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COURTESY OF ALBERT JEANS

WATCHING YOU LIKE A ...

This young red-tailed hawk appeared to be keeping an eye out for anyone flaunting the trail's speed limit at Shoreline Park on Memorial Day. Longtime Mountain View resident Albert Jeans shared his photo of the majestic bird, remarking on how it remained completely unruffled by all the trail users passing by.

'Miscalculations' blamed for school district's massive budget errors

By Kevin Forestieri

Mountain View Whisman School District officials in March warned that the district was heading into deficit spending over the next few years, eating up nearly \$9 million in reserves

to offset growing costs between now and the end of the 2019-20 school year.

But it turns out that the gloomy forecast was completely off. A series of accounting errors recently discovered by the district's financial team revealed the school district had

overestimated costs and undercounted money coming in, causing a cascading effect on each subsequent year's budget projection. The end result is that the school district is back in the black, and has close to

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Switching gears, LASD seeks to condemn Federal Realty site

DISTRICT ABANDONS PLANS TO FORCE SALE OF GREYSTAR PROPERTY IN SAN ANTONIO AREA

By Kevin Forestieri

Los Altos School District officials announced last week that they plan to use eminent domain to acquire land on the eastern side of the San Antonio Shopping Center for a new school, abandoning plans to

buy the site of the Old Mill and former Safeway across the street.

In a letter to city staff on Friday, June 8, Superintendent Jeff Baier revealed that the district is now seeking to buy 9.7 acres of land at the corner of California Street and Showers Drive, currently owned by Federal Realty

and slated for future mixed-use development in the same mold as the western side of the shopping center.

Baier told the *Voice* in an email Wednesday that the Federal Realty land has been on the

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Council opts to replace apartments with rowhouses

By Mark Noack

An older cluster of apartments in Mountain View's North Whisman neighborhood will be torn down to build an equivalent number of new rowhouses, a decision the owner blames on the city's rent control law. On Tuesday night, the City Council unanimously approved plans to redevelop the Moffett Manor Apartments, replacing the 56 existing rentals with 58 for-sale homes.

Playing to the council's sympathies at the June 12 meeting, John Hickey of Summer-Hill Housing Group promised that the new rowhouses would be priced to be affordable for the so-called "missing middle" — that is, working professionals who normally can't afford home ownership in the area.

In earlier plans sent to the city, he indicated the prices would range as low as \$680,000 for a one-bedroom and up to \$1.1 million for a three-bedroom home. On Tuesday, he amended that promise slightly, saying the homes would be priced "substantially less than \$1.6 million to \$1.7 million."

"The key here is our units will be smaller but still very livable and efficient," Hickey said. "The current owner has done a very good job maintaining the site, but the simple fact is these buildings are reaching the end of their lifespan."

Apartments at Moffett Manor were generally considered to be affordable by Mountain View standards, ranging from around \$1,850 to \$2,400 a month. In 2016 Grant Huberty, the owner of Moffett Manor apartments, had warned he would sell his apartments for redevelopment if the city enacted rent control.

In an email to the *Voice*, Huberty said the housing at Moffett Manor would have needed to be rebuilt in any event. The apartments were show-

ing their age and they didn't meet current seismic standards or utility demands. It was a choice of upgrading old apartments or building new homes, he said.

"The current rental housing climate in Mountain View had an

impact on our decision to not undertake these extensive and expensive renovations," Huberty said. "Whether completely remodeled to today's safety standards or simply redeveloped, the existing tenants would be displaced in either scenario."

A total of 12 tenants from Moffett Manor have applied so far for the city's relocation assistance program, Hickey said. Each qualified tenant will be provided the equivalent of three months of rent and help finding a new apartment in the area.

Some residents made a last-ditch effort to preserve the apartments, describing it as

'A small net gain of housing for such a disruptive project doesn't seem reasonable.'

ANDRE PENA,
MOFFETT MANOR TENANT

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Voices

AROUND TOWN

Asked in downtown Mountain View. Photos and interviews by Kayla Riggs.

“What song accurately describes your life right now?”



“Viva la Vida’ by Coldplay. Life is full of ups and downs. Sometimes you are on top of the world, and other times you feel down.”

Alice Nguyen, Milpitas



“This is America’ by Childish Gambino. It’s pretty symbolic. As a young person living in Silicon Valley, we are living in a bubble, and there’s a lot that’s happening around us. Sometimes you see it, but sometimes we are too consumed in day-to-day life to do something about it.”

Brian Tang, San Jose



“I Stand Amazed’ by Jimmy Needham. It’s related to my relationship with God. We are amazed by what He’s done for us and who He is.”

Sam Aum, Palo Alto



“Adele songs because she does a good job getting the message across, especially in everyday life. I can see myself reflected in her songs.”

Poco K., San Mateo



“You’ll Always Find Your Way Back Home’ by Miley Cyrus. I have been trying new things, but I know that I am always going to be able to go back to what I know.”

Alexa Maletis, Sunnyvale

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CRIME BRIEFS

TRASH CAN ARSONIST SOUGHT

Mountain View police are asking for the public's help in finding a suspect who reportedly set a downtown trash can and its contents on fire earlier this month, and may be connected to multiple reports of a suspect dumping trash cans in the same area.

The suspect allegedly set the trash can ablaze around 2 a.m. on June 1. Fire crews extinguished the flames, located behind a downtown parking lot on the 100 block of Hope Street near the back of Eureka! restaurant.

Witnesses in the area described the suspect as a black man in his mid-20s, roughly 5 feet, 5 inches tall and weighing 180 pounds. He was seen wearing dark pants and a dark shirt with light-colored writing on it.

Police have also received multiple reports of a suspect dumping trash from cans throughout the downtown area during the late-night and early-morning hours between June 1 and June 6, and believe the alleged arsonist may be connected.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Officer Mike Taber at michael.taber@mountainview.gov.

FIRE LIT OUTSIDE STEINS

A Mountain View man was arrested during the early morning hours on June 6 after he was allegedly spotted setting a fire outside a downtown restaurant.

The 24-year-old man reportedly set the small fire outside Steins Beer Garden on Villa Street around 3:30 a.m. Security guards saw the man start the fire and called police, according to police spokeswoman Katie Nelson.

Officers were able to quickly locate the suspect, who was still in the area where he allegedly started the fire, Nelson said. The man was arrested on suspicion of arson.

—Kevin Forestieri

POLICE LOG

AUTO BURGLARY

- 100 block Calderon Av., 6/4
- Bryant St. & W. Evelyn Av., 6/4
- 700 block E. El Camino Real, 6/4
- 1100 block N. Rengstorff Av., 6/4
- 2000 block W. El Camino Real, 6/4
- 800 block E. EL Camino Real, 6/4
- 1900 block W. Middlefield Rd., 6/6
- 1100 block N. Rengstorff Av., 6/8
- 300 block Hope St., 6/8

- 700 block Villa St., 6/5
- 1800 block N. Shoreline Blvd., 6/7

GRAND THEFT

- 1900 block Latham St., 6/4
- 1500 block W. El Camino Real, 6/8

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

- 100 block N. Rengstorff Av., 6/4
- 1700 block Fordham Way, 6/4
- 1200 block Springer Rd., 6/7

BATTERY

- Castro St. & Villa St., 6/4
- 1300 block San Domar Dr., 6/6
- 3500 block Truman Av., 6/8

STOLEN VEHICLE

- 600 block Moorpark Way, 6/7

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY

- 2400 block W. El Camino Real, 6/3
- 1500 block Plymouth St., 6/4

VANDALISM

- 2500 block Garcia Av., 6/6
- 800 block California St., 6/8
- 300 block Hope St., 6/8

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

COUNCIL ADOPTS RULES TO OUST COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Mountain View City Council on Tuesday approved new rules for reprimanding or removing appointed committee members, including those on the city's Rental Housing Committee.

Under the new rules, any committee member who violates the city's code-of-conduct policies could be subject to three different levels of punishment. The first two — admonishment and sanction — are a symbolic form of censure, but don't carry any

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JAMES TENSUAN

Free lunches are offered to anyone 18 and under at Castro Park this summer. Free lunches are also being offered at Rengstorff Park, and Crittenden Middle School is serving breakfast and lunch.

Full stomachs this summer courtesy of free meal program

By Kayla Riggs

Heading to the beach, hanging out with friends, or simply relaxing at home, students are beginning to experience the first few days of summer vacation. However, for kids who rely on free or reduced price school meals throughout the year, summer may not seem so sweet.

Each year, a significant number of children rely on meals subsidized by their school district; roughly one-third of K-8

students currently enrolled in the Mountain View Whisman School District (MVWSD) are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches. At Mariano Castro Elementary School, 79.1 percent of pupils qualify, according to the California Department of Education. Yet once schools close for break, the ability to receive lunches and snacks often ends as well.

This is why communities are working together for the second consecutive year to provide free summer lunches — no questions asked — to people 18

and younger through mobile outreach. This year, MVWSD is partnering with Second Harvest Food Bank, the Santa Clara County Department of Public Health and Lucile Packard Children's Hospital to ensure that residents are not only being fed, but are also being educated about how to maintain a healthy, nutritious diet, according to Debbie Austin, director of food services for the district.

