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Breakfast Club Honors Past Presidents

The San Leandro Breakfast Club celebrated its Past Presidents Luncheon on Friday, June 22, at Paradiso Restaurant.

The club was established in 1954 with member breakfast meetings each week in San Leandro.

Club president Tom Baker spoke of the amazing San Leandro leadership present in the room and recognized that it was the Breakfast Club that has shaped San Leandro.

Two of the club members attending the

luncheon are World War II veterans. Mayor Pauline Cutter attended and was the first speaker of the lunch.

Former mayor Shelia Young and City Councilman Ed Hernandez, both club members, were also in attendance.

Two Suspects Arrested for Downtown Murder

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Two men have been arrested for last week's fatal stabbing in Washington Plaza which left one man dead and another in critical condition.

The two victims apparently got into an argument in the parking lot near the downtown Safeway with two other men who stabbed them.

San Leandro police have arrested Michael Mendozaroché of Alameda and Alex Fernandez of Oakland, both 23-years-old. On Friday, the district attorney's office charged both with murder.

The homicide victim has been identified as Michael Kittrell Smith, 25.

The name of the other man who was injured has not been released, but police says he was a 36-year-old coworker of the dead man and he remains in critical condition at a local hospital.

Both Mendozaroché and Fernandez were arrested at their homes less than 12 hours after the stabbing, according to Lt. Isaac Benabou of the San Leandro police.

Police say that both pairs of men appeared to have been in the same nearby restaurant on the night of Tuesday, June 19, and got into the argument at around 11 p.m. in the downtown plaza parking lot near the Safeway.

Benabou said that both victims were stabbed multiple times and described the surviving victim as "clinging to life" when emergency responders arrived.

A weapon, reported in the *San Francisco Chronicle* to be a barber's scissors, was left at the scene and appears to have been used in the attack.

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East Bay Set to Celebrate 4th of July

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

There are plenty of places in the East Bay to watch fireworks and celebrate Independence Day next week.

If you can't wait until the Fourth to see fireworks, there is a nightly display at the Alameda County Fair in Pleasanton, now though July 8 – every night except for the Fourth of July, when the fair closes its doors at 6 p.m.

There will also be an early fireworks show following the Oakland A's 6:05 p.m. game against the Padres on Tuesday, July 3. Or you might just want to catch a game on the Fourth and watch the A's play the Padres at a 1:05 p.m. day game.

The City of Alameda Mayor's
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Cutter Returns from Mayors' Meeting With Hopes for More Child Care

By Amy Sylvestri
San Leandro Times

Mayor Pauline Cutter recently returned from four days at the U.S. Conference of Mayors, where she got the opportunity to chair a panel on women in government.

Cutter was one of more than 250 mayors from cities with populations of 30,000 or more who traveled to the annual conference, which was held in Boston

this year.

Cutter said she relished having a chance to explore a city with such a rich political past and at the same time speak with her fellow elected officials about the political future.

"It was exciting to see all the history in Boston and being around the mayors is also exciting because you have the opportunity to learn a lot from each other," said Cutter.



Cutter meets Elizabeth Warren in Boston.

Cutter is the chair of the Women Mayors Leadership Alliance, so she led a panel on women in politics featuring a speech from Senator Elizabeth Warren, who shared her own struggles balancing motherhood and her career.

Warren said that child care is essential for any working woman and that she wouldn't have been able to complete her own higher education, let alone be elected to

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CITY COUNCIL

Council meets on the first and third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 835 E. 14th St., San Leandro. For more information, call the City Clerk at 577-3367.

SAN LEANDRO SCHOOL BOARD

Board meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 835 E. 14th St., San Leandro. For more information, call Michelle Mayfield at 667-3522.



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SLAA Showing Art at Two Venues this Summer

By Ginny Milo
Special to the Times

The San Leandro Art Association (SLAA) has its work on display at the Senior Community Center, 13909 East 14th St., one of its regular venues, until Aug. 30.

This exhibit consists of 54 art pieces covering a range of mediums including acrylic, colored pencils, graphite, mixed media, oil, pastel, photography and watercolor.

John Ries is proud to show his "Overlook" – an acrylic painting with an interesting history he shares:

"Initially I wanted to paint a buffalo jump ending with a slaughter by Indians then decided to go from presenting a harsh environment to a warm, fuzzy feel of a buffalo surveying his domain set in Southwestern Montana," Ries said.



SLAA artists are showing their work at Zocalo Coffeehouse thorough July 25.



PHOTO BY GINNY MILO

San Leandro Art Association artist Molly Dolly shows her paintings this summer.

Ries is from Dillon, Montana and owns a buffalo skull his niece's husband found near a bluff in his home state. Ries

has a great affinity for the varied terrain of Montana, animals and wildlife, and continues to put his love and deep roots in the great outdoors into his work.

The San Leandro Art Association (SLAA) is also happy to have its summer exhibit at Zocalo Coffeehouse, until July 25, for the second year in a row.

The SLAA display of fine art fills up the coffeehouse's walls with 59 art pieces in acrylic, graphite, hydro cal/bas relief sculpture, mixed media, oil, pastel, photography and watercolor

from 28 member artists.

Among these pieces is Molly Dolly's "The Romantic Night-fall," inspired by the Hawaii volcano eruption.

The San Leandro Art Association supports art programs at local San Leandro schools through its Dorothy Cunningham Fund. A portion of proceeds from the purchase of art is awarded to Art Teachers as grants for their art initiatives.

Ginny Milo is a member artist of the San Leandro Art Association.

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San Leandro Police Chief Jeff Tudor (center) is looking for community members to join his Advisory Board.

Join the Chief's Advisory Board

The San Leandro police Department is seeking community members interested in making a difference by joining the Police Chief's Advisory Board, which is made up of people who represent the diversity of the city.

The board was created in 2013 to act as a community resource for the police in the formation of public safety strategies, development of community policing concepts and increasing public awareness.

"The San Leandro Police Department is committed to working in partnership with the people of San Leandro to build a safe and secure community," said Chief Jeff Tudor in a written statement.

"I recognize the importance of involving the community to help combat crime and deliver the highest quality of service to San Leandro. We are stronger together preserving safety in our city and the quality of life we all deserve."

The board is intended to provide a forum for discussions surrounding community concerns, with a goal to have a broad spectrum of viewpoints represented.

Board members will:

- Act as a sounding board for the chief regarding community needs and concerns, and provide community feedback for proposed police programs and

priorities.

- Apprise the Chief of Police directly of the community's need for police services and feedback on the delivery of services.

- Assist in educating the community about the role of the SLPD.

- Attend monthly meetings in the San Leandro police station. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To participate, you must be a City of San Leandro resident or business owner.

Interested applicants may apply to join the board on the city's website at www.sanleandro.org under the police tab.

Shots Fired, Punches Thrown At Large Party at the Marina

Someone fired a gun into the air the San Leandro Marina last Friday evening during a permitted party.

The shots were fired on June 22 at around 6 p.m. at an event called "The Bay Area Linkup."

The group had permit to have a party from 1 to 6 p.m. for about 200 people, but around 700 showed up after it was posted on social media.

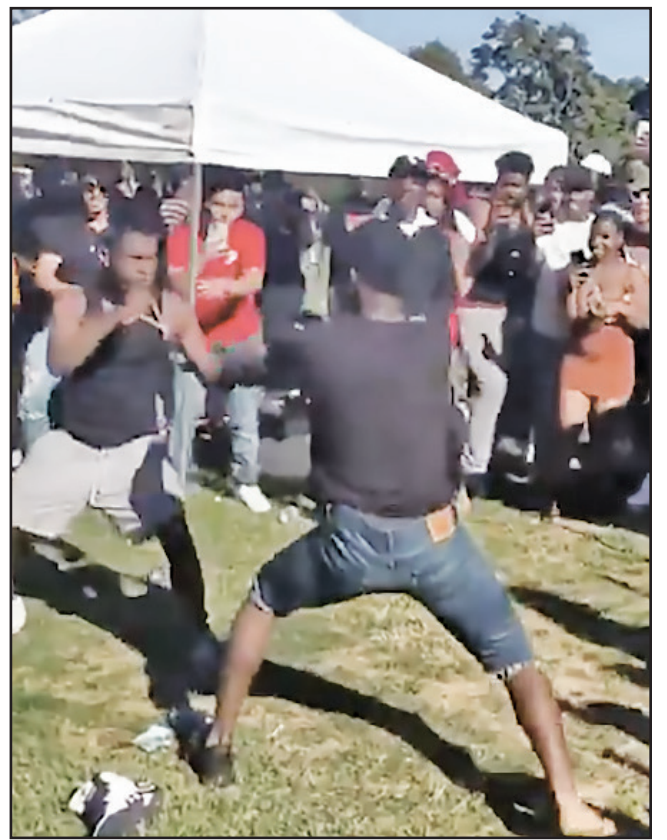
A flyer advertising the event promised DJ sets and food and reminded everyone that no alcohol would be allowed.

