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BACK FROM SPACE:

Astronaut Megan McArthur, center, shares the spotlight with Saint Francis High School teacher Barry Ivers. McArthur returned to her alma mater last week to talk about her experiences and give words of encouragement. See story, p. 7.

City considers bold new transit system

PERSONAL RAPID TRANSIT HAILED AS SOLUTION TO BAYSHORE TRAFFIC WOES

By Daniel DeBolt

Someday in Mountain View's not-too-distant future, driverless electric vehicles could whisk passengers between the downtown train station, NASA Ames and Shoreline businesses such as Google.

Advanced Transit Systems, a British company with a Palo Alto office, hopes to turn Mountain View's leaders on to the idea, which is being considered by various other Bay Area cities and is scheduled to operate for the first time next spring at London's Heathrow Airport. The company's personal rapid transit system, or PRT, uses computer-controlled, battery-powered electric vehicles that ride on dedicated cement pathways.

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Council's Transportation Subcommittee discussed the idea on Wednesday evening, after the *Voice* went to press.



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Heathrow's new PRT

Advanced Transit Systems, or ATS, has outlined a possible route

system that includes one route starting at the downtown transit station, heads down Stierlin Road and over the Shoreline Boulevard/Highway 101 overpass, and ends at the Googleplex's front door — a 5-minute trip all told.

Steve Raney, an ATS employee who works in Palo Alto, says he has used input from Google and NASA Ames to develop a route for 15 miles of PRT track, or "guideway," and 40 stations in and around Mountain View's Shoreline and Moffett Field areas.

Raney said one Google employee with a background in transportation planning told him that "In five or 10 years we'll have gridlock" at the Highway 101/85 interchange, which feeds onto Shoreline Boule-

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'No Child' law finally catches up with local schools

MOUNTAIN VIEW WHISMAN'S STEADY GAINS NOT ENOUGH TO AVOID 'PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT' STATUS

By Kelsey Mesher

Schools in Mountain View have cause to both celebrate academic achievement and take action for improvement after the release of this year's progress report by the state Department of Education on Tuesday morning.

The annual report contains two important scoring mechanisms related to school performance — one for schools as a whole and one for subgroups within the schools. These Academic Performance Index, or API, scores are measured on a scale of 200 to 1,000 points, with 800 or higher the aim for all of California's schools.

In the Mountain View Whisman School District, every school but Huff — the highest-scoring school in the district with an API of 918 — made some gains in the formula-based score. Landels Elementary gained 31 points, nudging itself above the target API with 825. Castro, Monta Loma and Crittenden Middle School also each made API gains of over 20 points.

Bubb Elementary and Graham Middle School continue to pass the California API target with 873 and 835 API scores, respectively.

District-wide, English language learners saw a 16-point gain in their API scores, and Hispanic students saw a 17-point gain for their subgroup with an API of 717. Still, an average score of 918 for white students suggests that a significant achievement gap persists.

Federal targets

Also included in the report released Tuesday are the federal government's Adequate Yearly Progress, or AYP, targets, which

indicate whether schools or districts will be labeled "Program Improvement" under the No Child Left Behind Act. Only schools and districts which receive Title I funds — funds from the federal government given to schools with a high percentage of low-income students — may be labeled Program Improvement, or PI.

In addition to receiving this special funding, schools and districts that go into PI have had one or more "significant subgroup" of students fail to meet federal AYP standards for two years in a row. If,

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Police draw ire for public drunkenness arrests

By Daniel DeBolt

Police and a handful of local residents hold divergent opinions about what happened late last Friday after officers responded to a noise complaint at 242 Bush Street and wound up arresting three people.

Spokesperson Liz Wylie says the visit by police was routine, and that the arrests were necessary for officers to maintain control of the situation. But those who

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"Well, let's look at the state. About 60,000 felons are about to be released before they've served their sentence, so that just goes to show."

Peter Korringa, Mountain View



"It's a jobless recovery. It's on its way, but I don't think the recession is over."

Kelly Codemo, San Jose



"Yeah. ... Stocks are coming up, 401(k)s are getting better. It's not over yet, but it's getting better."

Ken Chee, Sunnyvale



"No, not in the least. I know a store that's been open 20 years and it's just going under."

Robert Adams, Mountain View



"We're out of jobs. I would say it's far from over."

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2500 block California St, 9/11

AUTO BURGLARY

2200 block Showers Dr, 9/08
2200 block California St, 9/09
500 block Ellis St, 9/09
1800 block Miramonte Ave, 9/09
Twisters Gym, 9/09
2200 block California St, 9/09
2600 block Terminal Bl, 9/11
2400 block Grant Rd, 9/11
1300 block Sun-Mor Ave, 9/12
500 block Ortega Ave, 9/12
2400 block Grant Rd, 9/12
Bubb School, 9/12

IDENTITY THEFT

1900 block Rock St, 9/12

INDECENT EXPOSURE

W El Camino Real/Mariposa Ave,
9/13

LITTERING

600 block Showers Dr, 9/08

MISSING PERSON- ADULT

El Camino Hospital, 9/10

PETTY THEFT

2100 block Latham St, 9/08
Walgreens, El Camino Real, 9/08
Sears Dept Store, 9/09
2100 block Old Middlefield Wy, 9/09
1200 block Grant Rd, 9/09
500 block Franklin St, 9/10
Sears Dept Store, 9/12

BATTERY

600 block Tyrella Ave, 9/09
1100 block Castro St, 9/10
Amphitheatre, 9/13

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY

2400 block Charleston Rd, 9/09
1000 N Rengstorff Ave, 9/10
1400 block W El Camino Real, 9/11

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

600 block Showers Dr, 9/08
Central Expwy/Moffett Blvd, 9/08
W El Camino Real/Hope St, 9/11
Marilyn Dr/Miramonte Ave, 9/12
300 block Castro St, 9/12
1500 block California St, 9/12
Amphitheatre, 9/13
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DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE

1500 block W El Camino Real, 9/08
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CSA honors this year's 'Hometown Heroes'

MARY LOU DE NATALE,
EL CAMINO HOSPITAL
HAILED FOR THEIR
GOOD WORKS

By Kelsey Mesher

Mountain View, Los Altos and Los Altos Hills community members joined together last Friday morning to honor the Community Services Agency's Hometown Heroes for 2009, Mary Lou De Natale and El Camino Hospital.

CSA, which provides social services for the poor, homeless and elderly, presents its Hometown Heroes award annually to individuals and organizations that have made significant impacts on the community in the last year.

"You are the community safety net," CSA associate director Maureen Wadiak told attendees, who included school board members and administrators, hospital executives, city officials and members of the public. "The safety net is needed now more than ever."

De Natale — an associate professor in community and psychiatric nursing at University of San Francisco — has worked for more than a decade coordinating the student nursing intern program at CSA. Tom Myers, the nonprofit's executive director, called her work "a beautiful collaboration between social work and nursing" that has helped seniors.

"Every moment is a choice," De Natale told the audience, explaining how she learned that lesson from years of giving flu shots, assisting on doctor's visits and helping to train student nurses to serve populations "that can have no choices."

"I appreciate the opportunity to be part of the community that supports CSA," she said. "I'm just one of the many that serve that population — it is indeed an honor."

Ken Graham, CEO of El



JAMES TENSUAN

Michelle Buretz has her caricature drawn by artist John Pearson at the Art & Wine Festival in downtown Mountain View on Sunday.

Smiling faces at 38th Art & Wine Festival

By Don Frances

A little rain was not enough to dampen turnout to last weekend's Art & Wine Festival, organizers say.

Now in its 38th year, the two-day event, sponsored by the city's Chamber of Commerce, still managed to draw many thousands of festival-goers despite some inclement weather Saturday morning.

As of press time it was still

too early for precise attendance numbers, but Oscar Garcia, president of the Chamber, said it's safe to assume that this year's attendance was about equal to last year's — just under 200,000 people over the two days.

Garcia noted that Saturday morning rains kept people away until midday, when the sun came out. "By the afternoon around one o'clock till around four-ish, it was hopping," he said. The result was that "More

people came during a shorter period of time."

Garcia said organization at the festival — including trash and recycling services, handled for the first time this year by Green Mountain View — was exemplary.

"Every single person — whether it was the volunteers, artists, police, city employees — commented that it was by far the cleanest and most well-organized festival," he said. ▀

President's school speech optional in most classrooms

By Kelsey Mesher

As controversy over President Barack Obama's address to students last Tuesday flared up across the country, administrators in local districts left the decision to air or not to air the speech largely up to individual teachers.

"If people thought that it was appropriate to show it in their classrooms they could show it in their classrooms," said Mountain View-Los Altos High School District Superintendent Barry Groves.

Keith Moody, principal of

Mountain View High School, estimated that around 150 students at his campus watched the address in class. He said they had no "special broadcast" or school-wide showing of the address.

Administrators in the Mountain View Whisman School District kept a similar policy.

"Our district will not be taking a stand on Obama's address to school children," wrote Kathi Lilga, executive assistant to the superintendent, in an e-mail to the Voice. "We entrust our teachers to make the decision about the relevancy of this activ-

ity to our standards-based curriculum and if it is aligned with classroom, school and district goals."

"Some teachers elected to show it if it fit in the curriculum," said Principal Gretchen Jacobs of her staff at Graham Middle School.

Marcy Birnie, executive assistant to the superintendent of the Los Altos School District, said teachers were given the option to show the address or not. She said that because the U.S. Department of Education encouraged broadcasting of the speech, the

▀ See **SCHOOL SPEECH**, page 9

VTA spares Line 34 bus service

By Daniel DeBolt

After protestations from seniors and from Mountain View's mayor, the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority has scrapped plans to eliminate bus Line 34, considered by many of the city's seniors to be their lifeline to the outside world.

Line 34 — a shuttle bus which makes the short, 20-minute trip from Castro Street to San Antonio shopping center — is the only bus to stop near a 253-unit senior housing complex at the corner of Hackett and Montebello streets. A number of seniors told the Voice that this is their only form of affordable transportation to local shopping centers, the hospital and social services.

The VTA recently announced the route will no longer be on the chopping block when its board votes on a set of proposed bus and light rail service cuts in October — cuts intended to save the transit agency \$6.4 million as sales tax and state funding dwindle.

However, the VTA said, efforts will be made to improve the line's "route performance and ridership," according to revised proposals obtained by the Voice. And the route will lose two afternoon trips, one eastbound starting at 3:15 p.m. and one westbound starting at 3:43 p.m.

It probably helped that Mayor Margaret Abe-Koga had a chance to make comments about Line 34 at a recent VTA board meeting.

"For some seniors it's their only way of having freedom to get around," Abe-Koga recalled telling the board. "Even if it meant paying a little more to keep the line, they (the seniors) would be willing to do that. I think that resonated with a few folks."

There is now an opportunity to improve ridership on the line by re-routing it, Abe-Koga said. For example, at a city-organized transportation stakeholder meeting earlier this year, the city's Senior Advisory Task Force wanted a stop at the city's popular new Senior Center, which is not currently served directly by a bus.

Ridership on the line averages 15 passengers per hour, just shy of the 17-per-hour threshold used to determine service reductions.

