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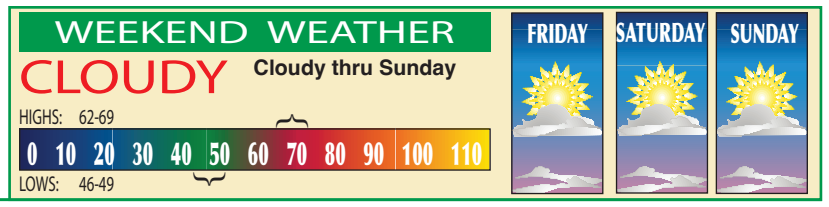

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Mayor Juan Gonzalez (center) and other city officials broke ground in a ceremony to start the construction of a new Cary-Haas Pedestrian Bridge.

City Breaks Ground on the New Cary-Haas Pedestrian Bridge

San Leandro city and school district officials held a groundbreaking ceremony last month, marking the start of construction on the long-awaited replacement of the Cary-Haas Pedestrian Bridge.

Construction is expected to be completed in the late spring of 2027. The pedestrian bridge serves the neighborhood and is used by a lot of students going to Bancroft Middle School.

Heavy rain in March of 2023 led to a pair of trees on school district property falling and knocking down the steel and concrete pedestrian bridge that was built in 1972.

An anonymous donation of $5 million made the construction possible. City officials expressed their gratitude at the ceremony for the donation to replace the bridge.

The City awarded the construction contract to Con-Quest Contractors, Inc. for $976,775.

The City is grateful for this investment in the community and for the

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MacArthur Roundabout Might Happen

Long delayed roundabout to slow traffic on MacArthur might finally be realized next year

By Bernard Duer
San Leandro Times

The proposed roundabout at MacArthur and Foothill boulevards is moving toward construction, with the project scheduled to go out to bid in February 2027, according to City of San Leandro spokesperson Kyla Glucky.

The project is expected to be completed by December 2027.

Nearby neighborhoods have asked for the roundabout for year to help alleviate the speeding and numerous wrecks on Mac Arthur Boulevard.

The project has been on the drawing board since 2005 and is pending completion of the remaining approvals and other preparatory work.

Several key steps have been completed or are nearing completion, according to city

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City Notice on District-Based Elections

In June, voters approved the transition to district-based elections. However, ballots for the November 2026 election still reflect the city's previous at-large election system.

Voters participating in the November 2026 election should take the following steps:

1. Use the ballot you received in the mail or will receive at your polling place.

2. Vote by following the instructions on the ballot.

The Alameda County Registrar of Voters will provide the city with certified vote totals by precinct.

The city will use these totals to calculate the votes for each candidate within the applicable City Council district and determine the winners by district.

These steps will ensure an outcome consistent with the City Charter.

Annual Autumn Exhibit at HAHS

Hayward Area Historical Society brings back Day of the Dead exhibit

The Hayward Area Historical Society (HAHS) brought back its Day of the Dead exhibit this autumn.

The works of local artists, including students, can be viewed at the Hayward Area Historical Society Museum, 22380 Foothill Boulevard in Hayward, from through Nov. 7. The Museum is open from 11 a.m to 3 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.

Dia de los Muertos, or Day of the Dead, is practiced by people throughout the Americas that celebrates life and death through honoring loved ones that have died. Special symbols, traditions, and themes are associated with the holiday, like monarch butterflies, marigolds, and sugar skulls.

Historians have debated the tradition having indigenous roots and whether it's a rebranding of Catholic beliefs brought to this hemisphere by the Spanish.

Those who celebrate Day of the Dead believe that the souls of the de-

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SLHS Student Joins San Leandro School Board

Natalia Torres Garcia will serve on the school board for the 2026-2027 school year

San Leandro High School senior Natalia Torres Garcia began her term as a student representative to the San Leandro Unified School District Board of Education at its September 15 meeting.

