces), cubed
1 cup Monterey Jack cheese, cut into cubes (4 ounces)
1 cup frozen peas
1 stalk celery, thinly sliced
1/4 cup finely chopped onion
2 tablespoons diced pimiento
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup sweet pickle relish
1 to 2 tablespoons milk
Dash pepper, to taste
8 cherry tomatoes, halved
Fresh parsley sprig (optional)

Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain and rinse with cold water. Drain again.

In a large mixing bowl combine pasta, ham, cheese, peas, celery, onion, and pimiento. Toss gently to mix.

For dressing, in a small mixing

bowl stir together mayonnaise, pickle relish, milk, and pepper. Pour dressing over pasta mixture. Toss to coat. Cover and chill overnight. Just before serving, stir in milk, if necessary. Spoon pasta mixture into a serving bowl. Arrange cherry tomato halves around the edge of bowl. If desired, garnish with parsley. Makes 4 main-dish servings.

DAY-AHEAD FRIED CHICKEN

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

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

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

In a large skillet, heat 2 inch-

es oil to 350°F. Using tongs, add chicken one piece at a time, being careful to not overcrowd pan.

Fry, turning every 3 to 4 minutes, until deep mahogany in color, about 18 minutes. Remove chicken from skillet, and drain on a brown paper bag. Serve hot or cold. Serves 6.

TUNA-APPLE SALAD SANDWICHES

12 ounces tuna, packed in oil, drained
2 stalks celery, halved lengthwise and thinly sliced
1 apple, such as Gala, peeled, cored, chopped into 1/4-inch pieces
3 tablespoons mayonnaise, regular or lite
2 tablespoons freshly chopped basil leaves
1 tablespoon lemon juice
Salt and freshly ground pepper
8 slices fresh sourdough

In a medium bowl, combine tuna, celery, apple, mayonnaise, basil, and lemon juice; mix well. Season with salt and pepper.

On a work surface, divide tuna salad among 4 slices bread; top with remaining 4 slices bread. Yields 4 sandwiches.

POTATO SALAD

5 pounds medium red-skinned potatoes
1 white onion, finely grated
2/3 cup cold water
1/2 cup distilled white vinegar
1 teaspoon sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup mayonnaise
Chopped parsley, for garnish (optional)
Hard-boiled eggs sliced, for garnish (optional)

Place potatoes in a large pot, and cover with water; bring to a boil. Reduce to a simmer, and cook until soft when pierced with the tip of a knife, about 30 minutes. Drain, and allow to cool slightly. Peel potatoes (or leave skins on), and slice into 1/4-inch-thick slices.

Combine potatoes, onion, water, vinegar, sugar, and salt in a large bowl. Toss gently between two large bowls, trying not to break up potato slices. Let stand for 10 minutes. Add mayonnaise; mix gently between two large bowls until well combined and creamy.

Refrigerate for at least 2 hours; the mixture will thicken as it stands. Garnish with parsley and/or sliced hard-boiled eggs, if desired. Yields 12 servings.



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Obituaries

Rosemary Spinardi Corti

Rosemary Corti of San Leandro passed away on August 25th, 2019 after a long battle with Alzheimer's. She was 80. Rosemary was born in Merced on Oct. 21st, 1938 to Frank and Sally Spinardi. Rosemary married Gianfranco Corti in 1957 and accomplished almost 62 years of marriage. Together they had two beautiful daughters, Cristina Corti Kaady (Robert Kaady) of Livermore and Rosanna Corti DeMarinis (John DeMarinis) of Danville. Rosemary had four grandchildren, Alexandria Kaady, Dominic Kaady, Giovanni DeMarinis and Luca DeMarinis whom she loved very much. Rosemary is survived by her brother Frank L. Spinardi Jr. and her sister Janet Gaudette. Rosemary enjoyed gambling, playing bingo, reading and most of all, spending time with her girls and their families. Rosemary had a great sense of humor and a contagious laugh. She was the most giving, loving person. She touched many lives with her kindness. She dedicated her life to her family and will be forever loved and missed.



Tuesday Sept 3, Viewing 5:00-8:00 Church of the Assumption 1100 Fulton Ave, San Leandro Vigil starts at 6:30. Wednesday Sept 4, Funeral Mass 11:00 am Church of the Assumption 1100 Fulton Ave, San Leandro Entombment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Hayward CA 26320 Mission Blvd, Hayward In lieu of flowers the families request a donation be made to the Alzheimer Association in honor of Rosemary Corti.

