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MAGALI GAUTHIER

Bobby Taylor, one of Mountain View's school resource officers, returned last Monday to his beat at Mountain View High School after taking a leave of absence to battle cancer.

School resource officer back on the beat following cancer treatment

BOBBY TAYLOR RETURNS TO WORK UNDETERRED AFTER MONTHS OF CHEMO

By Kevin Forestieri

Last week marked a return to school for public high school students in Mountain View, but they weren't the only ones heading back to campus after a long hiatus.

School Resource Officer (SRO) Bobby Taylor was back on the campus beat last week after battling cancer for the better part of a year, returning to the department and his role as the go-to law enforcement official for teens and their families

throughout the city. Despite the six months of aggressive cancer treatment, Taylor said his goal was to return to work right away.

Taylor told the *Voice* that he

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Task force backs plans to move Bullis to Mountain View

By Kevin Forestieri

Bullis Charter School would be the best fit for a new campus in the San Antonio area of Mountain View, community members and school officials on a Los Altos School District task force agreed Monday evening — a recommendation that runs contrary to the wishes of Mountain View City Council members seeking a school for neighborhood students.

The school board is set to make a final decision later this year.

The task force recommendation weighs in on a lengthy debate over whether a future school in the San Antonio neighborhood should serve the nearly 800 students residing in the area, or if it would be better suited as a campus for Bullis Charter School.

While the majority of task force members backed the latter option, the opinion came down amid a number of critical, unanswered questions about whether

the charter school would even fit on the small campus, and if council members would approve the school district's land acquisition plans if a neighborhood school was off the table.

School district officials are planning to acquire about 9.6 acres of land on the corner of Showers Drive and California Street — currently home to several businesses, including a Kohl's department store, Sushi 88 and Pearl Cafe — for a 10th school campus and some adjacent park land. District administrators and school board members have long argued that the additional campus is an important step to prepare

for future enrollment growth, and are relying heavily on the city of Mountain View for financial support through a process called the transfer of development rights.

Five of the eight task force members present — Lara Dae-tz, Raquel Matteroli, Sandra

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'This isn't going to solve the problem, but it is going to spend all of the money.'

JILL JENE

Rental committee weighs landlord's appeal

By Mark Noack

One landlord's push to raise rents spurred the Mountain View Rental Housing Committee on Monday to hold something like a courtroom trial, with committee members serving as appellate judges.

It was the first instance of the rental committee taking a direct role in deciding whether an individual landlord was earning a fair profit under

the city's complex rent control restrictions.

The case involves the Del Medio Manor and a request by its owner to increase rents on about half of the property's 104 apartments. In her final petition, owner Elizabeth Lindsay had requested rent increases ranging from \$100 to \$500 a month on dozens of apartments that she said were locked into artificially low prices under the city's rent stabilization program.

In total, the requested rent

hikes would have increased annual profits by \$170,000 on a property already generating more than \$1 million in net income, according to the petition filings. The move to increase rents spurred protests by Del Medio tenants, who said the higher cost would force them out of their homes and possibly the Bay Area.

Last month, city hearing officer Jil Dalesandro sided largely with those tenants by rejecting nearly all of the Del

Medio Manor owners' claims for increasing apartment rents. She said that the bookkeeping submitted by Del Medio was flawed and included numerous ineligible expenses.

In response, both sides in the case ended up filing appeals against the decision to the Rental Housing Committee. Lindsay and her partners argued various costs for running their business were unfairly excluded when they deserved consideration. Among her complaints, she took

aim at the decision to reject a so-called Vega adjustment, a special increase intended for severely underpriced units operating at a net loss. She criticized how a whole category of "junior one-bedroom" units at Del Medio were downgraded to studios.

In her decision, Dalesandro had argued that Del Medio's junior one-bedroom units were essentially studio apartments with just an accordion door to

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Neighbors Pablo and Tania Del Valle (Michael Evans Lopez and Marlene Martinez), right, and Frank and Virginia Butley (Jackson Davis and Amy Resnick) spar over a fence in "Native Gardens."

COMEDY BLOSSOMS IN 'NATIVE GARDENS'

Good fences, Robert Frost wrote, make good neighbors. But in Karen Zacarias' domestic comedy "Native Gardens," currently staged by TheatreWorks Silicon Valley, it's a fence between neighboring yards that sets two couples on a collision course toward a rapidly escalating turf war.

The fence in question, between the homes of the Butleys, who've lived in their historical, well-to-do Washington, D.C., neighborhood for decades, and the Del Valles, who've just moved in next door, at first seems to be a win-win. Pablo and Tania Del Valle (Michael Evans Lopez and Marlene Martinez) want to tear down their old chain-link fence and replace it with a more attractive, hipper wooden one. Frank and Virginia Butley (Jackson Davis and Amy Resnick) are overjoyed by this idea, as they're no fans of the metal eyesore and think a new improved fence could be what gets their garden the long-coveted first prize in the neighborhood's annual horticultural competition. But when the Del Valles check their property plans, they make a shocking discovery: Their property actually extends two feet past the existing fence, into some of Frank's beloved flower beds. When they attempt to claim what appears to be their rightful land, their friendly relationship quickly turns sour in a dramatic way.

Stanford-alum Zacarias has set up her two couples to be a study in contrasts, right down to their backyard styles. Consultant Frank and defense-contractor Virginia are, although not yet

retired, heading toward senior citizenship, white, Republican and deeply entrenched in their community. Frank has dedicated much of his leisure time to cultivating his formal garden, keeping it groomed, insecticided and obsessively tended to near-perfection.

The Del Valles are young, hip and Latinx. He hails from Chile, while she grew up in New Mexico. He's a rising-star attorney and she's an anthropology doctoral student, due with their first child in a matter of weeks. Well-versed in ecology, Tania has big plans to turn her new, neglected backyard into a native garden, supporting local plants and wildlife according to environmentally friendly principles. At the heart of it all is a large oak tree, which is Tania's pride and joy.

The Butleys are horrified by her plans to allow what they see as weeds flourish and tell her the tree needs to go (its acorns litter their neat and tidy lawn; they chopped theirs down years ago). In return, Tania is appalled at their water-gobbling, non-pollinator-helping garden and makes sure to lecture them about it. But still, they all strive to keep civil and pleasant until the issue with the disputed property line arises.

As their feud heats up, the play heads into a farcical direction. It also puts the Del Valles in the unfamiliar position of becoming "The Man" while the conservative, privileged Butleys become the protesters invoking squatters' rights and defending "foreigners" (their non-native plants). "Native Gardens" runs through Sept. 16 at the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts (500 Castro St.). Tickets are \$35-\$75. Go to theatreworks.org.

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■ CRIME BRIEFS

SEXUAL BATTERY AT CONCERT

Mountain View police are asking to talk with any other people who may have been allegedly touched inappropriately by a Union City man during a concert Aug. 24 at the Shoreline Amphitheater, police said.

Officers responded at 10:40 p.m. that evening to a report of a sexual battery during the Charlie Puth concert. A 17-year-old girl told police that 25-year-old Jordan Williams allegedly touched her inappropriately during the concert.

Police said the two did not know each other. While talking with the girl, police said officers learned that Williams may have touched others at the concert inappropriately.

Williams was arrested on suspicion of sexual battery and taken to the Santa Clara County jail.

Police are asking anyone who interacted with Williams or knows of someone who interacted with Williams at the concert to call Detective Marco Garcia at 650-903-6356.

—Bay City News Service



Jordan Williams

HOME-INVASION ATTACK

An 83-year-old woman was injured last week after three men reportedly broke into her Los Altos Hills home and attacked her. The suspects ransacked the home and stole various items, according to the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff's deputies received a call about the home invasion on the 27000 block of Altamont Road on Aug. 23 and arrived to find

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- 800 block California St., 8/23
- 100 block E. El Camino Real, 8/24
- 100 block E. El Camino Real, 8/24
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- 500 block Showers Dr., 8/27
- 2500 block California St., 8/27

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- 600 block Showers Dr., 8/27

BATTERY

- 500 block Victory Av., 8/23
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STOLEN VEHICLE

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■ COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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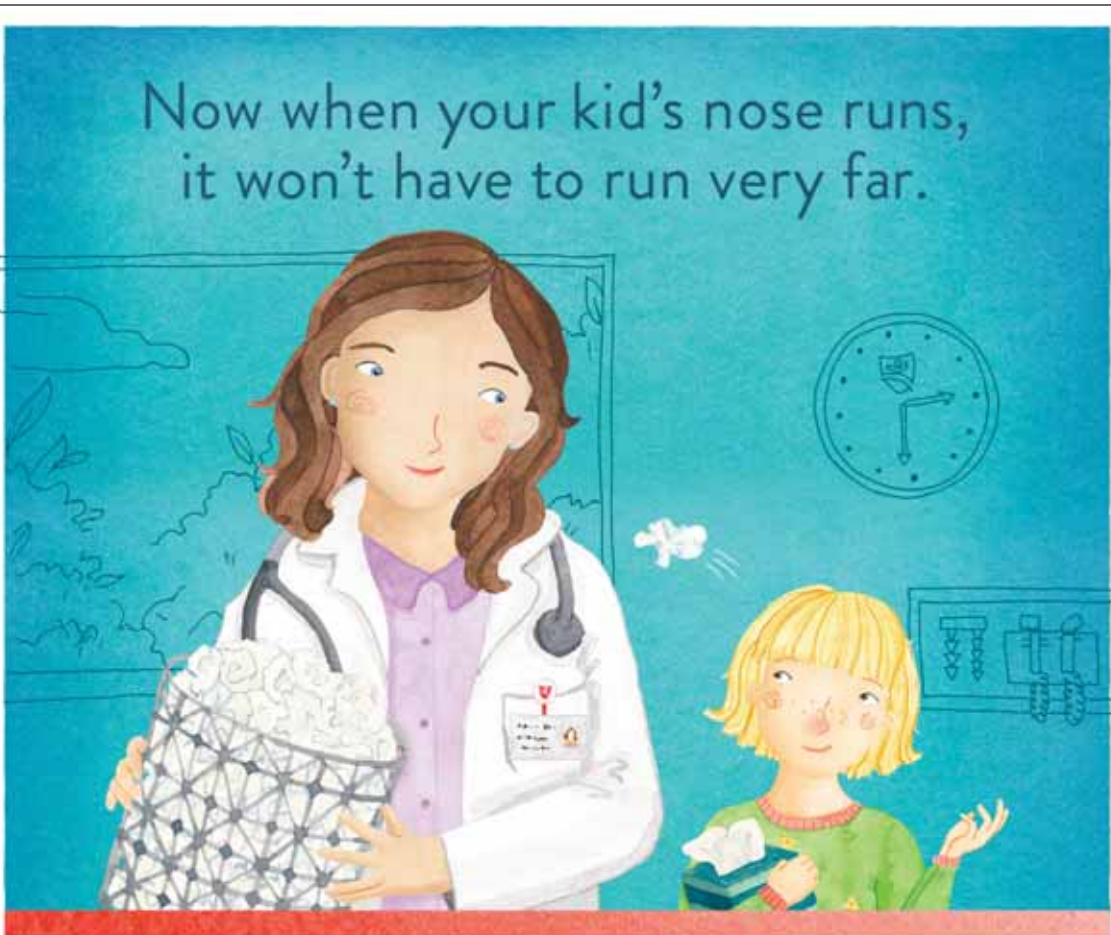
Facebook announced on Aug. 27 that it is working with Cañada College in Redwood City and Foothill College in Los Altos to develop a digital marketing certificate that will be offered through those community colleges.

The courses are expected to be available to students for enrollment in early 2019, and will teach students how to use Facebook and Instagram for business marketing, among other skills, said Facebook officials.

"We believe that our partnerships with Cañada College, Foothill College and more than 20 community colleges across the US will contribute to digital marketing programs designed to meet many of these digital skills demands, and supply local small businesses a workforce that can contribute immediately to small business growth," the company said in an online statement.

Facebook is hosting a free "Community Boost" program this week that runs Monday, Aug. 27, through Wednesday, Aug. 29,

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VERONICA WEBER

Restaurant owner Zareen Khan kept losing employees because of high housing costs, so she bought a house in Menlo Park and rents rooms at a discount to some of her staffers.

Housing crisis turns restaurateur into employees' landlord

OWNER OF ZAREEN'S PURCHASES HOME TO FIGHT STAFF TURNOVER

By Elena Kadvanj

Zareen Khan, the owner of the eponymous Pakistani-Indian restaurants in Palo Alto and Mountain View, has added an unexpected job title to her resume: landlord.

