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The former Shockley lab is now the site of the International Halal Market.

## Development plan threatens 'Birthplace of Silicon Valley'

By Daniel DeBolt

Silicon semiconductor technology was first introduced to Silicon Valley in a building that now houses a grocery store. The building at 391 San Antonio Road may soon be demolished if a developer succeeds in purchasing it. It's said that over 400 computer companies can be traced

back to the Shockley Transistor Company once housed at 391 San Antonio Road, the original meeting place for those who would go on to create the products that give Silicon Valley its name.

Developer Merlone Geier has offered to buy the building and four other nearby properties at the California Street intersec-

tion to expand redevelopment plans for a 200 room hotel and 741,000 square foot office building next door.

"The real significance is not any invention made there," said Richard Riordan, author of "Crystal Fire, the Birth of the Information Age." "It was

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## Police use stun gun in brawl behind Zen Lounge

By Nick Veronin

Police officers used a Taser-type stun gun on a man who allegedly violently resisted arrest during a massive brawl outside the Zen Lounge last Friday, according to a police spokeswoman.

But according to the man who was shocked with the stun gun, and his friend, who says she saw the majority of the incident, Mountain View police used excessive force on a man who was simply trying to go home after a

birthday party.

The fracas erupted shortly after 1:30 a.m. on May 18, and quickly got out of hand, said Liz Wylie, public information officer with the Mountain View Police Department.

According to Wylie, the May 18 incident got so wild that police from three nearby cities were called, even after every officer on duty in Mountain View had already arrived. At the height of the melee, officers estimated that about 200 people were engaged

with or watching multiple fights in the parking lot behind Zen, in the breezeway leading to Castro Street and out in front of the club.

"Dozens upon dozens" of mostly male patrons were yelling and trying to instigate confrontations with police and other patrons, Wylie said. "It was essentially a mob. This was way more than we could handle, so we asked for assistance."

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## Developer seeks OK for high-rise at mall

NEARBY SMALL BUSINESSES  
SAY THEY'RE BEING FORCED OUT

By Daniel DeBolt

New plans for a large hotel and office building at San Antonio shopping center were met with more shock than support in a planning commission meeting last week.

"To realize we're potentially constructing the tallest structures in Mountain View, I was pretty surprised by that," said Environmental Planning Commissioner Chris Clark.

Developer Merlone Geier has proposed a 12-story, 167-foot-tall office building and parking garage as part of phase 2 of its redevelopment of San Antonio shopping center, an area that encompasses Beverages & More, Ross and Jo-Ann fabrics. To put that in perspective, the city's tallest building at 444 Castro St. is 145 feet tall.

The project also includes a 150- to 200-room hotel, 66,000 square feet of ground floor retail facing a park along the Hetch-Hetchy right of way and 2,858 parking spaces in garages that are part of the four proposed buildings. Merlone Geier is already under construction on phase 1 of the project just south of the site, including a new Safeway, three apartment buildings and dozens of new retail spaces.

Residents packed the council chambers and expressed concern about the project's size and design and about several small businesses, including the Milk Pail Market, at the corner of San Antonio Road and California Street on property that Merlone Geier hopes to buy. The busi-

nesses face the possibility of having tall buildings towering in the background.

"I would trade the Milk Pail for this whole development," said resident Stephen Freiberg. "It's much more important to my family and the people that I know."

### Four-star hotel

Merlone Geier's Mike Grehl said the 741,000 square feet of office were necessary to subsidize the construction cost of the hotel, noting the city's longtime desire to have a full-service hotel and how the need for a \$30 million city subsidy killed efforts to put one next to Google's headquarters several years ago. The developer

says several hotel operators are already interested in operating the "high-quality, four-star hotel."

"A building that would be the tallest in Mountain View is, quite frankly, an equivalent gulp moment to a \$30 million subsidy," said commissioner Todd Fernandez.

Commissioner Clark said he'd support heights up to seven stories, but "I think this is just over the top in terms of heights that are acceptable," echoing the sentiments of other commissioners. "This just doesn't seem like Mountain View."

He later added that the proposed uses would be "a good mix."

"If you think about it, office is actually the perfect shared park-

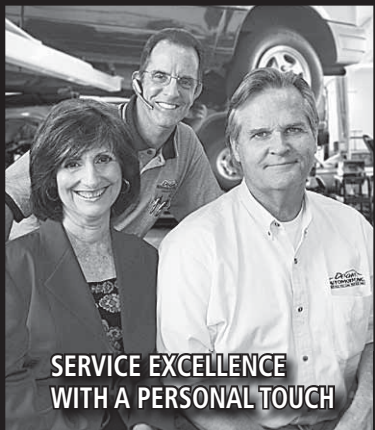
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AROUND TOWN

Asked in downtown Mountain View. Photos and interviews by Nick Veronin and Emily Efland

## Would you ever donate to a political campaign?



*"Yes, I've donated money to political campaigns. I would again if I thought it would make a difference."*

**Seth Knoepler, Santa Cruz**



*"I've never donated to a political campaign, but I certainly would if there's a cause that I believe in. Education is one primary cause for me to donate to a campaign."*

**Arch Pad, San Francisco**



*"Yes, I would and I have. Why? Because I want to put the right person in office, who I believe in and who believes in the things that are important to me."*

**Sasha Dass, Boston**



*"I have only given the three dollars that you can check on your tax return for political contributions, but I even stopped doing that about eight years ago and I no longer contribute even one cent. I think way too much money is spent on campaign elections."*

**Kathrine McEnroe, San Jose**



*"I wouldn't be involved in a political campaign, mainly because I'm not very political to begin with. Politics is something I try to keep myself away from."*

**Joshua Reason, Palo Alto**

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**CRIME BRIEFS**

**BURGLARY**

Prescription drugs and electronics were stolen from inside an apartment in the 800 block of High School Way on May 14, police said.

The two victims—a 43-year-old woman and 48-year-old man—were renting the apartment from Marriott, which uses it for traveling businesspeople, Liz Wylie, a spokeswoman with the Mountain View police, said.

Sometime between when the couple left early that morning to when they returned someone came in took prescription sleeping pills and pain medication, two pairs of designer jeans and an iPad, Wylie said.

“We don’t have a prevailing theory” of how the burglar gained access to the apartment, Wylie said. “All we know is that there was no sign of forced entry, so we think it was someone with a key.”

**GUNS DRAWN AT WALMART**

Two police officers drew their guns on a suspected car thief in the parking lot of the Showers Drive Walmart Tuesday morning, according to one witness and the police department’s spokeswoman.

Mache Creeger, a Ladera man, said he came upon the

scene at about 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, May 22, while on his way to shop at the big box retailer, located at 600 Showers Dr. “I was obviously startled,” Creeger said to the *Voice*.

According to Creeger, two police trained weapons on two men as they sat in an “older, somewhat beat-up car” parked in the Walmart parking lot. The police yelled instructions at the men, eventually taking them into custody without incident.

A slightly different sequence of events was described by Liz Wylie, public information officer for the Mountain View Police Department. She told the *Voice* that only one man was arrested, and that he was out of the car and walking toward Walmart when officers ordered him to stop.

Official details were sparse, as full police report has yet to be written. But Wylie did confirm that officers drew their guns on the unnamed suspect, explaining that police always take extreme caution with individuals suspected of stealing cars. “Historically, a lot of people are armed who steal cars,” Wylie said.

On top of that, she added, car thieves commonly run, and have been known to use stolen vehicles as a weapon against authorities, she said.