Videos and photos of the incident posted on Twitter by several different individuals show two men fist-fighting while the crowd encourages them.

Another video clip shows people running after the gun shots are heard.

No arrests have been made at this time and no injuries have been reported.

In addition to San Leandro police, Alameda County Sheriff's deputies and California Highway Patrol officers reported to the scene to assist.



SCREENSHOT FROM TWITTER

Two men got into a fight at a party at the Marina last Friday. Later, someone fired a gun into the air, but no one was hurt.

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Red, White & Blue Pit Bull Adoption



The Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, will host its Red, White & Blue Pit Bull adoption on Saturday, June 30, from 1 to 5 p.m. with pit bulls and other dogs, puppies, cats and kittens and Guinea pigs. All Pit bull adoptions are sponsored by Santa Con Hayward. Swing by the shelter to pick up a 4th of July tip sheet and learn about the myths and facts about pit bulls.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

❖ An Evening with Brian Copeland

The San Leandro Public Library and Project Literacy invite the public to attend *An Evening of Stories and Laughter with Brian Copeland* on Saturday, June 30, with a dessert buffet at 7 p.m., followed by the show at 7:30 pm. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. Tickets for adults 18 and over are now available for \$30 per person at the Main Library Circulation Desk, with payments accepted via cash or check only. The

public is encouraged to purchase tickets in advance. All proceeds go to the Project Literacy Adult Reading Program. For more information, please call the Library's Information Desk at 577-3971 or Project Literacy Coordinator Cinda Mariscal at 577-3944.

❖ **Woodminster Amphitheater** *Oklahoma!*, Rodgers & Hammerstein's classic Broadway musical, will be presented by Woodminster Summer Musicals and Producers Assoc., Inc. at 8 p.m. on July 6, 7,

8, 12, 13, 14 and 15 at Woodminster Amphitheater, Joaquin Miller Park, Joaquin Miller Rd. in Oakland. Purchase tickets at 531-9597 or www.woodminster.com or at the box office before any performance.

❖ San Leandro Players at San Leandro Museum

The San Leandro Players will present *The Mousetrap* by Agatha Christie from July 21 to Aug. 19 at the San Leandro Museum/Auditorium, 320 West Estudillo Ave. in San Leandro. Show times are Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m., plus Fridays at 8 p.m. on Aug. 10 and Aug. 17. Tickets are \$20 general, \$15 seniors, TBA members, under 12, students (with ID). For more information or reservations, call 895-2573. Information and tickets online at www.slplayers.org. In this who-done-it, a group of strangers trapped by a snowstorm discovers that a murderer is among them, and you'll never guess who it is. The longest-running play in history, *The Mousetrap* has been thrilling audiences continuously since its 1952 premiere in London's West End.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Don't be Sheepish about asking questions and demanding answers. You not only gain needed information, but also respect for your steadfast search for the truth.



TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A money problem that shows up early in the week is expeditiously resolved by savvy Bovines who know how to turn a momentary financial lapse into a monetary gain.



GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good time to shed negative energy-draining forces and develop a positive approach to handling current, as well as upcoming, personal and/or professional situations.



CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your urge to do your best on a current task is commendable. But don't let it become all-consuming. Spend some spiritually restorative time with those who love you.



LEO (July 23 to August 22) This could be a good time for all you Leos and Leonas to take your bows for your recent achievements and then go off to enjoy some fun times with your prides and joys.



VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A negative response to a well-intentioned suggestion could communicate a sense of distrust you might later find hard to refute. Think carefully before reacting.



LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your loving attention comforts a family member who is feeling a bit out of sorts. But be careful to prioritize your time so you don't neglect your work duties.



SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your curiosity might be resented by some. But those who know you will support your penchant for never settling for less than the truth. So stay with it.



SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A pesky situation from the past recurs, albeit in an altered form. Deal with it promptly before it can go from merely irksome to decidedly troublesome.



CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Don't wait too long to submit your proposals after giving them a last look-over. If necessary, you should be able to defend any portion called into question.



AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A bid to use your workplace dispute-settling skills in another situation is tempting. But be careful: You might not have all the facts you'll need if you agree to do it.



PISCES (February 19 to March 20) That sense of self-doubt is so untypical of you, you should have no qualms in shaking it off. Remind yourself of all you've done and can do, and then do it again.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

❖ Legos On Display

A Legos city is on display Friday through Sunday from 1 to 6 p.m., through Aug. 16, on the second floor of the Bay Area Family Church, 2305 Washington Ave. in San Leandro. See, build or buy Legos. Admission is \$5, cash only at the door, or tickets online at: brickshow2018.eventbrite.com.

❖ Boys & Girls Club Fundraiser

The Boys & Girls Club of San Leandro will have its annual fundraiser at Drakes Brewing Company, 1933 Davis St. in San Leandro, on Friday, July 6, from 4 to 9 p.m. with an array of craft brews, food for sale and entertainment by Southern Cross and The Blend, playing a variety of classic rock music. A \$5 donation to the Boys & Girls Club is requested but not required for admission. Brew tasting is \$18 and includes a Drake's logo mug and three tokens. For more information call 483-5581.

❖ Ashland Holy Ghost Annual Festa

The Ashland Holy Ghost Association will have its Annual Festa on Saturday and Sunday, July 7 and 8, at the Ashland Holy Ghost Association Hall, 16490 Kent Ave. in San Lorenzo. On Saturday, there will be a dance at 8 p.m. with music by Victor Silva and a presentation of the Queens and their court. On Sunday at 10:30 a.m., the parade will line up at the hall and proceed to St. Johns Church for Mass at 11:30 a.m. After Mass the procession will go back to the hall for a meal of Soupa and meat. An auction will follow.

❖ Eden Medical Center Class

A free "Look Good Feel Better" class will be held at the Eden Medical Center Medical Office Building, 20101 Lake Chabot Road, 2nd Floor, in Castro Valley on Monday, July 9, from 10 a.m. to noon. A wonderful class that teaches skin care and make-up tips while undergoing cancer treatment. Learn how to wear scarves, hats and wigs too. Exceptional local instructor. To register, call 1-800-395-5665.

❖ Vacation Bible School

Praises Of Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 1395 Bancroft Ave. in San Leandro, will have a Vacation Bible School from July 9 to July 13 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for all ages. Games, arts and crafts, and snacks. For more information, call the church at 483-1811.

❖ Tuesday Performances at Bayfair Center

Bayfair Center, 15555 East 14th St. in San Leandro, invites the public to its Tuesday evening weekly performances, discounts, deals and family fun through July 31. The shopping center will host a well-known local musician or magician each week in a free performance on Tuesdays from 5 to 8 p.m. Upcoming performers are: magician Chase Martin on July 3, Celtic dulcimer player Glenn Morgan on July 10, magician and story-teller Glen Micheletti on July 17, all-in-one musical entertainer Chaz Gunter on July 24, and jazz saxophonist Darryl Johnson on July 31.

❖ Davis St. Annual Backpack & Shoe Drive

Davis Street needs your help collecting new sneakers, backpacks and supplies for over 400 low income and homeless children. Supplies and donations can be dropped off at 3081 Teagarden St. in San Leandro until Aug. 6. All donations are tax deductible. Shoes can be

donated by purchasing a new pair or donating a \$25 gift card for children sizes or a \$50 gift card for older children's sizes.

❖ Free Lunch for Children 18 & Under

The San Lorenzo Unified School District will feature its Summer Feeding Program for anyone age 18 and under during days when summer school is in session at the following two school sites and times: Bay Elementary School 2001 Bockman Road in San Lorenzo through July 17 on Monday through Friday between 11:55 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; and at San Lorenzo High School, 50 Lewelling Blvd. in San Lorenzo, through July 17 on Monday through Friday between 12:10 and 12:30 p.m. For more information on additional Summer Food Service Program Sites go to www.cde.ca.gov/ds/sh/sn/summersites.asp.

❖ Fix-It Clinic at San Leandro Library

The San Leandro Library and Public Works Office of Sustainability invites the public to a Fix-It Clinic on Saturday, July 14, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. Items for repair might include bikes, skateboards, clothing and fabrics, computers, phones, toys, kitchen equipment, and small devices. This event is a family-friendly, do-it-together repair shop for the community. Interested volunteers with any fixing expertise may sign up at <http://goo.gl/xS1MRK> or call 577-3975.

