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MARJAN SADOUGHI

Jonathan Luxton practices typing on an old typewriter his family bought from a thrift store.

Council slashes Rengstorff project

MAJORITY SAYS HIGH-DENSITY HOMES DON'T
FIT WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD

By Daniel DeBolt

The City Council came close to rejecting a proposal for high-density affordable condos at a study session Tuesday night, but instead mustered support in a 4-3 straw vote to cut the project nearly in half.

Last year, a more development-friendly council had approved a gatekeeper request for converting 32 apartments at 333 N. Rengstorff Ave. into 102 small, affordable condos. The project is unique in that the developer is hoping to sell the condos in the \$400,000 range, with some going as low as \$320,000.

"Think of it two decades from now, when people cannot afford to live in single-family homes," said a representative for the developer, San Mateo-based Nazareth Enterprises Inc., in what seemed like a make-or-break plea Tuesday night. "It's not a project that will turn the area into a high-end, exclusive area."

Before the meeting, several council members indicated that the project could be rejected because the request for R4 zoning was too extreme. Several said the large, high-density building didn't fit in the neighborhood of town homes, single-family homes and low-density apartments.

The developer said that while he was willing to make compromises, no redevelopment project was viable without a zoning change to allow a new, bigger building.

Last year's council was generally supportive of the project, but Tuesday's action seemed to reflect the new course of the current council, which voted in

favor of the densest form of R3 zoning, allowing up to 64 units.

Whether the project will get final approval in the future remains to be seen. Council member Tom Means wondered

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Local vet on trial for robbery

FRIENDS, FAMILY
LAUNCH EFFORT TO
REDUCE SENTENCE

By Daniel DeBolt

When Sargent Binkley went to Los Altos High School, he was thought of as a mellow, athletic honor student who wanted to go to West Point. No one ever dreamed he would end up in jail for armed robbery.

But after years of suffering from a painful hip injury he received during his military service, Binkley became addicted to painkillers. In January 2006 he held up the Walgreens pharmacy on the corner of El Camino Real and Grant Road with an unloaded gun. In March he did the same at a Walgreens in San Carlos.

Eventually he turned himself in, and now faces at least 12 years in prison, the state's

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The joys of home schooling

MORE FAMILIES SHUN TRADITIONAL CLASSES IN FAVOR
OF PERSONALIZED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

By Susan Hong

On a typical weekday, Jonathan Luxton, 11, sleeps in late, eats breakfast at 11:30, plays on the computer at noon, writes legalese and enjoys reading about atomic physics.

Jonathan does not attend school the way most children in America do; instead, he is home-schooled.

He works on projects of his own conception whenever he wants. Recently, for instance, he recorded a Hardy Boys book via his "play" company. In the liner notes he wrote, "Produced in accordance with FCC regulations." Then he added: "Ha! Ha! Just kidding! Produced by the Jonathan Luxton Syndicate. No rights reserved, preserved, or deserved."

"Every day is a little different," said his teacher and moth-

er, Susan Luxton, who oversees her son's education in their Mountain View home. Her husband is a professor at Stanford University.

Jonathan is one of roughly 300,000 home-schooled children in California and one of about 2 million across the country, according to the Home School Legal Defense Association. And those numbers are growing every year, according to experts.

The top two reasons why families choose to home-school their children are familiar: concern about the negative peer environment in some public schools, including exposure to dangerous drugs, crime and gangs, and the fact that some families want to teach from a religious perspective, said Ian Slatter, spokesman for the home-school group.

Also, some home-



MARJAN SADOUGHI

Jonathan works from a vocabulary book with his mother Susan Luxton.

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Asked in Downtown Mountain View. Pictures and interviews by Theresa Condon.

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although he may have tarnished
the game through his actions."*

Mike Bushell with Gabriella,
Mountain View



*"I don't really care one way
or the other."*

Genevieve Berardino,
Mountain View



*"I guess so. It will make
the games less exciting.
There will be less booing."*

Erin Poulson, Los Gatos



*"No. He had a good long
career, now someone else
will take his place."*

Jason Smith, Milpitas



*"No. They don't have the payroll
to keep him around. If they had
gotten rid of him three years ago,
with the money they spent on
him they could have gotten two
or three good players to help
them to the playoffs."*

Kent Williams, Sunnyvale

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CRIMEWATCH

ROBBERY, SUBWAY, 451 W. EL CAMINO REAL, 9/24

A little after 4:30 p.m. Monday, an unidentified man walked into a Subway sandwich shop and demanded money. He threatened the clerk while keeping his right hand in his pocket to simulate a weapon. He took the cash and fled in a green two-door 1990s Chevy Camaro with a dark-tinted rear window.

He was described as a Hispanic male, about 25 years old, between 5-foot-8 and 5-foot-10, and about 200 pounds. He was last seen wearing a camouflage hat, a black T-shirt, black pants and light-colored shoes.

ROBBERY, BEST WESTERN, 2300 W. EL CAMINO REAL, 9/25

At 8:45 p.m. an unidentified male entered the hotel lobby at Best Western and demanded cash from the clerk. He kept his hand in his pocket and told the clerk he had a gun. He fled with the money and no car was seen.

This suspect was described as a 30-year-old Hispanic man wearing a fisherman's hat, white T-shirt and dark shorts. Police are investigating whether these cases are related.

POLICE LOG

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700 Block Eldora Dr., 9/26

2400 Block Grant Rd., 9/30

700 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 10/1

AUTO BURGLARY

300 Block Ellis St., 9/25
1400 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 9/27
200 Block Easy St., 9/29
1500 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 9/30
1400 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 9/30
Franklin St./Villa St., 10/1

PETTY THEFT

1800 Block Del Medio Ave., 9/26
6100 Block S. Rengstorff Ave., 9/26
600 Block Showers Dr., 9/27
200 Block Castro St., 9/28
500 Block Walker Dr., 10/1

BATTERY

2500 Block Grant Rd., 9/26
600 Block Showers Dr., 9/27
Alta Vista High, 9/28

POSSESSION OF DRUGS

1600 Block Mercy St., 9/30

ROBBERY

1700 Block W. El Camino Real, 10/1

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY

2600 Block California St., 9/27

STOLEN VEHICLE

600 Block W. El Camino Real, 9/25
5200 Block Walker Dr., 9/26
800 Block Church St., 9/26
800 Block W. El Camino Real, 9/26
1900 Block Rock St., 9/29
100 Block Pacchetti Way, 9/30
100 Block S. Whisman Rd., 10/1

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

1200 Block Grant Rd., 9/25
Bentley Sq./Grant Rd., 9/27
Bryant St./Villa St., 9/28
Wal-Mart, 9/28
200 Block San Antonio Rd., 9/30

SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE

100 Block Gladys Ave., 9/25
8700 Block E. El Camino Real, 9/26

DISTURBANCE

2900 Block Castro St., 9/26
200 Block E. Dana St., 9/28

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE

200 Block Castro St., 9/25
Central Ex./N. Rengstorff Ave., 9/30
100 Block Space Park Way, 9/30

SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES/PERSON

1100 Block Grant Rd., 9/25
100 Block Nilda Ave., 9/27
2600 Block California St., 9/29

GRAND THEFT

2500 Block Charleston Rd., 9/25
6300 Block San Antonio Rd., 9/26
200 Block Stierlin Ct., 9/28

VANDALISM

1900 Block W. El Camino Real, 9/25
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Global population increases, surging economic growth in new economies, and an unabated appetite for fossil fuels all are driving huge demand and competition for the world's natural resources. At the same time, climate change is upon us.

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Choo choo update

By Don Frances

PUMPKIN SEASON is here, and no doubt some residents' thoughts have drifted to the now-defunct Pumpkin Patch on Grant Road.

Well, the Pumpkin Patch is gone, friends. But here's a secret: The choo-choo train still runs.

As some may recall, the quarter-scale train (built by Mountain View's Schmitz family and their friend Mike McCarthy) was disassembled and moved last year. It was reassembled at Spina Farms in South San Jose and is now available for riding, say the farm's operators.

"It's up and it's going right now," Linda Spina told the *Voice* earlier this week.

Spina said many parents and children who rode the train in Mountain View have already found it at its new location. You can find it too, near the fruit stand on the corner of Bailey Avenue and Santa Teresa Road.

MOUNTAIN VIEW resident Robert Sapirman is more than just a master chef at Parcel 104 in Santa Clara — he's also a philanthropist.

This Friday, Sapirman is dedicating his services as lead chef for the March of Dimes Sixth Annual Celebrity Chefs and Master Vintners. The San Jose event, which will raise thousands for the nonprofit's South Bay chapter, is also being hosted by culinary bigwigs Jim Stump of A.P. Stump's and Clyde Griesbach of LaVanda in Palo Alto — along with 20 other of "Silicon Valley's premier chefs" and many of the region's most accomplished vintners.

Tickets are not cheap — \$225 each or \$400 for two — but shoot, that means they might still be available. And obviously it's for a good cause. (The group's

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MARJAN SADOUGHI

Students at Bubb Elementary School sort through bottle tops they have collected during a celebration at the school's playground last week. After two years, more than one million tops were collected.

One million comes alive at Bubb

AFTER TWO-YEAR QUEST FOR BOTTLE TOPS, SCHOOL HITS BIG NUMBER

By Susan Hong

On the playground of Bubb Elementary School last Friday, hundreds of students gathered round a rainbow-colored hill made out of one million bottle tops.

It's enough to fill a living room with tops from every plastic bottle imaginable, including water and soda bottles — not to mention more than a few lids from such containers as peanut butter jars.

"Everybody kept on donat-

ing bottle tops," said 10-year-old Mary Recker. "Every time we had an empty bottle, we'd unscrew it and save it."

"This went faster than I thought," said Ryan Sherod, 10, who brought in about 50 bottle tops of his own. "I thought it was

going to take five years. It was a big project."

Two years ago, kindergarten teacher Cindy Lundberg, inspired by a book by David Schwartz called "How Much

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Calderon house tests city's historic mettle

COUNCIL DECIDES NOT TO BUY PROPERTY, BUT MAY ENCOURAGE PRESERVATION

By Daniel DeBolt

Last week, in a split decision during a closed-session meeting, the City Council decided not to buy the historic house at 445 Calderon Ave. But hope for preserving the house remains, even if the acre around it is developed, city officials say.

Earlier this week, a sign continued to advertise the 1.3-acre

property as being for sale, with enough space for a developer to build 13 to 25 homes under the parcel's R3-2.5 zoning. Several council members seem to be interested in preserving the house as part of a development, including Jac Siegel and property rights advocate Matt Pear, who said it should be voluntary.

"I've seen a lot of developments where they did save the house and

restore it as part of the development — we need to look at that," Siegel said, adding that "several of us feel strongly that way."

"Certainly there are cases on the Eastern Seaboard where they've worked historical property into an overall development," Pear said.

The Calderon Avenue house isn't the only old property that could face redevelopment into

high-density homes. Before many owners had homes removed from the list, the city's register of historic resources listed 21 homes built before 1900, half of which are zoned for similar high-density housing. On the list of 91 properties, there are dozens more built between 1900 and 1940.

