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## Civic Leader Dave Knudsen Dies

Dave Knudsen, a longtime, highly respected business and civic leader in Castro Valley, passed away on Friday, Feb. 10 while at sea aboard a cruise ship with his wife, Kathy. He was 84.

Knudsen is best known to Castro Valley residents as the familiar figure at the popular Ice Creamery in the center of town, a business he and his wife took over some 14 years ago, after a long career in the grocery and candy business.

The Ice Creamery became the popular place for hundreds of birthday celebrations and fund-raising pancake breakfasts for community organizations.

Knudsen served in many local charitable organizations including the Castro Valley Rotary Club and the Eden Area Chamber of Commerce.

Rotary President and former longtime school superintendent Jim Negri called Knudsen "a great human being – one of a kind – who was committed to his family and community."

"He always was willing to assist our schools with their fundraising activities to support students," said Negri. "As a member of the Chamber of Commerce Board of  
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Dave Knudsen with his wife, Kathy, in a photo from the front page of the Forum in 2011 when the couple was unanimously selected as "Business Persons of the Year" by the Castro Valley Chamber of Commerce.

## Residents Can Apply For MAC

OPEN SEAT ON CV'S  
ADVISORY COUNCIL

By Amy Sylvestri  
CASTRO VALLEY FORUM

Janet Everson has stepped down from her position as a member of the Castro Valley Municipal Advisory Council (more commonly known as the MAC), leaving a vacancy that Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley must now fill.

Everson, a legal malpractice attorney, was originally appointed to the MAC in May of 2015 to replace a member who had quit. She then was reappointed in 2016 to a term that would have ended in July of 2020.

Everson resigned earlier this month and the Board of Supervisors accepted her resignation last Thursday. She didn't respond to a request for comment.

Miley acknowledged Everson for her service over the past two years.

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## Little Libraries Turning Up All Around Castro Valley

In case you haven't noticed, a lot of "Little Free Libraries" have popped up in Castro Valley, scattered about town in a variety of neighborhoods.

They come in all shapes and sizes, and were placed in front yards to share the joy of reading.

The philosophy of Little Free Libraries is "take a book, return a book." This informal, volunteer book-sharing concept was designed for everyday people to share their favorite books with the community. Anyone may take a book or leave one to share.

"We built the library as a way to share our family's love of reading," says Tracy Mills, whose library is located at 4846 Haley Dr. "My husband Bill and I designed our 3-level library and built it ourselves with our three kids."

The Mills' box is painted outside to resemble the spines of family favorites and iconic books,



PHOTO: TRACY MILLS

Tracy Mills and family designed and built this 3-level Little Free Library which is located on Haley Drive near Sandy Road.

including one written by Bill's father. It houses kids' books on the lower level, adult favorites in the middle, and magazines on the top

shelf. "The most exciting thing has just been watching children get excited about running to the library

and choosing their own book," says Tracy.

The Little Free Library concept was started in 2009 by Todd Bol



PHOTO: ERIKA LEONARD

Erika Leonard built her library from an antique breadbox and wood scraps on Stanton Ave. near Eden Medical Plaza.

of Hudson, Wisconsin. He built a replica of a one-room schoolhouse in honor of his mother, a teacher who loved to read. Bol placed it on a post in his front yard and filled it with books. It became so popular that he and a friend built – and gave away – many more book boxes.

The idea has continued to spread since then, until it became a national phenomena. Now several thousand Little Free Libraries are up and running across the country.

According to LittleFreeLibrary.org, the most common version is a wooden box provided by the host. However, Castro Valley residents have shown their creativity in box design.

Erika Leonard's box, located under a huge tree at 20047 Stanton Ave., was fashioned from a giant old metal breadbox. On the interior Leonard painted a hand-written  
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## Castro Valley Weather Feb. 22 - 26, 2017



Wednesday  
Partly Cloudy  
High 56° Low 40°



Thursday  
Partly Cloudy  
High 58° Low 39°



Friday  
Partly Cloudy  
High 56° Low 41°



Saturday  
Showers  
High 55° Low 46°



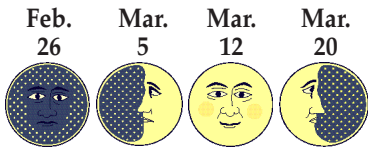
Sunday  
Rain  
High 58° Low 49°

### Almanac



Past Week's Rain: 03.20  
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Season Average: 21.22

### Moon Phases



Sun sets at 5:57 p.m. today, rises at 6:47 a.m. Thursday.

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## Gina Eckstine Live this Saturday Night at CV Center for the Arts

By Terry Liebowitz  
CASTRO VALLEY FORUM



Gina Eckstine

"We promised you Big City Entertainment in the Heart of Castro Valley," said Castro Valley Arts Foundation President Mary Ann De Grazia, "and that's what we have this Saturday night in spades!"

Gina Eckstine, pop and jazz vocalist, sings at the Castro Valley Center for the Arts at 7:30 p.m. this Saturday, Feb. 25. She is the youngest daughter of jazz icon and swing bandleader Billy Eckstine.

Music legend Elmer Hopper will make a special guest appearance. Hopper had a long career with the Platters and later joined the Mills Brothers.

Gina has planned a special program for Saturday's performance filled with jewels from the great American Song Book as well as musical tributes to her father, and Whitney Houston and Natalie Cole.

Gina's career began at the age of 7 when her father invited her to join him on stage during his nightclub act. From that moment she was hooked.

"I knew what I wanted to do... sing!" she says. With family friends like the Four Tops, Quincy Jones, Sammy Davis Jr., and Sarah Vaughan, Gina's household was a constant source of inspiration and guidance.

