Behind the scenes at NASA’s computer powerhouse

AMONG FASTEST IN WORLD, PLEIADES STILL CAN’T MATCH DEMAND FOR DATA

By Mark Noack

Whether the mission is to discover new planets or study the one we call home, the scientists at the NASA Ames Research Center are constantly relying on one priceless member of the team. Her name is Pleiades; she doesn’t talk much.

Pleiades, a vast 210,000-processor supercomputer housed in a rear office building at the NASA Ames campus, might be considered the central nervous system for government research. Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, Pleiades is churning away at hundreds of unique simulations and algorithms shared between government scientists coast to coast. Among its common tasks, the supercomputer is analyzing Earth’s ocean currents and the durability of a space probe’s fuselage, and determining if a distant glimmer of starlight may reveal an undiscovered planet.

The power of this system is hard for a lay person to fathom. In the parlance of computer scientists, Pleiades is a supercomputer powerhouse, processing speed of 4.09 petaflops, which basically refers to the number of operations the machine can do in one second.

Piyush Mehrotra, chief of the Ames Advanced Supercomputing Division, gives a tour of the supercomputer at NASA Ames Research Center.

City sets new parking rules for local 49ers games

By Mark Noack

It’s still the preseason for 49ers’ fans, but Mountain View city officials are already getting their game face on. In particular, the city is bracing for the possibility that hundreds of fans will leave their cars in downtown Mountain View as they head to Levi’s Stadium in Santa Clara.

This year, Mountain View officials are trying out a new set of parking rules for game days. Fans looking to take the light rail to the stadium are advised to leave their cars at a parking lot between Hope and View streets for a fee of $10. Street parking will be under tighter restrictions on game days. The new rules put a three-hour limit for parking on streets in the Old Mountain View neighborhood from Evelyn Avenue down to Mercy Street.

Extra police officers will be on hand to enforce parking limits on game days.

City staffers are still working out a separate set of preparations for the crush of visitors to the area for Super Bowl 50. That game is scheduled for Feb. 7 at Levi’s Stadium, and many hotels are already booked for the event.

More information on the parking rules can be found at tinyurl.com/mv-stadiumparking15.
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AROUND TOWN
Asked in downtown Mountain View. Photos and interviews by Carl Sibley

If you could create a new holiday, what would it be?

“A wine holiday. I think everybody needs a little time to enjoy the fruits of life.”
Mike Valera, San Jose

“National Live-Like-an-Italian Day. Italians really know how to enjoy good food, take it easy and live well. That’s what I aspire someday to achieve, the Tuscan lifestyle.”
Steve Paddon, Burlingame

“A national Athletics Day. Usually most of the holidays just promote being lazy, eating lunch, drinking. I guess this would be a holiday that’s just the opposite of that.”
Will Fessaha, Campbell

“Margarita Monday, in March. Most people drink tequila at the end of the week, so why not on a Monday?”
Marilyn Adan, San Jose

“National Runners’ Day. Mostly because I’m a runner, and I like to run; it’s brought me a lot of peace and joy.”
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PIPE-Wielding Man Arrested

Two people sustained minor injuries after a man police describe as a transient hit them with a pipe at the Alibi Bar in Mountain View over the weekend.

Police received reports at around 2 p.m. Saturday that a man was swinging a 6-foot-long metal pipe at people. The man allegedly struck two people, a 22-year-old man and a 25-year-old woman. Both victims complained of pain after being hit by the pipe, but declined medical attention, according to police spokeswoman Shino Tanaka.

The attacker’s motive is unclear, Tanaka said.

Police arrested the man, identified as 40-year-old David Lawrence, who resides in Mountain View but is homeless. Lawrence was booked into Santa Clara County Main Jail on charges of assault with a deadly weapon.

BURGLARY SUSPECTS SOUGHT

Police are seeking the public’s help in finding two suspects who burglarized a home in Mountain View last week.

The suspects entered the residence at the 1000 block of Cuesta Drive through the window sometime between 12:20 and 2:39 p.m. on Aug. 19. They stole several items including passports, electronics and jewelry, police say.

Witnesses reported seeing a silver Honda occupied by two Hispanic males parked near the home during the time of the burglary. Nearby residents provided police with surveillance footage taken during the incident, showing the vehicle.

Anyone with information regarding the vehicle or the burglars are asked to call 650-903-6395 and refer to case number 15-4928.

TWO ARRESTED FOR SHOPLIFTING

Police arrested two women Sunday evening on suspicion of shoplifting at a Marshall’s and for allegedly trying to leave the store with nearly $1,000 in merchandise.

Marshall’s security had detained the two women at around 7:45 p.m. after they had allegedly entered the store, collected several items and attempted to leave the store without paying, according to police spokeswoman Shino Tanaka.

The total value of the merchandise was estimated at $968, Tanaka said.

Police arrested 32-year-old Louise Lucero of South San Francisco and 33-year-old Karina Santiago of Daly City, both on charges of grand theft, burglary and conspiracy to commit fraud. Santiago was also charged with possession of burglary tools.