This goal is partially being

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New report finds Tesla sped up moments before fatal crash

AUTOPILOT WAS ENGAGED FOR FINAL 19 MINUTES, NTSB SAYS

By Kevin Forestieri

An early report issued by the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) last week reveals that the Tesla Model X involved in a fatal crash on Highway 101 earlier this year sped up just before it collided with a traffic barrier. The preliminary report sheds

new light on the March 23 accident in Mountain View, which is currently being investigated by the federal safety agency. The 2017 Tesla Model X struck the barrier between southbound Highway 101 and the Highway 85 carpool flyover at high speed, smashing the front end of the vehicle. The driver, San Mateo resident and Apple

engineer Walter Huang, 38, was extracted from the vehicle and transported to a nearby hospital with major injuries, where he later died.

It was later revealed by Tesla officials that the Model X had the company's Autopilot feature activated in the moments

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Task force weighs relocating junior high to Mountain View

By Kevin Forestieri

Amid intense debate over what kind of school Los Altos School District should plant in Mountain View's San Antonio neighborhood, a group of task force members is now considering relocating Egan Junior High School to the area in order to make room for Bullis Charter School to grow.

Last month, the district convened a Site Advisory Task Force made up of residents and district employees to hammer out recommendations on the new school campus. The school district is forging ahead on its strategy of buying land in the San Antonio shopping center, but needs to figure out what kind of school to put there.

The school district could move Bullis, the region's popular charter school, to Mountain View or it could create a new neighborhood school designated for Mountain View residents living in the district. Task force members, as of May 30, appeared split between the two ideas, with a bare majority favoring moving the charter school in a straw vote.

But in the latest development in a long, controversial debate over future school plans, task force member and Mountain View City Councilwoman Margaret Abe-Koga suggested a third option — moving Egan Junior High School to Mountain View. She said it could be a solid way to avoid controversy and disruption to the school community while benefiting San Antonio neighborhood residents with open space, a track, a gym and other facilities.

Bullis Charter School is currently housed in portables split between two campuses, Egan and Blach Intermediate School, and vacating the existing Egan campus could give the charter school much-needed space to

grow and potentially consolidate on a single campus, Abe-Koga argued. It wouldn't necessitate any boundary changes because no new school would be created, and nearby residents would benefit from the broad range of amenities that come with a junior high school.

Egan, currently located along West Portola Avenue in Los Altos, is about one mile away

from the 9.65-acre site Los Altos School District officials are considering for a new school.

Up until the May 30 meeting, the only two serious options under consideration were moving Bullis

or creating a new neighborhood school, triggering some task force members to take a hesitant approach to this new, un-vetted idea of relocating Egan until district staff could pull together more information on costs and potential impacts.

Some task force members raised concerns that moving Egan would do nothing to address the growing number of students living in the Mountain View region of the district north of El Camino Real, while others warned of serious backlash from the local community if it lost a neighborhood school.

Task force member Tom McGovern, appearing to reject the idea outright, said Los Altos residents would sharply oppose the idea, while Assistant Superintendent Sandra McGonagle said staff, kids, former students and the community would feel like a big part of the community was lost if the district uprooted the school and moved it.

"This is the Egan I have known for 50 or 60 years," she said. "I don't think it's as simple as moving it down the road."

Abe-Koga challenged the idea that moving a junior high school, which houses students through brief two-year stints,

'You're going to have to let go. Everyone has to make a compromise.'

COUNCILWOMAN
 MARGARET ABE-KOGA

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Woman arrested after filing false abuse charges

SUSPECT HAS HISTORY OF CONNING, BURGLARIZING MEN IN CALIFORNIA, POLICE SAY

By Mark Noack

A woman accused of filing false domestic abuse charges against men as a ploy to burglarize their homes was arrested by Mountain View police June 7.

The suspect, Sunmee Kim, 44, first came to the attention of local police in January when she filed charges claiming her fiancé had attacked her at their Mountain View home. She had no visible injuries, and she refused to give police her full name or any contact information, police said.

The man identified as her fiancé denied that they were in a romantic relationship. They were actually housemates, he said. Police declined to identify him.

The man was arrested and reportedly detained for less than a day, then released without any criminal charges. While he was in custody, Kim allegedly raided his house, stealing various items. Police officials say they are not releasing specifics on the stolen items at this time.

Following the man's arrest,



Sunmee Kim

police began to suspect that Kim had lied to them, and a fraud detective was assigned to investigate her. According to Mountain View police, they soon discovered that she had pulled similar schemes against other men across the state.

In 2009, for example, she allegedly faked her own kidnapping in Los Angeles in an attempt to con a man she was staying with into paying ransom money.

A few years later, Kim reportedly pulled a similar domestic-abuse scheme against a businessman she was living with in Irvine, claiming he had hit her repeatedly and stolen her possessions. He was arrested and later had a restraining order barring him from returning to his home. During this time, Kim reportedly burglarized his home, stealing cash and other belongings.

In that Irvine case, her victim later sued the police department for \$150,000 for failing to take reasonable steps to verify her claims, according to the Orange County Register.

Mountain View police investigators found that Kim had active warrants out of Los Angeles and Orange counties. Police officers arrested her in Palo Alto on the outstanding

School coin drive raises \$40K for accessible playground

Local school kids have collected a small fortune in small change to help pay for a new playground. A student coin drive at Mountain View Whisman and Los Altos school districts has raised more than \$40,000 that will go toward a Magical Bridge playground at Rengstorff Park.

The Magical Bridge playground, slated to be completed in 2020, has generated a lot of excitement because it would be Mountain View's first play structure specifically designed for children with physical and cognitive disabilities. The first such playground opened at Palo Alto's Mitchell Park in 2015, and other nearby cities are looking to build their own.

The playground is expected to cost about \$4.5 million

to design and build, about half of which is being paid for by the city and county. The remainder is expected to come through fundraising, so local organizers have been trying different strategies to pass around the hat.

The student-led coin drive is one among many efforts to help reach this fundraising goal. Several local tech companies have already made substantial donations. But getting the kids involved in the fundraising process gets them excited about this future playground, said Deborah Getz, a Magical Bridge spokeswoman and Bubb Elementary School parent.

"The coin drive is important because it empowers our kids to personally make an impact," she said. "It's such

a tangible goal that they are working towards because they can understand it — they know that everyone should have a chance to play."

In late May Mountain View Whisman district officials delivered several bags filled with pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters to the playground nonprofit. The total haul was \$25,000, but organizer said some of that was made through online donations.

The Los Altos School District wrapped up its own coin drive last week, raising \$15,000.

More information about the Magical Bridge Playground and the fundraiser may be found on its website at magicalbridge.org.

—Mark Noack

warrant charges, and are currently working with Santa Clara County prosecutors to determine what criminal charges to file against her.

Detectives are currently building a case against her, and they believe there may be other victims who haven't come forward, said Mountain View police spokeswoman Katie Nelson.

"She was sentenced in Orange County for almost the exact same crime and then she disappeared for about five years," Nelson said. "This isn't something that happened out of happenstance. We're thinking her (modus operandi) is pretty prolific."

Many of Kim's victims located so far came into contact with her through the dating site

KoreanCupid.com, police said. She reportedly went by several different names, including Sunny Jean Kim, Jean Kim, Jiin and Ashley Kim.

Anyone with information pertinent to the investigation is encouraged to contact Detective Frank Rivas at frank.rivas@mountainview.gov. ■

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BUDGET SNAFU

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\$9.6 million in money district officials thought they didn't have.

In an email to parents on May 31, Superintendent Ayinde Rudolph said the district had errors in its calculations during a review of the budget in March that "led us to believe that the district's financial picture was worse than it is." These errors, described as "miscalculations" related to programs and curriculum spending in the 2018-19 budget, extending into future years and projected that the district would be deficit-spending to the tune of \$4.9 million by the 2019-20 school year.

The letter, sent shortly before the May 31 school board meeting, states that lessons have been learned from the budget snafu, and that all of the adjustments since the March budget have shown only "positive results" — ramping up revenues and decreasing expenditures for each year.

"The cumulative effect is that

we will save \$1.6 million this year, which will carry forward," Rudolph said to parents in the email. "As a result, where we were once looking at a \$5 million deficit in 2020, we will now be operating in the black for the next three years."

Over the course of three years, starting with the 2017-18 school year, district officials originally projected that the school district would be receiving a grand total of \$220.7 million in revenue. This number failed to capture an extra \$4.16 million in increased revenue, donations and special education funding provided by Santa Clara County spread out across three years, according to a district staff report.

Expenditures, which were expected to total just under \$230 million over the same three-year period, went the other direction — money was budgeted for staffing positions that were never filled and the creation and expansion of summer and after-school programs that were no longer planned. Total spending between 2017-18 through the 2019-20 school

year is now projected at \$224.4 million.

For the 2017-18 school year, drawing to a close at the end of the month, that means a radical shift from \$874,000 in deficit spending to \$800,000 in surplus cash, adding up to a delta of \$1.67 million.

Although the school board was immediately briefed about the accounting errors, Rudolph told the *Voice* that he felt it was important enough of a change that he needed to notify the entire school community in a letter, particularly when budget projections radically change over the course of a couple months.

"When you see that we were \$800,000 in the red and then that moved to \$300,000 in the black (next year), you know that type of swing justifies an explanation," he said. "So we felt that the best thing to do was simply say, 'Hey, this is what happened.'"