Last year, she took the unusual step of purchasing a three-bedroom house in Menlo Park for just under \$1 million and renting it to a small number of employees for \$500 a month each. She had been battling high staff turnover for months,

and employees were telling her that the primary culprit was the lack of affordable housing in the area. This, in turn, was impacting the quality of her restaurants, as she found herself in an unsustainable cycle of training new employees and working until 2 a.m. to pick up any slack.

"Sometimes I want to tweet about it and say, 'Hey, small businesses are gasping for air right now because there is such a crunch, especially in Silicon Valley,'" Khan said in an

interview Monday, standing in the sunlit kitchen of the Menlo Park home. "If things go on like the way they are and there is such a lack of housing, the only things you will see when you decide to have dinner" are Chipotle, McDonald's and "big chain restaurants."

Khan, a native of Pakistan, opened her first restaurant in Mountain View in 2014 and the second, larger location on California Avenue in Palo Alto

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Tom Means resigns from Rental Housing Committee

Mark Noack

Perhaps the most controversial figure on Mountain View's most controversial government body, Tom Means announced Monday night he would resign his position on the city's Rental Housing Committee, effective immediately. The news came as a surprise to committee members and city staff at the tail end of the Aug. 27 meeting.

In a brief statement, Means said he needed to resign because he was leaving Mountain View to be closer to his children and grandchildren. He and his wife are planning to relocate to El Dorado Hills to a senior community, he said.



Tom Means

"I want to thank everyone," Means said to his colleagues. "This has been a pretty tough committee overall, you know. So good luck."

A free-market advocate who nevertheless was appointed to the body in charge of administering citywide rent control, Means frequently drew complaints that he was ideologically incompatible for the job. Tenant advocates routinely blasted him for his active opposition to Mountain View's rent control initiative, Measure V, as it went before voters in 2016.

Those critics were incensed when the City Council appointed Means to one of the five seats on the Rental Housing Committee last year. Council members

picked Means over about 20 other candidates, saying he brought valuable local government experience from his previous two terms serving on the City Council. But tenant advocates alleged his presence created a case of the fox guarding the hen house. They later learned that Means was paid to write an economic study portraying rent control as a misguided policy for a political group fighting a rent control measure in Pacifica.

Means described the study as contract work as consistent with his full-time job as an economics professor at San Jose State University.

During his time on the committee, Means has been actively involved in many of the crucial policy decisions. Often bringing his economics pedigree into talks, he has sometimes sparred with the city's risk-averse staff and consultants on drafting essential components of the rent-control program. The city's team frequently aimed for legal cover by modeling Mountain View's program after other rent-stabilized cities, but Means was inclined to craft more precise methods to tie the program more closely to what he saw as the housing market's realities.

With Means' departure, his seat will be temporarily filled by Julian Pardo de Zela, the committee's alternate member. Under the rent control policy, the City Council will need to eventually appoint a new committee member to fill the vacancy. ▣

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County partners with El Camino for teen mental health care

NEW CONTRACT BRINGS ASPIRE'S INTENSIVE SERVICES TO MEDI-CAL FAMILIES

By Kevin Forestieri

Children and youth from low-income families in Santa Clara County will now have access to a rare niche of intensive after-school mental health services, after the Board of Supervisors approved a contract with El Camino Hospital this month.

Supervisors approved the \$199,000 contract with the hospital, considered to be the first of

its kind in the state, at the Aug. 14 board meeting in exchange for the hospital agreeing to serve Medi-Cal patients in its ASPIRE program.

ASPIRE — short for After-School Program Interventions and Resiliency Education — is an eight-week program for teens and young adults designed to teach mental health coping strategies and provide counseling in a group-based environment.

The contract has a twofold

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COUNTY SUPERVISOR JOE SIMITIAN

purpose. Not only does it defray the cost of providing services

through ASPIRE to Medi-Cal patients — as commercial insurers have been doing for years — but it also formally adds ASPIRE to the list of mental health care services available to Medi-Cal patients in the county. These patients can now be referred directly to ASPIRE by the county health system.

The partnership has been a long time coming, and is the result of years of effort navigating through bureaucratic red

tape and restrictions on how federal Medicaid money — and by extension county Medi-Cal funds — can be spent on mental health services. It took some creativity to make ASPIRE fit the stringent billing structure.

"For the first time ever, kids of modest means who rely on Medi-Cal will have benefit to the same critically needed services as kids who have resources, either

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BULLIS

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McGonagle, James Reilly and Tom McGovern — voted for moving Bullis to Mountain View as their first choice, which was largely seen as the least disruptive option for the district. It would avoid having to redraw attendance boundaries, would not necessitate the opening or closing of a district-run school and could theoretically house the charter school's full enrollment all in one location — provided Bullis never grows beyond 900 students. Charter school board members have previously made clear they intend to increase enrollment to up to 1,200 students in the coming years, which district officials said would not be a possibility on the site.

While she said she couldn't speak for the charter school's board of directors, task force member and Bullis parent Jill Jene said it's been clear from the start that the charter school community dislikes the idea of having to travel farther into a traffic-congested region of Mountain View to get to school, and that the task force shouldn't assume that a 900-student campus would sufficiently house the charter school in future years. She described it as a partial solution that is sure to blow through most of the district's \$150 million in Measure N bond money.

"This isn't going to solve the problem, but it is going to spend all of the money," she said.

In making the Monday vote, the majority of task force members also rejected a proposal by Councilwoman Margaret Abe-Koga to relocate Egan Junior High School to the new Mountain View school site, which she admitted was a little "out there" but could present a much-needed compromise in the debate between moving Bullis and creating a new neighborhood school. She said most of the feedback on her idea has been positive.

"I was expecting (opposition) and I hadn't heard it, and I would've been the first person to hear it," she said.

Under her proposal, Egan would move to the San Antonio campus, which would theoretically leave the former Egan site on Portola Avenue open for Bullis Charter School to consolidate its campus and grow into the existing middle-school facilities like a hermit crab with a new shell. Crossings resident and task force member Anthony Shortland said Abe-Koga's approach made the most sense purely from a

numbers perspective, given that the charter school could grow to 1,200 students and the new campus has enough space to support Egan now and in the future.

"There really is only one solution, and that's to put a consolidated charter school on the Egan site and move Egan to the new site," he said.

But other task force members sharply disagreed, describing it as a misstep that would enrage community members. McGovern said moving Egan, whether enrollment data supports it or not, would be an "inflammatory" move that would upset Los Altos community members and fail to bring a peaceful end to a long history of hostility between the charter school and the school district. Daetz told Abe-Koga that she may not be receiving negative feedback on her idea because the community doesn't believe her proposal is serious.

"People are assuming that it's so out of the realm of possibility that they don't need to give organized feedback," Daetz said.

One of the major concerns at the meeting was whether the Mountain View City Council will support the idea of moving the charter school to Mountain View, or whether the council will condition its financial support for the land acquisition on the new campus accommodating neighborhood residents. The city is pitching in \$23 million in park funds, which will pay for joint-use field space adjacent to the school facilities, as well as allowing the school district to "sell" to developers rights to the unused density allowed on the site, for a total of \$79.3 million.

The latest vote by council members in June reaffirmed that the Los Altos district should ultimately decide what kind of school is opened on the new campus, by a 4-3 vote, with Councilman John McAlister joined in the majority by Mayor Lenny Siegel and council members Chris Clark and Ken Rosenberg. But task force members worried that McAlister may have to recuse himself from future decisions after recent complaints surfaced that he may have a conflict of interest. Mountain View residents have alleged that McAlister's financial stake in a preschool that rents facilities on the district-owned Covington Elementary campus presents a financial conflict when discussing the district's facilities needs.

Crossings resident James Reilly criticized the idea that the council should be butting

into the debate at all, and said that Abe-Koga and the rest of the council are taking a "half-step" too far into the debate on what to do with the campus. It's fine to rake the district over the coals to make sure the campus facilities available to the public are a good use of taxpayer funds, but who attends the school is not the council's business, he said.

"I have a philosophical problem with the Mountain View City Council telling schools what to do, whether it's \$1 or \$100 million," he said. "I've got a bit of a problem understanding where you get that authority."

Abe-Koga countered by arguing that it's Mountain View's land and taxpayer dollars at stake in the district's plans, and that the vast majority of her constituents in Mountain View are in favor of a San Antonio school that serves children living in the region who — up until this point — have had to travel across major roads to get to school.

"There's a perception of an equity issue in this debate," she said. "This is an area where we have the most diversity (in the district) and it's low-income Latino kids who have to trek over across El Camino to get to school. This is an opportunity to have a school in the neighborhood."

Another big consideration, she said, is that Mountain View residents will have to bear the brunt of denser office development throughout the city due to the sale of development rights, giving the council an even greater responsibility to ensure residents are getting a good deal.

The decision by task force members mirrors a straw vote in May, when a majority of the members also picked relocating Bullis to Mountain View as their first choice. Task force member Joe Seither, who could not make the Aug. 27 meeting, had previously joined McGovern, McGonagle, Reilly and Matteroli in supporting the charter school relocation as the top option at the May 30 meeting. The task force was supposed to meet again sometime in June or July to make a final recommendation, but summer scheduling conflicts pushed the meeting to late August.

Superintendent Jeff Baier told the *Voice* that the school board is slated to discuss the task force's recommendations on Sept. 10, and is expected to weigh in with a final decision on the site's usage in the next six to eight weeks. ▀

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State approves \$15M for youth mental health centers

COUNTY, STANFORD HOPE TO OPEN CLINICS IN SAN JOSE, MOUNTAIN VIEW AREA

By Elena Kadwany

A yearslong effort to launch an open-to-all, one-stop-shop youth mental health clinic in Santa Clara County took a critical step forward on Thursday, securing \$15 million in funding from the state's Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission.

The clinic is the product of a partnership between Santa Clara County and Stanford University's Center for Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing. Together, they plan to open two clinics — one in San Jose and one in Palo Alto or Mountain View — to make mental health services more accessible to young people ages 12 to 25 years old. The clinics plan to focus on early prevention and intervention for young people with mild to moderate mental health issues, but with close relationships to services for youth with more severe mental illness. Services will be provided at no cost and regardless of health insurance status.

The clinic, which has yet to be named, is inspired by a model in Australia called headspace, which provides early-intervention services — from physical and mental health to alcohol and other drugs, work and academic issues — to young people at low or no cost. There are similar youth mental health centers in Canada and Ireland, but none yet in the United States.

The team behind the local project hopes, ambitiously, that Santa Clara County's would be the first of many such centers

across the state and even the country.

"We're in the innovation capital of the world," Toni Tullys, the county's Behavioral Health Services director, told the mental health commission in Sacramento on Thursday. "What we're trying to do right now with Stanford and the community is to be just as innovative in mental health as we are in tech. It requires some bold, bold moves."

The commission approved four years of funding for this project.

Commissioners expressed their support for the project but some questioned the logistics, from building two sites at once to how the centers will be sustained financially after the state funding expires.

Tullys said that they decided to open two sites to serve two distinct populations in Santa Clara County — primarily youth of color on MediCal in San Jose and commercially insured young people in North County. They also wanted to respond to a "high level of need" in Palo Alto, Tullys said.

Working with different demographics will also provide "richer" data and lessons learned for implementing this model in other counties, noted Steven Adelsheim, director of the Center for Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing. Other California counties, as well as sites in New York, Michigan, Illinois and others, have expressed interest in creating a headspace-like model, according to a lengthy project plan description submitted to the state.

State Sen. Jim Beall, D-San Jose, who serves on the Mental

Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission, said members of a state mental health caucus are also interested in pursuing legislation to promote such clinics in their communities.

"There is a lot of interest in this," Beall said.

The question of the centers' long-term sustainability remains unanswered, but the group said there is "high inter-

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DEREK ZHOU, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

est" in pursuing public-private partnerships. The Stanford Center for Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing has received "multiple requests" from foundations who are interested in supporting the clinics, the plan description states. They will also likely rely on Mental Health Services and Supports funding from the state.

Santa Clara County is allocating \$8.7 million to cover its own personnel and operating costs as well as evaluation of the centers. The county is paying the Stanford Center for Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing \$1.7 million for the part-time clinical staff who will work at the sites and \$1.4 million for a technical assistance team (which includes a medical director, education/employment specialist

and evaluation implementation scientist).