—Kevin Forestieri

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Audit on the way for MV schools
SUPERINTENDENT EXPECTS DONOR TO FOOT $275,000 BILL

By Kevin Forestieri

In an effort to root out any deep-seated problems and performance issues in the district’s public schools, the Mountain View Whisman District school board agreed on Aug. 20 to have a crack team of educators conduct a district-wide audit to the tune of $275,000.

The district will be hiring education consulting firm Cambridge Education to conduct an on-site, week-long performance assessment at all the district’s schools this year. After interviewing students, parents, teachers and principals, the firm will produce a long list of what’s working at each school and what could use some work.

The audit comes as new Superintendent Ayinde Rudolph works to not only acclimate himself to the district, but also to identify the weak points in the schools that need improvement right away. Those weak points could be specific problems, such as instruction that isn’t aligned with state standards, or larger issues such as poor communication between school leadership and the community.

“Ultimately we want to understand why schools perform the way they do,” Rudolph said. “This isn’t about finding blame; it’s about understanding the conditions that could be an impediment to increasing student outcomes.”

So who is going to foot the bill? The service, which will cost over a quarter-million dollars, did not go through a bidding process to see if it could be done at a lower price, and was brought directly to the board for a vote without prior discussion.

It turns out the district probably won’t have to pay for it. At the Aug. 20 school board meeting, Rudolph had the best experience and picked two firms they thought had the best qualifications earlier this year.

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Water-tracking app wins city contest
WINNING IDEA STILL NEEDS EXTRA HARDWARE

By Mark Noack

Mountain View’s first-ever App Challenge has crowned a winner: “Waterwise,” a nifty piece of software that will allow homeowners to remotely check how much water they’re using at any given time — a bit like a SmartMeter for water.

But there’s just one problem: Waterwise, it requires some special hardware. The app would need homeowners to attach a custom-designed reader to their water meters. This reader is basically a camera outfitted with wi-fi capabilities that will take hourly pictures of the meter that a homeowner can view by logging into a special website.

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City seeks proposals for downtown hotel, transit center
CONSULTANTS TO BE CHOSEN BY OCTOBER

By Mark Noack

Mountain View officials are expecting to receive formal proposals next week from two competing development firms interested in transforming a pair of city-owned parking lots near Hope Street into the city’s first downtown hotel.

In a series of votes earlier this year, City Council members threw their support behind the project, saying a new high-end hotel would boost city revenues and eventually bring better parking and services to the city’s core. They approved spending $252,000 on engineering studies and marketing to attract developers to the project. Some of that cost would be refunded to the city by a future hotel developer, according to the staff report.

More than 450 developers and people in the hospitality industry were reportedly contacted about the opportunity. Five firms responded to the city’s request for qualifications earlier this year.

From that group, city staffers picked two firms they thought had the best experience and financing for the project.

The firms are: the Irvine-based R.D. Olson, which has designed numerous projects in Southern California and the planned Landmark Hotel in San Carlos; and the Encinitas-based Robert Green Company, best known on the Peninsula as the team that built the Four Seasons Hotel off...
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disclosed that an unnamed donor had agreed to pay for the whole thing, although the agreement was verbal only. The name of the donor had not been released as of the board meeting.

The assurance of outside funding was enough for board members to vote 4-1, with trustee Steve Nelson opposed, to go ahead with the audit.

Board president Ellen Wheeler said she was impressed with the proposal, and commended the superintendent for bringing it to the board on his own volition with a wealthy donor in mind. She said the board voted for a superintendent who would challenge the district’s “business as usual” mindset and could court wealthy donors in the tech industry.

This is exactly the kind of thing that would happen, she said. Wheeler told the superintendent. While Wheeler was confident that the donor would pay for the service, board member Greg Colburn was tentative. He said he was uncomfortable approving an expenditure with- out knowing for sure whether the money was there to pay for it, and felt it would be irresponsible to approve $275,000 in spending if the district can’t pay for it.

Rudolph said that regardless of the source of funding, it is important to get the school quality reports done sooner rather than later. There are many budget decisions that need to be made, and the audit will be integral in figuring out the district’s spending priorities.

“We’re going to have to sit down and have a conversation about all of our wants and all of our needs, and I think this audit is the first step into understanding what our needs are,” Rudolph said.

Nelson supported the school audit, but attempted to delay the decision until a later meeting to get more feedback from the teachers’ union. He said it’s not clear to him how many hours of district staff time will have to be spent working with Cambridge Technology for the audit, and that the district needed to allow more time for teachers to weigh in.

Representatives from the Mountain View Educators Association indicated at the meeting they had not been briefed about how the audit would affect them.

During the week-long school performance review, a team of educators and former teachers will visit with California education standards will visit the schools for a series of class visits and meetings with principals, community members, and students. From that, the team will assess things like the school’s quality of learning and instruction, leadership and accountability, and partnerships with families in the community.

For example, one school may end up with a negative review on instruction because teachers gave class work that isn’t well-tailored to the abilities of students in the class — either because the work is too easy for high-performing students or because the work is too challenging for “less able and divergent students,” according to a report by Cambridge Education.

