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FEDERICA ARMSTRONG

Students head up the stairs to their new classrooms at Castro Elementary School on the first day of school, Aug. 20. A major overhaul of the campus, which Castro shares with Gabriela Mistral Elementary, is nearly complete and includes two-story classroom buildings, a new kindergarten wing and a library.

A new school for a new year

TWO-STORY CLASSROOMS, REVAMPED SCHEDULES AWAIT STUDENTS

By Kevin Forestieri

For the more than 650 kids attending Castro and Mistral elementary schools, the first day of school felt a whole lot like a grand opening.

A new multipurpose room sporting a full-sized basketball

court, an expansive library and two-story classrooms festooned with more balloons than a car dealership awaited parents and children Monday morning after a year and a half of construction.

The conjoined campus is home to one of Mountain View's most diverse school

communities, with administrators at both schools fielding questions in English and Spanish throughout the morning. And while signs of construction can still be seen all over the place, Castro Principal Terri Lambert said the new

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Ex-trustee enters race for high school district board

CONTROVERSIAL MV WHISMAN BOARD MEMBER'S LAST-MINUTE FILING FORCES AN ELECTION

By Kevin Forestieri

Former Mountain View Whisman school board member Steve Nelson announced his candidacy for the Mountain View-Los Altos High School District board

of trustees, vowing to fight for better representation on the school board and a clear plan to raise math achievement among Latino and other minority students.

The race for three seats on the school board, which was

expected to go uncontested as of Wednesday last week, will now be between incumbents Fiona Walter and Debbie Torok and challengers Catherine Vonnegut and Nelson.

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Looking for happy campers

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Costa-Hawkins repeal's impact muted for Mountain View

PROP. 10 WOULD LOOSEN RESTRAINTS ON RENT CONTROL, BUT CITY'S LAW INCORPORATES MANY OF ITS LIMITS

By Mark Noack

Rent control, a political tempest familiar to Mountain View, is set to be a major statewide issue in this November's election.

Proposition 10, a ballot initiative that would end the state's restraints on local rent control policies, has thrust the controversial issue back into the spotlight.

Specifically, Proposition 10 would repeal the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act, a 23-year-old piece of legislation that restricts rent control to certain types of older housing. Rent control measures in the state are prohibited from curbing prices on single-family homes, condominiums, or any apartments first occupied after Feb. 1, 1995. It also forces cities to allow apartments to jump to market rate whenever a tenant moves out.

But while repealing Costa-Hawkins would be a game-changer for many cities, its immediate impact in Mountain View would be muted, experts say. Landlords of apartments built after 1995 would still have free rein to charge tenants whatever the market will allow.

The reason is Mountain View's rent control law — the Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act (CSFRA) — has many of the core tenets of Costa-Hawkins baked into its language. For example, the 1995 cutoff date for apartments is written into the law, which was approved by voters as Measure V in 2016. Likewise, single-family homes, accessory units and duplexes are explicitly exempted from rent control under the CSFRA.

What this means is even if Proposition 10 passed, many of the Costa-Hawkins restrictions would essentially remain in place in Mountain View. Back in 2016, when Mountain View's law was being drafted, there was nothing to indicate that Costa-Hawkins could be repealed, said Juliet Brodie, the Stanford Community Law Clinic professor who co-authored the CSFRA. While Brodie said she supports Proposition 10, she acknowledged that Mountain View wouldn't see much in the way of change — at least not right away.

"Costa-Hawkins is a many-headed beast, and each of these heads are dealt with in the CSFRA in a different way," she said. "If Proposition 10 were to pass, it would be a great opportunity to look at these restrictions and determine which are outdated."

But even in that scenario, updating the CSFRA to be more inclusive wouldn't be an easy matter. Back in 2016, Mountain View's rent control advocates intentionally drafted their ballot measure to be inflexible by making it an amendment to the city charter. The idea at the time was to protect the law from the City Council, but that decision also meant that any changes, big or small, could be made only through a successful voter initiative. Going that route would require significant amounts of labor, money and time.

Even without bringing an update before voters, Brodie said that Proposition 10, if passed, could result in eliminating some restrictions in Mountain View.

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COURTESY OF REDWOOD CITY COMMUNITY THEATRE

"The Wedding Singer," a musical based on the movie, is on stage in Redwood City this weekend.

'THE WEDDING SINGER'

Redwood City Community Theatre's summer musical this year takes audiences back to the 1980s with "The Wedding Singer," based on the hit Adam Sandler/Drew Barrymore film incorporating '80s pop hits. The plot centers around the titular singer, Robbie, who falls for Julia, the girl of his dreams who's, alas, engaged to a rick jerk. Remaining performances are Friday and Saturday, Aug. 24 and 25, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Aug. 26, at 3 p.m. The show is held at Sequoia High School's Carrington Hall, 1201 Brewster Ave., Redwood City and tickets are \$20-\$35. Go to rwctheatre.org/tickets-2/.

PALO ALTO FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

The 37th annual Palo Alto Festival of the Arts returns to University Avenue Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 25-26, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event includes 300 artists offering paintings, sculptures, ceramics, jewelry and more, plus the Italian street-painting expo, featuring chalk artists creating elaborate, colorful drawings on the pavement. Also on the docket: artists-in-action, musical entertainment on two stages, street-corner concerts, a kids' art studio, food, wines and microbrews. Featured musicians include Palo Alto Players, Singing Wood marimba ensemble, Coffee Zombie Collective, Nancy Cassidy, The Great Morgani and many others. Go to mlproductions.com.

GINA WILLIAMS

Singer and composer Gina Williams will perform her "Summer Classics" concert on Sunday, Aug. 26, at the Mountain View Center for Performing Arts'

second stage (500 Castro St.) at 3:30 p.m. A classically trained vocalist with a master's degree in piano, she's also a songwriter, producer and actress. Williams, who recorded her choral and orchestral album "Olympiad" in Kiev, Ukraine, will showcase her eclectic musical taste with this mix of classical, pop, EDM and more, including Whitney Houston and Etta James favorites. Tickets are \$15-\$20. Go to tickets.mvcpa.com/eventperformances.asp?evt=227.

ANCIENT EGYPT AND IRON-BEARING CERAMICS

The Stanford Archaeology Center's current exhibition, "Our Dark Materials: Rediscovering an Egyptian Collection" features original ancient Egyptian artifacts collected by the Stanford family and affiliates around the turn of the 20th century, including some that were displayed in the university's museum gallery during the devastating 1906 earthquake, after which they were largely forgotten in storage until recently. The artifacts, which include broken remains of a mummy's case, figurines, ceramic containers and stone tools, according to the center, provide insight into experiences of ordinary Egyptians in daily life and death, as well as Stanford's early history. A second exhibition, "In the Surface: Material Expressions of Iron-Bearing Ceramics," focuses on ceramics, both ancient and contemporary, from Korea and the Americas. The Stanford Archaeology Center is located at 488 Escondido Mall and is open every weekday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The Egyptian exhibition runs through May and the ceramics exhibition will be on display through January. Go to tinyurl.com/ironceramics.

—Karla Kane

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CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

CALL FOR ARTISTS

APPLICATION DEADLINE: September 30, 2018, by 11:00 PM (PST)

Submit online via CaFE at www.callforentry.org

The City of Mountain View's Visual Arts Committee is inviting artists and artist teams working in a variety of media to exhibit public art in the lobby of the Center for Performing Arts for the 2018/2019 season.

The rotating exhibits are approximately nine weeks in length and are viewed by thousands of people visiting downtown Mountain View and attending shows at the Center for Performing Arts.

APPLICATION

Applications will be accepted from **Monday, September 3, 2018, at 8:00 AM (PST) to Sunday, September 30, 2018 by 11:00 PM (PST)**. **APPLY EARLY**, Applications will not be accepted after the 11pm, September 30th deadline and only the first 120 applications will be accepted, (whichever comes first).

ELIGIBILITY

The call is open to all professional artists/artist teams over the age of 18 residing in the local 11 San Francisco Bay Area Counties (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano and Sonoma).

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

All applications must be submitted online via CaFE at www.callforentry.org, an online application system for calls for entry. There is no charge for artists to apply or use CaFE. Applications that are mailed, faxed, or hand-delivered will not be considered, as this is an online system.

All applications should include the following:

- **Artist Resume**
- **Five (5) to Ten (10) Images** of current work. All images must be of art that would be exhibited for the 2018/2019 season.
- **Annotated Image descriptions.** Please include the following information: title, date of art piece, dimensions and type of media.

All applicants should allow adequate time to submit their applications. To get additional assistance using CaFE, please contact WESTAF by calling (303)629-1166 or via email at cafe@westaf.org.

SELECTION

The Visual Arts Committee anticipates making artists selection by November 14, 2018. Artists will be notified by November 16, 2018. **The artist chosen to display their art in the first 9 week slot will be required to do so on December 3, 2018.**

LocalNews

■ CRIME BRIEFS

SEXTING WITH MINOR ARREST

A former music teacher at The Harker School in San Jose was arrested for allegedly having inappropriate sexual communication with a 16-year-old girl, San Jose police reported Thursday, Aug. 16.