**POLICE LOG**

**AUTO BURGLARY**

- 100 block E. El Camino Real, 5/17
- 100 block Castro St., 5/18
- 1500 block N. Shoreline Bl., 5/21
- 1400 block Plymouth St., 5/21
- Armand Dr. and La Avenida, 5/22
- 1400 block Plymouth St., 5/22

- 600 block N., Whisman Rd., 5/21
- 500 block Cypress Point Dr., 5/22

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY**

- 800 block High School Wy., 5/18

**ROBBERY**

- 300 block N Whisman Rd., 5/16

**BATTERY**

- 400 block Tyrella Av., 5/16
- 200 block Castro St., 5/18
- California St. and Del Medio Av., 5/19
- 600 block Showers Dr., 5/22

**STOLEN VEHICLE**

- San Marcos Cl. and San Ramon Av., 5/16
- N. Rengstorff Av., and Rock St., 5/16
- Cypress Point Dr., and Moffett Bl., 5/21
- 100 block Higdon Av., 5/22

**COMMERCIAL BURGLARY**

- 300 block Showers Dr., 5/20
- 300 block Ferguson Dr., 5/21
- 1200 block Villa St., 5/21

**VANDALISM**

- 300 block Ortega Av., 5/16
- W. Evelyn Av., and Franklin St., 5/17
- 100 block Moffett Bl., 5/18
- 500 block Walker Dr., 5/18
- 200 block Escuela Av., 5/18
- 1100 block Castro St., 5/21

**GRAND THEFT**

- 400 block Castro St., 5/16
- 600 Sylvan Av., 5/18
- 3300 block Shady Spring Ln., 5/21

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## SAP executive arrested in LEGO scam

By Sue Dremann

The wealthy vice president of Palo Alto software firm SAP Labs, LLC is facing four felony burglary charges for allegedly pasting fraudulent barcodes on LEGO toys at local Target stores, authorities said.

Thomas Langenbach, 47, allegedly purchased the items at greatly lowered prices scanned from the barcodes, according to a criminal complaint by the Santa Clara County District Attorney's office.

Loss-prevention officers initially detained Langenbach at Target, Inc., 555 Showers Dr., Mountain View, after he purchased a LEGO set that he allegedly labeled with a fraudulent barcode. He told police he works as vice president for SAP.



Thomas Langenbach

Mountain View police arrested him on May 8 at the store at about 3:45 p.m. Langenbach had been "ticket switching" LEGO boxes since April 20 at the Mountain View, Cupertino and Target stores and another Target near his San Carlos home, said Liz Wylie, Mountain View police spokeswoman.

Police found hundreds of unopened LEGO sets — many special edition items — at his gated, multimillion-dollar home, according to court papers. Six of the seven items stolen from the stores were found at Langenbach's home, according to a police report filed with the court.

Investigators also found eight Ziploc bags containing labels with fraudulent barcodes in his 2011 Toyota Sienna van, and shipping boxes in the home. Police say he had an eBay account, through which he has sold 2,100 items since April 17, 2011.

Wylie said Langenbach has sold about \$30,000 in merchandise on the eBay account under the name Tom's Brickyard. At the time of his arrest, 193 items were for sale. Most were LEGO sets, according to court papers.

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## OLD SCHOOL PUNISHMENT

Addison Locke, left, and Ben Peterson, right, free Jacob Moody from the stocks, where he pretended to serve out a punishment at WilliamsBubb Day at Bubb Elementary School on May 18. Each year Bubb students erect an ersatz 18th century town on school grounds. Younger students are given play money and a checklist of places they must visit in town, while the older children play the roles of blacksmith, gunsmith, tavern owner, carpenter and other various jobs that would be common in an American colonial town.

## New Huff principal aims to help English learners

By Nick Veronin

Huff Elementary School has a new principal. Heidi Smith will take over the position for the upcoming school year, officials with the Mountain View Whisman School District said.

Superintendent Craig Goldman broke the news at the MVWSD board meeting, May 17 — one month to the day that the outgoing Sharon A. Burns announced she would be leaving Huff for Encinal Elementary School in Atherton.

Both Goldman and Smith expressed excitement at the announcement, with the superintendent calling Smith a "gem." Smith said she is eagerly anticipating applying her expertise in English language development at Huff, which had 151 English learners out of a total 533 students in 2011.

"I'm very excited to come out

to Silicon Valley," Smith said by phone from New York, where she currently lives and works as a principal of an elementary school. "I'm really excited to meld my experiences from the East Coast with the technology and people in your area."

More than 60 candidates applied to the position, Goldman said.

"They were all excellent candidates, but Ms. Smith clearly stood out as the top choice," Goldman said.

Smith has worked in education for 14 years, with seven years of experience as an elementary school administrator, including five years as an assistant principal and two as principal. She comes to Mountain View from Uniondale, a small suburb of New York City, where she is finishing out her final days as principal of Northern Parkway School. She holds an bachelor's degree from Molloy College, a

master's in writing instruction from Hofstra University and is currently pursuing a doctorate in educational and policy leadership from Hofstra.

The district didn't set out to hire someone from out of state, Goldman said. However, because Smith decided to apply to the position, Huff was able to "catch a gem."

Due to the way public school hiring cycles work (schools must deliver pink slips by March 15 to anyone being laid off in a given year), it is not uncommon for many of the most talented and experienced individuals seeking a teaching or administrative positions to be hired by mid-April, Goldman explained.

Smith is not a part of that cycle. She made the move to be with her fiancé. The two plan to marry soon and settle down in the Bay Area.

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## City funds study of rising tides

By Daniel DeBolt

On Tuesday, City Council members voted to study the rising sea level over northern Mountain View, budgeting \$460,000 for the job.

Members voted 6-1 at the May 22 meeting in favor of the study, with council member Tom Means opposed. City Manager Dan Rich said the study would allow the city to move "expeditiously" in planning a response to major changes in sea level rather than waiting for more regional approaches to provide information.

"Nobody is going to build fortification for the city of Mountain View against the sea," said Mayor Mike Kasperzak. "As far as the study goes, we need to do it, it's that simple."

By 2067 the Bay could rise as much as 26 inches, according to the National Research Council. That would flood parts of Google's North Bayshore campus out to San Antonio Road and East Charleston Road, according to a map created by the Public Works Department. By 2100, the Bay could rise anywhere from 6 to 54 inches, the NRC reports.

Some council members expressed concern that the city would be duplicating regional efforts to deal with the rising level of the Bay, but city staff members said it was unlikely that Mountain View would be studied in detail by the Bay Conservation and Development Commission or the Army Corps of Engineers. Mountain View would be a low priority, said Jacqueline Solomon, deputy public works director.

"I was worried about duplicating efforts made by other bodies," said council member Ronit Bryant. "But from staff's answers I'm convinced we need to get information in a detailed fashion."

The Bay levees protecting the city were built only to protect salt ponds and are not certified by FEMA, although a set of levees along Stevens Creek north of Crittenden Lane have been, according to a city report.

Bryant added that the solution

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## Council OK with Lt. Ballard post office dedication

By Daniel DeBolt

On Tuesday the City Council endorsed the dedication of the Hope Street post office in memory of fallen U.S. Army Lt. Ken Ballard.

Council members voted 5-2 in favor at the May 22 meeting, with council members Tom Means and John Inks abstaining.

"I appreciate the council taking this under consideration tonight," said Ballard's mother Karen Meredith. "Ken did live most of his life in Mountain View and was very proud to be from Mountain View."

Ballard died May 30, 2004 while serving in the An Najaf area of Iraq. The highly decorated Army lieutenant and Mountain View High School graduate was 26.

The council's endorsement of Meredith's request will allow Congresswoman Anna Eshoo

to enlist the sponsorship of California's Congressional delegation, which is required for the bill allowing the post office dedication. A plaque would be installed somewhere on the building.

The post office branch would not be renamed "the Lt. Ken Ballard post office" but "ceremonially and in terms of memory it would be," said Kimberly Thomas, assistant to the city manager. She added that the post office could still be dedicated to other soldiers as has been done in other places.

Council member Tom Means noted two other young Mountain View soldiers also perished fighting in the Middle East. Lakeina M. Francis was killed aboard the U.S.S. Cole in Yemen by a terrorist bomb in 2000. Kyle Wieland died in late 2003 from injuries sustained while fighting

in Afghanistan. Means and other council members said it would be worthwhile to somehow honor them as well, with member Margaret Abe-Koga saying more time should be taken to include them before Eshoo goes through the trouble of passing a bill in Congress. But in the end, council members decided to vote on what was in front of them.

