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**Jarrett Mullen**, leader of the Rengstorff Great Streets Initiative, says he avoids riding on dangerous roads like California Street at Escuela Avenue.

## Long road ahead to boost city's bike network

By Daniel DeBolt

According to census data, a growing number of Mountain View residents are rolling to work on bicycles. But Mountain View's efforts to grow its network of bike routes is at a standstill.

"I've noticed in the last few years that other cities, such as Palo Alto and San Jose even, really have put a lot more

effort into upgrading bike infrastructure," said Mountain View bicyclist and blogger Janet LaFleur. "Mountain View used to be in the forefront but lately it's kind of lagged."

"I don't believe the city has built any new bike lanes or improved bike lanes in five to six years," Jarrett Mullen, leader of the Rengstorff Great Streets Initiative, an effort

to make the Rengstorff Park neighborhood more pedestrian and bicyclist friendly.

There are 54 miles of designated bike ways in Mountain View, but bicyclists are now eyeing innovations being made in other cities. Bike lanes painted bright green across their whole width can now be

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## Developer drops controversial fence proposal

By Daniel DeBolt

Developer Merlone Geier has withdrawn its application to build a fence blocking access between properties in San Antonio shopping center after city staff and several business owners questioned the need for it, with some calling it a "bullying tactic" to force land sales.

"They did not give a reason," for withdrawing the application said planner Melinda Denis of Merlone Geier, which is in the middle of construction of a major redevelopment at the center. The developer is pursuing approval of a large hotel and office building where Ross and BevMo! now stand. "I just got an email saying they would

like to formally withdraw the application."

Paul Brunmeier, co-owner of Barron Park Plumbing Supply, said last month that the fence was "a bullying tactic by the developer to put existing, successful Mountain View businesses in a poor state if not try

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## Can judge decide latest Bullis case?

HEARING OVER JURISDICTION DELAYS WRANGLING  
OVER CHARTER SCHOOL'S FACILITIES

By Nick Veronin

Attorneys for Bullis Charter School and the Los Altos School District are waiting for word from California Superior Court Judge Patricia Lucas on whether she has jurisdiction in the most recent legal fight between the two educational organizations.

If Lucas rules that she does have jurisdiction, Bullis will continue arguing its current motion to get the judge to compel the district to give the charter school a campus by next school year. If she decides she doesn't, Bullis officials must decide whether to file a new lawsuit or attempt to reach some sort of agreement with the district.

Arturo Gonzalez, attorney for Bullis, said he would hope the two sides could hammer out some sort of agreement without heading back to court, should Lucas rule she does not have jurisdiction.

However, he added, Bullis officials would want to get more space out of those talks, and fast.

"Time is of the essence," Gonzalez said. "If the district doesn't have any interest in talking, then that would leave only one option, and that would be to file another lawsuit."

Ray Cardozo, attorney for the district, said he does not know whether LASD officials would be open to going back to the negotiating table, but he did seem convinced that the district has already given Bullis more than required under a previous ruling.

"Bullis has been offered reasonably equivalent facilities," Cardozo said, adding that closing a neighborhood school to give to Bullis "is unfair to others" — an opinion that was echoed by LASD board member Mark Goines after the Aug. 30 hearing.

Goines said that the district is putting together a task force, led by superintendent Jeff Baier that will work to figure out solutions for the district's long term facilities needs, including how to deal with Bullis.

### Day in court

This latest round of legal volleys between Bullis and the district took place Aug. 30, before a judge in a packed San Jose courtroom.

Lawyers from the charter school initiated the hearing by filing a "motion to compel compliance with judgment and writ."

### 'Time is of the essence.'

ARTURO GONZALEZ,  
BULLIS ATTORNEY

In simpler terms, the motion is essentially a legal action intended to push the school district to cooperate and provide an entire

campus to Bullis by the 2013-14 school year, and by immediately conferring with Bullis "in good faith to provide additional facilities at the Egan (Middle School) location," where Bullis plans to run its program in the 2012-13 school year.

Lawyers and representatives of the charter school believe this is what the district is required to do under a previous court order

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*"People turn right on red without looking the other way."*

**Jessie G., Burlingame**



*"Not watching for pedestrians."*

**Kathy G., Mountain View**



*"When you can't go forward because it's blocked or someone is parking and the cars behind you honk and try to rush you."*

**Edie and Ron B., Mountain Ranch, Calif.**



*"People don't let pedestrians walk even when the light is green."*

**Ana R., San Jose**



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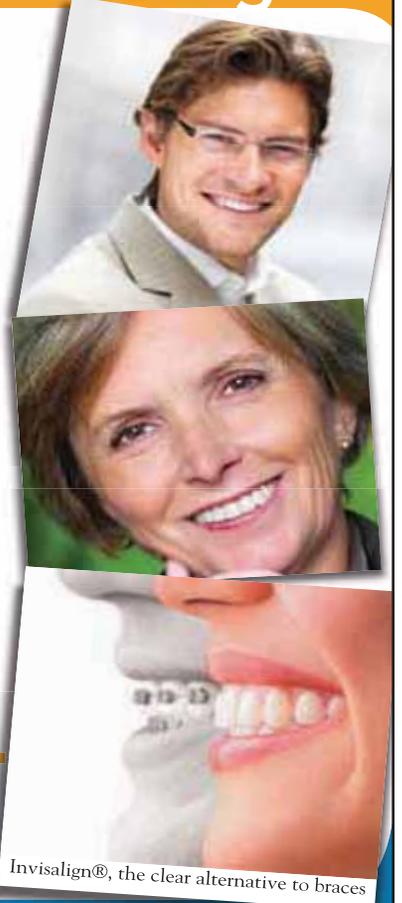
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Tues, Sept 25, 7 pm Kol Nidrey (and food drive)  
Wed, Sept 26, 9:30 am Morning Service  
9:45 am Junior Congregation; 10 am Young Children's Celebration  
5 pm Mincha, Yizkor, Ne'ilah

## CRIME BRIEFS

### WOMAN INJURED IN FIGHT

A Hollister woman was hospitalized after another woman reportedly knocked her down and repeatedly smashed her head into the cement near the intersection of Villa and Hope streets in the early hours of Aug. 26, police said.

According to Jaime Garrett, spokeswoman for the Mountain View Police Department, the 19-year-old victim was unconscious when police arrived. Her alleged assailant, an 18-year-old also from Hollister, was arrested after trying to flee.

Witnesses described the details of the fight to police, who arrested Stephanie Munoz for the assault and booked her into jail, Garrett said.

Both the suspect and the victim seemed to be under the influence of alcohol at the time, police said.

—Nick Veronin

Investigators believe it is possible that he suffered a medical emergency just before the crash, police said. The Santa Clara County medical examiner's office will determine the cause of death, but the medical examiner does not release that information.

Traffic was blocked on Middlefield Road while the crash was investigated, and Santa Clara Valley Transit Authority bus line No. 35 was rerouted.

Anyone with information on the crash is asked to call the Police Department's 24-hour dispatch center at 650-329-2413. Those wishing to remain anonymous can call or text 650-383-8984, or email paloalto@tipnow.org.

—Bay City News Service

### TWO ARRESTED IN JUNE BURGLARY

Los Altos police announced they have arrested two people for a June 23 burglary in Los Altos Hills in which burglars stole a car and credit cards, which were later used to purchase \$30,000 in goods, including a rental car.

Tanya Espinoza, 36, and Kevin Ortiz, 31, allegedly gained entry to the home in the 1900 block of Colleen Drive through an attached garage, according to a police press release.

Police stated the stolen credit cards were used in fraudulent purchases across the Bay Area and Southern California.

The rental agency later filed a stolen vehicle report, and San Jose police later recovered the vehicle.

After getting warrants for several locations, police arrested the two San Jose residents -- Espinoza on July 17 and Ortiz

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### FATAL CRASH NEAR PA-MV BORDER

A man was killed when his car drifted off of Middlefield Road in Palo Alto Monday morning and struck a tree, police said.

David Louis Jefferson, 63, of Palo Alto, died at the scene after his car struck a tree. The crash was reported at about 8:05 a.m. in the 4200 block of Middlefield Road, just south of San Antonio Road.

Police said it appears Jefferson was driving north on Middlefield Road when his car crossed into southbound lanes, went onto the sidewalk and struck a tree.

Jefferson was alone in the car, was pronounced dead at the scene. No other cars were involved and no one else was injured.

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### BREAKING AND ENTERING

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### GRAND THEFT

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### INDECENT EXPOSURE

Franklin St. and High School Wy., 9/2

### STOLEN VEHICLE

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*Shaila Catherine who teaches in Mountain View, has devoted her life to meditation.*

## Meditation teacher's practice thrives in Mountain View

By Daniel DeBolt

### Health + Wellness

Part of an occasional series of stories highlighting local health and wellness practitioners. To suggest someone to profile, contact staff writer Daniel DeBolt at [ddebolt@mv-voice.com](mailto:ddebolt@mv-voice.com).

Meditation teacher Shaila Catherine once added it all up. It turned out that she's spent more than eight of her 50 years in meditative silence.

"I love meditating," she says, calling a limitless source of bliss — if you can stop your busy life long enough to do it.

What could have been a passing interest at age 17 has turned into a thriving practice called

Insight Meditation South Bay. Teaching what she calls Vipassana Insight meditation, the non-profit has grown to have more than 1,400 students, and sometimes over 50 at each session. Events, classes and even a monthly day-long meditation

are held in several churches, often St. Timothy's on Grant Road in Mountain View. She says Insight Meditation South Bay has become so successful that they're looking to expand into a dedicated space soon and will raise funds to enter a long term lease or a buy a building in Mountain View.