She will serve throughout the 2026-27 school year, joining in board discussions and bringing a student perspective to the board's work.

Natalia has been part of the SLUSD since attending the preschool program at the San Leandro Adult Career and Education Center. She later attended Wilson Elementary (now Halkin Elementary), John Muir Middle School, and San Leandro High School.

At SLHS, she serves as vice president of the Associated Student Body, participates in cheer, and is working toward earning the California State Seal of Biliteracy.

Student leadership has given Natalia a closer look at how school decisions affect students and sparked her interest in how those decisions are made.

"I'm excited to learn how the district works behind the scenes," Natalia said. "I'm looking forward to representing students and better understanding the decisions that affect our schools."

After graduation, Natalia hopes to attend UC Berkeley and pursue a career in law, with an interest in international law and human rights.

PHOTO COURTESY SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

San Leandro High School senior Natalie Torres Garcia (center) began her term as the student school board member.

Outside of school, she enjoys hiking, cooking pasta, vintage shopping, and spending time with her French bulldog, Dante.

More information about the SLUSD board of dducation and the district is available at www.slusd.us.

Students Welcome to Perform in MLK Jr. Oratorical Festival

San Leandro students in grades 3 through 12 are invited to participate in the City of San Leandro's 2027 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Oratorical Festival and Poetry Slam, celebrating Dr. King's legacy of peace, equality, and justice.

Students can perform original or well-known speeches, essays, or poems inspired by Dr. King's message, with opportunities to win gift card prizes in their grade categories.

The festival will take place Saturday, Jan. 16, at 10:30 a.m. at the Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Boulevard. The event is free and open to the public.

Student entries are being accepted through January 11, or until 25 entries are received, whichever comes first. Submit an entry form and a brief description of your planned performance.

Students and families can learn more and apply at San-Leandro.org/MLK.

San Leandro Library to Host Halloween Night

The San Leandro Public Library invites families to celebrate Halloween at its annual Halloween Family Fun Fest on Saturday, Oct. 31, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Manor Branch Library, 1241 Manor Boulevard.

This free event for children ages 12 and under and their families features Trunk-or-Treat activities, decorated vehicles, sweet treats, and an indoor pumpkin patch where children can pick out a pumpkin to take home.

You can also vote for their favorite decorated vehicle. Treats and pumpkins are available while supplies last.

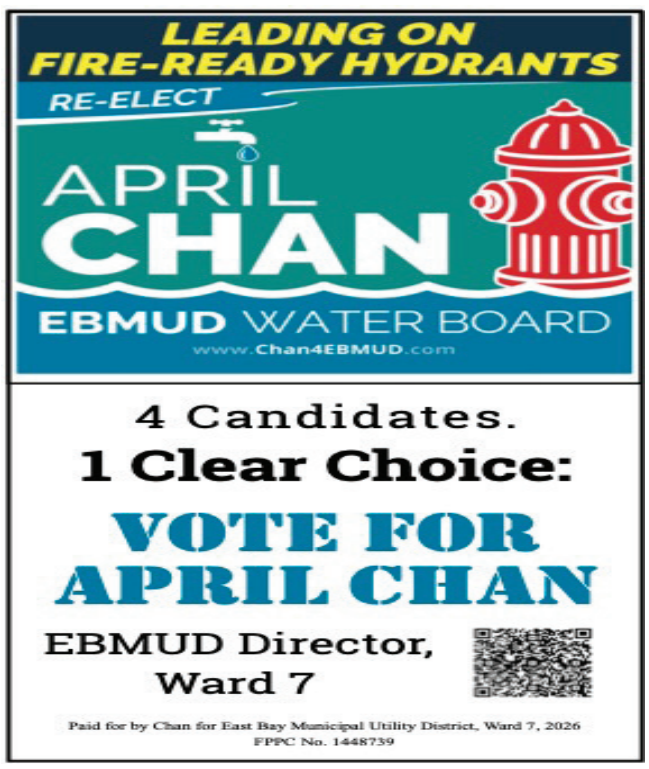
Those interested in decorating a vehicle and participating in Trunk-or-Treat must register by October 24.