❖ I.D.E.S. St. John Lunch & Bingo

I.D.E.S. St. John, 1670 Orchard Ave. in San Leandro, will host a barbecue ribs lunch and bingo on Saturday, July 14, at noon. Tickets are \$15 and include lunch and four bingo cards. Extra cards are 25 cents each. For tickets, call Willie Cavo at 635-6326 or Frances Leite at 886-1568.

❖ Hearing Loss Association Picnic

The East Bay Chapter of the Hearing Loss Association will have a free family picnic on Saturday, July 14, at Crab Cove, Neptune Picnic Area, 1252 McKay Ave. in Alameda from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come for grilled barbecue chicken, baked beans, and all the trimmings, plus water and paper goods. All members and families are invited. Guests are asked to bring salad, dessert, or a side dish for 8 to 12. Go to the Neptune picnic site closest to the parking lot on McKay St. near the Crab Cove visitor center. There is easy and safe access to the site from the parking lot, plus tables, seating and BBQ pits. Sign up early so we know how much food to buy. There will be activities and games at the Visitor Center for all ages. Dogs on a leash. To reserve your space, call 221-6080.

❖ Volunteers Needed for Senior Lunch

Spectrum Community Services is in need of volunteers to assist with meal service at senior centers around the East Bay on Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Volunteers play a critical role in Spectrum's Senior Meals Program, which provides nutritious and affordable meals to seniors 60 and older at 26 meal sites in Alameda County. The program also provides a site where seniors can socialize. The seniors frequently express their appreciation for the volunteers who make the meals possible. For more information, call 881-0300, ext. 242.

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SUMMER START-UP

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Five Ways to Jump-Start Your Fitness Motivation

By Dan Gaz

Special to the Times

Fitness is central to your well-being and ability to enjoy life to the fullest, however it's easy to get stuck in a rut.

How do you find new interest and motivation so you're ready to maximize the warm weather months?

There are many things people can do to get a jump-start on their health and wellness. Fitness doesn't have to be complicated or boring. There are many creative ways to implement fitness activities into your life that are both fun and invigorating.

● Try Something New

Getting outside your comfort zone can be beneficial to your health. Trying something new helps keep your fitness plan fresh.

Plan a visit to A Farmers' Market to pick up produce. Sign up for a 5k run, or look at your local community education or rec center class catalog and sign up for activities.

The social dynamics of these types of events benefit mental as well as physical health.

● Get outside

Getting outdoors is rejuvenating. Taking a walk in nature is a nice change of pace that is good for the body and mind. You can go for a walk, run or take a stroll around a local park. Just being outdoors shakes things up and you may find higher levels of energy as you breathe in the fresh air. Plus, getting a daily dose of vitamin D from the sun does the body good.

● Bring friends

It's no secret when you work out with other people they tend to hold you accountable, but there's also more benefit than just that.

When you take an exercise class, join a running club or biking group, you may end up pushing yourself harder. The people next to you become your exercise advocates and suddenly, you'll have the desire to keep up and do more.

● Rethink Commuting

Anything you can do to break up the monotony of sitting is a good thing. Try being creative in commuting and how you travel throughout the day. If possible,

walk or bike to work or the grocery store. You can also take the bus, get off a couple blocks early and walk the rest of the way.

A little planning ahead of time can help you accomplish multiple things at once: You're getting exercise, completing an errand and reducing your carbon footprint.

● Be Purposeful

You may only have a few minutes a day to dedicate to exercise, but that doesn't mean you can't make a big impact. Being purposeful with your choices is important.

For example, use intervals in your workout routine to maximize outcomes. If you enjoy walking,

do a brisk 30 or 60 seconds, then walk slower for the same period of time before pushing yourself again. This type of interval training is simple, yet highly effective.

It works similarly for other activities like swimming, biking and running."

To find more tips about improving your health with creative approaches to exercise or to set up a visit with a wellness expert, visit healthyliving.mayoclinic.org.

Dan Gaz is physical activity and assessment program manager at the Mayo Clinic Healthy Living Program.

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Blood Donors Needed This Friday in CV

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. But for the past four years, new Red Cross donors have declined by about 80,000 each year.

A Red Cross blood drive will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. this Friday, June 29, at Eden Medical Center, 20101 Lake Chabot Road in Castro Valley.

"Unfortunately, blood shortages still happen and the number of new Red Cross blood donors is shrinking each year," said Cliff Numark of Red Cross Blood Services. "That's why the Red Cross is asking those who have never donated blood and those who haven't given in a while to make a

lifesaving donation. You are the missing type patients need."

A recent survey, conducted on behalf of the Red Cross, revealed a troubling disconnect between the public's perception of blood donations and the realities of patient transfusion needs.

Three-quarters of the public underestimate how frequently blood transfusions occur. Most people perceive blood is needed in the U.S. every 15 minutes or even every hour or two hours when in fact, every two seconds, someone in this country needs blood.

Nearly half of the public know someone who has been helped

by a blood transfusion. Yet only three percent of the U.S. population donates each year.

Blood shortages are not uncommon in the United States and can only be prevented when more people roll up a sleeve to give.

Potential blood donors do not need to know their blood type before giving blood. After individuals give blood, the Red Cross provides each donor their blood type.

Donating blood is a simple process and only takes about an hour. For more info or for an appointment for this Friday, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



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Fourth: Coast Guard to perform rescue drill

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parade starts at 10 a.m. on July 4 and they expect about 60,000 spectators to line the over 3-mile route.

And after the parade, check out the Second Annual U.S. Coast Guard Festival at Pier 3, Alameda Point. Tour a Coast Guard Cutter, view a rescue drill, and watch a silent drill team demonstration. There will be food trucks, kids' activities and more from noon to 4 p.m.

Jack London Square is having a "block party" for over 10,000 expected guests from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., with live music, a beer

garden, barbecue, a kids' zone, and local vendors.

The party starts at noon at the Berkeley Marina with live music, food vendors, free dragon boat rides, carnival rides, and fireworks set to start at 9:35 p.m.

In San Francisco, the Fisherman's Wharf fireworks over the Bay start at around 9:30 p.m., but don't plan on seeing them from the San Leandro Marina, as the park will be closed at 6 p.m. on July 4. Access to the El Torito and Horatio's restaurants and Marina Inn hotel will be accessible to their customers only.

Entertainment at Bayfair

Bayfair Center, 15555 East 14th St. in San Leandro, invites the public to its Tuesday evening weekly performances, discounts, deals and family fun through July 31.

Free performances on Tuesdays from 5 to 8 p.m. are: ma-

gician Chase Martin on July 3, Celtic dulcimer player Glenn Morgan on July 10, magician and story-teller Glen Micheletti on July 17, all-in-one musical entertainer Chaz Gunter on July 24, and jazz saxophonist Darryl Johnson on July 31.

Cutter: Women's issues become more prevalent

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the Senate, without help raising her kids – in her case from family members.

But people who don't have family to help need affordable day care, and Cutter says San Leandro needs to work to provide more childcare opportunities.

"It's important to do everything we can as a city in support of that," said Cutter, who said that the 5,000-square-foot child care center at the Marea Alta apartment building is a start. The city has contributed \$800,000 to help run the center to be operated by Bridge Housing and the Davis Street Family Resource Center.

Cutter said that women's issues in general were a "trend" at the conference and that male mayors seemed more open to listening than in previous years.

"Women's issues were more prevalent and got more equal time, if you will," said Cutter. "The men mayors are starting to notice and there was a large audience at the women's leadership meeting – not just a specialized meeting for women."



PHOTO COURTESY OF PAULINE CUTTER

Mayor Pauline Cutter and other mayors attended the Boston Pride Parade.

Cutter and several of her fellow mayors took the opportunity to march in the Boston Pride Parade while they were in town and Cutter says she planned to be a part of a San Leandro contingency at the San Francisco Pride

Parade last weekend.

Part of the parade route was along the Boston Marathon route and they took a moment to remember the victims of the 2013 bombing.

"If was a lot of fun walking out with your colleagues, but it was also poignant in a way," said Cutter. "When they say 'Boston Pride,' it has two meanings for them."

Part of attending these nation-

al meetings is getting your city's name and identity out there and Cutter said that more big-city mayors are aware of San Leandro than ever before.

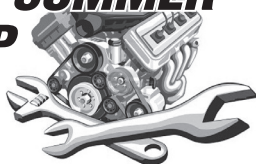
"They know we are in the Bay Area, they know we are tech-friendly," said Cutter. "We're mentioned with other cities like Portland and Kansas City with a focus on technology. People are really starting to notice us."