A friend's mention of his mother's meditation practice sparked her interest in it when

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## Young immigrants seek reprieve through new Obama program

By Sue Dremann

Jose recalled the day his parents bundled him up for the move to California from Mexico. A powerfully built man in his early 20s, he still views the move as traumatic.

"They lied to me," he said, his voice wavering slightly. "They didn't say we were coming here. They said, 'We are going to the north. We are coming to the other side.'"

The result of that move, more than 15 years ago now, was that he sat on Sunday, Aug. 26, at an immigration clinic in Menlo Park,

seeking ways to stay in the country where he's spent most of his life.

"Jose," who did not want to give his real name, was one of more than 400 people seeking advice and help with filling out applications for President Barack Obama's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. The program began in June and temporarily stems deportation of undocumented immigrants ages 16 to 30 who were brought to the country as children.

People whose applications are accepted would be granted a two-year "reprieve" and could obtain work permits and apply

for financial aid for schooling. The program could affect more than 1 million young people who would have qualified for the failed Development, Relief and Education of Alien Minors (DREAM) Act, according to some federal estimates.

To be eligible, immigrants must prove they arrived in the U.S. before they turned 16, have lived in the country for five years or more and be in school or have served in the military. They also cannot have been convicted of some crimes.

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## Hangar One's fate looks grim

NASA INSPECTOR GENERAL WON'T BACK DOWN

By Daniel DeBolt

Following the backlash over a June 2011 report pushing for the disposal of historic Hangar One and Moffett Federal Airfield, the NASA Inspector General has issued another report igniting opposition from Hangar One preservationists.

The Aug. 9 audit calls for more transparency in the space agency's leasing practices, and scrutinizes NASA Ames' leases with Airship Ventures, Singularity University, Google and H211 LLC, which operates a fleet of private planes out of NASA-controlled Moffett Field for the founders of Google. The report will make it more difficult to find someone to restore and lease Hangar One, preservationists say, because it calls on NASA to only lease property that has a "current or future mission" for NASA and dispose of properties that do not, such as Hangar One.

"Your office and NASA Headquarters, with blinders firmly on, chose again to ignore what is most important to the communities and citizens of the Bay Area: preserving and restoring a usable Hangar One as a centerpiece for any future use of Moffett Field," writes Lenny Siegel and William Berry, members of the Moffett Field Restoration Advisory Board.

"This objective is not merely a local concern: In May 2012 the National Advisory Council on Historic Preservation reiterated, in a letter to the NASA Administrator, 'The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) has long supported the reuse of Hangar One at Moffett Field as a way to ensure that the building survives to convey an important part of our history to future generations.'"

In response to the protest letter, NASA Inspector General Paul K. Martin pointed to the space agency's aging facilities which

require maintenance costing "in excess of \$2.5 billion."

"Congress specifically directed the Agency — in the NASA Authorization Act of 2010 — to reduce its real property footprint to fit current and future missions and expected funding levels," Martin writes in a Sept. 4 letter. "Moreover, given the anticipated funding constraints for all Federal agencies in the years ahead, prudent decisions regarding the disposition of unneeded real property are imperative."

**'It is time to do another study of the future of Moffett Field.'**

LENNY SIEGEL

Siegel, an expert on environmental cleanup, said that transferring ownership of Hangar One could take five years or more because it sits on top of a Superfund cleanup site.

"Even in the best of times, it is difficult and slow to transfer to Superfund contaminated property from federal ownership," Siegel said. "That can't really be done in a timely fashion, thus threatening the hangar with deterioration."

The U.S. Navy recently finished stripping the 200-foot-tall hangar of siding laced with PCBs, lead and asbestos in an environmental cleanup. The metal skeleton was coated with paint and left to stand that way indefinitely, despite calls from local government leaders to replace the siding right away to protect the structure. At one point NASA was ordered by the White House to take on the responsibility of restoring the structure of from the Navy, but a NASA funding request failed to gain the necessary votes in Congress.

The Inspector general's position, and opposition from NASA headquarters, shot down an offer from the founders of Google to pay the cost of restoring Hangar One in exchange for a long-term lease for their storing their private planes there. Instead, NASA chief Charles Bolden said NASA would begin

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she was 17, and after attending her first class with her own mother she's been doing it ever since. "I really felt drawn to it," she said. "I really felt this was way to explore the mind, a way to live authentically, more fully alive."

During the 1980s, Catherine spurned a regular job and took breaks in college to meditate with teachers she found in India and the jungles of Thailand, including the same teachers who trained renowned author and teacher John Kabat Zinn, known as the father of mindfulness, a meditation practice stripped of its Buddhist overtones and used in hospitals to treat those in serious pain. Catherine began her own practice in hospitals as well and still sees those who want to continue their meditation learned at El Camino Hospital or who want to know more about the Buddhist philosophies that gave rise to meditation as a practice, she said.

"There has been a lot of research verifying the effectiveness of meditation for stress reduction for health, for concentration and clarity of mind, for overcoming anxiety and depression, for a whole rang of mental and physical difficulties," Catherine said. "Basically, people are happier when they meditate. Although everybody who meditates knew that long before there were any scientific studies."

Having people around you to support the practice is important

to encourage it in today's busy world, she says.

"I think it is really hard for people to carve out the time and protect the time to meditate," Catherine said. "People can very easily get swept up in the business of life and the responsibilities, which basically are their life pattern. Interestingly, when people retire it doesn't get easier," indicating that being busy becomes habit.

**'Basically, people are happier when they meditate.'**

SHAILA CATHERINE

"What people realize when they sit down to meditate is how out of control their minds are, it's a real wake up call," Catherine said. People realize, "I can't even sit down and feel three breaths."

"We always know what's good for us," Catherine says. "It doesn't mean we're encouraged or able to bring that into our lives. We need to keep re-inspiring ourselves, re-interested ourselves. That's why meditation groups and centers are so important."

Catherine says the goal of mediation isn't just to improve oneself, but also to improve a person's relationship to the world. If a person can learn to see and face the "greed, hate and

delusion" in oneself, then that person will be able to better deal with it in the world, she says.

She's written two books about meditation, one of which is about concentration, called "Focused and Fearless, A Meditator's Guide to States of Deep Joy, Calm and Clarity." She says she sees herself as an authority on the subject.

Catherine says mediation has definitely entered the mainstream. There's even a meditation group at Mountain View's Google campus. Local Googler Chade Meng-Tan has written a book, called "Search Inside Yourself" with a forward by John Kabat-Zin.

"As it's entering the mainstream, some of the things people feared about it have been disproved," Catherine said. People have said "it's some kind of cult" or that it will make you lazy, for example.

"When somebody does take care of their presence and quality of mind, they become much more effective at what they are trying to do," she said. "It helps them to maintain perseverance, to finish something they start."

Meditation also allows people "to pause and make more skillful life decisions," Catherine said. "I'm so grateful I learned when I was young. I made decisions when I was young that spared me suffering."

One of her students, Mary-Leigh Burke, wrote in an email, "I'm fascinated by how she has managed to make these choices work — so many of us envy those very few who have the sheer guts to follow their hearts."

She says she never thought of herself as a teacher, and was never really taught to be one.

"The teachings come out of the depth of one's practice," she said. "That's really what a teacher has to offer. The insights they've seen, the clarity they've seen in their own minds from doing the meditation themselves."

It took a long time to build a group large enough to support her financially, especially since she relies entirely on the generosity of her students who donate to her whatever they can spare.

"I think these teachings are so precious I'm happy to be able to offer them widely. Whether somebody gives a lot or a little, I give the same teachings for everybody. There are not special teachings for the rich," she laughs.

For those who are interested, Catherine recommends an introductory meditation session set for Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church. More information is at imsb.org.

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**COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

**NEW EL CAMINO COO**  
 El Camino Hospital officials announced Tuesday that they have a new chief operating officer. Mick Zdeblick, most recently the vice president of operations at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, has 25 years of management and operational experience, said an El Camino spokeswoman. At El Camino, his role will be to implement the three-year strategic plan, reduce costs and improve quality and individual experiences.

"Throughout his career, Mick has demonstrated an ability to effectively drive change in complex health care organizations," said Tomi Ryba, president and CEO of El Camino Hospital. "His experience and deep knowledge of operational best-practices will be critical to El Camino Hospital as we enter the next phase of our evolution in creating a continuum of integrated, patient-centric care through our clinical programs, further optimizing the health of Silicon Valley residents."

—Andrea Gemmet

**WEST NILE VIRUS FOUND**  
 Fogging in Mountain View to combat mosquitoes that may be infected with West Nile virus was set for Sept. 4.

The Santa Clara County Vector Control District confirmed on Aug. 30 that adult mosquitoes collected from the 94040 ZIP code area of Mountain View tested positive for West Nile virus. The ground fogging is set for an area of Mountain View west of Highway 85, and partially overlapping the area treated on Aug. 9, district officials said.

The disease causes severe flu-like symptoms in those who are particularly susceptible, such as people with compromised immune systems, diabetics, or people over 50, according to health officials. Most people, however, exhibit mild flu-like symptoms, or no symptoms at all.

## IMMIGRANTS

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Sunday's event was so popular, people were turned away, said Ilyce Shugall, supervising immigration attorney for the nonprofit Community Legal Services. A second workshop is planned for Oct. 20 or 21.

The organization's staff hopes that the correct information will get out to people. Some advocacy groups have told people they won't need attorneys, but that could jeopardize some applicants' chances, Shugall said. Many people do not understand the potential pitfalls they could encounter.

