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Bronwyn Thomas, 10, of Los Altos, practices the violin at the Community School of Music and Arts in Mountain View last Thursday.

CSMA ready to celebrate 40 good years

By Daniel DeBolt

When the Community School of Music and Arts was founded in 1968, no one could imagine how vital it would be on its 40th anniversary.

After a poll tax failed in 2003, arts in local schools seemed to be near extinction. Thankfully for Mountain View and the surrounding cities, CSMA stepped in, and now provides arts and music programs for all local schools. It also helps students in other Bay Area schools, some as far away as San Francisco.

Today, CSMA's sunlit, 25,000-square-foot Finn Center facility on San Antonio Circle brings in at least 900 students per week for music lessons and art programs.

While the school controls a \$4 million budget, its continual



calling it "the 40th anniversary challenge."

This year, CSMA is one of seven local nonprofit agencies chosen to be recipients of the Voice Holiday Fund. Those who donate to the Holiday Fund will help support the school's financial aid program.

The school paid out \$248,000 in financial aid last year, even as it reached out to an astonishing 40,000 students over the same year.

Ultimately, CSMA hopes to increase its financial aid substantially, said the school's director, Jeffrey Walker.

"Support from the community we serve is absolutely essential," Walker said.

The school's arts programs routinely give children a sense of self esteem they may not have gotten otherwise. It's a

"Support from the community we serve is absolutely essential."

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Latest Hangar One delay offers hope

IN READING TEA LEAVES ON NAVY'S INTENTION, ADVOCATES APPLAUD NEW STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS

By Daniel DeBolt

A highly anticipated report that would announce the fate of Moffett Field's historic Hangar One has been delayed again, this time so the Navy can do a structural analysis of the hangar's steel frame.

Even though the report has been delayed almost a year now, preservationists believe this latest delay could be a good sign.

"It sounds like the Navy is considering preservation, as we asked them to do, and they need more time," wrote Save Hangar One Committee member Steve Williams in his blog.

And committee member and founder Lenny Siegel, a longtime advocate for toxic cleanup of military bases, agrees.

"I don't think a structural analysis is very useful if the Navy intends to propose demolition," he wrote in an e-mail. "This suggests that it [the Navy] may propose removing the contaminated materials and leaving the superstructure intact. In that case, it would be up to NASA, other agencies, local communities, or private companies to fund re-skinning."

According to a monthly Hangar One report issued by the Navy, the structural analysis will determine whether the hangar's frame can stand on its own or withstand the weight of a new coating.

In a letter, Navy spokesperson Darren Newton said the new efforts are "in response to concerns expressed by the regulatory agencies and members of the community." He went on to say that "conducting a structural analysis at this time will provide useful information necessary for a sound evaluation of the feasibility of several alternatives

being considered in the EE/CA" — shorthand for environmental evaluation and cost analysis.

The Navy has also announced that the original 13 alternatives studied in the EE/CA have been narrowed down to six, which will be selected based on cost. Those options include covering the hangar with rubberized material, with acrylic material, or — the least favorite among locals — demolish and remove the hangar altogether.

Toxic PCBs have been found in Hangar One's siding, and are leeching into the air and the groundwater. The Navy, which is on the hook to clean up the toxic materials, had previously decided to demolish the structure, causing a public outcry last year. ■

■ CITY COUNCIL

Adios Home Depot?

By Daniel DeBolt

Home Depot's future at the San Antonio shopping center took a significant turn for the worse last week when a majority of the City Council voted to oppose big box "industrial" stores at the center.

If the council vote holds, it could end Home Depot's 12-year effort to bring a store to Mountain View. The 5-1 study session vote may become formal in the coming weeks as city staff draft new language

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

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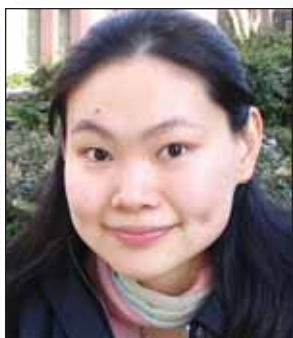
"My niece. She's in England so I have to get something light-weight. She's 3 years old and she has all the toys in the world."
Susan Shakespeare,
 Mountain View



"Usually Mom or Dad. Dad likes expensive stuff and Mom likes her perfumes, stuff like that."
Nick Wong, Sunnyvale



"I have a very good friend, he's like a family member. I don't know what to get him."
Guy Zurawel, Palo Alto

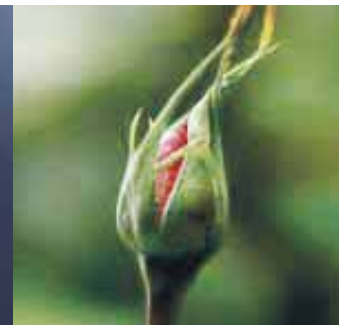


"My neighbors. Because I know them so well, I know what they have. It's hard to find something special for them."
Evelyn Teo, San Jose



"Myself. I'll buy anything from a kayak to a new scarf."
Clive Jones, Palo Alto

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■ CRIMEWATCH

GRAND THEFT, 2000 BLOCK CHARLESTON RD, 12/7

Two men stole a vacuum cleaner and an electric mixer from Bed, Bath & Beyond. When store employees confronted them, the men ran away. The employees did manage to get the vacuum cleaner back before the men got away.

One of the men was described as a white male in his 50s with a slim, 6-foot frame and wavy blonde hair. He was wearing a green shirt and blue jeans. The other man is described as a black male in

his 50s, 6 feet tall with an "afro" hairstyle. He was wearing a burgundy baseball cap, a burgundy shirt and blue jeans.

ROBBERY, 800 BLOCK CUESTA DRIVE, 12/8

An unidentified man went into a Wells Fargo Bank and handed the teller a note demanding money. The teller gave him the money and he left.

He is described as a Hispanic man wearing a dark beret, dark sunglasses, a blue shirt and black pants.

■ POLICELOG

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

200 Block California St., 12/3

AUTO BURGLARY

200 Block Elmwood St., 12/3
900 Block Wright Ave., 12/3
300 Block Stierlin Rd., 12/3
800 Block Jackson St., 12/3
2600 Block Terminal Blvd., 12/4
Shoreline Dog Park, 12/8
200 Block E. Dana St., 12/10
1200 Block Charleston Rd., 12/10
1200 Block Dale Ave., 12/10
500 Block Easy St., 12/10
200 Block S. Whisman Rd., 12/10

BATTERY

900 Block Clark Ave., 12/3
Alta Vista High, 12/3
Alta Vista High, 12/10

BRANDISHING WEAPON

1000 Block N. Rengstorff Ave., 12/6

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY

500 Block Showers Dr., 12/10

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

600 Block Shower Dr., 12/4
600 Block Rustic Ln., 12/6
Eunice Ave./Villa Nueva Way, 12/6
400 Block Showers Dr., 12/9
100 Block Showers Dr., 12/9

DISTURBANCE

In-N-Out, Rengstorff Ave., 12/4
1000 Block Villa St., 12/4
400 Block N. Rengstorff Ave., 12/8

IDENTITY THEFT

2100 Block Aitken Way, 12/6
Michaels Art Supply, 12/6

GRAND THEFT

Google Main Campus, 12/5
500 Block Showers Dr., 12/5
2200 Block California St., 12/6
800 Block High School Way, 12/8

GRAND THEFT

800 Block High School Way, 12/10
800 Block W. Evelyn Ave., 12/10

PETTY THEFT

1600 Block Villa St., 12/3
200 Block Hope St., 12/3
Target, 12/3
Mervyns, 12/4
600 Block Showers Dr., 12/6
900 Block Clark Ave., 12/5
2500 Block Mardell Way, 12/5
Wal-Mart, 12/6
1000 Block Grant Rd., 12/8
2300 Block Heather Ct., 12/10

POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA

Castro St./W. Evelyn Ave., 12/4
600 Block San Antonio Rd., 12/9

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

200 Block Church St., 12/4
700 Block Continental Cl., 12/5
700 Block Central Ave., 12/5

ROBBERY

800 Block Cuesta Dr., 12/8

SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES/PERSON

200 Block S. Rengstorff Ave., 12/3
1900 Block Leghorn St., 12/4
100 Block Wright Ave., 12/4
2100 Block Wyandotte St., 12/4
3300 Block Filomena Ct., 12/4
600 Block Barbara Ave., 12/6
Bryant St./Mercy St., 12/8
200 Block Fairchild Dr., 12/9

TRESPASSING

Mountain View High, 12/4

VANDALISM

Castro School, 12/3
800 Block N. Rengstorff Ave., 12/4
300 Block Sierra Vista Ave., 12/5
Castro School, 12/10

■ CORRECTIONS

Last week's front page story about the Mountain View tree lighting ceremony misstated a local Girl Scout troop's task at the event. The troop was giving away free biodegradable tree ornaments filled with wildflower seeds, which were provided by

the city.

The same story also had a misspelling in its headline, causing some confusion. The headline should have read, "Better late than never, Santa pedals in to kids' delight," rather than "peddles in."

The *Voice* regrets the errors.



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Homophone for Christmas

By Don Frances

There was a small kerfuffle over my poorly written headline on the front page of last week's paper:

"Better late than never, Santa peddles in to kids' delight."

I love that headline. ... Except that, as several readers noted, it's the wrong kind of pedal.

"While Christmas is increasingly commercial, I doubt that Santa 'peddled' in," wrote Michael Farren on our Web site's Town Square. (Someone named Andrew followed up on this wry humor with "I didn't realize reindeer sleighs were so awful for the environment.")