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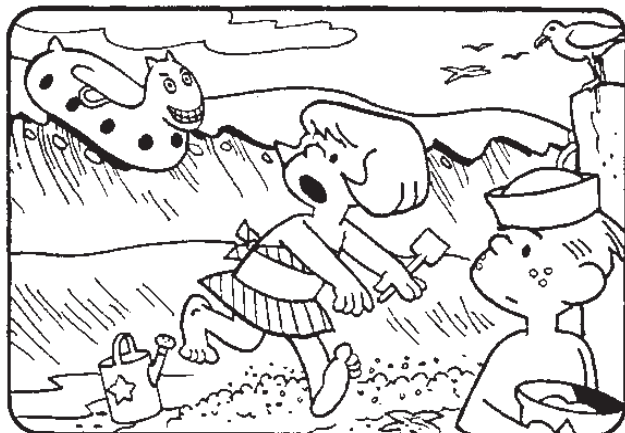
The Cherry City Toastmasters Club meets every Tuesday from 12:05 to 1:05 p.m. in the Trustees Room on the first floor at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. Public speaking is said to be

the number one fear in America. If this sounds familiar, you are not alone.

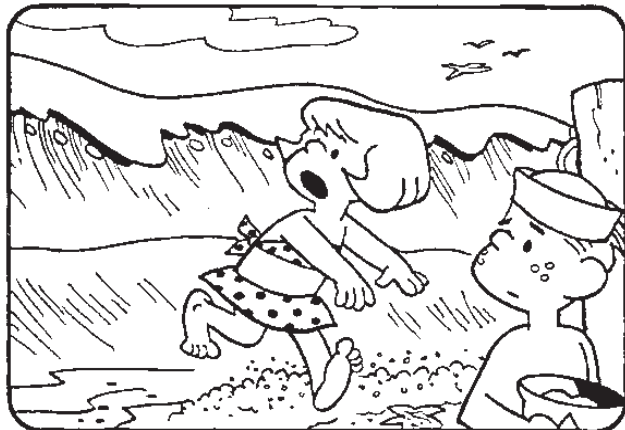
The club offers a safe, supportive environment to grow your public speaking and leadership skills.

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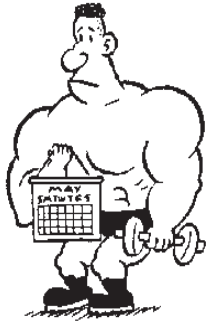
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Horse is missing. 2. Watering can is missing. 3. Bat is moved. 4. Bird is missing. 5. Hat is missing. 6. Hat is moved.

RIDDLE CARD

1. What has more feet in winter than in summer?
2. What fastidious animal reminds you of a flower?
3. Which is the strongest day of the week?
4. On which side of a pitcher is the handle?
5. How can you make a coat last?



Answers: 1. A skating pond. 2. A dandy lion (dandelion). 3. Sunday, because all the rest are week (week) days. 4. On the outside. 5. Make the trousers and vest first.

FIND THE "MAGIC" NUMBER! What number can you add to each figure in our math expression to make the statement correct?

Answer: Place a "2" above and to the right of each figure. This will "square" each figure, giving the correct expression: $9 + 16 = 25$.

HERE'S A "HONEY" OF A PUZZLE! At right is a word square. You are challenged to find the four five-letter words that match the definitions below. All words used must read the same both across and down.

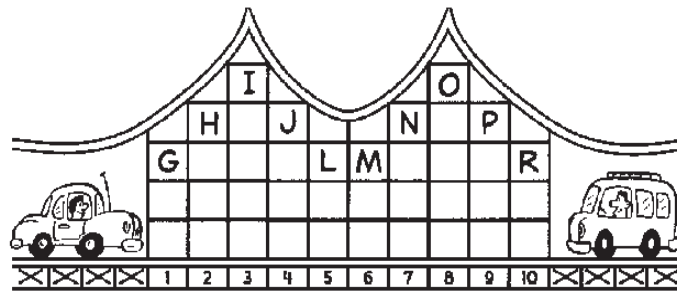
1. Looking very pale.
2. To look with favor upon.
3. Hives (given).
4. To single out.
5. What hives are.

Answers: 1. Ashen. 2. Smile. 3. Hives. 4. Elect. 5. Nests.

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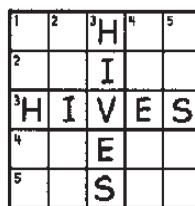
by Charles Barry Townsend

A WORD BRIDGE!



The bridge above contains 10 supporting words. We give you the first letter of each word, plus plenty of hints.

1. A long, narrow fish.
2. A metal fastener.
3. Found on computer screens.
4. Jazz musicians' talk.
5. Record of ship's progress.
6. A boy's best friend.
7. A colorful sign.
8. Often referred to as golden.
9. Eastern pocket bread.
10. Slang for wonderful



Answers: 1. Cat. 2. Hasp. 3. Icons. 4. Live. 5. Log. 6. Mom. 7. Neon. 8. Oldie. 9. Pita. 10. Rad.

SUMMER HOME IMPROVEMENT



Home Improvement Projects for Summer

For many Americans the warmer weather of summer means it's time to focus on all those home improvement projects that would be inconvenient during the cooler months.

Adding an extension, sanding wooden floors or replacing a roof are a lot easier when you're not worried about the weather and diminished day light. Also, contractors are less likely to have weather-related delays that blow timelines, making summer renovations run more smoothly.

Here are some home improvement projects you may want to start this season:

- **Replace the Roof:** If your roof is starting to leak or you notice dramatic increases in heating or cooling bills, it may be time to replace it. The best time to do so is when the weather is warm and dry. Keep in mind the U.S. Department of Energy recommends light roofing colors, which will keep down cooling costs and help reduce global warming. For more energy-saving home improvement tips, visit www.energy.gov.

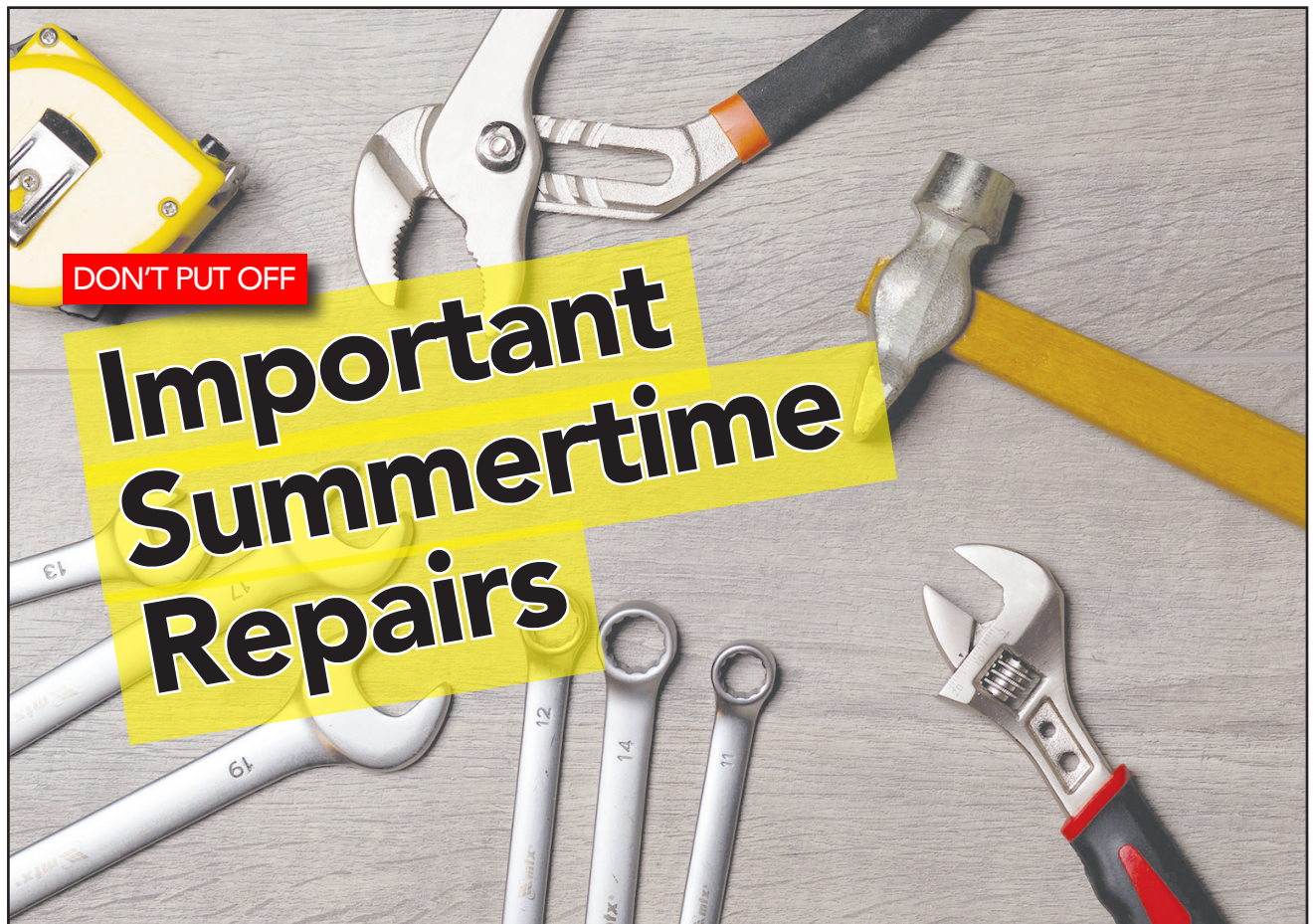
- **Check the Perimeter:** Inspect your home's exterior, making sure to check your siding,

Mold and cracks can be a sign you need to re-paint or replace boards. Also, now may be a good time to repave your driveway. Asphalt needs the right factors of temperature and moisture to set properly. Better weather leads to better driveways.

