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**Jan Schwartz**, a "Google Track Team" mime, tracks a person waiting in line for check-in at Google's annual meeting on June 21.

## Mimes 'track' Google's shareholders

By Daniel DeBolt

A group of mimes in track suits weren't exactly silent as they called attention to Google's online tracking practices.

To dramatize the issue, the

group pretended to track Google shareholders who stood in Shoreline Amphitheatre's parking lot on June 21, waiting to get on a shuttle to Google headquarters for the shareholder meeting.

"Who better to influence a

company than the shareholders?" said one of the four mimes wearing white track suits, holding magnifying glasses and wearing "Wi-Spy" glasses.

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## Neighborhood wins fight against car wash

By Daniel DeBolt

The Shoreline West neighborhood won its appeal against a car wash in the neighborhood Tuesday night when the City Council overturned the Zoning Administrator's approval of the project.

"What really disturbs me is a how close the car wash is to residences," said council member Ronit Bryant. "It's incredibly close. That's simply inappropriate."

The City Council voted 5-0 to overturn the approval of a mechanized car wash and 24-hour convenience store to be built at the Shell gas station at Shoreline Boulevard and El Camino Real. Council members John Inks and Tom Means abstained.

The car wash would have been placed along the rear of the site, 23 feet from the nearest home. The placement "maximizes noise and disruption on the neighborhood," said Anne McLaughlin, who spoke for the appellants.

Some characterized the 2,600 square foot convenience store and similarly sized car wash as the equivalent of a "truck stop."

Mayor Mike Kasperzak noted the "sugar, salt and fat" content of the food that would be sold

there. And several council members said there wasn't enough parking for the store, as the city counted gas pump island spaces to meet required number. The removal of four heritage trees was also a major concern.

"Truck stops work on I-5," said council member Laura Macias, referring to the interstate freeway. "This isn't I-5."

Some opponents referenced efforts to turn El Camino Real into a "Grand Boulevard," efforts that have led to comparisons with a famous street in Paris, Avenue des Champs-Élysées, with its wide sidewalks and large trees.

"Last time I was on the Champs-Élysées I did not see a mini-mart," said Mountain View Avenue resident John Clark, "I don't see how tearing down one gas station and building the equivalent to a truck stop is adding to that in any way."

He added that "If you want to add more jobs I suggest a hand car wash, not a mechanized car wash."

To address car wash noise, the owner promised to meet a 55 decibel limit the city enforces for stationary equipment, and would

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**William Ware**, who was struck and killed by a car, was well-known around Mountain View.

## 'Happy to be here'

LONGTIME MV RESIDENT, WILLIAM WARE, DIED IN THE CITY HE LOVED

By Nick Veronin

William Ware will be missed by the community he loved so much, said family and friends of the Mountain View resident, who was killed by a speeding car

in a traffic accident last week.

Services were scheduled to be held in remembrance of Ware on the evening of June 28 at Spangler Mortuary, 799 Castro Street in Mountain View.

"He loved living in Mountain View," Ware's brother, Jim, told

the *Voice* a few days after the June 21 accident.

Ware was born March 13, 1962 in San Francisco, and spent the majority of his youth living in the foothills of San Jose. He moved to Mountain View in 1990 — the same year he married his wife, Barbara — and the two of them lived in the same apartment throughout their marriage.

According to Jim Ware, his brother's love for his wife was only matched by his love for

Mountain View — a city that, by many accounts, loved him back.

Ware was well known by law enforcement, fire department officials, city council members, librarians and organizers of the Art & Wine Festival, according to his niece, Dolores Marquez.

Her uncle had "special needs," Marquez said, and he frequently introduced himself to police

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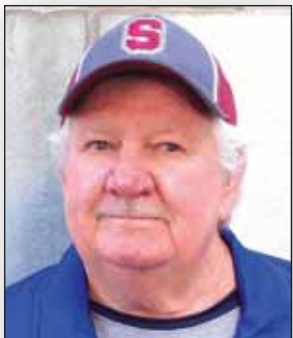
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# Voices

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Asked in downtown Mountain View. Pictures and interviews by Emily Efland.

*Are you worried now that one of the Chowchilla kidnappers was paroled to Mountain View?*



*"If he's done his time, I think it's fair that he's out. I don't believe he's any threat to society."*

**David Trotter**, Mountain View



*"I'm not too worried about something like that, but it's something that I didn't know about that's in the back of my mind when I'm here in Mountain View. It's something to think about."*

**Nick Fraioli**, Sunnyvale



*"I was actually a junior in high school ... when the children were kidnapped and left in a storage locker under the ground. The children have lifelong scars that they're going to live with and I would rather see him behind bars."*

**Susie Bickel**, Saratoga



*"It doesn't really matter. There are more pertinent issues to talk about and write about than something that has already been decided, so let's move on."*

**Peter McCutchen**, San Mateo



*"I'm not so concerned about someone who committed a crime in 1976. That's 35 years ago. Hopefully, if I have faith in our corrective facilities, then he should be out and living fine in a community of people."*

**Anita Wilhelm**, San Francisco

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## CRIME BRIEFS

### RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

A single family home was burglarized in the 2500 block of Mardell Way on Friday, June 22, police said.

The burglar, or burglars, entered the home through a window, which had been pried open, sometime between 8:55 a.m. and 10:55 a.m., according to Mountain View police spokeswoman Liz Wylie.

Few details were available at press time, but Wylie said that "small electronics" were stolen from the 33-year-old man and 32-year-old woman who live in the house.

items from the Walmart located at 600 Showers Dr., police said.

The man, Jose Luis Villa, was stopped on suspicion of stealing from the Walmart by one of the store's security guards, according to Liz Wylie, Mountain View police spokeswoman. According to police reports, Villa fought with the security guard and refused to cooperate.

The entire police report was not available before the press deadline and there are no details on whether Villa was placed under citizen's arrest by the security guard, but eventually he was taken into custody and booked into San Jose Main Jail for attempted robbery and battery.

### ATTEMPTED ROBBERY

A man was booked into jail after attempting to steal some

## POLICE LOG

### ASSAULT WITH DEADLY WEAPON

300 block Mountain View Av., 6/24  
2000 block Latham St., 6/26

### AUTO BURGLARY

2500 block California St., 6/21  
1000 block N. Rengstorff Av., 6/22  
2000 block California St., 6/25  
700 block Continental Cl., 6/26

### BATTERY

Hotel Zico, 6/22  
600 block Castro St., 6/23  
1700 block Marich Wy., 6/26  
800 block San Veron Av., 6/26

### BRANDISHING WEAPON

400 block Ortega Av., 6/26

### COMMERCIAL BURGLARY

2500 block California St., 6/20  
2100 block W. El Camino Real, 6/25  
2300 block California St., 6/25

### GRAND THEFT

500 block Cypress Point Dr., 6/21

100 block Waverly Pl., 6/21  
600 block Rainbow Dr., 6/21  
1600 block Spring St., 6/25  
200 block Castro St., 6/25  
2600 block Terminal Bl., 6/25

### POSSESSION OF DANGEROUS WEAPON

1100 block Terra Bella Av., 6/21

### RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

2500 block Mardell Wy., 6/22

### STOLEN VEHICLE

500 block Moorpark Wy., 6/21  
600 block Rainbow Dr., 6/25

### TRESPASSING

500 block Castro St., 6/23

### VANDALISM

1600 block San Luis Av., 6/20  
1500 block N. Shoreline Bl., 6/21  
200 block S. Shoreline Bl., 6/23  
1800 block W. El Camino Real, 6/26  
2200 block California St., 6/26  
First block Sierra Vista Av., 6/26

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### CRITTENDEN'S NEW ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Crittenden Middle School has a new assistant principal. Arline Siam, will take over the second-in-command position on July 1, according to a statement released by the district.

The Mountain View Whisman School District announced Siam's appointment in a press release, sent out Friday, June 22. The new assistant principal has been a teacher for 15 years.

For the past five years, she has been working on English language learning programs for the district as a teacher on special assignment for the district.

Siam earned her undergraduate degree from San Francisco State University, her teaching credential from the College of Notre Dame and she holds a master's in

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## Fourth of July festivities

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By Maytal Mark

Nothing says Independence Day to Mountain View residents like the melodious strains of the San Francisco Symphony accompanied by a booming fireworks display. The symphony will play at Mountain View's Shoreline Amphitheatre at 8 p.m. on the Fourth. Conductor Randall Craig Fleischer will lead a program including works by John Williams and Freddie Mercury as well as music from such films as "Rocky" and "Chariots of Fire." The performance will be followed by a fireworks display.

Tickets are \$24-\$35, although in-the-know Mountain View residents use the coupon in the June 8 issue of the *Voice* to get some of the 2,000 free lawn seats. The coupon, along with proof of residency, can still be used to get

discounted tickets directly from the amphitheater box office. Go to [sfsymphony.org](http://sfsymphony.org) or call the box office at 967-4040.

There's still good viewing from outside the amphitheater, says Dan Nitzan, the pyrotechnics operator who orchestrates the annual Shoreline fireworks display.

"The local businesses don't like to have the public in their parking lots," he said. "That's why the golf course is such a good place to watch from. People bring their lawn chairs and picnic blankets and food. ... I can't make enough recommendations to come in via bicycle. Do not drive in."

### Chili cook-off

In neighboring Palo Alto, there's a different July fourth

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JAMES TENSUAN

**Fireworks** build to a spectacular finale at the annual Fourth of July San Francisco Symphony concert at Shoreline Amphitheatre.

## County honors local teachers

By Nick Veronin  
and Emily Efland

Cyndee Nguyen of Bubb Elementary School and Christa Wemmer of Los Altos High School are set to be named Teachers of the Year by the Santa Clara County Office of Education.

Both teachers — from the Mountain View Whisman School District and the Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District — were recognized by colleagues for going the extra mile and pushing their students to get interested in learning, with the aim of creating positive academic patterns and brighter futures. Nguyen and Wemmer will receive their awards at a ceremony for winning teachers from each of the county's school districts on Sept. 27.

When Nguyen, a first-grade teacher, heard she would be getting the award she said she was first surprised, then a bit sheepish.

"I'm just doing my job," she said, noting that she didn't feel more deserving than any of her colleagues. "We're all just teach-

ing. We're doing what's best for kids, and that's our job."

But according to Mountain View Whisman Superintendent Craig Goldman, Nguyen certainly deserves the honor.

**'One of the biggest challenges is getting kids to do homework.'**

CHRISTA WEMMER, LAHS TEACHER

"I know from both observation and reputation that she is a highly dedicated professional," Goldman said. "She spends many hours preparing her lessons and reviewing her students' work in order to be responsive to their needs."

During those many hours of preparation, which Nguyen insists are also kept up by her fellow Bubb teachers, she works on lesson plans that emphasize the importance of strong written communication.

"If you want to participate in our democratic society, you have to be able to express yourself," she explains of her focus on strengthening her students' reading and writing skills. "It gives you chances in life."

Goldman also said that Nguyen was one of the first to volunteer to learn and help teach the district's new Explicit Direct Instruction method of teaching. She said she liked how "equitable" the instructional program seemed and was intrigued by the EDI strategies for connecting with the kids and making sure all students were learning.

"She's been an incredible leader both at Bubb and throughout the district in supporting teachers in Explicit Direct Instruction implementation," Goldman said, adding that in the 2012-13 school year, Nguyen is going to be one of four teachers on special assignment, helping get all of the district's teachers up to speed on EDI.

Los Altos High School teacher Christa Wemmer is known around school for her efforts

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COURTESY CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

**An architect's rendering** shows Urban Housing Group's planned 193-apartment development.

## Council praises green apartment project

193-UNIT COMPLEX BUILT NEAR LOZANO'S

By Daniel DeBolt

Possibly the most praised residential project of its size in recent memory was approved by the City Council Tuesday night; 193 apartments that may now replace the San Antonio Inn on El Camino Real.

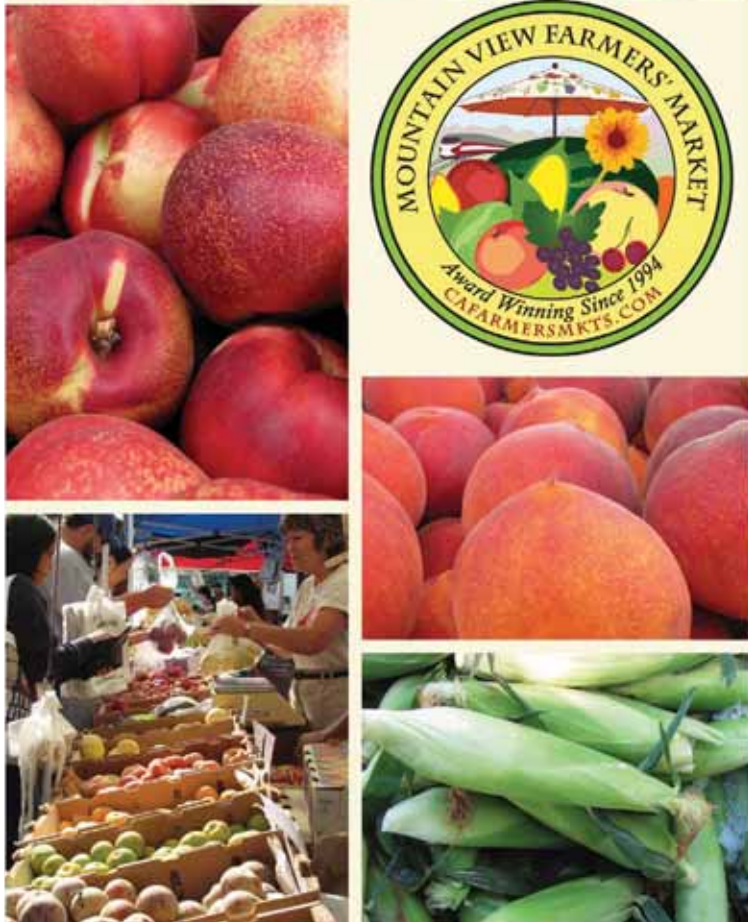
"This is just outstanding, a tremendous improvement to

the neighborhood," said Doug DeLong of Advocates for Affordable Housing. He echoed the comments of several others when he called it "a very excellent project."

No opposition was evident at the meeting but city staff indicated an unusual level of support from neighbors, city planning

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## Seen Around Town



### Dawn's early light

This vivid sunrise was captured by Micki Miller from the front yard of her house on Mountain View Avenue. "I'm not usually up at sunrise, but I was that morning and when I went out to bring in the newspapers, it was so beautiful that I went in and got my camera," Miller reports.

