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Local hospitals brace for Obamacare repeal

CHANGES IN HEALTH CARE LAW COULD
LEAVE MILLIONS UNINSURED

By Kevin Forestieri

The inauguration of President-elect Donald Trump is still a week away, but congressional leaders are wasting no time delivering on one of his major campaign promises: the repeal of the Affordable Care Act. And while details are scant on what kind of replacement legislation will be offered, local county and hospital officials are voicing deep concerns that gutting parts of the landmark health care law could force millions of Americans to lose their health coverage.

Last week, the Senate voted 51-48 to start the process of creating a budget resolution that would defund and eliminate key parts of the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare. Since then, Republican lawmakers have moved at breakneck speeds to dismantle the law, and are planning to report the repeal

legislation to the Senate Budget Committee by Jan. 27.

Immediately after the November election, Santa Clara County officials got to work assessing just how much they stand to lose if congressional Republicans succeed. At a gloomy Nov. 9 Health and Hospital Committee meeting, Deputy County Executive Rene Santiago said Santa Clara County is likely going to have to bolster its relationship with the

state on health care funding, and prepare for a Trump administration committed to cutting down on federal obligations. Based on previous Republican proposals,

Medicaid could be doled out to states through a block grant or per-capita allotments, each of which have the ultimate goal of reducing federal spending. This, in turn, would mean less coverage for those currently

'How do you plan for a replacement that doesn't exist yet?'

BURT MARGOLIN,
HEALTH CARE CONSULTANT

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Ken Rosenberg will serve as Mountain View's mayor in 2017, after a unanimous vote by his fellow City Council members on Jan. 10.

New mayor pledges civility and courtesy in 2017

COUNCIL COLLEAGUES GIVE MAYORAL GAVEL TO KEN ROSENBERG

By Mark Noack

In January of 2014, Ken Rosenberg was hit by a revelation — he had become a politician.

The investment adviser and

family man was in early stages of preparing for his first City Council run. He already had plenty of government experience under his belt, starting out as a worried father wanting to do something about

his neighborhood's speeding cars and later joining the city's Chamber of Commerce, the Downtown Committee, the Human Relations Commission

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Squeezing in a new school on a small campus

NEW SLATER DESIGN INCLUDES TWO-STORY CLASSROOMS AND COULD ELIMINATE SOFTBALL FIELD

By Kevin Forestieri

The Mountain View Whisman School District is still hammering out the details on what Slater Elementary will look like when it reopens in 2019, but one thing is for certain: the campus is going to look a whole lot different from the rest of the schools in the city. That's

because space is tight at the 8.8-acre campus, and sharing space with Google's preschool means the district is going to have to build up.

Last week, the district's architect revealed four designs for a new school at Slater Elementary, showing how 18 classrooms, a library, a multipurpose room and the front office are going to fit on

a 4.5-acre portion of the campus. Each plan includes two-story buildings for most of the classrooms, and a new traffic signal is likely at the T-intersection of North Whisman Road and Pacific Drive for pick-up and drop-off.

The school district opted to close Slater Elementary in 2006, but decided in late 2015 to

commit to re-opening the school for the hundreds of families with school-aged children living in the northeast corner of Mountain View. The problem is that during the years the school was closed, the district agreed to lease out the existing classrooms to Google for what is now its largest day care center. District officials don't want to displace Google,

which make constructing a new school more complicated.

"Quite frankly, we're trying to squeeze in an elementary school onto what's left of an elementary school," said Richard Terrones, the school district's architect, at the Jan. 5 board meeting.

At 8.8 acres, the Slater site is

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The classic rag doll gets its own exhibit at the Los Altos History Museum.

RAGGEDY ANN AND ANDY

A collection of more than 60 unique Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls representing a 40-year period are on display at the Los Altos History Museum and in the J. Gilbert Smith house located next door. The exhibit looks at the origin of the red-haired dolls and how they have changed over the decades. No two dolls in the collection are identical. Some boast the iconic red-and-white striped stockings, others are dressed in green gingham that originated in Ireland, and one is homemade with brown yarn hair. In the upstairs area of the J. Gilbert Smith house, visitors can read three separate stories about the possible history of the dolls.

The exhibit will run through Feb. 26, open Thursday through Sunday, noon-4 p.m., at the Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. Admission is free; donations welcome. Go to losaltoshistory.org

'DRAGON'

Production group Theatergames is bringing Eugene Schwartz's "Dragon" to the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts Jan. 14-15. Presented in Russian, the play is a sad and funny, heroic and lyrical story of the knight Lancelot who sets out to slay the dragon. In his quest, he stumbles on a community governed by bureaucratic rogues

using the Dragon to cover their own abuse of power. The citizenry have gotten used to their Dragon and considered his methods the only possible way. Lancelot, in spite of resistance of the city, kills the Dragon but realizes that the task of liberating people is much more complex. Performances will be held at 4 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 14, and Sunday, Jan. 15, at the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St. Tickets are \$22. Patrons younger than 5 will not be admitted. Go to tickets.mvcpa.com.

'LEGACY OF SURREALISM'

The Cantor Arts Center is kicking off the new year with "The Conjured Life: The Legacy of Surrealism." The exhibit was organized by the Cantor but builds upon an exhibition that was seen at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago in 2016. It contains more than 60 objects, including paintings, sculptures, drawings and photographs drawn from both institutions and Stanford's Special Collections Libraries. Installed in thematic groupings (poetry, film, etc.), the exhibition follows the path of the movement from Andre Breton's groundbreaking manifesto in 1924 to the cinematic work of David Lynch.

The exhibit will run until April 3 at the Pigott Family Gallery at the Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive, Stanford. Admission is free. Go to museum.stanford.edu.

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CRIME BRIEFS

TWO ARRESTED ON DRUG CHARGES

Two men were arrested in Mountain View last week after police allegedly found them in possession of a significant amount of drugs including marijuana, pills and what appeared to be stimulants.

Officers pulled over the two suspects after they were spotted leaving a commercial business area on Old Middlefield Way in an Infinity SUV on Thursday, Jan. 5, around 12:40 a.m. During the traffic stop, officers found that the driver, later identified as 33-year-old Roberto Juarez of San Juan Bautista, had a warrant out for his arrest by a neighboring law enforcement agency, according to police spokeswoman Katie Nelson.

Officers detained Juarez and searched the car, and while talking with Juarez and the passenger, identified as 25-year-old San Francisco resident David Ta, learned that the car contained a bag of marijuana about the size of a basketball, as well as additional marijuana in the back of the car, Nelson said. Two dozen pills and what appeared to be a stimulant were also found in the vehicle, Nelson said.

Officers arrested Juarez on charges of possession of marijuana over 1 ounce, possession of a stimulant and transportation of marijuana for sale. Ta was also arrested for two outstanding warrants. Both were booked into Santa Clara County jail without bail.

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1 block Flynn Av., 1/4
800 block San Lucas Av., 1/5
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1100 block N. Rengstorff Av., 1/6
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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

RENT CONTROL BOOSTERS LOOK TO RICHMOND

To show how the legal skirmish over Measure V could have played out differently, Mountain View's rent control advocates are pointing across the Bay to the city of Richmond.

Much like Mountain View, the East Bay city passed its own rent control regulations in the November election, which also spurred a legal challenge from the California Apartment Association.

But unlike Mountain View, the Richmond City Council opted to mount an immediate defense of the measure. Richmond city attorneys formally opposed a request by the apartment association for a temporary restraining order to halt implementation of a sweeping rent rollback and other provisions. As a result, a Contra Costa County Superior Court judge last week refused to grant a restraining order request.

The opposite occurred in Mountain View. A restraining order to halt Measure V was granted by a judge after city attorneys decided not to challenge it in court. As a result, it remains unclear when the city's rent-control package will be rolled out.

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Preschool students draw and play games with assistant teacher Jackie Cativo-Antonio at Theuerkauf School on Jan. 11. Mountain View Whisman officials plan to expand access to the free and low-cost preschool program offered by the school district.

Free preschool program set to expand

SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL RAISE ENROLLMENT, INCOME LIMITS AND OPEN DOORS TO MORE FAMILIES

By Kevin Forestieri

The Mountain View Whisman School District is moving full-steam ahead on a new plan to revamp its free preschool program, allowing more middle-income families in Mountain View to enroll and dropping an income eligibility requirement that left dozens of preschool seats empty last year.

At a board meeting last week, preschool director Terri Wallace laid out the battle plan that would leverage more state funding and boost the number of three and four-year-old

students in the district's preschool program from 168 to 240 by the next school year. Unlike the local private preschools in and around Mountain View — which have a monthly tuitions ranging from \$770 to \$1,300 — the school district's preschool program is almost entirely financed by the state, meaning families don't pay a dime.