A more in-depth analysis was offered by Maarten Korringa of Eldora Drive, who wrote in to say that "I read your story of the Mountain View tree lighting ceremony with great curiosity as to what it might be that Santa was peddling — usually Santa gives gifts away without expecting compensation."

"Not finding an answer in the story," he continued, "I was left with the conclusion that the *Voice's* editorial staff had fallen victim to a homophone."

We had indeed. Korringa concluded on a happy note, saying that "It was a relief to find that Santa continues to embody the spirit of Christmas."

Another reader named Barbara Vinson, by way of pointing out the error, offered this strange quote by my all-time favorite American journalist, Mark Twain:

"The difference between the right word and the [wrong] word is the difference between 'lightning' and 'a lightning bug.'"

Now, who would confuse those two things?

In any event, I am grateful as always to know that we have such a dedicated and attentive readership. Please do send in

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MARJAN SADOUGHI

Eric Hankland of Mountain View High (center) debates **Shahbaz Shaikh of James Logan High** (left) while debate judge **Katherine Brainard** observes. The two were debating the topic of the death penalty during "debate competition night" at Santa Clara University last Friday, Dec. 7.

These students would like a word with you

LOCAL DEBATERS THRASH COMPETITION, TWO GOING TO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

By Alexa Tondreau

The Mountain View-Los Altos Speech and Debate Team is having a good year.

A great year, even, given the fact that the team is nationally ranked and recently secured a spot at the "Tournament of Champions," an annual competition held at the University of Kentucky that pits the best high school debaters in the country against each other.

The team is unique in many

aspects, perhaps most of all because it is comprised of students from both local high schools, a rarity among high school speech and debate teams, said head coach Sharon Moerner.

With a total of 65 active students, the team has a fairly even ratio of students from both high schools. A majority of them choose to participate on the debate portion of the team, especially in the "Lincoln-Douglas" category, which Moerner called "highly competitive."

In Lincoln-Douglas, or LD, students are given a topic ahead of time to allow for research, but they won't know until right before they compete whether they will argue pro or con. Moerner, who has been with the team for two years, said that if a student advances several rounds, they sometimes will argue both sides.

The team has become highly acclaimed for its success in LD, and Moerner said the students

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Calling all toys: Police ask for donations

WITH 1,700 KIDS EXPECTED, 'COPS THAT CARE' PROGRAM IS LOW ON GIFTS

Staff Reports

More than 1,700 children are expected to gather at Mountain View police headquarters next weekend for the department's fifth annual "Cops That Care" holiday gift-giving event.

However, police are asking for the public's help: "We're very low on toys for some reason this year, but we're expecting tons of kids," said police spokesperson Liz Wylie.

Wylie said Cops That Care is now accepting new and unwrapped

toys and clothing, as well as gift cards and cash. Donations may be dropped off before Dec. 22 at police department headquarters at 1000 Villa Street in downtown Mountain View.

Cops That Care was founded by Officer Ron Cooper, and provides toys and other gifts to children whose families can't afford them.

This year's gift-giving event is 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 22. At that time, according to the police department, "Children who have an affiliation to the Mountain View community

will be able to visit the North Pole (also known as the Police/Fire Auditorium at 1000 Villa St.) and select a toy from the thousands available."

Parents or guardians attending with their children will be asked to show identification or proof of affiliation to Mountain View, such as a driver's license, school report card, child care enrollment form or utility bill.

For more information about Cops That Care, contact Officer Cooper at (650) 903-6344 or ron.cooper@mountainview.gov. ■

Menorah vandalized again

LIGHTED DISPLAY KNOCKED OVER FOR SECOND YEAR IN A ROW

By Daniel DeBolt

For the second year in a row, the eight-foot menorah placed in front of City Hall for the holidays has been vandalized.

The menorah was pushed over Sunday evening or early Monday, breaking light bulbs and bending the aluminum structure. A bucket of rocks had been added to the base to help prevent it from being pushed over this year, to no avail. Police detectives had no additional information by press time.

"I'm just a little bit surprised that two years in a row the same thing happens," said Rabbi Shmuel Volovick. "My personal feeling is that it's some kind of youthful indiscretion. It is classified as a hate crime but I haven't experienced any kind of anti-Semitism here since I arrived three and half years ago. But this has happened two years in a row so I'm having some doubts."

The \$1,400 menorah belongs to the local synagogue, Chabad of Los Altos and Mountain View, which had it shipped from the East Coast.

A member of the synagogue repaired the menorah on Monday night, just like last year, Volovick said. The menorah lighting went ahead as scheduled Tuesday night.

"Our plan for next year is to have a larger menorah in its place to show intimidation doesn't really work," Volovick said.

Anyone with information on the incident can anonymously tip police at (650) 903-6344. Chabad is offering a \$500 reward. See www.jewishlosaltos.com for more. ■

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I HOPE IT'S NOT too late to relay Karin Molander's holiday announcement:

"Landels Elementary School is having a Winter Holiday Festival on Dec. 14, 2:30-6 p.m. in the Landels MUR. It will include a sing-along of holiday carols (Dr. Ghysels hopes to make an appearance), crafts for kids, face painting, bake sale and craft sale."

Landels is located at 115 West Dana Street. I don't know what the MUR is, but you can probably just follow the sounds of happy children.

Molander followed up later to say that district Superintendent Maurice Ghysels will indeed be there at 3 p.m., "and I expect he will sing some carols (he is part of a band called the SuperIntendents — they are actually really good!)." *[Editor's note: I had heard that the SuperIntendents were actually really good!]*

Fantastic — the SuperIntendents. I hadn't heard. What kind of music do they play? Is Barry Groves involved?

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NEWS BRIEFS

FIRE ON LATHAM STREET LEADS TO ARRESTS

The Mountain View Fire Department is investigating the cause of a two-alarm fire Saturday evening in an apartment building at 2020 Latham St.

Firefighters responded to a 911 call at 5:48 p.m. and found a second-floor apartment on fire. The building was evacuated and firefighters worked to subdue the blaze. A second alarm was called and the Palo Alto Fire Department quickly responded. The fire was brought under control within a few minutes.

Red Cross volunteers provided assistance for the residents of three damaged apartments. There were no injuries, and no damage estimate was immediately available.

While firefighters were engaged in fighting the fire they discovered an illegal sawed-off shotgun and ammunition in an apartment in the complex. The alleged owner of the shotgun, Tony Christensen, 21, was arrested.

Another resident of the apartment, Maxfield Hammer, 20, allegedly was found to have narcotics in his possession and was subsequently arrested.

FREE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Santa Clara County law enforce-

ment agencies are extending a holiday offer to residents with outstanding misdemeanor warrants: For the month of December, anyone with a nonviolent misdemeanor warrant, either criminal or traffic, issued by the county courts can avoid jail time by turning themselves in.

Those who turn themselves in to a local police or sheriff's office station will be immediately released with a citation and a written promise to appear in court after the holiday season.

— Theresa Condon

HIT-RUN VICTIM IDENTIFIED

The victim of a fatal hit and run on El Camino Real last month has been identified as Walter Ford Schneider, according to the Santa Clara County medical examiner.

The 60-year-old victim was apparently a transient, authorities said. A Valley Transportation Authority worker found Schneider's body a little after 7 p.m. on Nov. 12 at the intersection of El Camino and Escuela Avenue.

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■ CHRONOLOGY OF HOME DEPOT IN MOUNTAIN VIEW

1994: Emporium, a department store which had been in business for more than 25 years on El Camino Real, closes down.

1995: Home Depot signs lease to retain control of the site for about 50 years.

1995: Council approves Home Depot "Expo," a design center showroom that would have had less large-truck traffic. Soon after, Home Depot announces it is no longer interested in building an Expo.

Between 1995 and 1997: Home Depot subleases site for development of a Westin Hotel and Leisure sports complex. Westin approved by council in June 1997.

September 1998: Home Depot informs

city that Westin/Leisure Sports complex is not going forward.

Jan. 25, 2000: Council approves site for hotel, office, small-scale retail or other sites but not for big-box retail like Home Depot.

November 2000: While Rosemary Stasek, one of the most vocal opponents of Home Depot, is running for City Council, Home Depot calls residents asking about their support for candidates.

January 2001: The city asks for conceptual drawings and ideas to address traffic and noise issues for a big-box store at the site.

July 31, 2001: The night that the City Council will be presented with the plans and vote on re-zoning, Home Depot pulls its request.

September 2001: Home Depot begins gathering signatures to put re-zoning the site on the ballot for 2002.

Oct. 26, 2001: Planning Commissioner Carol Moholt says a caller soliciting support for Home Depot claimed the call was coming from the Registrar of Voters.

Nov. 22, 2001: Home Depot announces it has not gotten enough signatures for March ballot. The City Council, however, puts the issue on the ballot anyway to avoid a costly special election.

March 5, 2002: The city overwhelmingly votes against Home Depot's Measure N, which would have allowed big-box retail on the old Emporium site.

February 2005: Construction crews take wrecking balls to the old Emporium building to make way for Camino Medi-

cal Group's new facility, which received support from those who opposed Home Depot.

May 15, 2006: Home Depot applies with the city to take over the old Sears site at San Antonio Center.

Nov. 9, 2006: Home Depot unveils plans for a completely rebuilt store at the old Sears site and meets with less public opposition than in the past.

Dec. 5, 2006: Home Depot holds an informational open house at the Mountain View Senior Center. Though 2,000 fliers were sent to local residents, attendance is light. The company says it is building an Expo-type store which is more attractive to homeowners.