Space is limited to 12 vehicles.

For more information or to register a vehicle, visit SanLeandroLibrary.org or call 510-577-7970.

Correction

The story on Hank and Dean ("SLHS Alums in Free Movie Screening," Oct. 22, 2026) incorrectly said that Dean wrote the song "My Way." But the song was an English language adaptation of the French song "Comme d'habitude," written by Jacques Revaux, Gilles Thibaut and Claude Francois, and the English version was written by Paul Anka.



Community Calendar

San Lorenzo Adult School Job Fair

San Lorenzo Adult School, 820 Bockman Road, will host a Job & Resource Fair on Thursday, Oct. 29, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Community resources, networking opportunities, direct engagement, and employer connections. Free and open to the public. For more information, email slemons@slzusd.org or call 510-317-4200.

Garden Club Sale at Alta Mira Club

The San Leandro Garden Club will be selling plants, previously loved jewelry and Christmas goodies on the porch of the Alta Mira Club, 561 Lafayette Ave. in San Leandro, on Friday, Nov. 6, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 7, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

San Leandro Players Present *The Uninvited*

The San Leandro Players present *The Uninvited*, opening Saturday at the San Leandro Museum/Auditorium, 320 W. Estudillo Ave. The show runs on Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. through November 13, with two Friday shows at 8 p.m. on Nov. 13 and Nov. 20. Tickets are $25 general, $20 seniors and under 12. For more information or tickets, visit www.slplayers.org or call 510-895-2573.

Ken Seideman Trio to Play at The Bistro

The Ken Seideman Jazz Trio will perform on Friday, Nov. 6, from 8 to 11 p.m. at The Bistro, 1001 B St. in Hayward. No cover charge. The trio plays jazz, rock, blues and reggae. Ken Seideman on piano and synthesizer, Ed Molyneaux on bass and vocals, and Tim Caldwell on drums.

Hill and Valley Club Holiday Boutique

The Hill and Valley Club, 1808 B St. in Hayward, will hold its annual scholarship holiday boutique on Saturday, Nov. 7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., featuring jewelry, handmade items, holiday decorations, gift baskets, plants, candy, baked goods, and more, just in time for your holiday shopping. Proceeds pay for scholarships for high school seniors and nursing students. This is an indoor boutique that will be held rain or shine. Plenty of parking available. Cash, checks, and credit/debit cards accepted. For more information, visit: www.hillvalley.club.

Free Wellness & Fellowship for Seniors

First United Methodist Church, 1600 Bancroft Ave. in San Leandro, invites seniors to a program featuring seated exercise, guided meditation, conversation, fun activities, tea, and healthy snacks on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon, through November 17. Nurture your body, mind, and spirit while building community in a welcoming setting. Free of charge. All are welcome. For more information, call 510-483-0606.

Serve on a San Leandro Board or Commission

Help make the decisions that affect your community.

San Leandro residents can apply to serve on a City of San Leandro board or commission. Bring your experience, ideas and community perspective to local decision-making.

Board and commission members provide recommendations to the City Council on issues that affect San Leandro. Serving is also an opportunity to learn more about how the City works, connect with other residents and help influence the programs and policies that shape your community.

Applications are open through November 30. Learn about current opportunities and apply:SanLeandro.org/Boards

Career Opportunities After High School for Teens and their Families

Explore different pathways you can take after high school graduation and discover the many opportunities available to help you reach your career goals on Tuesday, Nov. 3, at 6 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave.

Professionals from the trades, construction, manufacturing, electrical, heavy equipment and other industries will share their real-world experiences. Hear what these industries are really like, what employers look for, and the steps you can take to begin exploring these opportunities. Snacks provided. Gift card drawings.