## Media tracks down Chowchilla kidnapper

By Nick Veronin

It didn't take long for local media outlets to figure the Mountain View address of paroled Chowchilla school bus kidnapper Richard Schoenfeld.

Shortly after it was announced on Friday, June 22, that the 57-year-old would be staying in Mountain View, reporters began knocking on his mother's door, according to Liz Wylie, a spokeswoman with the Mountain View Police Department.

Before parole and police officers announced that Schoenfeld would be staying in Mountain View, they spoke with Schoenfeld's mother, Merry, letting her know that the media might come by seeking interviews, Wylie said.

In addition to monitoring Schoenfeld's activity to prevent the possibility that he might commit another crime, the police department is also working to make sure the parolee and his mother are not harassed.

"Part of our goal is that he and his relatives remain safe," Wylie said.

Schoenfeld is one of the three men convicted of kidnapping a school bus full of children in Chowchilla, Calif., in 1976, and is the only one not still in jail. He was paroled after nearly 36 years behind bars.

A Los Angeles Times article covering the 2011 parole hearings for the convicted kidnapers retells the bizarre story: In 1976 three men, armed with guns, kidnapped a bus full of 26 children and their bus driver from Chowchilla — a city in the San Joaquin Valley. The children and driver were herded from their bus into two large vans, driven 100 miles to a Livermore quarry, and transferred again into a large van that had been mostly buried. The adult bus driver, along with all the children, managed to escape, the three men were arrested and sent to prison.

Richard Schoenfeld, along with

his older brother John Schoenfeld (both originally from Atherton) and Fred Woods (from Portola Valley), pleaded guilty to the kidnapping.

The men were sentenced to life in prison. John Schoenfeld and Woods have not yet been found suitable for parole.

Though he is a "high-profile parolee due to the notoriety of his crime, Richard Schoenfeld is not considered a high-risk offender by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation," Wylie said in her statement.

He must wear a GPS monitor 24 hours a day as a condition of his parole.

"The State and the courts have determined Schoenfeld no longer poses a threat to society," Mountain View Mayor Mike Kasperzak said in a press release. "I am confident of our police department and know they will appropriately monitor him to ensure the safety of our community." ■



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commissioners and multiple city departments.

Because of a disagreement over a last-minute condition the council imposed on the project, members ended up voting 4-3 to approve the project by Palo Alto-based Urban Housing Group. Members Margaret Abe-Koga, Tom Means and John Inks said they opposed a condition that increased the affordable units proposed for the project from six to eight.

The four-story complex is planned on 2.9 acres at 2600 and 2650 El Camino Real, situated between Lozano's car wash and a CVS pharmacy at the corner of El Camino Real and San Antonio Road. The buildings are set back from the street behind a 10-foot wide sidewalk and most of the 296 parking spaces would go underground in a two-level garage. Amenities include a "bike hub," a fitness studio, a clubhouse and two major courtyards, one of which has a pool and the other a barbecue area. The "market rate" rents were not disclosed.

"I think it's obvious that Urban Housing has been listening to what's going on with the Grand Boulevard initiative," said council member Laura Macias, refer-

ring to efforts to revamp El Camino Real. "There's so much that is going to be an improvement here."

Many said they welcomed replacement of a 60-unit motel called the San Antonio Inn, an auto shop building next door and two large paved lots, one of which is owned by the San Francisco Utilities Commission because the Hetch-Hetchy aqueduct runs underneath it. The developer promised to provide \$200,000 in park fees up front to help the city build a park and trail on the Hetch-Hetchy right of way, which will connect El Camino Real to Fayette Way. The developer is also required to pay \$3.8 million in park fees that could go towards the park and trail, estimated to cost \$1.4 million.

"This area has become a dumping ground for the surrounding neighborhood for a long, long time," said resident Don Ball, who has an office near the site. "Various nefarious activities have been conducted back there, police can confirm that. They've

(the SFPUC) left it in disrepair for a number of years and I'm sure they'll continue to do that."

The project boasts the highest rating for environmental friendliness of any residential project approved so far, according to city staff. It received 130 points on the green-point rating scale, compared to 110 for the Madera apartment project at the former Minton's lumber site and 100 points for the Merlone Geier apartments to be built on the other side of San Antonio Road.

Extensive bicycle facilities helped achieve the high rating, including space for bicycle repair and maintenance, bike storage and a small lounge area for bicyclists. Residents of the project also receive free public transit passes for a year. Two electric vehicle charging stations will be built, and two vehicles from the Zipcar car-sharing service will have their own designated spaces.

### Disagreement over affordable housing fees

Urban Housing Group proposed six affordable units as

## 'Various nefarious activities have been conducted back there.'

DON BALL, RESIDENT

ring to rents affordable for those making 65 and 50 percent of the area's median income.

Abe-Koga says she sees more of a connection between office development and the need for affordable housing, and wants to increase housing fees on commercial development.

There's a chance the project could be subject to a new housing fee if the fee is approved before the project is complete.

"There's a bit of a game of chicken at this point," said Mayor Kasperzak, adding he was "confident" such a fee would be passed.

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**CAR WASH**

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not have been allowed to open the car wash until it did. But neighbors said they saw no analysis that proved the car wash and its loudest components would meet that requirement. As neighbors watched, council members spent considerable time questioning the noise engineer and the noise study he conducted, paid for by the gas station owner and reviewed by a city consultant.

Bob Marshak, a mechanical engineer who said he lives right against the site of the proposed car wash, said there were “holes” in the study, such as how even at the same decibel level, “the human ear perceives noise differently at different frequencies. There’s none of that in the study.”

“Maybe there’s a reason there’s no other car washes are located like this (in Mountain View), because it’s not a good idea to put it right against a house,” Marshak said.

Council member Bryant noted the owner’s claim that car washes and convenience stores are increasingly part of the business model to keep gas stations profitable. “Selling the gas, that’s not

how money is made,” she said. “We’re going to have an old station there that may or may not survive,” Means said.

Council members declined to consider modifications to the project that the owner offered to propose just before the vote, though some said they would consider a reconfiguration of the project in the future.

Architect Ahmad Mohazab said he wished the neighbors had given their input earlier in the process at an outreach meeting six months ago at 2 p.m. on Jan 11, a Wednesday.

“I was ready to do anything I needed to do and no one came,” he said. “They did get notice. We were all there waiting.”

Resident Bruce England said there are already 10 car washes in the city and 26 drive-throughs, including pharmacies and restaurants. Citing health and environmental concerns, in February a majority of City Council members said they wanted to ban the construction of new drive-throughs on El Camino Real, killing a proposed Chik-Fil-A which may soon be built in Sunnyvale instead. ■

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**WILLIAM WARE**

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and firefighters whenever he would encounter them on the street. “Bill loved talking to people and would do so without hesitation,” she said.

According to her, as the police got to know Ware, they sometimes even assigned him small tasks and he would always gladly take them on.

“The Mountain View library staff was extremely saddened to hear of William’s tragic death,” said Rosanne Macek, director of library services. “He was a regular here, and a great favorite with the staff. He was always friendly and helpful, and enjoyed chatting with us. We will all miss him very much and our heartfelt condolences go out to his family.”

The 50-year-old Ware could very well have been on his way to the library when he was struck by the car that killed him, according to Cornell Fowler, a local man who described Ware as a “gentle giant.”

“He rode that bus every day,” Fowler said of Ware, referring to the bus he was apparently waiting for when he was hit. Fowler first met Ware at the library about 10 years ago and fondly remembers volunteering alongside him.

Ware also often spoke in City Council meetings, always noting that he was “happy to be here.”

“He was such a cheerleader for Mountain View,” Fowler said.

According to Jim Ware, the family once tried to get his brother to move out to Sacramento, where they would all be able to live closer together. The Mountain View resident refused. “It was just home,” his brother said of the city. He knew people, people knew him and they liked him.

“He was one of the nicest guys you’d ever meet,” Fowler said. “He was probably waving at the car that hit him.”

That car, according to police,



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A police officer investigates the accident scene on California Street near Escuela Avenue on June 21.

was a gray sedan, driven by a 21-year-old Mountain View man, who may have been driving at an excessive speed.

Though police are still conducting their investigation, the surviving Ware and his daughter, Marquez, said witnesses to the accident told them the car that killed the long-time Mountain View resident was likely traveling around 70 mph — twice the posted speed limit of 35 mph — when the driver lost control and careened off the road shortly before 9:30 a.m. in the 1800 block of California Street, taking out two trees, a pole and, according to his family, dismembering Ware. He was pronounced dead on the scene by emergency responders.

Photos posted to the *Voice’s* website by a witness to the accident show that the car involved was severely damaged with a mangled hood, smashed windshield and at least one tire bent on its axle to the point that it is nearly parallel to the flat ground beneath it.

Liz Wylie, spokeswoman for the Mountain View Police Department, said police do believe “speed was a factor” in

the accident, but couldn’t comment on how fast the car may have been going at the time of the accident.

Police did not arrest the driver of the car that hit Ware, nor are they releasing his name. A full investigation must be conducted first, Wylie said. Until then, police cannot charge the driver reckless driving or manslaughter. It does not appear that drugs or alcohol were a factor in the crash and the driver remained on the scene after the crash, cooperating with police before he was ultimately transported to a local hospital.

Ware’s family feel confident that the driver of the car will ultimately be arrested. They believe the driver deserves punishment for Ware’s “100-percent preventable” death.

“All we want is justice for Billy,” Marquez said, noting that the family is not seeking to gain financially from the incident.

Ware is survived by his wife Barbara, his father William Ware of Asheville, N.C.; his brother Jim and Jim’s wife Helen of Placerville, Calif.; and his sister Heather (Ware) Bogle and her husband Rich of Astoria, Ore. ■

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# MV woman dies in freeway crash

HIT AND RUN COULD HAVE LED TO ACCIDENT, CHP OFFICIALS SAY

By Nick Veronin

The woman who died after crashing into a tree on the side of Highway 85 in Mountain View has been identified as Arlette Alonso, a 25-year-old Mountain View resident.

Alonso was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident by emergency responders on Saturday, June 23, according to Kris Barbrich, an investigator with the Santa Clara County coroner's office.

California Highway Patrol investigators are still attempting to determine whether Alonso was the victim of a hit-and-run accident.

Shortly before 6:23 p.m. on

Saturday, according to a CHP official, Alonso, who was driving north in the middle lane of Highway 85 near the Evelyn Avenue exit, lost control of her white Audi, swerved across the right hand lane of the freeway and ran into a tree located on an embankment between the road and a nearby off-ramp.

The driver's side door of the Audi hit the tree, according to CHP spokesman Arturo Montiel. A number of witnesses reported the accident, saying that a white Toyota Camry "changed lanes in close proximity" to the victim's car. Following the Camry's lane change, which some witnesses described as "reckless," the Audi

went off the road.

"At this point, we're not sure whether the vehicles came into contact," Montiel said. However, a witness to the accident did write down the Camry's license plate number, the CHP tracked down the driver and his car, and investigators are working to determine if the owner of the car — a San Francisco man in his mid-50s — should be charged with hit and run.

None of the CHP's witnesses have said that the Camry definitely hit the Audi, Montiel said. Anyone else who witnessed the crash is asked to call CHP Officer La Pointe at (650) 369-6261, extension 370. ■

## TEACHERS

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to engage the most difficult students. Her willingness to consistently work with these students on literacy, study skills, and focusing ability has led the Santa Clara County Office of Education to declare her, among others, Teacher of the Year.

Wemmer's determination, developed over 15 years of teaching, is illustrated by her effort to place aid for struggling students directly into the Los Altos High School curriculum. Four years ago, Wemmer created two new courses with the help of Anna Battle, a teaching partner. A set of two courses — ninth grade history/world studies and high school study skills, complement

each other. Students who enroll in world studies and exhibit a need for improved literacy and study skills may also in roll in the complementary study skills class. Wemmer teaches both of these courses, and her fellow teachers praise her ability to energize students of all kinds.

"One of the teachers I work with nominated me for making history interesting for kids, using the world studies content as a vehicle for teaching literacy," Wemmer says. Wemmer's passion for improving the performance of struggling students comes from her belief in the importance of ninth grade as a jump-start year leading into the rest of high school. She often stays after school to tutor students who

need help with the material.

"One of the biggest challenges is getting kids to do homework. You're working with young students and ninth grade is a really critical age for kids to buy into school," Wemmer says. "Young people don't always make the best decisions, but we love the kids."



Christa Wemmer

Los Altos High School principal Wynne Satterwhite recognizes Wemmer's ability to connect with her students and motivate them to pursue their studies.

"Christa has been able and willing to take on the most difficult students, in terms of kids that often come to our high school without knowledge of how to be a student," Satterwhite says. "Christa is a wonderful teacher, she really cares about her kids, and she understands how to help students." ■



Cyndee Nguyen

ads, which track people all over the internet, he said.

Simpson said the group was demanding that Google honor a "simple, do not track list" that people could easily sign onto.

Google spokesperson Jim Prosser said the mime group was funded by Google competitor Microsoft.

"They're always following us," Prosser said. As for Google's tracking of Internet users, he said, "We put a lot of effort into making sure users are aware of our practices."

"It's important to draw attention to the issue," Simpson said, saying he was a shareholder himself. "The shareholders seem

interested in what's going on."

Shareholders had mixed reactions. It took a while for some to realize they were witnessing political theater.

"I'm going to be tracked no matter what, anyway," said a shareholder who identified himself as Brandon. "I think we're living in a transparent world." He called the do-not-track list a "band-aid solution. In the long term we're all going to be tracked."

Several Google employees were clearly irritated by the presence of the mimes and a photojournalist was asked to leave after being photographed by a Google employee. ■

# No problem is too big to tackle

By Angela Hey

The Churchill Club recently held the first annual Great Silicon Valley Oxford Union Debate on the motion, "This House Believes That the Problems of Tomorrow Are Too Big for the Entrepreneurs of Today".

Executive coach Joe DiNucci, formerly of Digital Equipment, Silicon Graphics and Immersion, opened the debate. Closing remarks by veteran Silicon Valley writer Mike Malone clinched the arguments. The motion was narrowly defeated.

Two entrepreneurs, John Wood and Matt Flannery, are solving tomorrow's problems. KQED's Dave Iverson interviewed them at the Computer History Museum.

