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Josh Shawver rushes toward a hoop-shaped goal with the quaffle during a scrimmage at Charleston Park on April 9. He's a member of the Silicon Valley Vipers, a local team competing in a quidditch league, a sport dreamed up by "Harry Potter" creator J.K. Rowling.

MAGALI GAUTHIER

Spellbound by quidditch

LOCAL TEAMS TAKE A PAGE OUT OF 'HARRY POTTER' TO COMPETE AT FANTASTICAL SPORT

By Magali Gauthier

Quidditch games aren't just played in "Harry Potter" books — they're taking place at Mountain View and Palo Alto parks.

The Bay Area Breakers and the Silicon Valley Vipers are two community adult teams

that practice the magical sport at Shoreline Athletics Fields and nearby recreational spaces. Last week, both clubs competed in the 12th annual US Quidditch Cup in Round Rock, Texas.

The real world version of the game combines elements of dodgeball, rugby, hockey

and basketball, but without the flying brooms dreamed up by author J.K. Rowling. Seven players on each team try to score by throwing the quaffle, a deflated volleyball, into one of three hoops. The game ends when the golden snitch, a ball

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By Kevin Forestieri

Seeking to bring down the high cost of building housing in North Bayshore, Mountain View City Council members voted last week to cut park fees for a development in exchange for an acre of private open space.

Council members warned that they were not setting a precedent with the Sobrato Organization's project, calling it an anomaly. But some city leaders worry this is the latest in a string of concessions that will leave little cash to build a school within Mountain View's dense, tech park neighborhood.

Sobrato's project at 1255 Pear Ave., which was approved by the City Council months ago, is a mixed-use development of offices and 635 apartments, and marks the city's first foray into housing in North Bayshore. But Sobrato and other prospective developers in the area north of Highway 101

say the ever-increasing cost of park and school fees is threatening the viability of building the thousands of homes slated for the area.

Last month, the council agreed on a framework through which Sobrato could apply for an "open space credit" and construct a privately owned park on its property

— accessible to the public — in exchange for a reduction in park fees equal to 75% of the value of the 1-acre park proposed in the project. According to city staff, that lowers the park fees Sobrato has to pay the city from \$38.1 million to \$30.4 million. The City Council approved the discount on a 5-2 vote at the April 9 meeting, with council members Margaret Abe-Koga and John McAlister opposed.

A similar compromise on school fees was approved when Sobrato's project came before the council for approval in October. The two school districts serving the area, Mountain View Whisman and Mountain View-Los Altos High, had asked for a combined \$24.4 million from Sobrato to offset the cost of new students generated by the project, but the developer sought to pay roughly one-third that amount. The council split the difference, requiring Sobrato pay \$12 million.

Escalating costs have been a major concern for the developers seeking to build homes in North Bayshore, specifically Google and Sobrato, whose representatives told the council in September that costs per apartment unit shot up by \$120,000 in one

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City leaves cannabis businesses high and dry

PERMIT PROCESS STALLS AS COUNCIL RECONSIDERS WHERE TO ALLOW LEGAL SALES

By Adam F. Hutton

Potential pot businesses in Mountain View have been left high and dry by the City Council, which delayed a scheduled lottery for a limited number of permits, and is keeping the applicants in the dark about their future.

Last year, the council voted

to issue four licenses — two for storefront retail shops and two to delivery services. The city received applications from 10 would-be cannabis business owners and scheduled a lottery to select the winners in March.

But progress on the issue slowed in 2019 after last November's election saw two pro-cannabis-business council members

ousted. The new majority on the City Council has since voted to revisit the regulations and, city staff said, the application process is on hold.

Those recent delays have the cannabis industry "beside themselves," said lobbyist Sean Kali-rai with the Silicon Valley Cannabis Alliance. He says Mountain View hasn't informed the

people who applied for cannabis licenses about their status and hasn't responded to questions about when the process could resume.

"The real problem here is the lack of information going forward," Kali-rai said. "There seems to be no urgency in getting this resolved."

Former Mountain View Mayor

Lenny Siegel criticized the current council for putting off the lottery and keeping applicants in the dark.

"The delay is a problem because businesses have been investing on the chance that they might win the lottery and now they can't do business," Siegel said.

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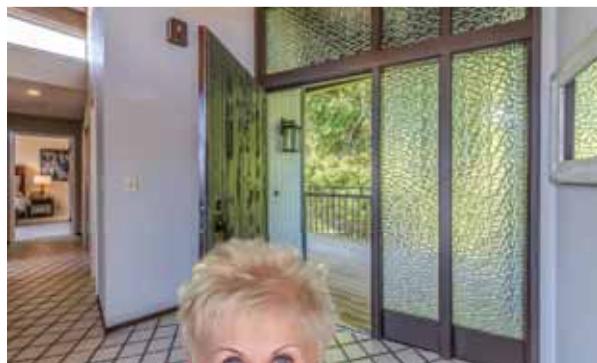
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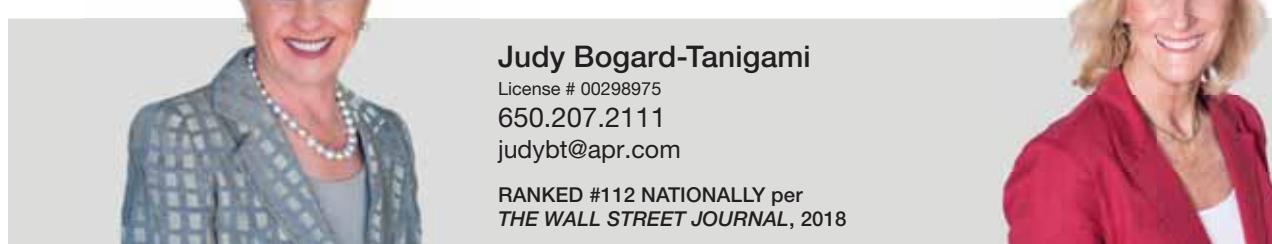
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'THE GRAPES OF WRATH'

Los Altos Stage Company's current production of "The Grapes of Wrath" is blessed with a mostly excellent cast, fine direction from Jeffrey Lo, a pretty set and even a good little barefoot band in the corner. What it's missing is desperation, starvation, a sense of place and palpable death.

