

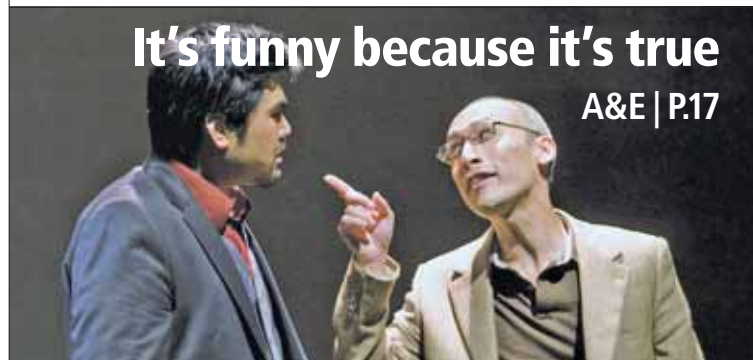
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District copes with more students, new status

MOUNTAIN VIEW WHISMAN ENROLLMENT UP BY 217 THIS YEAR, ADMINISTRATORS SAY

By Kelsey Mesher

As predicted last year, enrollment numbers are up in the Mountain View Whisman School District, and administrators are now trying to figure out how those numbers will affect several of the district's policies in light of its "basic aid" status.

As of last week, administrators reported, there were 4,621 students in the district — 217 more than the same time last year. Stephanie Totter, director of administrative services, told trustees this is largely due to an influx of young children starting anew in the district. There are currently 626 kindergarteners, even more students than their highest projection of 612.

According to a demographic report commissioned by the district, overall enrollment declined slightly from 2001 to 2006 but has been on the rise ever since. The report indicated that growth within the district is mostly occurring in the lower grade levels; kindergarten to fifth grade enrollments increased by a total of 313 students since 2005, with a 47-student bump this year alone.

The projections are based on birthrates and historical data about the percentage of children born in Mountain View who enter kindergarten in the Mountain View Whisman district — typically about 50 percent. They are also based on migration rates and can be affected by things like fiscal crises and

recessions, said Craig Goldman, chief financial officer for the district.

The bottom line, he said, is that "We need to be responsive to the enrollment we have."

"At this point in time we've seen an increase in students and we are up in enrollment," Totter told the *Voice*, "which is what the demographic analysis projected that we were going to be."

No extra funds

The high enrollment numbers could have significant implications.

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Council favors a passive approach to meadow

By Daniel DeBolt

Ever since it became clear that the Stevens Creek Trail was going to extend south of El Camino Real last year, Mountain View residents have been dreaming up uses for the large, previously closed-off meadow along Highway 85 just south of El Camino Real. It now appears that none of those ideas is likely to come to fruition.

After discussing several pro-

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JAMES TENSUAN

Cynthia Woong displays her so-called "lizard mop dress," made of reworked sweaters and knitwear, in her Mountain View home. **Below:** a dress by Francesca Ordone.

Old clothes made new again

LOCAL DESIGNERS SHOW HOW FASHION CAN BE AFFORDABLE, ECO-FRIENDLY

By Kelsey Mesher

Four Mountain View residents are proving that dressing well doesn't mean breaking the bank, or the environment.

Designers Cynthia Woong, Miko Yamaguchi, Sheri Duchin and Tessa Ranish-O'Donnell are using their talents to create upscale, "eco-chic" designs out of old clothing to benefit the Goodwill of Silicon Valley.

Their sleek designs will hit the runway in Goodwill's first-ever recycled fashion event this Friday, Sept. 11, at the Dolce Hayes Mansion in San Jose.

Woong, lead designer for the

show, had been a jeweler and sculptor for 20 years before delving into the fashion world. After experimenting on her

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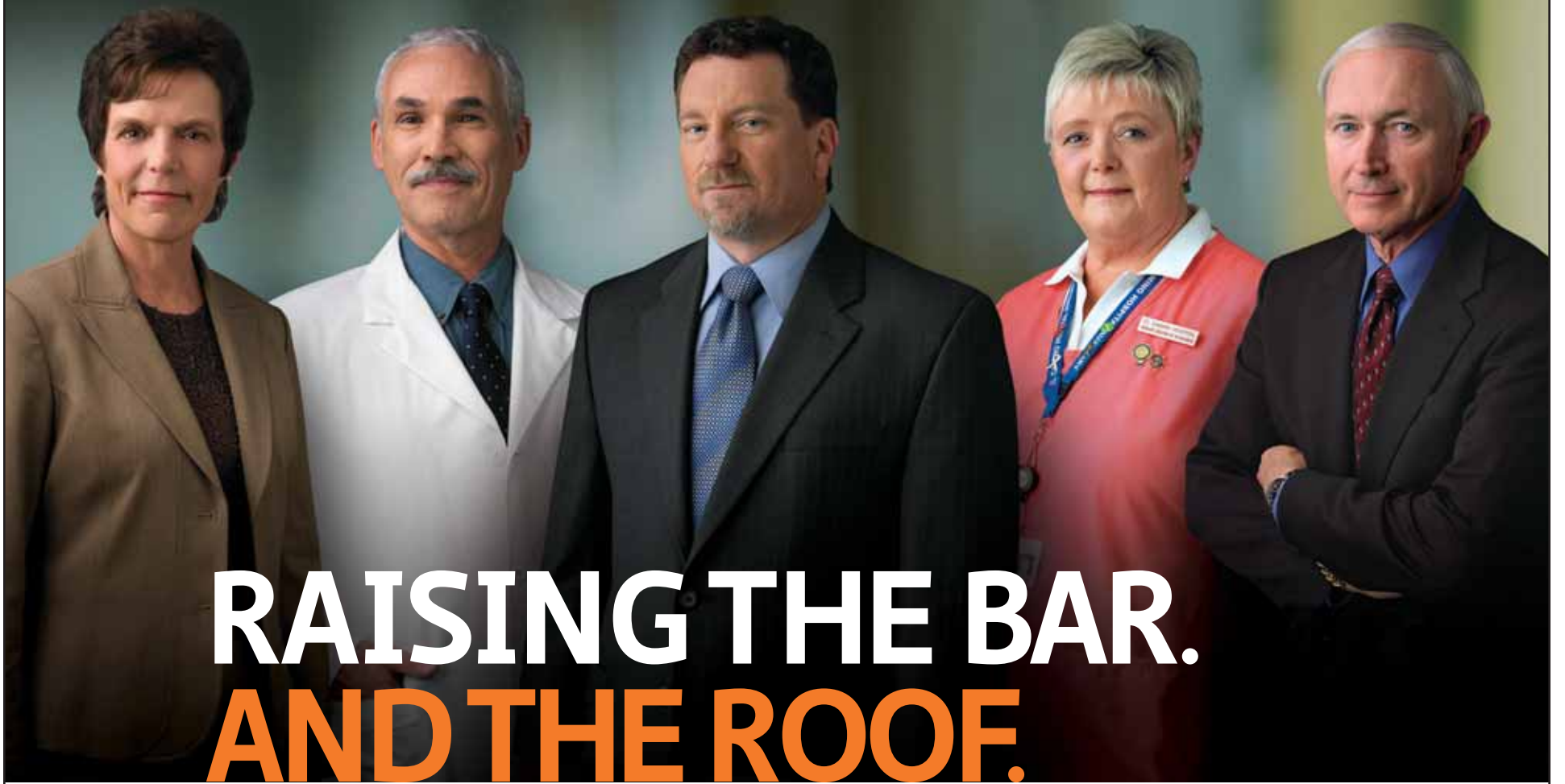


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Asked at Mountain View High School. Pictures and interviews by Katherine Tolentino.

What did you think of President Obama's school address?



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Clark Fisher, Mountain View



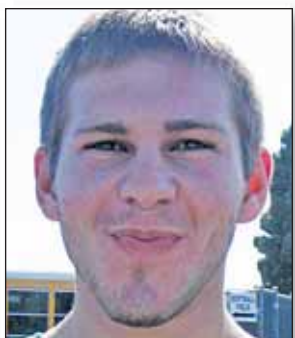
"I thought it was a good message. He did a good job of tying together dreams and the education necessary to achieve them."

Jessica Denny, Cupertino



"I think it should have been required to broadcast in every classroom, or at least offered to every student."

Brad Howard, Los Altos



"I saw some people tuning out in the broadcast. ... But even if he affected a small percentage of the population, it was worth the time and effort."

Eric Bastoul, Los Altos



"It was good to hear what he said — that you really can fail your country if you give up on your education."

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■ CORRECTIONS

Last week's printed guide to the upcoming Art & Wine Festival contained incomplete information on one of the parking lots available to festival-goers. The Chase Bank (formerly Washington Mutual) parking lot will not be made available for Art & Wine Festival parking on Saturday, Sept. 12. However, it will be available on Sunday, Sept. 13. The \$5 fee for parking in all designated lots goes to benefit the

Community Health Awareness Council.