At age 13, she began extensive

vocal training. While watching her sing at a music school performance, her father decided she was ready for his "College Of The Road." She joined her father in his show and traveled the world, sharing the stage with the jazz and pop celebs of the day.

After three years with The Billy Eckstine Show, Gina moved to California and started her own nightclub act. For the next 11 years she performed in all the major hotels and casinos in Las Vegas and

Lake Tahoe. In recent years, she has limited her engagements close to home in the Los Angeles area where she was busy raising her son as a single mom. He starts college in the fall and her calendar is already filling up!

A trio of top flight musicians will accompany Eckstine and Hopper on the Castro Valley stage: Larry Dunlap on piano, John Shifflett on acoustic bass and Akira Tana on percussion.

Dunlap toured with the Pointer Sisters, Mary Wilson and Country Joe McDonald and composes and arranges music of all genres. Shifflett toured with Frankie Avalon, Dionne Warwick, the Smothers Brothers and many others. He teaches at CSU San Jose. Tana played with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, the Berkshire Music Festival at Tanglewood and with many of the major jazz artists of the last 40 years.

For ticketing information, See the A&E Calendar on page 4

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

## Webb Named to Dean's List

Madison Webb of Castro Valley excelled during the Fall 2016 semester at Hofstra University, achieving a GPA of at least 3.5 to earn a spot on the Dean's List.

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The SonRise staff and volunteers pose with their new Dodge Ram pickup at a training facility on Crow Canyon Road. The truck, valued at \$60,000, was the gift on an anonymous donor. It will be used for the organization's program of taking miniature horses to visit kids with disabilities and life-threatening illnesses.

## Gift from Anonymous Donor Saves SonRise Equestrian Kids' Program

Last month, an anonymous donor presented the SonRise Equestrian Foundation in Castro Valley a brand new, fully loaded 2017 Dodge Ram pick-up valued at \$60,000.

The new truck saved the non-profit organization's "Traveling Tails," a program where SonRise's miniature horses visit children with life threatening illnesses or special needs.

The "minis" visit kids with a variety of disabilities all over the Bay Area, including hospice facil-

ities, hospitals, rehab centers, special needs classrooms and camps, according to SonRise Executive Director Alana Koski.

The program was in jeopardy because their old truck, a donation from PG&E years ago, had to be put "out to pasture," Koski said.

When the horses make their appearance in a hospital room or a school yard, for a temporary moment these kids and their families can forget their hardships and just enjoy these specially trained creatures.

In addition to providing safer travels for the miniature horses, the truck is equipped with a crew cab so volunteers can ride together rather than taking multiple cars.

"We are amazed by this extremely generous donation and realize once again how incredibly generous the community is in supporting this important work we do," said Koski.

SonRise offers three different equine therapy programs for children, all free of charge. For more info visit [www.SonRise Kids.org](http://www.SonRise Kids.org).

## SHERIFF'S REPORTS

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### Convenience Shoplifting

Wednesday, February 15: at 5:33 p.m., Sheriff's deputies arrested a 25-year-old man from Oakland on suspicion of shoplifting from a convenience store on Crow Canyon near Greenridge Road. The man was caught leaving the store with an unspecified amount of merchandise. Deputies took the man into custody.

### Traffic Stop Drug Bust

Wednesday, February 15: at 1:12 a.m., two men from Castro Valley were arrested in connection with drug possession charges. Deputies stopped a vehicle on Lake Chabot Road near San Carlos Avenue for a traffic violation. The driver, a 31-year-old man, was identified as having a warrant for his arrest in connection with violating a restraining order. The man was also charged with possession of 38.12 grams of heroin with intent to sell. The passenger, a 29-year-old man, also had an outstanding warrant for his arrest related to vandalism. The man was also charged with possession of illegal drug paraphernalia. Deputies took the men to Santa Rita Jail pending bail.

### Wanted Man

Tuesday, February 14: at 11:14 p.m., deputies arrested a 45-year-old CV man as part of an active

warrant for his arrest related to a charge of possession of illegal narcotics for sale. The man was at a home on Farley Street near Ada Street when deputies stopped in to serve the warrant. Deputies took the man into Santa Rita Jail and held him without bail.

### She Fought the Law

Wednesday, February 15: at 1:33 a.m., a 25-year-old woman with no permanent address was arrested on suspicion of violating a court-issued restraining order and resisting arrest. Deputies responded to a call at a home on Almond Road near Luella Place about a suspicious person in the neighborhood. The woman fitting the description was questioned by deputies but she put up a fight when they tried to arrest her. The woman was handcuffed and taken into custody.

### Illegal Narcotics

Tuesday, February 14: at 11:38 p.m., deputies arrested a 46-year-old man from Oakland on suspicion of possession of illegal narcotics. The man was also wanted as part of a warrant issued for his capture. Deputies stopped the man while he was traveling on Young Avenue near Idena Avenue and verified his warrant. The man was taken to Santa Rita Jail pending \$10,000 in bail.

### Burglar Drove Drunk

Monday, February 13: at 2:55 a.m., a 22-year-old woman from Oakland was arrested for driving while under the influence of alcohol, violating her probation, second-degree burglary, submitting a false identification to officers, and driving with an invalid driver's license. Deputies stopped the woman on Lessley Avenue near Belle Street and verified the warrant. The woman was taken to Santa Rita Jail and held without bail.

### Suspended License

Tuesday, February 14: at 12:15 a.m., deputies pulled over and arrested a 31-year-old woman from Stockton (San Joaquin County) on suspicion of driving with a suspended license. The woman was also wanted as part of a warrant for her capture. Deputies verified the warrant and took her to Santa Rita Jail pending \$1,000 in bail.