The San Leandro Art Association Artist Talk & Demo

The San Leandro Art Association presents an artist talk and demonstration on Tuesday, Nov. 10, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave.

Kris Urbanrezlife Longoria will guide everyone in preparing Native American prayer knots and discuss her historic art installation at Alcatraz.

For Older Adults – Walk with Ease

Spectrum Community Service welcomes older adults to Walk with Ease, meeting three days a week – Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Dec. 23 at the San Leandro Senior Center, 13909 East 14th St. Class times are 8:45 to 9:45 a.m., and 1 to 2 p.m. Led by a certified instructor who enjoys exercising with older adults. The one hour sessions included 30 minutes of walking at your own pace. Registration required by phone or website: SpectrumCS.org/Senior-Services/Fall-Risk-Reduction, or call 510-876-8809.

Library Events

Game Night at the Library

San Leandro Public Library Game Night will be on Tuesday, Nov. 3, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. Free for all capabilities, this family friendly event is open for learning about board games and having cozy fun while playing with others. Try Mah jong, or even bring your own game.

Evening Star Party

Astronomy volunteers from the Eastbay Astronomical Society will bring telescopes to share close-up views of the Moon, planets, star clusters, nebulae, and more for an inspiring experience of the night sky on Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 6 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. For all ages, outdoors in front of the Main Library. The event will be cancelled if there are rainy or cloudy conditions. Please call 510-577-3971 to confirm.

LEGO Club:
Build A Robot

Imagine and create what your robot would like with the Lego Club on Thursday, Nov. 5, from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. For ages 5+. The library supplies the Legos, you build.

Tai Chi to Improve Balance

Improve your balance and focus or overall wellbeing at the Tai Chi class on Friday, Nov. 6, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., for adults 18+, at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. Come for a session of slow flowing, focused body movements. No registration needed.

Friends of the Library Cookbook Sale

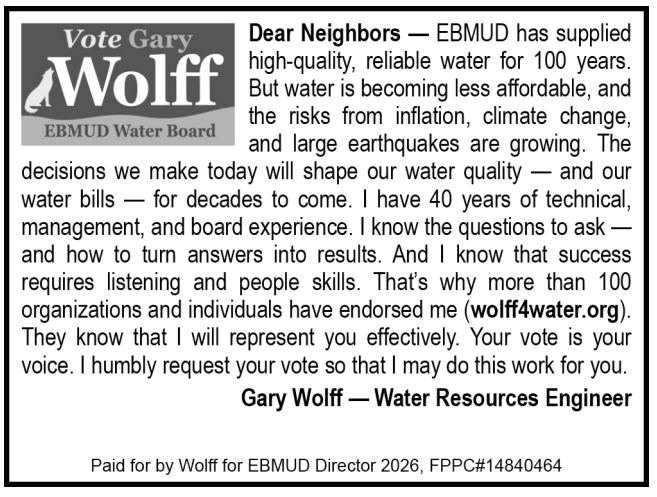
The Friends of the San Leandro Library will host a cookbook sale on Saturday, Nov. 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. in San Leandro. Hundreds of beautiful books featuring cuisines from around the world will be featured. From the basic how-to to elegant dining recipes, these books originally sold for as much as $50 but will be sale priced at $4 for hardbacks and $3 for paperbacks.

Homework Center at Manor Branch Library

Need help with your homework? Come to the Homework Center at the Manor Branch Library 1241 Manor Blvd, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m. This is for students in grades 1 through 5. Registration needed: www.sanleandro.org.

Calendar Submissions

The Community Calendar is for publicizing nonprofit organizations, charities and community groups. Items can be emailed to jimk@ebpublishing.com or call 510-614-1557.