At the May 31 school board meeting, Chief Business Officer Robert Clark told trustees that there was a 2018-19 budget document he called an "internal

working copy" that was inaccurate, prompting a full month-long investigation that went line by line through the budget, looking at each program run by the school district.

What they found, Clark said, was a series of unspent curriculum and personnel costs totaling \$1.4 million for the 2017-18 school year alone, which grew to an estimated \$2 million in the erroneous 2018-19 budget back in March. He said the individual adjustments could be fairly small — like budgeting for a full-time staff member for the year who actually starts in October or leaves early — but it added up to a significant amount. Along with over-budgeting for certain academic programs, Clark said the district is in a much healthier financial position than originally anticipated.

"It was a sizable savings to the overall budget in the actual impact for the three years," he said.

The fixes to the budget are unlikely to change anything in the immediate future. Rudolph

said the many adjustments to the budget in May will not trigger a bunch of new spending plans or alter the district's previous decisions to eliminate vacant positions or delay projects that don't directly relate to students. Big-ticket expenditures for the upcoming school year, like co-teaching at Crittenden and Graham middle schools and implementation of the new middle-school schedule, were not added or removed during the in-house audit of the budget.

Rudolph told parents in the letter that the district office will be working on its bookkeeping practices to make sure budgets are efficient and accurate in the future, and will double down on its commitment to catch errors before they start to affect school operations.

"I will be working closely with business services to ensure that errors like this are not only caught before we start making plans, but also dealt with in a clear and transparent way," he said. ■

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“I quickly realized I was in the right place when I came to Stanford. My experience with Dr. Fernandez-Becker has been nothing but positive. I feel like she cares about me personally as a patient.”

—David

Patient finds relief in treatment for inflamed esophagus

For David the simple act of eating had become a fear-inducing experience. David suffers from eosinophilic esophagitis, a chronic allergic immune condition that causes his esophagus to become inflamed. At any given moment, the tube that sends food from his mouth to his stomach can swell, making swallowing difficult and extremely painful. When the inflammation is most severe, food gets lodged in his esophagus. The only remedy is an emergency endoscopy.

“Once you’ve had a couple of these episodes, there’s always this fear when you’re eating that you’re going to have another episode,” said David. “You get to a point where you’re very careful about what you eat and how well you chew. But even then, you never know when it’s going to happen again.”

“Eosinophilic esophagitis is a chronic inflammatory disease,” said Fernandez-Becker, MD, PhD, Clinical Assistant Professor, Gastroenterology & Hepatology at Stanford Health Care. Inflammation causes the esophagus to become stiffer and narrower over time, and some patients develop scar tissue, which leads to food blockages.

According to David, managing his condition for the past 10 years has been a series of trial and error, working with multiple doctors unsuccessfully to resolve the issue. His general practitioner suggested he see Dr. Fernandez-Becker at Stanford Health Care because of her extensive experience treating this condition.

“My experience with Dr. Fernandez-Becker has been nothing but positive,” said David, who began his care at Stanford in 2012. “The first time I came here, I quickly realized I was in the right place,” he said. “She was somebody who got it. She understood what I was going through. She had the background, and there was no question that I was in the right spot.”

In that first appointment, Dr. Fernandez-Becker and David discussed the frequency of his

swallowing difficulties and food blockages. They talked about what triggers might be at play, and considered further allergy testing or an elimination diet. To confirm the diagnosis of eosinophilic esophagitis, Dr. Fernandez-Becker adhered to an evidence-based approach, taking a tissue sample of David’s esophageal lining, examining it under a microscope for the presence of eosinophils, and then correlating those findings with his medical history and symptoms.

“The first time I came here, I quickly realized I was in the right place...”

“For a lot of these patients, I’m the fourth or fifth gastroenterologist they’ve seen, so they don’t come in completely naïve,” said Fernandez-Becker, who uses her PhD training in molecular genetics to tease out factors that may be causing the inflammation. “I have a very frank discussion with them about what’s happened before, why I think they’re having these symptoms and what the plan is for us to sort it out.”

Discovering the cause of the allergic reaction can be difficult. Allergy testing is often inconclusive, she said, which is why she also prefers having patients undergo a six-month elimination diet. But David, who travels extensively for work, worried that he wouldn’t be able to adhere to a

strict diet. Instead, Fernandez-Becker put him on a proton pump inhibitor (PPI), a medication commonly prescribed for patients with acid reflux. The medication has been found to help some patients with eosinophilic esophagitis.

“Fortunately for me, the proton pump inhibitor seems to have helped manage it,” said David, who has only had two food blockages since going on the medication more than five years ago.

Because the condition is chronic, and requires constant management, Becker follows patients like David for years. “Every time I meet a new patient, it’s a great journey,” she said. “I get to know them as a person, which is a real privilege. They feel like family.”

“I feel like she cares about me personally as a patient,” said David. “When I’m there, I have her undivided attention. She knows me, she knows my history and she remembers it all.”

Today, David’s quality of life is improved and his condition is mostly under control. “I’m no longer walking around all the time concerned that this is going to happen again,” he said. “It’s something that Dr. Fernandez-Becker and I are managing together right now.”



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accomplished by staff members who volunteer at Castro Park and Rengstorff Park every Friday to teach adults about a plethora of foods that will make them and their families physically stronger.

“We (are) reaching out to the community to ensure that families have access to good food, SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) and other programs that will help them live a healthy life,” Austin said.

But not everyone who is eligible takes advantage of the opportunity. According to a recent press release from Second Harvest Food Bank, about 85 percent of those who qualify for prepaid school lunches don’t participate in the summer meal program. Lack of food leads to hunger, a lack of energy, and declining physical

and emotional health.

This may partially be explained by the number of locations that provide food during the summer months. There are 10 schools at which students eat a free, wholesome lunch and breakfast while school is in session. This number is reduced to just three locations once classes end: Crittenden Middle School, Castro Park, and Rengstorff Park. Last year, 60,467 meals were served, an increase of 21,282 meals over the previous year.

Each of these meals consists of genuinely good food, Austin said. Hamburgers, chicken fajitas, pizza made by a local pizza shop, chicken breast, veggie wraps, rigatoni pasta, and cheese quesadillas are among the lunches that will be distributed throughout the summer. At the two parks, sandwiches, wraps, baked crackers, chips, fresh vegetables, juice, milk and

water will be distributed. “I do not want the children walking away with a brown sack. I want them to feel like they just picked up lunch at a high-end restaurant,” Austin said. “To me, self pride is everything.”

Distribution of these meals began on weekdays in early June. The program will continue until Aug. 10, with no meals served on the Fourth of July.

Crittenden Middle School, at 1701 Rock St., offers breakfast from 7 to 8:30 a.m. and lunch from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Castro and Rengstorff parks only offer lunch. Castro Park, at 1795 Latham St., serves lunch between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., and Rengstorff Park, at 210 South Rengstorff Ave., serves lunch from 12-1:30 p.m.

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their only housing option in the area.

“For me and my neighbors, this is the only way we’re going to be able to remain in Mountain View,” said Andre Pena, an IT employee at Apple. “A small net gain of housing for such a disruptive project doesn’t seem reasonable.”

Mayor Lenny Siegel acknowledged that allowing the redevelopment to go forward would mean the loss of “naturally affordable housing” in Mountain View. But approving it was still the right decision, seeing as how it complied with the city’s zoning and other requirements, he said, pointing to hundreds of new apartments being built around town.

“I feel obligated to support this project,” he said. “But I urge the developer to think about

building housing in the future on sites where there isn’t any housing.”

As part of the project, SummerHill is expected to pay in-lieu fees equivalent to 3 percent of the home sales. City planning staff expect the city to receive around \$1.67 million.

The project was unanimously approved by the council in a 6-0 vote. Councilman Ken Rosenberg recused himself due to a potential financial conflict. ▣

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district’s radar for years, and that he and district officials opted to pursue the shopping center property because of its larger size, which he said would translate into more space for school facilities and a city park.

‘With the planned park, it will be good for the neighborhood.’

MAYOR LENNY SIEGEL

Although district leaders have typically left the door open for negotiations before suggesting that land be taken, the letter to City Manager Dan Rich states on no uncertain terms that the district will acquire the site “through condemnation from Federal Realty Investment Trust for the future development of a new school and public park.”

The district had sought to acquire 8.6 acres of land at the corner of San Antonio Road and California Street, which includes single-story commercial buildings, the Old Mill Office Center and the shuttered Safeway. The property owners expressed vehement opposition to selling to the school district, and its developer Greystar is currently seeking to redevelop the three conjoined parcels, with 632 homes and 20,000 square feet of commercial space. The project is just weeks away from coming before the

City Council for approval.

Both the Old Mill and the shopping center sites are within the Los Altos School District’s boundaries, which encompass a portion of Mountain View.

Attorney Norm Matteoni, speaking on behalf of Greystar, said the district’s announcement is a welcome change, noting that the developer has sought to help the district find another location for a school.

“This is a decision Greystar welcomes,” Matteoni said in an email. “It has put in months of effort and discussion to point the district to pursuing an alternate location. It is appreciative of the district’s and city’s willingness to work to this result.”

Despite the planned use of eminent domain, Federal Realty appears to be a willing participant in the land deal, which is sometimes referred to as a “friendly condemnation.” Rich told Mountain View City Council members at a June 12 meeting that Federal Realty, Greystar and the school district are all “in agreement on the deal.” Baier confirmed in the email to the *Voice* that the district and both property owners are cooperating and are seeking to “finalize negotiations” on a fair price.

