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Countdown to Christmas

LET THERE BE LIGHT: Despite cold temperatures and a sudden rainstorm that hit just before 6 p.m. on Friday, hundreds of people of all ages were on hand for the town's annual Christmas Tree Lighting in Castro Village.

UC Conducting East Bay Wildfire Evacuation And PSPS Event Study

Researchers from the UC Berkeley are conducting a study to better understand the public's wildfire evacuation decision-making as well as the public safety power shutoff (PSPS) events by the PG&E this past October.

The UC team is asking residents from Castro Valley and other East Bay communities to fill out a survey about their choices in a future wildfire evacuation.

The team is also interested in analyzing travel patterns following the recent PSPS events. The goal is to develop strategies that can assist agencies across California in preparing for future wildfire events.

Similar surveys have been conducted across the state following wildfires in the northern valley and Southern California, but researchers now want to know how East Bay residents might react to a wildfire, and what experiences residents had during the PSPS events.

Those who participate in the survey will be entered into a drawing for one of five \$200 Amazon gift cards.

The survey is available online at: http://bit.ly/eastbay_wildfire_survey.

An alternate address is https://berkeley.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8k85wjGIQupsMpn.

MAC MEETING

Neighbors Oppose 68-Unit Plan

By Amy Sylvestri
CASTRO VALLEY FORUM

Neighbors told the Castro Valley Municipal Advisory Council Monday night that they aren't happy about a proposed development north of Foothill Blvd. — land previously zoned for single-family homes that's to be re-zoned for apartments.

The developers want to build 68-units in two four-story buildings on Miramont Ave. and Saratoga Street. The parcel is two acres, which could potentially allow for that type of density.

However, because of the steep grade of the land, the developers want to only do actual building on one-acre of the site, which would exceed density limits.

Nearby residents say they're worried about their views being obstructed, traffic in the area, and density issues.

Clint Griffin, who lives nearby on Toledo Street, said such a development would change much of what he loves about his neighborhood.

"We are concerned about a couple of things," Griffith told the MAC. "We are passionate about the view. It was one of the things that drew us to the house."

Dave Middleton, who also lives nearby, said he doesn't mind the parcel getting developed, but the proposed project isn't a good fit.

"On one-acre, it just seems to me that this is going to change the character of the neighborhood," said Middleton. "It seems to me that this project is designed to extract the most profit possible."

MAC Chair Marc Crawford encouraged the developers to reassess their plans and said they'd likely get approval for a project that was more like 14 units at three stories.

"I think the idea of getting 30 to 60 units on here is so far from reality," said Crawford.

The developers said that they'd like to see if any zoning changes to the area emerge after the county adopts the upcoming General Plan Update.

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BIG BLOOPER: The lane-striping contractor at Castro Village got the right letters but the wrong sequence for his stencil when he painted this STOP sign on Wednesday. It was corrected by Friday morning.

Castro Valley Weather Dec. 11 - 15, 2019



Wednesday
Low Clouds, Fog
High 59° Low 47°



Thursday
Low Clouds, Fog
High 62° Low 54°



Friday
Low Clouds, Fog
High 62° Low 54°



Saturday
Cloudy, Showers
High 61° Low 51°



Sunday
Mostly Sunny
High 64° Low 44°

Almanac



Sun sets at 4:51 p.m. today, rises at 7:15 a.m. Thursday.

Past Week's Rain: 01.08
Season To Date: 03.06
Normal To Date: 05.02
Season Average: 21.22

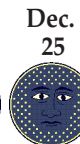
Moon Phases



Dec. 11



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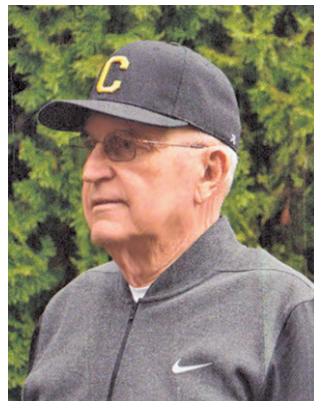
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CV SPORTS HALL OF FAME

'Coach Chris' Still Helps Youth

First in a series profiling the 16 new members of the Castro Valley Sports Hall of Fame. The induction banquet will take place Sunday, April 26, 2020 at Redwood Canyon Event Center. For details, please visit www.castrovalleysportsfoundation.org.

By Lowell Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE FORUM



Don Christiansen

Upon entering the Castro Valley home of Don Christiansen recently, the visitor immediately noticed two large sports equipment bags in the entryway.

Christiansen, 81, explained that later that day he was going to help a young catcher at Redwood Christian High with some defensive techniques, something he does once or twice a week. The bags contained catcher's gear and baseballs.

"I don't have near the energy at 81, but I still love doing it," said the former Laney and Chabot College baseball coach.

Indeed, he does. Although he hasn't been a head baseball coach since 1988 when a stress-related heart attack forced him to resign

his post at Chabot, he's still actively coaching as a volunteer at Redwood Christian and at the Redwood Christian summer baseball camp.

Ever since he began his coaching career at Mt. Eden High in Hayward in 1960, Christiansen has been known simply as "Coach Chris."

"Some of my friends don't even know my first name," he chuckled.

Christiansen's head coaching record includes five years at Mt. Eden, 11 at Laney and 13 at Chabot where he had 502 career victories, won five conference titles and was

named Northern California junior college coach of the year in 1980 when the Gladiators finished third in the state championships.

A committee appointed by the Castro Valley Sports Foundation recently elected Christiansen to the Castro Valley Sports Hall of Fame. He earlier was named to the California Community College Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame (1992) and the Chabot College Athletics Hall of Fame (2002).

One wall in Coach Chris's downstairs family room is lined with photos of the 16 players he coached who went on to play in the major leagues. They include George Mitterwald, Dick Tidrow, Lee Lacy, Chris Speier, Von Joshua, Gary Pettis, Mike Young, Mark Davis, Bip Roberts, Rick Rodriguez and Darren Lewis — names any avid baseball fan would recognize.

Mt. Eden was just opening when Christiansen landed the head baseball coaching job right out of San Jose State where he played catcher and was the team's Most Valuable Player as a junior. He realized immediately that coaching was his passion.

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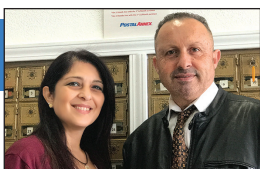
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Local Teacher Named to Childhood Policy Council

Gov. Gavin Newsom has selected Castro Valley teacher Paula Merrigan to be a member of the Early Childhood Policy Council to develop a master plan for early learning in California.