Preschool serves a critical function in the education system, giving young children the chance to develop cognitive and emotional skills at a formative time in their lives, and ensuring that they're ready for

school by the time they hit kindergarten. It's also the juncture at which the achievement gap begins to take shape. One study found that students from lower-income families have heard 30 million fewer words than their peers by age 4, putting them at a significant disadvantage for future academic performance. High quality preschool can help close that gap, and Mountain View Whisman's program received a top performance rating from the state's Quality Rating and Improvement System.

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Neighbors weigh Google's ambitious campus plan

TRAFFIC, TREES TOP CONCERNS FOR MOBILE HOME PARK RESIDENTS

By Mark Noack

Google's hardest-to-win critics may not be government regulators, tech rivals or journalists, but rather the company's anxious neighbors from a nearby mobile home park.

On Saturday, Jan. 8, the tech giant hosted about 100 residents from the Santiago Villa mobile home park and showed them the company's plans to build out its showpiece headquarters. For many longtime residents, the plans for a futuristic bubble-dome campus boiled down to one big concern: How much traffic will this cause?

"Traffic here has gotten so much worse since Google bought all these buildings here," said Betty Alexander, a Santiago Villa resident since 2010, following the Saturday meeting. "What I want is for them to not infringe on other people's rights."

Santiago Villa is a lone bastion of residential space tucked in the middle of the city's bustling North Bayshore tech center. Like a microcosm of Silicon Valley, North Bayshore's longtime residents have watched the tech growth with trepidation as rents climb higher and the roads are clogged with more cars. At the worst times of the year, the short quarter-mile trip to Highway 101 can become a half-hour slog.

Today, dozens of Google employees live at Santiago Villa, and the company's team gave assurances that they shared

many of the neighborhood's concerns.

"We want you to understand that Google takes seriously being a good corporate neighbor," said Javier Gonzales, Google's South Bay public policy manager.

The company listed off many services it had already brought to the neighborhood, including adding trash cans, traffic improvements and a bulletin board for jobs at the company. Google officials promised they were addressing hot-button issues like construction trucks detouring through the mobile home park to take a shortcut to the highway. They guaranteed more amenities were on the way, including free classes and recreational activities as well as park space and a new farmer's market.

But also imminent are a string of massive construction projects unlike any other in Mountain View. The company intends to eventually add roughly 3 million new square feet of office space in North Bayshore in addition to also building around 10,000 new apartments.

The first leg of that construction spree will begin in the coming months as the company embarks on building its Charleston East campus, a 595,000 square-foot bubble structure that Google real estate director John Igoe called a "squome" (square dome). For that project, Igoe said that the company would do everything in its power to limit the number of

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City loses chronicler of Mountain View's past

BARBARA KINCHEN, AUTHORITY ON LOCAL HISTORY, DIES AT 96

By Mark Noack

For anyone hoping to learn more about Mountain View's history, the best starting point was always to check with Barbara Kinchen, or "Bobby" as her friends called her.

A constant presence at the Mountain View Library's History Center, Kinchen was a living encyclopedia of the city's past. For about 40 years, she volunteered and served on the

board of the city's historical association, becoming one of the group's most active and knowledgeable members.

Kinchen died on Jan. 1 at the age of 96.

Born and raised in Mountain View, Kinchen spent her whole life in the city, with the exception of about 10 years when she relocated with her husband on military assignments around the country. She worked for a period as a dietician at an army

hospital in Menlo Park. After her husband died in 1957, she received a teaching credential and taught home-economics classes at Mountain View High School.

Kinchen was polite and quiet, "a lifelong teetotaler who did things by the book, paid her taxes and was very, very sharp," according to her son, Jim Kinchen.

It was Kinchen's longstanding roots in Mountain View

that sparked her curiosity in local history, her son said. Her grandfather, George Swall, had settled in Mountain View and owned a butcher shop at the corner of Villa and Castro street. She was reportedly able to trace back her family's lineage to before the Revolutionary War, and she later devoted the same energy to pore through census data and land

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Barbara Kinchen

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eligible through Medi-Cal — California's Medicaid program — and less matching funds for California.

County staff are still rounding up a list of all the laws and funding streams that could be on the chopping block, as well as ways the county can intervene and preserve as many federal health care programs as possible.

"My sense is that we're going to have to do more with less," Santiago said.

Republicans plan to use a process called reconciliation, which only requires a simple majority in the Senate, in order to repeal parts of the law that have a budgetary component: premium support, taxes and Medicaid expansion, according to Burt Margolin, the county's health care consultant. Other parts of the law, including the provision that prevents insurance companies from denying coverage or charging more based on pre-existing conditions, cannot be put in a reconciliation bill.

Still, that leaves plenty of integral parts of the health care law open to demolition. The individual mandate, which requires most Americans to have some

type of health insurance, is likely to be a primary target, along with the expansion of Medicaid that has covered 3 million new enrollees in California who were previously ineligible, according to the Legislative Analyst's Office.

"We've never before encountered this kind of hostile environment," Margolin said. "There's never been an environment in Washington where the resources, the attitudes and philosophies have aligned to put this kind of threat forward to health care funding."

The exact details on the repeal, and eventual replacement, of the Affordable Care Act are still unknown, making it all the more challenging for county and hospital officials to plan ahead. William Faber, the chief medical officer for El Camino Hospital, said the hospital hasn't had a summit or high-level discussion on how to react because they don't know what's coming down the pipeline.

The big worry, he said, is that walking back the Medicaid expansion will mean the millions of new Medi-Cal enrollees risk losing their coverage. Hospitals across Santa Clara County, particularly Valley Medical Center, would then have to bear

the brunt of serving more uninsured patients, who show up in the emergency room in need of care.

"Medicaid is not a great payer, but it's better than no pay at all," Faber said.

Making matters worse for hospitals, Republican lawmakers have shown no appetite for ending cuts to Medicare that were originally intended to offset the cost of the Affordable Care Act, meaning hospitals will likely have to withstand price cuts to Medicare while also losing the upside of expanded coverage. Previous repeal legislation proposed by Republicans, which was vetoed by President Barack Obama, left the rate reductions intact.

Faber said hospital officials are "very concerned" about future cuts to Medicare. Just over half of the patients El Camino Hospital serves are insured by Medicare, and the hospital already loses money on the whole when providing services to Medicare patients. But the impending cuts have less to do with the Republican-majority Congress and more to do with a bipartisan effort to bring down the cost of Medicare.

"Medicare is going to be under strict control regardless of who

is in the White House," Faber said. "Medicare will become insolvent if we don't find ways to become more efficient."

Although county and hospital officials have some indication of what might get cut from the Affordable Care Act, Margolin said there's very little information available about what the replacement legislation might include. This is particularly worrying, he told Health and Hospital Committee members last month, because the county has to prepare for a new health care law within the next two to three years without knowing what's going to be in it.

"What they are essentially telling state legislatures and county supervisors to do is make their plans," he said. "How do you plan for a replacement that doesn't exist yet?"

County Supervisor Joe Simitian, who serves on the Health and Hospital Committee, said Santa Clara County might want to join state and nationwide coalitions in order to advocate for and preserve parts of the Affordable Care Act, rather than try to influence congressional lawmakers on its own.

"Neither the president or the Congress of the United States is waiting with bated breath to

hear what the good people of Santa Clara County want in the way of health care," Simitian said. "We're going to have to make our case with others to have any hope or expectation of having any impact at all."

County Executive Jeffrey Smith told committee members that he wasn't too concerned about the future, and that he predicts lawmakers in Washington are going to quickly realize the political realities of dismantling the Affordable Care Act — and by extension removing billions of dollars of federal funding from the economy. Republicans may talk about how the United States spends too much money on health care, he said, but they neglect to point out that the money is going to insurance companies, pharmaceutical companies and major health care providers.

"It's an enormous removal of profit for one sector of the economy on the brink of another recession," Smith said. "I don't think an administration focused on business and stimulation of the economy is going to be all that anxious to destroy the economy." ▀

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one of the smaller campuses in the district, and the remaining 4.5 acres that make up Slater's field will have to house the entire public elementary school.

All four school designs are pretty similar, and each include two soccer fields, basketball courts, and a long parking lot along North Whisman Road. The only major difference is whether classrooms will extend from east to west, or be arranged along the edges of the site to create a "courtyard" layout.

What's lacking in all of the options is a softball field, which currently sits on the west side of the field and would be removed in the new site plan. Terrones said it would be tough to fit a softball field on the campus without forcing the basketball courts and play structures far north of the classrooms, isolated from the rest of the school.

"What goes with every softball field, when you start to toss that around as an item, is you have to consider the backstop," he said. "It really can't float out into the middle of the field and have a soccer field running through it"

Ken Larson, a Slater resident and board member for the

Mountain View Los Altos Girls Softball League, urged school board members and district staff to consider some way to retain the softball field. The organization serves a community with 500 girls who play softball, he said, and Mountain View already lacks field space.