February 2007: In a surprising turnaround, San Antonio Center signs a three

year lease extension with Sears, though Home Depot says that won't affect its plans for the site.

March 6, 2007: Council holds study session on Home Depot, where it is unclear if there is enough support for a project at San Antonio. At least three of six members raise concerns about the store's appearance, traffic and day worker issues. No decisions are made.

May 2007: In a letter to the city, Home Depot withdraws its plans for an Expo store, says it would build a regular Home Depot.

Dec. 4, 2007: City Council directs staff to come up with amendments to the San Antonio precise plan — to be approved at a later date — which would exclude big box stores like Home Depot.

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for the shopping center's precise plan.

The council had split 3-3 on the project earlier this year, but while talking to the *Voice* on Monday, members unanimously stated their opposition to Home Depot's plans.

What had likely changed the mind of members Nick Galiotto, Tom Means and Jac Siegel was a letter received in May which stated that the company wasn't going to bring an "Expo" type store targeting homeowners. Instead, the company said, it intended to open a typical Home Depot catering to contractors.

In an e-mail, Galiotto wrote that "While I originally believed it was possible for Home Depot to craft a store that was sufficiently upscale from their typical version, it wasn't apparent that they intended to do that."

Council member Ronit Bryant, who had proposed the study session, would not say that last week's vote killed the Home Depot project outright. Instead, she said, the council simply wanted to limit the shopping center to smaller stores with a plan to improve its "walkability." With Home Depot not specifically on the agenda, few residents showed up to speak.

Home Depot's Kathryn Gallagher, senior manager of communications, said in an e-mail that "Home Depot is aware that the council is contemplating the future of the shopping center and looks forward to being a part of those discussions. Our store is under design and we're confident we can work with the city to become a positive part of the community."

Council member Tom Means was the only dissenting vote last Tuesday because he felt the council wasn't being forthright with Home Depot. "I probably should have switched my vote," he said Monday.

Council member Margaret Abe-Koga said that while the council didn't specifically talk

about Home Depot, they had likely killed the project in an unusually roundabout way.

"Obviously they were very disappointed," Means said about the Home Depot representatives in the room. "They didn't like the way it was coming up and the way they were being treated. I probably got a little frustrated with other council members. I wasn't my usually chummy self."

Home Depot could bring increased sales tax revenue to the city, but its potential arrival has raised concerns on the council about the increased presence of day workers, who already stand nearby along El Camino Real. There were also concerns that truck traffic from deliveries and customers would be higher than with an Expo — or with the Sears that is there now.

"We're not going to put it in the middle of our city," said Mayor Laura Macias, "with access only to Highway 101 on one of the busiest streets between Sunnyvale and Palo Alto, which is San Antonio Road."

Long history

Several years ago Home Depot lost a bid for a site next to Highway 85, where Camino Medical Group now exists on El Camino Real. The company had pulled plans for an Expo store at that site as well.

"They are bad neighbors, classically," said Siegel. "They cause a lot of noise. Cupertino continually gets complaints. If we allow something like that to go in, it's there for the next 50 to 75 years — its semi-permanent."

Without Home Depot, it's unclear what would replace Sears when its lease expires in February 2009. Bryant hopes it will be something that can be an anchor for smaller stores. But in the long term the council hopes to totally revamp the shopping center.

"To me it's pretty obvious the kind of place we should have," Bryant said. "I hope we move forward to develop something."

Abe-Koga said she was excited by the opportunity. The center's precise plan, a council-approved guide for its development, is already very

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Council passes tenant relocation ordinance

OWNERS, DEVELOPERS TO PAY RATHER THAN DIPPING INTO BMR FUND

By Daniel DeBolt

The City Council voted 6-1 Tuesday to require those who wish to demolish, redevelop or convert low income rental housing to pay displaced tenants' relocation expenses, giving them the cash equivalent of two months' rent.

Work on the ordinance began a year ago as the council wrestled with how to relocate 250 of the city's poorest tenants at 291 Evandale Ave. At that time, the council allowed use of the city's below market rate, or BMR, housing fund, with the stipulation that the fund only be used for those relocating within Mountain View.

So far, 11 of 26 moved tenants have qualified for the program. Many couldn't find another affordable place in Mountain View, while others couldn't provide proof of their low income status.

The city's action Tuesday would provide assistance even for tenants who cannot find homes in Mountain View — a victory for affordable-housing advocates.

Council member Matt Pear voted for the motion, but expressed concerns about passing costs onto small property owners. The ordinance will affect any property with more than two rental units deemed to be low income housing.

"It's the owners that will be impacted," Pear said. "That element has not spoken. They have no idea what is about to take place."

City attorney Michael Martello said the council could reserve the right to withdraw the requirement on a case-by-case basis.

Also included in the ordi-

nance is another \$2,000 to those with special needs, such as children or a disability, plus 180 days notice, full refund of security deposit, 60 day subscription to a rental agency and bilingual assistance if needed. The free last month's rent and \$500 moving allowance recommended by staff were not included.

Community center plan

After several years of delay due to budget cuts, plans for a new community center at Rengstorff Park inched forward Tuesday with some preliminary discussion.

A 35,000-square-foot, two story facility would replace the crumbling 1960s-era center. The new center, not completely designed, has a larger footprint in the park, which is its most controversial aspect.

"Parking has to be underground," said council member Bryant. "It's going to be expensive but it has to be done."

Retiring in droves

Adding to the five from two weeks ago, six more city employees were recognized for their service upon retirement Tuesday.

Eight-year council veteran Mike Kasperzak said he had never seen so many people retire at once while he was on the council, and predicts that most of the city's leadership will retire within five years.

Trailblazing study

Also Tuesday, the council approved \$38,000 to study a Permanente Creek Trail crossing over Highway 101 and another underneath Old Middlefield Way. ▀

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good in most respects, she said. But it's often mentioned that the center's various owners have never agreed on how to redevelop it.

"I know there was a time when the owners were getting together to remodel it," Abe-Koga said. "Unfortunately they stopped that talk in the 1990s. We could find a way to 'incentivize' the owners if they are willing to work with us."

At the end of the meeting, the council directed staff to come up

with amendments to the precise plan to clearly exclude big box hardware stores like Home Depot. The council will vote on the revised language in the coming weeks.

Member Matt Pear recused himself due to the proximity of some of his property to the proposed location.

"If it goes like it did Tuesday night," Means said, "the Home Depot project is dead." ▀

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DEBATE

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deserve all the credit.

"There is a tremendous amount of commitment, talent and intelligence among them," she said.

The topics for debate are nothing trivial, and require time for study, research and practice. At a local tournament held at Santa Clara University last weekend, the topic was: "It is just for the U.S. to use military force to prevent the acquisition of nuclear weapons that pose a military threat."

Team president Daniel Garber, a junior from Los Altos High School, said students might study for several hours a day leading up to a competition, and for several more hours over a weekend. He said he has seen the team improve greatly since his freshman year because they've worked out a "division of labor," which makes sure they cover

every angle of a debate topic.

Students must not only outline intelligent and thorough arguments when they compete, but they must address a multitude of angles, from historical to political to philosophical, Garber said.

In the process of spending so much time together, the teammates have become close friends. They regularly travel together to debates across the country, and have attended debate summer camps as well, Garber said.

Team captain Daniel Moerner, son of Sharon Moerner and a junior at Mountain View, said he's made lasting friendships with students from other states against whom he regularly competes.

"Two of my best friends are from Iowa and Alabama teams," he said. "It's a really great experience."

Both Moerner and Garber have qualified to compete in the most competitive Lincoln-Douglas debate of the year, the Tournament of Champions. This May they'll

"As a freshman I had this hope I'd qualify, and it's exciting to know I finally reached that milestone."

DANIEL GARBER.

fly to Kentucky to take on the best debaters in the country. The toughest teams, they said, hail from Texas, Minnesota and Florida.

"As a freshman I had this hope I'd qualify, and it's exciting to know I finally reached that milestone," said Garber.

The team's speech competitors have also been doing well as of late, and at the recent tournament at Santa Clara University, students Josh Cohen, Gloria Liang and Ancy Dow all made it to the semi-finals.

Speech competitions consist of performing either pre-arranged monologues or duo skits. For example, Liang and Dow performed a scene from the movie "The Princess Bride."

Whether it's speech or debate, Sharon Moerner said she often sees a positive transformation in students who join the team.

"Quite a few of them are actually very shy when they first start," she said. "They learn skills that make them much more confident."

"Definitely you learn to defend your point," said Daniel Moerner. "I guess the only downside is that you don't learn about compromise. There's no compromise when it comes to debate." ▀

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By Alexa Tondreau

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The mission of the Foothill Commission is to promote Foothill College in the community and engage in projects, activities and fund-raising directly in support of Foothill College and its students. The commission operates as an auxiliary organization to the Foothill-De Anza Foundation.

Funds awarded by the Foothill Commission are raised at its annual benefit gala, which includes a VIP performance of Foothill Music Theatre's summer production, plus director's notes, wine-tasting from artisan vintners, live and silent auctions and a gourmet dinner.

Next summer, on July 27, the Foothill Commission will host its 8th annual gala, once again including dinner and a full-scale musical theater production. Tickets are already available, and cost \$200 each or \$2,500 for a table of 10.

To purchase gala tickets online, access www.foundation.fhda.edu or call the Foothill-De Anza Foundation at (650) 949-6230.

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rare thing in a suburban setting like Mountain View, said Kyle Williams, visual arts coordinator.