A caption in the Best of 2009 misidentified people in the photo for Dana Street Roasting Co. The caption should have read: "Aaron Bratton — on the left, voted "most likely to be a superhero in disguise" — with Shadow Swearingen, Emily Chamberlin and Nick Chaput of Dana Street Roasting Co."

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Voice moving to new offices

Staff Reports

Beginning Sept. 28, the offices and staff of the *Mountain View Voice* will move to a larger, newly completed building at 450 Cambridge Ave. in Palo Alto.

The move to the three-story building will bring together the staffs of the *Voice*, the *Palo Alto Weekly* and *The Almanac* under one roof. Owned and built by the *Voice's* parent company, Embarcadero Media, the new building boasts energy-efficient and other environmental features that will make it among the "greenest" buildings in the area. It will also meet the requirements for a national LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) "Gold" designation.

The new Cambridge Avenue office is located one block north of California Avenue and one block east of El Camino Real.

The *Voice* offices at 655 W. Evelyn Ave. will close Sept. 25, but phone numbers and e-mail addresses will not change.

Otherwise, publisher Tom Gibboney said, all *Voice* activities will remain the same, including the newspaper's award-winning news coverage of the community. Advertising sales representatives Anna Mirsky, Dianna Prather and Rosemary Lewkowitz will continue to call on clients in the city as before.

Visitors to the new *Voice* office are welcome Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. ■



MICHELLE LE

Construction manager Paul Degros installs a three-way valve so that laundry water can be diverted to a greywater system at 59 Eldora St..

The greywater solution

RELAXED STATE LAWS LET LOCALS RE-PLUMB THEIR HOMES TO RECYCLE WATER

By Daniel DeBolt

Facing an ongoing drought in California, the state government has passed an emergency bill to make it feasible for Californians to recycle their own water, and two Mountain View households are among the first to do so.

As of Aug. 4, state law allows greywater — the non-potable water from washing machines, bathtubs and bathroom sinks — to be reused, typically for landscaping. Last week, Mountain View-based Vox Design Group was installing a basic greywater system on a house on Eldora Drive, which

will recycle the water from the home's washing machine to go to three trees in the backyard. It is possibly the first such installation under the new law.

"A number of us have been advocating for this change for a

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General Plan meeting focuses on San Antonio

By Daniel DeBolt

The future of San Antonio shopping center was a popular subject last Thursday during a General Plan meeting held for residents of the surrounding neighborhood.

About 25 residents came to the Senior Center to discuss the future of development in the area between the shopping center and Rengstorff Park. Many talked about whether the shopping center should be redeveloped into something more along the lines of Santana Row in San Jose.

"It's like a place in Europe," said one man of Santana Row. "I definitely like the idea."

However, a woman countered, "This end of town has always been poor," and Santa Row is a relatively high-end shopping center with luxury condos.

Others said such a development just wasn't in the cards.

"Santana Row would be nice to have, but economically, it's not going to happen," said one man. "Kohl's, Sears, Walmart — this is the place those kind of stores are always going to be."

Some said that if the shopping center became less car-centered and more inviting for pedestrians, people might feel more inclined to walk the apartment-filled neighborhoods east of it. "I don't want to walk to Walmart at night," said one man.

Building densely, with parking garages, could allow for more useable open spaces at the center, such as courtyards. But one woman objected, saying, "You're going to attract homeless people."

Chris Banen, president of MIG, the consultant group hired by the city to conduct the General Plan meetings, suggested the possibility of homes above the shopping center's large stores.

"There is an example of a Target with four stories of housing above it," Banen said.

But he didn't go as far as to suggest that Walmart, which has a 50-plus year lease, could be rebuilt someday as part of a

► See **GENERAL PLAN**, page 9

Teacher is a hero to lost woman's family

By Kelsey Mesher

It was a classic scenario: A young man stopped to help an elderly woman cross the street.

But what Mountain View High School teacher Antonio Murillo didn't know when he pulled his car over last Thursday was that Thelma Patton, 89, suffered from dementia and had wandered away from her assisted living facility, lost and confused.

Murillo had left for work a bit early that day when he saw Patton standing bewildered on Fremont Avenue.

"It seemed like she wanted to cross the street but she wouldn't," Murillo said, "and she looked

like she was trembling. This is an older lady all by herself. I'm thinking, I'll at least ask her if she needs help to cross the street."

He parked his car, and asked if she needed help.

"And she said, 'Well, I think so.'" Murillo recalled. Once she was in the car, he realized she didn't even know where she lived. He pulled over and found an emergency bracelet on her wrist with two phone numbers. He tried the first — no answer. The second reached the hospital.

"At that point I gave them her information and they contacted her daughter," Murillo said. "By then I had brought her to school. I figured the high school would be a much easier place for whom-

ever to come and get her."

Mary Chavez, security liaison, waited with Patton while Murillo headed to class.

"I got there as soon as I could get dressed," said Patton's daughter, Mary Ann Welch, 67. "Sure enough, there's my mother, and there's Mary watching over her."

"I'm very, very, very grateful to Antonio," Welch said. "In my opinion, he's a hero and he saved my mom's life."

"He's a teacher," she added, "but he's showing you how to be in life — and to me that is a real gift."

"It really didn't take much on my part," Murillo said. "I'd want somebody to do that for me or someone I love." ■

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The weekend crackdown led to the arrest of at least 371 individuals on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, compared to 377 arrests during the same time period last year, according to the California Office of Traffic Safety.

No deaths in the Bay Area were attributed to drunk driving during the three-day span. Officers from about 125 Bay Area law enforcement agencies assisted in the regional DUI campaign.

129TH AIRMEN RETURN FROM AFGHANISTAN

After a four-month deployment rescuing injured service members in Afghanistan, 25 members of the Air National Guard's 129th Rescue Wing returned home to Moffett Field on Wednesday morning.

The airmen are part of the 129th Expeditionary Rescue Squadron, which assisted with combat search and rescue missions while based at Kandahar Airfield in Afghanistan, according to Capt. Alyson Teeter. Squadron members performed as many as eight airborne rescue missions each day in active combat zones.

According to Air Force estimates, the group rescued 187 injured people, including coalition forces, local Afghans and other military personnel.

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One of the most universal means of assessing the condition of an automobile, especially an older vehicle, is to listen for creaking sounds. A car can have an engine and brakes that function beautifully, but if the vehicle makes rickety sounds, it can significantly detract from the driving experience. With this in mind, it pays to assess the condition of the body mount bushings, which serve as the attachment points of the vehicle's unibody shell to the subframe. If these bushings are worn or degraded, they can squeak and actually compromise safety and ride quality. Many vehicle owners seize the opportunity of replacing body mount bushings to upgrade from rubber components to higher-quality polyurethane bushings.

In maintaining the condition of a vehicle, many people will just typically concentrate on the major components. This is not wrong, but checking the basic components

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GREYWATER

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long time,” said Forrest Linebarger, president of Vox. “It’s so nice to see California get a law straight, especially one we’ve been asking for.”

Linebarger said that on average, 50 percent of a home’s water goes to landscaping. But a greywater system can reduce water use by more than 20 percent.

Previously in California, such systems were installed only by out-law groups like the Oakland-based “Greywater Guerrillas.” The state had required civil engineers to be involved before a costly permit could be issued for a greywater system costing upwards of \$15,000. Few, if any, were built legally, Linebarger said.

Today, a basic system from a single source,

such as a bathroom sink or a washing machine, can be installed by anyone, without a permit, and with materials costing around \$200. State law still requires that you follow a few rules, however, and water from toilets and kitchen sinks is considered “black water” and off limits.

Meanwhile, a “complex” system, which can recycle all of the greywater in a house, still requires a permit, but it’s less costly than before. Vox is also installing one of those on a different house on Monroe Drive.

Greywater’s benefits for a homeowner include reduced water bills and reduced load on septic tanks. The wider environmental benefits include reduced demand on the state’s water supplies, reduced groundwater depletion and reduced energy use. Linebarger says California uses 25 percent of its consumed electricity pumping and treating water.

On Eldora Drive, PVC pipe was hooked to the back of the home’s

washing machine through a valve that must be built in to allow the option of running the water into the sewer (a good option to have when using bleach, which can kill plants). The pipe, which has to be marked a certain way to indicate that it isn’t drinking water, was run under the house to the backyard’s three trees. The water remains underground, flowing into an upside-down bucket buried in a trench filled with mulch, which filters the water before it reaches the trees.

As part of normal garden maintenance, the mulch is cleaned out and replaced periodically. The bucket also has a removable cap, which allows it to be cleaned out.

The water can also be pumped by the washing machine into an elevated container, such as a 55-gallon drum, which can be gravity-fed to a garden hose for watering plants.

“Lawns are the least likely place to use it,” Linebarger said. “It’s great for trees, bushes and gardens.” He added that state law doesn’t allow greywater to contact vegetables or other edibles. “It is better to do it on the perimeter landscaping of your house.”