Line 22, which runs up and down El Camino Real, was also spared cuts to its late-night schedule and will continue its 24-hour service. ▀

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Obama official unveils 'cloud computing' initiative at NASA Ames

By Daniel DeBolt

Aiming to save billions on infrastructure costs, the federal government is following in the footsteps of Silicon Valley by building its own Google-like server farms and Internet applications with the help of NASA Ames researches.

At a press conference at Moffett Field on Tuesday morning, the White House's first-ever chief information officer, Vivek Kundra, said the Obama administration began working on the initiative in March to address the "duplicative nature" of the federal government's computer networks, "where you have 23

data centers in one agency."

He said the Bush administration passed on so-called "cloud computing" plans due to concerns that it could leave the government's computer network vulnerable to attack. Obama shares those concerns, he said, and a measured approach will be taken to ensure that secret data and sensitive computer systems are protected.

A major part of the initiative is a new "cloud computing storefront" for federal agencies at www.apps.gov. Federal agencies can obtain generic applications from the site at little or no cost in four major categories: social networking, business

apps, productivity apps and cloud IT services.

Kundra claims the initiative will save billions of dollars while also saving energy through more efficient use of Internet server technology. He said NASA Ames has already figured out ways to fit computing power that would normally take up an entire city block into one shipping container.

"I'm proud to say that Ames Research Center and NASA is actually leading the way in providing a solution," Kundra said. ▀

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Fate of Hangar One now rests with White House

Unable to resolve their differences over how to pay for the restoration of historic Hangar One at Moffett Field, the Navy and NASA have taken the matter to the White House Office of Management and Budget for a "fairly quick resolution."

Deborah Feng, deputy director of new ventures at NASA Ames, said the White House office could issue a judgment as soon as Monday.

"Both organizations are actively pursuing an answer," Feng told the Moffett Restoration Advisory Board last Thursday. "We're looking for a fairly quick resolution."

Early this year, NASA and the Navy announced they were in talks and nearing an agreement that would have the Navy re-side Hangar One in exchange for leaving certain environmental cleanup responsibilities around Moffett to NASA. But those talks eventually fell apart.

The latest announcement could be seen as the second small victory for preservationists in recent months. Last month, Congresswoman Anna Eshoo sent a letter to the Navy which helped delay the award of a Navy contract to remove Hangar One's siding — even though the Navy had no plan to re-skin it. That plan drew stiff opposition from local elected leaders and preservationists. ▀

— Daniel DeBolt

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Astronaut lands at Saint Francis

ALUMNA MEGAN MCARTHUR TELLS STUDENTS TO DO WHAT THEY LOVE

By Kelsey Mesher

Students at Saint Francis High School held a rally last Friday to get pumped for the evening football game — and to hear about space travel from alumna and astronaut Megan McArthur.

“She knew very early on that (being an astronaut) was a dream of hers,” said Principal Patricia Tennant, who was McArthur’s honors English teacher when she attended Saint Francis. “No one didn’t think it was possible.”

McArthur first came to Mountain View when her

have someone to look up to like you,” said student body president Brittany Bolland. More than 1,500 students gathered around McArthur in the center of the gym to sing their alma mater.

Later, the astronaut fielded questions from students and shared a bit about what it was like to be in space. Space food is “OK”; there is absolutely life elsewhere in the universe; and we will get to Mars in her lifetime, she told the students.

Also that day, McArthur met one of her biggest fans, 9-year-old Harold Henry, a fourth grade student from

“We’re really blessed that we have someone to look up to like you.”

BRITTANY BOLLAND

father, a Navy pilot, was stationed at Moffett Field. After two years at Mountain View High School, she transferred to Saint Francis, where she finished out her junior and senior years.

Tennant said McArthur, though good in English, always considered herself a math and science student. She went on from Saint Francis to study aerospace engineering at UC Los Angeles, and now holds a Ph.D. in oceanography from UC San Diego.

At last week’s assembly, McArthur presented the students with a Saint Francis medallion that she carried with her on her mission in May of this year to help service the Hubble Space Telescope. She also participated in a skit with the students.

The mission lasted almost 14 days, during which McArthur circled the Earth 197 times.

“I took a little piece of Saint Francis with me,” she said before giving the student-designed medallion back to the school.

In return, students presented McArthur with her own replica of the medallion.

“We’re really blessed that we

Landels Elementary who has cerebral palsy. According to Tennant, Harold had told his parents that meeting McArthur was the greatest moment of his life.

Harold and his family made the trip to Florida last May to watch the Atlantis shuttle take off, and to Edwards Air Force Base near Los Angeles for its return.

“We found out after that, Megan is local,” said Jeremy Henry, Harold’s father.

Harold presented McArthur with a poster and letter, in which he wondered what it would be like to feel weightless in space and free of his wheelchair.

“If you let go of something it will float away,” McArthur explained.

McArthur left the students with some sound advice, encouraging them to pursue classes in math and science.

“Find out what it is you love to do,” she said, “and do that really well.” ▀

Next week: an interview with Megan McArthur.

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING CUESTA ANNEX MASTER PLAN—HISTORY MUSEUM COMPONENT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH MOUNTAIN VIEW HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Tuesday, September 22, 2009—6:30 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers—500 Castro Street, Second Floor

On December 9, 2008, the City Council adopted the Cuesta Annex Master Plan. The Master Plan serves as a general guide for future development at Cuesta Annex, indicating the approximate location, shape and orientation of the major design elements (flood detention basin, history museum and orchard).

On September 22, 2009, the City Council will consider entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Mountain View Historical Association for the proposed development of a historical museum on the Annex site. The City Council will not revisit any of its previous actions regarding the Cuesta Annex Master Plan, including design elements and/or future uses for the site at this meeting.

Council action on the proposed MOU will not constitute City approval of a specific development plan/design or use permit for the proposed museum. Public review of and input regarding the size and shape of the proposed building, parking and use of the museum building will occur at a later date. The public review will include an environmental analysis under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) relative to the museum within the Cuesta Annex.

Copies of the staff report to the City Council will be available in the City Clerk’s Office on Thursday, September 17, 2009, after 4:30 p.m. An electronic version of the staff report will be available on the City’s web site at www.mountainview.gov on Thursday, September 17, 2009, after 5:00 p.m.

Please contact Linda Forsberg, Business and Internal Services Manager, at (650) 903-6329 if you require additional information. Written comments may be submitted to the Public Works Department, P.O. Box 7540, Mountain View, California, 94039-7540, or e-mailed to linda.forsberg@mountainview.gov.



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for example, a group of more than 50 English language learners fails to meet federal standards in two

consecutive years, the entire school is labeled PI.

In the Mountain View Whisman School District, Monta Loma, Theuerkauf, Castro, Landels and Crittenden receive Title I funds. Of

those schools, Monta Loma and Theuerkauf are, despite gains in their API scores, now in their first year of PI.

They join 23 other schools in Santa Clara County entering their first year of PI. Of all 168 schools receiving Title I funding in the county, 37 percent are in some stage of PI.

Though Landels, Castro and Crittenden are not currently Program Improvement schools, they face the same challenge that schools around the country face: sharply rising benchmarks set by the federal government. When No Child Left Behind was first introduced nearly a decade ago, AYP targets increased only a few percentage points a year. Starting last year, however, AYP targets have jumped by approximately 11 percent every year, with the end goal of 100 percent proficiency in schools by 2014.

It is widely agreed by educators that this is an impossible goal to meet.

"The original intent of the legislation ... was to set the bar high so we could work hard to make it," said Mary Lairon, assistant superintendent of the Mountain View Whisman School District. "The bottom line is we have a ways to go and we're working on it."

Districts may also be labeled as PI if a certain percentage of their students fail to meet AYP criteria district-wide. As of Tuesday, the Mountain View Whisman School District is a PI district.

Within the county, the local district is among 29 receiving Title I funds. Of those, 12, or 41 percent, are now PI. Other districts in the county entering their first year of PI are Campbell Union Elementary, Moreland Elementary, Morgan Hill Unified and San Jose Unified.

The implications

For now, administrators say, PI status will not disrupt everyday instruction or programming. Under PI stipulations, the district and PI schools must contact parents to notify them of the new status. One possible outcome is that parents could request to move their children out of PI schools — though with rising enrollment,

administrators say, transfers could be difficult to obtain.

The very worst outcome of PI for a school or district is that it could be reconstituted by the state or federal government, though this would not happen until several years into PI status.

Administrators will work with the county in coming weeks to determine the options for Monta Loma and Theuerkauff students should their parents try to obtain transfers. Still, rising enrollment indicates that "people are choosing our schools and staying," said Superintendent Maurice Ghysels.

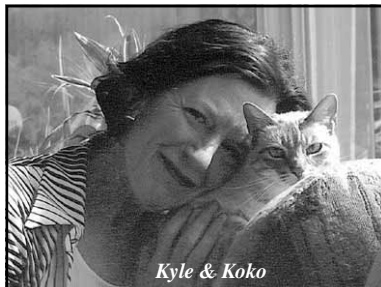
In general, Ghysels said, API scores and other testing indicate that the district is improving, despite its new PI status. The label did not come as a surprise to the district, he added.

"While we knew some of our schools were going into PI, we could not be more proud of what our teachers, principals and administrators are doing," he said. ▀

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High school students ace API

By Kelsey Mesher

Students in the Mountain View-Los Altos High School District made notable gains in this year's Academic Performance Index, released by the California Department of Education on Tuesday morning as a part of its yearly progress report.

The score is a formula-driven number — predominantly based on the performance on the California Standards Test, or STAR, along with high school exit exams.

Administrators reported growth in almost every API score given, both school-wide at Mountain View and Los Altos high schools, and in nearly every student subgroup.

Mountain View High put up a 10-point gain, with an overall API of 865. Los Altos High improved by 30 points this year, with a score of 825. The district overall earned a score of 840 — a 19-point gain from last year. The state API average for high schools is 713.

"We're very excited," said Superintendent Barry Groves on Tuesday morning.

Nearly every subgroup went up at Los Altos, with English language learners jumping 64 points to 648.

Though the score for Alta Vista, the district's alternative high school, dropped three points from last year, to 698, administrators say this is still a gain considering the school's 192-point jump from 2007 to 2008.

"The fact that they were able to almost maintain that incredible

growth in itself speaks highly to the performance of their students," said Brigitte Sarraf, associate superintendent of educational services. "When you make such a big jump, usually chances are you come down the next year; but they have worked very hard."

The progress report also included the high schools' measures against the federal Adequate Yearly Progress, or AYP, targets as established by the No Child Left Behind Act.

"When you look at Los Altos High School, we didn't make AYP in all the components, specifically English language arts and mathematics," Sarraf said. "In Mountain View we did make AYP in all the categories."

Alta Vista did make its AYP target in all categories, Sarraf said, thought it has a different AYP model because it is considered an alternative high school.

If any school does not make AYP in any category for two consecutive years, it will become Program Improvement (PI). Under this criteria, Sarraf said, it is possible that Los Altos could become PI next year.

Eventually, she said, all schools will be PI because of rapidly rising AYP targets. Under NCLB, all schools are expected to be 100 percent proficient by 2014.

"You can't escape it because of the escalation factor," she said. ▀

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SCHOOL SPEECH

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district also recommended it. The decision, however, was ultimately made at the school level, she said.