Wood, a former Microsoft China business development executive, founded Room to Read to educate children. Trekking in Nepal, he ventured into a village library where popular paperbacks left by trekkers were locked away as books were scarce. The village wanted to educate its youth, but clearly the novels were unsuitable as textbooks. As a child, Wood loved his local library. He wanted to help, so he left Microsoft. Room to Read has since opened over 13,000 libraries and over 1,500 schools. It has published over 700 books in local languages and served more than six million children.

Wood cautioned the audience against thinking that you need technical solutions to problems. In the age of Amazon's Kindle and Apple's iPad, books are a superior solution when you don't have electricity, WiFi or tech support. Room to Read could not have grown without web technology. It depends on social media for publicity and running local chapters that fundraise and build awareness.

Flannery is CEO and co-founder of Kiva, a website that lets you loan money to entrepreneurs in the developing world, and now locally too. I first met Matt when he was a programmer at TiVo. He spent the evenings writing code for the Kiva website.

Flannery went to Africa and started by loaning money, mainly to women, through pastors. Simple technology to transmit money to individu-

als was unavailable. As Kiva grew they disbursed funds to recipients through field partners such as aid organizations and local non-profits. Flannery noted that recently Kiva has been able to send money directly to recipients'



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cellphones. Lend as little as \$25, either as an individual or as a team member. Google's employee team has 149 members who have loaned over \$42,000 in 1,448 loans. Springer Elementary School has 13 members on its team who have loaned over

\$15,000. With over 22,000 teams, you may find one for your alumni network, religion or geographic region.

Iverson pointed out that Silicon Valley, known globally as the world's technology capital, is not the world's philanthropy capital. Is it because they are too busy building businesses? Or is it because they prefer to invest their capital in for-profit ventures?

One reason why Silicon Valley is not the world's philanthropic center is that relatively few technology executives have made billions. A few Silicon Valley luminaries have signed The Giving Pledge, where America's wealthiest voluntarily state they will give at least half of their riches to charity. The list includes venture capitalists John Doerr and Vinod Khosla, eBay founder Pierre Omidyar, Oracle founder Larry Ellison and Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg.

Notably, Google's chairman and founders are not on the list, yet the company arguably is having the biggest impact on global problems. Google provides access to knowledge, educating remote communities. Google Maps can track flu outbreaks. Google Alerts can inform people of disasters. Google.org is devoted to solving world problems with technology. It helps save the world's disappearing languages, finds missing people in disasters, maps crises and tracks child predators. Wood and Flannery believe they have better lifestyles after quitting more traditional technology jobs. Their advice — if you see a big problem, go for it. ■

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## GOOGLE

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"Tracking people in the real world is stalking. It's creepy," said John M. Simpson, mime and consumer advocate for the non-partisan nonprofit Consumer Watchdog. "When Google and other Internet companies follow you every move online, it's just as creepy, but most people don't realize it's happening. In fact, it's their business model."

As he spoke with shareholders Thursday, Simpson said "The problem is, Google doesn't just track you when you are using Google services."

The issue is also with Google's



# Fireworks fanatics

*From left: Devin Hoover, Shannon Rost, Shawn Hoover and Nik Rost prepare to launch the fireworks at Shoreline last July 4.*

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## EVERY YEAR, LOCAL CREW MOUNTS PATRIOTIC SHORELINE SPECTACLE

*By Jocelyn Dong*

For Dan Nitzan's first professional-fireworks job, he was supposed to remove a tarp protecting the final group of fireworks so that sparks wouldn't accidentally

land on them and set them off early.

It was the grand opening of a J. C. Penney in Los Banos, Calif.

"Well, I didn't pull the tarp far enough away, and when the finale went off, lots of burn-

ing things landed on the tarp and burned a big hole in it," the Palo Alto resident recently recalled.

The friend who had hired him wasn't too mad, though.

"His first show as a licensed operator, he shot right through

his tarp," Nitzan said.

Many are the potential mishaps when fireworks are involved, but fortunately for Nitzan, what's gone wrong since that first show in the early 1980s has been minor: an occasional brush fire, the

burnt tarp and an on-the-ground explosion or two.

"It's been 30 years now of, you know, one fun thing after another," he said, sitting in his living room.

These days, Nitzan mounts the Fourth of July fireworks



**Dan Nitzan** has been running the Shoreline Fourth of July fireworks show since its inception in 1984.

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show at Shoreline Amphitheater in Mountain View, an event that takes two days of set up and weeks of preparation.

For many Americans, Independence Day means relaxation. But for Nitzan and his crew, the holiday means Department of Homeland Security background checks, sore backs and — hopefully — a job well done.

“It’s 18 hours of hard work, 15 to 20 minutes of ‘Wow,’ then another two hours of hard work,” said Jeff Hoover, a crew member. “It’s a labor of love — for us at least.”

Shawn Hoover, Jeff’s wife and also part of the team, readily confesses

to exhaustion on July 5. But she still considers the work to entertain tens of thousands of spectators worth it.

“I’ve never said, ‘Never again. Forget this,’” she said.

### Fading fireworks

Professional displays of fireworks have taken a hit over the past decade. Anti-terrorism measures following 9/11, escalating insurance costs and the tumbling economy have led cities across the country to forgo the traditional highlight of America’s birthday celebration.

San Jose eliminated its downtown show in 2009. Half Moon Bay’s July 4 fireworks have been intermittent since 2006. And Oakland has canceled its pyrotechnics several times since 2007.

National sales of display fireworks — those used by professionals — illustrate the trend. In 2002, more than 64 million pounds were sold. Last year, that figure stood at just 22 million, according to the American Pyrotechnics Association.

“The number of fireworks shows has gone down in the past few years,” said Nitzan, whose work included the 75th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge in May. “Some municipalities were harder hit than others.

“Things are pretty well flat right now. I think the term is ‘Flat is the new growth,’” he said. But, he added optimistically: “They’ll come back.”

Despite the recent decline, California-based Pyro Spectaculars, which produces the Shoreline fireworks shows, still organizes upwards of 70 Independence Day events from Monterey to Santa Rosa, according to



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On the **Shoreline Golf Links**, the fireworks for the 2011 show are all set.

Jeff Thomas, the company’s Greater Bay Area show producer.

And right now it’s crunch time.

“This is Christmas for Santa Claus — the high pressure moment,” Thomas said.

The smaller shows cost \$15,000 or more and require a half-dozen workers; larger shows cost between \$50,000 and \$100,000 and employ 10 to 15 staff members, he said.

In charge of each show is a licensed operator, such as Nitzan. In addition to hiring staff, the operator is responsible for ensuring safety, from transporting the fireworks to preventing security breaches on the night of the event.

Operators coordinate their work with various governmental agencies and private organizations involved in the event.

Nitzan deals with nine groups, from the Federal Aviation Administration to the Shoreline Golf Links, where the pyrotechnics are launched.

It can get a little tricky.

“If they don’t have their security (measures) together, if they don’t have the fire safety set up correctly, then I have a safety issue,” Nitzan said. “So, my job is to influence people who don’t work for me, to make sure they do what

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From lower right, Sarah Nitzan, Laura Park and others hold cylinders in place while sand is poured and packed around them.

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they need to do so everything goes off as planned.”

### Getting safer

In some ways, launching fireworks has gotten safer over the years, Thomas said. Loaded into cylinders known as “guns,” the aerial shells, as fireworks are called, used to be set off by hand using a road flare. If a shell was defective, an accident could occur.

Nitzan has one favorite fireworks rule of thumb: “We don’t put anything above a gun that we want to keep.”

More recently, fireworks are set off remotely in one of two ways: using a nail board, wires and electricity from a battery; or by computer.

“It moves us further away from the explosions and gives us a lot better opportunity for timing and design when working with music,” Thomas said of remote ignition.

For the Golden Gate Bridge celebration, which Thomas produced, the sequence of the fireworks was programmed into a computer, which launched them in synchronicity with the music.

The Shoreline show is fired using a nail board. A person touches a metal stylus to a metal contact point, relaying via wire the electric signal that ignites the firework’s fuse. The board is set some 135 feet away from the shells.

Occasionally, the signals will fail, despite the checking and re-checking of wires prior to the show. But with hundreds of shells filling the sky during the 20 minutes, the audience rarely, if ever, notices, the organizers said.

### Big finish

Of course, Nitzan notices. He designs the display each year and knows the type and timing of every firework. Choreographing the show starts weeks in advance, after the San Francisco Symphony sends him an MP3 of the songs that will be played. Usually, there are three pieces.

He listens — over and over — to get the sequence and timing of each explosion just right.

“My family has endured hearing ‘Stars and Stripes (Forever)’ too many times, I’m afraid,” said Nitzan, who by day is founder and president of a video-transmission equipment manufacturer.

Nitzan maps out the choreography and assigns a cue number to the launch of each shell.

To make sure the audience doesn’t leave disappointed, Nitzan likes to tease spectators by building up the end of each song — a technique he calls his “signature.”

“I love false finales. I love to



Dan Nitzan holds a sample aerial shell.

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make the audience think, ‘Well, maybe this wasn’t as big as last year,’” he said. “But we’re not done yet.”

In other parts of the world, audiences are accustomed to different styles of pyrotechnics. In Europe, fireworks shows are more “dainty,” Nitzan said.

“They’re a little volley of this and a pause and little more of that and a pause,” he said.

But Americans? They like volume.

“American audiences have a very short attention span. And so we’re doing blockbuster here, make no mistake about it,” Nitzan said.

The style isn’t so much artistic as, well, bombastic. The key to a successful show is sending up a lot of shells, he said.

When the finale comes, it’s one thing after another.

“When you’re ready to do the grand finale, you don’t want the audience to mistake it for the end. This is your cue to get in your car and go home, right? So we just let all hell break loose out there,” he said.

But shows do also include surprises of a less-apocalyptic nature.

Over the years, the biggest trend in fireworks has been the invention of shells that burst into particular shapes: cubes, Saturns, hearts, bow ties.

The smiley face was an instant hit.

“It’s a crowd-pleaser. You try to pick the right moments” in the music to launch it, Thomas said. “That element of surprise works.”

Nitzan’s favorite firework is called the “kamuro.”

“Kamuro” is a Japanese word for a boy’s haircut. But more importantly, these are slow-dripping shells. ... They hover, and they glitter, and they take forever,” he said.

Manufacturers attach paper stock to the “stars” — the nuggets within the aerial shell that are thrown outward when the shell explodes and burn as they

year, the members said.

“It becomes that yearly family thing,” Shawn Hoover said. “Some meet for Christmas; we do the Shoreline fireworks. We are 100 percent lucky, but don’t kid yourself — it’s hard work.”

Jeff Hoover and Nitzan have been working together on fireworks for nearly 30 years. It all started when Nitzan recruited Hoover for a July 4 show at the Tanforan Shopping Center in San Bruno.

“I was able-bodied and over 18. He said, ‘Come on, let’s go.’ So I got in a car with him, and we drove off,” Hoover said. Little did Hoover know that Nitzan was not planning to do the show with him. “He said, ‘Here’s your crew; go do it.’”

These days, Hoover is Nitzan’s most regular staff member, working three or four shows a year with him. Hoover could have obtained his operator’s license, but then he’d be in charge of his own shows, without Nitzan.

“Fact of the matter is ... I want to go work with my buddy,” said Hoover, who praises Nitzan’s attention to safety and detail.

Together, they’ve mounted the Shoreline crew back together every

tion in 1984. Every July 3, the crew trucks in the materials to Shoreline Golf Links, first setting up rows of 8-foot-long wooden boxes that hold the guns.

“So the day before the fireworks show, we’re out there, placing guns, putting plastic cover over them, and then dumping sand in on top of them,” Nitzan said. “Sand is a wonderful material because it’s so heavy, and it absorbs the concussions associated with these guns. ... You want something very massive around the guns so you can absorb any problems that occur.”

There aren’t any explosives on the field until the day of the show. After the shells are sorted by type, each is placed in its designated gun and wired so it’s connected to the nail board.

The guns are capped with aluminum foil to protect the shells until they’re fired.

As showtime approaches, the wires are checked and rechecked. With all the parts in place, the crew takes a break for its own barbecue and to wait for sunset.

Finally, the symphony concert starts, and soon, it’s fireworks time. From the amphitheater’s backstage, the tech director calls

fall, creating the brilliant streaks of color the audience sees. The wind carries the kamuro’s paper-attached-stars, helping them to float.

### A family feel

Though the dazzling, arcing displays convey a certain effortlessness, the work involved in setting them up is anything but. Camaraderie brings the Shoreline crew back together every



Dan Nitzan watches the 2008 fireworks show unfold.

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Embers fall as an aerial shell bursts from its gun last July 4.

out cue numbers via radio transmission for each firework launch. His voice booms from loudspeakers set up on the darkened golf course: "175! 176!"

Shawn Hoover makes sure to she gets to do some of the firing, touching the stylus to the nail board and hearing the "fwoop" as the shell takes off skyward.

"If I've worked that hard to wire the show, I shoot the ones I've wired," she said. "That's full circle."

It's a magical moment for all, they say.

"As a mom, it's nice to get out and do something incredibly interesting and entertaining," she said. "It's exciting. The shells are beautiful. And every show seems like it's the best one."

Being right under the bursting fireworks carries with it a power that can't be beat, Jeff Hoover said.

"When it goes perfectly, the shells go up and hit their mark. There's a sense of a job well done — not just for you, but it's a public job well done. ... Other people got to enjoy it."

Thomas said the audiences' joy motivates him as he produces the dozens of shows every year.

"The magic feeling that everybody has — it's incredible," he said.

For Nitzan, pyrotechnic work is "a privilege." He likens it to Steve Jobs' famed ability to cast a spell on people, known as his "reality distortion field."

"This is my answer to the reality-distortion field. I get to take an audience and take them

on an adventure," he said.

"Fireworks is a unique entertainment form in that it does not require people to know any particular language. It doesn't appeal to one age group over another. It can appeal to families, people of all ages.

Safety concerns, Homeland Security paperwork and hard labor aside, the fun of fireworks to Nitzan is as visceral as the whiz, bang and pop of each bomb bursting in air.

"It's very animated," Nitzan said. "There's a lot of excitement going on, you know. These are explosions after all."

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## FESTIVITIES

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tradition. Palo Alto's Mitchell Park is the site of the annual chili cook-off this Fourth of July.