The water can also be used to flush toilets, but “I don’t like to do it because once you get into pumping and storing you are adding so much to the cost,” Linebarger said. ■

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■ INFORMATION

For text of the new greywater law, visit www.bsc.ca.gov/apprvd_chngs. For generally helpful advice on greywater use, visit www.greywaterguerrillas.com.

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posals in a study session Tuesday night, the City Council appeared to support simply putting native plants in the area, which could provide a “beautiful” example of what can be done with native plants without irrigation, said council member Ronit Bryant, who championed the idea.

In a report, staffers outlined several proposals for the meadow’s most useable four acres, which sit adjacent to the Highway 85 southbound onramp. They include a solar panel installation, community gardens, a picnic area, a community farm, leaving the area as is, and resurrecting a decaying stand of cherry blossom trees on the site. City staff also suggested planting numerous trees to act as a “carbon sink” to help

absorb the exhaust gases from the freeway.

Most council members supported the native plants idea so long as funding was available. Assistant public works director Mike Fuller said the city had \$200,000, left over from the recent trail extension project, that could be used.

Only council member Mike Kasperzak said he would consider supporting an option popular with users of the Voice’s Town Square online forum: a BMX park to replace the one the city bulldozed last month along the trail at Central Avenue.

Other than that, “I say leave it the way it is,” he said.

The only public speaker was Crossings resident Matt Raschke, who said that after the city bulldozed the BMX park, known as “Creek Trails,” he came across the meadow and thought it was perfect for a new BMX park. He said he was looking forward to the day

his 7-year-old son was old enough to try the jumps at Creek Trails on his BMX bike, and added that if universal health care passed, the city shouldn’t be as threatened by a possible lawsuit from the parent of an injured kid.

Mayor Margaret Abe-Koga said the council would take up the BMX park issue after receiving a report from the Parks and Recreation Department.

After discussion with city staff, most council members agreed that “active uses” of the meadow, such as community gardens or a farm, would not be appropriate because the nearest parking is a quarter mile down the trail. Council members did not support making the meadow area accessible for parking, which would likely require a \$2 million auto bridge over the creek from Kentmere Court, said principal civil engineer Bob Kagiya.

Currently, only government vehicle access is allowed across the narrow Sleeper Avenue foot bridge and through the narrow gate at El Camino Real.

“I don’t think we want people bringing in their hoes and rakes on the trail,” Kasperzak said.

A few council members suggested putting a few picnic tables or benches in the meadow, but the idea did not sit well with Bryant.

“I can’t see myself sitting on a picnic table there enjoying a view of the freeway,” Bryant said.

The idea of a community farm on the site was popular when the farm and pumpkin patch on Grant Road closed to make way for housing in 2007. But the idea received little attention Tuesday.

Abe-Koga and council member Laura Macias expressed disapproval with the city’s neglect of the Japanese cherry blossom trees, which were planted to honor Mountain View’s sister city of Iawata, Japan. The trees have not weathered the last 18 years very well in the meadow, with only one remaining in good health.

“I think it’s kind of a disrespectful thing,” Abe-Koga said.

Council members joked throughout the night about what had happened to the trees, dozens of which were planted in neat rows according to an aerial photograph from 1991. There are about 15 now.

“We put it out there and it obviously didn’t work,” said council member Tom Means.

The council asked staff to look into relocating the cherry blossom trees to a more suitable location.

“I don’t think it would be an impossible thing to do,” said Parks and Rec director Dave Muela. ▀



CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

**Council Neighborhoods Committee
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Neighborhood Meeting**

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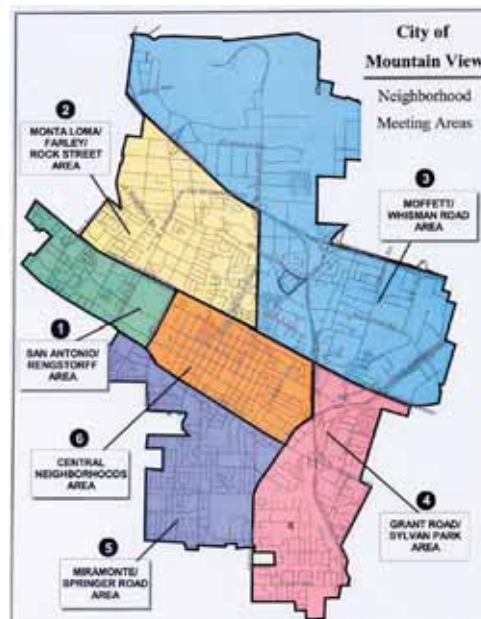
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The City of Mountain View Council Neighborhoods Committee will be meeting with residents in the Miramonte/Springer Road Neighborhoods area on September 24, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. (area designated on the map below- #5).

The Council Neighborhoods Committee invites residents in this area to participate in a forum to hear about new projects in the community and discuss issues vital to your neighborhood. This is an opportunity to make a difference in the future of your neighborhood and express your thoughts about ways to improve city services.

For further information, please call the City’s Neighborhood Preservation Division at (650) 903-6379



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■ COMMUNITY BRIEFS

ART & WINE FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND

Castro Street will be closed off this Saturday and Sunday as 200,000 people are expected to pour into downtown Mountain View for the 38th annual Art & Wine Festival.

The event runs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sept. 12 and 13, and features the work of 600 artists and craft-makers, plenty of live music and an array of foods.

Among the booths will be several local organizations trying to promote awareness and raise funds, including Green Mountain View, which is responsible for recycling bottles and cans at the event.

The Community Health Awareness Council, which provides counseling to children, teens and families, will be raising funds by charging \$5 for parking at four lots: Tishman Speyer Corp. at 400 Castro St.; The Swig Company at 444 Castro St.; Kaiser Permanente at 555 Castro St.; and Chase Bank (on Sunday only) at 749 W. El Camino Real.

LOCAL LIONS: GIVE US YOUR USED EYGLASSES

The Lions Club is now an officially chartered organization in

Mountain View, and for one of its first acts of philanthropy, the local chapter is asking residents to donate eyeglasses for people in need.

Club president Hugh Donagher said in an e-mail that his chapter, already 22 members strong, has organized "Eyeglass Recycling Days." Until Oct. 2, residents can place eyeglasses in "zipper style" plastic bags and place them on top of recycling bins for Foothill Disposal to collect. The glasses will be distributed by the club around the world.

Lions Club International, which oversees 45,000 clubs with 1.3 million members nationwide, approved a charter on Aug. 12 for the Mountain View Silicon Valley Lions Club. Julie Nourieh was selected as secretary, Trevor Salman as treasurer and John Bodo as membership director.

In other activities, the local club partnered with the Kiwanis Club to fill backpacks with school supplies for local low-income students.

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— Daniel DeBolt

GENERAL PLAN

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mixed-use development.

Banen asked participants to raise their hands in order to gauge support for building heights at the shopping center. Five people raised their hands to support two-story buildings, eight people supported three stories and one supported four stories.

Nearly everyone in attendance liked the idea of having buildings close to streets with wide sidewalks of 10 to 25 feet to allow for trees and cafe tables, instead of buildings set behind parking lots.

Merlone Geier Partners announced in July that it is set to purchase 16 acres of the shopping center this year and would likely demolish Sears, Rite Aid and several other stores to make way for a modern addition to the 57-acre shopping center.

Meanwhile, a business owner on Mora Drive showed up to complain that his industrial neighborhood at Mora Drive near Ortega Avenue was going to be transformed by the General Plan. "It's too close to the train station to exist in three years," he said.

A younger man suggested that the city allow more office buildings in the area because of its proximity to the San Antonio train station. "It would be good to encourage that sort of development near a train station rather than in North Bayshore, which is away from transit," he said.

Banen said that "Long-term planning is not about pushing anybody out."

North Bayshore discussed

On Sept. 1 the future development of the North Bayshore area was discussed in a General Plan meeting attended by 15 people, mostly business and property owners along with one resident of the Santiago Villa mobile home park.

The group was presented with the specific idea of zoning for mixed-use residential and retail development along Shoreline Boulevard between Highway 101 and Charleston Road.

Martin Alkire, principal planner for the city, said most attendees supported the concept, which would put homes above restaurants and stores near Google and other large employers. ▽

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■ EDUCATION BRIEFS

**DISTRICT CONFIRMS
POLIFRONE'S DEPARTURE**

Patty Polifrone, the longtime teacher at the Mountain View Whisman School District whose "tough love" teaching style sparked a backlash among some parents, has left the district effective Sept. 1, according to school administrators. "She has resigned," confirmed Stephanie Totter, director of

administrative services for the district. "My understanding is she is planning to move out of the area."

Polifrone took a leave of absence last year from her position as a fourth grade teacher at Huff Elementary School after several parent complaints regarding her teaching style. She had been scheduled to resume teaching in the district this year at Graham Middle School.

Unconfirmed reports say Polifrone may have found a new teaching position in the South Bay.