“Should this acquisition proceed, we would secure property with a negotiated price and on a shorter timeline, avoiding a formal eminent domain process,” Baier said.

Representatives from Federal Realty did not respond to requests for comment by the *Voice*.

Mountain View Mayor Lenny Siegel said the district’s decision has the potential to be a win for all the parties involved, particularly if Federal Realty is

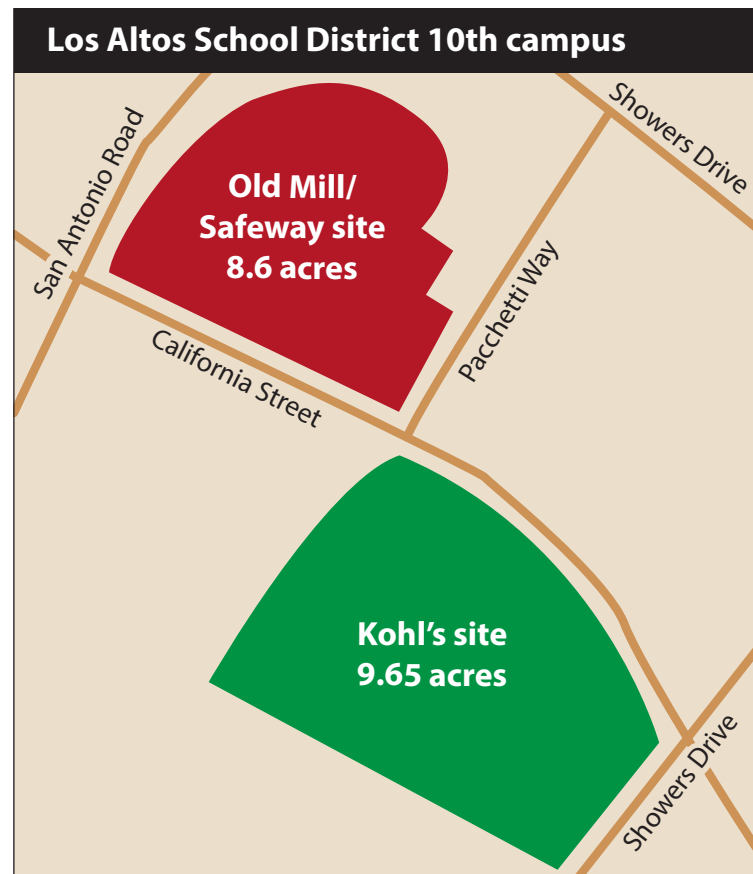
involved in the land purchase without hostility. He said the city stands to benefit by allowing the Greystar project to move forward, creating housing near transit, and that converting the Federal Realty site — including the Kohl’s and other commercial properties on the eastern side of the shopping center — into a school and much-needed park space would be a victory for local residents.

“If the Los Altos School District is able to create a school on the Kohl’s site, it will be good for its students,” he said. “With the planned park, it will be good for the neighborhood, the (Greystar) property owners will benefit, and it appears that the property owners on the (Federal Realty) site will be satisfied.”

The Los Altos School District, which draws nearly a third of its student body from Mountain View, has been on a complicated and expensive quest to buy land for a new school in the San Antonio area of the city for years. The district is seeking quite a bit of help from the city of Mountain View. On top of contributing \$23 million in park fees, City Council members agreed to allow the school district to “sell” the unused density allowed on the acquired property — a process known as the transfer of development rights (TDRs) — to developers throughout the city.

The complex deal-making between the district and several Mountain View developers is expected to defray a large portion of the costs of buying the land, and would give the San Antonio neighborhood both a local school and open space for neighborhood use.

Although the school district



The property in red seemed destined for a new 10th school campus before the Los Altos School District made a surprise announcement that it would buy the San Antonio shopping center property (in green) instead.

is now seeking an entirely different piece of land in the San Antonio area, remarkably little would change with regard to the nuts-and-bolts aspects of selling density rights. In the letter to city staff, Baier states that the school district plans to sell the exact same amount of development rights, 610,000 square feet, for about \$79.3 million, and would not modify any of the agreements its made with developers thus far.

So far, City Council members have given the early green light to two projects made much larger by TDRs, both residential

projects in the East Whisman area that are allowed to exceed zoning restrictions by using density bonuses purchased from Los Altos School District.

The letter also states that Greystar is working on plans to acquire 2 acres of land directly adjacent to the proposed school site for additional park space, satisfying park land requirements for its residential development across the street and effectively boosting the size of open space alongside the future school site. ▣

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Neighbors are rallying to save heritage trees slated for removal by developer Sage Capital Management at a residential project on Sierra Avenue.

Decision Wednesday for Old Mountain View redwoods

A controversial removal of trees was set to go before the city's Parks and Recreation Commission on Wednesday night, June 13.

A project to build a single family home in Old Mountain View has sparked a firestorm of opposition among neighbors because it would also require chopping down 10 heritage trees, including a grove of seven mature redwoods.

Neighborhood advocates say

the trees are healthy and would be removed to make room to build a larger house that could fetch a higher value. City officials agree that most of the trees should be preserved.

The developer, Sage Capital Management, was admonished by city officials to downsize its house design so that the trees can remain in place. The developer then proposed plans that would preserve four of the trees, but this

was denied by city officials.

On Wednesday night, the Parks and Recreation Commission will review an appeal filed by the developer of the revised plan's denial. The parks commission has authority to overturn the decision, according to city staff.

This decision was expected to come after the *Voice's* Wednesday afternoon deadline. Check mv-voice.com for updates. ▣

—Mark Noack

MVLA pays \$80K to settle student's claims over rape case

By Kevin Forestieri

The Mountain View-Los Altos High School District paid a \$80,000 settlement in March to the family of a former student who claimed the district failed to properly respond when she was allegedly raped off campus.

The settlement comes nearly three years after the victim, a female student who attended the district's Middle College alternative school program, said she was sexually assaulted by a Los Altos High School student at a party in a San Jose. She told the San Francisco Chronicle in a lengthy investigative report last year that the rape occurred at a drug- and alcohol-fueled party hosted by a student's father in multiple hotel suites.

The former student filed a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) in June 2016 following the incident, claiming that the district failed to take a proactive approach in informing her family of its rights under Title IX, did not investigate the alleged rape and did not provide

accommodations afforded to her under the civil rights law. She sought \$2 million from the district, according to Superintendent Jeff Harding.

Despite the \$80,000 payout, Harding maintains that the district did not misstep in handling the case. District officials say they did not receive requests for accommodations until graduation, when the family asked that the alleged perpetrator be prohibited from attending the graduation ceremony, and was in close communication with the family after being notified of the alleged rape.

The district's legal counsel also concluded that no investigation was needed, given that the reported sexual assault occurred at an off-campus weekend party in San Jose and that there was no "nexus" between the two students, who attended different schools. Harding told the *Voice* in February 2017 that the district had no legal authority to discipline the perpetrator, given the circumstances.

The decision to pay the \$80,000 settlement on March 30 was based on recommendations by the district's insurance

company, Harding said, and is not an admission of wrongdoing.

"We thought we handled this situation appropriately and felt that, given the circumstances, this was the best decision in the interest of the school district," he said.

The Office for Civil Rights is responsible for ensuring school districts follow federal civil rights laws, including Title IX, which protects students from gender discrimination at school. The law specifically calls on districts to provide safeguards for student victims of sexual harassment and sexual assault, including providing accommodations to prevent victims from encountering their assailants while on campus.

The OCR requested information on the district's response to the alleged off-campus rape shortly after the former student filed a complaint with the federal agency in 2016, but there has been no follow-up since then, Harding said.

"They requested facts and we have not heard from them since," he said. ▣

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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meaningful penalty. The third and highest punishment would involve the member's removal from the appointed position.

Council members discussed the technical details of the new rules, but they avoided talking about whether the new rules should be used against any committee in particular.

Public speakers were more direct. Trey Bornmann of the city Mobile Home Alliance urged the city to censure members of the Rental Housing Committee.

"The Rental Housing Committee is like Trump's EPA — people are using their position of power to destroy what they're sworn to uphold," he said. "It's a no-brainer to pass this."

Exactly what prompted the new censure rules is unclear. One member of the city's Council Procedures Committee had insisted the rules were prompted by allegations of a conflict of interest by Rental Housing Committee member Tom Means. Other members say the rules were already being considered beforehand.

COUNTY PITCHES IN FOR SAFE PARKING

Mountain View's push to create a safe parking program for people living out of their vehicles is getting some major help from Santa Clara County. Last week, the county Board of Supervisors agreed to contribute \$288,000 to fund the program through 2020.

The safe parking program is being spearheaded by local churches and faith groups under a new nonprofit called Lots of Love. After many delays, the program is now scheduled to launch in early July, but it will be a slow start. At first, the safe parking program will be tested at only St. Timothy's Episcopal Church on Grant Road. By 2020, organizers hope to expand to 10 parking lots, accommodating 40 vehicles.

Like many other cities, Mountain View has struggled to find the right response to the South Bay's growing homelessness crisis. Last year, the city tallied 291 inhabited vehicles across Mountain View, more than half of which were large RVs and campers.

While more affordable housing is seen as the true remedy, city leaders see the safe parking program as a good short-term solution. Mountain View is also contributing \$55,000 to help Lots of Love start the program.

