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El Camino Hospital's new earthquake-safe facility is still under construction, and CEO Ken Graham, below, told a tour group Monday that it is still scheduled for completion in 2009.

Hospital coming right along

DESPITE DELAYS, EL CAMINO'S EARTHQUAKE-SAFE FACILITY SET TO OPEN NEXT SUMMER

By Casey Weiss

While a construction crew worked on the interior rooms of the new El Camino Hospital facility this week, administrators and doctors worked on putting together new programs and equipment — all geared towards the building's grand opening next summer.

The new hospital, spread out over about 460,000 square feet on five floors, will have private rooms and baths equipped with wireless technology for each of its approximately 240 patients, a larger emergency room and areas for families to

stay on each floor. The layout of the new building, adjacent to El Camino's aging structure off Grant Road, will provide futons for patients and families in each room and a garden space on the grounds surrounding the new building.

"We do serious medicine," hospital CEO Ken Graham said, addressing a tour group Monday which included the *Voice*. "As we get ready for the new hospital, we are investing in new programs."

Some of the new programs are already being implemented in the old hospital, which opened a new cancer center in January, and is now working to



NORBERT VON DER GROEBEN

bring patients' records online. Hospital officials said it was all part of an effort to renovate and update El Camino, which was originally built in 1958.

"You spend a lot of time on coordination," said Ken King, vice president of facilities, during the tour.

El Camino nurses and doctors are participating in the planning process with a model

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Support surges for Cuesta flood basin

HISTORY ASSOCIATION, SAVE OPEN SPACE HAD PREVIOUSLY OPPOSED THE PLAN

By Daniel DeBolt

In a surprise turnaround, Cuesta Park Annex supporters endorsed a plan Tuesday night that they had previously strongly opposed: turning the front third of the Annex into a 13-foot-deep basin to help hold back major floods.

"It might actually add to the beauty of the Annex," said Kevin McBride, speaking for Save Open Space, a local group that has been involved in preserving the undeveloped 12-acre area adjacent to Cuesta Park.

The Santa Clara Valley Water District has been trying to gain support for a Permanente and Hale Creek flood protection plan since 2006. The goal is to protect more than 1,600 properties in the city from the "100-year flood," which has a 1 percent chance of happening each year and has yet to happen in Mountain View.

Also endorsing the plan was Bob Weaver, president of the Mountain View History Association, who had previously raised concerns about flooding near the rear portion of the Annex, where a history museum is planned.

Paul Donahue, parks and recreation commissioner, said he was "cautiously optimistic" about the plan, which would provide money the city does not currently have for improvements to the Annex.

Water district representatives showed an artistic rendering of improvements at the Annex, including a possible dry creek bed and a lowered basin lush with vegetation and wildlife, all paid for by the district.

"If it turns out as nice as the drawing, I think it would be a

good idea," Donahue said. "The downside is it might not."

The water district has whittled down a long list of alternatives for flood control projects to three, with its preference being "Option Z," a plan including flood basins at Cuesta Park and McKelvey Park in Mountain View and at Blach Intermediate School and Rancho San Anto-

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Another kid shot to death

BODY OF JOSE MERALES, 17, FOUND TUESDAY ON HIGDON AVENUE

By Daniel DeBolt

A young Mountain View resident was shot to death on Tuesday evening — the second such killing this month.

Police said the victim was 17-year-old Jose Merales, who was shot around 6:15 p.m. Tuesday on the 100 block of Higdon Avenue. As of press time, police had no witnesses and little to go on.

The shooting comes on the heels of the Feb. 7 murder of Jeffrey Johnson, 20, who was shot to death in a restaurant parking lot. A break in that case came last Friday, when

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Asked in Downtown Mountain View. Pictures and interviews by Melody Dye.

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Mike Genevro, Menlo Park



"My wife. We've been together for 50 years and it's just been great."

Al Breslauer, San Francisco



"Arnold Schwarzenegger. Not really a hero but I admire him. He has a strong personality and I think he has improved the situation."

Richard Wimmer, Redwood Shores



"The Lord. I live for the Lord; He saved me and helps me everyday."

Linda Davis, Sunnyvale



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■ CRIMEWATCH

AUTO BURGLARY, SMART AND FINAL, 2/21

A woman's car was broken into while she was inside the store. The only thing reported stolen was her purse.

GRAND THEFT, WAL-MART, 2/21

Someone stole a television from the store and escaped. The store's security personnel chased after him but he got away — but not before dropping the TV.

The man was described as a white male adult between the ages of 45 and 50, standing between 5-foot-6 and 5-foot-11. He was wearing blue jeans, blue denim, a button-down long sleeve shirt and black shoes. He has blue eyes and salt-and-pepper hair.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT, 600 BLOCK W. EVELYN AVE., 2/22

An intoxicated man was on the light rail train and could not be woken up. When the train pulled into town, officers determined him to be drunk in public, and he was arrested and booked into Main Jail. He was identified as Edmund Madrigal, 48 years old.

■ POLICE LOG

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
 1400 Block Snow St., 2/21
 1180 Block Bonita Ave., 2/24

PETTY THEFT
 300 Block Showers Dr., 2/20
 500 Block Showers Dr., 2/20
 200 Block Castro St., 2/20
 1000 Block Terra Bella Ave., 2/20
 600 Block National Ave., 2/21
 Rite Aid - Grant Rd., 2/22
 Wal-Mart, 2/23
 Safeway - N. Shoreline Blvd., 2/23
 YMCA, 2/25

AUTO BURGLARY
 100 Block Castro St., 2/20
 Smart and Final, 2/21
 40 Block Showers Dr., 2/22
 2300 Block California St., 2/22
 2000 Rock St., 2/22
 2300 Block Rock St., 2/22
 750 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 2/24

ROBBERY
 Mervyns Department Store, 2/22

BATTERY
 Century 16 Cinema, 2/22

SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE
 300 Block Camille Ct., 2/21

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY
 Mountain View High School, 2/25

SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES/PERSON
 Costco, 2/19
 700 Block Continental Circle, 2/20
 500 Block Drucilla Dr., 2/21
 300 Block Moffett Blvd., 2/21
 Starbucks - Charleston Rd., 2/22
 500 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 2/22
 500 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 2/22
 500 Block Walker Dr., 2/23
 940 Block Eichler Dr., 2/24

DISORDERLY CONDUCT
 1700 Block Miramonte Ave., 2/19
 800 Block San Veron Ave., 2/21
 1500 Block W. El Camino Real, 2/21
 600 Block W. Evelyn Ave., 2/22
 200 Block Castro St., 2/23
 Chevy's Restaurant, 2/25

DISTURBANCE
 1800 Block Ednamary Way, 2/25

VANDALISM
 2500 Block Charleston Rd., 2/20
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GRAND THEFT
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League brings elected officials downtown

On Sunday, March 2, residents will have their yearly opportunity to mingle with elected representatives from local cities, school districts, water districts, the county and the state Assembly.

The event, organized by the League of Women Voters, is 2 to 4 p.m. in the City Hall rotunda, 500 Castro St.

“This is a rare opportunity for the public to meet with a

“This is a rare opportunity for the public to meet with a number of elected officials at a single reception.”

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number of elected officials at a single reception and, in a relaxed environment, question them, make comments and suggestions, and thank them for the jobs they do for us,” said Coeta Chambers, president of the Los Altos-Mountain View League.

The forum is free and open to the public. For more, contact Chambers at (650) 941-4846 or president@lwvlamv.org.

— Daniel DeBolt



BACK NEXT WEEK



DANIELLE VERNON

SASHIMI

A white egret catches some lunch on Friday afternoon on the edge of Shoreline Lake in Mountain View.

City Council noses into parking problem at Mountain View High

By Casey Weiss

City Council members said they fear there is no immediate solution to the 40-year-old parking dispute between Mountain View High School and the surrounding neighborhood, even if they came one step closer to altering parking regulations outside the school during Tuesday's meeting.

After hearing concerns from high school staff, students and neighbors, the council passed the first reading of an ordinance Tuesday that would establish loading zones and unrestricted parking areas on Bryant and Truman streets, while also prohibiting parking on the corner of two streets. Parking is currently restricted on the campus side of Bryant and Truman during school hours.

But council members said there are other issues such as safety, enforcement and environmental precautions that need to be addressed before the debate can be resolved.

“The recommendation we see is a very small band-aid that will fall off very soon,” council mem-

ber Laura Macias said.

The Biking/Pedestrian Advisory Committee is now reviewing the ordinance and will give recommendations to the council in July, according to traffic engineer Mike Vroman.

Members of the high school community say that the additional 60 parking spots available on the street are essential for both volunteers and students as the school population continues to grow. They note that young drivers cannot carpool due to state driving restrictions. Also, limited parking results in fewer volunteers and adds to student tardiness, staff told the council.

“You can be tardy depending on how you park,” MVHS senior Ross Rutner told the council. “It can be the difference between being on time or being tardy.”

Neighbors encouraged students to bike and walk to school, arguing that additional parking only increases noise and litter outside the school. It is also unsafe for bikers, they said, especially with plans to extend Stevens Creek Trail to the high school.

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City seeks retrial of Shoreline auditors suit

JURY MISCONDUCT ALLEGED AFTER \$24 MILLION CASE ENDS EARLIER THIS MONTH

By Daniel DeBolt

Undaunted by a Feb. 5 verdict, the city attorney's office now says it has uncovered “egregious” jury misconduct during its suit against a San Francisco auditing firm and is seeking a retrial.

Daoro, Zydel & Holland, or DZH, is accused of knowingly aiding the operators of Shoreline Amphitheatre in defrauding the city out of more \$24 million from 1986 to 2004. During that time, Clear Channel, and later Live Nation, operated the city-owned amphitheater and was in a revenue-sharing agreement with the city.

In 2006, Mountain View sued those operators and won a \$10

million settlement and renegotiated contract with Live Nation, a Clear Channel spin-off. During the case, however, city officials say they uncovered another problem: DZH, which had served as the city's independent auditor for years, was also working for the operators.

In fact, say city officials, even though DZH was responsible for ensuring that the operators paid all the money they owed, the firm was actually helping the operators cover up their questionable record-keeping practices.

Soon after settling with Live Nation, city attorney Michael Martello announced a lawsuit against DZH. The trial finally began earlier this year. Robert Yoshioka and auditing firm Wil-

son, McCall & Daoro also were named as defendants.

Alix Partners, another auditing firm hired by the city to investigate the alleged fraud, testified that Robert Yoshioka and Wilson, McCall & Daoro are responsible for damages of more than \$2.6 million to the city, while DZH is responsible for more than \$22.1 million.

After two weeks of testimony — with the city accusing the auditors of cooking the books and hiding millions in revenue — the jury entered into four and a half days of deliberation, then handed down a verdict on Feb. 5.

“Apparently they did find the auditors at fault but did not allocate damages, which we all, including the attorneys office,

found surprising,” said city manager Kevin Duggan.

But that won't be the end of it, if Martello's office has its way. That's because, according to the city attorney's office, at least one of the jurors broke the law during deliberations.

The city's lawyers claim that presiding juror Steven Dixon, himself a lawyer, influenced the rest of the jury by giving legal advice, which is illegal and cause for a retrial. In a motion for a retrial, city-hired attorney Kerri Jaffe wrote, “Instead of following the law provided by this court, Mr. Dixon provided the law to the jury.”

The city's attorneys also say Dixon had not disclosed dur-

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Judge backs Americana residents' asbestos claim

COUPLE WINS \$7,500 FOR LOST FURNITURE

By Daniel DeBolt

Ab and Mina Hashemi, former tenants of the Americana apartment complex who were exposed to asbestos fibers during a botched roofing job late last year, were slightly better off on Monday after taking their former landlord to small claims court.

The court awarded them \$7,500, the small claims maximum, to compensate for damages from toxic asbestos contamination that destroyed furniture and clothes.

"This court would give you quite a bit more than you are asking," said Commissioner Steven Yep in his decision. "What we have here goes well

the asbestos, pounded violently on the roof and even cut right through the ceiling during the project. At one point, a hole in the roof led to water damage in some apartments after the first of the season's winter storms hit.

The company's own documents showed that asbestos was found in the Hashemi's apartment at four times the limit an environmental contractor found to be safe.

Rodriguez said that tenants were quickly notified of the problem and apartments were sealed off. But in court, Ab Hashemi played a phone message from Prometheus manager Mike Drouin telling the couple that air sampling for

Linda Rodriguez, appearing on behalf of Prometheus, admitted that "This was an unfortunate learning experience."

over \$7,500."

Due to a roofing job last October, which shook dust particles down from the ceilings of upper-floor apartments, more than a dozen tenants were exposed to asbestos in Americana's Building Five on Continental Circle. The dust settled on clothes and furniture that no one would guarantee was clean — even after the landlord, a company called Prometheus, had a team of workers go through each apartment with HEPA vacuums and special wipes.