Besides attracting people who just love to cook, the event has also drawn teams from local non-profits. In between dishing up chili, group members can let the public know about their programs and services.

One group taking part this year is Project Safety Net, which was founded in 2009 to implement a community mental-health plan for Palo Alto youth in response to a local cluster of teen suicides. Students will be on the team along with adults.

"The cook-off is a great tradition, and this team that represents so many parts of the community is an embodiment of the spirit of Project Safety Net and the spirit of the cook-off," said Terry Godfrey, the team's head cook.

The annual cook-off, now in its 31st year, has become a widely attended local event. Eighteen teams are expected to compete this year for awards for best booth, best spirit and, of course, best chili in three divisions. At least five new teams will face off against groups of returning chefs, said Minka van der Zwaag, city supervisor of recreation programs.

The event runs from noon to 5 p.m. on July 4 at Mitchell Park, 600 E. Meadow Drive. There will also be disco, funk, soul and Latin music by the band The Hitmen; line dancing with Hedy McAdams; food vendors; and face-painting and other kids' activities. The Palo Alto Fire Department will display a fire truck. The annual Chili Chase run will not take place this year.

In an attempt to make the event more eco-friendly, no single-use water bottles will be sold. Commemorative stainless-steel water bottles will be for sale.

Admission is free, with a small fee for chili-tasting kits. Tasting starts at 1:30 p.m. For more information, go to [tinyurl.com/pcgqja](http://tinyurl.com/pcgqja) or call 650-329-2366.

### Redwood City fireworks are back

In other Fourth of July news, Redwood City's annual fireworks are returning. Since 2009, the \$50,000 fireworks display has been a casualty of budget cuts, but this year, through public funds and private donations, it will return to the Port of Redwood City. At 9:15 p.m. the port will launch the show, which can be seen from high points all around the Peninsula as well as from a public viewing area along the waterfront off Seaport Court. For more details, go to 650-365-1825.

The Redwood City festivities begin at 7:30 a.m. on the Fourth

with the annual pancake breakfast hosted by the city's fire department, at Station 9, 755 Marshall St. Breakfast costs \$6 for adults and \$4 for children, benefitting the Redwood City Firefighters Association.

The city's popular parade, now in its 74th year, starts at 10 a.m. with decorative floats travelling the 1.25-mile route. The course starts on Marshall Street at the corner of Winslow Street and ends near Alden Street. This year's theme is "A Salute to Agriculture," offering a look into Redwood City's history.

Meanwhile, the 26th annual Independence Day Festival goes from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on and around Broadway downtown. The festival will include arts and crafts booths; food and drinks for sale to benefit non-profit organizations; and a kids' area with a jump house, clowns, face painting and magician Phil Ackerley. For more, go to [parade.org](http://parade.org) or call 650-365-1825.

Also in Redwood City is the Annual Parade Run, a 5K event that benefits the Redwood City Education Foundation. The run starts at 8:45 a.m. at Brewster Avenue and Arguello Street. Information is at [paraderun.org](http://paraderun.org)

For history buffs, the San Mateo County History Museum at 2200 Broadway will host "An Old-Fashioned Fourth." From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. visitors can hand-churn ice cream and make crafts from the 1880s including whirligigs and parachutes. The event costs \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for seniors and students. Go to [historysmc.org](http://historysmc.org) or call 650-299-0104.

In addition, a classic car show will be in Courthouse Square from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 650-368-8212.

### Woodside Junior Rodeo

In Woodside, the Woodside Junior Rodeo will host an event for families who are looking for a unusual Independence Day experience. Activities will include roping, women's barrel racing, bull riding, pony rides and a pig scramble, with the doors opening at 8 a.m. and the main events starting at noon. The event will be at 521 Kings Mountain Road. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$10 for children. Go to [mpsmc.org](http://mpsmc.org) or call 650-851-8300.

### Menlo Park parade

Families with small children might want to check out Menlo Park's low-key, family friendly event. The city's annual 4th of July parade invites anyone with decorated bikes, wagons, scooters and floats to march in a do-it-yourself parade down Santa Cruz Avenue to Burgess Park (701 Laurel St.), where there will be music, games and food. Admission is free and the parade will begin at 11:45 a.m. More information is at <http://tinyurl.com/cvq392b>. ■

# Second Harvest brings kitchen to seniors

By Emily Efland

As senior citizens formed a line outside of the Mountain View Senior Center to receive their weekly groceries from Second Harvest Food Bank on Tuesday, June 26, a new form of nutrition education awaited them. For the first time, Second Harvest set up a mobile kitchen outside of the senior center.

The van that holds the mobile kitchen features four screens on its side, so participants can watch the cooking techniques of Second Harvest's nutrition educators as they demonstrate how to make healthy meals from ingredients they'll find in their grocery bags.

The van is part of Second Harvest's nutrition education program dedicated to providing information and recipes for healthier eating to the 250,000 people in Santa Clara and San

Mateo counties who rely on the organization for food. Although Second Harvest is leasing the van from Fresno Community Food Bank to test its practicality and effectiveness, the organization is looking into funding to purchase its own mobile kitchen.

"We're hoping to make this a real ongoing program," said spokeswoman Caitlin Kerk.

According to Janet Hung, one of Second Harvest's nutrition experts, approximately 150 people came to watch the cooking demonstrations outside of the senior center. The nutrition experts inside the mobile kitchen create the recipes, cooking dishes that feature many of the ingredients the food bank distributes every week. This summer season has featured broccoli pasta salad and fruit salad recipes. Nutrition educators who are not cooking distribute



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Mani Subramanian accepts a sample of fruit salad from Janet Hung, a nutrition educator for Second Harvest Food Bank, outside the Mountain View Senior Center on June 26.

samples of the dishes.

The Mountain View Senior Center is part of Second Harvest's Brown Bag program, which provides groceries to low-income seniors every week. Approxi-

mately 400 members of the senior center receive 20 pounds of groceries every week. Half of the groceries are fresh produce.

"For many people in this culture, it is difficult to go back to

nature," said Mani Subramanian, a Mountain View Senior Center patron who watched the cooking demonstrations. "The demonstrations tell people nutrition is not just a theory, but a practice." ■

## ■ COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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administration leadership from SF State.

"We congratulate Arline on this next phase of her career, and look forward to her great success as a member of the district's management team," said district officials in the statement.

—Nick Veronin

## SUICIDE-PREVENTION EFFORTS

A team of San Mateo County Transit District employees who manage Caltrain have raised nearly \$12,000 to help prevent suicides.

The team joined more than 2,000 people on June 9 and 10 in the Out of the Darkness Overnight fundraiser, an 18-mile walk in San Francisco to benefit the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

Caltrain tracks have been the site of numerous suicides in recent years, including a suicide cluster in Palo Alto that prompted the City of Palo Alto Safety Net Project to address teen depression and mental health crises.

Caltrain has worked with local community organizations to implement suicide-prevention plans, including the Palo Alto Safety Net Project, Santa Clara County Suicide Prevention Advisory Committee and the San Mateo County Suicide Prevention/Intervention Planning Committee.

Suicides on the Caltrain right of way make up only 3 percent of all the deaths caused by suicide in the Peninsula area served by the railroad. But the deaths along the tracks are the focus of public attention because they affect so many people, Caltrain said in an announcement Tuesday regarding the fundraising.

"We are all touched by these tragic incidents on the Caltrain right of way. Suicide is a community mental health issue. As a member of the community, Caltrain is committed to helping to prevent suicide," Executive Director Mike Scanlon said.

In 1996 Caltrain posted "No Trespassing" signs every 1,200 feet along its 55-mile corridor. In 2001 a suicide-prevention sign with a telephone number to a crisis prevention center was added. The signs were redesigned in 2010 as part of a national study to access their effectiveness. This year all the signs, which had begun to fade, were replaced, Caltrain noted.

The Transit Police Bureau, comprised of San Mateo County Sheriff's officers who patrol Caltrain's right of way, have received specialized crisis-intervention training to help recognize people who might be a threat to him or herself and refer to them for appropriate treatment.

Caltrain also sponsored a team in the 2006 Out of the Darkness Overnight, the last time the event

was held in San Francisco.

—Sue Dremann

## NEW SITE FOR LOST PETS

With the Fourth of July coming up, six Silicon Valley animal shelters are launching a new initiative to prevent the loss of cats and dogs that run away due to fireworks, parades and parties. According to Beth Ward, the Silicon Valley Humane Society's chief operating officer, more dogs run away on July 4 than any other day of the year.

To ensure that pets are returned to their families, the shelters, under the alliance WeCARE, have created a new website dedicated to helping pet owners find lost animals. After the owners enter the city where they lost their pet, the website returns a list of lost and found pets in the area.

Ward advocates acting quickly and contacting more than one shelter to find lost pets.

Four WeCARE shelters are also offering a \$50 discount through July 7 on microchip IDs that allow owners to track their pets' locations. The microchip provides animal shelters with the lost animal's owner contact information, and can be bought for \$10 at Silicon Valley Humane Society, City of San Jose Animal Care Shelter, Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority and City of Palo Alto Animal Services.

WeCARE's new website for finding lost animals is found at [wecareproject.org](http://wecareproject.org).

—Emily Efland

# Two union contracts down, two to go

By Daniel DeBolt

City Council members unanimously passed a union agreement with SEIU-represented city employees Tuesday, saving the city \$115,000 a year over the next three years.

"The city and negotiators have been working together for a long time," said council member Laura Macias. "There's been, I think, the best of results here."

Over 167 employees represented by Service Employees International Union will be effected by the contract, which expires in June 15, 2015. The employees will see relatively modest raises compared to years past while also receiving cuts to vacation time and reimbursed costs. The contract includes a bonus payment in 2012-13 equal to 1 percent of pay, followed by 2-percent annual pay raises in 2013-14 and 2014-15.

Savings comes from a myriad of small changes, including a new, optional high-deductible health care plan. Reimbursements for employees who buy tools for their job have been capped to \$750 per employee in the first year and \$500 after that. There are new limits for saving up vacation time that can be cashed out, with a range of 12 to

23 days depending on seniority.

An additional quarter-percent of employee pay goes toward retirement pension costs, raising the cost share from 13.25 percent to 13.5 percent this year.

"The 13 percent is incredible," said council member Tom Means, who works for the state as an economics professor at San Jose State University. "It's disappointing to see other cities have not come to bat on this. We did this at the state level but we don't pay as much as you are paying now."

The city appears well on its way to achieving a goal of \$600,000 in employee compensation cuts this year. The council approved an agreement with firefighters on June 12 that could save between \$250,000 and \$550,000, depending on whether the city has firefighters join the CalPERS pension retirement program, an option the city will study this year. On July 10 the city is expecting to announce two more union agreements, with police and the EAGLES, a mid-level managers union.

"It's been a haul doing all four groups in the same year," said Mayor Mike Kasperzak.

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# Crowd celebrates opening of trail link

By Daniel DeBolt

Wearing bicycle helmets and walking shoes, several hundred residents waited patiently Saturday morning for city officials to cut the ribbon before heading over a new extension of the Stevens Creek Trail.

"I'd call it the 200-less cars bridge," said Mountain View resident Chris Carpenter of the extension's most prominent feature, a bridge over Highway 85 to Heatherstone Way.

The 1,500-foot extension from Sleeper Avenue brings the 5-mile trail to a large swath of Mountain View and nearby Sunnyvale east of Highway 85.

Carpenter noted that Mountain View High School students who live east of the highway will no longer have to contend with El Camino Real to get to school and will instead find an almost non-stop, bike-friendly route to school, thanks to the bridge.

As the crowd walked over the bridge, several people noted the attention to design was much more apparent than other bridges on the trail, and most other pedestrian bridges over highways. The long sloping ramps are probably the most accessible of any bridge on the trail for those in wheelchairs.

As part of the \$4.2 million extension, the city is also planting 1,600 shrubs and over 100 trees native to the creek's water-

shed.

After over \$30 million spent, city officials reminded everyone how much the 5-mile trail is a "crown jewel" of the city, used for "commuting, exercising and socializing," as City Manager Dan Rich put it.

It has taken 22 years to build the urban trail across the city to the Bay. The first segment stretched from Shoreline Park to La Avenida Avenue and opened in 1990.

"We have accomplished quite a bit," said public works engineer Robert Kagiya.

Public works now has its sights on that final Mountain View segment, which would extend from the Heatherstone Way bridge along the east side of Highway 85 before crossing back over the freeway at Mountain View High School.

"This latest segment opening is especially significant as construction of the final segment of the Stevens Creek Trail is suspended indefinitely due to the funding challenges that the city is currently experiencing," says a press release from city staff.

It is estimated to cost \$10 to \$12 million to design and construct the final segment.

"Given that challenge, we're going to aggressively go after federal and state grant funds," Kagiya said. "It will be a while before we get that kind of budgetary commitment."

Last week the Sunnyvale City

Council approved a study of future extensions of the Stevens Creek Trail into the cities of Sunnyvale, Los Altos and Cupertino, which shared the study's cost with Mountain View. Kagiya said the study would examine the relocation of a portion of the Highway 85 sound wall to allow the final Mountain View segment to get around an apartment building just south of the new Heatherstone Way bridge.

Sunnyvale City Council member Chris Moylan, who attended the opening on a bike, said some of the trail in Sunnyvale would have to go on city streets because of residential property along the creek. But fears in that city about increased crime have been disproved by Mountain View's experience, he said. And as the trail extends further along the creek, he says Sunnyvale is inheriting homeless encampments from Mountain View.

The latest extension was made possible with \$1.7 million in grants, including \$800,000 from the California Natural Resources Agency, a \$418,000 from the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, \$400,000 from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District and a \$145,000 grant from the Santa Clara Valley Water District.

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Pedestrians stroll down the ramps of the Stevens Creek trail extension.

## Searching for more mentors

FRIENDS FOR YOUTH TRYING TO FIND MATCHES FOR BOYS IN NEED

By Emily Efland

When single mother and Mountain View resident Deb Page began volunteering with Friends for Youth, a local organization that pairs at-risk youth with adult mentors, she noticed the lack of adult male involvement in the program.

This did not surprise her, as she had already witnessed the shortage of male volunteers in nonprofit organizations firsthand. Even after her son did a cameo TV spot for the organization Big Brothers Big Sisters, the program later told her that he would not have a Big Brother of his own due to a dearth of adult male participants.