Merrigan, who teaches at Independent Elementary School, will be one of 20 diverse experts, educators and parents who will hold at least four public meetings per year and prepare a formal annual report. In congratulating Merrigan,

School Superintendent Parvin Ahmadi said she was excited that a Castro Valley teacher will be able to work with other Council members and will "use her expertise in early childhood education in order to impact millions of children in California for years to come."

Merrigan has been a teacher at the Castro Valley Unified School District since 2008. She is a member of the California Teachers Association.



Teacher Paula Merrigan



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She and her Standard Poodles Zeus and Kevin have also won the MLB 2017 San Francisco Giants dog costume contest and opened for the San Jose Sharks. Katrina has also been featured on the TV show "Right This Minute" twice. Please join us in welcoming Katrina to The Classy Canine family!



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Opera Star Philip Skinner Live This Saturday in Castro Valley

By Terry Liebowitz
SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

International Opera bass/baritone luminary Philip Skinner will light up the Castro Valley Center for the Arts stage this Saturday night, Dec. 14, in "Bravissimo" at 7:30 p.m.

Tenor Ricardo Garcia and Soprano Vivian Yau will join him singing favorites from opera, Broadway and holiday classics.

Philip's bio includes performances at the New York Metropolitan Opera, Lyric Opera of Chicago, Houston Grand Opera, Teatro di San Carlo, Israel Philharmonic and over 55 productions with the San Francisco Opera.

"We should have search lights out front to herald this rare opportunity to see someone of Philip's stature right here in Castro Valley," mused Castro Valley Arts Foundation President Mary Ann De Grazia.

Philip comes from a musical family devoted to church music. He played the trombone and was the drum major in his Florida high school marching band, but didn't really sing in school until a chance meeting with the high school choral director his senior year.

With influential teachers along the way, Philip received a schol



PHOTO BY VALENTINA SADIUL
Philip Skinner

arship to Northwestern University and then went on the prestigious vocal program at Indiana University for graduate work.

Next was a successful audition with San Francisco's Merola summer program and an invitation to the Western Opera Tour and Adler Fellowship. Just as he was preparing to leave for the Merola program, the San Francisco Opera called to offer him his first professional role in their 1985 production of "Adriana Lecouvreur," an amazing break, and he didn't even have an agent at the time!

Today, "on the go" best describes Philip's daily life as an opera star — performances, rehearsals, learning new material, costume

fittings, productions meetings. This fall, Philip sang leading roles in three operas with the San Francisco Opera and last week he sang with the Santa Rosa Symphony.

In the spring he reprises his role of The Speaker in Mozart's "Magic Flute," this time at Opera San Jose. In the summer he takes on a new role with West Edge Opera singing Dikoj in "Kata Kabanova."

When asked what he likes best about his unusual career choice, Philip described the amazing, singers, directors, conductors, and orchestras who share heart, creative spirit and a zest for the arts.

"I am fortunate to be a part of this wealth of talent every single day."

Philip has lived in Castro Valley since marrying Castro Valley native, Lisa Carlin. They met when she was volunteering at the Merola program. They have two grown children, Allegra and Matthew. Matthew is carrying on the musical tradition as he teaches choral music in the Castro Valley elementary schools and stars in Bay Area musical and theater productions.

For tickets to "Bravissimo" or more information, visit www.cvartsfoundation.org/shows

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

SHERIFF'S REPORTS

COMPILED BY MICHAEL SINGER • CASTRO VALLEY FORUM



Traffic Stop Ends in Arrest for Methamphetamine Drugs

Sunday, December 8: at 3:33 p.m., Sheriff's deputies arrested a 43-year-old woman from Hayward on suspicion of possession of methamphetamine drugs and related drug paraphernalia. The woman was driving on Strobbridge Avenue near Castro Valley Boulevard when deputies pulled her over for a traffic citation. Deputies took her into custody after a search revealed her stash.

Son Assaults Stepmother, Resists Arrest

Sunday, December 8: at 7:26 p.m., a 911 call about a loud and aggressive-sounding argument sent deputies to an apartment on Grove Way near Morales Court. There, they arrested a 31-year-old man from Castro Valley on suspicion of assault on a family member, making death threats, and resisting arrest. Deputies reported having to break down the door to enter the premises. The apartment showed signs of an altercation including injury to the suspect's stepmother. The man was taken into custody. The woman was treated at the scene.

One Too Many

Sunday, December 8: at 3:25 p.m., deputies arrested a 33-year-old man from Antioch (Contra Costa County) on suspicion of public intoxication. The man was spotted on Castro Valley Boulevard near the Castro Village Shopping Center having a hard time standing up. Deputies report the man failed his field sobriety test and was taken into custody.

Concealed Knife and Methamphetamine Drugs

Sunday, December 8: at 12:55 p.m., a 52-year-old man with no permanent residence was arrested on suspicion of possession of a concealed knife, methamphetamine drugs, illegal narcotics, and related drug paraphernalia. Deputies stopped the man for questioning outside a business on Redwood Road near Grove Way and discovered his stash. The man was taken into custody.

Wanted Man

Sunday, December 8: at 7:48 a.m., deputies arrested a 52-year-old man from Oakland as part of a warrant issued for his capture related to charges of domestic assault. The man was at a home on Berdina Road near Redwood Road when deputies served the warrant. The man was handcuffed and taken to Santa Rita Jail pending \$50,000 in bail.

Vandalization of Private Property

Friday, December 6: at 6:49 p.m., a 20-year-old woman with no permanent address was arrested on suspicion of vandalizing private property in excess of \$400 outside a home on Edwards Lane near Center Street. During questioning, deputies report the woman put up a fight and had to be restrained. Deputies took the woman into custody.

Intoxicated Driving

Saturday, December 7: at 12:39 a.m., a 23-year-old woman from San Francisco was arrested on suspicion of driving while intoxicated. Deputies pulled the woman over at the intersection of the Boulevard and Stanton Avenue after observing her weaving while driving. The woman failed her field sobriety test and was taken into custody.

911 Hang Up Ends in Arrest

Monday, December 2: at 10:20 p.m., deputies arrested a 61-year-old woman from CV on suspicion of violating a restraining order and terms of her parole, and making death threats. The department reported a dropped 911 call and sent deputies to an address on Denison Place near Elbridge Court. The woman at the scene was identified as the suspect and taken into custody, but not before screaming death threats to her husband.

Biker with Bolt Cutters

Tuesday, December 3: at 1:29 a.m., a 33-year-old man from Hayward was arrested on suspicion of possession of illegal drug paraphernalia and burglary tools. Deputies stopped the man while he was riding a bike on Kerr Street near Baker Road. The man admitted to carrying a pipe used for smoking drugs, but deputies also found bolt cutters in his backpack. The man was taken into custody.

