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Ames historian Jack Boyd stands in front of the world's largest wind tunnel, known as "The 80 by 120," at NASA Ames Research Center in Moffett Field.

## 70 years of wonder at NASA Ames

SPACE AGENCY GIVES VOICE AN EXCLUSIVE TOUR OF FACILITIES  
KEY TO NATION'S AERONAUTICAL RESEARCH

By Daniel DeBolt

It will be 70 years this Sunday since a small group of aeronautical researchers, with national defense in mind, took over part of Moffett Field. The year was 1939, and the U.S. government was watching closely as Nazi Germany built up an unprecedented air arsenal.

The resulting facility has been on the cutting edge of aeronautics research ever since.

NASA Ames was built by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NASA's forerunner until 1958) as the U.S. sought to compete with the Ger-

mans in aeronautical research. In 1941, the first wind tunnel constructed at Ames was immediately put to use working on World War II fighter planes,

**Today, behind the security gate at NASA Ames, 2,500 employees are contributing research on numerous technologies and sciences.**

including the P-51 Mustang, which had an aerodynamically induced vibration fixed by Ames researchers.

The vast complex of wind tunnels at Ames includes the world's largest, which

features a massive air intake mouth that opens to the Bay's wetlands. Engineering marvels themselves, the wind tunnels are basically mazes of tunnels of varying size, some with steel reinforcements several inches thick to withstand pressure caused by incredible air speeds.

"We used to have one that went to mach 15," said NASA Ames historian Jack Boyd, who began his career as a "wind tunnel jockey" at Ames in 1947. (Mach 15 is equal to 11,418 miles per hour of air speed.)

Today, behind the security gate at NASA

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## High speed rail meeting draws 200 residents

By Daniel DeBolt

The city held its first-ever public meeting dedicated entirely to the subject of high speed rail, drawing 200 people to the Senior Center on a Thursday evening for a discussion on ways the system will affect Mountain View and its residents.

The high speed rail system, approved by California voters in 2008, will be "one of the largest public works projects in the state for a very long time," said Cathy Lazarus, the city's public works director. Locally, the system would add two additional tracks along the Peninsula's Caltrain corridor for trains reaching speeds of over 100 miles per hour.

Last week's meeting included several presentations followed by a question-and-answer session. Stealing the show was Bob Doty, rail transportation director for Caltrain, who answered questions about high speed rail issues with often humorous comments. As someone who managed high speed rail projects in Asia and Europe, he said, the U.S. is still seen elsewhere as a "developing country" when it comes to transportation.

Council member Mike Kasperzak talked

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## Parents: We'd sue over cuts to special ed

By Kelsey Mesher

An item to reduce aide hours in the Mountain View Whisman School District's autism program was again pulled from the agenda during the board of trustees' regular meeting last week, a move which surprised the several dozen parents who had come to lobby against the cuts.

Though the board did not vote on the proposal — which would reduce the hours and benefits of 11 autism aides

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Asked in downtown Mountain View. Pictures and interviews by Dana Sherne.

## What kind of Christmas tree will you get?



*"I bought a real one. I think they look nicer."*  
**Michelle Albertson, San Jose**



*"If I buy, I'll use the plastic kind and save it for next year. Especially in this economy, you have to be practical."*  
**Laura Hung, Mountain View**



*"We purchased a Christmas tree, a real tree, from a local nursery in San Francisco."*  
**Liz Kolcun, San Francisco**



*"I'm not going to buy a tree. It's just a hassle."*  
**Niklas Karlsson, Mountain View**



*"(I'd buy one) from Paly High to support the Sport Booster's Club."*  
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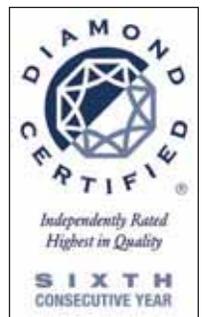


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 Crittenden School, 12/10  
 600 Block W. Evelyn Ave., 12/13  
 500 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 12/13  
 W. Dana St. & S. Shoreline Blvd., 12/13

**AUTO BURGLARY**

1500 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 12/11  
 100 Block Ada Ave., 12/12  
 1900 Block Golden Way, 12/13

**ATTEMPTED MURDER**

100 Block Evandale Ave., 12/10

**BREAKING & ENTERING**

1 Block Gladys Ave., 12/8  
 200 Block Orchard Ave., 12/8  
 400 Block N. Whisman Rd., 12/8

**DISORDERLY CONDUCT**

300 Block Sierra Vista Ave., 12/9  
 300 Block N. Rengstorff Ave., 12/11  
 California St. & San Antonio Rd., 12/11  
 1100 Block Castro St., 12/12

**DISTURBANCE**

1900 Block Old Middlefield Way, 12/14  
 400 Block Mariposa Ave., 12/14

**DRUNK IN PUBLIC**

2500 Block Grant Rd., 12/12

**DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE**

Chatham Way & La Salle Dr., 12/11  
 E. El Camino Real & Grant Rd., 12/12  
 900 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 12/12  
 Central Expressway & E. of Bernardo Ave., 12/13

Crestview Dr. & E. El Camino Real, 12/13  
 Central Expressway & Moffett Blvd., 12/13

**GRAND THEFT**

500 Block Pettis Ave., 12/9  
 300 Block Showers Dr., 12/9  
 Sears Department Store, 12/11  
 500 Block Showers Dr., 12/11  
 1 Block Sherland Ave., 12/14

**IDENTITY THEFT**

400 Block Farrel Ct., 12/10

**MISSING PERSON**

900 Block Mariner Dr., 12/8  
 1100 Block Castro St., 12/9

**NARCOTICS**

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**PETTY THEFT**

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 900 Block El Monte Ave., 12/8  
 300 Block Showers Dr., 12/8  
 500 Block Showers Dr., 12/8  
 400 Block San Antonio Rd., 12/8  
 500 Block N. Shoreline Blvd., 12/9  
 600 Block Showers Dr., 12/9  
 400 Block San Antonio Rd., 12/10  
 Continental Circle & Dale Dr., 12/11  
 200 Block Easy St., 12/11  
 400 Block San Antonio Rd., 12/11  
 300 Block Showers Dr., 12/12  
 900 Block High School Way, 12/13  
 Sears Department Store, 12/14

**POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA**

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 500 Block Escuela Ave., 12/14

**VANDALISM**

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 2600 Block California St., 12/8  
 2200 Block California St., 12/9  
 500 Block N. Rengstorff Ave., 12/10  
 Castro St. & Church St., 12/11  
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## Arrest made in indecent exposure

CHILD PORN ALLEGEDLY FOUND ON MOUNTAIN VIEW MAN'S COMPUTER

By Kelsey Mesher

Police announced Wednesday that they have arrested the “noon duty aide” who allegedly exposed himself to an eighth grade girl in an empty room at Graham Middle School earlier this month.

Mountain View resident Christopher Galbreath, 21, was called into the Police Department on Tuesday and arrested and charged with indecent exposure, which allegedly occurred Dec. 2 in a classroom at the school used for storage.

Indecent exposure is a misdemeanor, but after receiving Galbreath's consent to search his computer, detectives allegedly found child pornography, the possession of which is a felony.

“The computer has been sent off to the computer crime lab for further analysis,” said police spokesperson Liz Wylie. “They’ll actually scour it for other signs of child pornography.”

“We are grateful for the MVPD who have actively investigated this case and have provided ongoing support for our students,” said Maurice Ghysels, superintendent of the Mountain View Whisman School District. “This employee has been placed on unpaid administrative leave since the allegation was known.”

Wylie said Galbreath has not been convicted for related crimes in the past and is not a registered sex offender — though police believe the Dec. 2 incident may not have been his first.

“The desire to do this kind of thing doesn't just pop into your head all of a sudden,” she said. “There's got to be a first somewhere along the line, but chances are (this was) not the first time.”

The suspect was booked into county jail, and bail was set at \$35,000. Wylie said that if Galbreath is convicted of these charges he will be registered as a sex offender.

The arrest came nearly two weeks after the initial incident because police had to obtain a warrant through the DA's office.

Anyone with information should call the department at (650) 903-6395. ▽



MICHELLE LE

Surrounded by stuffed animals, games, books and pajamas, CSA volunteer Ineke Ligtenberg sorts out the donated gifts for the holiday sharing program.

## CSA covers ‘the basic needs’

COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY IS A LONGTIME RECIPIENT OF THE VOICE HOLIDAY FUND

By Kelsey Mesher

Mountain View resident Eric Ross is all smiles as he greets a familiar volunteer at the Community Services Agency and begins selecting items from the organization's Food and Nutrition Center.

The people who work in the food pantry are like “saints without wings,” he says.

Ross, who had been waiting patiently in line Tuesday outside CSA's building at 204 Stierlin

Road, says he has been using the organization's services for about five months. He is among



a recent surge of new clientele at CSA, many of them victims of the economy and all of them residents of Mountain View, Los Altos and

Los Altos Hills.

This year, CSA is again among the recipients of the Holiday Fund, which takes donations from Voice readers and doubles them through matching grants from local foundations.

“We are the beneficiaries of a very generous community,” said Tom Myers, executive director of CSA, which in addition to running a food pantry also provides other support services such as rent

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## Teachers union gives trustees an earful

BOARD CRITICIZED FOR HOW IT HANDLED ‘BREACH OF CONDUCT’ BY GHYSELS

By Kelsey Mesher

At a Mountain View Whisman school board meeting last week, teachers expressed concern over how trustees handled what they called a “breach of professional conduct” by Superintendent Maurice Ghysels, as well as the less-than-inclusive process by which his “designated successor” was selected.