Friends for Youth's recruitment

specialist, Jonathan Cowgill, acknowledges the additional obstacles involved in recruiting men to act as mentors. He cites social stigma as the primary barrier between men and volunteering, saying that many men view it as an activity for women.

Because the organization pairs mentors with students of the same gender, boys on the waiting list often wait twice as long as girls. There simply aren't enough men to be paired with all of the boys referred to the program. Currently, 38 of the 60 children on Friends for Youth's waiting list are boys.

"One of the greatest needs that Friends for Youth has is for more male mentors," says Program Director Rebecca Duran.



COURTESY DEB PAGE

Yessica Mota and her mentor Deb Page still meet regularly after being matched by Friends for Youth in 2009.

### Recruiting more men

To recruit more male volunteers this summer, Friends

for Youth has launched a new campaign, entitled "Get In The Game." The campaign

incorporates more active, outdoor activities such as barbecues, beach trips, and soccer games into a mentoring team's schedule.

Although the Get In The Game initiative applies to all Friends for Youth sectors throughout the Peninsula and South Bay, Duran stresses the importance of the campaign's influence in Mountain View.

"This initiative does focus on Mountain View because we have a history of mentors from this city, and we hope to recruit new male mentors through this campaign to match with youth on our waiting list," Duran says.

The Get In The Game campaign includes a wide range of advertising measures in order to recruit male mentors. Cowgill explains that publicity for the organization usually spreads through word of mouth. Most male volunteers learn about the organization through female friends or family members.

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“Really the (recruiting) tactics are getting to the men where they are, and talking to women and telling them to tell their husband, son, brother to do this,” Cowgill says. “All of our advertising is oriented at men, and a lot of the places where we go to do presentations are pretty male dominated.”

Although he emphasizes that Friends for Youth still seeks to recruit women volunteers as well, the gender disparity in involvement with the organization calls for extreme advertising measures.

“They really do need mentors, these kids that are struggling,” Cowgill says. “Having

a man that will just be there every week builds trust, their stable environment lets them do better in school. They’re not worried about whether their dad is going to come home that night.”

**‘My second mom’**

Page is one of Mountain View’s current successful matches. She met her mentee, Yessica Mota, in 2009. The two say they clicked instantly.

Mota was referred to Friends for Youth by her therapist, and was originally skeptical of the organization.

“I was like, ‘I already have friends, I don’t need friends,’” Mota recalls. “But my therapist said it was a good idea, and I like meet-

ing new people.”

After three months on the waiting list, she was matched with Page. By their second meeting, Page says they started taking pictures and agreed to begin a scrapbook. Almost three years later, they stay in touch and reunite periodically.

“She’s like my second mom,” Mota says.

Page says that the most rewarding part of her friendship with Mota was simply getting to know her.

“You can work out so many things by just talking it out,” Page says. “And I’m not there to judge her. I hope I stay in touch with her forever.”

**Successful matches**

The mentoring services staff

matches adult volunteers with youth referred to the program, based on the volunteers’ background and skills and both participants’ interests. School counselors, therapists, or other organizations refer the boys and girls, ages 8-17, to Friends for Youth.

In its 33 years, 88 percent of Friends for Youth friendships have stayed together for their required one year, while the national average of successful friendships is 30 percent - 60 percent, Cowgill says. Currently the organization has over 160 active friendships. This year 52 matches were made, while last year matched 50 volunteers with youth, the most matches in nine years. Seven of these friendships are in the Mountain

View area. Cowgill attributes this increase in matches to an increased focus on the matching process.

“We’ve just had the capacity,” Cowgill says. “Before I came, there wasn’t somebody who was engaged in doing full-time recruitment work. I’ve been able to do that full time, so as a result we’ve been able to get more matches.”

Cowgill committed to one year of community service with Friends for Youth in 2010 through the national community service organization AmeriCorps as a Volunteer in Service to America (VISTA). After a year of aiding the organization with recruitment and mentoring a young boy, he became the recruitment coordinator. ▣

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### ■ EDITORIAL THE OPINION OF THE VOICE

## No bidding for new garbage contract

Did the City Council do the right thing by turning down a staff recommendation to open competitive bidding on the city's solid waste and recycling collection contract?

The answer is maybe, although there really is no way to know if the city's 70-year relationship with Recology is the best deal, or whether Green Waste Recovery or Mission Trail Waste Services could have come in with a lower price. But after taking a deep look at the pros and cons, council members decided last week to discard the idea of giving the two companies a chance at unseating Recology, which has offered to hold residential rates to a 1- to 3-percent increase over the next two years, although commercial rates would jump more than 20 percent to cover the cost of a new recycling and food waste collection service.

These are not the final numbers on the approximately \$11 million-a-year deal. Now that the decision is made to go with Recology, the city's negotiating team will begin new talks with the company to try to bring costs down further. Recology already has said its prices reflect a two-year freeze on employee wages and has proposed increasing recycling services at a cost comparable to most other cities.

One downside of ruling out competitive bidding is missing the opportunity offered by Green Waste Recovery to use the country's first dry anaerobic digester, which composts organic waste and uses the gas byproduct to make electricity.

The city's double stream method for processing waste is decidedly different than the digester, with trucks hauling garbage and recycling to a Sunnyvale plant where it is processed and the recycled materials are marketed. As a partner in this venture, the city has a vested interest in using the technology, at least until Recology's contract expires in 2021. Single stream recycling, in which bottles, cans and paper are all collected in one bin, would not be compatible with the Sunnyvale facility, a city official told the Voice.

According to a staff report written last year, there are plenty of advantages to signing with Recology, including the continuation of what has been reasonably good service, as well as a savings of \$36,000 in the contract with consultants hired to help staff through the negotiations. The downside is not giving other companies a chance to serve Mountain View, although when a new contractor takes over there is a potential for missteps until a new crew learns the ropes.

The next step for council comes in September, when city staff will share specific details of the Recology deal, prior to asking for final approval. If Recology can hold the line on costs as promised in the early going, Mountain View residents should expect good service at a competitive cost over the next eight years. After that, it will be time for the city to move forward with more progressive ideas like anaerobic digesters and single stream recycling, or newer technologies that could be even more environmentally friendly, hopefully brought to us in a competitive bidding process.

### ■ LETTERS VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

#### HAS DECISION BEEN MADE ABOUT CUESTA ANNEX?

I was surprised to read in the Voice that City Attorney Jannie Quinn is reported as saying "the City Council shouldn't really be approving the (Cuesta Park Annex) project until the environmental review is completed". Ms. Quinn recommended that the council wait for the completion of the report over the summer.

Placing the project on the June 19 council agenda, without the completed EIR, is an admission that the council has already made its decision about the proposed flood basin and that the environmental review is irrelevant.

Also irrelevant to council members are the hundreds of Annex supporters who oppose the project and want the last natural open space in Mountain View to remain untouched.

Christine Crosby  
Woodleaf Way

#### CITY SHOULD PRESERVE SHOCKLEY BUILDING

Saving the Shockley lab building at 391 San Antonio Rd. should

be of "prime importance" to the City Council of Mountain View.

Irrespective of Mr. Shockley's perceived ideas about genetic and racial superiority, espoused by the Nazis and some American elite in the early 20th Century, his exemplary credentials as an electrical engineer and developer of the transistor should outweigh any argument against him. He was an outstanding inventor and one of the co-founders (along with Hewlett-Packard) of what has become Silicon Valley.

Lawrence K. Wallace  
Midrock Corners

#### WHAT ABOUT NON-RESIDENT TUITION?

Since most of your "Voices Around Town" people agree with President Obama that we should not deport illegal aliens who are not serious criminals, I suggest that you ask in future days if people think that illegal aliens should pay non-resident tuition in our public schools. Those students are very expensive to our education system.

Charlie Larson  
Sylvan Avenue



■ GUEST OPINION  
VOICE FROM THE COMMUNITY

## Planning group backs Bayshore housing

By Bruce Karney

On July 10, the Mountain View City Council will vote on the new General Plan. For the past three years the Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning has tracked the evolution of the document and found that the results are in many ways fantastic. However, one major decision still hangs in the balance: Should the General Plan allow housing in North Bayshore? The coalition believes that it should. Here's why:

### More jobs

Whether the City Council chooses to adopt a version of the General Plan that allows for new homes in North Bayshore or not, there will be job growth. By 2030, we can expect as many as 29,500 employees in North Bayshore, compared to 17,500 today. Without new housing, this job growth will lead to an increase in commuting traffic from outside of Mountain View.

### Less traffic

The General Plan's environmental impact report shows that when jobs and homes are close together, people drive less. We understand that having homes available near jobs does not mean that it is the right housing type for everyone. However, nearly every national and local economic index shows that the

market demand for walkable neighborhoods where homes are close to jobs is high, especially for younger people.

### More wildlife habitat

Wildlife advocates say that adding homes to North Bayshore will impact the native burrowing owl population. We feel that both homes and habitat can co-exist if the city puts strong environmental protections in place. In fact, we see this as an opportunity for the city to increase the amount of land dedicated to open space, to move development (starting with commercial development) away from the Bay, and to permanently protect Shoreline Park.

### More economic diversity

Google, North Bayshore's largest employer, has been responsive to the community and generally accepts input from residents and council members. However, we do not assume that everything Google wants is, or always will be, in line with the interests of Mountain View residents. Adding residential spaces to North Bayshore can bring diversity to the neighborhood both in terms of land use and land ownership. The neighborhood has potential to become a hub for startups and a place for the next generation of high-tech innovators to work and live. Providing housing at North Bayshore will create greater stability for the city's economic future,

no matter who occupies the offices there in coming decades.

### We'll change the world

We have the opportunity to reinvent the working world in Mountain View. We can upgrade the concrete, auto-centric office parks of the last century and turn them into vibrant neighborhoods that mirror the way people want to live today. On July 10, we hope the City Council will demonstrate to the rest of the world that Mountain View is a visionary 21st Century city — one that preserve the past and embraces the future.

We urge the council to adopt a General Plan that will protect Shoreline Park and support housing as well as office and retail in the North Bayshore.

*Bruce Karney was chair of the Mayor's Environmental Sustainability Task Force in 2008. This letter was written on behalf of the Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning.*

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Mountain View VOICE

# Setting the Record Straight

## ABOUT THE EL CAMINO HOSPITAL DISTRICT



For more than 50 years, the El Camino Hospital District has been committed to providing quality health care services to the community in an effective, efficient and transparent manner. As a member of the community, you may be hearing things about the El Camino Hospital District and we wanted to take a moment to set the record straight.

**Q. Why was a service review and audit conducted of the El Camino Hospital District?**

The Local Agency Formation Commission of Santa Clara County (LAFCo) conducts a service review every five years to better understand the public service structure and ensure that health services are being efficiently and effectively provided in the District.

The audit was conducted to answer specific questions related to how the District is governed, its financial relationship to El Camino Hospital, and the financial reporting/transparency of both entities.

**Q. What were the findings of the Service Review and Audit?**

The report, which was prepared for LAFCo by a third-party consultant, concluded that the District and the Hospital are operating appropriately, effectively and efficiently, that tax proceeds are properly accounted for and tracked, that they provide a vital health care service in the community and, most importantly, that the District has demonstrated an ability to contain costs and improve financial performance.

Despite affirming the District's successes, however, the report suggested that the District give up ownership of El Camino Hospital or potentially LAFCo could dissolve the El Camino Hospital District entirely.

**Q. What happens if the El Camino Hospital District is dissolved?**

Taxpayers would receive no refunds, nor a reduction in taxes. Tax revenues collected would be redistributed to other government agencies that receive property taxes with no legal mandate to use the tax allocation for health care purposes.

Further, dissolution could result in a change in how the Hospital is governed, which would decrease transparency and accountability to the residents of the District.

**Q. Is there still a need for the El Camino Hospital District?**

Yes. The District ensures local public control and ownership of the Hospital for the benefit of residents. The District provides support for critical health care services that reach thousands of residents annually through its Community Benefit program, and for improvements to hospital facilities in the District.

**Q. As a concerned resident, is there anything I can do?**

District residents can send a written comment to the LAFCo Commissioners, asking them to vote against recommendations presented in the El Camino Hospital District Service Review and Audit. Comments submitted by June 22 to [dunia.noel@ceo.sccgov.org](mailto:dunia.noel@ceo.sccgov.org) will receive a response from LAFCo.



To learn more about the Service Review and Audit, and to read the District's response, please visit: [www.elcaminohospitaldistrict.org/audit](http://www.elcaminohospitaldistrict.org/audit).



*The Cheese Steak Shop offers a vegetarian version of its sandwich, with spinach, mushrooms, cheese, tomatoes and peppers.*



*The original Philly cheese steak with sweet and spicy peppers, served with curly fries.*

■ RESTAURANT REVIEW

## Say cheese steak

PALO ALTO GETS A TASTE OF PHILADELPHIA

By Sheila Himmel

Near the intersection of Palo Alto's California Avenue and El Camino Real, add a taste of Philadelphia to the array of quick dining opportunities.

The first Cheese Steak Shop opened in San Francisco 40 years ago. Now there are 28 stores sprinkled around Northern California and one in Manila, for some reason. Palo Alto's opened in December.

The highlight is the light and chewy roll from Amoroso's, a 100-year-old family-owned bakery in Philadelphia. The bread absorbs all the meaty flavors, and it doesn't immediately turn to mush if you carry it out of the shop to eat later, as you are most likely to do.

However, the shop does offer handsome wooden furniture, should you choose to stay and study some poster-size photo-

graphs of cheesesteak shops and vintage cars.

The Cheese Steak Shop features 100-percent beef loin from Steak-Eze ("The Original Breakaway Steak"). Other cheese-steak purveyors use rib-eye or top round. I can't see how it matters a lot, after all the meat goes through. It is sliced thin, chopped senseless on a lightly oiled grill, merged with melted cheese and possibly grilled onions. The Cheese Steak Shop also offers "cheese steaks" made from chicken breast, two versions for vegetarians and an Italian hoagie.

Salads march in the same formation: steak, chicken, vegetable and Italian, which means provolone cheese, mortadella, salami, ham and capicola (a cross between salami and ham). On the Italian hoagie (\$5.39 for 7 inches) you can taste where each meat

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## Weekend



VERONICA WEBER

Jose Romero layers provolone cheese on grilled steak and onions, while owner Alex Jen prepares sandwiches.

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stops and starts.