While it is unlikely to come up

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■ SEEN AROUND TOWN

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ANOTHER CHARITABLE group is holding a different South Bay celebration this weekend:

"Humane Society Silicon Valley will celebrate the groundbreaking of its innovative Animal Community Center this Saturday, Oct. 6 at 9 a.m. in Milpitas (901 Ames Avenue)," wrote Laura Fulda. "The center will serve the entire Bay Area region and be a model for animal shelters nationwide."

For more, visit www.hssv.org.

EARLIER THIS WEEK I received a report on Mountain View Whisman teacher Cathy Baur, who was honored Sept. 24 with a Teacher of the Year award from the county.

Baur, a first-grade teacher at Monta Loma, was granted the award for her "exemplary talents and tireless dedication to leadership and support of her colleagues in her grade level and throughout Monta Loma School as she also works as the English Language Development Coordinator."

Don Frances can be reached at dfrances@mv-voice.com.

■ OBITUARY

ROBERT GEORGE WRIGHT

Robert "Bob" George Wright, a resident of Mountain View for 53 years, died Sept. 1 in Palo Alto. He was 85.

Wright was born Nov. 17, 1921 in San Francisco. During WWII he was stationed at Diamond Head, Oahu in the communications section. He later worked as a district manager for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Wright is survived by his wife Lillian; his four children Jeanne, Bob, Laurie and Claire; and seven grandchildren.

Private services were held. A celebration of his life will take place Nov. 24 at the Historic Adobe Building in Mountain View. Spangler Mortuaries in Los Altos is assisting with arrangements. Memorial donations may be made to the Mountain View Parent Nursery School, 1299 Bryant Ave., Mountain View, 94040.

Philanthropy giant opens local HQ

BENEFACTORS URGED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MEETING ROOMS, KNOWLEDGEABLE STAFF

By Daniel DeBolt

Mountain View can add another feather to its cap thanks to the new headquarters of the Silicon Valley Community Foundation, which has officially relocated to 2440 El Camino Real.

An open house is scheduled for Oct. 11 at the new building, which opened Sept. 18. There will be a tour and opportunities to discuss the foundation's new structure and direction.

The foundation controls \$1.9 billion in 1,400 different funds that go to just about any social service or non-profit imaginable, including children's clubs, art centers and health programs. Its latest donation to a Mountain View nonprofit was \$15,000 to the Peninsula Youth Theatre earlier this year.

The seven-story building was donated by the Sobrato family, real estate developers and major contributors to the foundation. The building was then sold, and the foundation now leases the second and third stories to house 100 staff members.

One of the main benefits to Mountain View residents can be found inside the building, where seven meeting rooms can be used by local community groups, complete with audio-visual equipment.

Spokesperson Chris Peacock

said the foundation provides lots of other services besides fundraising and donating money. If someone wanted to write a grant for a youth center, for example, help could likely be found at the foundation office.

According to the foundation's recently appointed CEO, the new office could result in more opportunity to connect like-minded nonprofits in a common cause.

"The opening of Silicon Valley Community Foundation's new headquarters offers exciting new opportunities to share ideas and connect with the people who contribute to our community and benefit from the work of the community foundation," said Emmett Carson, CEO and president.

"We see the new space as a community resource, where everyone is welcome to learn and do more for Silicon Valley, our nation and our world, taking full advantage of its bounty and diversity."

The new headquarters is part of a larger consolidation of the Peninsula Foundation and the Community Foundation Silicon Valley, which formed the newly named Silicon Valley Community Foundation last year. Satellite offices will be maintained in San Mateo and San Jose.

E-mail Daniel DeBolt at ddebolt@mv-voice.com

Arrest made in rape of homeless woman

Police have arrested a man in San Jose for allegedly raping a transient woman last December at the old Hewlett-Packard campus on San Antonio Road.

After sorting through recovered evidence, the Santa Clara Crime Lab positively identified 27-year-old Daniel Miller as the suspect, Mountain View police reported.

On Sept. 27, with the assistance of parole agents, Mountain View detectives located Miller at an alcohol and drug rehab center on Bascom Avenue in San Jose. He was arrested and charged with

forcible rape and violations of parole terms, according to police.

Late last year, on Dec. 3, Miller and the victim were allegedly walking with a group of other people before the two separated from the group. At about 6 a.m. that morning, Palo Alto police responded to a report of a woman wandering in traffic.

The woman, who reportedly had left a shelter earlier that morning, told police she had been a victim of a sexual assault in Mountain View. ▀

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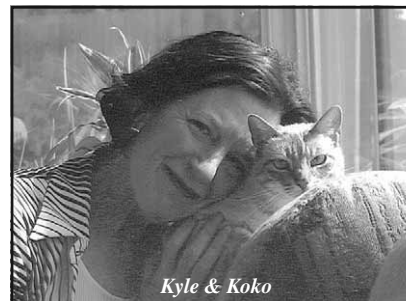
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Events & Lectures

"Cardiac Ablation and Device Therapy"

Tuesday, October 9, 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Sung Chun, M.D., and Girish Narayan, M.D., PAMF Cardiology

Join us to hear a presentation of the latest in the treatment of cardiac rhythm disturbances including exciting new developments in the field of atrial fibrillation ablation. Learn about new options in implantable defibrillators and cardiac resynchronization therapy.

Hearst Center for Health Education, Level 3, Jamplis Building, Palo Alto Medical Foundation, 795 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. RSVP to (650) 853-4873.

"Advanced and Experimental Treatment of Heart Failure"

Monday, October 22, 3:30 – 5 p.m.

Lynette Lissin, M.D., PAMF Cardiology

Dr. Lissin will discuss what other options are considered when traditional medical treatment of heart failure becomes ineffective, and what is still in the experimental phase as possible future treatments.

Classes

"Learning About Heart Failure," Tuesday, October 2, 2 – 3:30 p.m.

This class, taught by a cardiology nurse practitioner, discusses medications used in treatment, dietary requirements, weight monitoring, self-care, activity guidelines, and symptom recognition and reporting, and more.

"Supermarket Wise," Tuesday, October 23, 2 – 4 p.m.

Learn techniques for making healthier food choices in a local supermarket with dietitian Karen Ross, M.S., R.D.

"What You Need to Know About Warfarin," Wednesday, October 24, 2 – 4 p.m.

A PAMF pharmacist will discuss what warfarin is, why you are taking it and how you can help yourself.

Support Groups

Cancer (1st & 3rd Tuesdays) • Diabetes (1st Wednesday) • Multiple Sclerosis (2nd & 4th Mondays) • Sleep Apnea (1st Thursday) • Alcohol and Drug Education (Every Tuesday) • Healing Imagery for Cancer Patients (October 3, 17 & 31)

For information on class fees and to register, call the Education Division at (650) 853-2960.

COUNCIL

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out loud Tuesday if the project would be killed outright or face a “slow death.”

Likening it to the nearby Mayfield development, Monta Loma resident Elna Tymes said the tall building on 1.72 acres would look like a fortress. Council member Jac Siegel said he disliked the hotel-style hallways. The proposed building is slated to include a recreation center with gym equipment.

The 32 existing apartments have rents in the \$1,400-a-month range. The developer claimed the buildings were old, poorly built, and beyond repair. Siegel countered by saying that anything could be fixed, it was just a matter of money.

“I think this is very much about location,” said council member Ronit Bryant. She said the location was not pedestrian-friendly

enough — for example, there is no planting strip along Rengstorff Ave. — to justify the high density.

Others expressed concern about the traffic on Rengstorff Avenue, with Siegel saying a person can’t cross the street “without taking your life into your own hands.”

The new restrictions on the project size may mean higher prices for the condos. As for the predicted \$400,000 price tag for each condo, Siegel said the developer couldn’t guarantee that price to begin with.

Of particular concern to Bryant was the potential loss of 32 trees in the courtyard and around the building that had probably been growing for 40 years. In response, council member Margaret Abe-Koga mentioned the arborist report, which said only two trees were worth saving. Bryant said that her experience on the parks and recreation commission told her that arborist reports should be taken with a grain of salt. ▀

City plans tightening of candidate rules

By Daniel DeBolt

Gadflies beware, the city of Mountain View is taking action to tighten residency requirements for City Council candidates.

On Tuesday, the council voted to have the city attorney propose an ordinance that would clarify residency requirements in a council election. The current lack of clarity caused a problem when dealing with three candidates last year, including one, John Webster, who eventually qualified. But the best-known example was “homeless gadfly” Jim Lohse.

Lohse pulled candidate papers and said his address was 500 Castro St., also known as City Hall, though he reportedly slept at his mom’s house in Cupertino much of the time. Fellow gadfly

and longtime Mountain View resident Don Letcher also tried to run, but said he was “asked to come up with 30 to 40 places where I’d slept in the last six months,” he said Tuesday. Both he and Lohse were denied candidacy.

Letcher said he was told that residency is defined by “where you hang your hat at night,” and recommended that the rules be made clearer.

Lohse expressed a similar sentiment to the *Voice* last year. “They don’t say how to prove you’re a resident,” he said. “I don’t see anywhere in the law where there’s a black-and-white definition that residency means where you put your head down at night.”

On Tuesday, the council decided not to spend \$90,000 to have voters decide on whether to

amend the City Charter to solve the problem. The amendment would have required that candidates be residents for 30 days prior to the end of the application period.

Council members Jac Siegel, Tom Means, Ronit Bryant and Mayor Laura Macias said the \$90,000 could not be justified when there was a free alternative — an ordinance that would only require council approval. The ordinance, which has yet to be written, will provide the city clerk with criteria for checking a candidate’s residency.

Council member Nick Galiotto said the ordinance option wouldn’t fix the problem, and supported the charter amendment along with the other members of the procedures committee who proposed it: Matt Pear and Margaret Abe-Koga. ▀

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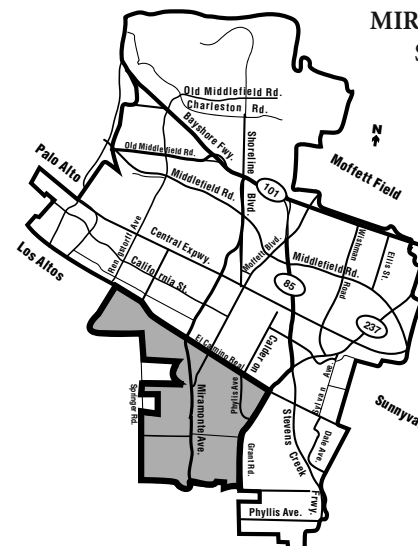
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BINKLEY

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minimum sentence for robbery with a firearm. A bail hearing is scheduled for Oct. 12.

Binkley, a Los Altos resident, has gained support from his former Mountain View Marauders football teammates, who have put up a Web site, supportsarge.org, as part of a campaign to reduce his sentence. They say 12-plus years is unfair when the state's average sentence for murder is 15 years in prison.