### Paraphernalia in the Park

Monday, February 13: at 9:05 a.m., a 54-year-old man from San Lorenzo was arrested on suspicion of possession of illegal drug paraphernalia. Deputies stopped the man for questioning while he was hanging out in Carlos Bee Park on Grove Way when they discovered his stash. He was given a citation and instructions to appear in court.

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**MYTH:** Sciatica will just "go away" with some rest.

**FACT:** If you are dealing with back pain, buttock pain or leg pain, then you must seek help from a sciatica specialist *immediately*. Left untreated, sciatica can lead to permanent nerve damage - and lifelong pain.

**MYTH:** Pain is the only problem associated with sciatica.

**FACT:** In severe cases, sciatica can be associated with inability to control your bowels or bladder - leading to embarrassing situations.

**MYTH:** You must take pain medications to deal with sciatica.

**FACT:** Drugs like muscle relaxants, pain killers, narcotics, antidepressants, and anti-seizure medications have serious potential side-effects and do not cure the root cause of sciatica.

**MYTH:** "I must have done something wrong to get sciatica."

**FACT:** Physical work or simply sitting at a desk for long periods can lead to sciatica. Accidents and trauma can also be the culprits. Pregnancy can cause sciatica. Sciatica can affect anyone - including super-fit celebrities like

Tiger Woods, Sylvester Stallone, and British Olympic medalist Ian Wynne.

**MYTH:** Stop exercising and get several weeks of bed rest to overcome sciatica.

**FACT:** Staying active can help to relieve sciatic pain and prevent the pain getting worse. Staying inactive in bed could be the worst advice - based on a recent study in the Netherlands.

**MYTH:** Sciatica requires surgery.

**FACT:** NO! There's been a huge breakthrough in the treatment of sciatica and lower back pain. It's a procedure called Non-Surgical Re-Constructive Spinal Care. The excellent results from this treatment have been published in major medical journals. Success rates are up to 90%.

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**MYTH:** Getting sciatica properly diagnosed is expensive.

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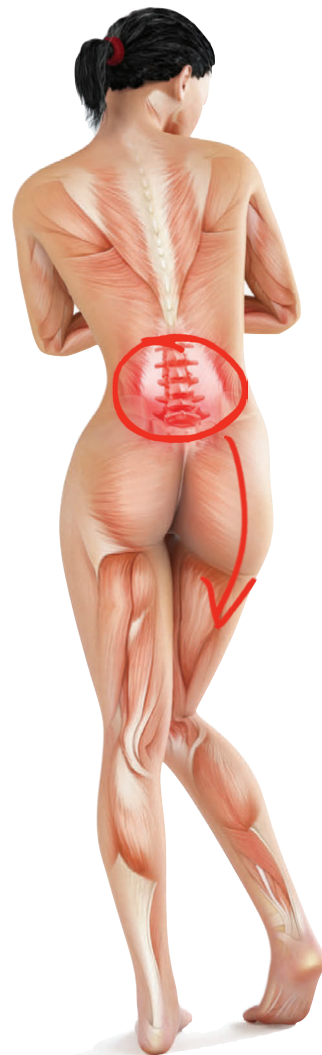
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## The Week Ahead

### ● Wednesday & Thursday, Feb. 22-23: Donations Needed

Today and tomorrow, donate new linens (pillows, sheets, bath towels, blankets) or 3-drawer storage bins to help refugees resettle in the Bay Area. Bring donations to the Mormon Church, 3900 Seven Hills Road from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. this evening or to the Palomares Hills Clubhouse, 6811 Villareal Drive tomorrow, Feb. 23, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Donations will go to the International Rescue Committee in Oakland. For details, visit [www.gofundme.com/harrison-eaglescout](http://www.gofundme.com/harrison-eaglescout) or call 510-397-6172. Eagle Scout Project for Harrison Thomas, Troop 789.

### ● Thursday, February 23: School Board Meeting

The Castro Valley Board of Educations will hold an open meeting at 7 p.m. tomorrow at the District Boardroom, 4400 Alma Ave. For the agenda and board packet, visit [www.cv.k12.ca.us](http://www.cv.k12.ca.us)

### ● Thursday, February 23: Storytime: "Year of the Rooster"

Local author Oliver Chin visits the library to read from his newest children's picture book, "The Year of the Rooster," 12th in the popular annual series *Tales from the Chinese Zodiac*, in a multimedia presentation for the whole family at 11 a.m. tomorrow. Designed for children 4 and older. Free, no registration necessary.

### ● Friday, February 24: Calling All Poets!

Join the Hayward Area Historical Society Museum this Friday for an Open Mic event that welcomes writers of all ages and levels in a competition to honor Black History Month. The event, for best African American themed poem, will be held at 22380 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., performances begin at 6 p.m. Sign-ups will be on a first-come-first-served basis. For more info, call 510-581-0223 or email [education@haywardareahistory.org](mailto:education@haywardareahistory.org)

### ● Saturday & Sunday, Feb. 25-26: SAT Bootcamp

Castro Valley High School PTSA will hold a two-day SAT Bootcamp Workshop for \$175 per student on Feb. 25-26. (Scholarships are provided for kids who qualify financially.) The fee covers all materials that students get to keep. The workshop offers strategies for every question students face on the SAT. Deadline to enroll is Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. For info or to enroll, visit [CatalystPrep.com](http://CatalystPrep.com) and click the Bootcamp Sign-Up tab on the website's menu bar.

### ● Saturday, February 25: Black History Month Celebration

The public is invited to attend a Black History Month Celebration hosted by the Canyon Middle School African American Alliance Network in the Canyon Middle School Cafeteria at 19600 Cull Canyon Road, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. this Saturday. The Celebration will include live performances, art activities, health fair, raffle and light breakfast. All are welcome!