REAL ESTATE GALLERY

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

Eradin Maldonado
Case Number: 26PR215761

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
Eradin Maldonado

A Petition for Probate has been filed by **Danyel Dollard** in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda. The Petition for Probate requests that **Danyel Dollard** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on November 18, 2026, 9:45 a.m., Dept. 201, at 2120 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Berkeley, CA 94704.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the **later** of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner: **Danyel Dollard 523 grove Field CT NW, Suwanee, GA 30024 (404) 625-1112**
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Looking to Sell at Halloween?

By Carl Medford, CRS
Special to the Times

Halloween is nigh and with it, tales of ghosts, vampires, witches, werewolves, skeletons, mummies and other ghoulish monsters. Ironically, by most accounts, "All Saints Day," also called "All Hallow's Day," was a day commemorating the departed faithful, and had nothing to do with monsters and more. Originating in Celtic regions with the spread of Christianity, celebrations began the day before on All Hallows Eve, October 31st, which was consequently contracted to Hallowe'en, then Halloween.

The holiday we now celebrate arrived in America in the 19th century through various immigrating European communities, particularly those of Irish and Scottish origin. As the holiday took hold in the late nineteenth century, it was celebrated with parties, community parades, various games and children going door-to-door looking to fill their bags with treats. It was a much-anticipated time for my siblings and I as we would hit as many doors as possible in our neighborhood with the goal of seeing who could get the most in the pillow cases we used for bags.

With the growth of suburbia, mass produced candy, commercially made costumes and television coverage, it has become a major children's holiday and, with its origins left far behind, it has become a significant commercial event.

While this is all good fun, if you are looking to sell your home at this time of the year, there are a few things to avoid:

Ghoulish Decorations. While it might be fun to transform your home into a chamber of horrors, it might not go over well with potential buyers.

Pet Cemeteries. While you may want to preserve memories of a favorite pet in your back yard, this could pose a significant issue for the new homeowner to deal with.

Unwanted Guests. I clearly remember the time buyers opened the front door of a home only to be greeted by a large rat sitting in the middle of the entry. The buyers took one look and headed off to the next house.

Nasty Smells. Significant odors can send buyers scuttling back out as quickly as possible. Whether food, pet, trash or other odors, nothing says, "Let's get outta here" like an aggressive smell.

Like any holiday, if you are planning to be on the market at that time, it is best to stay neutral with your decor so that potential buyers spend time looking at your home, not at the decorations.

Carl Medford is an active licensed Realtor with Keller Williams Advisors and a licensed general

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Castro Valley

5218 Camino Alta Mira 94546: $982,000 [4 BD - 1,915 SF - 1968
16645 Cowell Street 94578: $1,116,000 [2,308 SF - 1976
18508 Madison Avenue 94546: $1,175,000 [4 BD - 2,178 SF - 1952
25528 Conley Downs Drive 94552: $1,300,000 [4 BD - 1,550 SF - 1998
18721 Lamson Road 94546: $1,303,000 [4 BD - 2,504 SF - 1960
5020 Proctor Road 94546: $1,320,000 [3 BD - 1,584 SF - 1961
19009 Helton Street 94546: $1,400,000 [4 BD - 2,134 SF - 1976

TOTAL SALES:	7		
LOWEST AMOUNT:	$982,000	MEDIAN AMOUNT:	$1,300,000
HIGHEST AMOUNT:	$1,400,000	AVERAGE AMOUN	$1,228,000

SAN LEANDRO

243 Castro Street 94577: $515,000 [2 BD - 1,226 SF - 1967
86 Preda Street 94577: $790,000 [3 BD - 1,176 SF - 1946
15162 Inverness Street 94579: $810,000 [3 BD - 1,114 SF - 1951
1987 San Rafael Street 94577: $839,000 [3 BD - 1,307 SF - 1948
762 Portola Drive 94578: $1,028,000 [4 BD - 1,794 SF - 1956