Hashemi estimated damages of over \$13,000 for two couches, several business suits and patio furniture that he had to leave behind because it was still covered in asbestos dust.

Linda Rodriguez, appearing on behalf of Prometheus, admitted that "This was an unfortunate learning experience," and blamed the problem on the roof, which was unknown to be missing a necessary piece of sheet metal above the ceiling. She said that 18 of the complex's 24 buildings were built between 1969 and 1972, and that asbestos is in the ceiling's fire retardant "popcorn" and in the tape used to fill gaps in the drywall.

Residents say workers, who apparently did not know about

their apartment had come back "absolutely perfect" several days after the problem started.

"Unfortunately there's no hard and fast standards," for dealing with asbestos cleanup, Rodriguez said, adding that the company paid \$700 in moving expenses to the Hashemis and offered to have clothes dry cleaned at a nearby cleaner.

"I believe I work for a fabulous company," Rodriguez said at one point.

The Hashemis argued that dry cleaning the clothes would not only be ineffective, according to standards of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, but that it would contaminate other people's clothes as well.

Rodriguez disagreed, saying that the items in question, such as the couches, were "not destroyed."

But Judge Yep had the final say. "I don't think they are useable after being exposed to asbestos four times the level," Yep said. "You will get your full amount, plus cost."

Concerned about the Hashemis, Yep asked, "Have you folks checked your health?" "How are you doing?" ▀

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SHOOTING

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police arrested the first of three suspects (see page 11).

Police spokesperson Liz Wylie said detectives have no reason to believe Tuesday's shooting was gang-related, but haven't ruled it out either. Detectives were still working to determine whether the victim had been walking by or hanging out in front of the house where the

Previously there had been just one other homicide since 2005

shooting took place, or whether he knew his killer.

Anyone with any information on the crime is urged to call the Mountain View Police Department's anonymous tip line at (650) 903-6344.

Previously there had been just one other homicide since 2005: the Sept. 23, 2007 murder of Rene Escalante, 24, at Whisman Park on the 300 block of Easy Street. At the time, police said the incident was not gang-related. ▀

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■ NEWS BRIEFS

COPS NOTICE THEFT SPREE AT LOCAL SCHOOLS

Local police say they getting worried about a recent spike in thefts at local schools, and say they have a suspect in mind.

The suspect, based on eyewitness accounts, is described as a black woman with a dark complexion, about 35 years old, 5 foot 6 inches tall and about 200 pounds, with long black hair in braids and a ponytail. At the time of the thefts she was wearing an orange shirt and light blue jeans, and had long acrylic nails.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Mountain View Police Department.

— Nicole Baldocchi

LIFE IN PRISON FOR 1988 MURDER

A convicted felon already serving a life sentence for

a series of robberies and sexual assaults in Texas was sentenced to life in prison last week for a 1988 Mountain View slaying.

Tyrone Hamel, 41, pleaded guilty last month to the February 1988 murder of Palo Alto attorney Gretchen Burford, who he stabbed outside a Mountain View automated teller machine during a kidnapping and robbery attempt.

Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge Jerome Brock sentenced Hamel to life without the possibility of parole for Burford's murder. He will be returned to Texas to serve his time there.

Burford's murder remained unsolved until 2005, when the Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office Cold Case Unit reopened the investigation and matched DNA evidence to Hamel.

— Bay City News

■ CITY BRIEFS

ENVIRO TASK FORCE HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The city's environmental sustainability task force has held its first two meetings, one last Thursday and another on Monday, where a presentation was made on a baseline measurement of the city's greenhouse gas emissions.

Mayor Tom Means said it was hard to pick a steering committee from the 68 applicants — "the most talented group I've ever seen" to apply for a city advisory committee. Eventually, 15 people were selected for the steering committee, including Deb Henigson, facilities director of Google; Larry Moore of Larry's Auto Works; and Bruce Karney, who organized a group purchase of solar panels from SolarCity last year and is now employed by the company.

Karney has been selected as the chair of the steering committee, and architect Yvonne Farrell is vice chair.

The remaining applicants will be "at large" members of the task force and will form subcommittees on various topics in the next few weeks.

"I think you guys are great," said local Green Party activist and task force member Tian Harter. "I think something cool is going to happen."

The next steering committee meeting is scheduled for 6:30 Monday, March 3 in the City Council chambers.

COUNCIL HONORS SGT. WILKERSON FOR HEROISM

Mayor Tom Means gave a proclamation commending Army Staff Sergeant Jay Wilkerson for his heroic service in Iraq.

Wilkerson was recently awarded the Bronze Star for his meritorious service in Iraq, after a Humvee he was riding in was rocked by an improvised explosive device. Wilkerson is now undergoing rehabilitation for brain injuries that have impaired his cognitive and memory skills.

"It would be good for every city to represent every troop that has done his part," Wilkerson said. "Thank you."

— Daniel DeBolt

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nio in Los Altos. It is estimated Option Z would protect 2,470 parcels and cost \$34.2 million.

Some say that cost is no cheaper than the total amount property owners would pay in flood insurance. Still, owners in the 100-year flood plain would be spared the need for flood insurance under the plan — and if the water district is right, their homes will be more secure as well.

While many residents have balked at the idea of turning two city parks into flood basins, the district argues that the alternatives could be much worse, and much more expensive. In one alternative, the Permanente Creek channel north of El Camino Real would have to be made twice as wide, with eight-foot walls on each side to hold the water back.

The water district's search for potential flood basin sites included the "Pumpkin Patch" site on Grant Road, which was "lost to a housing developer," joked a district representative. Consideration of a dam near the Hansen-Permanente Quarry was criticized by wildlife preservationists who had concerns about fish migration upstream.

While council members said the district had made quite a bit of progress with its plan, some members were still reticent, especially about McKelvey Park.

"I can't justify that," said council member Jac Siegel.

"It changes the whole nature of that park," said member Laura Macias.

But Mayor Tom Means said he didn't see what the problem was with turning the baseball field into a flood basin. The city would get a

new field in the deal, and the lowered elevation would be more conducive to installing grandstands.

Council members also wanted the district to look at flooding other areas of Cuesta Park — such as the parking lot and tennis courts — before considering the Annex. In Mountain View, "the loss of open space is a big issue," Macias said.

In 2000, Santa Clara County voters passed the "Clean, Safe Creeks and Natural Flood Protection" measure, which promised that 1,667 parcels would be protected north of El Camino Real in Mountain View. The district says 69 percent of the city voted in favor of the measure, which would protect 160 businesses, 1,378 homes, and "four schools and institutions." Option Z would go a step further, protecting properties southward into Los Altos.

City manager Kevin Duggan said the city needs to advocate for itself and make sure Los Altos does its part to hold back the floodwaters. The district said one of the first areas to flood would be around Blach School, where the football field could be lowered to make a 15-foot-deep basin.

The district is ramping up efforts to have an environmental impact report approved this year. Construction could start in 2010 and be complete by 2016.

The water district says Mountain View has experienced 12 major floods since 1862, with the most damage occurring during the 1955 Christmas storm. On that occasion, 770 parcels were flooded, homes, businesses and agricultural land were damaged and 100 people had to be evacuated for a week. ▀

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Local schools destroy beef after national recall

By Casey Weiss

Mountain View students will not be seeing as much beef in campus cafeterias after both local districts, joining schools statewide, destroyed a total of 2,000 pounds of the potentially dangerous meat.

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) recalled 143 million pounds of beef from Westland/Hallmark Meat Co. earlier this month following accusations that workers forced crippled cows into slaughterhouses. Federal regulations prohibit ill cows from being used for food supply in case they have mad cow disease or other harmful illnesses.

"I couldn't believe how much ground beef was being thrown away," said Debra Godfrey, district food service director of the Mountain-View-Los Altos school district, referring to the national recall. "That is a lot of

beef." At the high school district, a total of 300 pounds of beef was destroyed, according to Godfrey.

The recall also hit the Mountain View Whisman School District, with employees there pouring bleach over 1,700 pounds of beef.

State officials worry that over 50 million pounds of Westland/Hallmark meat went to public schools. Mountain View schools do not receive most of their beef from that distributor. But they followed USDA instructions and destroyed the Westland meat they had.

"We had to make sure no one could eat it," Godfrey said. "I got rid of everything I had."

Westland/Hallmark provided 20 percent of all beef for a national school lunch program which offers free or reduced lunches and snacks to over three million low-income students. While neither local school district buys beef from Westland/

Hallmark, both have students participating in the lunch program; as a result, they receive a certain amount of the meat food for these students, and any student can purchase it.

"Who we buy from should be fine," said MVLA Associate Superintendent Joe White.

Over 50 percent of local elementary school students qualify for free and reduced meals, while only about 100 in the high school district receive meals from the national lunch program, Godfrey said.

Both districts stopped using this meat after the state put a hold on Westland/Hallmark beef products in late January, and the food services employees destroyed the beef last week following the recall. Godfrey is now using ground turkey and meat from other suppliers.

The elementary schools stopped serving beef altogether, according to Gail Burke, food service consultant for Sodexo,

a national food and facilities management company that works with Mountain View Whisman.

"We feel we were able to address it quite early," said Goldman.

Although no student in California has become sick from the meat, the state schools superintendent does not want to take any chances, according to Tina Jung, information officer for the California Department of Education. The department originally sent a warning about the meat last month after the Humane Society of the United States released a video on the abuse at the Chino-based plant, and has since been updating schools about the meat.

"Unfortunately beef was still in national lunch programs for months, said Jung. "It is just unfortunate all around."

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Neighbors and the school have been arguing over parking since 1969. Two years ago, in an attempt to end the debate, school administrators asked the city to allow permanent parking on Bryant and Truman. After a council committee recommended the council retain parking outside the campus, council members said they would not approve unrestricted parking until the school added bike racks and 60 parking spots on campus.

The school community returned to the council last night after members of the parking committee had canvassed the neighborhood talking with neighbors and students, and the school had added bike racks, helping to double the number of students who cycled to school. Administrators said they plan to add more campus parking spots this summer, and increase parking enforcement on campus and reward students who bike or walk.

"The problem with parking is not something we take lightly," said Judy Hannemann, president of the Mountain View-Los Altos district's board of trustees.

Following two hours of debate and public comments, board members approved the initial reading of an ordinance to allow unrestricted parking on Bryant and Truman, with 6:30 to 9 a.m. drop-off zones outside Eagle Theatre and Packard Hall and an extended red zone from the corner to the staff lot. Mayor Tom Means also recommended that the school close the gate to the staff lot to reduce congestion.

"We feel very good about their recommendations," MVLA Superintendent Barry Groves said. "We can work with them."

But council members said the issue would not disappear even if they passed the ordinance, and that the school, city and neighbors should consider larger concerns of safety and the environment. Means showed a short video of students biking on the sidewalk and cars lined up for blocks during school drop-off time.

"I would be embarrassed as a student to drive to school," said council member Matt Pear, referring to the need to fight global climate change.

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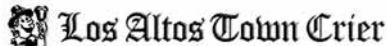
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Arrest in murder of Jeff Johnson

NATHAN TALARICO, FIRST OF THREE SUSPECTS, PICKED UP FRIDAY IN ALABAMA

By Nicole Baldocchi and Daniel DeBolt

Police announced earlier this week that a suspect has been arrested in the Feb. 7 murder of 20-year-old Mountain View resident Jeffrey Johnson, and an FBI affidavit reveals details of a possible drug deal gone bad.

Nathan Talarico, a 19-year-old resident of Sunnyvale, was apprehended last Friday in Mobile, Ala., police said. By mid-week, Mountain View detectives had transported Talarico to Santa Clara County for booking. Two other suspects remained at large as of press time.

approached the driver side of the window." With his face covered, the man shot Johnson in the chest as he tried to drive away.

Due to his injuries, Johnson crashed minutes later on El Camino Real. His passenger had minor injuries and fled the scene "out of fear the suspects would attempt to shoot him," police said in a separate press release.

Johnson was transported to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

The affidavit continues, "Immediately after Johnson was shot and fled, the three subjects, including Talarico, began chasing and shooting at the two buyers who were waiting

The passenger told investigators that Johnson had been "arranging to broker a marijuana deal between two groups."

Johnson was shot and killed Feb. 7 near the Old Mountain View neighborhood, and detectives, who are still investigating the murder, say they believe the killing – along with a separate car chase and shooting on Highway 85 – stemmed from a drug deal.

An affidavit filed in U.S. District Court by FBI Special Agent Mark Dixon provides further details as follows:

Johnson was in his white Ford Explorer, waiting with a passenger in the parking lot of the Happi House restaurant on Ehrhorn Avenue and El Camino Real, when the incident occurred. The passenger (whose name is being withheld by the Voice) told investigators that Johnson had been "arranging to broker a marijuana deal between two groups."