Last week, Birnie reported that at most schools some or all of the students watched the address. She had not received reports from Almond or Oak schools.

Blach was the only school where the staff decided not to air the address at all on campus.

"We were all told as principals that it was suggested that you show it but there was no pressure that you had to show it," said Principal Leslie Crane. "I had a discussion with my staff and I shared with my staff that I was getting some pushback from parents that didn't want to participate in the showing. ... We decided we needed to stick with our curricular and instructional plans."

Crane noted that Blach students could see the speech on their own by recording it at home or watching it online. For that reason, she said, "I didn't think anything would be taken away from not experiencing it in the moment."

When the *Voice* asked in a follow-up question about the number and nature of complaints received, Crane said, "At this time I have no more comments about Obama's speech. I am moving forward."

Though most local and national coverage focused on the mostly conservative outcry heard before Tuesday's address, some parents voiced concern after the broadcast because their students didn't have the opportunity to watch it in school.

"It seems to me that people will always make the decision not to offend rabble-rousers," wrote Gwynne Young, a parent of two Huff students, in an e-mail to the *Voice*, "and in this situation, people who didn't want kids to listen to the president's speech were the rabble-rousers. Ergo, it was easier to choose not to air the speech."

"I think the district should have just aired the speech and have been done with it," Young said. ▀

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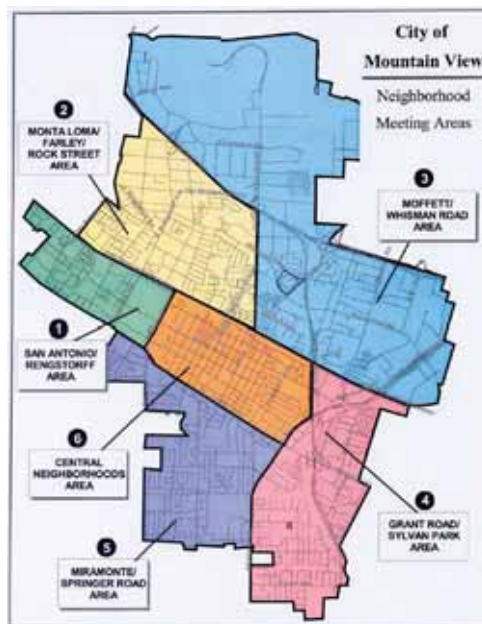
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MIRAMONTE/SPRINGER ROAD AREA
Neighborhood Meeting**

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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.

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COURTESY RENDERING

An artist's rendering of the "ultra" personal rapid transit system on a dedicated cement pathway.

PRT

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vard.

"We'll need an alternative," Raney quoted the Google employee as saying. "The proposal to connect Google, NASA and Caltrain makes sense as an alternative. PRT will be like a dam breaking. We're all frustrated with current transit in the area."

Mayor Margaret Abe-Koga discussed the plans with Raney and said it sounded "interesting."

"We've talked about building light rail out to Bayshore area," Abe-Koga said. "If we are serious about that we should be looking at this. It could be cheaper and more practical."

Abe-Koga said she is curious to see how San Jose progresses with its plans for a PRT system at San Jose airport. That city's transportation director is scheduled to take a tour of the Heathrow system — which ATS has dubbed "Ultra" — sometime this week, Raney said.

Raney said his company is making a similar push in Palo Alto for an Ultra system around the Stan-

ford Research Park, where a market study showed a dramatic decrease in car use and an increase in use of buses and trains, which would be connected to the system.

If comments made during Mountain View's General Plan hearings by Google and other property owners in North Bayshore are any indication, such a transit system may be necessary to support the growth of Google and the NASA Ames Research Park. Ames may soon house several tall buildings and a major university campus for the University of California and the Foothill-De Anza Community College District.

Another company, Unimodal Inc., is building prototypes of an overhead "maglev" PRT system as a tenant at NASA Ames, but has not approached the city with any proposals.

Raney said his goal is to present the general idea of PRT to the city, and not necessarily sell them on his company's specific product. He said he hopes the city will take bids from the 30 or so PRT start-up companies worldwide. Raney says ATS is the largest among the PRT companies, with 40 employees.

If ATS were to build its Ultra system in Mountain View, Raney estimates it would cost \$60 to 128

million for the 8.5-mile portion connecting downtown to the area around Google (colored orange in the map).

The tracks would also run to Shoreline Amphitheatre, over Stevens Creek to NASA Ames and south to the Moffett Business Park near Sunnyvale, among other places.

The system costs roughly \$7 million to \$15 million per mile to build, and the six-foot-wide cement paths can be constructed at a speed of about one mile per month by a four-person crew.

Google co-founder Larry Page may be a fan of the idea, according to his commencement speech at the University of Michigan on May 2.

"When I was here at Michigan, I wanted to build a personal rapid transit system on campus to replace the buses," Page told the crowd. "It was a futuristic way of solving our transportation problem. Many things that people labor hard to do now, like cooking, cleaning and driving, will require much less human time in the future. That is, if we have a healthy disregard for the impossible and actually build new solutions."

A video and more information can be found at www.ultraprt.com. ■



A map of the proposed personal rapid transit system in Mountain View.

ARRESTS

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attended the gathering of about 20 people around a fire pit in the driveway of their apartment complex say it appeared to be “pre-planned” when about 10 officers “swooped in” and arrested three people without much discussion or warning.

The incident occurred just before midnight on Friday, Sept. 11, when the friends, most of whom live there in the small complex, were having some beers and talking — not too loudly, they say. That’s when a group of officers arrived, looking like a “Roman phalanx, a wall of armed guards” in the words of Thomas Lear, who claims he didn’t say anything to police before being taken away.

Wylie said arrestees were taken in because they had not complied with orders to sit down.

“If you are trying to impede our work then, yeah, we stop being super-polite,” she said. “We’ve got to gain control of the situation.”

Three people were arrested for public drunkenness but not charged: Lear, 36, and Galen Wolf, 29, both of Mountain View; and Pooya Shai, 29, of San Jose. Though the three spent the night

in jail, none was officially charged with being drunk in public. Wylie said that’s standard police practice for non-repeat offenders.

The complex is largely occupied by friends and members of a heavy metal band called Raising the Dead, and is used for occasional parties and band practice every Friday night. Though their activities and appearance are unusual, resident Owen Johnston said, he and his friends have earned the respect of their neighbors by keeping their complex clean and ending band practice every Friday at 10 p.m. Johnston said neighbors had not called police about noise problems for two years.

Unlike a similar incident with Mountain View police last summer at 122 East Middlefield Road, which led to allegations of police brutality, police had not repeatedly warned partygoers to keep the noise down throughout the evening. This was their first visit to the group on Bush Street.

Ellen Wheeler, a school board member and lawyer, is Johnston’s mother. She met with several witnesses last week and e-mailed some comments to the *Voice*.

“My son and his friends may look unconventional to the police, but I know them to be good people, with good jobs, good educations and good hearts,” she

wrote. Wheeler added that she hoped this would lead to a “teachable moment” for all involved.

Two perspectives

Upon arrival, Wylie said, police found “approximately 20 people outside the front drinking and talking loudly. Officers asked them to sit down and asked them why they were there. Two subjects didn’t comply and began shouting obscenities at officers, refusing to be quiet,” she said.

“One of them basically began using the F-word, began screaming and refused to provide identification. One jumped into an officer’s face.”

Basically, she said, those people were being “uncooperative and belligerent” while everyone else was cooperative.

In separate interviews, Shahi and Lear said there was no shouting before or during the first two arrests and that everyone spoke calmly.

“After the arrests, yeah, maybe they were angry,” said Shahi. “Before the arrests, no.”

“The way they came in, they were not there to talk,” he said. “They were there to arrest us.”

Shahi said he was taken aside by police 20 seconds after returning to the party to ask questions about why officers were there out of

“genuine concern” for his friends. “I was pretty much arrested immediately,” Shahi said. “I guess I didn’t move as fast as they were telling me to move.”

According to police procedure, “We ask them to sit down so we can have some control over the situation,” Wylie said. Police then make sure that someone present at the gathering actually lives there. Then police ask them to move the party inside. It usually works, she said.

“But if people right off the bat refuse a simple command like ‘sit down’ we stop asking them to listen and we begin ordering them to listen. We have to keep control of the situation for people’s safety,” Wylie said.

Drunk tank

The “public drunkenness” charge puzzled Shahi and other partygoers who thought they were safe to drink on private property.

Wylie said the charge applies to any space accessible to the public, which includes private driveways and front yards. The charge also applies to a certain behavior, not a specific blood alcohol content level, she said.

“You have to be so intoxicated you have to be incapable of caring for yourself” or “are making

poor decisions for yourself,” Wylie said.

“I had four beers in a matter of three hours,” Shahi said. “I was pretty sober in the drunk tank, I’ll tell you that.” He added that police refused his requests for a breathalyzer test.

Lear, Shahi and Johnston all said they were disappointed with the general conduct of the police officers, which they thought was unprofessional. For example, all three reporting hearing an officer humming Wagner’s “Ride of the Valkyries.” They said it appeared that “rookies” in white uniforms — actually community service officers — were taking notes and learning “bad behavior” from the other officers, one of whom, they said, referred to the group of friends as “crazy” as police arrived.

Wheeler suggested that police and those who were at the party sit down, talk and learn from it.

“It’s important to look outside ourselves to see that we are all the same and then we can look inside ourselves to treat each other the same,” Wheeler said. “This is what I’d like to happen as a result of this police incident.” ▀

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Jose Vargas with Mary Lou De Natale.

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Camino Hospital, accepted the Hometown Heroes award on behalf of the organization. Myers thanked the hospital for a \$100,000 grant given last year,

and for “improving the lives of our parents and grandparents and all the seniors in our community.”

“I feel a little bit out of my league,” said guest speaker Jose Vargas, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and Mountain View High School graduate, to the audience of “generous people.”

“To me, there’s no greater measure of humanity” than generosity, he said.

In his talk, Vargas referenced the late Ted Kennedy, who “always saw what the Bible calls the ‘least amongst us.’”

Vargas recalled Kennedy’s 1980 speech at the Democratic National Convention: “Programs may become obsolete, but the ideal of fairness always endures. ... The poor may be out of political fashion, but they are not without human needs.”

“Somehow we have to see ourselves in each other,” Vargas said.

He recalled a bus trip he took as a young reporter for the *Washington Post* from Dupont Circle to Anacostia, when he first witnessed the “other” Washington, D.C.

“I was so struck by so much powerlessness in such a powerful city,” he said. That’s why he took such a particular interest in the Internet: “It allowed everyday people to take part in the political process.”

“We are part of a community,” Vargas said in his closing remarks. We need “to see the people that are least amongst us as a part of it too.” ▀

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OBITUARIES

VIRGINIA ‘JUNIE’ EYROND

Virginia “Junie” Eyrond, a Mountain View resident, died in her home on Aug. 21. She was 88.

Born in Chattanooga, Tenn. to William and Blanch Truitt, Eyrond moved to California with her husband, Frederick L. Eyrond, who predeceased her. She is survived by sons Bill and Paul Eyrond; daughter-in-law Teri; grandchildren Rebecca, Troy and Mark; and her god-daughter Susan Barrett.