It is likely that no shortened version of John Steinbeck's 1939 masterpiece can ever really accomplish what exists in the novel's nearly 500 pages. Every page in Steinbeck's Great Depression-set book is magnificent and powerful. Yes, horrible things happen to human beings — such as evil bankers and disastrous droughts — but in the end, the human spirit pulls us through.

In the story, Tom Joad is released from prison after only four years of a seven-year sentence for murder. The first thing family and friends ask is "Did you bust out?"

The family farm in Oklahoma has been bulldozed by the foreclosing bank and the family, after reading flyers offering jobs in California, has decided to migrate. On their trip they began to learn that it's all a heartless scheme by farm owners. Thousands of Okies, Arkies and other ruined farmers come to California begging to work for pathetic wages and find the jobs are all taken and there is no land left for them to homestead their own farms.

But the Joads — and thousands of others — have no money left to return to their Dust Bowl homes and there is nothing left for them there anyway. The 12 people in the Joad group start dying or running off.

But while we are told the Joad family is traveling through dusty prairie, arid desert and fearfully high mountains, we don't see them. We don't feel them. Some projections — or something — would have helped us understand what the Joads were experiencing. And we are given little understanding about how terrible it really was.

The show runs through May 5 at the Bus Barn Theater, Los Altos Stage Company, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos. Tickets are \$20-\$38. Go to losaltosstage.org.

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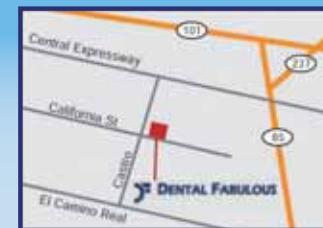
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■ CRIME BRIEFS

MAN HIT BY CAR

A 37-year-old San Jose woman was arrested Saturday after she allegedly hit her boyfriend with a car following a domestic dispute.

The victim, 32, told police that he and his girlfriend got into an argument at his home in the Whisman Station neighborhood over his phone and access to his social media account on Saturday, April 13, according to police spokeswoman Katie Nelson. During the altercation, the woman allegedly took the phone, left the home and tried to leave the area in a car.

The man attempted to stop the woman, but she allegedly accelerated and struck him. He hit his head and shoulder on the hood of the car, suffering injuries, Nelson said. He was later taken to El Camino Hospital for treatment, where he met with officers about the incident.

The woman later came to the police department to speak with officers, where she was arrested on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon and inflicting corporal injury.

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■ POLICE LOG

AUTO BURGLARY

100 block Easy St., 4/8
200 block E. Middlefield Rd., 4/8
200 block E. Middlefield Rd., 4/8
200 block View St., 4/9
2600 block California St., 4/9
200 block Andsbury Av., 4/9
200 block Santa Rosa Av., 4/9
2500 block W. El Camino Real, 4/9
500 block N. Rengstorff Av., 4/9
700 block Astor Ct., 4/9
1100 block N. Rengstorff Av., 4/9
600 block Showers Dr., 4/9
100 block Bryant Av., 4/9
600 block W. Evelyn Av., 4/10
100 block Easy St., 4/10
800 block Leong Dr., 4/11
1000 block N. Rengstorff Av., 4/11
1100 block N. Rengstorff Av., 4/11
2500 block Leghorn St., 4/11
700 block W. Middlefield Rd., 4/12
1900 block Montecito Av., 4/12

BATTERY

200 block Castro St., 4/7
500 block N. Shoreline Blvd., 4/8
1300 block Pear Av., 4/12

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY

1900 block Old Middlefield Way, 4/11
400 block Ortega Av., 4/12

GRAND THEFT

500 block Showers Dr., 4/10
1000 block El Monte Av., 4/12

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

500 block W. Middlefield Rd., 4/9

STOLEN VEHICLE

2500 block California St., 4/12

VANDALISM

1 block Pioneer Way, 4/8
900 block California St., 4/9
400 block Moffett Blvd., 4/9
2000 block W. El Camino Real, 4/10

■ COMMUNITY BRIEFS

200-UNIT EXPANSION PITCHED FOR APARTMENT COMPLEX

Add one more massive building project to Mountain View's growing list.

The property management company Equity Residential is proposing a major expansion to nearly double the size of the Reserve at Mountain View apartments, located at 870 E. El Camino Real. If approved, the company intends to add 209 new apartments, including 25 below-market units. The complex currently has 180 units.

In order to expand, Equity would need to demolish 42 apartments that are currently occupied. Heading off anticipated concerns from the city, Equity officials are promising to take care of current residents who would get displaced by the construction. In a press release, company officials pledged to relocate tenants to nearby properties in their portfolio as they become available.

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MAGALI GAUTHIER

THE FUZZY INVASION BEGINS

Right on cue, spring weather is bringing with it a horde of caterpillars that can be seen dangling off tree branches and wriggling along playgrounds and park benches at Eagle Park. Western tussock moth caterpillars tend to hatch in droves starting in April and stick around until mid to late spring, when they spin cocoons and emerge as moths. Last year saw a particularly bad invasion in Mountain View, leading city parks staff to treat trees with insecticide to cull the numbers.