There was one opponent to the dedication who spoke Tuesday.

"We should dedicate the post office to those who died giving their lives to peace and not war," said resident Greg Coladonato.

"I too was against the war, we should never have been there, but we are," said council member Jac Siegel. "This lady's son went there because it was an honorable thing to do and I respect that." ■

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Langenbach will be formally arraigned on four counts of second-degree burglary — entering with intent to commit theft, for the Mountain View and Cupertino thefts. But a fifth charge wasn't filed by the district attorney's office, likely because there wasn't surveillance video of that incident, according to court papers, Wylie said.

Target obtained surveillance footage of Langenbach in the other incidents, according to documents. Langenbach attracted the attention of Target's security after the first case in Cupertino, Wylie said. The popular, expensive toys are targeted for thefts, and the stores keep a close watch on the products, conducting daily inventories, she said.

On April 20, Langenbach allegedly entered the Cupertino store at 20745 Stevens Creek Blvd. and purchased two LEGO kits. He added a barcode sticker for

\$24.99 to a kit valued at \$69.99, and a second sticker for \$49.99 to a kit valued at \$119, Wylie said. That same day he allegedly switched barcodes on two LEGO products at the Mountain View store: one for \$49.99 valued at \$139.99 and another for \$19.99 on a product valued at \$59.99.

He allegedly switched labels on two LEGO products at the store near his home, valued at \$89.99 and \$279.98 on April 26. On May 1, he again went to the Mountain View store, purchasing a set valued at \$59.99 for \$19.99, Wylie said.

By this time, Target's loss-prevention department began circulating a photograph of Langenbach at all of its stores, which was taken from surveillance footage. On May 8, a loss-prevention officer immediately recognized him and observed Langenbach putting barcodes on three items, Wylie said.

Langenbach allegedly went to the customer price scanner and checked the items, then returned two to the shelves. He then purchased one LEGO toy containing the fraudulent barcode, a Razor scooter and dish soap. Security detained him outside the store, according to court papers. He was booked into Santa Clara County Main Jail in San Jose and was later released on \$10,000 bail.

Wylie said Langenbach had many assembled LEGO sets in his home, and "drawers and drawers of LEGO bricks separated out by color."

Langenbach denied that he intended to steal the items, according to court papers. He told police that he had seen a video on YouTube about how to make fake barcodes to get cheaper toys. He said he switched the barcodes out of curiosity, to see if it really worked. He also wanted to see if the customer price scanner and cash-register scanner priced the items the same or cheaper, he said.

But he told police he was not paying attention when he checked out the item on May 8, and that he hadn't checked his receipt to see if the price was cheaper before leaving the store, according to the police report. He denied having switched the barcodes in the other incidents. Police have also linked a credit card he used for his eBay account to one used in one of the April 20 incidents, according to the report.

Supervising Deputy District Attorney Cindy Hendrickson said the investigation is ongoing. Although the thefts for which he is charged only amount to about \$1,000, the sophisticated nature of the crimes and presence of hundreds of boxes of the toys in his home — with a number of assembled and staged for photographing — led the DA's office to file the felony charges, she said. ■



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If you are unable to attend the budget meeting but would like the City Council, Boards and staff to know your views, please send a letter to the City Council, P.O. Box 7540, Mountain View, California 94039, or an e-mail to [city.clerk@mountainview.gov](mailto:city.clerk@mountainview.gov) on or before Friday, June 1, 2012.

Copies of the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Proposed Budget, supporting documentation for proposed water, wastewater and solid waste refuse and recycling rates and various City fees will be available for review by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, June 1, 2012 at City Hall in the City Clerk's Office, 500 Castro Street, 3rd Floor, Mountain View, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., and during public hours at the Mountain View Public Library, 585 Franklin St, Mountain View. The budget document and related reports will be available on Friday, June 1, 2012 on the City's website at <http://laserfiche.mountainview.gov/WebLink/Browse.aspx?startid=35382&&dbid=0>.

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## STUN GUN

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The mutual aid request brought in seven officers came from Sunnyvale, four from Palo Alto and two from Los Altos.

### 'Instigator' targeted

When there were only a handful of officers on the scene, Wylie said police targeted a man they believed played a key role in instigating the alcohol-fueled donnybrook and attempted to place him under arrest — with the hope that taking him out of the equation might help quell the brouhaha. "If you can find the leader, so to speak, and take them away from the scene, then the whole crowd tends to calm down."

According to the witness, who did not want to give her name, she had left the bar after celebrating her birthday when officers grabbed her friend, Leshawn James.

Wylie said that the man the police were attempting to arrest put up a violent fight — throwing his elbows and attempting to head-butt the officers. And although the sight of officers making an arrest may have prompted some to leave, Wylie continued, those who did not flee became increasingly hostile toward the police.

James told the *Voice* he may have struggled to get out of the officers' arms, but only because he felt they had no reason to grab him in the first place. At no time did officers tell him to stop or that he was under arrest before they grabbed him, he said.

"I don't see how I could elbow him when there was one officer holding one arm and there was another officer holding another arm," James said. "I did not try to head-butt them."

James acknowledges that shouted obscenities at the police, but said he did not instigate any fights. "That's my free speech," he said, adding that all he did was tell the police they had no reason to arrest him. The next thing he can remember, James said, he was being grabbed from behind and slammed into a car.

"There was no reason for there to be five cops on him," said his friend who witnessed the incident. "He wasn't jerking his arms around, throwing any punches or anything like that. Leshawn was not fighting back in any kind of way." Once the officers managed to get James down, she said, one "cop Tasered him a good five times on the back and then moved the taser to the back of his neck."

### Differing accounts

According to Wylie, the man elbowed one of the officers in the head, causing an injury with concussion-like symptoms. The struggle went to the ground and one of the officers deployed his stun gun. The initial shot was not effective, and James continued to struggle, so the officer tried twice more. After the third charge the man finally relented, and officers were able to get him into cuffs.

James said he isn't sure whether the first shot was effective or not, nor could he remember much of the subsequent jolts. All he said he remembers was trying to scream for them to stop.

Even with the man policed believed to be the main instigator in cuffs, Wylie said, the incident was far from over. While the police were attempting to sub-

due the man, a crowd of "about 100 people remained at the scene and formed a flash mob around the three officers and the sergeant."

### Struggle for stun gun

Another man emerged from the crowd, and, according to the report, tried to snatch the stun gun out of the sergeant's hand. After a brief, unsuccessful struggle, the man fled on foot. Wylie said the sergeant was familiar with the man, and had seen him numerous times at Zen.

The officer later tracked down Ethan Mosley, a 22-year-old Mountain View man, arresting him on charges of attempting to disarm a police officer on May 19 at about 8:50 p.m., near the man's home in the 4600 block of North Shoreline Boulevard.

At the scene, police arrested James, a 22-year-old Sunnyvale resident, on charges of battery on an officer causing injury, resisting arrest and being drunk in public.

A 23-year-old Fremont resident, Delroy Parson was arrested on charges of interfering with an investigation.

Mosley's mother, Wendy Uher, told the *Voice* that her son had not tried to take the officer's weapon. Rather, she explained, the crowd pushed her son forward and he came in contact with the sergeant before being pushed back.

Wylie said that any time force is used by an officer in the department, there is a full investigation to ensure that nothing improper occurred. ▀

*'It was essentially a mob.'*

POLICE SPOKESWOMAN  
LIZ WYLIE

## SEA LEVELS

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to the problem would likely be a regional one.

"I don't think the solutions will be Mountain View protecting Mountain View — we'll build a little wall around Mountain View and we'll be protected," Bryant said.

The rising sea may require more than just building better levees along the Bay.

"When the Bay rises it comes up the creeks and floods over the creeks significantly," said council member Jac Siegel, referring to

Permanente and Stevens Creek.