“We are concerned with the way the Board of Trustees appears to have handled the breach of professional conduct by the superintendent,” said Gloria Valdez, president of the local chapter of the California Teacher's Association, reading from a prepared statement during the meeting on Thursday, Dec. 10.

She said the statement represented the “overwhelming majority” of teachers and that she had spoken with teachers at each of the district's nine schools.

Trustees briefly commented that they had heard from some teachers who did not agree with the statement.

The statement comes over a

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## Body of local nurse found, one year later

DONNA DOWELL, A LONGTIME EL CAMINO EMPLOYEE, MISSING SINCE LAST DECEMBER

Daniel DeBolt

The body of Donna Dowell, an El Camino Hospital nurse who went missing a year ago, has been found by a hiker near Calaveras Reservoir, authorities announced.

Dowell, 68, was found on Dec. 4 inside her 2002 Honda Accord and identified through dental records, according to

Sgt. Rick Sung, spokesperson for the county sheriff's office. The hiker found Dowell inside her car, which had

gone unnoticed about 300 yards away from Calaveras Road and Felter Road — a remote part of Santa Clara County near Milpi-



Donna Dowell

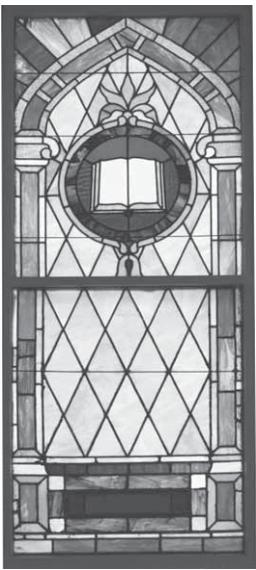
tas, Sung said.

Dowell was a nurse for 48 years at El Camino Hospital in various departments. Her ex-husband is retired Mountain View police Officer Clyde Dowell. She lived in Milpitas.

According to authorities, Dowell was last seen by her son the night of Dec. 20, 2008. She disappeared from their home the next morning in her car.

Sung said that so far there are no signs of foul play in the ongoing investigation, and he added that her family said she was suicidal. Last year, her sister said Dowell was worried about losing her house because of financial problems she experienced during the economic downturn.

The county coroner has yet to release an official cause of death. ▽



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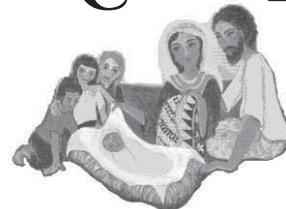
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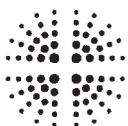
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■ CITY BRIEFS

**POSSIBLE HOMELESS SHELTER SITE GETS 'UPZONED'**

Last week, the City Council increased the allowed office density, and thus the value, on a piece of property the county is trying to sell at 590 East Middlefield Road, likely killing off hopes for a homeless shelter there.

The 3.5-acre property is home to a vacant 33,000-square-foot building that once housed 118 low level inmates of the county's work furlough program. The county tried to sell the building earlier this year, but rejected several offers for the property which came in unexpectedly low, with the highest being \$6 million.

At its regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 8, the City Council voted to allow an increase to the "floor area ratio" of the property from .3 to .5,

a move requiring an amendment to the city's transit-oriented development (TOD) ordinance. The county is now expected to request bids on the property a second time around.

Given the site's preexisting living facilities, it is seen as the ideal spot for a homeless shelter by a group led by local homeless man Jess Santana.

**CITY ENTITLED TO MILLIONS IN STANFORD HOUSING FUNDS**

Also last week, county Supervisor Liz Kniss told the City Council that Mountain View is entitled to Stanford affordable housing funds, a resource expected to swell to \$35 million over the next decade.

To offset the impact of ongoing development at Stanford, the uni-

versity is required by the county to pay into the fund, which is earmarked for construction of housing affordable for those with "below moderate" income, Kniss said. The funds can be used within six miles of the university, which includes portions of Mountain View west of Highway 85, she said.

"A lot of Mountain View is eligible for this," Kniss said.

Among those who could use such funds is the North County Homeless Housing Coalition, which is working to build housing for low income workers and the chronically homeless.

Palo Alto has already used some of the money, which currently adds up to several million dollars. The fund is expected to grow to \$35 million in 6 to 10 years as Stanford develops, Kniss said.

— Daniel DeBolt

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## CSA

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assistance and case management for the poor, homeless and seniors.

"My biggest concern is not necessarily donations at this point," Myers said. "We have huge numbers of people coming in for services."

Since 2007, CSA has seen a 23 percent increase in its Food and Nutrition client count and a 31 percent increase in its senior program clientele. Their Alpha Omega program, which serves the homeless, has risen 28 percent in the last year alone.

"Since I've been here, this is definitely the deepest" recession, said Maureen Wadiak, associate

View for three years, working as a carpet installer and marble specialist. Though he works part time and can afford his rent, he said right now he relies heavily on the food he gets from CSA's pantry.

"This is a big help because food costs a lot nowadays," he said.

Larry Marcuson said he and his wife have been using CSA's services off and on for 10 years — most recently for the past three months. He worked for 27 years as a cook, but could not longer work, aside from a few odd jobs, after his asthma flared up. Though his wife works part time, "Our income is so low we wouldn't be able to eat," he said.

"The basic needs are the ones that are getting called into ques-

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director, who has been with the organization for 12 years. After the dot-com crash and 9/11, she said, "within five or six months people were getting jobs back, and it's not happening right now."

Wadiak said the people they serve are often families whose parents have been laid off and gone through all their savings. Some have been couch surfing, or living in their cars. Others are clients who CSA helped several years back, and were doing fine on their own until the economy went sour.

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tion more than ever these days," said Jim Boin, CSA's development director. The holiday season is the busiest for CSA — so busy, Myers said, that the staff decided a few years ago to hold its annual holiday party in February.

"It's too early to tell what the year-end campaign will be," Boin said, speaking to whether or not the donations coming in will match the increased need for services. Despite the bad economy, donations are "looking strong," he said. Those from the Holiday Fund will add to their year-end push. ■

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NEWS BRIEFS

**CDC RECALLS H1N1 VACCINE DOSES**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced Monday that it is recalling about 800,000 doses of H1N1 vaccines throughout the country — including 900 in Santa Clara County — intended for children younger than 3. But officials said that the faulty vaccines, though not as potent as they should be, are not dangerous.

“Fortunately this (recall) does not involve the safety of the vaccine,” said Ken August, spokesperson for the California Department of Public Health.

The vaccines’ potency levels decreased after they were shipped to providers, according to the CDC. Federal guidelines recommend that children younger than 10 receive two doses of vaccine, and August said two vaccines together

are enough to ensure children are protected, even if one was part of the recalled batch.

— Bay City News

**ESHOO BILL TARGETS LOUD TV ADS**

For decades, loud television commercials have been among the leading complaints to the Federal Communications Commission, says Rep. Anna Eshoo, D-Palo Alto. A bill she drafted that passed the House on Tuesday aims to do something about it.

The Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation (CALM) Act would bar ads from playing noticeably louder than programs running at the same time. A companion bill has been introduced in the Senate.

— The Almanac

**HSR**

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about Mountain View’s official comments in the California High Speed Rail Authority’s “scoping” process this year. He said the city’s concerns include impacts on its historic downtown and the visual effect of a so-called “Berlin Wall” through town — the type of structure needed if tracks are run above grade on a platform or “retained fill” structure.

The current high speed rail plan includes a station stop somewhere on the Peninsula, and the Mountain View City Council has asked for a feasibility study on a downtown station. Despite this request, and an expressed preference for tracks to run below-grade under Castro Street, no final positions have been taken by the council on either subject.

Kasperzak said city officials have joined two groups focused on working with the Rail Authority on design issues, and that the council has formed a subcommittee on high speed rail, partly as a way for Mountain View citizens to be involved in the process.

During a question-and-answer period, which prioritized Mountain View residents, Doty addressed the popular option of tunneling the train through much of the Peninsula.

“Tunneling is not quite as good as you think it is,” he said.

Aside from high costs compared to running tracks in a trench, the drawbacks of tunneling include the loud ventilation fans required, Doty said, which operate when maintenance crews are inside the tunnels in the middle of the night.

“We will get people calling on their cell phones, saying, ‘Listen to this,’” Doty said, relaying an

example of what happened when he helped manage the construction of such a tunnel in England. “You cannot imagine what happened.”

In response to the common assertion that it would be simpler for the line to terminate in San Jose rather than continue up the Peninsula corridor, Doty said that would create a severe “point load” on San Jose’s Diridon station: A huge number of northbound travelers swarming the San Jose station, and the Caltrain system, to continue up the Peninsula. He noted it would take one and a half Caltrain trains to take on the capacity from each high speed rail train — and that the Caltrain system is “already at capacity” at peak hours.

Doty also said that, at a quarter mile long, the peak-hour high speed rail trains would be much longer than Caltrain’s trains.

The two new tracks required for high speed rail do not necessarily have to run at the same grade as the Caltrain tracks, Doty said, reflecting a change from earlier statements made by the Rail Authority.

Doty also talked extensively about Caltrain’s efforts to upgrade its trains with lighter, fully electric trains, which regulators now appear ready to allow after extensive crash testing by Caltrain. But funding is a problem for obtaining the new trains, even though the current trains are due for retirement.

Doty said the Rail Authority was making a concerted effort to get public opinion on the project early, because the biggest threat to the project is that it could take too much time to build. Local meetings on high speed rail station concepts are scheduled in early 2010, a draft environmental impact report for the Peninsula section is due in early 2011, and a final EIR is due in 2012. ■



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by 25 percent — several parents spoke in support of the aides during last Thursday's meeting, and threatened to take legal action should the cuts be made.