A longtime resident of Palo Alto, she was active in many charities including Peninsula Volunteers and Catholic Charities, and was a former member of the Cosmopolitan Club, the AARP and the University Club.

The family would like to thank the staff at Redwood Villas and Pathways Hospice. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Catholic Charities of Pathways Hospice Foundation. Plans for a memorial service are pending.

CAROL M. WARREN

Carol M. Warren, a longtime resident of Los Altos, died Aug. 27 of lung disease. She was 77.

Born Carol Mae McCandless on Feb. 1, 1932 in Barnum, Minn., she and her family moved to Redwood City, where she attended Sequoia High School. She moved to Los Altos in 1950 after her marriage to Wilbur Warren. There she raised three children and was active in Scouts and Little League.

In 1970, Warren divorced and became a machinist in Redwood City. She survived a battle with breast cancer and retired to enjoy family and friends with her second husband, Glen C. Bacon.

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CITY HEALTH FESTIVAL AIMS TO 'GET THEM MOVING'

As many as one thousand local residents are expected to attend Mountain View's first-ever "MoVe to Wellness Festival" this Saturday, Sept. 19.

The free family event, a joint effort by the city, the YMCA and several other local organizations, will be held at Rengstorff Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The festival kicks off a nationwide YMCA event called "America on the Move Week."

According to YMCA director Tim Byrd, the festival, along with the events of next week, is intended "to show people ways to get active and get moving" beyond just "stepping on a treadmill."

Mayor Abe-Koga, whose goals for the city include increasing health and wellness within the community, hopes that "people will come and have fun, but also take back tools to incorporate health and wellness into their daily lives."

The festival will include numerous physical activities such as ballroom dancing and biking for kids. A turkey dog BBQ will be held by the Mountain View Fire Department, and a wide range of raffle prizes will be offered.

Sponsors of the event, including Kaiser Permanente, the Lucille Packard Children's Hospital and the Community Health Awareness Council, will be offering insurance for children from low-income families, informational booths and safety demonstrations, and free screening tests for blood pressure, cholesterol and diabetes.

Both Byrd and Abe-Koga say they hope the festival will become an annual event. "No matter what," said Abe-Koga, "the most important thing is your health."

For more information about the MoVe to Wellness Festival, along with a complete schedule of activities, visit www.movetowellness.org.

MOUNTAIN VIEW COMPANY RELEASES RESULTS FROM OBESITY DRUG TRIALS

A Mountain View-based biopharmaceutical company announced that it has developed a drug that may effectively treat obesity without serious side effects.

Results from Vivus, Inc.'s most recent Phase 3 trials, released last Wednesday, state that study participants lost an average of 14.7 percent of body fat, or 37 pounds,

over the course of 56 weeks using the drug Qnexa. The results also claim that the drug can significantly improve patients' cardiovascular and metabolic risk factors, including blood pressure and type 2 diabetes.

Qnexa combines phentermine, a stimulant, and topiramate, an anticonvulsory, to both curb cravings and reduce weight. Many speculate that it may be the next big obesity drug, having taken the lead in the race against two other companies, Orexigen and Arena, for FDA approval.

Upon release of the results, Vivus' stock jumped from \$4.76 to \$11.67 a share.

— Katherine Tolentino

INTERPLAST RECEIVES \$50,000 GRANT

Two hundred impoverished children will undergo reconstructive surgeries next year thanks to a \$50,000 grant to Interplast, a Mountain View-based nonprofit whose globe-trotting doctors provide free plastic surgery to needy children worldwide.

The recent grant will cover the medical costs of children with cleft lips and disabling burn injuries in Ecuador, Nicaragua and Peru.

"Our philosophy is this: The patient who is suffering and is waiting for help, they hurt every day whether there is a recession or not," said Interplast president and CEO Susan Hayes. "And they deserve our hardest work and our greatest attention."

The grant money, which came from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, will be spent beginning in February 2010 and pay for surgeries through December.

In a time when donated funds are hard to come by, Interplast reports that it has managed to increase donations by more than 20 percent — from \$3.5 million in fiscal year 2008 to \$4.4 million in 2009.

"I think it's having the right development team," Hayes said. "We have a board that has been just unbelievably supportive."

Hayes said Interplast threw its first-ever fundraising gala last November, just as the economic recession began to take full effect. She credited the success of the event to board members and their networking with generous donors and foundations.

Interplast will hold its second "Transformations Gala" on Nov. 7.

— Kelsey Mesher



What every girl should know

HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS IS THE DOMINANT CAUSE OF CERVICAL CANCER AMONG WOMEN — BUT A VACCINE EXISTS

By Casey Weiss

The HPV virus is frightening to contemplate. But protection is available for those girls and young women willing to get a simple shot in the arm.

Human papillomavirus (HPV), a sexually transmitted disease, causes 99 percent of all cases of genital warts and cervical cancer in women. Today, local doctors are recommending a relatively new vaccine which they say could reduce incidence of cervical cancer by more than 60 percent if all females were to be vaccinated.

The virus is much less dangerous to men, affecting only 1 percent of them — although those who are affected can also contract various forms of cancer, according to Holly Nath, a doctor in the Obstetrics & Gynecology department at Camino Medical Group in Mountain View.

The virus, spread through touch and sexual contact, has infected approximately 75 to 85 percent of sexually active men and women, according to a pamphlet Nath gives to her patients. It is one of the most common STDs in the world, affecting nearly 5.5 million people each year.

Approximately 90 percent of women with the virus have no symptoms, helping to explain why it spreads so quickly. But the virus can result in genital warts and abnormal cervical cells, which can in turn lead to cancer.

Help available

Doctors from Camino Medical Group and El Camino Hospital say that Gardasil and Cer-

varix — two vaccinations that were approved by the Food and Drug Administration in 2006 — significantly reduce the number of patients with HPV.

"Most OB/GYNs feel comfortable with the safety of the drug and would vaccinate their own daughter," Nath said.

The vaccinations are administered three times over six months, and cost \$125 per dose

Yearly visits with the gynecologist are also recommended for sexually active girls and women in order to screen for abnormal cells.

without insurance, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, totaling \$375 for all three shots. Most major insurance companies cover the shot.

There is no research that shows the vaccination works on men. But Nath recommends girls and women between 9 and 26 receive the vaccination. Doctors normally stop vaccinating women after 26, because there is a large likeli-

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Take charge of diabetes before it takes charge of you

By Dr. Meg Durbin

Diabetes is a condition where the body cannot properly regulate the level of glucose (sugar) in the blood. As a result, the person's blood sugar levels can fluctuate between very low and very high in response to activity level, foods and drinks consumed, illnesses, and even emotional stress or anger.

Q: At my last physical, my doctor said I should be tested for diabetes, but I feel fine. Is diabetes really something I need to worry about?

A: Diabetes is a chronic condition that very often causes no symptoms early on. The good news is that it's easy to diagnose diabetes. All that is needed is a simple blood test, and by identifying diabetes early and taking good care of your health after diagnosis, you can avoid many of the complications that can occur, such as heart disease, blindness, and kidney and nerve damage.

According to the American Diabetes Association, about 21 million Americans have diabetes, at least eight out of every 100 people. Nearly a third of them (5.2 million people) do not know they have diabetes.

Common diabetes risk factors include: being 45 years or older; being overweight; having high blood pressure or high triglycerides; having an immediate family member with diabetes; being a member of an ethnic group with a high rate of diabetes; having had a baby whose birth weight was at least 9 pounds; or having had gestational diabetes (diabetes during pregnancy).

Q: How does diabetes hurt the body?

A: Abnormal blood sugar levels affect nearly every part of the body, and in particular, may damage the heart and blood vessels, nerves, eyes and kidneys. People with undiagnosed diabetes may notice no symptoms at all, or may experience any of the following: frequent urination, excessive hunger or thirst, unusual weight loss, fatigue, irritability, blurred vision, cuts or bruises that are slow to heal, tingling or numbness in the hands or feet, and recurring skin, gum or bladder infections.

The good news is that when dia-

betes is managed through weight loss, diet and lifestyle changes, exercise and medications, the rises and falls in blood sugar that damage the body become less frequent and the person's risk of complications drops.

Q: Will eating too much sugar cause diabetes?

A: No. Diabetes is caused by a combination of genetic and lifestyle factors.

There are two basic types of diabetes. Type 1 diabetes is a condition where the body is unable to make enough of the hormone insulin, which is what regulates blood sugar levels. It is most commonly diagnosed in children or young adults who are underweight or normal weight.

Type 2 diabetes is a condition where the body gradually stops making enough insulin and also stops responding to the insulin it does make. This is called becoming "insulin resistant." Type 2 diabetes tends to run in families. Being overweight and inactive significantly increases your risk of developing type 2 diabetes.

"Prediabetes" is a condition that precedes type 2 diabetes. When doctors test the blood of someone with prediabetes who has not eaten for a set amount of time, the "fasting blood sugar" is higher than normal but not in the true diabetes range.

Q: My doctor says that I have prediabetes and must make some serious diet and lifestyle changes to avoid becoming diabetic. But I have kids, a stressful job and a long commute. How am I supposed to find the time and energy to make these types of changes?

A: A diagnosis of prediabetes or diabetes can indeed be frightening, and you are certainly not alone in feeling overwhelmed. Be upfront with your doctor about your concerns. He or she should help you find resources to overcome many of the barriers you face in taking care of yourself.

More resources can be found on trustworthy Web sites such as www.diabetes.org, tcoyd.org and www.pamf.org/diabetes.

Meg Durbin, M.D., is a family medicine physician and regional medical director for managed care for the Palo Alto Medical Foundation.



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hood that older females have been exposed to the virus.

“Women after 26 tend to have multiple partners. The vaccine is designed to get people before they start having sex,” Nath said.

There are 100 different strains of the virus, according to Dr. Janet Pulskamp, an OB/GYN at El Camino Hospital. The Gardasil vaccine protects women from two strains of the virus that cause 70 percent of cervical cancer, and from two strains of the virus that cause 90 percent of genital warts.

“It is still not 100 percent,” Pulskamp said. “The only way to prevent HPV is no sexual contact.”

Side effects

Nath said the shot can cause bruising, a headache or even fainting. Six percent of patients have more serious reactions, and there have been two cases of paralysis. Some patients also experience an allergic reaction to the vaccination.

Meanwhile, there is some controversy surrounding the vaccination, Pulskamp said, “Some people believe that if you give the vaccination to girls it gives them the license to have sex. Studies show this is not true.”

If a person does contract the virus, there is an 80 percent chance the patient will clear the virus after two years, according to Nath.

In addition to the vaccination, both doctors said that condoms can help prevent the virus from spreading. But they do not provide a 100 percent protection.

Yearly visits with the gynecologist are also recommended for sexually active girls and women in order to screen for abnormal cells. If a Pap smear comes back abnormal, doctors perform a colposcopy and biopsy of the cervix. Nath said this is not invasive and “patients can go back to work” afterwards.

“If the results are severely abnormal, then the doctor performs a more extensive biopsy,” she said. “Approximately 1 percent of these patients can go on to develop cervical cancer.”