### ● Saturday, February 25: Tales of the Amazing Dr. Seuss

Dr. Seuss' birthday is March 2. Performer Bob Kann shares tales about the author's life, his playful use of language, and the surprising inspiration behind many of his children's books, at 2:30 p.m. this Saturday at the Castro Valley Library. Free and all ages welcome.

### ● Saturday, February 25: Shrimp APeel Fundraiser

The Hill & Valley Women's Club at 1808 B St., Hayward will hold it's annual Shrimp APeel fundraising dinner this Saturday. Social hour at 4:15 p.m. and dinner (plump shrimp, pasta, green salad, garlic bread and dessert) at 5:15. For tickets (\$25), call J. Silveira 510-785-2053. For more info call Carol Crossett 510-206-5467. Proceeds benefit Paul Newman's fun camp for children with serious medical conditions.

### ● Sunday, February 26: Light of the World Music

The Castro Valley LDS Church, 3900 Seven Hills Road, invites you to enjoy a delightful hour of musical inspiration focused on Jesus Christ this Sunday at 7 p.m., featuring the CV LDS choir, children's choir, and the San Lorenzo LDS Choir.

### ● Monday, February 27: CV Municipal Advisory Council

The Castro Valley MAC will hold a land use meeting at 6 p.m. Monday at the Castro Valley Library. Visit [acgov.org/uninc/](http://acgov.org/uninc/) for the agenda.

## ...and Beyond

### ● Thursday, March 2: Parkinson's Support Group

Ysela Jimenez of the county's Senior Injury Program will speak on emergency preparedness, at the next meeting of the San Leandro Parkinson's Support Group at 10 a.m. March 2 at the San Lorenzo Community Church, 945 Paseo Grande. For info, call Lona White at 510-276-3119.

### ● Friday, March 3: Eden Area Village Meeting

Eden Area Village is developing a non-profit membership based neighborhood "Village" that will help people in the Castro Valley, Hayward, and the San Lorenzo areas stay in their homes as they age. Public outreach meetings are held the first Friday of each month at 2 p.m. at Hayward City Hall. Next meeting is Friday March 3.

### ● Saturday, March 4: Pitbull Adoption Party

SantaCon will sponsor a "Pitbulls in Pajamas Adoption Party from 1 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 4 at the Hayward Animal Shelter, 16 Barnes Court, with adoption fees waived for all pitbulls and pitbull mixes. Cats, dogs, kittens, puppies and bunnies will also be available for adoption. For more information, call the Hayward Animal Shelter at 510-293-7200 or visit [www.facebook.com/haywardanimalshelter](http://www.facebook.com/haywardanimalshelter)

### ● Saturday, March 4: Spring Flea Market

The Aitken Senior Center at 17800 Redwood Road will hold its annual Big Spring Flea Market from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on March 4. Everyone is invited to come to this free event where more than 55 vendors will be selling one-of-a-kind items and unique treasures. A snack bar and bake sale will also be available. The event is rain or shine and takes place indoors. For more information, please call 510-881-6738.

### ● Saturday, March 4: Creative Writing Workshop

Registration is open for the 2017 Creative Writing Workshop from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on March 4, at the Castro Valley Library. Middle and high school students should sign up by March 1 at [www.cvef.org/writing\\_workshop](http://www.cvef.org/writing_workshop). Lessons in fiction, non-fiction and poetry will be conducted by local writers, Amy Franklin-Willis, and Allie and Anne Parris. A panel discussion on how to get published will be conducted during the lunch session. Sponsored by Castro Valley Educational Foundation, <http://www.cvef.org/>

## Arts & Entertainment

### CASTRO VALLEY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Tickets for Center for the Arts events listed below are available online at [www.cvartsfoundation.org](http://www.cvartsfoundation.org); or at the Center Box Office, 19501 Redwood Road, Thursdays and Fridays 3-5 p.m. phone 889-8961; or at the CV Adult School, 4430 Alma Ave.

● **Gina Eckstine**, daughter of famed bandleader-singer Billy Eckstine, brings her own style to the music scene at 7:30 p.m. this Saturday, Feb. 25. With family friends that included greats like Sammy Davis Jr., Sarah Vaughan and Quincy Jones, she weaves personal stories throughout her selections from the Great American Songbook. Top flight musicians Larry Dunlap on piano, John Shifflett on acoustic bass and Akira Tana on percussion will accompany Eckstine on the Center's stage, and music legend Elmer Hopper, formerly with the Platters, will make a special guest appearance. For tickets (\$17-\$25) see above.

● **California Beach Boys Tribute Band** performs all your favorites, "Surfin' USA," "Fun, Fun, Fun," "California Girls," Saturday, March 11 at 7:30 p.m. What band says "California" better than the Beach Boys? For tickets (\$17-\$32) see above.

### THEATRICAL & MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

● **"Rumors,"** – Spend a wonderfully funny evening at Chanticleers Theatre in the company of four nouveau riche couples romping through Neil Simon's farce, "Rumors." Guests arrive at a 10th anniversary party (in formal wear) only to discover that the hosts have been incapacitated by mysterious events involving gunshots. Do we have a scandal here? Could be. As in all classic farces, there are slamming doors, lots of misunderstandings, downright deceptions, and even some just plain silliness. The show runs through Feb. 26 at Chanticleers Theatre, 3683 Quail Ave. in Castro Valley. Curtain for Friday and Saturday evening shows is 8 p.m. Sunday matinees start at 2 p.m. For tickets (\$25 general; \$20 seniors, students and military) visit [chanticleers.org](http://chanticleers.org) or call 510-733-5483.

