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Puppet master David Frerichs checks out the grim reaper during final production of the DC Cemetery, on Monday, Oct. 24.

Back to its old haunt

EYE-POPPING DC CEMETERY RETURNS THIS HALLOWEEN

By Daniel DeBolt

After a brief hiatus the city's favorite front yard Halloween attraction will be back in action this weekend.

The DC Cemetery, a complex and detailed animatronics show that has won national awards and draws a huge crowd every

Halloween, will be up and running again this Friday evening at the corner of Bush and Yosemite streets in downtown Mountain View.

Brent Ross, 33, and his family and friends have spent nearly two decades perfecting the display. Ross admits that the time and money he spends on it would be

"extremely excessive for a normal person," but Ross has gone on to become a professional prop-builder for haunted houses and amusement parks, and written books on the topic.

"It's amazing what he's able to do with the sculpting and the

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Battle brewing over El Camino's union

UNION CHALLENGING PETITION TO DUMP SEIU AT HOSPITAL

By Nick Veronin

More than 30 percent of El Camino Hospital's service workers have signed a petition calling for the removal of the very union that represents them, the Service Employees International Union, according to a hospital officials.

In an email, El Camino spokeswoman Chris Ernst wrote that

the hospital received a decertification petition on Oct. 7, with "signatures of more than 30 percent of SEIU-represented employees, indicating that the union has lost the support of the employees and they no longer desire to be represented by SEIU." Ernst said that the signatures on the petition have been independently verified by an outside party.

The petition has been a long time coming according to two of the men who signed the document. "What am I getting for my money?" asked Robert De Salvo. "I'm getting absolutely zero."

De Salvo said he has been with the hospital for 25 years — long before the union "forced" its way in about 10 years ago. Not much

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Google buys local TV station building

COMPANY IS NOW LANDLORD TO DOZENS OF TENANTS

By Daniel DeBolt

As Google gobbles up the city's commercial real estate, dozens of Mountain View businesses and non-profits are finding that Google is their new landlord. Even Mountain View's cable access television station has not escaped Google's grasp.

In its biggest property-buying spree in recent memory, Google has spent over \$225 million on 15 properties this year, including 11 properties in the North Bayshore area near its headquarters.

Google's acquisition of KMVT Community Television's building at 1400 Terra Bella Avenue was among three properties Google purchased this year on the lightly trafficked commercial street just south of Highway 101, a quick jaunt down Shoreline Boulevard from Google headquarters.

Fortunately for KMVT, it appears the station can stay, for now.

Google has "assured us that our lease will continue to move forward," said Shelley Wolfe, executive director of KMVT, which is located at the corner of Terra Bella and Middlefield Road. "We're looking forward to seeing how Google will work with us to ensure the security of the local community access station for the public. We are a highly utilized resource for the community."

While Google has acquired properties this year to accommodate its growth in the city, a spokesperson said Google had no changes to announce for the KMVT building, or the other Terra Bella Avenue properties the company purchased this year — 1255 and 1330 Terra Bella Avenue — which are occupied mostly by

small tech companies.

Google has been known to purchase properties and sit on them for years, including the 2008 purchase of the building that houses the Pear Avenue Theater, a small theater company near Google headquarters which has so far not been forced to leave. ▣

Google pays \$100 million for offices

By Daniel DeBolt

If Google is aiming to use every property in North Bayshore it added a huge piece to the puzzle last week, paying \$100 million to buy a campus across the street from its main headquarters.

With the purchase of the 240,000-square-foot so-called "Landmark at Shoreline" campus, Google's footprint in North Bayshore is even more staggering. Google has quietly purchased 15 properties in Mountain View this year, mostly around its headquarters, and appears to be buying almost every piece of property in the area that comes up for sale. Google now appears to own or lease more than three quarters of North Bayshore and all of the area's larger and more modern office complexes except for that of Microsoft, which has recently decided to expand into Sunnyvale.

The Landmark at Shoreline

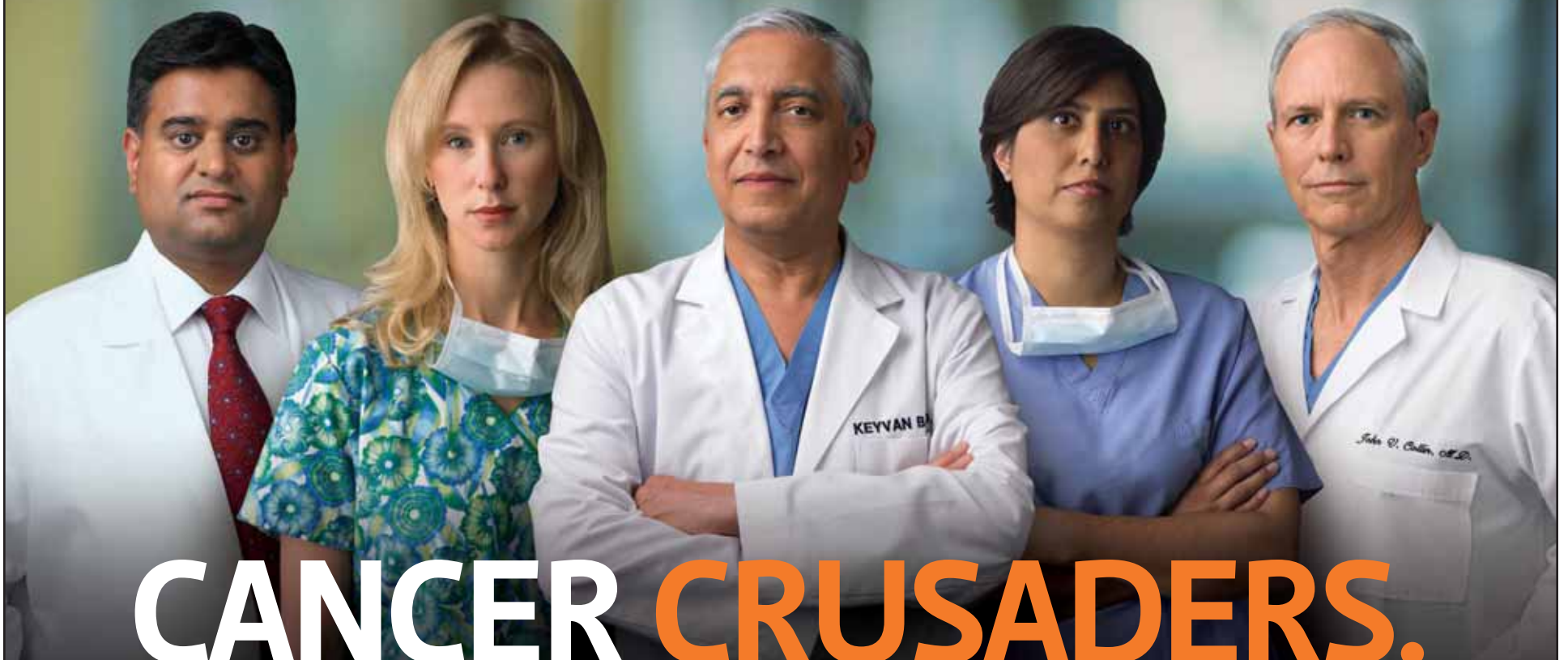
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Asked in downtown Mountain View. Pictures and interviews by Anna Li.

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Genaro Quintana, Sunnyvale



"We'll be dressing up and passing out candy at our home residence with our family."

Paula de Cillis, Cupertino



"For Halloween, our church has an event called Hallelujah night, so I'll be attending."

Vivian Chen, Palo Alto



"On my balcony, I hang full-body skeletons for Halloween. And the mask I have (points to face), this is it for Halloween."

Lucien Langlois, San Mateo



"I'm going to be throwing a house party for my Halloween."

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■ **CRIME BRIEFS**

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY

An elderly man suffered broken bones when he was knocked to the ground during an attempted robbery near the corner of Villa and Hope streets on the morning of Oct. 24, police said.

The 67-year-old Mountain View resident was carrying a plastic bag filled with items he had just bought at CVS as he walked on Villa Street toward the post office, according to Liz Wylie, a spokeswoman for the Mountain View Police Department. As he walked he heard the sound of someone running up behind him. As he began to turn he was hit hard and fell to the ground, breaking his fall with his arms and hands.

The man who knocked

him down — later described to police as an Asian adult with long, black, curly hair — attempted to take the victim's plastic bag, but it broke and the assailant fled without taking anything, Wylie said.

Hospital staff members reported the robbery when the man came in that afternoon with injuries that included a broken arm, broken finger and multiple abrasions, Wylie said.

Wylie said the suspect was last seen wearing a white T-shirt and black jeans and was running south on Hope Street. Though the victim said there were no witnesses, Wylie said anyone with information on the crime may call the department anonymously at 903-6344.

■ **POLICE LOG**

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California St. and San Antonio Rd., 10/24

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY

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2200 block Grant Rd., 10/21

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1600 block Charleston Rd., 10/24

INDECENT EXPOSURE

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ROBBERY

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New grocer aims to satisfy downtown

By Daniel DeBolt

After several failed attempts to bring a new grocery store downtown, city officials and downtown residents may be surprised to see their wish come true by happenstance.

In early October, the Mountain View Market at 340 Castro Street was purchased by Sunnyvale residents Juan and Ann Origel, who want to transform the struggling Asian market into a popular neighborhood grocery store. While working in beverage sales over the years, Juan noticed in his calls to the market that, while once one of the busiest on the Peninsula, it was struggling to compete with the new Ranch 99 on Grant Road. The owners were motivated to sell, and the Origels, who have worked in food retail most of their adult lives, mortgaged their house to buy it. It seemed like a fitting move for the couple, who met while working at Mountain View's Lucky's and were

engaged at downtown's Eagle Park.

"It's really kind of providential and very much a win-win situation," said downtown resident Max Hauser, who wrote an article about the new owners for the Old Mountain View neighborhood Association. OMVNA members have been actively seeking a "neighborhood serving" grocery store downtown for years. After talking to them, "I think the Origels have exactly the right idea," Hauser said.

The Origels say they aim to keep existing customers with an Asian food section, but most of the market will receive a remodel more in line with a neighborhood grocer, perhaps a Whole Foods or Trader Joes meets JJ&F or Zanottos. They say they definitely want a deli to bring in lunchtime customers, and tables and chairs by the front window where people can eat.

The Origels say they want suggestions for the store, which can be sent to suggestions-forthemarket@gmail.com.



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Juan Origel, left, the new owner of Mountain View Market, works with employee Cheun Friday, Oct. 21.

"Something really striking about the Origels is they say 'We have some general ideas but we want to know what the neighborhood wants,'" Hauser said. "With this kind

of openness, in this kind of community, it seems to me that Old Mountain View could

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Hubbub over fate of Bubb's Elementary's 'peace tree'

By Nick Veronin

A group of students at Bubb Elementary are gathering signatures from their classmates, parents and teachers in order to petition the administration not to remove a piece of school history.

In order to make way for a new shade structure in the school's outdoor lunch area, the school may need to remove the "peace tree." The tree, which was plant-

ed by students in 1994, is the only reminder of a larger green-thumbed project, the "peace garden," according to Mary Dietrich, principal of Bubb.

The tree may need to be removed in order to make way for a canopy, which parents have asked the school to build to provide shade for the children while they eat lunch at the outdoor tables. "It gets hot at the tables," Dietrich said, explaining that parents became concerned about

sun safety. The canopy will also work to shield the children from bird droppings.

David Franklin, a teacher at Bubb, addressed the Mountain View Whisman School District's board of trustees at their public meeting earlier this month, requesting that the board do something to ensure the tree is not removed.

The district's superintendent,

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MV Whisman debates roll-out of 'transitional kindergarten'

By Nick Veronin

Education officials with the Mountain View Whisman School District are debating how to best introduce a "transitional kindergarten" program beginning next year. State law requires all California public elementary schools to install a program for children who are too young to enroll in regular kindergarten.