The affidavit reads, "While waiting in the parking lot with two buyers who arrived separately," the passenger "saw three unknown males on foot. Johnson called one of them Nate (later identified as Talarico). Talarico said, 'I'm fine hella coked up!'"

The passenger "became nervous and began telling Johnson to leave. Johnson began backing out of the parking lot when one of the male subjects on foot

with Johnson." Those two fled in their own vehicle, and a car chase ensued.

According to police, "The suspects and victims drove onto Highway 85 southbound, where the suspects pulled up alongside the victims and shot through the passenger door, hitting the passenger's leg. The victims were able to exit the highway and seek help at a local area hospital."

While tracking down the suspects, previously described as Hispanic men in their 20s, police determined that Talarico had taken a bus from San Jose to Miami on Feb. 11 to visit a former Mountain View resident who was also known to police. FBI agents, assisting in the investigation, told police that Talarico left Miami by bus, and police arrested him at a bus stop in Mobile, Ala., according to Mountain View police spokesperson Liz Wylie.

Anyone with information regarding the shootings, or who may have seen any of the vehicles, victims or suspects, is asked to call the Mountain View Police Department at (650) 903-6344. ■

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ing jury selection that he recently completed a deal for a client "nearly identical to the one at issue."

On Wednesday, the auditors' attorney, Farley Neumann, expressed outrage at the latest move by the city.

"The city knew he was a lawyer," Neumann said. "He was very involved in infrastructure deals — the city didn't ask him what those deals were."

Neumann said his clients had been "completely vindicated," and that the city was engaged in an "utter waste" of taxpayer's money.

The city spent "what appears to be millions of dollars to pursue this claim, comes up with a goose

egg, and now wants to come up with scapegoats for its terrible decision to pursue the case," he told the *Voice*.

"The city is wrong; it is misleading the public," he said. As to the jury finding the auditors negligent, "It doesn't mean anything. The city got zero dollars. They completely lost. There was absolutely no misconduct by this juror. I am appalled. Their experts came up with some insignificant issues that my clients didn't do a perfect job. None of that caused any harm to the city."

"What they [the city] did to my client was terrible," Neumann

continued. "They ran my clients through the mill, threatening them with punitive damages of \$25 million. Now it turns out they were wrong on all counts."

In response, Martello said, "We have an obligation to the public to pursue money denied from the city and that's what we did. It's not so much about what it costs. We weren't trying to pick on anybody. The judge will be very quick to tell us if he believes we're wrong,

We would not be urging this on the court unless we felt pretty strongly about it."

According to Martello, one juror, Leslie Gallagher, has filed an affidavit detailing what went on in the jury room. The city also has identified another juror-lawyer, identified as "Ms. Dolquest," as having made

"prejudicial remarks" to the jury about the high standards the city had to meet to make its case.

Martello said that during the two-week trial, 7.5 days were spent on testimony on the city's side, while the auditors spent half a day presenting evidence.

A new trial may deal solely with the amount required for damages. In a hearing scheduled for April 1, Judge Ronald E. Quidachay will hear arguments for and against a retrial. ▣

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room in the old hospital for nurses to create the ideal space, both for themselves and the patients. Doctors have also participated in focus groups and helped decide the layout for the operating rooms on the second floor, while patients will be housed on the upper floors.

“We really do get to have an impact and make changes,” said Cheryl Reinking, executive director of patient care services.

Much more work remains. Visitors this week saw that many rooms are far from finished, with architectural sketches on the floors and metal beams, piping and wiring exposed. But King said the project is on schedule, with the central power plant the only item not on time. Additional requirements and permits will delay the power plant six months, but the hospital should still open in July 2009 as planned, officials said.

“There were some very optimistic plans,” King said during a subcommittee board meeting last month. “All of these things took much longer than expected.”

Construction started in June 2006 in an effort to meet stricter

seismic codes and provide patients with newer facilities and programs.

“It’s a huge opportunity to restructure and rebuild the way you give service,” King said. “We can do it with higher quality and safety.”

Online records

In another bid to improve patient record keeping, the hospital’s board members last week agreed to spend over \$4 million on software and services for the transition to an online system, intended to provide doctors and patients better access to medical records and reduce costs and errors, said chief medical information officer Eric Pifer.

Administrators said the system will mean fewer delays in treatment, as doctors will have easy access to the patients’ medical histories — so long as their primary doctors subscribe to the system.

“The hospital was trying to look for ways to better connect ourselves with the community,” Pifer said. “We were looking for way to do that with the doctors who admit their patients to our hospital.”



A group takes a tour of the new El Camino Hospital under construction on Monday.

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With the records online, the hospital hopes to save both administrative and medical costs. Doctors will no longer have to fax paper records back and forth to local doctors. In addition, 10 percent of X-rays are redundant, because doctors do not have access to previous tests, according to Pifer.

A committee is now forming to oversee the transition to the system, which Pifer hopes will be running by this summer.

New radiology group

The hospital hired a new provider for radiology services this month. The group, Silicon Valley Diagnostic Imaging (SVDI), began work at El Camino on Feb. 22.

The group, which specializes in neuropathology, musculoskeletal imaging and mammography, will use the hospital facilities. The radiology department will continue to provide a wide range of medical diagnostic services even after the

change of ownership.

Imtiaz Qureshi and Ramesh Gopi, both El Camino doctors, formed SVDI. Qureshi is medical director and chief of radiology at El Camino, and Gopi serves as vice-chief of radiology.

The former providers, El Camino Radiologist Group, stopped working for the hospital at the end of last year. ▣

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City puts housing funds to work

Despite the sluggish economy and the slowdown in the real estate market, home prices have not come down enough to turn many middle-income Mountain View families into homebuyers.

Case in point: Foothill College professor Sam Connell, who told the City Council last week that the home loan program on the agenda was tailor-made for him and many others “who make a good living, but would never be able to afford a home in your community.” Connell was testifying in favor of using part of the city’s BMR funds to issue small loans to qualified buyers who cannot raise the down payment needed to purchase a home in the city.

The BMR funds come from developers who would rather pay a fee to the city than include so-called “below market rate” homes or units in their projects. This pool of money, plus \$10 million more set aside for housing revitalization, adds up to more than \$18 million in the city’s affordable housing funds.

And last week, a 4-3 majority of the council was in the mood to spend at least part of this account, and funds from several others, to help cover the gap in affordable housing. They made the right choice, for several reasons.

First, they approved investing \$1 million a year for loans to help lower income residents and public employees make a down payment on a home. Similar programs in other communities loan out \$25,000 to \$75,000 per home, depending on the family’s circumstances, and include provisions for the loan to be repaid, which replenishes the principle and keeps the program healthy and solvent.

Council member Matt Pear opposed the loan program, claiming it would drive up housing costs and add more work for city staff. He was joined in opposition by Mayor Tom Means and member Nick Galiotto.

We disagree. With the slowing sales of single-family homes, the market could use stimulation rather than a braking maneuver from City Hall. Besides, the program would help local police officers, firefighters and other municipal employees, who are paid well but still have to go as far as Tracy and beyond to find affordable housing for their families.

In addition to the loan program, the council agreed to shell out \$4.5 million for an upcoming Habitat for Humanity project at Whisman and Middlefield roads and, previously, money for a yet-to-be-designed family housing project on the city-owned site at Evelyn Avenue and Franklin Street.

All three of these housing initiatives are good public policy for the city, and will give a much-needed boost to families who might finally be able to afford housing here.

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WOULD NEIGHBORS BAN ARCHITECTURAL DIVERSITY?

Editor:

I find the fierce reactions to the design of the Siminoff home on Mountain View Avenue truly puzzling (“Outside the box,” Feb. 22).

When I walk around my Old Mountain View neighborhood, the architectural feature that strikes me most is the variety of styles: Not only Craftsman but also mission, colonial, pyramid, Italianate, English country cottage, farmhouse, Queen Ann, and even the dreaded flat-roofed, “box-like” modern style.

The eclectic Mancini house on Church Street probably shocked a few neighbors when it was constructed in 1950, but is now listed on the city’s voluntary Historic Resource Inventory (see www.mv-pa.org/properties.shtml). Do those in favor of an architectural design review ordinance intend to outlaw such diversity?

Edward Swierk
W. Dana Street

YOUTH COMMITTEE SWORN IN

Editor:

Our Youth Advisory Committee was scheduled to be sworn in this week by the City Council.

The city is proud of the 10 high school students who responded to the request by the Community Services Department and the City Council to serve on the new committee, which will give our youth a more prominent voice in city affairs. The council voted to establish the committee last September. It will replace the existing Youth Advisory Group.

Please join me in congratulating the following members of the newly

formed Youth Advisory Committee and their staff advisor, John Marchant: Jacquelyn Cheng, Kacy Clark, Maryna Darikhno, Ashley Issac, Ddfiana Jafar, Nikki Prichard, Urvashi Reddy, Dan Tran, Megan Vanni and Richard Yu.

Kimberly Castro
Youth Resources Manager,
City of Mountain View

ROSE RESIDENTS REQUESTED TRAFFIC CIRCLE

Editor:

The traffic circle on Fordham Street was installed by the city at the request of the residents on Rose between Fordham and Miramonte, who complained about the speed of traffic on that section of Rose.

I hope that this circle works to slow down traffic, because the next action may be to install traffic bumps. I find that I must slow to between 15 and 20 mph to traverse the bumps that you find all over town, even though the speed limit is either 25 or 30 mph.

Why do we always punish everyone because of the actions of a few? Can’t we figure out a way to punish the speeders and leave the rest of us alone?

Glenn Meier
Walnut Drive

MACIAS MISSED OUT ON MAYFIELD TRAFFIC

Editor:

The “Mayfield project marches forward” article of Feb. 15 states that council member Laura Macias had an issue with the garbage collection method at the project. She brought up the method agreed to by

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■ GUEST OPINIONS

Dwell house a fine fit in neighborhood

By Julie Stanford

I just read your article about the Dwell house at 515 Mountain View Ave. and am very disappointed that it only presents one point of view on the home and did not ask any other neighbors about their opinions ("Outside the box," Feb. 22).

I live at 525 Mountain View Ave., next door to the 515 Mountain View house, and I really like it. I think it's a great design and shows many aspects of modern interior and exterior design that are great to look at.

I have also spoken to other neighbors on our street who like the building. I agree that it is modern and does not "match" some parts of the neighborhood. However, there are many different architectural styles in this neighborhood and in particular on our block. My house is a

Craftsman now, but used to be a ranch before we remodeled. Next door we have a Victorian-style remodeled house, and across the street are two other homes that

While the Dwell home does look different, I think it is a great addition to the diversity in the neighborhood.

are modern-looking Craftsman with other influences.

The new house at 515 Mountain View Ave. may look big, but does not in fact dwarf the other houses on the block. There are two-story homes across the street that are just as big, and we in fact are planning to add on in the near future and will also

have a two-story home that is equal to the 515 home in size. A walk through neighboring streets reveals similar-sized remodels and new construction, so I don't think size is the issue here.

While the Dwell home does look different, I think it is a great addition to the diversity in the neighborhood and will look better once the landscaping is in. I encourage other people to purchase lots and build new homes to replace the older run-down cottages that are currently in place, and do not want to see the land in the neighborhood decline in value due to draconian building rules.

I encourage the *Voice* to interview other neighbors about this issue and present a less biased viewpoint.

Julie Stanford lives on Mountain View Avenue.

Safeguarding aesthetics protects home values

By Laura Lewis

I found your story about the Dwell home and the lack of zoning restrictions and construction guidelines in Mountain View to be very eye-opening and concerning. As a resident of Old Mountain View and a local Realtor, I am concerned about preserving the architectural charm and desirability of our neighborhoods.

Mountain View has made great strides in recent years towards becoming one of the more desirable places to live on the Peninsula, but I believe those advances could be undone quickly if individuals and builders are allowed to build with a complete disregard to neighborhood aesthetics.

One need only look to our

neighboring cities — Palo Alto, Los Altos and Sunnyvale — to see that we are among the most lax in terms of preserving architectural style and history. If we allow our city to deteriorate into a hodgepodge of architectural experiments we are at risk of stagnation in the value of our homes. For homeowners this should be alarming.

Although Dwell claims their homes are "green," something which they have not yet made the case for, the fact remains that "green" does not need to be a contradiction to architectural taste. A quick browsing of the Dwell Web site revealed that several of their models may even have been a better fit for the neighborhood.

Yet I don't point the finger at

Dwell or the homeowners. While both should have used more consideration in the selection of the home, it ultimately fell to the city to protect other homeowners in the neighborhood through the interpretation and enforcement of building codes and through the painfully lacking architectural review process.

This letter is not meant to suggest that we should halt new construction or tie the hands of homeowners, but we do need to ensure that the actions of a few individuals and builders do not harm the rest of the community. This is the primary purpose of city governance, and I do think it's time for our City Council to take action on this matter.