Before the applications were even released, there were cases of fraud, with some notaries and attorneys telling people that for a hefty fee they could receive the application before others, Shugall said.

An East Palo Alto mother who attended Sunday's workshop said she knows people solicited by private attorneys for as much as \$8,000 to help fill out the paperwork, although she has not been approached. She and her daughter have spent 12 months gathering the supporting paperwork they need to apply.

The daughter, who was 2 years old at the time of immigration, is a senior in high school and wants to attend a four-year college.

Adriana Gonzalez, consul in charge of legal protection for the Mexican consulate in San Francisco, said scams are common. The consulate is trying to make sure its citizens are not victims of fraud. At a table on Sunday, consulate workers distributed information on obtaining passports, birth records and information from valid websites.

"There have been many impostors, even impostor web pages," she said. She cautioned people to avoid websites with Web links that require money. Applicants are also confused about where

## CRIME BRIEFS

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on July 23.

Espinoza was charged with burglary, identity theft, fraudulent use of an access card and possession of drug paraphernalia. She was released on her own recognizance after being booked in Santa Clara County Main Jail with a bail of \$56,000.

Ortiz was charged with possession of stolen property, identity theft, forgery, fraudulent use of an access card and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released on a bail of \$66,000 after being booked in the jail.

Police stated they have not ruled out the possibility of additional suspects.

—Eric Van Susteren

to send their applications, she said. Many people do not realize that California residents must send the information to Phoenix, Ariz.

The consulate will be open to assist the public on Sept. 9 by appointment, she said.

One of the concerns some immigrants and their advocates have about Obama's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program is whether the information they provide will be used against them.

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services has said it doesn't intend to disclose the information with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), which handles deportations. But there is nothing statutory within the program that protects people, Shugall said, and that concerns her. A change of administration could negate the entire program or could potentially change how the information might be used, she added.

Several applicants said they are aware of those possibilities.

Johana M. and her father came to the workshop from Newark in the East Bay. Her father said the program would allow her to get a driver's license and attend college.

"As parents, that is what we want for our child," he said, declining to give his name.

Johana said acceptance into the deferment program would allow her to apply for financial scholarships. She wants to attend a 4-year university and to major in criminal justice, she said.

But the process has many loopholes for the government to reject candidates, and she was seeking time with the attorneys

so she will answer the questions accurately, she said.

"Some things are so specific, you have to get it right," she said.

At first she feared how the application information would be used, she said, but the pull of a good education has tempered that concern.

"It's worth the risk," she said.

Patricia Hernandez, 24, said she did not fear that her application would be used by Immigration and Customs Enforcement to deport her. The process is also fairly straightforward for people who have a good paper trail, she said.

"Luckily, my mom saved everything," she said.

Hernandez is an architecture major studying in San Diego. Her parents brought her to the U.S. from Mexico when she was 5 years old. It would be unfair to deport her and other students to Mexico, she said.

"I was raised with the culture here and adapted here. I have no family there and I barely know the (Spanish) language. There are a lot of contributions I can make here," she said.

Looking back at the throng of people gathered in knots around volunteers who handed out applications in Spanish and English, she said she did not mind waiting. If her application is accepted, she will have the same opportunities as her classmates. For all of her years of hard work in school, she will finally be able to have a work permit, she said.

Hernandez said she is grateful to Obama.

"It was an amazing thing that he did," she said. ▀



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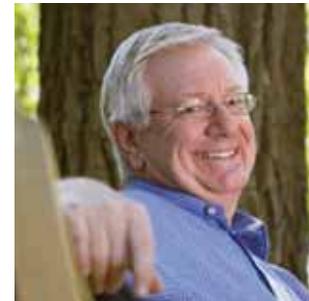
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**BULLIS**

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from October 2011. However, the district officials and legal counsel maintain that the district has done more than enough to satisfy last year's ruling, which was handed down by the California Court of Appeal for the Sixth District.



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Before California Superior Court Judge Patricia Lucas can decide whether she will compel the school district to do anything, however, she must determine whether she has jurisdiction in the matter. Lawyers from the school district argued she does not.

Ray Cardozo, the school district's attorney, argued that the charter school needed to file another lawsuit. In an official response to the motion to compel, the district's legal team wrote that it objected to the charter school's attempt to "challenge the district's offer of facilities for the 2012-13 school year via a post-judgment motion," referring to the decision handed down by the appeals court ruling.

According to Cardozo, LASD officials have met the 2012-13 facilities requirements. "They've gone above and beyond" what was required, the lawyer said in an interview in the courthouse

hall immediately following the hearing. "The district went too far in Bullis' favor."

But as Bullis attorney Arturo Gonzalez repeated in court and in a post-hearing interview, the district has not complied with the appeals court ruling and the charter school continues to sit on land that is not "reasonably equivalent," as required by Proposition 39.

While Gonzalez sought to convince Lucas that she ought to issue an order compelling the district to do more in order to comply with the October 2011 ruling, Cardozo repeatedly laid down the case that the district had already met the judgment and that the charter school could not go back and tack on more conditions. If Bullis officials disagree with the district's offer, he argued, they must file another lawsuit.

Based on the pointed questions the judge continued to ask Bullis' attorney, Cardozo believes the

judge is likely to rule in the district's favor on this score.

"She's very concerned that Bullis has used the improper procedure, where they basically try to short-circuit the process of review of the offer," Cardozo hypothesized.

The charter school, he continued, "knows this is a good offer. It complies fully with the law, and they cannot undermine it except by using this legal hijinks, which they attempted today."

According to Gonzalez, however, it is the district that is engaging in elaborate legal maneuvering to dodge the fact that the facilities offered to Bullis are woefully inadequate.

Under the current offer, the charter school will be split between two campuses, even though Bullis officials maintain that they need all their students in one place to conduct their "comprehensive" K-8 program properly.

Furthermore, Gonzalez pointed out, the elementary school portion of Bullis is tucked away on a small corner of Egan Junior High School, and all the buildings available to the charter school are portable units.

"I'm disappointed that the district doesn't want to face the merits of the case," Gonzalez said. "I mean, the district has complained that the charter school is spending too much money on litigation and on lawyers."

"The district's argument today was one simple argument: We need to file another lawsuit. And I just find that intriguing. If the district has complied with the law, as they claim, then why are they afraid of having a court hear the arguments? If I were the district I would have wanted to get this over with. I would have said, 'Your Honor, we haven't done anything wrong. We've complied with the law. Let's do it!'"

**FENCE PROPOSAL**

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to force them out of business altogether so they could obtain this land cheaper for their own plans."

Merlone Geier officials had said they wanted to "preserve their property rights" as they looked to buy Ross and BevMo! The developer also said it needed to preserve parking, though Barron Park and the neighboring Halal International Market said they didn't need to use the parking lot.

The withdrawal of the application came after zoning administrator Peter Gilli told Merlone Geier to try and work with the property and business owners who had complained about the proposal. Three buildings at the corner of San Antonio Road and California Avenue would have had a 6-foot wrought-iron fence built behind them, blocking access between the Ross and BevMo! parking lots and Barron Park Plumbing Supply, an office building and Halal International Market, which would have had the exit for its driveway blocked, potentially discouraging customers from using its own parking lot and keeping garbage trucks from easily accessing garbage enclosure next to the driveway exit.

"It killed my business," said Mehran Farshad, co-owner of the International Halal Market of the cyclone fence Merlone Geier put up without permission in May. "People saw they could not exit, so they did not enter the property."

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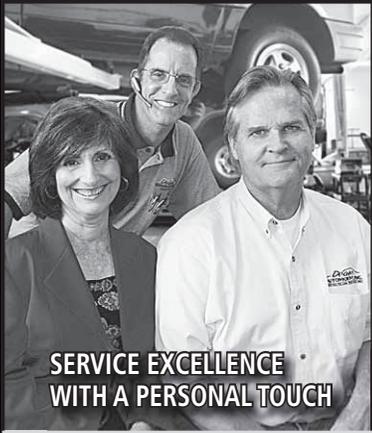
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### HANGAR ONE

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working with the General Services Administration to dispose of Hangar One and the Moffett airfield, which NASA has struggled to find funding to operate.

"As stated in the Administrator's April 2012 letter to a member of Congress, because NASA had no mission use for Hangar One or the other Moffett Field property (the airfield) it would not be consistent with Federal law for the Agency to lease the property to H211," the Aug. 9 audit states. "The Administrator's action nevertheless sparked significant opposition from members of Congress, local residents, and the media."

"We continue to be confounded and disappointed by the unwillingness of NASA's leadership, as characterized and supported by your report, to recognize its obligation to see that such an important property as Hangar One is preserved in a timely manner," write Berry and Siegel in their letter.

Berry and Siegel say the Inspector General is ignoring historical

preservation and environmental cleanup obligations the federal government has in dealing with Hangar One. They also bring up the possibility of an earth, air and space museum in the hangar, which might not be part of part of NASA's mission, but would certainly fit the space agency's goal of educating the public. Hangar One preservationists have been pushing for such a place, and have set up a website at [airandspacewest.org](http://airandspacewest.org).

"The important thing about the H211 proposal is it tied the future of the hangar to the future of the airfield," Siegel said. "The proposed Earth Air and Space Center may or may not require use of the airfield in the long run."

"It's my personal belief that it is time to do another study of the future of Moffett Field," Siegel said, recalling the citizens advisory committee he was on in 1997 after the Navy left Moffett. "I hate to think it, but that's like 15 years ago. It's time to do such a study again."