"I'm from Illinois," Williams said. "I could see myself growing up in Mountain View and never being exposed to arts in San Francisco or San Jose." He added that CSMA's programs are "really solid," and that there really isn't anything else like it in the Bay Area.

The location of CSMA's new Finn Center, built in 2004, has been quite an asset, Williams said. Since it's so close to the train station, high school students can travel there from Redwood City for after-school arts programs.

The mix of people at the center is part of its appeal. Along with the various classrooms, it

features a world-class concert hall and award-winning architecture.

"Recently we got a wonderful donation from a family that had been exposed to our school music program," said Evy Schiffman, CSMA's communications director. The single mother wrote a letter saying that "CSMA opened up an entire world to my son," Schiffman recalls. The program had clearly been life changing, and the donation "was a stretch for them," Schiffman said.

The school is celebrating its 40th anniversary on March 29, 2008 at the Sharon Heights Country Club in Menlo Park. See www.arts4all.org for more information. ■

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CMG lecture series offers a discipline lesson for parents

By Alexa Tondreau

When parents get together, the subject invariably turns to stories about their children, an opportunity that was not lost on the group attending a lecture last week by child development specialist Sue Dinwiddie.

The topic, "using positive discipline to build self-esteem," appeared to hit home for the audience, as Dinwiddie explored one of the most frustrating challenges a parent can face: a child's behavioral problems, and how to respond effectively.

The lecture was part of Camino Medical Group's free "Parent Workshop Series," held at CMG's conference center throughout the year.

According to Sue Dinwiddie, giving children tasks from a young age that help them acquire a sense of responsibility can go far in developing their self-esteem and quelling behavior issues, especially if the tasks pertain to contributing to the family as a whole.

Dinwiddie, who is a former head teacher at Bing Nursery School, Stanford University's preschool research center, began by asking parents to offer some of the ways their children misbehave.

A list was quickly compiled. Issues ranged from a child who throws tantrums every time he has to go to school, to fierce

sibling jealousy between two sisters, to a child who frequently refused to eat. But based on the groans of recognition that sounded from across the room, the winning complaint clearly was whining.

"That's a big one for 2-year-olds. Most are really good at it," Dinwiddie said.

Her basic thesis is that the best discipline

is the kind that not only corrects behavioral issues but also fosters self-esteem in a child. Dinwiddie said this approach is a "win-win" because it doesn't involve the parent having to be the bad guy.

Dinwiddie summed it up as a household where "we do have rules in the family, especially in treating others with respect, but we have a lot of discussion and we always give you a reason for everything we tell you to do."

It's the difference, she said, between telling a child "Get down from that table, because I said so," and "Get down from that table because I don't want you to hurt yourself."

Key to the technique is for parents to be

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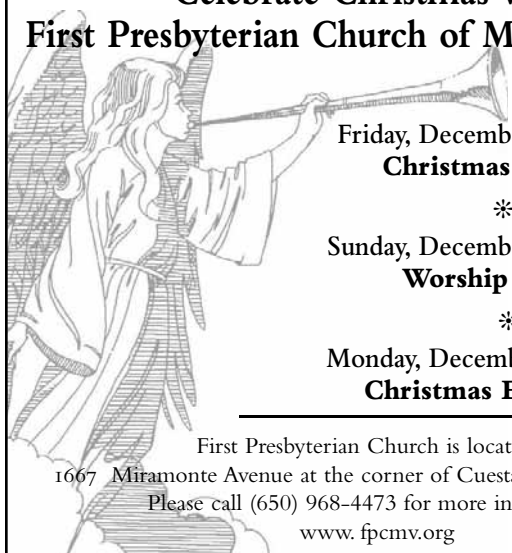
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active listeners and to validate the feelings of their children. Dinwiddie said one of the worst things a parent can do when trying to correct their child's behavior is to tell them they "shouldn't feel that way."

"You have to remember that even if it seems unreasonable to you from an adult perspective, they really are feeling that sadness or anger," Dinwiddie said.

Additionally, part of validating feelings is making it OK to feel difficult emotions. It's understandable, she said, that most parents want their kids to feel happy all the time, but it's not realistic.

"If a child can't learn to be sad at home, where can they feel safe to feel that way? They won't learn to cope," she said.

Dinwiddie suggests using positive speech — avoid "no" and "don't"

— as well as defining the problem, brainstorming options to fix it, and doing so with the help of the child.

She also thinks giving children tasks from a young age that help them acquire a sense of responsibility can go far in developing their

self-esteem and quelling behavior issues, especially if the tasks pertain to contributing to the family as a whole. Tasks such as carrying in the mail, feeding pets or helping make the beds are good for

children 2 to 3 years old, she said.

But mostly, she said, no matter how the child is acting, cherish all of their wonderful qualities, and lead by example.

"If you are feeling good about

yourself and enjoying life, that's the best thing, because you are their role model." ■

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EDITORIAL THE OPINION OF THE VOICE

Save some for the trail

Whether they know it or not, Mountain View residents have a tremendous asset right under their feet — a network of hiking and biking trails that is growing every year, and ultimately will reach all four sides of the community.

As noted in last week's *Voice*, you can walk or ride a bicycle along Stevens Creek Trail from the Shoreline recreation area to El Camino Real, and soon, that obstacle will disappear when a tunnel is completed under the busy highway. The trail ultimately will reach Mountain View High School on the very southern edge of the city, where it easily could be extended into Los Altos.

Although by far the city's most developed trail, doubling as a recreational resource and a commuter route for cyclists, Stevens Creek is by no means the only one. The Permanente Creek Trail provides another north-south right-of-way that has reached Highway 101, and is expected to continue on, past Old Middlefield Way, to the Crittenden/Whisman Sports Center on Middlefield Road. Unfortunately this trail will end there, but it is hoped walkers and cyclists will be able to continue on surface streets until they hit the Hetch Hetchy Trail, the only east-west route in the city.

But there is a hitch in Hetch Hetchy. Although conventional construction is prohibited on the right-of-way to allow for maintenance of the huge underground aqueduct, much of the potential trail area is paved over for parking lots, or is used as open space around residential or commercial property along the route. Council member Ronit Bryant is pessimistic about the city ever being able to develop this cross-town trail.

Nevertheless, the city should not give up hope of finding an east-west route, even if some sections must use surface streets. In fact, the city should make it a priority to extend this trail system in any way it can.

The beauty of the city's trail system is how painlessly it came about. City manager Kevin Duggan recalls that 20 years ago there were virtually no trails in Mountain View, and now there are several miles of trails, with more planned. They add immeasurable quality of life to residents here, opening up walking and biking corridors from most parts of the city to all the recreational options at Shoreline.

As more opportunities arise to upgrade existing trails or develop new ones, the city should not hesitate to keep the ball rolling. Every mile is worth every penny.

LETTERS VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

DESPERATE AND DINER-LESS

Editor:

This article really touched a nerve!

Downtown Mountain View has all the upscale eateries, but many of us feel that what we need is an old fashioned American diner to round out the experience. Towns all over the U.S. have such places where people meet, have a cup of coffee or can find comfort food, so why not Mountain View?

I hope there is someone out there willing to give this a go. I know that I would be in there, and so would many of my friends.

Margaret Turner
Bonita Avenue

IMMIGRATION DEBATE IRRELEVANT TO LOCAL WORKER CENTERS

Editor:

I'm writing in support of the Mountain View Day Worker Center. Criticism of the center I've read seems to focus on the issue of illegal immigration. Certainly some form of federal immigration policy is needed, but is it reasonable that we attempt to enforce immigration policies by micromanaging day worker centers? Or rather, as I believe, should we allow the development and enforcement of immigration policy to be carried out in its own course?

Putting the immigration issue aside, the Day Worker Center performs a valuable service

both for the community and for the workers, and it does so extremely well in my opinion. It is worth noting that the inherent dignity of workers is clearly honored by center policy and by Maria Marroquin, the facility's director, and her staff in center operations.

In our case, we manage virtually all of our household-related tasks ourselves, but we have jobs and other responsibilities to contend with, so sometimes yard maintenance and improvement needs outstrip our available time and skill base. Accordingly, we are glad that the Day Worker Center exists in Mountain View, and we hope that it remains as a community resource indefinitely. I was also impressed that center staff followed up by calling me to ask if I was satisfied with the services that they provided.

Joyce England
Snow Street

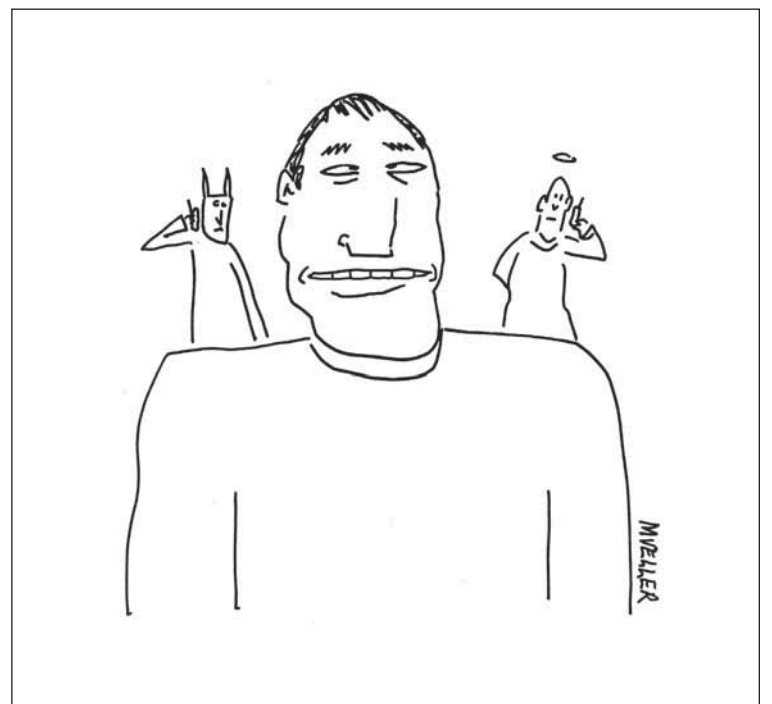
IT IS OUR REPRESENTATIVES' DUTY TO CALL FOR IMPEACHMENT

Editor:

Who is to protect the people from crimes committed by a president? The Constitution places this responsibility on the House of Representatives and gives it the necessary powers of impeachment.