— Kelsey Mesher

**SCHOOLS WORK TO STOP
H1N1 VIRUS**

In line with school districts around the country, administrators of the Mountain View Whisman School District have released a set of guidelines to help prevent the spread of H1N1 among schoolchildren this year.

"We want to keep the schools open to students and functioning in a normal manner during this upcoming flu season," said Superintendent Maurice Ghysels in a letter to parents. "But, we need your help to do this."

Because the flu is spread easily among young students, the district asks that parents help their children keep the following guidelines in mind:

- Wash hands for at least 30 seconds with soap and water
- Cover coughs and sneezes

with tissues or elbows instead of hands

- Do not share food or personal items
- Know the signs and symptoms of the flu, including high fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, body aches, headache and feeling tired

The district asks that parents keep their children home from school for at least seven days after symptoms appear, or until fever has disappeared (without the help of medicine) for at least 24 hours.

If the flu becomes more prevalent, the district may take additional steps, such as symptom screening or dismissing students from school for at least seven days if they show symptoms.

**MVLA EXIT EXAMS
EXCEED STATE STANDARDS**

Students in the Mountain View-Los Altos High School District continue to exceed statewide averages on the California High School Exit Exam, according to statistics released by Associate Superintendent

Brigitte Sarraf.

According to Sarraf, 97 percent of the combined senior class from Mountain View and Los Altos high schools passed the exam by May 2009, compared to the statewide average of 90 percent.

"Of the 3 percent that did not pass the exam, most were special-education or English learner students," Sarraf said in a press release.

Among 10th graders who took the exam this past year, 92 percent of MVHS students and 85 percent of LAHS students passed the language arts portion, compared to a statewide pass rate of less than 80 percent.

According to the Santa Clara County Office of Education, Exit Exam test results reveal a closing in the achievement gap countywide. Over the last five years, the performance gap between white and Hispanic subgroups has decreased by 3 percentage points in language arts and 7 percentage points in mathematics, the press release said.

— Katherine Tolentino

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tions on budget planning due to the district's basic aid status. Unlike "revenue limit" districts, which are funded both by property taxes and by the state on a per-student basis, basic aid districts are funded almost entirely by property taxes, with some supplemental funding by the state. Mountain View Whisman went basic aid officially in July.

It is not necessarily beneficial to have more students in a basic aid district, because that district will have access to the same amount of funding regardless of its student population.

Despite that, "We are better off," Goldman said of the district's basic aid status. "I believe there are better projections and flexibility for us as a basic aid district, but we're still awaiting details from the state, and there's always the risk that we're going to receive a set amount of money based on local property taxes" even if enrollment continues to rise.

At a district meeting last Thursday, Totter told board members that basic aid status will likely guide many administrative decisions in the coming year, among

them potentially hot-button topics such as transportation, district boundaries, school sizes, inter-district transfers and the registration timeline.

Currently, she said, the registration timeline is designed to encourage enrollment — because under its former revenue limit status, more students meant more money. This is one example of the type of adjustments the district

of district employees, and closing off enrollment to new students from outside district boundaries.

Healthy reserves

Though enrollment will have a significant impact on district policies, Goldman said Mountain View Whisman is in a strong position financially, and has plans to revise the budget with this in mind. In a report to trustees at

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may need to make under basic aid.

Totter told trustees that the district should open dialogue now regarding these issues and set an aggressive timeline to address them. Trustees added that they want communication between the board, administrators and parents to be open so that many perspectives are heard.

No specific decisions were made at Thursday's meeting, though discussion touched on a few ideas, such as limiting inter-district transfers to siblings and children

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This is good news for the district, as school officials begin to plan conservatively with more budget cuts looming.

"We know for 2009-10 they're going to reduce our categorical funding by 250 dollars per student," Goldman told the *Voice*, "but we don't know which programs will be affected."

Categorical funding is typically given to districts by the state with

specific spending stipulations. Currently, categorical funds help with programs such as class size reduction, English language learning, school improvement and art and music classes, Goldman said.

"The state is being really reluctant to do cuts against those programs, but they may not have any options left," he said, emphasizing that cuts to these programs are only hearsay at this point. But at \$250 per student, Goldman said, the projected loss for the district would be about \$1.1 million.

Even more cuts are expected in the 2010-11 school year. Goldman estimated them to be in the neighborhood of \$2 million, but he said it could get worse.

All things considered, he said — given local property tax revenue, federal stimulus money carried over from last year, planned expenditures for 2009-10 and the \$250-per-student cut — the district is in a "healthy fiscal position."

"We're trying to keep expenditures under control," Goldman said, noting that the cost of special needs personnel has "skyrocketed," and that because of union regulations, the district must work with outside contractors for services such as speech and occupational therapy rather than using district employees. He said that because of

market demand, contractors can charge up to three or four times as much as it would be to use an in-house employee.

"We are essentially in many cases locked into those services with little recourse. ... It ties our hands with respect to reducing costs." ▣

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■ INFORMATION

The Mountain View Whisman School District has set a timeline for the review and amendment of policies regarding boundaries, enrollment and transportation. All meetings are held in the district board room at 750-A San Pierre Way, Mountain View, and are open to the public.

- Sept. 17, 6:45 p.m.: Study session on boundaries/enrollment/transportation
- Oct. 1 (time TBD): Initial change proposals, board discussion and public comment
- Nov. 5 (time TBD): Continued discussion on boundaries/enrollment/transportation changes, including revised board policies and administrative regulations and public comment
- Nov. 19 (time TBD): Potential board action to accept proposed changes regarding boundaries/enrollment/transportation and public comment

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own with reworking old clothes, one day in April she met Susan Lucas, special events director of Goodwill of Silicon Valley, at the Los Altos Goodwill.

“She happened to have her line of clothing that was all Goodwill pieces that she had worked on and repurposed already,” Lucas said. Woong took her to her car where she pulled several pieces from her trunk.

“Cynthia was a key piece,” Lucas said. “It happened to be very serendipitous.”

Since that day, Woong has been joined by nearly a dozen Bay Area designers, including internationally renowned designer Monique Zhang, owner of Cicada in San

Francisco. The team has worked furiously all summer to create nearly 100 unique, re-made and totally recycled looks for the show.

“We’ve picked from Goodwill recyclables and we’ve reworked them and redesigned them and put together a really innovative” collection, Woong said.

Pieces from Mountain View

and vintage slips.

The show is being produced by students from the Arts Institute of California-Sunnyvale, who have been in charge of everything from staging to casting models.

Organizers said Zhang has been a major player in the show.

“She really pulled this thing together and lifted it to another

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CYNTHIA WOONG

designers include felted bags and knitwear made from old sweaters; dresses, skirts and vests made from men’s suits and ties; and dazzling avant-garde outfits made from bustiers, brassieres

level,” Woong said.

Proceeds from the event will go to Goodwill’s vocational training program, which helps adults learn new skills and find jobs.

Help with job hunt

Mountain View resident Sheri Duchin, who has designed eight outfits for the event, learned of a certificate program through her work for the fashion show. She enrolled in free accounting classes with Goodwill this summer after being laid off last December.

“I wanted to learn some things and upgrade my skills,” Duchin said, adding that it has been nice making new friends with others who have lost their jobs.

“Every day we sit down for lunch, we’re just like a family. You learn to support each other.”

“We’re trying to recycle resources and trying to renew jobs and trying to help repurpose people,” Lucas said. “Those are

the things that Goodwill is really about.”

After the show is over, attendees will shop in the basement of the mansion, where specially selected designer merchandise from Silicon Valley Goodwill stores will be made available. Select designs from the show will also be sold.

Lucas said the ultimate plan is for the designers to continue to repurpose clothing from the stores and sell their wares in special sections of Goodwill stores around the Bay Area. The designers will take a cut of the profits — “they have to make a living too,” Lucas said — but 60 percent of the proceeds will go back to Goodwill.

The majority of the designs will be auctioned on eBay, along with other donated items such as a dress from “Dancing with the Stars” host Carrie Ann Inaba.

All of this, Lucas explained, will lead up to Goodwill’s first-ever “Green Ball” in February, where no one will be allowed through the door unless they’re sporting an eco-chic frock.

Lucas said she hopes these events will happen year after year, and that the public takes hold of their reuse and repurpose mantra.

“The Mountain View store has been a wonderful Goodwill store, and we’re really thrilled with working with the community,” she said. ▀

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■ EDITORIAL THE OPINION OF THE VOICE

Hope is best antidote against Caltrain fatalities

There are few things in the world sadder than the decision by a young person to end his or her life. The devastation left behind for parents, siblings and friends lasts a lifetime.

Much has been written about factors involved in adolescent suicides, and how to detect and prevent them. When a pattern appears — for example, a cluster of similar means, such as the recent Caltrain deaths on the Peninsula — the complexity of the response necessarily deepens.

How do we prevent these suicides? How do we break the pattern?