A 'first of a kind' model

The Santa Clara County centers will bring mental health and primary health care services, substance use treatment, education and employment under one roof. The project plan describes this model as "one-stop-shopping" which helps to prevent stigma when accessing mental health services.

The staff will be made up of psychiatrists, psychologists, physicians, substance use treatment counselors and others. The Stanford psychiatrists and psychologists will be part-time, according to the project budget.

The team envisions the clinics as culturally and linguistically inclusive and making an effort to reach vulnerable and marginalized young people, including LGBTQ, homeless and indigenous youth. They will not turn anyone away, Tullys said, and are working to develop a blended model that accepts both private and public insurance.

Stanford and Santa Clara County's Behavioral Health Services Department will primarily provide the direct psychiatric and psychological services, while community organizations will provide peer support and case management. Partnerships with community organizations will also allow for other services to be provided directly to young people at the clinics and to make it easier to refer teens out to other programs.

An already formed youth advisory group, made up of 27 diverse teenagers from

throughout the county, are providing feedback on everything from specific services to hours the centers should be open to what the physical spaces should look like. The teens are working with Palo Alto design firm IDEO on branding and design. The youth group will continue to advise and evaluate the centers after they open.

The county is also working with a vendor to collect data and evaluate the centers.

Derek Zhou, a senior at Palo Alto High School, described to the commissioners the difficulty of accessing mental health care locally. He said he went through an "endless spiral" trying to find a therapist that would accept his family's insurance and that he connected with. And as a young Asian-American man, open conversations about mental health still feel "taboo."

"I think of someone walking into the center and I feel instantly hopeful," Zhou said. "No one would have to go through the trial-and-error method I went through because a diverse group of therapists would be available. Kids wouldn't be afraid of familial or financial consequences because our services would be confidential and free."

The team hopes to identify a physical site for contract negotiations by November. They are setting aside \$5 million in the project budget to cover rent for two locations.

They hope to serve at least 1,000 young people in Santa Clara County in the centers' first year. ■

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RESOURCE OFFICER

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learned of his stage 3 colon cancer diagnosis during a routine visit to the doctor last August, and things moved quickly from there. Within a week, he had undergone a surgical procedure, and soon after embarked on six months of chemotherapy. The treatments wrapped up in February, he said, but it turns out that it takes a while to bounce back to normalcy and get back on the job.

There was a particularly tough period of time for Taylor and his family after the initial diagnosis, he said, where for five days physicians couldn't quite rule out whether the disease had turned into stage 4 cancer.

"I told God, 'Hey, if it's only



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Officer Bobby Taylor

stage 3 (cancer), I promise I won't whine and complain about the chemo,' even though I did end up violating that," he said.

Taylor has been on the Mountain View Police Department's

team of school resource officers since 2011, and his turf includes the high schools. His tenure has been filled with building rapport with local teens to the point where everyone knows him by first name and no one bats an eye when a police car pulls onto the campus. Last year, Taylor received recognition as the "champion for youth" by the Mountain View-Los Altos Challenge Team for his ongoing presence in local schools.

During his time away from the job, Taylor said he was moved by the huge outpouring of support from the schools, including a ton of cards that he received, and people from the campuses and the police department checking in for updates on his road to recovery.

"We were always asking, either

through an SRO or through the grapevine, to hear how he was doing," said police spokeswoman Katie Nelson. "When he came by he stopped literally in every office."

The department didn't have a replacement at the ready for Taylor, so the remaining school resources officers had to cover for him until his return this year. Not easy, Nelson said, given the size of the shoes they had to fill.

"He's one of those officers who, from the day you meet him, you know he's going to be there for you," she said. "That's a huge void to fill when he isn't here, but we all knew he was fighting."

Taylor said the initial diagnosis threw everything in his life up in the air, and not just whether

he would return to work.

"I'm wondering, 'Am I going to die from this, am I not going to see my kids graduate from high school? Am I going to be able to work again?'" Taylor said. "It's a swirl of emotions."

The start of chemotherapy, of all things, was the moment when Taylor said he saw the light at the end of the tunnel, because it felt like he was on a path to recovery. While it will be years before he can declare with certainty that he's cancer-free, Taylor said he's recovered, back and ready to serve.

"My goal from day one was to get back to the Mountain View Police Department. It was something tangible and important to me," he said. ■

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LANDLORD

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two years later. From the beginning in Palo Alto, the restaurant was closed on Mondays and only open until 9 p.m. — despite late-night demand from Stanford University students and others — due to a lack of reliable staff, Khan said.

She tried raising wages. She rented an apartment in Santa Clara for employees, but the landlord didn't like the setup. When she found the 1,100-square-foot home in Menlo Park's Belle Haven neighborhood, she decided it would be a worthy investment for both her and her staff.

Three Zareen's employees — two cooks and one part-time manager — currently share two bedrooms at the clean, sparsely decorated house. Their rent includes maintenance, electrical,

garbage, cable and high-speed internet. They're about 6 miles from the Palo Alto restaurant and just under 7 miles from the Mountain View location.

Khan rents the master bedroom and bathroom at about \$1,500 per month to non-restaurant workers to help pay for the mortgage.

"It's a good deal," Khan said — a vast understatement given that the average rent for a three-bedroom home in Menlo Park is about \$5,400 per month and about \$7,000 in Palo Alto, according to real estate website Zillow.

The weekend manager, Muhammad Umair Siddique, was previously living in Hayward, paying about \$1,000 in monthly rent. He worked at Zareen's on weekends and for a food distribution company in Manteca, near Modesto, during the week. He later moved

to Manteca, where housing is cheaper but continued to work at Zareen's on weekends.

He earns \$18 per hour plus tips at the restaurant.

Living at the house has changed Siddique's quality of life, financially and personally, he said.

Compared to other living situations with random roommates who come and go without any interaction, the Zareen's employees cook together, hang out on their day off, host barbecues in the backyard and provide a support system for other immigrants who are far from home and family. Siddique moved to the United States from Pakistan four years ago. One of his roommates, chef Shakeel Muhammad Naqvi, moved from his native Pakistan to Phoenix before arriving in California this spring.

"We don't feel like we are not at home," Siddique said. "When you only work, study, go home

then you don't have any extra activity to go sit together, to say what you feel and to share all that stuff. Since I moved in, it's totally changed my life."

On Monday afternoon, Siddique and Naqvi waited while Kelly Ghuman made lunch, an egg curry — his mother's recipe, made with cumin, onions, ginger, garlic, spices and hard-boiled eggs.

Khan said none of her employees live in Palo Alto. She employs about 25 people across both restaurants and most commute from San Jose or Hayward. A handful live in East Palo Alto and even there "they are feeling the pressure," she said. (East Palo Alto recently made headlines for breaking the \$1 million mark on median home prices.) One employee has no home and sleeps in his car in between shifts at Zareen's and a second job at Acme Bread. On weekends, he

rents a motel in Los Banos in the Central Valley to visit his children.

"At some point it's important for them to have quality of life," Khan said.

As an independent restaurant owner in the Bay Area, labor is Khan's No. 1 pressure. The increasing cost of housing is contributing to a regional restaurant labor shortage that many owners worry will spell the end of mom-and-pop restaurants. She believes more affordable housing and an embracing rather than rejection of density in the area would go a long way.

In the meantime, she's trying to think outside the box — providing health insurance is on her to-do list as a consideration — for how to help her employees survive and by extension, her own business. ■

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CRIME BRIEFS

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the resident had suffered injuries during the attack, including lacerations and cuts. She was reportedly treated by medical staff at the scene.

The victim was alone at the house at the time of the robbery,

and she heard the intruders and confronted them, according to the Sheriff's Office. The suspects were "physically aggressive" and demanded she tell them where her valuables were stashed, said Sheriff's Sgt. Richard Glennon.

"The victim is pretty shaken up, as you can imagine," Glennon said.

A gardener later heard the victim calling for help, and he called law enforcement for help.

The Sheriff's Office is declining to disclose what items were stolen in the crime. The Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Unit is investigating the crime. Anyone with information on the case is asked to contact the Sheriff's Office at 408-808-4500, or the anonymous tip line at 408-808-4431.

—Mark Noack

found in possession of stolen property, including bicycles reportedly stolen the night before, at a park near the San Antonio shopping center.

Police received a call from a resident around 8 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 23, claiming that she saw a man walking down the street with her stolen bike near the intersection of Gabriel and Ortega avenues. Officers located the suspect, a 29-year-old Salinas man, walking out of Klein Park and detained him, and later tracked down a 24-year-old Santa Clara man and a 30-year-old San Jose woman in the area believed to be associated with the theft, according to police

spokeswoman Katie Nelson.

Officers allegedly found the suspects in possession of stolen property including a wallet and the bike that had had been stolen. The bike was returned to the victim.

All three suspects were arrested on suspicion of possessing stolen property and conspiracy to commit a crime.

NORTH WHISMAN APARTMENT FIRE

Mountain View firefighters extinguished an apartment complex fire Aug. 23 in the North Whisman neighborhood, according to a statement released by the department.

The fire started shortly before 7:30 p.m. inside a six-unit complex on the 300 block of Easy Street, according to fire officials. The fire originated in the kitchen of one of the units and spread to the cabinets, stove pipe and into the attic space under the roof.

The fire was fully extinguished about 19 minutes after firefighters arrived, and did not spread to the other units in the building. Firefighters carved out a hole in the roof in order to clear thick smoke that had built up inside the apartment, fire officials said.

No one was injured in the fire, and three adults and one child were displaced from the apartment and elected to stay with family nearby. The damage to the apartment is estimated to be \$25,000, according to the department. While fire officials did not state what sparked the fire, it does not appear to have been cooking related.

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PUBLIC HEARING - CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Mountain View City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible, in the Council Chambers, Second Floor, Mountain View City Hall, 500 Castro Street, at which time all interested parties may be heard regarding the following project:

MULTIMODAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND CITY-WIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEE

The City Council will hold a public hearing to discuss adoption of a Multimodal Improvement Plan (MIP) and a City-wide Transportation Impact Fee (TIF). The MIP is required pursuant to VTA's Congestion Management Program. The TIF would apply to all new City-wide development, and would help fund transportation projects in the MIP. Data indicating the estimated cost required to provide the TIF & MIP projects, and the revenue sources anticipated to fund the projects, including general fund revenues, will be available on the project website <http://www.infortio.com/TJKM/mountain-view-multimodal-improvement-plan/>, and available in print during business hours at Mountain View City Hall, 500 Castro Street, Mountain View, CA 94041 in the City Clerk's Office, Third Floor, and the Community Development Office, First Floor, on or before August 28, 2018. The City staff report and supporting documents will be available September 7, 2018 on the City's website at <https://mountainview.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

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because they have commercial insurance or because they can pay out of pocket,” Santa Clara County Supervisor Joe Simitian said at the meeting.

The result is a contract that could pave the way for similar partnerships, both here in Santa Clara County and across the state. Up until this point, no other county had brokered a Medi-Cal contract for intensive outpatient services, making the deal between El Camino Hospital and the county the first of its kind, according to Michael Fitzgerald, the hospital’s executive director of behavioral health services.

“Everyone came to the same conclusion — this program is working, it has a great reputation, why isn’t it available to Medi-Cal kids and what would it take to get there?” Fitzgerald said.

‘It destigmatized the treatment ... which is learning skills to manage symptoms and learning skills to manage stress.’

MICHAEL FITZGERALD, EL CAMINO HOSPITAL

Since its launch in 2010, ASPIRE has grown to six concurrent “programs,” with each holding up to 10 people. While the program launched with a narrow scope of supporting teens, it has since expanded to include young adults up to age 25 and middle-school students.

While many of the patients coming to ASPIRE are referred to El Camino by school counselors, Fitzgerald said the program received an unexpectedly large number of teens coming directly from the hospital seeking a step-down service from inpatient and residential care. ASPIRE now has an interim two-week “prep” program for teens ages 13 to 18 whose symptoms are still too acute for them to participate in the mainstream program.

The program is hosted at El Camino’s Mountain View and Los Gatos hospital campuses, but can serve people “as far as the car can take them,” Fitzgerald said. Families have been willing to commute to participate in the program, from South San Francisco and Livermore to Santa Cruz County. Since the program’s inception, ASPIRE has served roughly 1,000 young people, currently an average of 48 per day, according to hospital

officials.

ASPIRE isn’t the only intensive outpatient program for youth in Santa Clara County. Other nonprofits launched similar programs in recent years, but ASPIRE has a leg up in that it’s a hospital-based program with a medical component. Teens

these flaws.”