While the superintendent of the district is recommending the program be unrolled gradually

— slowly opening it to a broader age range over the course of three years — at least one district parent said she and her husband would like to see transitional kindergarten introduced all at once.

"I would certainly like to see it started for the upcoming school year," said Sarah Donohue, whose son, Robert, will turn 5 on Oct. 26 next year. If the school district were to introduce the whole program at once in the 2011-12 year, Robert will be eligible for the new program. If, however, the board of trustees takes

the superintendent's recommendation, Donohue will not be able to register her son for transitional kindergarten, as his birthday will fall one week before the Nov. 2 cutoff date.

Transitional kindergarten is described by the California Department of Education as "the first year of a two-year kindergarten program that uses a modified kindergarten curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate."

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MV Reads Together goes green

By Daniel DeBolt

Mountain View Reads Together is going all out this year. Not only are participants asked to read Bill McKibben's book, "Earth," but to also attend numerous November events, including a tour of Google's greenness, an event about urbanites raising bees and chickens, and a talk by a Buddhist nun about the spirituality of being green.

Former Environmental Sustainability Task Force Chair Bruce Karney is helping to organize 11 free events throughout November, with a discussion of McKibben's book set for Nov. 21.

"We may have a few more events this year than previously, but the environment is such a broad topic that it lends itself to more activities," said Karney, who is organizing the events with Sharlene Gee, Andrea Gorman, Jamil Shaikh and librarian Candace Powers.

Some of the more notable events include a yet-to-be-scheduled "behind the scenes" look at Google's efforts to have the smallest impact on the environment possible, both in Mountain View and around the world. There will also be a Nov. 13 visit to a

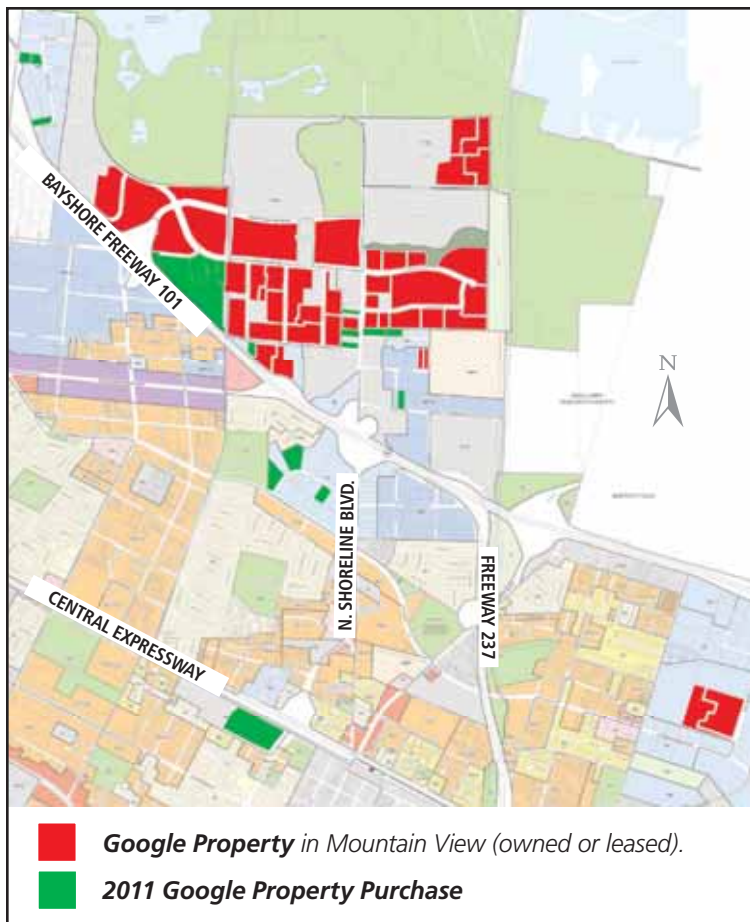
downtown home where chickens are being raised, a Nov. 10 talk by local chefs Laura Stec and Dr. Eugene Cordero about their book "Cool Cuisine: Taking The Bite Out Of Global Warming" and a Nov. 12 gathering of local electric vehicle owners who will speak about their experiences and show off their rides.

On Nov. 19 there will be a live presentation of "An Inconvenient Truth" by someone trained by Al Gore, with information on global warming updated since Gore's movie version was made. There will also be a showing of "No Impact Man: the Movie," which is about a family that tries to live for a year without impacting the environment, on Nov. 17.

Wrapping up the series of events is a talk by Sister Santussika, "a former software designer and engineer who is now a 10-precept Theravadan Buddhist nun" who is slated to talk about the spirituality and morality behind environmentalism.

On Nov. 3 there will be a tour of the SMaRT station in Sunnyvale, where Mountain View's trash is recycled, and on Nov. 19 a discussion at the library about alternatives to water-thirsty lawns.

For more, visit mvreads.org. ▣



Google Property in Mountain View (owned or leased).
2011 Google Property Purchase

LANDMARK

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is by far the largest purchase in recent memory for Google. The

18-acre campus on Landings Drive is occupied by several companies, including a portion of Toyota North America and is across Charleston Road from

Family-friendly fright

HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES ABOUND ON THE MIDPENINSULA

By Rebecca Wallace

If you'd rather dress up like Buzz Lightyear than Charlie Sheen, the Midpeninsula is a good place to spend your Halloween. Family-friendly options abound, many of them free.

Here are some of the local options, including spooky music, trick-or-treating and puppet shows.

Mountain View does the "Monster Bash" with its free family happening from 5 to 8 p.m. Oct. 29 at the Mountain View Community Center and Rengstorff Park at 201 S. Rengstorff Ave. Activities include crafts, games and a showing of the 2011 Disney movie "Mars Needs Moms." Go to mountainview.gov or call 650-903-6408.

"Spooky Times at Deer Hollow Farm" takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 29, with "haunted barns," kids' activities and crafts, and costumes. Deer Hollow Farm is in the Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserve near Mountain View; admission is \$7 per person (\$5 for those in costume) and free for youngsters under 1. Go to fodhf.org.

Landels Elementary School is opening up its annual "Haunted House" to the public for the first time this year, from 4 to 6 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday, Sunday and Monday, Oct. 28, 30 and 31. The event promises low-key, kid-

friendly spookiness and treats in the community room, 115 W. Dana St., Mountain View. Admission is \$3 or \$10 for a family of four. Go to landels.mvwsd.org.

The city of Menlo Park hosts its free annual "Halloween Hoopla" on Oct. 29, with a parade starting at 11:45 a.m. in the Alma Street parking lot at the Arrillaga Family Recreation Center. Marching ghosts and goblins end up downtown to trick-or-treat at participating stores with signs on their doors, or to do crafts and watch a magic show in Fremont Park at Santa Cruz Avenue and University Drive.

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Google's main buildings at 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway. It could hold 960 workers. A Google spokesperson could not say when Google would make use of the buildings.

"As we continue to hire it's important to find space for our

new employees," said David Radcliffe, vice president of real estate and workplace services for Google in a statement. "The Landmark is strategically situated adjacent to our offices and we look forward to incorporating it into our campus."

Google's other purchases this year include 835 Alta Avenue, 2700 Garcia Avenue, 1300 and 1340 Space Park Way, 1280 La Avenida Avenue, 2751 Marine Way, 1157 San Antonio Road and 1600, 1674, and 1764 Shoreline Boulevard. ■

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Finding funds for college dreams

By Jennifer Pence

In eighth grade, Ivan Roldan decided to become the first in his family to graduate from college, after he was invited to join Mountain View High School's Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program. The program supports first-generation college-bound students.

Ivan worked hard to be a strong candidate for top colleges, taking four advanced placement classes, earning a 3.4 grade point average and serving as treasurer and then vice president of the Latino Movement Club. He also volunteered at his church. Ivan secured an acceptance letter from St. Mary's, his first choice college. There was just one problem — the financial aid package the school offered required a larger family contribution than his family could afford, even after taking into account private scholarships he had already won.

Ivan didn't want to give up on his dream of attending a four-year college, so he took a risk, enrolled at St. Mary's, and kept looking for more funding. He secured several private scholarships but still started the school year facing a monthly payment plan that would be a real stretch for his family. That's when Ivan learned about iPivoted.org, which just went live in August. (Full disclosure: I am the executive director of the Burwen Education Foundation, which has granted a scholarship to Ivan.)

iPivoted allows college students affiliated with various mentoring organizations to post profiles online to seek additional financing for their education from individual donors. Students can ask for whatever amount they need, but with a catch — current iPivoted policy only allows students to receive funding once donors have contributed 100 percent of their fund-



raising target. When the goal is reached, a check is sent directly to the student's school. If the goal is not reached by the time the student's profile expires (either six months after it is posted or on a date of the student's choice), any money that has been pledged reverts to the donors. "This policy is designed to encourage students to really consider their budgets and only ask for the amount of money that is truly essential," iPivoted founder Ben Steinberg explains.

The first student to achieve full funding had a very modest goal of \$205, while other students are asking for \$5,000 or more.

Steinberg says iPivoted aims to address the fact that even with unemployment at 9 percent, there are two million vacant high-skill jobs in the United States because there aren't two million people with the degrees and skills needed to fill those jobs. While iPivoted presently focuses on helping students bridge their financial aid gaps, "the real mission of iPivoted is to allow each individual person to realize his or her full potential," Steinberg says. Eventually, iPivoted hopes to link the students profiled on its site to job opportunities and other resources.

In the first week that Ivan's profile has been on the website, it has not attracted any donors, but Ivan remains optimistic. "I love it here at St. Mary's, and I am confident that I will find a way to keep funding my education, no matter what it takes," he says. To view Ivan's profile, go to ipivoted.org and search the student list for Ivan R., "future forensic scientist."

Mountain View resident Jennifer Pence is founder of the Windmill Giving Circle and founder and owner of Academic Springboard, a tutoring group. She can be reached at japence@hotmail.com.



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Bubb Elementary students Aidan, Matthew, Ethan and Noah signed the petition to save the Peace Tree.

PEACE TREE

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Craig Goldman, said it was up to the school to decide what it would do with the tree.

According to Dietrich, even

while she is set on installing the shade structure, the tree may end up staying. The school is looking at all its options and has even enlisted some of the students in the process — asking them to help come up with solutions that would allow the tree to remain,

while at the same time accommodating the shade structure.

“I think the best thing about this whole issue is that the kids are getting involved and figuring out how to solve a problem,” she said. “It’s just a great lesson for them.” ▣

KINDERGARTEN

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According to Mary Lairon, assistant superintendent of Mountain View Whisman, transitional kindergarten is aimed at better serving children born later in the year. Because of their early birthdays, under the current system these children begin kindergarten at a very young age. Many of these children — especially boys — lack the social skills needed to fully participate in a standard kindergarten classroom curriculum, she said.

“I think it has incredible benefits,” Lairon said of transitional kindergarten. Children who enter kindergarten before they are ready may have trouble adjusting and risk falling behind. Transitional kindergarten programs allow for a smoother transition from preschool or home into the elementary school setting.

Last year, in an effort to address the issue of children entering kindergarten too early, California passed Senate Bill 1381, also known as the Kindergarten Readiness Act. The act will eventually move the kindergarten enrollment cut off date up from Dec. 2 to Sept. 1, and require all elementary schools in the state to make transitional kindergarten

available to all students born between Sept. 2 and Dec. 2.

Next school year, the cutoff date will move up to Nov. 1. The following year, the cutoff date will move up once more — to Oct. 1. And finally, in the 2014-15 school year, the cutoff date will move up one last time to Sept. 1, where it will remain indefinitely. Each year the cutoff date moves forward, the eligible age for transitional kindergarten enrollment widens.