Christopher Florio, 39, who is currently a youth symphony instructor in Palo Alto, taught instrumental music at the private San Jose school for grades nine through 12 at the time of the alleged offense, according to police.

Police said Florio had inappropriate sexual conversations with the girl during school-related functions and communicated with her on social media to receive sexually explicit photos.

He was arrested at his San Jose home Thursday, Aug. 16, and booked into Santa Clara County Jail on suspicion of communicating with a minor to commit a specified felony and annoying or molesting a minor.

He has worked as a wind symphony conductor for the California Youth Symphony since August 2016, according to his LinkedIn profile. The organization runs eight programs in Palo Alto and Los Altos, according to the California Youth Symphony website.

Florio obtained his bachelor's degree in music and master's degree in conducting from the University of California, Los Angeles, according to his LinkedIn.

He spent five years training at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music as a prep student and eight years in Los Angeles

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■ POLICE LOG

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2200 block Latham St., 8/19

VANDALISM

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■ COMMUNITY BRIEFS

DECISION PENDING ON RENT CONTROL FOR CITY MOBILE HOMES

A decision is expected soon in a legal battle over whether Mountain View's mobile homes should be eligible for rent control.

On Tuesday morning, Aug. 21, attorneys representing residents at the Santiago Villa mobile home park argued in court that mobile homes fit the bill for protections under the city's rent control law. Attorney Armen Nercessian of the firm Fenwick & West requested a judicial order to compel Mountain View city officials to extend these protections to the approximately

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COURTESY USGS

Kyle Anderson, a USGS geophysicist and Mountain View resident, canceled his summer vacation to work at the Kilauea volcano eruption, which destroyed hundreds of houses on the island of Hawaii.

Mountain View geophysicist sent to Kilauea volcano

By Barbara Wood

Kyle Anderson normally works out of the U.S. Geological Survey's offices in Menlo Park, remotely monitoring volcanoes for the USGS's California

Volcano Observatory.

Lately, however, he's worked from some very different venues — including watching the summit of the Big Island of Hawaii's Kilauea volcano from the abandoned dining room of the historic Volcano House,

located in the now-closed Hawaii Volcanoes National Park.

"It's an interesting experience" viewing the volcanic activity, he said, from where

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Not guilty plea in molestation case

TWO BOYS, AGES 10 AND 11, ALLEGEDLY ABUSED AT SANYU LEARNING CENTER

By Kevin Forestieri

A Cupertino man accused of molesting two children attending the Sanyu Learning Center in Mountain View pleaded not guilty to 11 felony counts of molestation and possession of child pornography charges.

The defendant, Yizhuang "John" Liu, pleaded not guilty to the charges in court Monday, Aug. 20, a little over six months after he was taken into custody. Officers located and arrested him on Feb. 3, one day after receiving reports from two families stating that Liu had inappropriately touched their sons over several months while they attended an

after-school Chinese language program at 1425 S. Springer Road.

Although detectives launched an investigation into whether there were any additional victims, the complaints filed against Liu only involve two victims, who were ages 10 and 11 at the time of the alleged incidents, according to Deputy District Attorney Carolyn Malinsky.

Liu is facing a total of seven counts of lewd and lascivious acts with a children under the age of 14 — five of which were allegedly committed against one of the victims — along with two counts of lewd and lascivious acts with a child by use of force or threat of bodily injury. He is

also facing one count of possessing child pornography.

Liu, who was 26 at the time of his arrest, is alleged to have committed the crimes between September and December of last year. Police said in a statement following the arrest that Liu not only interacted with students at the Sanyu Learning Center, but also communicated with potential victims using the social media app Discord. Besides being a volunteer at the learning center, Liu also served on the board of directors prior to his arrest.

Liu is due to appear in court on Oct. 4 for a pre-trial conference in San Jose. He was released from custody and remains on home detention pending the trial. ■

Bierhaus owner sues his landlords

SUIT SEEKS TO AVERT PLANNED CLOSURE OF DOWNTOWN PUB NEXT MONTH

By Mark Noack

The feud over the future of the downtown pub Bierhaus is now headed for the courtroom. The owner of the Castro Street beer garden filed a lawsuit against his landlords last week, alleging they are violating his lease by planning to oust his business next month.

In the suit, attorneys representing Bierhaus owner Mike Finley allege the owners of the 383 Castro St. location did not act in good faith because they refused to negotiate a new lease with him.

Khoe Tran and his family, who own the building, are planning to redevelop the site into a four-story office building with a new restaurant space on the ground floor. Those office plans were submitted to the city earlier this year, but it is expected to take years for the proposal to wind through the city's overburdened review process.

Given how long it will take, Finley believes Bierhaus should be allowed to remain open for a couple more years before the office development goes forward. His attorneys point to a clause in his lease guaranteeing that Bierhaus is supposed to get first right of refusal on signing a new lease "in the event (the landlord) builds a new building." They believe this obligates

the Tran family to negotiate a new short-term lease with Bierhaus at fair market pricing.

The lawsuit references a series of emails sent over the summer between Finley and his landlords, in which he pointed out his first right of refusal privileges in the lease. The Tran family reportedly declined his request to negotiate an extension.

The quarrel is more complicated than a debate over the lease language. Finley is also alleging the Trans are planning to essentially steal his business concept by reopening a similar beer garden at the same site. The suit alleges the Tran family are attempting to seize Finley's liquor license for a new restaurant that would occupy the space after Bierhaus vacates.

The Tran family did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

The Bierhaus lawsuit seeks \$250,000 in damages including an alleged loss of business caused by the landlords' actions. Finley is also asking for a court order that would prohibit the Trans from leasing the space to any business other than Bierhaus.

The case has not been scheduled yet for a court hearing. Bierhaus is currently expected to close down by Sept. 30. ■

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VOICE FILE PHOTO

Bierhaus' owner and his landlords have been in a protracted battle over the downtown restaurant's future.

Board approves pay raises for El Camino executives

By Kevin Forestieri

El Camino Hospital's board of directors approved a pay raise for the nonprofit's top staff last week, bumping up the salary of its CEO and chief medical officer (CMO) in back-to-back unanimous decisions following a closed-session meeting.

The board voted to amend the contract of CEO Dan Woods, who was hired last year, increasing his "base" salary from \$850,000 to \$890,000 for the 2018-19 year, following a study that concluded the board ought to pay its top executive between \$876,000 to \$1.3 million in order

to provide a competitive compensation package.

A long with his salary, Woods is eligible for a sizable bonus through what the hospital calls the "executive performance incentive plan," which allows the board to grant a bonus to the CEO equal to as much as 45 percent of his base salary. These bonuses are typically granted in the fall, with a decision on bonus pay for the 2017-18 year slated for the board's Oct. 10 meeting.



Dan Woods

While board members did not comment on the decision in open session, hospital staff reports justify the salary range and adjustments to Woods' salary based on a market review that concluded that salaries for similar positions in the industry had increased by 7.8 percent, requiring the hospital's board to reconsider its executive compensation.

The board also approved a \$575,000 base salary for the hospital's CMO, who oversees patient quality and safety, medical staff and physicians at the Mountain View and Los Gatos campuses. While it's still subject to board approval, CEO Dan

Woods told board members that El Camino's interim CMO, Mark Adams, has accepted the offer for employment.

Adams most recently worked in a similar role at a non-profit health system based in the Pacific Northwest called PeaceHealth, where he oversaw clinical strategies across 10 hospitals. He left the job after less than a year before taking up the interim position at El Camino in April.

Adams would replace former CMO William Faber, who worked at El Camino Hospital for less than two years before resigning and leaving for a consulting job in March. ■

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where he performed with various ensembles, according to his profile page on the California Youth Symphony's website.

He had served as The Harker School's instrumental music program director from 2005 through June of this year.

Anyone with information

about the alleged crimes is asked to contact San Jose police Det. Chris Mendoza at 408-537-1379.

—Bay City News Service

DOMESTIC DISPUTE LEADS TO ARREST

A 27-year-old Mountain View woman was arrested following

a domestic dispute last week after she allegedly fought with her ex-girlfriend, tried to prevent her from leaving their home and took her phone away.

Police say the suspect and the victim had gotten into a dispute over a breakup in an apartment on Escuela Avenue around 11:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 14, and that the suspect blocked the victim's exit and grabbed her

arms when she tried to leave.

The woman then reportedly took the victim's phone and laptop before re-entering the apartment, according to police spokeswoman Katie Nelson.

The woman was arrested on grand theft, domestic battery and false imprisonment charges, along with preventing wireless emergency communication.

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tourists used to eat on white-clothed tables with a view of a lava lake in the distance.