● **'Charley's Aunt '66,'** the World Premiere of a wonderfully silly farce developed by Scott Munson from the original play and featuring an outstanding ensemble of Bay Area performers, is now playing at the Douglas Morrisson Theatre, 22311 N. Third St. in Hayward. Performances are at 8 p.m. on Feb. 24, 25 and at 2 p.m. on Feb. 25. For tickets (\$10-\$29), visit [www.dmtonline.org](http://www.dmtonline.org) or call 510-881-6777.

### ART GALLERIES & EVENTS

● **"Unmentionable: The Indiscreet Stories of Artifacts,"** an original exhibition exploring topics and artifacts that we, as a society, find uncomfortable to talk about, including race, lifestyle, politics and personal adornment, on exhibit from March 1 to July 30 at the HAHS Museum of History & Culture, 22380 Foothill Blvd., Hayward.

● **Hayward Area Photography**, the work of 23 local photographers including 10 members of the Castro Valley Photo Club will be on display through March 31 at the John O'Lague Galleria at Hayward City Hall, sponsored by the Hayward Arts Council.

● **"Getting to Know the Map,"** an exhibition of 40 years of photography by Geir and Kate Jordahl, featuring the images and projects which have been shaped by forty years of exploring, studying, traveling and teaching, is now on display at PhotoCentral Gallery, 1099 E Street in Hayward. A Book Release & Signing will be on April 13 from 7-9 p.m. For more, visit [info@photocentral.org](mailto:info@photocentral.org)

● **"Finding the Quiet Places,"** a display of pastel paintings by Castro Valley artist Sarah Schneider, is on view at the Castro Valley Library. These landscapes show calm and restful scenes, a reminder of the local beauty of our area. Schneider is a member of A.R.T., Inc.

● **"Looking Forward,"** an exhibition by the members of A.R.T., Inc., featuring a variety of media including two and three-dimensional art, will be on display through March 4 at the Adobe Art Gallery, 20395 San Miguel Ave. in Castro Valley. Art judge Angela Johal selected the exhibition awards.

● **Making a Difference in Our Community**, a display of photos and text detailing the activities and 68-year history of the Castro Valley Women's Club, continues at the Castro Valley Library through the month of February.

● **Celebrating Community: Black Families of Fairview and Kelly Hill**, depicting the diverse experiences of past and present residents of these two areas of unincorporated Hayward, will be on display in the Hayward Area Historical Society Community Gallery at 22380 Foothill Blvd. in Hayward through March 5. The exhibit was guest curated by Karen McHenry-Smith. For more information call 510-581-0223 or visit [www.haywardareahistory.org](http://www.haywardareahistory.org).

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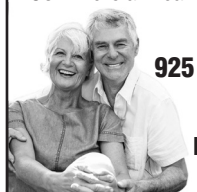
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## KATHLEEN CASSIDY OF CVHS



## 'Outstanding Teacher Of American History'

Castro Valley High School teacher Kathleen Cassidy (center) was recently honored as "Outstanding Teacher of American History" by the local Jose Maria Amador Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. She is shown with Donita Farmer, DAR Chapter Historian (at left) and Cindy Daniels, Chapter Regent.

## MAC: One Open Seat

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"I would like to thank Janet Everson for her time and service on the CV MAC," Miley said in a written statement. "Her expertise and knowledge about law and planning was invaluable. I wish her much success in all her future endeavors."

The MAC is a seven-member committee that advises Miley and county staff on local issues including land use and town planning. It was created in 1981.

Miley will now accepting applications to join the MAC. Those who live in Castro Valley or who have owned a business in town for at least five years are encouraged to apply.

For more information, email Supervisor Miley's operations chief Anna Gee at [anna.gee@acgov.org](mailto:anna.gee@acgov.org) or call 510-891-5585.

Gee said Supervisor Miley will take applications until 5 p.m. on March 24. A selection will be made at the end of the application process and the candidate must then be confirmed by the Board of Supervisors before being sworn in.

## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



## 12U Bercovich Baseball Team Members

This week's Athletes of the Week are the members of the 12U Bercovich Baseball Team, which took first place in the Hardball Challenge Tournament in Manteca on the weekend of Feb. 11-12. A team effort by the 12U Bercovich led to an undefeated path to the Championship Game

and a 9-5 win against the All Sports Outlaws.

Shown from left, front row, Carston Pearson, Jacob Choy, Felipe Duenas, Matthew Thompson, Kai Smith and Aidan Perry; back row, Lorenzo DePerio, Josh Nixon, Deon Tu, Jordan Phillips and Connor Harrison.

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## Crossover Basketball Ends Season

Crossover Basketball recently completed its 29th season, serving the community with recreational-level competition while teaching Biblical values and good sportsmanship.

The season concluded on Feb. 11 at Canyon Middle School with the annual free pizza celebration for the crowd of about a thousand people, which included the players, families, and friends. Speaker for the evening was Pastor Danny

Strange from 3Crosses Church who reminded our audience of the proper pathways of basketball and of life from the Book of Proverbs.

Over 600 players (co-ed grades 2-12), 100 volunteer coaches and support team members dedicated their time and effort in this four-month season which began in November. Crossover Basketball is a sports ministry of Castro Valley First Baptist Church and First Presbyterian Church of Hayward,

and partners with the Golden State Junior Warriors Program. For more info on how to participate next season, please contact Pastor Patrick Lee at 510-582-0515 or e-mail [crossover@cvfirst.org](mailto:crossover@cvfirst.org).