Despite her support for the concept of transitional kindergarten, Lairon recommended that the district ease into the program, noting that the state has given schools flexibility for a reason and that Mountain View Whisman should take advantage of that flexibility.

“Whenever you do something for the first time, it is easier to do it with a smaller group,” Lairon said. “It gives us a chance to iron out the kinks.” ▣



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The RAB reviews and comments on plans and activities about the ongoing environmental studies and restoration activities underway at Moffett Field. Regular RAB meetings are open to the public and the Navy encourages your involvement. **To review documents** on Moffett Field environmental restoration projects, please visit the information repository located at the Mountain View Public Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View, CA 94041, (650) 903-6337.

For more information, contact Mr. Scott Anderson, Navy Base Realignment and Closure Environmental Coordinator at (619) 532-0938 or scott.d.anderson@navy.mil.

Visit the Navy's website:

<http://www.bracpmo.navy.mil/basepage.aspx?baseid=52&state=California&name=moffett>

HALLOWEEN

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Go to menlopark.org or call 650-330-2200.

The Bay Area Country Dance Society holds its 31st annual **Hallowe'en Costume Ball** from 8 p.m. to midnight Oct. 29 at the First United Methodist Church, 625 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto. Guests, many wearing "danceable" costumes, will do contra dancing and waltzes to the music of The Retrospectacles. Tickets are \$14 general, \$12 for members and \$7 for students. Go to bacds.org.

On Oct. 30, the city of Palo Alto marks **Day of the Dead** from 1 to 5 p.m. with performances, art activities, music, food and storytelling at several locations: the Lucie Stern Community Center at 1305 Middlefield Road, the Children's Library at 1276 Harriet St. and the Junior Museum & Zoo, 1451 Middlefield Road. Go to cityofpaloalto.org and click on "Arts, Parks & Recreation" and then "Arts and Sciences" and "Palo Alto Art Center."

Little witches and ghouls can shriek at a haunted house and giggle at a puppet show on Oct. 30 at **Gamble Garden**, 1431 Waverley St., Palo Alto. The event runs from 6:30 to 8 p.m., intended for kids ages 4 to 10. Admission is \$15 general and \$10 for members. Go to gamblegarden.org or call 650-329-1356, ext. 201.

Forty-some businesses on Palo Alto's California Avenue host **trick-or-treating and a carnival** from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Oct. 30. Orange signs designate those taking part. At the carnival between Ash and Birch streets, tickets are \$1 each for games, a raffle and other activities. Go to blossombirth.org.

The Stanford Symphony Orchestra and Stanford Wind Ensemble take the Dinkelspiel Auditorium stage on campus on Oct. 31 for the annual **Hallowe'en Concert** at 8 p.m. Music by Bach, Berlioz, Andrew Lloyd Webber and others might not be scary, but guest-conducting the concert finale could be good for audience members for stage fright. The winner of the costume contest takes the baton. Concert tickets are \$10 general and \$5 for students. Go to music.stanford.edu.

Pipe organist James Welch also puts on a Halloween show each year; this time, the theme is "**Bach-y Horror Show**." The 8 p.m. concert happens at St. Mark's Episcopal Church at 600 Colorado Ave. in Palo Alto. Costumes are plentiful, and a \$10 donation is requested at the door. Welch's sons, Nicholas and Jameson, will join him in the program, which includes music by Bach, Beethoven and Rimsky-Korsakov. Go to welchorganist.com or call 650-856-9700.

The Lytton Gardens senior community is again holding its "**Safe Halloween**" event, with trick-or-treating, face painting, refreshments and games for kids. The free event goes from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Oct. 31 at 656 Lytton Ave. in Palo Alto. Go to lyttongardens.org or call 650-328-3300.

Rebecca Wallace is the arts and entertainment section editor at the Voice's sister paper, the Palo Alto Weekly.

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welding,” said David Frerichs, a friend of Ross who designed the display’s computer controls eight years ago. “That’s why so many people come from everywhere to check it out.”

The display draws such a crowd that the city has to grant Ross a permit so the street in front of his house can be closed for the event.

This year Ross decided not to have a walk-through portion, as the line was getting too long. But he’s added a new prop, a coffin that opens with a skeleton rigged to jump out. Relentless improvement and attention to detail is why Ross won the 2007 Fearnnet.com’s competition for best “home haunt,” and a \$50,000 check presented to him on NBC’s Today Show.

Uniquely, the DC Cemetery uses “MIDI” technology that’s commonly used in music recording to run the various characters. “We can actually play each character like they were an instrument,” said Frerichs, an engineer and an executive in the music industry. Every year, the show is created by someone playing a keyboard to ensure that every movement is “organic,” Frerichs said.

Last year Ross took a break to spend some time with his wife and their newborn daughter. He’s starting to feel the financial pinch of the whole thing, which costs as much as \$10,000 a year to put on, including \$5,000 just

to store the props.

The display will run from Friday, Oct. 28, through Tuesday, Nov. 1, starting at 6 p.m. each night. “Child friendly” hours, when volumes are lower and props move more slowly, are set for 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday and Monday.

For more information, visit dccemetery.net.

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Below: Brent Ross and his father Mike work on the DC Cemetery haunted house on Oct. 21.

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Anthony Andrighetto, 21, killed in crash

ST. FRANCIS GRAD WAS IN COLLEGE IN ARIZONA.

By Dave Boyce

St. Francis High School alum Anthony C. Andrighetto grew up a Woodside kid in a Portola Valley neighborhood, went to school in Menlo Park and Mountain View, and played sports wherever he went, including Little League, Pop Warner and most recently intramurally at the University of Arizona.

Anthony had recently discovered that he liked coaching, his father Steven Andrighetto said. On his way back from coaching student basketball at Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic School in Tucson on Wednesday, Oct. 19, someone made a left turn in front of the Jeep he was driving and he died as a result of the collision. He was 21.

His roommate and Delta Chi fraternity brother Sam Schmid, his passenger in the Jeep, is hospitalized in a coma, Andrighetto said. "They were good boys," he said. "It was a horrible accident."

Three other people were injured in an accident that ultimately involved five vehicles, but none of the other injuries were as serious, according to a report from the Tucson Police Department.

"The (university's) Interfraternity Council is deeply saddened at the loss of Anthony and wishes to offer our deepest sympathies to the members of Delta Chi, family and friends of those affected by this tragedy," Michael Colletti, the council's president, said in a story in the university's newspaper, the Arizona Daily Wildcat.

"He was a terrific athlete,"

Andrighetto said just before his son's funeral on Monday. Anthony played Little League baseball and football with the Pop Warner program, as well as at Raymond Catholic School and St. Francis High School in Mountain View, his father said.

As a senior and track and field athlete at St. Francis in 2009, he ran with the 400-yard-relay team that earned a slot in the state championship, where St. Francis placed fourth, his father said.

"He was a small guy, but he was a really spectacular athlete," his father said. "He knew he had

turn into the right-of-way of the Jeep driven by Andrighetto, with Schmid as the passenger.

After colliding with the van, the Jeep left the ground, struck a pole and came to rest on its side.

Excessive speed does not appear to have been a factor, police said, adding that an investigation will be looking into the influence of drugs or alcohol. Such factors are highly unlikely to have had a role in this accident, Andrighetto said.

Anthony's major at Arizona was business/agriculture, his father said. Anthony had twice worked part-time for his dad at his South San Francisco wholesale produce business and there was talk of him joining that business, his father said.

But Anthony had begun to look at coaching. "He started opening his eyes and saying, 'I really enjoy doing this,'" his dad said.

With his father, Anthony Andrighetto is survived by his mother Donna of Woodside; brothers Vincent of New York City, Marco at Pepperdine University, and Dante, also at the University of Arizona; and his sister Mary at Corte Madera Middle School, his father said.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests all donations be sent to the Anthony Andrighetto Gift Fund: Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund, PO BOX 770001, Cincinnati OH 45277-0053. Checks should be made payable to Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund. In the memo section, write Account 1041092, Anthony Andrighetto.

Dave Boyce is a reporter at the Voice's sister paper, the Almanac.

'He was a terrific athlete.'

STEVEN ANDRIGHETTO, HIS FATHER

to work hard because he was so small. That was kind of his MO."

After making a touchdown in football, Anthony typically would not engage in antics at the goalposts but head back to his team, his dad said.

Permissive left turns

Tucson traffic intersections are notable for allowing "unprotected" left turns when a straight-ahead red light turns green, Andrighetto said. When that green light then turns red, a left green arrow typically lights up to allow protected left turns, he said.

"Only in Tucson," Andrighetto said, adding that it's a common topic among parents with kids at the University of Arizona. "We all talk about those signals," he said.

The accident began, according to witness accounts to Tucson police, with a van making a left

OBITUARY

ROBERT "ROBBIE" NAVARRO

Robbie Navarro, the owner of Modern Barber Shop, died Oct. 15. He was 64.

A lifetime resident of Mountain View and Los Altos, Navarro graduated from Mountain View High School in 1965. He gave his first haircuts in the garage of his parents' house, then worked at the Palm Plaza barber shop. He put his career on hold when he was drafted into the U.S. Army. After serving in the First Cavalry Division in Vietnam, he returned

home and resumed work as a barber, moving to Modern Barber Shop, where he eventually became the owner.

His family remembers him as true people person with an infectious laugh, and he earned the nickname "the mayor of Mountain View" among Castro Street regulars. When clients needing haircuts were sick or in the hospital, Navarro made house calls, his family said.

Navarro's community involvement included the Art & Wine Festival, the Eagles Golf Tournament and the Mountain View

Chamber of Commerce. He sponsored Little League and Babe Ruth baseball teams, became involved in coaching and served on the Babe Ruth League's board. He loved sports, and participated in multiple fantasy leagues, always under the team name "Geniuses."

He is survived by his wife, Mac; son Shaun; brothers Michael and Tym and sisters Vickie Navarro and Sybil DUBY. Services were held at Cusimano Family Colonial Mortuary in Mountain View, with interment at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Los Altos.

UNION

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has changed since then, he said, adding that, as far as he can tell, the only thing the union is interested in is collecting dues.

According to decertification supporter and eight-year El Camino veteran Paul Williams, now that the petition has demonstrated substantial employee discontent with the union, a vote will be taken in the coming weeks to determine whether the SEIU will stay or go — that is, if the SEIU doesn't succeed in blocking the action.

The legitimacy of the move has been challenged by SEIU officials and members. Lilly Vallee, a director with the hospital division of the SEIU, said El Camino Hospital has yet to provide sufficient documentation proving that a third party verified the signatures. SEIU lawyer Bruce A. Harland is taking issue with the language of the petition — claiming in a request for injunctive relief with the Public Employment Relations Board of California that the language of the petition was vague and that hospital managers instructed subordinates to sign the petition.

“Once all legal objections, which we believe are significant, are resolved, and once a third party has verified the threshold has been met, we have no problem with a democratic election,” Vallee said. “In this case we do not believe the rules have been followed.”

One member of the SEIU, Kary Lynch, hinted at suspicions that the hospital may secretly be backing the petition.

It was “too much of a coincidence” that the petition would come so soon after the hospital and the SEIU reached an impasse in contract negotiations, Lynch said at a recent El Camino board meeting. The hospital made its “last, best and final offer” to the union just one day before announcing its receipt of the petition.

A poster emblazoned with Lynch's face and the headline

“Something stinks at El Camino Hospital” has been posted on bulletin boards around the hospital. Below the headline, a chronology of the hospital's final offer and announcement of the petition are given before “Just a coincidence? Not likely.” The poster includes an excerpt of the speech he delivered at the October board meeting. “Management will do just about anything to get rid of our union, because they know it's the only thing that stands between them and the cuts they want to make to our benefits and wages,”

June 28 when the SEIU narrowly voted to become a “closed shop” — meaning that anyone hired at the hospital that is not a doctor, a nurse or an administrator must join the union and pay dues. About 600 members voted; the measure passed by fewer than 20 votes.