SyWest courts mobile home neighbors of Gateway development

WHILE GOOGLE WORKS WITH CITY, SYWEST CHATS UP PLANS AT SANTIAGO VILLA

By Adam F. Hutton

Google and SyWest, both major property owners of a disputed North Bayshore site targeted for redevelopment since 2013, are hoping to emerge as winners when Mountain View city staff redesigns their conflicting proposals.

Google, which acquired 8 acres of the Gateway site at

the southeast corner of the site where Highway 101 meets Shoreline Boulevard thanks to a land-swap deal with LinkedIn, is hoping to win over the city.

SyWest, which owns the other 16 acres and already had approval to develop the whole site when it was partnered with LinkedIn, is hoping to win over the project's only residential neighbors.

Mountain View officials

would like to see a cooperative use for the site in line with their future vision for North Bayshore, transforming from an office park to a mixed-use residential neighborhood.

SyWest President Bill Vierra spoke at the monthly meeting of the Santiago Villa Neighborhood Association in April after the City

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Gary Kremen

real innovation during the 90s, during the Wild West years of the internet," he said.

Kremen's most prominent venture was Match.com, a dating website company he founded in 1993 at a time when only a small fraction of Americans even had internet access. Kushner described Kremen as having a sort of foolhardy vision that the concept of online dating would take off, and that his venture would bring the most love to the world since Jesus Christ.

Riffing off of e-commerce order forms, Kremen told the audience Thursday that he thought he could take the dating personals typically found in newspapers and push that into the online realm, giving people a chance to list off personal attributes and what they're looking for in a relationship.

"I could have people fill something out about themselves, a profile, and they could put a description on it and I could find an algorithm that could find some matches on it," he said.

Done without thinking now, the idea of even sending an image or an "attachment" from one person to another using computers was novel. Despite the company growing at a fast rate from the start, Kremen said the initial reaction was that his proposal was nuts.

Gary Kremen is focus of new book about internet's wild early days

FOUNDER OF MATCH.COM NOW REPRESENTS MOUNTAIN VIEW ON SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT'S BOARD

By Kevin Forestieri

Before Mountain View elected him to lead a water utility agency, Gary Kremen was a maverick during the internet's Wild West days.

Kremen laid claim to worthless internet domain names that would soon become more valuable than gold, and tested a framework for internet dating that has since exploded into a thriving industry of its own. Claiming the domain "sex.com" would later pit him against a convicted felon — who stole the domain and insisted it was his from the start — in a legal battle that set precedents for digital ownership laws.

The bizarre and occasionally racy story is captured in a newly released book by David Kushner, titled "The Player's Ball: A Genius, a Con Man, and the Secret History of the Internet's Rise." Speaking at Books Inc. in downtown Mountain View on Thursday, Kushner said he found that Kremen was the perfect vehicle to describe the computer age's oft-overlooked part of its history, overshadowed by Apple's success story and Facebook's more recent breakout success.

"In between was this time of

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Finding a home for new youth mental health clinic

COUNTY FACING UPHILL BATTLE FOR RENTAL SPACE IN NORTH COUNTY

By Kevin Forestieri

An ambitious plan to open a North County youth mental health center is proving to be a challenge, beset by delays and escalating costs as Santa Clara County officials scour Palo Alto for a location.

The project, called Headspace, proposes creating two clinics in Santa Clara County that would serve as one-stop

shops for youth ages 12 to 25 in need of mental health services. Psychiatrists, psychologists, clinicians and primary care doctors will all play a part. The hope is that local teens will feel a sense of ownership in order to quash the stigma of seeking help.

County officials have already found a suitable site for one Headspace center in San Jose and are working on the design. But the search has been

difficult in the North County, with dozens of locations considered and ultimately rejected. County staff, partnering with the Stanford Center for Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing, looked at 30 properties — all in Palo Alto — and toured eight of them. Only one met the standards for the clinic, but the property owner rejected the county's inquiry last August.

The Peninsula's hot real

estate market doesn't help. Headspace needs a whole lot of space — 6,000 square feet — and to be located near public transit. It's not clear why only Palo Alto is being considered, since the city's restrictive ordinances are compounding the challenge, according to a county staff report. For example, vacant first-floor retail space can only house retail services and can't be converted to a clinic use.

The first setback came quickly when county staffers concluded they had no chance of owning the Headspace centers, and would instead need to lease space for both locations. The original budget to fund the leasing costs and facilities improvement, projected to be \$964,000, is now expected to be closer to \$4 million.

A real estate broker working

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Council voted 6-1 to reject both developers' proposals and have city staff go back to the drawing board at its Feb. 21 meeting.

The association represents more than 300 homeowners in a mobile home park to the northeast of SyWest's property, which includes Century Cinema 16 and its sprawling parking lot.

As for why he would present neighbors with a plan the council had already turned down, Vierra said, "We didn't want to throw the drawings away and we don't want to throw the vision away." And when residents wanted to know whether there was any hope for negotiations to resume with Google, he said, "We still have different visions for the project."

Members of the neighborhood association say they want to be heard as the city and developers plan to bring thousands of new housing units and perhaps more than 1 million new square feet of office space to their backyard.

"SyWest's development team was thoughtful and courteous

while presenting their Gateway plan to us," said Bee Hanson, a Santiago Villa resident. "But residents expressed concern that it would exacerbate our existing traffic problems and do little to serve our large population of seniors."

Residents at Santiago Villa also commented that SyWest didn't come to meet with them until after the developer made its presentation to the City Council, not during the years of negotiations with Google, or LinkedIn before that.

The elected leader of the neighborhood association noted that the city hasn't reached out to its residents either.

"It is odd the city did not ask for community input from the developer," said Trey Bornmann, Santiago Villa Neighborhood Association's president. "We have monthly meetings and would love to help plan our own neighborhood and offer local insights into problems others can easily overlook. Neighborhood input should be a top consideration of the council when reviewing proposals."