Mental health professionals tell us that young people lack the perspective that helps older people realize that hard times will pass, once again, into better times. And young people can be impulsive, not weighing consequences. Even serious cases of clinical depression, a form of mental illness and biochemical imbalance (often with a genetic predisposition), can usually be treated with the right practitioner and medication.

But there may be a complication here — peculiar, perhaps, to the Peninsula's pressure-cooker culture, where academic, sports and extracurricular achievement are so highly valued.

In our modern lives, the gift of simply having free time to hang out often has been eliminated from our schedules. We have early childhood "play dates" and, later in life, need to make appointments just to see friends. Here, where virtually everyone is hyper-busy professionally or personally, it takes an extra effort to slow down and simply spend real time together.

But what can city, county, school leaders and community organizations do effectively to change a culture? What can friends and classmates do?

These questions have been asked repeatedly for decades. In the near future, a coalition of community leaders, including Caltrain and Santa Clara County officials, will be attempting to answer them, if indeed there are answers.

There are several aspects that we believe are especially important, starting with everyone simply taking the time to be together and talk about "real" things — the things that really matter — in our lives.

Meanwhile, the county is examining ways to build better mental-health services into its programs — a priority today, despite the desperate need to slash budgets in a down economy.

These measures are just the tip of the iceberg. But whatever is done must be sustained over time, and not allowed to drift aside when the immediate impetus fades or is supplanted by some new concern.

We do not believe that the primary message that adults should be conveying to the next generation is, "Don't kill yourselves." Instead, the core message should be that each of us has the power to change that which is causing our unhappiness.

We must teach not a "learned helplessness" but a "learned hopefulness," conveyed in every way we can to every young person, classmate and friend.

■ LETTERS VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

CIVILITY AND RESPECT ARE NEEDED

Editor:

We are indeed fortunate to live in a country where it is our right to speak freely without fear of reprisal ("Free to shout," Sept. 4). However, when was that right stretched to mean being rude, disruptive and abusive? The behavior of some strident souls at recent town hall meetings is very disheartening at best, most likely counterproductive at worse. Time to dust off our old friends, Civility and Respect, and get on with the business at hand.

Honor Spitz
Villa Street

THANKS FOR GOOD WORK ON CREEKSIDE PARK

Editor:

I want to sing the praises of the two or three Park and Recreation employees who keep busy little Creekside Park (at Easy Street and Gladys) spic and span.

The flowers are beautiful — the grass is lush. Early mornings I've seen them scrubbing down the picnic tables and even raking Zen patterns into the sand. They create such a welcoming oasis for all of us, from newborns to great-grandparents. Thank you!

Diane Nelson
Ada Avenue

HOW GIRLS CAN CHANGE THEIR COMMUNITIES

Editor:

Elise DeYoung, national operations director of Girls for a Change, will describe this San Jose-based

organization that empowers thousands of teen girls to create and lead social change. Her speech will be part of an American Association of University Women program on Sat., Sept. 12, from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Los Altos Library, 13 S. San Antonio Rd., Los Altos. The program is free, and guests are welcome.

Girls for a Change provides girls with professional female role models, leadership training, and the inspiration to work together in teams to solve persistent social problems in their communities. This past year they had 52 projects in the Bay Area, including "No More Stressed Out Schools!" at Los Altos High School, "Greening Our School" at Mountain View's Graham Middle School, "Educating the Public on Aspects of Animal Care" at Sunnyvale's Fremont High School, and "Animal Cruelty and Neglect — How You Can Stop It" at St. Elizabeth Seton School in Palo Alto.

In addition to DeYoung's talk, one of the members of the Los Altos-Mountain View AAUW will give a very short presentation on Tech Trek, a branch project that sends middle school girls to a science camp at Stanford each summer. The morning will also include a brief business meeting and light refreshments.

If you have any questions, please contact Judy Mulenburg at (650) 207-6625 or Julie Dalrymple at wellsdalrymple@yahoo.com. For more information on Girls for a Change and their local projects, visit www.girlsforachange.org.

Julie Dalrymple,
Los Altos-Mountain View
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Laura Stec, left, discusses the variety of organic produce offered at Full Circle Farm in Sunnyvale with the farm's education manager, Dan Halfeman.

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■ WEEKEND REVIEW

Garden of earthly delights

PENINSULA CHEF AUTHORS BOOK ON HOW TO EAT FOR A HEALTHIER PLANET

By Renee Batti

Laura Stec probably wouldn't argue with the saying, "You are what you eat." But this chef-turned-author wants us to think even more expansively — about how what we eat affects the health of the entire planet.

Stec, who believes environmental activism can begin at the dinner table, has written a book with atmospheric scientist Eugene Cordero to improve public knowledge on the connection between our food

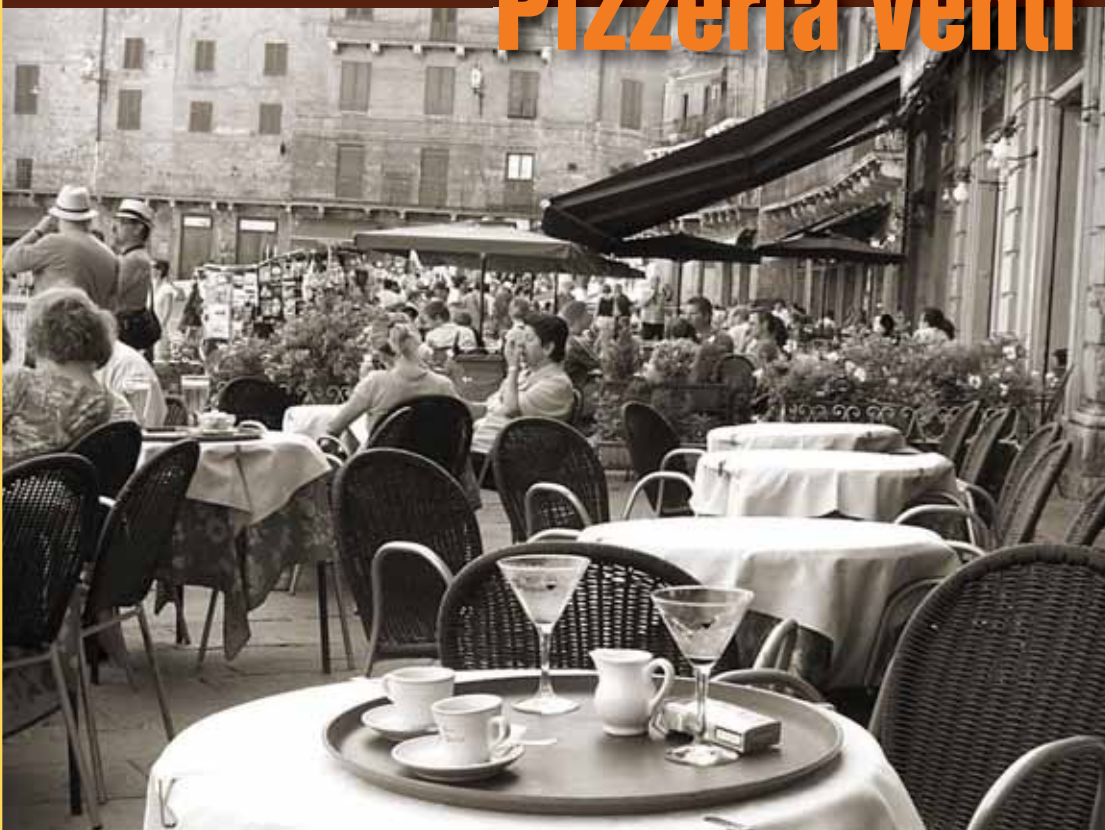
choices and the environment.

"Cool Cuisine: Taking the Bite Out of Global Warming," includes hard facts and passionately held opinions, food and food-shopping tips, and a range of recipes and ideas to help the reader shift to a more environmentally friendly way of eating.

The Portola Valley resident draws on the expertise of her co-author, an associate professor in the Department of Meteorology

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Pizzeria Venti recipe archive Gamberi di Brivido

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- Pinch crushed red pepper flakes
- ¼ cup olive oil
- ½ unit capers
- 1/4 cup finely chopped fresh oregano (from 1 bunch)
- 3 lemons, each cut into 6 wedges
- Salt and Pepper to taste

Preparation:

For Fresh Prawns- Snip through shells of shrimp along middle of back using kitchen shears, exposing vein and tail and adjoining segment of shell intact. Devein shrimp, leaving tail shells only in place.

To cook:

Place oil and garlic into pan (medium heat) and sauté garlic until glassy. Do not allow garlic to brown. Toss in shrimp and lightly sauté. Add all other ingredients except lemon juice and pepper flakes and sauté until shrimp is done. Place on plate and top with pinch of red pepper flakes and squeeze of lemon. Cut in lemon slices

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Laura Stec teaches a cooking lesson in a private home.

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at San Jose State University.

"Having a scientist as a collaborator was a huge plus," she said, because he ensured that the level of scrutiny given to all information in the book was held to a scientific standard.