“The middle of the summer is the slowest time for the hospital,” Williams said, adding that it is his belief the union intentionally picked a day it knew few people, other than the hardcore union supporters, were likely to show up.

Lynch, a union steward who has worked at the hospital for 30 years,

advocating an initiative that would place a legislative cap on managerial salaries at the hospital — Williams and De Salvo are upset by what they feel are exorbitant salaries paid to El Camino administrators.

Yet when De Salvo hears the union talking about how much the hospital's CEO makes and comparing it to his salary, he feels the same way Williams does when he looks at the “Something stinks” poster.

“What they're trying to do is drive a wedge between ‘us and them,’” De Salvo said. “Look what these guys are getting, and look what you're getting. This is good PR. That's all it is.”

Vallee said that she has heard complaints such as those voiced by Williams and De Salvo before. However, she maintains that her union does provide a valuable service to its members.

She acknowledged that vote for the closed shop — or, as she calls it “agency shop” — was close. “Fundamentally, union members at El Camino Hospital want to continue to have a voice in their working conditions and have a competitive standard of living,” she said. Without SEIU representation, she said, the hospital would work to strip workers of their voice, pay them less and systematically reduce their benefits.

Neither Williams nor De Salvo think of themselves as “union members.” They are simply El Camino employees, they said. If they had their druthers they wouldn't be in a union at all, and certainly not one like the SEIU, which is governed by a national organization, they said.

Both men said that if there were to be a union at El Camino it should be one that was formed and controlled by the employees of the hospital, and, above all, that the employees should have a say as to whether they are involved or not.

“I just feel people should have a choice, that's all,” Williams said. “People should have free will, but we don't have that right now.” ▮

‘I just feel people should have a choice, that's all.’

EL CAMINO EMPLOYEE
PAUL WILLIAMS

Lynch said.

Ernst has denied that any administrators pushed the petition in any way.

The poster with Lynch's face reminds Williams of all the reasons he signed the decertification petition in the first place. “Very classy,” he sarcastically wrote in the email containing an image of the flyer. “This is what we are used to here.”

Williams said that the SEIU has created a “divisive” atmosphere at the hospital — seeking to inspire an “us versus them” attitude at every turn. The union aims to keep its members fearful of the hospital administration, so they will remain loyal and pay their dues on time.

By way of example, he pointed to an SEIU-UHW poster, which reads, “Voting ‘No Union’ means: ... Management can fire or lay us off at any time for any reason.” Such statements irk Williams. “Obviously that's not true,” he said, incredulously. “You can't be laid off for any old reason.”

While all of these things have bothered Williams for some time, he said the final straw came on

said that before the union was at El Camino it was possible that some might be fired based upon unsubstantiated claims. As a steward, Lynch said he has personally seen managers bring charges against an employee that were unfounded and has defended the employee. “Because that process exists, that person still has a job,” he said.

It is because of services such as these that Lynch believes the union is important. “We don't view ourselves as a dues-collection agency,” he said. “We represent the employees of the hospital.”

Lynch stands by the statement he made at the hospital's board meeting and remains convinced that the petition for decertification is part of a concerted effort by hospital administration to thwart the union.

Both Williams and De Salvo, however, insist that the hospital administration had nothing to do with the petition, which Williams said was started by hospital employee Ted Prario and signed by more than 500 people (an exact number could not be confirmed before press time).

Like Lynch — who is currently

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

BENEFIT DINNER FOR ROTACARE CLINIC

Local Rotary Clubs are hosting a fundraising dinner and auction to benefit the RotaCare Free Clinic from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2, at the historic Del Monte Building, 100 S. Murphy Ave. in Sunnyvale.

The RotaCare Clinics provide medical care for needy, uninsured residents at 11 free health clinics in the Bay Area. Last year, 26,000 people received services at RotaCare. Medical professionals, many of whom are Rotarians, volunteer their services at the RotaCare Clinic. The clinic focuses on serving children who would not otherwise have medical care.

Since 2004, five Rotary Clubs have joined forces to organize the Asante fundraiser for RotaCare. Last year, the Rotary Clubs raised \$25,000 for the Mountain View RotaCare Clinic based in the Camino Medical Group clinic in the El Camino YMCA on Grant Road.

Charlie Wesser, one of the Rotarian organizers, says Rotary Club members are working hard to surpass last year's figure. All proceeds go toward providing health care to local working poor at the Mountain View clinic.

Members from the Rotary Clubs of Sunnyvale, Los Altos, Mountain View, Cupertino, Sunnyvale and Palo Alto University will be attending the event.

The fundraiser includes a raffle, silent auction and live auction for tickets to concerts, sporting events, and vacation-home getaways.

Tickets for the evening, which includes dinner and wine, cost \$50. To purchase, contact Charlie Wesser at Charlie@wassergraphics.com or 408-366-2420 or Tracie Murray at tmurray650@yahoo.com or 408-621-0609.

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NEW GROCER

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get an even better match than if a major supermarket had decided to open up in the Bryant garage.”

Residents of downtown, also known as the Old Mountain View Neighborhood, made it evident how serious they were about a new grocery store downtown in 2005. They staged a candlelight vigil when the City Council chose Longs Drugs over a grocery store proposal from Zanottos as the tenant of the new garage at California and Bryant. The San Jose-based grocer

would have required a subsidy from the city.

Many of the downtown’s environmentally minded residents see a new downtown grocery store as a necessity to reduce car trips out of the city’s center.

Julie Lovins, a downtown resident who has spearheaded the hunt for a new grocery store, told the City Council in 2010, “We cannot afford not to have a reasonably full-service grocery store downtown.”

‘Won’t happen overnight’

With the market losing money since the day they bought it, the

Origels are working as fast as they can to turn it around. Some visible changes are that the Origels have begun selling pumpkins and have put in a new selection of wine and beer, while combing through the existing inventory to remove items that haven’t been selling.

“We’re going to be having a fire sale here soon,” Juan said.

They are going to be replacing the open refrigeration in the store soon, which will hopefully warm up the store’s chilly temperature. They are also hoping to receive some money from the city’s program to improve building facades downtown.

But the Origels hope the neighborhood will be patient as the process “won’t happen overnight,” Ann said.

“The place seems to be a little different each time I visit,” Hauser said. “Rome wasn’t built in a day.”

Change in plans for city?

Bringing a grocery store downtown has long been a goal for the City Council, which requested proposals from developers in 2009 for a new grocery store on a city-owned parking lot across from the garage at Bryant and California streets. The council rejected two proposals in January of 2010, again saying the proposals required too much of a subsidy.

Economic development man-



MICHELLE LE

Juan and Ann Origel, the new owners of Mountain View Market.

ager Ellis Berns said the new store is potentially viable according to a downtown grocery store feasibility study that will be presented on Nov. 8 to the City Council.

The study of the Bryant Street property “came to the conclusion that it is a very difficult site to have a full service grocery store,” Berns said. “It could probably support more of a 3,000- to 10,000-square-foot market that has a very strong deli-carryout” operation.

The Mountain View market, which is right around 10,000 square feet, could potentially be successful depending on what the owners decide to do with it, Berns said.

“If the new owners are able to fulfill the needs of the community and the neighborhood that’s great,” said council member Margaret

Abe-Koga, who lives near the market. “We still have that property on Bryant though. We have to bring that back (onto the council agenda) to decide what we want to do with that.”

The new store may be most likely have the support of the two libertarians on the council, Tom Means and John Inks.

“This is great,” said Means in an email. “I like how people are solving this problem and not special interest groups.”

The downtown neighborhood has not been shy about making suggestions on the OMOVNA email list, from wanting to keep the Asian mangoes to a desire for “fresh loaf of crusty bread.”

Abe-Koga said the former market has some good products too. It could be “the best of the old and the new.” She added that “prepackaged meals” and salad and soup bar would be great idea.

The Origels say the community has “set the bar pretty high” for the store, but Hauser reminded its potential customers that they have a role to play too.

“If the neighborhood wants a good grocery store they have to put their money where their mouth is,” Hauser said. “If they want a certain kind of grocery store the most concrete way they can support it is to go and shop there.”

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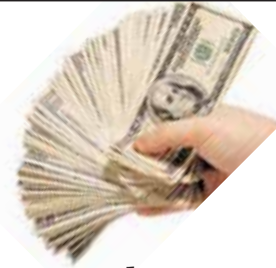
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■ EDITORIAL THE OPINION OF THE VOICE

Is Google a good corporate citizen?

First, we want to congratulate Human Relations Commissioner Ken Rosenberg for organizing the first of several “civility roundtable” discussions at the Senior Center. The first one last week focused on corporate responsibility and included John Igoe, Google’s director of real estate.

The advertised goal of the meeting was to show “that we can disagree but we don’t have to be disagreeable.” Other participants included elementary school board member Steve Olsen, public affairs manager for Sutter Health Cynthia Greaves, Meyer Appliance owner Rick Meyer and local businessman Jack Perkins and an audience of about 50. Chris Block, CEO of the American Leadership Forum-Silicon Valley, moderated the roundtable.

Google’s agreement to participate in the event was no small feat, given that the company rarely takes part in such open and public discussions.

Although Igoe was very forthcoming in his belief that Google is more than willing to do its share, there was no agreement on any concrete objectives for the company to offer more of its financial and other resources to the community.

The company already provides free Wi-Fi service in the downtown area, donated \$1 million to the city’s schools and provided a high-tech bookmobile for the library. And there have been other, more modest offers of assistance from Google over the roughly 10 years the company has made its headquarters in Mountain View.

Google’s current employee count is not made available to the public, but the company probably occupies more than half of all the office space in the Bayshore area, and just last week firmed up a deal to pay \$100 million to buy a campus that could hold 960 workers across the street from its main headquarters. This purchase of the 240,000-square-foot “Landmark at Shoreline” campus makes Google’s footprint in North Bayshore even more imposing. The company appears to own or lease well over half of the city’s large office buildings north of Highway 101, and all but a few of the large office buildings between Shoreline Boulevard and Garcia Avenue.

And through its leases of city-owned Bayshore property, Google provides several million dollars a year to the city, and pays a hefty amount of property tax on many other properties. And the company’s corporate jet fleet is housed at Moffett Field, for which Google pays more than \$1 million a year. Also, the company is planning to build 1.2 million square feet of new office space at Moffett, which will complement NASA’s effort to develop a high-tech center on the property.

Certainly, when a company as large and as profitable as Google has such an overwhelming presence in a community this size, some residents would like to see more initiatives coming from company headquarters. There is much that could be done, including more involvement with local nonprofit groups who are dealing with the less fortunate residents of Mountain View.

The good news for local leaders was Igoe’s declaration that the corporation “can be a citizen,” and that “more and more (its leaders) realize that they have a responsibility to the community.”

Google appears firmly committed to making its permanent home in Mountain View and during its current growth spurt has virtually locked up nearly every available square foot of office space throughout the city.

But given its size and resources, it is time for Google to step up its involvement in the local community. Participation would not necessarily have to involve money. Its employees could be dispatched to help with public service projects, either with hands-on labor or technical support. Google has thousands of talented workers who could make significant contributions to local institutions. At this point, the city may be too shy to suggest what is needed, but there is certainly no harm in trying.

■ OP-ED VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

Students meet star of SF Ballet

By Oriana Li Halevy

A few weeks ago the students and families of Bayer Ballet Academy welcomed Gennadi Nedvigin, principal dancer of the San Francisco Ballet since 2000, to its studios in Mountain View.

The occasion was a part of the school’s “Meet the Stars” series. Previous stars featured include Prima Ballerina Maria Kochetkova.

Gennadi began his introduction with select excerpts from his dance career that included rare footage from his childhood. He shared his memories of growing up in Russia, his training at the Bolshoi Ballet School in Moscow, horizon-expanding touring trips outside of Russia and professional company experiences in Moscow and Paris, all of which helped pave the way for his joining and succeeding at the SFB.