What then has this administration done? Listing only the

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■ GUEST OPINION

News rules can solve issues at Shoreline dog park

By Chris Hildebrand

Mountain View has a dog park next to Shoreline Park, which opened in 2000. According to city staffer Paula Bettencourt at the Park and Recreation Commission meeting on Nov. 14, recently, for the first time since it opened, the city received numerous complaints about the dog park.

The complaints involved a specific dog handler and her dogs. In response, the commission was going to vote on limiting the amount of dogs one person can bring to the park in one visit. Other cities have this rule; some allow two dogs per person, others three.

Dog daycare is a booming business in Silicon Valley, and since Mountain View has no limit on the number of dogs one can bring, we have become the Peninsula magnet for daycare groups. Is it legitimate to run a dog daycare in a public dog park? Probably not: Chapter 38 in our Use of City Park Regulations suggests a fee for commercial use of public parks.

At the Nov. 14 meeting, I suggested that the city license the handlers, limit their number of dogs, limit their allotted time frame (the unofficial time right now is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.) and limit the number of licenses handed out at one time.

Here's my concern: The Mountain View dog park is not big enough to support unlim-

ited numbers of handlers and their packs of dogs. Not every handler is a dog whisperer, and while we learned at the meeting that the "bad apple" who created the complaints had moved out of the area, we want to have a protocol in place for future problem handlers.

Laura Heldebrant's description of her experience ("Dog sitters benefit Shoreline dog park," Dec. 7) is not representative of other people's experiences over the summer with a certain handler and her group of dogs.

It is my experience that visitors to the park solve any canine-related issues among themselves. A lot of people (including me) stay away during the 10-to-2 time slot, as it seems the least confrontational solution to a bad experience. I never filed a complaint with the city, but attended the park and rec commission meeting, because I feel strongly that our dog park rules need to be amended (no young children, only spayed/neutered dogs, no grooming, etc.).

As a longtime resident of Mountain View, I appreciate the city's creation of this community asset for my dog to enjoy. As an animal lover, I also see the need for dog daycare in our area. I am sure that, with some new rules in place, the issue surrounding the handlers can be worked out.

Chris Hildebrand lives on Villa Nueva Court.

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crimes set out in Rep. Kucinich's resolution to impeach Dick Cheney (see svimpeach.org for more detail) they have:

1) Made up a false threat of Iraqi weapons of mass destruction in order to wage a war against Iraq.

2) Made up a false link between Iraq and al Qaeda in order to wage a war against Iraq.

3) Damaged our national security by threatening war against Iran, when Iran poses no real threat to the United States.

Reps. Eshoo, Honda and Lofgren have sworn an oath to uphold the Constitution, but what have they done to protect the people whom they claim to represent? *Nothing.*

In the face of this derelic-

tion of constitutional duty, the Silicon Valley Impeachment Coalition has demanded to know why they continue to oppose impeachment. We asked: If these are not high crimes and misdemeanors, what act would meet the definition, and how would it be more serious than those already cited?

So far, none of these representatives has deigned to respond.

The question still stands, and demands an answer. The best answer is for them to finally do their duty and support the start of impeachment hearings by supporting Kucinich's HR 333/799, now before the House Judiciary Committee and awaiting action.

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By Serge Bonte

On Nov. 26, the Santa Clara County Board of Education allowed the Bullis Charter School to amend its enrollment procedure to favor a portion of Los Altos Hills — the former Bullis-Purissima attendance area — over the rest of the Los Altos

School District, which includes parts of Mountain View.

In this, the county board, and Bullis and its backers, are showing a very poor display of responsible citizenship. Even more upsetting than this blatant social injustice, however,

is that the LASD board still plans to go ahead with its earlier boundary decision for reasons that now demand serious reexamination.

Here are some facts relevant to this issue:

■ Bullis is already sifting its applicants by suggesting a \$3,500 annual contribution per child.

■ Bullis is a public charter school, not a neighborhood school (in fact, it is not even located in the geographic area it will favor).

■ The geographical area favored by Bullis is the LASD area that least needs extra academic help, with a median house

price in excess of \$3 million.

■ LASD is about to open a newly refurbished public school for the very same Los Altos Hills neighborhood Bullis is now favoring.

■ In order to open that neighborhood school, LASD approved new attendance boundaries displacing in excess of 500 children, with most of them being removed from their own neighborhood schools.

Obviously, Bullis' new enrollment procedure severely reduces opportunities for minorities. But it also renders those recent boundary decisions by LASD, which were made in the face of tremendous outrage and

acrimony, unnecessary.

That's because the boundary changes were predicated on attendance projections that are now invalid. Now, thanks to the new Bullis attendance preference, certain schools will likely be outside their capacity guidelines again within a year or two.

Let me put it another way: The LASD board's sole intention with the boundary changes was to fill up the Bullis-Purissima site as a K-6 school by 2008. The board rejected any "gentler" means of implementing the new boundaries simply because a phased boundary change — as recommended by LASD's own superintendent — would not fill the classrooms at Bullis-Purissima fast enough to appease Los Altos Hills. Yet now, because of Bullis siphoning its attendance, that same school still might not even reach the minimal district attendance guidelines.

As it is, students in the northern part of the school district stand to be ripped abruptly from their schools in fall 2008 — and we may see a repeat in the near future — all in an attempt to fill this school in a neighborhood that will also be reaping most of the benefits from another district-housed public school, Bullis.

Two "neighborhood" schools will serve the sparsely populated Bullis-Purissima area, while the 500 displaced children won't even have one.

It is really time for LASD, Bullis, the Board of Education and their respective cities to sort out this mess once and for all. While that happens, the Los Altos School District should immediately put a moratorium on both reopening the Bullis-Purissima School and on implementing the new boundaries.

While I want my fourth grade son to develop a large and diverse vocabulary, I'd prefer he starts with words like "democracy," "equality" and "justice," rather than "plutocracy."

Serge Bonte lives on Lloyd Way.

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By Dale F. Bentson

‘Simple and authentic is best. Don’t mess up the food,’ the affable Robert Simpson says. The chef and owner of Back A Yard Jamaican American Grill in Menlo Park, he loves to cook, eat and talk about food, especially his native Jamaican cuisine.

Simpson was born and raised near Kingston, Jamaica, where his grandmother was the cook of the family. “I helped her prepare weekend dinners on Fridays because she worshipped on Saturdays,” he said. He was bred on exotic Caribbean fare such as oxtails and plantains, yams and

coconut, jerk pork and chicken, stews and spices, crayfish and escovitch fish.

Regional cuisine is the history of its people, and Jamaican cooking was one of the earliest fusion cuisines. The island was colonized by Spain after Christopher Columbus visited it, and waves of immigration from Britain, Africa, China and the East Indies have also contributed to the singularity of the Jamaican palate.

One style of cooking unique to Jamaica is jerk, in which meats are dry-rubbed with spices before being barbecued over charcoal or aromatic wood.

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Anetta and Robert Simpson stand behind the counter at Back A Yard Jamaican American Grill.

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During one of Columbus' visits, he described a way the Tainos aboriginal people preserved meat by adding peppers, allspice and sea salt to make what is now known as Jamaican jerk spice.

Allspice, a Jamaican pimento and the flamethrower-hot Scotch bonnet pepper are still the principal spices used, although most jerk rubs now incorporate dozens of ingredients.

Simpson's jerk rub consists of 16 spices that are patted on

hours before the meat is cooked over hot coals. Because Scotch bonnets are difficult to obtain here, he uses the closely related habanero pepper. The result is meat that is spicy but not fiery, with complex fruity flavors, intriguing textures and pleasantly lingering tastes.

He uses dark chicken meat because it is moister, but white meat is available upon request. His choice for pork is butt (which is actually a shoulder cut) because it is fattier and ideal for slow barbecuing, he says.

Simpson's original goal in life

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Anthony Prevost, right, of Palo Alto, grabs a lunch at Back A Yard in Menlo Park.

HARDY WILSON

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was to be an engineer, but he became enamored with cooking while a student. He worked his way through entry-level positions at resorts around Jamaica. Later, he attended a Kingston technical school (similar to a culinary institute) and studied nutrition, health, dietetics and restaurant management.

He did a year's stint in Antwerp, Belgium, where he became well-grounded in French cooking techniques, as well as perfecting Dutch and Flemish specialties. Then it was on to New York, where he graduated from the Culinary Institute of America.

Returning to Jamaica, he leveraged his knowledge to become a top chef at the Sandals resort. He also met his soon-to-be wife,

Anetta, a native Jamaican who lived in Chicago.

Moving to The Windy City, Simpson cooked at Park Avenue Cafe and the Drake Hotel, and became an executive chef at the Swissotel. Later, lured to the Bay Area, he became opening and executive chef of Burlingame's Crowne Plaza Hotel, a position he held for four years before setting out on his own. He says the Bay Area is "one of the greatest places to be" for a chef.