The major difference between

the proposals boils down to where the office space will be located on the site. SyWest says it needs the vast majority of the proposed space to subsidize the affordable housing and community space components of its proposal. Some residents said that it seemed like a high price to pay for a project with only 100 units of affordable housing and some commercial space with outdoor elements.

"It's depressing to think that housing is effectively a loss leader in a development like this," said Santiago Villa resident John Waters.

Meanwhile, a Google representative says the company is ready to follow the city's lead.

"We remain committed to the city-led master planning process, and look forward to their direction on next steps and how we can do our part to deliver housing, transportation solutions and other community benefits while fulfilling the policy objectives and requirements of the North Bayshore Precise Plan," said Michael Tymoff, Google's Mountain View district development director. ▀

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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Residents could reportedly keep their rent-controlled rate for up to three years, or they could take a cash buyout that would be higher than the amount mandated by the city of Mountain View.

Plans to expand the Reserve apartment complex are currently under review by the city. If approved, Equity plans to begin

construction by mid-2020 with a goal to complete the project by 2022.

—Mark Noack

EAST WHISMAN PLAN

The city of Mountain View has released a public draft of its East Whisman Precise Plan, part of the process of rezoning the area into a dense office- and residential-oriented neighborhood. A series of public meetings about

the plan is tentatively scheduled to start this week, kicking off with an Environmental Planning Commission meeting set for April 17. It's expected to go before the City Council in early May.

The nearly 200-page plan is available online at tinyurl.com/EWhismanPP and comments may be addressed to project planner Eric Anderson at eric.anderson2@mountainview.gov or 650-903-6306.

—Andrea Gemmet



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on behalf of the county sent a letter of interest for a property at 2741 Middlefield Road on March 29. If the latest effort leads to a lease agreement, county officials expect to make improvements and have it operating sometime in the 2019-20 fiscal year.

County Supervisor Joe Simi-
tan said Midtown Palo Alto
would be a great location for
Headspace, centrally located
and a popular hangout spot for
teenagers going back decades.
But he said progress has been
sluggish for turning Headspace
into a reality despite an urgent
need for the services, and he is
“beyond frustrated” that there
has yet to be a site secured for
the North County location.

“It’s been three years since
I sat down with people from
Headspace in my office,” Simi-
tan said at a recent Health and
Hospital Committee meeting.
“That’s a long time to still not
have a site under contract.”

The delays could be partly
due to the challenge of coor-
dinating with three county
departments involved in the
real estate search, but Simi-
tan wondered if Headspace
faces an additional hurdle
because the county can’t find a

contractor in the North County
to actually provide the men-
tal health services. The coun-
ty’s behavioral health director,
Toni Tullys, confirmed that
finding an outside provider is
still a work in progress.

Headspace has been in the
works since 2016 as a partner-
ship between Stanford University
and Santa Clara County
that aims to transform the
way children and young adults
receive mental health care. The
goal is to provide integrated
mental health and primary
care services all under one
roof, which can help iden-
tify the early warning signs
of mental illness and suicide,
according to a description
of the program. Patients will
receive services regardless of
whether they are on Medi-Cal
or private insurance, unin-
sured or underinsured.

Although Headspace is based
on a network of mental health
centers with the same name
in Australia, the county is
expecting to adopt a new
name — Allcove — in the
coming months. Santa Clara
County is the first to try out
the Headspace model in the
United States, but not in North
America — there’s a similar
program in British Columbia
called Foundry that’s based on
the Headspace model.

Launching the two mental
health centers relies heavily
on funding from California’s
Mental Health Services Act, a
1% income tax on those mak-
ing in excess of \$1 million each
year. So far, much of the tax’s
revenues have yet to be spent.
A portion of the funding is set
aside specifically for “innova-
tion” programs like Headspace.
Santa Clara County officials are
planning to spend just under
\$15 million in those innova-
tion funds on Headspace over
the course of four years, which
had to receive formal approval
from the Mental Health Services
Oversight and Accountability
Commission in August last year.

Commissioners at the time
praised the concept for having
the potential to reach people at
a young age and address men-
tal health problems before they
become more severe, more dif-
ficult and more expensive to
treat. There is significant inter-
est in seeing how the model
works in the U.S., with neigh-
boring counties and jurisdic-
tions as far away as New York,
Michigan and Illinois all
expressing interest in whether
the Headspace model can sur-
vive and thrive in America’s
more challenging health care
environment. □

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CANNABIS

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The city’s Environmental
Planning Commission will con-
sider proposed amendments
to the cannabis ordinance on
Wednesday, April 24. The City
Council will have its first read-
ing of those changes on May 23.
Meanwhile, the 10 applicants
are still paying rent, waiting and
hoping to be awarded a license.

Councilman Lucas Ramirez,
who voted with the council
majority to reconsider the law,
defended his decision.

“I believe the reason a major-
ity of the council wanted to
revisit this is because we were
hearing legitimate concerns
from the community about the
clustering of businesses down-
town,” Ramirez said. “I voted
against an outright ban. But I
voted to have a discussion about
what kind of buffers are appro-
priate based on those concerns.”

With the future of legal can-
nabis sales in Mountain View
hanging in the balance, a Bay
Area assemblyman recently
proposed a bill to force California
cities to issue retail licenses
if a majority of its voters opted
to legalize recreational mari-
juana when it was on the 2016
ballot.

Council critics say reconsider-

ing the decision to halt the per-
mit process is a brazen attempt
to discourage or prevent can-
nabis businesses from locating
in Mountain View.

And that’s where Assembly
Bill 1356 comes in.