Since the drugs are relatively new, doctors do not know their long-term effects. But according to a study by Merck, the maker of Gardasil, 98 percent of vaccinated women were protected against cervical pre-cancers, and 100 percent of women tested were protected from genital warts from two strains over a three-year period. ■



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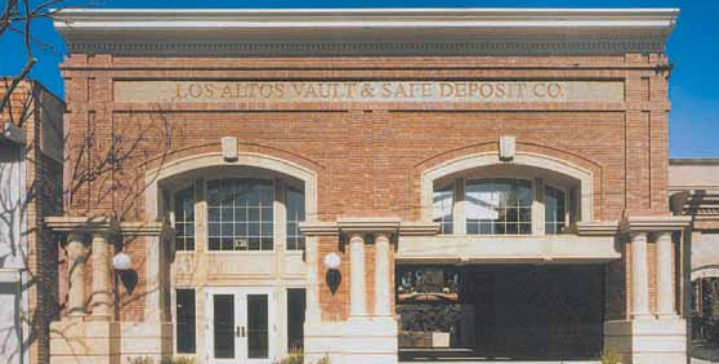
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■ EDITORIAL THE OPINION OF THE VOICE

About time state relaxed greywater rules

In a session that saw perhaps the worst performance ever by a governor and state Legislature, it was heartening to see passage of a measure that actually makes sense and has the potential to do something good — specifically, to reduce residential potable water use by 20 percent or more if a significant number of households sign up.

As described in the *Voice* last week, the new state law authorizes homeowners to capture greywater from washing machines, bathtubs and bathroom sinks (not toilets or kitchen sinks) to irrigate trees or shrubs that otherwise would take up costly, and scarce, tap water.

The cost of materials for very basic greywater systems can be around \$200 and can be installed by residents on their own.

Driven by a drought that has no end in sight, state officials finally relaxed their regulations governing greywater systems, doing away with the requirement that civil engineers sign off on systems before a costly permit can be issued — a stipulation blamed for driving costs up to \$15,000 in many cases. The requirement effectively discouraged interest in greywater systems, which can significantly reduce water costs and the load on septic tanks and sewer systems.

Even more important are the tremendous environmental benefits, including less demand on water supplies, reduced groundwater depletion and reduced energy use.

We're glad to see that Mountain View is at the forefront in taking advantage of the new rules. Currently, Vox Design Group, a downtown architectural firm, is helping install a greywater system on Eldora Drive, which will recycle water from a washing machine directly to three trees in the home's backyard. Vox president Forrest Linebarger has been pressing for the state to rewrite its greywater laws for some time, and told us, "It is so nice to see California get a law straight, especially one we've been asking for."

Experts say 50 percent of water use in the average California household goes to landscaping. Recycling greywater could save 20 percent of that total, enough to greatly reduce the impact of the drought if a large number of this state's millions of households take part.

Looking back, it's amazing the state took so long to make it legal and feasible for households to install greywater systems. But now that it's cost effective for homeowners to save so much water so simply, we expect it won't be long before such systems are common in every neighborhood.

■ GUEST OPINION

Some suggestions for new development on Minton's site

By Beth Mezas

I submitted some comments to City Council in advance of the study session planned for Wednesday, Sept. 16 to discuss the Minton's site development. I would like to share them with others in the city as there are a few points I would like to raise.

First, are there any plans for solar panels or renewable energy? Residents in luxury apartments are sometimes heavy electricity users, owners of the latest gadgets and maybe an extra refrigerator. The developer could mitigate the increase in the city's carbon footprint by putting renewable electricity into the buildings themselves.

Is the developer going to build in any kind of greywater usage or water recycling for the buildings and their outdoor spaces? In a time of drought, when the Santa Clara County water authorities are asking every city to reduce water consumption, it is smart to ask that any new apartments, have minimal impact on the city's overall water consumption.

The council should ask the developer to consider installing a system that will water all of the beautifully manicured outdoor spaces with greywater.

One last but important green innovation is the building roof. There is significant new data about technical changes to make a building's roof "white." This can make a huge difference by reflecting sunlight back into space and reducing the amount of heat that is absorbed by the built environment.

Minton's is a large site, perfect for easy access to transit and services. It is on the edge of a commercial zone that has suffered since the dot-com bust. That area could be revitalized at any time as the economy recovers from the current recession. In fact, the developer of that site could trigger the change, attracting new businesses to occupy the surrounding sites.

Finally, I would ask for a mixed-use development on the site. Freshly wired, modern facilities could keep start-up companies coming to Mountain View. I

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■ LETTERS

VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

CUESTA PARK PLAN TRUE TO PUBLIC INPUT

Editor:

Don Letcher's recent letter misrepresents the Cuesta Park Annex Master Plan and does a disservice to the city staff and City Council that has put in countless hours in dozens of public meetings in which hundreds of people participated over several years ("Don't give away community park," Letters to the Editor, Sept. 4). I may not agree with every decision that has been made, but overall the plan is true to the public input — it preserves a beautiful natural park.

The flood detention element enhances the current uses of the park while helping provide flood protection for over 2,000 Mountain View homes. The Water District has worked hard to listen to the public input in their design and will soon release a draft EIR and conduct more community meetings on the details of the plan. Save Open Space Mountain View has fought to preserve this space as a natural park and will continue to do so throughout the EIR process to ensure that implementation is true to the design.

Letcher mentions there is a petition, but no one in the city seems to have seen it. In the past, some

people have objected to flood detention before actually seeing the plan. Once they see the gentle slopes and curving paths, the restoration of native plants and habitat, the use of natural stone and wood, they almost always support the design.

If anyone would like to see more details of the plan, I invite them to join the EIR review or contact us at saveopenspace@pacbell.net.

Kevin McBride,
Save Open Space Mountain View
Begen Avenue

FEAR AND BIGOTRY KEPT KIDS FROM SEEING PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

Editor:

Last week, I listened to news programs discussing the fact that school districts were in a tizzy across the country over accusations that President Obama would be "indoctrinating" the kids through a speech to students. Other districts were prescreening the speech and sending home permission slips. I was so glad I lived in a more enlightened community — until I found out that my two kids, students at Huff School in Mountain View, never saw the president's speech.

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■ GUEST OPINION

Toy guns out of bounds at Art & Wine Festival

By Charles and Kathleen Alley

Sitting at our favorite Starbucks in Mountain View this Sunday, we had a different-than-usual view in front of us as we watched our fellow citizens walk/browse by the vendor stands at the annual Mountain View Art & Wine Festival. Old, young, in-between; walkers, strollers ... it was great to see the families stroll by, chatting and taking care of each other.

Suddenly we heard an incoherent sound in this peaceful scenario, a child's voice making the sound of a gun. We turned to our right, and there was a youngster, around 7 or 8, holding a wooden replica of an Uzi, pointing it at us and "pretending" to shoot us. Behind the young boy was a vendor's stand with items we had not noticed previously. One display held a wooden machine gun, another a wooden Uzi, another a wooden assault rifle, another a wooden hand gun. There were obviously other items as we watched a young girl pick up a wooden cork gun, point it at her father and "shoot" him over and over.

Our first reaction was surprise. Having lived in the Bay Area most of our lives, and this being probably our 100th or so festival, we could not remember ever encountering a booth with toy machine guns and AK-47s for kids.

Our second reaction was to be uncomfortable. We didn't like hav-

ing even a toy gun pointed at us.

As we collected and processed our thoughts, our third response was to be disturbed. Innocent children were being marketed to, real-time, with replicas of lethal weapons. They now had the opportunity to pick them up and do with them what they see, unfortunately, on TV and in video games: point it at someone, someone they love or a stranger, and pretend to injure or kill them.

Why are we marketing assault weapons, even pretend assault weapons, to our children 2 to 10 years old (the counter was very low so even toddlers could reach) in our socially responsible community and home town of Mountain View? Especially with Mountain View and our neighboring communities being embroiled with tragic incidents of guns being taken to schools and children and young people being shot and killed?

We are certainly for the rights of responsible adults to bear arms. But one would also hope that adults would make responsible and socially conscious decisions about what we market to our next generation at Art & Wine Festivals — a place parents take their families for art, entertainment and food.

That thought would also apply to the people and organizations making selections and providing oversight on what is being offered at their event.

Charles and Kathleen Alley
live on Cuesta Drive.

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No permission slip was sent home. No announcement was made. Just no speech.

I asked the principal about it in an e-mail. She replied that the superintendent had left the decision up to each teacher. If you were a teacher faced with an innocuous event that had suddenly inflamed a small segment of the country, what would you do?

Was the decision left up to the teachers when President Reagan and the first President Bush spoke to the children?

I am very sad and disappointed that because of a combination of fear and bigotry, my children could not see their president talk, that the first African-American president of the United States of America was treated throughout the country as a pariah — though one who was overwhelmingly elected.

Gwynne Young
Perich Court

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would suggest they incorporate significant "green building" measures — architecture that demonstrates vision and innovation rather than simply meeting the current legal requirements and pacifying the public demand.

While the development will

undoubtedly help with the jobs-to-housing imbalance and reduce the vehicle miles traveled by some of the good people working in Mountain View and living a distance from town, it is my hope that City Council and staff will hold this site to a very high standard.

Beth Mezas lives on East Middlefield Road.



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SHAWN FENDER

The *carnitas* plate from Lulu's restaurant located at the Town & Country Village in Palo Alto

■ RESTAURANT REVIEW

Fast food with flavor

LULU'S TAKE-OUT MEXICAN FOOD AT TOWN & COUNTRY VILLAGE IN PALO ALTO IS FRESH AND HEALTHY

By Dale F. Bentson

I made a big mistake. The first day I cruised over to Lulu's Mexican takeout in the refurbished Town & Country Village for lunch, I arrived at high noon. Waves of students from Palo Alto High School poured across Embarcadero Road, flooding the shopping center.

The parking lot was a never-ending processional of drivers searching for that one elusive space. I circled the center a half dozen times before I lucked into a slot.