—Mark Noack

CSA NAMED LOCAL NONPROFIT OF THE YEAR

Community Services Agency (CSA), which provides senior, homeless, and low-income citizens with services ranging from a healthy food pantry to financial guidance, was named the 2018 Nonprofit of the Year for California State Assembly District 24.

The organization was joined in Sacramento by 99 other local nonprofit groups in celebration of California Nonprofits Day, which has been held annually for the past three years.

"Nonprofit organizations generate \$2.6 billion in economic activity every year," employing "more than a million people in our state, the fourth largest private employer in California," said Assembly member Monique Limón.

"This honor is a testament to the community's recognition and response to the needs of low-income individuals and families in our service area," said Tom Meyers, the executive director of CSA, in a press release.

—Kayla Riggs

LASD GETS GRANT FUNDING FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGERS

Several Bay Area locations will install more than 2,000 electric vehicle chargers after the Bay Area Air Quality Management District approved more than \$6 million in funding for the project.

The 2,059 stations will pop up in 134 locations, including workplaces, schools, transportation hubs and apartment complexes. They will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other air pollutants, according to the district.

The Los Altos School District, East Side Union High School District, San Francisco International Airport and Old Redwood Commons Association received grant funding to install the new chargers.

GRID Alternatives also received \$56,000 to fund the project in low-income communities, district officials said.

"More charging stations in key locations will make buying an electric vehicle a smart option for more Bay Area residents," district executive officer Jack Broadbent said in a statement.

District officials said funding for the project comes from a \$4 car registration fee surcharge instituted in the Bay Area in 1991. The charge supports clean air vehicles, ride-sharing, shuttles and bike facilities.

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EGAN

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is somehow a big disruption or a loss of historic value. She said that her children are going to attend Graham Middle School for three years, and there won't be some kind of long-standing attachment to the school once they leave.

"It's a two-year school and once your kids move out, you move on," she said. "I think the history is shorter, to me, and you can transition much more quickly."

Task force member James Reilly, a Crossings resident, said there were simply too many unknowns for him to back Abe-Koga's idea. The idea of moving Bullis students out of portables and into Egan's old buildings could be convenient, but he worried that it would come with necessary upgrades and modifications that could cost millions. It could run the risk of eating up the entirety of the district's \$150 million bond.

"Conceptually, there is appeal here," he said. "But if you have to get rid of all the portables and spend \$50 million on old Egan and \$75 million on new Egan, then I think it doesn't work."

Council weighs in

Sending a strong signal to the task force Tuesday night, Mountain View City Council members voted 5-1 to formally urge the district to consider moving Egan to the Mountain View site, and doubled down on the council's preference for a neighborhood elementary school that would serve local residents in the San Antonio area.

Councilwoman Pat Showalter said a school for Mountain View

students would be an important "focal point" for building a community in the area, which has been ripe with new residential development in recent years. Despite the growth, the area doesn't have a nearby public school and has a dismal 1.34 acres of park space per 1,000 residents.

"It really is park-poor and it doesn't have a school, and it clearly needs those two things," she said.

The June 12 vote doesn't change much, given that council members already made the neighborhood school preference clear to Los Altos School District officials back in January. At the time, the City Council agreed to provide financial support and incentives to make it feasible for the district to buy land for a school in the region, but stopped short of demanding a neighborhood school as a condition.

Mayor Lenny Siegel said he would prefer a neighborhood school, but said the city shouldn't use the cross-agency cooperation as leverage for a specific outcome. Councilman John McAlister, the sole dissenting vote Tuesday night, said the council shouldn't tell the district what to do with a new school site, and reiterated that council members lack the expertise to make that kind of decision.

Among the arguments against a neighborhood school, some task force members expressed concerns that it would concentrate too many of the school district's low-income and English-language learner students all on one campus. Currently, they are dispersed among Santa Rita, Almond and Covington elementary schools. Task force members have argued that

splitting Mountain View students up could have a positive effect on academic performance for all district students, and that all three schools would lose valuable diversity if a neighborhood school is built in Mountain View.

Siegel said he wasn't sold on the argument, and that Mountain View kids shouldn't be forced to travel south into Los Altos as a means to balance out diversity for wealthier communities.

"In the absence of discriminatory policies — deliberate racial segregation — what you end up with is the poor kids always being the ones to travel the most ... because you have to split them up to integrate Los Altos Hills," he said. "That seems counter-productive in terms of social justice issues."

No easy solution

What became clear during the May 30 meeting is that none of the three options solved all of the district's problems, and were unlikely to quell long-standing feuds between the district and Bullis Charter School.

Creating an elementary school for Mountain View residents would be a relief valve for growing enrollment across the district, but wouldn't do much to solve the charter school's ongoing need for classrooms, black-top and field space. Moving Bullis to Mountain View would vacate space on the district's two junior high schools and could pave the way for a long-awaited conversion to a three-year middle-school model, but kids north of El Camino Real would still be fragmented across multiple schools and would have to venture south into Los Altos past major roads to get to school.

Perhaps the most complicating facet of the debate is that Bullis officials want to expand the charter school from 900 to 1,200 students. Jill Jene, the charter school's representative on the task force, said there's no way all of those students are going to fit on a Mountain View site she described as a small "postage stamp" north of El Camino, conflicting with the expectation that moving Bullis would create a single campus for the charter school.

Bullis growing by more than 30 percent wasn't among the built-in assumptions going into the task force process, which assumed the Mountain View school would be for a 600-student neighborhood school or a 900-student charter school. But Jene said that was made in error — Bullis officials have been keeping enrollment down in keeping with a five-year agreement with the district that's due to expire, and its growth plans have been made abundantly clear to the district.

In past years, the Los Altos School District and Bullis Charter School have fought lengthy legal battles over facilities agreements and interpretations of the state's charter school law, Proposition 39, which states that the school district must provide "reasonably equivalent" facilities. Both parties brokered a five-year agreement in 2014,

effectively ending all litigation, but it's unclear whether the cease-fire will continue when the agreement expires next year.

Task force member Joe Seither said his hope was that creating a campus with brand-new facilities, to the tune of \$75 million, would go a long way toward easing the longstanding tensions between the district and the charter school. To grow beyond that school's capacity, he said, is a voluntary choice by Bullis to exceed the facilities they are given.

Nearing the end of the meeting, Jene expressed frustration that the task force was painting itself into a corner with an ever-increasing list of constraints to try to appease everyone. She said they couldn't consider building a school on existing land — buying property in Mountain View was an assumption — but task force members were also pushing against redrawing boundaries, moving schools or displacing students. School districts do these things all the time in order to adjust to changes in enrollment, she said.

Abe-Koga, in defending her idea of moving Egan, said that something has to give if the task force wants to reach a recommendation.

"You're going to have to let go," she said. "Everyone has to make a compromise." ■

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prior to the crash, which the NTSB report describes as advanced driver assistance including cruise control and autosteer "lane-keeping assistance." The vehicle's cruise control speed was set to 75 miles per hour, which ratchets downward based on a set "following distance" between the Tesla and slower-moving vehicles in front of it.

A detailed account of the Tesla's vehicle logs found that the driver had used the Auto-pilot system on four separate occasions during the 32-minute trip, including 19 continuous minutes prior to the collision. In the final minute leading up to the crash, the driver had his hands on the steering wheel for 34 seconds, but not during

the six seconds prior to the collision.

Within the span of eight seconds, the Model X was following a "lead" vehicle and maintaining a 65 mile-per-hour speed, began a left-steering motion while following the lead vehicle, and began accelerating when it was no longer following a vehicle. The Tesla sped up from 62 miles per hour to 70.8 miles per hour before striking the crash attenuator in the highway median, with "no pre-crash braking or evasive steering movement" detected, according to the report.

The NTSB report emphasized that the findings are preliminary in nature and not a final determination on the "probable cause" of the crash.

"The NTSB continues to work with the California Highway Patrol and the California

Department of Transportation to collect and analyze data, including all pertinent information relating to the vehicle operations and roadway configuration," according to the report.

In a blog post shortly after the crash, Tesla officials wrote that the damage to the Model X was so severe because the crash attenuator had been damaged in a prior crash, providing less of a cushion between the vehicle and the highway median. The NTSB report confirms that the attenuator had been damaged in a crash on March 12, 11 days prior to the fatal accident, and a large portion of the safety cushion had been sheared off.

Shortly after the collision, the vehicle's 400-volt lithium-ion battery was damaged and caught fire, prompting the Mountain View Fire

Department to blast the vehicle's interior and exposed portion of the battery with 200 gallons of water and foam, according to the NTSB report. The department also received support from Tesla engineers before determining the battery had cooled enough to transport to a San Mateo impound lot.

The report also recounts how, five days later on March 28, the vehicle's high-voltage battery reignited and was extinguished by the San Mateo Fire Department.

Tesla originally partnered with the NTSB to investigate the crash, but was dropped from the investigation in April after NTSB officials said the company released "incomplete information" that was neither vetted nor confirmed by the NTSB. The information, released by Tesla in a series of

blog posts and statements to the media, implied that the driver was at fault for the fatal crash.

"Such releases of incomplete information often lead to speculation and incorrect assumptions about the probable cause of a crash, which does a disservice to the investigative process and the traveling public," according to the April 12 statement.