Laura Lewis lives on Oak Street.

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city staff twice, but did not mention the high-density project's increased traffic congestion.

She ignored traffic estimates provided by the past president of the Monta Loma Neighborhood Association that it could add 45,000 to 81,000 vehicles to the already overcrowded Central Expressway and San Antonio Road.

Why did Macias spend council time on an imaginary (not explained) problem while she did

not even mention the increased congestion that will inconvenience thousands of daily travelers at the San Antonio Road, California Street left turn lane, that results in a backup choking the roadway down to one lane to the Central Expressway overpass? Apparently garbage takes precedence over traffic congestion discussions and solutions.

Godfrey Baumgartner
Betlo Avenue

VETS AGAINST THE WAR PLAN D.C. FORUM

Editor:

Thank you for taking the time

and care to take an in-depth look at the military recruiting issue. You contributed a lot to community knowledge about what is going on and what is at stake for our youth.

To read more about this issue, your readers might like to visit the Web site of Iraq Veterans Against the War. Also, your readers may want to know that from March 13 to 16 the group will put on a forum in Washington, D.C. called Winter Soldier, which will be carried live on a Webcast and also on KPFA radio, 94.1 FM.

Gail Sredanovic
Menlo Park

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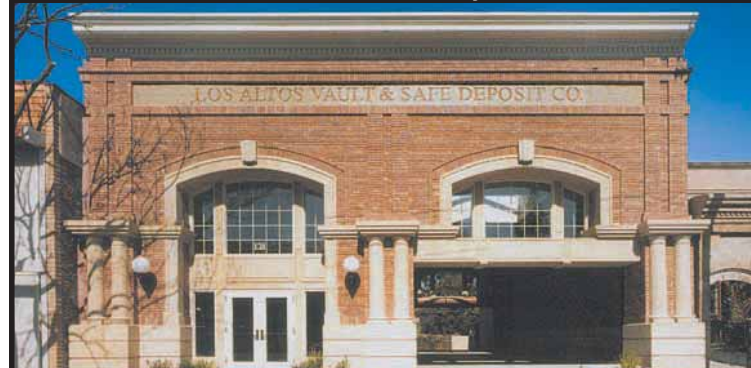
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The Peking duck breast with braised ruby chard, sweet potato cake and fig sauce at Shokolaat in downtown Palo Alto.

■ RESTAURANT REVIEW

For the finely tuned palate

SHOKOLAAT IS AN INTRIGUING MIX OF SMALL-PLATES RESTAURANT, PATISSERIE AND CHOCOLATIER

By Dale F. Benton

I was dazzled by Shokolaat. The food was exceptional, the pastries and chocolates excellent, the ambiance sleek and sophisticated, prices not unreasonable and service very good. That is not to say there weren't a few glitches along the way, but we'll get to those later.

Shokolaat, open since November, is the brainchild of Shek-ho Moossavi and her husband, Mark Ainsworth. They took over

the University Avenue space formerly occupied by the Meadowlark Gallery and transformed it into a modern urban bistro with open kitchen, small bar area, two small dining rooms and a pastry counter. It was an ambitious and expensive undertaking.

Both Moossavi and Ainsworth boast stellar resumes. Together, they owned Restaurant Gervais in Saratoga. Moossavi has cooked at the Ritz-Carlton in

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Florida as well as at Acquerello, La Folie and Restaurant Gary Danko, all top-notch San Francisco restaurants.

Ainsworth honed his skills as chocolatier and pastry maker at various Ritz-Carlton properties including San Francisco, and was executive pastry chef at The Lodge at Pebble Beach.

Add to that culinary repertoire chef Steven Tevere, who has cooked at the Lodge at Pebble Beach as well as Boulevard in San Francisco and was executive chef at the deliriously expensive

Meadowood in Napa Valley. It's almost a Who's Who of the local gastro-nomic scene.

At Shokolaat, I found the menu small-ish but each selection full of surprise. The orange-scented cauliflower soup (\$7) was sublime with zest of orange and orange-blossom water. The flavors were subtle but

not elusive, creamy and perfumed. The caviar topper was formed from glutinous orange juice, not sturgeon. It was a marvelous way to start a dinner.

Butternut-squash risotto (\$11) was the perfect balance of creaminess and graininess. Tiny chunks of squash studded the rice along with just-melted Reggiano cheese that dissolved on the tongue.

Seared Canadian foie gras (\$15) rested atop house-made brioche topped with huckleberry compote. Accompanied by a confit of apple, the liver was rich and velvety. The huckleberry added a

note of sweetness to the savory.

Less successful was the escargot (\$9) with bone marrow, mushrooms and confit of onions in red-wine sauce. It was delicious except for the snails themselves, which were scorched and rubbery.

None of the plates are large at Shokolaat; it's almost designer food, small plates all the way. I don't mean that disparagingly. The food is complex, sophisticated and imbued with subtle flavors. There are few restaurants in this area that offer sophisticated cuisine and still take chances with flavors and combinations.

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Seared ahi tuna (\$19) nested atop sauteed spinach and an onion-infused potato pancake. Pinot Noir sauce was drizzled over the fish table-side. The tuna was adroitly seared, warm on the outside without being crusty, and vivid purple-red on the inside. One evening, I ordered an Italian red

wine to have with dinner. The wine storage room is glassed-in and visible to the dining room. The bus boy could not locate the wine. I saw him searching high and low. Our first course came and went, no wine. Just as the entrees were being served, our waiter announced that they were out of that wine and did I care to choose another? It was awkward scanning the wine list while my food got cold. As it was, the wine wasn't served until we were nearing the final bites of

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For dessert, two chocolate souffles (each \$10) were offered, besides the options at the pastry counter. The Grand Marnier souffle was flecked with zest of orange. The chocolate souffle was imbued with rum and creme anglaise was poured over the souffle tableside. Both were good.

The souffles were not overly sweet, a European notion that carried over to the pastries and chocolates. They were well balanced, cocoa-y and luscious.

I was troubled by the wine list. There were far too many very expensive wines and not nearly enough everyday affordable wines. For example, there were 10 chardonnays. The price points were \$18, \$32 and \$52. The next stop was \$124, then \$145 on up to \$4,000 for a Romanee-Conti Montrachet. Bring your own and the corkage fee is \$25.

Shokolaat is an intriguing combination of pastries, chocolates and small plates. The food and surroundings are stylish with a decidedly European flair. Because the food had so much flavor, I didn't miss having gargantuan portions and still went away satisfied. ▣

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our entrees.

On two occasions, I was served a wrong dish. My dining companion went ahead and ate while I watched, then she watched as I ate. I think both our dishes should have been collected and then served anew when the order was right. There was a disconnect between kitchen and waitstaff.

Quail stuffed with brioche and

foie gras (\$17) was rich and appetizing. The bird had been boned, and the meat was pink and delicate. The foie gras added depth and richness, and fried polenta added texture. The tarragon veal juice contributed still another taste dimension to the plate.

I was fond of the Australian rack of lamb (\$23). The meat was fork-tender and the lamb-juice reduction added an opulence to the meat. Unhappily, the vegetable puree was stone cold. The "vegetable" tasted suspiciously like mashed potato and nothing more.

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 4:10, 7:15 & 10:10 p.m. Century 20: 1:35, 4:25, 7:30 & 10:20 p.m.
THE OTHER BOLEYN GIRL (PG-13) Century 16: 1, 3:55, 7:10 &
 9:55 p.m. Century 20: Noon, 1:20, 2:40, 4:05, 5:20, 6:50, 8, 9:35 & 10:40 p.m.
PENELOPE (PG) ★★★ Century 16: 12:50, 3:15, 5:30, 7:50 & 10:05
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MOVIE REVIEWS

BE KIND REWIND★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) Jerry (Jack Black) is a misfit mechanic who hangs at a Passaic, New Jersey, video store owned by super Fats Waller fan Mr. Fletcher (Danny Glover). The shop is manned by mild-mannered Mike (Mos Def), who wouldn't harm a flea. A ludicrous accident at a local power plant causes Jerry to be "magnetized," at which point he has only to set foot in the video store to wipe out the entire collection with his vanquishing micro-waves. So far, so dumb. Desperate to keep the disaster from Fletcher — who's on the road seeking financing to save his dilapidated building from the clutches of a rampant real estate empire — Mike and Jerry hit on a plan to re-create the tapes by making cheesy, low-budget remakes. The films, inexplicably called "Swedes," are a hit with the renters, who are recruited in droves to star and run camera and crew in the satirical indies. The buzz is killed when the law intervenes, claiming piracy and bootlegging and forcing the little-video-store-that-could into desperate straits. The climax is supremely touching, loosely tying the film together on a good, not great, note. *Rated: PG-13 for language and sexual references. 1 hour, 41 minutes.* — J.A.

CHARLIE BARTLETT★★

(Century 16, Century 12) Charlie (Anton Yelchin) is a poor little rich boy, acting out his frustrations and expelled from so many private schools that mom (Hope Davis) finally enrolls him (gulp) at the local public. Which only fuels the flames as Charlie — a good Samaritan at heart — comes to the aid of the Western Summit High student body with arm-chair counseling and prescription drugs to attend his cheap advice. Ritalin, Prozac, Xanax: Charlie is a walking, talking pharmacy. In addition to his burgeoning clientele, Charlie develops a crush — on the principal's daughter (Kat Dennings as Susan Gardner). It's a matter of time before Charlie is ruling the school and his shenanigans come to the attention of Principal Gardner (Robert Downey Jr.), a single dad with a closet drinking problem and a slim grasp on reason. There are only so many comic moments to be wrung from washroom confessionals and campus insurgence, and the weak scripting can't support them. Bottom line: It's a lightweight outing heavy on convention. *Rated: R for language, brief nudity and drug use. 1 hour, 38 minutes.* — J.A.

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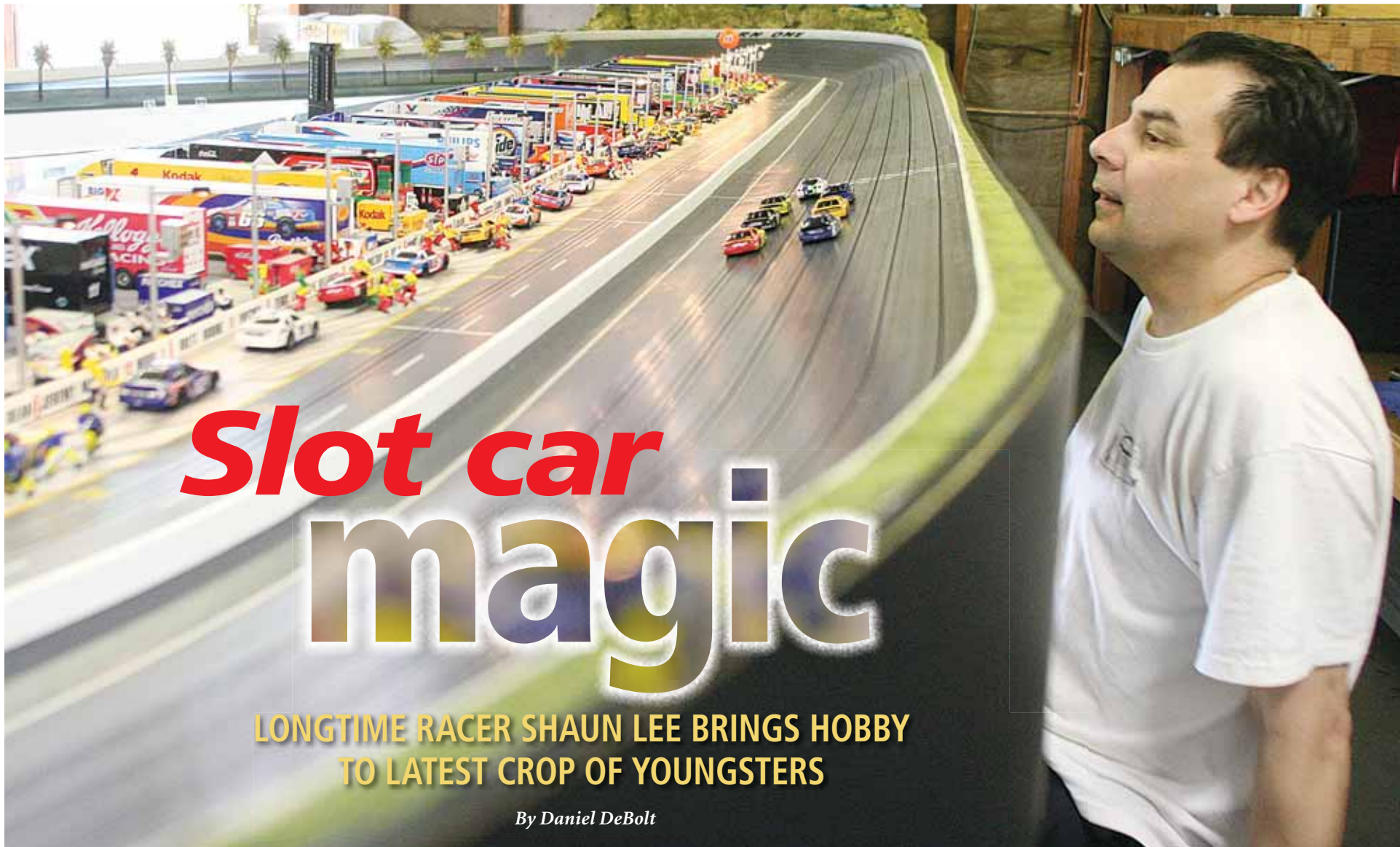


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Slot car magic

LONGTIME RACER SHAUN LEE BRINGS HOBBY TO LATEST CROP OF YOUNGSTERS

By Daniel DeBolt

DANIELLE VERNON

Shaun Lee holds regular races on his 50-foot slot car racetrack in his garage in Mountain View.