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## BIKING

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seen where cars and bikes cross paths on Stevens Creek near Highway 280 in Cupertino. In Palo Alto, bike boulevards on Bryant and Park streets slow traffic with new cul-de-sacs only bikes can cut through, while in San Jose 6 miles of “extra buffer bike lanes” were finished this summer, giving bicyclists room to ride around open car doors, while other bike lanes were placed between car parking spaces and the curb to protect cyclists from traffic.

“These are things that make people feel comfortable biking,” said John Brazil, bike and pedestrian coordinator for the city of San Jose, and a resident of Mountain View who commutes by bike. “What surveys show is when you ask why people don’t bike, you get two main reasons: ‘I don’t feel safe in traffic,’ and ‘it’s not convenient.’”

The city has two new two bike lanes in the works — a mile of bike lane in total — and neither were funded this year. One lane would run on Calderon Avenue from Villa Street to El Camino Real (\$340,000), and another would run on San Antonio Road between California Street and El Camino Real and require major street lane and median modifications (\$1.33 million).

Mullen wants wider bike lanes on the busiest streets, like California Street and Shoreline Boulevard. El Camino Real is also sorely lacking bike lanes, despite support for it from the city’s Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, said chair Lauren Angelo. Bike lanes on El Camino Real may have helped prevent a bike collision with a car in 2009 that left a 66-year-old bicyclist in serious condition near Pettis Avenue.

The city has been awarded a bronze rating by the League of American Bicyclists. Only a few American cities have been rated platinum, including Portland, Ore., while Palo Alto has been honored with a gold rating.

**Bike commuting rises**

According to census data, the number of Mountain View residents commuting by bike has almost doubled since 2000, when it was just 2 percent. In the 2011 Census, the number rose to 3.4 percent.

Ten years ago, Portland had an even worse bike commuting rate than Mountain View, with 1.8 percent of residents using bikes to commute. It now proudly proclaims itself “America’s bike capitol,” painted in large letters on a downtown building. The city of 585,000 has the highest rate of bike commuting in the

United States, with 6 percent of its residents commuting by bike. The change is largely credited to its growing bike network and prominent bike culture, which is satirized in the TV show *Portlandia*.

“Any place really can have the power to be a bike-friendly city, it’s really a discretionary action, it’s a choice,” Mullen said. “I think Mountain View has a lot of potential to be really bicycle friendly. We’re a compact city and we have some of the best climate in the world.”

LaFleur said that culturally, Mountain View isn’t much different than Palo Alto. Mountain View lacks bicycle-riding Stanford students, but that’s partly made up for by Mountain View’s bicycle-riding Google employees.

Portland’s bike network cost \$60 million, roughly equal to the cost of 1 mile of urban freeway, according to Portland Mayor Sam Adams. Using city and grant funding, Mountain View has used almost that much on its creek-side trails, which Fuller and Angelo pointed to as evidence the city was making progress for bicyclists in recent years.

“The Steven’s Creek Trail is great, but it only goes to a few places,” said Brazil, also a board member for the friends of the Stevens Creek Trail.

“A chain is only as strong as its weakest link,” Mullen said. “The trail is great but it’s kind of isolated.” Unless your trip is “directly on the trail, you are going to have to ride on a street.”

The cost of future bicycle improvements is a challenge, and would come from construction conveyance taxes and capital reserve funds of which the city has only \$4 million over the next five years for new projects, according to a May 1 report. “There’s lot of competition for those funds,” said public works director Mike Fuller. Mullen says other cities have a impact fee on all new development that could go towards bike and pedestrian improvements, but Mountain View does not.

**What bicyclists want**

Bicyclists say a bit of paint can make a difference. Angelo said she would like to see the city use “sharrows,” large arrows painted on the street with a bike symbol, telling drivers that bicyclists are allowed to ride with auto traffic where there’s no room for a bike lane. To illustrate the potential usefulness of Sharrows, LaFleur recalled her daily commute on a section of Middlefield Road in Palo Alto which has no bike lane. “Occasionally people wouldn’t understand I had a right to be there and would honk and yell,

which is kind of scary,” she said.

To see what more involved solutions look like, a trip to Palo Alto’s Ellen Fletcher bike boulevard is helpful. First implemented as a trial in 1982, it’s considered the first bike boulevard in the country. Its major feature are cul-de-sacs added to Bryant that force cars to take more circuitous routes through neighborhoods but allow bikes to go straight through. Initial reports showed nearly a 100 percent increase in bike use on the street, with 300 to 400 bicyclists using it during commute hours.

Mountain View city staff recommended against creating such bike boulevards in a 2004 study.

“It is likely that proposing roadway improvements that would favor bicyclists, such as cul-de-sacs, would generate significant neighborhood opposition and, for that reason, are not being recommended,” the 2004 report says.

Instead, Mountain View’s bike boulevards are marked with signs on poles and are shown as recommended routes on a bike map that can be downloaded from the city’s website.

“What a bike boulevard is in other cities, our bike boulevards are nowhere like that,” Mullen said, calling them “ridiculous.”

LaFleur saw similar potential. “I would like to see them go more aggressive with bike boulevards,” she said.

The changes don’t have to be as involved as cul-de-sacs, LaFleur said. It could be “a traffic island in the middle of an intersection” which “slows down cars so they can’t go through really fast,” she said. The Montecito Avenue bike boulevard in particular could use such measures, she said.

“I love the idea of the bike lanes on El Camino Real,” Angelo said of a place where bike accidents serious enough to make headlines have occurred. He said he believes that’s the consensus of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. But City Council members have opposed them as part of a plan for bus rapid transit on El Camino Real, which would reduce car lanes to two in each direction, allowing room for bike lanes and dedicated bus lanes. Council members cited car traffic concerns.

“We need to be putting pressure on our city officials and say we want more,” LaFleur said. “People don’t understand that a lot of car traffic is discretionary. People do it because it’s convenient.”

**Suburbs perfect for biking**

LaFleur says biking is perfect for suburban areas, where walking isn’t always convenient. “If

you bring a bicycle into the mix in the suburbs, walking distance becomes four times further,” LaFleur said. That may also be why bikes are “unbelievable popular” on Caltrain, LaFleur noted.

“The bike friendliness of our city will probably keep jobs in Mountain View that could move up to San Francisco,” LaFleur said. “If we want to keep that strength, making sure people can get to Mountain View and across town is the way to go.”

Mullen and Brazil said bicycling is part of a generational shift. Young people — including the city’s young tech workers — are much less interested in owning a car and taking on the \$7,000 average annual expense it entails, Brazil said.

Studies show that employees who bike to work use fewer sick days, Brazil said, while bike-friendly business districts are more vibrant and better sup-

port small businesses. But little things can discourage biking, like not enough bike racks. Some of the busiest downtown buildings still lack good bike racks, including the tallest, 444 Castro Street.

Brazil pointed out the city’s good fortune in being chosen as one of several cities to participate in the Valley Transportation Authority’s new bike-sharing program, which will place 117 bikes at at nine automated stations around Mountain View. For a fee, bike-sharing allows people to take the train or bus to Mountain View and use a bike for the last bit of the trip.

“We’re still recovering from cities building for cars over the last several decades,” Brazil said. “I think Mountain View will continue to get better. It’s just a question of, at what pace?”

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■ EDITORIAL  
THE OPINION OF THE VOICE

## Time to slow down on California Street

Often it takes a traumatic event to bring an otherwise ignored problem to light, and that is certainly the case in the tragic death of William Ware, who was hit and killed by a speeding car June 21 while waiting for a bus on California Street near Escuela Avenue.

Ware, 50, was a friend to numerous city workers and residents. He was well-known at the police department and the library, where he would relish performing the small tasks he was given. He spoke to virtually everyone he met, and had friends all over town. His neighbors saw him often, walking to and from his home and to the bus stop.

So it was a shock to all to hear of his untimely death, caused when the driver of a speeding gray sedan allegedly ran a red light, swerved to avoid a truck and lost control of the vehicle. His car jumped the curb, ran over a pole and hit Ware, who was waiting at a bus stop about 9:30 a.m. When it came to rest, the car was found near the intersection of California Street and Escuela Avenue. It was an event that has not been forgotten by many in the mostly working class neighborhood, who continue to leave flowers and gifts at the park bench that marks the spot of Ware's death.

But despite the terrible loss caused by the accident, something good might yet come from it. Neighborhood residents believe it is time to scrap what many consider a four-lane speedway on California Street and replace it with a much more pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly street with two lanes, improved bike lanes and sidewalks, and a center turn lane, a configuration that would be much less inviting to those who drive over the speed limit.

The effort is led by activist Jarrett Mullen, who has rolled

out a website, showing new street designs for some of the city's busiest streets, including California, Shoreline Boulevard, Escuela, Rengstorff and many others. The idea is to force traffic to slow down, providing much safer ways for pedestrians and cyclists to get around their neighborhood. Mullen calls it putting the streets on "road diets," by slimming them down and making them more attractive.

It is a sensible approach that first the Public Works Department and ultimately the City Council should seriously consider. The benefits are well understood. Castro Street is an example of the traffic calming effect of narrowing a street from four lanes to two. On California Street there's even more room to allow a center turn lane and a bike lane in each direction.

Like water, traffic always finds the path of least resistance. The city's goal should be to encourage more north-south drivers to use El Camino Real and Central Expressway, and discourage cross-town traffic on residential streets like California, which is surrounded by dense housing structures. East-west streets could also go on a "road diet" for the same reason.

In its recent rewrite of the 2030 General Plan, the City Council endorsed adding pockets of extremely dense housing, including some buildings of up to six stories. The council must be sure to examine the flip-side of that decision — a giant bump in traffic impact — when they make the final call on many of these mega projects. We already have seen the unfortunate consequence of an errant motorist on a "speedway" arterial street. Let's make sure we do not inadvertently approve another one.