Your options on the cheese steak are grilled onions and hot and/or sweet peppers. I recommend

them all, to jazz it up. Mushrooms also are a good addition for 30 cents. Some of the other add-ons, such as pizza sauce and smoky barbecue sauce, would obliterate the meat flavor altogether.

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## Weekend

Side dishes range from potato chips to garlic fries, onion rings to hot wings. Twisted fries (\$1.79 for the good-sized small) have a crunchy crust and creamy interior. Steak fries, thick and soft, fall flat in comparison.

You'll find meal deals advertised in newspapers and on the walls. Look for the fine print: "Valid 3 p.m. to closing" on newspaper coupons. But the posted combinations may be just as good, such as a 7-inch classic sandwich, small fries and small (12-ounce, plenty big) soda for \$5.99 at lunch. How lunch is different from dinner, I don't know.

The Cheese Steak Shop guarantees authenticity with its peppers, rolls and Tastycakes imported from Philadelphia. The rolls, in 7-, 10- and 15-inch lengths, are like Italian rolls, but more hot-dog shaped. According to Amoroso's Web site, their specialness comes from hearth baking: "'Hearth-baked' means our bread and rolls never see the inside of a pan and are free to form their own individual 'personalities' in the oven."

About those Tastycakes. Far-flung Philadelphians bond over them, pooh-pooing any similarity to Hostess, Little Debbie and others of their ilk. The heavy favorite, butterscotch krimpets (\$2.19 at the Cheese Steak Shop), lug a long and complex list of ingredients and 350 calories in their wake. Texture-free and extremely sweet, these little iced sponge cakes may be the kind of thing you had to grow up with to appreciate. ■

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**People Like Us (PG-13)** Century 16: 10:20 a.m.; 1:10, 4:10, 7:20 & 10:20 p.m. Century 20: 11 a.m.; 1:45, 4:30, 7:20 & 10:05 p.m.

**Prometheus (R)** Century 16: 3:10 & 10:05 p.m.; In 3D at 11:40 a.m. & 7 p.m. Century 20: 10:55 a.m.; In 3D at 1:45, 7:35 & 10:35 p.m.

**Rock of Ages (PG-13) ★★** Century 16: 2:10 & 7:45 p.m. Century 20: 3:50, 6:40 & 9:30 p.m.; Fri., Sat. & Mon. also at 1 p.m.; Sun. also at 1:05 p.m.

**Safety Not Guaranteed (R)** Century 16: 11:30 a.m.; 1:50, 4:20, 7:05 & 9:30 p.m. Century 20: Fri.-Sun. at 9:50 p.m.; Mon. at 8:40 p.m.

**Seeking a Friend for the End of the World (R) ★★** Century 20: 2:15, 4:45 & 7:15 p.m.; Sun. & Mon. also at 9:50 p.m.; Mon. also at 11:30 a.m.

**Snow White and the Huntsman (PG-13) ★★1/2** Century 16: 10 a.m.; 12:55, 7:10 & 10:25 p.m. Century 20: 10:40 a.m.; 1:30, 4:20, 7:30 & 10:30 p.m.

**Ted (R)** Century 16: 10 & 11 a.m.; 12:40, 1:40, 3:30, 4:30, 6:30, 7:30, 9:30 & 10:30 p.m. Century 20: Fri.-Wed. at 2:45, 5:20 & 10:40 p.m.; Fri.-Mon. also at 1:30, 4:05, 6:45 & 9:25 p.m.; Fri.-Sun. also at 8 p.m.; Fri., Sat. & Mon. also at 10:50 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.; Sun. also at 10:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.; Mon.-Wed. also at 7:50 p.m.

**That's Entertainment! (1974) (G)** Century 16: Wed. at 2 & 7 p.m. Century 20: Wed. at 2 & 7 p.m.

**That's My Boy (R)** Century 20: 1:20 p.m.; Mon. also at 10:05 p.m.

**To Rome With Love (R)** Palo Alto Square: 1:30, 4:30, 7:25 & 10:05 p.m.

**Tyler Perry's Madea's Witness Protection (PG-13)** Century 16: 10:40 a.m.; 1:20, 4:20, 7:40 & 10:40 p.m. Century 20: 12:15, 2:50, 5:25, 8:05 & 10:45 p.m.

**Your Sister's Sister (R) ★★1/2** Aquarius Theatre: 4:15, 7 & 9:30 p.m.; Fri.-Sun. & Wed. also at 1:45 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](http://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](http://www.mv-voice.com) and click on movies.



■ MOVIE REVIEWS

**BRAVE**

★★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) For the most part Pixar has been a toon town brimming with testosterone. "Brave" breaks the mold with its vivacious heroine and a plot that explores her relationship with her mother. It would have been easy to follow the generic "young adventurer embarks on a life-changing quest" formula. But some of the best movies are those that dare to be different. "Brave" dares. The story follows bow-wielding Merida, the daughter of King Fergus and Queen Elinor. Elinor is determined to make Merida a polished princess, while Merida's interests are more in line with her father's warrior ways. "Brave" features arguably the best animation ever to grace the big screen. The visuals are fluid and vibrant, from the rolling Highland hills to the crimson strands of Merida's hair. Many of the voice actors are Scottish-born. Lads may be disappointed by the wealth of feminine energy, but I found it refreshing. The relationship that evolves between mother and daughter is heartfelt. There is a surprising beauty to "Brave" that transcends its visual excellence. This one is worth the risk. *Rated PG for some scary action and rude humor. One hour, 40 minutes.*—T.H.

**SEEKING A FRIEND FOR THE END OF THE WORLD**

★★

(Century 20) In 21 days, a 70-mile-wide asteroid will vaporize the Earth: no more putting off that bucket list. That's the premise of the comedy-drama "Seeking a Friend for the End of the World." Writer-director Lorene Scafaria has a strong starting point there, though the road trip that follows is something of a ramble instead of a well-mapped journey. Steve Carell plays Dodge Petersen, a sad-sack insurance agent. Dodge abruptly gets to know his neighbor Penny (Keira Knightley), a flitting Brit who's about had it with her boyfriend (Adam Brody). Carell and Knightley make appealing leads, grounding the material and helping to earn its tones of melancholy and sweetness. In an open frame of mind, one can easily accept the film as a life-affirming romance, despite the foregone conclusion. But for the apocalyptic circumstances to be more than cheap window dressing, Scafaria owes us more thought and insight and satiric zest than her film offers. Not enough of the jokes about total abandon, or the lack thereof, in the face of doom land on sure footing. Fans of the leads probably won't feel cheated, and Scafaria sticks to her apocalyptic promise, but "Seeking a Friend" should have looked a bit harder. *Rated R for language including sexual references, and some drug use and violence. One hour, 42 minutes.*—P.C.

**YOUR SISTER'S SISTER**

★★1/2

(Aquarius) Relationships have a way of becoming needlessly complicated, as reflected by the title of the cleverly complicated relationship film "Your Sister's Sister." In a well-realized opening sequence, Mark Duplass' Jack casts a shadow over a one-year memorial get-together in honor of his late brother (who once dated Emily Blunt's Iris). Concerned about her friend, Iris invites Jack to get away from it all, on

his own, at a woodsy cabin belonging to her family. But Jack arrives at the cabin to discover that it's already occupied by Hannah (Rosemarie DeWitt), Iris' lesbian sister. The ensuing drunken meeting of minds (and body parts) becomes more complicated when Iris turns up at the cabin to check on Jack. The film devotes itself to character, and the actors eagerly take advantage of the opportunity. Duplass pushes just a bit here, contradictorily, to convey how loose and natural he's being, he has a strong comic sense, and he generally rises to the level of his co-stars. Blunt and the sadly unsung DeWitt deliver impeccable performances, selling us on their sisterhood and the shakable but inseparable bond between them. It turns out not to be heady in theme and may not linger long after viewing, but it's still an enjoyable emotional wringer to be put through, in the company of a well-matched trio of actors. *Rated R for language and some sexual content. One hour, 30 minutes.*—P.C.

**ROCK OF AGES** ★★

(Century 20, Century 16) Musicals are something of an acquired taste, and "Rock of Ages" is more cheeseburger than lobster bisque. There is a silliness to the whole affair (partially intended) that makes it difficult to get very invested in the plot—though Tom Cruise's magnetic performance in itself almost makes the movie worth the price of admission. Almost. To say Cruise steals the show is an understatement—he purloins it with the gusto of a treasure-hungry pirate. In "Rock" the actors belt out one iconic 1980s rock tune after another (think Guns N' Roses, Def Leppard and Poison), but like many musicals, it fares better on stage. The story suffers beneath all of the prancing and verse, and a movie without story is like a single-string guitar. It just doesn't play well and grows tiresome in a hurry. *Rated PG-13 for sexual content, language, some heavy drinking and suggestive dancing. Two hours, 3 minutes.*—T.H.

**THE AVENGERS** ★★★

(Century 16, Century 20) In "The Avengers," Joss Whedon helms with a master craftsman's focus and a fan's enthusiasm in adapting the Marvel comic book series. The screenplay (also by Whedon) is rife with whip-smart dialogue; visual effects and costume design are exceptional; character dynamics are deeply developed; and the ambitious action scenes are astonishing. The result is the most impressive superhero film ever produced. "Avengers" assembles a handful of "Earth's mightiest heroes" when mischievous Norse god Loki swipes a powerful object dubbed the Tesseract. Loki has made a pact with an alien army in hopes of dominating our humble planet. Whedon has created something of a masterpiece with this film. It is a tremendous viewing for action and science-fiction fans alike. But for comic book fans it is akin to cinematic euphoria: a thrilling, creative, crowd-pleasing triumph. *Rated PG-13 for intense sci-fi action/violence and a mild drug reference. Two hours, 23 minutes.*—T.H.

**BERNIE**

★★★

(Guild) From the "News of the Weird" file comes the comedy "Bernie," a Texan tale



**Merida** is the heroine of Pixar's latest animated film, "Brave," about an unconventional Scottish princess.



**Tom Cruise** gives a scene-stealing performance in "Rock of Ages."

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 opening scene. "You cannot have grief tragically become a comedy," he warns of corpse cosmetology, but it's a winking reference to the line the film cheerily crosses. For Bernie will soon murder octogenarian Marjorie Nugent (a drily amusing Shirley MacLaine), and the laughs don't die with her. While it would be easy to brand "Bernie" 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 calibrates his performance to be all kinds of enjoyable, which is precisely the point

of the film: How can we like a murderer so much? And what do we do with the 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 violent images and strong language. One hour, 44 minutes.* — P.C.

**THE BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL**

★★★1/2  
(Palo Alto Square) Seven pensioners board a plane from England to India in this last-chance-at-love travelogue. Part of the joke of this comedy-drama is that the title isn't entirely truth in advertising. Rundown and lacking in amenities the spot isn't the best, but it is a hotel and exotic, and there's no

turning back for the strangers who become the place's first guests. Though the picture cozies up to cliches, it has this going for it: The course of the film's romances isn't immediately apparent. The story comes down firmly in favor of plucky and against sour sticks-in-the-mud. Each plot seems underserved and the whole enterprise too platitudinous, but with powerhouse actors like Dench, Nighy and Wilkinson, even a critic can agree it's better to be plucky than a stick-in-the-mud. *Rated PG-13 for sexual content and language. Two hours, four minutes.* — P.C.

**MEN IN BLACK 3**

★★★  
(Century 16, Century 20) An eclectic cast and stellar visual effects coalesce to make

"Men in Black 3" a quintessential kernel of summer popcorn cinema. Although the uninspired and often formulaic screenplay dampers what could have been a top-notch sci-fi comedy, the film's excellent production team and pantheon of talented actors create an entertaining escapade. Fans of the first two "Men in Black" films will find this a fitting addition to the quirky, comic-book-based franchise. Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones reunite as Agent J and Agent K, members of a clandestine government organization charged with keeping tabs on Earth's extraterrestrial visitors. Alien baddie Boris The Animal busts out of a lunar-based prison and leaps back in time to 1969 with the goal of killing his captor, Agent K, and sparking an invasion of Earth. Boris's scheme forces Agent J to venture back to '69 and work alongside Agent K's younger self (Josh Brolin) in hopes of launching a protective energy "net" around Earth and quashing Boris' machinations. A sentimental ending borders on sappy but helps bring the "Men in Black" franchise full circle. And while the picture's cartoonish quality dilutes what tension arises, it also ratchets up a sense of unabashed amusement. *Rated PG-13 for sci-fi action violence and brief suggestive content. One hour, 44 minutes.* — T.H.

**MOONRISE KINGDOM**

★★★1/2  
(Century 20, Century 16) For well over a decade, writer-director Wes Anderson has faced criticism of his films being fussily repetitive. Though his new film "Moonrise Kingdom" is nothing if not fussy, it's Anderson's freshest, breeziest work since the high-water mark of 1998's "Rushmore." "Moonrise" tells of a pair of troubled and gifted 12-year-olds who, in 1965, elope into the wild of New Penzance Island. Other than Anderson's own oeuvre, the film best recalls "Harold and Maude" as an offbeat romance of two plain-spoken lovers against the world. Anderson contrasts the simplicity of young love with the adults' insistence of complicating everything. The script

by Anderson and Roman Coppola allows none of the plot elements to spin out of control, and the director keeps it short and sweet. So if Anderson's carefully regulated compositions and dollhouse-styled production design send you climbing up the walls, keep your distance. But this time, the filmmaker isn't too clever by half: He's just clever enough. *Rated PG-13 for sexual content and smoking. One hour, 34 minutes.* — P.C.

**SNOW WHITE AND THE HUNTSMAN** ★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) "Snow White and the Huntsman" is something else. It's neither the kid-friendly take of 1937's "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" nor the two-month-old "Mirror Mirror," nor the R-rated horror version offered by 1997's "Snow White: A Tale of Terror." No, it's something else. But is it enough? And, perhaps more to the point, whom is it for? Rupert Sanders' frequently intense PG-13 film isn't for kids, and it's not exactly for adults either. The soggy new script by Evan Daugherty, John Lee Hancock and Hossein Amini doesn't dig deep enough, work hard enough, or draw compelling enough characters to unequivocally fascinate or entertain, leaving Sanders to justify his film's existence through tasteful visuals. "Snow White and the Huntsman" does give some ammo to future theses: an outpost of self-mutilated women who sacrifice beauty for better lives and a motif of nasty oil slicks that constitutes a forward-looking environmental consciousness. Still, these feints, along with Sanders' good eye and appealing naturalistic restraint, can't magically turn the thin, glossy pages of this eye-catching picture book into a transcendent fantasy fable. *Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of violence and action, and brief sensuality. Two hours, eight minutes.* — P.C.