Meanwhile, tenant attorneys raised their own grievances, saying that Dalesandro needed to provide more evidence to reinforce her decision, especially if it was later challenged through a lawsuit. They asked that she clarify how she calculated Del Medio’s maintenance costs, income and expenses. While the tenants largely supported the decision, it would help for the rental committee to have more analysis, said attorney Margaret McBride of the Community Legal Services of East Palo Alto.

“The question before you is straightforward: Was the hearing officer’s decision supported by the evidence?” she said.

It was a complex case further complicated by the Rental Housing Committee’s narrow role in the appeal. Attorneys advised the committee they could only review the specific issues being appealed in the hearing officer’s decision, and they weren’t



MAGALIA GAUTHIER

Michael Fitzgerald, executive director of behavioral health services at El Camino Hospital, listens to Dr. Dan Becker, the chief medical director of mental health and addiction services, on Aug. 28.

enrolled in the program see a physician once a week, and receive psychiatric evaluations to understand exactly what patients are going through from a biological, psychological and social point of view, according to Dr. Dan Becker, chief medical director of mental health and addiction services at El Camino.

Becker said extending these services to families of all income levels marks a big step forward for El Camino, which has a responsibility to serve patients regardless of income.

“Our point of view as a community hospital is about equitable access, that everyone in the community can make use of services,” he said. “When you talk about being equitable, that’s always the toughest at the margins of society.”

The Medi-Cal contract is the latest in El Camino’s triumphs over bureaucratic hurdles. In

2015, ASPIRE received accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), which means teens who sign up for the program can receive academic credit for the hours they spend receiving mental health treatment through the program. Fitzgerald said it took a year of “very hard work” to get cleared for six years of accreditation, which he said legitimizes the program as an education resource for children and young adults.

“It destigmatized the treatment into what we really like to think it is, which is learning skills to manage symptoms and learning skills to manage stress,” Fitzgerald said. “And you can get credit for it, too — why wouldn’t you?”

The contract between El Camino and the county was done without the use of a competitive bidding process, which raised some eyebrows within the network of mental health

nonprofits in the area. Representatives from Children’s Health Council, Uplift, Community Solutions and Asian Americans for Community Involvement urged supervisors at the Aug. 14 board meeting to use a more transparent process that opens the door for other nonprofits to provide intensive outpatient services to Medi-Cal patients, rather than hashing out a direct deal with El Camino Hospital.

County Supervisor Cindy Chavez said she didn’t want to hold up this particular contract — noting a sense of urgency in expanding mental health services — but said the county should hammer out a “work plan” as soon as possible so that other nonprofits can get the same opportunity given to El Camino Hospital.

Simitian said the county went through a huge amount of effort to put together a contract unlike anything else in the state, and that trying to emulate that for other nonprofits in the county should be seen as a next step.

“It’s taken us an awfully long time ... to break through the bureaucratic walls and say ‘You know what? We’re going to be able to help half a dozen kids with Medi-Cal funding,’” he said. “Let’s celebrate that for about 15 seconds, move forward and then say how can we do even more to involve other partners in the community.”

El Camino Hospital’s mental health services rely partially on philanthropic funding from the community. More information on how to donate can be found at elcaminohospital.org/promise. ■

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RENTAL COMMITTEE

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serve as a partition.

Speaking before the rental committee on Monday, Lindsay blasted Dalesandro’s decision for dismissing years of cashier’s checks, invoices and accounting submitted by her business to prove its expenses. Lindsay alleged that the city was downplaying her expenses by lumping together her on-site manager, property management firm and administrative costs. City officials were capping how much of her labor costs could be reported as legitimate expenses, she said, insisting they were holding her to a completely different standard than what was normal for the apartment industry.

“How can exclusion of these expenses be considered part of a fair rate of return?” Lindsay said. “We feel like guinea pigs in a flawed process, and this committee has a duty to review

and other members seized on the argument made by the hearing officer that the Del Medio apartments were not actually underpriced, given their age and their proximity to the noisy Caltrain tracks.

“That’s making what I think is a biased inference,” Means said. “You can’t just say you don’t get an adjustment because they’re over by the tracks. I think she just made an easy decision.”

City staff pointed out that the nearby train tracks were just one among a series of reasons cited by Dalesandro for why the apartments shouldn’t be expected to fetch a market-rate price.

The committee also pressed for more information on why the hearing officer shot down certain expenses as possibly unnecessary. For example, Dalesandro eliminated a \$44,000 resurfacing job for the Del Medio parking lot. The landlord failed to prove it was essential, and tenants

supposed to relitigate the entire case or introduce new evidence. Rental Housing Committee members had plenty of questions regarding the hearing officer’s decision, but their legal counsel warned they should be very cautious about second-guessing her. Any changes made to Dalesandro’s decision would need to be supported by “substantial evidence,” which would require poring through hundreds of pages of submitted documents. Instead, Karen Tiedemann, attorney for the RHC, recommended the committee should first ask Dalesandro to elaborate on any decisions that they found questionable. Even if the rental committee disagreed, they should still sign off on Dalesandro’s decision if a reasonable person could reach that same conclusion, Tiedemann said.

But was the hearing officer’s ruling grounded entirely in evidence? Committee member Tom Means didn’t think so. He

were claiming the same lot was repaved just two years earlier, she wrote in her decision.

In the end, the committee agreed to ask Dalesandro to clarify most of her points. For example, Dalesandro had poked holes in a variety of Del Medio’s claims, including that they earned \$1.62 million in 2015, and spent \$333,000 on maintenance that same year. But the rental committee was equally skeptical of alternative figures that Dalesandro apparently believed were more accurate. They also indicated that some funding paid to the California Apartment Association could be legitimately counted as operating expenses, so long as it wasn’t used for lobbying.

In their decision, the Rental Housing Committee asked Dalesandro to provide more evidence, or modify her ruling on nearly all of the 10 issues raised in the appeal. ■

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Teen intensive outpatient program to expand

STANFORD, CHILDREN'S HEALTH COUNCIL PARTNER TO RESPOND TO DEMAND

By Elena Kadwany

A new partnership with Stanford Children's Health will allow youth mental health nonprofit Children's Health Council to double the capacity of its intensive outpatient program for teens.

The two organizations announced the partnership this week, a little over a year after Children's Health Council opened Palo Alto's first intensive outpatient program for adolescents from 14 to 18 years old who are struggling with self-harm, suicidal thoughts and behaviors, severe anxiety and depression.

The outpatient program "covers the often overlooked but essential middle ground between weekly outpatient therapy and hospitalization, and provides transition support between the two," an announcement states.

With more staff, CHC Chief Clinical Officer Ramsey Khasho said they hope to expand from serving eight young people at any time to 16 within the next year. The program has served 50 teens since its opening, Khasho said. In

a "year in review" document published earlier this year, he wrote that "the number of requests for the IOP far outweighs the number of teens CHC can serve."

Michele Berk, an assistant professor of psychiatry at the Stanford University School of Medicine, is now serving as co-lead for the intensive outpatient program. She brings a wealth of research experience in dialectical behavioral therapy (DBT), an evidence-based, specialized intervention for individuals with suicidal and/or self-harm behaviors. She also trained at the Linehan Institute, whose founder, Marsha Linehan, developed dialectical behavioral therapy.

Berk co-authored a recent study that found that after six months of treatment, teens who received dialectical behavioral therapy were 70 percent less likely to attempt suicide and 67 percent less likely to harm themselves than teens who received supportive therapy.

Stephanie Clarke, a Stanford Children's Health clinical instructor who specializes in dialectical behavior therapy, started

in May as one of the program's primary clinicians.

Through the new partnership, Stanford will be conducting research on the effectiveness of dialectical behavioral therapy provided in an intensive outpatient setting in comparison to the standard outpatient format.

The 12-week program includes individual therapy, twice-weekly "skills" meetings with parents or guardians, phone skills coaching and family therapy. Teens learn about mindfulness, distress tolerance and emotional regulation, while their parents come in to develop skills to support their children at home.

Teens attend the program four days per week after school so that they can "continue their normal school routines," CHC said. Medication management and 24/7 phone coaching are also available to teens throughout the program.

Teens who will benefit most from the intensive outpatient program include adolescents with significant decrease in functioning at school and at home, such as a decline in grades or missing school; those for whom

weekly or biweekly outpatient therapy is not effective for reducing self-harm and suicide risk; and those who are having difficulty coping with and managing their emotions, leading to unhealthy behavior, CHC said.

"Through CHC's experience in the development and implementation of intensive mental health and academic programs and Stanford's expertise in conducting research and providing care for adolescents with suicidal behavior, this program can be transformative for local adolescents who are in need of this level of care," said Antonio Hardan, chief of child and adolescent psychiatry at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford.

Stanford's Children Health had announced plans in 2016 to open an intensive outpatient program for teens, but later decided to instead partner with Children's Health Council "in order to reduce duplication in services and to join forces to create one large IOP program that can serve the maximum number of adolescents effectively," said Samantha Beal, public relations director for

Stanford Children's Health.

The program is now named RISE, which stands for Reaching Interpersonal and Self Effectiveness ó "one of the primary goals of Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT) and a cornerstone of the program," CHC said in an announcement.

Teens who participated the program came up with the new name.

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Mountain View's last straw

LOCAL SPEARHEADS STRAWLESS SEPTEMBER
CAMPAIGN TO FIGHT PLASTIC POLLUTION

By Kayla Riggs

A small crowd gathered around a dirty, 2-liter bottle filled to the brim with shiny plastic objects at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. The items were found inside the stomach of a dead Laysan albatross, a white seabird native to the North Pacific who mistook them for shrimp and other crustaceans, explained a staff member. Seeing this, Mountain View resident Bobbi Emel Wilmoth said she knew that something needed to change.

The idea behind a Strawless September in Mountain View came into fruition shortly thereafter. Recently, major companies including Starbucks, Disney, American Airlines and Hyatt announced that they will be reducing or eliminating their plastic straw usage in the near future.

Having caught wind of various movements throughout the nation, including Strawless In Seattle, Wilmoth decided to "go ahead and take the plunge," asking Castro Street restaurants to stop providing straws to

customers during the month of September.

"My hope is that customers and restaurant staff will be more aware about the problems of single-use plastic straws and be reminded to say, 'No straw' when they order a beverage at a restaurant and/or carry an alternative, such as a stainless steel straw, a bamboo straw, a glass straw, or silicone straw," said Wilmoth.

Several local eateries agreed to take part in the campaign initially: Olympus Caffé & Bakery, Ephesus Mediterranean Cuisine, Red Rock Coffee, Doppio Zero, Oren's Hummus and 1 Oz. Coffee.

Americans use about 500 million straws every day; because plastics are not biodegradable, one plastic straw can take up to 200 years to degrade, and even then, the straw is not completely broken down. Straws are also among the top 10 items found in beach cleanups around the world.

"Even (if) it was only the restaurants on Castro Street, I thought it could really help increase community awareness



MAGALI GAUTHIER

Plastic straws are a common sight in downtown Mountain View. A local woman is trying to draw attention to the pollution problem caused by the straws and encouraging residents to go without them for a month.

on a local level about the problem with single-use plastic straws," said Wilmoth.

There are concerns about the impact of a plastic straw ban on the disabled population. Those with physical challenges may need flexible straws to drink beverages, and most straws made of alternative materials don't meet this requirement. "While we want to eliminate the mass use of plastic single-use straws,

I actually encourage restaurant owners to keep at least one box of plastic flexible straws for their customers with special needs," Wilmoth said.

Wilmoth said she encourages residents to stay away from compostable straws because they are not marine biodegradable, meaning that if they reach the ocean, they will not break down.

In the meantime, Wilmoth credits the idea behind the

Mountain View campaign to the short presentation that she happened to witness while in Monterey. "That demonstration changed my life," she said. "If we could save even one ocean creature from a painful death or painful experience ... the campaign will be worth it."

More information about Mountain View's Strawless September can be found at mvstrawlessseptember.org. ■

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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and offers public training for local businesses about how to use its products and other skills.

The program is being held at Facebook headquarters and the Onetta Harris Community Center. It has conducted similar trainings in cities around the U.S. and reports visiting 30 cities since the initial version of the program was held in March in St. Louis.

Access more information or register for the Community Boost program here.

—Kate Bradshaw

been calling for bail reform, including California Supreme Court Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye.