The district office will also be reviewed to see how well top administrative staff and the school board adhere to their vision and mission statements, adopt strategic plans for improving student performance and maintain good governance.

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The plan is a state-required list of how the district will spend state funds to improve test scores, adjust to Common Core standards and narrow the achievement gap among other things.

Prior to the school performance survey, Rudolph said, there’s really only a cursory understanding of how to spend money and meet these requirements.

All audit results will be available to the public on the district’s website. Email Kevin Foresteri at kforesteri@mv-voice.com

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explained that he filed paper-work seeking a patent for it just last month. When brought to production, he expects the meter cameras to sell for less than $100. That cost might seem prohibitive, but Farooqui pointed out it was the simplest water auditing for many, including the city’s contest organizers, Jensen explained that it was not a prototype, but an app designed to improve 911 calling in programming for the first responders. Oth- er options he considered would seem prohibitive, but Farooqui said that regardless of the cost, the work is too challenging for “less able and divergent students,” according to a report by Cambridge Education.

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The winner of the App Challenge contest was determined through an online vote system. A total of 220 people voted, each choosing their top three candidates.

As the top vote-getter, Farooqui and his design partner, Salma Farooqui, will win a cash prize of $2,000. Second place went to “MyCity,” an app for neighbors to network and share information.

Third place went to BlueLight, an app designed to improve 911 emergency response time by providing more precise location data. Jensen pointed out that BlueLight was a great idea, but it wasn’t feasible with the Santa Clara County’s emergency communications system.

In the end, the App Challenge proved to be a learning experience for many, including the city’s contest organizers, Jensen said. He hoped the contest could continue as an annual tradition for Mountain View.

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The firms’ deadline to submit proposals is next week. Following that deadline, city leaders plan to interview both applicants, and choose one by early October.

The hotel project would occupy two lots located at Hope and Villa streets that now provide about 150 parking spots. As part of any approved hotel package, city officials say they would insist on developers providing some kind of garage with at least 75 more public parking spots than were available before. Providing that parking will be a costly challenge for any hotel development since it would likely need to go underground and avoid various utility lines.

“At a minimum, this hotel would need to provide 225 parking spots, but more would certainly be favorable,” said Melissa Stevenson Diaz, assistant city manager. “It’s a key element of this project.”

City staff are setting an “ambitious” goal to complete the project by early 2019. In the interim before the hotel and garage are complete, the loss of two public lots could make the city’s downtown parking scarcity during peak hours even more frustrating. Diaz explained that the city was exploring options to provide temporary parking lots elsewhere in the downtown area, but she couldn’t provide specifics.

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do in a second,” he said, matter-of-factly. “Think about it as 40,000 to 50,000 workstations or laptops, the kind that you’d have at home, working together simultaneously.”

Waving his key card in front of a door scanner, Mehrotra opened the door to a cavernous room containing row after row of Pleiades’ monolithic computer towers. Each tower stood about 6 feet tall and contained stacks of processor nodes. Like any data center, the Pleiades computer room didn’t appear as some dazzling spectacle of information coursing at the speed of light. But the unseen power was still palpable — the room echoed with a throbbing hum and the lanes between computer rows felt like wind tunnels from the blaring cooling fans.

Surprisingly, the engineering of Pleiades isn’t much different from a home personal computer. At one time, supercomputers were almost entirely custom-built machines filled with a handful of specially designed chips streamlined for performance.

In the mid-1990s, NASA computer engineers were among the first to break out of that mold by building a supercomputer based on commodity parts — that is, the same chips available on the retail market. Clustering a multitude of cheap mass-produced processors turned out to be a much cheaper way to maximize performance.

Today, the 210,000 processors that make up Pleiades are all various generations of the Intel Xeon chipset. Each year, the Advanced Supercomputing Division undergoes about $15 million in upgrades, during which the oldest generation of processors are phased out for the newer replacements.

Does NASA get a good deal for buying in bulk? “Well, we should certainly hope so,” Mehrotra said, smiling. “We tend to get good prices because we’re buying big huge systems and upgrading all the time.”

Following its most recent round of upgrades, Pleiades was pegged in recent weeks as the third-fastest supercomputer in the U.S., trailing only the federal Department of Energy’s two massive computer centers.

Yet there are times when even one of the world’s fastest computers can still seem too slow. There is a near-insatiable demand for processing power between NASA’s four separate divisions as well as the universities and outside groups wanting the supercomputer for government research.

NASA directors dictate which projects get priority on Pleiades, and it falls down to Mehrotra and his team to figure out how to allocate the machine’s brainpower accordingly. Naturally, they have algorithms to help portion out 300 to 400 research projects at any given time.

Among the foremost research projects being run on Pleiades is an oceanic study with a long-winded name: Estimating the Climate and Circulation of the Ocean 2 (ECCO2). This study, started in 2011 as a partnership between several federal research agencies, seeks to create a worldwide ocean model to track sea currents, heat patterns, sea ice, salinity and other factors.

The simulations are performed practically in real-time by collecting data from various ocean instruments and space satellites. Pleiades is taking this data from a patchwork of sources and collating it into one global model, explained Christopher Hill, ECCO’s principal research engineer.