After entering West Point in 1993, at the age of 18, Binkley graduated and served as an Army Ranger captain in Bosnia and Honduras. He came back in 2002 with post traumatic stress disorder and a hip fracture that went undiagnosed for three years by Veterans Administration doctors.

The Binkley family was eventually advised to pay out of their own pocket for a high-density MRI of his hip, which found a hairline fracture. Once treated, the pain was finally gone, but by then Binkley was "hopelessly addicted" to painkillers, said his father Ed Binkley.

Binkley also used the painkillers to "self medicate" his PTSD, family members say. He was particularly haunted by two experiences: guarding mass graves in Bosnia, and being ordered to open fire on a truck with a teenager inside during anti-drug operations in Honduras.

"He basically couldn't sleep," his father said. "He would wake up screaming. He could go days

without any sleep at all because he was afraid of the dreams. He would self-medicate and knock himself out for two days. It was an extremely emotionally drain-



Sargent Binkley

ing experience."

Normally, Binkley would have been sentenced already, but his family decided to go back and retract the guilty plea so the case could go to trial.

With the case going on in both San Mateo and Santa Clara counties, the Binkleys have become aware of a philosophical difference in the two district attorney's offices. The chief deputy district attorney in San Mateo County has been quoted as saying, "I do not buy that it was the government that got him addicted. That's a type of victimology that I don't subscribe to in this case."

In Santa Clara County, deputy district attorney David Howe said, "We look at every case on its own merits," adding that similar cases would be reviewed to

make sure Binkley is sentenced fairly.

Binkley's father pointed to a case in Stanislaus County where a San Jose State football player robbed a pizza parlor at gunpoint. He received three to five years.

But because Binkley turned himself in and initially admitted to the crime, prosecutors have a stronger case. When asked if he believed his son was right to turn himself in, his father said, "Based on the way this has evolved, no I don't. With all of the money we're spending on lawyers and legal issues, we could have gotten into a very good rehab program and solved his problems that way."

Mountain View Walgreens pharmacist Dennis Pinheiro wrote a letter to the court in support of Binkley. According to Pinheiro's description of the event, Binkley was "calm" and "did not use physical or verbal force," though Pinheiro certainly didn't want to test him.

Binkley has been in jail for over a year, partly to prevent him from feeding his addiction. He admits that he deserves some punishment for his crime. Drug and PTSD treatment will likely be factors in his agreement to post bail.

Former Marauders teammate Rafi Youatt said cases like Binkley's will become "more and more an issue as more Iraq vets come back from the war." ▀

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at a council meeting any time soon, the issue should be raised by residents or council members during the coming general plan update, said Siegel and council member Ronit Bryant.

"It could be an important part of the discussion," Bryant said.

Historic preservation was a controversial subject a few years ago. At that time, the City Council was pro-growth, and a voluntary historic preservation ordinance was passed that had "no teeth," as one resident put it on the Old Mountain View neighborhood e-mail list.

Longtime environmental planning commissioner David Greene remembers the discussion around that ordinance, passed in 2004. The council passed on the commission's recommendation for a strong preservation ordinance, he said, instead favoring "incentives in exchange for preservation."

It wasn't long before council members were able to showcase the first example of this practice. At 902 Villa Street, the city approved a plan to allow a five-unit apartment building on the lot behind a historic house located there — in exchange for voluntary preservation of the house, tax rebates and parking requirement exemptions.

Nevertheless, the voluntary ordinance was heavily criticized by a minority of the city council and members of the Historic Preservation Alliance, who wanted a stronger ordinance that would impose preservation. Imposing preservation is a step that happens in only a small number of California cities, Greene said.

Council member Margaret Abe-Koga agreed. "There are some cities that have ordinances that go that way," she said, adding that "They usually have a historic preservation commission or board" that oversees the process.

Owners of more than half of the 91 properties on the city's register of historical resources opted to be removed from it before the end of 2004, including the former owner of the Calderon house, Anne Bakotich. This removed the possibility of being subjected to regulations on what owners could do with homes they didn't always think were historic.

Without a stronger preservation ordinance, it is likely that future councils will continue to wrestle with preservation incentives in cases like 445 Calderon Ave.

"If our residents want us to look at the ordinance again, they better let council know," Bryant said, adding that having a plan for the homes, before they were redeveloped, would be a good idea.

"Life is always easier when you have a plan," she said. ▀

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HOME SCHOOL

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schoolers want to spend more time with their children. And many perceive as unnatural the idea that “everyone in the same age group and everyone in the same neighborhood ought to grow up in a square room,” Slatter said.

Susan Luxton supported the idea that traditional schooling suffers from too much conformity.

“When school is in session kids don’t have time to do projects like this on their own, because someone is always telling them what to do,” she said. In middle school, she noted, students have seven or eight teachers directing them, several hours a day, five days a week.

“I think most children tend to do better if they have a chance to learn more in depth, and not have to make an adjustment to that many teachers being their boss. That’s a lot of bosses all of a sudden,” she said.

The fast track

For 20-year-old Mia Lieberman, a Mountain View native who was also home-schooled, public or private school would have set her back. Lieberman completed high

school coursework at age 12 and began taking math and English courses at Foothill College. She started working at age 14.

This year she began her first semester of veterinary school at UC Davis as the youngest student in her class. She never set foot in a public or private school, according to her mother Haleen Rock, a retired immunologist.

People often ask whether home-schooled students have enough “socialization,” but Lieberman said she never felt like she missed out on a normal high school experience.

“It was great because it let me pursue my own interests, so I didn’t have to be locked in a classroom,” she said of her home schooling experience.

“Binge drinking and the drunk parties — no I don’t feel like I missed out on high school,” she said. “I’ve been around adults for so long, I just would have been bored.”

As part of her studies, “I spent a lot of time in the kitchen doing chemistry experiments, like pH dye with red cabbage juice and exploding Ziplock bags with baking soda and vinegar,” she said. She also sang with the West Bay Opera in Palo Alto, Rock said.

Loren Mavromati, president of the California Homeschool

Network, who calls concern over socialization “the S question,” said home-schoolers may have better social skills than public or private schooled children.

Most home-schooled teenagers, she said, “will actually look you in the eye when talking with you — unlike most teenagers in public schools, because they think of adults as the authority and not people you would chat with.”

Same work, less time

The Mountain View Whisman School District has an “independent study” home schooling program, housed at Crittenden Middle School, in which about 50 students from Mountain View and neighboring counties may enroll. The program provides families with California standards-based textbooks, teacher’s manuals and pre-organized subject matters which students must complete, according to director Michiko Hashimoto.

The beauty of home schooling compared to structured 45-minute classes is that students can spend more time on a subject, Hashimoto said.

“Let’s say you started an experiment, and because you’re in a one-to-one situation and the kid is really interested in the subject matter, you’re not limited to stop-

ping because recess is there. You could spend five hours on this one thing,” she said.

Home-schoolers don’t have homework per se. “Because you’re working one-to-one, student and teacher, the feedback is right away,” Hashimoto said. “So you wouldn’t need homework to understand whether they got the concept and you’d have to repeat it.”

Typically, a public school student in grades one to three will spend 280 minutes a day in school, Hashimoto said. A fourth to eighth grader will spend 310 minutes, while kindergarteners spend about 200 minutes. But a home-schooler can often go through the same amount of material as a public school student in much less time, she said.

“It’s more efficient when you’re working one-on-one than it is when you’re 20 to 30 students in the class,” said Stacey Mason, assistant to the Mountain View Whisman home schooling program, who also home-schooled her daughter during the fifth grade. A teacher in a classroom has to wait for each student to close their notebooks or find a particular page, she added.

No credentials necessary

Anyone can home-school their child, said Mavromati of the Cali-

fornia Homeschool Network.

“If you can listen to your children you’re qualified,” she said. “I’ve known people who did not graduate from high schools themselves and they are better teachers for their children than a public school teacher.”

There are several ways families can become home-schoolers: Through a program like Mountain View Whisman’s, through a private or charter school, or through the state. Luxton and Lieberman choose to register directly with the state because it offered the greatest amount of flexibility, they said.

“It’s just a choice,” Hashimoto said. There are as many different reasons why people home-school as there are families, she said — including, in some cases, disability reasons.

“I think families figure out what they really, really want and so you make choices to accommodate what your values are.”

Eleven-year-old Jonathan will assess his own progress this year. His mother is keeping the option of public school open for the future. But for now, he’s happier at home, he said. ▣

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Sponsors help young runner give to charity

By Theresa Condon

When Jonathan Luxton broke his wrist last October, it was hard to see a bright side to the situation.

He had been looking forward to playing soccer and tennis that fall, but instead found himself bedridden while he recovered. "I was just lying in my bed and I thought, 'I would like to run a lot,'" he said.

Fortunately, he could still run with a cast, and run he did. He began keeping a log of his workouts, timing himself on runs and creating graphs and charts that displayed his increasing fitness. He even wrote an essay for his home school class which claims, "Running helps you understand the simple pleasures in life."

One day his mother saw an ad in the *New York Times* requesting donations for The Smile Train — a nonprofit that provides surgeries to children around the world suffering from cleft lip and palate — and Jonathan saw a way to put his newfound passion for running to good use.

Children born with this deformity often have trouble eating and learning to speak correctly, preventing them from living normal lives. Corrective surgery is commonplace, but generally costs around \$200, an impossible amount for families living in poor countries.

Jonathan began collecting sponsors to raise money for The Smile Train. He ran at every opportunity, even during lunch breaks. He continued to train throughout the winter and

spring, peaking at seven miles in under an hour.

Over seven months, he ran 200 miles and collected \$1,300 for charity, mostly from family members, friends and parents who saw him running at the track. Enough money was raised for six children to receive corrective surgery.

"I've learned that it feels really good to help people out," Jonathan said.

According to its Web site, www.smiletrain.org, the organization puts 100 percent of the donations it receives to surgeries and to training native surgeons to perform them. Visit the site or call (877) KID-SMILE for more information. ■

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MARIAN SADOUGH

Jonathan Luxton took up running to raise funds for children with cleft palates.

St. Francis offers Mandarin

Last year, classes at Saint Francis High School took a poll asking which language they would like to learn. Mandarin Chinese took first place, beating out Arabic, Japanese and numerous other choices.

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"Mandarin is certainly a language that is spoken by a great number of people in the world. China is coming to the forefront in terms of the world economy," said school principal Patricia Tennant.

During the summer, Saint Francis became a sister school to Changzhou Senior Middle School in Shanghai. Students from Saint Francis will have the opportunity to travel and live in China for one week in the spring as part of a cultural exchange program between the two schools, school officials said. Likewise, 20 students will visit from Changzhou.

This year's Mandarin class is being taught by Judy Yu. The school will add one level each year so that by 2010, Saint Francis will offer a four-year Mandarin program.

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BOTTLE TOPS

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Is a Million?" joined three co-workers in a project to help stu-

dents understand quantity and numbers. Students in the upper grades were having trouble comprehending large numbers, she said.

The project succeeded far

beyond her expectations.