The study is one of three that council members have approved to figure out how much money the city can redirect to local schools from the Shoreline Fund, a special tax district which funds infrastructure projects and maintenance north of Highway 101. The others will examine the ongoing costs of transportation needs and landfill maintenance north of Highway 101.

An outside consultant will be recruited to conduct the study and would be paid as much as \$300,000. Another \$65,000 goes to an outside

manager for the project, \$50,000 is for contingency fees and the rest goes towards city management and administration of the project. ▀

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■ COMMUNITY BRIEFS

**NASA LAUNCHES UPDATED APP**

A free updated version of NASA's application for iPhone and iPod touch, dubbed NASA App 2.0, was released on Monday.

Researchers at NASA's Ames Research Center, located near Mountain View in Moffett Field, California, constructed the app's new features.

The redesigned app, available only with iOS 5.0 or later, updates users on current NASA programs and contains a friendlier, easier-to-read interface. These updates include locations and other information about NASA visitor centers, as well as weather forecasts for the days and times that spacecraft will be visible from specific locations. Users can now also print and save selected information and images from these sections.

The revisions constitute the first considerable changes implemented since the app surfaced in 2009, said project manager Jerry Colen. According to NASA, the updated app has been downloaded by approximately 4.7 million users since its release.

Previous versions of NASA apps were downloaded 8.8 million times, and include information on the company's missions and space launches, as well as live streaming and on-demand videos of NASA television.

**STUDENTS EXPLORE HERITAGE THROUGH ART**

A fifth-grade class from Theuerkauf Elementary School has teamed up with fourth- and fifth-graders from Sunnyvale and San Jose on an art project that explores themes of multicultural

understanding and pushes the children to expand their worldview.

Led by Pantea Karimi — an Iranian-born art teacher with the California School of Music — the project is essentially a collection of maps of neighborhoods throughout the South Bay. But instead of denoting streets, parks and streams, the maps are a patchwork of various symbols — all of which stand for the wide range of ethnicities and cultures the children represent. It is called My Homeland: Students Collaborative Art Project, and it is on display at the CSMA's Sobrato Gallery.

The exhibit will continue at the CSMA through May 29. It is free and open to the public from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday; Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

# Startups head up into the cloud

By Angela Hey

Dealmaker Media chose "The Consumerization of Information Technology (IT)" as the theme for its recent Under The Radar Conference, held at Microsoft's Mountain View campus. Enterprises are migrating to the technologies used by consumers — easy-to-use web-based applications that run "in the cloud" and easy-to-use devices like tablets, smartphones and netbooks.

Cloud computing helps IT managers reduce costs and outsource some system administration tasks. According to MeriTalk, a networking site for government IT, the US government has saved \$5.5 billion, or 7 percent of its \$78.9 billion IT budget by using cloud computing.

MeriTalk also found that the biggest barrier to cloud computing implementation was security. More than four million businesses are using Google Apps, a cloud-based suite of products for email, calendars, documents, presentations, spreadsheets and more. Cloud-based data analysis is hot, as shown by the recent public offering of San Francisco-based Splunk with a \$3 billion valuation.

Under The Radar featured cloud-computing. Startup companies pitched their ideas in six minutes to critics from the analyst, media and venture communities who followed up with questions. The judges and audience voted on companies most likely to succeed.

The judges voted Cloudability from Portland, Ore., as the best company overall. It helps companies add up and report on all their cloud costs.

The audience chose Piston Cloud, from San Francisco, as the best company. It enables companies to build their own private clouds based on open-source OpenStack software. Open Stack is an initiative of Rackspace and NASA that is now supported by over 150 companies and thousands of developers. It enables companies to support massive clouds that run across multiple machines.

Out of the 32 companies presenting, two come from Mountain View, Sumo Logic and ionGrid. Both judges and the audience voted Sumo Logic the winner in the Performance Monitoring category. Sumo Logic alerts IT staff to computer

system problems by analyzing log files. If you have a Windows computer with Administrative Tools enabled you can use the Event Viewer to see your log messages. Some may provide unimportant information, others may show serious system problems like a failing disk drive or a hacker attack.

According to Sumo Logic's acting CEO and co-founder, Kumar Saurabh, very small customers can easily generate half a terabyte of log data a day.



That's enough to store 15 million HeyTech columns. Reading terabytes of log files manually is impossible, so Sumo Logic's cloud-based service analyzes logs and selects the most urgent

messages for system administrators, who can then remedy bad situations quickly. It transforms huge data files into actionable charts. Sumo Logic's software can weed out duplicate notifications, count the number of times a log message appears and use intelligence to highlight persistent problems. Sumo Logic is hiring and investors include Greylock and Sutter Hill.

Apple sold almost 12 million iPads in the first quarter of 2012. ionGrid enables iPad users to view corporate files securely. CEO Nick Triantos, who started his career at Apple, founded ionGrid to provide a simple, secure way for mobile users to access business systems.

ionGrid's Nexus software encrypts the connection between iPads and office computers. Individuals can download a free copy of Nexus Connect to access Microsoft Office and PDF documents on a Windows computer from an iPad. ionGrid is an early stage venture currently looking for investors.

If you missed Under The Radar, a similar event, Launch: Silicon Valley, will be held at Microsoft's Mountain View campus on Tuesday, June 5. It covers clean tech and life sciences, as well as mobile and cloud computing. Information is at [launchsiliconvalley.org](http://launchsiliconvalley.org). Angela Hey can be contacted at [amhey@techviser.com](mailto:amhey@techviser.com) and followed on Twitter at [amhey](http://amhey).

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## SILICON VALLEY

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the place where the original superstars of Silicon Valley came together and learned silicon conductor technology from Bill Shockley, who brought it there from Bell Labs.”

Those superstars included young Gordon Moore and Robert Noyce, who went on to found Intel, and Eugene Kleiner, founder of famed venture capital firm Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers. Five others joined them in the “traitorous eight” who left Shockley’s lab in 1957 to form Fairchild Semiconductor, which transformed the Valley, Riordan said.

### Semiconductor’s birthplace

“Mountain View is without any doubt the birthplace of the modern semiconductor industry,” says Hans Queisser, one of two former Shockley employees there who wrote to the city in 1998 asking that the building at 391 San Antonio Road be honored as Silicon Valley’s birthplace. A ceremony was held and a sign placed on the sidewalk recognizing the site as that of “the first silicon device research and manufacturing company in Silicon Valley.”

William Shockley set up a lab at 391 San Antonio Road shortly after he shared a Nobel prize for the invention of the transistor in 1956 with two other Bell Labs engineers in New Jersey. Shockley’s reputation allowed him to recruit the country’s top engineers. But Shockley’s lack of insight into interpersonal dynamics was almost as noteworthy and caused a historic event.

Just before Sputnik launched, in September 1957, eight of Shockley’s employees, known as the “traitorous eight,” left to create Fairchild Semiconductor in Palo Alto after several disputes with Shockley, including one over his preference for germanium over silicon for making transistors. They had considered leaving individually for other jobs but were urged to form their own company by a Wall Street investor named Arthur Rock. Such a move was “radical behavior” at the time, Riordan said, as most engineers were quite loyal to their roles as employees and would stay with one employer for decades.

Shockley himself is said to have called the transistor the



**The “traitorous eight”** who left Shockley Transistor Co. and started Fairchild Semiconductor.

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“nerve cell” of the information age, making possible modern electronic devices and eventually integrated circuits with miniscule transistors printed on on silicon computer chips.

Within just two years, Shockley’s former employees at Fairchild created silicon transistors for telephone companies, a goal Shockley had had. Semiconductor technology grew by leaps and bounds with Fairchild, spawning numerous other companies and filling niche after niche in a growing electronics and computer industry. By 1983 over 100 semiconductor and electronics companies could be traced back to Shockley’s lab at 391 San Antonio Road, Queisser writes, citing a Silicon Valley genealogy map created by the Semiconductor and Equipment Materials International.