- **Tinker with Plumbing:** Because bathroom and kitchen renovations often require plumbing changes, the warmer months are the best for these projects. Now's the ideal time to expand that half-bathroom with a shower stall, or to upgrade your master bathroom with a whirlpool tub. And there are many choices of eco-friendly fixtures from such brands as Delta, Kohler, American Standard and others.

- **Install Skylights:** With longer days and clear, starry nights, it's the season for gazing at the sky. But allergens can make sky gazing difficult for some. Consider installing skylights in your home this season.

- **Sand the Floor:** Most people think of floor maintenance as a cool weather activity, but floor sanding kicks up incredible amounts of dust. In warmer weather, you can throw open doors and windows and set up



fans to suck the dust outward.

The better weather makes almost all home improvement projects more enjoyable. So take advantage of the season to upgrade your home!

—StatePoint

Never Put Off These 5 Tasks

By **Samantha Mazzotta**
Special to the Times

It's essential that certain home repairs (and maintenance items) be tackled right away before they develop into much bigger messes — even if the repair needs to be done by a professional.

Below are five tasks that should never be put off, provided courtesy of Angie's List (angieslist.com).

1. Change your air filters. HVAC experts estimate that 60 percent of all service calls are the result of dirty filters. Changing air filters regularly (every month or so) can save you up to \$100 each year in energy costs.

2. Repair leaky faucets

and running toilets. Doing so could save hundreds of dollars per year on your water bill.

3. Check the caulking around your tub and shower for moisture penetration, which can lead to mold. Bath fixtures can avoid premature replacement if the tile surface is kept watertight, and the subsurface, usually drywall, remains dry.

4. Inspect electrical cords and outlets for signs of distortion, discoloration or cracks in the insulation, and hire an electrician to replace tired outlets that no longer hold a plug. A defective receptacle, light switch or fixture replaced during a scheduled visit will save you hundreds of dollars over an emergency repair.

5. Weatherproof windows and doors. These are the two areas with the largest amount of air transfer in both cold and hot weather. Use a digital thermometer to check the seal quality and inspect the caulking for areas that have cracked or shrunk, which will allow water to damage siding and floors. Once sealed, use a programmable thermostat to help regulate air temperature, which could save you up to 10 percent on your monthly energy bill. Consider getting a home energy audit.

Home Tip: When hiring a contractor to make home repairs, always insist on a written estimate before any work begins.

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City of San Leandro's Home Earthquake Strengthening Course

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

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SUMMER HOME IMPROVEMENT

Create a Defensible Space Around Your Home

In January 2005 a new state law became effective that extended the defensible space clearance around homes and structures from 30 feet to 100 feet.

This is especially important in Castro Valley with its heavily wooded canyon areas.

Residents should make sure they have 100 feet of defensible space around structures. Clear dead weeds and vegetation. Remove leaves and needles from gutters. Trim branches 6 feet from the ground.

Creating defensible space is essential to improve your home's chance of surviving a wildfire. It's the buffer you create between a building on your property and the grass, trees, shrubs, or any wildland area that surround it.

This space is needed to slow or stop the spread of wildfire and it protects your home from catching fire — either from direct flame contact or radiant heat. Defensible space is also important for the protection of the fire-



Cut all dry grass and shrubs

Clean roof and rain gutters

Space and maintain trees

fighters defending your home.

Two zones make up the required 100 feet of defensible space:

Zone 1 extends 30 feet out from buildings, structures and decks.

Zone 2 extends 100 feet out from buildings, structures, decks, etc.

Proper clearance to 100 feet dramatically increases the chance of your house surviving a wildfire.

Fire Weather Watches

The National Weather Service issues Red Flag Warnings & Fire Weather Watches to alert fire departments of the onset, or possible onset, of critical weather and dry conditions that could lead to rapid or dramatic increases in wildfire activity.

A Red Flag Warning is issued for weather events which may result in extreme fire behavior that will occur within 24 hours. A Fire Weather Watch is issued when weather conditions could exist in the next 12-72 hours.

A Red Flag Warning is the highest alert. During these times extreme caution is urged by all

residents, because a simple spark can cause a major wildfire. A Fire Weather Watch is one level below a warning, but fire danger is still high.

The type of weather patterns that can cause a watch or warning include low relative humidity, strong winds, dry fuels, the possibility of dry lightning strikes, or any combination of the above.

CAL FIRE urges Californians to be extremely cautious, especially during periods of high fire danger. It's important all residents and visitors take steps to prevent wildfires.

A few helpful reminders and safety tips include:

Equipment Use

Never mow or trim dry grass on a Red Flag Warning Day. (Mow before 10 a.m. on a day when it's not hot and windy). Never use lawn mowers in dry vegetation. Spark arresters are required in wild and areas on all portable gasoline powered equipment.

Where There's Smoke: Keep Home Fire-Safe

They look like small, plastic boxes, round or square, stuck up on the wall or the ceiling—but they could save your life. They're smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

Facts & Figures

On average, eight people die in a home fire each day in the U.S.—almost 3,000 people every year. While working smoke alarms cut the chance of dying in a fire nearly in half, roughly two-thirds of all home fire deaths occur in homes without working smoke alarms, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

As for carbon monoxide detectors, more than 200 people die from carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning in the U.S. annually.

Several thousand more are treated in hospital emergency rooms for CO

poisoning. Yet an estimated 70 percent of U.S. homes are not protected by a working CO alarm.

CO is created when common fuels such as natural gas, oil, wood or coal burn incompletely. This odorless, colorless, tasteless gas is often called the "silent killer" because it is virtually undetectable without the use of proper technology.

You can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer time as well as by a large amount over a shorter time.

What You Need To Know

For the best protection, smoke alarms should be interconnected, so that they all sound if one sounds. Manufacturers are now producing battery-operated alarms that are interconnected by wireless technology.

Combination smoke alarms that

include both ionization and photoelectric alarms offer the most comprehensive protection. An ionization alarm is more responsive to flames, while a photoelectric alarm is more responsive to a smoldering fire.

Hardwired smoke alarms with battery backups are considered to be more reliable than those operated solely by batteries.

What You Need To Do

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home including in hallways and the basement.

- Choose alarms that bear the label of a nationally recognized testing laboratory.

- Install smoke alarms at least 10 feet from cooking appliances to reduce the possibility of false alarms.

- If possible, alarms should be mounted in the center of a ceiling. If mounted on a wall, they should be six to 12 inches below the ceiling.

- Avoid locating alarms near bathrooms, heating appliances, windows or ceiling fans.

- Test your alarms every month by pressing the TEST button.

- Replace the batteries at least once a year. If an alarm "chirps" or "beeps" to indicate low batteries, replace them immediately.

- Occasionally dust or lightly vacuum the exterior of the alarm.

- Replace the alarms in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, but at least every 10 years.

- Never paint over an alarm.

- If you have difficulty hearing, you can get alarms with low-pitched sounds or vibrations.

Learn More

For further facts and tips on how to stay safe from fire, by the experts at Electrical Safety Foundation International, the premier nonprofit or-

ganization dedicated exclusively to promoting electrical safety at home and in the workplace, visit www.esfi.org.

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REAL ESTATE GALLERY



Best Time To List?

By Carl Medford, CRS
Special to the Times

One of the questions most asked of Realtors is, "When is the best time to sell?"

It is not an easy question to answer because there are many variables involved. Market performance varies from neighborhood-to-neighborhood, city-to-city and frequently differs depending on the type of property, price point, amenities, local schools and more.

Overall, however, the answer is usually, "In the spring."

Attempting to provide more definitive answers, Zillow has delivered its own solution. In its Home Seller's Guide, Zillow focuses on key factors, including seasonality, market types (seller's vs buyer's), local economics, interest rates and so on (www.zillow.com/sellers-guide/best-time-to-sell/).