The highlight of the fireside chat-style event was the Q & A session. Here are excerpts from the discussion:

Q. What was the extent of your family influence in shaping your career in ballet?

A. I’ve always had a very close

relationship with my older brother who started ballet training at a young age. I basically followed his footsteps. Like many Russian mothers, our mother always dreamed of becoming a ballerina and encouraged us to pursue ballet. We took gymnastics and then gravitated more and more toward ballet.

Q. What was it like to begin training at the Bolshoi when you were only 10?

A. I missed home. A lot. But then I got used to it. All the students did. The teachers and other students all formed a community. The teachers were super strict. We worked very hard. In addition to technique classes, we were required to take classes in areas that complemented classical ballet such as music appreciation. We also had to take academic classes. I really treasure my years of training at the Bolshoi. The rigorous training equipped me with the skills to adapt to the different ballet styles of world-renowned choreographers at different companies later on. Among the strengths that make SFB out-

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■ LETTERS VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

NO HISTORY MUSEUM AT ANNEX

Please refer to your Dec. 26, 2008 issue, page 14, titled, “A better spot for History Museum.” Also, do inform council member Laura Macias that others in the community share her views on the

subject. Was anyone listening back in 2008?

It would be rewarding to know that the Mountain View City Council listens to concerned citizens versus those of developers. I am for progress, but in good taste.

Ann Schneider
Lemon Tree Court



■ OP-ED
VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

Lower cancer risk, even with dense breasts

By Dr. Jessie Jacob

Routine mammography has played a major role during a 20-year period of declining deaths from breast cancer.

Nevertheless, 40,000 women will die from breast cancer this year — a disproportionate number of them women with dense breast tissue. In some cases, more information might have saved their lives.

Dense breasts are composed of less fat and more glandular tissue, which appears white on a mammogram. Unfortunately, so does cancer, so tumors can often be hidden behind the dense tissue on an ordinary mammogram. Although ordinary mammograms pick up 98 percent of tumors in women with fatty breast tissue, they identify only 48 percent of tumors in women with extremely dense breasts. Additionally, studies have found that having dense tissue itself poses a higher risk — nearly four times that of less dense tissue. Given such a significant additional risk, women need to be told whether they have dense breasts, in order to make more informed decisions. But in many cases, they don't receive this important information.

Knowledge provides women with more options such as additional screening. Digital mammography is more accurate than film mammography in dense breasts and mammography and ultrasound used together bring detection up to 97 percent. Breast MRI (best for high-risk women) approaches 100 percent. Women who know they are at greater risk also may opt for lifestyle changes to help lower their breast cancer risk. Studies suggest that exercise, maintaining a healthy body weight, lowering alcohol intake and a diet low in fats and high in fiber all may reduce risk.



Dr. Jessie Jacob

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Notifying women wouldn't require extraordinary effort, either. Physicians already have the information in their files along with patients' mammogram results. Since we tell women when their family history implies greater risk, or when they have a genetic susceptibility or high-risk lesion that could increase their risk, doesn't it make sense to inform them of this additional risk factor?

Without a doubt, giving women this information would result in more tests; 93 percent of women in an August 2011 survey of 1,000 women age 40 to 64 said they would elect to have an additional screening test — even if it resulted in a false positive that required a

biopsy to rule out cancer. But if mammography often misses finding cancers in dense breasts and you're more likely to have cancer **because of dense breasts**, choosing additional screening appears to be a rational choice. Whether insurance covers the cost or not, physicians should allow women the right to make their own choices.

Some states already have passed laws requiring physicians to inform their patients, but a recent bill passed in the California state Assembly was vetoed by Gov. Jerry Brown. Let's not let that stand in the way of empowering women with the information they need. It's our job as physicians to educate our patients, and to support their right to get the information they need to make informed decisions about their health. It is not our job to make those choices for them by denying them access to important information about their risks.

Dr. Jessie Jacob, director of breast imaging and intervention at El Camino Hospital, is a fellowship-trained, board-certified radiologist.

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standing are its diverse repertoire and the international composition of its company.

Q. When you were a young dancer in training, who inspired you the most?

A. Baryshnikov was my idol for a long time. As I gained more experience, my appreciation for Nureyev grew.

Q. What do you see yourself doing after you retire from performing?

A. I think I would enjoy teaching very much. One of the things I really enjoy is helping the younger

SFB dancers whenever I can. I don't like for all the attention to be on the principals and soloists — the corps de ballet makes us look good in any ballet performance. It's a whole package. We must strive to enable everyone in the company to excel and shine. Only then do we all shine, even brighter, on stage.

Q. What words of wisdom would you like to impart to the young students here tonight?

A. Pay attention to your teachers. But don't be shackled by all the strict rules. Listen to your own heart. If you dance with your heart, you will enjoy it. If you enjoy it, everything will be great.

After Gennadi's talk, eager stu-

dents surrounded him to ask more questions. Among these was Jordan Lian, whom Inna Bayer (founder and artistic director of the BBA) introduced as an outstanding student who, after attending the Bolshoi Ballet School's 2011 summer program in New York City, accepted the school's invitation to study year-round in Moscow beginning this fall.

"We are so proud of Jordan and her accomplishments. It has been an absolute pleasure to work with such a talented, focused, and motivated student. We are gratified to see her rigorous training bear fruit," Bayer said.

Oriana Li Halevy's daughter is a student at the academy.

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FOOD FEATURE

Culture Kitchen cooks up ethnic exchange

CULINARY CLASSES BRING TOGETHER IMMIGRANT-WOMEN CHEFS AND FOOD LOVERS

By Sue Dremann

Abby Sturges didn't cook while growing up in Columbus, Ohio, but now her life is filled with the aromas, flavors and sensations of food: savory chicken with Indian spices, Vietnamese caramelized catfish and stir-fried garlicky greens.

Sturges and Stanford classmate Jennifer Lopez turned a graduate thesis project into a business with

a social mission: connecting lower-income immigrant women who are skilled in cooking authentic, ethnic cuisines with food lovers who want to learn the culinary arts.

Their fledgling business, Culture Kitchen, was part of angel investor Dave McClure's 500 Startups Accelerator program in Mountain View this summer.

Culture Kitchen serves up cooking classes with a side order of cultural exchange. Women who have a

passion for food, its history and culture teach their family recipes and traditions at Deborah's Palm and Lucie Stern Community Center in Palo Alto, at Whole Foods Market in Los Altos and in San Francisco.

The women, who go by their first names, come from Thailand, Nicaragua, Colombia, Ukraine, Vietnam, Iraq, Bangladesh, India, France, Taiwan and Mexico. They range in age from their 20s to their

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Baraka Abedalhadi talks about cooking experiences she had in Iraq. Her cooking class at Whole Foods in Los Altos focused on a traditional Iraqi dish.

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60s, but all bring generations of cooking experience, Sturges said.

Linh, a Vietnamese immigrant, grew up “with an army of aunts” who instilled in her traditional Vietnamese cooking skills, Sturges said. And Letty, an immigrant from Colombia, learned to cook and love vegetables as a child from a cookbook written by her mother, “Chupa los dedos comiendo verduras (Lick your fingertips eating vegetables).”

Some of the women, such as India-born Aradhita, formerly

catered for friends, but they aren’t professional chefs, Sturges said. “We look for women who are really passionate about their cooking and the history behind it. The women wanted people to learn about their culture. Most people don’t really have an opportunity to learn that.”

Sturges also thinks the Culture Kitchen fills a craving for her American students. “You’re learning to cook from the grandmas you’ve always wished you had,” she said.

The idea for Culture Kitchen came during a spring-break din-

ner Sturges and Lopez shared. The women were back from an overseas program on “entrepreneurial design for extreme affordability,” she said. Sturges worked on a sanitation project in Kenya; Lopez was in Myanmar developing a marketing project for treadle pumps—an inexpensive device for pumping water.

Although continents apart, they discovered a common experience:

“The most interesting part of the trip was when we went into the homes of people in their villages. We were able to bond with people of very different cultures over food,” said Sturges, who graduated this summer with a master’s degree of fine arts in design.

Back in the United States,

Sturges and Lopez interviewed immigrant women about the role food played in their lives.

“I want people to know that Muslims are good,” Sturges recalled that an Iraqi woman said when asked why she wanted to teach a cooking class.

Lihn’s parents come from the north and south of Vietnam, which have very different culinary traditions. In the north they use utensils, but in the south they eat with their hands, Sturges said. When the family gathers, there are cooks from the north, south and central part of the country, all with their own distinct ways of doing things.

“My mom would marvel at how my dad would add boiled green onions instead of fresh bean

sprouts and basil to his pho, and my dad would be almost offended at my mom’s use of sugar in her stews,” Lihn wrote on Culture Kitchen’s website blog.

“Whenever Auntie No. 5 from Hue (southerners and centralers don’t use names, just their rank) would walk by a dipping sauce or a pot, she would surely add a couple more spoonfuls of chili paste or one or two extra peppers.” But despite the culinary differences, everyone had a great time and got along, she added.

It’s stories such as these that enrich the Culture Kitchen experience, Sturges said. “People are able to relate to the stories these women share. It’s a much more personal way to learn about those

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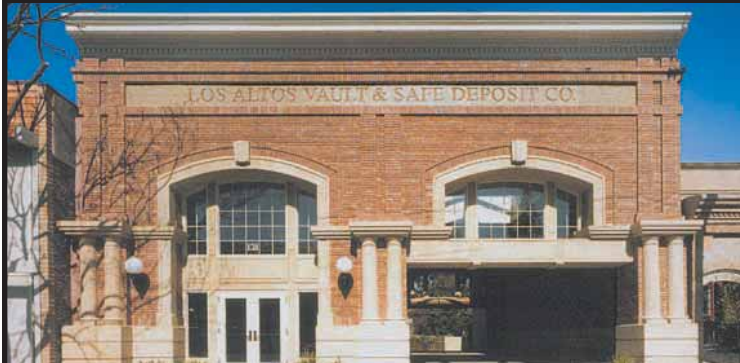
Above: Culture Kitchen students watch as Baraka Abealhadi demonstrates how to cook Iraqi food on Oct. 15 in Los Altos.

Below: Participants cook slices of eggplant for a traditional Iraqi dish.

Facing page: Whole Foods in Los Altos hosts weekly cooking classes.



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cultures and the way things are practiced in those cultures.”

Culture Kitchen also empowers the chefs by providing income, opportunities to share their cultures and to connect to their adopted country through a shared love of food, she said.

Afterwards chef and students share a meal. During a recent class on Indian cooking, the students, all of whom had traveled

to India, shared their experiences, Sturges said.

Aradhita will teach a class on a special-occasion Indian feast at Deborah's Palm, 555 Lytton Ave., Palo Alto, at 6:15 p.m. on Nov. 2. and Yulie will teach Taiwanese cooking at Whole Foods Market at 4800 El Camino Real in Los Altos at 6:15 p.m. on Nov. 9.

Sturges said she takes one trip each year to another country and

bases it around food. But she didn't have to go far to find a meaningful connection.

“I missed home cooking when I was at college, so I called my mom for her recipes,” she said. ▀

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Dolphin Tale (PG) Century 20: 11:25 a.m.; In 3D at 2 p.m.

Footloose (2011) (PG-13) Century 16: 11:30 a.m.; 2:10, 4:55, 7:40 & 10:25 p.m.
Century 20: 11:30 a.m.; 2:10, 4:50, 7:30 & 10:15 p.m.

Forbidden Planet (1956) Stanford Theatre: Sat. & Sun. at 3:45 & 7:30 p.m.

The Ides of March (R) ★★★
Century 20: 11:25 a.m.; 1:55, 4:20, 7 & 9:35 p.m.

In Time (PG-13) Century 16: 11:25 a.m.; 2:05, 4:50, 7:50 & 10:30 p.m.
Century 20: 11:15 a.m.; 12:10, 1:50, 2:45, 4:25, 5:20, 7:05, 8, 9:45 & 10:40 p.m.