The term "back a yard" means the way things are done back home, and that is what Simpson is doing at his tiny two-year-old grill.

The vast majority of his business is take-out and catering. There are a half-dozen tables for eating in, but the reward is inhaling the rich textured aro-

mas wafting from the kitchen while enjoying the reggae music that caroms off the walls.

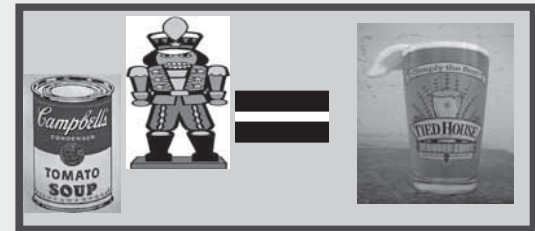
Anetta handles the front of the house while Robert and his staff work the kitchen. The Simpsons are proud parents of two sons, Jason and Julian, who "help out when available," Simpson said with a grin.

In addition to his regular menu, Simpson crafts daily specials. One special is beef oxtails served with rice and beans, fried plantains and a small tossed salad. The oxtails are seared, seasoned, and braised with vegetables for three hours. The result is fork-tender meat that is rich and distinctive.

Oxtails, according to Simpson, were introduced to Jamaica by

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West Indians. Being the least desirable piece of meat, oxtails were fed to the slaves. Over time, they became a dish of choice and are now highly regarded. Diners should be aware that oxtails are one of the fattiest parts of the cow. It can be almost like eating marrow.

Simpson's Friday special is escoveitch fish filet. Escoveitch was a contribution of the Spanish Jews who lived on the island nearly 500 years ago. It is fried fish, marinated with vinegar and spices, almost pickled. Thursdays and Saturdays, the special is curried goat.

Simpson's kitchen also turns out tempting desserts: sweet potato pudding, Key lime pie and black cake, a traditional rum cake favored at weddings, baptisms and other celebrations.

The well-traveled Robert Simpson knows food, loves to cook and is passionate about his Jamaican cuisine. Back A Yard might just be one more stop for the tireless Simpson. But it may be the beginning of something of his own that will flourish in the coming years. ▣



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ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS (PG) ★★★ Century 16: 11:20 a.m.; 12:35, 1:40, 2:55, 4:10, 5:15, 7, 7:40, 9:25 & 10 P.M. Century 12: 12:20*, 1:10, 2, 2:50*, 3:40, 4:30, 5:20*, 6:15, 7, 7:50*, 8:45, 9:30 & 10:20 p.m.* Fri.-Sun. also at 11:30 a.m. (*Spanish subtitles)

AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) ★★1/2 Century 16: 9:55 p.m. Century 12: Noon, 3:30, 5:10*, 7:10 & 9* p.m. (*Spanish subtitles)

ATONEMENT (R) ★★1/2 Century 16: 11 a.m.; 1, 1:55, 4, 4:55, 6:55, 7:55 & 10:05 p.m.

AUGUST RUSH (PG)
Century 16: 1:20, 4:15 & 7:15 p.m. Century 12: 12:40, 4, 7:30 & 10:10 p.m.

AWAKE (R) Century 20: 11:50 a.m. 2, 4:10, 6:20, 8:30 & 10:40 p.m.

BEE MOVIE (PG) ★★1/2 Century 20: 12:35, 2:55 & 5:20 p.m.

BEFORE THE DEVIL KNOWS YOU'RE DEAD (R)
Century 12: 12:50, 4:05, 7:40 & 10:30 p.m.

BELLA (PG-13) Century 12: 2:20 & 5 p.m. Fri.-Sun. also at 11:40 a.m.

BEOWULF (PG-13) ★★★★★ Century 16: 11:30 a.m.; 2:15, 5, 7:45 & 10:30 p.m. Century 20: 7:40 & 10:25 p.m.

CELINE DION (NOT RATED)
Century 16: Mon. at 7:30 p.m. Century 20: Mon. at 7:30 p.m.

DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) ★★★
Century 20: 11:35 a.m.; 1:55, 4:45, 7:15 & 9:40 p.m.

ENCHANTED (PG) Century 16: 11:10 a.m.; 12:30, 1:50, 3:10, 4:30, 7:05 & 9:40 p.m. Century 20: 11:25 a.m.; 1:05, 2, 3:40, 4:35, 6:15, 7:10, 8:50 & 9:45 p.m. Fri.-Tue. also at 12:15 & 2:50 p.m. Fri.-Sun. & Tue. also at 5:25 & 8 p.m.

FRED CLAUS (PG) Century 20: 11:25 a.m.; 2:20, 5:05, 7:55 & 10:35 p.m.

THE GOLDEN COMPASS (PG-13) ★★★★★ Century 16: 11:05 & 11:45 a.m.; 1:40, 2:25, 4:20, 5:10, 6:25, 7:10, 7:50, 9:05 & 9:50 p.m. Fri. & Sun.-Thu. also at 10:30 p.m. Fri. & Tue.-Thu. also at 11:45*, 2:25*, 5:10*, 7:50* & 10:30 p.m.* Sat. also at 5:10*, 7:50* & 10:30 p.m.* Sun. at 7:5 & 10:30 p.m.* Mon. also at 11:45* & 2:25 p.m.* *Spanish subtitles Century 20: 11:20 & 11:50 a.m.*; 12:10, 1:05, 2, 2:35*, 3, 4, 5, 5:30*, 5:55, 6:55, 7:45, 8:15*, 8:40, 9:35 & 10:30 p.m. (*Spanish subtitles)

HITMAN (R) Century 20: 12:50, 3:15, 5:35, 8:05 & 10:30 p.m.

I AM LEGEND (PG-13) ★★★★★ Century 16: 11:15 a.m.; noon, 12:40, 1:15*, 2, 2:45, 3:25, 4:05*, 4:45, 5:30, 6:15, 6:50*, 7:30, 8:05, 9, 9:35*, 10:15 & 10:35 p.m. (*Spanish subtitles) Century 20: 11:45 a.m.; 12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 2:15, 2:45, 3:15, 3:45, 4:15, 4:45, 5:20, 5:50, 6:20, 6:50, 7:20, 7:55, 8:25, 8:55, 9:25, 9:55 & 10:30 p.m. Sat. also at 11:15 a.m.

INTO THE WILD (R) ★★★★★
Century 20: 12:20, 3:35, 6:55 & 10:10 p.m.

THE KITE RUNNER (PG-13) ★★★★★
Palo Alto Square: 1:30, 4:30 & 7:30 p.m. Fri. & Sat. also at 10:30 p.m.

LIONS FOR LAMBS (R) ★★★★★ Century 12: 7:35 & 10:05 p.m.

LOVE IN THE TIME OF CHOLERA (R) ★1/2
Century 20: 7:20 p.m. Fri. & Mon.-Tue. also at 1:10 p.m.

MARGOT AT THE WEDDING (R) ★★★★★
Aquarius: 1:30, 3:45, 6:45 & 9 p.m.

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NO COUNTRY FOR OLD MEN (R) ★★★★★ Century 20: 1, 4, 7:05 & 9:55 p.m. Palo Alto Square: 1:30, 4:20 & 7:20 p.m. Fri. & Sat. also at 10:10 p.m.

THE PERFECT HOLIDAY (PG)
Century 12: 2:15, 4:45, 7:15 & 9:50 p.m. Fri.-Sun. also at 11:45 a.m.

ROMANCE & CIGARETTES (R) Aquarius: 2, 4:30, 7 & 9:30 p.m.

STARTING OUT IN THE EVE (PG-13)
Guild: 1:30, 4:15, 6:45 & 9:20 p.m.

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Century 12: 12:30, 3:50, 7:20 & 10:15 p.m.

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MOVIE REVIEWS

THE GOLDEN COMPASS

★★★
(Century 16, Century 20) In this ambitious franchise, based on Philip Pullman's fanciful novels, the action centers on precocious Lyra Belacqua (Dakota Blue Richards), the 12-year-old niece of handsome adventurer Lord Asriel (Daniel Craig), who has been secretly gifted with the sixth golden compass. The compass is a magical Alethiometer, a truth compass that reads the past and future with startling accuracy. Lyra's mission is clear — sort of. She's the youthful voice of reason straddling a rational scientific field and that of the oppressive Magisterium, an evil hierarchal order intent on claiming young souls. Determined to rescue a missing friend, Lyra sets out for an Arctic universe. Mixed into notions of Ice Bear Kingdoms and child-stealing Gobblers are whispers of Lord Asriel's discovery of a special golden dust that may provide a supernatural connection between analogous worlds. No one can be trusted in what ultimately becomes an imaginative cat-and-mouse game, or so it appears. Craig, Nicole Kidman (as Mrs. Coulter) and Richards deliver affecting performances that lend heft and humanity to the overriding whimsy. But "Compass" has that slick, packaged feeling, a calculating aura that screams bottom line. *Rated: PG-13 for fantasy violence and intensity. 1 hour, 58 minutes.* — J.A.

THIS CHRISTMAS ★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 12) All is right with the Whitfields this holiday season, at least on paper. Perpetually positive matriarch Ma'Dere (Loretta Devine) and supportive squeeze Joe Black (delicious Delroy Lindo) are throwing the doors open on a festive celebration that's drawing the whole clan together for the first time in four years. A handful of offspring descend with armloads of gifts and their own private baggage. Michael, a.k.a. "Baby" (Chris Brown), has a secret wish to sing and the pipes to work it, but fears Ma'Dere's wrath (deadbeat dad abandoned his brood to pursue music). Brother Claude ("Stomp the Yard" hunk Columbus Short) takes a break from military duty to drop an emotional bomb with lingering consequences. Homemaker sister Lisa (Regina King) kow-tows to her cheating husband and cat-fights with glamorous sib Kelli (Sharon Leal). Rounding out the kin are conflicted college brain Mel (Lauren London) and shady big bro Quentin (Idris Elba), a traveling musician who's up to no good. Fizzy holiday fun. *PG-13 for language and some violence. 1 hour, 57 minutes.* — J.A.