Assemblyman Phil Ting,
D-San Francisco, authored a bill
that could require Mountain
View and other cities to start
issuing licenses. It proposes that
cities in which a majority of vot-
ers supported legalization must
issue one cannabis business
license for every four licenses
they issue to businesses that
serve liquor. In 2016, nearly 68%
of Mountain View residents
voted for legalization.

Ting says local governments
that stall on legalization subvert
the will of the voters and put the
legal marijuana market at risk.

“Californians voted to replace
the illicit market with a legal
system,” Ting said.

But that can only happen “if
enough licenses are granted to
meet existing demand,” he said.
“This bill will ensure the legal
market can succeed.”

Kali-rai says the bill should
serve as a wake-up call to local
governments, and a warning
that if they fail to “implement
good public policy, the state will
take over.”

“Cities like Mountain View up

and down the Peninsula should
be acutely aware of the conse-
quences of this Assembly bill,”
he said.

Mountain View Mayor Lisa
Matichak says Sacramento law-
makers ought to leave these
kinds of decisions to local
officials.

“I have concerns with any
proposed legislation that takes
away local control,” Matichak
said. “There are many differ-
ences between the cities in Cali-
fornia, making a one-size-fits-
all approach to any proposed
legislation problematic.”

Siegel, who was on the City
Council when voters passed
the Adult Use of Marijuana
Act, said he also favors local
control.

“I believe Mountain View
residents by a strong majority
support cannabis businesses
in town, but I would prefer
that those decisions be made
locally,” Siegel said.

The proposed bill will have its
first hearing before the Assem-
bly’s Business and Professions
Committee on April 23. If it
were to pass the state Legisla-
ture and be signed by the gover-
nor, the bill would allow cities to
opt out of the 1-to-4 ratio
requirement if they ask voters to
consider local prohibition on
the 2020 ballot. □

OBITUARY

DELORES CASA

Delores Mae (Peiffer) Casa died at age 76 on Jan. 7 in New Rochelle, New York.

Born on July 6, 1942, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, she graduated from John Harris High School and Penn State University, where she studied fashion merchandising. She spent her college summers in Ocean City, New Jersey, working on the shore.



Delores Casa

After college she moved to New York where she worked as a buyer for Macy's, then as one of the earliest female information technology professionals at Colgate-Palmolive and later at Ciba-Geigy, where she worked for well over a decade designing software to

help chemists create drugs.

She lived in Manhattan, Scarsdale, Tel Aviv and St. Louis and before retiring in Mountain View. Casa enjoyed reading, calligraphy, drawing, feeding hummingbirds, and the neighborhood cats, her family said.

She is survived by her daughter Christina Casa Usiak, son-in-law Martin Usiak, her sister Ruth Karabcievsky and brother-in-law Vladimir Karabcievsky.

Mountain View woman killed in El Camino collision

By Kevin Forestieri

Awoman who was struck and killed on El Camino Real has been identified as a 59-year-old Mountain View resident, according to the Santa Clara County Medical Examiner-Coroner's Office.

The woman, Mary Ellen Cabanski Evers, was hit by a white sedan heading westbound on El Camino Real at the Palo Alto Avenue intersection around 8:20 p.m. on Saturday, April 13. She was pronounced dead at the scene despite life-saving efforts by the Mountain View Police Department, the Los Altos Police Department and the Mountain

View Fire Department, according to Mountain View police spokeswoman Katie Nelson.

The driver remained at the scene and cooperated with the police department's investigation, Nelson said. Drugs and alcohol did not appear to be factors in the collision.

The intersection does not have a crosswalk, and police department records show there has been one other vehicle collision at the intersection of El Camino Real and Palo Alto Avenue in the last two years. The closest nearby intersection, Shoreline Boulevard and El Camino Real, had 15 collisions between 2017 and 2018, but none of them involved a

bicyclist or pedestrian, according to police department records.

The collision Saturday marks the second pedestrian fatality in Mountain View this year. In a similar incident in late January, a man in his 60s was struck by a vehicle heading westbound on El Camino Real near Yuba Drive around 8:50 p.m., also at a location with no crosswalk. Witnesses told police at the time that the man was seen stepping off the sidewalk and into the roadway shortly before he was hit.

The investigation into the collision that killed Cabanski Evers is ongoing, Nelson said. □

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QUIDDITCH

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attached to a third-party player running around the pitch, is caught by one of the teams. Players must also avoid three bludgers, deflated dodgeballs, that competitors throw their way.

"The biggest surprise I came across is it being a full-contact sport," said Cullen Casey, a player on the Vipers. A player can be tackled to the ground when holding one of the four game balls — a move made difficult by the mandatory "broom" between their legs.

US Quidditch, the sport's governing body, requires players to use 32- to 42-inch long wooden or plastic poles rather than brooms that it once allowed.

"It's been amazing to see the sport evolve," said Sam Limegreen, a co-founder of the Silicon Valley Vipers who started playing the sport at Princeton University in 2008. "When I first started, the snitch was encouraged to be half court jester, half athlete. They came (on the field) with cream pies, bikes and water balloons."

US Quidditch no longer allows



MAGALI GAUTHIER

Durian Allison of the Bay Area Breakers grabs the snitch from Sam Harris during a quidditch scrimmage at Stanford University on April 6.

"snitch antics," as Limegreen puts it. Players are also no longer allowed to don capes and are now required to wear mouth guards during games.

One aspect of the sport that has remained constant, however, is its inclusiveness.

"It's one of the most open communities to people who are different," said Chewy Shaw, a player on the Bay Area Breakers. "There's a clear focus on being inclusive of different gender identities."

No more than four players of

the same gender can play on a team at the same time.

For people who may want to try their hand at quidditch, the Silicon Valley Vipers hold Sunday morning practices at Eagle Park for beginners.