Art Brenes

Art Brenes, husband, father, and entrepreneur, passed away on August 14, 2019, in Castro Valley. He was 82 years old.

Arthur Joseph Brenes was born in Costa Rica on February 10, 1937, to José Joaquín and Vera Brenes. At the age of 10 his family immigrated to the United States and settled in Albany, California.



In 1973, Art founded High Vacuum Apparatus (HVA) in Hayward, eventually building it into a premier manufacturer of high vacuum gate valves. He held more than a half dozen patents.

In addition to his passion for the business he built, Art loved fine wine, food, traveling, skiing and Porsches. He was also a lifelong jazz aficionado.

Above all else, Art was devoted to his family. In 1963, he married Cathy Hofliger and they became residents of Castro Valley in the early 1970s where they raised two children.

Art is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Cathy, daughter Karen Brenes, son Victor, daughter-in-law Wendy, beloved grandson Max, brother José and sister-in-law Tina, sister-in-law Barbara Tocchini, nephew Dale Tocchini and Dale's wife Michele.

A Funeral Mass for Art will be held 10 a.m. at Transfiguration Catholic Church in Castro Valley on Saturday, September 14, 2019. A reception and celebration of life will immediately follow at the church reception hall.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to Dr. Edward Damrose's research fund online <https://medicalgiving.stanford.edu/> or make a check payable to "Stanford University" mail to: Stanford University Development Services, P.O. Box 20466, Stanford, CA 94309-0466. Please note online or on the memo line of the check: "For Dr. Edward Damrose's research Fund GHFFZ in Memory of Art Brenes."

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Wildfire Could Happen Here!

Editor:

Castro Valley Forest Fire! Like Santa Rosa it could happen. Have we done anything to prevent it? Absolutely not.

The neglected Ten Hills Trail area has been designated as a "Severe Fire Hazard Zone." Consequently, our insurance companies have been withdrawing coverage. State laws compel homeowners to disclose these serious scenarios.

The forest has grown much larger and denser, and presents a most serious threat to our whole Castro Valley community. Block by block could burn down just like Santa Rosa.

Supervisor Nate Miley, responding to neighborhood concerns, gathered together the Forest Stewards, East Bay Parks and East Bay Water representatives along with Cal Fire, County Fire and C.V.F.F.P. members, twice to verify the dangerous fire hazards. On both occasions there was general agreement that several sections needed immediate fire safety attention. To date no action was taken.

Responding to Community pressure this year East Bay Parks stepped up and did a very commendable job of clearing the underbrush, while saving the trees, but only to an area of a couple of hundred yards described as the "LC10" area midway in this mile-long trail. Any other work done was just window dressing.

In no way is the Community any safer. A forest fire would simply go around this LC10 work.

Bottom line, now that we know that this LC10 approach, which provides a defensible area where fire fighters can be safely deployed, is the recommended treatment, all this area — designated severe fire hazard zone — must be treated in that fashion, just as is happening in neighboring Lafayette-Orinda area.

That will take time but all is not lost. Having jointly acknowledged the problem, East Bay Parks and other stakeholders must get together now and cure these "Immediate Attention Needed" areas and save Castro Valley

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Changing your mind doesn't come easily for Aries, who place a high value on commitment. But new facts could emerge that might persuade you to rethink your situation.



TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) This is a good time to put that fine Bovine's eye for beauty to work in redecorating your home or workplace. And don't forget to indulge yourself in some personal time as well.



GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your sense of loyalty to someone who asks for your help is commendable. But make sure there are no information gaps that should be filled in before you move too far too quickly.



CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't let difficult people raise the Crab's ire levels this week. Avoid them if you can. If not, resist telling them off, even if you think they deserve it. Things improve by week's end.



LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your suspicions about a colleague might be on the mark. But you also could be misreading the signals you believe you're getting. Do some discreet checking before jumping to conclusions.



VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Take some time out from your many tasks and see if someone might be trying to reach out to you. You could be surprised to learn who it is and why you might want to reciprocate.



LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You still might want to do more investigating before taking on a new commitment. Later would not be the time to try to fill in any crucial gaps in what you need to know about it.



SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A new opportunity should be carefully studied. It might offer some of the things you've been looking for. Or it could contain new possibilities you never considered. Check it out.



SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might have to work harder this week to get people to listen to what you have to say. But if you stay with it, you could start to get your message out to many by week's end.



CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although family matters again take up a big chunk of the Goat's time, the week also offers a chance to explore a new career move you'd been contemplating for a while.



AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Applying your practicality (what does it offer me?) and your creativity (how can I improve on it?) could provide sound reasons for seriously considering that new offer.



PISCES (February 19 to March 20) The single set will find that keeping their romantic aspirations on high gives Cupid a better target to aim at. Paired Pisces will find that this week helps reinforce their relationships.

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GUEST COMMENTARY



3 Myths About Foreign Investors

A real estate agent received a call from an owner of a unique property interested in selling his home. The seller had concluded his property represented a unique opportunity and, consequently, wanted a price substantially over market value.

"Surely someone will want this house badly enough to pay my price?" He queried.

The Realtor pointed to a few comparable properties located close by that had sold for substantially less.

"If that logic was correct," the agent explained, "these other properties would have sold for more."

Undaunted, the seller pressed on.

"But my property is unique!"

"It is certainly rare," agreed the agent, "but as you can see, there are other properties similar enough to yours that have sold in recent months for less. And," the listing agent added, "we are in a declining market and, if anything, buyers will be offering you less than these previous sales."

Undaunted, the seller volleyed with: "What about foreign investors?"

This conversation highlights the fact there is a good deal of misunderstanding about foreign buyers. Here are 3 fundamental myths concerning overseas purchasers:

Myth No. 1: They are eager to buy California real estate and will therefore buy anything.

If this myth were true, there would be no expired listings or homes on the market more than a week. Most investors made their money by investing wisely.

They are typically not subject to emotional decisions like normal homebuyers.

Their purchases must make sense, which explains why many foreign investors have shifted their focus to other states with lower home prices and better values.

Myth No. 2: Since they are paying cash, they are willing to pay more.

The logic behind this is simple: because they don't have to worry about an appraisal they can offer more. While true in some cases, many investors offer less hoping their cash and the prospects of a simple transaction will sway sellers to accept their offer over others.

Myth No. 3: Since they are out

of the country, they will pay more simply to acquire property in the USA.

This myth fails to recognize foreign buyers have American real estate agents to guard their interests. Any agent working with a client who may provide repeat business understands that the buyer must be happy with each purchase, and, consequently, the fundamentals must make sense.

Whether it is stocks, bonds, diamonds or real estate, one truth is consistent: the deal *must* make sense.

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Orange You Glad It's Not Iron Deficiency?

By Buzz Bertolero
Special to the Forum

I need help with a sick orange tree. It has been healthy with wonderful oranges, but for the past year, it hasn't looked good. The leaves are a light green to yellow, although the side of the tree facing the sprinkler seems much healthier. I thought it was chlorosis, so I fed it iron; then citrus fertilizer. What should I do to change things?



The lack of iron, chlorosis, is not the only cause of pale green to yellow foliage on citrus as well as many other plants. However, I don't believe iron deficiency was the problem.

Chlorosis shows up on the new growth, so the entire plant doesn't turn a pale color or go yellow. Also, the veins remain green

while the rest of the leaf discolors.

This well may be a nutrient deficiency, but not iron. Nitrogen is the primary nutrient that keeps plants green. A nitrogen deficiency causes the leaves to lose color and turn yellow. It also encourages new growth.

So, I'd continue feeding with Citrus Food monthly during the growing season, March through October. There are many types of citrus fertilizers available from

organic to synthetic.

Next, you need to review your watering practices. Once the rainy season concludes, you must water the day before or at least four hours before feeding and immediately afterward.

Plants that are on the dry side when fertilized will also turn yellow or the foliage could have brown

spots. Even at this late date, I'd construct a six-inch-high water basin around the plants; it should extend from the trunk to a foot beyond the drip line. The basin should be removed when the rainy season begins.

Fill this basin once or twice a week depending on the temperature. In about six weeks you should see some improvements. If not, then wait until next spring and supplement the citrus food

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Gather fruit from under trees and add them to your compost pile. However, if the fruits are infested with insects or disease, discard them in the garbage. Do not let fruit rot on the ground.