Public Invited to View K-5 Science Material

The Castro Valley School District is in the process of adopting new elementary school (grades K-5) science materials that align with rigorous California Standards.

The community is now invited to preview these new materials proposed for district adoption.

Materials are viewable weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. through Dec. 20 in the Educational

Services Dept. at the District Office, 4400 Alma Ave. The materials aren't available for check-out.

For more info, contact Lauren Baiocchi at 510-537-3000 ext. 1243 or lbaiocchi@cvk12.ca.us.

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The Week Ahead

● Wednesday, December 11: Free Winter Holiday Concert

Start the holiday by enjoying a special musical performance and an audience sing-along as the Castro Valley Adult & Career Education Community Band conducted by Kathy Maier invites you to a Winter Concert at 7:30 p.m. this evening in the Castro Valley High School Cafeteria, 19400 Santa Maria Avenue. Refreshments will be served.

● Wednesday, December 11: Neuropathy Support Group

Anyone suffering from peripheral neuropathy (a disease with typical symptoms of chronic numbness, pins and needles tingling, and sporadic sharp pains in the feet and hands) is encouraged to attend the free meeting every second Wednesday of the Neuropathy Support Group. at 1:30 p.m. in the library of First Presbyterian Church, 2490 Grove Way, next to Trader Joe's) For more info, call Greg at 510-886-6758.

● Thursday, December 12: School Board Meeting

The Castro Valley Board of Education will hold a regular open meeting at 7 p.m. tomorrow in the boardroom at 4400 Alma Ave., which will include a public hearing on the Accounting of Development Fees for 2018-2019. Visit bit.ly/CVUSDBBoardMeetings for the full agenda and board packet.

● Thursday, December 12: Libertarian Party Meet & Greet

The Libertarian Party of Alameda County will be having a Holiday Meet & Greet from 7 to 9 p.m. tomorrow at Buffalo Bill's Brewery, 1082 B St., Hayward, with an optional anonymous gift exchange (\$10 and under if newly-purchased), re-gifting and white elephants are welcomed, baked goods work too. No membership required. More info at lpac.us/events.

● Friday-Sunday, December 13-15: Free Pet Adoptions

The Hayward Animal Shelter at 16 Barnes Court holds its big year-end adoption event, "A Home for the Holidays," from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, when no fees will be charged for adoptions to qualified homes of dogs, puppies, cats, kittens and bunnies (with all shots and microchips). \$17 dog license fee for Hayward residents. Also a bake sale and raffle prizes. Bring your pet for a picture with Santa. For more info, visit www.facebook.com/haywardanimalshelter

● Friday, December 13: Traditional English High Tea

The Aitken Senior Center at 17800 Redwood Road is taking a break from the hectic holiday season with a traditional English High Tea plus entertainment and a raffle for exciting prizes, from 1 to 3 p.m. this Friday. Purchase individual tickets or a table for 4 and decorate it in a holiday theme with your own tableware. The Senior Center provides the tea and scrumptious treats. The High Tea is \$12 per person and reservations are required. For more information, please call 510-881-6738.

● Saturday, December 14: Buon Tempo Crab Feed

\$50 gets you all you can eat Alaskan Dungeness crab, pasta, and salad, with all proceeds going to the Bob Grazzini Memorial Scholarship Fund. No-host Happy Hour is 5-6 p.m., dinner at 6 at Transfiguration Church, 4000 East Castro Valley Blvd. Also a raffle for and silent auction (cash) for some very delicious desserts. To make reservations, send a check with number of tickets requested made out to the Buon Tempo Club to: Rick Martens, P.O. Box 2625 Fremont, CA 94536 before Dec. 12. Check in at the door the day of the event. Over the past 30 years, Buon Tempo has given out over \$175,000 to students who are graduating high school, to help them pursue college and/or vocational training.

● Saturday, December 14: Hearing Loss Association Meeting

"The ways we cope with Hearing Loss," a members' discussion group about our ongoing problems in social situations, and a "show and tell" of our latest gadgets which allow us to hear better at the next meeting of the Hearing Loss Association. Audience participation is encouraged, so please come prepared to share a funny story, or a frustration you have recently experienced. Please bring finger food to share at this Holiday Potluck. Oakland Kaiser Hospital, Fabiola Bldg., 3801 Howe St., Lower Level, Room G26. Parking garage on Howe is free on Saturday. info@hearinglosseeb.org or 510-221-6080.

● Saturday, December 14: Holiday Saxophone Quartet

Enjoy an afternoon of seasonal music with The Holiday Saxophone Quartet featuring Tony Gallardo, Michael Wirgler, John Aczon and Michael Wilson at 2 p.m. this Saturday in the Chabot Room of the Castro Valley Library. Bring the whole family and sing-along. No reservations needed. Visit <https://www.aclibrary.org/home> for more information.

● Saturday, December 14: Candlelight Caroling

Starr King Unitarian Universalist Church, at 22577 Bayview Avenue in Hayward, invites you to its Annual Las Posadas candlelight caroling in the neighborhood at 5 p.m. this Saturday, followed by a community dinner at about 6:00 p.m. (No RSVP needed). For information, call 510-581-2060.

● Sunday, December 15: Holiday Cheer & Artisan Fair

A Holiday Cheer & Artisan Fair will be held in Castro Valley from noon to 3 p.m. this Sunday, with unique holiday gifts for purchase and a chance to learn about local non-profit organizations that support women and girls around the globe. The artisans will be selling jewelry, housewares, textiles, stationery and accessories. Proceeds benefit the individual organizations. Cash/check only. Please email Amy Madsen for the Castro Valley address at: amymadsen@gmail.com

● Sunday, December 15: Big Band Swingin' Holiday

Take a break from your holiday shopping and enjoy the live sounds of "In Full Swing," a 20-piece local big band with vocalists performing in the Chabot Room at the Castro Valley Library at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 15. This local favorite, under the direction of Milt Bowerman, will perform jazz and seasonal classics with a fun, big-band twist! No reservations required. For more info, call 510-667-7900, or see Events at <https://www.aclibrary.org/home>

● Tuesday, December 17: Madrigals Perform at Rotary

The Madrigals, the premier CVHS acapella group, will perform for the Castro Valley Rotary Club at their next buffet lunch meeting from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 17 at Redwood Canyon Golf Course. The cost of lunch is \$15 and reservations must be made by 9 p.m. on Dec. 15 by contacting Rotary at cvrotary@iCloud.com or 510-402-5123. More info at castrovalleyrotary.org

● Wednesday, December 18: Preventing Medicare Fraud

Medicare fraud wastes billions each year and results in higher health care costs and taxes for everyone. The Castro Valley Library invites you to a free presentation by Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP) of Legal Assistance for Seniors at 11 a.m. on Dec. 18 where you'll learn how to recognize common scams and frauds that target seniors, and where to report them. No registration is required. For more info, call 510-667-7900 or visit www.aclibrary.org/branches/csv

● Sunday, December 21: Winter Concert

Enjoy live music as two local groups — the Hillside Woodwind Quintet and the Montecito Brass Ensemble — present a program of light classical and seasonal music at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 21, in the Chabot Room at the Castro Valley Library. Members of the groups wish to share their life-long love of music with the community. No reservations are required. For more information call 510-667-7900, or see Events at www.aclibrary.org/branches/CSV.