Last month, Bloomberg reported that Tesla CEO Elon Musk had hung up on NTSB Chairman Robert Sumwalt during an exchange about the company's statements and the decision to kick the company off the investigation. Tesla officials claimed that it was the company that withdrew from the investigation, rather than getting ousted, prior to the April 12 announcement by the NTSB. ■

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By Bonnie Malouf

As a long-term resident of Mountain View and a teacher for 45 years, I have grave concerns about the current housing/rental situation in our town and its effect on education. As teacher shortages grow, demands on teachers increase and housing costs rise, it gets harder and harder to find and, especially, keep teachers in the local schools.

This is not a new problem.

In 2015, an article in *The Atlantic* stated, "Housing is one of the biggest reasons (Silicon Valley towns) lose teachers from one year to the next." ("Is Silicon Valley Driving Teachers Out?" *Atlantic*, July 2015.)

Schools, students and achievement scores all suffer when there is too much teacher turnover. Both teachers and students benefit when teachers can live in the communities they serve. Schools thrive when there is a strong community that both teachers and families are a part of. When teachers have long commutes, they are simply not at school as much, and not as involved in the life of the school community. Teachers that are invested in the town and community in which they teach enrich the students' lives and education in ways that can only be done if they live close by.

At this point, housing consumes a large

percentage of a new teacher's income. Teachers can be let go for no expressed reason for the first two years in a district, so it is unlikely that a new teacher will look for permanent housing right away. Rentals are likely the only thing that is affordable and that does not require a long-term commitment.

Right now, thanks to Measure V, there is some assurance for a new teacher that her or his rent will not skyrocket in the coming year or two. Rent control prevents gouging and abuses by landlords,

and reassures teachers that they will, in fact, be able to continue to pay their rent for the coming few years. Prospective teachers who fear that they will not be able to continue to pay their rent are likely to look elsewhere for employment. At this time, teaching jobs are available everywhere. There is no shortage of prospective jobs.

In teaching, income only goes up so fast. There is a static schedule for raises based on years taught and education. The periodic raises that the district can afford do not keep up with the rising cost of housing in this area. Teachers should not have to worry that their rent will skyrocket or that they will not have a place to live. The traditional idea that teachers must have a spouse in high tech or with a high salary is now obsolete.

Guest Opinion

■ LETTERS

VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

HELP OUR TEACHERS LIVE IN MV

I am a student in Mountain View. It is not fair that paid signature gatherers are saying untrue things to take away fair rent laws in Mountain View. My second-grade teacher needs Measure V to keep living in Mountain View. My kindergarten teacher had to move away because her rent went up by \$900 in one year before Measure V became a law. I think it is important that people in this city tell the truth and help our teachers.

I hope everyone has a great summer break!

David Sanchez
Piazza Drive

the perception of a problem. Both fail to even consider if the current traffic signal operation has resulted in any injuries or fatalities to pedestrians in the crosswalk. The staff report, in particular, mentions the peak hour volumes in an irrelevant way to imply there is a problem, then states the problem will get worse once the new development occurs. But if there is no actual problem now, even if the volumes double there will still be no actual problem because zero times two is still zero.

Hearsay is a very bad basis for spending public funds. We need to do better.

Steve Fitzsimons
Magritte Way

GET MONEY OUT OF LOCAL POLITICS

There are paid signature gatherers all over Mountain View, saying anything to trick people into signing for the sneaky repeal attempt of all renter protections! At \$40 per signature, some of them are even subcontracting others to do the same. Forty dollars per signature? You can see that the California Apartment Association and the wealthy corporate landlords seemed to be

willing to pay any price. They have successfully bought elections in other Bay Area cities.

Do we want to allow them to trick the voters of Mountain View, using their vast wealth to purchase away any trace of integrity in our democratic process? Isn't it a moral outrage that they have hijacked democracy in other cities? Are we going to sit back and allow it to happen here in our fair city?

One of their tricks is to cultivate and spread confusion with their deception, but we can rise above their underhanded scheme and stop this scam in the signature gathering stage! Do not sign! If you did sign, please go to the city clerk's office (third floor) and say that you also want to withdraw your signature, like so many have already done.

Steve Chandler
Sierra Vista Avenue

RENTER NIGHTMARE

About two years ago we lived in a large two-bedroom apartment on Sierra Vista. The rent went up twice so we had to downsize to a small one-bedroom apartment. Each year this new place raised the rent, which included monthly

Finally, housing values are tied to the quality of schools. Mountain View is proud of its schools, as it should be. If older teachers retire and younger teachers cannot find affordable places to live, however, the quality will suffer.

There is a petition circulating to change Measure V. Although many of the paid signature gatherers falsely claim that this will improve conditions for renters (as recently mentioned in a *Mountain View Voice* article), the truth is that the clause that states that rent protection provisions will be null and void if the occupancy rate goes above 3 percent negates any positives this might have. Mountain View rents are not below 3 percent now, and have not been for many years. If people signed that petition under false understandings, they may retract that signature.

We all care about schools. Their quality affects everyone, even people like me whose own children are grown. Schools are a bedrock of a community. Maintaining the reasonable provisions of Measure V is one way to ensure that our schools will maintain the high quality of teachers to which we have become accustomed.

Bonnie Malouf is a Mountain View resident and former Mountain View Whisman School District teacher who currently teaches at Discovery Charter School in San Jose.

cat rent. Then we got a notice that it was slated to be torn down and town homes built in its place. So we moved again!

One and a half years later, two days ago, we got a notice from the city that our apartment complex got sold to a developer and is slated to be demolished next year. There must be at least seven such (instances of) destruction of rental units within a half-mile of where we live. Is this happening in other parts of Mountain View? This is gentrification because I cannot afford to buy even a one-bedroom condo!

Gordon Andrews
Montecito Avenue

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RESTAURANT REVIEW



Empanadas of spinach and Argentinian beef are served with chimichuri sauce at Venga Empanadas in Redwood City.

Empanadas, anyone?

VENGA BRINGS APPETIZING MEAT AND VEGETARIAN PASTRIES TO REDWOOD CITY

Story by Dale F. Bentson | Photos by Natalia Nazarova



Nora Perez works the counter at Venga, which specializes in the savory filled pastries.

I hadn't been an empanada fan, always finding them to be chewy pastry with scant filling, but the Chilean version was a revelation. The pastry was the perfect flaky container for marvelous meats, cheeses and vegetables.

Eight of us were barreling down a back road in central Chile singing "Why, why, why, Delilah?" at the tops of our lungs after a day of wine tasting in the Maipo Valley. We were heading back to our hotel when our tour guide, Oscar, suggested we stop for take-out empanadas.

He knew the perfect place. It was like a roadside McDonald's except they made and sold only empanadas. The place was jammed and there were three men in the parking lot directing cars to available spaces. Oscar came back with a heaping box of the most heavenly empanadas.

Like pasta in Italy and burgers in America, every region of Latin America has its own best-in-the-world recipes for making empanadas. Brazil has pastéis, Mexico pastes Pachuqueños, Ecuador empanadas de viento and Argentina the

mouthwatering Mendocinas (empanadas from the Mendoza region), and every region of Argentina has its own variation.

I had been to Venga Empanadas in San Francisco's Mission District and was delighted when a second location opened late last year on Main Street in Redwood City. Argentine empanadas are baked, not fried, and Venga offers at least 18 varieties, both meat and veggie, along with a half-dozen homemade soups, crisp salads, desserts and Argentine specialty foods.

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A display of vegetarian and meat-filled empanadas tempts diners at Venga.

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VENGA

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The three principals of the restaurant bring a variety of experience. Paula Capovilla is from Patagonia; Alicia Jimenez is from Mexico City; and Pablo Romano is from Argentina.

Romano said that in his younger days, he owned a campground/boat rental operation near the

Atlantic coast and ran a roadside parrilla, a traditional Argentine iron barbecue grill. He is also an artist, graphic designer and musician.

It's that broad range of experience and entrepreneurial spirit that often coalesces into something delightful — in this case, empanadas, although the original founder of Venga, Manuel Godino, has moved on.



Grab-and-go items include salads and soups.



The most popular empanadas, which are not made on-site, may sell out toward the end of the day.

My favorite empanadas at the new Redwood City outpost were the Argentine beef (\$3.95) made with beef, onions, red bell pepper and hard-boiled egg. The savory aji gallina (\$3.95) with chicken, onions, yellow bell pepper, tomatoes, parsley, cumin, saffron, chile flakes and cayenne pepper was spicy but not hot.

There are plenty of options for vegetarians, too. The California

veggie (\$3.95) was filled with spinach, Napa cabbage, carrots, mushrooms, raisins and almonds. The three-cheese-and-walnut empanada (\$3.95) with mozzarella, blue and Monterey jack cheeses; onions; and caramelized walnuts was both creamy and crunchy.

On a cool day, the hearty vegan white bean soup came with white beans, onions, peppers, celery,

mushrooms, and tomatoes. The cold chunky tomato gazpacho soup is a must on warm summer days. All soups cost \$6.25 for 16 oz. (enough for two).

The products at Venga on Main Street are made in a commissary five blocks away rather than trucked down from San Francisco. Not making products on the premises, though, can be problematic when particular flavors run low. One suggestion is to order ahead for pickup or take potluck when you arrive. Every empanada I tried was warmed to order, the soft and tender ingredients tucked inside a crisp, flaky coat.