BEOWULF ★★★★★

(Century 16, Century 20) This breathtaking animated epic is a virtual thrill ride that grips you from the get-go. The film opens with cheer, as drunkard King Hrothgar (voice of Anthony Hopkins) holds a jubilant feast in his mead hall. High in the mountains, the disfigured and enormous creature Grendel (Crispin Glover) is tortured by the celebratory sounds. Hrothgar and his terrified followers are desperate for a hero to rid them of Grendel.

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'NINA'S HEAVENLY DELIGHTS' SHOWS OFF DIRECTOR PARMAR'S HYBRID INSPIRATIONS

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Scottish humor meets Bollywood spectacle in "Nina's Heavenly Delights," a new romantic comedy by director Pratibha Parmar. The film follows the mixed fortunes of an Indian family in Scotland, the Shahs, and their popular restaurant, the New Taj.

The story is told through the eyes of Nina Shah (Shelly Conn), a young Scottish-Indian woman.

Nina had left home under a cloud after an argument with her father, but when he dies suddenly, she is forced to return. This reunites her with her childhood friend Bobbi (Ronny Jhutti), a wannabe Bollywood drag queen, and brings her face to face with Lisa (Lisa Mackinlay), a charismatic young woman who now owns half the restaurant.

Nina discovers that the New Taj has been selected for the "Best of the West Curry Competition." In the turbulent but exhilarating days that follow, Nina and Lisa embark on a mission to win the trophy for the third time. Along the way, Nina finds herself falling for Lisa, and they get involved in a lesbian love affair. A blend of adventure and discovery follows with humorous and startling results.

I caught up with director Parmar to ask her a few questions about the film.

Q: What was the inspiration behind your film "Nina's Heavenly Delights"?

A: It was partly my own story. I wanted to make a film about an Indian family who run an Indian restaurant. Indian food has become the national food of the U.K., so there are many Indian restaurants in all cities. I wanted to go behind the facade of one such restaurant, most of which are family-run, and tell a story about one such family in a particular moment in time.

Q: In one way the movie is a traditional story about family, food and love, but it is also quite unconventional in its theme of gay love.

A: It was a deliberate decision to use a conventional film

genre like a romantic comedy and to tell an untraditional love story. The untraditional love story is not just about the gay love interest but also of the Indian widow mother who gets a second chance with life and love, which is also unconventional in Indian society.

In fact the film has the song "Pyaar Kiya To Darna Kya," which is a great classic love song about forbidden love and kind of defines the film in some ways. That [forbidden love] is the overarching theme, and I try and explore it with these different characters but with a lightness of tone.

Q: Considering some bold themes of the film, how has the Indian community reacted to your film?

A: They have responded incredibly positively. I got a great response the first time I showed it to Indians in London. They thanked me for making an honest film about who we are and showing us, in our complexity and contradictions, trying to live our lives as ordinary people.

Q: Did Bollywood have any influence on your film-making sensibilities?

A: Yes it did. It shaped my sensibilities visually as a filmmaker. I grew up watching Bollywood films in my family, even though I got bored with them when I was younger since they went on forever. They certainly influenced me; my films have the same lushness, melodrama and the joie de vivre. There is also a character in my film who is a Bollywood drag queen! ■

Pooja Bhardwaj is co-founder of the South Asian American Films and Arts Association, and is a member of the Voice's advertising staff. She can be reached at poojab@saafa.org.

■ INFORMATION

"Nina's Heavenly Delights," starring Laura Fraser, Art Malik, Ronny Jhutti, Veena Sood, Lisa Mackinlay and Shelly Conn. Directed by Pratibha Parmar. Now playing at Landmark Opera Cinema, 601 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco

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Enter Beowulf (Ray Winstone). Beowulf and a handful of fierce men intend to kill Grendel and bring joy back to the hall of Hrothgar. A battle ensues that pits Beowulf against Grendel and leaves the creature with only one arm and on the brink of death. Grendel's mother (Angelina Jolie), a seductive and powerful dragon witch, mourns when Grendel dies and swears vengeance on Beowulf. A meeting between the two leads to a chance for Beowulf to become king, an opportunity he can't refuse. Years pass by and the name of Beowulf spreads across the land like fire. But a mistake from his past soon catches up to him, leading to a pulse-pounding climax. *Rated: PG-13 for intense sequences of violence including disturbing images, some sexual material and nudity. 1 hour, 53 minutes.* — T.H.

(Josh Brolin) is hunting antelope when he finds himself wrong place wrong time: In the middle of a shady drug deal gone bad. A ghostly tableau of stripped-down pick-ups, bullet-ridden point men, a stash of heroin and a satchel containing \$2 million. Hello, opportunity! But there's a new law in town in the form of a homicidal psychopath sporting an unbecomingly pageboy and wielding a killer cattle stun gun (Javier Bardem as chilling Anton Chigurh). The implacable Chigurh wants his cash back and will stop at absolutely nothing to get it. The third player in this captivating triad is world weary local sheriff Ed Tom Bell (Tommy Lee Jones) who slowly, laconically, puts the pieces together; a step behind but progressively gaining ground. Mature, brilliant filmmaking at its finest. *Rated: R for language and very intense violence. 2 hours, 2 minutes.* — J.A.

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"LONG SHADOWS" Group exhibit explores play of light. 31 artists provide their own interpretation through painting, sculpture, ceramics, printmaking, photography, collage and jewelry. Runs Nov. 20 to Dec. 24. Tue.-Sat., 11-5 p.m.; Sundays in Dec. Gallery 9, 143 Main St., Los Altos. www.gallery9losaltos.com

"PICTURE POSTCARDS" "A Picture Diary of a September Boat Trip in Burgundy, France" by watercolor artist Betty Dennis. Through Dec. 28, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. free Viewpoints Gallery, 315 State St., Los Altos. www.viewpointsgallery.com

"THE ART OF COLLAGE: WORKS BY SYLVIE A. SEREX-BONNET" Opening reception (Fri, Dec 14, 6-8 p.m.) will feature a short concert by award-winning pianist Suzanna Perez. All proceeds from sale of artwork will benefit CSMA's financial-aid program. Exhibitions in Mohr Gallery presented by Heritage Bank of Commerce. Through Jan. 26, 7 a.m. Free. Community School of Music and Arts at Finn Center, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. Call 650-917-6800 ext. 305. www.arts4all.org

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WALK WITH THOSE WHO WALKED WITH GOD St. Francis and St. Theresa were zealous reformers who redirected the course of Christianity. Sat., Dec. 15, 7:30-9 p.m. \$30. Ananda, 2171 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. Call 650-323-3363. www.anandapaloalto.org

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PALY CHOIR MADRIGAL DINNER A yuletide banquet of food, costumes and the sounds of Paly's award-winning choirs. Dec. 15-16, 6 p.m. \$35 nobility/\$10 gentry (w/o dinner). St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 600 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-325-2593.

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TOGETHER FOR THE HOLIDAYS Holiday sing-along. Cookies and cider in the gym afterward with ornament crafts for the children. Child care available for children up to 4 years old. Free, but please bring a can of food for the food drive. Sun., Dec. 16, 6-7:15 p.m. free/one can of food. First Baptist church of Los Altos, 624 Magdalena Ave., Los Altos. Call 650-948-5698 ex t.107. FBCLG.org

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FAMILY AND KIDS

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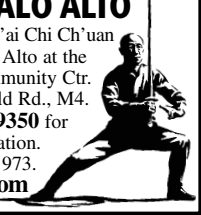
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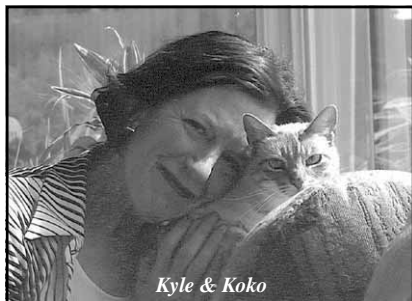
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Julia Kunt Nelson, Soprano and Harp: Debuted at Carnegie Hall in 2001. She is a frequent soloist in the Bay area, including with the Berkeley Symphony under Kent Nagano, and with the Sonoma City, Stockton, and SF Pocket Operas. She is a Stanford graduate and has a D.M. in voice from Indiana University.

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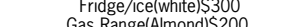
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File No. 502051

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EILEEN MCSWEENEY
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on November 13, 2007.

(Voice Nov. 23, 30, Dec. 7, 14, 2007)

PENINSULA CENTER FOR
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT

File No. 501954

The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Peninsula Center for Implantology, 105 South Drive, Suite 200, Mountain View, Ca 94040-4317:
JOE A PROVINES

11585 Old Ranch Rd.
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on November 9, 2007.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT

File No. 502126

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PHONG ANH TRAN
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT

File No. 502636

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(Voice Dec. 14, 21, 28, 2007 Jan. 4, 2008)

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. 107CV098292

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MELINDA ANN NASIF and KENNETH MICHAEL SCRUGGS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

KATHERINE ANN SCRUGGS to KATHERINE ANN NASIF.