● Tuesday, December 24: Christmas Eve Service

Starr King Unitarian Universalist Church at 22577 Bayview Ave., Hayward, invites you to a traditional Christmas Eve candlelight service of readings and carols at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 24, a family friendly service that's open to all. For more info, call 510-581-2060.

Arts & Entertainment

CASTRO VALLEY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Tickets for Center for the Arts events (unless otherwise listed) are available at www.cvcfa.com; or at the Center Box Office, 19501 Redwood Road, Thursdays and Fridays 3-5 p.m. (phone 510-889-8961), or at the Castro Valley Adult School, 4430 Alma Avenue. For the school events - prices go up at the door.

● "Bravissimo: From Opera to Broadway," featuring rising star tenor Ricardo Garcia singing familiar opera and Broadway classics at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec.14. He will be joined by international opera luminary Philip Skinner. Both men are from Castro Valley. Soprano Vivian Yau will make a guest appearance. *For tickets (\$29-\$31), see above.*

OTHER THEATRICAL & MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

● "The Jewelry Box," a solo show by Brian Copeland, will be presented at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 20 and 21, at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. For tickets (\$30), visit www.brownpapertickets.com

ART GALLERIES, RECEPTIONS & ART INSTRUCTION

● Hayward 21st Century Library Grand Opening Exhibit continues on the 2nd floor, featuring art by members of Sun Gallery and the Hayward Arts Council until Jan. 18.

● Veterans Art Project, a group exhibition of artwork created by local Veterans and presented by the County Arts Commission and the Hayward Arts Council, will be on view at the John O'Lague Galleria at Hayward City Hall through Jan. 17.

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● Jo Jo Rabbit, PG

Fri 12/13-Tue 12/17 - 1:40p, 7:05p

● Nat'l Lampoon's Christmas Vacation, PG

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- See 4-Across
- Praise in verse
- Doves' place
- Eviscerate
- Actress Cannon
- Commotion
- Trot
- Part of a Santa costume
- 1935 Astaire/Rogers movie
- Oppositionist
- Swelled head
- Pester
- Oodles
- Western hero's trademark
- Suitor
- Draftable
- List-ending abbr.
- Complain
- Peruse
- "Quiet!"

DOWN

- History
- Oppositionist
- Orpheus' instrument
- Attorney
- Earth tone
- Genetic stuff
- Midwestern city
- Remained upright
- Debtor's letters
- Elmer, to Bugs
- Biblical verb ending
- Worship
- Shade source
- Georgetown athlete
- Hebrew month
- See to
- "Shoo!"
- ___ list
- On
- Moonshine container
- Commence hostilities
- Thick
- Binge
- Went by water
- Excited
- Porcelain
- "I'll have what ___ having"
- Wooden strip
- Leave an impression
- "The Chew" network
- Meadow
- Rowing need
- Weeding tool

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Christmas is Just 2 Weeks Away!

It's time to start making plans for your yuletide feast, because the big day will be here before you know it.

For a spectacular holiday centerpiece, nothing quite compares to a beautiful beef roast cooked to perfection.

Cooking a roast may seem a bit intimidating, but it really is one of the more simple main dishes to prepare. There's little more to it than putting it in the oven and pulling it out when it's done. You'll need a good meat thermometer (an instant-read type is best to use).

CLASSIC PRIME RIB ROAST

- 1 (6-8 pound) trimmed beef rib roast, chine bone removed
- 6 large cloves garlic, crushed
- 1-1/2 teaspoons dried thyme
- 1 teaspoon black pepper

Preheat oven to 350°F.

Combine garlic, thyme and black pepper. Press evenly into surface of beef roast.

Place roast, fat side up, on rack in shallow roasting pan. Do not add water or cover roast.

Roast approximately 2-1/4 to 2-1/2 hours. Using an instant read thermometer, remove roast when internal temperature reaches 135°F for medium rare or 150°F for medium.

Tent loosely with foil and let stand 15 minutes prior to carving. Serve with horseradish sauce. Makes 8 to 12 servings.

SWEET POTATO CASSEROLE

- 4-1/2 cups cooked and mashed sweet potatoes
- 1/2 cup butter, melted
- 1/3 cup milk
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 cup light brown sugar
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/3 cup butter
- 1 cup chopped pecans

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease a 9x13-inch baking dish.

In a large bowl, mix together mashed sweet potatoes, 1/2 cup butter, milk, sugar, vanilla extract, and eggs. Spread sweet potato mixture into the prepared baking dish.

In a small bowl, mix together brown sugar and flour. Cut in 1/3 cup butter until mixture is crumbly, then stir in pecans. Sprinkle pecan mixture over the sweet potatoes.

Bake for 25 minutes in the preheated oven, or until golden brown. Serves 12.

HORSERADISH SAUCE

- 1/4 cup prepared horseradish
- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise

Combine all ingredients in bowl and serve with roast.

CREAMY MASHED POTATOES WITH CHIVES

- 6 Idaho or russet potatoes, peeled and quartered
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh chives
- 4 ounces Mascarpone cheese
- 1 teaspoon salt, plus more for cooking potatoes
- 1 cup milk, warmed

Place potatoes in a large pot and cover with cold water to 2 inches above potatoes. Season water generously with salt and bring potatoes to a boil to cook for 40 minutes, until very tender.

Drain potatoes and return to pot. Mash potatoes with warm milk until smooth. Fold in mascarpone and chives. Season with 1 teaspoon salt. Serves 6 to 8.

GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE

- 2 (10-3/4 ounce) cans Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1-1/2 cups milk
- 2 teaspoons soy sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 4 (9-ounce) packages frozen cut green beans, thawed
- 2-2/3 cups French fried onions

Stir soup, milk, soy sauce, black pepper, beans and 1-1/3 cups onions in 3-quart casserole.