Stec, a staff member for many years at the Palo Alto-based environmental group Acterra, has long been concerned about how the food industry in this country, and increasingly in countries worldwide, has evolved. In 1989, she founded EcoEaters, a group

She also is the culinary health instructor for Kaiser Permanente Medical Centers, and a former teacher in the Peaceable Plates School Lunch Program.

Inspiration

The idea to write a book was the result of "an NPR moment," she says, referring to the public radio network. She had just listened to a radio segment about food in a climatically warming world, and thought she could advance the national discussion about the topic through a book.

In the book, the authors ask

"Food is perishable, and we want our food fresh."

Laura Stec

she says was one of the first in the country to focus on educating people about the connection between food and the environment.

Trained at the Culinary Institute of America, she honed her chef's skills at a number of restaurants before launching her own business, Laura Stec — Innovative Cuisine, offering her services as a personal chef, caterer, food coach and chef instructor.

readers to examine their own eating and shopping practices, and explain why those practices might be a strain on the planet. For example, readers are asked how far they travel to buy food, and how they get there. Do they buy only what they need, or do they throw some out? How much processed food do they buy? And

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how much meat?

According to the book, it takes 10 times the fossil fuels to produce a calorie from beef than a calorie from grain protein. Also, processed and prepared foods “typically require more energy to make than what we get back when we eat it.”

Recipes in the book include everything from “winter emmer risotto with roasted root vegetables and rosemary” and “lettuce cups with grass-fed meat (or braised tempeh) and peanut sauce,” to “dark chocolate chili” and “dijon green beans with roasted candied shallots.”

One important message in the book (and carried on the lecture circuit) is that the “business model of efficiency doesn’t fit food,” Stec says. “Food is perishable, and we want our food fresh.”

Agribusiness doesn’t deliver, she says, whereas locally grown food — found in farmers markets and some small produce stores — provides much more flavorful food at far less cost to the environment.

Spiritual outreach

Stec’s basic goals in writing the book were to appeal to people not already converted to the cause, and to appeal to “people who don’t read a lot.”

Also, she says, “My hope was to reach out to the more religious of our community” — a hope that reflects the reverence she displays for the natural workings of soil, water, sun and other elements that provide sustenance to living creatures.

“You can call it God or nature — it’s the larger force controlling (things). It’s something that is larger than ourselves. Whatever it is, our ultimate communion with it is through its food and through its water.”

She is fascinated by “how nature does its thing ... how it handles its day-to-day business.” Writing the book, she said, inspired in her “even more awe” for the way in which “this planet is so wired for cooperation, for synchronization.”

Stec says it’s important for people to “deepen their relationship with food, and that’s what the book tries to do.” ■

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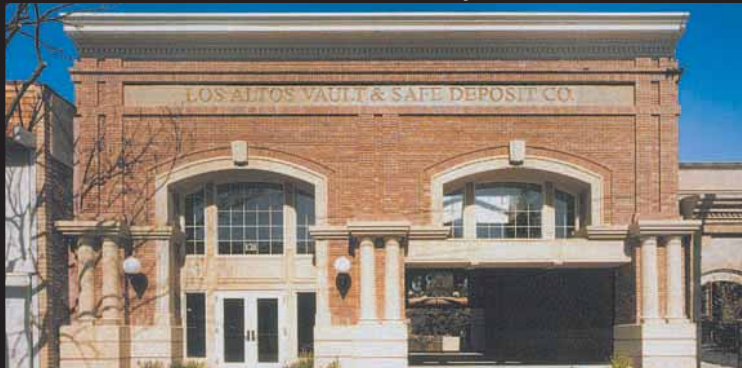
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WORLD'S GREATEST DAD (R) Aquarius: 10 p.m.

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MOVIE REVIEWS

ALL ABOUT STEVE ★★★

(Century 16, Century 20) Bradley Cooper is the titular Steve, a cable news network cameraman and all-around nice guy set up on a blind date with Mary Horowitz (Sandra Bullock), an eccentric crossword constructor for the Sacramento Herald. Mary's life is a torrent of trivia and not a lot else; normal she is not. As Steve finds out the hard way when he tries to take Mary out for tamales and ends up a mangled man-feast before they've left the driveway. His flimsy getaway excuse is an emergency job in Boston, and gee he wishes she could come along! (Not.) Sensing a real love connection, Mary makes it her business to follow Steve and egoistic network reporter Hartman Hughes (Thomas Haden Church) from one sensationalist story to the next. *Rated: PG-13 for language and mild sexuality. 1 hour, 39 minutes. — J.A.*

EXTRACT ★★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) As the entrepreneurial owner of an extract factory, Joel Reynold (Jason Bateman) must also own the role of boss over a workforce that mostly wades in the shallow end of the gene pool. Beginning to doubt that his straight-arrow attitude is getting him anywhere, Joel makes disastrous attempts to be a little bad. At the local sports bar, Joel's only friend, Dean (Ben Affleck), proves to be a font of bad advice. Since withholding spouse Suzie (Kristen Wiig) is more interested in watching "Dancing with the Stars" than making love to Joel, Dean suggests hiring a dimwitted gigolo (Dustin Milligan) to entrap Suzie and give Joel the upper hand. Distracted by this scheme, Joel is missing the big picture at work, where a sexy grifter (Mila Kunis) is poised to ruin a lucrative buyout offer by encouraging a workman's comp lawsuit over a testicular injury. *Rated R for language, sexual references and some drug use. One hour, 30 minutes. — P.C.*

WORLD'S GREATEST DAD ★★★

(Aquarius) Robin Williams plays high school teacher Lance Clayton. Lance is unmistakably in a rut. Sign-ups for his poetry class are dwindling and he's increasingly frustrated in his second "career" as a novelist with a pile of unpublished manuscripts growing by the year. Worse, the whiff of these failures seems to be reaching his co-worker/girlfriend Claire (Alexie Gilmore), whose friendship with a younger, more successful teacher (Henry Simmons) seems a bit too eager. Lance knows there's more to him than people are willing to see, a point proved even by his own teenage son, Kyle (Daryl). But a traumatic shift in father-son relations has a surprising side effect: By something like an accident, Lance becomes a beloved writer. In tried-and-true "deal with the devil" fashion, Lance's celebrity comes with a price: the exploitation of his son. *Rated R for language, crude sexual content, some drug use and disturbing images. One hour, 38 minutes. — P.C.*

MOVIE CRITICS

S.T.-Susan Tavernetti,
J.A.-Jeanne Aufmuth, T.H.-Tyler Hanley

YELLOW FACE

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to Broadway from London.

True that Hwang did this, and Actors' Equity initially agreed, only to reverse itself later and allow Pryce to appear. Also true that Hwang, like DHH, then wrote a play chronicling the experience called "Face Value" that flopped, closing after a mere eight previews.

In "Yellow Face," DHH hires an actor named Marcus G.

DHH finds himself plagued by the fiction he created and haunted by his own failure.

Dahlman (Thomas Azar) for "Face Value" whom he assumes is part Asian. When he discovers that Marcus is really a white man, he tries to cover his error by creating a false ethnic history for the actor even while moving to replace him in the show, unwittingly setting into motion a chain of events whereby Marcus becomes a big hit in other productions and a celebrity spokesman for the Asian-American community.

DHH finds himself plagued by the fiction he created and haunted by his own failure to capture the conundrum of race and racism in America in his work. Add to this his father's story — "HYH" (Francis Jue) is an extremely successful Chinese immigrant who believes wholeheartedly in his adopted country and his "new life" as an American. In a surprising turn, he becomes the subject of an espionage investigation, irredeemably tearing the fabric of his American life.