TOTAL SALES:	5		
LOWEST AMOUNT:	$515,000	MEDIAN AMOUNT:	$810,000
HIGHEST AMOUNT:	$1,028,000	AVERAGE AMOUNT	$796,400

SAN LORENZO

922 Paseo Grande 94580: $675,000 [2 BD - 898 SF - 1945
1135 Via Esperanza 94580: $830,000 [3 BD - 1,043 SF - 1950
20242 Lucot Court 94541: $840,000 [3 BD - 1,214 SF - 1951
16011 Via Conejo 94580: $880,000 [3 BD - 1,228 SF - 1944

TOTAL SALES:	4		
LOWEST AMOUNT:	$675,000	MEDIAN AMOUNT:	$835,000
HIGHEST AMOUNT:	$880,000	AVERAGE AMOUN	$806,250

HAYWARD

25047 Oakridge Court 94541: $662,500 [3 BD - 1,365 SF - 1973

OPINION

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Letters must include the writer's name, address and phone number, and must be under 300 words. Letters can be edited for clarity or length. Letters are the views of the author and not necessarily the views of the newspaper or its advertisers. E-mail letters to: letters@ebpublishing.com or send by mail to: The Editor, San Leandro Times, 2060 Washington Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577.

Proud of Mayor González

Editor,

As I was in line this past month to tour the Mexican navy ship Cuatemoc, I was appreciating it was very appropriate for this ship to be in docked our San Francisco Bay waters during our Hispanic Heritage Month.

While in that three hour wait to tour the ship, I got to appreciating the benefits of a multi-cultural community I live in, and certainly grateful that our own San Leandro City government is a prime example of embracing the different cultural backgrounds of it's community. We have our first ever Latino Mayor!

As we celebrate Latino Heritage Month, I want to express my appreciation for Mayor Juan González, San Leandro's first elected Latino mayor.

His election was a historic achievement for our city and a meaningful reminder to Latino residents, especially our young people, that they belong in positions of leadership. Representation matters, and it is inspiring to see someone with deep roots in our community serving at the highest level of our local government.

Mayor González's significance, however, extends beyond this historic milestone. He has approached the job with dedication, integrity, and a willingness to listen to residents from every neighborhood and background. He understands that although we may not always agree, we make greater progress when we work together.

I appreciate his commitment to making San Leandro safer, improving our streets and public facilities, supporting local businesses, and helping more unhoused residents connect with shelter and services. I am also grateful that he continues to be present and accessible throughout our community.

This Latino Heritage Month, I am proud to recognize Mayor González, not only for making history, but for honoring that history through his service to all of San Leandro. Happy Latino Heritage Month!

Carolina Altamirano
San Leandro

Electric Water Heaters Keep Air Cleaner

Editor,

The current federal administration is rolling back decades of progress on climate and clean air protections. California shouldn't make that job any easier.

Our state has long chosen to lead on protecting public health, and local leaders have an important role in continuing that commitment.

Mayor Juan Gonzalez serves on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District board of directors, and in November, that board will vote on updated clean air standards for water heaters.

The proposal maintains the transition to cleaner electric technology while adding practical exemptions for low-income households and homes where installation presents unique challenges. This is a reasonable and balanced approach.

This isn't just about climate, it's about health. Gas appliances inside our homes produce pollution and contribute to poorer regional air quality outdoors. The air district estimates that clean air standards for water heaters and furnaces could prevent approximately 85 premature deaths, avoid 15,000 asthma attacks each year, and save up to $890 million in health-related costs.

As an organization that works on climate resilience in our community, we know that good policy must also be practical. We have to help residents navigate this transition, provide flexibility, and continue investing in cleaner technologies, but we can't abandon progress altogether.

The water heater installed today will likely still be operating 15 or 20 years from now. Decisions like this will shape the air we breathe for decades.

We ask Mayor Gonzalez to support the proposed amendments and keep the Bay Area moving toward cleaner air while ensuring the transition is fair and workable for everyone.