They state, "Nationwide, the best time to sell a home to both maximize return and minimize time on the market is in the first half of May. However, other factors can influence the best time to put your house on the market, including the specifics of your local housing market, job growth, mortgage rates, and tax incentives."

Zillow narrows it down to a Saturday in the first half of May, and adds, "Nationally, homes listed for sale in this window sold almost two weeks faster than average, and for \$2,500 more, compared to average points in the year."

Scroll down the page and you will see a list of cities, the recommended date to list, the projected average sales premium and average projected fewer days on the market.

You can see a similar resource at www.Homelight.com/best-time-to-sell-house. This site allows you to enter a specific city and then calculates the optimum time.

For example, it lists September as the best time to sell a home in Castro Valley, August for San Leandro and Hayward and May for Fremont.

All good information, right? Maybe. Maybe not.

What happens if everyone reads this and then decides to list at the recommended time?

Case in point is a recent East Bay neighborhood averaging 2-3 new listings each month. Neighborhood values were escalating

nicely with bidding wars as each new home emerged.

With no warning, 13 owners put their homes on the market in May – the majority being in the first two weeks. With the sudden glut, offers ceased and list prices began plummeting.

While I understand that everyone wants to optimize the sale of their home, it's not always wise to follow the pack. Coincidence that 13 homes in the same neighborhood hit the market at the same time? It seems a bit suspicious to me.

Carl Medford is a licensed Realtor with Keller Williams Realty and a licensed general contractor. This article is sponsored by the Central County Marketing Association.



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Add Color, Shade

The first week in July is a good time to add color and shade to the yard. Look for bargains in hibiscus, gardenias, bougainvilleas, white and yellow marguerites, and patio trees in 5-gallon containers. Brighten up the midsummer months with flowering vines, such as trumpet vines in red, orange or lavender, star jasmine and Hall's honeysuckle.

Roses

Lightly prune, feed and water roses on a weekly or biweekly basis to encourage them to flower continuously into late fall. Trim faded blooms down to the first 5-part leaf or further to gently shape the plant. New blooms should appear in about three weeks.

Lawns

Mow grass often enough to maintain a 2-inch height. Closer cutting in hot weather weakens the turf. Use the grass clippings as mulch around plants, but mix them with leaves or shredded newspapers to keep them from matting.



These plants are members of the cactus family. Only if you live in the frost-free southern states can you grow them in the ground; they like to be potted. Use a well-draining soil mixture and water sparingly, keeping the pot in a sunny area. They may take a few years to begin blooming, and then each flower only lasts one night, but they are very striking.

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1321 145th Avenue	94578: \$660,000	5 BD - 1,828 SF - 1906	
14419 Kings Court	94578: \$505,000	3 BD - 1,195 SF - 1974	
16725 Selby Drive	94578: \$900,000	4 BD - 2,280 SF - 1955	
730 Fargo Avenue #7	94579: \$538,000	3 BD - 1,136 SF - 1965	
14323 Juniper Street	94579: \$645,000	3 BD - 1,096 SF - 1952	
14809 Wiley Street	94579: \$552,000	3 BD - 1,319 SF - 1953	
TOTAL SALES:	12		
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19212 Almond Road	94546: \$810,000	3 BD - 1,176 SF - 1949	
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Important to Control Mosquitoes During West Nile Virus Season

By Buzz Bertolero
Special to the Times

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

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

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

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

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

For the home and garden, the typical larvicide for mosquitoes is *Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis*, known as Bti, and *Bacillus*

lus sphaericus. They're naturally occurring bacterium and pose no threat to kids, pets, other insects or the environment.

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

While floating, they slowly release the larvicide on the water surface where it is eaten by the mosquito larvae (wigglers), which then die before reaching maturity. You would apply one dunk per 100-square-foot of surface water.

They can easily be broken up to treat small areas and any unused dunks retain their potency so you can store them indefinitely.

Mosquito Bits are designed to provide a quick kill when a large population of mosquito larvae is present. They're also used in those areas where the dunks are not practical, such as in saucers.

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

Buzz Bertolero is an Advance California Certified Nursery Professional. The Dirt Gardener's website is www.dirtgardener.com and questions can be sent by email to buzz@dirtgardener.com or on Facebook at [Facebook.com/Buzz.Bertolero](https://www.facebook.com/Buzz.Bertolero).



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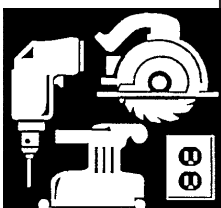
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Car Show, Craft Vendors and Tours of the Lorenzo Theater

A car show, craft vendors, tours of the Lorenzo Theater, and outdoor movie will be presented at Showtime in San Lorenzo on Saturday, July 21, at 16080 Hesperian Blvd. in San Lorenzo.

Tours of the theater, craft vendors and the car show will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Outdoor movie fun with

activities runs from 6 to 10 p.m. with the movie "Cars 3" starting at 8:30 p.m. No admission charge.

LOCAL DEATHS

Ellen Mae Beave
Earl Ludger "Lu" Bedard, Jr.
Maria C. Bettencourt
Donaldo da Costa
Alice Edmondson
Devon Todd Hill
Robert Donald Keller Sr.
Fernando Sandoval
Donald Trimble

■ **Ellen Mae Beave**, long time resident of San Leandro passed away on June 22, 2018. Private services were held. Arrangements by Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro, 510-483-0123.

■ **Maria C. Bettencourt**, born August 28, 1932, passed on

June 19, 2018. Resident of San Leandro, native of Portugal. Private services will be held.

■ **Donaldo da Costa**, born October 31, 1935, long time resident of San Leandro passed away on June 23, 2018. Services will be held on Friday, June 29, at Our Lady of Grace Church in Castro Valley. Visitation starting at 10:15 a.m. followed by a Mass at 11 a.m. Burial at Holy Sepulchre. Services handled by

Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro, 510-483-0123.

■ **Fernando Sandoval**, a life long resident of San Leandro passed away June 20, 2018 in Hayward. His Funeral Liturgy will be today, June 28 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Felicitas Church in San Leandro. Burial will follow at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward. Arrangements handled by Santos-Robinson Mortuary in San Leandro.

■ **Donald Trimble**, 1921 - 2018. Born in Imperial, California. Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

Earl Ludger "Lu" Bedard, Jr.

Feb. 28, 1933 - June 18, 2018

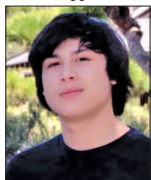


Earl Ludger "Lu" Bedard's heart gave out on June 18, 2018 at Kaiser Hospital San Leandro. He was born in Minneapolis, MN the son of Edith Seavall Bedard and Earl Ludger Bedard. Lu served his country in the US Navy during the Korean War. Proud to be one of the first California Registered Professional Engineers in Control System Engineering, he worked 50 years in the construction industry.

He pursued many interests in his lifetime: sailing, photography, flying float planes, pottery, scuba diving, dirt bike riding, diamond appraising, motor boating, water and snow skiing, target shooting, reloading, and bonsai cultivation. He approached each new hobby with enthusiasm and relished learning new things.

Lu leaves his wife, the love of his life, Dagmar Bedard. Also survived by his daughter Edi Osborne (Stephen), his son Neal Bedard (Betty Lou), his sister Sally Schoch, 9 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, extended family members, cherished friends, and his beloved pets Nick, Nora, Abbie, and Jesse. Predeceased by sons Michael Reed Bedard, Earl Ludger "Louie" Bedard III, daughter-in-law Shelley June Bedard, as well as his first wife Avis Reed Bedard.

Lu lived his life by the Golden Rule and will be remembered for his generosity, love and loyalty. He will live in our hearts forever. A memorial to remember his life will occur in the near future.



March 25, 1992 - June 4, 2018
Resident of San Leandro

Devon Todd Hill

Beloved son of Lianne and Todd Hill and beloved brother of Rachelle Hill, passed on June 4, 2018, at age 26.

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Alice Edmondson

June 8, 2018 ~ September 24, 1935

Alice Edmondson, 82, of San Leandro died on June 8 while undergoing treatment for cancer. An educator, she had taught in public schools in Missouri, Arizona, California, and Minnesota, having studied at Southeast Missouri State University and the University of Minnesota. She was born in Elsberry, MO to Fred and Myrtle Ralph on September 24, 1935.

Alice is survived by her husband, Dale, son Eric (Julianne), of Mill Valley, daughter, Karen Edmondson (Mark Kramer), of Albuquerque; sister, Nancy Wojton of Reno, five grandchildren, and several nephews. A memorial service will be held on July 14 at 2:00 at Lakeshore Avenue Baptist Church, 3534 Lakeshore Ave in Oakland.

Robert Donald Keller Sr.