## ■ LETTERS VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

### CATCH SPEEDERS TO IMPROVE STREET SAFETY

The ideas in the article on making California Street safer this week are interesting. But speed limit enforcement is a much easier solution.

I have lived near California Street for 22 years. I've never seen a police car pull over a speeder or a red light runner — except me, on a bike, for turning right without making a complete stop at maybe 2 mph.

I have also complained to the MVPD that one third of all drivers have cell-phones glued to their face. It's virtually legal here.

**Sam Beal**  
Ortega Avenue

### CITY SHOULD BAN FENCE AT SHOPPING CENTER

I am concerned about the proposed fence at San Antonio Shopping Center. I wish to cast my vote that the fence be removed and not allowed in any future negotiations.

I have been a patron of many stores in that shopping center, including Barron Park Plumbing, which I consider one of the best stores in our community. Their commitment to service and quality is some of the best I've seen anywhere, in any type of store. To have them go out of business because of a large and powerful development company would be a tragedy for our community.

I hope others will agree with me and persuade the city to remove and disallow the fence.

*Jerry Leventer*  
Mountain View

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## Bullis demands not fair to district students

By Elena Shea

Your Aug. 24 editorial, "School dispute will cost Los Altos district," mischaracterizes the mission of the Huttlinger Alliance for Education. The Alliance was not formed to "attack (Bullis Charter School) for its effort to obtain adequate classroom space for its students," as your editorial suggests. Instead, the Alliance's more than 800 community supporters seek to ensure that the interests of all students in the Los Altos School District — both BCS students and students enrolled in the district's traditional schools — are fairly distributed among district facilities.

The editorial parrots BCS's call for the LASD Board of Trustees to close one of the district's neighborhood schools and turn the campus over to BCS. But as BCS's attorney admitted in a March court hearing, nothing in the state appellate court ruling to which your editorial refers entitles BCS to its own campus. BCS has nevertheless vowed to continue to sue the district until it capitulates and surrenders a campus.

Giving BCS's 466 in-district students one of the existing elementary school campuses is not the answer. This approach would displace hundreds of district students, thereby driving up the size of the remaining schools far beyond BCS's enrollment, and beyond the district's optimal school size. Under this scenario, BCS's students would enjoy more space per student than their traditional school counterparts.

This is hardly a fair solution. Nor would it comply with Proposition 39. The actual text of the statute states that "public school facilities should be shared

fairly among all public school pupils, including those in charter schools." It does not require — or allow — school districts to afford charter school students better facilities than other public school students.

For the current school year, the District has provided BCS with 11.3 acres of space over its two junior high campuses to house BCS's district-wide K-8 program, a substantial increase over the facilities provided in previous years, reflecting BCS's growth. But the *Voice* endorses BCS's demand for even more. How would it be fair to give more space to BCS, whose students already enjoy more per-child classroom space than other district students? Why would it be fair to displace district students who attend their neighborhood school, in favor of students who have voluntarily chosen a district-wide charter school? Why would it be fair to give BCS exclusive use of a campus, when no statute or court decision requires it, and to do so would force hundreds of other students to change schools?

Ultimately, a plan for sharing district facilities needs to be developed with the participation and endorsement of the entire community. The recently announced Task Force on Enrollment Growth — in which BCS will be invited to participate — is a tangible first step in this process. To achieve the goal of fairly housing all students will require that BCS not look to the courts to force a solution, but instead actively participate in good faith with the larger community to solve the problem together.

*Elena Shea is president of the Huttlinger Alliance for Education.*

### LETTERS

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#### BETTER MAINTENANCE FOR STREET TREES

How about if we spend some of that city money taking care of the trees that are already established here in downtown Mountain View?

A branch recently took out a car on Velarde Street. The beautiful old oak trees on the street need to be maintained properly.

This is not the first branch on Velarde Street that has taken out a car. Wait until a branch comes down and kills

somebody. Can the Forestry Department tell us what's up?

*Muriel Sivyver-Lee  
Velarde Street*



## Community Health Education Programs

For a complete list of classes and class fees, lectures and health education resources, visit [pamf.org/healtheducation](http://pamf.org/healtheducation).

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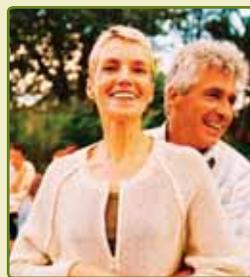
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### Understanding Hypertension

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 12:45 to 1:45 p.m.

Sunnyvale City Senior Center  
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No registration needed, however,  
email can be sent to  
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Hypertension is prevalent, affecting over 60% of older Americans. We'll review the definition of "hypertension," lifestyle changes and modifications that lower blood pressure, as well as common medications used to treat blood pressure. We'll talk briefly about other risk factors, such as diabetes, and cholesterol, that can exist along with blood pressure and increase one's risk for heart disease.

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##### Mountain View

- Preparing for Travel to South East Asia with Children – Parent Workshop Series





Mark Bubert wheels a rack of sausages into the smoker at Dittmer's.

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spaces between crowded displays. The restroom and floor space are fully accessible.

Besides Silva and her brother, Mark Bubert, and of course Dittmer Bubert himself, customers will recognize ten of the staff members from the old store.

The family hasn't spent the year and a half on vacation. First, there was insurance and remaining inventory to deal with, then real estate, architecture, planning and the usual construction delays.

They scrubbed out everything from the bank except for two immovable objects: the vault and the fireplace. Why did a bank have a fireplace? Never mind, now it is Santa Claus red and has a candy display next to it. The vault has been insulated and reborn as a meat cooler.

Light green tiles with a horizontal interest stripe decorates the back of meat and deli/sandwich counter. Across the way, by the front door, is a stand-alone check-out counter. Eventually there will be seating outside.

After a hungry childhood in postwar Germany, Dittmer Bubert apprenticed himself to a sausage maker. Germany has over a thousand types of sausage. He immigrated to Canada, then came to the Bay Area and worked at Safeway markets in Redwood City and San Mateo. Meanwhile, he made sausages at home, often incorporating recipes from the non-Germans he'd met. Then, as now, the community wanted more sausages.

In 1978, Bubert opened his own shop in the back of a small center on San Antonio Road. He kept adding varieties, such as the Sheboygan brats so dear to customers from Wisconsin. With a minimum order of 25 pounds, Dittmer's will custom-make a sausage.

Perennial favorites range from one-note frankfurters to spicy paprika sausage.

While 40 types of sausages are the heart and soul of Dittmer's, there are other

■ FOOD FEATURE

## Smoke gets in your eye

FANS REJOICE AS DITTMER'S GOURMET MEATS AND WURST HAUS REOPENS, BIGGER AND BETTER

By Sheila Himmel

Now we can relax: The new Dittmer's smells the same as the old Dittmer's — smoky. Over a year and a half since fire destroyed the original location, nearly 5,000 Facebook "likes" later, Dittmer's Gourmet Meats and Wursth-Haus reopened Aug. 8. The man who postponed his wedding in order to have fresh sausages can go ahead and reschedule.

In other good news, sandwiches and salads are back as of this week. The community's joy in Dittmer's resurrection has been wonderful, but also a bit overwhelming.

It took a month to gear up the deli, and sometimes they run out of certain sausages.

The spacious new location, a former Wells Fargo Bank branch, greets the customer with gleaming hardwood floors and miles of meats that are dried, smoked, parboiled and fresh.

"People walk in and take a deep breath, inhaling the scent," said Petra Silva, general manager and daughter of founder Dittmer Bubert.

With 5,000 square feet on the ground floor and offices upstairs, Dittmer's has more than doubled in size. No more squeezing into tight



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**Top:** Sauces and marinades from Dittmer's stand at the ready;

**Left:** Photos and mementos recall the transition from the fire-damaged old store to opening in the new space.



*Stacy Rademacher, a longtime Dittmer's customer, tells Araceli Campos how much she has missed it.*

products. In the cheese case, find goose fat in a 14-ounce tub. Palo Alto Firefighters' Pepper Sauce sits next to Curry Gewurz (that is, spicy) Ketchup. Pickles and sauerkraut abound. Vacuum-packed meats and fish in the cool case include pickled pork hock, tri-tip, butter chicken and smoked salmon. And in the extensive freezer section, find ground lamb, beef bones, caul fat and veal loaf (with cooking directions on top).

As ever, Dittmer's does not ship or deliver. Dittmer's

products are not available elsewhere, not even online. There is a knife-sharpening service one Saturday each month. The point is to come in and experience a real butcher shop.

The Village Court Shopping Center, on the Los Altos side of El Camino Real at San Antonio Avenue, has seen a lot of coming and going. With continuing construction in one area and desperate people sniffing out the scent of sausage, pay attention to your parking. ▣

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## MOVIE REVIEWS

### THE BOURNE LEGACY ★★

(Century 16, Century 20) Meet the new Bourne, same as the old Bourne. That's the impression left by "The Bourne Legacy," a would-be franchise refresher in which Jeremy Renner grabs the baton from Matt Damon. Everything in this film you've seen before, whether it be recycled from the "Bourne" trilogy or even Joe Wright's "Hanna," for gosh sakes. What is this movie about? A chemically enhanced super soldier (Renner) discovers his masters have turned on him. Cross tracks down Marta Shearing (Rachel Weisz), the only surviving doctor who used to maintain him; now she too has been targeted. Renner and Weisz are as solid as one might respectively expect, but the film doesn't make us care much about them, or say anything more pointed about the state of American covert affairs than "We are morally indefensible and absolutely necessary." Instead, the film expends acres of talk on military doublespeak and technobabble. As Scott Glenn's CIA director confesses early on, "I've kind of lost my perspective on what's possible." Just remember, kids, you're not paranoid if they're really out to get you ... or your movie dollars. *Rated PG-13 for violence and action. Two hours, 15 minutes.* — P.C.