### CVHS TENNIS RESULTS

Results of CVHS boys tennis first match of the year on Tues., Feb. 14 at CVHS. Mission San Jose: 5, CV: 2

### SINGLES

1. Ian Wong (M) - Edward Wang 6-3, 6-1
2. Timothy Wu (CV) - Simon Zheng 5-7, 6-1, 10-5
3. Rohit Sinha (CV) - Jon Chen 1-6, 6-2, 10-7
4. Shashank Eeda (M) - Dustin Fong 6-0, 6-1

### DOUBLES

1. Kevin Li / Roshan Lodha (M) - Gabe Priem / Brandon Soo 7-5, 6-2
2. Vae Kim / Dustin Do (M) - Ashir Gupta / Alex Low 6-1, 6-1
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**18650 Center Street, Castro Valley • \$769,000**

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## Bay Area Prices Soar Past Affordability

By Carl Medford, CRS  
Special to the Forum

I received an email last week that highlighted the sad side of the current real estate market boom in the Bay Area.

It was from a person looking to buy her first home and wanting to stay close to family, friends and her job. The question, while sincere, was a bit of a Hail Mary because she'd already done her research, already had a good idea of what the answer would be, but figured it couldn't hurt to ask anyway. She asked:

"Is it possible to buy a home in Fremont for \$300,000?"

Define "home." As of this writing, there was a property in Fremont listed at \$299,950... a 421-square-foot studio. That's \$712 dollars a square foot.

The next cheapest was a 1-bedroom condo with a list price of \$359,000. Prices go up quickly after that.

Bottom line? Not so much. Which then brings up a question: "If not Fremont, where?"

Turns out, if you are looking for a single-family detached home with a minimum of 2 bedrooms and you're willing to look anywhere in Alameda or Contra Costa Counties, there are actually 39.\*

I found in Antioch - 7, Bay-

point - 1, Bethel Island - 1, Oakland - 12, Oakley - 2, Pittsburg - 1 and Richmond - 15. If you are OK with a condo or a townhouse, there are 27:\* in Antioch - 4, Brentwood - 1, Concord - 6, El Sobrante - 1, Hayward - 2, Hercules - 2, Oakland - 1, Pinole - 1, Richmond - 2, San Pablo - 1 and Walnut Creek - 4.

Which brings up yet another question: "What is the median price per city for all types of residential properties?"

**Alameda County:** Alameda - \$836,000, Albany - \$926,000, Berkeley - \$1,200,000, Castro Valley - \$728,000, Dublin - \$840,000, Emeryville - \$575,000, Fremont - \$880,000, Hayward - \$553,000, Livermore - \$705,000, Newark - \$695,000, Oakland - \$598,000,

Piedmont - \$1,488,000, Pleasanton - \$1,008,000, San Leandro - \$527,000, San Lorenzo - \$541,000, Sunol - \$1,444,000, Union City - \$720,000.

**Contra Costa County:** Median prices range from \$391,000 in Antioch and \$410,000 in Oakley to \$1,340,000 in Blackhawk and \$1,600,000 in Alamo.

If you are a seller, these numbers are solid gold. If you're a buyer, however, especially one at the bottom end of the spectrum hoping to get a home of their own ... it's heartbreaking.

\*As of February 19, 2017

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## Mortgage Rates Hold Steady

Average mortgage rates fell slightly last week for the second consecutive week.

The 30-year fixed-rate mortgage averaged 4.15 percent, down from the previous week when it averaged 4.17 percent. A year ago at this time, the 30-year rate averaged 3.65 percent.

Fifteen-year mortgages averaged 3.35 percent, down from 3.39 percent. A year ago at this time, the 15-year rate averaged 2.95 percent.

Five-year hybrid adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) averaged 3.18 percent last week, down from 3.21 percent.

## RECENT HOME SALES

### Castro Valley

18699 Brickell Way	94546	\$850,000	3 BD - 2,397 SF - 1957
4828 Haley Drive	94546	\$743,500	4 BD - 1,948 SF - 1951
4674 Heyer Avenue	94546	\$845,000	4 BD - 2,198 SF - 1934
19272 Heyer Lane	94546	\$880,000	4 BD - 3,005 SF - 1993
2224 Lessley Avenue	94546	\$620,000	3 BD - 1,141 SF - 1948
18786 Madison Avenue	94546	\$808,000	3 BD - 1,238 SF - 1953
4387 Moreland Drive	94546	\$600,000	3 BD - 1,254 SF - 1954
22232 Moyers Street	94546	\$675,000	5 BD - 1,722 SF - 1949
17310 Robey Drive	94546	\$630,000	2 BD - 1,494 SF - 1953
6688 Edgewood Way	94552	\$680,000	3 BD - 1,561 SF - 1990
20800 Manter Road	94552	\$975,000	4 BD - 2,594 SF - 1963
26473 Palomares Road	94552	\$713,000	3 BD - 1,748 SF - 2007
22758 Rancho Palomares	94552	\$995,000	5 BD - 2,560 SF - 1997
5707 Shadow Ridge Drive	94552	\$890,000	3 BD - 1,723 SF - 1972

TOTAL SALES: 14

LOWEST AMOUNT: \$600,000

HIGHEST AMOUNT: \$995,000

MEDIAN AMOUNT: \$775,750

AVERAGE AMOUNT: \$778,893

### San Lorenzo

15603 Lorenzo Avenue	94580	\$540,000	3 BD - 1,317 SF - 1956
547 Tulsa Street	94580	\$515,000	3 BD - 1,014 SF - 1950
16128 Via Chiquita	94580	\$660,000	4 BD - 1,745 SF - 1951
17255 Via Estrella	94580	\$550,000	3 BD - 1,384 SF - 1948
15919 Via Paro	94580	\$510,000	3 BD - 1,072 SF - 1944

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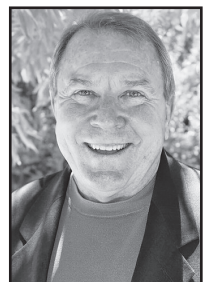
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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## CV Teachers "Asking for Competitive Salaries"

Editor:

We are proud teachers that have a combined 48 years of expe-

rience teaching in Castro Valley.