"It's incredibly exciting. It started as a math project and it ended as a community-building event," Lundberg said.

At first she thought the school

would be able to collect one million within one year, but the bottle tops were only trickling in. Teachers revised their time estimate to five years. But as word spread, the bottle tops

began pouring in.

The school enlisted help from local sponsors such as El Camino Hospital and Safeway.

"We've gotten bottle tops from everywhere, even from Iraq," Lundberg said. A former student's grandfather was shipped overseas and sent the school about 60,000 bottle tops, she said.

In the end, the school collected one million bottle tops with 80,000 to spare, said Principal Mary Dietrich.

Each classroom had a collecting bin, from which students would count the bottle tops and store them in sets of tens, hundreds and thousands.

"I couldn't imagine how one million looks like. Now I know how it looks like."

MEGAN YAMA

"It did teach them that a million is a really big number and it takes a really long time. But when you set your mind to a goal, you can achieve it," Lundberg said.

The project certainly seems to have worked for 8-year-old Megan Yama.

"I couldn't imagine how one million looks like," she said. "Now I know how it looks like."

To celebrate the milestone, teachers and students sang their "Bottle Top" song, written to the tune of "Lollipop":

"Bottle tops, bottle tops, we got your bottle tops / We've seen a ten and a hundred too / How about a thousand, that's quite a few / But a million, now we have a clue / So this is what we have done."

Teachers said the tops and lids will now be recycled, with a few spared for use in school art projects.

As a commemoration, on Friday students placed a handful of the tops into a plexi-glass case which the school plans to hang up as an art piece.

Some of the tops will also be used to create a mosaic in a new walkway for one of the school's gardens, said third grade teacher David Franklin. Students will help push the bottle tops into the cement, he said. ▀



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District deals with special-ed costs

When children diagnosed with autism or other learning disabilities go to school, it is very likely that they will need a lot of extra attention, which could include costly instruction at an institution like the Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford.

Certainly, these special-needs children deserve to be — and by law are entitled to be — accommodated at public schools. But at Mountain View Whisman schools, such programs are costing the district \$3 million more than it receives for special ed. As a result, the shortfall must be covered by siphoning precious dollars from school programs for everyone else.

The district says the problem is growing, and officials point to a huge increase in the number of autistic children entering district schools in the last few years. With a total of \$7.5 million budgeted for special-ed services in each of the last two years, the district is understandably making a significant effort to rein in costs, or at least to slow growth in the program.

The plan has merit, and really amounts to putting additional effort into special-ed screening that the district already has in place. When a student appears to be having trouble in an early grade, rather than sending the student directly to a special-ed setting, teachers will first try a bundle of individualized techniques in an effort to break through to the student. For example, more visual aids might be offered if a student is having trouble with reading, and individual lessons can be added later if the student does not respond to the first effort.

Ultimately, the district plans to apply a series of techniques in the hope that more students will be able to learn in classes taught by district specialists — rather than in out-of-district classes taught by special-ed experts, which can cost ten times as much.

Unless additional funding sources are found to help cover the growing costs for special education, the district will be forced to reduce programs for all its other students. That's not a good solution, but neither is ignoring the needs of students who need special instruction. It is a rock-and-a-hard-place choice for the district, but the recent decision to step up the assessment process, so that more students can be identified and helped early-on, is a good one.

All the district's 4,200-plus students deserve the best education possible, regardless of their level of ability. But the system never was designed to accommodate the growing number of children diagnosed with autism (up from three to 32 in the last two years), and the many others who need special attention. The district is taking the right steps. We can only hope the new strategy will work as it is hoped.

LETTERS VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

HOPE FOR A HISTORY MUSEUM ON CALDERON PROPERTY

Editor:

Since Mountain View is home to an excellent museum celebrating our present, why not take the lead in Santa Clara County, the "Valley of Heart's Delight," and establish a museum to honor our past?

One of the oldest houses in Mountain View, at 445 Calderon Ave., is on the market. This home is an 1884 Italianate Victorian surrounded by a fraction of its original orchard. My fear is that developing the 1.3-acre property will result in "scraping" this amazing building and the fruit trees.

This property is our history. We cannot afford to lose one more valuable piece of our collective experience and heritage that has helped shape our community. I urge everyone to consider this property for a museum of history and culture as a shining example of Mountain View's progressive vision.

Please try to help our city save one of the few remaining pieces of its past.

Melanie Kaye
Loreto Street

CHOPPER SHOP MOVES ON DOWN THE ROAD

Editor:

Some readers may remember a story a few months ago in the

Voice business section about our shop moving to make way for yet another fast food (KFC) outlet in Mountain View ("From choppers to chickens," June 1).

At that time we had hoped to find another location here to continue to be the city's sole licensed vehicle manufacturer and full-service custom motorcycle shop with a national presence. Some months later, we're sorry to report that we have been forced to move our business to San Jose, where commercial property is still somewhat affordable.

I would like to thank you, the people of Mountain View, who supported our shop for the past 12 1/2 years. We consider you our friends and neighbors and are sorry to not be the local source for your needs any longer.

We do hope some of you will make the short trip to visit our new location at 2881 Bering Drive, Ste. U, San Jose, and see what we're up to now. Our new shop location will still be selling parts, performing service and doing custom work on all American brands, as well as building show-winning custom motorcycles.

I also want to say thank you to the Voice for their support and running the story about our search for a new location. Thanks for the past 12 1/2 years Mountain View.

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■ GUEST OPINION

Illegal immigrants do indeed pay taxes

By Bruce England

I am always dismayed to read letters or commentary asserting that illegal aliens are a drain on our resources, pay no taxes and are nothing but trouble ("Day workers do ruin the neighborhood," Letters to the Editor, Sept. 28).

The obvious response to this is to point out that we're all immigrants to this country, and the laws that dictate who is illegal and who is not are, at best, capricious and dysfunctional. Even President Bush says this is so, and he is no bleeding heart.

So, do illegal immigrants pay taxes or not? According to *The Tax Lawyer*, the peer-reviewed journal of the American Bar Association Section of Taxation, the belief that undocumented migrants are exploiting the U.S. economy and cost more in services than they contribute to the economy is "undeniably false." The journal asserts that "undocumented immigrants actually contribute more to public coffers in taxes than they cost in

social services" and "contribute to the U.S. economy through their investments and consumption of goods and services."

The ABA report finds that immigrants help in other ways. For example, they fill millions of essential positions that result in subsidiary job creation, increased productivity and lower costs of goods and services. They make unrequited contributions to Social Security, Medicare and unemployment insurance programs. Further, the IRS issues Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers (ITINs) to those without Social Security cards regardless of their immigration status. In 2006, 1.4 million people used ITINs when filing taxes; of those, more than

half were illegal immigrants.

Are illegal immigrants criminals in the broad sense? Virtually every academic study to date, including those produced by Harvard, the University of Chicago, and the University of California, indicate that illegal immigrants are less likely than legal immigrants to involve themselves in criminal activity. Statistically, legal and illegal immigrants combined make up 4 to 5.5 percent of current prison populations, meaning that they are underrepresented in this sense.

In my view, and I hope in the view of many, compassion and humanitarianism trumps the strict letter of the law 100 percent of the time. I can assure you that,

if I lived in Mexico and found that I was unable to prevent my family from starving or otherwise suffering in dire circumstances, I'd make my way across the border as well, in hopes that I could improve my family's lot.

While I would prefer that immigrants settle here legally, I am more than willing to accommodate

those that are here illegally given the current state of our immigration policy, and I sincerely wish them *buena suerte*.

Bruce England lives on Whisman Station Drive.

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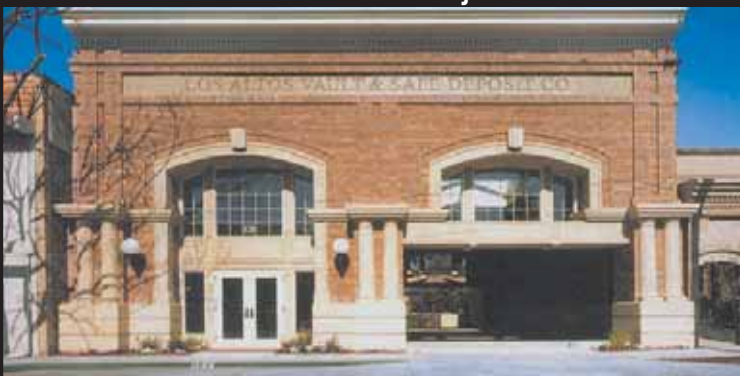
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An order of chicken enchiladas at Wahoo's Fish Taco.

VICTORUGO GONZALEZ

RESTAURANT REVIEW

Surfin' safari

WAHOO'S FISH TACO IN PALO ALTO IS WHERE THE BOYS ARE

By Sheila Himmel

What's in a restaurant's name? Sometimes, just about everything. In the Palo Alto case of Wahoo's Fish Taco, formerly a Kentucky Fried Chicken, you can say right away this is not a place that takes itself too seriously.

Staff members are friendly and responsive. Need a napkin? "Right away!" Picking up takeout food? "Thanks, guys!" Enjoying your lunch? "Is everything going OK, guys?"

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Wahoo's multicultural menu, brightly painted on the wall and over the order counter, extends from Cal-Mex soft tacos to Asian rice bowls. Have your fish or chicken grilled or blackened, never battered or fried. Other healthful fillings range from pan-grilled vegetables to flame-grilled steak.

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Manager Martin Rascon prepares take-out orders behind the counter at Wahoo's Fish Taco.

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ad, can be filled with vegetables. The children's menu offers pint-size versions of rice bowls, tacos, enchiladas, quesadillas and burritos, topping out at \$3.54. Skater stickers and surfer knickknacks give Wahoo's a festive beach feel, even at the corner of El Camino Real and Cambridge Avenue. On a hot day, the deep-blue ceiling and blue-green cement floors have a cooling effect. Tables are cheer-

ful Formica. Have a soft drink and a combo platter for \$10. But if you take your food seriously, find it elsewhere. There is no salsa bar. It's a pretty good salsa fresca, but you pay \$1.49 for a smidgen with chips, \$2.89 to add a tad of guacamole. The real problem is what Wahoo's calls fillings. They aren't fried, but are salty and dry, especially the cubes of flame-grilled chicken breast.

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Rascon prepares a bowl of guacamole.

VICTORUGO GONZALEZ

fried in teriyaki sauce — very salty teriyaki sauce. It was my bad idea to have the banzai vegetable taco, a drippy, salty mess of mushrooms, zucchini and tomatoes.

The Wahoo's salad (\$7.29) was a limp bed of green-leaf lettuce with guacamole, salsa and shredded cheese, and one of the meat, fish or vegetable fillings previously mentioned. Only the lettuce hadn't shown up in every other dish.

The liquid side of Wahoo's menu shows more imagination, if you avoid the wine. There's a suitable trio of beers on tap — Sierra Nevada Pale Ale, Gordon Biersch Marzen and the beer of the month from Kona Brewing Co. Bottles cover most of the other bases, from Bud Light to Negro Modelo. Lots of juice and other bottled drinks populate the refrigerator case. Sodas are self-serve. And in a nice touch, water also is self-serve, over there with the ice and lemon slices. If you'd rather pay for a bottle of water, be their guest.