### THE CAMPAIGN ★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) Will Ferrell and Zach Galifianakis bring their boundary-

pushing comedic sensibilities to the world of politics with this uneven chuckler. The strong cast and topical plot help make for a hilarious first hour. But "The Campaign" eventually fizzles beneath a spattering of raunchy humor that often misses the mark. Ferrell plays North Carolina-based U.S. Rep. Cam Brady as sort of an amalgam of George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton. Brady has long run unopposed in his district and again looks destined for re-election despite an episode of infidelity. The greedy tycoon Motch brothers (Lithgow and Aykroyd) are eager to supplant Brady with a candidate who will support their agenda, and turn to the oblivious and awkward Marty Huggins (Galifianakis), the son of a wealthy businessman. The filmmakers do well in not pandering to one particular side of the political spectrum. In fact, part of the movie's flair comes in avoiding actual politics (when an intern brings up a real political issue, Brady kicks him out of the campaign headquarters). Where the film falters is in its script. Winning scenes trade time with squirm-inducing moments. There is some smart social commentary tucked in, but it's tough to take seriously given the picture's crude undertones. "The Campaign" shows a great deal of promise and is a worthwhile viewing for Ferrell and Galifianakis fans. But, not unlike some politicians, it proves unable to live up to its own potential. *Rated R for language, sexual content and brief nudity. One hour, 25 minutes.* — T.H.

### CELESTE AND JESSE FOREVER ★★1/2

(Century 16) Till now, the premier divorce comedies have been to some degree mean-spirited, from "His Girl Friday" to "War of

the Roses." But screenwriters Rashida Jones and Will McCormack have devised a kinder, gentler divorce comedy in "Celeste and Jesse Forever." A "rom com" that plays off of or squirms out of the clichés, the film stars Jones and Andy Samberg as the title characters, high school sweethearts who got married but eventually hit a wall. Now six months separated and heading for a divorce, their relationship is, ironically, stronger than ever — as inseparable best friends. But unresolved romantic feelings have lingered, consciously for Jesse and perhaps unconsciously for Celeste. Even at a slim 91 minutes, the picture feels padded with too much material that's dead on arrival. Samberg decently holds up his end of the hipster duet, and McCormack puts in a nice supporting turn as a friend of Jesse's, but it's Jones who easily walks off with the movie, flimsy though it may be. *Rated R for language, sexual content and drug use. One hour, 32 minutes.* — P.C.

### HOPE SPRINGS ★★★

(Century 20) "I want a real marriage again." With those words in the dramedy "Hope Springs," Meryl Streep's housewife throws the gauntlet before her husband of 31 years, played by Tommy Lee Jones. Streep's Kay Soames ropes her husband Arnold into a weeklong program run by "You Can Have the Marriage You Want" author Dr. Bernard Feld (Steve Carell). The master class in acting put on by Streep and the particularly pitch-perfect Jones is the big draw here. While Carell, like his character, expertly facilitates, the leads put themselves under the microscope, finding fascinating rhythms in their give-and-takes, and speaking volumes with body language. "Hope Springs" turns out to be a different kind of mainstream

movie, wielding star power to turn a giant, unsparing mirror on its target audience: in this case, baby boomers in stale marriages. There's a riveting intensity and a sense of privilege to the way the movie takes us into squirmy private moments and focuses nearly every scene on the sometimes funny, more often sad dynamic between the two leads. A handful of comic flourishes lean toward jokiness at odds with the film's greater scheme, of dramatic cultivated awkwardness between two people facing hard truths. Also, one might well wish for a chink in the armor of Carell's too-perfect shrink. But the commitment to character and performance is enough to give "Hope" a try. *Rated PG-13 for mature thematic content involving sexuality. One hour, 40 minutes.* — P.C.

### LAWLESS ★★★

(Century 16, Century 20) Down where the willows weep, in rural Virginia, three brothers made names for themselves as moonshiners. Their story comes back to life in "Lawless," a fact-based crime drama that's as tough-minded as they come. Shia LaBeouf is a Prohibition-era bootlegger, running liquor around the county, one car-length ahead of opportunistic rivals and federal agents. The screen Jack has an inferiority complex: Treated like the runt of the litter by brothers Forrest (Tom Hardy) and Howard (Jason Clarke), immature Jack lets his eagerness to prove his worth inform his every decision. On the face of it, "Lawless" may seem like nothing more than an artfully rendered tale of turpitude, and perhaps it isn't. But to some degree, the pointlessness is the point. As Jack explains in voice-over, there's something "indifferent" about the universe that allowed these events to unfold, and refer-

ences to "war" easily imply a correspondence to the pointless "War on Drugs" and modern Prohibition. It's also a story of men immune to Depression, as they break the law with impunity. The film proves equally adept at dealing out swift brutality and lively marginalia. The film focuses on an ages-old masculine code of survival at any cost and prideful protection of reputation and, by extension, legacy. In recounting "the Great Franklin County Moonshine Conspiracy," "Lawless" does not lack for local color and local legend. *Rated R for strong bloody violence, language and some sexuality/nudity. One hour, 56 minutes.* — P.C.

### PARANORMAN ★★1/2

(Century 16, Century 20) Norman sees dead people, but he doesn't tremble like Haley Joel Osment of "The Sixth Sense." Instead, the 11-year-old greets the deceased like old friends in directors Sam Fell and Chris Butler's stop-motion animated comedy. There's much to applaud in the charming first act that develops the characters and establishes the small-township setting with incredible detail. Norman Babcock (voiced by Kodi Smit-McPhee of "Let Me In") is a sensitive soul, branded as the local freak and bullied at middle school. Aardman veteran Fell and first-time screenwriter Butler (storyboard supervisor of "Coraline") excel at creating a delightful character piece. But once the plot unleashes the walking dead, the brain of the screenplay seems half-eaten by zombies. The story spins into a protracted and all-too-familiar chase scene. Drawing parallels between the 18th-century witchhunts and the bullying of today's "freaks," the message becomes murky. The notion that fear breeds bullying,

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## Weekend

as well as mob violence, seems simplistic and clouds the real theme of forgiveness. Wonderful stop-motion and immersive 3-D techniques can't stop a misconceived concept from running amok. *Rated PG for scary action and images, thematic elements, rude humor and language. 1 hour, 36 minutes.* — S.T.

### ROBOT & FRANK ★★★

(Palo Alto Square) In "Robot & Frank," a robot helps a fading old man to see life, and himself, more clearly. The robot is a gift from son (James Marsden) to father (Frank Langella), intended to troubleshoot the dementia of retired "second-story man" Frank. Frank's initial reaction — "You're going to leave me with this death machine?" — turns to opportunism when he realizes that the robot isn't programmed to be law-abiding or moralistic: Its only concern is Frank's mental and physical health. And so Frank makes the case that the best way to keep his mind active isn't the gardening the robot proposes, but planning burglaries. The film operates on a humble scale, with small gestures of futurism and an uncluttered visual and narrative style. There's a deftly handled subplot involving the local librarian (Susan Sarandon), who takes an interest in Frank. And there's some good humor in the robot/Frank relationship to counterbalance the poignancy of his fading days. Though the audience may be tempted to humanize the robot (Peter Sarsgaard), the film excels most as a showcase for the still-crafty, supremely human Langella. Whether being grumpy or sly or existentially fretful, Langella makes a great case for the power of the screen to be a looking glass. *Rated PG-13 for language. One hour, 30 minutes.* — P.C.

### SLEEPWALK WITH ME

★★★1/2

(Aquarius) In association with WBEZ Chicago, it's this American life: Mike Birbiglia's. The comedian brings his best-known story to the big screen in "Sleepwalk with Me," an indie comedy-drama co-written and co-produced by "This American Life" host Ira Glass. That Birbiglia has already told this story before — on "This American Life," in his one-man off-Broadway show, and a best-selling non-fiction book — is part of the problem. Film isn't the best medium for this story. Nevertheless, "Sleepwalk with Me" gets by on its humble charms as it tells the story of aspiring stand-up comic Matt Pandamiglio (Birbiglia, natch) and his struggles with commitment and REM behavior disorder. Matt has an eight-year relationship with girlfriend Abby (Lauren Ambrose), but he's pushing his luck by dodging the question he ought to be popping. Matt's hapless clambering in the comedy world, a painful ascent that's realistically slow, is the film's most convincingly portrayed aspect and presents the most intriguing dilemma. As a veteran comic (Marc Maron) teaches Matt that he's going to have to start telling some hard truths about his life: That's where the good material lives. But once Matt goes there, he has an act he doesn't feel comfortable letting Abby hear. At the bottom line, Birbiglia's film version of "Sleepwalk with Me" may be a bit fitful and tentative, but the story remains resonant, with its hidden-in-plain-sight metaphor of drifting unconsciously through life. *Not rated. One hour, 30 minutes.* — P.C.

### MOVIE TIMES

All showtimes are for Friday through Sunday only unless otherwise noted. For other times, as well as reviews and trailers, go to [mv-voice.com/movies](http://mv-voice.com/movies).