"(We) will likely challenge the decision," said Christine Case-Lo, whose autistic son is in kindergarten at Monta Loma. Case-Lo was the first to speak, presenting a letter signed by 27 parents, and said that cutting back the aides' hours without providing appropriate services "may end up costing the district a lot more money" than the \$65,000 saved by the cuts.

The item was removed from the board's agenda for the second time because the district is still in negotiations with the Califor-

*"Before, there was a real sense of openness and caring, and we each felt that our child was the focus of every process. Now, we are unfortunately starting to doubt that."*

CHRISTINE CASE-LO

nia School Employees Association, the union representing the aides, and the two sides have not reached an agreement, according to Assistant Superintendent Stephanie Totter.

Totter has said in the past that the cuts are not budget-related, and that administrators have folded some after-school services into the school day and no longer need the aides after school hours.

Totter has repeatedly said that reducing the aide hours would not impact student services, but parents speaking at Thursday's meeting disagreed.

"In the current school year, we have observed a great deal of changes to a program all of us considered to be a wonderful one," Case-Lo read from the letter. "Our children's school was an oasis of calm in the confusing maze of bureaucracies, doctor's visits and conflicting advice we have to navigate as parents."

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of openness and caring, and we each felt that our child was the focus of every process," she said. "Now, we are unfortunately starting to doubt that."

Case-Lo said changes in service for children should be decided on a student-by-student basis by the team that puts together each autistic child's program: their Individual Education Plan, or IEP.

Terri, the mother of two autistic children, got emotional speaking about how her daughter's IEPs are not sufficient.

"I am told that they feel what she has now is the right placement," she said of her younger daughter, who attends school at Slater.

"She isn't getting anywhere near the program offered to her as my older daughter" received, she told the *Voice*, adding that her younger daughter receives no applied behavior analysis — also known as ABA therapy — or social interaction services.

"They didn't offer them to (my younger daughter) because of the cuts they are doing now," she said.

Totter said later that she would be following up with this parent's particular case. Nana Recker, a mother of a middle school boy with autism, said services are also lacking for older students. She said their IEPs do not designate after-school services, but that "they really need it."

She said her son has had trouble making friends because he has not had the necessary social skills training.

"How about extending the program so we can help these kids who have been sorely underserved?" she said to the board. "We have therapists sitting idly," she added, "let's put them to work."

Though the board cannot respond directly to queries made during the public comment time, trustees empathized with parents during a short break following.

Case-Lo confirmed later that parents were mainly concerned that their children are not receiving the services they need, and that some of those services may extend beyond what is determined in a student's IEP.

"We know that will abide by the laws written because they don't want to be sued," she said, adding that "If it came down to a fight," the parents would seek legal action.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Jan. 7. ■

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month after Ghysels revealed his relationship with Landels Principal Carmen Mizell. Ghysels later announced to the board that he had been planning to look for work elsewhere, and he and Craig Goldman, district CFO, agreed that Goldman was the likely successor.

After a closed session meeting on the subject at that time, trustee Phil Palmer read in a statement that Goldman had the “full support of the board to take on the superintendency of our school district” after Ghysels left.

Valdez said that although “Craig Goldman has been a dedicated principal and CFO,” teachers were surprised to learn that he was the “designated successor” to Ghysels. She said the appointment represented a “shift from the more open and inclusive way in which the trustees have generally selected and appointed superintendents.”

Though trustees declined to comment on the statement specifically, saying they would be working directly with the union and teachers, they did say that such an appointment is not outside the norm.

Trustee Fiona Walter said school boards have two options when hiring new superintendents: They can conduct a search, hiring a consultant for \$35,000 to \$45,000, or they can appoint someone to the position on their own.

“Why would I spend \$40,000 on a search and end up back at Craig Goldman?” she asked. “We have a fabulous in-house candidate who’s had 12 years of interviews.”

“Our board unanimously supports Craig Goldman as our internal hire as superintendent of Mountain View Whisman School District,” said trustee Ellen Wheeler in an e-mail to the *Voice*.

“Our nearly 50-point rise in student test scores over these past five years shows how a concerted focus on student achievement can make a difference,” she added. “We believe that Craig will do an excellent job of adding to this five years of foundational work.”

The union’s statement implored trustees to “immediately draft and implement a policy” in regards to the “professional working environment between a supervisor and the persons supervised.”

Valdez noted that the union does not support a separation agreement with Ghysels that includes a “financial buy-out.”

When asked about the statement, Ghysels said through his assistant that “he just wants to keep working on the good things we’ve been working on and focus on the kids.” ■

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After closing out its 2008-09 budget, the Mountain View-Los Altos High School District has agreed to a retroactive pay raise of 1.5 percent for all staff members, negotiated with the employees' classified and certified staff unions.

"We always look at the ending balance and negotiate raises based on that," said Superintendent Barry Groves. "So (the raise) was based on last year."

He added that in order to balance this year's budget, however, the district had to reduce its budget by \$800,000. It's too early to tell whether another raise is on the horizon for the current school year, he said. Negotiations for the 2009-10 budget begin in February.

The last raise given in the district was a 2.5 percent raise in August 2008 for all employees.

**HIGH SCHOOL POPULATION ON THE RISE**

A report given Monday evening at the local high school district board meeting, says Mountain View and Los Altos high schools could suffer from overcrowding as early as 2012 without added classroom space.

"This report confirms what we had feared — without adequate resources and planning, our local high schools will soon become crowded," said Superintendent Barry Groves in a press release.

A demographic study presented to the board last spring predicted that student population in the

district would grow by 25 percent in the next decade. District facilities at the two main campuses as well as Alta Vista can accommodate 3,800 students, and current student enrollment is 3,664.

**SCHOOLS KEEP AN EYE ON FLU**

With the cold and flu season well under way, school officials say they are doing what they can to combat sickness, and that so

far the situation is under control.

Last Thursday, Mountain View Whisman School District Superintendent Maurice Ghysels reported to a group of community leaders at a monthly Challenge Team meeting the district has not seen unusual numbers of absences this year. With funding from El Camino Hospital, he said, the district has added an extra school nurse to its staff this year, and they have

been monitoring all students with flu-like symptoms.

El Camino also donated hand sanitizer to every classroom in the district, as well as to four neighboring school districts.

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Staff Reports

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At the MVCPA, Bayer Ballet Academy presents this “fairy tale set to the music of Tchaikovsky and Rimsky-Korsakov in the Russian Ballet style.” The description sounds ideally suited for children who love both dance and magic:

“On a snowy evening, the Queen of Bats’ kidnapping of a little bunny disrupts the forest creatures’ Wintertime celebration. With the help of the wizard and a beautiful rose maiden, the bunny is restored to its family. Santa, the Snow Maiden and an enchanting fairy treat you to the magical finale of an exquisite celebration that includes joyful Spanish dancers, bright Chinese dolls, and other characters from treasured fairy tales who come alive to help celebrate the bunny’s return.”

Bayer promises “spectacular costumes, special effects, and technical precision of movement,” and says guest dancers include principals of the San Jose Ballet Company.



The Winter Fairy Tale ballet is Sunday, Dec. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, located at 500 Castro St., Mountain View. Tickets are \$33 for adults, \$28 for seniors and children 12 and under. For more information, call (650) 903-6000, visit [www.bayerballetacademy.com](http://www.bayerballetacademy.com) or see the MVCPA Web site at [www.mountainview.gov/mvcpa](http://www.mountainview.gov/mvcpa).

This Friday, meanwhile, St. Athanasius Church will host its annual Christmas Music Concert, billed as a celebration of “the spirit of the season.”

The free event begins Friday, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m. and runs until 9:30. Supervised activities for children will be hosted in the vestibule during the show, and refreshments will be served. St.

Athanasius is located at 160 N. Rengstorff Ave. in Mountain View. For more information, call the parish office at (650) 961-8600 or visit [www.saintathanasius.com](http://www.saintathanasius.com). ▣

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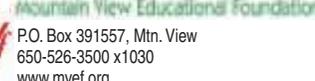
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The interior of one of NASA Ames' Unitary Plan Wind Tunnels.

## NASA

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Ames, 2,500 employees are contributing research on numerous technologies and sciences. Aeronautics has historically been the focus, however, and to that end, one of the country's most versatile flight simulators, the largest complex of wind tunnels ever built, and the sixth most powerful computer in the world, all exist here. All three facilities were shown to the *Voice* in a recent tour.

### West Coast draw

In order to expand the country's aeronautics research efforts in the late 1930s, the site of NASA Ames was selected over dozens of competing sites by a federal committee headed by aviator Charles Lindbergh. Naval Air Station Moffett Field already had aircraft runways, good access to electricity and West Coast industrial centers. Stanford, which had a well regarded aeronautics program, was also a draw.

Under the leadership of director Smith De France, researchers came to Ames for more freedom to pursue new ideas, Boyd said.

Among the revolutionary aerodynamics ideas to come out of Ames is the swept wing concept, used by all supersonic aircraft, and the blunt body concept, a nose design (used in NASA's 1969 Apollo mission to the moon) which allows spacecraft to reenter the atmosphere safely.

Most military and commercial planes built in the last half of the century had their aerodynamics tested at Ames, Boyd said.

The Unitary Plan Wind Tunnels, Ames' "workhorses," are powered by four electric fan motors producing 65,000 horsepower each. Testing is often done in the evening so as not to draw down the local power grid in the day, engineers said. A network of compressors with thousands of fan blades forces air

into test sections, so that the resulting forces can be measured across a scale aircraft model's surface to find design flaws.