Patty Breslin
San Leandro
Breslin is the Executive Director San Leandro 2050

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Bridge: Walkers, runners, bicyclists and roller bladers use the bridge

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A rendering of the new Cary-Haas Pedestrian Bridge when completed.

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whose work has helped bring the project to construction.

Residents can follow construction progress and project updates at SanLeandro.org/CityProjects.

The previous bridge was a 110-foot long, 7- foot wide single-span structure consisting of steel girders and a concrete deck.

Walkers, runners, bicyclists, and roller bladers all used the bridge to get to where they need to go and experience a sliver of wilderness along San Leandro Creek, snaking through an urban environment.

The replacement pedestrian bridge will meet current safety and ADA standards, and will re-establish access between Haas Avenue and Cary Drive.

Key project features include:

• Installation of new abutments that clears the creek bank, to address the existing scouring observed at the existing abutments.

• Installation of prefabricated weathering steel truss structure with steel hand-railings with vertical pickets for safety of users.

• Include features to encourage walking bicycles but discourage riding bicycles across the bridge for safety of all users.

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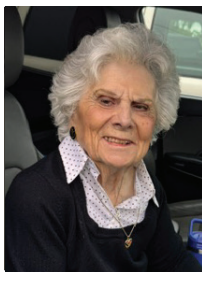

Bernice Marie (Lema) Matoza passed away peacefully on Friday October 16th at home surrounded by her family. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She is survived by her 3 children Marc (Linda), Marcia (Jeff) and Craig (Mary), six grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

Bernice married Arthur Matoza in 1949, and they built a life filled with joyful times and grounded in love, faith and family. Bernice and Art shared over 60 years of marriage before his passing in 2014.

Bernice was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Art, her parents, Anthony and Clotilda and her brothers Harry, Walt and Tony Lema.

A celebration of Life will be held Wednesday Nov 11th at 12:30 at St. Felicitas Church, 1662 Manor Blvd San Leandro CA 94579.

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Roundabout: Long awaited roundabout may be built next spring

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officials.

A separate maintenance agreement with the City of Oakland has been finalized and is awaiting signature.

The East Bay Municipal Utility District has approved an application for a new water meter to supply irrigation for the project's landscaping. Caltrans approval of the plans is expected soon and is required before the city can obtain a Caltrans encroachment permit.

Meanwhile, barriers have been installed along MacArthur Boulevard to prevent drivers from passing on the right when vehicles are stopped, a maneuver that has contributed to serious accidents. The westbound bus stop has also been moved sixty feet west, outside the planned construction zone.

PHOTO BY BERNARD DUER

Temporary traffic dividers are set up on MacArthur Boulevard in lieu of the traffic roundabout.

Funding for Project In Place

The projected construction cost is now $6.17 million, up from $4.30 million. The figures exclude the $1.35 million already spent on project design.

The City of Oakland has begun construction of their Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project along Foothill Boulevard within the roundabout intersection.

Residents Welcome Progress

Gunnar Hissam, a local resident and advocate for the roundabout, said he's glad to finally see some hope for the long delayed project.

"It's welcome news that the city will bid the project in February considering the number of accidents that have occurred at this intersection," Hissam said.

Hissam and his neighbors have been tracking accidents in the area and hope the roundabout will slow traffic along MacArthur Boulevard and eliminate drivers' U-turns at the intersection with Lewis Avenue.

For residents who have advocated for the project for years, the anticipated bidding date marks a key step toward improving traffic safety at the intersection, reducing numerous crashes.

Dead: Free craft day at history museum on Saturday

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ceased have returned during a time in which the veil between the worlds of the living and dead are thinnest, and memorialize this brief reunion with food, drink, and celebration.

On Saturday, Oct. 31 there is will be a free craft day where you can learn about the difference between Dia de los Muertos and Halloween. More information about HAHS' programs and exhibits is available online at www.haywardareahistory.org.

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