### ‘Moses of Silicon Valley’

While some of his employees became billionaires, like Noyce and Moore who formed Intel, Shockley himself never became a millionaire, Riordan said.

As others have said, “Shockley was the ‘Moses of Silicon Valley,’” Riordan said. “He brought everybody to the promised land but because he was such a lousy manager he never got to enter it like he wanted to.”

In 1998 the city was asked to have the building designated a state historic landmark by Queisser and fellow former Shockley employee Jacques Beaudouin. In a letter to the city, they say “the birth of Silicon Valley ... took place in a small barn-like building on 391 South San Antonio Road.” Other descriptions of the building call it a “Quonset hut” indicating it was likely modified at some point.

Beaudoin and Queisser say they faced disbelief from some city officials who thought the birthplace of Silicon Valley was the 1939 garage of Bill Hewlett and Dave Packard, an idea they say is “historically untenable.” They say Riordan’s book backs this up.

“I think Shockley’s lab is one of the birthplaces of Silicon Valley,” Riordan said. “Another one is Hewlett and Packard’s garage, but there wasn’t any silicon involved.”

Riordan said the area was “fertile soil” for Shockley’s ideas, thanks to Stanford’s electrical engineering professor Frederick Terman, who originally pushed for the creation of the Stanford Industrial Park in the 1930s and is often credited as being “the father of Silicon Valley.”

“Shockley was the one who brought silicon to Silicon Valley,” Riordan said.

### Now a market

The building now houses the International Halal Market. The owners say they do not want to sell, but have seen a drop in business because of nearby construction and a fence that was put up behind their building by developer Merlone Geier.

Neither the site nor the building were officially designated as historic, although city records indicate that City Council members voted on Oct. 27, 1998 to have the site designated as a state historic landmark. The city manager’s office recommended against designating the building as historic because it would have subjected any modifications to the building to lengthy and costly environmental reviews. ■

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## HIGH-RISE

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ing scenario for retail,” he said.

Two of the project’s three office buildings are nine stories tall, including a three-story parking garage, while the hotel on California Street is six stories. Garages face portions of San Antonio Road and California Street and some of the internal streets. While screened by trees, commissioners and residents said the garages created a wall and a lost opportunity to create a pedestrian-friendly frontage, particularly along California Street.

Downtown resident Julie Lovins called the proposal “mind-blowingly intensive” and instead recommended one-story retail buildings facing California Street that could be used by the surrounding neighborhood and those living in phase 1s apartment buildings.

Architect Gilman touted the pedestrian- and transit-oriented nature of the project, with Caltrain and major bus lines within a quarter-mile, a promenade running north-south through the center of the the entire project and a park along the Hetch-Hetchy right of way that is the size of two football fields laid end to end. Grehl said the retailers on the project would likely be “high-end but not luxury. We’re not targeting the Guccis and Louis Vuittons.”

### Community benefits?

When asked by commissioner Kathy Trontell what the community benefits are for the project, Gilman said, “The four-star hotel, the idea that we are creating what we see as a very pedestrian-oriented environment, a sense of place and high-quality restaurants. We are dedicating over 25 percent of overall site to usable open landscape.”

“To me those are not sufficient to justify the heights and intensity proposed,” Trontell said later, though she really liked the “flow” created by the promenade bisecting the project.

The proposal is “an opportunity to ask for something of significant community benefit,” said resident Robert Cox, saying the project needed to include ownership housing because the 400-plus unit May-

field housing project was killed in favor of offices. Others noted the city’s “jobs-housing imbalance,” or lack of housing development amidst massive job growth.

While its common in Mountain View to see Google lease every available large office building, Grehl said “I don’t think this becomes a campus where one tenant takes over all three buildings. There are different floor plans for tech tenants, law firms and other businesses.” He said that was key to attracting a hotel operator because the concern for the Google hotel site was that Google could command hotel rates by being the main customer.

### ‘Forced out of business’

The developer did not address how the project would accommodate access to the six small businesses at the corner of California Avenue and San Antonio Road.

“We’re going to be forced out of business,” said Paul Brunmeier, owner of Barron Park Plumbing Supply. His landlord is in contract to sell the building if the project is approved, but “he was kind of bullied, I think,” Brunmeier said.

Sara Stoll, co-owner of the International Halal Market at 391 San Antonio Road, spoke in defense of her business, which had its parking lot exit into the shopping center blocked for several days by a fence installed by Merlone Geier to “protect our property rights,” as spokesman Greg Geertsen put it last week.

“They need to consider the other businesses,” Stoll said. “Since they built that fence I lost three days’ business. Our customers cannot park. Customers can come in but there is no way they can turn around and leave. We put our last penny into those buildings. With these conditions, we cannot make a living.”

“The developer will buy out that little corner,” Brunmeier said. “It’s going to be ugly. A lot of people are going to lose their jobs and businesses. And you’ll get a hotel. Is it worth it? I don’t know.” ■

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## HUFF PRINCIPAL

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“We were thrilled to death” to get Smith, Goldman said. “She is highly knowledgeable about all aspects of instructional leadership.” All of Smith’s colleagues from the East Coast that Gold-

man spoke with vouched for her. “She clearly had made her mark.”

Smith said she is looking forward to helping Huff’s population of English learners. English language development is one of her areas of expertise, and she has been officially recognized as

a leader in the field by the New York State Education Commission.

Goldman said some might be concerned that Smith would want to return to New York within a few years. However, every indication he got from her seemed to point to her planning

to stay in the Bay Area.

Smith said she has been won over by the moderate climate and what she referred to as the “friendly, receptive and warm ... California way.”

“I’m really excited just to be able to introduce myself to the children, community and par-

ents of Huff,” she said. “I’m very excited to be a part of the Huff community, and I’m excited to make California my home.”

Parents, school staff and the community at large is invited to meet Smith at a welcome gathering, which will be held June 4 at 8 a.m. at Huff. ■

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## ■ EDITORIAL THE OPINION OF THE VOICE

# Hill, Gordon, Simitian are best choices in local races

With veteran legislators running for seats in the state Senate, state Assembly and county Supervisor, voters will have an easy task when they go to the polls June 5. Four legislators stand out in a field that includes many first-time office-seekers in the debut of the state's new "open primary" rules approved last year.

The new system allows voters to select any candidate, regardless of party, for state and congressional offices. The top two vote-getters advance to the general election in November. It does not apply to presidential or county central committee elections, or to nonpartisan local elections, such as for the Board of Supervisors. However, in the supervisors' race, if no candidate receives more than half the votes, the top two finishers will advance to a run-off in November.

In this primary, we have decided to endorse one candidate in the state Senate and state Assembly races, although the top two vote-getters will face a run-off in November. We and the voters will have a fresh chance to evaluate the two finalists in the fall.

The most hotly contested race is between Assemblyman Jerry Hill and Sally Lieber, a former Assembly member and Mountain View mayor, to replace state Sen. Joe Simitian, who is termed out. (Simitian is running for the District 5 Supervisor seat now held by Liz Kniss, who is also termed out. See below.) Also on the ballot are Democrat Chris Chiang, who has taught at Mountain View High School and is using the race to tout his education reform ideas, and Libertarian John Webster, who says he is fighting the "darker side of democracy." Chiang and Webster are each spending about \$1,000 on the race, so are not running serious campaigns.

Hill is taking on Lieber, who got her start on the Mountain View City Council, where she served as mayor and went on to serve three terms in the state Assembly. She and Hill are Democrats and have similar positions on many issues. And while we like and respect Lieber, in this race, our choice is Hill. He is committed to state pension reform and holding back on approving high-speed rail unless certain stipulations are met, including a guarantee of a

two-track system on the Peninsula. He also says if individual rail segments are built he wants to make sure each would remain viable if financing for the entire project falls through. Hill promises that his first bill as a state Senator would be to provide sustainable funding for Caltrain that would enable San Francisco, San Mateo and Santa Clara counties to put a tax measure on the ballot to support the railroad.