'If there isn't a softball field left at Slater, then Mountain View is going to be down two softball fields.'

KEN LARSON, SLATER RESIDENT

A 2008 city-wide study found that Mountain View had a 19.75-acre "deficit" of fields, causing overcrowding in places like McKelvey Park. The city made some progress towards eliminating the deficit by opening the Shoreline Athletic Fields last year, which added 5 acres of space for soccer, baseball and softball.

The additional space helps, Larson said, but the district's

plan for a new track and field project at Crittenden Middle School is going to remove the baseball field on the west side of the campus.

"If there isn't a softball field left at Slater, then Mountain View is going to be down two softball fields," Larson said. "I understand the constraints but I'm hoping there's a way to fit a softball field."

Last year, the board voted on a resolution that exempts the Slater construction project from the city's zoning ordinances and permitting requirements, which is permitted under California's Government Code in order to avoid "undue delay, unreasonable requirements, or denial" from the city. The school district is also exempt from multiple state laws related to environmental planning and review because the new school is contained within an existing campus.

It's not clear yet what the Slater school design will cost. The last Measure G budget presentation in September last year set aside \$25 million for the new school.

Construction is tentatively planned to start in May, and is expected to be completed by August 2019. ▣

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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The city's response has clearly frustrated members of the Mountain View Tenants Coalition. On Tuesday, the group organized its second rally to protest the city's actions. Steven Goldstein, a local technology freelancer who actively campaigned for the Measure V rent-control law, said last week he was rescinding his application to be appointed to the rental housing committee.

"What did the citizens of Mountain View do to deserve any different treatment under the law?" Goldstein said. "I want this measure to succeed, but given the fact that I'm being such a staunch critic, I think the

City Council would have rejected my application anyway."

—Mark Noack

WORKING SCHOLARS INFO NIGHT

The Mountain View-based education company Study.com will be hosting an information night next week to promote its Mountain View Working Scholars program.

The Working Scholars program, which launched last year, is a new philanthropic venture by the company to help people who live or work in Mountain View attain a free bachelor's degree. Students in the program take online courses on Study.com's website — all of which are admissible

as college credit — and finish off the program by attending courses online at Thomas Edison State University in New Jersey.

In order to give prospective enrollees a chance to learn about the free program, Study.com will be hosting the information night as a chance for people to learn more about the program and talk to Working Scholars enrollees to hear about their experience. On-site enrollment, as well as refreshments, will be available at the event.

The event is on Thursday, Jan. 19, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., and will be located on the second floor City Council Chambers in Mountain View City Hall, 500 Castro Street.

—Kevin Forestieri

GOOGLE

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vehicles and work trucks traveling up Shoreline Boulevard. In future years, he said that traffic congestion should level off as Google relies more on self-driving technology and more mass transit options materialized.

On the Charleston East project, multiple speakers in the crowd criticized the company's decision to take down more

than 200 redwoods along the roads. Igoe and other company officials have pointed out those trees were mostly in poor health and were non-native to that climate. They pledged they would replace them with significantly more trees.

Bee Hanson, a Santiago Villa resident, said like any other neighborhood, Santiago Villa's homeowners were wary of rapid change. But she was relieved that Google invited them over to walk them through their

grand vision for the area.

"It seems like they're being very careful in how they're trying to develop the area," she said. "The fact that one company has so much latitude to deal with the problems will make it easier to solve." ▣

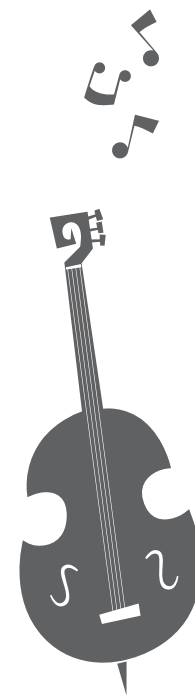
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and a host of other local boards and nonprofits.

But this time felt different, he said. As he clicked through the forms to create his Facebook campaign page, he saw that only title that fit him was “politician.” He said he had never thought of himself as that before.

“It’s a funny moment in one’s life, you see that you have to wear this hat,” he said. “Like it or not, you’re treated like a politician from then on.”

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, the City Council unanimously chose Rosenberg to be Mountain View’s mayor for 2017, a role that takes on special responsibility in what looks to be a particularly turbulent year. In accepting the role, he contrasted himself with another new leader: President-elect Donald

Trump, who will take office on Jan. 20. Trump’s election had already sent shockwaves through much of the community, he said, and promised to use his largely honorary office to make Mountain View a safe haven.

“I will focus our energy to protect the quality of life for all Mountain View residents,” Rosenberg said. “Mountain View is a human rights city and that means we recognize the intrinsic value of all residents.”

Councilman Lenny Siegel was elected unanimously to serve as vice-mayor, setting him in line to become mayor in 2018.

The 49-year-old Rosenberg says he has been aghast at the vitriol playing out at the national level. People take their cues from their leaders, and he blamed Trump’s behavior for enabling a rise in hate speech, bullying and intolerance.

If anything, Rosenberg’s leadership style has been the

antithesis of Trump’s strongman style. Council-watchers might describe Rosenberg’s decision-making process as a dilemma between his head and heart. An eloquent speaker, he often goes into great detail laying out his thought process. He can be the first on the council to uphold human rights, equality and diversity — yet he is also rooted in financial prudence, private-property rights and retaining locals’ quality-of-life. These two sides don’t always align.

Sometimes, his efforts to show sympathy and explain himself can end up backfiring. During his early months on the council in 2015, he was persuaded to support a controversial VTA plan for express bus lanes on El Camino Real. The move outraged opponents who thought Rosenberg was firmly in their camp during the campaign. Rosenberg said he came to believe the idea had merits and he tried repeatedly to publicly relate how his views had shifted, further angering his critics, who called for a recall campaign that never materialized.

Rosenberg said he has gotten a thicker skin since his early days on the council. He promised himself to take matters more lightly, and to remind himself to keep a sense of humor amid all the serious business.

As one of a seven-member council, Rosenberg won’t have any substantial power as mayor over his colleagues in crafting city policy. The city’s formal policies for 2017 will be decided in a goal-setting session that



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Ken Rosenberg was sworn in as mayor on Jan. 10.

will be held in the coming weeks. The mayor is entitled to call special meetings and preside over how city discussions are conducted. Pat Showalter, who served as city mayor for 2016, said the job often boils down to serving as Mountain View’s ambassador, greeting dignitaries and being the public face of local government.

In that capacity, Rosenberg said he intends to reach out local school officials and students to make a push for greater tolerance and diversity. His top goal would be to represent the city with “dignity and class.”

“I need to be that person who models compassion,” he said. “It’s our job to stop bigotry and bullying in all its forms, so we should focus on our own town where we can make the biggest difference.”

One tough issue facing the new city leadership will be the new voter-approved rent control program, which is facing a lawsuit by landlord advocates. Rosenberg has made it clear that he opposes rent control as a flawed solution to the housing crisis, but he left it vague on whether the city should defend the new law. The council is expected to discuss the issue in closed session at its Jan. 24 meeting.

“I can’t speak for the council for a decision that’s yet to be made, but I do believe that when voters vote, it does have consequences,” he said. “Rent control may be bad policy, but it was passed by voters. I think it would behoove the council to understand that.”

At the same meeting, newly elected councilwomen Margaret Abe-Koga and Lisa Matichak were sworn in, replacing outgoing councilmen John Inks and Mike Kasperzak. Thanking her supporters, Matichak emphatically urged everyone to feel free to bring forward any concerns to her. Abe-Koga described how the last year has been tough for her, overcoming Stage 2 breast cancer before embarking on her third council race after serving two terms, ending in 2014.

“As Confucius and Carl Sagan and others have said: ‘to understand the present you have to understand the past,’ Abe-Koga said. “I’m hoping I can bring back a historical perspective that I gained from my last eight years on the council.”

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Barbara “Bobby” McPheeters Kinchen

Barbara “Bobby” McPheeters Kinchen passed away peacefully on January 1, 2017 in Mountain View, CA. She was born in Mountain View on June 29, 1920, the daughter of John Luther McPheeters of Missouri and Ada Elizabeth McPheeters (nee Swall) of Mountain View. She was preceded in death by her husband, William Kinchen, her daughter, Peggy Lee Parkinson, and her brothers, George Lester and Perry McPheeters of Mountain View. She is survived by her twin sister, Elizabeth “Betty” Engberg of Mountain View, her son James Kinchen (Elaine) of Volcano, CA, her daughter Barbara Nitzberg (Allan) of San Francisco, son-in-law David Parkinson of B.C., Canada, three grandchildren, Ceri Parkinson and Ben Parkinson of B.C., Canada, Katrina Kinchen of Hellertown, PA and three great-grandchildren.