Bake at 350°F 30 minutes or until hot. Stir. Top with remaining onions. Bake 5 minutes more until onions are golden. Makes 12 servings. To enhance this dish, cook 4 slices bacon until crisp and crumble over the top.

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San Leandro Jewish Center to Open With Two Chanukah Celebrations This Month

The Jewish holiday of Chanukah is celebrated by kindling the menorah, enjoying crispy potato latkes (pancakes), and singing familiar tunes — a time of joy and celebration.

The Jewish community in San Leandro will have another reason to celebrate this Chanukah: the opening of their own Chabad House, a center of inclusive Jewish life and learning, where everyone is welcomed to explore Judaism at their own pace.

The new center is co-directed by Rabbi Shmaya and Sheina Shusterman, a young husband-and-wife team, who bring a wealth of Jewish scholarship and programming experience.

Hailing from Melbourne, Australia, and Vienna, Austria, respectively, they say that they have been warmly welcomed since they arrived in Northern California a few months ago.

In honor of Chanukah, they will be leading San Leandro's giant

menorah lighting at the city hall. The event will also feature a live band, fresh latkes, donuts, hot cocoa, crafts, and a grand Chanukah gelt drop-in which chocolate coins wrapped in foil will rain down on the participants.

The celebration is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 29, at 5 p.m., at the San Leandro City Hall, 901 East 14th Street.

They will also be hosting a more intimate meet-and-greet house-warming event on Monday, Dec. 23, at 7 p.m. at their home, 1367 Breckenridge St., San Leandro.

The Chanukah party will be a chance for community members to familiarize themselves with the Shustermans and their plans. The party will feature a menorah lighting, light buffet, crafts and more.

"Everyone we met so far has been so welcoming," says Sheina Shusterman, who reports that she and her husband have been receiving many calls and emails from people wishing to get involved. "We are really looking forward to what the future will bring."

Info: call 347-419-6541, email: chabadsleandro@gmail.com, or visit jewishsanleandro.com

Online Course Helps Volunteers Become Certified to Prepare Income Tax Returns

California's Franchise Tax Board has released a free online training course aimed at helping volunteers become certified to prepare income tax returns.

The 13-part updated course spans less than two hours and is available at ftb.ca.gov's resources and training page.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistant volunteers spend the early winter

training for tax season. After attaining Internal Revenue Service (IRS) certification, volunteers donate their time to prepare returns for low- to moderate-income families for free in communities around the state.

The course covers what volunteers need to know about federal and state income tax returns, including information about the

expanded, cash-back California Earned Income Tax Credit (CALEITC) and the new Young Child Tax Credit (YCTC). Also included is background on the new state individual health care mandate, which takes effect in tax year 2020.

In-person training also is available around the state. To find a location near you, visit ftb.ca.gov's VITA volunteer page.

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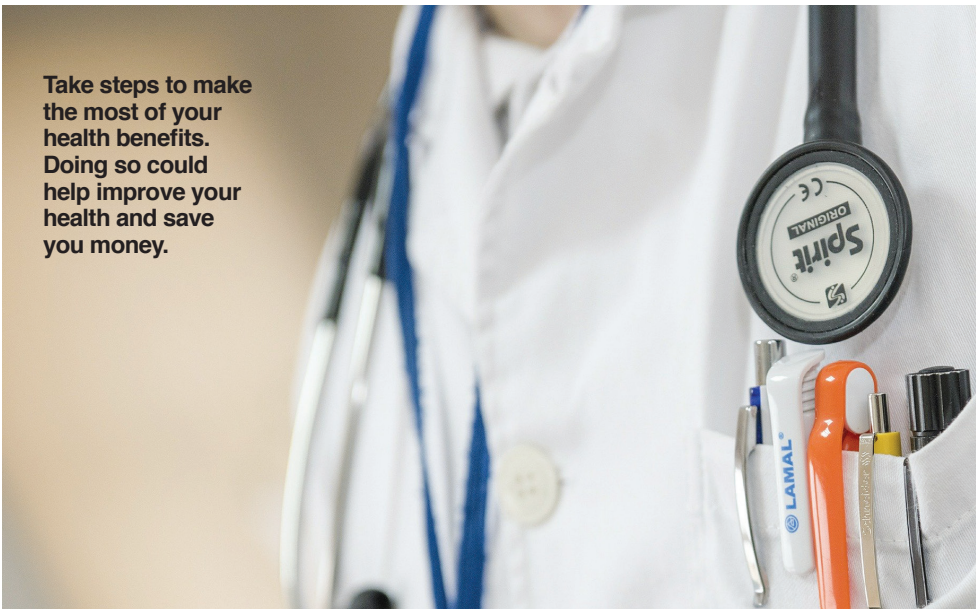
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HEALTH & FITNESS

Make the Most of Your Health Plan Before the End of the Year

By Rebecca Madsen
SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

The holiday season is at hand, and many residents in California are already making year-end plans to travel and celebrate with friends and family.

Yet there is one year-end plan that is often overlooked: taking steps to make the most of your health benefits. Doing so could help improve your health and save you money.

Tips to consider before the end of the year:

- **Get Ahead of Health Issues:** People with employer-sponsored, individual, Medicare and Medicaid plans have access to many preventive services that can help detect diseases and encourage well-being.

Take advantage of the various health screenings – such as blood pressure, cholesterol and depression – and timely vaccines, such as the flu shot, that are available through your health plan before year-end.

Doing so now may give you a head start on those healthy New Year's resolutions. Check with your health plan as many eligible preventive services are available at no additional cost, as long as they are delivered by care providers in your plan's network.

- **Delay Non-Emergency Services:** A growing number of employers and consumers are

choosing health plans with higher deductibles; nearly 45% of Americans are enrolled in such plans, according to the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention.

If this applies to you, check if you have reached or exceeded your deductible, which is the amount you have to pay before insurance kicks in. If not, it may make sense to delay non-emergency services, such as a joint replacement, until 2020.

The cost for those services

would then apply to your 2020 deductible and out-of-pocket maximum, increasing the likelihood that your health plan would pay for more of your medical expenses for the remainder of the year.

- **Schedule Recommended Health Services:** The opposite is true if you have already reached your deductible. In this case, check with your health care professional to schedule recommended medical services, as those will likely

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Leikela Lunt

This week's Athlete of the Week is Leikela Lunt, a senior at Castro Valley High School.

Lunt played as a kicker on the CV Varsity football team and in the last game of the season she kicked a 28 yard field goal to win the game 31-28 in double overtime at Piedmont High School on Friday, Nov. 1.