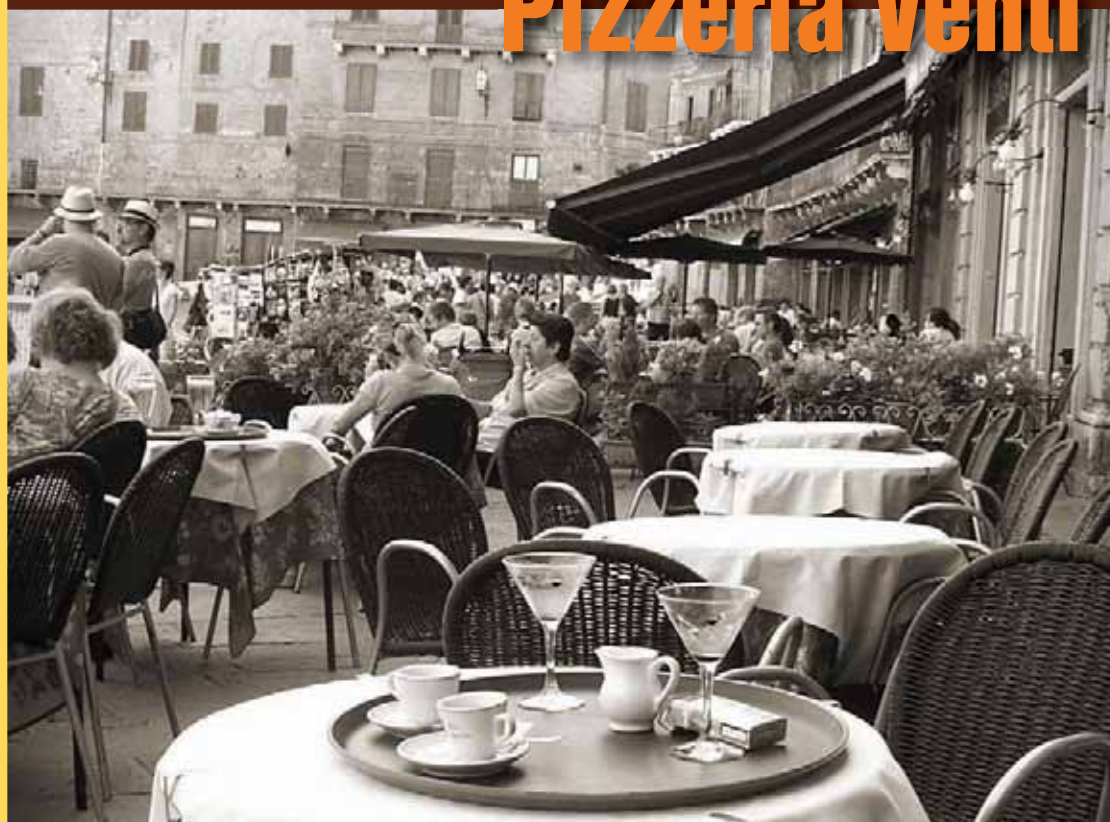
Parking was only half the problem though. I jumped into the queue only to be jostled, bumped

and nearly flattened by students with their caboose-sized backpacks. The line moved quickly, though, and within a few minutes, I was at the counter ordering from the wallboard menu.

It was fascinating to watch the kitchen staff work at breakneck speed filling, folding and saucing each order individually; there were no warming trays of pre-prepared food. Three or four minutes later, I had lunch in hand and proceeded to search for an available space at the tables scattered about the walkways and small patio areas of Town & Country. There are no

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Prosciutto ripieni con mozzarella e pomodoro

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- ½ pounds chopped roma tomatoes
- 12 ounces fresh mozzarella; sliced and chopped into small cubes
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil for drizzling
- 2 tablespoons of fresh basil, torn into small pieces
- 8 slices of prosciutto
- 3 tablespoons shelled pistachio nuts. Rough chopped
- 4 green onions (tops only) or long chives
- 1 head Green leaf lettuce, chopped
- ½ cup mild black olives chopped
- Black pepper

Preparation:

Place tomatoes, 1½ tablespoons pistachios, basil, mozzarella and a pinch of black pepper. Gently stir to combine. Using a standard coffee cup, center 1 slice of prosciutto over the cup and gently press the prosciutto into the cup. Center a second slice crosswise over the first, pressing gently into the cup. Scoop ¼ of the mixture into the cup and pull up the ends of the prosciutto to make a small packet. Carefully tie together with green onion top. Gently cover the packet and turn cup over to remove. Repeat to make 3 additional packets. Place lettuce onto a salad plate and transfer prosciutto packet onto lettuce. Garnish with remaining pistachio nuts.

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Bowl of pozole soup from Lulu's restaurant located at the Town & Country Village in Palo Alto.

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indoor tables but there is a wide portico to shelter patrons on the, hopefully, rainy days to come.

Lulu's is the brainchild of Nathalie Richardson, herself a Palo Alto High alumna. While attending the University of Arizona, she met her husband to be, Bracken. On their first date, according to Richardson, they "went to a great enchilada place." He grew up in Mexico, the son of a mining engineer. Both loved Mexican food and, apparently, a seed was planted.

Years later, after working part time for her father for 17 years and raising three children, Richardson met Lourdes (Lulu) Lopez. Lopez hails from the Mexican state of Michoacan, northwest of Mexico City, an area renown for its regional cuisine. Lopez's family owned several taquerias in Mexico and she had fashioned herself into a nonstop, fresh ingredients only, cook.

Richardson's long dormant idea blossomed, opening Lulu's on

the Alameda, in Menlo Park, in 2005, with Lulu Lopez running the kitchen. The Town & Country location opened this March with the same menu.

What distinguishes Lulu's is a freshness that allows flavors to shine. Every salsa, mole, and soup is made from scratch daily. The crew starts chopping, kneading, mixing and cooking at 5 a.m. every morning.

"There are no cans in the storage room," said Richardson. "We use no lard, all natural meats and all our beans are vegetarian. We use only olive and canola oils in cooking. Tortilla chips are made fresh every two hours. We get delivery seven days per week of meat and produce."

That attention to freshness and detail is evident in all the dishes I tried at Lulu's. The carnitas plate (\$13.50) was mounded with crispy, yet tender and juicy, shredded pork. The signature plate came with a choice of

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(500) DAYS OF SUMMER (PG-13) ★★☆☆1/2 **Century 16:** 12:50, 3:20, 5:40, 7:55 & 10:15 p.m. **Century 20:** 1:10, 4, 6:40 & 9:05 p.m.

9 (PG-13) ★★☆☆1/2 **Century 16:** 11:45 a.m.; 12:45, 1:50, 2:50, 3:50, 4:50, 5:55, 6:55, 8, 9:10 & 10:10 p.m. **Century 20:** 11:45 a.m.; 12:40, 1:45, 2:45, 3:50, 4:50, 5:55, 6:55, 8, 9 & 10 p.m.

THE AGE OF STUPID LIVE FROM NEW YORK (NOT RATED)
Century 16: Mon. at 8 p.m. **Century 20:** Mon. at 8 p.m.

ALL ABOUT STEVE (PG-13) ★★☆☆**Century 16:** 1:20 & 3:45 p.m. Fri.-Wed. also at 7:15 & 9:35 p.m. **Century 20:** 11:35 a.m.; 1:55, 4:25, 6:50 & 9:30 p.m.

AMREEKA (PG-13) Palo Alto Square: 2:20, 4:45 & 7:15 p.m. Fri.-Sat. also at 9:40 p.m.

THE BAADER MEINHOF COMPLEX (R) ★★☆☆1/2
Guild: 2, 5:15 & 8:30 p.m.

CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS (PG) **Century 16:** 11:35 a.m.; 1:55, 4:15, 6:35 & 8:55 p.m. In 3D at 12:40, 3:05, 5:20, 7:35 & 9:55 p.m. **Century 20:** 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:10 & 10:30 p.m. In 3D at 11:30 a.m. Fri.-Mon. & Wed.-Thu. also at 4:30, 7 & 9:25 p.m. Fri. - Mon. & Thu. also at 2 p.m.

DISTRICT 9 (R) (NOT REVIEWED)**Century 16:** 1:10, 4:10, 7:05 & 9:45 p.m. **Century 20:** 11:50 a.m.; 2:25, 5, 7:35 & 10:15 p.m.

EUREKA SEVEN - GOODNIGHT, SLEEP TIGHT YOUNG LOVERS (NOT RATED) **Century 16:** Thu. at 7:30 p.m.
Century 20: Thu. at 7:30 p.m.

EXTRACT (R) ★★☆☆1/2 **Century 16:** 2 p.m. Fri., Sun. & Tue. also at 6:50 p.m. **Century 20:** 10:05 p.m. Fri., Sun. - Tue. & Thu. also at 7:45 p.m.

THE FINAL DESTINATION 3D (R)
Century 20: 11:50 a.m.; 1:55, 4:05, 6:15, 8:25 & 10:35 p.m.

G.I. JOE: THE RISE OF COBRA (PG-13)
Century 20: 12:10 p.m. Fri. - Sun. & Tue. - Thu. also at 7:05 p.m.

GAMER (R) **Century 20:** 9:50 p.m.

THE HANGOVER (R) ★★☆☆1/2 **Century 20:** Fri. - Wed. 8:10 & 10:45 p.m.

IN THE LOOP (NOT RATED) ★★☆☆1/2 **Aquarius:** 3:30, 6 & 8:30 p.m.

THE INFORMANT! (R) **Century 16:** 11:40 a.m.; 1, 2:15, 3:35, 4:45, 6:15, 7:30, 8:50 & 10:05 p.m. **Century 20:** 11:20 a.m.; 1:50, 4:35, 7:10 & 9:45 p.m.

INGLOURIOUS BASTERDS (R) ★★☆☆ **Century 16:** 11:25 a.m.; 3, 6:30 & 9:50 p.m. **Century 20:** 1:15, 2:55, 4:50 & 8:15 p.m. Fri.-Sun. & Tue. - Thu. also at 9:55 p.m.

JENNIFER'S BODY (R) ★★**Century 16:** 11:55 a.m.; 2:25, 4:55, 7:50 & 10:25 p.m. **Century 20:** 12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 7:55 & 10:20 p.m.

JULIE & JULIA (PG-13) ★★☆☆ **Century 16:** 12:55, 4, 7:10 & 10 p.m.
Century 20: 11:20 a.m.; 2:10, 5, 7:50 & 10:35 p.m.

LOVE HAPPENS (PG-13) ★ **Century 16:** 11:50 a.m.; 2:35, 5:10, 7:45 & 10:20 p.m. **Century 20:** 11:30 a.m.; 2, 4:40, 7:15 & 9:50 p.m.

MAYWEATHER VS. MARQUEZ FIGHT LIVE (NOT RATED)
Century 16: Sat. at 5:30 p.m. **Century 20:** Sat. at 5:30 p.m.

MY ONE AND ONLY (PG-13) ★★☆☆ **Century 20:** Noon, 2:30, 5:05, 7:35 & 10:05 p.m. **Aquarius:** 2, 4:30, 7 & 9:30 p.m.

PONYO (G) ★★☆☆1/2 **Century 20:** 11:40 a.m.; 2:20, 4:45 & 7:20 p.m.

THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE (PG-13)
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SHORTS (PG) ★★
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SORORITY ROW (R) **Century 16:** Noon & 2:30 p.m. Fri. - Tue. & Thu. also at 5, 7:40 & 10:10 p.m. **Century 20:** 12:05, 2:40, 5:25, 7:55 & 10:25 p.m.

TYLER PERRY'S I CAN DO BAD ALL BY MYSELF (PG-13)
Century 16: 1:05, 4:05, 7 & 9:40 p.m.
Century 20: 11:25 a.m.; 2:15, 4:55, 7:30 & 10:10 p.m.

WHITEOUT (R) ★★**Century 16:** 11:30 a.m. Fri. & Mon.-Thu. also at 4:20 p.m. Fri., Sun. & Tue.-Thu. also at 9:15 p.m. **Century 20:** 12:15, 2:35 & 5 p.m. Fri.-Wed. also at 7:40 & 10:15 p.m.