In May, the 42-year-old geophysicist from Mountain View found himself touching down in Maui on his way to the Big Island of Hawaii just as a 6.9-magnitude earthquake rocked the area around Kilauea. Anderson happens to know a lot about Kilauea, having studied it as a post-doctoral fellow for the USGS after receiving his doctorate from Stanford University.

That earthquake occurred during a major change in the eruption pattern of Kilauea, as the magma that had formed a lava lake at the summit since 2008 disappeared into the earth, the summit subsided rapidly, and magma that had been erupting from a cone on the side of the volcano since 1983 instead started oozing out of the ground through a number of new fissures miles away, with some smack in the middle of residential neighborhoods.

Lava flow

The lava continued to flow until early August: Officials in Hawaii announced on Aug. 5 that it had stopped, but warned that it could restart at any moment.

According to Kelly Wooten, an information specialist for Hawaii County Civil Defense, between May 3 and July 19 a total of 8,171 acres were covered with lava, 712 homes destroyed, and 2,322 people registered for assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) after the event was declared a national disaster.

Anderson said he headed to Hawaii at the request of the scientist in charge at the USGS's Hawaiian Volcano Observatory, Tina Neal, when it became clear the behavior of the volcano was changing.

"I thought I was coming for a week" just before he would head off on a planned vacation, he said. Those plans were canceled, however, and Anderson was in Hawaii — except for one week at home — until July 22, when he was scheduled to do some field work at Mount Lassen.

"We're seeing things that we knew were possible, but we didn't expect to happen in our lifetimes," Anderson said. "It's exciting times scientifically," he said, but "it's also a tragedy for the people who lost homes."

"What we hope is that what we're learning will help us to better understand the system, so we can mitigate hazards in the future," he said.

Anderson said Kilauea has

changed dramatically. "Because the summit has subsided so much, and the crater has gotten so much bigger, honestly two months ago if you had shown me a photo of what it looks like now, I would not have recognized it, it's changed so much," he said.

"Some of the basics are the same, the way the magma rises up to the summit, goes down to the rift zone," he said. "That's still happening the same as it was before — it's just that the rates are so different."

USGS evacuated

When Anderson first arrived in Hawaii, he and the others from the Menlo Park USGS offices who came to help worked from the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory, located near the rim of Kilauea's Halemaumau crater. But the constant earthquakes have so damaged the observatory that it was evacuated in May. The Hawaii Volcanoes National Park closed on May 11. The Jaggar Museum, located near the USGS observatory, was also evacuated, along with the USGS's Pacific Island Ecosystems Research Center in the park.

'We're seeing things that we knew were possible, but we didn't expect to happen in our lifetimes.'

KYLE ANDERSON

Since then, the USGS volcanologists and their support team have been working from the geology department at the University of Hawaii in Hilo, about 30 miles away, when they're not in the field. They'll have to move again when classes resume.

Scientists are monitoring Kilauea's summit area and the east rift zone, where the lava has been flowing, using an array of instruments including GPS to measure ground deformation, cameras, satellite radar systems, aircraft and seismometers.

"These things are not abstract any more, they matter" because people's lives and homes are affected, Anderson said.

Lots of local help

Anderson is not the only USGS employee who has temporarily changed work sites from Menlo Park to the Big Island.

Leslie Gordon, a USGS

spokeswoman who lives and works in Menlo Park, said at least nine employees, including herself, have spent time on the Big Island. Employees from the four other volcano observatories operated by the USGS have also been on site, along with countless others working remotely.

Gordon said when she arrived in May, before the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory offices were evacuated, an entire team was needed to answer the hundreds of calls a day the USGS was receiving from media around the world.

Those calls have now slowed to a trickle, Gordon said. "The volcanic activity has stabilized. The news cycle has moved on. That's normal."

Gordon, who was trained as a geologist but has spent the last 15 years in communications and public affairs for the USGS, is an expert at describing how Kilauea works in nonscientific terms.

The east rift zone, from which most of the lava was flowing, is a broad moving band of weakness and cracks on the side of the volcano, she said. "It's kind of like a busted seam, if you will, down the side of the volcano."

The flows of lava that had been steadily coming from Kilauea before May came from a hole in the east rift zone that has been given the name of Puu Oo, which Gordon describes as like a "pimple on the side of this volcano."

The lava was flowing from a fissure, or long linear crack, along the east rift zone. "We're seeing this gigantic lava river flowing out of fissure 8," she said. If the lava remains in its channel, "as long as scientists keep a safe distance away from it, it's not a danger for scientists to be near it while doing field work," she said.

The USGS continues to monitor the volcano, measuring ground deformation and what gases and other toxic substances are being emitted. They also monitor the hundreds of measurable daily earthquakes associated with the volcano and post daily updates, with photos and videos, online.

Rock stars

The USGS scientists' expertise has made them the rough equivalent of rock stars on the Big Island. The agency has someone working at the county of Hawaii's Emergency Operations Center and sends representatives to community meetings, where people barrage them with questions. Those who wonder if they'll ever be able to return to their homes, or about the chances an explosion

from Kilauea might destroy their community, are hungry for information.

"They're telling the community what we know," Gordon said. "People are looking for fortunetellers, but we're just scientists."

Anderson says that "what is going to happen next" is always the question asked of those who study volcanoes. "I wish it was possible to do a better job. In many ways, it's easier to forecast the weather than to forecast what a volcano is going to do," he said, in part because so much volcanic activity takes place far underground.

Gordon said the scientists are also human beings, and some of them have had to abandon their own homes because of the volcanic activity. Many lived inside the Hawaii Volcanoes National

Park in addition to working there.

"People's homes are being burned to the ground and they're losing every single thing they own," Gordon said.

"Why do we study the volcano?" she asks. "Because people's lives and livelihoods are in danger."

Learn more

On Thursday, Aug. 30, Anderson is scheduled to give USGS Menlo Park's free monthly public lecture on the Kilauea eruption. The lectures are held at 7 p.m. in Rambo Auditorium (Building 3, second floor) at the USGS campus at 345 Middlefield Road.

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Nelson told the *Voice* that his decision to run was something of a whim, after airplane troubles scuttled his vacation plans to Maui earlier this month. Since he was home rather than in Hawaii, he said he decided to file candidate papers at the last minute. Nelson said there shouldn't be uncontested elections, and that voters should have an opportunity to choose between the candidates best fit to lead the school district.

The high school district's governance has been quiet for decades, with a long string of uncontested elections and a roster of trustees known for unanimous votes on just about every decision. Some residents see the status quo as a sign that the district's operations are a well-oiled machine, while critics have argued that the board acts as a rubber stamp for the superintendent and other district administrators. Nelson's stance firmly falls under the latter viewpoint.

"I don't think this represents a good legislative environment," he said. "They shouldn't be in stasis mode."

The argument was the

centerpiece of debate in the district's last contested election in 2014, where outsiders critical of the district's governance lacked the votes to upset the incumbents on election night.

Walter, who is seeking a second term on the board this year, said she has enjoyed serving the district over the last four years, and would like to continue her work on long-term issues related to enrollment growth, school construction, and academic and mental health support for struggling students.

Torok, seeking a third term, told the *Voice* that she wants to see through major facilities plans set in motion by the passage of the \$295 million Measure E bond earlier this year, and that it wouldn't feel right to step down right as designs and contracts start coming in. It's important for the district to stick to campaign promises made to voters earlier this year, she said, along with keeping students' educational needs, safety and well-being a top priority.

Sticking around after the first term wasn't her intent back in 2010, Torok said, but she now feels "vested and deeply committed" to student success.

A long-time Mountain View resident with a child who

graduated from Mountain View High in 2005, Vonnegut has been an active parent volunteer in local schools for more than two decades. Along with past leadership roles at the Mountain View Education Foundation and the Mountain View High School PTSA, Vonnegut currently serves as a member of the high school district's Adult School Advisory Board and is a member of the local League of Women Voters for Mountain View and Los Altos.

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STEVE NELSON

If elected, Vonnegut said she would play the role of a pragmatic consensus-builder on the board, and that she would continue the district's long-standing track record of supporting all students and giving them an opportunity to qualify for colleges and four-year universities.

Nelson said his goals include holding the district accountable for supporting so-called "target" students, and that any money provided by the state for low-income students, English learners and foster youth needs to be spent exclusively on those students — something that frequently irked him while he was a trustee for the Mountain View Whisman School District. He also vowed to spearhead an effort to introduce voting districts to ensure all areas of Mountain View and Los Altos are represented on the board, and claims that no residents north of El Camino Real have served on the board over the last century.

"It's clear, from who have been on the board and where they have lived in this last century, that it's time for district elections," he said.

Nelson was often the lone dissenting voice during Mountain View Whisman school board meetings during his one term on the board from 2012 to 2016, both on controversial topics as well as routine board business. He would occasionally articulate his points through posters, maps and charts. The dissent boiled over into public clashes over his many records requests,

conducting his own opinion poll of residents and organizing meetings about a teacher housing idea. His clashes with the district's construction management firm prompted its manager to storm out of a board meeting. Nelson himself walked out of a 2013 board meeting in which his colleagues voted to censure him.