<b>2016: Obama's America (PG)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:35 a.m.; 2:10, 4:25, 6:50 & 9:05 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> Noon, 2:30, 4:55, 7:20 & 9:40 p.m.
<b>Beasts of the Southern Wild (PG-13) ★★★</b>	<b>Guild Theatre:</b> 1, 3:30, 6 & 8:30 p.m.	
<b>The Bourne Legacy (PG-13) ★★</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> Noon, 3, 7 & 10:05 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 1, 4, 7 & 10 p.m.
<b>Brave (PG) ★★★★★1/2</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11 a.m.; 1:30 & 3:55 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:15 a.m.; 1:40 & 4:10 p.m.
<b>The Campaign (R) ★★1/2</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:15 a.m.; 4:40 & 9:50 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 12:30, 3, 5:30, 7:55 & 10:20 p.m.
<b>Celeste and Jesse Forever (R) ★★1/2</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 2:20 & 7:25 p.m.	
<b>Chinatown (1974) (R)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> Thu. at 2 & 7 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> Thu. at 2 & 7 p.m.
<b>The Cold Light of Day (PG-13)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:25 a.m.; 2, 4:35, 7:30 & 10:10 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 12:10, 2:30, 5, 7:30 & 10 p.m.
<b>Compliance (R)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> Noon, 2:40, 5, 8 & 10:20 p.m.	
<b>The Dark Knight Rises (PG-13) ★★★★★</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11 a.m.; 2:30, 6:10 & 9:40 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 12:55, 4:40 & 8:30 p.m.
<b>Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (PG) ★★</b>	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:30 a.m.; 1:50, 4:15, 6:45 & 9:10 p.m.	
<b>The Expendables 2 (R)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11 a.m.; 1:30, 4, 7:10 & 9:45 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:55 a.m.; 2:30, 5, 7:30 & 10 p.m.
<b>For a Good Time, Call... (R)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:30 a.m.; 2:15, 4:50, 7:50 & 10:20 p.m.	
<b>Hope Springs (PG-13) ★★</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:20 a.m.; 1:55, 4:20, 7 & 9:25 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:20 a.m.; 1:45, 4:10, 6:50 & 9:20 p.m.
<b>Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG)</b>	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:35 a.m. & 4:25 p.m.; In 3D at 1:55, 7 & 9:20 p.m.	
<b>The Intouchables (R) ★★</b>	<b>Aquarius Theatre:</b> 3:15, 6 & 8:45 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:35 a.m.; 2:15, 4:55, 7:35 & 10:15 p.m.
<b>Lawless (R) ★★</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11 a.m.; 1:35, 4:10, 7 & 9:40 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:25 a.m.; 12:45, 2, 3:20, 4:35, 5:55, 7:15, 8:40 & 10:10 p.m.
<b>Marvel's The Avengers (PG-13) ★★★★★</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 6:20 & 9:30 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 6:40 & 9:50 p.m.
<b>The Odd Life of Timothy Green (PG)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:10 a.m.; 1:40, 4:10, 6:40 & 9:10 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 12:15, 2:50, 5:20, 7:50 & 10:20 p.m.
<b>ParaNorman (PG) ★★1/2</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:20 a.m.; 4:05 & 9 p.m.; In 3D at 1:40 & 6:30 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:15 a.m. & 4 p.m.; In 3D at 1:35, 6:55 & 9:15 p.m.
<b>The Possession (PG-13)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:40 a.m.; 2:05, 4:30, 7:20 & 9:35 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 12:30, 1:45, 2:55, 4:15, 5:40, 6:55, 8, 9:15 & 10:20 p.m.
<b>Premium Rush (PG-13)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:50 a.m.; 2:25, 5, 7:40 & 10:15 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:40 a.m.; 2:15, 4:35, 7:05 & 9:25 p.m.
<b>Robot &amp; Frank (PG-13) ★★</b>	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:50 a.m.; 2:20, 4:45, 7:10 & 9:30 p.m.	<b>Palo Alto Square:</b> 2, 5 & 7:25 p.m.; Fri. & Sat. also at 9:45 p.m.
<b>Ruby Sparks (R) ★★1/2</b>	<b>Palo Alto Square:</b> 1:45, 4:30 & 7:15 p.m.; Fri. & Sat. also at 9:50 p.m.	
<b>Sleepwalk with Me (Not Rated) ★★1/2</b>	<b>Aquarius Theatre:</b> 2:15, 4:30, 7 & 9:15 p.m.	
<b>The Words (PG-13)</b>	<b>Century 16:</b> 11:15 a.m.; 1:45, 4:30, 7:30 & 10:15 p.m.	<b>Century 20:</b> 11:25 a.m.; 1:55, 4:20, 7 & 9:30 p.m.

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### MOVIE CRITICS

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

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

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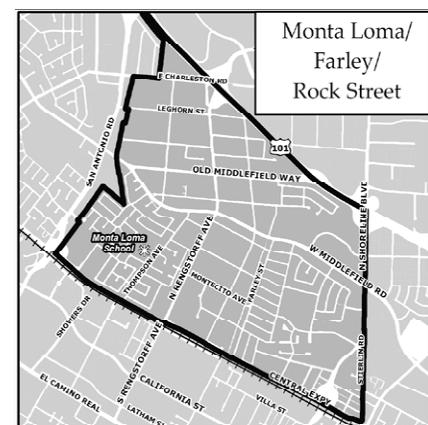
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The City of Mountain View Council Neighborhoods Committee will be meeting with residents in the Monta Loma/Farley/Rock Street Neighborhood area on September 12, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. (area designated on the map below).

The Council Neighborhoods Committee invites residents in this area to participate in a forum to hear about new projects in the community and discuss issues vital to your neighborhood. This is an opportunity to make a difference in the future of your neighborhood, and express your thoughts about ways to improve city services.

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## ART GALLERIES

**'Water' A Group Exhibit** Thirty Bay Area artists display water-themed artwork during the "Water" exhibit at Gallery 9. Artists explore the theme through a variety of media. Meet the artists on Sept. 7, 5-8 p.m. Exhibit runs through Sept. 29. Gallery 9 hours: 11-5 p.m.; Sun., 12-4 p.m. Gallery 9-Los Altos, 143 Main St., Los Altos. www.gallery9losaltos.com

**Landscapes here and there** New Pastel Paintings by Terri Ford chronicles the past two years of Ford's career as artist and teacher. Reception to meet the artist Sept. 15, 3-6 p.m. at the gallery. Gallery closes 3 p.m. on Sunday. Exhibit shows from Sept. 4-29, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. free Viewpoints Gallery, 315 State St., Los Altos. www.viewpointsgallery.com

## CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

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**Foothill College Registration** Registration for Fall Quarter is ongoing through Sept. 23 for all students at Foothill College. Fall classes begin the week of Sept. 24 and continue through Dec. 14,

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**Special place race** The race benefits special place foundation, fostering independence in individuals with disabilities. Team treasure hunt in downtown Palo Alto at 2 p.m. Finish Line party at 5 p.m. with food, awards, and live music by West Grand Boulevard. Sept. 9, 2-8 p.m. \$75 team race /\$10 party only. Palo Alto Masonic Lodge, 461 Florence Ave., Palo Alto. Call 650-208-5959. www.specialplacefoundation.org/Special-Place-Race.html

## CONCERTS

**The Follies of Spain** Music based on Folies d'Espagne and other works from the 17th and 18th centuries by Bach, Vivaldi, Geminiani, Rameau, Anonymous and others. Sept. 8, 7-9 p.m. \$10-\$25. Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1715 Grant Road, Los Altos. Call 408-480-0182. www.albanyconsort.com

## ENVIRONMENT

**'Tame the Plug'** "Tame the Plug," is a presentation by Steve Schmidt on energy conservation. Bring PG&E bill. Hosted by nonprofit Acterra at Mountain View City Hall. Visit energyupgradermv.org for more information or to sign up with Energy Upgrade Mountain View. Sept. 12, 7 p.m. Mountain View City Hall. tametheplug.eventbrite.com

## EXHIBITS

**Explorations in Colored Pencil** District Chapter 210 of the Colored Pencil Society of America presents "Explorations in Colored Pencil," an exhibit of northern California artists working with colored pencil. Original art and prints will be for sale. The public may vote for first-, second-, and third-place People's Choice awards, announced Sept. 22. The exhibit shows Sept. 2-Sept. 28, Free Main Street Cafe and Books, 134 Main St., Los Altos. Call 650-787-9953. www.cpsa210.org

## FAMILY AND KIDS

**Grandparent's Day - spaghetti dinner at Gamble Garden** Inviting Grandparents and Grandchildren to celebrate 'Grandparent's Day' at Gamble Garden with a spaghetti dinner. Sept. 9, 5-6:30 p.m. \$15/person for members and \$20/person for non-members (join today!). Gamble Garden, 1431 Waverley St., Palo Alto. Call 650-329-1356 x201. www.gamblegarden.org

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## LIVE MUSIC

**Live ambient music with Lenny** Lenny Waynes takes attendees on a musical journey beginning with '50s rockability to the present with

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## ON STAGE

**TheatreWorks presents 'Time Stands Still'** By Pulitzer Prize winner Donald Margulies, this Tony Award nominee follows a thrill-seeking photojournalist and her foreign correspondent lover after they return from a harrowing stint covering the war. "Time Stands Still" is a portrait of a relationship at an impasse. Aug. 15, \$23-\$73. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. www.theatreworks.org

## SENIORS

**Speechreader: Beginning Lipreading** Communication can be difficult and frustrating with hearing impairments. Attendees join Ellen Mastman, MA, CCC/Aud, FAAA to learn about strategies of coping with hearing loss. Sept. 12, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Mountain View Senior Center, 266 Escuela Ave., Mountain View. Call 650-903-6330.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**Midori Kai Boutique** A full day of Asian American arts and crafts, foods, raffles and entertainment at the Midori Kai 12th Annual Arts and Crafts Boutique. All proceeds go to local non profit organizations. Sept. 8, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Mountain View Buddhist Temple Gymnasium, 575 N. Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. Call 925-596-1770. www.midorikai.com

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**SFMOMA Presents: the Fisher Collection** This talk by a SFMOMA docent focuses on the 2010 exhibition of a portion of the extraordinary collection of Don and Doris Fisher, which is now part of SFMOMA's permanent collection. Sept. 12, 7 p.m. Los Altos Public Library, 13 S. San Antonio Rd., Los Altos.