In the spirit of full disclosure, this reporter was once a regular at Mountain View's now-defunct Slot Car City. For some of us attending Graham Middle School in the early 1990s, who may have otherwise gotten into serious trouble, the track provided a perfect after-school activity.

But this story isn't about that, it's about the only serious slot car track known to currently exist in Mountain View: Shaun Lee's private "Shaunadega."

After Slot Car City closed in the late '90s, Lee, 48, kept the torch burning by bringing a large oval track, built by master track-builder Brad Bowman in 1997, to his own garage. Shaunadega is a wooden, eight-lane, NASCAR-style oval with stunning detail added by Lee, including a row of palm trees along the back straight made of green bird feathers, a working pit row and a jumbo-tron made from a small LCD screen.

After 10 years of club racing, Lee now also provides the space for children's birthday parties, introducing yet another generation to the decades-old hobby.

"It's a blast; I've been doing it for a long time," said Stuart Skjerven,

48, one of about a dozen regulars who come from all over the Bay Area to compete in monthly races. "It's just one of those things where I can be an 8-year-old for a while again," he said.

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STUART SKJERVEN

To Lee, the appeal to racing the 1/64 scale cars is "the adrenaline rush," and the fact that it isn't dangerous. "It only hurts your pocketbook" he says. A laser corrective eye surgery technician by trade,

Lee likes to spend his summer doing something actually dangerous: riding a motocross bike.

Slot car racing has been around since the 1910s. Each small electric car rides in a slot, with its speed controlled remotely by the driver. Too much throttle and the car may sail off the track.

Shaunadega has seen its share of spectacular crashes, including the time a car found its way into the fish bowl next to the track, and another time when a car literally exploded into pieces.

The test of concentration and control reaches its peak in Mountain View every summer, when Lee hosts the annual "Shaunadega 500," a reference to the real life Talladega 500. Lee takes two weeks off work to orchestrate the event, and somehow gets Bud-

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DANIELLE VERNON

■ ARTS BRIEFS

PYT PRESENTS 'PETER PAN'

A cast of more than a hundred local kids will take the stage beginning March 8 for the Peninsula Youth Theatre's presentation of "Peter Pan."

Tickets for the play, which runs through March 16, range from \$7 to \$18 and are available online at www.pytnet.org. The play will be held at the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, located near City Hall in downtown Mountain View.

'ALL MY SONS' PREMIERS THURSDAY

A new play stringing together wartime commerce, love and family will start this month at the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts. The play "All my Sons," is written by Arthur Miller.

The preview of the play is Feb. 28 at 8 p.m., and regular performances will be held through March 9, Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. For more, call (650) 903-6000 or go to www.mvcpa.com.

STUDENT ARTWORK AT CITY HALL

Local high school students are currently showing their artwork at City Hall in "A Delicate Balance," an exhibit put on through Mountain View High, Los Altos High and other groups.

The show is free and open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., through March 14 in the City Hall Rotunda.

Sponsored by the city's Visual Arts Committee, and the Community School of Music and Arts, the exhibit includes more than 200 pieces of art by students of all ages from throughout the region.

For more information visit www.arts4all.org.

FOOTHILL HOLDS AUDITIONS

Foothill College is holding auditions March 1 at 11 a.m. and March 4 at 7 p.m. in the Lohman Theatre for its upcoming play, "The Adding Machine."

"The Adding Machine" tells the story of Mr. Zero, a hard-working everyman who discovers that he will soon be replaced by a machine at his job. He doesn't take the news well, so he goes on a journey trying to discover the reason for his existence.

Foothill College is looking for 12 to 15 men ages 18 to 60, and 12 to 15 women ages 18 to 60. An appointment is not necessary.

The show will be playing May 30 through June 15. For more information, visit www.foothill.edu/fa.

LOCAL AUTHORS TO SPEAK AT LUNCHEON

Three nationally known authors who live in the Bay Area will be speaking at a luncheon hosted by the local branch of the American Association of University Women.

Mildred Kalish, Ann Packer and Joshua Spanogle, all award-winning authors, are scheduled to speak at the March 8 event. Packer's second book, "Songs without Words," recently drew high praise from the *New York Times*.

The luncheon will be held at Michael's at Shoreline, 2960 Shoreline Blvd., at 11:30 a.m. on March 8. Proceeds benefit the association's education foundation, which helps fund women studying for advanced degrees. The cost is \$38 (\$20 of which is tax-deductible). For reservations, call (650) 941-2225 before March 3.

— Nicole Baldocchi

So fair in its old age

TERRIFIC TALENT BRINGS OUT THE BEST IN 'MY FAIR LADY' AT FOOTHILL

By Jeanie Forte

■ THEATER REVIEW

A venerable Broadway chestnut becomes fresh again.

On the historic occasion of the opening of the new Lohman Theatre on campus, Foothill Music Theatre presents an innovative and charming production of "My Fair Lady." Innovative in that two pianos replace the usual pit orchestra, and what's more, they remain on stage the entire show, becoming an integral part of the action.

But the innovation would be mere novelty if it weren't for the abundance of charm, particularly in the talented cast and energetic staging.

Is there a person on the planet who doesn't know the famil-

iar and beloved story of Eliza Doolittle (Mindy Lym), as told by George Bernard Shaw and immortalized in musical form by Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe? She's that feisty Cockney flower seller who, for better or worse, crosses the paths of speech professor Henry Higgins (Kit Wilder)

and his new friend and colleague, Colonel Pickering (John Musgrave). The two men conspire on a wager to turn Eliza's Cockney into high British, and her metier from flower seller to duchess, in a mere six months' time.

Hilarity ensues as we see Eliza's trials on her way to refinement, and witness her transformation as she also comes to care for her teacher. She moves from vowing revenge in "Just You Wait," to walking on air in "I Could Have Danced All Night." Higgins staunchly defends his bachelorhood to Pickering in "I'm an Ordinary Man," but later comes to care for Eliza as well, much to his chagrin, as he reveals in "I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face."

These are just a few of the numbers that have passed into the popular canon; it's hard to keep from humming along to favorites like "With a Little Bit of Luck," "The Rain in Spain," or "On the Street Where You Live."

This particular production brings out facets of the script, and nuances of character and

plot, that might be lost in a larger staging. The 150-seat intimacy of the new theater puts you inside Higgins' apartments, or right on the streets of London, as the performers dance and sing their hearts out just feet away from you.

Mostly, however, the delight of this show arises from the excellence of the performers, from principals through ensemble. Lym and Wilder are well matched as Eliza and Higgins, both showing fine voices and persuasive acting. Lym has big shoes to fill in this role, and she is thoroughly up to it, from her Cockney howls to her appealing elegance to her beautiful

soprano. She's a skilled comedienne, and yet touchingly bruised and wistful when necessary.

Wilder brings a refreshing subtlety to the rather brutish character of Higgins, making him more likeable and interesting. He and Lym have real chemistry, heightened by

the similarity in their ages (what a revelation to see real possibility in the relationship).

Musgrave is quite suited to Pickering in voice and character, while Linda Piccone easily manages the role of stalwart Mrs. Pearce. Also, Jane Seaman is a wonderfully droll Mrs. Higgins, and Mike Earley is young-pup earnest as Freddy Eynsford-Hill, Eliza's would-be suitor.

A real standout in the cast is Todd Wright as Alfred Doolittle, Eliza's father. Wright gives us the requisite comedy, plus something more, an ineffable quality that endears the character to the audience: We completely understand why he is so loved by his mates, and why Eliza can't quite disown him. The contrast, no doubt intended by Shaw, between Doolittle and Higgins springs into sharp focus with Wright and Wilder — one man so full of life and love that he can scarcely be contained, the other so contained that he has lost touch with life. ■

■ INFORMATION

What: "My Fair Lady," presented by Foothill Music Theatre

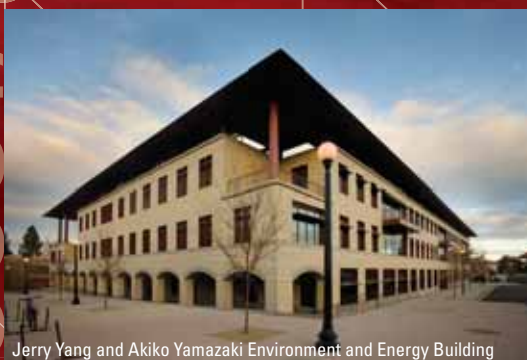
Where: Lohman Theatre at Foothill College, Los Altos Hills

When: Through March 16, with 8 p.m. shows Thursday through Saturday and 2 p.m. matinees on Sundays; also 2 p.m. Saturday matinees on March 8 and 15

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Seeing is not believing

PEAR AVENUE THEATRE TAKES ON PASSION AND COURAGE OF 'MOLLY SWEENEY'

By Alexa Tondreau

THEATER REVIEW

We see the water before we jump in, and are affected by its image before we feel it on our skin.

So then, did seeing the water let us understand the swim better? Or did it somehow take away from the experience? Put more generally, what exactly is seeing, and what is understanding? Does seeing enhance our understanding of a thing — or can it limit it?

These are the questions posed to startling effect by the Brian Friel play "Molly Sweeney," currently at the Pear Avenue Theatre through March 16. In it, Friel, currently Ireland's most famous and prodigious playwright, presents a variation of themes he continually returns to — identity and alienation — through the story of a blind woman set in 1990s Ireland.

Structured around three central characters — Molly Sweeney, her husband, and her doctor — the play is told entirely through these characters' monologues, as they slowly reveal a strange, intricate and dynamic story from their interweaving personal perspectives.

Played with incredible warmth and verve by Pear founder and artistic director Diane Tasca, Molly Sweeney is a middle-aged woman, blind practically since birth, who (being persuaded by both her husband and doctor), undergoes a surgery which temporarily restores her sight.

What ensues is a moving journey through an unfamiliar landscape of color and shape, light and dark, which forces her to completely reestablish her relationship to the world, and question whether she did not lose more than she gained.

It cannot be understated how compelling Tasca is in the role. Anyone looking for a reason to see "Molly Sweeney" should go

INFORMATION

What: The Pear Avenue Theatre presents "Molly Sweeney," by Brian Friel
When: 8 p.m. showings, and 2 p.m. Sundays, now through March 16
Where: 1220 Pear Avenue, Unit K, Mountain View
Cost: \$20 general, \$12 for students and seniors
Info: visit www.thepear.org

simply for that: The chance to see a first-rate actress like Tasca spread her wings in a genuinely complex and thoughtful role.

Using a melodic Irish-lilt of an accent, Tasca subtly guides her character through the journey, transforming herself from confident blind person, to confused and lonely seeing person, and finally to someone living in resig-

nation — perhaps peace — at the tenuous border between the two.

In a standout scene in the play, Molly describes what it feels like to go swimming as a blind person. Recounting the sensual, cool embrace of the water, she thinks that no seeing person could ever experience such joy when they swim. Tasca delivers this monologue with such passion and tenderness that one is utterly convinced of the truth of Molly's words.

John Baldwin and Troy Johnson, who play Molly's eye surgeon and husband, respectively, also turn in first-rate performances that veer crazily between sorrow and humor, wisdom and hubris. All three characters inhabit the stage at the same time, and director Dean Burgi does a skillful job at letting them prowl and pace around each other without interference, despite The Pear's diminutive space.

Burgi is also the set designer, and has the unique challenge of decorating a single stage so that it qualifies as the Sweeney home, the doctor's office, and the setting of innumerable flashbacks in time. Burgi is wise to leave most of the stage empty, save a few chairs and a table, which allows the performances to shine, and also seems to underscore the abiding theme: How important is that which we see? Is there not just as much truth, if not more, in words and sounds and feeling?