Nelson's relationship with then-superintendent Craig Goldman was so tense it was blamed for his resignation in the midst of the school year. Goldman left with a nearly \$230,000 payout in exchange for his signing a non-disparagement agreement and waiving his legal right to sue the district and the school board.

Although Mountain View-Los Altos board member Joe Mitchner had pulled papers to file for candidacy, he ultimately decided against running for another term. He told the *Voice* in a statement earlier this month that his children have graduated from the district, and that it seems like the right time to step away from the district's governance and pursue more opportunities in the community and in his personal and family life. ▀

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Cities prepare to launch unified bikeway

INTERIM STREET ROUTE TO LAUNCH NEXT MONTH; PERMANENT ONE IN THE WORKS

By Mark Noack

It seemed like a tricky goal, but a partnership between four Peninsula cities to build a unified bike route will soon be a reality.

The Peninsula Bikeway, a route that will span 16 miles through the cities of Mountain View, Palo Alto, Menlo Park and Redwood City, is expected to launch early next month. Initially, it will be a temporary route that will run along streets already considered bike-friendly. But the four cities say they will be collaborating over the coming months to build a permanent route that will include dedicated infrastructure for safe and speedy cycling.

The project has been spinning along since last year under the Managers Mobility Partnership, a roundtable consisting of the executives from the four cities. The group was formed last year when all four city councils agreed the shared bikeway was a worthwhile project.

For now, the temporary bike pathway will run along Evelyn Avenue in Mountain View and eventually end at Warwick Street in Redwood City. The route will benefit from already existing bike routes and “low-stress” streets that don’t force cyclists to compete with cars for road space. For now, the main change will be adding dozens of new signs to



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Mountain View and three other adjacent cities are collaborating on a bicycle route that aims to take riders safely from Mountain View into Redwood City.

guide riders along the route, said Nate Baird, a Mountain View transportation planner working on the project.

“All the cities are interested in making this existing route better,” he said. “Our long-term vision is to eventually spread this beyond the four cities.”

Planning for a permanent route is still at an early stage, and there is no specific timeline for when it could be completed, Baird said. Last year, members of the Mobility Partnership were considering building a route along either El Camino Real, Middlefield Road or the Caltrain line. All of those options reportedly remain on the table.

A celebration is planned for

early next month to kick off the interim bikeway and to collect input on a future route. The event will include food, music and information on the Peninsula Bikeway. Each city is planning a community bike ride to travel to the celebration. The launch event is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8, at Burgess Park in Menlo Park.

A bike delegation from Mountain View, led by Mayor Lenny Siegel, is planning to meet at Eagle Park at 8 a.m. on Sept. 8 to ride over to Menlo Park. All are welcome to participate.

More information about the Peninsula Bikeway can be found at peninsulabikeway.com. ■

JustMATH program launched in MV schools

By Kayla Riggs

Recent standardized test results show close to half of students enrolled at Monta Loma, Theuerkauf and Castro elementary schools tested below their grade level in mathematics.

In Silicon Valley, one of the most affluent and highly educated areas in the country, this statistic may come as a surprise. It’s the reason JustMATH, an offshoot of the local organization JustREAD, was recently founded: to help underperforming students in the Mountain View area, said JustREAD’s executive director, Lew Epstein.

With hundreds of children falling behind in the classroom — particularly when it comes to math — schools in the area have trouble providing the necessary resources to help. The nonprofit JustMATH focuses primarily on teaching the fundamentals of math to students who are in fourth and fifth grade, sending volunteers to campuses to tutor students.

Such mentoring has already shown promising results. The coalition of JustREAD and JustMATH reached 104 students in 2,167 sessions over the course of the 2017-18 school year. Volunteers went to Theuerkauf Elementary to help students work through math problems that they found difficult, and all students were able to increase their math skills by at least one grade level.

“All they need is a little help,” Epstein said.

The program works with teachers and administrators to better prepare students for the upcoming school year, allowing tutors to teach lessons that coincide with the original class syllabus. Epstein said that this type of mentoring has a positive social effect on students. Before the program, the “only reason they would raise their hand would be to go to the bathroom,” said Epstein. Now kids feel more confident to participate in class discussions and group activities.

With the program piloting in Mountain View, Epstein said

he hopes to expand to other Bay Area schools, starting with Castro and Monta Loma elementary schools in the 2018-19 school year. Epstein noted that while it is his goal to help people of all ages, the earlier volunteers intervene in a student’s academic career, the better chance they have at success. He said he aspires to increase the number of sessions and students tutored by 50 percent, as well as increase the number of volunteers from 70 to 170. Epstein says that his goal is simple: Serve more kids.

Those who are interested in getting involved with JustMATH can sign up for one of several tutor orientations that are being held in late August and early September. After being introduced to the organization, those who would like to volunteer can then attend training and shadowing sessions.

“These kids are our future. It is really important that our future is bright,” Epstein said.

More information can be found at justreadcenters.org. ■

Election roster set for city races

By Mark Noack

The contest is set for Mountain View’s upcoming election. Voters this November will have their pick between six candidates for City Council and two ballot initiatives.

The six City Council candidates are: retired urban planner Alison Hicks, former City Councilman John Inks, legislative director Ellen Kamei, public policy analyst Lucas Ramirez, and incumbents Pat Showalter and Lenny Siegel.

Three out of the seven seats on the council are at stake in the election. The third incumbent, Ken Rosenberg, said he decided not to run for a second term.

A pair of city-sponsored tax measures that will head to voters in November now have their official ballot designations: P and Q.

Measure P is the city’s bid to update its business license tax to dramatically increase the fees on the city’s largest employers. Under the current system, most companies, from

LinkedIn to a tiny mom-and-pop shop, typically pay license fees that run about \$34 per year. The proposed system would charge businesses based on the size of their workforce. Google, in particular, would see a huge fee jump if the new tax structure were to pass. Any business with less than \$5,000 in annual revenue would not have to pay the license fee.

Most of the revenue generated by the increased business license fees would go toward transportation improvements. In June, council members largely agreed that asking more from the city’s large tech employers was an appropriate response to the outsized traffic congestion those companies are causing.

Measure Q is the city’s proposed tax on cannabis sales. The law would allow retail marijuana shops to open up in Mountain View, and would establish a new 9 percent tax surcharge on any of their sales.

Both measures need a simple majority to pass. ■

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RENT CONTROL

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Which restrictions? She declined to give specifics, except that it would likely require some legal action.

One possible change that could affect Mountain View would be vacancy decontrol. This rule written into the Costa-Hawkins law allows landlords to charge market rate to new tenants once the old tenant moves out. If Costa-Hawkins were repealed, then tenant advocates could argue that Mountain View’s price controls on apartments should remain in place even when there’s tenant turnover. The relevant section of the CSFRA stipulates that rent for new tenants should be restricted “to the maximum extent permitted by state law.”

Mountain View housing officials say they have not yet studied the full impacts of Proposition 10, but they say they will do so in the coming months.

With a few months to go until the November election, it remains anyone’s guess how Proposition 10 will fare at the ballot box. While the campaign for Proposition 10 has raised \$12 million, opponents of the measure, including the California Apartment Association, have reported raising more than

double that amount.

Nevertheless, the measure has successfully harnessed some of the public outrage at the state’s ongoing housing crisis. Last month, the California Democratic Party overwhelmingly endorsed Proposition 10, with 90 percent voting in favor of it.

More locally, another thumbs-up came earlier this week when the Peninsula Young Democrats held a formal debate on the measure. Owen Lewis, a representative from the California Apartment Association, urged the group not to mistake repealing Costa-Hawkins for a solution to the state’s housing woes.

“What this would do is bring development to a screeching halt when the solution to the housing crisis is to build more housing,” he said. “This is a hastily written ballot measure that is going to lead to a lack of construction.”

Andrea Slater of the Coalition for Affordable Housing pointed out that even with Costa-Hawkins in place for more than 20 years, California was still failing to build more homes.

“People are being priced out of their homes, out of their communities and in some cases out of the state,” she said.

In a vote, debate attendees supported Proposition 10 8-3, with five abstentions. ■

SCHOOL

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classrooms were completed and mostly aired out in time for the first day of school.

Castro's design diverges from the classic single-story classroom wings typical of other local campuses, and is Mountain View Whisman School District's first significant foray into denser, multi-story facilities. Children from kindergarten through second grade are all on the first floor, while older students travel along second-story outdoor pathways to classrooms above.

Lambert said the district has ground rules in place for student safety — younger children need an adult escort to the second story and all students are asked to walk single file heading up and down stairs — a rule the *Voice* reporter broke.