**Technology and society luncheon forum** Donald L. Gautier, research geologist at the USGS, discusses several unconventional energy resources, the technologies used in their production, such as directional drilling and multi-stage hydrofractures, and some of the environmental issues surrounding their development. Sept. 11, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Lunch is \$12. Hangen Szechuan Restaurant, 134 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 650-969-7215. tian.greens.org/TASC.shtml



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File No.: 567779

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File No.: 567995

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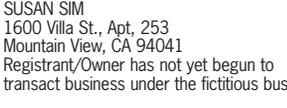
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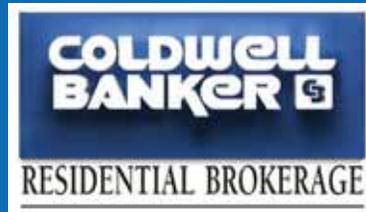
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**10600 STORY LN, SAN JOSE \$1,248,000**  
Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 4 BR 2.5 BA Spanish villa w/ classic Old World charm. 1.41 ac w/amazing views. Great for entertaining!  
Greg Stange 650.325.6161



**381 DARTMOUTH AV, SAN CARLOS \$1,200,000**  
Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 4 BR 2.5 BA With sweeping views of the San Carlos hills, this 4 bed, 3 bath home has great potential!  
Rod Creason 650.325.6161



**3371 DOVER RD, REDWOOD CITY \$849,000**  
Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 2 BR 2 BA Charming home on large lot west of Alameda de las Pulgas! Large driveway and lush yard!  
DiPali Shah 650.325.6161



**1182 NILDA AVE, MOUNTAIN VIEW \$1,125,000**  
Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 3 BR 2 BA Beautiful remod fam rm kitchen & master suite,vault ceilings,walkable location  
Nancy Adele Stuhr 650.941.7040



**505 CYPRESS POINT DR #118, MOUNTAIN VIEW \$319,000**  
Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 1 BR 1 BA Fabulous 1st flr end unit condo in Cypress Point Lake. Remodeled Kitch w/maple cabinet.  
Sia Motazedi 650.941.7040



**189 EASY ST #B, MOUNTAIN VIEW \$695,000**  
Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 3 BR 2.5 BA Located in sought after Somerset complex.FP & wd flrs in LR.  
Ric Parker 650.941.7040



**635 PALM AVENUE, LOS ALTOS \$1,498,000**  
Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30 | 3 BR 2 BA With Fabulous curb appeal in desirable Old Los Altos neighborhood.Living & dining rms.  
Terri Couture 650.941.7040



**125 DUMBARTON AVE, 5-PLEX, DUMBARTON ETC. \$798,000**  
Ideal location to El Camino Real. Great potential. 5 One bedroom units.Appointment only!  
Greg Stange 650.325.6161

## ATHERTON

**Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
1 Walnut Av \$1,350,000  
3 BR 2 BA 10,000+sf Atherton property surrounded by tall trees. Updated kit, new paint & HW floors. Jackie Copple, 650.325.6161

## CAMPBELL

Superb Location \$1,000,000  
5 BR 3.5 BA Built w/high quality in 2008.Located on a quiet street,very close to dwntwn Campbell. Ron & Nasrin Delan, 650.941.7040

## CASTRO VALLEY

**Sat/Sun 11 - 2**  
4306 Vine Ct \$820,000  
4 BR 3.5 BA Like new custom hm. In-law ste on main level, 3 car gar;Japanese garden, private street. Kevin Klemm, 650.328.5211

## LOS ALTOS

**Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
231 Hawthorne Ave \$3,090,000  
5 BR 5 BA Beautiful Architecture + Floor Plan Amenities Abound. Gleaming HW Floors, Lovely Granite. Jim Galli, 650.941.7040

California Dream \$2,898,000  
4 BR 2 BA This beautifully home is located on one of the most desirable streets in Los Altos. Jo Ann Fishpaw, 650.941.7040

Immaculately Maintained \$2,100,000  
4 BR 3.5 BA Nestled on a quiet tree lined street. Beautiful gardens. Ben Coh, 650.340.9688

LA Country Club Area \$1,975,000  
4 BR 3 BA Light & bright 2-story Mediterranean hm.Boasts 4BR/3BA (MSTR upstairs w/deck).3 car garage Pat Diaz, 650.941.7040

## LOS ALTOS HILLS

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

Beautiful Custom Home \$4,795,000  
4 BR 3 full BA + 2 half Ultimate privacy, sunny acreage.Terri Couture, 650.941.7040

## Sun 1:30 - 4:30

24595 Voorhees Dr \$4,250,000  
5 BR 5.5 BA Huge price reduction!Seller highly motivated.Expansive 1.75 acre lot. Eppie Cf Lam, 650.941.7040

## LOS GATOS

**Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
14370 Blossom Hill Rd \$959,000  
4 BR 2 BA 2048sf, 9875sf Lot.Turn-key, many improvements, incl new roof, floors, windows. Doug Elliot, 650.941.7040

## MENLO PARK

**Sat 1:30 - 4:30**  
1130 Hillview Dr \$2,395,000  
4 BR 3 BA Beautifully renovated West Menlo ranch home.Vaulted ceilings, chef's kit, lux master ste. Zach Trailer, 650.325.6161

## 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

## Sun 1:30 - 4:30

150 Alma St #215 \$868,000  
3 BR 2 BA Chic single level condo. Secure building on Palo Alto border. Updated. Pool. Elevator. Nancy Goldcamp, 650.325.6161

## MOUNTAIN VIEW

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

Birch Green Charmer \$689,000  
2 BR 2.5 BA Located in desirable Birch Green complex.Abundant natural light & open flr plan. Dora Thordarson, 650.941.7040

Desirable Townhome \$525,000  
2 BR 2.5 BA End unit w/an attached garage. Comfortable LivRm w/wood laminate flrs & frplc. Royce Cablayan, 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

**Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
740 Seale Av Call for price  
7 BR 6 BA New construction, 3-level contemporary colonial in North Palo Alto. Exceptional finishes. Zach Trailer, 650.325.6161

**Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
261 Ramona St \$1,495,000  
3 BR 2 BA Upscale Downtown charmer: Gourmet kitchen, custom bathrooms, skylights. Walk score 92! Sharon Witte, 650.325.6161

**Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
156 Tennyson Av \$1,450,000  
3 BR 2 BA Convenient.Well-cared w/quality improvements. Oak flrs, air-conditioning. Lrg patio. Gar. Nancy Goldcamp, 650.325.6161

**Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
821 Garland Dr \$1,350,000  
3 BR 1 BA One-owner home ready for new owner. Enjoy now. Remodel later: Quiet street. Nancy Goldcamp, 650.325.6161

**Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
4290 Briarwood Wy \$1,289,000  
4 BR 2 BA Bright & spacious home with a great floorplan. Large lot with many fruit trees & a garden. Zita Macy, 650.328.5211

**Sun 1 - 4**  
664 Hamilton Av #G \$988,888  
2 BR 2.5 BA Light & bright unit overlooks courtyard w/enchanting garden & fountains. Spacious flrplan. Maha Najjar, 650.325.6161

Lovely Palo Alto Condo! \$849,000  
2 BR 2.5 BA Gorgeous South Palo Alto condo. Built in 2009! Model unit with over \$40,000 in upgrades! DiPali Shah, 650.325.6161

## PALO ALTO HILLS

Organic Contemporary \$3,388,000  
3 BR 3.5 BA Infusing organic materials into its dramatic architecture,extraordinary home. Jo Buchanan & Stuart Bowen, 650.941.7040

## REDWOOD CITY

**Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
2 Alverno Ct \$1,325,000  
2 BR 2 full BA + 2 half Beautiful garden home in Farm Hill Estates. Updated unit in a quiet, peaceful location. Denis Morrissey, 650.325.6161

## SAN JOSE

**Sat 1:30 - 4:30**  
4497 Cherry Ave \$619,000  
3 BR 2 BA Single family house. Living area about 1500+SF, Lot: 6520+SF. Bright, light.Spacious bdrms. Donna Liu, 650.941.7040

## STANFORD

**Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30**  
922 Lathrop Pl \$1,855,000  
5 BR 3 BA Available qualified Stanford faculty/Staff ONLY.Dramatic.5BR/3BA atrium Eichler: Carole Feldstein, 650.941.7040

## SUNNYVALE

Homestead High School \$700,000  
3 BR 1.5 BA Just Remodeled bathroom, hardwood floors, 900 sq ft garage, low maintenance landscaping Joanne Fraser, 650.941.7040

3 BR 2.5 BA Located near dwntwn Sunnyvale & Mtn Vw features a LivRm w/fireplace & DinRm. Jo Buchanan & Stuart Bowen, 650.941.7040

Attached Single-Family Hm \$548,000  
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

Beautifully Updated \$540,000  
2 BR 2.5 BA End unit townhouse.Private bckyrd. Open flr plan.13 yrs old.Wood laminate flrs. Royce Cablayan, 650.941.7040

## WOODSIDE

Prime Location! \$29,000,000  
Private prestigious location. 11+ acre property in central Woodside close to town. Susie Dews & Shena Hurley, 650.325.6161