Deep Water Trees

As we head into the really hot part of summer, deep-water large trees and shrubs, even if they are watered by a sprinkler system. Many sprinklers just don't run long enough to penetrate the soil deeply. Use a soaker hose, deep-root irrigator or a hose turned low and feeding a basin under the dripline of the tree.

OPEN HOMES

SAT. & SUN.
AUG. 31st & SEPT. 1st

CITY	SAT	SUN	ADDRESS	PRICE	BDR./BA.	REALTOR	AGENT	PHONE
A	1-4	1-4	14244 Outrigger Dr.	\$688,000	3/2.5	United Brokers RE	Tere Lee	510-305-8827
A	12-3	—	1725 Estudillo Ave.	\$1,499,000	4/3.5	Robert Jones & Assoc.	Matt Jones	510-357-0120

Have A Happy Labor Day Weekend!

One-Line Open Home Listings run Wednesdays in the Castro Valley Forum (22,500 circ.) and Thursdays in the San Leandro Times (38,500 circ.) for \$25.
For more information and a listing form, Call 614-1558. DEADLINE: TUESDAY AT NOON.

CITY GUIDE



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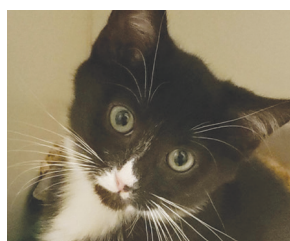
RECENT HOME SALES

Castro Valley

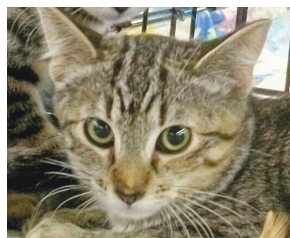
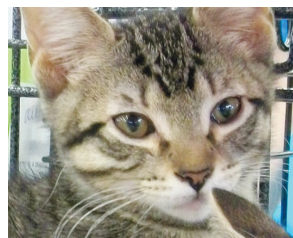
21103 Gary Drive #205a	94546: \$514,000 2 BD - 1,393 SF - 1993
22032 Cameron Street	94546: \$600,000 3 BD - 1,386 SF - 1947
4808 Heyer Avenue	94552: \$665,000 3 BD - 1,042 SF - 1951
22224 Cameron Street	94546: \$675,000 3 BD - 1,064 SF - 1951
4540 Lawrence Drive	94546: \$870,000 3 BD - 1,206 SF - 1956
2850 Jennifer Drive	94546: \$888,000 4 BD - 1,998 SF - 1964
19460 Carlton Avenue	94546: \$915,000 3 BD - 1,680 SF - 1965
6682 Giannini Court	94552: \$930,000 3 BD - 1,354 SF - 1985
5833 Cold Water Drive	94552: \$933,000 4 BD - 1,891 SF - 1972
4874 Crow Canyon Rd	94552: \$1,000,000 3 BD - 1,578 SF - 1950
30103 Palomares Road	94552: \$1,000,000 1,918 SF -
4310 Edwards Lane	94546: \$1,010,000 3 BD - 1,824 SF - 1947
5977 Skyfarm Drive	94552: \$1,135,000 4 BD - 2,310 SF - 1987
5456 Briar Ridge Drive	94552: \$1,229,000 3 BD - 2,942 SF - 1984
6427 Bellhurst Court	94552: \$1,250,000 5 BD - 2,830 SF - 1988
6517 Bellhurst Lane	94552: \$1,310,000 4 BD - 2,296 SF - 1987

TOTAL SALES:	16		
LOWEST AMOUNT:	\$514,000	MEDIAN AMOUNT:	\$931,500
HIGHEST AMOUNT:	\$1,310,000	AVERAGE AMOUNT:	\$932,750

ADOPT-A-PET



KITTEN SEASON IS IN FULL SWING and the Hayward Animal Shelter is bursting at the seams with kittens of all ages, colors, and personalities. Some are very energetic and will entertain you with their antics before plopping down for a quick nap, others are more mellow and will just hang out with you. All are hoping to find loving families. Info: Hayward Animal Shelter, 510-293-7200.