The major \$44 million in improvements to the campus also include what are called "flex space classrooms," which have yet to be built, and the new kindergarten wing at Mistral Elementary won't be done until November, Lambert said. The library itself is done, but is filled with boxes of books and bare shelves. It will likely take at least four weeks before the library is fully prepared for students.

Lining the edge of one of the new classroom wings is the campus' school resource fair, which intends to link new and returning families — particularly those in a lower-income bracket — to outside educational services and nonprofit support including Second Harvest Food Bank, Community Services Agency and Community Health Awareness Council.

Other major construction hurdles reached over the summer included the completion of the new Stevenson Elementary School campus — though construction will continue at the site for the adjacent district office and preschool facilities through June 2019. The track and field at Crittenden Middle School, along with an extension of the Permanente Creek Trail to Middlefield Road, was also completed this year, with a formal conveyance of the property back to the city of Mountain View scheduled for this week.

Still on the horizon is the new Jose Antonio Vargas Elementary School currently under construction at 220 N. Whisman Road, which will serve residents in the Whisman region of the city east of Highway 85 and north of Central Expressway. The school is tentatively scheduled to be completed in June 2019 alongside major



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Castro School students line up before class starts on the first day of school.

changes to school attendance boundaries.

Changes at the middle schools

For students attending Graham and Crittenden middle schools, the start of the school year this week also marked the launch of multiple new initiatives amid a major churn in the leadership staff.

Both schools now have a new principal at the helm — Sonia Gomez at Crittenden and

Michael Hermosillo at Graham — along with three new assistant principals, after district administrators decided to remove four principals from their posts earlier this year.

Middle school students this year will also get to say goodbye to the old six-period schedule in favor of a new eight-period format. The schedule format was approved earlier this year as a way of granting more time for elective classes, particularly for special education and English-learner students taking a

remedial support period.

This year also marks the launch of a new co-teaching model at the middle schools, in which students with special needs in general education classrooms will receive support from an additional teacher in the classroom. Along with the added benefit of having two teachers in one class for differentiated instruction, students with special needs will no longer need to be pulled from class for extra support. ■

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If granted, that court order would reverse a 3-2 decision made earlier this year by the city's Rental Housing Committee not to cover mobile homes. That decision was controversial, particularly because it contradicted the committee's own legal staff, who recommended that mobile homes should be included.

But any decision on the issue seemed headed for a lawsuit. John Vidovich, the owner of the Santiago Villa and Sahara mobile home parks, had warned that he would sue if the city imposed rent control on his properties. His attorneys later joined the lawsuit to help the Rental Housing Committee defend its position.

On Tuesday, Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge Mark Pierce heard arguments from both sides in the case. The judge indicated he would consider the case and issue a decision shortly. Check online at mv-voice.com for updates.

ORCHARD SUPPLY
CLOSING ALL STORES

Just three years after the grand reopening of its Mountain View store, Orchard Supply Hardware's parent company announced Wednesday morning it will be closing down all of its nearly 100 locations.

The news signals the end for a home-improvement chain that originated in the South Bay nearly 90 years ago. But like many retail businesses, Orchard Supply has been on the ropes for years, facing intense competition from larger stores and online rivals. The company declared bankruptcy in 2014 and was later acquired by the hardware giant Lowe's, based in North Carolina.

Following the purchase, Lowe's announced a commitment to inject \$200 million to prop up the struggling chain. As part of that investment, the Mountain View Orchard Supply was remodeled, and the chain began expanding outside of California into Oregon and Florida. As recently as last year, a new Orchard Supply store had opened in East Hollywood, according to the Los Angeles Times.

All Orchard Supply locations are expected to close by October, according to a Lowe's earnings report released on Wednesday morning. As they work to shutter those stores, the company expects to hold closing sales to sell off their remaining inventory.

Under the current plan, all Orchard Supply employees are expected to be terminated. Lowe's officials say they will provide job placement services for all

workers, some of whom could be hired on by Lowe's.

—Mark Noack

BAY AREA ROADWAYS
AMONG WORST IN STATE

Roads in the Bay Area are the worst in the state and in deteriorating condition, which is costing residents in the region thousands of dollars each year, according to a recently study released.

The study published Aug. 15 by TRIP — a national nonprofit transportation research group based in Washington, D.C. — found the increased vehicle operating costs due to the state of the roads, the cost of an accident and wasted fuel due to congestion and the increased risk of an accident amount to \$2,992 for the average San Francisco-Oakland motorist annually.

The report defined San Francisco-Oakland as the "region's municipalities and surrounding suburbs" and also provided numbers for the areas around San Jose in the South Bay — \$2,745 per motorist — and around Concord in the East Bay at \$1,968.

The report says 71 percent of paved roads in the San Francisco-Oakland area, 64 percent in the San Jose area and 56 percent in the Concord area are ranked as being in "poor" condition, all above the state average of 44 percent.

Residents in the San Francisco-Oakland area wasted 80 hours in congestion last year, while San Jose motorists lost 68 hours and Concord's lost 36. Los Angeles ranked highest in the state, with motorists losing 82 hours annually.

In addition, 77 bridges in the San Francisco-Oakland area were ranked as structurally deficient, along with 98 in the San Jose area and 38 in Concord.

The study cited the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in showing fatalities in motor vehicle accidents have increased each year since 2012, with 3,623 deaths on California roadways in 2017 above an average of 3,291 between 2014-2016.

The report noted that last year's approval by the state Legislature of Senate Bill 1, a gas tax to create \$5.2 billion annually for road and other infrastructure improvements, is in danger of repeal by Proposition 6 on the November ballot.

In its conclusion, the report said, "If California is unable to maintain its current level of transportation investment, the cost to the public of deficient roads, traffic congestion, and a lack of adequate roadway safety will increase and economic development opportunities and quality of life in the Golden State will be diminished."

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Shakespeare amid the vines of 'Tarzan'

THE 'TOM CRUISE OF THE STAGE' BRINGS THOUGHTFULNESS TO THE DISNEY MUSICAL

By John Orr

Anybody who saw Jimmy Mason in "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike" at Palo Alto Players in 2016 or as the rock star turned washed-up fugitive in "Rock of Ages" in May, also at the Players, knows that he is exactly the rich slice of beefcake needed to star in the title role of the stage musical "Tarzan." The production is based on the story "Tarzan of the Apes" by Edgar Rice Burroughs and the 1999 animated adaptation.

In "Vanya," Mason, who swims every day at Stanford University when he's staying at his parents' house in Palo Alto,

spent most of his time in his underwear, shouting "Who!" and running around. But then, in Act II, he had a transition to sincerity that made the role more than mere stud muffin.

Mason might take on these at-first-glance shallow roles but at heart and by practice he is a very good actor, one who works constantly to develop his craft. Good enough, in fact, that his first appearance in "Vanya" was in Pennsylvania, sharing the stage with the playwright, Christopher Durang.

"Jimmy Mason is completely unique as Tarzan," said Palo Alto Players Artistic Director Patrick Klein, who is directing



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Jimmy Mason in the title role of "Tarzan," with Jessica LaFever as Jane, in Palo Alto Players' production.

the show. "He brings a certain physicality to it, into the character and background of Tarzan. We've been having introspective, deep conversations about how to create Tarzan, staying true to the story and to Disney," which owns the show.

"He wants to climb all over the set, he wants to jump from high places. He's the Tom Cruise of stage actors. We're trying to protect him. We don't want a Tarzan with a broken leg."

Mason, who now lives in New York, between his jogging grounds in Central Park and the auditioning offices of Times Square, grew up in Palo Alto and attended St. Joseph's High, part of Sacred Heart Schools in Atherton.

During his freshman year, his English teacher was Mary Manion FitzSimons, who had all her students, including Mason, perform Shakespeare monologues. She introduced him to the school's drama teacher, John Loschmann.

"I got into swimming and theater over there," Mason said during a recent interview. "I did a play between swim and water polo seasons, and immediately knew, 'This is what I want to do.'"

The first show he did in high school was about 9/11, a play combining monologues written by students, recalling the nightmare of the twin towers.

"I would recommend theater to anybody," said Mason. "I'm still close with all those people. The staff there was so

instrumental in shaping my future. John would pick plays that helped me work on my musical side. He did 'You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown.' It was great, stepping in for me to try a musical for me to be a lead. He slowly ramped up the amount of work, the challenges I would have to take on. He's been such a believer in my talent. To have somebody like that was so wonderful."

Mason went on to Carnegie Mellon in Pittsburgh, which he likened to a military school.

"Just the intensity of it. Acting movement, speech, voice — then you have these classes on the foundations of drama. You have to read like three plays a week and discuss them in class. ... It allows you, when you take on any part — 'Tarzan' or just a straight play or a musical — to kind of humanize those works ... you have to be expressing the emotional, and not get bogged down in the intellectual."

Carnegie Mellon, he said, gave him tools he uses in his craft.

"It helps me so much, the experience of just reading those plays," he said, drawing comparison between lines in "Tarzan" ("Two worlds, one family") to the opening line of "Romeo and Juliet" ("Two households, both alike in dignity").