**MOVIE CRITICS**

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BEGINS SECOND FIVE-YEAR REVIEW OF CLEANUP AT THE JASCO CHEMICAL COMPANY SUPERFUND SITE

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is conducting the second five-year review at the JASCO Chemical Company Superfund Site in Mountain View, CA. This review will summarize cleanup activities that have taken place since the first five-year review in 2007 and will evaluate whether the selected remedy remains protective of human health and the environment. According to Superfund law, if a cleanup action takes more than five years to complete and/or leaves waste in place, the protectiveness of the remedy will be reviewed every five years.

The JASCO Chemical Company repackaged and formulated chemical products on the 2.05 acre Villa Street site from 1976 until December 1995. Bulk solvents used at the site were received by tankers and stored in eight underground storage tanks. Elevated levels of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) were detected in soils from a swale area located behind the building and in the shallow groundwater. Past waste disposal practices, and possibly leakage from an underground storage tank and surface water, may have contributed to soil and groundwater contamination.

During the review process, EPA will study information about the site and conduct a site inspection. The methods, findings and conclusions of the review will be documented in the five-year review report. A statement of protectiveness will be provided to explain whether the cleanup continues to be effective and recommend improvements, if necessary. Upon completion, a copy of the final report will be placed in the information repository listed below and a notice will be placed in the local newspapers.

EPA invites the community to learn more about this review process and get involved. You may call Viola Cooper, Community Involvement Coordinator, or Alison Fong, Remedial Project Manager, at EPA's toll-free number, (800) 231-3075 for more information. Additional information is available at EPA's web site: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/jasco>

**INFORMATION REPOSITORY:-**  
EPA maintains information repositories that contain the site Administrative Record, project reports and documents, fact sheets and other reference materials. The two locations are:

**Mountain View City Hall**  
Pioneer Room,  
500 Castro Street,  
4th Floor,  
Mountain View, CA 94041

**Superfund Records Center**  
Mail Stop SFD-7C  
95 Hawthorne Street, Room 403  
San Francisco, CA 94105  
(415)536-2000

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## HIGHLIGHT

### STRIDE & RIDE FESTIVAL

The Stride and Ride Festival is an interactive fitness and health event for the whole family that includes activities such as a free skate park and pro skate demo, a Triathlon-in-Place, free fitness classes throughout the day, a bicycle rodeo, and a kids zone. June 30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Plaza Central at First Street, Los Altos. [www.strideandridealosaltos.com](http://www.strideandridealosaltos.com)

## ART GALLERIES

**'Introduction to the Cantor Arts Center'** This introductory tour features objects from a variety of cultures and historic periods. Saturdays and Sundays at 1 p.m. Meets in the main lobby. Free. Cantor Arts Center, Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. [museum.stanford.edu/visit/public\\_tours.html](http://museum.stanford.edu/visit/public_tours.html)

**Notes from the Field: Recent Photographs by Richard Gordon** Stanford University's Department of Art and Art History presents an exhibition that includes 36 new color photographs from Richard Gordon's most recent series exploring ideas surrounding communication and interconnectedness in the contemporary world. July 3-August 5, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Thomas Welton Stanford Art Gallery, 419 Lasuen Mall, Stanford. Call 650-723-3404. [art.stanford.edu](http://art.stanford.edu)

## CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

**Boundless Creativity for Writers** A Creative Juice-Up for Writers and Word-Lovers. All writers welcome, ages 16+. June 30, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$150 (early registration \$135 by June 16). Private Home, Campana Drive and Los Robles, Palo Alto. Call 415-577-6257. [boundlesscreativitypa.eventbrite.com/](http://boundlesscreativitypa.eventbrite.com/)

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

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Los Altos First Friday** Visit Downtown Los Altos for the "First Friday," where more than 30 stores and galleries will be open for shopping, many offering First Friday discounts and complimentary treats. Additional activities include a presidential search and prize drawing. July 6, 6-8 p.m. Downtown Los Altos, Main and State Street, Los Altos. [www.losaltosfirstfriday.org](http://www.losaltosfirstfriday.org)

## CONCERTS

**St. Lawrence String Quartet; Douglas McNabney, viola; and Stephen Prutsman, piano** Part of the annual Chamber Music Seminar at Stanford, this concert will feature the St. Lawrence String Quartet playing Korngold's Piano Quintet with seminar guest faculty Stephen Prutsman, piano, and Martin's Madrigals for Violin and Viola performed by the SLSQ's Scott St. John. June 29, 12 p.m. Dinkelspiel Auditorium, Stanford. [music.stanford.edu/Events/calendar.html](http://music.stanford.edu/Events/calendar.html)

## DANCE

**Social Ballroom Dancing** Friday Night Dance at the Cubberley Community Center Pavilion. Lessons at 8 p.m. are beginning Waltz and Viennese Waltz, followed by a general dance party from 9 to 12. No experience or partner necessary; dressy casual attire is preferred. July 6, 8 p.m.-12 a.m. \$9 includes refreshments. Cubberley Community Center Pavilion, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-395-8847. [www.FridayatthePav.com](http://www.FridayatthePav.com)

**Social Ballroom Dancing** Friday Night Dance at the Cubberley Community Center Pavilion. Lessons at 8 p.m. are Cha Cha for beginning and intermediate levels, followed by general dancing from 9 p.m. to midnight. No experience or partner necessary; dressy casual attire is preferred. A \$9 cover includes refreshments. June 29, 8 p.m.-12 a.m. Cubberley Community Center Pavilion, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 650-395-8847. [www.FridayatthePav.com](http://www.FridayatthePav.com)

**The Dick Green Band, Friday Night Dance** The Dick Green Band will be performing live at Little House on June 29 from 7 p.m.-11 p.m. for the first Friday Night Dance series. June 29, 7-11 p.m. \$10/\$12. Little House Activity Center, 800 Middle Ave., Menlo Park. Call 650-326-0665 ext. 238. [www.penvol.org/littlehouse](http://www.penvol.org/littlehouse)

## EXHIBITS

**'Clear Story'** The Palo Alto Art Center presents "Clear Story," a temporary site-specific installation by artist Mildred Howard, on view through August, 2012, 3-5 p.m. Free. Palo Alto City Hall's King Plaza, 250 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-329-2366. [www.cityofpaloalto.org/artcenter](http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/artcenter)

**'Sculpture from the Fisher Collection'** This exhibit features pieces by John Chamberlain, Sol LeWitt Claes Oldenburg and Martin Puryear, together with Carl Andre's Copper-Zinc Plain, a floor piece composed of 36 tiles; and John Chamberlain's Bijou, a large early work made of crushed automobiles and paint. Wed.-Sun.; Feb. 29-Oct. 13, 2013; open 11 a.m.-5 p.m. (Thurs. until 8 p.m.). Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive, Stanford. [museum.stanford.edu](http://museum.stanford.edu)

## FAMILY AND KIDS

**Chili Cook Off** Attendees celebrate July 4th with a taste of red-hot chilis prepared by teams of chefs battling for the chili championship. Featuring live music, children's activities and food. Tasting starts at 1:30 p.m. Offsite parking at Cubberley. Shuttle service avail 12-5 p.m. July 4, Mitchell Park, 4000 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto. Call 463-4921. [www.cityofpaloalto.org/recreation](http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/recreation)

**Lego Club** Kids can drop in and build with



Diane Tasca and Roselyn Hallett in The Pear Avenue Theatre's "Mrs. Warren's Profession."

Legos. Ages 4 and up only please. June 29-July 27, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Atherton Library, 2 Dinkelspiel Station Lane, Atherton. Call 328-2422. [www.smcl.org](http://www.smcl.org)

**Palo Alto Junior Museum & Zoo** Ongoing exhibits at the museum and zoo include "Bobcat Ridge," "Africa's Bats," exhibits on physics and math, and a "Buzz" display on insects and spiders. Museum hours: Tue.-Sat. from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun. 1-4 p.m. Free. Palo Alto Junior Museum & Zoo, 1451 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 463-4921. [www.friendsjrmz.org](http://www.friendsjrmz.org)

## FILM

**'Shepard on Screen'** Stanford Summer Theatre's Sam Shepard Festival offers a free Monday-night film series exploring Shepard's long career as a screenwriter and actor. July 9-Aug. 6, 7 p.m. Free. Annenberg Auditorium, Cummings Art Building, Lasuen Mall, Stanford. Call 650-723-0485. [www.stanford.edu/group/summertheater/cgi-bin/sst/films](http://www.stanford.edu/group/summertheater/cgi-bin/sst/films)

## HEALTH

**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](http://www.thatzumbaguy.com)

**Skin Cancer Screening** Provided by dermatologists from PAMF, this skin cancer screening is an opportunity to check out questionable changes occurring on the skin to existing moles, sun-exposed areas and other

spots of concern. Screening is for exposed skin areas only. By appointment only or sign up at front desk. June 29, 2-3 p.m. Avenidas, 450 Bryant St., Palo Alto. Call 650-289-5428. [avenidas.org](http://avenidas.org)

## ON STAGE

**'Curse of the Starving Class'** Stanford Summer Theatre's production of Sam Shepard's "Curse of the Starving Class," directed by Rush Rehm, stars Marty Pistone, Courtney Walsh, Max Sosna-Spear and Jessica Waldman. July 19-Aug. 12, Thu.-Sat. at 8 p.m., Sun. at 2 p.m. \$25 general, \$15 for seniors and students. Pigott Theater, Memorial Auditorium, Stanford. Call 650-723-0485. [sst.stanford.edu](http://sst.stanford.edu)

**'Mrs. Warren's Profession'** Our tenth season ends with the first show ever produced at the Pear: G.B. Shaw's indictment of hypocrisy. June 22-July 15, 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)

**TheatreWorks presents Indie Rock Musical "Wheelhouse"** TheatreWorks presents its 60th world premiere, "Wheelhouse" by indie rock trio GrooveLily. This autobiographical musical follows traveling tunesmiths in desperate need of a tune-up as they rocket across the country in a worn-out Winnebago. June 6-July 1, \$19-\$69. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. [www.theatreworks.org](http://www.theatreworks.org)

## OUTDOORS

**Foothill College Learning Curve Bike Circuit Race** Foothill College hosts its second annual Learning Curve Bike Circuit Race, at which some 400 cyclists are expected to peddle around the 1.09-mile campus loop road. Race categories include juniors, elite men, elite women and masters. Register online. June 1, 7:15 a.m.-4:15 p.m. entry fee per race for juniors (ages 10-18) is \$15; entry fees for all others are \$30-\$35 per race. Foothill College, 12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills. Call 650-279-8472. [foothillcollegetrace.com](http://foothillcollegetrace.com)

## RELIGION/SPIRITUALITY

**Folk Rock Fifth Friday Service** Songs from Joni Mitchell, Bob Dylan, Peter, Paul & Mary and Simon & Garfunkel among others will be featured in this special Sabbath Service. June 29, 7:30-9 p.m. Etz Chayim, 4161 Alma St., Palo Alto. Call 650-813-9094. [etzchayim.org](http://etzchayim.org)

**Insight Meditation South Bay** Shaila Catherine and guest teachers lead a weekly Insight Meditation sitting followed by a talk on Buddhist teachings. Tuesdays, June 26-Aug. 21, 7:30-9 p.m. by donation St. Timothy's/Edwards Hall, 2094 Grant Road, Mountain View. Call 650-857-0904. [imsb.org](http://imsb.org)

## SINGLES

**Red White and Blue Singles Dance** Attendees can celebrate the nation's birthday with new single friends. \$20 at the door includes dancing to favorite hits, plus appetizers, served at 8 p.m., as long as they last. Adults of all ages welcome. Friday, July 6, 2012, 8 p.m.-Midnight. July 6, 8-11:45 p.m. \$20. Michael's at Shoreline Park, 2960 N Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. Call 415-507-9962. [www.thepartyhotline.com](http://www.thepartyhotline.com)

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**Artist and Designer Tent Sale** Fibre Arts Design is hosting a four-day artist and designer shopping event in Palo Alto. Thousands of items for sale including painting supplies, designer fabrics, sewing supplies, notions, clothing, handbags, tech bags, toys, home wares, gift, quilts, baby items and ceramics. June 28-July 1, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fibre Arts Design Studio, 935 Industrial Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-646-9221. [www.fibreartsdesign.com](http://www.fibreartsdesign.com)

## SPORTS

**Group runs** The running store On Your Mark has organized four weekly running groups, with runners of all ages and skill levels welcome. No registration necessary. All runs are three to five miles with the start and finish behind the store. Mondays at 6 a.m., Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m., Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Free. On Your Mark, 378 Main St., Los Altos. Call 650-209-5526. [www.onyourmark-performance.com](http://www.onyourmark-performance.com)

**Lunging to London - PreOlympic Water Polo** Attendees come support the USA Olympic Women's water polo team compete against the Hungarian Olympic team. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to watch an Olympic water polo game at the nation's greatest facility without traveling to London this summer. July 2, 6-7 p.m. \$20. Avery Aquatic Center, 235 Sam MacDonald Mall, Stanford. Call 650-725-9015. [stanfordwaterpolo.com/lunging-to-london/](http://stanfordwaterpolo.com/lunging-to-london/)

## TALKS/AUTHORS

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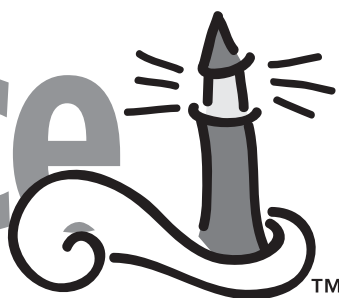
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### 140 Lost & Found

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### 145 Non-Profits Needs

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**Palo Alto, 3757 Corina Way, June 30, 9-1**  
Palo Alto, 906 Clara Dr, June 30, 9-1

**Palo Alto, Coastland Drive, June 30, 9 am - 3 pm**

**Redwood City, 619 Buckeye Street, Saturday 30, 9am-2pm**

### 215 Collectibles & Antiques

3SECTIONAL ARMOIRE;MIRROR FRONT, - \$420-

Fabmo Designer Tag Sale June 30

### 230 Freebies

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### 270 Tickets

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### TEACHING/TUTORING

### 355 Items for Sale

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3TThomasandfriendsjeansjacket\$5