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MOVIE REVIEWS

9★☆☆1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) Humans have destroyed the world, and the only survivors are the little rag dolls known by numbers rather than names. The group includes 1, a domineering leader (Christopher Plummer); 8, his boorish guard (Fred Tatasciore); 7, a fearless female warrior (Jennifer Connelly); and several others (John C. Reilly, Crispin Glover, Martin Landau, etc.), all hiding from the hostile creatures unwittingly created by the late human beings. The newcomer to the group is 9 (Elijah Wood), our hero, a shy young creature who rises to the status of leader, saving the others from the tyranny of 1, who distrusts any innovation, questioning or positive action. "9" doesn't have much by way of plot beyond menace, chase, brief respite; another menace, chase, brief respite. But the animation is sensational.

Rated: PG-13 for violence and scary images. One hour, 19 minutes. — R.P.

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. (Reviewed Sept. 4, 2009)*

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ART GALLERIES

"Art to Awaken the Heart" The art of Shiloh Sophia McCloud is featured through September. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Free. East West Book Store, 324 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-988-9800. www.eastwest.com

"Most Likely" CSMA's Mohr Gallery presents an exhibition of sculptures by artist Brian Wasson. Through Sept. 21, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA), 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. Call 650-917-6800 ext. 305. www.arts4all.org/view

Modernbook: Ten Years In celebration of its ten-year anniversary, Modernbook Gallery will present a group show featuring a dozen gallery artists, showcasing a broad range of contemporary fine-art photography. Through Nov. 1, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. free. Modernbook Gallery, 494 University Ave., Palo Alto. www.modernbook.com

Primary + White "Primary + White" exhibit at Viewpoints Gallery features 16 plein air oil landscape paintings by Diana Jaye,

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Talk on nutrition and stress Dr. Laura Enfield and culinary coach Bonnie Presti speak about nutrition and stress, with Presti presenting recipes from her book "Allergy-Friendly Cookbook." Wed., Sept. 23, 6:30-8 p.m. Free. Whole Foods Market, 4800 El Camino Real, Los Altos. Call 650-559-0300. www.wholefoodsmarket.com/stores/losaltos/storecalendar.php

Tree Pruning Workshop Arborist Ray Morneau discusses pruning, detailing a step-by-step process to structurally improve trees. He will address some of the fine points of pruning such as safety, tool selection and sharpening, and the reasons to prune. Sat., Sept. 19, 10-11:30 a.m. \$15 suggested donation. Pioneer Park, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. www.mountainviewtrees.org

CLUBS/MEETINGS

Leads Club meeting The Leads Club, a networking organization that aims to help professionals build formal relationships with each other, meets Wednesdays, 7:30-8:45 a.m. \$5. St Timothy's Guild Hall, 2094 Grant Road, Mountain View. Call 650-428-0950.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

An Evening with Richard Louv "Nature, Creativity and Health," a talk by Richard Louv, highlights a "Let's Play Outside" campaign in the Bay Area. Richard Louv is a futurist and journalist focused on family, nature and community. His book, 'Last Child in the Woods', inspired a national movement to reconnect children with nature. Fri., Sept. 25, 7:30-9 p.m. \$10. Foothill College - Smithwick Theater, 12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills. Call 650-969-6592. cincbayarea.org/whats-next.htm

Community Safety Fair In honor of National Preparedness Month, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church is holding a Community Safety Fair on Sat., Sept. 19. This free event will feature child safety and emergency preparedness organizations, plus music, refreshments. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. free. St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 2094 Grant Road, Mountain View. Call 408-379-2235. www.sttims.org

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Laura Stec at PA Farmers' Market Laura Stec debuts her newest book "Cool Climate: Taking a Bite out of Global Warming." Sat., Sept. 19, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Free. downtown Palo Alto Farmers' Market, Gilman Street, @ Hamilton, behind the Palo Alto Post Office, Palo Alto. www.pafarmersmarket.org

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TALKS/AUTHORS

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File No. 527558
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File No. 528615
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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

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(Voice Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2009)

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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

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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.
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(Voice Sept. 11, 18, 25, 2009)

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**201 Ada Ave. #20
Mountain View**



**Open Sat & Sun
1:30 to 4:30**

Well appointed 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome w/ dual master suites
Spacious living room with fireplace
Remodeled kitchen w/ soft close maple cabinets & granite counters
Dual master suites w/ French doors to separate decks
Inside laundry hook-ups
Attached car garage

Priced at: \$588,000

**183 Fairchild Drive
Mountain View**



**Open Sunday
1:30 to 4:30**

Stunning 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath townhome w/ a great floor plan
Living room with high ceilings, tall windows and fireplace
Kitchen with island, granite counter top & maple cabinets
Separate family room
Attached 2 car garage
Private park in complex

Priced at: \$698,000

**1354 Dale Ave. #9
Mountain View**



**Shown by
Appointment**

Desirable 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome in a small complex
Spacious living room w/ fireplace and large picture window
Kitchen with generous counter and cabinet space
Master suite with dual vanities, dual closets and sliding glass door to deck
Separate laundry room
Attached 2 car garage

Priced at: \$549,000

**986 La Mesa Terrace #C
Sunnyvale**



**Open Saturday
1:30 to 4:30**

Desirable 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome with dual master suites plus bonus room
Tile entry with French doors
Eat-in kitchen w/ generous counter and cabinet space
Spacious living room w/ fireplace, hardwood floor & slider to patio
Dual suites with 2 closets
Inside full size laundry hook-ups
Attached 2 car garage

Priced at: \$634,500

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LOS ALTOS HILLS



13901 WEST EDITH AVE.

\$5,495,000

Gated Country French Estate situated on 1.3 acres of park-like setting bordered by a meandering creek. Great location, approximately one block to the Village. Elegant spacious home with family friendly flexibility. 6,488 sq. ft. of living space: five bedrooms, five and a half baths including guest house, separate bonus/entertainment room and library/office. Other features include sparkling pool, vegetable gardens, and garages for four cars. Excellent Los Altos Schools.

12011 GREENHILLS COURT

\$4,195,000

Gated property on quiet cul-de-sac on a highly desired street in Los Altos Hills. Great floor plan featuring 5 bedrooms and 3 baths plus office/study with wet bar. Spacious rooms throughout, newer appliances in kitchen, remodeled master bath, with tennis court and pool, 3 car garage. Minutes to town.



12125 OAK PARK COURT

\$3,498,000

Great value in this 6,300 sq. ft., 4 acre, newer style home. Nice floor plan with soaring ceilings, 6 bedrooms, 4.5 bath with office and au-pair with separate entrance. Expansive land with many possibilities for pool and tennis court. Huge MDA 54,129 sq. ft. and MFA 22,496 sq. ft.

12924 BRENDEL DRIVE

\$2,395,000

Beautifully appointed and perfectly located at the end of a serene cul-de-sac, this home offers the best of California living. Highlights include 4BR/2.5BA, approximately 3,000sqft, superb finishes throughout. Desirable 'great room' design with tremendous remodeled chef's kitchen, formal dining area, and plenty of space for family and friends to gather. Equestrian facilities permitted. Excellent Los Altos schools.

LOS ALTOS

1476 FAIRWAY DRIVE

\$3,695,000

Newly constructed 5 BR home on approximately half AC flat lot. Beautiful gourmet kitchen, open family room, formal dining rm & living rm, soaring ceilings, crown moldings, hardwood floors, office, 3 car garage.

2 LOS ALTOS SQUARE

\$825,000

Spacious Townhouse in garden setting. Large serene patio, remodeled kitchen, designer tile entry, two large bedrooms, two baths, spacious closets, and two car garage.

SUNNYVALE

709 WINSTEAD COURT

\$495,000

Charming and private two bedroom, two and half bath townhouse. Kitchen opens to inviting and light-filled living room with private patio access. Other desirable features include an indoor laundry room and attached one car garage. Great location! Excellent schools including Cherry Chase Elementary, Sunnyvale Middle and Homestead High.

WILLOW GLEN, SJ

1930 KOCHER DRIVE

\$2,175,000

Stunning newly constructed home located in charming Willow Glen. With approximately 4,600 sq. ft. of luxurious living space, this home features beautiful hardwood flooring, soaring ceilings, crown molding, and designer touches throughout. This extraordinary large Willow Glen lot offers a spacious back yard with ample space to add a pool.

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Beyond stately wrought iron gates situated on 4 acres, sits an incredible private estate of approximately 12,143 square feet of living space plus an additional 1,000 square foot guesthouse. Amenities include a movie theatre room, Workout room, competition size tennis court, putting green with sand trap, infinity pool, vineyards, and so much more!

11655 JESSICA LANE

\$2,895,000

Situated on one acre of beautifully landscaped grounds, this immaculate home offers an excellent close-in yet private location. With 4 bedroom and 3 baths and approximately 4,000 SF, the home is in move-in condition with gorgeous hardwood floors, intricate ceilings, and expansive walls of windows. Other features include an updated kitchen, spacious media/family/play room, gracious living and dining rooms, pool, spa and level lawn – for the quintessential California lifestyle!

LOS GATOS

GORGEOUS NEWLY BUILT HOME

\$3,585,000

Custom built in 2006 with superior hand chosen materials, the owner/architect has left no detail overlooked in this warm and elegant home. The gourmet kitchen features Brazilian teak floors, knotty alder wood cabinetry and granite counter tops. The lower level, assessable by stairs or elevator, includes a large game room, theater, full bath, sauna, wine cellar and access to the pool and back yard areas.

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GARTHWICK, LA

3bd/3ba 1765+/- sf on 10,000+/- sf lot. BBQ and patio, great for entertaining. List Price \$1,499,000



LISA LN, LOS ALTOS

4bd/3.5ba 2748+/- sf on 13,000+/- sf lot. \$1,850,000



VELARDE ST, MV

3bd/2ba 1600+/- sf on 5800+/- sf lot. \$1,149,500



PETTIS AVE, MV

2bd/1ba 1065+/- sf. Near Downtown. List \$749,000

Open Sunday 1:30-4:30



516 UNIVERSITY AVE, LOS ALTOS

4bd/3.5 ba 3000+/- sf on 11,000+/- sf lot. 2 levels of decking, wine cellar, gourmet kitchen. Price Upon Request

Open Sun 1:30-4:00



RIDGEWOOD, LAH

6bd/4 full baths. 1+ acres. 2 family rooms. \$2,195,000



JACKSON LOTS, MV

\$389,000 each. 2 lots must be sold together. Nr dntwn.