A "wahoo" is variously defined, depending on the source, as a tree, a bush, a flying mackerel or an exuberant cry. The corporate fathers of Wahoo's Fish Taco (there are other restaurants in Cupertino and San Jose's Santana Row) go with the fish. ■

WAHOO'S

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In two small corn tortillas, flame-grilled fish and shredded cabbage tasted about the same, although one was warm. Chunks of braised pork called

carnitas had no give.

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- THE JANE AUSTEN BOOK CLUB (PG-13)** ★★★★★1/2 Century 12: 12:45, 3:30, 7:15 & 10 p.m. Palo Alto Square: 1:45, 4:20 & 7 p.m. Fri. & Sat. also at 9:40 p.m.
- THE KINGDOM (R)** ★★★★★1/2 Century 16: 12:50, 1:50, 3:40, 4:30, 6:55, 7:50, 9:35 & 10:25 p.m. Century 20: 12:15, 1, 1:50, 2:55, 3:40, 4:30, 5:35, 6:20, 7:15, 8:20, 9:15 & 10:15 p.m.
- MR. BEAN'S HOLIDAY (G)** ★★ Century 12: 12:35, 4:10, 7:05 & 9:20 p.m.
- MR. WOODCOCK (PG-13)** Century 20: 4 & 9:55 p.m.
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- OUTSOURCED (R)** Aquarius: 2, 4:30, 7 & 9:25 p.m.
- RATATOUILLE (G)** ★★★ Century 20: 2 & 5 p.m.
- RESIDENT EVIL: EXTINCTION (R)** Century 16: 2, 5, 7:35 & 10:10 p.m. Century 20: Noon, 2:20, 4:40, 7:05, 8:10, 9:30 & 10:35 p.m.
- THE ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW (1975) (R)** Guild: Sat. at midnight.
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- THE SEEKER: THE DARK IS RISING (PG)** Century 16: 12:25, 3, 5:30, 7:55 & 10:25 p.m. Century 20: 12:15, 2:45, 5:10, 7:40 & 10:10 p.m.
- THE SIMPSONS MOVIE (PG-13)** Century 12: 12:55 & 7:20 p.m.
- STARDUST (PG-13)** ★★1/2 Century 20: 12:50 & 7 p.m.
- SUPERBAD (R)** Century 12: 4:20 & 9:40 p.m.
- SYDNEY WHITE (PG-13)** Century 20: Noon, 2:35, 5:10, 7:50 & 10:25 p.m.
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MOVIE REVIEWS

ACROSS THE UNIVERSE

★★★
(CineArts) Julie Taymor's wildly ambitious ode to the Fab Four is a flawed but occasionally fabulous change of pace. For starters, it's a musical, the brand of belt-it-out-in-public musical. Then there are the lyrics, based on 33 beloved Beatles classics that pulsate through the narrative, offering unique and complex perspective. The song-and-dance extravaganza supports a simple romance between star-crossed lovers Lucy (Evan Rachel Wood) and Britain transplant Jude (Jim Sturgess). Jude and Lucy fall in love to a setting of turning on, tuning in and dropping out at a Greenwich Village loft. The idealistic Lucy falls in with a group of zealous anti-war activists while peacenik Jude pays the rent by making paint and canvas his expression of choice. Once into its rhythm, "Universe" is a pleasantly wacky pastiche of historical highs and lows: sit-ins, be-ins, the Vietnam War and the onset of a vibrant hippie culture. *Rated: PG-13 for profanity and some nudity. 2 hours, 13 minutes.* — J.A.

THE KINGDOM ★★★★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) From the first frames, director Peter Berg sets the tone for a tense, thinking person's thriller. A quick history lesson ticks off the facts, including the establishment of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in 1932, the American discovery of oil there a year later and the subsequent foreign presence with the first Western housing compound. Saudi Arabia is the number-one oil producer. The United States is the number-one oil consumer. Fifteen of the 19 hijackers on 9/11 were Saudis. With guns blasting and a suicide bomber in place, an extremist Islamic group attacks Americans playing softball within a Western housing compound in Riyadh. Diplomatic posturing threatens to hold up the criminal investigation in Riyadh. FBI Special Agent Ronald Fleury (Jamie Foxx) leads a crack team (Chris Cooper, Jennifer Garner and Jason Bateman) on a secret five-day mission to find answers and justice in the desert kingdom. *Rated: R for intense sequences of brutal violence and for language. In English and Arabic with English subtitles. 1 hour, 50 minutes.* — S.T.

FEAST OF LOVE ★★★★★

(Century 16, Century 12) The nucleus of this ensemble picture is quaint Portland coffee shop Jitters, owned by middle-aged romantic Bradley Thomas (Greg Kinnear). Bradley's innocent naivete blinds him when his wife Kathryn (Selma Blair) falls for a female softball player at a post-game gathering. When Kathryn leaves him, Bradley turns to the companionship of a lovable dog that was meant as a gift for Kathryn and to the guidance of Jitters regular Harry Stevenson (Morgan Freeman). Harry enjoys an undying love with his loyal wife and projects an air of wisdom and generosity. But the death of his son is an internal wound that refuses to heal, forcing Harry into an early retirement. Meanwhile, Oscar (Toby Hemingway) and Chloe (Alexa Davalos), two young Jitters clerks, embark on a storybook romance.

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But Oscar and Chloe face adversity as their relationship blossoms. Although "Feast" is sometimes depressing, a natural side effect when touching on issues such as infidelity and death, it is also uplifting and tender.

Rated: R for strong sexual content, nudity and language. 1 hour, 42 minutes. — T.H.

IN THE SHADOW OF THE MOON ★★★★★

(CineArts) To say these guys still have the Right Stuff is an overwhelming understatement. Ten former astronauts, all who can claim an intimate relationship with the moon, are far more than talking heads in David Singleton's awe-inspiring documentary. I was moved to tears a dozen times as history unfurled onscreen, spotlighting the Cold War-era mavericks who raced to get Americans to the moon, the brave souls who risked life and limb to travel a quarter of a million miles from Earth's surface, and the moon itself, a shadowy, desolate place graced with an eerie majesty. Treasured footage from NASA's 1960s heydays is a stimulating watch while the astronauts themselves — a surprisingly down-to-earth bunch — dig deep to put extraordinary feelings into words. But "Moon" moves beyond words to create the ultimate shining valentine to the humanity of those who dared to explore the unknown. *Rated: PG for mild language. 1 hour, 36 minutes. — J.A.*

INTO THE WILD ★★★★★

(Century 16) Sean Penn steps behind the

camera to craft one of the most powerful films of the year. With tremendous skill and imagination Penn unspools a great American tragedy, the true story of 22-year-old establishment dropout Chris McCandless (Emile Hirsch). McCandless was freshly graduated from Emory University with a promising future at Harvard Law when he ditched his privileged lifestyle in favor of an unforeseen odyssey into the wild. McCandless cashed in his college fund and abruptly donated all \$24,000 to Oxfam. Thus the ties were cut, from his judgmental parents (William Hurt and Marcia Gay Harden) and his sister/partner-in-crime, Carine (Jena Malone). McCandless hit the road with a vengeance; his car was found abandoned in the Arizona desert and his parents notified law enforcement to no avail. From the mean streets of Los Angeles and the Southwestern deserts to the wheat fields of South Dakota and beyond, McCandless ultimately found himself exactly where he wanted to be: completely off the grid in the isolated wilderness of Alaska. Hirsch is nothing short of a revelation, his fervent commitment to the project both painful and profound. *Rated: R for language, nudity and mature themes. 2 hours, 27 minutes. — J.A.*

■ MOVIE CRITICS

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■ HIGHLIGHT

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ART GALLERIES

Surfaces and Layers: Fiber Art Exhibition Art Exhibition in CSMA's Mohr Gallery. Fiber art of Camille Ahern, Joan Schulze and Emily Stewart. Sponsored by Heritage Bank of Commerce. Oct. 3-Nov. 25, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Free. Community School of Music and Arts at Finn Center, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. www.arts4all.org

BENEFITS

Firefighters Pancake Breakfast A breakfast of pancakes and sausage and the opportunity to meet the men and women of the Mountain View Fire Department. All proceeds benefit the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation. Sat., Oct. 6, 8 a.m.-11 a.m. \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 10 and under. Fire Station Number 4, 229 North Whisman Road, Mountain View. Call 650-903-6825. www.mountainview.gov

National Breast Cancer Awareness Month - Books Inc. Meet the author and book signing. "Boobs: A Guide to Your Girls" by Elisabeth Squires. 10 percent of sale will be donated to Community Breast Health Project. Thu., Oct. 11, 7:30 p.m. Books Inc., 301 Castro St., Mountain View. www.cbhp.org

Rhythm of Autumn 2007 PSA presents Rhythm of Autumn 2007, Honoring local stroke centers. The event features silent auction, musical performances and strolling dinner. Sun., Oct. 7, 5-8 p.m. \$50 per person.

Community School of Music and Arts, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. Call 650-565-8485. www.psastroke.org

CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

Collage Class - Moms & Daughters One-day workshop for ages 9 to adult. Learn principles of composition and collage techniques. No previ-

ous experience necessary. Sun., Oct. 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. \$100 for mother and daughter. Community School of Music and Arts at Finn Center, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. www.arts4all.org

CLUBS/MEETINGS

AIAA Dinner with Pete Worden Join the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics for dinner with Dr. Pete Worden, Center Director of NASA Ames. Register by Oct. 15. Thu., Oct. 18, 6:15-9 p.m. \$25 members/\$35 nonmembers. Michael's at Shoreline, 2960 N Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. Call 650-604-3529. www.aiaa-sf.org

Tangential Conjectures: the Science Fiction Book Club Tangential Conjectures: the Science Fiction Book Club will discuss "Century Rain" by Alastair Reynolds. Thu., Oct. 18, 7:30-9 p.m. Free. Books Inc Mountain View, 301 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-428-1234. www.booksinc.net

CONCERTS

Peruvian Benefit Concert at GISSV Genuine Peruvian dishes and entertainment by Peruvian musicians and dancers Homero Oyarce, Nayo Ulloa and AsociaciOn Cultural Kanchis. The proceeds will go to a school located in one of the poorest areas within the province of Lima, Peru. Fri., Oct. 12, 7 p.m. individuals \$20 / families \$50 (Peruvian food included). German International School of Silicon Valley, 310 Easy St., Mountain View. Call 650-254-0748. http://gissv.org/index_english.php?catID=367&navID=367&GOTO=1&LEVEL=2&PARENTID=0&tamp=184508

DANCE

Scottish Country Dancing Classes Beginning and experienced classes in Scotland's traditional ballroom dance style. Good exercise, no partner necessary, casual attire. Parties with live music. Wednesday evenings in Mountain View. Intro party Sept. 5, classes start Sept. 12. 7:45-10 p.m. \$5 per night. Mt. View Sports Pavilion, 1185 Castro Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-962-1939. www.mtview-rscds.org

HEALTH

Free Asthma Lecture In the United States, about 20 million people have been diagnosed with asthma. Nearly 9 million of them are children. What are the signs and symptoms of asthma? Camino Medical Group asthma expert Dr. Mike Mulligan will explain all about asthma and how to control and treat it. Q&A follows lecture. Wed., Oct. 10, 7-8 p.m. Free. Camino Medical Group, 701 East El Camino Real, Mountain View. Call 650-934-7281. www.caminomedical.org

Free Depression Screening Free depression screening for individuals and/or worried friends and family. Fill out an anonymous questionnaire, with opportunity to discuss results and next steps with a mental health professional. No appointment required. Thu., Oct. 11, 10 a.m.-noon; 6-8 p.m. Free. El Camino YMCA, 2400 Grant Road, Mountain View. Call 1-800-216-5556. www.elcaminohospital.org

SENIORS

AARP Driver Safety The next 55-Alive Mature Driving class at the Mountain View Senior Center will be held in October. To register, come in or mail a check dated the first day of class, payable to AARP. Oct. 2 and 9, 6-10 p.m. \$10. Mountain View Senior Center, 266 Escuela Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-903-6330.