Cantil-Sakauye said in a statement, "Today is a transformative day for our justice system. Our old system of money bail was outdated, unsafe, and unfair."

Brown said, "Today, California reforms its bail system so that rich and poor alike are treated fairly."

Some critics have contended, however, that the new law could potentially result in more, rather than fewer, arrestees being held in pretrial detention.

—Bay City News Service

explosion, in which a leaking gas pipe sparked a deadly inferno in a suburban neighborhood.

Despite the public safety concerns, Mountain View residents were irritated when PG&E officials insisted that many of their backyard trees and sheds would need to be removed. It didn't help when homeowners were told they could face legal consequences if they resisted.

Following the backlash in Mountain View and other cities, the utility pledged to take a gentler approach. Last week, PG&E began removing nine trees, including two redwoods, from the 900 block of Middlefield Road.

In addition to about 220 trees on private land, PG&E officials say they are also working with the city to remove about 60 trees on public property.

PG&E spokesman Jeff Smith said the utility is providing replacement trees for each one that is removed.

—Mark Noack

GOVERNOR SIGNS BAIL REFORM BILL

Gov. Jerry Brown on Tuesday signed a bill to reform California's money bail system.

Under the new law, which takes effect on Oct. 1, 2019, a decision about whether to grant a criminal defendant release on bail before trial will be based on an evaluation of the risk to public safety, rather than the defendant's ability to pay a set bail amount.

Many advocates who claimed the former system was unfair to low-income defendants have

PG&E TO REMOVE 280 TREES

PG&E officials say they have identified about 280 trees in Mountain View that must be removed in order to clear the way for existing natural gas lines. About 50 of these trees have already been removed, they said.

The update on the tree removals comes after PG&E surveyed more than 1,000 trees along Mountain View's gas pipelines. Clearing obstructions away from these lines has been a priority ever since the 2010 San Bruno

PUBLIC FORUMS SET FOR COUNCIL RACE

Mountain View's City Council race is in full swing, with a lineup of upcoming candidate events. The six contenders for

three council seats will answer questions on policy issues and their platforms in a series of public forums.

The Mountain View Chamber of Commerce was set to hold a candidate forum on Thursday, Aug. 30, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 500 Castro St.

On Thursday, Sept. 26, the League of Women Voters will convene a candidate forum at Charlie's Cafe on the Google campus at 1600 Amphitheatre Way in Mountain View. The event is scheduled for 4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. with a reception to follow.

On Monday, Oct. 15, the Old Mountain View Neighborhood Association will hold a candidate "meet-and-greet" and forum at the downtown library at 585 Franklin St. The meet-and-greet is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. with the forum to follow.

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.

—Mark Noack

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MOUNTAIN VIEW VOICE

LOOKING FORWARD TO FALL

Autumn arts highlights: theater, music, museums and more

By Karla Kane

Say goodbye to summer and get ready to welcome autumn with some help from our roundup of fall-arts highlights. In the theater world, the Midpeninsula will be home to Tony-winning musicals, adaptations of classics and modern quirky dramas. In visual arts and museums, patrons can view exhibitions focused on parenthood, rare photographs by a master, a student-designed exhibit about local history and even take a hands-on role in building a temporary environmental installation. Music venues from Redwood City to Mountain View will host both big-name concerts and indie gems. And, as usual, Stanford University proves to be a hotspot for art and culture of all kinds. Read on for a guide to the plays, concerts, exhibitions, lectures and other artsy events that we're most looking forward to this September, October and November.

These are some of our top picks, but of course there's always more to come. For an expanded version of this story, check mv-voice.com/arts. You can subscribe to our Weekend Express email (sign up at mv-voice.com/express) and peruse or submit event listings at mv-voice.com/calendar.

EXHIBITIONS

Andy Warhol photography

Where: Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford.

Info: Go to museum.stanford.edu.

Andy Warhol is one of those artists whose work seems to be everywhere, from dorm-room posters to album covers. His iconic, colorful, playful pop art remains enduringly popular and recognizable, but with its upcoming exhibition, "Contact Warhol: Photography Without End" (Sept. 29-Jan. 6), Stanford University's Cantor Arts Center will include photographs by Warhol that have never before been publicly displayed, drawn from the 130,000 contact

sheets and negatives the Cantor acquired from The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts in 2014. The collection represents Warhol's black-and-white photographic practice from 1976 until his death in 1987. Visitors will be able to use touch-screen monitors to browse through hundreds of contact sheets. Concurrent with the exhibition will be the revealing of a digitization project directed by Cantor project archivist Amy DiPasquale, who's worked for two-and-a-half years to create a searchable, public database of the Cantor's collection of Warhol's work.

Other exhibitions worth a look:

- "Africa, The Struggle of Beauty" at Pacific Art League, Sept. 7-Oct. 25; pacificartleague.org/upcoming-exhibitions.
- "Inspired by Juana" at the Los Altos History Museum (Oct. 18-March 31); losaltoshistory.org/exhibits/inspired-by-juana/.
- "Care and Feeding: The Art of Parenthood" at the Palo Alto Art Center (Sept. 15-Dec. 30); cityofpaloalto.org/gov/depts/csd/artcenter/exhibitions/upcoming.asp.
- Agnes Martin's "Navajo Blankets" at Pace Gallery (Sept. 27-Oct. 28), pacegallery.com/exhibitions/12954/agnes-martin-navajo-blankets.
- "Salon Style II" at Anderson Collection, Sept. 20-Feb. 18; anderson.stanford.edu/programs-exhibitions/salon-style-ii/.
- From the Palo Alto public art program: Community volunteers of all ages are invited to help artists create temporary environmental sculptures in the Baylands (Sept. 1, 2, 6 and 7), contact brittany.amante@cityofpaloalto.org to sign up or visit cityofpaloalto.org/gov/depts/csd/public_art/default.asp.

THEATER

The Pear's 17th season starts with a classic

Where: 1110 La Avenida St., Mountain View

Info: Go to thepear.org.

Though founder and former artistic director Diane Tasca has retired as head of Mountain

View's Pear Theatre, she's remained involved as a director, actor and playwright. For the Pear's upcoming season, her adaptation of Jane Austen's comic "Northanger Abbey," which debuted at the Pear a decade ago, receives a revival, this time in repertory, with one adult cast and one made up of local teens. Tasca said her adaptation takes Austen's words, including narration, straight from the page. She's excited to see it come to life again in the twin productions kicking off the Pear's 17th season. "It's the kind of play that I think is a good opening or closing because it's an ultimately joyous story," she said of Austen's satirical send-up of Gothic novels. "Northanger Abbey" runs Aug. 31-Sept. 23, followed by "Hedda Gabler" (Oct. 12-28) and "Girls Kill Nazis" (Nov. 9-Dec. 2).

Other onstage highlights

- From TheatreWorks Silicon Valley: "Native Gardens" (through Sept. 16); "Fun Home" (Oct. 3-28); "Tuck Everlasting" (Nov. 28-Dec. 30); theatreworks.org.
- From Los Altos Stage Company: "The Legend of Georgia McBride" (Sept. 6-30); "Into the Woods" (Nov. 29-Dec. 23); losaltosstage.org.
- From Palo Alto Players: "Tarzan" (Sept. 8-23); "All the Way" (Nov. 3-18); paplayers.org.
- From Dragon Theatre: "The (curious case of the) Watson Intelligence" (Sept. 14-Oct. 7); "K2" (Nov. 9-Dec. 2); dragonproductions.net.
- At the Palo Alto JCC: "The Chosen" (Oct. 20-21); paloaltojcc.org/Arts-and-Culture.
- From Broadway by the Bay: "Aida" (Nov. 2-18); broadwaybythebay.org.
- From West Bay Opera: "La Boheme" (Oct. 12-21); westbay-opera.org.
- From Upstage Theater: "Dog Sees God" (Oct. 26-28); upstage-theater.net/upcoming.html.
- From EnActe Arts: "A Widow of No Importance" (Nov. 30-Dec. 2); enacte.org.
- From Peninsula Youth Theatre: "Au Cabaret" (Sept. 22); "The Frog Prince" (Oct. 5-6); "Junie B. Jones is NOT a Crook" (Nov. 2-3); "Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka" (Nov. 10-18); pyt.net/org/.



COURTESY OF RANIA MATAR

Rania Matar's "Barbie Girl" will be part of the Palo Alto Art Center's "Care and Feeding" exhibition.

MUSIC

Oshman Family JCC's autumn concerts

Where: Schultz Cultural Arts Hall, 3921 Fabian Way, Palo Alto.

Info: Go to paloaltojcc.org.

The Oshman Family Jewish Community Center continues to make a name for itself as a local arts haven, with performances in a variety of media and genres. Music, in particular, is well-represented. This autumn, the JCC will host fiddler/singer-songwriter Phoebe Hunt and her group The Gatherers (Sept. 13); Beatles tribute Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Bluegrass Band (Oct. 11); Latin Grammy nominees and all-female Mariachi Flor de Toloache (Oct. 27); eight-piece jazz, Afro-Cuban, funk, world music group Wobbly World (Oct. 30); the legendary Mandy Patinkin (Nov. 1); "Jewish punk cabaret" group Daniel Kahn and the Painted Bird (Nov. 15), and virtuoso oboist Brenda Schuman-Post (Nov. 27).

Other concerts worth a listen

- From Stanford Live: Charles Lloyd and the Marvels with special guest Lucinda Williams (Sept. 21); Jon Cleary (Sept. 22); The Baylor Project (Sept. 23); Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra (Sept. 26); Tord Gustavsen Trio (Sept. 28); Nitin Sawhney (Sept. 29); Delgres (Sept. 30); Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra (Oct. 3); I'm With Her (Oct. 10); "Love, Life, and Loss: The Music of Stephen Sondheim" (Oct. 11); Diana Gameros (Oct. 13); The Kronos Quartet (Oct. 20); Seong-Jin Cho (Oct. 21);

John Lloyd Young (Oct. 27); The Routes of Slavery (Nov. 4); David Bowie's "Blackstar" (Nov. 7); Czech Philharmonic (Nov. 10); and Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir and the Tallinn Chamber Orchestra (Nov. 14); live.stanford.edu.

■ Palo Alto Philharmonic fall concerts, including the finale of longtime conductor Thomas Shoebottom (Sept. 8, Oct. 20, Nov. 10); paphil.org.

■ Redwood Symphony's fall concerts (Sept. 22, Oct. 28, Nov. 17); redwoodsymphony.org.

■ Shoreline Amphitheatre presents: Evanescence (Sept. 5); Dave Matthews Band (Sept. 8); Lauryn Hill (Sept. 20); Jason Aldean (Sept. 28);

Deep Purple and Judas Priest (Sept. 29); and Ozzy Osbourne and Stone Sour (Oct. 6); mountainviewamphitheater.com.

■ The Fox Theatre and Club Fox present: Kenny Wayne Shepherd Band (Sept. 11); Ottmar Liebert & Luna Negra (Sept. 13); The Simon and Garfunkel Story (Oct. 7); George Wassouf (Oct. 12); foxrwc.com.

■ California Bach Society's fall concert in Palo Alto (Oct. 20); calbach.org/tickets/

■ New Esterházy Quartet's fall concert in Palo Alto (Sept. 30); newesterhazy.org/

■ At Red Rock Coffee: Craig Marker (Sept. 14); Renee Dion (Sept. 15); Ciosi (Sept. 21); Garrison Starr (Sept. 22); redrockcoffee.org.

■ At the Community School of Music and Arts: Peter and Will Anderson (Sept. 15); Cal Arte Ensemble with Tamami Honma (Sept. 30); Mandy Chiu (Nov. 30); arts4all.org/events/#concerts. ■

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DAVID VS. GOLIATH

I love your editorial (“A dishonest debate over rent control,” Aug. 17). Thank you for such a wonderful literary piece about truth. I also love the letter “Measure V Too Costly funding” in the same edition of the *Voice*. It is hard to believe the greedy landlords went on to spend more than a quarter-million dollars telling nothing but lies about rent control to the Mountain View voters. But in the end, our flag of justice, dignity, and the truth keeps waving high above the mountain of greediness, deceptiveness, and immorality of all those for whom money is their god. And they worship him by crushing the dignity and humanity of their brothers and sisters in all our communities who need affordable housing and have the natural right to it, according to their human dignity.