"Everyone is welcome," said Limegreen. "Beginners can even feel free to come by our Tuesday and Thursday team practices now that we're in the offseason."

Practice times are updated regularly on both the Breakers' and the Vipers' Facebook pages. □



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County's fourth case of measles confirmed

BAY AREA 'SWIMMING IN MEASLES' AFTER EIGHTH CASE REPORTED

By Kevin Forestieri

The United States is on pace to have the worst measles outbreak since 1994, with 555 cases across 20 states since Jan. 1 and four confirmed cases in Santa Clara County, public health officials said Tuesday.

Calling it a major public health concern that strains county resources, Public Health Officer Sara Cody said the country is "swimming in measles," including 21 cases in California, eight of which are in the Bay Area. Unlike places like Brooklyn, which are experiencing localized outbreaks, the four cases in Santa Clara County all appear to be "independently imported," meaning they likely originated from measles outbreaks elsewhere in the world and were not spread within the county.

Unlike past cases, which prompted county health officials to list all of the potential dates, times and places that residents could have been exposed to measles, the latest confirmed case of measles came with a short statement by the Santa Clara County Public Health Department saying that the public health risk is "very low."

Four cases — three of which were found in adult patients and one in a child — may not seem like much in a county of nearly

2 million residents, but Cody said investigating each case is "incredibly resource intensive" because of the sheer size of the county and the potential for contact with the infection.

The last big uptick in measles was in 2014, when there were 667 cases in the United States over the course of the whole year. At 555 cases as of the first week of April, the country is slated to quickly outpace that number.

At a recent county Health and Hospital Committee meeting, Cody said she is "very concerned" about preserving Santa Clara County's high vaccination rates against all preventable diseases, particularly measles because it is so highly contagious. Parents can no longer cite personal belief exemptions to avoid the Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) vaccine for their children, but some physicians are exploiting a loophole by signing off on fictitious medical exemptions.

"There are some providers, who are known to the community who don't want to vaccinate their child, that will sign off on their medical exemption," Cody said.

Although some school districts in Santa Cruz and Marin counties saw a decline in vaccinations in recent years, Mountain View's track record remains solid. Mountain View Whisman

School District's MMR vaccination rates fall anywhere from 95% at Castro Elementary School to 99% at Huff Elementary and Crittenden and Graham middle schools, which is consistent with the rate at schools in the Los Altos School District.

Preschools and child care centers in the city, both public and private, also have MMR vaccination rates in excess of 98%, including the German International School of Silicon Valley, Action Day Primary Plus, the Mountain View Parent Nursery School and Google's child care center on the former Slater Elementary School campus.

Cody said those rates need to remain high in order to protect the small population that can't be vaccinated for a medical reason, particularly infants who don't get their first shot of the MMR vaccine until they are a year old.

"If the people around them are not vaccinated, they can't be protected," she said. "The only way to protect your baby from becoming really ill from measles is to ensure everyone in contact with your baby gets vaccinated."

Information about the measles is available on the county's website at tinyurl.com/SCC-measles2019. □

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INTERNET

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"Most people thought it was pretty crazy. 'Won't people know how to find me? Won't people think I'm a loser, or I'm easy? What if they are a stalker?'" Kremen said, rattling off the list of questions he would face.

The epiphany, he said, was that he needed to encourage women to sign up first, modeling the questions and matching to their needs. Some of his first success came from the more "desperate" guys working at tech companies in the area, he said, so it didn't take too much encouragement to lure them.

"What we did was market it to nascent groups where women might be online. My idea was that every woman can bring 100 men," he said.

Kushner's book takes a deep dive into a major standoff between Kremen and another online innovator of sorts, Stephen Michael Cohen, over the

domain name sex.com. Kremen had registered it in 1994 and sat on it for a while. He received a notice one day that Cohen was claiming to own the digital property, and at one point tried to trick Kremen by impersonating the U.S. patent office over the phone, claiming he had trademarked the site.

After sifting through Cohen's hard drive, which came out during the lawsuit's discovery phase, Kushner said Kremen's adversary was like an enigmatic bond villain — a locksmith with a private investigator's license and enough tech know-how to infiltrate the voicemail on Kremen's phone by altering his caller ID. One judge commented that Cohen possessed "boundless enthusiasm and bounded integrity."

What was clear by the end of the battle, Kremen said, was that Congressional lawmakers needed to do something about the growing number of records that have no paper trail and are instead floating around

on a server somewhere in a digital format. Laws and court precedent didn't exist for Kremen's crusade to keep sex.com, which dragged past the turn of the century before reaching a resolution.

Cohen is still out there somewhere, Kremen said, claiming that he's operating dubious businesses in Mexico that include a "phony" online bank and a pharmacy selling counterfeit Viagra — always with an eye towards taking advantage of the weak and less fortunate. Kremen said Cohen was also an early adopter of cryptocurrencies.

As for Kremen, he's kept busy with several ventures including a water conservation software company, and being elected to the Santa Clara Valley Water District's board of directors in 2014. He represents the District 7, which encompasses Mountain View, Palo Alto and Los Altos. □

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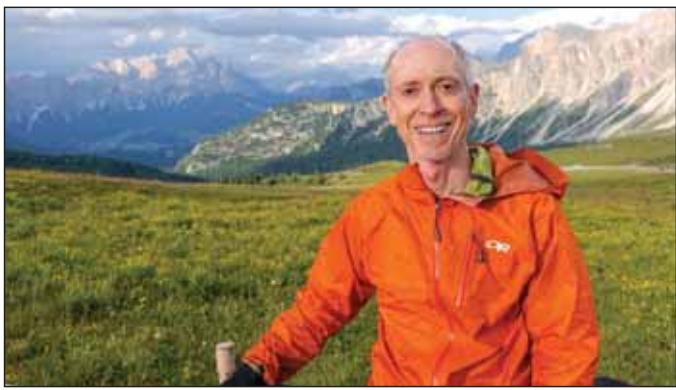
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Steve Purcell

September 17, 1951 – March 10, 2019



Stephen C. Purcell, age 67, passed away with his family by his side on Sunday, March 10, 2019, at Stanford Hospital in Palo Alto, California after he collided with a car on his bike. He was born on September 17, 1951, in San Francisco CA, son of Nancy (Foss) and Terrance Purcell. Steve grew up in Marin County with his sisters and brothers, Ginger, Lisa, Kevin, Brian, Sheila, Shawn and Pam.