"I have this theory that so many of the scenes are inspired from Shakespeare scenes. And you have the ape family, the human family and two people

who come together from the two families," he said.

In talks with Klein, Mason has emphasized that sometimes Tarzan has to lose, to emphasize his human frailness relative to his jungle environment.

"What if we see Tarzan fighting a leopard? Obviously, the leopard will win, nine times out of ten. What if when I am swinging away, what if you seen him falling, or getting pulled off the vine?" he said.

In other Tarzan stories, Mason explained, "It's like he snaps his fingers and flies. But if we magnify Tarzan's failure, that will highlight the emotional side," he said. "He knows he's not like the other apes — that has to be a big question in his mind. He has to be so lost, so different from both the animals, but also from the humans." ■

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CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

COURTESY NOTICE COMMUNITY MEETING

TERRA BELLA VISIONING PLAN COMMUNITY WORKSHOP
Saturday, August 25, 2018, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
in the Rotunda at City Hall, First Floor,
500 Castro Street, Mountain View, CA

TERRA BELLA VISIONING

The City is developing Visioning and Guiding Principles Plan for the Terra Bella area to help define a vision for future change in the area.

The City welcomes your participation in the second Terra Bella Visioning and Guiding Principles Plan Community Workshop.

The workshop will include an overview of the visioning process and input received to date from the community to date. Workshop participants will discuss ideas of preferred vision for the area, preferred locations and intensity of new development, the preferred character of several locations in the Plan area, and ideas for community benefits.

A meeting agenda and additional materials for the workshop will be available on the City's Terra Bella Visioning Plan website at: <http://www.mountainview.gov/depts/comdev/planning/activeprojects/terrabella.asp>

If you have comments or questions about this project, please contact the project planner, Diana Pancholi at (650) 903-6306 or at diana.pancholi@mountainview.gov



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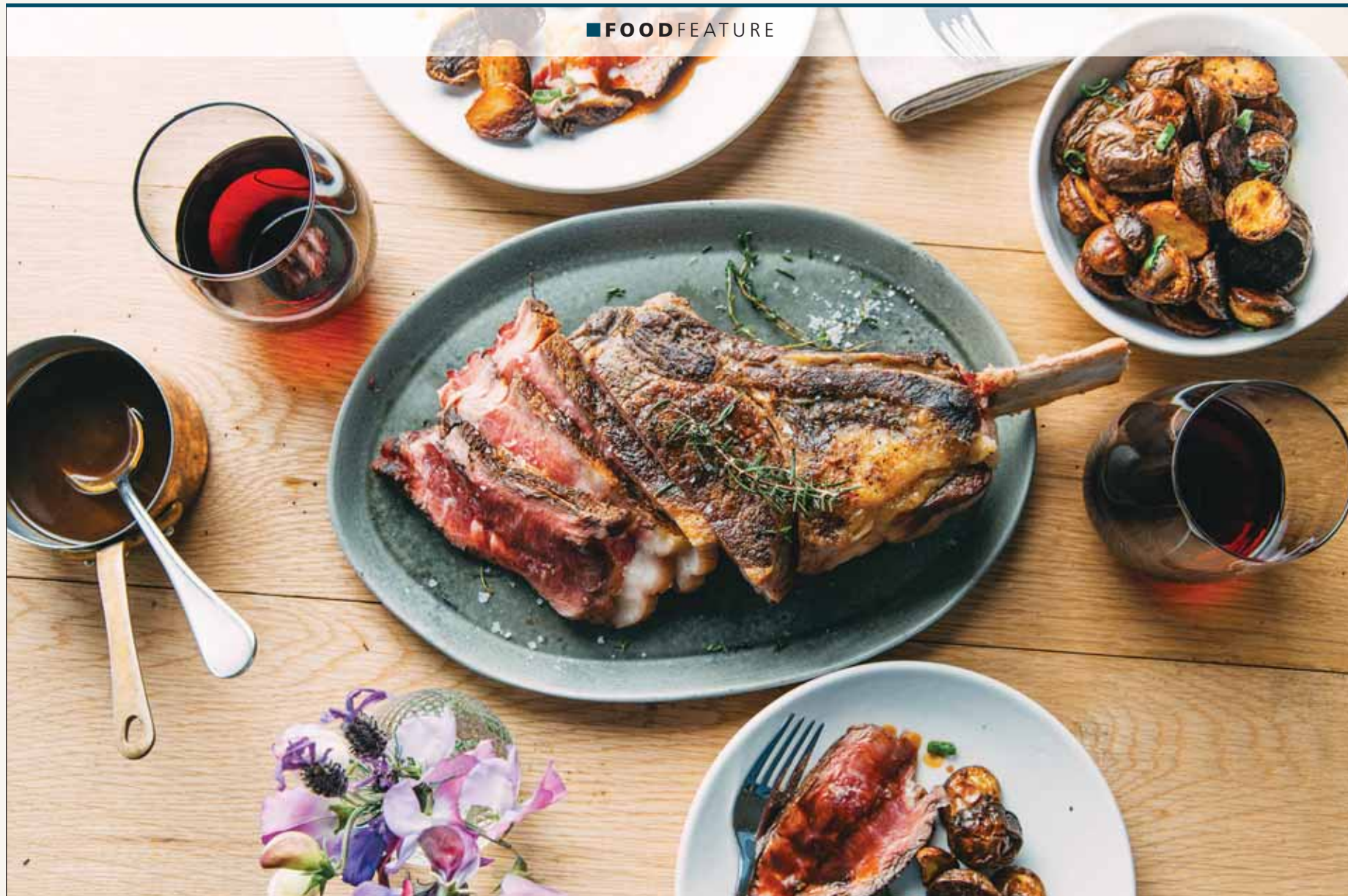
What: "Tarzan"

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■ FOOD FEATURE

CAMPER

Ribeye for two will be on the menu at Camper, a new restaurant opening in Menlo Park by Sept. 3.



ERIC WOLFINGER

The **renovated dining room** at Camper, which is in the former LB Steak location on Santa Cruz Avenue in Menlo Park.

Serving up happy campers

CAMPER OWNERS HOPE TO LIVEN UP THE MENLO PARK DINING SCENE

By Elena Kadvany

Chef Greg Kuzia-Carmel, who has cooked in some of San Francisco's top kitchens, and managing partner Logan Levant, former owner of Los Angeles' Buttercake Bakery, are gearing up to open the doors of 898 Santa Cruz Ave. by Labor Day, Sept. 3.

They have renovated what used to be a steakhouse into a modern, comfortable space they hope will be approachable but also bring a new level of dining to Menlo Park.

"We say we want it to be the place you come three days a week," Levant said, standing in the near-finished dining room with light pouring in from a wall of large windows facing University Drive. "You join us at the bar one night and then for brunch on the weekends and (also) to have a proper sit-down meal."

Camper — a project with an unusual

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CAMPER

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level of pedigree for sleepy Menlo Park — came about by a twist of fate. Two years ago, Kuzia-Carmel and Levant met in an investor's kitchen. Kuzia-Carmel was doing private cooking for the family, whom Levant had known for awhile. He was thinking about what he wanted to do next after his experience at the three Michelin-starred Quince, Cotogna and Outerlands in San Francisco and Per Se in New York City; she was considering where to pursue a new project outside of the oversaturated Los Angeles market.

One thing led to another and eventually, they partnered with Roland Passot of the South Bay's Left Bank Brasseries and La Folie in San Francisco. They took over LB Steak in downtown Menlo Park after it closed in April.

Camper will initially be open for dinner and later expand to lunch and weekend brunch. The menu will feature hand-made pastas, roasted chicken, a burger and market-driven salads, among other dishes. Kuzia-Carmel posted a photo on Instagram this week of a smoky seaweed casarecce pasta dish with Half Moon Bay squid, prawns, mussels, potatoes, Calabrian chili relish and "burnt bread."

He promised plenty of vegan and gluten-free options. There will also be a kid's menu. Shawn Gawle, the executive pastry chef



ERIC WOLFINGER

Camper plans to serve **market-driven salads** as part of its offerings.

at Quince and Cotogna, and others are consulting on the pastry menu.

"We came to this project

basically saying, 'We don't have a concept that we want to impinge upon the community; we just want to come in here, talk to the neighborhood' ... we want this to feel like something that was brought about because the people asked for it," Kuzia-Carmel said.

The restaurant's name alludes to the philosophy that everyone should leave the restaurant a happy camper. It also contains references to the restaurant's California cuisine (CA) and city location (MP).

The cocktail program will offer "eclectic mix of classics as well as interesting, fun creations," Kuzia-Carmel said. The wine menu will have a "sustainable mentality" with an eye toward "familiar" but interesting bottles as well as some rarer, "exceptional" wines.