Certainly Lieber, who describes herself as a maverick, would bring significant experience to the District 13 seat, but we believe Hill is a more focused candidate who can speak with experience about environmental issues and big projects like high-speed rail. We recommend Jerry Hill for the District 13 state Senate Seat.

### Rich Gordon for Assembly

Although he faces three challengers, Rich Gordon is far and away the most qualified candidate in the race for state Assembly in the 24th District. After serving 13 years as a San Mateo County Supervisor, he was elected to the Assembly in 2010. In his first term, Gordon has seen 15 of the 19 bills he sponsored signed into law, an enviable record for any legislator, regardless of experience.

Among his top priorities this session are ending partisan gridlock, investing more in education and solving the perennial state budget crisis. He said he supports the Governor's pension reform bill that should come before the Legislature in August.

Gordon's opponents are three first-time candidates, Republican Chengzhi "George" Yang, Joseph Antonelli Rosas Jr., who has no party affiliation and Democrat Geby E. Espinosa. Each challenger is focused on just a few issues. Yang is worried about how the shortfall in state revenue will impact the university system and he sees a lot of potential in bringing Chinese tourists to California. Rosas said he is a victim of foreclosure and that if elected, will work on a homeowners' bill of rights. Espinosa said she believes the state can create jobs by legalizing hemp to manufacture textiles. She also favors closing the borders to keep out illegal immigrants.

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## ■ LETTERS VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

### MALL PATHWAYS HAVE DISAPPEARED

It was enlightening to read on page 1 of the Voice last week about the surreptitious manner in which the developer of part of the San Antonio Shopping Center, Merlone-Geier, is attempting to force long-time small businesses occupying other parts of the center to sell their properties. This involves fencing in these businesses.

Even more egregious, in my opinion, is the fact that Merlone-Geier has fenced off the sidewalk along San Antonio Road, making it difficult for pedestrians to reach these businesses as well as Trader Joe's and Walmart.

I cannot comprehend how the Planning Commission is permitting Merlone-Geier to place their building edges so close to a major thoroughfare.

Prior to the onset of this development, several pedestrian, bicycle, and automobile pathways enabled mall visitors to get to Trader Joe's, WalMart, and the small businesses. These have disappeared. From the plans that I have seen, these will not be manifested in any meaningful way once the project is completed.

Zelek Herman  
Del Medio Avenue

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We applaud the three challengers for getting involved in this race, but Rich Gordon is our choice and we expect him to continue the good work he has started in the state Assembly.

## Return Joe Simitian to the Board of Supervisors

Longtime Palo Alto resident Joe Simitian is termed out of the state Senate and has set his sights on returning to his old seat on the Board of Supervisors. Simitian has served in virtually every branch of government in Palo Alto, including the school board, City Council, county supervisor, state Assembly and state Senate. His logical next step to the District 18 House seat is blocked by longtime Congresswoman Anna Eshoo, who is actively campaigning for another term.

In the meantime, Simitian has laid out a course of work he will undertake if he wins the fifth-district seat currently held by Liz Kniss. High on Simitian's list is helping to guide the county through whatever version of President Obama's health care reform legislation ultimately is approved by the Supreme Court. He also sees work ahead as the county takes on more responsibility for housing adult and juvenile offenders.

Simitian faces a challenge from Barry Chang, a Cupertino City Council member, and two-time Cupertino Mayor Kris Huyilan Wang, who did not respond to our request for an interview.

During his council term, Chang has focused on forcing the Lehigh Permanente quarry and cement plant just outside the city's borders to reduce its emission of mercury, and he has chastised the county for not doing enough to reduce the emissions.

Wang was elected to the Cupertino City Council in 2003 and reelected in 2007. She has served on several county commissions, including Parks and Recreation, Recycling and Waste & Reduction and Environmental Quality and Policy, and represented the city in the League of California Cities.

In this race, Joe Simitian is clearly the best and most experienced candidate and we endorse him for the District 5 seat on the Board of Supervisors.

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### WHERE ARE LOCAL BANKS INVESTING?

The recent revelation that J.P. Morgan Chase lost \$2 billion and maybe as much as \$3 billion in hedging trades seems far away. But it suggests we take a close look at our own Mountain View banks where our city places its operational and perhaps pension funds.

There are several issues. Are the banks safe? Are they taking a helping stance towards foreclosures and mortgage modifications within our city? Are they reinvesting in our community as required by the Federal Community Reinvestment Act? Or are resources being transferred elsewhere?

Within walking distance of our City Hall are three banks that received large bailouts and even larger interest free loans during the financial crisis.

The Community Reinvestment Act requires regulated financial institutions to help meet the credit needs of the local communities in which they are

chartered.

Nationally, cities are passing 'responsible banking ordinances' to assess their banks community reinvestment activities and to encourage banks that wish to do business with the cities to be more accountable to local concerns including foreclosures and mortgage modifications. These cities include Los Angeles, New York, Boston, Seattle, Portland, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Oakland, Austin and Kansas City.

It would be reasonable to inquire of our city council and city manager where our property and sales and other tax dollars are invested. And inquire also if they are aware if those banks are serving citizens of Mountain View well.

And we should ask our banks about their foreclosure and mortgage modification policies for our city's residents. And it would be informative to know if they are conforming to the Community Reinvestment Act and reinvesting local deposits locally.

**Michael Fischetti M.D.**  
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Rashmi Rustagi sets a table with chai tea and sweets on the patio of her Mountain View home.

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■ FOOD FEATURE

## Local cook curries favor with blog

RASHMI RUSTAGI FINDS SHORTCUTS TO MAKE TRADITIONAL INDIAN FARE EASIER FOR HOME COOKS

By Eric Van Susteren

When Rashmi Rustagi cooked for the Diwali, the Indian festival of lights, it took nearly six weeks of full-time kitchen work to prepare 56 dishes — pickles, curries, dahls and sweets.

“I invited everyone,” she said. “The whole idea of Diwali is to bring everyone into your kitchen.”

Rustagi, understandably exhausted by the event, hasn’t cooked for Diwali recently but the Mountain View resident still invites the public into her kitchen to learn cooking traditional Indian fare using her blog, [www.rashmisrecipes.com](http://www.rashmisrecipes.com).

She said she originally started the blog to share with her grown children the traditional recipes they had loved growing up. “Some of these foods aren’t available at Indian restau-

rants,” she said. “They’re the homey dishes that are lost if your mother doesn’t cook it for you.”

But Rustagi said her kids don’t have the patience to cook dishes like jagrey-coated sev, sugar-covered noodles made from chickpea flour, or sweet gujhia dumplings, which she painstakingly closes and decorates by pressing the dough with her fingernail.

She said she adapted the recipes on her blog to respond to the issues of complexity and kitchen time. They aren’t that different from the dishes she learned growing up in her mother’s kitchen in Lucknow, India. She tries to find ways to cut corners and shorten time in the kitchen by using slightly different ingredients or newer technology, like pressure cookers and hand blenders, that weren’t available in Lucknow.

Rustagi said adaptation has

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**Above:** Brownies made with Kahlua and cayenne pepper and mixed-nut burfi. **Top of page:** Rashmi Rustagi's array of desserts includes moong laddu and whole wheat laddu, spinach mathri, cream of wheat Halwa, nut brittle with rose petals, brownies and mixed-nut burfi.

been a key ingredient to her success as a cook. After she married and moved to the United States, she had to get creative with ingredients, many of which were difficult to find in Birmingham, Ala. She grew hard-to-find herbs in her garden or substituted ingredients, such as

using ricotta cheese instead of khoa.

The ingredient drought eased when she moved to Palo Alto 15 years ago but she still tries uses mostly local produce and has found other reasons to update her recipes. Both she and her son are lactose intolerant, so Rustagi found a way

to make paneer cheese using Lactaid lactose-reduced milk.

Even with Rustagi's simplified recipes, Indian dishes aren't the easiest to make. Rustagi's recipe for butter chicken, murg makhani, calls for 28 different ingredients. To help show the technique for making some of the more difficult dishes, Rustagi began to include video tutorials.