Barbara was a second generation Mountain View native with a long family history in Santa Clara Valley. She was born and raised in Mountain View, graduated from Mountain View High School in 1938 and San Jose State College in 1942. She was a civilian dietician for the U.S. Army during WWII, and married a career Army soldier. The family lived many places in the U.S. until her husband’s death in 1957. She then obtained her teaching credential and taught home economics at Mountain View High School. After retiring, she was a caregiver to her mother and was able to devote more time to her three favorite interests - weaving, family genealogy, and Mountain View history. She joined the Mountain View Pioneer and Historical Association, became a board member, and was appointed the Mountain View city historian. A friend described her as “a walking encyclopedia of Mountain View knowledge”. She loved, was loved and will be greatly missed.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances in Barbara’s name can be made to the Mountain View Pioneer and Historical Association, P.O. Box 252 Mountain View, CA 94042, or a charity of your choice. A private burial is being arranged with Spangler Mortuaries. Celebration of life service to be announced.

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New classrooms on the way for LAHS

AS ENROLLMENT GROWS, DISTRICT OFFICIALS HARD-PRESSED TO SQUEEZE IN MORE DESKS

By Kevin Forestieri

Students in Los Altos High School's weight room will go from pumping iron to pushing pencils next fall, after district officials agreed to a plan that would convert the athletic facility into two classrooms. The decision comes after a report found the high school — already nearly at capacity — is expected to get an additional 70 students in the 2017-18 school year.

In a unanimous vote Monday night, board members agreed to a contract with Quattrocchi Kwok Architects to add three new classrooms to Los Altos High School. One of the classes will be a new portable building, while the other two will be built within the existing weight room on the campus.

The demographic study, released last year, found that the Mountain View-Los Altos High School District is likely to be inundated with new students over the next five years. Enrollment is predicted to increase the number of students attending

both Mountain View and Los Altos high schools by more than 500 between now and the 2021-22 school year. The study suggests that the influx of new students will greatly exceed the existing classroom space and "overburden" ancillary facilities such as libraries, gymnasiums and cafeterias.

There's no pressing need to boost the capacity at school cafeterias in the immediate future, but classroom space at Los Altos High School is more or less packed to the brim already, Associate Superintendent Mike Mathiesen told board members at the Jan. 10 meeting. After scouring every nook and cranny for a place to put new classrooms last year, district staff agreed that converting the weight room was the right choice. At least five alternate locations were considered, but each one cannibalized either parking or field space. The one portable to be added to the campus will be tucked away near the school's auto shop, which is about the only

discreet location available.

"Beyond that, we're taking up parking spaces and we're blocking access," Mathiesen said.

At the same meeting, board members voted unanimously to work with the same architect firm to craft a facilities master plan, which will tackle enrollment growth and building improvements in the long-term. The plan is likely to not only increase classroom space, but also fix up aging facilities in need of replacement. A so-called "needs assessment" of the school facilities last year found that some buildings — like the small gym at Los Altos High School — are plagued with problems and ought to be torn down and replaced.

The new master plan will allow parents, teachers and students to weigh in on at vision for the future of each school, but board member Joe Mitchner cautioned that there ought to be some level of parity between both of the district's high schools. It would be problematic, he said, if one school

requests a "Taj Mahal" library while the other school ends up with a "dumpy" one.

"While it's nice that the high schools can go off and do their own things, we have to be careful about vast differences between the two high schools both in the quality (and) the expenditure levels," Mitchner said.

The other big question for the facilities master plan is whether to build for the number of students anticipated at each school by the demographic study, or whether the district is going to take action to even out enrollment. If projections are correct, Los Altos High School will have nearly 300 more students than Mountain View High School by the 2021-22 school year.

Board members suggested that they may have to decide whether to allow the schools to grow at uncontrolled rates, or whether to start taking a proactive approach — like limiting transfers from one school to another — to balance things out. ■

CRIME BRIEFS

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METH-DEALING ARREST

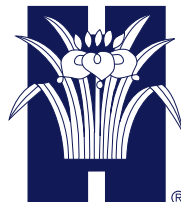
Police arrested a 45-year-old Mountain View man Jan. 7 after he was allegedly found in possession of methamphetamine that he was suspected of selling.

Officers stopped the man, identified as Vicente Macias, in a parking lot in the 1900 block of Latham Street, and reported they found a handful of bags containing methamphetamine and a few bags of cocaine in his car, according to police spokeswoman Katie Nelson. Macias had been identified as a suspect allegedly selling drugs in Mountain View prior to the stop, Nelson said.

Macias was taken to the police department and interviewed by detectives, where he allegedly revealed he had additional narcotics in his home as well as several thousand dollars in cash, Nelson said.

Macias was arrested on charges of possession and transportation of drugs for sale, misappropriation of property and child endangerment. Young relatives lived in the home where the drugs were located, Nelson said.

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County to roll out partial payments on property taxes

By Patrick Condon

The Board of Supervisors in Santa Clara County has voted unanimously (5-0) to allow residents to pay their property tax bills at least in part if they can't pay immediately the full amount. The decision was made on Dec. 6, and the new system will be implemented on July 1.

"As things stand now, if a person is having a rough patch and sends a property tax payment less than the total amount owed, we send that payment back — and then threaten them with a 10 percent penalty on the whole amount if they don't pay up," said County Supervisor Joe Simitian in a press release. Those people who are trying to do the right thing should not be punished, he added; rather, they should be encouraged to complete their payments.

If a short payment is received, taxpayers are currently given 10 days after the due date to come up with their full payment, and if they fail to do so, they are assessed a 10 percent penalty on the entire balance due. Then, they have until June 30 to pay the rest of their tax bill before being considered in default and slapped with additional penalties of 18 percent per year.

According to Christine Prior, Simitian's deputy press secretary, an average of 5,550 tax bills (approximately \$28.3

million) in Santa Clara County become defaulted every year. This is approximately 0.63 percent of the total secured tax revenue levied, which is about \$4.5 billion.

The new system, which begins with the next fiscal year that runs from July 1 to June 30, 2018, allows partial payments and will only penalize taxpayers on the unpaid balance owed following their partial payment.

Santa Clara County has the highest average home values in California, creating high property tax bills. The county's average property tax bill last fiscal year was more than \$9,900. Property taxes often are the largest single tax payment that many Californians make each year.

"This is an issue members of the public have raised with me for years," said Simitian, adding that it has been a hot-button topic dating back to the recession in 2008. "Too often the system forgets that it is there to serve the public. ... They will still have to pay 100 percent of their payments."

Simitian said the benefits of the new regulation outweigh any downsides. "While we may lose some penalty revenue, we'll actually speed up our revenue collection by receiving these partial payments," he said in the press release. ■

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KINCHEN

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records to learn more about Mountain View's back-story.

Fascinated by the city's history, she took on much of the dreary work of indexing and organizing the city's old records, including journals, letters and the archives of the Mountain View Register Ledger. Her work might seem antiquated today — her magnum opus was a huge card catalog organizing all the old records, all written in her impeccable cursive handwriting.

Through that effort, Kinchen became an authority on an assortment of facts about Mountain View. If someone asked her a question that she didn't know off the top of her head, she was diligent about checking her files and calling the person back, said Nick Perry, a colleague who has written two books on the city's past.

"She was the expert everyone would turn to," he said. "She was just a fountain of

knowledge and history."

City officials repeatedly recognized Kinchen's hard work in chronicling the area's history. In the mid-1990s, the City Council declared her the city's official historian, an honorary title. The city recruited her to help plan events for Mountain View's centennial celebration in 2002. When she retired from her work at the history association a few years ago, the City Council issued a proclamation in honor of her service.

At a City Council meeting on Tuesday, Mayor Ken Rosenberg said in honor of Kinchen he planned to start each public meeting with a historical fact on the city gleaned from her research.

Details on a celebration of life event for Kinchen are still being arranged. In lieu of flowers, Kinchen's family asks that gifts to be made in her name to the Mountain View History Association or another charity. ■

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Despite the importance of preschool, the cost is often prohibitively expensive for families. What's particularly hard for families in Mountain View is that many don't make enough money to pay for private preschool, but they also earn too much to take advantage of the local state-subsidized preschool program.

Of the 168 current district-run preschool spots here in Mountain View, 68 are only available to families who make less than the state income guidelines, which is just under \$47,000 for a family of four. Additionally, another 68 seats are co-funded by the state and the federally funded "Head Start" program, which has even steeper income requirements that are based on the federal poverty line. That means a family of four has to make less than \$24,300 a year to qualify.

By comparison, the median income for a family of four in Santa Clara County last year was \$107,100.