If you dine at the restaurant, seating is limited, but there is wine, beer and sangria as a consolation and maybe you could sing, "Why, why, why, Delilah." ▣

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DINING NOTES

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■ MOVIE OPENINGS



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A family of superheroes returns to grapple with new villains and everyday stresses in "The Incredibles 2."

The family that saves together...

PIXAR GETS THE 'SUPERS' BACK TOGETHER FOR 'INCREDIBLES 2'

★★★1/2 (Century 16 & 20)

The long-awaited sequel "Incredibles 2" fails to reach the heights of Pixar's best but remains

impressive all the same. It has the hype, cinematic and CGI-animated craft, top vocal talent, and narrative competence.

It's just that — as written and

directed by Brad Bird, returning to his Pixar baby after 14 years — expectations may be more in the realm of the "Toy Story" sequels, which took distinct storytelling risks while deepening our emotional investment in the characters. And "Incredibles 2" ain't that kind of rodeo. It's another issue of the "Incredibles" comic book, a big-scale adventure with full-throttle action sequences, a bit of mystery, and career complications testing the structural integrity of this nuclear family of superheroes.

The movie plays it safe, and thus it works, just with a ceiling on its excellence.

Craig T. Nelson and Holly Hunter return as Bob and Helen Parr, a.k.a. Mr. Incredible and Elastigirl. They're the proud parents of teenage Violet (Sarah Vowell), boy Dashiell (now Huck-leberry Milner, stepping in for Spencer Fox), and baby Jack Jack, each of whom has a super power or two. Picking up where the 2004 film left off, the Incredible family powers up to protect Municiberg from the Underminer, but the collateral damage and failure to apprehend the supervillain turn the political tide against "supers" again, the use of their powers for vigilante justice again outlawed. (Also affected: ice-powered hero Frozone, again voiced by the ever-lively Samuel L. Jackson.)

This issue, already legislated in the first film, feels like old ground, but it's also the first of a handful of squandered ideas.

The movie returns to investigating the tension between external and secret identities (which get in the way of Violet dating her first boyfriend) and what happens when Helen goes back to work and Bob has to play Mr. Mom, troubleshooting Violet's depression, Dash's lessons in the "New Math," and Jack Jack's super-powered growing pains.

Helen's mission comes under the auspices of telecommunications giant Devtech, run by Winston Deavor (Bob Odenkirk) and his sister Evelyn (Catherine Keener).

One big plus for the sequel is its determination to lean into female empowerment (whether it be heroic or villainous), apropos of a 1960s setting that hovers around the time of The Feminine Mystique and a 2018 release amid a fresh push for women's voices. Most prominently, Helen's pragmatism and skill prove more valuable in the workplace than Bob's headlong recklessness, although they share the conviction that one should do good because it's right.

The shiny surfaces leave the biggest impression in this franchise, and they have their own inherent value, even if the novelty of a "Fantastic Four" pastiche has faded in the intervening years. The robustness and texture of CGI animation have made leaps and bounds in 14 years, even as the sequel recommits to its colorful, manic aesthetic. Bird once more expertly choreographs the action sequences and attends merrily to James Bond-ian gadgetry and Ken Adam-esque production designs — while reprising his role as superhero fashion designer Edna Mode. Just expect a serviceable sequel rather than a new animated classic.

Note: Incredibles 2 comes accompanied by the new Pixar short "bao," a rather baffling reverie about a mother and child, with the child depicted as a sentient dumpling. *Rated PG for action sequences and some brief mild language. One hour, 58 minutes.*

— Peter Canavese

■ NOW SHOWING

Adrift (PG-13) Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

The Adventures of Robin Hood (1938) (Not Rated)
Stanford Theatre: Fri. - Sun.

Avengers: Infinity War (PG-13) ★★★1/2 Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
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Book Club (PG-13) Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Deadpool 2 (R) Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Disobedience (R) Aquarius Theatre: Fri. - Sun.

First Reformed (R) ★★★1/2 Aquarius Theatre: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Hearts Beat Loud (PG-13) Guild Theatre: Fri. - Sun.

Hereditary (R) Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Hotel Artemis (R) Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Incredibles 2 (PG) Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Ocean's 8 (PG-13) ★★1/2 Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

RBG (PG) Palo Alto Square: Fri. - Sun.

Singin' in the Rain (1952) (G) Stanford Theatre: Fri. - Sun.

Solo: A Star Wars Story (PG-13) ★★1/2 Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Superfly (R) Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Tag (R) Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Upgrade (R) Century 16: Fri. - Sun.

Won't You be my Neighbor? (PG-13) Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
Palo Alto Square: Fri. - Sun.

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■ MOVIE REVIEWS

FIRST REFORMED ★★★1/2

A priest of a small congregation in upstate New York grapples with mounting despair brought on by tragedy, worldly concerns and a tormented past in screenwriter Paul Schrader's ("Taxi Driver") thriller "First Reformed." The Rev. Ernst Toller (Ethan Hawke) serves both as pastor and primary tour guide of his church, a tourist destination for its Dutch Colonial architecture and for being a stop on the Underground Railroad. The church's 250th anniversary celebration and reconsecration is coming up in two months, and largely under the auspices of nearby parent church Abundant Life, run by Pastor Jeffers (Cedric Kyles, a.k.a. Cedric the Entertainer). Although the lonely Toller has his own trouble — what he calls "petty ailments" but most would call alarming symptoms — he undertakes the concerns of a young expectant couple: Michael (Philip Ettinger) and Mary (Amanda Seyfried). At 70, Schrader has reached something like an apotheosis with his themes in this film. He's on-point filmmaking — a nouveau spin on the spiritual films, character studies and transcendental style of cinematic old masters like Bergman and Bresson — functions as what Toller calls "another form of prayer."

Rated R for some disturbing violent images. One hour, 53 minutes. — P.C.



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Marvel's greatest heroes
gather for an epic fight in "Avengers: Infinity War."

SOLO: A STAR WARS STORY ★★1/2

When it comes to "Solo: A Star Wars Story," Star Wars fanatics stand a better chance of having a good time than those who don't know a wampa from a bantha. It could be said that "Solo" is fan service in search of a movie. It safely fits the brand, but that's the problem: It's deathly afraid of thinking outside of the box. So, yeah, fans will get what they came for: a swaggering young schemer named Han (Alden Ehrenreich) who makes his name, befriends a Wookiee named Chewbacca (Joonas Suotamo), does the Kessel Run and acquires the Millennium Falcon from Lando Calrissian (Donald Glover). Ehrenreich is just fine, but unlike Chris Pine's engagingly loose take on William Shatner's Captain Kirk, Ehrenreich's performance feels weighted with baggage, scared straight by Ford, three directors and an acting coach. What's left is swagger and a smile but not a whole lot of soul. Still, Lucasfilm can be pleased that the film resembles the Millennium Falcon: a bit beat up, perhaps, but it scrapes by in a tight spot. *Rated PG-13 for sequences of sci-fi action/violence. Two hours, 15 minutes. — P.C.*

AVENGERS: INFINITY WAR ★★★1/2

Marvel Studios' new "Avengers: Infinity War" shows up DC Entertainment's "Justice League" in every respect: It's a truly epic adventure, spectacular and wildly entertaining, with impressive CG characters and a cast stocked with not six beloved superheroes but 20. Inspired by the 1991 six-issue limited series "The Infinity Gauntlet," the movie blooms from seeds planted six years ago in "The Avengers." Thanos (Josh Brolin), a powerful being from Saturn's moon Titan, now wears the Infinity Gauntlet on his left hand, and it's got settings for six Infinity Stones: the Mind Gem, the Soul Gem, the Space Gem, the Power Gem, the Time Gem and the Reality Gem. Those stones are scattered through the universe, under the protection of our heroes, but if Thanos has his way, he'll collect every stone and wield unthinkable power. Even at 149 minutes, "Infinity War" is more or less paced like a runaway freight train, and it does a fair job of balancing the dire and the comic. *Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of sci-fi violence and action throughout, language and some crude references. Two hours, 29 minutes. — P.C.*

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HIGHLIGHT

'PIPPIN'

With music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz and a book by Roger O. Hirson, "Pippin" is a musical about a young prince in search of the secret to true happiness and fulfillment. Through June 24, 8 p.m. \$20-38. Bus Barn Theatre, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos. losaltosstage.org/pippin

THEATER

Palo Alto Players Presents: 'The Man Who Came to Dinner' Palo Alto Players Presents: "The Man Who Came to Dinner," a comedy about hospitality and hijinks. June 15-July 1, times vary. Lucie Stern Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. paplayers.org/on-stage-now

TheatreWorks Silicon Valley Presents 'FINKS' TheatreWorks Silicon Valley presents the California Premiere of "FINKS," a comic drama based on the true story of comedian/actor Jack Gilford. Through July 1, times vary. \$40-\$100. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. theatreworks.org

Three Days of Rain The theater will be performing Richard Greenberg's play "Three Days of Rain." June 15, 8 p.m.; June 16, 8 p.m.; June 17, 2 p.m. \$27-35. The Dragon Theatre, 2120 Broadway, Redwood City.