Steve began working at the newly formed Xerox Palo Alto Research Center (PARC) in 1972 and received his B.S. in Mathematics from Stanford University a year later. At PARC, Steve worked in the Smalltalk group where he authored a program that animated images on the pioneering Alto workstation. After finishing his Masters in Electrical Engineering at MIT in 1977, he returned again to PARC. He made critical contributions to the birth of personal computing there and developed many patents, some of which were commercialized in Apple's first personal computers.

In the subsequent decades, Steve founded a series of high-tech startups and architected their successful media processing and graphics chips. In 1988, he became co-founder and Chief Architect of C-Cube Microsystems. Under his leadership the company accomplished a series of pioneering milestones in the global digital video market. He built the first single chip JPEG codec and the first multi-chip digital video MPEG codec, which was used by DirecTV to launch the first digital video broadcasting service in the US. C-Cube went public in 1994.

In 1993, Steve co-founded and served as CTO of Chromatic Research. The company created media accelerator chips and boards, delivered more than 100 million units, and was acquired by ATI in 1998. From 2002 to 2004, Steve worked as a video architect at Nvidia before spearheading two more media and graphics processing startups. He began consulting in 2009, enabling him to focus on his family and passions of biking, building electric-motor-assisted bicycles, and super lightweight backpacking.

Steve was a brilliant engineer, a formative mentor, and a loving husband and father with the most kind, gentle spirit. He pushed himself to the furthest point possible whether as an innovator, working late into the night on the technology behind one of his 81 patents, or as a formidable athlete, touring across the Alps for 10 summers in a row, biking up through all of the 40+ highest mountain passes.

He is survived by his wife Carolyn Purcell, children Megan Arzaga (Jerome) and Colleen Purcell (Shyam), and granddaughter Amara Mireya Arzaga. Always the patient and supportive friend, he will be greatly missed.

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■ OBITUARY

Co-founder of CHAC dies at 88

DODIE ALEXANDER LED LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH NONPROFIT FOR 19 YEARS

By Kevin Forestieri

Dolores "Dodie" Alexander, the founder and longtime leader of the Community Health Awareness Council (CHAC) in Mountain View, died March 20 at age 88.

In 1973, Alexander co-founded CHAC, a mental health resource for children and adolescents. She led the nonprofit from 1973 to 1992 as executive director, crafting a partnership with local cities that ensures public dollars help support youth in need of mental health services. CHAC provides a range of counseling, therapy and substance abuse prevention programs with sliding scale fees, and no one is denied services based on their ability to pay.

CHAC grew out of a grassroots effort by community members, mostly women, who came together over a shared concern about drug and alcohol abuse among adolescents in Mountain View, Los Altos and Los Altos Hills. Rather than rely solely on private donations, Alexander and other CHAC leaders sought to create a new Joint Powers Authority (JPA) between the three city governments, along with the four school districts in the area at the time.

The partnership made sense at the time, said Joan MacDonald, one of CHAC's founding board members. She said the police chief of Los Altos in the 1970s readily conceded that officers were ill-trained and ill-equipped to deal with kids on drugs and alcohol and lacked expertise on mental health. School districts had a clear reason to support the nonprofit's mission from the start.

"If the students are suffering in whatever way they are suffering they weren't able to do the best job of performing, they couldn't focus on school, they were truant, they were sometimes disruptive in class," MacDonald said. "CHAC's presence on campus made a significant difference."

While Alexander helped create CHAC, she was reluctant to become the organization's leader, MacDonald said. The first executive director had a divergent opinion from the board on the focus of the newly founded nonprofit and left soon after. The interim director who followed was quickly



Dolores Alexander

nonprofit's need for funding. With a budget now deeply reliant on service contracts and private donations, less than half of its money comes from the original public agencies that formed the JPA.

It was quickly apparent, as clinical supervisors worked alongside counselors and talked to students and families, that alcohol and drug abuse were not the root cause of the problems, and that something more was driving kids to substance abuse. The decision made CHAC one-of-a-kind in the area, addressing mental health at a time when people would rather stick their heads in the sand.

"The fact that we were talking about it out loud was shocking to some people, and in a way it was hard to get money from others because they weren't clear about the need, they didn't think that it happened in our communities," MacDonald said. "To an extent the stigma is still here ... some people still have this naive view that all you have to do is snap out of it, and we know that's not true."

Before it relocated in 2013 to its current headquarters on the corner of El Camino Real and View Street, CHAC's downtown location at 711 Church St. was named the "Dodie Alexander House" in honor of her role founding the organization. In 1982, she was honored with a Community Service Award, in 1997 the Town Crier named her to its Honor Role of 50 Who Made a Difference, and the California State Legislature recognized her for her many contributions to youth, her family said.

Alexander is survived by her five children, eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 27, at Christ Church Los Altos, located at 1040 Border Road in Los Altos.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers that memorial donations be made to CHAC at chacmv.org. CHAC Executive Director Marsha Deslauriers announced on Monday, April 15, that the nonprofit will also establish a Dodie Alexander Memorial Fund for those donations, which will go toward paying for counseling services targeted at substance abuse support. □

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YOUR LETTERS

GUEST OPINIONS

Do your part for our world

By Jamie Minden

As I am sure you all know, the recent United Nations climate report estimated that we have until 2030 to reduce our emissions by 80 percent or we will not be able to keep the global temperature change from rising above 2 degrees Celsius. If this happens, there is no hope left for our species or our world. It's not about saving our grandchildren anymore, it's about saving ourselves.