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Newcomer's Group An orientation and tour of the Senior Center will cover an overview of classes, upcoming events, social events, and general info. Tue., Oct. 16, 11 a.m.-noon. Free. Mountain View Senior Center, 266 Escuela Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-903-6330.

Non-Profit In-Home Assistance "We Care Personal Services", a 26-year old nonprofit, offers low rates for laundry help, shopping, errands, meal preparation and personal care. To learn more about this organization, sign up for this workshop. Reservations required. Thu., Oct. 18, 1-2 p.m. Free. Mountain View Senior Center, 266 Escuela Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-903-6330.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Fairchild Semiconductor 50th Anniversary Celebration Fairchild alumni and guests are invited to mark Fairchild's 50th birthday. Oct. 5-6, 7-11 p.m. Computer History Museum, 1401 N Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. Call 1-800-947-2632. www.fairchildat50.org

TALKS/AUTHORS

"Avoiding Cancer One Day At A Time" Discussion and book signing with Lynne Eldridge, M.D. and David Borgeson MS MPT, authors of "Avoiding Cancer One Day At A Time" as they describe how to "cancer proof your life" based on information from this new book. Tue., Oct. 16, 7:30-9 p.m. free. East West Books, 324 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-988-9800. http://www.eastwest.com/

Current Drug Trends Presentation "Current Drug Trends" is a presentation on teen drug abuse that will be open to the public. The presenter is John Vigallon MS. Thu., Oct. 11, 7 p.m. Free. Mountain View High School Theater, 3535 Truman Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-949-0808.

Digital Survivor Challenge Panel of Web 2.0 experts and entrepreneurs who will demonstrate how to quickly put together a dynamic business and web presence. Thu., Oct. 11, 6:30-9 p.m. Pre-registration: \$15 members / \$20 non-Members. door: \$20 / \$25. Fenwick and West, 801 California St., Mountain View. Call 415-278-9761. http://www.hispanic-net.org/hispanic-net/opencms/hispanic/calendar.html

Elisabeth Squires at Books Inc. Elisabeth Squires will discuss her new book "Boobs: A Guide to Your Girls," filled with personal, true stories ("mammoirs") and advice from "breast experts." Thu., Oct. 11, 7:30 p.m. Free. Books Inc. Mountain View, 301 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-428-1234. www.booksinc.net

John Billheimer at Books Inc. Mountain View Meet John Billheimer, discussing his new book "Baseball and the Blame Game: Scapegoating in the Major Leagues," which documents the most muffled moments and botched plays of baseball history by telling the stories of the men who became legendary failures because of them. Wed., Oct. 10, 7:30 p.m. Free. Books Inc. Mountain View, 301 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-428-1234. www.booksinc.net

Michael Krasny at Books Inc. MV Host of NPR's Forum Michael Krasny will discuss his new memoir "Off Mike: A Memoir of Talk Radio and Literary Life", a look behind the scenes of one of public radio's most popular programs. Tue., Oct. 9, 7:30-11 p.m. Free. Books Inc., 301 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-428-1234. www.booksinc.net

Technology and Society Committee Luncheon Forum Dr. Eric Sabelman, founder of Pro-Zoics Research, discusses his work at Kaiser Permanente on Deep Brain Stimulation for treatment of Parkinson's disease. "Brain Control: Surgical Technology for Fixing the Malfunctioning Brain." Tue., Oct. 9, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Optional lunch is \$11.50, \$12.50 for nonmembers. King of Krung Siam restaurant, 194 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-969-7215. http://tian.greens.org/TASC.shtml

Veejay Vaitheeswaran at Books Inc. in Mountain View Meet Veejay Vaitheeswaran, reporter for The Economist, when he discusses his new book "Zoom: the Global Race to Fuel the Car of the Future," an examination of how auto and oil industries are at a crossroads where financial and geopolitical troubles will force them to change. Mon., Oct. 8, 7:30 p.m. Free. Books Inc., 301 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-428-1234.

VOLUNTEERS

Friends of the Mountain View Library The Friends of the Mountain View Public Library is seeking volunteers for their online group. It will require about one hour per week. Volunteers will help package and list books sold through Amazon. Also needed is a volunteer who is interested in driving these packages to the U.S. Post Office. 585 Franklin St., Mountain View. Call 650-526-7049.

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Mint challenges Intuit

MOUNTAIN VIEW STARTUP HELPS DEBT-RIDDEN CONSUMERS TRACK THEIR SPENDING

By Angela Hey

When Intuit founder Scott Cook introduced Quicken almost 25 years ago, he promoted it as a simple alternative to a checkbook and pen. It brought simplicity to organizing personal finances. Since then features, product line extensions and integration with tax processing software have increased its complexity.

Quicken has constantly fought off attacks from Microsoft's Money. It has forced early competitors, like Financial Navigator (finnav.com), also based in Mountain View, to move up-market and serve ultra-high-net-worth individuals and family trusts. Now a new Mountain

View challenger, Mint (mint.com), is again promoting a simple approach to personal financial management.

Mint is a free Web service that automatically analyzes spending categories from both checking and credit card accounts. When I tried it, only two out of three available accounts at my bank's Web site were analyzed. It omitted analyzing my checking account.

In 20 years of Quicken use, I've defined and redefined my spending categories. For example, if you want to pay Safeway using Quicken, it will ask you what category you want to associate with the payee. But Mint already knows that Safeway sells groceries. It knows how much I spend on restaurants, shopping, groceries and gas without me

having to tell it that payment to a Shell gas station is for auto fuel. Mint is not clever enough to determine whether I'm buying gas for business or for personal use, which I manually record in Quicken — nevertheless, the speed with which it analyzes your finances and the clarity of its reporting most consumers will find very useful.

Mint won the best presenting company award at the recent TechCrunch (www.techcrunch40.com) conference, which featured 40 hot startups. According to founder Aaron Patzer, 100,000 people wanted to sign up and try the system after the award and related publicity.

The company's blog has plenty of useful information for everyone from students just getting started with bank accounts to retirees wanting to know how to stretch their incomes further. Mint's rich blog showcases the very best in Internet mar-

keting, even if it is a little cumbersome to navigate and easily confused with the company's more formal Web site.

The personal finance world is rapidly changing from checkbooks to online payments, which will help Mint gain traction rapidly. In 2006, the Federal Reserve Bank processed 10.9 billion commercial checks, a decline of 15 percent over the prior year. By contrast, in the second quarter of 2007, 3.5 billion Automated Clearing House (ACH) inter-bank transactions took place, representing a 15 percent growth over the previous year. As more and more people do online banking,

Mint can rapidly add customers.

Also, U.S. consumer debt is high. Consumer credit (excluding home mortgages) increased at an annual rate of 3.75 percent in July, to \$2.5 billion, with revolving

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Finding the green stuff

ECO-FRIENDLY PRODUCTS EASIER TO FIND THROUGH MTN. VIEW'S TOFINDGREEN.COM

By Susan Hong

Organic cotton blankets, chemical-free mattresses, flax shirts and hemp sweaters are what environmentally conscious shoppers want for their homes and bodies these days, but these goods often come at a high price and without a lot of variety.

A two-month-old Mountain View-based search engine called TheFindGreen.com hopes to cash in on this growing market by making it as easy as two clicks to get to anything and everything "green" and purchasable on the Web.

According to recent market research — in particular a report released last April by GfK Roper, a market research firm — consumers say a company's environmental practices are important in making key purchasing decisions. Environmental concerns affect 79 percent of consumers in the products they purchase, 77 percent in the products or services they recommend to others, 74 percent for where they shop, and 74 percent in where they choose to work, according to Roper.

That where TheFindGreen.com comes in. The Web site makes searching for eco-friendly products — from solar ovens to designer handbags made out of recycled inner tubes — easier than on Google or eBay, and sometimes helps environmentally conscious consumers make better price comparisons, said company founder Siva Kumar.

"It's extremely convenient," Kumar said. "We bring you the pictures and you drag your mouse over an item. You can quickly look at a page with 20 products. We're saving you time and money. If it saves you time, it saves you money."

The search engine has about 500,000 eco-friendly online

stores available, he added.

TheFindGreen.com is an outgrowth of TheFind.com, an all-inclusive online shopping mall, Kumar said. "All the people in the company felt strongly that 'green' was an emerging space and finding organic or eco-friendly stuff was difficult," Kumar said.

It took \$7 million for Kumar to begin his search engine two years ago. TheFind.com is the company's ninth start-up project. This year, Kumar projects, his company of 30 employees will earn about \$1 million in profits just from advertising. Ultimately he hopes the Web site will become a household name.

"Success to me is when you just talk about us, not Google," he said. However, he said, "Having done a few start-ups, you want to do measured steps. Big vision, small steps."

"The small step is to make sure we're successful in the U.S. and make everyone in Mountain View happy."

Kumar said he wants to start the site with solely U.S.-based stores and then, if the company grows, to expand it to European stores that may provide a greater variety of eco-friendly products. As of yet, he says, he has no competitors.

"Today you wouldn't go to a search engine like Yahoo or Google to search for travel. If you're looking for a job, you wouldn't go there looking for a job," he said. "There's no other place like this," he said.

In November the company will launch its third "color for a cause" project, said Larisa Hall, marketing vice president. When somebody purchases something green in color, the company will donate a dollar to a green charity.

The company will advertise the charity drive in two weeks, she said, explaining that "We're finalizing the deal right now." ▀

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credit, mainly credit card debt, increasing at 6.5 percent to \$900 million. So people want to track their spending carefully — and this is how Mint is entering the market, by helping people reduce their spending.

Of course, Quicken offers many more features than Mint, particularly in the area of integration with tax preparation software. Almost all versions of its latest release, Quicken 2008, focus on cleaner analysis of savings as well

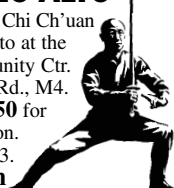
as income and expenditures.