Including video was a natural transition for Rustagi, who likes being in front of the camera. She said she's been on stage or on radio programs since she was 9 years old. Most recently, she appeared in a minor role in the superhero blockbuster "The Avengers," and has also appeared in theater, television and film roles, including numerous Bollywood pictures, she said.

The ultimate goal would be to have her own cooking show, an idea both she and her pro-

ducer are excited about.

Rustagi tries to include mostly vegetarian dishes in her blog, but she's found that dishes with meat in them like chicken biryani get more web traffic than vegetarian dishes like palak paneer. Her favorite — and she thinks most underrated — is dahl, a thick stew made from beans or lentils.

"There's a whole world of legumes to be used in cooking, even to make desserts," she said. "I want people to open up to cooking them a lot more for their health benefits."

Although she enjoys keeping her blog up to date, writing down recipes isn't as much fun as cooking, she said.

"You have to pay attention to time and portions rather than when you're just free-cooking," she said. "It gives me a lot of pleasure to get into the zone and do something I love." ■

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## MOVIE REVIEWS

### BERNIE ★★★

(Guild) From the "News of the Weird" file comes the new comedy "Bernie," a Texan tale of murder that opens with the promise "What You're Fixin' to See Is a True Story." The unlikely leading man is Bernie Tiede (Jack Black), a roly-poly funeral director who explains his craft in the film's opening scene. "You cannot have grief tragically become a comedy," he warns of corpse cosmetology, but it's a winking reference to the

line "Bernie" cheerily crosses. For Bernie will soon enough murder octogenarian Marjorie Nugent (a drily amusing Shirley MaLaîne), and the laughs don't die with her. While it would be easy to brand "Bernie" mean-spirited and tasteless, the filmmakers stick closely to the facts, keeping the bizarre story all the more compelling. And it is funny, in the manner of the fictionalized "To Die For" and the fictional "Fargo." Black carefully calibrates his performance to be all kinds of enjoyable, which is

precisely the unsettling point of the film: How can we like a murderer so darn much? And what do we do with the terrible irony that, apparently, not a living soul missed Marjorie Nugent when she was gone, with the possible exception of the fella who killed her? *Rated PG-13 for some violent images and brief strong language. One hour, 44 minutes.* — P.C.

### THE DICTATOR ★★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) Sacha Baron Cohen's "The Dictator" is literally a take-no-prisoners comedy. Get on the bad side of Cohen's latest character, Admiral General Haffaz Aladeen, and out of your view he'll make a throat-slitting gesture indicating he wants you offed. That running gag is one of the mildest in Cohen's willfully outrageous film. Though "The Dictator" abandons the mock-documentary style of past films, the filmmakers strike pretty much the same comedic notes, to generally diminished returns. The racist Aladeen allows Cohen to make another round of blistering satirical gags about still-thriving anti-Semitism and sexism, but tons Cohen has already pushed repeatedly. This time, he also baits African-American outrage with an over-the-top sequence involving a black corpse and an absurd appropriation of "I Have a Dream." It comes dangerously close to a bad Adam Sandler comedy. Still, "The Dictator" has several memorable moments, including a 9/11 run satirizing lingering "War on Terror" fears, and an absurd skit on a zip-line. "The Dictator" saves up its real nuclear-level threat for a climactic monologue, in which Aladeen indirectly demonstrates America's lack of personal freedom. On its own, this daring breach of the multiplex is almost enough to excuse the misfired gags that come before. *Rated R for strong crude and sexual content, brief male nudity, language and some violent images. One hour, 23 minutes.* — P.C.

### DARK SHADOWS★★★

(Century 16, Century 20) The tried-and-true tandem of director Tim Burton and actor Johnny Depp is often a tantalizing proposition, but "Dark Shadows" lands in the "underwhelming" category. "Shadows" isn't an abomination, but it falls well short of the high expectations viewers anticipate from two of the industry's top talents. The film, based on a popular TV show from the late 1960s, plays as something of a comedy-horror hybrid. But it lacks the real humor of a good comedy and chills of an effective horror. In trying to walk the tightrope between two genres, "Shadows" tumbles somewhere into the murky middle, where ho-hum movies go to die. It seems like the gothic version of "Austin Powers." The central character awakens to a modern time he can't quite understand and hilarity ensues (or, in this case, doesn't ensue). Said character is out-of-sorts in a world that has moved on without him, yet he is pivotal to quashing a megalomaniac's plot. Rehashing old jokes is no way to win over an audience. *Rated PG-13 for language, comic horror violence, sexual content, smoking and drug use. One hour, 53 minutes.* — T.H.

## MOVIE CRITICS

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

## MOVIE TIMES

- Battleship (PG-13) Century 16:** 11 a.m.; noon, 1, 3, 4, 5:10, 6:20, 7:30, 9:30 & 10:30 p.m.; Fri.-Mon. also at 10 a.m. **Century 20:** 11 a.m.; noon, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10 p.m.
- Bernie (PG-13) ★★★ Guild Theatre:** 4:15, 7 & 9:45 p.m.; Fri.-Mon. also at 1:45 p.m.
- The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG-13) ★★★1/2 Century 20:** 10:30 a.m.; 1:20, 4:15, 7:10 & 10:05 p.m. **Palo Alto Square:** 1:15, 2:30, 4:15, 5:30 & 7:15 p.m.; Fri.-Sun. also at 8:30 p.m.; Fri. & Sat. also at 10:15 p.m.
- The Big Sleep (1946) Stanford Theatre:** Fri.-Sun. at 7:30 p.m.; Sun. also at 3:35 p.m.
- Chernobyl Diaries (R) Century 16:** Fri.-Mon. at 10 a.m.; 12:20, 2:40, 5, 7:50 & 10:25 p.m.; Tue.-Thu. at 11:10 a.m.; 1:50, 4:05, 7 & 9:50 p.m. **Century 20:** 10:45 a.m.; 1, 3:15, 5:30, 7:50 & 10:10 p.m.
- Chimpanzee (G) ★★★1/2 Century 20:** 11:40 a.m.
- Corvette K-225 (1943) Stanford Theatre:** Wed. & Thu. at 5:40 & 9:40 p.m.
- The Criminal Code (1931) Stanford Theatre:** Fri.-Sun. at 5:40 & 9:35 p.m.
- Dark Shadows (PG-13)★★ Century 16:** 3:40, 7:20 & 10:20 p.m.; Fri.-Mon. also at 10 a.m. & 12:40 p.m.; Tue.-Thu. also at 12:20 p.m. **Century 20:** 11:15 a.m.; 2, 4:45, 7:30 & 10:15 p.m.
- The Dictator (R) ★★★1/2 Century 16:** 11 a.m.; 1:10, 2:20, 3:20, 4:30, 5:30, 7, 8 & 9:40 p.m.; Fri.-Mon. also at 10 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.; Fri.-Sun. also at 10:40 p.m.; Mon.-Thu. also at 10:30 p.m.; Tue.-Thu. also at 11:50 a.m. **Century 20:** 11:10 a.m.; 12:15, 1:20, 2:25, 3:30, 4:35, 5:40, 7, 8, 9:15 & 10:25 p.m.
- First Position Aquarius Theatre:** 4:15 p.m.; Fri.-Wed. also at 7 & 9:30 p.m.; Fri.-Mon. also at 1:45 p.m.
- Girl in Progress (PG-13) Century 20:** 10:35 a.m.; 3:25 & 8:35 p.m.
- Headhunters (R) Century 16:** Fri.-Mon. at 10 a.m.; 4:10 & 10:15 p.m.; Tue.-Thu. at 11 a.m.; 4:35 & 10:15 p.m.
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- The Outlaw (1943) Stanford Theatre:** Wed. & Thu. at 7:30 p.m.
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**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](http://fortheLoveofDanceMV.com)