In the case of "Molly Sweeney," the answer is a resounding yes. ■



CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW
 Environmental Sustainability Task Force Meeting
 March 3, 2008

The Environmental Sustainability Task Force will meet on Monday, March 3, 2008 in the Council Chambers, second floor of City Hall at 500 Castro Street at 6:30 p.m.

The Task Force will discuss forming subcommittees on: greenhouse gases, green buildings, renewable energy, public information education and others. The Steering Committee invites you to participate and provide your thoughts for creating a sustainable community.

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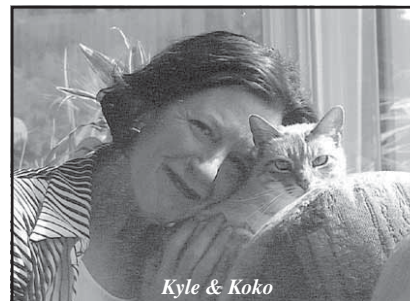
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SLOT CAR

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weiser to make posters with past race winners printed on them. He's even put a quarter-scale NASCAR on the roof of his garage. In the event's most successful year, over 40 racers showed up.

While its often adult men at the races, once in a while there's a youngster in the mix.

"It's a very focused group," Skjerven said. Before a race, "Everybody is very intent on getting their car ready and beating that guy next to them. Everybody does it a little differently."

A favorite at Shaunadega is the functioning pit row, complete with tiny skid marks, figurines changing tires, and row of semi trucks replicating the NASCAR team rigs from the 1999 season. During a race, racers must make a pit stop by hitting a control switch and carefully adjusting the car's speed so that it coasts through the dead section of track in the pits — but not crash on the turn coming out. Precious seconds are at stake.

Some are attracted to the speed of the cars, which can go over 40 mph, while others seem to enjoy giving their cars incredibly detailed paint jobs — like Jeff Hurley, the "Michelangelo" of painting tiny slot cars, Skjerven said.

The 1/64 scale cars are the smallest slot cars made, with others ranging up to 1/24 scale. Skjerven explained that his preference for the smaller cars started early.

"When I was a kid, the smaller the car, the larger the layout I could put on my bedroom floor," he said.

The pace has slowed a bit lately at Shaunadega with Lee's newest enterprise: children's birthday parties. On a recent visit to the track with two 6-year-olds it was apparent that he's had practice with the kids. Should things get out of hand, Lee turns the power down on the track's adjustable power supply, slowing the cars. The parties often bring repeat customers, he said, and cars and controllers are provided. ▀

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■ HIGHLIGHT

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"Searching for True North" An exhibition of vertical panoramic landscapes culled from 30 years of Geir Jordahl's black-and-white photographic work. Through March 4, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Free. Modernbook Gallery, 494 University Ave., Palo Alto. www.modernbook.com

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High School Art Competition The National Art Honor Society High School Art competition. Through March 1, Gallery House, 320 California Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-494-1602.

Kathy Sharpe Paintings A one-woman exhibition featuring Northern California artist Kathy Sharpe. Recent watercolor and oil paintings are on display. Through March 1, Tue.-Sun. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Gallery 9, 143 Main St., Los Altos. www.gallery9losaltos.com

Paintings of Animals by Diana Hartman "From Ape to Zebra." Animal paintings in oils by Diana Hartman will be on exhibit through March 2, 9 a.m.-11 p.m. Free. Books Inc. Cafe Gallery, 301 Castro St., Mountain View.

Photography by Alan McGee Portola Art Gallery presents "Sermons in Sandstone" by black-and-white photographer Alan McGee. The exhibit will run through Feb. 29, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Portola Art Gallery, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park. www.portolaartgallery.com

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Winter 2008 Exhibitions "From Fire to the Forefront: Vessels from the Forrest L. Merrill Collection" and "Intertwined: Contemporary Baskets from the Sara and David Lieberman Collection." Through April 27, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. Palo Alto Art Center, 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-329-2366. www.paacf.org

AUDITIONS

"The Adding Machine" The Foothill College Theatre Arts Department announces auditions for "The Adding Machine," which will be directed by Foothill Theatre Arts Instructor Tom Gough in the new Lohman Theatre at Foothill College. March 1-4, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. \$2 for parking permit. Foothill College Lohman Theatre, 12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills. Call 650-949-7268. http://www.foothill.edu/fa/

BENEFITS

The Diamond Dinner Ravenswood Family Health Center is hosting its 6th Anniversary Celebration called "The Diamond Dinner." All proceeds benefit prenatal and mental health services. Sat., March 1, 6-9 p.m. \$75. Lucie Stern Ballroom, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-617-7828. www.ravenswoodfhc.org



Avian Odes:

An exhibit of visual poems built around studies of Bay Area birds by watercolor artist Floy Zittin. Floy combines scientific illustration with impressionistic, Asian brushwork. Through Feb. 29, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. (closes at 3 p.m. on Sundays). Free. Viewpoints Gallery, 315 State St., Los Altos. www.viewpointsgallery.com

"GREEN HERON", WATERCOLOR ON CANVAS, FLOY ZITTIN

CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

Basic Electric Circuits This is a simple introduction to electricity. In the hands-on sessions, the student builds a battery-operated system including two switches, two lamps, an audio sounder and a pair of batteries. Saturdays, March 8-29, 10 a.m.-noon. \$55 members/ \$65 Nonmembers Museum of American Heritage, 351 Homer Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-321-1004. www.moah.org

Blueberries and Other Small Fruits Learn how to select, plant, and maintain blueberries and other small fruits for home growing. Sat., March 1, 2-4 p.m. \$25. Common Ground Garden Supply and Education Center, 559 College Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-493-6072. www.commonground.inpaloalto.org

Connecting with your Child (5-11 years) Explore ways to build a parent-child relationship of trust and love through open communication and true respect. Thu., March 13, 7-9 p.m. \$30. Parents Place, 200 Channing Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-688-3040. www.parentspaceonline.org

Creating a Topiary Karen Froniewski will teach the techniques for creating a topiary. Wed., March 5, 9:30 a.m.-noon. \$25 members, \$30 nonmembers. Gamble Garden, 1431 Waverley St., Palo Alto. Call 650-329-1356 ext.201. http://www.gamblegarden.org

Easy-Drip Irrigation Instructor: Master Gardener Bob Weissman. Hands-on gardening workshop. Learn how to set up a drip system attached to a hose bib near an ornamental or vegetable garden. Sat., March 1, 10-11 a.m. The workshop is followed by an open garden from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free. Palo Alto Demonstration Garden, 851 Center Drive, Palo Alto. Call 408-282-3105. http://mastergardeners.org/events.html

Growing Terrific Tomatoes Learn which tomatoes have most flavor, reliable production and the ability to hold up under regular garden conditions. Learn favorite trellising methods, soil preparation and what NOT to do, and how to avoid the brown crispy-foliage-blues. Sat., March 8, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$25. Common Ground Garden Supply and Education Center, 559 College Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-493-6072. www.commonground.inpaloalto.org

Mothers of Boys (2-6 years) Explore this special relationship: what boys need from their moms; handling boy energy; and fostering good communication and closeness. Workshop led by Karen Friedland-Brown, MA. Wed., March 12.

Pre-registration is required. 7-9 p.m. \$30. Parents Place, 200 Channing Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-688-3040. www.parentspaceonline.org

Searching the Historic New York Times Palo Alto City Librarians demonstrate how to search The Historic New York Times, a collection of more than 100 years. Part of the series "Information You Can Use at the Library." Wed., March 12, 10:30 a.m.-noon. Free. Main Library, 1213 Newell Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-329-2436. www.cityofpaloalto.org/library

Supportive Listening Workshop offers tools for effective and genuine support. Sat., March 8, 5-7 p.m. Free. Advanced registration required. Stanford Women's Community Center, 433 Santa Teresa St., Stanford. Call 650-714-3818. supportivelisting.org

Transformation through Forgiveness Lecture The evening presentation will touch upon how forgiveness can transform not only an individual's life but can be used as a strategy for world transformation. The lecture features Linda Biehl and Fred Luskin, PhD, author of the book "Forgive for Good." Fri., Feb. 29, 7-10 p.m. \$25 general, \$10 students and \$15 alumni. Institute of Transpersonal Psychology, 1069 E. Meadow Circle, Palo Alto. Call 650-493-4430 ext. 269. http://www.itp.edu/pcalendar/calendars.cfm?acton=yearandcalid=1andsetview=list#

Transistors and Vacuum Tubes Introductory course covering the basics of transistor and vacuum tube circuits. Students learn about the invention of tubes and transistors, then perform simple experiments to learn how basic transistors are used to control the flow of electric current. Construct and take home a project. Ages 10 and up. Saturdays, April 5, 12, 19 and 26 10 a.m.-noon. Members \$55/nonmembers \$65. Museum of American Heritage, 351 Homer Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-321-1004. www.moah.org

Understanding Girls' Friendships (9-13 years) In this parenting workshop, learn to better understand and navigate a daughter's social relationships, and what the parent's role is in supporting her. Led by Denise Salin, LMFT. Thu., March 6. Preregistration required. 7-9 p.m. \$30. Parents Place, 200 Channing Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-688-3040. www.parentspaceonline.org

CLUBS/MEETINGS

Blackberry REACT Blackberry REACT, Incorporated is a local team of volunteers

providing radio communications for public service in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties. Refreshments served. Group meets Wednesdays, ongoing. 7:30-9 p.m. Free. Menlo Park Fire District Training Room, 1467 Chilco St. (off Bayfront Expressway), Menlo Park. Call 650-919-9251. blackberryreact.org

Issues with food? Food Addicts In Recovery Anonymous is for individuals recovering from addictive eating and anorexia based on the 12 steps of AA. No dues/no fees/no weigh-ins. Sundays. 7-8:30 p.m. Free. St. Marks Church, 600 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto.

Luncheon Presents Best-Selling Authors Mildred Kalish, Ann Packer and Joshua Spanogle, will speak at a luncheon presented by The American Association of University Women, Los Altos/Mountain View Branch to benefit the Education Foundation. Books will be available for purchase and signing. RSVP. Sat., March 8, 11:30 a.m. \$38 (\$20 tax-deductible). Michael's at Shoreline Restaurant, 2960 Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View.

My Pakistan Pakistan native and local internist Dr. Munir Javed maintains close contacts with others, both here and there. He recently visited there, and will share his knowledge. Discussion and refreshments after meeting. Sun., March 2, 3-5 p.m. Los Altos Hills Town Hall, 26379 Fremont Road, Los Altos Hills. Call 650-961-8859.

Palo Alto Scrabble Just for fun. Open to players of all levels. All equipment provided. Mondays, ongoing, 6-10 p.m. Free. Boston Market Restaurant, 3375 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. Call 650-326-6243. http://groups.yahoo.com/group/pa-scrabble

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Book club Mixer with Ann Packer Book-group social featuring Ann Packer, author of "The Dive From Clausen's Pier" and "Songs without Words." Ann will be speaking about the importance of book groups to authors. Ten percent of the day's sales benefit the Palo Alto Library Foundation. Wed., March 5, 7-9 p.m. Books Inc Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real #74, Palo Alto. Call 650-321-0600. www.booksinc.net

Cara Black Celebrate the grand opening of Books Inc. in Town and Country Village with mystery writer Cara Black, who'll introduce her new book "Murder in the Rue De Paradis." Ten percent of the day's sales will benefit the Children's Health Council in Palo Alto. Thu., March 6, 7-9 p.m. Books Inc Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real #74, Palo Alto. Call 650-321-0600. www.booksinc.net

Frank Portman "King Dork" is coming out in paperback. To celebrate, Dr. Frank will be present for a punk-rock jam session, pizza, reading and a sneak preview of his next book. Ten percent of the day's sales will benefit the Palo Alto High School Library. Fri., March 7, 7-9 p.m. Books Inc Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real #74, Palo Alto. Call 650-321-0600. www.booksinc.net

HUBB Networking Breakfast Silicon Valley Business Journal's new publisher, James MacGregor, and new editor, Moryt Milo, bring a special report on the business and communities of Mountain View and Sunnyvale and the vision of the Silicon Valley Business Journal. Fri., Feb. 29, 7:30-9 a.m. \$10 - \$20. Microsoft, Building 1, Mountain View. Call 650-968-8378. www.chambermv.org

Meet Your Elected Officials The League of Women Voters of Los Altos/Mountain View offers the opportunity to mingle with local officials, including council members from Los Altos, Los Altos Hills and Mountain View, plus members of local school boards, community college boards, El Camino Hospital board, legislators and more. Tue., March 4, 2-4 p.m. Free. City Hall Rotunda, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-941-4846. www.lwvlamv.org

Michelle Richmond Celebrate the Grand opening of Books Inc. in Town and Country Village with novelist Michelle Richmond, author of "The Year of Fog." Ten percent of the day's sales will benefit the C-A-R (Community Association for