Local residents have been known to complain about the resulting noise, which can sometimes be heard across town. Standing inside the wind tunnel creates an ominous feeling.

### Supercomputing

The NASA Advanced Supercomputer division has helped to mothball some of Ames' wind tunnels, however.

The new Pleiades supercomputer, along with two older, smaller supercomputers, take up a space the size of an average grocery store at Ames. With the computing capacity of over 300,000 personal computers — 88.9 teraflops — Pleiades can do virtual studies of aircraft aerodynamics, make hurricane predictions and much more, said division chief Rupak Biswas.

Pleiades stands ready for emergency calculations during every NASA space flight, calculating, for example, whether damage to the space shuttle's heat shield will keep it from being able to with-

stand reentry. Computer images are displayed on the "hyperwall," a set of 49 LCD displays with rendering power equal to 589 Xbox video game consoles.

Despite advances in computer technology, engineers at the Unitary Plan Wind Tunnel nearby said they are still quite busy testing scale aircraft models for the military and for companies like Boeing and Lockheed. The Boeing 787 "Dreamliner," which made its first flight Tuesday, was extensively tested here.

Engineers said computer modeling just isn't completely trusted yet over the tried-and-true methods of wind tunnel testing.

### Rollercoaster

Another marvel of old-school mechanical engineering is Ames' Vertical Motion Simulator, which is housed in a three-story building.

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New development could take Ames from its origins as an aeronautical research facility into new fields such as biotechnology and nanotechnology. Though the Army and the National Guard still have a significant presence at Moffett (the Navy left at the end of the Cold War), NASA recently found a developer for a 77-acre, \$1 billion NASA Research Park.

Still in its planning phases, the NRP would replace many old Navy buildings with new research facilities, offices, housing and a campus for a consortium of universities led by UC Santa Cruz. ▣



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## ■ EDITORIAL THE OPINION OF THE VOICE

# Keep the aides for autistic children

Parents of autistic children in the Mountain View Whisman School District are up in arms about a plan that would reduce the hours and benefits of 11 full-time aides — people who the parents say make a huge difference in their children's lives.

District officials say changes to their autism program have reduced the need for these employees to work full time. Specifically, they contend that some of the services aides used to provide after school hours are now provided during the day, eliminating the need for personnel in the afternoons. They add that the reductions would save \$65,000, but insist that the cuts are not related to their tightening budget.

At last week's district board meeting, parent Christine Case-Lo presented a letter to the board she said was signed by 27 parents with children in the program. If the district does reduce the aides' time, she said, the parents will consider legal action.

The district says its services to autistic students will not be affected by the proposed cuts, but Case-Lo and other parents are not buying that argument. They say changes to the program already have been detrimental to their children's development, and that cuts to the aides' hours and benefits would only make matters worse.

So far there has been no movement on either side, but it appears that the district is setting itself up for a pitched battle, possibly in court, if it continues to seek a cut in the aides' time. And while officials have said that the goal of the cutback is not relating to saving money, Case-Lo believes the action could end up "costing the district a lot more money."

Case-Lo told the board that changes in the program should be made on a case-by-case basis, which seemed to receive a sympathetic ear from trustees, who did not make a decision on the matter last week. In fact, the proposed item was pulled from the school board's agenda for the second time in a row, as the district continues to negotiate with the union representing the aides.

Like the parents, we believe the solution to this problem is to determine how much time each student needs with an aide (this is typically done during computation of his or her so-called "Individualized Education Plan"), and to listen to their input about changes to the program. This way, students and parents will get what they want and need, and the district will likely save some money, although probably not the \$65,000 it had predicted.

Adopting this or a similar compromise will ease tension in the program and keep district resources focused on children, where everyone agrees they should be.

*Changes to the program already have been detrimental.*

## ■ GUEST OPINION

# Like it or not, you still have a homeless problem

By Ronald Jones

I was sorry to learn, from the article about 86-year-old homeless resident Jess Santana, that David Mace, a former colleague, Los Altos resident, police officer and Mountain View businessman, had become homeless ("Homeless man on a mission," Dec. 4).

I am a former Mountain View resident (Middlefield/Moffett Boulevard area) and longtime employee, and a retired employee of the city of Los Altos. As such I find myself compelled to reply to the blissful ignorance of "Sean," who posted on the Voice's Town Square on Dec. 5, regarding his knowledge of the homeless.

Sean quoted the story, "Mountain View and Los Altos do not have shelters for the homeless," and responded, "That's a good thing! We also do not have a homeless problem." You most certainly do have a homeless problem. And it is not the form of problem to which you are inferring; the problem is that people are homeless.

I don't know what the numbers are today, but in the late 1980s and early 1990s there were a solid 15 or so homeless persons living on the streets and parking lots in Los Altos night to night. That number varied some on any given night, depending on which side of El Camino Real they chose to camp. Most of these unfortunate people were "working" homeless people — living, like Mr. Santana, in their vehicles and doing the best they

could with what they had.

I had knowledge of and supported the rotating, church-based shelter that moved from church to church every 28 days back then. To the best of my knowledge there were no undesirable incidents or negative impacts on the neighborhoods surrounding these temporary "church shelters." These people were not busying themselves committing crimes; they busied themselves with efforts to survive while they worked to bring back some sense of a normal life, and for the most part they were invisible by day.

The criminals are out there, but that does not mean that the homeless are criminals. Congratulations to Mr. Jess Santana for his personal survival and his efforts on behalf of local homeless residents.

The fact is, Sean, that the lack of a homeless shelter does not reduce the presence of homeless persons in an area. The fact is that most of the homeless in an area are there because that is where they lived when they had a home and, like you, they feel safe there.

Like many of us, Sean may be but one paycheck away from homelessness. If you continue to bury your head in the sand, the only thing left exposed is your butt.

Ronald Jones served in the Los Altos Police Department for 30 years, retiring as chief of police in 1991. He currently lives in Rio Vista, where he serves as vice mayor of that city.





The chicken and beef kabab plate at Mediterranean Wraps also comes with rice and a Greek-style salad.

VERONICA WEBER

■ RESTAURANT REVIEW

## Near the corner of tahini and hummus

MEDITERRANEAN WRAPS IN PALO ALTO OFFERS A TASTY GLIMPSE OF MIDDLE EASTERN CUISINE

By Dale F. Bentson

The Middle East isn't so far away after all — or at least the tasty, fresh and filling east end of Mediterranean cuisine isn't.

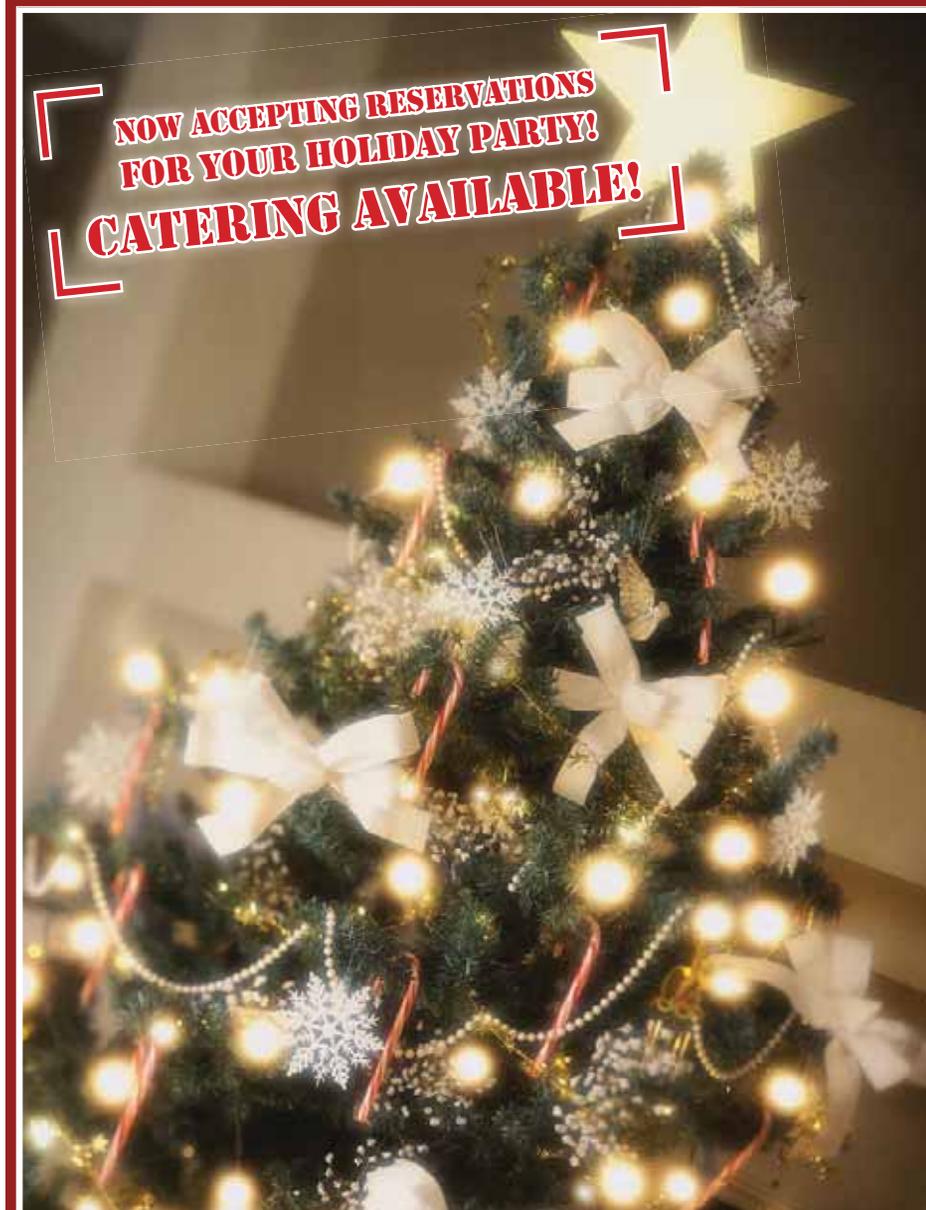
Mediterranean Wraps on University Avenue in Palo Alto incorporates Greek, Jordanian, North African and other ethnic foods of that region into a quasi-fast-food environment. Open since April, the eatery is located on the site of the vanished Andale Mexican Restaurant.