Johnny English Reborn (PG) Century 16: 11:20 a.m.; 1:55, 4:50 & 7:45 p.m.
Century 20: Noon & 2:35 p.m.; Fri.-Wed. also at 5:10 & 7:50 p.m.

The Lion King (G) Century 20: In 3D at 4:45 p.m.; In 3D Fri. & Sun.-Thu. also at 11:50 a.m. & 2:20 p.m.

Margin Call (R) ★★★1/2 Aquarius Theatre: 2, 4:30, 7:15 & 9:55 p.m.

The Metropolitan Opera: Anna Bolena Century 20: Wed. at 6:30 p.m.
CinèArts at Palo Alto Square: Wed. at 6:30 p.m.

The Metropolitan Opera: Don Giovanni Century 20: Sat. at 9:55 a.m.
CinèArts at Palo Alto Square: Sat. at 9:55 a.m.

Moneyball (PG-13) ★★★1/2 Century 16: 12:35, 3:50, 7:15 & 10:15 p.m.
Century 20: 1, 4, 7:10 & 10:10 p.m.

Mrs. Miniver (1942) Stanford Theatre: Wed. & Thu. at 5:05 & 9:40 p.m.

My Afternoons with Marguerite Guild Theatre: 2, 4:30, 7 & 9:30 p.m.

National Theatre Live: The Kitchen Century 20: Thu. at 7 p.m.
CinèArts at Palo Alto Square: Thu. at 7 p.m.

On the Waterfront (1954) Stanford Theatre: Fri. at 7:30 p.m.

Paranormal Activity 3 (R) Century 16: 11:30 a.m.; 12:30, 1:40, 2:40, 4, 5, 7:05, 8:05, 9:40 & 10:30 p.m. **Century 20:** 11:35 a.m.; 12:55, 1:45, 3:05, 3:55, 4:40, 5:15, 6:10, 7:40, 8:30, 10 & 10:45 p.m.; Fri.-Mon., Wed. & Thu. also at 6:55 & 9:15 p.m.

Pride and Prejudice (1940) Stanford Theatre: Wed. & Thu. at 7:30 p.m.

Puss in Boots (PG) Century 16: 12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 7:55 & 10:20 p.m.; In 3D at 11:25 a.m.; 2, 4:30, 7 & 9:30 p.m. **Century 20:** 11:20 a.m.; 1:45, 3:15, 6:35, 8:05 & 8:55 p.m.; In 3D at 12:05, 12:50, 2:30, 4:55, 5:40, 7:30, 9:50 & 10:30 p.m.; Fri.-Tue. & Thu. also at 4:10 p.m.; Sat. also at 10:20 a.m.; Wed. also at 4:05 p.m.; In 3D Sat. also at 10:40 a.m.

Real Steel (PG-13) ★★1/2 Century 16: 11:50 a.m.; 3, 6:50 & 9:45 p.m.
Century 20: 1:35, 4:35, 7:35 & 10:30 p.m.

The Rum Diary (R) Century 16: Noon, 3:30, 7:10 & 10:10 p.m.
Century 20: 11:20 a.m.; 12:40, 2:10, 3:35, 5, 6:25, 7:55, 9:20 & 10:45 p.m.

The Skin I Live In (R) CinèArts at Palo Alto Square: 1:45, 4:30 & 7:15 p.m.; Fri. & Sat. also at 10 p.m.

Take Shelter (R) ★★★1/2 Aquarius Theatre: 2:30, 5:30 & 8:30 p.m.

The Thing (2011) (R) Century 16: 10:15 p.m.
Century 20: Fri.-Wed. at 10:20 p.m.

The Three Musketeers (PG-13) Century 16: 11:40 a.m.; 2:20, 5:10 & 8:20 p.m.; In 3D at 12:40 & 3:40 p.m.; In 3D Fri.-Mon., Wed. & Thu. also at 7:05 & 9:50 p.m. **Century 20:** 11:15 a.m. & 1:50 p.m.; Fri.-Tue. & Thu. also at 4:25, 7:05 & 9:45 p.m.; In 3D Fri.-Thu. at 12:05, 2:40, 5:20, 8 & 10:40 p.m.

The Time Machine (1960) Stanford Theatre: Sat. & Sun. at 5:35 & 9:20 p.m.

Twilight Saga Tuesdays: Twilight (PG-13) Century 16: Tue. at 7:30 p.m.
Century 20: Tue. at 7:30 p.m.

The Way (PG-13) Century 20: 7:25 & 10:05 p.m.

AQUARIUS: 430 Emerson St., Palo Alto (266-9260)
CENTURY CINEMA 16: 1500 N. Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View (800-326-3264)
CENTURY 20 DOWNTOWN: 825 Middlefield Road, Redwood City (800-326-3264)
CINEARTS AT PALO ALTO SQUARE: 3000 El Camino Real, Palo Alto (493-3456)
STANFORD THEATRE: 221 University Ave., Palo Alto (324-3700)
For show times, plot synopses and more information about any films playing at the Aquarius, visit www.LandmarkTheatres.com

★ Skip it
★★ Some redeeming qualities
★★★ A good bet
★★★★ Outstanding

For show times, plot synopses, trailers and more movie info, visit www.mv-voice.com and click on movies.



■ **MOVIE REVIEWS**

50/50 ★★★

(Century 16, Century 20) Will Reiser, the writer of this film, is himself a cancer survivor, so however this semi-autobiographical story may end, it at least comes with the guarantee that it knows whereof it speaks. Like his creator, 27-year-old character Adam (Joseph Gordon-Levitt) discovers he's developed a spinal cancer. He begins as an overly cautious individual, but as his illusions of order crumble, he allows himself to indulge his emotions and cross behavioral boundaries. Gordon-Levitt excels, partly as an amusingly deadpan straight man to Seth Rogen (playing a version of himself as Adam's best bud) and Anjelica Huston (lovable as Adam's demonstrative mother), but more importantly as an Everyman navigating his mortality. "50/50" proves winningly humane as a carpe diem comedy designed to remind us, gently, that what matters most is being true to one another and ourselves. *Rated R for language throughout, sexual content and some drug use. One hour, 40 minutes.* —P.C.

THE IDES OF MARCH ★★★

(Century 20) "The Ides of March" goes behind the scenes of a Democratic presidential primary race, as seen through the eyes of idealistic, highly placed campaign staffer Stephen Myers (Ryan Gosling). Pennsylvania Gov. Mike Morris (George Clooney) is looking good heading into the Ohio Democratic Primary. As the Republican machinery maneuvers to get out the vote for Morris' less electable rival, Morris' team parries and thrusts. Rival campaign managers Paul Zara (Philip Seymour Hoffman) and Tom Duffy (Paul Giamatti) clearly have read their Machiavelli; the film's central conflict begins to unfold when Duffy, hoping to poach a keen political mind, makes an overture to Myers. A true believer in his own candidate, Myers declines, but complications ensue when top-tier reporter Ida Horowitz (Marisa Tomei) gets wind of his secret meeting with the other side. *Rated R for pervasive language. One hour, 41 minutes.* —P.C.

MARGIN CALL ★★★1/2

(Aquarius) "Margin Call" is a dramatization of a crucial 24-hour period at a fictional Wall Street investment bank, MBS, with most of the story unfolding within its glass-encircled high-rise offices. The canary in the coal mine is the bank's Risk Assessment & Management department, just gutted by a round of layoffs. Out with the trash goes the man running the department (Stanley Tucci's Eric Dale), but he leaves some data in the hands of his young protege Peter Sullivan (Zachary Quinto), along with two ominous words: "Be careful." Sullivan, who left rocket science for finance, extracts an inescapable conclusion from the data: The bank will tank. *Rated R for language. One hour, 45 minutes.* —P.C.

MONEYBALL ★★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) "Moneyball" — based on the 2003 novel by Michael Lewis about Oakland A's general manager Billy Beane (Brad Pitt) and his unorthodox approach to fielding a winning team on the cheap — offers a captivating and often humorous look into the business side of America's pastime. Beane hooks up with young economics whiz Peter Brand (Jonah Hill), an unheralded wunderkind in the value of baseball statistics. Together the duo eschews standard baseball wisdom and begins revamping the team using an analytical/mathematical approach, much to the chagrin of the organization's more traditionally minded scouting department. *Rated PG-13 for some strong language. 2 hours, 6 minutes.* —T.H.

■ **MOVIE CRITICS**

S.T.- Susan Taverneti, P.C. Peter Canavese, T.H.-Tyler Hanley

Goings On

MOUNTAIN VIEW VOICE

■ HIGHLIGHT

WITCHES' DELIGHT HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Santa Rita's Witches Delight is back for the 51st year. There will be carnival rides, new games, cake walk, cookie decorating, costume contest and the Spooky Silent Auction. Rides and dinner provided by the Santa Rita BBQers. Oct. 28, 3-8 p.m. Free. Tickets for games and rides \$1. Santa Rita Elementary School, 700 Los Altos Ave., Los Altos. www.santaritaschool.org/events/witches.html

ART GALLERIES

'Cuba In Focus, An Exhibition by American & Cuban Photographers' The exhibit features the work of 11 American photographers, all of whom were Foothill College students, in conjunction with images from seven Cuban photographers. Exhibit runs through Dec. 8. 7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Admission to the gallery, lecture and reception are free; parking is \$2. Krause Center for Innovation at Foothill College, 12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills. Call 650-949-7082. cubainfocus.wordpress.com/

'Rhythm III' Photo Exhibit 'Rhythm III,' a group fine arts photo exhibit by several up-and-coming Bay area photographers, runs through Nov. 17, free. Main Street Cafe, 134 Main St., Los Altos. Call 650-504-4186.

Tove Norlander & Dale Snyder Dale Snyder and Tove Norlander are featured artists at Gallery 9, Los Altos, through Nov. 20. Snyder is exhibiting acrylic paintings and Norlander is showing jewelry designed in the lost-wax method. Tue.-Sat., 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. noon to 4 p.m. Gallery 9, 143 Main St., Los Altos. www.gallery9losaltos.com

AUDITIONS

Stanford Memorial Church Choir Auditions Stanford Memorial Church Choir is holding rolling auditions for all voice parts. Rehearsals Thursdays 6:30-8:30 p.m. Audition will include scales, basic sight reading, and eight bars of any song. Free. Stanford Memorial Church, Stanford.

BENEFITS

Abilities United Authors Luncheon Jennifer Holm, Maxine Hong Kingston, Erik Larson

and Calvin Trillin will discuss their books, share stories about their writing experiences, and offer insight into their inspiration with more than 650 guests. Books sales and signing are held before and after the lunch. Nov. 5, \$150. Crowne Plaza Cabana Hotel - Palo Alto, 4290 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. Call 650-618-3330. www.abilities-united.org/events#authorslunch

CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

'Coaching Kids Through Change' There will be community resources and Christine Carter from UC Berkeley's Greater Good Science Center and author of "Raising Happiness: 10 Simple Steps for More Joyful Children and Happier Parents" will speak. Nov. 8, 6-9 p.m. Free. Mountain View High School, 3535 Truman Ave., Mountain View. ptac.mvwsd.org/parented.html

Aerobic Dancing Classes A Jacki Sorensen fitness class incorporating strength training, abdominal work and aerobic routines. Complimentary child care provided. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9-10 a.m. Mountain View Masonic Lodge, 890 Church St. (next to library), Mountain View. Call 650-941-1002.