Mint's business is financed by adverts that give consumers rewards, such as offering lower interest rates by changing credit cards. The company is backed by First Round Capital and angel investors. Veteran angel investor Ron Conway is on the board, along with executives from Intuit, Yahoo and other leading firms. Chuck your checks and check it out. ▀

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Profiles in Leadership

Editor's Note: Leadership Mountain View (LMV) prepares adults who live, work or have an interest in the city to take on a wide variety of leadership roles in the community. LMV guides 35 individuals through a nine-month program each year. Approximately 500 persons have graduated from the program since it began in 1989. The profile below is one in a series.

ELLEN WHEELER AND SHARLENE GEE

Sharlene Gee and Ellen Wheeler define leadership by example. Their collaboration on Mountain View Reads Together, a new program that could reach everyone in the city, shows how neatly one thing can lead to another when you're on the lookout for such opportunities.

Gee's volunteer work as a media-

tor in Mountain View's Mediation Services had fostered her interest in bringing together the diverse population of our city, and also provided contacts that made this easier. One of her fellow mediators, Mike Ralston (LMV '06), had recently founded ParadigmHill Mountain View, a Web site intended to promote community-building activities, and through it she met Wheeler, who liked the reading program idea.

The three of them, combining their contacts and energy, figured out how to jump-start Mountain View Reads Together. The first series of 19 different activities, in 2006, was a huge success, and they're now gearing up for the 2007 series, with Gee as chair. (To preview and join in, visit mvreads.org.)

Gee says her community activities have been deeply rewarding, complementing her "day job" in application

engineering and technical training. She's co-chair of the Mediation Program, board chair for the Del Sol Performing Arts Organization, a volunteer for QUADRE, and a new coach for Girls for a Change. She says Leadership Mountain View (she graduated in 2007) helped her explore new avenues and perspectives, along with invaluable networking opportunities.

Wheeler's angle on community building, and celebrating the diversity that makes our city special, is largely education-based. She's been a school board member in the Mountain View Whisman School District since 2002, doing "civic engagement" with her experience as an attorney and a teacher. She also tutors reading at two local public schools, and is on the board of the local League of Women Voters. Along the way, Wheeler graduated from Leadership Mountain View in 2003.

To learn more about Leadership Mountain View, call (650) 968-8378 or visit www.leadershipmountainview.org.

Chamber celebrates Mountain View stars

The Mountain View Chamber of Commerce and Microsoft will host the 13th Annual Celebration of Leaders on Friday, Nov. 9, during which local community and business leaders will be honored for their contributions to the public.

This year, the Palo Alto Chapter of the American Red Cross was selected as an Outstanding Organization, and Pamela Martello of Foothill Disposal Co. Inc. was named Outstanding Business Person. Small and Large Business Awards go to Larry's AutoWorks and Heritage Bank of Commerce, respectively.


The event will be held on the Microsoft campus in Mountain View. A silent auction will begin at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and the awards program. For additional information, contact the Chamber at (650) 968-8378 or www.chambermv.org.

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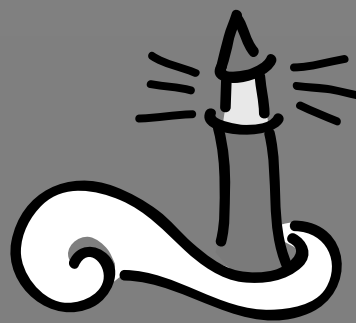
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995 Fictitious Name Statement

HAUTE CUISINE
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 498999
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Haute Cuisine, 228 Castro Street, Mountain View, CA 94040:
LUSINE SARGSYAN
439 Del Medio Ave. # 14
Mountain View, CA 94040
This business is being conducted by an individual.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on August 31, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 2007)

SALMERON PAINTING
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 498879
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Salmeron Painting, 528 Easy St., # A, Mountain View, CA 94043:
NOEL SALMERON
528 Easy St., # A
Mountain View, CA 94043
This business is being conducted by an individual.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on August 29, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 2007)

ALL STAR YELLOW CAB
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499048
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, All Star Yellow Cab, 417 East Maude # 5, Sunnyvale, CA 94085:
BALWINDER SINGU
417 East Maude # 5
Sunnyvale, CA 94085
This business is being conducted by an individual.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 4, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 2007)

VIDA DATA SYSTEMS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499206
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Vida Data Systems, 324

Paul Ave, Mountain View, CA 94041:
LISA GARRARD
324 Paul Ave.
Mountain View, CA 94041
This business is being conducted by an individual.
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on August 17, 2007. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 7, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 2007)

SATELLITE GUADALUPE
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499252
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Satellite Guadalupe, 591 Escuela Ave, Mountain View, CA 94040:
REGINA TORRES
1003 S. Mary Ave.
Sunnyvale, CA 94087
This business is being conducted by an individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 10/01/2004.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 7, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 2007)

MEDIA WORKS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499126
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Media Works, 325 Sylvan Ave., Spc #132, Mountain View, CA 94041:
RONALD RUTKOWSKI
325 Sylvan Ave., Spc #132
Mountain View, CA 94041
This business is being conducted by an individual.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 6, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 2007)

VLSI SOFT CONSULTING
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499226
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, VLSI Soft Consulting, 457 Acalanes Dr., Apt. #23, Sunnyvale, CA 94086:
ALOK SINGH
457 Acalanes Dr., Apt. #23
Sunnyvale, CA 94086
This business is being conducted by an individual.
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VON RYAN DEVELOPERS LLC
RYAN PROPERTIES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 498746
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, 1.) Von Ryan Developers LLC, 2.) Ryan Properties, 2218 Old Middlefield Wy, Suite D, Mountain View, CA 94043:
VON RYAN DEVELOPERS LLC
California
This business is being conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 01/01/07.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on August 27, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 2007)

VILLANUEVA PROPERTIES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499057
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Villanueva Properties, 180 Villa Nueva Court, Mountain View, CA 94040:
THOMAS HILDEBRAND
CHRISTIANE HILDEBRAND
180 Villa Nueva Court
Mountain View, CA 94040
This business is being conducted by husband & wife.
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 8/1/2007. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 4, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 2007)

YELLOW CAB CUPERTINO
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499249
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Yellow Cab Cupertino, 1725 Wright Av #55, Mountain View, CA 94043:
CHAMKAUR BRAR
1725 Wright Av #55
Mtn. View, CA 94043
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Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 09-07-07.
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(Voice Sep. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 2007)

ANAHAT IMAGES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499620
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Anahat Images, 998 Tulip Ct., Sunnyvale, CA 94086:
SATISH SUKUMAR ULLAL
998 Tulip Ct.
Sunnyvale, CA 94086
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(Voice Sep. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 2007)

BROADLAND REALTY
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499669
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Broadland Realty, 49 Showers Dr. S-415, Mountain View, CA 94040:
YANG XU
49 Showers Dr. S-415
Mountain View, CA 94040
This business is being conducted by an individual.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 17, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 2007)

JUNIPER CONTRACT SERVICES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 498942
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Juniper Contract Services, 1975 El Camino Real, Suite 205, Mountain View, CA 94040 Delaware
This business is being conducted by a corporation.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on August 30, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 2007)

AGILE OFFICE SYSTEMS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499790
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Agile Office Systems, 790 Yuba Drive, Mountain View, CA 94041:
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790 Yuba Drive
Mountain View, CA 94041
CA
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Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 6/07. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 19, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 2007)

ZAKTI TECHNOLOGIES
STATEMENT
File No. 499936
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, 1) Zakti Technologies, 2) Psycho Party Games, 3) Silicon Valley Roses, 2533 Diercx Drive, Mountain View, CA 94040:
HARRISON M. ROSE
MELODIE A. ROSE
2533 Diercx Drive
Mountain View, CA 94040
This business is being conducted by husband & wife.
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 8/10/07.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 21, 2007.
(Voice Sep. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 2007)

ALL BAY TAXI CAB
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499873
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, All Bay Taxi Cab, 417 East Maude #5, Sunnyvale, CA 94085:
BALWINDER SINGH
417 East Maude #5
Sunnyvale, CA 94085
This business is being conducted by an individual.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 21, 2007.
(Voice Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2007)

SOUTHWEST GRILL
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 500107
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Southwest Grill, 235 E. Middlefield Rd. Unit 1A, Mountain View, CA 94043:
SWG INDUSTRIES
California
This business is being conducted by a corporation.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 26, 2007.
(Voice Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2007)

OPTU VINEYARDS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 499698
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Optu Vineyards, 144 A & B South Whisman Rd., Mountain View, CA 94041:
CLASSICK IMPORT & EXPORT LLC
865 Sonia Way
Mountain View, CA 94040
California
This business is being conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. This

statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 17, 2007.
(Voice Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2007)

997 All Other Legals

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA No. 107CV093363
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MELANIE AND TOM GRIFFIN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: LUCY ANN PEACOCK-GRIFFIN to LUCY ANN GRIFFIN.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: October 23, 2007, 8:45 a.m., Dept. 15. Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, 191 N. First Street, San Jose, CA 95113. A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: MOUNTAIN VIEW VOICE. Date: August 31, 2007 /s/ Mary Ann Grilli JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT (Voice Sep. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 2007)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA No. 107CV093338
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner CHIH PENG GARY CHAO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: CHIH PENG GARY CHAO to GARY CHIH PENG CHAO.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: October 23, 2007, 8:45 a.m., Dept. 15. Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, 191 N. First Street, San Jose, CA 95113. A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: MOUNTAIN VIEW VOICE. Date: August 31, 2007 /s/ Mary Ann Grilli JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT (Voice Sep. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 2007)

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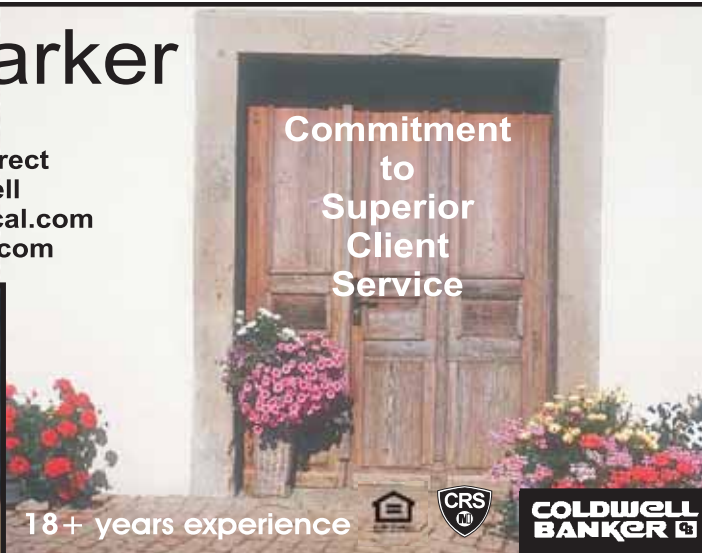
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2.5 bath Thome end unit
Open kitchen w/ bkfst bar
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Private backyard
Formal entryway
Dual master suites
Corner fireplace
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480 Vine Avenue
Sunnyvale