Lunt has moved on to play soccer now, where she is a member of the CV Varsity soccer team.



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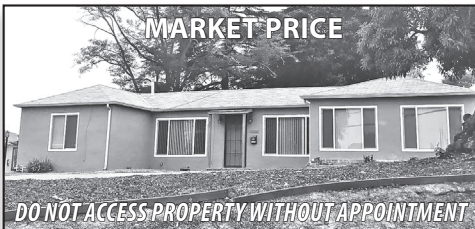
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Winter Rains Open the Door to Foundation Issues

Winter has ushered in a new season of rain and numerous accompanying water-related issues.

While normal to see sudden shortages in the umbrella supplies, in traffic delays and increasing numbers of accidents, it is what is *not* readily visible that can be problematic.

Think, "foundation issues."

While water is one of our primary natural resources, too much of a good thing in the wrong place can be devastating. A sudden influx of rainwater into a region such as the East Bay can cause soil instability, induce landslides and put significant strain on residential foundations.

Foundations are designed to support a structure, not keep water out. Concrete in and of itself is porous and if water is allowed to pool on the outside of a foundation, it is only a matter of time before the water makes its way into crawlspaces and basements, often with serious implications.

It is not typical in our area to see extensive waterproofing

applied to foundations exteriors, so Bay Area residents must ensure there are adequate systems in place to divert water away from foundations.

Potential water issues in residential settings come from three fundamental areas: (1) the property's roof, (2) the surrounding yard and (3) a high water table.

Since roofs gather massive amounts of water, it must be routed as far away from the home as possible.

Gutters and downspouts need to be free of debris and diverters need to deposit water at least 3 feet from the foundation. Downspout extensions can be purchased from local home improvement stores and easily added to the bottom of downspouts.

Yards can be more problematic.

Ideally, surfaces should slant away from the foundation. In some cases, this might mean changing the yard's layout. If a hill dumps water towards the foundation, French drains or similar water management systems are needed to divert water around the house.

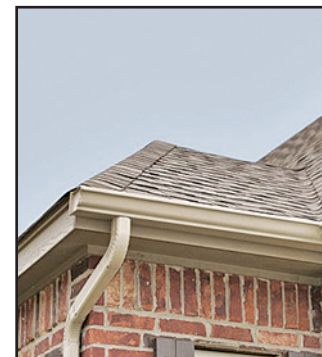
Much of our regional soil is expansive, which expands when wet and shrinks when dry. If

water interacts regularly with expansive soil, the constant shrinking/expanding movement can actually lead to foundation cracks.

Streams of water hitting a foundation can also undermine the footings. Neighborhoods with high water tables may require sump pumps under the home to keep things dry.

As the rains descend, check your crawl space and/or basement. If you see water activity, you may want to take proactive measures to ensure the damp does not ultimately lead to doom.

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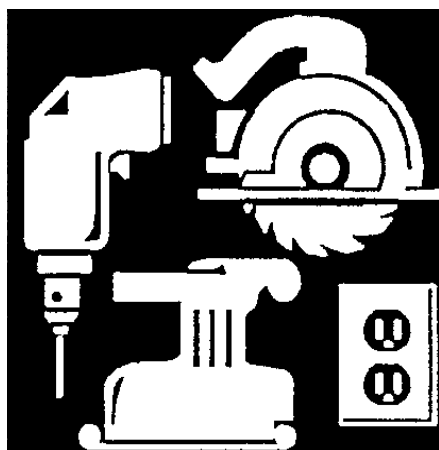
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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Ease this year's holiday money pressures by letting your thrifty side guide you as you look for those perfect gifts that typically reflect your good taste and love of beauty.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You'll have a good handle on potential holiday problems if you delegate tasks to family members, friends or co-workers -- most of whom will be more than happy to help out.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Right now you are especially vulnerable to holiday scams that seek to take advantage of your generosity. Best advice: Check them out before you send out your checks.

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SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Tight financial matters ease a bit during this holiday season. But the sagacious Sagittarian is well-advised to keep a tight hold on the reins while shopping for gifts.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Don't put off making decisions about this year's holiday celebrations, despite the negative comments you've been getting from several quarters. Do it NOW!

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) The holidays will bring new friends and new opportunities. Meanwhile, be careful to use your energy wisely as you go about making holiday preparations.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) There's good news coming from a most unlikely source. And it could turn out to be one of the best holiday gifts you have had in years. Remember to stay positive.

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EBMUD Thanks You for Your Patience

Editor:

East Bay Municipal Utility District has completed the soils removal project originating from the Miller Road site at the end of Redwood Road.

The project involved a lot of truck traffic up and down Redwood and was demanding — at times stressful — to Castro Valley. With this project, we removed 116,000 cubic yards of soil from the Miller Road site. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

By way of background, this soil came from leak repair and/or pipeline replacement jobs in Castro Valley or nearby areas. Over the past 14 years, 317 leak repairs and nearly three miles of pipe were taken care of in Castro Valley.

And, there are important projects to come — the Jamison Way water main extension and the Cull Creek steel reservoir rehabilitation, all part of infrastructure work that EBMUD has planned for the coming years.

You can learn more about the infrastructure plans by visiting the EBMUD website and taking a look at the Long-Term Infrastructure Investment presentation at www.ebmud.com/CIP.

I'd like to especially thank the Alameda Sheriff's Department and the California Highway Patrol for their help in managing the traffic. Equally, Castro Valley Unified School District (Proctor Elementary

and CV High School) and Redwood Christian School for their close work with EBMUD.

Again, on behalf of EBMUD, thanks to everyone for your support - Have a safe, happy and healthy Holiday season,

—Frank Mellon, EBMUD Director Ward 7
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Editor:

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Avoid dreadful consequences and impress people by having a sober person drive you. Do not end the year with an arrest or death.

Be the drinker who follows my words and saves lives. Happy Holidays.

—Lori Martin, Tracy

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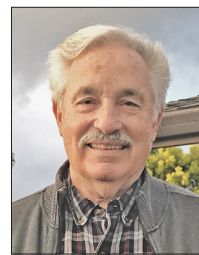
September 17, 1940 - December 4, 2019

Donald Francis George, resident of Red Bluff, entered into rest on December 4th, 2019, at the age of 79 after a short battle with cancer. He was born on September 17, 1940 in Hayward California, the son of Stella and Herbert George and stepson of Ernest Pimentel.

He is predeceased by his brother Herbert George and survived by his sister Janice Shevenell. He was a caring father to the late Donald A. George, Sharon Seymon and Stephen George and stepfather to Monica Uchytel, her husband Brian and Jaime Campos. Don was also the beloved grandfather of Vincent, Amber, Abigail, Morgan, Katie, John and Kyla.