Physically, not much has

changed. Diners still order from an overhead menu, pay and sit. The food is brought. The decor is a tad shinier than before, and Middle Eastern music holds sway over the dining area. Functional tables and chairs are spaced so there is never that sardine-in-a-tin-can feeling, even during busy times. A few tables linger on the front patio, ideal for observing the reconstructed Lytton Plaza.

This is the second Mediterranean Wraps in Palo Alto. The original, now 12 years old, is located

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Raja Palaniappan and Azadeh Moini dine on shawerma plates in front of a large painting of the Treasury in Petra, Jordan at Mediterranean Wraps.

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ed on California Avenue. Both are owned by partners Abdul Lama and Abraham Khalil, who also operate the Kan Zeman restaurant in downtown Palo Alto.

Hailing from Jordan, Lama and Khalil were college buddies at San Jose State University. Khalil trained as a computer engineer while Lama became an aeronautical engineer. Early into their careers, neither liked their chosen profession, and, 22 years ago, they opened an insurance brokerage.

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Besides the tender meat, the lamb and beef shawerma combo plate (\$11.99) included chopped fresh tomatoes, dolmas, a tabouleh salad (minced vegetables, olive oil and spices), hummus dip and warm pita bread. It was a lot of food for the money, all fresh and flavor-packed. Chicken shawerma plates and various combinations of meats are also available.

I was a little surprised with the falafel deluxe (\$6.99). Not that it wasn't deliciously large and chockablock full of eggplant, potato, lettuce and chopped veg-

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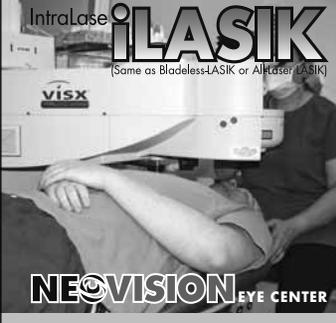
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**MED WRAPS**  
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etables dressed with a light tahini sauce (sesame seed paste, garlic, olive oil, lemon juice). The wrap itself left me somewhat perplexed; it was more Mexican-style tortilla than Middle East pita.

Actually, it was a little of both. The wrap featured what is called lafa or taboon bread in the Middle East, making it slightly chewy, tortilla-thin and fairly elastic. It didn't tear when loaded up with ingredients. According to Lama, the wrapper is made specially for Mediterranean Wraps.

I was particularly fond of the beef kabab plate (\$11.99). Two skewers with about a half pound of meat were nestled atop a mound of moist white rice, sliced onions, chunks of green pepper, hummus, a chopped vegetable salad and warm pita bread. The beef was juicy without being fatty,

with a good flavor.

Mediterranean Wraps offers tasty side dishes too: hummus, baba ghanoush (mashed eggplant with spices), tahini, mujadarah (rice and lentils). The fried eggplant was worthwhile (\$2.75), a filling, good-sized plate with a squiggle of tahini sauce.

Three baklava dessert bites were available. I liked the walnut baklava (\$1.95), which was sweet enough to satisfy without jarring the teeth, and sticky, soft and fresh-made, nutty and respectably flaky. Other flavors were pistachio and chocolate.

Mediterranean Wraps is fast enough food for those on a timeline. The ingredients are fresh, high-quality, colorful and tasty. It's a good place for an anytime snack, a midday repast or a leisurely dinner — and a great alternative to anything that comes in a bun. It's a spot that can satisfy both meat eaters and vegetarians. ■

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**An Education (PG-13) (Not Reviewed) Aquarius Theatre:** 6 & 8:30 p.m.  
**Armored (PG-13) (Not Reviewed) Century 20:** Fri.-Tue. at 7:50 & 10:05 p.m.  
**Avatar (PG-13) (Not Reviewed) Century 16:** Fri.-Tue. at 11:15 a.m.; 12:45, 1:30, 2:50, 4:20, 5:05, 6:25, 7:55, 8:50 & 10 p.m.; In 3D at 10:30 a.m.; noon, 2:05, 3:30, 5:55, 7, 9:30 & 10:30 p.m. **Century 20:** Fri.-Tue. 11:25 a.m.; 1:35, 3:10, 5:10, 6:40, 8:45 & 10:10 p.m.; In 3D at 12:30, 2:25, 4:15, 6, 8, 9:15 & 9:45 p.m. Sat. also at 10:05 a.m.  
**The Blind Side (PG-13) ★★ Century 16:** Fri.-Tue. at 1:05, 4:05, 7:05 & 10:10 p.m. **Century 20:** Fri. at 1:25, 4:20, 7:30 & 10:25 p.m. Sat. also at 10:25 a.m.  
**Brothers (R) ★★★ Century 20:** Fri.-Tue. at noon, 2:35, 5:10, 7:45 & 10:30 p.m.  
**Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG-13) (Not Reviewed) Century 16:** Fri.-Tue. at 11:20 a.m.; 1:55, 4:40, 7:15 & 9:50 p.m. **Century 20:** Fri 11:35 a.m.; 12:35, 2:10, 3:05, 4:45, 5:40, 7:20, 8:15, 9:50 & 10:45 p.m. Sat. also at 10:10 a.m.  
**Disney's A Christmas Carol (PG) ★★★ Century 20:** Fri.-Tue. st 11:35 a.m.; 2, 4:25 & 6:50 p.m.  
**Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG) ★★★★★ Century 16:** Fri.-Tue. at 10:50 a.m.; 1:10, 3:20, 5:35 & 7:50 p.m. **Century 20:** Fri. & Sun.-Tue. at 11:15 a.m.; 3:45 & 8:10 p.m. Sat. at 8:10 p.m.  
**The Hurt Locker (R) ★★★1/2 Century 16:** Fri.-Tue. at 10:25 p.m.  
**Invictus (PG-13) ★★★1/2 Century 16:** Fri.-Tue. at 11:35 a.m.; 1, 2:45, 4:10, 5:50, 7:10, 8:55 & 10:20 p.m. **Century 20:** Fri. & Sun.-Tue. at 11:20 a.m.; 1, 2:30, 4, 5:35, 7:10, 8:40 & 10:15 p.m. Sat. also at 9:55 a.m.  
**The Maid (Not Rated) ★★1/2 Guild Theatre:** 3:30, 6 & 8:30 p.m. Fri.-Sun. also at 1 p.m.  
**Me and Orson Welles (PG-13) (Not Reviewed) CinéArts at Palo Alto Square:** Fri. & Sun.-Tue. at 1:50, 4:35, 7:15 & 9:55 p.m.  
**The Metropolitan Opera: Les Contes d'Hoffman (Not Rated) (Not Reviewed) Century 20:** Sat 10 a.m. **CinéArts at Palo Alto Square:** Sat 10 a.m.  
**Old Dogs (PG) (Not Reviewed) Century 20:** 5:55 & 10:25 p.m. Fri. & Sun.-Tue. also at 1:30 p.m.  
**Planet 51 (PG) (Not Reviewed) Century 20:** Fri.-Tue. at 11:50 a.m.; 2:15 & 5:15 p.m.  
**Precious: Based on the Novel 'Push' by Sapphire (R) ★★★1/2 Aquarius Theatre:** 4:30, 7 & 9:30 p.m. Fri.-Sun. also at 2 p.m.  
**The Princess and the Frog (G) ★★★ Century 16:** Fri.-Tue. at 10:55 a.m.; 12:15, 1:20, 2:40, 3:55, 5:15, 6:20, 7:35, 8:45 & 9:55 p.m. **Century 20:** Fri.-Tue. at 11:30 a.m.; 12:45, 2, 3:10, 4:30, 5:45, 7, 8:15, 9:30 & 10:40 p.m. Sat. also at 10:15 a.m.  
**Red Cliff (R) ★★★ Aquarius Theatre:** Fri.-Sun. at 2:30 p.m.  
**The Road (R) ★★★1/2 CinéArts at Palo Alto Square:** Fri.-Sun. & Tue. at 2, 4:40, 7:20 & 10 p.m.  
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MOVIE REVIEWS

INVICTUS ★★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) Politics and rugby collide in director Clint Eastwood's thoughtful drama about post-apartheid South Africa and two men who helped unite a fractured country. Inspiring messages about equality, forgiveness and understanding resonate thanks to Eastwood's deft hand and standout performances by Morgan Freeman and Matt Damon. Racial tensions are high in early- to mid-1990s South Africa, following the end of apartheid and the election of President Nelson Mandela (Freeman). Many South African citizens root against the country's national rugby team — the Springboks — viewing it as a symbol of oppression and prejudice. The vocal majority aims to have the team disbanded, until Mandela intercedes and urges solidarity over "petty revenge." Mandela sees the struggling Springboks as an opportunity to mend fences and meets with team captain Francois Pienaar (Damon), encouraging the humble Pienaar to lead his team on an improbable Rugby World Cup championship run. *Rated PG-13 for brief strong language. 2 hours, 12 minutes. T.H. (Reviewed Dec. 11, 2009)*