“We designed this study to be able to take advantage of computers as they got bigger,” Hill said. “On a system like Pleiades, we can do thousands of times more than we could on a laptop computer.”

ECCO2 has been the most demanding study performed to date on Pleiades, at times taking up more than one-third of the computer’s processing power and producing more than three petabytes (three million gigabytes) of raw data. That information has been used in hundreds of published studies and research papers.

The Ames supercomputer is also heavily involved in more traditional roles of NASA space exploration. Pleiades is routinely used to perform simulations on materials used for spacecrafts. Perhaps its biggest success to date, the supercomputer played a lead role in sifting through reams of data taken by the Kepler spacecraft to discover about 1,000 confirmed planets and about 4,200 more candidate planets.

But the evolving capability of Pleiades also makes it a high-value target for hackers. Every day, Mehrotra said, his system is being bombarded by unauthorized users from across the world trying to gain access.

If Pleiades’ firewall were breached, a hacker could try to use the supercomputer for malicious attacks on other computer systems. So far, no such attempt to break into Pleiades has been successful, Mehrotra said.

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City takes up charge on plug-in car stations

TENTATIVE RULES WOULD MANDATE CHARGERS FOR LARGE DEVELOPMENTS

By Mark Noack

Whether it’s Tesla Roadsters, Nissan Leaf or any of the other fancy new models, a growing number of electric vehicles can be seen every day zipping around the streets of Mountain View. In fact, Santa Clara County is pretty much the world leader for the electric-car industry, surpassing other regions of California and the rest of the nation in sales. It should come as no shock that more plug-in vehicles means more demand for places to plug in. As the number of electric cars continues to grow, Mountain View and other cities are trying to plan ahead on the equipment needed to power those vehicles. City officials are considering adding a new set of building code rules to prod developers to install equipment for electric vehicles in future projects.

The effort is being dubbed “Electronic-Vehicle Charging Readiness,” said Assistant Community Development Director Terry Blount. “It’s putting in place the elements to ensure charging (stations) later,” he said. “We’re likely to recommend that a certain percentage of space have electric-vehicle chargers installed.”

Blount couldn’t go into specifics on those proposed requirements because he and other city staffers are still at work compiling their report. They were originally slated to bring their recommendations to the Environmental Planning Commission last week, but that meeting was postponed to early next month. Staff now plans to bring the item before the full City Council in October.

In general terms, Blount said he expected the new rules to set a sliding scale of charging equipment for electric vehicles depending on the type of building projects. A commercial office park might be required to have a certain percentage of parking spaces outfitted with plug-in chargers.

Meanwhile a smaller building project, such as a single-family home, likely wouldn’t be forced to install an entire charging station. But even a small development could be required to put in the underground electrical panels and conduits to allow a car charger to be installed in the future.

Mountain View is not the first city to take up the charge on this effort. Other Peninsula and South Bay municipalities including Palo Alto, Sunnyvale, Cupertino and Santa Clara County have already passed similar rules to promote electric car chargers.

“We’re likely to go beyond what any other city is doing,” Blount said. “But we’ve done some research and we’re finding even without (a city) requirement, many new developments are doing this already.”

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School district to hire public information officer

HALF-TIME STAFF MEMBER WOULD IMPROVE COMMUNITY OUTREACH, SUPERINTENDENT SAYS

By Kevin Forestieri

Communication between the community and the district office has been sparse for the Mountain View Whisman School District in recent years, and the new superintendent is wasting no time trying to find a solution.

Superintendent Ayiné Rudolph, who took over as the new superintendent last month, proposed to the board at the Aug. 20 meeting that it’s time to hire a public information officer to let the public know what’s going on in the district. The position includes managing the website and social media, and getting news and information out to everyone in the culturally diverse district.

The board voted 4-1, with trustee Steve Nelson dissenting, to approve the new half-time position. While board members generally agreed it’s time to improve the district’s public relations with a new staff member, Nelson was unsettled that it was not a requirement in the job description for the new public information officer to be fluent in Spanish.

In a district with more than 2,200 Latino students, he argued, there’s a dire need for Spanish translation.

“I find it a bit disturbing that we’re not requiring this position to have bilingual Spanish,” Nelson said.

Rudolph contended that the district already cut down the potential pool of applicants by making it a half-time position, and adding an extra requirement could lead to lackluster candidates. It’s also not clear, he said, how much of a time sink it would be to translate messages from English to Spanish when they are only going to be around for half of the day.

“Communications is an art in itself,” Rudolph said. “Whether or not we can find someone who has both communications and Spanish has yet to be seen, and instead of limiting ourselves we wanted to open it up.”

Rudolph said that in meeting with hundreds of community members, including meet-and-greets with parents and talking to local business leaders, there’s been one consistent message: The district doesn’t have a great track record for letting the public know what its administrators have been up to, and it should hire someone to take that role.

“Everybody has said at times that communication from the district has been either nonexistent, disjointed or haphazard,” Rudolph said.