But even though the California Apartment Association did not get the 5,500 signatures they needed to put their deceptive initiative on the November ballot, they have not given up. They keep lying to the voters to falsely qualify for the 2020 elections. But again, in the end, with the brave support of the *Voice* and so many private people and community organizations and volunteers, the “Mountain View little David” personified by the tenants who need affordable housing the most and no unjust evictions will prevail over the “giant Goliath” personified by the greedy members of the CAA and its backers, who only go by the law of supply and demand.

*Job Lopez
McCarty Avenue*

MAINTAIN HONESTY AND INTEGRITY

Last week I stopped by the homes of 700 of my fellow Mountain View residents. My purpose: to hand out flyers warning voters not to sign a sneaky repeal of Measure V currently being circulated by paid signature gatherers. The flyer also contains a simple form that more than 300 Mountain View residents have filled out to remove their signature after realizing they had been deceived. Unfortunately, a group of corporate landlords has spent over a quarter-million

dollars to trick voters into signing a petition that claims to support rent control but would actually repeal Mountain View’s current rent protections.

Although I am not a renter, I, like many in our community, am concerned about corruption and undemocratic behavior at the national level. While it’s hard to influence national politics, we can certainly fight to maintain honesty and integrity at the local level. Kudos to Mayor Siegel and to council members Showalter and Rosenberg for speaking out clearly against this sneaky repeal. If you’d like to join our volunteer effort, you can contact mvtc.volunteer@gmail.com.

*Kara Sanchez
Piazza Drive*

RE-ELECT ELLEN WHEELER

We are a group of parents from the Mountain View Whisman School District writing this letter to support Ellen Wheeler. We are actively involved or have previously belonged to different groups at various schools in the district during the past 10 years, including DELAC, ELAC, PTA and school site councils, just to name a few.

We strongly believe Ms. Wheeler should be re-elected to the school district board since she has a positive, proven track record addressing and solving community needs.

Ms. Wheeler is an active listener and is a hands-on person who goes far and beyond to solve problems in a fair and non-biased manner to benefit the majority of students. Ellen Wheeler is always involved and is present during local school and community events. She consistently listens to parent concerns and always does the necessary research to inform the parents with accurate information.

Ms. Wheeler has always had the genuine professionalism to be inclusive of all her constituents regarding their concerns and opinions.

On one occasion, Marilu Cuesta wrote a letter to the MVWSD board members, including the superintendent, to ask about how the school district would support the students through the transition to Common Core. Ms. Wheeler was the only one who quickly

responded to her concern.

Ms. Wheeler’s long-term experience within the school district and the community has equipped her with information and knowledge about the educational system. Therefore, we strongly believe that she should be re-elected as a school board member.

*Azucena Castanon,
Marilu Cuesta, Rosalia Gil,
Olga Melo, Paula Perez and
Maribel Virgen*

RAISE YOUR VOICE

Separating children from their families and placing them in detention facilities is child abuse (as defined in federal law). Our federal government must not delay further in complying with court orders to reunite children, many under 5 years old, with their families — wherever they may be. Especially troubling is the deportation of migrant parents without their children.

As both common sense and scientific research tell us, removing children from their families leaves children vulnerable to trauma and lasting toxic stress, putting them at risk of developing depression and anxiety disorders. Volunteering in this field, we have seen firsthand trauma’s lasting damage to children’s development. Furthermore, childhood emotional trauma is strongly correlated with adult drug and alcohol abuse, illness, antisocial behavior, and criminality — and the attendant costs to society.

For families seeking asylum or held in detention, it is imperative that the government respect the right to due process guaranteed by our Constitution to everyone, regardless of immigration status. The children’s rights must be honored — rights to speedy release to their parents, guardians, or

relatives, and to family visitation regardless of immigration status, as required by the U.S. Supreme Court in the settlement agreement in *Flores v. Reno* and by various enforcement actions, e.g. *Flores v. Sessions*, 862 F.3d 863 (9th Cir. 2017).

Please raise your voice with the many others who implore the federal government to hasten family reunification and to refrain permanently from family separation. Our government’s actions in this matter violate myriad values that we share as Americans — justice, freedom, due process, equal protection, the sanctity of the family, the protection of children, and, above all, human decency.

*Carol and Keating Rhoads
View Street*

TAKE CLIMATE CHANGE SERIOUSLY

In an amazing New York Times article, a beetle, stuck in amber 99 million years ago, was found to be covered in pollen from a cycad (an ancient tree/fern plant type). The ancient cycad depended on the beetle to fertilize it, and in turn provided the beetle with food. What I found most amazing was that this relationship has persisted to the present day. Australian beetles are still fertilizing modern cycads.

How beautiful that this mutually beneficial relationship has persisted across the eons.

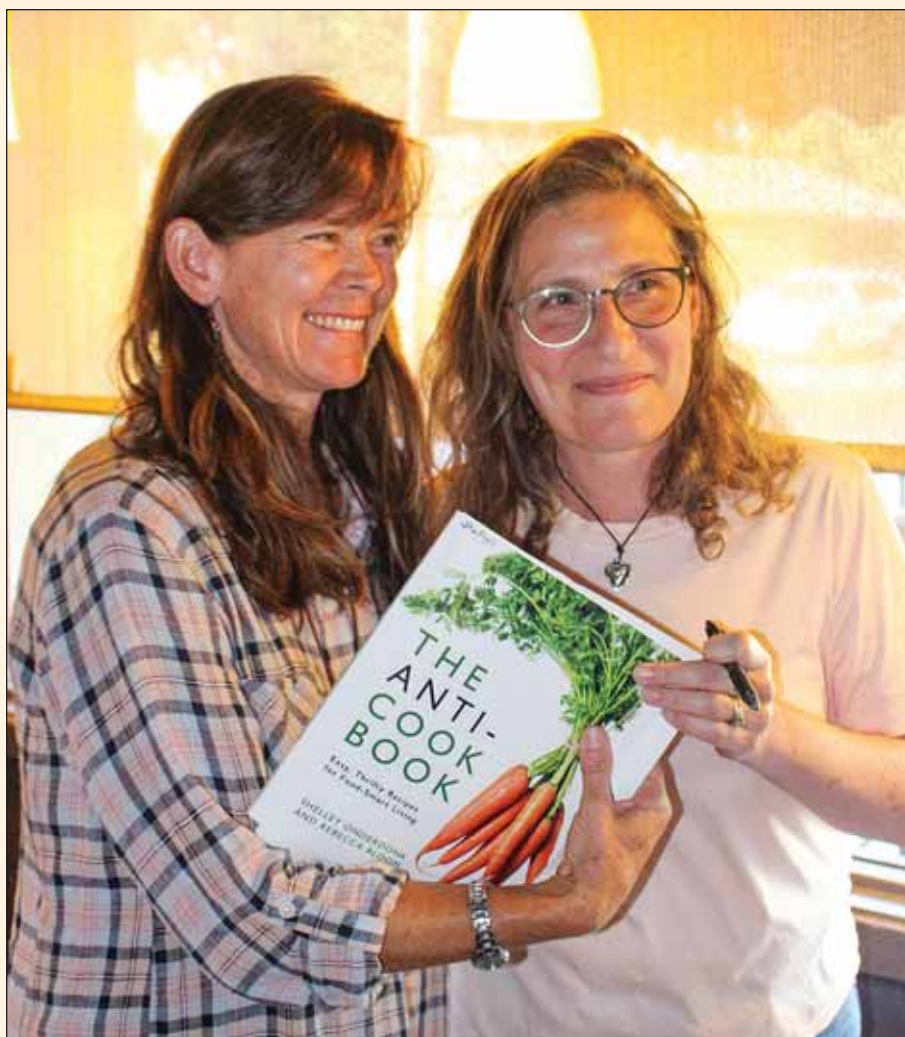
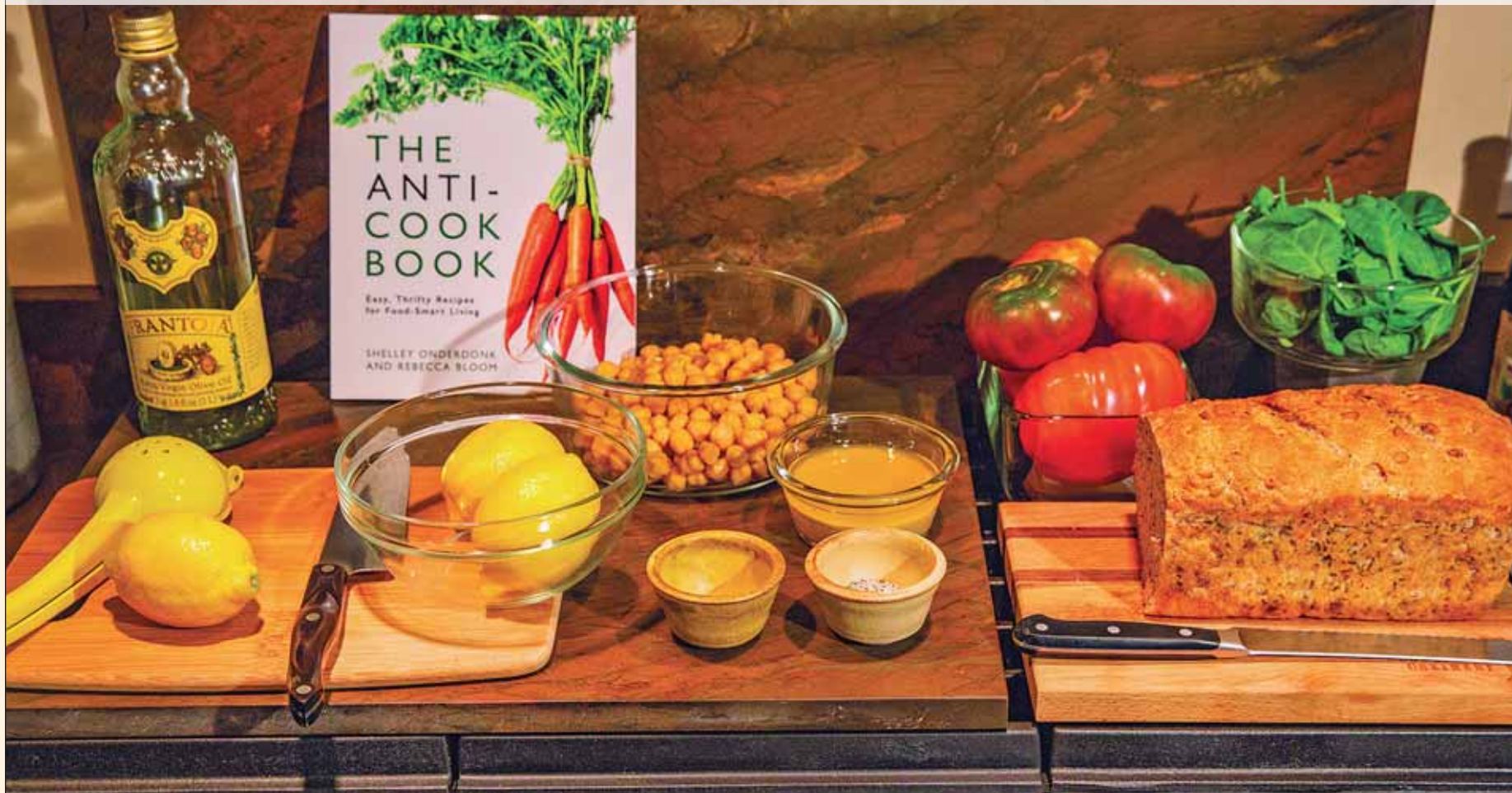
How sad that our society’s destructive relationship with nature will be lucky to last another century unless we start to take climate change seriously and change our environmental ethics to seek mutual benefit rather than greed and exploitation.

*Ed Taub
Devoto Street*

What’s on your mind?

The *Voice* is accepting letters to the editor and guest opinion pieces on the November election. Guest opinion pieces should be 600 words or fewer, and letters no more than 300 words. Both letters and op-eds need to be signed by the author(s) in order to be considered. We require a street and city for individuals. Submissions can be emailed to letters@mv-voice.com.

■ FOOD FEATURE



Shelley Onderdonk, left, and Rebecca Bloom sign copies of their new book, based on their experiences learning to cook while in college.



Ingredients are laid out for hummus on toast, according to directions in "The Anti-Cookbook" that local resident Rebecca Bloom wrote with her college roommate.

Passing on basic kitchen knowhow

FORMER COLLEGE ROOMMATES REUNITE TO PEN A NEW KIND OF COOKBOOK

Story by Kate Bradshaw | Photos by Natalia Nazarova

Back in 1985, Yale University roommates Rebecca Bloom of New York and Shelley Onderdonk of San Mateo had approximately no money, one pot, one pan and a couple of knives between them.