Don came to love farming at an early age and purchased his first orchard in 1978 in Red Bluff. He was also an avid Oakland Athletics and Raider Fan. Don was known for his quick wit, his infectious smile and his kind and compassionate spirit. He lived in Hayward, San Lorenzo, and Castro Valley until he retired full time to his beloved orchards in 2012.

Visitation will be Wednesday, December 18th from 6 p.m.-7 p.m. with a Vigil Service at 7 p.m. at Transfiguration Catholic Church, 4000 E. Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley, CA 94552. Funeral Mass will be held at Transfiguration Catholic Church on Thursday, December 19 at 10 a.m. Burial to follow at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward. Reception to follow at Church Hall. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to one of Don's favorite Charities; Maryknoll, Wounded Warrior Project, American Heart Association and American Cancer Society.



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'Secret Sister' Gift Exchange is Illegal

A "Secret Santa" around the office, friends and family can be fun. A "Secret Sister" gift exchange among online friends you haven't met is a lot different and carries a heavier consequence.

These gift exchanges, while they look like innocent fun, are really pyramid schemes – and are considered illegal.

The "Secret Sister" gift exchange campaign quickly became popular in 2015 through Facebook posts promising participants would receive up to 36 gifts, in exchange for sending one gift, valued at \$10.

Users were encouraged to invite others to participate in the holiday gift exchange, then promised they would receive information on where to mail the gifts.

The scheme starts with a convincing invitation, either by email or social media to sign up for what seems like a great program. All you must do is provide your name and address and personal information of a few additional friends, and tack this information on to a list that's already started of people you've never met on the Internet.

Next, it's your turn to send an email or social media invitation to send a modest gift to a stranger along with their friends, family and contacts.

The cycle continues and you're left with buying and shipping gifts for unknown individuals, in hopes that the favor is reciprocated by receiving the promised number of gifts in return.

It doesn't happen.

Just like any other pyramid scheme, it relies on the recruitment of individuals to keep the scam afloat. Once people stop participating in the gift exchange, the gift supply stops as well, and leaves hundreds of disappointed people without their promised gifts.

There is another layer of danger to participating in these schemes. When signing up, the alleged campaign organizer is asking for personal information such as a mailing address or an email. With just a few pieces of information, cyber thieves could expose you to future scams or commit identity theft.

More information on scams is available by visiting BBB Scam Tips and become an advocate by reporting scams to BBB Scam Tracker.

—Better Business Bureau, Oakland

MAC: General Plan Update

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And that update was the very next topic up for discussion. The year-long General Plan updating is nearing its conclusion. The county and the MAC have made specific changes over the course of a half-dozen meetings.

The MAC heard and made recommendations on a wide variety of subjects from artists "maker spaces" to parking, to graffiti abatement and hours of operation of check cashing businesses.

Crawford said that getting the update precisely right is important, as these are the ordinances Castro Valley will be dealing with far into the future.

"We're going to live with this for another 25 years or more," said Crawford.

MAC member Ken Carbone agreed, saying that while the MAC can't predict the futures, they can learn from past mistakes and make wise revisions.

"I want us to be forward thinking," said Carbone.

After the MAC approves a recommendation for the final Castro Valley General Plan implementation, it will go one to the county Planning Commission.



Illustrators Lili Mikao and Jada with musical artist Huey Leone (right) from this past summer's art collective at Smalltown Society selling their prints and stickers.

Share Your Art at Smalltown Society

Looking for more opportunities to highlight your music? Your art? Your voice? Smalltown Society is currently looking for visual artists, musicians, poets and creators and crafters for the 2019 season to be a part of our community events. Please email: info@smalltownsociety your name, photos or examples of your work and a short bio.

For more details on this and other events, visit www.smalltown-society.com or text "Smalltown" to 797979. Smalltown Society is located at 22222 Redwood Road, Castro Valley.

FOOD DRIVE FOR LOCAL FAMILIES with The Lovewell Team

We are proudly partnering with the Alameda Food Bank for the 2019 holiday food drive, which will run through January 2020. Please participate in aiding those in need by donating non-perishable food items. Checks made payable to Alameda County Food Bank are also welcome. Every \$1 donated allows the Food Bank to distribute \$7 worth of food. We invite you to drop off non-perishable food to our office: 3327 Castro Valley Blvd. or Call 510-351-5555 and we can come and pick it up.

Thank you for your contributions in helping those in need in our communities!

The Lovewell Team - Re/Max Accord Castro Valley
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Fame: Don Christiansen

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"I love seeing kids improve," he said. "So many kids go on and become successful, not only in baseball, but I've had lawyers, doctors, pharmacists . . . I like to think athletics had something to do with that success."

Christiansen was also Laney's first baseball coach, assuming the position when the Oakland technical college introduced liberal arts and athletics programs in 1965. Laney dominated the Coast Conference for three years "until they kicked us out and put us in the (much stronger) Golden Gate Conference."

In the GGC, Christiansen's Eagles held their own against junior college powerhouses like San Mateo, Chabot and San Francisco. When Gene Wellman stepped down as the Chabot baseball coach to become the full-time athletic director in 1976 he asked Coach Chris to take over the baseball program.

For Christiansen, a Hayward High graduate and Castro Valley resident by then, the Chabot job was a perfect fit.

Coaching definitely has taken a toll on Christiansen's health. In addition to the 1988 heart attack when he was just 50 years old, Don has had two knee replacements and two shoulder replacements. Let's just say he doesn't get through airport security unchecked.

The right shoulder replacement probably came from pitching hours upon hours of batting practice. The left shoulder? "Hitting fungos," Christiansen said. "I hit hundreds of groundballs every day. Not just to the starters; to all the infielders."

He has no regrets. "I loved it. I would do it all again."

Christiansen also coached football at Laney, mostly the defensive backs. In fact, he was an assistant for the Laney team that shocked City College of San Francisco and its star running back, O.J. Simpson, in the 1966 Prune Bowl.

Coach Chris lost "the love of my life," his wife Nancy, to cancer in 2018. The couple, married for 52 years, raised three daughters – Debra, Leslie and Julie -- in Castro Valley. He has six grandchildren.