'Children of an Idle Brain' Orphaned sisters respond to the stark, bleak reality of their lives in wholly opposite ways; one sleeps for days on end dreaming of happy liaisons and reunions, while the other struggles to keep a leaking roof over their heads, simply dreaming of attending college. June 15-30, times vary. \$17-\$31. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. paloaltochamber.com/events

CONCERTS

Indian Jazz Journey Jazz virtuoso George Brooks and Indian classical musician Mahesh Kale reunite for a performance of jazz energy and Indian ragas and rhythms. June 24, 4 p.m. \$15-\$49. Dinkelspiel Auditorium, 471 Lagunita Drive, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

Jazz inside Out with Jim Nadel & Friends Stanford Jazz Workshop founder and artistic director Jim Nadel and other jazz musicians will perform at the Campbell Recital Hall. Nadel will demonstrate and explain when the band is improvising and when they are not. June 22, 8 p.m. \$8-\$24. Campbell Recital Hall, 541 Lausen Mall, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

Ragazzi Continuo Presents 'There is Sweet Music' A cappella men's choir Ragazzi Continuo presents "There is Sweet Music," a spring concert that will showcase the diversity and power of music, including Swedish folk tunes, rhythms of Ghanaian street dance and more. June 17, 5 p.m. \$15-\$25; discounts available for students and seniors. All Saints Episcopal Church, 555 Waverly St., Palo Alto. ragazzicontinuo.org/events.php

Summer Jazz 32nd Anniversary Concert Series Stanford Shopping Center invites the community to enjoy 10 weeks of rhythm and blues as Summer Jazz celebrates its 32nd anniversary. The series showcases a variety of jazz musicians and local favorites every week in the courtyard between Nordstrom and Crate & Barrel at Stanford Shopping Center. Thursdays between June 21 and August 23, 6-7:30 p.m. Free. Stanford Shopping Center, 660 Stanford Shopping Center, Palo Alto.

Organ Recital Dr. Robert Huw Morgan, University Organist, presents works by Dvorak, Liszt and Rachmaninoff. June 15, 7:30-9 p.m. Free, \$10 donation suggested. Stanford Memorial Church, 450 Serra Mall, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

Festival Concert: International Dance Festival @ Silicon Valley See dancers who have received acclaim on TV and on stages around the world as The Lively Foundation presents its annual Festival Concert, the crowning event of the weeklong International Dance Festival @ Silicon Valley. June 23, 3 p.m. \$10. Mountain View Masonic Center, 890 Church St., Mountain View.

Joshua Redman Quartet Saxophonist Joshua Redman performs with the jazz quartet featured on his seminal 2000 recording, Beyond (Nonesuch). June 23, 8 p.m. \$25-\$98. Bing Concert Hall, 327 Lasuen St., Stanford. events.stanford.edu/events/784/78403

MUSIC

Kenny Chesney & Old Dominion Kenny Chesney comes to Shoreline Amphitheatre, performing as part of his Trip Around the Sun tour. He will be joined by country five-piece Old Dominion. June 20, 7-10 p.m. \$74-\$1980. Shoreline Amphitheatre, 1 Amphitheatre Pkwy, Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

Open Mic Open Mic takes place every Monday on the second floor of Red Rock Coffee in downtown Mountain View. It features free live music, comedy, poetry and a supportive atmosphere for experienced and new performers. Mondays, ongoing, 6:30 p.m., sign-ups; starts at 7 p.m. Free. Red Rock Coffee, 201 Castro St., Mountain View. redrockcoffee.org/calendar

Open Mic Music Wednesdays Musicians and poets can share material appropriate for all ages. Performers must be 21 or older. May 16, 7-9 p.m. Free. Los Altos Tasting Room, 366 Main St., Los Altos. Search bookeo.com for more info.

Palo Alto World Music Day 2018 The 10th annual Palo Alto World Music Day festival will take place outdoors on Father's Day. Fifty musical groups will perform a wide variety of musical genres: jazz, pop, rock, classical, world music, choral, etc. June 17, 3 p.m. Free. Downtown Palo Alto, University Ave. and Webster-High St., Palo Alto. pamusicday.org

Post Malone & 21 Savage Post Malone is on tour just ahead of his upcoming album "Beerbongs & Bentleys," and joining him is 21 Savage, the rapper who collaborated with Post Malone on his song "Rockstar." June 24, 7 p.m. \$130-\$860. Shoreline Amphitheatre, 1 Amphitheatre Pkwy, Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

FUNDRAISERS

Summer Scamper benefiting Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford Stanford's eighth annual Summer Scamper 5k, 10k and kids' fun run, will benefit patients and families at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford. June 24, 6:30-11 a.m. \$0-\$40. Stanford University, 450 Serra Mall, Stanford. summerscamper.org

FAMILY

Special Needs Extravaganza Enjoy play structures for kids of all ages and abilities, bubble fun, pretend play, free food, a dance party, balloon animals and more. Infant and child development specialist Denise Carbon will be give a keynote address. June 16, 11 a.m. Free. Magical Bridge Playground, 600 E Meadow Road, Palo Alto. Search meetup.com.

Family Fun Day Activities & BBQ The Church of Scientology Silicon Valley will be hosting a family activity day which will include activities for children and a barbecue. There will be a bouncy house, arts and crafts, a bubble maker and a photographer onsite to take photos of attending families. June 17, 12 p.m. Free. Scientology Community Center of Silicon Valley, 1080 Linda Vista Ave., Mountain View. Search eventbrite.ie for more info.

How to Communicate Better with Your Teen Workshop In this workshop, parents will learn methods that can enhance communication with their teenagers and learn ways to increase their child's intrinsic motivation to create positive changes in their own life. June 23, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Free. Cubberley Community Center, Room M4, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

TALKS & LECTURES

Katherine Reynolds Lewis with Julie Lythcott-Haims at Books Inc. Palo Alto Independent journalist and parent educator Katherine Reynolds Lewis discusses her parenting guide, "The Good News about Bad Behavior: Why Kids Are Less Disciplined Than Ever — And What to Do about It." Katherine will be in conversation with Julie Lythcott-Haims, author of "How to Raise an Adult: Break Free of the Overparenting Trap and Prepare Your Kid for Success" and "Real American: A Memoir." June 19, 7-9 p.m. Free. Books Inc. Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. booksinc.net/event

MUSEUMS & EXHIBITS

Ink Worlds: Contemporary Chinese Painting from the Collection of Akiko Yamazaki and Jerry Yang Ink Worlds considers ink painting from the 1960s through the present, examining salient visual features and international connections, as well as the ongoing impact of historical techniques, materials and themes. June 15, 11 a.m. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

The Baltic Way: History and Culture in Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania 1918 Using photographs, posters, correspondence and other documents paired with narrative text, the exhibit attempts to explain the complicated history of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania in the 20th century, and considers their prospects and challenges in the 21st. Ongoing until Aug. 18. Free. Stanford University, 450 Serra Mall, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu

The Dancing Soweï: Performing Beauty in Sierra Leone This exhibition focuses on one spectacular work in the Cantor's collection — a soweï mask, used by the women-only Sande Society that is unique to Sierra Leone. Ongoing until December; Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays-Sundays 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Thursdays 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions

Do Ho Suh: The Spaces in Between In this exhibition, artist Do Ho Suh uses a chandelier, wallpaper and a decorative screen to focus attention on issues of migration and transnational identity. Through February 25, 2019, times vary. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions

Paint the Town: Echoes of our Past The Los Altos History Museum will display never-before-shown works of art by local artists that showcase "echoes of the past" by representing historical buildings and sites that are still present in local landscapes and capture a connection to the past. June 21, 12-4 p.m. Free. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S San Antonio Road, Los Altos. losaltoshistory.org

COMEDY

Kevin Hart: The Irresponsible Tour Comedian Kevin Hart will perform as part of his tour. June 21, 8 p.m. \$43-\$163.50. Shoreline Amphitheatre, 1 Amphitheatre Pkwy., Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Eating Disorders and Body Image Support Group This support group is designed for those struggling with eating disorders and body image dissatisfaction. The group is open to all ages, genders and types of eating issues. It is not a structured group; rather it is open for sharing, asking questions, offering and receiving support or just listening. Tuesday, ongoing, 7-8:30 p.m.

Free. El Camino Hospital, 2500 Grant Road, Conference Room C, Mountain View. edrcsv.org/getting-help/support-groups/edrc-ed-and-body-image

Vinyasa Yoga Samyama Yoga Center will present a Vinyasa Yoga class, hosted by John Berg. Sunday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. \$15-\$25. Samyama Yoga Center, 2995 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. samyamayogacenter.com

SPORTS

Drop-In Bike Clinic Professional bike mechanic Ryan Murphy will be available for assistance with any bike-related issues. June 16, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and every third Saturday of the month through December. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View.

TEENS

Teen Takeover: Power Up the Future The Teen Engagement Council at CHM fosters collaboration among teens to create,

coordinate, execute and promote events by teens for teens. "Power Up the Future" is a pilot event aimed at paving the way for increased teen participation at the Computer History Museum. June 22, 5 p.m. Computer History Museum, 1401 N. Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. computerhistory.org/events

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The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

HECTOR BLANCO MARTINEZ
641E Olive Ave. Apt. 1
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Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

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(PAW May 25; Jun. 1, 8, 15, 2018)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: FBN642483

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The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):

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(MVV May 25; June, 1, 8, 15, 2018)

PARKSIDE OASIS PROPERTIES
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File No.: FBN642486

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Mountain View, CA 94041
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: FBN642591

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This business is owned by: An Individual.

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1504 Begen Avenue
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: FBN642976

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997 All Other Legals

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