THE MAID ★★1/2

(Guild) In just the first few scenes of 30-year-old Chilean director Sebastian Silva's "The Maid," we find out several key facts about the title character, the live-in maid Raquel (Catalina Saavedra). She's 41 and has served the same upper-crust Chilean family for more than 20 years. Her employers, Pilar (Claudia Celedon) and Mundo (Alejandro Goic), treat her with a mixture of affection and condescension. Their four kids, who she thinks adore her, actually behave with a mixture of indifference and dislike. Raquel is cranky and humorless, and suffers from headaches and dizzy spells. The maid wakes the kids in the morning, serves breakfast in bed to the parents, cleans the two-story house and cooks the meals. Realizing that the work is too much for her, Pilar hires a helper. When Lucy (Mariana Loyola), a warmhearted free spirit, enters the household everything changes. *Not rated. 95 minutes. In Spanish with English subtitles. — R.P. (Reviewed Dec. 11, 2009)*

UP IN THE AIR ★★★1/2

(Century 20) George Clooney is professional downsizer Ryan Bingham, a certified "transition specialist" with an arsenal of pretty platitudes at his disposal for doing a company's dirty work and salving the wounds of unemployment. Ryan meets his match in Alex Goran (Vera Farmiga), a sexy mileage junkie equally as turned on by elite status and sleekly wheeled luggage. Theirs is a match made in heaven — and hour-long intervals in Omaha, Modesto and Wichita. Ryan's carefully crafted cocoon threatens to rupture when savvy supervisor Craig Gregory (Jason Bateman) hires wet-behind-the-ears consultant Natalie Keener (Anna Kendrick) to eviscerate 85 percent of the travel budget and take the company "glocal" — global-turning-local to you and me. Ryan and Natalie set off for Detroit and a series of test firings to prove their points. His that the proper sack requires face-to-face commitment; hers that a disembodied computer presence combined with a good T1 line is just as effective. Let the games begin! — J.A. (Reviewed Dec. 11, 2009)

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**Cool Art Warm Hearts** All gallery exhibit featuring painting, sculpture, ceramics, printmaking, photography, collage, metal work and jewelry. Runs through Dec. 24. Gallery 9, 143 Main St., Los Altos. [www.gallery9losaltos.com](http://www.gallery9losaltos.com)

**CONCERTS**

**Aurora Singers Holiday Concert** Offering an eclectic mix of the old and the new, the Aurora Singers will present "Holi-

days Here and There, Then and Now." The repertoire ranges from Latin chants and a lusty Renaissance madrigal to the spirited songs of contemporary English composer John Rutter. Sing-along and reception. Sat., Dec. 19, 7 p.m. \$7, \$9 (by advance sales only). Unitarian Universalist Church, 505 E. Charleston, Palo Alto. Call 650-967-4878. [www.aurorasingers.net](http://www.aurorasingers.net)

**St. Athanasius Christmas Music Concert** St. Athanasius Annual Christmas Music Concert. Supervised activities for children will be hosted in the vestibule during the concert. Refreshments will be served following. Fri., Dec. 18, 7-9:30 p.m. Free. St. Athanasius Church, 160 N. Rengstorff Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-961-8600. [www.saintathanasius.com/bulletin112209.pdf](http://www.saintathanasius.com/bulletin112209.pdf)

**FAMILY AND KIDS**

**Kids Story Hour** First and third Wednesday of every month on the first floor. One hour of picture-book reading and songs.

10-11 a.m. Free. Redrock Coffee, 201 Castro St., Mountain View.

**LIVE MUSIC**

**Inner Sunset w/ Curious Quail** Inner Sunset and Curious Quail perform live Fri., Dec. 18, 8-10 p.m. Red Rock Coffee, 201 Castro St., Mountain View. [redrockcoffee.org](http://redrockcoffee.org)

**Irish Music Session** Irish songs for a pub restaurant and bar. Tuesdays, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free. St. Stephen's Green, 223 Castro St., Mountain View. [www.ststephensgreen.com/index.html](http://www.ststephensgreen.com/index.html)

**Mike Bastian's Pentimento Jazz** Lavanda Wine Bar & Restaurant presents Mike Bastian's Pentimento Jazz every Sunday night. American jazz songbook with drums/vocals by Mike Bastian. No cover. 5:45-9 p.m. Lavanda, 185 University Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-321-3514. [www.lavanarestaurant.com](http://www.lavanarestaurant.com)

**ON STAGE**

**"A Civil War Christmas"** TheatreWorks presents the West Coast premiere of "A Civil War Christmas," a musical. Fact and fiction, old-time carols, and traditional tunes entwine in a saga of a divided nation longing for hope. Dec. 2-27, \$26-\$62. Lucie Stern Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-463-1960. [www.theatreworks.org](http://www.theatreworks.org)

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**ChopShticks Chinese Food & Comedy** This year, ChopShticks (Chinese food and comedy) will feature Carol Leifer, an accomplished stand-up comedian, Emmy-nominated writer/producer and author of "When You Lie About Your Age, the Terrorists Win." Dec. 24, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$70-\$700 for a reserved table for ten. Ming's Restaurant, 1700 Embarcadero Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-223-8609. [www.paloaltojcc.org/chopshticks](http://www.paloaltojcc.org/chopshticks)

**Mobile Dog Adoptions** Copper's Dream Mobile Holiday Adoption Event. Many rescued puppies. Sat., Dec. 19, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Pet's Delights, 390 State St., Los Altos. [www.coppersdream.org](http://www.coppersdream.org)

**SPORTS**

**Holiday Ultimate Camp** Sports camp. Half the time is spent on Ultimate PE Games including Dodgeball, Capture the Flag, Money Ball, and more. Second half of camp time is spent building basketball skills. Session 1 9-noon. Session 2 1-4 .pm. Free T-shirt/camper. Dec. 28-30. \$150. Los Altos High School Gym, 201 Almond Ave., Los Altos. Call 888-505-2253. [www.baldeagle-camps.com](http://www.baldeagle-camps.com)

**TALKS/AUTHORS**

**Waverley Writers Poetry Open Mic** Poetry to be spoken and heard aloud. Every First Friday except for July and August. 7:30-10 p.m. Free. Waverley Writers, 957 Colorado (near Greer), Palo Alto.

**TEEN ACTIVITIES**

**Teen Open Gym** Teen Open Gyms are open every Saturday night for various sports. Middle School and High School students only; bring your student ID. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Free. Whisman Sports Center, 1500 Middlefield Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-903-6410. [http://www.mountainview.gov/city\\_hall/comm\\_services/recreation\\_programs\\_and\\_services/teen\\_services.asp](http://www.mountainview.gov/city_hall/comm_services/recreation_programs_and_services/teen_services.asp)

**The House** The House is open to middle-school students to come hang out with their friends in a safe, fun environment. This free drop-in program is supervised by trained recreation leaders and offers a social atmosphere that includes homework help, billiards, arts and crafts, foosball, video games and more. 5-8 p.m. Free. The House, 298 Escuela Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-903-6410. [www.ci.mtnview.ca.us/city\\_hall/comm\\_services/recreation\\_programs\\_and\\_services/teen\\_services.asp](http://www.ci.mtnview.ca.us/city_hall/comm_services/recreation_programs_and_services/teen_services.asp)

**VOLUNTEERS**

**Junior Museum & Zoo** Office volunteers are needed to help with fundraising, community relations and special events. Data input, mailings, internet research, etc. 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Free. Junior Museum & Zoo, 1451 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-326-6338. [www.friendsjzm.org](http://www.friendsjzm.org)

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Electric Bikes information

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Etz Chayim Chanukah Celebration

Free Body-Mind panel

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 File No. 531222

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: MJD Philatelics at 1200 Dale Ave., Apt. 30, Mountain View, CA 94040, Santa Clara County: MICHAEL JOSEPH DONOFFRIO 1200 Dale Ave., Apt. 30 Mountain View, CA 94040  
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 This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on Nov. 18, 2009.  
 (Voice Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 2009)

HANABI SUSHI  
 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
 File No. 531371

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 This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on November 23, 2009.  
 (Voice Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 2009)

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 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
 File No. 531367

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Melanieink at 344 Loreto Street, Mountain View, CA 94041, Santa Clara County: MELANIE KAYE 344 Loreto Street Mountain View, CA 94041  
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 This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on November 23, 2009.  
 (Voice Dec. 18, 25, 2009, Jan. 1, 8, 2010)

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 File No. 531865

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**997 All Other Legals**

SUMMONS  
 (CITACION JUDICIAL)

CASE NUMBER: 109CV143467  
 (Numero del Caso):

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:  
 (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):  
 ANTHONY ROSS,  
 and Does 1 to 10, Inclusive

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:  
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The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Tom Fier, LAW OFFICES OF TOM FIER 675 Mariners Island Blvd., Suite 106, San Mateo, CA 94404-1040 (650)572-1900 (DATE: May 28, 2009 (Fecha):

David H. Yamasaki Chief Executive Officer, Clerk Clerk, by J. Cao-Nguyen, Deputy (Secretario) (Adjunto) NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: Your are served as an individual defendant. (Voice Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 2009)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the FCC rules regarding review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, Verizon Wireless is providing notice of a proposed telecommunications facility at 1555 Plymouth Street in Mountain View, California. Proposed construction includes installation of a new 70-foot-tall monopole tower. Any interested party may submit comments regarding this project's potential effect to historic structures or cultural resources to Mr. Keith O'Connell, 509-998-6691, URS Corporation, 920 North Argonne Road #300, Spokane, WA 99212. Reference 3841. (Voice Dec. 18, 2009)

NOTICE OF BULK SALE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given to the Creditors of: HONG THUY PHAM AND KHANH TUAN PHAM, Seller(s), whose business address(es) is: 246 CASTRO STREET, City of MOUNTAIN VIEW, County of SANTA CLARA, State of California, 94041, that a bulk transfer is about to be made to: BRENDEN LAM

AND TAM NGUYEN, Buyer(s), whose business(es) address is: 246 CASTRO STREET, City of MOUNTAIN VIEW, County of SANTA CLARA, State of California, 94041. The property to be transferred is located at: 246 CASTRO STREET, City of MOUNTAIN VIEW, County of SANTA CLARA, State of California, 94041. Said property is described in general as: All stock in trade, fixtures, equipment, goodwill and other property of that RESTAURANT business known as MINH'S RESTAURANT, and located at: 246 CASTRO STREET, City of MOUNTAIN VIEW, County of SANTA CLARA, State of California, 94041. The bulk transfer will be consummated on or after the 7TH day of JANUARY, 2010.