May 13, 1927, Oakland CA

RIP June 12, 2018, San Francisco, CA



Robert Donald Keller Sr. was the son of George William Keller of the Oakland Police Department and Winnifred Jean Keller. His parents were one of the first to move to the San Leandro area in 1939 into Sheffield Village, 1st new tract homes built next to the Dunsmuir House in Oakland, CA. He remembered four years earlier seeing Amelia Earhart in 1935 at the Oakland Airport. He graduated from San Leandro High School 1946 and attended San Jose College. He severed his county in the USA Army Military Service WWII Pacific and Korean War, February 8, 1946 - July 27, 1947 again in September 27, 1950 - November 22, 1951, in C # 1304-08-31, Unit HQ 1st Battalion Co., & Baker Co., #23; Master Sergeant: Contact 2nd Indi ahead Division & 23rd Infantry Regiment Assn, Korean War Branch Roster #398, ARMY Honorable Discharge C #-08-31.

Robert was a licensed Real Estate Salesman for 35 years in the Bay Area with his now deceased wife, Thelma Jean Duffy Keller Barr's, dad, A.B. Stevenson Real Estate Co. He was member of: Masonic Lodge #551 Crow Canyon, Castro Valley CA; American Legion #0117 San Leandro CA; Disabled American Veteran Lifetime.

His surviving family: PaTrisha (Patti Keller) Robinson, daughter; Robert Keller II, son; Matthew W. Keller 1954-2008-son; Grandchildren: Sayulita Robinsong Weisz, Ushuaia Robinsong, Noralina Robinsong, Jacqueline Robinsong, Sampson Keller, Brandy Keller Bailey. Great-grandchildren: Keith, Andreanna, Danica, Seranden Keller; daughter + Brandon, Lily Bailly; SaFerah Mentzel.

Our family thanks the San Francisco Veterans Administration at Fort Miley, their team-staff who gave our dad-grandpa exemplary nursing care with stellar kindness and compassion to all Veterans as patients and their families.

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Pets of the Week



Cookie



Pinto

The weeks Pets of the Week at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court in Hayward, are Cookie the cat and Pinto the cat.

Cookie is a young cat with medium-length fur. She arrived at the shelter very scared. She needs a little more patience and TLC to further build her confidence.

Pinto is an affectionate, 2-year-old cat with a flair for the dramatic. He begs for attention and wouldn't mind if you pet him 24/7! He loves people and lives for love.

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

Readers Roundtable to Discuss The Lost City of the Monkey God

The San Leandro Readers Roundtable meets Saturday, July 7, at 2 pm, at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave.

The book for discussion is *The Lost City of the Monkey God* by Douglas Preston, the true

story of a 2012 expedition to find evidence of a vanished culture in Honduras.

All are welcome, and all books discussed are available for purchase in the Library's Book-tique bookstore.

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Man Taken for Evaluation After Driving into Care Home

A man has been taken into psychiatric care after allegedly driving his car into a residential care facility on Elgin Street in Ashland Tuesday night.

Deputies patrolling the area of East 14th and Elgin at 9:45 p.m. street noticed a man driving a car in an unsafe manner and tried to pull him over, according to Sgt. Ray Kelly of the Alameda County Sheriff's office.

The man would not stop and

a slow speed pursuit began. On the 1100 block of Elgin Street, the man steered his car into the east side of a house, which is a care facility with eight residents.

The driver was apparently one of the residents, according to police.

A preliminary investigation reveals the driver was likely suffering from a mental health crisis and may have attempted to end his life by crashing into the building, Kelly said.

One resident was struck by the car inside the home but was not injured. The driver has been

taken for mental health care and the authorities will assess any arrest or possible criminal charges

at a later date, Kelly said.

The Alameda County Fire Department responded and assist-

ed with shoring up the structure and temporarily fixing the exterior wall with plywood.

Volunteers Needed for Senior Lunch Program

Spectrum Community Services is in need of volunteers to assist with meal service at senior centers around the East Bay on Monday through Friday from 10

a.m. to 1 p.m.

Volunteers play a critical role in Spectrum's Senior Meals Program, which provides nutritious and affordable meals to seniors

60 and older at 26 meal sites in Alameda County.

The program also provides a site where seniors can socialize. The seniors frequently express

their appreciation for the volunteers who make the meals possible.

For more information, call 881-0300, ext. 242.

OPINION

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Letters must include the writer's name, address and phone number, and *must be under 300 words*. We reserve the right to edit as necessary. E-mail letters to: letters@ebpublishing.com or fax to: 510-483-4209, or send by mail to: The Editor, San Leandro Times, 2060 Washington Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577.

Opposes Buying Seniors' Votes With Tax Exemptions

Editor:

I disagree that it makes sense to relieve seniors of their duty to invest in schools. Because they don't currently have kids in the system is a flawed argument. Following that logic, all homeowner without children should be exempt and homeowners with more children should pay more. Use, however, is not how our community pays for public services.

Besides, there are three benefits in this case. Children get a free education and adult home owners, include seniors, get a lower crime rate and increase home value. The research literature shows this time and time again.

Thus, even though senior homeowners don't have kids in school, they are getting two benefits from investment in the education system.

Financial hardship is other reason put forward to exempt Seniors. I am a firm believer in policies that avoid potentially taxing people from their homes. These homes continue to gain value year after year and that value is driven by low crime rates and, in fact, the quality of the schools.

As I already said in this publication, the city must investigate options that could offer a deferral of payment for those senior citizens who can show a true financial hardship when faced with a new parcel tax. These seniors can sign contracts with the city to create liens on their homes. These liens will come due at the time of sale of the home or transfer. The city can borrow now against future payments and both the kids and the seniors can gain the benefits now.

Let's not engage in proposals that looks like they are buying the votes of a special interest group (seniors in this case) by offering, in return, an exemption to the outcome. Everyone benefits so everyone has to contribute. Vote no on any proposal that exempts anyone.

—John Clouston
San Leandro

A Call to Save the Monarch Bay 9-Hole Golf Course

Editor:

Save the Golf Course! The Monarch Bay 9-hole golf course is the most heavily utilized public family oriented

recreational property in the county. Every playable day the course is fully enjoyed by kids from age 7 to 97 to play golf. The late council member Bill Jarden played it every week and looked at it as his lasting legacy.

The developers' plans for the Marina to entertain visitors will cannibalize the city's last remaining public recreational space used by local residents. What the developer leaves behind is a boat basin that won't be used and an exclusive housing area that makes the marina into a private country club, subsidized by public funds. What the public gets is a pitch-and-putt course that is as useless as wet toilet paper.

—Reed Pendleton
San Leandro

Urges Support for Forensic Audit Of Davis Street Resource Center

Editor:

Mr. Frates, I could tell by your letter ("Says It's Time for City Manager to Move On," Letters, June 21) that you continue to trust and support Rose Johnson. How supportive are you for an independent forensic audit of Davis Street Family Resource Center (DSFRC) be completed and released to the public?

The entire DSFRC Board should be asking themselves how much they really know and understand about the DSFRC budget. Who are the fiscal agents of the non-profit? How much debt did they have five/six years ago versus how much debt they have today?

Yes, absolutely DSFRC does great work for those in need — no one has disputed that fact. The San Leandro Police Officers support DSFRC efforts with a bike drive to collect bikes for kids for the holidays; residents and businesses alike donate food and such that goes into the holiday baskets each year; there is a current drive now asking for donations of new backpacks and school shoes for kids; and money is received through federal/state/local grants and fund-raising drives to support everyday programs provided to help other help themselves.

Years ago DSFRC ran a successful capital campaign to raise money to purchase the building on Teagarden to assist with creating a sustainable future for DSFRC. Is that building still owned free and clear, or is it encumbered in

any way?

San Leandro is better for the work DSFRC does and we all benefit as this work continues. So, Mr. Frates, please support every effort to ensure the financial stability of DSFRC with support for a forensic audit to get a clear picture of the financial position at DSFRC. Good work can survive and thrive with responsible fiscal management.

—Diana Souza
San Leandro

Claims It's People of Faith Who Are Being Discriminated Against

Editor:

Re: Billy Trice, Jr.'s anti-Christian attack ("Calls Supreme Court Ruling on Anti-Gay Baker 'Shameful'," Letters, June 21), and the Supreme Court decision upholding religious freedom: We are not talking about refusing to sell a soda to a person because he's gay. We are talking about threatening to take away the livelihood of someone who refuses active participation in an event his faith tells him is sinful (a mockery of true marriage).

A baker asked to put two men or two women on a wedding cake, or a photographer asked to take pictures of same-sex persons kissing, is being asked to violate their belief that the only valid form of marriage is between one man and one woman, and to participate actively in an event they know will lead to continued illicit intimacy.