We value being part of the Castro Valley community and have always loved the strong support the schools receive from the community. Parents donate their time and resources and the community has passed several bonds in the last three decades so that CV can upgrade our old and decaying buildings.

Our community has shown over and over how much it values children and their academic success.

Sadly, many of our teaching colleagues are looking into other districts because they pay thousands of dollars more and/or offer a much better benefit package. This has caused a teaching shortage

in Castro Valley. Some of our classes still do not have permanent teachers.

Many teachers will be retiring in the next few years and Castro Valley needs to be able to maintain and attract the highly qualified teachers our children deserve.

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We are not asking to be paid higher than our neighboring school districts. We are asking for competitive salaries so that we can live in our community, attract new teachers, and keep the amazing teachers that we have.

—Alison Stalcup & Lori Winfrey  
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She was preceded in death by husbands, Edaniel Moore, Fred Allen and Edward Hannon; and her son, Michael Moore. She is survived by daughters, Fran (Larry) Rupley and Alannah (David) Homyak; stepdaughters, Judy (Rick) Zuniga and Susan Mickle; sisters, Elaine and Karen; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and good friends everywhere.

She truly loved and appreciated all of her family and friends, and the feelings were mutual. She will be greatly missed.

A Memorial Mass and Celebration of Life will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 3, at St. Anne's Catholic Church, 215 W. Walnut St., in Lodi, followed by lunch at Parish Hall.



### Idabelle "Ida" Wilhite

Idabelle "Ida" Wilhite died February 16, 2017 at the age of 93. Ida was born April 12, 1923 in Ashtabula, Ohio, the daughter of Evan and Emogene Berlin. Ida moved West to California when she was 18. She was a "Rosie the Riveter" welder during World War II. Ida worked for PacBell (AT&T) as a communications operator for over 33 years.

Ida was preceded in death by her husband of 41 years, John H. Wilhite, Sr.; and her sisters, Margaret Nyzen, Rachel Ashman, Katherine Hartz and Nancy Newton. She is survived by her 2 sons, John T. Wilhite (Cristina) of Mountain House and David Wilhite (Lisa) of Castro Valley; 6 grandchildren, Debra Freitas, John F. Wilhite (Kristy), Angel Wrigley (Shane), Matthew Wilhite (Shannon), Adam Wilhite and Kimberly Wilhite; 5 great-grandchildren, John "Jack", Trevor, Jameson, Michael and Lauren; her sister, Beverly Jerome; brother, Howard Berlin; and many nieces and nephews.

Ida was a devoted mom, grandmother and great-grandmother. She loved children and was well known around her neighborhood as "the popsicle lady". She also volunteered for the Shriners Children's Hospital.

Funeral Services will be held Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Angels Sorensens Chapel, 1140 B St., in Hayward. **It was Ida's request that, in lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children, 2425 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95817.**

### David Alan Knudsen

David Alan Knudsen, 84, a long-time resident of Castro Valley, was born in Omaha, Nebraska on September 28, 1932 and passed away on February 10, 2017 while at sea on a cruise with his friends and wife, Kathy.

Dave was a man of many facets and always lived his life to the fullest, doing what he was passionate about, and always willing to lend a hand and a kind word. He was a devout Christian, serving as an elder and trustee for the First Presbyterian Church. He was a community and civic leader, serving with the Eden Area Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club and on the boards of many local charitable organizations, including, and especially, the Family Emergency Shelter Coalition (FESCO) in Hayward. He was also a generous benefactor to conservation groups and organizations fighting poverty and hunger worldwide. He was especially proud to sponsor orphan children in the Philippines and elsewhere. As a successful businessman, his friends and colleagues all knew Dave could be counted on for good advice, support and resources for business ventures or civic projects.

Dave was a veteran of the Army and was very proud of his service to his country. He was also an Eagle Scout and later a Scoutmaster, and he lived by those ideals all of his life.

Dave was a life-long entrepreneur, and, upon completion of his military service, joined his father in the family grocery business in Omaha. After moving to California in 1967, he followed his independent spirit and, with Kathy, he created several successful food businesses: an ice cream shop in San Francisco in the '70s and Knudsen's Candy Factory in the '80s and '90s, employing hundreds of people over the years. At 70, when most are retired and taking it easy, David and Kathy took on yet another business — revitalizing a failed ice cream shop, the Ice Creamery. They turned it into the go-to place in Castro Valley for families with great food and homemade ice cream. Throughout his career, his business motto was: "Our best is for you." He meant this and lived it every day, and received numerous awards proving it.

Family meant a great deal to David, and he loved to carry on family traditions. David's parents, Herluf J. Knudsen and Antonia Dugaard, were immigrants from Denmark. Along with his sister, Phyllis, and brothers, John and Conrad, he was a member of his family's first generation born in the United States, and was very proud of his Danish heritage.

David is survived by his wife, Kathy, who was the love of his life; his daughter, Vicki (Bill O'Hare); and 3 sons, Jay (Sarah), Ty (Monica) and Tod (Carrie). He was a dear grandpa to 7 grandchildren, Rick (Mindy), Shay, Austin, Taryn (Eduard Sandulyak), Elliot, Kristina and Blake; and a great-grandpa to Kyle and Kayla. He was also an uncle to many nieces and nephews. David will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends.

Services are scheduled for 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 11, at the First Presbyterian Church in San Leandro. For more information, call Jay Knudsen at 510-200-6218. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Dave's name to FESCO in Hayward, or Compassion International, a child poverty program based in Colorado Springs, Co.



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## A Suggestion for the Daughtrey Building

Editor:

I would love to see a restaurant like Texas Roadhouse come to Castro Valley.