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1:30 to 4:30



Completely remodeled 3 bedroom,
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Newly landscaped front & backyard,
updated fencing, automatic sprinklers
with mature trees
Exquisite hardwood floors in the
kitchen, living room and dining room
Double pane windows
Kitchen features brand new appliances,
granite counter, upgraded cherry
cabinets, stainless steel sink & gas stove
Master suite and 2 bedrooms with new
carpets
Bath complete with pedestal sink and
tub/shower combo
Priced at: **\$698,000**

2528 W Middlefield Rd
Mountain View

Open Sat & Sun
1:30 to 4:30



Chalet style 2 bedroom, 1.5
bath TH w/ no common walls
Remodeled kitchen boasts
granite counter, new maple
cabinets and new appliances
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interior
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ceiling and door to balcony
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MOUNTAIN VIEW **2BR | 1BA**

229 BUSH STREET **\$949,000**
2BR/1BA. Downtown modern rustic. Unique Victorian. Expanded w/granite kitchen, family room, high ceilings, spacious loft, large pantry, Updated bath, original wood panels/floors, fireplace, blocks to downtown.
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MOUNTAIN VIEW **2BR | 2BA**

500 W MIDDLEFIELD RD #27 **\$479,000**
2 BR 2 BA Willow Pk condo in quiet loc. yet steps to pool, spa & clubhouse. Nu paint, nu w/w carpet, nu dishwasher & attractively landscaped patio w/ storage closet.
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MOUNTAIN VIEW **3BR | 2BA**

188 THOMPSON SQ. **\$949,000**
3 BR 2 BA Stunning remodeled home on large lot. Family kitchen, large family room, huge master bath and professionally landscaped yards with two patios.
Pat Jordan **650.325.6161**



MIDTOWN SAN JOSE **2BR | 1BA**

MIDTOWN CHARMER **\$499,950**
2 BR 1 BA Charming home offers 820+ sq. ft. with new carpet, paint & electrical. Remodeled kitchen has new appliances. New heater. Large basement. Garage.
John Bialy **650.941.7040**



SANTA CLARA **2BR | 1.5BA**

590 HILMAR STREET **\$749,000**
2 BR 1.5 BA Charmingly updated home in great location near university. Dining room. Air conditioning. Updated kitchen. Beautifully finished hardwood floors. Dual pane windows. Large yard.
Shelly Potvin **650.941.7040**

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CAMPBELL

◆ 4030 ACAPULCO DRIVE
OPEN SUNDAY **\$959,888**
4br/2ba. Describes this tasteful 1880 of home w/its tree-lined street w/acclaimed Campbell schools.
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1946 WHITE OAKS ROAD
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$940,000**
4 BR 3 BA Lovely, bright 4 br/3 bath home ~ 1 bdrm & full bath on 1st floor ~ Fresh paint ~ New flooring ~ Large yard ~ Laundry room ~ Central A/C
Fran Papapietro **650.948.0456**

630 SUNNYOAKS
SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$725,000**
3 BR 2.5 BA 1 yr Townhome, h/dwd flrs, Gourmet kit w/gas & stainless steel appliances, gas fp. Fully landscaped yd. Separate laundry, approx 1620sqft.
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CHARMING TOWNHOME
\$430,000
2 BR 1.5 BA Price Reduced! Hardwood floors, fireplace. French doors lead to patio. New appliances, cabinets & granite. Remodeled baths. Inside laundry, Garage.
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A PLACE TO CALL HOME **\$899,000**
3 BR 2 BA Brand new condos with Los Altos schools. Maple cabinetry with granite countertops & stainless steel appliances. Anderson windows & doors. Large patio.
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A PLACE TO CALL HOME **\$879,000**
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MOUNTAIN VIEW

1921 ROCK STREET, UNIT 4
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$599,000**
2 BR 2 BA Stunning new kitchen & baths. All new cabinets, granite, top of line appl. Custom tile job in mstr. bath. New pergo flrs, new carpet, & paint. Prvt patio
Geraldine Asmus **650.325.6161**

2528 W Middlefield Rd
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$509,000**
2 BR 1.5 BA Remodeled kitchen with granite counters & new cabinets. Freshly painted interior. New carpet throughout. Spacious living room with sliding door. Inside laundry
Royce Cablayan **650.948.0456**

SPARKLING UNIT!
2 BR 2 BA Upstairs unit with new carpet, baths tile & paint. Overlooking lush garden setting with ponds. Woodburning fireplace. Parquet floors. Secured complex.
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255 S RENGSTORFF AV #174
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$398,500**
2 BR 1 BA Vaulted ceilings in living room & dining area, spacious living room opens to private deck. Complex swimming pool. Close to park & tennis courts.
Royce Cablayan **650.948.0456**

280 EASY ST #312
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$349,000**
1 BR 1 BA Spacious liv rm w/blt-in. Din area with sliding door opens to balcony. Updated kitchen & bath. Good sized bedroom with full walk closet & Pool and clubhouse
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WONDERFUL GRND FLR UNIT!
1 BR 1 BA One of the best locations! New pergo style flooring and new appliances. Kitchen with granite countertops. New light fixtures throughout. Large private patio!
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730 ARASTRADERO ROAD **\$975,000**
2 BR 2 BA Rare 2 house compound in a park-like setting on circular driveway. Over 1/2ac land. Buy 1 or both. 3/2 with fam, 2 car garage.
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1249 ALMA STREET
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$959,000**
2 BR 2.5 BA Beautiful! Former model unit with Fireplace, upgraded tile/hardwood, great secluded patio, 2 master suites, extra storage and 2 parking spaces.
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REDWOOD CITY

741 6TH AV
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$599,000**
2 BR 1 BA Hardwood floor. Remodeled kitchen with tile floor. New windows, crown molding. Family dining room opens to patio and yard. 1 car garage.
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786 ARGUELLO ST #108
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$518,500**
2 BR 1.5 BA No one above or below! New paint throughout. Living room with hardwood & bay window + door to balcony.
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SANTA CLARA

CHARMINGLY UPDATED **\$749,000**
2 BR 1.5 BA Great location near university. Dining room. Air conditioning. Updated kitchen. Beautifully finished hardwood floors. Dual pane windows. Large yard.
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SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$748,000**
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2549 AMETHYST DRIVE
OPEN SATURDAY & SUNDAY **\$578,000**
3BR/2BA Spacious home Great location! Lrg bedrooms. Inside laundry. Ideal floor plan.
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929 E EL CAMINO REAL #416 E
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$539,000**
2 BR 2 BA Liv rm w/vaulted ceiling & door to deck. Open kit w/breakfast bar. Inside laundry. Master w/ walk-in closet & ceiling skylight for natural lighting.
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WAVERLY PARK CUL-DE-SAC!
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DESIRED MIRAMONTE PLACE **\$898,000**
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PALO ALTO

1340 CHANNING AVE
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$3,298,000**
5 BR 5.5 BA Fab. new home, 5 en suites, Living Room, Dining Room, Library, Great Room, with superb details. 9600 sq. ft. Lot (per Title). Stunning 2 story entry, porch with park view.
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3180 COWPER ST
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$2,890,000**
7 BR 4 BA Spacious new home. 10,745sq ft. lot. Sep. dining room, spacious family kitchen with cherry cabinets and fireplace.
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726 ARASTRADERO RD **\$1,350,000**
3 BR 2 BA Rare 2 house compound in a park-like setting on circular driveway. Over 1/2ac land. Buy 1 or both. 3/2 with fam, 2 car garage. 2/2 with bonus room.
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2337 SAINT FRANCIS DR
SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$1,328,000**
3 BR 2 BA 3 bedroom home in the Duveneck elementary district features a master suite just steps from a professionally landscaped garden. Room for expansion!
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3 BR 2.5 BA Located in a desirable Almadan neighborhood! Sought-after Campbell union school district. Close to the park. Lots of improvements & upgrades.
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SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 **\$998,000**
4 BR 2 BA Beautiful home with 2549 sf of living space. Hardwood floors. Formal living room, separate dining room & family room, eat-in kitchen, built in hot tub. Short commute to downtown San Jose.
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UPGRADED SHAPELL HOME **\$755,000**
4 BR 2 BA Gorgeous home in peaceful neighborhood. Hardwood floors, new carpet, new paint, new deck. Double pane windows. Close to shopping & schools.
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5377 GREENBANK COURT
OPEN SATURDAY **\$748,000**
3BR/2BA Remod kit w/granite counters & island, hrdwd floor in kit & din area. A/C.
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**720 Promontory Point #2401
Foster City \$1,688,888**

Absolutely gorgeous luxury waterfront penthouse with commanding views. You must see this spacious rare one level, 2927 SF, unit with 3 suites, powder room, and large tiled terrace. Formal living and dining, wet bar, high ceilings, stunning marble foyer, designer kitchen with slab granite, custom cabinetry, stainless steel appliances and more. All the finest touches enhance this special property. Underground secure parking with extra storage and all amenities.



**Coming Soon
Mountain View \$689,000**

This is your opportunity to live in Mountain View. Nicely maintained cottage situated on a large parcel of land (+-9500 sq. ft). Live in it now, expand later. 3 bedrooms, 1 full bath, and a 2 car garage. OPEN HOUSE Oct. 13 & 14 -1 pm to 4 pm. Save the date! Call Agent 650-714-1272

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**781 N Fair Oaks Avenue #6
Sunnyvale \$467,000**

Top floor condo in the back of the complex overlooking greenbelt! 3 bedrooms / 2 baths, wonderful kitchen w/granite tile & updated cabinetry, both bathrooms have updated cabinetry & vanities. Laminate flooring in kitchen, dining, and entryway, cute patio, in-unit laundry, 1 car carport w/ extra storage.

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**2300 Julie Lane
South San Francisco \$642,850**

Great home featuring 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, remodeled with newer appliances, hardwood floors, crown molding, skylights, fireplace in living room, corner unit, with 2 car garage, in great location. Close to freeway, schools, shopping and more! Come see this terrific property!

OPEN SUNDAY 1:00 TO 4:00



**128 Sunset Avenue
Sunnyvale \$695,500**

Opportunities Galore with this charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath home conveniently located close to Sunnyvale Town Center, Sunnyvale Library, Train station and great transportation. Close to major highways and wonderful shops and restaurants. For more information call agent at 650.714.1141.



**528 Easy Street
Mountain View \$799,888**

Duplex not far from Castro St, with the 2nd unit divided into two: 2/1 and studio, both leased, opportunity to collect rent from 3 tenants! Each unit has private patio. Needs some work. Call 650-393-0793 For appointment.

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**1139 Sage Street
East Palo Alto \$585,000**

Great Home! Great Price! Great Location! Come see this terrific property with 3 Br/1 Ba, large kitchen, French doors, dual-pane windows, new water heater, insulated throughout to be energy friendly, huge lot with large back, front and side yard with parking for up to 6 cars and garage with extra storage.

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