The 1st Amendment right to freedom of expression is our most sacred right after the right to life. We also have the right NOT to express a view we do not hold. It is people of faith who are being discriminated against, not the persons who sue them.

—Stephanie Choury
San Leandro

About Time to Praise Our Police Department

Editor:

I'm a longtime resident of San Leandro and it is about time I give some praise to our fine Police Department.

An article in the June 21st issue of the San Leandro Times, "Police Arrest Suspect with Connection To More Robberies," prompted me to write this. Kuddos to the quick work in apprehending the suspect within an hour after the attempted robbery at the Chase Bank.

And a second article mentioned finding guns in three separate cars during traffic stops. Facing suspects with loaded guns late at night is no easy task.

Much thanks to those officers as well. And please continue to keep our city safe.

—Al Weinberger
San Leandro

INQUIRING REPORTER

What are you doing on Fourth of July?

— Asked around town

I'm going to the Fourth of July parade in Fremont. The Sikh community hands out free bottled water to the crowd.

Dalver Grewal
San Leandro



We just moved here and had a son. It will be his first 4th of July. I'm interested in social justice. We really don't have freedom for everybody. People are oppressed. My parents were in Cambodia during the Pol Pot regime. People were put in concentration camps, but they didn't separate kids from their families.

Sotheara Yem
San Leandro

My family is going to have a barbecue at our house, and after that we go to watch the fireworks in San Francisco or from the beach in Alameda.

Giezone Salas
San Leandro



We're going to Jack London Square with my two children for the music, food and to walk around. It's beautiful there.

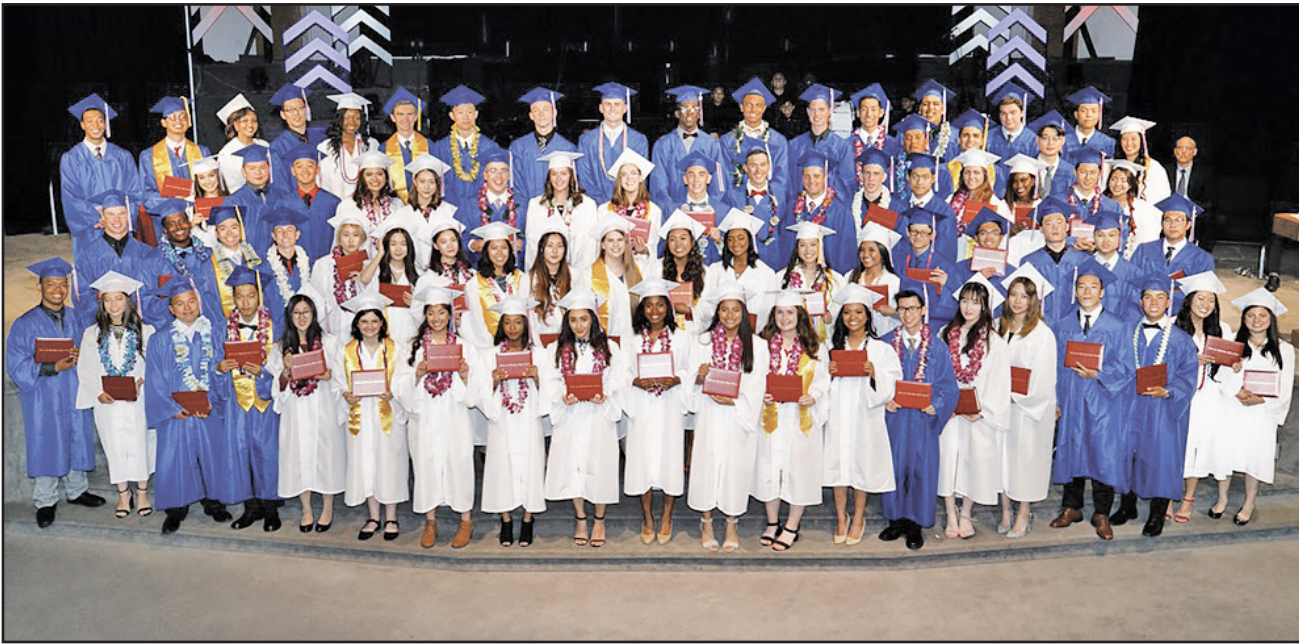
Maria Hueco
Hayward



I'm going to be recycling, collecting cans and bottles. That's where the money's at. It's the best day of the year, because it's hot and everybody's drinking.

Andy Reeves
San Leandro





Redwood Christian Schools held a graduation ceremony last month where 78 students received diplomas.

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Redwood Christian Graduates Class of 2018

Redwood Christian Schools in San Lorenzo conducted its 42nd high school graduation ceremony at Redwood Chapel Community Church in Castro Valley last month.

Seventy eight students received their diplomas from school board Chariman Harry Bruno and board member April Nunes. Superintendent Al Hearne and MSHS Principal Ben War-

ner presented the graduates and their individual achievements and future goals to some 1,500 family members and friends in attendance.

Student speakers included se-

nior class president Ify Nwebube and senior class vice president Allison Fontillas.

Valedictorian speakers were Andrew Stanciulescu and Lucas Vaughan.

Dodgers Perfect For the Week

Youth baseball team goes 5-0, sweep Saturday double-header

The San Leandro Dodgers youth baseball team has a perfect week, going 5-0.

Last Tuesday, the Dodgers beat the Dawgs, 4-3, with Vic Hernandez and James Rogge combining to allow seven hits. Adrian Enriquez and Fidel Sanchez both singled and scored two runs. Danny Mendoza had a single and a stolen base, and Sammy Hadley also singled.

On Thursday, the Dodgers beat APS, 5-1, as James Cardera pitched 6-and-a-third innings giving up 4 hits and striking out five batters. Cam Weatherford hit two singles, scored 2 runs, stole a base and drove in a run.

On Saturday, the Dodgers swept the Spartans in a double-header, 3-0 and 6-5. In the opener James Rogge pitched a gem as he threw a 4-hitter and only threw 65 pitches in a complete game effort. Daniel Pasillas had two hits, scored a run, stole a base and had an RBI. Freddy Ramos singled, scored a run and stole a base. Tyler Finamore contributed a single.

In the second game of the doubleheader, a 6-5 win, Matt Vallar threw six solid innings. Daniel Pasillas hit three singles, scored 2 runs and stole a base.

The Dodgers trailed, 5-3, in the bottom of the seventh with two out and no one on base and rallied with three consecutive singles to load the bases. Then Devin Castro hit a triple to clear the bases and give the Dodgers a walk-off win.

David Greene pitched in relief to pick up the win.

On Sunday, the Dodgers won a slugfest, 14-12, over All Pro Baseball. David Greene had two singles and scored a run. Noah Amaral delivered two singles, a double, and a triple along with three RBIs.

Gordon Reed singled, scored once and drove in a run. Cam Weatherford pitched four innings for the win. Tyler Finamore walked three times, scored once and stole a base.

The Dodgers will travel to Reno this week to play in a (pre) Fourth of July tournament that runs Friday through Sunday.

Arrests: Suspects held in Santa Rita without bail

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two men leave the scene and Benabou said San Leandro police also used surveillance footage from

cameras in the area to identify the suspects.

"We are very thankful to the community, and to everyone

who came forward to assist us in the investigation," said Benabou in a written statement. "Without the assistance of witnesses,

business owners, and residents in the area it would have been a challenging and time-consuming investigation."

Mendozaroche and Fernandez are being held without bail at Santa Rita Jail in Dublin and face charges of murder, use of a deadly weapon, and premeditated attack. They are scheduled to enter a plea at the East County Hall of Justice today, June 28.

Look Good Feel Better Class at Eden Hospital

A free Look Good Feel Better class will be held at the Eden Medical Center Medical Office Building, 20101 Lake Chabot Road, 2nd Floor, in Castro Valley on Monday, July 9, from 10 a.m. to noon. Wonderful class that teaches skin care and make-up tips while undergoing cancer treatment. Learn how to wear scarves, hats and wigs too. Exceptional local instructor. To register, call 1-800-395-5665.



Our Readers Remember

The annual "Our Readers Remember" section is coming up on July 12. Our readers are welcome to send a photo or tell a story about a memory from days gone by. Email to JimK@ebpublishing.com or by regular mail to the San Leandro Times, 2060 Washington Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577. For more information, call 614-1557.

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'Truth Thursday' Returns Tonight

Downtown San Leandro's "Truth Thursdays" returns tonight (June 28) from 5 to 9 p.m. at the San Leandro Tech Campus, 1600 Alvarado St. Every fourth Thursday of the month throughout the summer, the space around the 55-foot Truth Is Beauty statue will come alive with a community event featuring food trucks, beer and wine, recreational games, and live entertainment.