Baby pumpkin outfit3-12mon\$5  
BabyBlankets/comforter

Collection of small toy animals  
Coloring book collection\$10

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File No.: 565527  
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ZNX, located at 1290 Lawrence Station Rd., Sunnyvale, CA 94089, Santa Clara County.  
This business is owned by: An Individual.  
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):  
JOHN KIM  
2115 Park Blvd.  
Palo Alto, CA 94306  
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 5/25/12. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 31, 2012. (MVV June 8, 15, 22, 29, 2012)

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File No.: 565990  
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iDental Group, iDental Specialty Group, located at 1298 Kifer Road, Suite #501, Sunnyvale, CA 94086, Santa Clara County.  
This business is owned by: A Corporation.  
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):  
RICHARD LEE, DDS, P.C.  
1298 Kifer Road, #501  
Sunnyvale, CA 94086  
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 June 12, 2012. (MVV June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2012)

TOBY'S TACTICAL  
VB ARMS  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 566040  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
1.) Toby's Tactical, 2.) VB Arms, located at 2129 Carol Avenue, 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):  
TOBY VANDERBEEK  
2129 Carol Avenue  
Mountain View, CA 94040  
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 05/25/2012. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on June 13, 2012. (MVV June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 2012)

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## 997 All Other Legals

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:  
BEN RAY PARKS, SR., aka BEN RAY PARKS, aka BEN PARKS  
Case No.: 1-12-PR-170876  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BEN RAY PARKS, SR., aka BEN RAY PARKS, aka BEN PARKS.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: RALPH P. PARKS in the Superior Court of California, County of SANTA CLARA. The Petition for Probate requests that: RALPH P. PARKS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on July 25, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept.: 3 of the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, located at 191 N. First St., San Jose, CA, 95113.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the 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/Sandra G. Sepulveda, CA SB NO. 244728  
Berliner Cohen  
10 Almaden Blvd., 11th Floor  
San Jose, CA 95113  
(408)286-5800  
(MVV June 22, 29, July 6, 2012)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 12-0020177 Title Order No. 12-0033972 APN No. 197-27-031 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 08/17/2006, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by ROBERT C ADAM and FELICIA ADAM HUSBAND AND WIFE, dated 08/17/2006 and recorded 8/31/2006, as Instrument No. 19086778, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Santa Clara County, State of California, will sell on 07/24/2012 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: 2580 WESTFORD WAY, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA, 94040. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any,

Internet Web site [www.reconstrustco.com](http://www.reconstrustco.com), using the file number assigned to this case 12-0020177. 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# 1006.161268 6/29, 7/06, 7/13/2012  
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE  
Date of Filing Application: May 11, 2012  
To Whom It May Concern: The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are: DAVID QUANG LE  
The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at: 126 Castro St. Mountain View, CA 94041-1202  
Type of license(s) applied for: 41 - ON-SALE BEER AND WINE EATING PLACE (MVV June 29, 2012)

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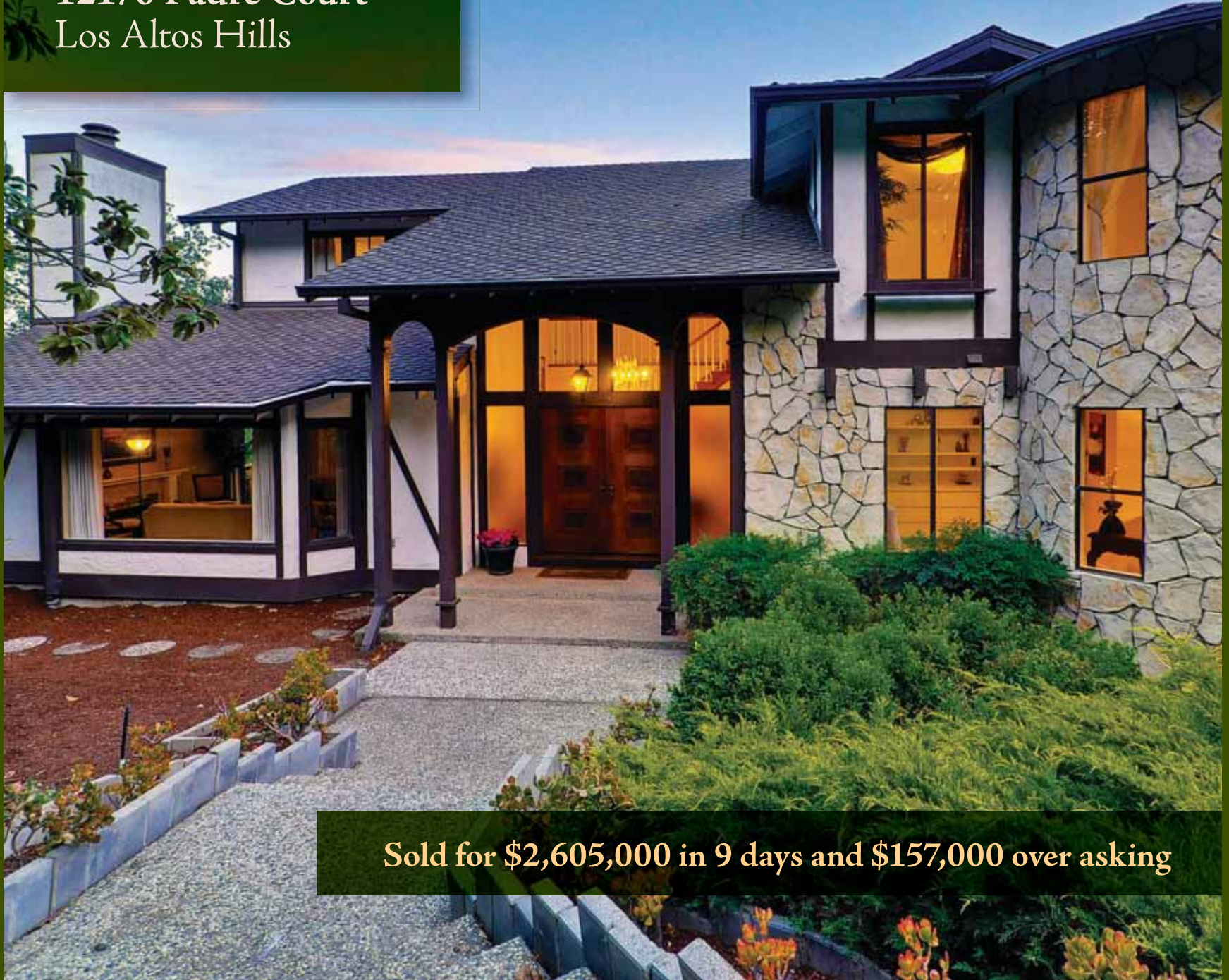
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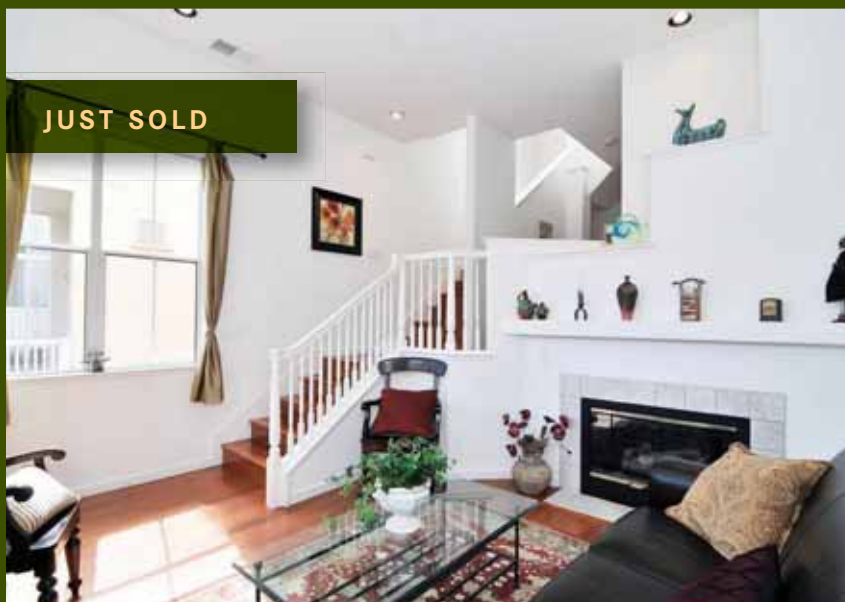
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**675 CHIQUITA AVE, MOUNTAIN VIEW \$1,149,000**  
Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 3 BR 3.5 BA New distinctive sngl FamHm, these meticulously designed Hms offer modern convenience  
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Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 3 BR 2 BA Desirable complex. Peaceful setting. Freshly painted, spacious condo near downtown MV.  
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**458 MOUNTAIN LAUREL CT, MT VIEW \$649,000**  
Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 2 BR 2.5 BA Sought after West Court townhome. New granite countertops, carpet & paint. Near downtown.  
Kevin Klemm 650.328.5211



**821 CENTRAL AVE, MOUNTAIN VIEW \$799,000**  
Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 3 BR 2 BA Charming cottage w/ gleaming wd flrs, remodeled Kit & baths. Open plan.  
Aileen La Bouff 650.941.7040



**2459 VOORHEES DR, LOS ALTOS HILLS \$4,500,000**  
Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 5 BR 5.5 BA This rare property has everything one could possibly ask for; an expansive 1.75 acre lot.  
Eppie Cf Lam 650.941.7040



**1058 EASTWOOD DR, LOS ALTOS \$1,879,000**  
Sun 1 - 4:30 | 4 BR 2.5 BA A prized neighborhood & large lot make this an ideal place to call "home". Open floor plan.  
Terri Couture 650.941.7040

## LOS ALTOS

Sun 1:30 - 4:30

890 Mora Dr \$4,999,800  
5 BR 4 BA Exquisite mini estate, beautifully rebuilt w/a true slate roof, half-timbered gables. Buchanan & Bowen & Royce, 650.941.7040

Sun 1:30 - 4:30

231 Hawthorne Ave \$3,290,000  
5 BR 5 BA Beautiful Architecture + Floor Plan Amenities Abound. Gleaming HW Floors, Lovely Granite. Jim Galli, 650.941.7040

Rare Los Altos Acre \$2,999,990  
3 BR 3 full BA + 2 half Incredible light, big windows w/wooden shutters, guest cottage. Terri Couture, 650.941.7040

Luxury Gated Retreat \$1,898,000  
3 BR 3 BA Designed for outdr living, this Spanish-inspired residence features high quality remodeling Peggy Lee, 650.941.7040

Room to Spread Out! \$1,788,000  
6 BR 3 BA Beautiful Highlands home. Updates thru out include granite Kit, baths, & flooring. Jo Buchanan & Stuart Bowen, 650.941.7040

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Sweeping Bay Views! \$5,595,000  
4 BR 3 full BA + 2 half Blending the romance of the Napa countryside w/the best of CA living. Terri Couture, 650.941.7040

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## MENLO PARK

Sun 1:30 - 4:30

10 Mansion Ct \$1,295,000  
3 BR 2.5 BA Size, condition, location, price! Larger than many single family hms for the price Nancy Goldcamp, 650.325.6161

Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30

143 Oak Ct \$995,000  
3 BR 2 BA Cottage-style home. Rural setting near Palo Alto. Cheerful. Upbeat kitchen. Oak floors. Nancy Goldcamp, 650.325.6161

Best of Both Worlds! \$898,000  
3 BR 2 BA Chic single level condo. Secure building on Palo Alto border. Updated. Pool. Elevator. Nancy Goldcamp, 650.325.6161

Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30

356 Marmona Dr \$895,000  
3 BR 1 BA Opportunity in favorite Willows neighborhood. Expand, remodel or just move in. John Fyten, 650.325.6161

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671 Chiquita Ave \$1,149,000  
3 BR 3.5 BA New distinctive sngl FamHm, these meticulously designed Hms offer modern convenience Kim Copher, 650.941.7040

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560 View St \$1,089,000  
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Los Altos Schools \$998,000  
3 BR 2 BA Open flr plan, lots of natural light, private entry, blocks to dwntwn MtnVw, newer Kit & baths Elizabeth Thompson, 650.941.7040

Los Altos Schools \$470,500  
2 BR 1 BA End unit with living room wall common wall. Bed walls end side. Terri Couture, 650.941.7040

## PALO ALTO

Extraordinary \$9,488,000  
7 BR 7.5 BA Modern masterpiece completed in 2008. Royce Cablayan, 650.941.7040

Two Properties In Old PA \$8,988,000  
3 BR 2.5 BA Prime Old PA. Both 1934 & 1936 must be sold together. Live in one while building the other Grace Feng, 650.328.5211

Lot \$3,988,000  
2 adjacent lots: Lot #108(50,965 SF) & 109(17,424 SF) total land is 68,389SF over 1.55 acres Royce & Nadine Matityahu, 650.941.7040

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655 Waverley St \$1,095,000  
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## REDWOOD CITY

Sun 1:30 - 4:30

320 Edgewood Rd \$1,298,000  
4 BR 4 BA Old World Charm with newer 2nd story addition. Formal dining room & separate family room. Dorothy Gurwith, 650.325.6161

## SAN JOSE

Magnificent New Home \$1,299,000  
7 BR 4.5 BA This home features 7 bdrms & 4.5 baths! Great for a large, extended family. Dory Marhamat, 650.941.7040

Tri-Level Shapell Home! \$825,000  
4 BR 3 BA Spacious tri-level Shapell home. Central A/C. Near Cataldi Park, shops and schools. Teresa Lin, 650.328.5211

Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30

4497 Cherry Ave \$638,880  
3 BR 2 BA Single family house. Living area about 1500+SF, Lot: 6520+SF. Bright, light. Spacious bdrms. Donna Liu, 650.941.7040

## SUNNYVALE

Sat 1:30 - 4:30

1694 Belleville Way \$599,000  
2 BR 2 BA Similar to a single family home, has its own attached 2 car garage. 2 master suites flr plan Vivi Chan, 650.941.7040

Attached Single-Family Hm \$598,000  
2 BR 2 BA Located near dwntwn SV & MV w/liv rm/din rm combination & granite kit w/adjoining fam rm. Jo Buchanan & Stuart Bowen, 650.941.7040

Beautiful End Unit TwmHm \$583,000  
2 BR 2.5 BA Step into this wonderful 1,548 SF 2 bdrm, 2 1/2 ba townhome w/2 master bdrm suites. Teri Woolworth, 650.941.7040

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