Communication Workshop (Toast-Masters Orbiters) Toastmasters meet every first and third Thursdays to work on communication skills in a friendly environment. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free. Mountain View Community Center, 210 South Rengstorff Ave., Mountain View. Call 408-571-1844. orbiters.freetoasthost.us

Lego Manic Class A class on engineering and design using LEGO bricks. Thursdays, 3:30-5 p.m. \$180-\$194. Town Hall, 26379 Fremont Road, Los Altos Hills. Call 650-947-2518. www.losaltoshills.ca.gov/

COMMUNITY EVENTS

'Significance of the Watershed in Ancestral Ohlone Culture' Mark Hylkema, archeologist, California State Parks, will present a talk regarding the "Significance of the Watershed in Ancestral Ohlone Culture." Nov. 8, 7:30-9 p.m. Free. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. Call 650-948-9427. www.losaltoshistory.org

15th Anniversary - Day Worker Center of MV Day 1 of the 15th-anniversary celebration features a screening of "Borderless Dreams," a documentary on day workers; and an auction. Nov. 12, 5:30-8 p.m. Suggested donation \$10. Community School of Music and Arts, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. Call 6509034102. dayworkercentermv.org

15th Anniversary - Day Worker Center of MV Day 2 of the 15th-anniversary celebration features food, games, a soccer tournament and live music. Nov. 13, 12:30-5 p.m. Free. St. Joseph Catholic School, 1120 Miramonte Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-903-4102. dayworkercentermv.org

Evening with NPR's Scott Simon Journalist and NPR host Scott Simon will share his personal story of international adoption with the introduction of his latest book: "Baby We Were Meant For Each Other." Event includes music, drinks and light food by Calafia Restaurant. Nov. 6, 5-8 p.m. \$30. Lucie Stern Community Center, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-964-3800. www.BAAS.org

Halloween Blood Donation Those who donate blood at Stanford Blood Center's Mountain View location on Halloween will get their photo taken and a free truffle. Oct. 31, noon-2 p.m. Free. Stanford Blood Center, 515 South

Drive, Ste 20, Mountain View. Call 650-723-7265. bloodcenter.stanford.edu

LAHS Pumpkin Patch The LAHS, hosted by the school's Athletic Boosters, will be open through Oct. 31, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Free. LAHS, 201 Almond Ave., Los Altos.

Rainwater Harvesting Workshop Design and construct a multi-barrel system for collecting rainwater from the roof of the caretaker house at Redwood Grove, Los Altos. Led by Arnie Thompson, Acterra. Nov. 5, 1-4 p.m. \$35. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. Call 650-948-9427. www.losaltoshistory.org

CONCERTS

Master Sinfonia Chamber Orchestra Concert David Ramadanoff presents MSCO's first concert of the season with guitar soloist Paul Psarras performing Rossini's "Semiramide overture," Schumann's "Symphony No. 1, and Rodrigo's "Concierto de Aranjuez" for guitar. Oct. 29, 8-10 p.m. \$5-\$20. Valley Presbyterian Church, 945 Portola Road, Los Altos. www.mastersinfonia.org

Stanford Halloween Concert Jindong Cai conducts the Stanford Symphony Orchestra and Giancarlo Aquilanti directs the Wind Ensemble for a program of eerie selections from J.S. Bach, Hector Berlioz, Gioachino Rossini, Andrew Lloyd Webber and John Williams. Costume contest winner will guest conduct an ensemble. Oct. 31, 8 p.m. Free for Stanford students. \$5-10 other. Dinkelspiel Auditorium on Stanford Campus, 471 Lagunita Drive, Stanford. Call 650-725-2787. music.stanford.edu/Events/calendar.html

DANCE

Ballet Class For the Love of Dance studio

is offering ballet class for teens and adults. Students will stretch and learn ballet technique in a comfortable setting. Wednesdays through June 26, 7-8 p.m. \$60 per month. For the Love of Dance, 2483 Old Middlefield Way, Suite B, Mountain View. Call 650-861-0650. fortheloveofdancemv.com

Belly Dancing & World Music Night Adriana will perform belly dance Nov. 5, 8:30 p.m. Free. Morocco's Restaurant, 873 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-968-1502. www.moroccosrestaurant.com

Hip-Hop Class For the Love of Dance Studio is offering hip-hop class for teens and adults. Mondays through June 24, 8-9 p.m. \$60 per month. For the Love of Dance, 2483 Old Middlefield Way, Suite B, Mountain View. Call 650-861-0650. fortheloveofdancemv.com

Jazz-Dance Class For the Love of Dance Studio is offering jazz-dance classes for teens and adults. Mondays through June 24, 7-8 p.m. \$60 per month. For the Love of Dance, 2483 Old Middlefield Way, Suite B, Mountain View. Call 650-861-0650. fortheloveofdancemv.com

ENVIRONMENT

Los Altos Homeowner Workshop A workshop on saving energy and lowering utility bills. Nov. 8, 7 p.m. Shoup Park, Garden House, 400 University Ave., Los Altos. Call 1-831-515-1EUC. euc-losaltos.eventbrite.com/

Mountain View Green Garden Showcase Share and explore sustainable landscapes in Mountain View. Call or visit website for more information. Event is ongoing through Dec. 30. www.gardenshowcase.mountainview.gov

SSU Stanford Saturday University



This November 5th, Stanford Continuing Studies invites you to attend the Stanford Saturday University. In one education-packed day, you can attend engaging mini-classes taught by some of Stanford's most dynamic professors.

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- Are We Rome or Greece? America's Infatuation with Classical Antiquity**
- Water: Is It the New Oil?**
- Synthetic Biology: Can We Reprogram the Living World?**
- Why Is It So Hard to Make Good Decisions?**
- What Is the Solution to the Omnivore's Dilemma?**
- What Are the Keys to Harmonizing People and Nature?**
- Why Shouldn't Everything Be for Sale?**

Saturday, November 5, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
(Lunch included, registration required)

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EXHIBITS

'Shaped By Water - Past, Present & Future' "Shaped by Water-Past, Present & Future" explores the role of water in shaping the history of Santa Clara Valley and how its usage will shape the future moving forward. Thu.-Sun. through April 22, noon-4 p.m. Free. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. Call 650-948-9427. www.losaltoshistory.org

FAMILY AND KIDS

'Ramona Quimby' Los Altos Youth Theatre presents "Ramona Quimby." Weekends through Nov. 5. Evening shows at 7:30 p.m. Weekend matinees. \$10-15. Bus Barn Theater, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos. Call 650-941-0551. www.losaltosrecreation.org/layt-youth-theatre.html

'Spooky Times at Deer Hollow Farm' Deer Hollow Farm, with the Friends of Deer Hollow Farm, invite all ages to celebrate the spooky spirit of Halloween. Explore haunted barns, make kids' crafts/activities and meet the livestock. Oct. 29, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. \$7/person, \$5/with costume, under 1 free. Deer Hollow Farm, Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserve. Call 650-903-6430. www.mountainview.gov/city_hall/comm_services/recreation_programs_and_services/deer_hollow_farm.asp

Autism Parent Support Group Sponsored by the Stanford Autism Center at Packard Children's Hospital. Topics for discussion will include advocating, dealing with the impact on the family; navigating school and learning issues; investigating treatment options and resources. Thursdays through Dec. 8, 7-9 p.m. Free. Stanford University, 401 Quarry Road, Stanford. Call 650-721-6327. childpsychiatry.stanford.edu

GISSVMCH Halloween Event All kids are invited to the GISSV Mothers' Club Kids Halloween Trick or Treat Hunt on Castro Street Oct. 29, 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m. Free. Castro Street and Pioneer Park, Mountain View.

Halloween Haunted House & Puppet Show Gamble Mansion becomes a haunted house for Halloween Oct. 30, 6:30-8 p.m. \$10-15. Gamble Garden, 1431 Waverley St., Palo Alto. Call 650-329-1356 ext. 201. www.gamblegarden.org

MOAH Science Night Science Night at the Museum of American Heritage. Hands-on activities with static electricity, electromagnetic toys and games, Theremin, Tesla coil and more. Nov. 5, 5-7 p.m. \$20 at door/\$17 if RSVP by Oct. 31. museum of American Heritage, 351 Homer Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-321-1004. www.moah.org

Parent Observation Preschool Open House Parent Observation Preschool offers preschool/parent education classes for parents with children who are 18 months, 2, or 3 years old. The parents and children attend weekly together. Children explore art, music, imaginative play and motor activities. Parents have a lecture/discussion weekly. Open house Nov. 5, 10 a.m.-noon. Parent Observation Preschool Open House, 1325 Bryant Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-968-9950. facebook.com/ParentObservation

'Back to the Wild: Coyotes!' This nature education program includes games, techniques and advanced skills for gaining a greater awareness of the natural world. Each session is built around the seasonal changes and cycles of the Santa Cruz Mountains. Saturdays through Nov. 19, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. \$45. Hidden Villa, 26870 Moody Road, Los Altos Hills. Call 650-949-9704. www.hiddenvilla.org/calendar

FILM

UNAFF (United Nations Association Film Festival) UNAFF celebrates the power of films dealing with human rights, environmental themes, population, migration, women's issues, refugees, homelessness, racism, health, war and peace. 2011 theme: "Education is a human right." Through Oct. 30, 7-9 p.m. \$10 per session. Aquarius Theatre, Palo Alto. Call 650-724-5544. www.unaff.org

HEALTH

'Ash Kickers' The nonprofit organization Breathe California hosts "Ash Kickers" smoking cessation classes this fall to help local residents kick the habit. Led by a trained facilitator, the class centers on resources and strategies to quit. Tuesdays through Nov. 8, 6-7:30 p.m. \$70 general, \$50 for those ages 65 and up. PAMF Mountain View Center, OB/GYN conference room, 701 E.

El Camino Real, Mountain View. Call 408-998-5865. www.lungsrus.org

John's Zumba Class Zumba classes every Thursday night, 8-9 p.m. \$10. John's Zumba Class, 2584 Leghorn St., Mountain View. Call 415-990-9965. www.thatzumbaguy.com

LIVE MUSIC

'An Evening of Meditation and Chill Music' Ann Licater American/world flutes and Jeff Oster flugelhorn/trumpet with special guests Troy Arnett (keyboards) and David DiLullo (world percussion). Nov. 5, 8 p.m. \$20 advance/\$25 door. East West Bookstore, 324 Castro St., Mountain View. www.fluteforthesoul.com

'Mozart & His Friends' Concert by Community School of Music and Arts faculty members Carrie Campbell (horn), Janet Johnson and Alexander Hwang (viola), Chinh Lee (violin), Amy Hsieh (cello). Featuring Horn Quintet in Eb Major K. 407. Oct. 29, 5 p.m. Free. Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA) at Finn Center, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. www.arts4all.org

Happy Together Live This upbeat duo performs classic pop songs on vocals and ukulele. Nov. 10, 5-11 p.m. Free. Morocco's Restaurant, 873 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-968-1502. www.moroccosrestaurant.com

JJ Rubin / Doug Young An acoustic-guitar performance is planned. Oct. 29, 8-10 p.m. Free. Red Rock Coffee, 201 Castro St., Mountain View. redrockcoffee.org

Latin-infused Guitar with Vic Moraga Moraga performs a night of Latin-infused contemporary music. Oct. 30, 5-11 p.m. Free. Morocco's Restaurant, 873 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-968-1502. www.moroccosrestaurant.com

Live Flamenco guitar with Chris Cucuzza Chris Cucuzza will perform guitar music Oct. 28, 5 p.m.-midnight. Free. Morocco's Restaurant, 873 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-968-1502. www.moroccosrestaurant.com

Moroccan Music Night A variety of Moroccan music will be performed Nov. 7, 5 p.m.-midnight. Free. Morocco's Restaurant, 873 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-968-1502. www.moroccosrestaurant.com

Music from the 13th-17th Centuries CSMA faculty member Sally Terris (mezzo-soprano, recorder, harp) with Ellen St. Thomas (soprano), Dale Tsang-Hall (harpsichord, mezzo-soprano), Greta Haug-Hryciw (percussion, storyteller, recorder, soprano), Anita Baldwin (guitar, soprano), Ruri Wen-Matsui (recorder). Oct. 30, 5 p.m. Free. Community School of Music and Arts at Finn Center, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. www.arts4all.org/attend