"It's very out of date for this high-cost area," said Don Bolce, the director of early learning services for Santa Clara



Teacher Kim Barillas talks to her preschool students at Theuerkauf School on Jan. 11.

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County. "It's the same in California as it is in Louisiana and Mississippi."

Not surprisingly, the low bar meant that a majority of those Head Start preschool spaces — 40 in total — remained empty through the beginning of the school year. An exception

was later made and low- and middle-income families were eventually allowed to enroll in the program.

Mountain View isn't the only city in Santa Clara County struggling to fill Head Start preschool spaces, Bolce said. School districts and nonprofits

that run subsidized preschool programs in San Jose are also struggling to find families that qualify. Many of the lower-income families in the area find a job that boosts them above the low poverty threshold, he said, and others simply leave the area because it's too expensive.

In response, Wallace said the Mountain View Whisman School District should drop Head Start funding altogether, and rely on state funding for subsidies for free preschool. That means 192 spots will be available for families with an annual income of less than \$47,000 for the 2017-18 school year.

Even the higher, more lenient state eligibility requirements are subject to change, as soon as this year. A new bill proposed by former state assemblyman Rich Gordon, and later approved by Gov. Jerry Brown in September, will increase the income eligibility ceiling for families in Santa Clara County starting in the summer or fall of 2017. Wallace said the new income guidelines are currently being developed, and that the exact cut-off may not be available until the beginning of the next school year.

The remaining 48 preschool spaces in Mountain View's program will be available for families for a sliding-scale fee, opening the door to an even greater number of middle-income families.

"There will still be a gap for middle-income families that earn more than the state allows for preschool enrollment, so providing slots at low-cost tuition would increase access for families hard-pressed to find alternatives," Wallace said.

Although the scale hasn't

been set yet, Wallace said they have to charge families at least as much as the state reimburses for subsidized students. The 2015-16 reimbursement rate from the state is just over \$25 per day for part-day preschool programs, with a maximum reimbursement of \$4,385 for a school year, according to Bolce.

Board president Jose Gutierrez said the preschool expansion is an important step towards closing the achievement gap during the first few "key years" of child development, so students coming into kindergarten are on a more even playing field and ready to learn. Board member Ellen Wheeler, similarly, called early childhood education the best investment the school district can make. She pointed to studies showing that every dollar invested in preschool saves seven dollars down the road in reduced social costs. The next frontier is shifting the district's preschool program from a half-day program to a full-day program, she said.

"I'm glad to see we're doing preschool for both 3 and 4 year olds, but they need more than three hours," Wheeler said.

The Head Start program, which currently provides \$239,000 to the preschool program, appeared to be more trouble than it was worth. On top of the unrealistic income eligibility requirements, its rules restricted the program to 17 students per classroom, which limited the total number of students the district could enroll. Their contract with Head Start also included strict guidelines for instructional time and additional paperwork that will no longer bog down the preschool staff.

Without Head Start, the district now plans to place 24 students per classroom, effectively increasing the enrollment in the preschool program by over 40 percent without increasing the demand for space.

The hope, Wallace said, is that the waiting list to get into the district's preschool program will be minimal starting next year. In the past, between 150 and 200 families would sign up for the program but never get in because of space limitations and the absurdly low income eligibility requirements for Head Start. Being able to accept all the families who want to get in, Wallace said, would be a great change of pace.

"It'll be nice to not have to turn people away or have them waste away on the waiting list and not be enrolled," Wallace said. ▣

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■ RESTAURANT REVIEW

Fit for a King

SOUTH INDIAN SPECIALTIES,
VEGETARIAN OFFERINGS SHINE AT CHENNAI KINGS

By Ruth Schechter

Chennai, on the Bay of Bengal in eastern India, is considered the “Capital of the South” and the historic hub of the East India Company trading outpost, back when the city was known as Madras. Like the fabric, Chennai Kings in Mountain View mixes diverse ingredients for a unique and pleasant whole.

While mainstays like naan, samosas and garam masala are common in the north, South Indian cuisine incorporates ingredients from its more tropical clime, such as coconut, rice, tamarind, plantains and rice. Typical dishes include dosa (lentil and rice crepe), idli (steamed lentil rice cakes), rasam (tomato, tamarind and lentil soup) and sambar (spicy lentil and vegetable stew). But that doesn't even

start to clarify the multitude of nuances in Indian cuisine, where preparation of even classic dishes can vary from district to district and even from household to household.

If you are ready to explore the incredible diversity of South Indian cuisine, the 2-year-old Chennai Kings is an excellent place to start. Tucked away in a small strip mall just off Castro Street, the unassuming storefront contains an open floor plan with simple wooden tables and chairs and a small walk-up counter for take-out orders.

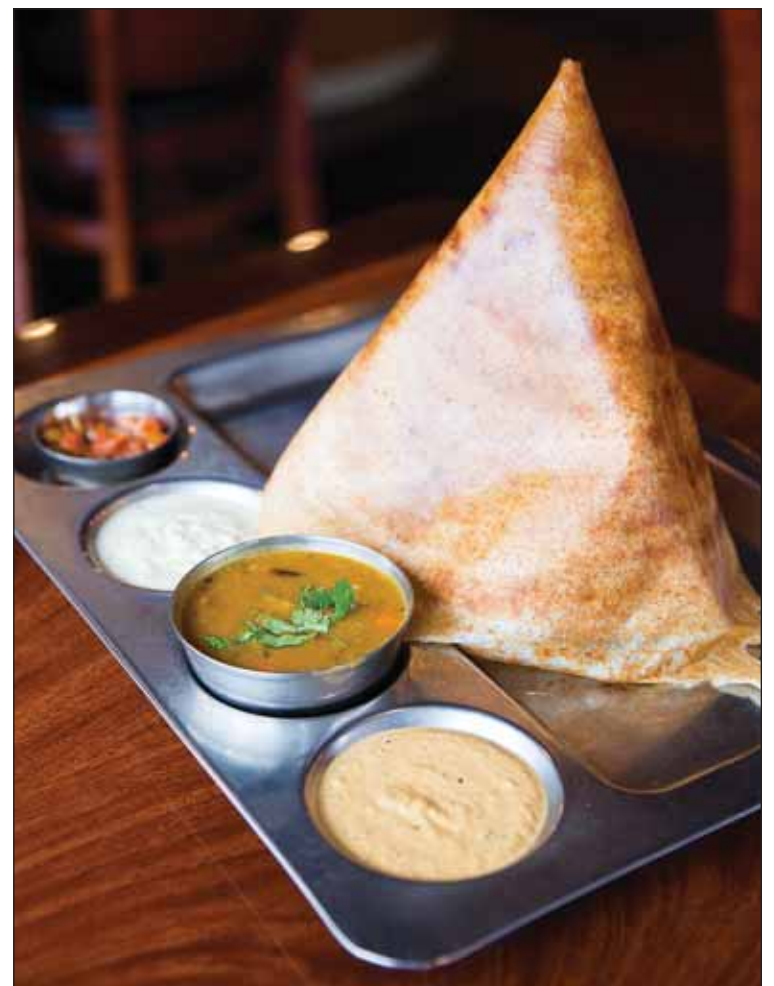
Walls are painted in bold shades of curry and saffron, dotted with large, colorful prints and a collage of black and white photos depicting scenes from Tamil Nadu, the state where Chennai is located. Two large TV screens

air simultaneous and apparently nonstop broadcasts of sports and Bollywood-like soap operas. Though effort has been put into the overall look and feel of the place, Chennai Kings' simple decor is certainly not the draw.

An ambitious menu features mostly vegetarian offerings with a smattering of chicken, goat, mutton and fish dishes. There are a number of curries, biryani and appetizers, and the kitchen serves everything on the menu at all times. There are so many choices, it's advantageous to gather a group and sample a little of everything.

A long list of dosas make a great visual impression. Light and crisp, some are served flat and folded over tasty mixtures

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Ghee dosa is rolled into a cone and served with sambar and chutney for dipping.

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Sandip Goud serves customers at Chennai Kings on Jan. 10.

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of meat and/or vegetables. Fillings lean toward potatoes and onions, adding on items like paneer (Indian cheese), lentils or eggs. One of the simplest, the ghee cone dosa (\$7.99), was close to a foot tall, rolled into a

tipi that could easily serve as a child's parasol. It was accompanied by small bowls of moderately spicy sambar, creamy coconut chutney and peanut chutney for dipping. At first I could only eyeball the thing, as did several people at nearby tables, to gauge my strategy. Then I managed to break off pieces, which were

delicious on their own and even more so when used to ladle up the sauces.

Another show-stopper is the channa batura (\$8.99), which arrived at our table inflated to the size of a volleyball. One poke and the globe collapses, leaving you with light dough to scoop out the accompanying curry sauce.