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**11655 JESSICA LANE** **\$2,795,000**

Situated on one acre of beautifully landscaped grounds, this immaculate home offers an excellent close-in yet private location. With 4BR/3BA & approx. 4,000 SF, the home is in move-in condition w/gorgeous hardwood floors, intricate ceilings, and expansive walls of windows. Other features include an updated kitchen, spacious media/family/play rm, gracious living & dining rms, pool, spa and level lawn – for the quintessential California lifestyle! Available for Lease or Lease to Purchase Option.

▼ OPEN SUNDAY, 1:00-4:00

## LOS ALTOS HILLS

**13914 MIR MIROU DRIVE** **\$7,100,000**

Exceptional estate which includes a 1.12 Acre parcel with main home, pool, gazebo plus a 1.25 Acre parcel w/guest house, tennis court, 2nd gazebo for a total of 2.37 Acres adjacent to the open space Arastradero Preserve. Palo Alto Schools.

**13901 WEST EDITH AVE.** **\$4,495,000**

Gated Country French Estate situated on 1.3 acres of park-like setting bordered by a meandering creek, approx one block to the Village. Elegant spacious home with family friendly flexibility. 6,488 sq. ft. of living space: 5 bedrooms, 5.5 baths including guest house, separate bonus/entertainment room and library/office. Other features include sparkling pool, vegetable gardens, and garages for four cars.

**12369 GIGLI COURT** **\$4,150,000**

Newly constructed Mediterranean style villa w/ sweeping views to the Bay. Located on a private cul-de-sac, 5 BR/5 BA + 2 ½ BA, 4700 sq. ft., 1.5 acres, theater, wine cellar & elevator. Palo Alto schools

**25779 JOSEFA LANE** **\$2,175,000**

A private drive leads to this elegantly remodeled 4 bedroom, 3 bath home tucked away on a spacious flat acre. Gorgeous living room w/ custom fireplace, elegant dining room, spacious family room, chef's gourmet kitchen with top of the line finishes, and so much more! Only minutes to downtown Los Altos.

## MOUNTAIN VIEW



**1655 FORDHAM WAY** **\$949,000**

Charming 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home. Bright kitchen, separate dining area, living room with fireplace, laundry room, two car garage and lovely backyard. Great family neighborhood and Los Altos Elementary.



**374 N RENGSTOFF AVE** **649,000**

Charming two bedroom, two bath home located a short distance from the newly renovated Monta Loma shopping center, the elementary school, and a lush city park. Enjoy indoor or outdoor entertaining. New interior and exterior paint. Light and bright ready to move in! 1,388 square feet of living space and a 4,792 square foot lot.

▼ OPEN SUNDAY, 2:00-4:00

## LOS ALTOS HILLS

**12011 GREENHILLS COURT** **\$3,495,000**

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.

▼ BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

## LOS ALTOS HILLS

**ONE OF A KIND!** **PRICE UPON REQUEST**

This breathtaking approx 15,000 sq.ft. estate situated on 3.39 acres is nestled against a 20 acre preserve. Superior finishes & a sensational array of amenities include 6BR, 6.5BA, library, family rm, game rm, pub rm, exercise rm, and a garage w/ample space for 8-10 vehicles. Separate 2BR, 2BA guest hs, tennis ct, pool, spa, and outdoor fireplace. Top rated Palo Alto Schools.

**INCREDIBLE GATED ESTATE** **PRICE UPON REQUEST**

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!

**NEWLY BUILT** **\$4,500,000**

Stunning Gated Tuscan Estate surrounded by lovely gardens. Four bedrooms, 4 baths, including luxurious Master Suite with limestone floors, crown mouldings, a private sitting area and door leading to rooftop terrace with peaceful views of the Western Hills. Gorgeous home features include entry with sweeping staircase, pillard beam ceilings and tiled marble floors inlaid with mosaic design.

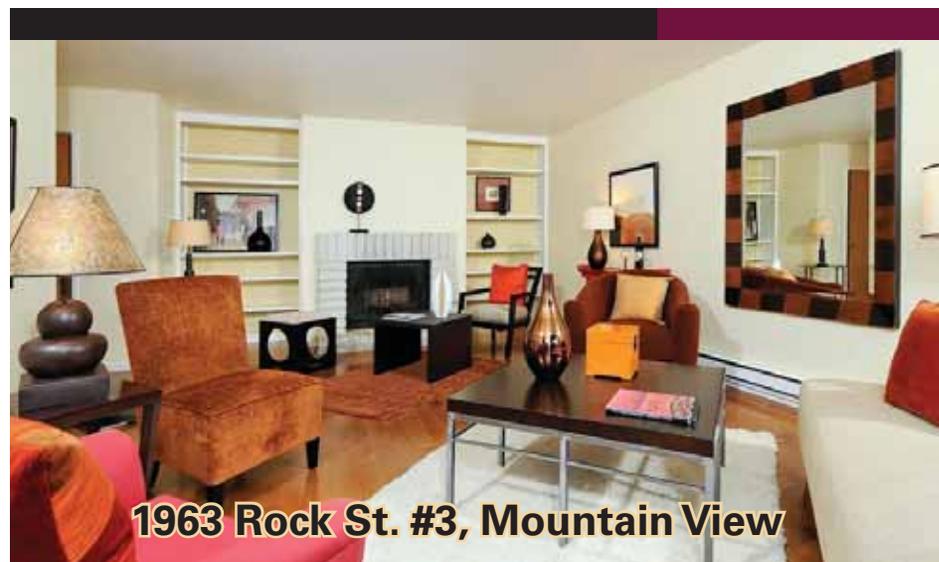
## CUPERTINO

**TWO-STORY WITH VIEWS** **\$2,988,000**

Welcome to this stunning home featuring 4 BR /4.5 BA, + sep. office. Wonderful detail throughout w/ gorgeous Australian Eucalyptus hardwood floors, crown moldings, bonus room, pool, fountain, outdoor barbeque & fireplace. Views of the Bay and Western Hills.

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- 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms with over 1,212 Sq. ft.
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## SUNNYVALE



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

**1473 Knowlton Drive \$1,098,000**  
3BR 2BA Lovely Home. Many updates include porcelain tiles & refinished hrdwd flring, double-paned wndws, skylit Kit. w/ granite & maple, ctr island w/ prep sink, new dishwasher, & reverse osmosis water filtration system. Professionally landscaped yrds



**Jo Buchanan & Stuart Bowen**  
650.941.7040

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## LOS ALTOS



OPEN SAT & SUN 1:30-4:30

**920 Terrace Dr \$2,900,000**  
6BR 4.5BA Beautifully Remodeled Exceptional, totally remodeled 4,330sq ft home in Desirable Country Club Area. One block from "The Club" 5 bed, (3 suites) office w/ closet. Bed & bath on main level. Gourmet kitchen w/ granite counters. Laundry on both levels. Landscaped 15,+ level lot w/ pool



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## LOS ALTOS HILLS



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

**24269 Dawnridge Drive \$2,699,000**  
4BR 3BA Spacious home in a beautiful natural & priv. setting on one of the nicest streets in Los Altos Hills. Expansive Master Suite. Sunny, sparkling pool w/ spa & waterfall. Garage parking for 4 cars. Horse facilities & lots of Rm to grow on this flat +/- acre.



**Mickey Shaevitz**  
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## MENLO PARK



SHARON HTS 1-STORY TOWNHSE

**2BR 2BA \$1,089,000**  
Sharon Hts 1-story Twnhse. No steps 1,700 sq. ft., single-level, end unit town-home in desirable Sharon Oaks complex. Bonus room, Atrium, Attached 2-car gar. Huge bk patio. Incredible location! Walk to Sharon Hts shopping, take Marguerite to Stanford, downtown Palo Alto, PAMF



**Margaret Williams**

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## LOS ALTOS



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

**1191 Saint Anthony Court \$1,798,000**  
4BR 3.5BA Dramatic entrance with contemporary water feature and professional landscaping. Formal entry with red birch hardwood floor. Downstairs bedroom currently used as office features oversized closet. Living room with custom built Murphy Bed and built in cabinets.



**Joanne Fraser**  
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## MENLO PARK



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

**578 Olive St \$3,745,000**  
6 BR 6 BA New, 5000 sf Craftsman Home in West Menlo Park. Approx 10k+ lot! High-End Finishes & Countless Amenities



**Mandana Nejad**

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## MENLO PARK



APPOINTMENT ONLY

**Updated Turn-key Home \$2,595,000**  
3 BR 2.5 BA Live & entertain in recently updated turn-key home on the 3rd Fairway of the golf course



**Nancy Goldcamp**

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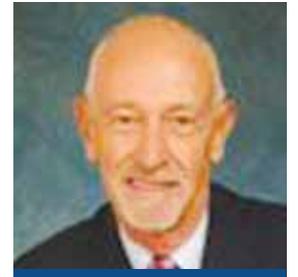
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## PALO ALTO



APPOINTMENT ONLY

**Stunning Townhouse \$1,399,000**  
4 BR 3 BA Designer kitchen w/ Viking range & granite counters. Hardwood floors. Close to downtown, shopping & dining.