Communication is “disjointed” in the sense that a handful of staff in the district office pitch in to manage the website and send out newsletters, press releases and social media messages. But nobody helping out has any experience with public relations, Rudolph said, which muddles the message and stifles efforts to inform the public.

“It’s hard to address the need for access to public information if we don’t have someone who knows how to design that information,” Rudolph said.

According to the job description, the public information officer would be responsible for reporting out the district’s achievements as well as “problems of significance,” to media, faculty, staff, parents and community members. He or she would also manage news inquiries and train district staff to “serve as news media surrogate speakers.”

The public information officer will also be key in informing district residents about critical issues such as the possible effort...
Research points to health risks caused by leaf blowers

by Sue Dremann

Blasting air at up to 185 mph, leaf blowers can whip up hazardous particles and contaminants from the ground at speeds greater than a Category 5 hurricane, sending them long distances.

Epidemiological studies have long recognized the harm these particles — including hydrocarbons from gasoline, animal droppings, spores, fungi, pollen, pesticides and herbicides, fertilizers, brake-lining dust and tire residue, and heavy metals — cause to people’s respiratory systems, according to Bay Area Air Quality Management District reports.

Exposure to particulate matter is rarely, if ever, cited as the cause of death in a coroner’s report when someone dies of a heart attack, stroke or lung disease, a 2012 district study noted. “How- ever, epidemiological studies indicate that exposure to particulate matter is an important contributing factor in hundreds, perhaps thousands, of deaths in the Bay Area each year.”

The district has called particulate matter “the air pollutant that poses by far the greatest health risk to Bay Area residents.”

The average adult inhales 450 cubic centimeters (roughly one pint) of air per breath, which includes 1 million to 10 million tiny particles with each breath. “But that figure can spike to much higher levels in close proximity to high-volume roadways or other major outdoor emission sources,” the district’s “Bay Area 2010 Clean Air Plan” noted.

The contribution of leaf blowers to air pollution isn’t to be underestimated. About 5 pounds of particulate matter per leaf blower per hour are swept into the air and take hours to settle, according to a widely cited leaf-blower pollution report by the Orange County, California, grand jury in 1999.

An air quality district program aimed at replacing up to 50,000 leaf blowers and 10,000 lawn mowers by 2020 would reduce the most dangerous small-particle emissions (sized 2.5 and 10 microns) by 0.12 tons (240 pounds) per day, according to the 2010 Clean Air Plan.

Fine particles measuring 2.5 microns and smaller contribute to the “smoother surface, the research-ers have found. The tiniest particles, once airborne, can stay aloft for hours.

The debris kicked up by a leaf blower includes not only leaves but spores, animal droppings, pesticides, heavy metals and more, researchers have found. The tiniest particles, once airborne, can stay aloft for hours.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has determined that decibel levels above 85 cause permanent hearing loss. The World Health Organization recommends a general outdoor noise level of 55 decibels or less and 45 or less for sleeping restfully.

Excessive noise has been implicated in higher heart-attack rates, gastrointestinal disturbances, sleep problems, social discord and psychological problems, according to the U.S. E.P.A.

Metal rakes aren’t noise-free, though the sound is less constant: The city of Palo Alto noted in a 2005 report that metal rakes used on concrete can generate 58 to 60 decibels at 50 feet.

When it comes to encouraging gardeners to forgo their gas-powered machines, one air quality district in southern California has had significant success with its leaf blower exchange. The South Coast Air Quality Management District, which covers Orange County, Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Riverside, has held a leaf blower buy-back program since 2006 for professional gardeners. In that time, the district has put more
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than 12,000 reduced-noise and lower-emissions leaf blowers in the hands of professional gardeners. The agency distributes about one fifth the company supplies 93 pounds per year of air pollutants. Multiply out times 12,000, the units we have distributed have reduced 500 tons of pollutants since 2006," he said.

So far, the district has distributed cleaner blowers manufactured by the company Stihl. The company has supplied trainings at the exchanges. Operators learn to use the blower like a broom, rolling the debris from one area to another where it can be collected, rather than blasting it in a cloud of dust, Atwood said.

The district helped support the development of backpack electric leaf blowers, which are just now becoming commercially available, he said. The district hopes that it will get at least one proposal this year for a truly zero-emission, battery-powered leaf blower as part of its request for proposals, he added.

"In demos, they seem to work very well, equal at least to a gas-powered blower. But it's a little premature to say how they will compare in the field to their gasoline counterparts," he said.

For its part, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District is running a program to fund the purchase of new, battery-powered, zero-emission electric lawn and garden equipment in exchange for gasoline-powered lawn and garden equipment. The program currently is operating only in Alameda and Contra Costa counties, however.

BART FUNDING
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headed toward BART-related projects. If the sales tax is boosted by a half-cent, it would netting with a projected $6 billion in revenue, meaning BART to San Jose would get about $1.5 billion in additional funding on top of what is already budgeted. Simitian said the project needs between $1.2 and $1.4 billion, so it's more than enough to finish up and guarantee the rest of the money will go towards congestion relief for the rest of the county.