Appetizers lean toward vegetarian options and come in portions generous enough to serve as a full meal. Sesame gobi Manchurian (\$6.99) comprises batter-dipped cauliflower, chilies and onion drenched in a spicy-sweet red sauce, though I remain befuddled as to what gave it its "Manchurian" aspect. All the same, it was a delectable — and at times searingly hot — start.

Also highly recommended is the spinach dhal (\$8.99), a soupy mix of lentils and spinach jazzed up with spices and red chilies. Coupled with the restaurant's stupendous tumeric parotta (\$5.99), it's an ideal and simple warm-up for these recent cold, rainy days. Parotta are soft and flaky savory Indian flatbreads that look something like carnival funnel cakes, drizzled with oil and fried until golden brown.

The Malabar fish curry (\$12.99) consists of chunks of whitefish slathered with thick, piquant golden sauce. Be sure to order a side of rice (\$2.99) or bread to sop up the very last of the flavors.

For those not sure of how to order, the best solution might be to try the lunchtime thali. For \$12.99 you get a shiny metal platter filled with rice, two kinds of curry, bread, yogurt and condiments, so you can sample a variety of specialties.

The restaurant carries a small selection of beers and wine, as well as chai, rose milk and sweet,



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Chicken biryani at Chennai Kings.



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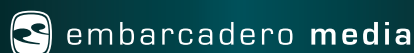
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A colorful bowl of **butter chicken** is on Chennai Kings' extensive menu.

salty or mango lassi (\$2.99), a thick yogurt drink that nicely counterbalances the hot spiciness of some of the dishes. Lassi is also filling, so we skipped the sweets on offer, like ice creams and puddings.

Lunchtime attracts a diverse clientele, from businessmen on their cell phones to clusters of young hipsters and mothers with young children, punctuated by a steady stream of people stopping in to pick up their to-go orders. The large number of Indian patrons speaks to the restaurant's quality and authenticity.

This insider appeal points to a small problem: If you're not familiar with bhaji, pakoda or thokku already, the menu will not do much to enlighten you. However, the servers were exceptionally charming and patient, explaining ingredients and making thoughtful suggestions. Service, in fact, is very courteous and friendly, from a prompt and genuine greeting as soon as visitors walk in the door to water glasses that remain filled to the brim. Prices seem fair for the most part, considering the portions, and dishes are served on either metal platters or colorful Fiesta-ware-like plates, which adds a bit of panache to the place.

Chennai Kings has two other, larger branches at Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco and in

San Jose. The Mountain View outpost received a L'Assiette mention in the 2017 Michelin guide in recognition of the quality of its food. I agree. **✓**

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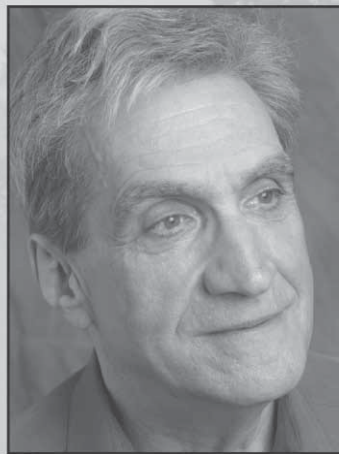
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Shin'ya Tsukamoto and Andrew Garfield in "Silence."

All quiet on the Eastern front

MARTIN SCORSESE TESTS FAITH IN 'SILENCE'

★★★ (Century 16 & 20)

From a young age, director Martin Scorsese was marked by Catholicism, and it bubbles up in many of his films, most obviously in "The Last Temptation of Christ," and now, "Silence."

Though he also made a film on Tibetan Buddhism ("Kundun"), Scorsese has been perhaps not so much a religious seeker as a seeker of the meaning of religion, its relative harms and usefulness.

Like anyone who has paid attention to history, Scorsese has seen religion feed the soul and destroy souls, seen it abused terribly (by Spanish inquisitors, say), embraced sincerely for demonstrable good (by the likes

of social justice true believer Dorothy Day), and everything in between. "Silence" engages in the contradictions of religion and of faith, and he has identified the source material, Japanese author Shūsaku Endō's acclaimed 1966 novel, as being about "the painful, paradoxical passage ... from certainty to doubt to loneliness to communion."

This journey is undertaken by Sebastian Rodrigues (Andrew Garfield), one of two Portuguese Jesuit priests in 1633 who travel to Japan on an urgent mission (the other priest is played, in a keen tone of austere blinkeredness, by Adam Driver of "Paterson"). With reluctant allowance from their superior (Ciarán Hinds), the missionaries go in search of their mentor Father Ferreira (Liam Neeson), who appears to have renounced the Jesuit faith in Japan, where Christians have been persecuted and driven underground in fear of torture or death.

What follows suggests a

variation on Joseph Conrad's "Heart of Darkness," a dark journey with an even darker destination, fated to transform a naïve hero. It is, to be sure, slow going, with its run time of two hours and 41 minutes devoted to longeurs of fearful, tortured thought and bursts of physical torture. "Silence" feels heavy with the burden of martyrdom and the weight of that "painful, paradoxical" struggle between faith and doubt.

But "Silence" also represents consummate filmmaking, with Scorsese surrounded by ace collaborators: his co-screenwriter Jay Cocks ("Gangs of New York," "The Age of Innocence"), his loyal editor Thelma Schoonmaker (a three-time Oscar winner), cinematographer Rodrigo Prieto ("The Wolf of Wall Street"), and regular designer Dante Ferretti ("Shutter Island"), among others. Though the acting is uniformly excellent, Scorsese has an ace in the hole, as well: Issei Ogata as the sly, canny inquisitor who burrows through the Jesuits' sense of certainty.

"Silence" riffs on the roles of Jesus and Judas, the mystery of faith and the frailty of humanity ("Man's nature," as one character puts it, "cannot be moved"). It is a story of what Scorsese calls "the questioning faithful," full of toils and snares and competing notions of freedom as earthly or eternal. For those outside of the Catholic experience, "Silence" will not resonate so deeply but more likely test their patience even more than Scorsese intends (for "Silence" is a deliberately trying film).

And yet, for all its Catholic insularity, "Silence" cultivates enough ambiguity — skewing to skepticism — to allow the outsider's perspective on the arrogance of the European missionary, the cruelty of religious persecution, and, most disturbing to the faithful, God's silence in the face of suffering.

Rated R for some disturbing violent content. Two hours, 41 minutes.

— Peter Canavese

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Mark Wahlberg in "Patriots Day."

On the run in Boston

MARATHON BOMBING GETS HOLLYWOOD TREATMENT IN 'PATRIOTS DAY'

★★ (Century 16 & 20)

This week, a based-on-a-true-story account of an American disaster, directed by Peter Berg and starring Mark Wahlberg, hits theaters. No, it's not a reissue of "Deepwater Horizon," which met the same description three months ago. It's "Patriots Day," the Hollywood version of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing and the manhunt that followed.

Wahlberg explained to CNN his purported reluctance to make the film, adding, "I realized, well, they're going to make it anyway, and if they're going to make it, then I should do it and ... make sure that we get it right." Wahlberg's almost certainly right: "Patriots Day" won a race to the screen with two competing projects (absorbing a version starring Casey Affleck).

But Hollywood's ravenousness to bring the Boston bombing to the screen should give us pause, not only because of corporate exploitation of the dead (rapidly becoming the norm) but because "Patriots Day" only exists because there is a market

for it. If comedy is, as its famously said, tragedy plus time, cinematic drama threatens to become tragedy put immediately into development. "United 93" felt too soon five years after 9/11; the window is closing.

So, yes, I am reviewing the very existence of "Patriots Day," and whether it has anything to offer us matters. Does it add insight through drama? Or simply pull us back through horrors and heroism we've already processed through the initial news cycles? "Deepwater Horizon" arguably offered some added depth to our understanding of that event, and prompted some reflection. "Patriots Day" has nothing more to say than "Terror bad. Boston strong."

Wahlberg plays Boston Police Department Sgt. Tommy Saunders, a ballsy composite character of many cops at the marathon and part of the manhunt (Michelle Monaghan plays "The Wife," with big soggy eyes and radiant sympathy). Real-life figure Boston Police Commissioner Ed Davis, played by the ever-commanding John Goodman, coordinates the police effort. Alex Wolff and Themo Melikidze play the Tsarnaev brothers, Melissa Benoist the possibly implicated wife of one of them, Kevin Bacon the FBI man on the ground, and J.K. Simmons another heroic cop. They're all just fine in this passion play in the style of a "Law & Order" episode, jacked up with a bit of extra-factual action.