They didn't take the easy way out and subsist on Top Ramen. The duo navigated their early independence together, a big part of which was bonding over learning to cook.

Thirty or so years later, they're still

friends — Bloom now lives in Menlo Park and Onderdonk in South Carolina — and both are raising families. Bloom is a writer, editor, tutor, activist and former attorney, while Onderdonk is a veterinarian, writer, rider and yoga instructor.

Both women say they were struck when their oldest kids, college grads trying to make it in New York — a place where rent leaves little extra money for eating out — came to their mothers,

asking very basic, “eggheaded” questions about how they should feed themselves.

Recalling their own processes of figuring out how to eat well, cheaply and in ways that aligned with their values, they decided to team up to write “The Anti-Cookbook: Easy, Thrifty Recipes for Food-Smart Living.”

They self-published the book using Createspace. It’s available for purchase at Cafe Zoe and Kepler’s Books in Menlo Park and through Amazon.

The end product is more than just an explainer for clueless Millennials, who are often lampooned for spending excessively on trendy foods like nitro coffee, kombucha and avocado toast. In addition to basic cooking advice, the authors sprinkle — like their spice combination recommendations — the book with reminiscences of their own culinary memories, handy recipes and screenshots of cooking-related text Q&As with their kids.

What emerges is a shared manifesto tying food and cooking to health, wellness, feminism, ethics and independence.

The book draws its title from a coloring book one of the authors had bought for her kids, called the “Anti-Coloring Book,” which encouraged kids to literally color outside of the

lines. Adopting a similar improvisational approach, the Anti-Cookbook encourages readers to riff on and experiment with the recommendations in its pages, the authors said.

“We aren’t chefs, and that’s kind of the point,” Onderdonk told attendees at a crowded launch party for the book held recently at Cafe Zoe.

“We really both went through periods of struggling to feed our families, work and balance it all,” she said. “We wrote this book so the next generation doesn’t have to struggle.”

Their kids, they say, are high-achievers who, like many their age, studied Shakespeare but perhaps not home economics in school. Public schools don’t offer it anymore, even though, they argue, a substantial part of one’s happiness, health and financial future depends on how one chooses to feed oneself. Their book seeks to fill in some part of that knowledge gap.

They insist that cooking needn’t be painfully time-consuming, elaborate or intimidating. In that respect, they stand against some of the showier elements of cooking.

Food can be a trigger for complicated emotions, which they admit can sometimes be wielded to invoke shame. Food imagery



Rebecca Bloom of Menlo Park puts the finishing touches on a simple meal of hummus on toast.

presented through Instagram or glossy cookbooks can prompt feelings similar to those experienced while seeing other people’s vacation photos, and can leave some people feeling discouraged by their own cooking because it may not be as beautiful or tasty as someone else’s.

“It’s not a measure of the quality of your soul every time you cook a meal,” Bloom said.

Their recipes are simple and adaptable to whatever’s in the fridge.

“So throw in those dried cranberries, add more spinach for color, or try a substitution that

aligns with your values, resources, or whims,” they write.

Alternatively, Bloom said, it’s also OK to not add lemon zest to a recipe, for example, if you simply don’t feel like zesting a lemon.

“We want to empower people

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

Sunday School Kick-off and
Kids Carnival Day
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Citizens Watchdog Committee Report to the Public

2000 Measure A Sales Tax Activities Fiscal Year 2017 (7/1/16 – 6/30/17)

VTA delivers transportation solutions critical to the vitality, prosperity and quality of life for all who live, work or play in Santa Clara County.

In November 2000, Santa Clara County voters approved Measure A, a 30-year half-cent sales tax devoted to specific public transit capital improvement projects and operations. Tax collection began in mid-2006, making FY 2017 the 11th year of the 30-year program.

A few key Fiscal Year 2017 accomplishments include:

- **Extending BART to the Silicon Valley** cities of Milpitas, San Jose and Santa Clara. Construction for the Phase I extension to the Berryessa area of San Jose was essentially completed. Since then, testing and integration is underway, with revenue service anticipated for 2019. Phase II, the last six miles that extends the system all the way to Santa Clara, had significant progress during the period, including the release of the environmental document and the subsequent approval by the Board in mid-2018.
- **Improving Caltrain** through the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project, which will increase speed, capacity, and reliability and reduce carbon footprint. Work continued for this project during FY 2017 and passenger service with electric trains is anticipated for 2022.
- **Improving Bus Service in Major Corridors** with the implementation of the Alum Rock – Santa Clara Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) along the highest transit ridership corridor. Construction contract associated with the improvements for the Stevens Creek Rapid 523 was awarded in April 2017 and was completed since then.

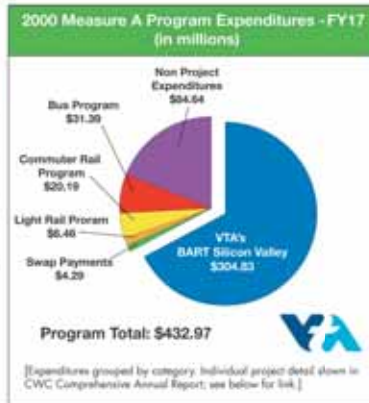
Santa Clara County voters entrusted the Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC), comprised of fellow community members, with overseeing Measure A expenditures to ensure your sales tax dollars are spent as intended by the ballot. After thorough and careful consideration:

It is the conclusion of the CWC that for the period of FY 2017, 2000 Measure A tax dollars were spent in accordance with the intent of the Measure.

Additional Measure A information is available on VTA's website (www.vta.org/cwc) including:

- **CWC Measure A FY 2017 Benefits & Key Achievements Report.**
- **CWC Comprehensive Annual Report on FY 2017**, which provides a detailed description and status on all Measure A projects and the CWC's responsibilities.

Printed copies of select Measure A and CWC reports are available at libraries and other public buildings throughout the county, and at the VTA offices at 3331 North First Street, San Jose, CA, in the Building B Lobby.



Rebecca Bloom pours ingredients into the blender to make a batch of hummus.

ANTI-COOKBOOK

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to make healthy food that is not complicated, that's not going to take six hours and an extra trip to the grocery store," Onderdonk said.

The authors position themselves as advocates of what they've termed "food-smart living" — tossing in their own recommendations on which types of produce it makes a difference to buy organic (foods that grow underground whose skins you eat, or are likely sprayed often) and when it's worth it to prepare something from scratch (slice your own veggies, shred your own cheese and blend your own smoothies, but feel free to buy pie crusts, pasta and pizza dough to save some hassle).

Most of their recipes are vegetarian and don't rely on costly ingredients. Bloom said that her daughter now spends only \$30 most weeks on groceries in New York City, cooking with recipes in the book.

To teach her daughters to cook, Bloom writes, is to give them an

empowering life skill.

"If you have the ability to gather ingredients and feed yourself you are well on your way to being strong and independent. I hope my daughters never feel that they have to rely on someone else to do things for them," she writes.

For the authors, food can be a source of serious comfort, and preparing it a meditative act.

"The act of your hands peeling a carrot, slicing some bread, or whisking up a concoction connects you to those who did those things for you when you were too small to do them yourself. ... It allows you to contemplate your place in the cosmos and to define yourself simply by repeating the actions required to prepare a meal," Bloom writes.

Another mindfulness-through-food suggestion: "If gratitude journaling isn't your thing, try toast," Bloom writes. Add butter and a dash of salt, then relish the simple deliciousness of it all.

Go to is.gd/anticookbook462 to learn more about the book. ▀

Email Kate Bradshaw at kbradshaw@almanacnews.com



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.**

■ NOW SHOWING

- A.X.L. ()** Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Alpha (PG-13)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- An Affair to Remember (1957) (Not Rated)**
Stanford Theatre: Fri. - Sun.
- Ant-Man and the Wasp (PG-13) ★★★** Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- BlacKkKlansman (R) ★★★1/2** Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Christopher Robin (PG)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Crazy Rich Asians (PG-13) ★★★1/2** Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Eighth Grade (R) ★★★1/2** Aquarius Theatre: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Fantastic Beasts And Where To Find Them (PG-13) ★★★1/2**
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Father of the Bride (1950) (Not Rated)** Stanford Theatre: Fri. - Sun.
- Geetha Govindam (Telugu with English subtitles) (Not Rated)**
Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
- The Happytime Murders (R)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (PG) ★★★**
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (PG) ★★★**
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (PG) ★★★**
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Incredibles 2 (PG) ★★★1/2** Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Juliet, Naked (R)** Aquarius Theatre: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom (PG-13) ★★★1/2**
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Kin (PG-13)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- The Little Stranger (R)** Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
Palo Alto Square: Fri. - Sun.
- Mamma Mia! Here we Go Again (PG-13)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun.
Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- The Meg (PG-13)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Mile 22 (R)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Mission: Impossible Fallout (PG-13) ★★★1/2**
Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Operation Finale (PG-13)** Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
Palo Alto Square: Fri. - Sun.
- Papillon (R)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- The Rocky Horror Picture Show (1975) (R)** Guild Theatre: Saturday
- Rudy (1999) (PG)** Century 20: Sunday
- Searching (PG-13)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.
- Three Identical Strangers (PG-13)** Aquarius Theatre: Fri. - Sun.
- The Wife (R) ★★★** Guild Theatre: Fri. - Sun.
- Ya Veremos (PG-13)** Century 16: Fri. - Sun. Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

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■ MOVIE OPENINGS



COURTESY SCREEN GEMS

John Cho plays a San Jose father whose daughter goes missing in "Searching."

Oh what a tangled www ...

THRILLER 'SEARCHING' PLAYS OUT ON A LAPTOP SCREEN

★★★1/2 (Century 16 & 20)

Leave it to a former Google employee to make a film like "Searching," with a title that puns on the internet as a portal to knowledge while describing a father's desperate hunt for his missing daughter. Co-writer/director Aneesh Chaganty used to direct ads for Google, and in many respects, his thriller "Searching" plays like an upbeat tutorial on a suite of useful online tools. But it's also, at times, a consideration of the ways we have ceded our relationships and memories and secrets to a violable cyberspace.

Like 2014's "Unfriended," also produced by Timur Bekmambetov, "Searching" runs on a budget-friendly gimmick: Everything we see and hear comes from a computer, the film screen given over to a Mac screen.

John Cho ("Star Trek") stars as David Kim, single father to 16-year-old daughter Margot (Michelle La) living in San Jose. In the prologue, we learn how this loving family lost wife and

mother (Sara Sohn's Pam) to lymphoma. In the wake of losing Pam, deep-feeling David turns all of his considerable emotional energy to supporting—in some ways, smothering—his daughter, their mutual grief ever-present but unaddressed.

Chaganty and co-writer Sev Ohanian wisely balance the coolness of technology with the warmth of poignancy at multiple points in their story. At the film's outset, David repeatedly lays into Margot for forgetting to take out the trash, only to realize that she has gone missing and nothing could be more trivial than that minor offense. Thirty-seven hours later, and no closer to answers, David becomes the key investigator, tracking his daughter's online footprints and discovering how little he understood her, adding pain and confusion to his desperation and trauma. Debra Messing's "Silicon Valley Police Department" detective invites David's digital legwork, but comes to view it as a liability

when emotion clouds the father's judgment.

One can't blame Chaganty for certain cheats (like how often and how prominently we see Cho's face as he stares into his computer), while others (a third-act reliance on TV news reports watched on the computer) strain the film's concept. These are, after all, exceptions to the rule of a mostly ingenious and well-executed deep dive into amateur computer forensics, the titillating and terrifying privacy violation of stalking someone through their endless daily interactions with a laptop, desktop or phone.

Often this means turning the mundane suspenseful, such as a roundabout password recovery that unlocks Dad's access to his daughter's private emails and Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter accounts. Instant messages, calendar items, eBay purchases, YouTube videos, and online banking records contribute to the agonizing piecing together of an urgent puzzle. "Searching" offers evidence of our social dependence on technology and the ways in which it uniquely unleashes society's collective id (the vile vox populi of internet commenters, whose anonymity frees them of responsibility), adding sideswipes at social media hypocrisy and media circuses like TMZ.