**Gene Thornton**

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## PALO ALTO



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

**1234 Pitman Av \$2,649,000**  
4 BR 3 BA 9-year-old custom built lot over 7000. House over 2700+ Attached grg. Family rm + sep study



**Julie Lau**  
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## PALO ALTO



OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

**101 Alma St #608 \$635,000**  
2 BR 2 BA Conveniently located in the heart of downtown PA, this light and bright unit has it all



**Amy Sung**

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**MENLO PARK** 2 BR | 2 BA

**ENJOY PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP** \$625,000  
Top floor, 1 level, 1200 sf condo with formal entry, eat-in kitchen, large living room with balcony, MP suite, A/C  
Robert Marchetti 650.325.6161



**MOUNTAIN VIEW** 4 BR | 3 BA

**OPEN FLOOR PLAN** \$1,177,000  
Single story with useable open floor plan, family room open to kitchen, step down living room 3 full baths  
Nancy Adele Stuhr 650.948.0456



**MOUNTAIN VIEW** 2 BR | 2 BA

**509 SIERRA VISTA AV #10** \$499,000  
With its invitingly open Kitchen, warm corner fireplace, & balcony off the dining area.  
Kim Copher 650.941.7040



**PALO ALTO** 1 BR | 1 BA

**2216 AMHERST ST** \$799,000  
Vintage redwood and oak cottage. Tree studded rustic setting. Charm, character provided.  
Nancy Goldcamp 650.325.6161



**MENLO PARK** 6 BR | 6 BA

**578 OLIVE ST** \$3,745,000  
New, 5000 sf Craftsman in W. Menlo. +10k lot! High-End Finishes & Countless Amenities  
Mandana Nejad 650.325.6161



**LOS ALTOS HILLS** 4 BR | 4 BA

**EXCITING & UPDATED HOME** \$2,495,000  
Tree top views! In a wooded two acres. Featuring soaring ceilings crowned by 22 skylights.  
Buchanan/Bowen/Scheel 650.941.7040

**ATHERTON**

**ATHERTON OPPORTUNITY** \$1,998,000  
4 BR 3.5 BA Outstanding West Atherton Opportunity in Las Lomitas. Large Lot & Room for Expansion!  
Hunt & Robinson 650.325.6161

**LOS ALTOS**

**50 PINE LN** \$3,988,000  
SUN 1:30 - 4  
5 BR 5.5 BA French country home presents classic elegance and modern functionality.  
Terri Couture 650.941.7040

**MENLO PARK**

**UPDATED TURN-KEY HOME** \$2,595,000  
3 BR 2.5 BA Live & entertain in recently updated turn-key home on the 3rd fairway of the golf course.  
Nancy Goldcamp 650.325.6161

**MOUNTAIN VIEW**

**CUESTA PARK CONDO** \$470,000  
2 BR 1 BA Lovely, bright, 1st floor end unit condo close to downtown Mountain View. Spacious & private.  
Aileen La Bouff 650.948.0456

**PALO ALTO**

**2216 AMHERST ST** \$799,000  
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30  
1 BR 1 BA Vintage redwood and oak cottage. Tree studded rustic setting. Charm, character provided.  
Nancy Goldcamp 650.325.6161

**BELMONT**

**SPARKLING AND SPACIOUS** \$569,000  
3 BR 2 BA Bright top floor end unit with vaulted ceilings. Large kitchen opens to generous living room.  
Janie & John Barman 650.325.6161

**LOS ALTOS**

**BEAUTIFUL, SERENE SETTING** \$1,998,000  
4 BR 2.5 BA Private gated 33000+sf flag lot. Spacious Home + guest house. Close to town & schools. Many upgrades.  
Cindy Mattison 650.941.7040

**MENLO PARK**

**TOWNHOME BY GOLF COURSE** \$979,000  
2 BR 2 BA Beautiful TH on the tranquil area. Hardwood floors in living room, dining room & kitchen.  
Patsy Kodama 650.325.6161

**MOUNTAIN VIEW**

**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

**PALO ALTO**

**101 ALMA ST #608** \$635,000  
SUN 1:30 - 4:30  
2 BR 2 BA Conveniently located in the heart of downtown Palo Alto, this light and bright unit has it all  
Amy Sung 650.325.6161

**CAMPBELL**

**75 UNION AVE. #14** \$575,000  
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30  
3 BR 2.5 BA Updated end-unit townhome. With 3 car attach garage ~ Newly remodeled kitchen ~ Remodeled master bath ~ Inside laundry ~ New carpet  
Fran Papapietro 650.948.0456

**LOS ALTOS**

**WEST LOS ALTOS ELEGANCE** \$1,599,000  
4 BR 2.5 BA Harmony & good design. Remodeled & close to downtown. 11,465 sf lot. LA schools. 2 car gar.  
Hunt & Robinson 650.325.6161

**MENLO PARK**

**ENJOY PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP** \$625,000  
2 BR 2 BA Top floor, 1 lvl, 1200 sf condo w/ formal entry, eat-in kitchen, large living room w/balcony, MP suite, A/C  
Robert Marchetti 650.325.6161

**MOUNTAIN VIEW**

**CHARMING SMALL COMPLEX TH** \$390,000  
2 BR 1.5 BA Charming townhouse in small complex. Remodeled kitchen, new paint & new carpeting. Conv. Loc!  
Arvada Darnell 650.325.6161

**PALO ALTO**

**OLD PALO ALTO CHARM** \$4,650,000  
4 BR 4.5 BA A timeless renovation inside & out in desired location. Minutes away from major commute areas.  
Zach Trailer 650.325.6161

**CUPERTINO**

**10952 SWEET OAK ST.** \$599,000  
SUN 1:30 - 4:30  
2 BR 2 BA 1 level TH w/2 car garage. With no shared common walls. Highly sought-after neighborhood near Los Altos border.  
Yasemin Richardson 650.948.0456

**LOS ALTOS**

**STUNNING MEDITERRANEAN** \$3,598,000  
6 BR 4 BA Minutes to the Village with views of the Bay and Hills. Gourmet kitchen. Theater & wine cave  
Bryan Robertson 650.948.0456

**MOUNTAIN VIEW**

**COMPLETELY REMODELED** \$1,430,000  
4 BR 3 BA Home in the desirable Los Altos school system. 4 bdrm (including 2 mstr Bdrm suites), 3 BaRms  
Dave Luedtke 650.941.7040

**PALO ALTO**

**1234 PITMAN AVE.** \$2,649,000  
SUN 1:30 - 4:30  
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

**SARATOGA**

**FABULOUS FAMILY HOME** \$2,595,000  
5 BR 4 BA 4,168 sf interior spread over more than 1/2 an acre in a cul de sac adjacent to Creek.  
Charlene & Vicki Geers 650.941.7040

**FOSTER CITY**

**CHARMING CORNER UNIT** \$575,000  
2 BR 2 BA Ground floor unit with private balcony, large master suite, hardwood floors, eat-in kitchen, W/D inside  
Greg Stange 650.325.6161

**LOS GATOS**

**14 CROSS WAY** \$958,650  
2 BR 2 BA Located in one of Los Gatos' highly desirable neighborhoods, walking distance from downtown.  
Carmichael Team 650.941.7040

**MENLO PARK**

**2100 CALIFORNIA ST** \$960,000  
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30  
4 BR 2.5 BA Contemporary home with high ceilings. Updated with slate & bamboo floors; family room kitchen, inside Indry.  
Kathy Horvath 650.941.7040

**MOUNTAIN VIEW**

**LARGE YARD** \$794,500  
3 BR 2 BA Spacious home in Sylvan Park. Sunny Living Room with bay window, banquette and fireplace; Kitchen with breakfast bar.  
Barbara Cymrot 650.941.7040

**SUNNYVALE**

**1234 PITMAN AVE.** \$2,649,000  
SUN 1:30 - 4:30  
4 BR 3 BA Designer kitchen with Viking range & granite counters. Hardwood floors. Close to downtown, shopping  
Gene Thornton 650.325.6161

**MENLO PARK**

**820 SEA SPRAY LN # 303** \$488,000  
SUN 1 - 4  
2 BR 2 BA Resort Style Living top floor home. Secure elevator in building. Full inside W/D. storage.  
Joanne Shapiro 650-28.5211

**MENLO PARK**

**578 OLIVE ST** \$3,745,000  
SUN 1:30 - 4:30  
6 BR 6 BA New, 5000 sf Craftsman in W. Menlo. +10k lot! High-End Finishes & Countless Amenities  
Mandana Nejad 650.325.6161

**MOUNTAIN VIEW**

**PARK LIKE SETTING** \$648,000  
3 BR 3.5 BA Living room with high ceilings, FP, new cpt and door to private deck. Eat-in kitchen with breakfast bar.  
Royce Cablayan 650.948.0456

**MOUNTAIN VIEW**

**GREAT INVESTMENT!** \$1,250,000  
Duplex in College Terrace. Front unit 2 bed/1 ba SFH with hardwood floors. Back unit 2bd/1ba. 2 car garage.  
Pooneh Fouladi 650.325.6161

**SUNNYVALE**

**LUXURY ADULT LIVING** \$875,000+  
2 BR 2 BA The Hamilton, Palo Altos' elegant over '55 adult condominiums, offers luxurious retirement living.  
Jo Jackson 650.325.6161