Rehabilitation). Tue., March 4, 7-9 p.m. Books Inc Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real #74, Palo Alto. Call 650-321-0600. www.booksinc.net

Orme/Machmiller @ Pacific Art League Printmakers Patricia J. Machmiller and Donna Orme present "Re-Formations," an exhibit of original prints. Through Feb. 29, Pacific Art League, 668 Ramona St., Palo Alto. Call 408-249-7746. www.donnaorme.com

Troubled Waters Lecture Series Stanford's 2008 Energy and Environment Public Lecture Series continues with a panel discussion on water in the west. Seating is limited. Tue., March 11, 7:30-9 p.m. Free and open to the public. Kresge Auditorium, Stanford campus. Call 650-725-4395. eslectures.stanford.edu

CONCERTS

California Bach Society Scarlatti's "Stabat Mater" and Stradella's cantata "L'anime del Purgatorio." Sat., March 3, 8 p.m. \$25 general; \$18 senior; \$10 student. All Saints' Episcopal Church, 555 Waverley St., Palo Alto. www.calbach.org

California Bach Society Concert Scarlatti and Scardella: "A Mother's Sorrow" and "L'anime del Purgatorio." Sat., March 1, 8 p.m. General \$25 / senior \$18 / student \$10. All Saints' Episcopal Church, 555 Waverly St. at Hamilton, Palo Alto. www.calbach.org

El Camino Youth Symphony Flute Ensembles The El Camino, Intermezzo and Overture Flute Ensembles are comprised of advanced, intermediate and beginning level musicians, performing traditional flute choir repertoire as well as small group literature. Sat., March 1, 7:30 p.m. \$10/\$5. St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 600 Colorado Road, Palo Alto. www.ecys.org

Music in the Schools Benefit The Music Teachers Association of California, Palo Alto Branch, will host a benefit concert for the Music in the Schools program. Pianist Laura Goehner-Moreno and cellist Michael Graham will perform Chopin's "Sonata Op.65" and Rachmaninoff's "Sonata in G Minor, Op.19." Sun., March 2, 4 p.m. Suggested donation: adults \$15, student/seniors \$12, children 12 and under \$5. Checks and cash are a Palo Alto Arts Center, Corner of Newell and Embarcadero, Palo Alto. www.musicintheschools.org

Nacusa's Composers and Friends Concert of original, new music by Sondra Clark, John Beeman, Brian Holmes, Karl Schmidt and others, mostly played by the composers. Sat., March 1, 8-10 p.m. \$15 adults, \$10 seniors, students. Palo Alto Art Center, 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto. Call 408-269-2301. www.nacusasf.org

Organ Mass Classics Congregational Oratorio Society and Orchestra, conducted by Gregory Wait, will perform the Haydn "Great Organ Mass" and the Mozart "Organsolo Mass." The performance will feature Robert Huw Morgan on the Letourneau organ. Sun., March 9, 4-6 p.m. \$15 general/\$10 student and senior. First Congregational Church of Palo Alto, 1985 Louis Road (at Embarcadero), Palo Alto. Call 650-856-6662. http://fccpa.org/music.htm

Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra Featuring music from Great Britain and local violin virtuoso Robin Sharp. Program includes Handel's "Concerto Grosso," Vaughan-Williams' "Concerto Accademico" and Edward Elgar's "Serenade for String Orchestra." Sun., March 2, 3-5 p.m. \$15 adults, \$10 seniors, \$6 students. Dinkelspiel Auditorium, Stanford University, Stanford. Call 650-856-3848. http://www.pacomusic.org

Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra's "Sinfonia" The concert features guest conductor Dawn Harms, a violinist and teacher who performs with the San Francisco Opera Orchestra and the New Century Chamber Orchestra, and local bassoon virtuoso Amy Duxbury. Sat., March 8, 8-10 p.m. \$10/general admission, \$5/senior and student. Cuddeback Theatre, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-856-

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3848. <http://www.pacomusic.org>

Palo Alto Philharmonic Chamber Concert The 20th season of chamber music concerts features orchestra musicians in string quartets, trios and quintets - brass and wind ensembles - accordion, harp and more performing old favorites and pieces you may not have heard before. 8 p.m. \$17 general; \$15 senior; \$8 student Palo Alto Arts Center Auditorium, 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto. <http://www.paphil.org>

Sopianos, Enchanted Music from East and West Ensemble members Keiko Kagawa-Hamilton, Nicole Akiko Takesono and Mayumi Ashiya with selections ranging from opera arias to show tunes, piano duets and four-handed piano pieces. Thu., March 6, 7 p.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

The Fortnightly Music Club Concert The Fortnightly Music Club concert Sun., March 9, will present works by Messiaen, Schumann and Rachmaninov. 8-10 p.m. Free. Palo Alto Art Center, 1313 Newell Palo Alto. Call 650-522-8152. www.fortnightlymusicclub.org

DANCE

English Country Dancing Traditional and modern set dances to live music in a contemporary social atmosphere. Beginners welcome. All dances taught, no partner required. First, third and fifth Wednesdays through June. 8-10 p.m. \$9 (students \$5). Flex-It Studio, 425 Evelyn Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-493-6012.

Ballroom Dancing Salsa will be taught Fri., Feb. 29, 8 p.m. Lessons for beginning and intermediate levels, no experience and no partner necessary. General dance party 9 p.m.-midnight. Singles and couples welcome. Free refreshments. Dressy casual attire. \$8. Cubberley Community Center Pavilion, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-856-9930. www.readybyte.com/fridaynightdance

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. Through May 21, 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

Spring Migration The Department of Drama and the Dance Division present the 30th-annual Spring Migration Dance Concert. The program will

feature newly commissioned works in a variety of forms, including contemporary ballet, modern, urban and hip-hop and hybrid styles, contemporary tap and folkloric forms. Feb. 28-March 1, 8-10 p.m. \$15 general /\$10 Stanford faculty/staff and senior citizens /\$5 students with ID. Roble Studio Theater, Roble Gym, 375 Santa Teresa St., Stanford. Call 650-725-5838. <http://drama.stanford.edu>

ENVIRONMENT

Plant and Paddle Bair Island with Save The Bay Paddle canoes out to Middle Bair Island and help restore native wetland habitat at this site that is normally off-limits to the public. The goal is to plant 2,500 native plants such as gumplum, alkali health and jaumea this winter. All equipment provided, minimum age is 10. RSVP required. Sat., March 8, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. \$25 Save The Bay members; \$35 Nonmembers. Redwood City. Call 510-452-9261 ext. 119. <http://www.savesfbay.org/bayevents>

Water in the West Speakers: David Freyberg, associate professor, civil and environmental engineering, Stanford University; David Kennedy, professor of history, Stanford University. Tue., March 11, 7:30-9:15 p.m. Free. Kresge Auditorium, Stanford University, Stanford. <http://pangea.stanford.edu/eslectures/index.php>

EXHIBITS

Bonfires and Bugs The history, science and art of camping. March 7-Aug. 8, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Museum of American Heritage, 351 Homer Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-321-1004. www.moah.org

Chinese and American Artists Exhibition and Reception Opening reception for Chinese and American Artists exhibit at CSMA's Mohr Gallery. Fri., Feb. 29, 5:30 p.m. Free. Community School of Music and Arts at Finn Center, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. Call 650-917-6800 x305. www.arts4all.org

Fort Point - Metamorphosis Meggi Raeder, photographer and digital artist, exhibits "Alcatraz-Reconstructed" and "Fort Point-Metamorphosis" during the inauguration of the new Lohman Theatre on Foothill College. Through March 16, 6-8 p.m. Free prior to theater show Foothill College, Moody Road, Los Altos. Call 650-326-4570.

Keeble and Shuchat Photography Black-and-white photographs by Peter Zivkov, Katie Cooney and Roy Harrington are on display in The Gallery during February. 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Keeble and Shuchat Photog-

raphy, 290 California Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-327-8996. www.kspphoto.com

Kimono Design Books from Kyoto Exhibition of woodblock-printed "zuancho," design idea books, used in the textile trade in Kyoto ca. 1890-1940. Works on display show a transition in surface design for kimono from a painterly style to a "modern," graphic approach featuring bold synthetic colors, kinetic lines, and geometric shapes. Through April 16, no charge Peterson Gallery, Green Library, Stanford University, Stanford. Call 650-725-1020. http://www.sul.stanford.edu/depts/spc/exhibits/kimono_exhibit.html

Lucile, David Packard: Valued Partners Personal, business, and philanthropic legacy of Lucile and David Packard. A replica of the historic HP garage, new video interviews with Packard associates, business and personal artifacts, interactive children's area, talks by Julie Packard, early HP executives, Lucile Packard panel, and more. Through June 22, noon-4 p.m. Free. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. Call 650-948-9427 ext. 10. www.losaltoshistory.org/packard.htm

Moffett Field Historical Society Museum Museum displays memorabilia, artifacts, photos and aircraft models; tours of museum and view of the exterior of Hangar One. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Wed.-Sat. Free. Moffett Field Historical Society Museum, Building 126, Moffett Federal Airfield, off Highway 101, Mountain View.

Stanford Art Space Original prints by Kent Manske, paintings by Kenney Mencher and paintings by Lynn Rubenzem. Through April 10, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. Center for Integrated Systems, 420 Via Palou, Stanford. Call 650-725-3622. <http://cis.stanford.edu/~marigros>

Transfigurations, Exploring Transgender Identity Jana Marcus's black-and-white photographs of transgender people, with their personal stories, explore notions of masculine and feminine. Through March 21, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. Serra House, 589 Capistrano Way, Stanford. Call 650-725-0371. <http://gender.stanford.edu>

FAMILY AND KIDS

Arbor Day Celebration Activities for kids at the Arbor Day celebration organized by Canopy and the Children's Library. Tree-themed activities include tree stories, hands-on learning activities and a tree walk. Sat., March 8, 1-4 p.m. Free. Children's Library of Palo Alto, 1276 Harriet St., Palo Alto. Call 650-964-6110. www.canopy.org

Babies and Books A workshop for pre-walking infants and their parents featuring books, music, lap bounces, nursery rhymes and

parenting resources. There's time for discussion, practice, play and socializing for parents and babies. Thu., March 13, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Free. City of Mountain View Public Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View. Call 650-526-7054. <http://library.mountainview.gov>

Cynthia Chin-Lee Hear stories about men and women who changed the world when Chin-Lee shares her award-winning books "Amelia to Zora" and "Akira to Zoltan." Sat., March 1, 2:30-3:15 p.m. Free. Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-329-2436.

Francis England and band Family concert and storytime with singer-songwriter Frances England and her band. Ten percent of the day's sales will benefit the Ronald McDonald House at Stanford. Sat., March 1, 11 a.m.-noon. Books Inc Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real #74, Palo Alto. Call 650-321-0600. www.booksinc.net

Kudos for Trees Arbor Day celebration with Canopy, a nonprofit advocate for trees in Palo Alto. There will be stories, an art project and a tree walk led by Canopy. Sat., March 8, 1-2 p.m. Free. Children's Library, 1276 Harriet St., Palo Alto. Call 650-329-2436.

Picture Book Pals and Curious George Story time with "The Picture Book Pals," activities and pictures with George. Ten percent of the day's sales will benefit the Palo Alto Junior Museum and Zoo. Sun., March 2, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Books Inc Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real #74, Palo Alto. Call 650-321-0600. www.booksinc.net

LIVE MUSIC

"Music Home-Grown" San Francisco Choral Artists. Magen Solomon, artistic director. Fri., March 3, 4 p.m. \$9-28. St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 600 Colorado, Palo Alto. Call 415-979-5779. www.sfca.org

Wesla Whitfield Wesla Whitfield sings jazz cabaret tunes from her newest CD. Accompanied by arranger/pianist Mike Greensill and bassist Dean Reilly. Sat., March 1, 8-9:30 p.m. \$35. Bus Barn Theater, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos. Call 650-941-0551. www.busbarn.org

ON STAGE

"All My Sons" Arthur Miller's drama about the consequences of war, the love of a family and moral obligations set after WWII. Feb. 28-March 9, Thu.-Sat. at 8 p.m., Sun. at 2 p.m. \$15 - \$20. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. www.mvcpa.com

"Dracula, Count of Comedy" What hap-

pens when a real vampire auditions for a local theater's production of "Dracula"? Feb. 28-29, 7-9 p.m. \$10/adults, \$5/students. Jordan M.S. Cafetorium-Theatre, 750 No. California Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-213-0150. <http://starr.pausd.org/~jforte/prods/curprod.html>

"My Fair Lady" Foothill Music Theatre unveils the new Lohman Theatre with an interpretation of Lerner and Loewe's "My Fair Lady," featuring a two-piano accompaniment. Feb. 22-Mar. 16, Thu.-Sat. at 8 p.m.; Sun. at 2 p.m.; special matinees March 8 and 15 at 2 p.m. \$10-24. Lohman Theatre at Foothill College, 12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills. foothillmusical.com

Harold Pinter's "Betrayal" Stanford Drama presents Nobel laureate Harold Pinter's "Betrayal." Feb. 28 (8 p.m.), Feb. 29 (3 p.m. and 8 p.m.) and March 1 (3 p.m. and 7 p.m.), \$5-10. Prosser Studio Theater, 551 Serra Mall, Stanford. Call 650-208-0952. drama.stanford.edu

TheatreWorks presents "Sothorn Comforts" TheatreWorks presents the West Coast Premiere of late-in-life love story "Southern Comforts." Weds., March 5 through Sun., March 30, Tue.-Wed., 7:30pm, Thu.-Fri. Sun., 8pm; Sat. 2 and 7pm. \$20-56. TheatreWorks at the Lucie Stern Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. www.theatreworks.org

"The Songs of Harold Arlen" Though he is most noted for composing the songs for "The Wizard of Oz," Arlen has written more than 400 songs. Lecturer: Joe Marchi. Sun., March 2, 3 p.m. Free. ALSJCC, Cubberley Campus, Room H-1, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-852-3505. <http://www.paloaltojcc.org/index.php?src=eventsandsrctype=detailandrefno=156114andcategory=J-Adult>

SENIORS

Caring For The Caregiver Care and support for caregivers. Thu., March 13, 1-2 p.m. Free 266 Escuela Ave., Mountain View.