"We're going to need to have a cap to take to the voters to convince them that there's something in it for them," Simitian said. "If we're looking at 6 billion dollars in revenue in a half-cent sales tax, about a billion and a half to BART provides a real assurance to the voters and at the same time be able to respond to need."

While Simitian said the point was well taken, he pointed out that Measure A had plenty of flexibility, which allowed funding for North County projects such as the Dumbarton rail to be reallocated to other parts of the county.

Earlier this month, 11 North County and West Valley cities signed a letter co-written by city leaders urging VTA to adopt a comprehensive systems-wide plan for addressing transportation needs across the entire county. The letter was, in part, born out of the perceived inequity in transportation funding throughout the region.

An early start on a project list

While the supervisors talked in specific directions on how to move forward with the proposed sales tax measure, VTA is already moving full-steam ahead on collecting a project list for the sales tax revenue.

Throughout this month, VTA has been soliciting cities in the county for a wish list of all the transportation projects they would like to see funded in the future. The cost of those projects is likely to exceed the funding that will be available, but it will give the agency a better idea of transportation needs from city to city.

While the Mountain View public works department staff have declined to release the list of projects prior to the Aug. 31 deadline, previously submitted project proposals include a $71 million project to construct a grade separation that would sink Regentorff Avenue underneath the Caltrain tracks. There's also a number of creek trail projects proposed by the city, the largest being a $15 million extension of the Stevens Creek Trail to Mountain View High School.

Among the proposals tabled for a future meeting was whether to reserve 25 percent of the sales tax funds for improving the county's expressway system, which currently has no special funding to pay for a portion of the gas tax revenue, according to Michael Murdter, director of Santa Clara County's Roads and Airports Department.

Housing included in a transit measure?

There was some discussion among supervisors at the meeting about the possibility of including the support of housing in the transportation sales tax measure. The connection, some argued, is that housing should be included as a part of transit networks, including Caltrain, BART and light rail, which would increase the effectiveness of existing public transit and reduce the number of people who rely on single-occupancy vehicle trips to get to and from work.

Chavez said it was critical that the measure include housing. "We can't keep building two systems separately, housing and transportation," she said.

Supervisor Ken Yeager said he wasn't sold on the idea of including a housing component to the measure, despite the job-housing imbalance in much of the county that is partially responsible for the heavy commute traffic. He said it would be difficult to get cities to work with the county to keep its options open for North County projects, he said. While Simitian said the point was well taken, he pointed out that he wants to stay focused. If the sales tax measure starts to go toward other issues, he plans to keep an open mind for growth in the district," Simitian said. BART provides regional benefits, but if you live in Palo Alto, Stanford, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Mountain View, Sunnyvale, Los Gatos, Saratoga, Cupertino, Monte Sereno, the Almendral Valley, South San Jose, Morgan Hill, Gilroy, and significant portions of East San Jose, how much direct benefit do you get from that project? The answer is not much."

Supervisor Cindy Chavez opposed the idea of capping BART funds on a lengthy 30-year sales tax, citing a need for the county to keep its options open for changing traffic needs throughout the county.

"One of the challenges in doing such a long tax is the flexibility we have to respond," Chavez said. "We want to be faithful to the voters and at the same time be able to respond to need."

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to renew the district's parcel tax in 2016, Rudolph said.

The part-time gig is expected to cost 50 percent of a salary range between $110,000 to $130,000, depending on the experience and qualifications of the new district employee.

Rudolph defended the cost of adding a new administrative position to the district office, explaining that the half-time staff member will address a serious district-wide need.

"I don't think asking for a part-time (staff member) to really help us communicate with the larger community is excessive, especially considering that all our conversations have indicated this is a clear need and weakness or opportunity for growth in the district," Rudolph said.
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Cub Snack kit ingredients, at the ready for a baking project.

Mountain View resident tackles early nutrition with subscription service

**FOOD FEATURE**

Mountain View resident Andy Kavanagh, a health-food and fitness enthusiast and self-proclaimed “snackaholic,” is inspired by the simple fact that people know they’re not eating the healthiest option. Kavanagh created Cub Snacks, a subscription-based service that delivers Healthy Snack Project Kits to families’ doors every month. Each kit is based on a healthy, kid-friendly snack recipe and includes all the components necessary to prepare the snack.

A Cub Snacks kit includes rolled oats, brown rice puffs, semisweet chocolate drops, mixed raisins, peanut butter, coconut oil and honey.

Sometimes people need a little help and guidance. Kavanagh’s passion for healthful eating inspired him to create Cub Snacks, a subscription-based service that delivers Healthy Snack Project Kits to families’ doors every month. Each kit is based on a healthy, kid-friendly snack recipe and includes all the components necessary to prepare the snack.

In addition to ingredients, there are colorful aprons and chef hats for the kids, an instruction card and a “Fun Food Facts” sheet with educational information about the ingredients. The kits are available for a one-time purchase or by subscriptions of varying lengths (monthly, three months or six months).
Kavanagh, who is originally from Ireland and moved to the Bay Area last year, said the goal is for parents to share a fun project with their children while simultaneously instilling healthful eating habits.