As you enter Camper, there is a communal table custom made from salvaged pistachio wood by San Francisco woodworker Luke Bartels. The communal table, as well as the 12-seat bar, will be available for walk-ins. Most of an outdoor patio on Santa Cruz Avenue and half of the dining room will also be available for walk-ins. The full menu will be available both at the bar and on the patio.

Famed Heath Ceramics did the tilework behind the bar. Hidden



ERIC WOLFINGER

A **smoky seaweed casarecce pasta dish** with squid, prawns, mussels, potatoes, Calabrian chili relish and "burnt bread" from Camper.

underneath the bar are Silicon Valley-friendly electrical outlets and USB ports.

In the back of the restaurant is a large private dining room that can seat up to 60 people. Equipped with AV technology and a flat screen TV, Kuzia-Carmel envisions it as a space for tech companies to gather, hear pitches and hold board meetings. When it's not booked for private use, it will be used as additional dining space.

The private dining room was designed to feel like part of the restaurant rather than a sterile add-on. One wall is covered in wood and another with a minimalist mural by San Francisco artist Elan Evans.

"The most important thing that we came into this project with was to give this property a heartbeat," Kuzia-Carmel said.

The 4,000-square-foot restaurant seats up to 126 people, including the private room.

As the restaurant gets up and

running, Camper will serve dinner, Tuesday-Saturday from 5-10 p.m. Camper will eventually be open Monday-Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. with "all-day brunch" on Sundays.

Kuzia-Carmel and Levant see Camper as part of a new culinary order on the Peninsula, citing peers including Protégé, Vina Enoteca, Taverna and Bird Dog in Palo Alto.

"The beauty of this is I think there's a readiness for a new world order of what can become an institution down here," Kuzia-Carmel said. "Nobody (has) really spearheaded that on this side of El Camino.

"Hopefully, fingers crossed, there's a significant, full tank of gas we can take on the highway with this — really sink in, settle in, get comfortable, get to know people and be a part of their lifestyles for a long time." ▀

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ERIC WOLFINGER

Camper's menu will feature a **burger**, roasted chicken and handmade pastas, among other dishes.



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Camper will serve "a delicious collection of some classics," chef-owner Greg Kuzia-Carmel said.



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MOVIE OPENINGS



Glenn Close and Jonathan Pryce star in the "The Wife."

A louse and his spouse

'THE WIFE' MAKES A FINE SHOWCASE FOR GLENN CLOSE

★★★ (The Guild)

Meg Wolitzer's 2003 novel "The Wife" — now a cinematic showcase for the talents of Glenn Close — turns that old chestnut "Behind every great man is a great woman" into a feminist fable of keeping up appearances to the point of exhaustion.

The "great man" in question: celebrated novelist Joseph Castleman, who has just won his greatest accolade, a Nobel Prize in literature. Joan Castleman dutifully suffers her insufferable husband, accompanying him to witness his triumph.

Joan has become accustomed to the shamelessness of her husband (Jonathan Pryce), which reaches all the way back to their coupling in the 1950s (the film's present day is 1992). In flashbacks, we witness the married Professor Castleman's wildly unethical seduction of young Joan while she is his student. Four decades

later, Joan has settled into the role of enabler, caretaker, curator and mother-wife to a ceaselessly selfish man-child, the veritable poster boy for believing one's own press. He literally couldn't have done it without Joan, but she very consciously wears a smile (albeit a detached one) and puts forward a kind of regal elegance as a best-defense offense to anyone suspecting she's less than 100 percent on board.

One man proves decidedly suspicious: Biographer Nathaniel Bone (Christian Slater) suspects there's much more than meets the eye when it comes to the Castleman's marriage, their life-long arrangement. Over drinks, Bone flatters Joan, gently flirts and attempts to wrest a confession of discontent and more. The dramatic tension in Swedish filmmaker Björn Runge's treatment of Jane Anderson's adapted screenplay rests partly

nails this variation on an archetype he's played before (in 2014's "Listen Up Philip"). More surprising is Slater's sly work, which demonstrates he's more than capable of going toe-to-toe with Close; their scenes crackle with high-stakes brinkmanship and sexual chemistry. Max Irons tries and fails to make the Castleman's deeply unhappy son David — an aspiring novelist hungry for his father's approval — more than a device to amplify Joseph's aloof nastiness and put Joan's issues into greater relief.

Arguably, the story transition from page to screen suffers from the loss of Joan's internal monologue, but Close takes it as a

challenge accepted. The ultimate secret of the Castleman's marriage isn't entirely convincing in Joan's every rationale, but Close's sheer force of acting makes it possible to believe in the character, at minimum in the emotional broad strokes. If Wolitzer's acid wit takes a back seat to tightening tension and inevitable theatrical fireworks, perhaps satire wouldn't fly as high in this #MeToo moment, and history tells us Close's chances at Oscar gold improve with every ounce of drama.

Rated R for language and some sexual content. One hour, 40 minutes.

— Peter Canavese



MOVIE REVIEWS

CRAZY RICH ASIANS ★★★1/2

"Crazy Rich Asians" — based on a trilogy of novels — marks a long-overdue investment in Asian talent as the first major Hollywood release in 25 years to feature an all-Asian cast. This new franchise gets off to a solid start in the hands of Palo Alto-born director Jon M. Chu, whose parents own the iconic Chef Chu's restaurant in Los Altos. Chu gives Kevin Kwan's novel a bright, glossy, colorful treatment. In short

order, we meet Rachel Chu (Constance Wu of "Fresh Off the Boat"), an economics professor at NYU. She loves her job almost as much as her man, longtime boyfriend Nick Young (Henry Golding). But Rachel gets the shock of her young life when, on agreeing to accompany Nick to his best friend's wedding in Singapore, she learns that Nick belongs to one of the Top 10 wealthiest families in Asia. At every turn, the elephant in the room is the "crazy" richness of the Young family and its social circle. The movie will win over audiences with its escapism, sincere depiction of a loving couple troubleshooting family issues, and not-so-secret weapon of broad comic flourishes.

Rated PG-13 for some suggestive content and language. Two hours, 1 minute. — P.C.

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All About Eve (1950) (Not Rated)
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Crazy Rich Asians (PG-13) ★★★1/2
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Geetha Govindam (Telugu with English subtitles) (Not Rated) Century 16: Fri. - Sun.

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The Happytime Murders (R) Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
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'Northanger Abbey' Pear Theatre presents "Northanger Abbey," adapted by Pear founder Diane Tasca from the novel by Jane Austen. In this play, Northanger Abbey follows several young ladies and gentlemen as they negotiate romances, friendships, betrothals and betrayals. Through Sept. 3, 8 p.m. \$15-\$35. The Pear Theatre, 1110 La Avenida St., Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

CONCERTS

Rod Stewart with Cyndi Lauper British rock singer Rod Stewart will be joined by rock singer Cyndi Lauper for their joint summer tour. Aug. 29, 7:30 p.m. \$30-\$460. Shoreline Amphitheatre, 1 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

MUSIC

A Gala Evening of Global Art & Rhythms The Assyrian Arts Institute will host a gala where artist Nahrin Malki will curate her artwork to show fragments of Assyrian stories, symbols and figures. The gala will also feature the U.S. debut of Assyrian-Australian band Azadoota, who will perform the characteristic rhythms of Assyrian folk music in contemporary arrangements. Aug. 26, 5-9 p.m. \$75. Historic Morgan Estate, 12335 Stonebrook Court, Los Altos Hills. Search brownpapertickets.com 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

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TALKS & LECTURES

Evening Literary Seminar: 'Salvage the Bones' Author Kimberly Ford will lead a seminar on the National Book Award-winning

novel "Salvage the Bones" by Jesmyn Ward, a narrative that delves into the lives and legacies affected by Hurricane Katrina. Aug. 27, 7-8:30 p.m. \$48. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

Kepler's Books Daytime Literary Seminars In this series, author and former adjunct professor at UC Berkeley discusses four books selected for the spring 2018 seminars, and the series is meant to help participants read better through entertaining lectures and discussions. Select Wednesdays through December, 1-2:30 p.m. \$48, one seminar; \$160, complete series. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. keplers.org

'What on Earth is going on at Kilauea Volcano?' In this USGS Evening Public Lecture, Kyle Anderson, USGS research geophysicist, will discuss the first significant summit explosions in nearly a century and provide a better understanding of the volcanic system. Aug. 30, 7 p.m. Free. U.S. Geological Survey, 345 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. online.wr.usgs.gov/calendar

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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. Through Sept. 3, times vary. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

Alphab  t  : The World Through the Eyes of Fr  d  ric Bruly Bouab  r   The Cantor Arts Center will display Fr  d  ric Bruly Bouab  r  's artwork. The exhibit will show Bouab  r  's original pictographic alphabet and brightly colored postcard-size illustrations. Through Feb. 25, times vary. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions

The Dancing Sowe: Performing Beauty in Sierra Leone This exhibition focuses on one spectacular work in the Cantor's collection—a sowe 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 Feb. 25, times vary. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions

Art Exhibit & Reception: Observations of memory and perception Marcela's Village Gallery will host a reception for its new exhibit, "Observations of memory and perception." Three local artists, Cindy Stokes, Kari Zinser and Heiko Greb, will be at the exhibit's reception. The reception will be held on Aug. 25, 4-8 p.m. The exhibit runs through Sept. 3. Free. Marcela's Village Gallery, 883 Santa Cruz Ave. #1, Menlo Park.