Tax return assistance Free preparation of State and Federal Tax Returns provided by IRS/AARP trained volunteers during tax season at Avenidas every Friday and Mountain View Senior Center every Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Call for more information and appointment. Free. Avenidas/MV Senior Center, 450 Bryant/266 Escuela, Palo Alto/Mountain View. Call 650-289-5400/903-6330. <http://www.aarp.org/money/taxaide/>

SPECIAL EVENTS

Dynasties, Chinese Opera and Dance The Dynasties is a performance work integrating ancient and poetic Kunqu Opera forms with classical Chinese dance showcasing five dynasties of Chinese civilization: Tang, Song, Yuan, Ming and Qing. Fri., Feb. 29, 7:30 p.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

TALKS/AUTHORS

Michael Pollan Lecture Michael Pollan will be giving a lecture entitled "In Defense of Food: The Omnivore's Solution." Pollan has been writing books and articles for the last 20 years about places where the human and natural worlds intersect. He is the author of the New York Times bestseller "The Omnivore's Dilemma." Mon., March 3, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Free. Kresge Auditorium, 555 Nathan Abbott Way, behind the Stanford Law School, Stanford. <https://www.stanford.edu/dept/humbio/cgi-bin/>

Public Lecture by World's Top Planet Hunter Astronomer Geoff Marcy, who has discovered more planets than anyone in history, will give a nontechnical illustrated talk on his work and the future of planet hunting. Wed., March 5, 7-9 p.m. Free. Smithwick Theater, Foothill College, 12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills. www.foothill.edu/ast

■ MORE LISTINGS

For a complete listing of local events, see our website at www.PaloAltoOnline.com.



MOUNTAIN VIEW - LOS ALTOS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND OF PROPOSAL FOR INCREASING SCHOOL FACILITIES FEES AS AUTHORIZED BY EDUCATION CODE SECTION 17620 AND GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65995

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that immediately following a public hearing on the matter, a resolution will be considered by the Board of Trustees of the Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District at its regular meeting on March 10, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., which, if adopted by the Board, will increase development fees established by the District against residential construction and reconstruction to \$0.99 per square foot and against new commercial or industrial construction to \$0.16 per square foot. The proposed fees are authorized by Education Code Section 17620 and Government Code Section 65995. Data pertaining to the cost of school facilities is available for inspection during regular business hours at the District's administrative offices at 1299 Bryant Avenue in Mountain View. The increased fees, if approved by the Board of Trustees, will become effective on May 9, 2008 which is 60 days after the proposed adoption by the Board of the resolution levying such fee.

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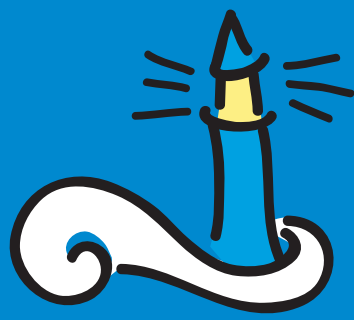
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File No. 505649
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997 All Other Legals

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA No. 108CV105591
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: MELANIE OLIVEIRA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: MASON WADE HAMPSMIRE to MASON WADE OLIVEIRA.
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: March 25, 2008, 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: MOUNTAIN VIEW VOICE.
Date: February 13, 2008
/s/ Mary Ann Grilli
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT (Voice Feb. 22, 29, March 7, 14, 2008)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA No. 108CV106268
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner RONALD EDICAL MIRES II aka CHIP MIRES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: CHIP MIRES to RONALD EDICAL MIRES II.
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: April 1, 2008, 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: MOUNTAIN VIEW VOICE.
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JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT (Voice Feb. 29, March 7, 14, 21, 2008)



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greenbelt and mature trees
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2 BR 2 BA Townhome with expansive yard! Peaceful end unit location. Lots of natural light. Updated kitchen. Inside laundry room. Pool. Close to commute routes.
Shelly Potvin 650.941.7040
765 N RENGSTORFF AV #1
SAT 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.
Fran Papapietro 650.948.0456
100 E. MIDDLEFIELD ROAD #6D
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$429,000
2 BR 2 BA Remod kit & baths. Wood laminate in entry, kit & dining rm. Step down living rm w/ftp & door to deck. Inside w/d hook-ups. New carpet and paint.
Royce Cablayan 650.948.0456

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TOP FLOOR CONDO!
\$395,000
1 BR 1 BA Charming 1 bed/1 bath top floor unit at the rear of the Parkview West. Unit features newer carpet, renovated kitchen, vaulted ceilings and balcony.
DiPali Shah 650.325.6161
VAULTED CEILING & DECK
\$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.
Owen Halliday 650.325.6161

PALO ALTO

3180 COWPER
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,675,000
7 BR 4 BA Spacious new home. 10,745sf lot. Separate dining room, spacious family kitchen with cherry cabinets and fireplace.
Alan & Nicki Loveless 650.325.6161
846 WARREN WAY
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,895,000
4 BR 3 BA Beautifully Renovated, Open-design Home has Two Master Suites and sits on a Tree-lined Cul-de-sac. Professionally Landscaped, Excellent PA schools.
Lan L. Bowling 650.328.5211
102 TENNYSON AVE
SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,498,000
3 BR 3 BA Lovely spacious hm in Walter Hays dist. Room for expansion. Remod. kitchen & 3 baths. Hardwood floors large LR & formal DR. 2-car carport. Must see!
Karen Amon 650.325.6161
3629 BRYANT ST
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,495,000
6 BR 3 BA contemporary in need of love and attention located in a wonderful neighborhood close to award-winning schools and Mitchell Park Comm Center.
Dante Drummond 650.325.6161
171 EVERETT AVE
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,248,000
3 BR 2 BA Great Downtown loc. New kitchen w, granite counters, tile flr, new bath w, shower period details, hardwood flrs. Short stroll to train & restaurants.
B. Callahan/J. Anderson 650.325.6161
800 HIGH STREET #105
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,098,000
2 BR 2 BA Stunning contemporary 2br/2bath condo. Hardwood floors. Gourmet kitchen. Central A/C. 2 car spaces. Inside laundry.
Fran Papapietro 650.948.0456
2120 BOWDOIN ST
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$998,000
2 BR 1 BA Near Stanford & Cal Ave. Tudor inspired charm features; updt kitchen, flp, hrwd floors, separate dining and private yard with wisteria covered arbor
Linda Fahn & Sharon Witte 650.325.6161
444 SAN ANTONIO RD, UNIT 3A
SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$910,000
3 BR 2.5 BA Light & spacious, vaulted ceilings, remodeled kitchen, new hdwd floors, carpet, paint. Patio plus balconies, 2-car gar. Gunn HS (ck PAUSD for avail).
Larry Fretto 650.325.6161

REDWOOD CITY

CONVENIENT TO EVERYTHING
\$599,000
3 BR 1.5 BA Close to Downtown, home features a gated front yd w/beaut trees & lush landscape. Renovated kitchen w/granite counters & a spacious liv rm w/tile flrs
Noemi Ruelas 650.948.0456

SAN JOSE

968 WINDSOR HILL CIRCLE
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$748,000
3 BR 2.5 BA Built in 1997. 2045 sq ft of living space. Spacious master suite with vaulted ceilings. Living room/Dining room combination.
Fran Papapietro 650.948.0456
191 MARO DR
◆ SUN 1 - 4 \$699,000
3 BR 2 BA + Addition! "Like New Home" All new! Spacious open flr plan. Gourmet kit. Tiled ba. Huge crnr lot. Grt neighrd close to fhills, schls, shops & commute
Cindy Mattison 650.948.0456
490 LANFAIR CI
◆ SUN 1 - 4 \$624,888
4 BR 2.5 BA Fireplace, master bedroom suite, spacious backyard. Vaulted ceiling, attached 2-car garage.
April Iroaga 650.328.5211
2962 MOORPARK AV
SAT 1:30 - 4:30 \$529,500
2 BR 2.5 BA Area. 2 story town home. 2 BR/2.5 BA + office with built in cabinetry & desk + separate laundry room + many upgrades + Granite counter tops + 2 car gar.
Mike Kashani 650.948.0456
LIGHT & BRIGHT CONDO!
\$498,000
2 BR 2 BA Beautiful tri-level condo! Four years new. Approx. 1,258 sq. ft. Balcony with courtyard view. Central a/c. Inside laundry. Clubhouse, pool & gym.
Nancy Manning 650.941.7040
NEW LUXURY TOWNHOME
\$440,000
2 BR 2 BA Beautiful tri-level townhome! Granite slab counters in kitchen & baths. Stainless steel appliances! Solid birch cabinets. Tile entry!
Eppie Cf Lam 650.948.0456
LOWEST PRICED IN AREA
\$398,000
2 BR 1 BA Great opportunity to own! In move in condition, Two Bedrooms and One Full Bath, Dining and Living Room Combo. Nice Backyard.
Prieto Team 650.325.6161
BRIGHT CHEERFUL CONDO
\$373,000
1 BR 1 BA Outstanding third floor location. 1-car garage & balcony. New paint thruout. Mirrored closets, ceiling fans, close proximity to freeways, parks & shops.
Tasneem Fatima 650.325.6161

SANTA CLARA

CHARMINGLY UPDATED
\$735,000
2 BR 1.5 BA Great location near university. Dining room. Air conditioning. Updated kitchen. Beautifully refinished hardwood floors. Dual pane windows. Large yard.
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SUNNYVALE

CONVENIENT DUPLEX!
\$950,000
Duplex offers 2 units, 2BR/1BA each. Updated kitchens. Wired with CAT 6. New roof & insulation. Separate laundry areas. 1-car garages. Near library.
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LOTS OF CHARM!
\$849,000
3 BR 1 BA Updated Cherry Chase home with great schools. Updated kitchen with refaced cabinets, granite counters. Crown molding, hardwood floors. Large yard.
Leri Woolworth 650.941.7040
CUTE & COZY
\$524,000
2 BR 1 BA Fireplace. Double paned windows. Gas stove. Hardwood floors. Dining room combo. Skylight. Trellis covered patio. Garage with washer/dryer hook-ups.
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1921 ROCK STREET #13

2BR/1.5BA \$469,000

Comfortable townhome offers Pergo flooring, updated kitchen & bath. Very bright & sunny. Inside laundry. Small complex with pool. Huge, private backyard. Peaceful environment. Conveniently located to commute routes & shopping.



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SUNNYVALE



1074 GRAPE AVENUE

3BR/1BA \$849,000

Don't miss the opportunity for this updated, charming home on a peaceful street with great schools. Updated kitchen has refaced cabinets, granite countertops, slate flooring & newer appliances. Large backyard on a lot of approx. 6,000 sq. ft.



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474 MOUNTAIN LAUREL COURT

2BR/2.5BA \$699,000

Desirable West Court townhome offers open & flowing floorplan w/sep. dining & living areas. New carpet & paint. Soaring skylight, Palladian style windows, high vaulted ceilings & multiple sliding doors capture leafy views. Two upper level MBR suites. Complex pool. Near downtown & easy access to commute routes.



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MOUNTAIN VIEW



1046 WRIGHT AVENUE UNIT H

2BR/1.5BA \$499,000

Lovely two story townhouse near downtown shops & dining. Spacious living/dining area. Private deck off master bedroom. New heaters. Freshly painted with crown molding. Large upstairs closet for extra storage. Fenced backyard patio. Easy access to commute routes, CalTrain & Light Rail.



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