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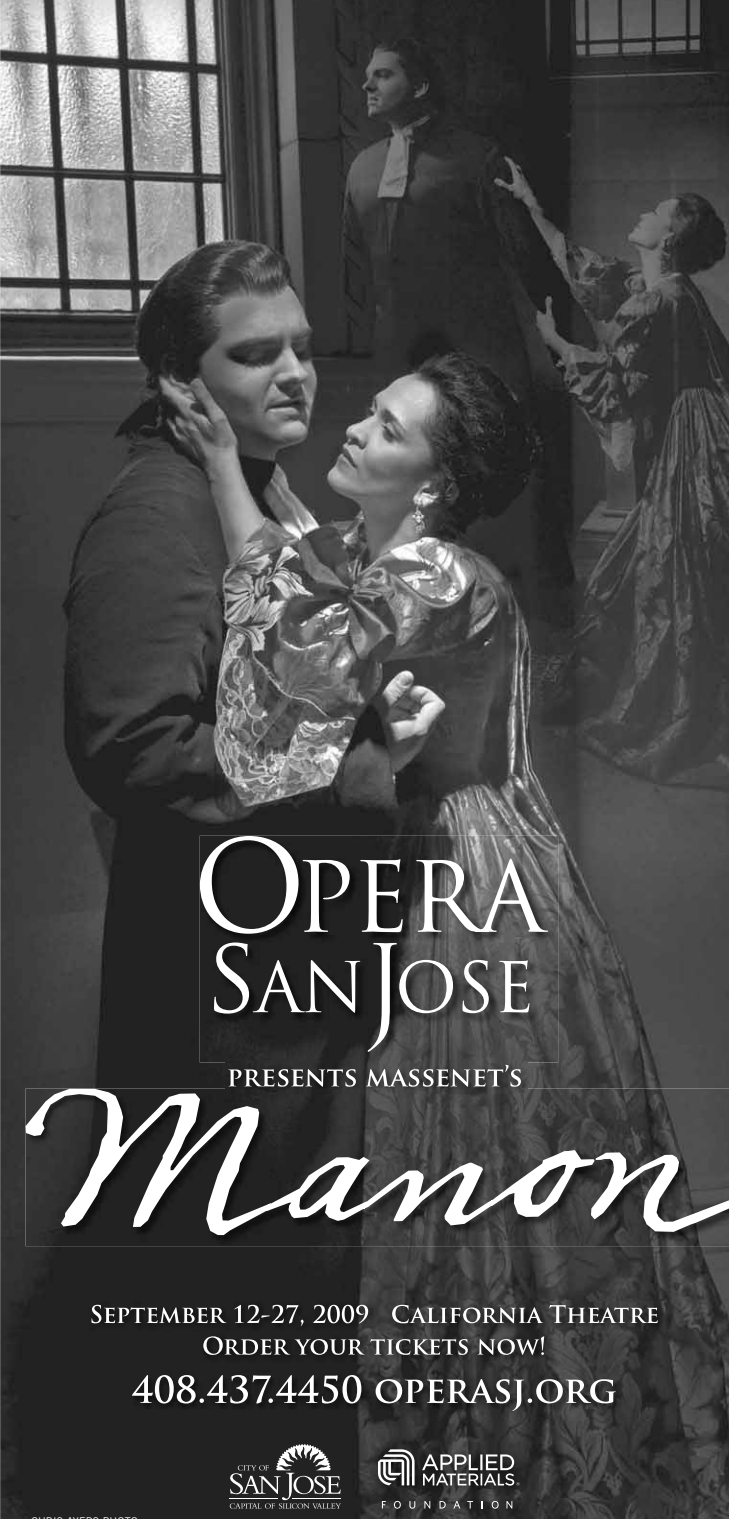
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Public Notices

995 Fictitious Name Statement

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 527627
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Incotec at 415 Clyde Ave., Ste. 106, Mountain View, CA 94043, Santa Clara County: SIERRA INNOVATIVE DEVELOPEMENT INC. 415 Clyde Ave., Ste. 106 Mountain View, CA 94043
This business is owned by a Corporation.
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 1993.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on August 11, 2009.
(Voice Aug. 21, 28, Sep. 4, 11, 2009)

PANTHER PRESS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 528315
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Panther Press at 1054 Burgoyne St., Mountain View, CA 94043, Santa Clara County: NANCY J. DINSMORE 1054 Burgoyne St. Mountain View, CA 94043
This business is owned by an individual.
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 06/01/2009.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on August 28, 2009.
(Voice Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2009)

BIODENT DENTAL LAB, INC
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 527558
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Biodent Dental Lab, Inc at 570 E. El Camino Real #C, Sunnyvale, CA 94087, Santa Clara County:
BIODENT DENTAL LAB, INC. 570 E. El Camino Real #C Sunnyvale, CA 94087
This business is owned by a corporation.
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 6/30/09.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on August 10, 2009.
(Voice Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2009)

LOS ALTOS CREAMERY
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT
File No. 528615
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Los Altos Creamery at 652 Cuesta Dr., Mountain View, CA 94040, Santa Clara County: TATMAR LLC 652 Cuesta Dr. Mtn. View, CA 94040
This business is owned by a Limited Liability Company.
Registrant/Owner has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 4, 2009.
(Voice Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2009)

997 All Other Legals

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
JAMES YOCK CHINN
Case No. 1-09-PR-165555
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JAMES YOCK CHINN, aka JAMES Y. CHINN.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: DONALD CHINN in the Superior Court of California, County of SANTA CLARA.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DONALD CHINN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on September 21, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 15 of the Superior Court of California, Santa Clara County, located at 191 N. First St., San Jose, CA, 95113.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 9100 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for Petitioner:
/s/ James J. Rodriguez, Esq.
10455 Torre Ave.
Cupertino, CA 95014
(408)252-5211
(Voice Aug. 28, Sep. 4, 11, 2009)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
YVONNE LEE MATHEWS
Case No. 1-09-PR-165725

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of YVONNE LEE MATHEWS, YVONNE L. MATHEWS, YVONNE MATHEWS.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: DIANE L. WEST in the Superior Court of California, County of SANTA CLARA.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DIANE L. WEST be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on October 15, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 15 of the Superior Court of California, Santa Clara County, located at 191 N. First St., San Jose, CA, 95113. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 9100 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for Petitioner:
/s/ Janet L. Tallet
SBN 237270
Gilfix & La Poll Associates, LLP
2300 Geng Rd., #200
Palo Alto, CA 94303
(650) 493-8070
(Voice Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2009)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
CHRISTINE BIEDA aka CHRISTINE ROSE BIEDA
Case No. 1-09-PR-165663

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of CHRISTINE BIEDA, aka CHRISTINE ROSE BIEDA.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: DONALD R. MOODY, Public Administrator in the Superior Court of California, County of SANTA CLARA.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DONALD R. MOODY, Public Administrator be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on October 2, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 15 of the Superior Court of California, Santa Clara County, located at 191 N. First St., San Jose, CA, 95113. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 9100 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for Petitioner:
/s/ Tamara K. Lopez,
Deputy County Counsel
373 West Julian Street,
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(Voice Sept. 11, 18, 25, 2009)

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TH FACING BEAUTIFUL PARK!
3 BR 3.5 BA Living rm w/high ceilings,FP,new cpt & door to private deck.Eat-in kit w/brkfst bar.
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119 CENTRE ST
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
2 BR 2.5 BA NEW:kitchen & bath granite counters,oak cabinets,stainless steel appliances,carpet & vinyl
John Hawker 650.941.7040

NO COMMON WALLS
3 BR 1 BA Hdwd entry leads to living w/picture window & built-in bookshelves.
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DESIRABLE TOWNHOME
2 BR 2.5 BA Tile entry.Spacious living rm w/frplc & lg picture window.Kit w/ample counter space.
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DESIRABLE TOWNHOUSE
3 BR 1.5 BA Frm'l entry leads to kit.featuring wd laminate flrs,maple cabs,stainless appls.
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264 N WHISMAN RD #3
SAT 1 - 4
2 BR 1 BA Overlooking lawn area.Completely updated,kitchen cabinets w/granite counters.
Melanie Johnson 650.941.7040

183 DEL MEDIO AVE. #106
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
1 BR 1 BA Travertine tile through! 2 pages of outstanding upgrades. Configured for working from hm!
Geraldine Asmus 650.325.6161

90 FLYNN AVE #C
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
2 BR 1 BA The unit features large living/dining area, kitchen with ample storage.
Margot Goodman 650.941.7040

STOP RENTING!
2 BR 1 BA Great location! Affordable Mt View! Light & bright! Remodeled kit & bathm. Fresh paint
Afsie & Sia 650.948.0456

500 W MIDDLEFIELD RD #108
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
1 BR 1 BA Smart unit, no one above, below, or behind; no steps. back patio 528 sq.ft.
Margaret Williams 650.941.7040

GROUND FLOOR UNIT
1 BR 1 BA Well maintained complex w/pool. Extra storage. Living rm w/fp & glass sider to patio
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2585 PARK BLVD. #Z100
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
2 BR 2 BA End Unit Condo in PA Central.New hrdwd flrs,high ceilings,Master BR w/walking,A/C & W/D,FP
Julie Spillane 650.325.6161

1234 PITMAN AVE
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
4 BR 3 BA
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PALO ALTO

1755 FULTON ST
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
5 BR 3 BA Traditional,elegant 2 story w/ classic flr plan. Spacious LR, formal DR, updated kit. Alan & Nicki Loveless 650.325.6161

548 BARRON AVE
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
4 BR 3.5 BA New traditional home w/elegant taste.Luxury finishes, Corinthian columns
Jessica Tang 650.328.5211

NORTH PALO ALTO GEM
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
3 BR 2 BA Delightful north PA Gem near Rinconada Prk & Jordan school Remodeled & upgraded throughout
Leannah Hunt & Laurel Robinson 650.325.6161

230 DAVENPORT WAY
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
6 BR 3 BA W/in blk of Robles Pk w/ a nice size LR, formal DR, LG FR, eat-in kit, HW flrs, 2 car grg
Barbara Sawyer 650.325.6161