So what is "Patriots Day," beyond a blankly watchable, competently made, \$45 million-budgeted film? Is it entertainment? Kinda not so much. Is it

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enlightening? Not really, despite inextricable broad concepts like resilience, courage and community — and the hardly subtextual notion, underlined by the double-entendre title, that 'Merica won't take anything lying down (minus any complex implications). Is it some kind of narrative social history? Nominally, but we'd be far better off looking to the journalistic book on which the film is loosely based: Casey Sherman and Dave Wedge's "Boston Strong: A City's Triumph Over Tragedy."

Bostonians themselves have expressed skepticism and ire more than gratitude for the film, which tells you all you need to know about the film's public usefulness. Perhaps if this weren't Wahlberg's show, but rather a more democratic tapestry, "Patriots Day" would feel a touch more justified.

Rated R for violence, realistically graphic injury images, language throughout and some drug use. Two hours, 13 minutes.

— Peter Canavese



MOVIE REVIEWS

A MONSTER CALLS★★★

"A Monster Calls," is a fantasy drama with primal power for children and adults alike. Directed with the elan of a young Steven Spielberg by J.A. Bayona ("The Impossible"), "A Monster Calls" finds Patrick Ness adapting for the screen his children's novel about 12-year-old Conor O'Malley (Lewis MacDougall) helped through his grieving process by a gigantic tree creature (Liam Neeson), who appears like something out of his nightmares and promises, a la "A Christmas Carol," three visits. Without ever spilling over into cliché, Felicity Jones of "Rogue One" embodies the perfect love and sweet attentive care of an ideal mother losing her battle with cancer; as we watch Conor's mounting terror, we discover we can't bear to lose her, either. *Rated PG-13 for thematic content and some scary images. One hour, 48 minutes.* — P.C.

HIDDEN FIGURES★★★

The new based-on-a-true-story drama "Hidden Figures" lives up to its name by promoting a lesser-known historical touchstone of women whose keen intelligence and commitment to continuing education made them utterly indispensable while working on behalf of NASA at the highly competitive Langley Research Center, circa 1961. Adapted from Margot Lee Shetterly's book, "Hidden Figures" focuses on an extraordinary trio of African-American mathematicians working in a tensely segregated workplace: Katherine Johnson (Taraji P. Henson), Dorothy Vaughan (Octavia Spencer), and Mary Jackson (Janelle Monáe). Unfortunately, it almost never feels like real life, but rather like the second-grade reading level version of these women's stories, smoothed down by the rushing stream of popular-cinema narrative. *Rated PG for thematic elements and some language. Two hours, 7 minutes.* — P.C.

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OF TRAIL EASEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to California Education Code section 17556, et seq., the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the Mountain View Whisman School District ("District") has adopted a Resolution of Intention to dedicate and convey to the City of Mountain View ("City") a non-exclusive easement and right-of-way on, over, upon, through and across an approximate fourteen-foot (14') wide portion of the District's Crittenden Middle School site, located at 1701 Rock Street, City of Mountain View, County of Santa Clara, State of California (APNs 153-14-022 and 153-14-025, respectively) for an extension of the City's Permanente Creek Trail from Rock Street to W. Middlefield Road (the "Easement"). A copy of the Board's Resolution of Intention and proposed Grant of Easement and Agreement are posted at: (1) Mountain View Whisman School District Office, 750-A San Pierre Way, Mountain View, CA 94043; (2) Crittenden Middle School, 1701 Rock Street, Mountain View, CA 94043; and (3) Mountain View Public Library, 585 Franklin Street, Mountain View, CA 94041.

A public hearing will be held during the regular meeting of the Board on Thursday, January 19, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as practicable, in the Board Room located at 750-A San Pierre Way, Mountain View, California, on the question of making the dedication and conveyance of the Easement. Any interested person may be heard on the matter at the public hearing. At the time and place of the hearing, if no legal protest is entered, the Board may adopt a resolution by a two-thirds vote of its members authorizing and directing the execution of an easement deed conveying the Easement to the City.

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HIGHLIGHT

SARAH CAHILL, STANFORD LIVE ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

Pianist Sarah Cahill will appear in CSMA's Tateuchi Hall in a Stanford Live Artist Spotlight. The evening will feature a conversation with, and brief performances by, this musician. Jan. 14, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Free. Tateuchi Hall, Community School of Music and Arts, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View, Mountain View. arts4all.org

THEATER

'The Monkey King' In celebration of Chinese New Year Peninsula Youth Theatre presents this adaptation of the traditional tale of "The Monkey King." Born out of a giant slab of rock, when the Monkey King decides that it's no longer enough being king of the monkey he goes on a quest to become immortal. Jan. 21, 1:30 p.m. \$10. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View.

Palo Alto Players: 'A Day in Hollywood / A Night in the Ukraine' Nominated for nine Tony Awards, these two comedic one-act musicals provide a "double feature" that starts in the lobby of Grauman's Chinese Theatre in the 1930s where the ushers sing a musical tribute to the screen stars and productions of that era. The second act is set in Russia and features a musical with all the usual Marx Brothers suspects. Preview, Jan. 20; opening night, Jan. 21; Jan. 21-Feb. 5.; Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.; Fridays-Saturdays, 8 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m. Lucie Stern Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. paplayers.org

'Peter and the Wolf' The Oshman Family JCC presents Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf." The children's story is narrated and accompanied by a live orchestra and multimedia. Performances are in English (10:30 a.m.), Mandarin (11:45 a.m.), Russian (1:30 p.m.) and Hebrew (2:45 p.m.). Jan. 21, 10:30 a.m. \$25, general public; \$18, members and kids (all ages). Oshman Family JCC, 3921 Fabian Way, Palo Alto. paloaltojcc.org/peter

'Uncanny Valley' The drama "Uncanny Valley" portrays a synthetic being during the slow process of becoming a human analogue. It explores the divide between creator and creation, the inherent unpredictability of consciousness and how we are redefining what it means to be human in the 21st century. Jan. 1-Feb. 12; Thursdays-Saturdays, 8 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m. The Pear Theatre, 1110 La Avenida, Mountain View. thepear.org

CONCERTS

Charlotte Diamond Concert Charlotte Diamond is an award-winning children's composer and recording artist from Canada. The concert will feature sing-along favorites like "Slippery Fish," "I Am a Pizza," "La Bamba" and more. Jan. 15, 3-4 p.m. \$12, early bird

ticket purchased by Jan. 10; \$15, general. Christ Episcopal Church/Ventana School, 1040 Border Road, Los Altos. tinyurl.com/concert4ventana

MUSIC

St. Lawrence String Quartet with Diana Doherty, oboe The St. Lawrence String Quartet continues its multiyear Stanford University residency with three Stanford Live concerts and two free events. The work of America's composer John Adams, who considers the SLSQ his "favorite chamber group," is a focus in celebration of his 70th birthday. The program will feature: Mozart: Quartet in F Major for Oboe and Strings, K. 370/368b; Arthur Bliss: Quintet for Oboe and String Quartet, op. 44, F. 21; and John Adams: First Quartet. Jan. 22, 2:30 p.m. \$30-\$65. Bing Concert Hall, 327 Lasuen St., Stanford. events.stanford.edu

FESTIVALS & FAIRS

Lego Time This Lego fest is for all ages, and Legos will be provided. There will also be Duplos for toddlers. No registration is required. Third Wednesday of every month, 12:30-1:30 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, Children's Room, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

TALKS & LECTURES

Astronomy Club Lecture and Meeting This meeting of the Peninsula Astronomical Society includes a talk that's open to the public in room 5015. The speaker for January is PAS Member Rob Hawley on the topic "How to Observe the Great American Total Solar Eclipse." Attendants can park in lot 6. The observatory opens after the meeting from 9 to 11 p.m., weather permitting. Jan. 13, 7:30-9 p.m. \$3, parking fee required. Foothill College, 12345 S. El Monte Road, Los Altos. pastro.org

Celebration: 44th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade The Los Altos/Mountain View branch of the American Association of University Women will commemorate the 44th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade with a program featuring Lupe Rodriguez, Director of Public Affairs for Planned Parenthood Mar Monte, and Dr. Sophia Yen, Associate Professor of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine at Stanford Hospital. Ms. Rodriguez will speak on the continuing assaults against Planned Parenthood

nation-wide and offer action ideas to those who support reproductive rights. Jan. 22, noon-1:30 p.m. \$3. Los Altos Youth Center, 1 N. San Antonio Road, Los Altos.

Dark Matter: What Is It and How Can We Detect It? This talk will explore some of the leading ideas on what dark matter is, what makes it "dark" and why it is thought to exist. Because properties of dark matter are intertwined with how it is detected, some of the common experimental methods used in dark matter searches will be covered. Jan. 17, 7-8 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View. mountainview.gov

Coffee with the Founder: UP Academy Information Meeting Those interested in learning about UP Academy are invited to have coffee and chat about the upcoming opening of UP Academy -- an inclusive school in the Bay Area focused on project-based learning. The school's values are innovation, empathy and strength. This informal meeting is the perfect opportunity to meet the team and ask questions about the school's plans and enrollment. Jan. 13, 10 a.m. to noon and Jan. 25, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free. Red Rock Coffee, 201 Castro St., Mountain View.