VALLEY ST, LA

4bd/4+ba 4108+/- sf on 10,890+/- sf lot. \$2,650,000



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1 BR | 1 BA

183 DEL MEDIO AV #106 **\$360,000**
Stunning Remodeled Condo! Travertine tile throughout! 2 pages of outstanding upgrades. Configured for working from home!
Geraldine Asmus **650.325.6161**

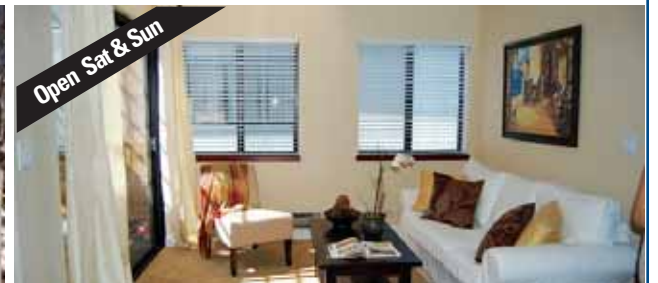


Open Sunday

MOUNTAIN VIEW

5 BR | 3 BA

692 BRYANT AVE **\$3,598,000**
Top-of-the-line upgrades, heated gazebo, pool. Full wet-bar, bonus loft, outdoor kitchen.
Owen Halliday **650.325.6161**



Open Sat & Sun

PALO ALTO

3 BR | 2.5 BA

2154 STAUNTON CT **\$898,000**
Georgious Remodeled College Terrace TH. 1824 SF per county. Walk to Stanford & Cal Ave.
Kathleen Jarvis Pasin **650.325.6161**



Open Sat & Sun

MOUNTAIN VIEW

3 BR | 2 BA

1441 ERNESTINE LANE **\$998,000**
Starter home with Los Altos schools. In fantastic neighborhood.
Barbara Cannon **650.941.7040**



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4 BR | 2.5 BA

ELEGANT AND CONTEMPORARY **\$949,000**
Spacious & bright. Soaring ceilings in the living room, gorgeous hardwood floors, family room.
Elena Talis **650.941.7040**



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3 BR | 3.5 BA

NEWER TOWNHOME **\$698,000**
Great flrpln. Living with cathedral ceilings tall windows & FP. Kitchen with island, granite, maple cabs.
Royce Cablayan **650.948.0456**

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|---|--|---|--|---|
| 124 PATRICIA DR SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$3,995,000 4 BR 4.5 BA in main house, and a fully contained pool house, separate guest cottage. Pool. 3 car garage Mickey Shaevitz 650.941.7040 | 26726 MOODY RD SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,649,000 4 BR 4 BA Tree top views! In a wooded two acres. Featuring soaring ceilings crowned by 22 skylights Karen Scheel 650.941.7040 | FIRST FLOOR END UNIT \$399,000 2 BR 1 BA Overlooking lawn area. Completely updated, kitchen cabinets with granite counters. Melanie Johnson 650.941.7040 STOP RENTING! \$349,000 2 BR 1 BA Great location! Affordable Mt View! Light & bright! Remodeld kitchen & bathroom. Fresh paint Afsie & Sia 650.948.0456 | 157 EMBARCADERO RD SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,350,000 5 BR 3 BA Professorville duplex. Beautiful 3bd/2 bath & 2bd/1 bath, lush gardens & private backyard. Sharon Witte 650.325.6161 | GORGEOUS 5 YEAR OLD \$699,000 3 BR 2.5 BA Summerhill home. Southern maple wood floors, large Family Room with built in large screen TV cabinet. Marcie Soderquist 650.941.7040 |
| CAMPBELL | | | | |
| BEAUTIFUL SPACIOUS HOME! \$950,000 5 BR 3.5 BA Great schools, beautiful spacious home, chef's kitchen, flowing floor plan. Brendan Callahan 650.325.6161 | 26600 ELENA ROAD SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,049,000 4 BR 3.5 BA Custom gourmet kitchen. Soaring ceilings in master bedroom & living rm. An ideal sanctuary Janie & John Barman 650.325.6161 | 2281 BYRON ST SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$5,999,000 5 BR 5.5 BA New Carmel cottage on a large lot. Gourmet kitchen. Exquisite detailing. Full basement Debbie Nichols 650.325.6161 | 125 MONROE DR SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,295,000 3 BR 2 BA Large lot with new floors, kitchen, baths, lighting, large master suite, detached bonus room. Large 2 car gar Barb Zuckerwise 650.325.6161 | 4704 HOLSTON RIVER COURT SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$399,000 4 BR 2.5 BA New carpet, paint, lighting. Newer kitchen with family room that opens to spacious backyard. Shelly Potvin 650.941.7040 |
| LOS ALTOS | | | | SANTA CLARA |
| 790 SUNSHINE DR SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,195,000 4 BR 3.5 BA Open floor plan. Formal living, dining + family rooms. 4 bed, office + 3.5 baths. Terri Couture 650.941.7040 | 10450 ALBERTSWORTH LN SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,935,000 5 BR 4 BA Escape to serene retreat! Live in, remodel or build new! Dante Drummond 650.325.6161 | 1119 HOPKINS AVE SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$3,475,000 5 BR 3.5 BA Newly constructed contemporary home with Victorian charm in the desirable Community Center Laurel Robinson 650.325.6161 | 548 EVERETT AV SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$949,000 2 BR 2 BA Impeccably remodel. Formal Dining Room. Spa like master bath. Georgous kitchen. Large rooms, storage attic. 2 car garage. Zach Trailer 650.325.6161 | 2 YEAR OLD TOWNHOME! \$669,000 3 BR 2.5 BA Gorgeous, barely lived in near Santa Clara University. Huge Kitchen island, wine fridge, Living Room & Family Room. Marcie Soderquist 650.941.7040 |
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| 740 ORANGE AV SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,150,000 3 BR 3.5 BA Exceptional French Country manor home with Old World Charm and all modern conveniences. Jo Buchanan & Stuart Bowen 650.941.7040 | 2140 SANTA CRUZ AV #B206 SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$429,000 2 BR 2 BA Bright & sunny unit in a great location. For residents 55+. Lovely gated community. Yasemin Richardson 650.948.0456 | 1234 PITMAN AV SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,795,000 4 BR 3 BA 9-year-young custom built lot over 7000. House over 2700+ Attached garage. Family room + separate study Julie Lau 650.325.6161 | 153 S CALIFORNIA AV #F109 SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$599,000 2 BR 2 BA Ground floor 1 level unit in Palo Alto Central. Private patio, open floor plan. In-unit laundry. Kathleen Jarvis Pasin 650.325.6161 | 707 KOA CT SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,025,000 3 BR 2 BA Single level home located on a rare 10,500 sf lot on a cul-de-sac. Completely remodeled Jeff Beltramo 650.325.6161 |
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| 289 QUINN HILL RD SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,998,000 4 BR 3.5 BA 3720 sq ft. Large living room, formal dining room, huge master suite. Family room with wood burning fireplace and wet bar Gary Herbert 650.941.7040 | 692 BRYANT AVE SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,629,000 5 BR 3 BA Top-of-the-line upgrades, heated gazebo, pool. Full wet-bar, bonus loft, outdoor kitchen. Owen Halliday 650.325.6161 | A TRUE NATURE RETREAT! \$1,998,000 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 | 2585 PARK BLVD. #2100 SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$599,000 2 BR 2 BA End Unit Condo in PA Central. New hrdwd flrs, high ceilings. Master Bedroom w/ walking, A/C & washer/dryer, fireplace. Julie Spillane 650.325.6161 | THE VILLA AT CORTEZ \$698,000 3 BR 2.5 BA New construction with stunning finishes surrounded by mature trees. Large patio. Dave Luedtke 650.941.7040 |
| 65 PASA ROBLES AV SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,275,000 3 BR 2.5 BA Convenient to top-rated Los Altos schools, shops, downtown, freeways. Updated kitchen. Jim Galli 650.941.7040 | 2430 BENJAMIN DR SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$799,000 3 BR 2 BA Gorgeous Eichler with new granite/ maple kitchen, huge family room, updated baths & professional landscaping with new patio Pat Jordan 650.325.6161 | 230 DAVENPORT WAY SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,489,000 6 BR 3 BA W/in blk of Robles Park with a nice size living room, formal dining room, large family room, eat-in kitchen, hardwood floors, 2 car garage. Barbara Sawyer 650.325.6161 | 732 LAYNE COURT SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$939,000 3 BR 2.5 BA Spacious Midtown Townhome on Quiet Cul-de-Sac, private rear garden. Unique Opportunity! L.Hunt & L.Robinson 650.325.6161 | LOVELY TOWNHOME \$685,000 3 BR 2.5 BA Cul-De-Sac location. Many upgrades & remodels. Custom designed kitchen. Copper piping. Alarm systm Lora Hu 650.941.7040 |
| LOS ALTOS HILLS | | | PORTOLA VALLEY | |
| HIDEAWAY IN THE HILLS \$2,900,000 5 BR 3 BA This lovingly cared for home sits on a quiet road in Los Altos Hills. Terrie Masuda 650.941.7040 | 914 BORANDA AVE #5 SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$488,000 2 BR 1 BA Immaculate. Bubb School. Yard. Garage Aileen La Bouff 650.948.0456 | 800 HIGH ST #111 SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$1,399,000 4 BR 3 BA Designer kitchen with Viking range & granite counters. hardwood floors. Close to downtown, shopping Gene Thornton 650.325.6161 | 20 MINOCA RD SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$2,175,000 3 BR 4 BA 2 Masters, 3 Car Garage, Chef Kitchen, Guest House. 1.35 ac Christine Hoover Sorensen 650.941.7040 | 605 ARCADIA TERRACE #106 SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30 \$398,000 2 BR 2 BA Compass Place, ground floor, end unit. Bright & open floor plan with high ceilings & spacious rooms. Margot Goodman 650.941.7040 |

LOS ALTOS HILLS



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10450 Albertsworth Lane \$1,935,000
Escape to serene retreat! Magnificent views of Rancho San Antonio Preserve! Spacious 4Br/4Ba house w/detached studio apt on secluded 1.09 AC on court of estate homes. Live in, remodel or rebuild.



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2 BR/2 BA \$558,000 and \$572,000
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707 Koa Ct \$1,025,000
3 BD/2 BR This single level home located on a rare 10,500 lot in a quiet cul-de-sac is completely remodeled w/maple cabinets, granite slab counter tops, separate family room & dining room



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SUNNYVALE



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

1266 Parkington Ave \$898,000
Stunning Cherry Chase home. Private courtyard entry. 3 bedrooms & 3 full baths w/2 master suites. Spacious & open floor plan w/vaulted ceilings. Formal entry w/tile floor. Sought after Cherry Chase Elementary & Homestead High. 2 car garage w/new doors. Central AC. New carpet & paint



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REDWOOD CITY



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

313 Topaz St \$739,000
Mt. Carmel Contemporary 3br 2ba This stylishly updated West-side home features floor-to-ceiling windows in the living areas & an expansive deck for indoor/outdoor living. Hardwood floors, crown molding, & designer paint compliment the spacious interior.



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PALO ALTO



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

555 Thain Wy \$725,000
Wonderful spacious two bedrooms two bath rooms Townhouse with new carpeting and fresh paint. Separate dining room. Two lovely patios. Palo Alto schools. One car garage



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PALO ALTO



OPEN SAT & SUN 1:30-4:30

2585 Park Bl #Z100 \$599,000
End Unit Condo in PA Central. New hardwood floors, high ceilings. Master bedroom with walk-in closet, A/C, inside washer & dryer, fireplace



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OPEN SAT & SUN 1:30-4:30

119 Centre St \$588,800
2 BR 2.5 BA Walk to Vibrant Castro St NEW: kitchen & bath granite counters, oak cabinets, stainless steel appliances, carpet & vinyl, dual-pane windows, sliding door, fresh paint throughout. Living room fireplace, bay window.



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SUNNYVALE



CHARMING HOME, ROOMY LOT

2BR 1BA \$458,000
Bright & cheerful w/Hardwood floors, updated kitchen w/gas stove, updt bath, double paned windows, inside laundry room, very charming, private back yard plus large side yard for gardeners or expansion. Convenient location not far from train & Dntr



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