STUNNING TOWNHOUSE
4 BR 3 BA Designer kitchen w/Viking range & granite counters, hrdwd flrs. Close to downtown, shopping
Gene Thornton 650.325.6161

157 EMBARCADERO RD
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
5 BR 3 BA Professorville duplex. Beautiful 3bd/2 bath & 2bd/1 bath, lush gardens & private backyard.
Sharon Witte 650.325.6161

AS SEEN ON EICHLER TOUR
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
4 BR 2 BA As seen on Eichler tour. Recently updated. Palo Verde neighborhood on cul-de-sac.
Mark Nanevitz 650.325.6161

SPACIOUS DOWNTOWN CONDO
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
2 BR 2.5 BA Wonderful spacious unique 2B/2.5Ba lighted filled Downtown PA Condo with a European Flair
Jon Anderson 650.325.6161

LUXURY ADULT LIVING
2 BR 2 BA The Hamilton, PA's elegant over '55 adult condominiums, offers luxurious retirement living
Jo Jackson 650.325.6161

INCREDIBLE DOWNTOWN LOC
2 BR 2 BA Impeccably remod. Fml DR.Spa like master bath. Gorgeous kit.Lrg rms.storge attic. 2 car grg
Zach Trailer 650.325.6161

1824 SF COLLEGE TER. TH
3 BR 2.5 BA Gorgeous Remodeled College Terrace TH. 1824 SF per county. Walk to Stanford & Cal Ave.
Kathleen Jarvis Pasin 650.325.6161

2216 AMHERST ST
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
1 BR 1 BA Vintage redwood and oak cottage. Tree studded rustic setting. Charm, character provided.
Nancy Goldcamp 650.325.6161

TASTEFULLY REMODELED
2 BR 1.5 BA Tastefully remodeled Old PA Cape Cod. Gorgeous remodeled kitchen. Remodeled baths. HW flrs
Zach Trailer 650.325.6161

555 THAIN WAY
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
2 BR 2 BA Wonderful spacious Townhouse w/new carpet/fresh paint. 2 lovely patios. Palo Alto schls
Enis Hall 650.941.7040

IST FLOOR - 1 LEVEL UNIT
2 BR 2 BA Ground floor 1 level unit in Palo Alto Central. Pvt patio, open flr plan. In-unit laundry.
Kathleen Jarvis Pasin 650.325.6161

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PALO ALTO

912 FOREST AVE
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
3 BR 1.5 BA Located close to PA Dwn't & Community Center this lovely hm has period details. Hdwd flrs.
Leannah Hunt & Laurel Robinson 650.325.6161

1119 HOPKINS AVE
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
5 BR 3.5 BA Newly constructed contemporary home with Victorian charm in the desirable Community Center
Leannah Hunt & Laurel Robinson 650.325.6161

A TRUE NATURE RETREAT!
5 BR 4 BA Huge Chef's kitchen with Bay & City Lights. All set on 10 acres of stunning canyon!
Aileen La Bouff 650.948.0456

REDWOOD CITY

10 DILLION LN
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
4 BR 2.5 BA Frm'l LR & FR.Dining.High ceilings.Mstr suite-western hill vws.Great Kit.3car gar.Lndry rm
Terri Couture 650.941.7040

531 KING ST.
SUN 1 - 5
3 BR 2 BA Shows beautifully!Sep.DR,kit,w/granite & breakfast bar opens to FR.Prof.landscape yards.
Wendi Selig-Aimonetti 650.328.5211

EASY OUTDOOR LIFESTYLE
1 BR 1 BA 1 level condo w/priv. fenced yard & deck.Top Cupertino schls-Blue Hills/Miller/Lynbrook Hi
Peggy Linn 650.941.7040

SAN JOSE

EXTREMELY LARGE LOT
4 BR 2 BA Plot map states 8891sf lot! Master bedrm 360sf w/bay wndw. Huge storage area, RV parking
Geraldine Asmus 650.325.6161

2 YEAR OLD TOWNHOME!
3 BR 2.5 BA Gorgeous,barely lived in near Santa Clara Univ. Huge Kit island,wine fridge,Liv Rm & Fam Rm
Marcie Soderquist 650.941.7040

SANTA CLARA

991 POCATELLO AVE
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
4 BR 2.5 BA 2-sty hm;designer kit,new wndws,living area,heating systems,front & back landscape.
Margaret Williams 650.941.7040

NEW LISTING!
Fully rented, great local. Seller has 2 addl blgs on same street, will sell all 3 \$3.3
Geraldine Asmus 650.325.6161

UPDATED CHERRY CHASE HOME
3 BR 2 BA Updt'd w/chef's kitch, grt rm and pretty grdns, 3 car garage, move in ready w/ rm to expand
Clara Lee 650.328.5211

THE VILLA AT CORTEZ
3 BR 2.5 BA New construction with stunning finishes surrounded by mature trees. Large patio.
Dave Luedtke 650.941.7040

MUST SEE! GREAT POTENTIAL
4 BR 3 BA Ideal w/Mother in law qurtrs. 4 br/3 ba, 2 kit, 2LR. Enclosed patio area. 2 car atta gar.
Letty Guerra 650.941.7040

TH W/DUAL MASTER SUITES
3 BR 2.5 BA Kitchen features stainless appliances & breakfast bar. Hi ceilings. 3 levels w/skylights
Royce Cablayan 650.948.0456

CHARMING HOME, ROOMY LOT
1 BR 1 BA Hrdwd flrs, updt kit & bath, dbl pn win's, charm, roomy lot for gardeners or expansion
Nancy Adele Stuhr 650.948.0456

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SUNNYVALE



OPEN SAT & SUN 1:30-4:30

1266 Parkington Ave \$898,000
Lovely Hm-Cherry Chase. A private courtyard welcomes you to this lovely home in the sought after Cherry Chase area with 3 bedrooms and 3 full baths. The spacious & open floor plan has vaulted ceilings and many skylights. A formal entryway with tile floor.



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SANTA CLARA



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

1458 Calabazas Blvd \$449,000
Spacious 2 bed/2.5 ba end unit townhome with attached 1 car gar. FP in LR. 2 master suites. Central AC. Large backyard w/deck. Dual pane windows.



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MENLO PARK



OPEN SAT & SUN 1:30-4:30

500 W. Middlefield Unit 108
1 bdrm, 1 bath CONDO; ONE FLOOR, NO STEPS unit; No one above, below, behind. Xtra large 528 sq.ft. PRIVATE BACK patio. Covered parking; Swimmers pool. HOA = \$367. Willow Park= FDA-approved - Only 3.5% cash down needed + qualifying.



Margaret Williams
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PALO ALTO



STUNNING MEDITERRANEAN

4BR 3BA \$2,398,000
Distinctive home on a cul-de-sac with easy access to Palo Alto schools. Large Gourmet kitchen/family room combo. Hi-speed fiber, Ethernet, security wiring, security wiring. Inside laundry. Extra storage & decorative lights. Beautiful backyard & patio ideal for entertaining.



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LOS ALTOS HILLS



NATURE LOVER'S DREAM!

5BR 4BA \$2,695,000
Rare! Over 5,000 newly remodeled at the end of a cul de sac on over one acre! Glass ceilings, walls and skylights bring the outdoor in! Ornamental pond, acres of hilly woods & dozens of oak trees. Recreation/sun room. Great Palo Alto schools!



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LOS ALTOS



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

740 Orange Ave \$2,150,000
3BR 3.5BA Custom French Country Exceptional French Country manor home with Old World Charm and all modern conveniences. Finest materials include hand hewn cherry wood flooring, genuine slate roof, granite and marble kitchen with top appliances.



Jo Buchanan & Stuart Bowen
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LOS ALTOS HILLS



CONTEMPORARY MASTERPIECE

2BR 2BA \$4,300,000
Architect's home. Pavilions connected by wide curving corridors. Spa bath with soaking tub and steam shower. All stainless kitchen. Flat acre near town.



Charlene Geers
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CUPERTINO



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

10225 Anthony Place \$1,549,000
Plus office! New carpet/paint. Remodeled kitchen with stainless steel appliances & granite counters. Ground floor in law suite with bath & entrance. Vaulted ceilings, separate Family room, separate formal Dining Room. Master suite with private deck & sitting area. Cupertino schools.



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ATHERTON



BEAUTIFUL ATHERTON ESTATE

4BR 4BA \$3,995,000
in the main house, and a fully contained pool house, sep guest cottage Granite kitchen, updated baths, built-ins, skylights, 2 fireplaces. Master suite w/his and her baths and walk-in closets. Gorgeous grounds, pool. 3-car garage.



Mickey Shaevitz
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MENLO PARK



VIBRANT & CHEERFUL

2BR 2BA \$429,000
Vibrant & cheerful community setting for residents 55+ yrs. Great location facing pool & greenbelt. Unit offers fresh interior paint, new carpet, new laminate floor, intercom system, W/D hookups, & central vacuum system. Fitness Center, Recreation Center, pool, spa,



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