If "Searching" plays fair and makes it possible to spot a key clue in advance, its twisty thrills also culminate in a climactic pileup, a resolution that strains credibility and lets much of the air out of what has come before. Still, in concert with a dynamic leading performance by Cho, Chaganty manages an engaging popcorn suspense picture that also speaks to how technology enables and frustrates us in some of the most important moments of our lives. *Rated PG-13 for thematic content, some drug and sexual references, and for language. One hour, 42 minutes.*

— Peter Canavese

Notice to Bidders

Sub-Bids Requested for The Fountains Moderate Rehabilitation Recruitment Announcement

- Elevator Repair
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If you are interested in getting involved in moderate rehab at The Fountains located at 2005 San Ramon Drive, Mounting View, CA 94043, James P. Silva Construction Inc will describe the job opportunities associated with the rehab that will take place starting September 2018.

Please connect with:
James P Silva Construction Inc
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MBE/WBE/DBE contractors and Section 3 businesses, including Public Housing Residents and those who live in HUD-assisted projects are encouraged to connect with me about contracting and job opportunities.



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CONCERT ON THE PLAZA

Friends and neighbors can bring their blanket or lawn chair down to the Civic Center Plaza for a variety of musical performances. In addition to the music, there will be food trucks, a "Pop Up Park" area for children and for adults, beer and wine. Sept. 7, 6-7:30 p.m. Free. Civic Center Plaza, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. mountainview.gov/plazaevents

THEATER

'The Legend of Georgia McBride' The Los Altos Stage Company will present "The Legend of Georgia McBride," a comedy about an Elvis impersonator who is replaced by a B-level drag show. Sept. 6-30. \$20-\$38. Bus Barn Theatre, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos. losaltosstage/georgia-McBride

'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.

TheatreWorks Silicon Valley Presents 'Native Gardens' Award-winning playwright Karen Zacarias wrote TheatreWorks' new play "Native Gardens," a suburban comedy about a Latino couple that moves in next to a prominent Washington, D.C. family.

Conflicts over fences and flora escalate into a strong dialogue about race, taste, class and privilege. Through Sept. 16, times vary. \$40-\$100. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. theatreworks.org

Bay Area Opera Collaborative Presents 'The Pirates of Penzance' Bay Area Opera Collaborative will present a gender-swapped production of "The Pirates of Penzance," a romance between two pirates. Sept. 8-9, 15, 16, 22-23, times vary. \$13-\$26. Hillview Middle School Performing Arts Center, 1100 Elder Ave., Menlo Park. bayop.org

Palo Alto Players Presents: Disney's 'Tarzan' Theatre company Palo Alto Players will present the musical "Tarzan," based on the Disney movie. There will also be an opening night party on Sept. 8 with a post-show champagne reception and a post-show director/cast talkback on Sept. 13 with director Patrick Klein and members of the cast. Sept. 7-23, times vary. \$25-\$55. Lucie Stern Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. paplayers.org

MUSEUMS & EXHIBITS

Alphabété: The World Through the Eyes of Frédéric Bruly Bouabré The Cantor Arts Center will display Frédéric Bruly Bouabré's artwork. The exhibit will show Bouabré'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 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 Feb. 25, times vary. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions

Painting Nature in the American Gilded Age The Cantor Arts Center's newest exhibition will consider how nature was depicted by American artists from the 1880s to 1910, an era of unprecedented industrialization and urban development. Through landscapes, portraits and still lifes, the exhibition will delve into the importance of nature for artists and the public. Sept. 5-Aug. 25, times vary. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions

Heritage Walks through Historic Orchard Hosted by the Los Altos History Museum, Robin Chapman, author of "California Apricots: The Lost Orchards of Silicon Valley," will lead heritage walks through the Los Altos Civic Center Orchard. Sept. 8, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Free. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road., Los Altos. losaltoshistory.org/events

'Into Plein Air' by Carol Mead Viewpoints Gallery and Carol Mead will present their September exhibition, "Into Plein Air" by Carol Mead. This exhibition, which features Mead's plein air works in watercolor and pastel, will include views of local scenes as well as watercolor paintings from her previous trips abroad. An artist's reception will be held on Sept. 7, 5-8 p.m. Exhibit runs Sept. 4-29, times vary. Free. Viewpoints Gallery, 315 State St., Los Altos. viewpointsgallery.com

'The Struggle of Beauty: African Wildlife Photography Exhibition' "The Struggle of Beauty," a fine art photography exhibition, features photographic works by cinema-photographer Andrew Wegst, photographers Sebastião Salgado, Oliver Klink and Terri Vershel. The exhibition will also be complemented with a narrative exhibit by environmental organization WildAid. The exhibit aims to raise awareness of the conflict between man and environment and the commercialization of animal products. An opening reception will be held Sept. 7, 5:30-8 p.m. Free. Pacific Art League, 668 Ramona St., Palo Alto.

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. events.stanford.edu/events

CONCERTS

Dave Matthews Band Rock group Dave Matthews Band will perform its new songs

as part of its 2018 summer tour. Sept. 8, 8 p.m. \$49-\$115. Shoreline Amphitheatre, 1 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

Evanescence + Lindsey Stirling Tour Rock band Evanescence will perform with violinist Lindsey Stirling as part of the band's summer North American tour. The group will play songs from their latest album, "Synthesis," accompanied by a live orchestra. Sept. 5, 7 p.m. \$25-\$99. Shoreline Amphitheatre, 1 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

FESTIVALS & FAIRS

From STEM to STEAM: How an Engineer Wrote a Play Narrative science film "Humanity Needs Dreamers: A Visit with Marie Curie" will have its Bay Area debut screening. The film will be followed by a keynote presentation and panel discussion exploring the intersection of STEM and the performing arts. Sept. 7, 5 p.m. Free. Computer History Museum, 1401 N. Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. computerhistory.org/events/upcoming

47th Mountain View Art & Wine Festival The 47th Mountain View Art & Wine Festival will feature live music, over 500 professional artists, the "Mountain View's Got Talent" Community Stage, activities for kids and food and wine. Sept. 8, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sept. 9, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Free. Downtown Mountain View, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. bit.ly/mountain-view-art-and-wine-festival

TALKS & LECTURES

Kim Steinhart at Books Inc. Palo Alto Marine wildlife photographer, ocean conservationist and columnist Kim Steinhart will discuss his novel, "The Edge: The Pressured Past and Precarious Future of California's Coast." Sept. 6, 7-9 p.m. Free. Books Inc. Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. booksinc.net

Book Event with Lucinda Bakken White Local author Lucinda Bakken White will discuss her new memoir, "Confessions of a Bone Woman: Realizing Authentic Wildness in a Civilized World." Sept. 8, 7:30-9 p.m. Free. East West Book Store, 324 Castro St., Mountain View. eastwestbooks.org/events/sep8a

The Future of Meat in America: This is Now with Angie Coiro Bay Area radio journalist Angie Coiro will be joined by Nicolette Hahn Niman, who will speak about the problems of industrialized food production, and Rebekah Moses, who leads sustainability and agriculture at Impossible Foods. Sept. 4, 7:30-9 p.m. Free. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

Philosophy Talk Live at Kepler's with Guest Steven Pinker Kepler's Books invites a live audience to listen in on a recording of a new episode of "Philosophy Talk." Hosts Ken Taylor and Josh Landy will be joined by cognitive scientist Steven Pinker, author of "Enlightenment Now: The Case for Reason, Science, Humanism and Progress." Sept. 6, 7-8:30 p.m. \$15-\$45. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

Chris Hedges: This is Now with Angie Coiro Pulitzer Prize winner Chris Hedges will discuss his most recent book "America: The Farewell Tour," which advises his audience to not compromise as it assesses today's political and societal realities. Sept. 8, 4-5:30 p.m. \$10-\$40. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

LESSONS & CLASSES

Scottish Country Dancing The Mountain View Sports Pavilion will host a Scottish country dance class. Wednesdays, 7:45-

10 p.m. First time free; \$10 thereafter. Mountain View Sports Pavilion, 1185 Castro St., Mountain View. mtview-rscds.org

Workshop on How to Harvest Rainwater for Gardens and Creeks Grassroots Ecology at Gamble Garden will teach the hows and whys of rainwater capture, give a presentation on sustainable rainwater management and lead tours of the new rainwater installations at Gamble. Sept. 8, 10-11 a.m. Free. Gamble Garden, 1431 Waverley St., Palo Alto. gamblegarden.org/event

Native Plant Gardens and Pollinators Instructor Juanita Salisbury will explain how to create a landscape plan, what plants to use and why, plus how to maintain a habitat over many years. Afterwards, there will be a walkthrough of Gamble Garden's native plants. Sept. 8, 9:30-11:30 a.m. \$25-\$35. Gamble Garden, 1431 Waverley St., Palo Alto. gamblegarden.org/event/native-plant-gardens-pollinators

SPORTS

Palo Alto Senior Table Tennis: Free and Fun Exercise The Palo Alto Senior Table Tennis Club invites seniors 55 and older to bring a racket and pair of tennis shoes to play table tennis. Every Tuesday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Free; suggested \$1 donation. Cubberley Community Center, Gym B, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Mountain View Woman's Club Mountain View Woman's Club is a charitable organization working on community projects. For more information please call 650-282-5336. First Wednesday of each month, noon. Free. Mountain View Masonic Lodge, 890 Church St., Mountain View. mtviewwomansclub.org/index.html

VOLUNTEERS

Living Classroom Needs Docents for Garden-Based Education Program A training session will be held for potential docents at the Living Classroom. The program is seeking volunteers to share their love of nature with children through teaching our garden-based lessons. Training will be provided. Docents lead and assist lessons from grades kindergarten to eighth grade in Mountain View Whisman School District. Sept. 1-18, 8:15 a.m.-2:45 p.m. Free. Living Classroom - all MVWSD public schools, multiple locations, Mountain View. living-classroom.org/become-a-docent.html

Volunteer Open House The Los Altos History Museum will host a volunteer open house for interested people. The museum will match volunteer opportunities to various interests, including caring for the museum's gardens or leading tours in the J. Gilbert Smith House. Sept. 6, 9-11 a.m. Free. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. losaltoshistory.org/events/volunteer-open-house

JustREAD / JustMATH New Volunteer Tutor Orientation JustREAD/JustMATH is looking for more volunteer tutors to help one hour a week at Mountain View schools during the 2018-2019 school year. No experience required. Sept. 6, 10-11 a.m. Free. JustREAD Center, 1299 Bryant Ave., Mountain View. justreadcenters.org



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135 Group Activities

Parents Nursery School Carnival

145 Non-Profits Needs

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601 Accounting/ Bookkeeping

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757 Handyman/ Repairs

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Real Estate

801 Apartments/ Condos/Studios

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Public Notices

995 Fictitious Name Statement

NOT APPLICABLE CREATIVE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: FBN644800

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Not Applicable Creative, located at 215 W. Olive Ave., Apt. 4, Sunnyvale, CA 94086, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: A General Partnership.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
AMBER J. SCHULTZ
215 W. Olive Ave. Apt. 4
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

NICOLE J. DURAN
4378 17TH Street Apt. B
San Francisco, CA 94114
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 6/1/18.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on July 27, 2018. (MNV Aug. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2018)

MITCHELL CONSULTING
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: FBN645174

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Mitchell Consulting, located at 522 S. Murphy Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA 94086.

This business is owned by: A limited liability company.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are): MINNICHKA, LLC
809 Cuesta Drive B2146
Mountain View, CA 94040
Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 04/02/1996.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on August 9, 2018. (MNV Aug 17, 24, 31, Sept 7, 2018)

BIG O TIRES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: FBN645491

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Big O Tires, located at 215 W. El Camino Real, 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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415 Military East

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Benicia, CA 94510
Registrant began transacting business 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

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JACK CUSUMANO
Case No.: 18PR183994
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will 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 appointed as personal representative to 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. First St., San Jose, CA, 95113. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the

hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58 (b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner: David A. Nearon, Jr. 1212 Rossmoor Parkway Walnut Creek, CA 94595 (925) 933-6764 (MVV Aug 17, 24, 31, 2018)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JUNE ETSUKO HOSHI
Case No.: 18 PR 184196
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JUNE ETSUKO HOSHI.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: STEVE ISHII in the Superior Court of California, County of SANTA CLARA. The Petition for Probate requests that: STEVE ISHII be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take

many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on November 19, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept.: 12 of the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, located at 191 N. First St., San Jose, CA, 95113. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58 (b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner: Grant T. Tomioka Esq. 4444 Geary Blvd #301 San Francisco, CA 94118 (415) 670-9929 (MVV Aug. 31; Sept. 7, 14, 2018)

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