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: December 18, 2007, 8:45 a.m., Room 107. 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:

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Date: November 6, 2007

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JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(Voice Nov. 23, 30, Dec. 7, 14, 2007)

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\$3,795,000

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The floor plan of this luxurious estate includes a library, 2 family rooms, theater, au-pair qtrs, wine facility, pool, 8-10 car garage. MBR suite w/sep. retreat & FP. 2,000 SF guest house. Palo Alto Schools.



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\$5,628,000

This estate incorporates exquisite finishes with an unmatched sense of comfort & ambiance. Impeccable attention to detail throughout! Master bedroom suite w/FP, gourmet kitchen w/granite counters & large center island, & so much more!

UNIQUE SETTING WITH VIEWS

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Mountain View**

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1:30 to 4:30**



Beautifully remodeled 2 master
suites, 2.5 bath town home
nestled in Rock Creek complex
Marble and bamboo hardwood
floor
Kitchen features granite counters
Private slate patio
Vaulted/cathedral ceiling with
skylight
Security alarm system
Custom fireplace surround in
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Complex features children's play
area, greenbelt, pool & spa
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Spanish revival style w/ handcrafted decorative tiles, wrought iron work, elaborate landscaped courtyard, 2 elevators, open gracious living spaces with honed carrera marble, wood window.
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LOS ALTOS 3BR | 2BA

5100 EL CAMINO REAL #105 \$909,000
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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CUPERTINO 3BR | 2BA

10197 ADRIANA AVE. \$1,295,000
Ideal for Entertaining!
3 BR 2 BA Oversized family room with cathedral ceilings, remodeled kitchen with granite & stainless steel. Remodeled baths. Cupertino schools
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SUNNYVALE 3BR | 1.5BA

365 S. FAIR OAKS AVENUE \$695,000
Fresh paint inside & out, separate dining room, large eat-in kitchen, wrap-around yard, 2 car garage, 7,455 sf lot, well maintained & near downtown.
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SAN JOSE 4BR | 2BA

3562 EL GRANDE \$998,000
Beautiful home w/ 2549 sf of living space. Hardwood flrs, Formal LR, sep. DR & FR, eat-in kitchen, built in hot tub. Short commute to downtown SJ.
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BELMONT
STUNNING BAY VIEWS \$1,095,000
3 BR 2 BA Beautiful and updated top to bottom. Large private flat backyard, patio, mature trees, well built. Hardwood floors and remodeled baths.
Dolores Shaw 650.948.0456

CAMPBELL
FANTASTIC DUET TOWNHOME \$714,000
3 BR 2.5 BA 1 yr Townhome, hwd flrs, Gourmet kit w/ gas & stainless steel appliances, gas fp. Fully landscaped yd. Separate laundry, approx 1620Sqft.
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IDEAL FOR ENTERTAINING \$1,295,000
3 BR 2 BA Oversized family room with cathedral ceilings, remodeled kitchen with granite & stainless steel. Remodeled baths. Cupertino schools
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EAST PALO ALTO
LARGE LOT-PRIVATE STREET \$550,000
2 BR 1 BA Two Bedrooms, One Full Bath, Double Paned Windows and Tile Roof. Landscaped yards. Two Car Garage converted to full studio-permits unknown.
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GILROY
1174 SPRIG VY SAT/SUN 1 - 4 \$879,900
5 BR 3 BA Steel Frame – New Construction! One of three hms. Granite kit, 2 sided bdrm fp in mstr & retreat. 2 master closets. Hwd, carpet, tile, alarm, front rear yd.
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1194 SPRIG VY SAT/SUN 1 - 4 \$869,900
5 BR 3 BA Steel Frame – New Construction! One of three hms. Granite kit, 2 fp, 2 mstr closets. Hardwd, tile, alarm. Carpet, light fixrs. Lndscpd front & rear yds w/sprinklers.
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GILROY
1184 SPRIG VY SAT/SUN 1 - 4 \$849,900
5 BR 3 BA Steel Frame – New Construction! Granite kit, refig incl. 2 fp, 2 mstr closets. Hardwd, tile, alarm. Carpet, light fixrs. Lndscpd front & rear yards w/sprinklers.
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ONE OF A KIND \$23,900,000
5 BR 4 BA Julia Morgan-style home on gated acre near Village. Built by RJ Dailey. Walls of glass, 60' entry, wine cave, billiard room, theatre, terraces & pool.
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LOS ALTOS
946 MERCEDES AV SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,980,000
5 BR 4 BA In sought after North Los Altos. Superb craftsmanship. Beautiful ceiling treatments. Gorgeous hardwood floors. Approx 3477Sqft lot- 12,197 (Metrosan)
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LOS ALTOS
665 BENVENUE AVE SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,898,000
4 BR 3.5 BA In most sought-after street w/numerous amenities. Gourmet kit w/top of line appliances. CAT5 wiring. Lrg family rm. Master suite w/jacuzzi tub.
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LOS ALTOS
989 STANLEY SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,699,000
5 BR 4 BA Almost 3560Sqft living space on 12,432Sqft lot. Cherry hrdwd in fam kit. Beautiful travertine in liv and din rms. Chef's kitchen. Andersen windows.
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LOS ALTOS
PRIVATE & PEACEFUL \$2,298,000
New lot first time on the market. Breathtaking views. Close to town. New road with utilities underground. Level site toward the back of parcel.
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LOS ALTOS
425 LOS PAJAROS CT. SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,195,000
4 BR 3.5 BA 100K reduction! Approximately 2817 sqft of living space. Lot size of approximately 13299Sqft. Brand new remodeled everything to studs
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LOS ALTOS
MODERN STYLE IN OLD LA \$1,998,000
4 BR 3.5 BA Convenience of a new home with an Old Los Altos address. Open floorplan of approx. 3,150 sq. ft. Crown moldings, recessed lighting & granite kitchen.
Jo Buchanan 650.941.7040

LOS ALTOS
CHARMING UPDATED HOME \$1,850,000
4 BR 3 BA Set among lush landscaping with wonderful bay & city views. At the end of a cul-de-sac with a full circle driveway. Easy access to 280 & 85.
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LOS ALTOS
1945 LAYER CT. SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,760,000
3 BR 2.5 BA Home on tranquil court in desirable Highlands 2,034 sq ft living space on 11,500 square ft lot. New paint, carpet, tile, refinished hrdwd flrs.
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LOS ALTOS
5 MAYNARD WAY SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,695,000
4 BR 2.5 BA Spacious home open floor plan. 2 FPs. eat-in kit, FR, DR, 2-car garage, fenced yard, close to town/schools.
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LOS ALTOS
598 ORANGE AV SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,497,000
3 BR 2 BA Enormous potential and great basics invite your creative touch to this dated gem in Old Los Altos. Near Dintown. Hardwood floors, Fireplace in LR
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MENLO PARK
ABSOLUTELY CHARMING \$1,595,900
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CLOSE TO DOWNTOWN \$959,000
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MOUNTAIN VIEW
CHARMING COTTAGE \$799,000
2 BR 1 BA Remodeled kitchen. Dining & family rooms. Hardwood floors & fireplace. Bonus room. Yard. Close to shops & dining. Two car attached garage.
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MOUNTAIN VIEW
236 FLYNN AV SAT 1:30 - 4:30 \$725,000
2 BR 2.5 BA Elegantly updated w/marble & bamboo flrs. Granite counters & remod bath. Formal dining, eat-in kit, dual mstr suites w/valuted ceilings. 1 mstr w/tp
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MOUNTAIN VIEW
REMODELED WITH A WOW SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$589,000
2 BR 1.5 BA Stunning new kitchen and master bath. New pergo and carpet throughout, paint, crown molding, private patio, easy access to 101.
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MOUNTAIN VIEW
2 BR 2 BA New kitchen & bath. Inside laundry hook-ups. Secure building with underground parking. Living rm w/ fireplace. Private balcony. Los Altos schools!
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MOUNTAIN VIEW
765 N. RENGSTORFF AVENUE I SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$439,000
1 BR 1 BA Charming 1br/1bath 1st floor condo. Gleaming hardwood floors. Master suite with jetted tub & steam sauna.
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MOUNTAIN VIEW
COZY CONDO \$405,000
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255 S RENGSTORFF AVE #34 SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$395,000
1 BR 1 BA Large upstairs condo w/ vaulted ceilings & peaceful deck nestled in treetops. Park-like community w/ two pools. Near downtown & transportation.
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MOUNTAIN VIEW
2025 CALIFORNIA ST #42, UNIT 42 SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$339,000
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1249 ALMA ST SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$899,000
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800 HIGH STREET #105 SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,098,000
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REDWOOD CITY
CHARMING UPDATED HOME \$549,000
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SAN JOSE
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125 N BUENA VISTA AV SUN 2 - 4 \$675,000
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CHARMING! TASTEFULLY UPDTD \$569,950
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MIDTOWN CHARMER \$499,950
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SPACIOUS HOME! GREAT FLOW \$578,000
3 BR 2 BA Great location! Lrg bedrooms. Inside laundry. Ideal floor plan! Wonderful south/northern exposure
Vivi Chan 650.948.0456

SUNNYVALE
STUNNING EICHLER \$992,750
2 BR 2 BA Expansive Eichler offers approx. 2,150 sq. ft. Gorgeous master bath, six operational skylights & enclosed atrium. Cherry Chase School, Homestead High.
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375 S. FAIR OAKS AVENUE SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$675,000
2 BR 1 BA Hardwood floors, tiled kitchen w/ breakfast bar, separate dining area, 1 car garage & a wonderful over-sized backyard on a 5775 sf lot near downtown.
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