LINDA is a beautiful 4 month old brown tabby. She's active and playful. Spayed, vaccinated, chipped and FIV/FelV negative. Info, please email: Loveallpaw-zrescue@gmail.com.

JOEY is a calm, gentle 4 month old brown tabby. While OK as an only cat, she loves to play with her foster mate Linda. For more info, please: email: Loveallpawzrescue@gmail.com.

Reports: CV

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containing heroin in his backpack. The man was handcuffed and taken into custody.

Wanted Man

Monday, August 19: at 1:11 p.m., deputies arrested a 46-year-old man from Castro Valley as part of a warrant for his arrest. The man was driving on San Miguel Avenue near Kerr Street when deputies pulled him over for driving with an expired license registration. The man was also charged with violating the terms of a restraining order. Deputies took the man to Santa Rita Jail pending \$30,000 in bail.

Illegal Narcotics

Monday, August 19: at 10:43 a.m., a 61-year-old man from Hayward was arrested on suspicion of possession of illegal narcotics. Deputies pulled him over in front of a business on Castro Valley Boulevard near Marshall Street as part of a routine traffic stop. The man was also wanted as part of a warrant issued for his capture. Deputies found the drugs during their questioning and took the man to Santa Rita Jail pending \$2,500 in bail.



Rehab Owls to be Released At Sulphur Creek Fundraiser

The community is invited to relax under the oaks at Sulphur Creek Nature Center and enjoy excellent wine, beer, and food while listening to live music provided by the guest band "Hug and the Heffners" on Sept. 7.

This annual fundraising event features behind-the-scenes tours of Sulphur Creek's wildlife rehabilitation hospital, live animal appearances, a silent auction, and the exciting evening release of rehabilitated owls back into the wild.

The event will take place from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Sept. 7, at the Sulphur Creek Nature Center, 1801 D Street in Hayward, part of the Hayward Area Recreation District.

Tickets are \$80 per person and must be purchased in advance. For more information, call 510-881-6747. Must be 21 or older to attend.

Funds raised will benefit the wildlife programs at Sulphur Creek.

Krayons: 40 Years of Memories

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It was once a moribund bar, suffering from a form of social arthritis, lacking a future. It was limping along, lonely and forlorn. Its name was Duffy's.

It needed love, attention and new life to give it a life. This is what happened when Karen Herdt-Jonke took on the challenge and adopted Duffy's and transformed it into Krayon's.

New life was generated within its decaying cells. It took risk, along with blood, sweat and tears. It required not only hard work, but artistic work as well.

Although Karen perhaps did not know it at the time – she had potent skills as an entrepreneur, as well as "true grit." She also had other things going for her – she was very well-liked and also possessed the skills of an artist.

Duffy's became Krayon's, with crayons used as symbols for the art of a place she was creating for people to gather in friendship and pleasure. A place of spirits, it was a place that gave spirit to life here in Castro Valley.

From a historical perspective, I had familiarity with Duffy's and its sense of despair and lack of a future. This enabled me to view the fullness of the story behind Krayon's and what it became under the artistic entrepreneurship that colored Karen's creation.

With these thoughts in mind, the 40th anniversary celebration of Krayon's was also a celebration for an artist who created the gathering place and warmed it with her own presence and skills. She gifted the place with her own character. She gave it personality. It became part of the fabric of our town and became a gift to us as well.

With that said, three cheers for Karen, her husband Fred, and her family and friends who gave us forty years of good memories.

May it only have just begun. Tom Lorentzen lives in Castro Valley. He formerly served on the board of the Institute of Museum & Library Services and the Advisory Board to Southern Oregon University, and has served three Presidential Administrations.

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Toilets are only meant for one activity, and you know what we're talking about! When things other than **pee, poop**, and **toilet paper** are flushed down the toilet, it causes problems in your home's lateral and the public sewer main. Results can include costly backups causing damage to private property and CVSan's wastewater collection system.

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CVHS '69 Grads to Reunite

The Castro Valley High School Class of 1969 will be celebrating its 50-year reunion on Saturday, Sept. 14, at the DoubleTree Hotel in Pleasanton.

A fun, energy-filled event is

planned, with casual time to visit, reconnect and discover what has been happening for the last 50 years. Tickets must be purchased in advance. For more info, email: cvhs69reunion@yahoo.com

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