“If you want to teach kids from an early age about diet and nutrition, it’s extremely important to get them involved in cooking,” Kavanagh said. “When kids get more hands-on in the kitchen, it’s more enjoyable for them to learn, and it’s easier for the parents, too.”

Kavanagh hasn’t always been a health-food enthusiast. After his mother died of cancer when he was 11 years old, he was known to turn to junk food when hunger struck. Since his father was not particularly handy in the kitchen, he said, eating six bags of potato chips in one sitting was not unheard of. The only family interaction he had in the kitchen was eating breakfast cereal and microwaved fries at the table, he said.

A humble school cafeteria would end up changing his life and steering him in the direction of a healthful diet. When he turned 14, Kavanagh enrolled in a school where the cafeteria “occasionally served some real food.”

He describes the school meals as sometimes being so unappealing that he would choose a salad to fend off certain starvation. Slowly and steadily, Kavanagh’s palate — which had delighted in sugar, sodium and artificial additives — matured, and a lifetime of interest in food and culinary experimentation was sparked.

Since then, Kavanagh has pursued several avenues in the world of food entrepreneurship. Prior to starting Cub Snacks, he founded Revolve Foods, a food vendor serving up locally sourced, nutritious food for delivery, catering and wholesale. He also made snacks such as baked muesli, bowls of organic steel-cut oatmeal and fruit parfaits for Chromatic Coffee in Santa Clara.

While Cub Snacks occupies a niche market, meal kit subscription services for adults are on the rise, particularly in the Bay Area. Consumers can subscribe to numerous services that deliver recipes along with pre-portioned, fresh ingredients to their doorsteps on a daily or weekly basis. Kavanagh said two such companies, Blue Apron and Plated, inspired his own kits.

Cub Snacks did not, however, start out as an interactive product. Kavanagh’s initial business plan focused on helping families pick out healthful snacks from grocery store shelves stocked with fat-, sugar- and salt-laden products designed to appeal to customers.

Originally, Cub Snacks was a monthly service that delivered a box filled with 30 healthful snacks to subscribers, with a target group of children from ages 3 to 10. The snack selection included fruit drinks, fruit and granola bars, dried fruit and vegetable strips, trail mix and fruit chips. All of the snacks were screened by Kavanagh to ensure that they were free of artificial colors and flavors, trans refined and added sugars, artificial colors and flavors, trans fats and genetically modified organisms (GMOs).

To avoid common allergens, he also chose snacks that were gluten-free and contained no traces of shellfish.

Cub Snacks launched in April with 78 orders. By July, the business had grown to about 380 monthly orders nationwide. The recipes are all taste-tested and kid-approved by friends’ children, Kavanagh said. This screening process is designed to ensure that the kits hold up to their claim of being kid-friendly.

So far, Kavanagh has stuck to his original target audience, but his plans for the future of Cub Snacks do not end with elementary school-aged eaters. He hopes to eventually develop similar kits for adults and is open to experimenting with recipes for full meals as well.

“You can eat well if you want to eat well,” he said. “Sometimes people just need a gentle nudge in the right direction.”

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‘DIARY OF A TEENAGE GIRL’ GETS REAL ABOUT SEX

This is America, where there are certain things you talk about hesitantly (Donald Trump) and certain things you don’t (female adolescent violence, whatever), with a creative understanding of what constitutes true obscenity. Like the proverbial ostrich with its head in the sand, many Americans prefer to pretend adolescent female desire doesn’t exist. Respect, then, to novelist Phoebe Gloeckner for her novel, “The Diary of a Teenage Girl,” and writer-director Marielle Heller for her cinematic adaptation of it.

In this story, told matter-of-factly from the point of view of a mostly unapologetic, red-blooded fifteen-year-old girl, sexual interest, pursuit and practice consume much of Minnie Goetze’s time and energy. As played by newcomer Bel Powley, Minnie is both smart and naive, a burgeoning social critic learning to question and moderate those hallmarks of hormone-driven teenage existence: gut emotional responses and knee-jerk reactions. But these are hard-won lessons for a girl whose basic instinct is to do the end-run around her oblivious mother, Charlotte (Kristen Wiig) to initiate an affair with her mom’s 35-year-old boyfriend, Monroe (Alexander Skarsgård).

In any other movie, the same situation would be played for cynical misanthropy, but not here: as miserable tragedy, but Heller and Wiig strikes just the right funny-sad notes to highlight, with thoughtful specificity, her efficiently scripted background presence.

In most respects, Minnie’s coming-of-age tale is conventional... for a male protagonist. Stretching back to the gauzy nostalgia of a “Summer of ’69,” it’s high time to explore the flip side. In addition to her sexual development, Minnie takes steps in vocational formation, including heroine worship of cartoonist Aline Kominsky (lightly superimposed animations, a nod to the novel’s graphic elements, illustrate Minnie’s yen to illustrate). Without prurience or high-fives for the cavedropping viewers, the film’s opening line announces its take-it-or-leave-it reality with Minnie joyfully confiding in her diary: “I had sex today. Holy sh*t.”