The Red Planet Ramblers Concert by Community School of Music and Arts faculty member Daniel Steinberg and guest Kevin Carr. Pathways of traditional music through Europe to the New World, from bagpipes and hurdy gurdys to fiddles and piano. Oct. 28, 7 p.m. Free. Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA) at Finn

Center, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. www.arts4all.org/attend

ON STAGE

'Our Town' Georges Lavaudant collaborates with Stanford Professor Jean-Marie Apostolides to present "Our Town," the classic play. Nov. 9-12, 8 p.m. \$5-\$15. Pigott Theater, 551 Serra Mall, Stanford. drama.stanford.edu

SPORTS

'Race Against PH' 11th Annual Race Against PH (pulmonary hypertension), 5K walk/run. Nov. 6, 9 a.m. \$35 race-day registration. Stanford University Pac-10 Plaza, 295 Galvez St., Stanford. Call 650-721-6510. raceagainstpgh.org

Marsh Madness 5k 10k Half Marathon Marsh Madness is an annual running and walking event and fundraiser. Oct. 29, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. \$10 and up. Palo Alto Baylands, 1900 Geng Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-842-7162. www.ymcasv.org/paloalto/pafymarshmadness/

TALKS/AUTHORS

Chris Matthews Chris Matthews presents a new portrait, from his early life growing up in Massachusetts, heroic service in the U.S. Navy, private battle with Addison's disease and finally his days in the White House. Nov. 8, 7-8 p.m. \$15 & \$35 members; \$20 & \$45 nonmembers. Oshman Family JCC, 3921 Fabian Way, Palo Alto. commonwealthclub.org/events/2011-11-08/chris-matthews

Mid Peninsula ACLU Chapter Annual Dinner The Mid Peninsula Chapter of the ACLU is having its annual dinner meeting. The featured speaker is Angie Junck. Nov. 1, 6:30-8:30 p.m. \$10 for students. \$30 for others. Michael's at Shoreline, 2690 North Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. www.aclu-midpen.org/index.html

Sherry Laymon Sherry Laymon, will be signing her latest book on Arkansas history, "Fearless: John L. McClellan, United States Senator." Oct. 29, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. Ozark Folk Center Gift Shop, 1032 Park Ave., Mountain View. Call 501-276-8100. www.sherrylaymon.com

Technology and Society Committee Luncheon Forum Jonathan Sorger, director of Medical Research at Sunnyvale based Intuitive Surgical, gives an overview of the history of robotic-assisted minimally invasive surgery, describes current technologies and applications, and hints at what we might see in the next-generation of systems. Nov. 8, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Lunch is \$12. Hangen Szechuan Restaurant, 134 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-969-7215. tian.greens.org/TASC.shtml

VOLUNTEERS

Tutor with JustREAD JustREAD is a non-profit, literacy program dedicated to improving the reading/writing skills of students. Volunteers are trained by JustREAD and work one-on-one with students. 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. JustREAD Tutorial Center, 1299 Bryant St., Mountain View. Call 650-691-0416. justreadcenters.org



ATRIAL FIBRILLATION AWARENESS

Atrial fibrillation is the most common heart rhythm problem, affecting over 2 million Americans. Without detection and treatment, atrial fibrillation can affect quality of life and cause stroke and heart failure

Expert Stanford physician specialists will discuss the signs and symptoms of Atrial Fibrillation and the options for evaluation and treatment, which may improve quality of life and decrease complications.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29
9:30AM – 11:00AM
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This business is owned by: An Individual.
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):
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Registrant/Owner has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 9, 2011.
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File No.: 556483
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Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on September 23, 2011. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 28, 2011. (MVV Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2011)

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The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):
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365 Chiquita Ave., Apt. 8
Mountain View, CA 94041
Registrant/Owner has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on October 4, 2011.
(MVV Oct. 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 2011)

SHADE DESIGN
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 556174
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Shade Design at 250 Del Medio Ave., #305, Mountain View, CA 94040, Santa Clara County.
This business is owned by: An Individual.
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):
TONU VARJUND
250 Del Medio Ave., #305
Mountain View, CA 94040
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 05/20/2011. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 20, 2011.
(MVV Oct. 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 2011)

PK WEB SERVICES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 556900
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
PK Web Services at 952 Jackson Street, Mountain View, CA 94043, Santa Clara County.

This business is owned by: An Individual.
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):
PETRA KEMPF
952 Jackson Street
Mountain View, CA 94043
Registrant/Owner has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on October 10, 2011.
(MVV Oct. 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 2011)

MYSTIQUE PSYCLES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 556288
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Mystique Psycles at 2235 Old Middlefield Way Unit J
Mtn. View, CA 94043, Santa Clara County.
This business is owned by: A General Partnership.
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):
MARCO A. GARCIA
629 Mountain View Ave.
Mountain View, CA 94041
PATRICIA ROMERO
1303 Snow St., Apt. F
Mtn. View, CA 94041
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 08/01/2011. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on September 22, 2011.
(MVV Oct. 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 2011)

997 All Other Legals
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA
Case No.: 111CV098245
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner **MARIA BEATRIZ PEREZ GUZMAN** filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
MARIA BEATRIZ PEREZ GUZMAN to **BEATRIZ PEREZ**.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons

interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING: December 6, 2011, 8:45 a.m., Room 107 of the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, 99 Notre Dame Ave., San Jose, CA 95113.
A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: **MOUNTAIN VIEW VOICE**.
Date: October 3, 2011
/s/ Thomas Wm. Cain
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
(MVV Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2011)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
Date of Filing Application: October 7, 2011
To Whom It May Concern:
The Name(s) of Applicant(s) is/are: **JANES BEER STORE LLC**
The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at:
720 Villa St.
Mountain View, CA 94041-1327
Type of license(s) applied for: 20 - OFF-SALE BEER AND WINE, 42 - ON-SALE BEER AND WINE-PUBLIC PREMISES
(MVV Oct. 14, 21, 28, 2011)

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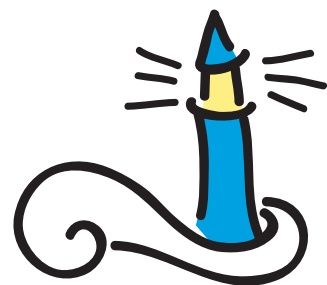
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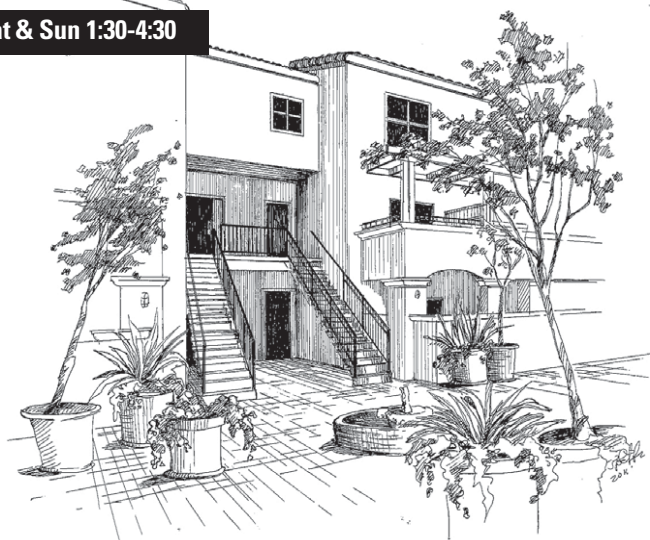
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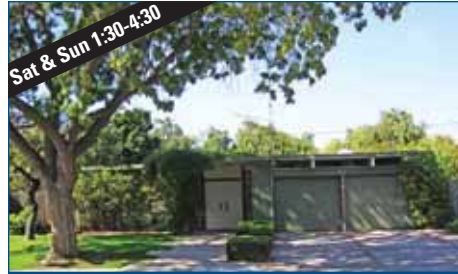
3435 PEPPERIDGE DR \$688,000
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PALO ALTO

255 EDLEE AVENUE \$1,100,000
3BR 1.5 BA Remodeled kitchen with new stainless steel appliances. Excellent Palo Alto Schools.
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815 RICHARDSON COURT \$1,298,000
4 BR 2 BA Lrg living/dining w/ fireplace & separate family rm. Blocks to Palo Verde Elementary schl.
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MOUNTAIN VIEW

2400 ALVIN ST \$599,000
3 BR 2 BA Eichler Style Monta Loma fixer. Large Corner lot. Probate Sale - Call Agent for details.
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MENLO PARK

300 SAND HILL CIRCLE #101 \$995,000
3 BR 2 BA Open Plan. Hardwood floors. Spacious rooms, 2balconies, A/C, pool. Top Las Lomitas Schools.
Christine Hoover Sorensen 650.941.7040



Sun 1:30-4:30

LOS ALTOS

439 RINCONADA CT \$3,250,000
4 BR 3.5 BA Enjoys Mills Act benefits. Classic Farnsworth home in the heart of Los Altos, built in 1895.
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618 HAWTHORNE AV \$1,398,888
3 BR 2 BA Just a stones throw from the Village, this beautiful home sits on a tree-lined lot.
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Sun 1:00-4:00

ALMADEN VALLEY

1103 HOLLY OAK CI \$539,000
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1244 RICHARDSON AVE \$3,395,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
5 BR 4.5 BA Elegant formal rooms off impressive foyer. Great floor plan. 20,000 sq ft lot.
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231 HAWTHORNE AVE \$3,290,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
5 BR 5 BA Beautiful Architecture + Floor Plan Amenities Abound. Gleaming HW Floors, Lovely Granite.
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877 LOS ALTOS AVE \$2,495,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
5 BR 3.5 BA Custom made 6 years old single family home in North Los Altos/ walking to village.
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169 E PORTOLA AVE \$2,088,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
4 BR 3 BA High ceilings, crown molding & hardwood floors. Custom cabinetry, A/C. Los Altos schools.
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756 VISTA GRANDE \$1,820,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
3 BR 1.5 BA 17,500 sq ft level lot. S/W backyard exposure. Rare opportunity to live on great street.
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1905 QUAIL MEADOW RD \$1,750,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
4 BR 3 BA 1/2 acre property close to town. 2200 sq ft. New carpet and paint throughout.
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LOS ALTOS HILLS

27862 VIA CORITA WY \$3,988,000
SUN 1 - 4
6 BR 4.5 BA Beautiful estate w/6000+ interior sqft on an over 1 acre lot. Guest house, pool & gardens!
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11035 EASTBROOK AVENUE \$3,195,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
5 BR 4.5 BA 6000+ square ft beautiful custom home. 1.3 acre oaktree studded lot with expansive lawns.
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SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
5 BR 4.5 BA Spectacular custom-built home with over-the-top amenities and amazing high tech features.
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105 LAUREL AVE \$1,099,500
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
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861 RUNNINGWOOD CIRCLE \$839,000
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959 WAVERLEY ST \$3,595,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
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3366 VERNON TE \$2,288,000
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
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SAT 1:30 - 4:30
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960 S. CALIFORNIA AVE \$1,950,000
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128 GREENMEADOW WY \$699,000
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
2 BR 2 BA One level end unit w/no common walls. Lrg yard is perfect for entertaining. Att 1 car gar.
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455 GRANT AVE #11 \$679,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
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410 SHERIDAN AVE #447 \$499,000
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
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1664 MULBERRY LN \$1,775,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
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1689 SANDYROCK CT \$669,000
SUN 1:30 - 4:30
3 BR 2 BA Come see this desirable Dry Creek Village condo conveniently located just blocks from DT WG.
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SUN 1 - 4
2 BR 2.5 BA 8 years old immaculate Tuscan Hills condo with lots of upgrades!
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2951 GALA COURT \$443,500
SAT/SUN 1:30 - 4:30
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