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—Joan Miller  
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# CV Students Advance to Next Month's County Spelling Bee

The Castro Valley School District recently held its annual Elementary and Junior High Spelling Bees, with the support of the Castro Valley Educational Foundation.

Students from grades four through six competed in the Elementary Spelling Bee on February 2, at Canyon Middle School. Olen Dempsey, a fifth grader from Chabot Elementary School, took first place. Anita Simon, a sixth grader from Creekside Middle School, took second place. In third place was Jocelyn Lu, a sixth grader from Canyon Middle School.

The Junior High Spelling Bee for students in grades seven through nine was held on Feb. 8 at Canyon Middle School. In first place was Jacqueline Thibault, an eighth grader at Creekside Middle School. Second place went to Annie Lee, a ninth grader at Castro Valley High School. Mari Sato, a seventh grader at Canyon Middle School, took third place.

All first, second, and third place winners will advance to compete in the Alameda County Spelling Bee to be held at Canyon Middle School on Saturday, March 18, beginning at 9 a.m. with the Elementary competition. The Junior High competition will follow immediately afterwards.

—Mary Boyle  
CVUSD Assistant Superintendent



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**Winners of the Elementary School Spelling Bee were, at center, Olen Dempsey, a fifth-grader from Chabot Elementary, who won 1st Place; Anita Simon, at left, a sixth-grader from Creekside Middle School who took 2nd Place; and Jocelyn Lu, a sixth-grader from Canyon Middle School who took 3rd Place.**



**Winners of the Junior High Spelling Bee (Grades 7-9) were, from left, Mari Sato, a 7th grader at Canyon Middle School who took 3rd Place; Annie Lee, a 9th grader at Castro Valley High School who took 2nd Place; and Jacqueline Thibault, an 8th grader at Creekside Middle School, who took 1st Place.**

## Libraries: Popping Up

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a message urging people to take any book to read, return it to any Little Free Library, or pass it on to a friend.

"I've always been a reader, and I see it as something for the community," says Leonard. "We have more than enough digital connections in life these days, and this creates a human connection in the neighborhood. Our little library was made out of scrap wood and old stuff, so I don't have to worry about it if it's vandalized. But it's always been treated with nothing but respect."

Up in the Greenridge neighborhood, library caretaker Vicky Austin manages the box in her neighbor's yard near the corner of Crown Court and Greenridge Rd. Though the original host moved away two years ago, the library goes on with Austin's help.

"The library was built by one neighbor to match the Eichler houses in the neighborhood. Then last year, we added a couple of large boxes to the library for oversized books, since our charming Eichler house didn't really fit chil-



PHOTO: VICKY AUSTIN

**Vicky Austin became caretaker for this Eichler-inspired Library on Greenridge Road after the original host moved.**

dren's picture books, large format cookbooks, art books, etcetera," says Austin.

Austin says the Little Free Library stewards Facebook page has a nationwide monthly oddball book contest. She won last February with a book called "Cats in Love," filled with pretty photos of cats sitting together in pairs.

"The book was happily taken by a library patron, so odd or not, it

was the right book for someone," says Austin.

In addition to those mentioned above, the LittleFreeLibrary.org website lists several other library locations in Castro Valley: 21772 Tanglewood Dr., 2361 Vestal Ave., 2626 Grove Way., and 19019 Gliddon Street.

Visit: [LittleFreeLibrary.org](http://LittleFreeLibrary.org) for more details on locations or how to start your own book box.

## Advisory Committee Applicants Sought

The Hayward Area Recreation District (HARD) is accepting applications from residents of Castro Valley, Hayward, San Lorenzo and other unincorporated areas who would be interested in serving on

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## Annual Rotary Speech Contest

Castro Valley Rotary Club's annual Richard D. King Speech Contest, held Feb. 14, featured participants from both Castro Valley and Redwood Christian High Schools. This year's theme was "Rotary Serving Humanity." Shown above, from left, are 1st Place winner Hayley Martinez of RCHS, 3rd Place winner Annie Coon of RCHS, 2nd Place winner Hannah Ceremony, Monet Khanyahl of CVHS, Esther Smith of CVHS, and Jeanne Trang of CVHS. Hayley Martinez will move on to Rotary District 5170 Area 2 contest next month.

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This will be the only CVSan tour offered in 2017 and registration is limited. Transportation will be provided to the facility free of charge.

To register, visit [www.cvsan.org/dststour](http://www.cvsan.org/dststour).

## Knudsen: Active in the Community

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Directors, Dave could disagree with you, but in a professional manner that never caused you to question his friendship. He will be missed."

Chamber President Michael Tacconi said Knudsen "was a husband, father, grandfather and a pillar business man. He was always active in the community and rarely missed an event. It was an honor to know Mr. Knudsen as a business owner and a husband who celebrated 50 years of marriage to Mrs. Knudsen in January of 2017."

Born in Omaha, Nebraska on Sept. 28, 1932, Knudsen joined his family's grocery business there after serving in the Army. In 1967 he and Kathy moved to California, opening an ice cream shop and later a candy factory in San Francisco.

He was an Eagle Scout and later a Scoutmaster and lived by those ideals all of his life. He was a generous benefactor to local and worldwide organizations fighting poverty.

Dave Knudsen is survived by his wife Kathy, four children, seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and many other nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 11, at First Presbyterian Church, 180 Estudillo Ave. in San Leandro.

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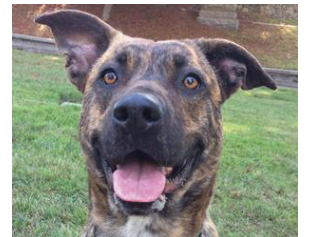
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