Anderson Collection Public Tour The collection hosts docent-led public tours five times a week. Ongoing until December 30; Wednesdays 12:30 p.m., Saturdays 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. and Sundays 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Free. Anderson Collection, 314 Lomita Drive, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

FOOD & DRINK

The Art of Pie-Making at Hidden Villa Boys & Girls Club of the Peninsula Chef Derrek Brown and his team of young culinary

artists will lead a workshop about pie-making using ingredients from Hidden Villa and other partnering farms. The class is for teenagers and will teach participants about pastry and tips for creating a food safe kitchen. Aug. 26, noon-3 p.m. \$75. Hidden Villa, 26870 Moody Road, Los Altos Hills. hiddenvilla.org

Mountain View (fourth Friday) Red Rock Coffee Entrepreneurs in startups and founders who are actively bootstrapping startups will meet for a serious conversation about growing a business based on internal cashflow and organic profit. Attendees will compare notes on operational, development and business issues with peers. Aug. 31, 9-10:30 a.m. \$5. Red Rock, 201 Castro St., Mountain View. Search meetup.com for more info.

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HOME & GARDEN

Biodiversity and the Native Plant Gardener The California Native Plant Society will hold a workshop about the critical role native plants play in a healthy environment, how to provide habitat for wildfire and conserve natural resources. Aug. 30, 7-8:30 p.m. Free. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View. mountainview.gov/librarycalendar

BUSINESS

CACSC 2018 - Alibaba Cloud X Hanhai Investment Cloud computing company Alibaba Cloud and investment firm Hanhai will be hosting Create@Alibaba Cloud Startup Contest, a competition for startups involved in AI, big data, cyber security, gaming, health IT and other related industries. Aug. 24, 1:30-5:30 p.m. Free-\$10. Computer History Museum, 1401 N. Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

City Council Candidate Forum The Mountain View Chamber of Commerce will host the 2018 Mountain View City Council candidate forum in which candidates will discuss issues facing the city. Bruce Humphrey, president/CEO of the Mountain View Chamber of Commerce, will moderate the discussion. Aug. 30, 5:30-9:30 p.m. Free. City Council Chambers, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

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File No.: FBN644795
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
The Lash Lounge Mountain View San Antonio Road, located at 555 San Antonio Rd., #45, Mountain View, CA 94040, Santa Clara County.
This business is owned by: A Corporation. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
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Mountain View, CA 94043
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 07/26/2018.
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File No.: FBN644800
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
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This business is owned by: A General Partnership.
The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):



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215 W. Olive Ave. Apt. 4
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4378 17TH Street Apt. 8
San Francisco, CA 94114
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listed above on 6/1/18.
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July 27, 2018.
(MVV Aug. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2018)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: FBN645174
The following person (persons) is (are)
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This business is owned by: A limited
liability company.
The name and residence address of the
registrant(s) is(are): MINNICHKA, LLC
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Registrant began transacting business
under the fictitious business name(s)
listed above on 04/02/1996.
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on August 9, 2018. (MVV Aug 17, 24, 31,
Sept 7, 2018)

BIG O TIRES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: FBN645491
The following person (persons) is (are)
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Clara County.
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registrant(s) is(are):
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under the fictitious business name(s)
listed above on 08/20/2018.
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on
August 20, 2018.
(MVV Aug. 24, 31; Sept. 7, 14, 2018)

997 All Other Legals

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE
OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY

OF SANTA CLARA
Case No.: 18CV331809
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: XIAOHUA CHEN filed a
petition with this court for a decree
changing names as follows:
XIAOHUA CHEN to XIAOHUA CHERYL
CHEN.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons
interested in this matter appear before
this court at the hearing indicated
below to show cause, if any, why the
petition for change of name should not
be granted. Any person objecting to the
name changes described above must
file a written objection that includes
the reasons for the objection at least
two court days before the matter is
scheduled to be heard and must appear
at the hearing to show cause why the
petition should not be granted. If no
written objection is timely filed, the
court may grant the petition without
a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING: November 6,
2018, 8:45 a.m., Room: Probate of the
Superior Court of California, County of
Santa Clara, 191 N. First Street, San Jose,
CA 95113.

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the date set for hearing on the petition
in the following newspaper of general
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MOUNTAIN VIEW VOICE
Date: July 25, 2018
/s/ Rise Jones Pichon
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
(MVV Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2018)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER
ESTATE OF: JACK CUSUMANO
Case No.: 18PR183994
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors,
contingent creditors, and persons who
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or estate, or both, of JACK CUSUMANO.
A Petition for Probate has been filed
by: DEREK MICHAEL McMULLEN in the
Superior Court of California, County of
SANTA CLARA.
The Petition for Probate requests
that: DEREK MICHAEL McMULLEN be
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administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's
will and codicils, if any, be admitted to
probate. The will and any codicils are
available for examination in the file kept
by the court.

The petition requests authority to
administer the estate under the
Independent Administration of
Estates Act. (This authority will allow
the personal representative to take
many actions without obtaining
court approval. Before taking certain
very important actions, however, the
personal representative will be required
to give notice to interested persons
unless they have waived notice or
consented to the proposed action.) The
independent administration authority
will be granted unless an interested
person files an objection to the petition
and shows good cause why the court
should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held
on October 5, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept.:
12 of the Superior Court of California,
County of Santa Clara, located at 191 N.
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Fabulous new modern home on serene 1 acre lot. 5 br/4.5 ba. Approx 4945 total sf.

Mike Sokolsky 650.325.6161
CalBRE #01402534



Redwood City | 4/5 | \$3,295,000 | **Sat/Sun 1 - 5** 632 Canyon Road
Brand-new construction. Private setting on a 17,900SqFt lot! Lots of Extras!

Tom Huff 650.325.6161
CalBRE # 00922877



Downtown Mountain View | \$3,200,000
Dwells on a beautiful street w/ mature trees & period homes! *Do not disturb occupants*

Vivi Chan 650.941.7040
CalBRE #00964958



Palo Alto | 4/3.5 | \$2,998,000
4BR/3.5BA newly refinished wood floors, chef's kitchen w/ Viking appliances Top PA Schools

Kim Copher 650.941.7040
CalBRE #01423875



Palo Alto | 2/1 | \$2,900,000 | **Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30** 30 Churchill Avenue
Vintage Palo Alto home. Gracious spaces. Ready for your personal touch.

Nancy Goldcamp 650.325.6161
CalBRE #00787851



Redwood City | 5/4.5 | \$2,888,000 | **Sat/Sun 1 - 5** 1036 Silver Hill Rd
Custom Beautiful secluded & private modern home nestled in the trees W almost 1/2 acre lot

Shawna Sullivan 650.325.6161
CalBRE #856563



Mountain View | \$1,998,500
This approx. 10,350 square foot lot on Victor Way is on the Los Altos side of El Camino

Enis Hall 650.941.7040
CalBRE #00560902



San Jose | 3/2 | \$1,399,000
Just-remodeled home in best SJ hood, hdwd floors, close to Hwy 85/280. Charm! Top schools!

Pat McNulty 650.941.7040
CalBRE #01714085



Sunnyvale | 3/2 | \$1,325,000 | **Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30** 991 Asilomar Terrace, #6
Rarely available loft model floorplan TH, end unit in a desirable & well located complex.

Dorothy Gurwith 650.325.6161
CalBRE #01248679



Cupertino | 4/2.5 | \$1,199,000
Cupertino schools grassy area w/ mature trees. Kitchen has granite brand new appliances.

Marcie Soderquist 650.941.7040
CalBRE #01193911



San Jose | 3/2.5 | \$1,198,000
This 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome is in the sought after Moreland school district.

Terrie Masuda 650.941.7040
CalBRE #00951976



Mountain View | 2/2 | \$1,100,000 | **Sat/Sun 1:30 - 4:30** 505 Cypress Point Drive #214
Ground floor. Updated 2bed/2bath condo Pool, tennis courts. Close to vibrant Castro St.

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Los Gatos | 2/2 | \$888,000
Beautiful. Designer Updates. A+ Light & Location. Mature lush green landscape. Private deck.

Bea Waller 650.941.7040
CalBRE #00954876



Mountain View | 3/2 | \$398,800 | **Sat/Sun 1 - 4:30** 325 Sylvan #122
55+ community, gorgeous open concept, 1500SF, stainless appl, granite, FRPL, larger lot

Cheryl Rivera Smith 650.325.6161
CalBRE #01890738

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