How the World Builds Software GitHub CEO and Co-founder Chris Wanstrath discusses the story of GitHub's growth, the most amazing pieces of software built on the platform and his vision for the future of coding education. Wanstrath sits down with Fortune Senior Writer Michal Lev-Ram, who covers technology for both Fortune magazine and its website. Jan. 17, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free, but please register. Computer History Museum, 1401 N. Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. computerhistory.org

'More about Japanese Maples' The De Anza Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society will feature a program by Arnie Cornez called "More about Japanese Maples." During the program, he will share his expertise on the selection, care and pruning of maples. Arnie Cornez is a longtime volunteer at Hakone Japanese Gardens in Saratoga and does specialty aesthetic pruning, especially of Japanese maples and fruit trees. Jan. 18, 7:30 p.m. Free. Hillview Community Center, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos.

Reducing MTR for incidents This talk will address the current state of incident response and challenges the SRE & DevOps teams are facing around handling incidents. It will touch on how Amazon and Facebook addressed these challenges, having built one such automation platform for the scale of AWS. It will also discuss core components of next generation incident response systems and how they should be designed. Jan. 18, 6 p.m. Intuit Building 6, 2750 Coast Ave., Mountain View.

Speaker Series: Technology in Birding The Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society will host its monthly Speaker Series "Technology in Birding" with Bill Pelletier, an avid birder, field trip leader and founder of the Sophist Academy. This event will explore new ways to use technology while birding and will cover the use of smart phone technologies along with the latest techniques in birding by ear, behavior and through photography. Jan. 18, 7:30-9 p.m. Free. Cubberley Community Center, Program Room H1, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. scvas.org

FAMILY

Preschool Storytime During this storytime, preschoolers will listen to stories, sing songs and develop a love for reading. Preschool storytime is designed for kids ages 3 to 5, to help build early literacy skills and prepare them to be successful readers. Jan. 18 and 25, 10:30 a.m.-11 a.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

St. Timothy's Church Preschool Open House St. Timothy's offers mixed-age preschool classes for children ages 3 and 4. There are also weekly classes for children ages 1 and 2. Open enrollment for the fall 2017 - 2018 has begun. Jan. 21, 10 a.m.-noon. Free. St. Timothy's Episcopal

Church and Preschool, 2094 Grant Road, Mountain View. sttimothypreschool.org

Time for Twos During this time, there will be music and movement to increase the attention span and language skills of this active age group. No registration is required. Jan. 17, 10:30-11 a.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

MUSEUMS & EXHIBITS

Gallery House, 'First Sight' "First Sight" is an exhibit of recent paintings by local artists Joyce Barron Leopard and Robin Stearns; it celebrates the new year. Stearns creates dark and contemplative cityscapes and portraits in oil, while Leopard uses both watercolor and mixed media to create abstract and figurative pieces. Jan. 3-25, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Jan. 15, reception, 1-3 p.m. Free. Gallery House, 320 S. California Ave., Palo Alto. Galleryhouse2.com

Raggedy Ann and Andy at the Museum The Los Altos History Museum welcomes Raggedy Ann and Raggedy Andy to the Smith Gallery. The exhibit tells the history of Raggedy Ann and Raggedy Andy, showcasing over 60 dolls. Thursdays-Sundays, ongoing, noon-4 p.m. Free. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. losaltoshistory.org

'Seaweed, Salmon, and Manzanita Cider: A California Indian Feast'

"Seaweed, Salmon, and Manzanita Cider: A California Indian Feast," is a traveling exhibit from the Grace Hudson Museum in Ukiah featuring foods important in the lives of Native Californians; its final showing is at the Los Altos History Museum. Jan. 12-April 16, Thursday-Sunday, noon-4 p.m. Free. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. losaltoshistory.org

FOOD & DRINK

Cow Wow Ages 5 and up are welcome to help milk Vida the Cow. Participants will learn fun cow facts while helping to feed and care for the dairy queen. In the milking parlor, participants will work with a trained professional and practice proper hand milking techniques. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a paying adult. \$25 per person. Jan. 22, 3:30-5 p.m. Hidden Villa, 26870, Moody Road, Los Altos Hills. hiddenvilla.org

LESSONS & CLASSES

Healthy Happens Here: Fitness with the YMCA This class helps to develop balance, flexibility, strength, posture, coordination and fall prevention. This class is appropriate for all levels and backgrounds. It's offered in partnership and led by instructors from the YMCA. Attendants are asked to bring their own yoga mat or towel and to plan ahead to bring a bottle of water if desired. Jan. 18, noon-1 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

Japanese Storytime and Crafts During this time, kids will be exposed to stories, music, learning and crafts in Japanese. The class is for ages 3 to 7. Jan. 19, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

Kids Read Kids Read is a program for kindergarten, first and second graders who would like to practice their reading with a middle or high school buddy. The program is free, and no registration is required. Children will get to pick out a free book to keep every week. Jan. 15, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

Personal Technology Tutors Free, personalized assistance from tech savvy LinkAges tutors will be available during this time. Those interested can sign-up and reserve a one-hour appointment. Walk-ins are welcome, but those with reservations will be given priority. Jan. 17, 4-6 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View. mountainview.gov

Setting Up Email Accounts During this workshop, participants will learn how to communicate with far-flung friends and family instantly by signing up for a free email account. Students will also learn how to keep an "address book" on the internet as well as how to write

notes. Jan. 18, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Free. Mountain View Senior Center, 266 Escuela Ave., Mountain View.

'Smart' Hands-On Learning for 3s & 4s This program is for children entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2018. The structure is small group experiential learning in science, math, art, literacy and social skills. Jan. 19, 10:15-10:45 a.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

Surveillance Self-Defense Workshop This workshop will include a teach-in on surveillance, some immediate and practical steps people can take to protect their communications and how to work with neighbors to stay informed about surveillance policy at the state and local level. Participants do not need technical expertise to attend this session, which is geared towards regular smartphone and laptop users. Jan. 19, 7-9 p.m. Free. Los Altos Library, 13 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. peaceandjustice.org/workshop

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Gita Wisdom, Part 2 This 4-part series is presented by Himanshu Asnani, an accomplished scholar and practitioner of the Bhagavad Gita, and Sundar Sethuraman, a bhakti yoga practitioner of 14 years. This talk will focus on making decisions. Jan. 16 and 23, 7:30 p.m. \$10. East West Book Store, 324 Castro St., Mountain View. eastwest.com

Mindfulness: Practices for a More Resilient New Year Mindfulness-based emotional intelligence practices help individuals increase well-being, decrease stress and become more resilient. In this program, students will learn the tools to navigate challenges more effectively while staying centered and calm. Jan. 19, 7-8:30 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

OUTDOOR RECREATION

Trail Ambassador Volunteer Recruitment The City of Mountain View offers a diverse array of opportunities for anyone interested in volunteering outdoors, exploring unique aspects of Mountain View's history, or interacting with members of the public throughout Shoreline and along numerous City trails. Currently, Shoreline is actively seeking volunteers for the positions of Trail Ambassador, Gatehouse Attendant and Rengstorff House Docent. Jan. 19, 2:30-5 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

TEENS

Girls Who Code Club: Informational Meeting Those interested in participating in the Girls Who Code Club for girls in grades 6 through 12, can learn more about it, ask questions and sign up during this informational meeting. The club will meet Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Teen Zone beginning Jan. 25. Jan. 18, 7-8 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Mitzvah Day Join hundreds of neighbors for a community-wide day of "tikkun olam" ("repair of the world") as part of a National Day of Service to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This inter-generational event will feature a range of hands-on service projects; participants will work in small groups on projects addressing issues of poverty, hunger, housing and homelessness, aging, the environment and more. Any volunteers under the age of 15 should be accompanied by a parent. Jan. 16, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Free. Oshman Family JCC, 3921 Fabian Way, Palo Alto. paloaltojcc.org/mitzvah

Palo Alto Caltrain Public Meeting The Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, which oversees Caltrain operations, will hold several public meetings to receive the community's input on proposed service changes that are expected to take place in spring/summer 2017. Jan. 15, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Free. Palo Alto Caltrain Station, 95 University Ave., Menlo Park. business.menloparkchamber.com

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This business is owned by: A Corporation.
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Mountain View, CA 94043
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This business is owned by: A Limited Liability Company.
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INNOVATION FOR YOUTH, LLC
800 East Charleston Road, Unit 14
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File No.: 624875
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This business is owned by: An Individual.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
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Mountain View, CA 94043
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 624876
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This business is owned by: A Corporation.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
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File No.: FBN624947
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