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ANSWERS ON PAGE

RECENT HOME SALES

Castro Valley

35170 Palomares Rd 94552: \$1,150,000 3 BD - 1,866 SF - 1970

TOTAL SALES: 1

LOWEST AMOUNT: \$1,150,000 **MEDIAN AMOUNT: \$1,150,000**

HIGHEST AMOUNT: \$1,150,000 **AVERAGE AMOUNT: \$1,150,000**

San Leandro

433 Harlan Street 94577: \$345,000 1 BD - 680 SF - 1964

2260 Belvedere Avenue 94577: \$510,000 3 BD - 1,176 SF - 1972

1942 Dayton Avenue 94579: \$600,000 3 BD - 1,134 SF - 1960

14772 Midland Road 94578: \$615,000 5 BD - 1,768 SF - 1956

1711 136th Avenue 94578: \$650,000 3 BD - 1,169 SF - 1948

15033 Kesterson Street 94579: \$670,000 3 BD - 1,513 SF - 1948

13170 Neptune Drive 94577: \$680,000 3 BD - 1,714 SF - 1997

1624 136th Avenue 94578: \$735,000 3 BD - 1,506 SF - 1947

1098 Tulane Avenue 94579: \$749,000 3 BD - 1,651 SF - 1951

727 Arbor Drive 94577: \$929,000 3 BD - 1,953 SF - 1930

2018 West Avenue 94577: \$1,000,000 6 BD - 2,530 SF - 1958

1645 Daily Court 94577: \$1,048,000 3 BD - 3,876 SF - 1968

TOTAL SALES: 12

LOWEST AMOUNT: \$345,000 **MEDIAN AMOUNT: \$675,000**

HIGHEST AMOUNT: \$1,048,000 **AVERAGE AMOUNT: \$710,916**

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County Fair Board Seeks Applicants

Anyone who is interested in serving on the Alameda County Fair Association's Board of Directors should apply by the end of next week.

One vacancy exists on the 21-member board.

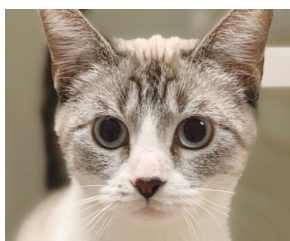
The non-profit association produces the annual County Fair in Pleasanton — ranked one of the top 50 fairs in North America — without any government tax funding.

It is the 7th largest fair in California, and the fairgrounds is home to the oldest one-mile racetrack in America.

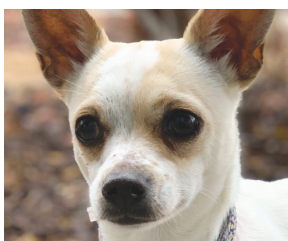
Potential candidates for the board should submit a letter of interest stating what skills and assets they would bring to the Association, a resume, and a completed Candidate Information Form by Friday, Dec. 20.

The form and more information about the application process are available at: alamedacountyfair.com/about-us

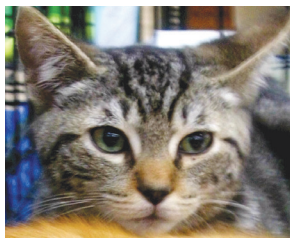
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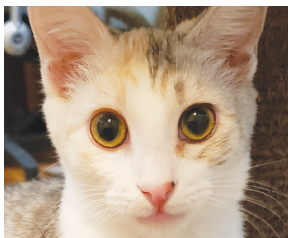
FAYE is a 1-1/2 year old Lynx Point mix who'll let you know when she wants your attention. She loves to explore and release energy chasing toys. Hayward Animal Shelter, 510-293-7200.



LACI is a very sweet, shy 3-year-old Chi who needs a little time to warm up to new people. Laci needs a patient family to help her blossom. Hayward Animal Shelter, 510-293-7200.



BRUNO is a 4-month-old dark tabby with striking markings of stripes and swirls. He's a very affectionate kitten who loves to snuggle. Email: Loveallpawzrescue@gmail.com.



TESS is a stunning, 4-month-old dilute calico with big to-paz-colored eyes. She's affectionate, playful and ready to go to a loving family. Email: Loveallpawzrescue@gmail.com.

Plan: Before End of Year

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be covered (all or in part) by your health plan.

If possible, tell your health care professional that you've reached your deductible and out-of-pocket maximum, and see if there's any needed follow-up care that can be arranged before the end of the year.

Understand Your Spending Accounts: Many people have spending accounts with funds earmarked for health care services. Health savings accounts (HSAs) offer tax-advantages, and the money can roll over from year to year.

If you contribute money to your HSA before year-end, you can help pay for qualified medical services in 2020 or even later while lowering your taxable income for 2019.

On the other hand, flexible spending accounts (FSAs) require the money be spent before the year ends, and unused balances are not rolled over into the next calendar year. So if you have funds left in your FSA and you need to order contact lenses, schedule a dental cleaning or refill prescriptions, for example, now's the time to do that.

• **Prepare to Use Your 2020 Benefits:** Before the year is out, take time to review your health plan and check with your employer's HR department to determine what well-being incentives or other resources might be available when 2020 starts. Nearly 75% of employers offer well-being programs, with an average incentive of \$762 annually, according to a recent study by the National Business Group on Health.

By finding out now what incentives are available to you, you can help prepare yourself to start earning all or some of those rewards starting New Year's Day.

Rebecca Madsen is Chief Consumer Officer of UnitedHealthcare.

FREE PET ADOPTIONS



'Home for Holidays' Event this Weekend

It's that time of the year for the last free pet adoption event at the Hayward Animal Shelter!

From 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 13-15, qualified homes will pay no adoption fees for dogs, puppies, cats, kittens and bunnies.

The adoption fees, which include spay or neuter, vaccinations and microchip, are sponsored by Bissell Clear the Shelters, Santa Con Hayward and the Hayward Animal Shelter volunteers. Hayward residents pay a \$17 licensing fee for dogs.

The event includes a holiday bake sale, raffle prizes, a boutique table and pet photos with Santa (a \$10 donation is suggested). All proceeds benefit the Hayward Shelter's homeless pets medical fund, the TNR program and the Cops for Kids Toy Drive.

The Shelter is located at 16 Barnes Court in Hayward (near the DMV office). For more information, visit www.facebook.com/haywardanimalshelter.

CVSan MARSHALL STREET PROJECT UPDATE



Castro Valley Sanitary District (CVSan) has nearly completed all sewer improvements and spot repairs for the Marshall Street Capacity Improvement/Repair & Rehabilitation Project. CVSan's contractor, Devaney Engineering, has replaced approximately 3,000 linear feet of sewer main and completed 5 spot repairs throughout Castro Valley. The project will be completed in the next couple weeks.

If you have any questions regarding the Marshall Street Capacity Improvement/Repair & Rehabilitation Project, please call (510) 537-0757 ext. 108 or visit www.cvsan.org/Projects for more information.

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