**Foothill Dance Concert: 'Soul & Inspiration'** Foothill College Repertory Dance Company, under the baton of director Bubba Gong, presents its 26th annual spring fundraising concert featuring a variety of dance forms, from Broadway to burlesque, ballet to tap, world beat to hip-hop and contemporary to modern. June 1-2, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$25, general admission; \$20, seniors and students; \$15, children under age 12; and \$100, reserved at Foothill College Smithwick Theatre, 12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills. Call 650-949-7360. [www.foothill.edu](http://www.foothill.edu)

**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](http://fortheLoveofDanceMV.com)

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**Tap Dance** The studio For the Love of Dance offers a tap class for teens and adults. Students will learn routines to upbeat music. Fridays, Jan. 6-June 22, 5:30-6:30 p.m. \$60 per month. For the Love of Dance, 2483 Old Middlefield Way, Suite B, Mountain View. Call 650-961-6715. [fortheLoveofDanceMV.com](http://fortheLoveofDanceMV.com)

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**National Senior Health and Fitness Day** BridgePoint, a Kisco Senior Living community, is celebrating NSHFD and inviting the public as Select Therapies conducts a discussion on Fall Prevention, followed by a balance clinic by licensed therapists and complimentary massage therapy session. May 30, 1:30-4 p.m. BridgePoint at Los Altos, 1174 Los Altos Ave., Los Altos. [www.LifeatBridgePoint.com](http://www.LifeatBridgePoint.com)

## ON STAGE

**'The Clean House'** This play centers on a married doctor couple who hire a Brazilian housekeeper; she is more interested in finding

the perfect joke than in housecleaning. May 24-June 16. \$28-32. Bus Barn Theater, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos. Call 650-941-0551. [www.busbarn.org](http://www.busbarn.org)

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**Alice in Wonderland** Visitors jump down the rabbit hole and join Alice, the Mad Hatter, and the White Rabbit. Almond Elementary proudly presents its sixth annual drama club production: "Alice in Wonderland". May 25-26, 6:30-8 p.m. \$10. Almond Elementary, 550 Almond Ave., Los Altos. Call 650-269-7015. [sites.google.com/site/almondelementary/home](http://sites.google.com/site/almondelementary/home)

**Pear Slices 2012** Nine new plays for the theater's ninth season. The plays are by writers in the Pear Playwrights Guild. May 11-June 3, 8-10 p.m. \$15-\$25. Pear Avenue Theatre, 1220 Pear Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-254-1148. [www.thepear.org](http://www.thepear.org)

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**Marty Brounstein at Books Inc.** Marty Brounstein shares 'Two Among the Righteous Few: A Story of Courage in the Holocaust.' May 30, 7 p.m. Books Inc., 301 Castro St., Mountain View. [www.booksinc.net](http://www.booksinc.net)

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This business is owned by: A Corporation.  
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): TCT VENTURES INC. 260 California St. 4th Floor San Francisco, CA 94111  
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 April 24, 2012. (MVF May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2012)

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME**  
File No. 563511  
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2130 Valerga Drive #9 Belmont, CA 94002  
**THIS BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED BY:** an individual.  
This statement was filed with the

County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on April 6, 2012. (MVF May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2012)

**PROLAGO CAR WASH**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 563505  
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Prologo Car Wash, located at 1420 North 10th Street, San Jose, CA 95112, Santa Clara County.  
This business is owned by: A General Partnership.  
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): JOSE CORIA 271 Moraga Way San Jose, CA 95119  
ROBERTO ROJO 1875 Fillmore St. Santa Clara, CA 95050  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 564551  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Applied Biokinematics, located at 851 Fremont Ave., Ste. 110, Los Altos, CA 94024, Santa Clara County.  
This business is owned by: An Individual.  
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): WENDY STIMSON 1191 Bruckner Circle Mountain View, CA 94040  
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 May 2, 2012. (MVF May 11, 18, 25, June 1, 2012)

**EXPERT AUTO CARE**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 563970  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Expert Auto Care, located at 2570 Leghorn St. Unit #1, 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): MASOUD TABRIZI 38473 Logan Dr. Fremont, CA 94536  
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 2-22-12.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on April 18, 2012. (MVF May 11, 18, 25, June 1, 2012)

**THE PROFESSIONAL VIRTUAL OFFICE**  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 564794  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: The Professional Virtual Office, located at 54 Starr Way, 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): SANDRA MACIAS 54 Starr Way Mountain View, CA 94040  
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 5/7/12.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 9, 2012. (MVF May 18, 25, June 1, 8, 2012)

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

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ATELIER LESEINE  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT  
File No.: 564793  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Atelier Leseine, located at 1175 Solana Drive, 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): Nathalie Scanlin 1175 Solana Drive Mountain View, CA 94040 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on May 1, 2012. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 9, 2012. (MVV May 18, 25, June 1, 8, 2012)

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NOTICE OF INTENT  
TO SELL REAL PROPERTY AT PRIVATE SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,  
COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

In the Matter of the Conservatorship of the Person and Estate of SHIRLEY JUNE WRIGHT, aka SHIRLEY J. WRIGHT, Conservatee.  
Case No. 1-05-PR156717

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 5, 2012 at 3:00 p.m., the undersigned, as Conservator of the Person and Estate of SHIRLEY JUNE WRIGHT, aka SHIRLEY J. WRIGHT, intends to sell at private sale, to the highest net bidder, all of the estate's right, title and interest in and to certain real property located in the City of Mountain View, County of Santa Clara, State of California, which property is more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by reference. The sale shall be subject to confirmation by the above-entitled court. Bids for the property are hereby invited. All bids must be on the bid forms pro-

vided by the undersigned or Alain Pinel Realtors and may be mailed or personally delivered to the undersigned at the Office of the Public Guardian, 333 W. Julian St., 4th Floor, San Jose, CA 95110 or to Alain Pinel Realtors. All bids must be accompanied by a ten (10) percent deposit, with the balance of the purchase price to be paid in cash upon close of escrow. The full terms of the sale are contained in the bid form. All bids will be opened at the Office of the Public Guardian at 3:00 p.m., or thereafter, as allowed by law. The subject property is commonly known as, 528 Vincent Drive, Mountain View, CA 94041, and shall be sold "as is." The undersigned reserves the right to reject any and all bids prior to entry of a court order confirming a sale. For additional information and bid forms, apply at the office of Alain Pinel Realtors, 167 So. San Antonio Road, Suite 1, Los Altos, CA 94022, Attention: Shirley Bailey, Telephone: (650) 941-1111 Ext. 480. Date: 5/2/12

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County of Santa Clara  
Petitioner

MIGUEL MARQUEZ, County Counsel  
TAMARA K. LOPEZ, Deputy County  
Counsel

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Attorneys for Petitioner

(MVV May 11, 18, 25, 2012)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER  
ESTATE OF: Remedios T. Aquino  
Case No.: 1-12-PR-170517

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Remedios T. Aquino.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Evelyn Coloma in the Superior Court of California, County of SANTA CLARA. The Petition for Probate requests that: Evelyn Coloma be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before

taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 7, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 3 of the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, located at 191 North First Street, San Jose, CA, 95113. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: /s/ James Efting  
Jackson & Efting  
438 S. Murphy Avenue  
Sunnyvale, CA 94086-6114  
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(MVV May 11, 18, 25, 2012)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS  
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12-0016305 APN No. 148-19-119 YOU  
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07/06/2006 and recorded 7/12/2006, as Instrument No. 19010810, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Santa Clara County, State of California, will sell on 06/12/2012 at 10:00AM, At the Market Street entrance to the Superior Courthouse, 190 North Market Street , San Jose, Santa Clara County, CA at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2255 SHOWERS DRIVE APT# 332, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA, 94040. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$572,126.51. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. If required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale duly recorded with the appropriate County Recorder's Office. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS If you are considering bidding on this

property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on a property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 1-800-281-8219 or visit this Internet Web site www.recontrustco.com, using the file number assigned to this case 12-0009680. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone/Sale Information: (800) 281-8219 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. FEI # 1006.157857 5/18, 5/25, 6/01/2012  
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