Rated R for strong sexual content including dialogue, graphic nudity, drug use, language and drinking — all involving teens. One hour, 42 minutes.

— Peter Canavese

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Back to the land

FOOD WRITER RUTH REICHL TO SPEAK IN MOUNTAIN VIEW

by Elizabeth Schwyzer

Ruth Reichl’s mother was a terrible cook. It was her childhood quest to find something edible to eat that turned Reichl into the food lover, food writer and nationally respected food advocate she is today.

As a longtime food critic for both the Los Angeles and New York Times and editor of Gourmet Magazine, Reichl is at home with haute cuisine and exotic delicacies, wine pairings and other gastronomic delights. Yet for her, the love of food is much more than a hedonistic pursuit. Instead, it’s a deep and primal urge, a basic instinct to be well nourished and a passion for ensuring that others can be, too.

Next Monday, Aug. 31, Reichl will appear in Mountain View in conversation with Michael Krasny, host of KQED’s popular and wide-ranging discussion program, Forum. Their talk is presented by the Peninsula Open Space Trust, an organization that since 1977 has protected over 75,000 acres of undeveloped spaces, farms and parklands around the Silicon Valley.

POST’s annual Wallace Stegner Lectures feature speakers who address issues relating to land use, nature and conservation. In advance of her Peninsula appearance, Reichl spoke with the Palo Alto Weekly about the changing landscape of American food production, the new generation of foodies and the vital importance of preserving the farmland where our food is grown.

How did you first become interested in land preservation?

When I was the editor of Gourmet, we did a piece on land trusts, and I got really interested in the notion of preserving farmland. It slides under the radar. So much of land preservation is about parks and beauty spots, but I feel strongly that one of the things we really need to do is understand how vital small farms are to us and how much we need to fight to protect them.

How did you go from being a food lover and critic to becoming such an advocate for sustainable farming?

I started as a food person, but if you follow the chain far enough, you get back to the land. You can’t not. We have got to make it possible for small farms to survive. That’s why land trusts are so important. It’s also important for children to meet farmers, to see where their food comes from and to understand the cycle of nature and planting. Yet as we keep pushing farmers farther and farther away from population centers, that becomes harder and harder.

You have written, “Cooking once gave us the concept of the future, but cooking now threatens that future in many ways.” Can you explain your reasoning?

What has happened over the course of my lifetime is that we have allowed the industrialization of food. We’ve gone from a place where it was possible in this country to be a poor person and still eat decently to a place where it’s not. We now have children who have never seen a piece of fresh fruit, who don’t know that orange juice doesn’t grow in boxes. We have jerked up natural flavors so much with artificial flavoring that we have a whole generation that has lost a taste for subtle, natural flavors.

We literally live in a world now where half the population is undernourished and half is over-nourished.

Where do you think the change in our food production system and our attitudes about food needs to begin? In our kitchens? In our schools? In Washington? In our media coverage?

I think it has to start at home. Eating is learned behavior. There is a reason Japanese children grow up eating rice and fish for breakfast while American kids grow up eating sugary snacks. Parents have to take responsibility for the fact that at every meal, they are teaching their children how they should eat for the rest of their lives. We have this elite thing where rich mothers puree all their own organic baby food. That’s nice, but it puts the bar very high for the 95 percent of the population who are pressed for time and money. There has to be something between that and sugar-laden cereals. What about taking kids to the farmers’ market?

Any advice for families who want to change their habits but aren’t sure how to start, especially if resources are limited?

The way we live is kind of crazy. Everybody is feeding their kids every night. If we could figure out some way for people to cook together, you could have four families who share a common kitchen, and you would only have to cook two days a week. It would make complete sense. It’s as much work to cook for one family as it is to cook for four. The real solution is to learn to cook. If you can cook, you can make foods that are not expensive and make them really delicious and nutritious. I also happen to believe that cooking is a natural activity. If you don’t know what to do with your kids, take them into the kitchen. Make some bread, and they can watch it rise. Kids love that.

Also, remember that we vote with our dollars, and it is a powerful vote. So demand that your shops sell ethically raised food. Talk about it to your neighbors. Consumerism in this case has enormous clout. You see it with the growth of the organic food movement. When I was a kid, there was an organic grocery store a few blocks from my home and it had no customers. But now, it’s the only organic grocery store in town.

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The reason the food system is changing in this country comes straight out of our renewed interest in food. You can trace much of this to the advent of food TV and celebrity chefs. When I first started writing about food, most chefs were not educated or particularly articulate. We now have a generation of extremely articulate well-educated chefs who have been very vocal and used their fame for the public good. But if it hadn’t been for these high-profile people, we wouldn’t be where we are now with farmers markets and a whole generation of kids who are very serious about food issues.

I actually hadn’t thought about this before, but I think it’s connected to the Silicon Valley in a really interesting way. We are now looking at the first generation who have been raised with virtual reality at their fingertips.

We hangr for reality that is real. I think that one reason why farming is appealing to so many people in their 20s and 30s. They are opting to spend 14 hours a day glued to the land instead of the screen. I think it’s a natural reaction.
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