But unfortunately, some people still do not see that surviving as a species will involve major lifestyle changes. They are okay with recycling every once in a while, but do not want to commit to remodeling the way we commute. They could tolerate a few more bike lanes, but they would not use them. But the thing is, we all need to realize that life will be very different in the future

— that is a fact. It is our choice whether we want to welcome that difference by adapting to tougher policies, or to perish from it. Merely a few years ago, the entire city of Mountain View was run on fossil fuel-generated electricity. Now, nearly every business and household runs on clean energy, and Mountain View is looking forward to its very first Earth Day celebration. Progress is being made — just not fast enough.

Yes, a bullet train is necessary. And bike lanes can be fun and safe. In Amsterdam, the multi-level parking garages are not for cars, they're for bikes. And every day they are full to the brim. Besides, this is Silicon Valley. We surely have the power to revolutionize the sustainable energy industry, and make money doing it too. Forbes predicts that the United States' renewable energy business is worth \$3 trillion.

Guest Opinion

Anyone want to cash in?

Get involved in our community. You don't have to become Greta Thunberg (the Swedish teenager known for her climate activism), but you can join a local protest group, or organize community education events. Replace your gas-burning water heater with an electric one. Turn your company in a more sustainable direction. Explain to your cousin that climate change does not mean that you cannot form a snowball, it means that the global temperature is rising. Leave your car at home and dust off your bike. Every great change that has ever occurred started with one person with an idea.

People always remark that it is up to my generation to make things right. But my generation does not have time. In 11 years, I will be 28, barely starting my career, and it will already be too late to turn things around. It is up to you. We only have 11 years left, so let us make them count.

Let us give it our all, and put up a fight. Because once our emissions are past the tipping point, we cannot go back. Our chance is now. Every living person has a responsibility to do their part, no matter how small.

This could be like the moon race, with countries racing to be the first to prove the extent of their technological innovation. Climate change will be the struggle that defines every generation alive today. While the "greatest generation" had to stand up and tackle two world wars head-on, we now have no other choice but to bear the burden of the cards we have been dealt, and fight for our futures.

Look at this from a patriotic standpoint, and do your part for our country. Do your part for our world. I want YOU to join the U.S. climate protection movement.

Jamie Minden is a sophomore at Saint Francis High School in Mountain View.

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VOICES FROM THE COMMUNITY

neighborhood students.

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- Efficient use of taxpayer funds.

We can implement a win-win solution without painful loss to any single community group. We must urge the BCS and LASD boards to consider collaborative alternatives to relocating Egan.

Sangeeth Peruri, former LASD board trustee and president

the current Joint Powers Board

will be ignoring the recommendation of their 2015 JPB predecessors, who mandated to staff that a ratio of eight seats to each bike space be preserved on trains in the interest of both carbon-neutral transportation and minimizing taxpayer subsidies for more costly means of accessing Caltrain stations.

Bicyclists are currently being bumped from trains with 77 bike spaces available on the average train. Bike-share companies do not serve all of the corridor and Caltrain will lose cycling passengers to automobiles. Please think of the climate and the environment that we leave for the next generation and provide 84 bikes per train with seats in view of bikes to maintain the commitment that the 2015 JPB made to support cleaner transportation choices.

*Scott Yarbrough
San Francisco*

district merger.

In July 2010, the *Voice* covered the county's grand jury report that (stated) unifying MVWSD, LASD, and the Mountain View-Los Altos High School District as one K-12 district would annually save \$10 million.

The only way to truly stabilize funding, pay K-8 teachers more, and most importantly, streamline and synchronize support systems for students would be a K-12 unified school district combining Mountain View and Los Altos, similar to Palo Alto Unified School District. On the local level, not much would change — everyone would still go to their local neighborhood school. On the Bullis LASD-Egan issue, a unified K-12 MVLA would also change the character of Bullis by broadening its diversity. A unified K-12 MVLA would open up many more powerful possibilities regarding the future of schools in North El Camino.

District offices in the past did not support it because it would mean some district administrators and board trustees would lose their positions, but voters today should take the 2010 grand jury report as a serious proposition.

Christopher Chiang, former MVWSD board trustee

CALTRAIN BIKE CARS

Unless Caltrain's new seven-car electric car design includes 84 bikes per train with seats in view of bikes to limit station dwell time,

■ RESTAURANT REVIEW

worth squawking about



NO BONES TO PICK WITH FOWL PLAY'S TASTY CHICKEN

By Edward Gerard Fike
Photos by Magali Gauthier

Last April, Andrea Leslie was nearly ready to debut her chicken restaurant — slated to be the West Coast's first franchise of Washington, D.C.-based The Chickery — in Palo Alto's Barron Park neighborhood. Having checked off key milestones like training in Toronto, equipping the kitchen and hiring her opening crew, the Gilroy resident was feeling

confident and eager. Then came the bombshell: Leslie received a legal notice informing her of The Chickery's overnight demise. She was ordered to sever all ties with the chain by a chef who asserted exclusive rights to the concept.

"I was shocked," said Leslie of the cease-and-desist letter. "Even though I had the option to walk away, I quickly decided that I would completely overhaul the operation and make it my own."

► See **FOWL PLAY**, page 18



Above: Fowl Play in Palo Alto specializes in rotisserie chicken and crispy, buttermilk-fried chicken.

Top: The "hot mess" sandwich has onion rings, fried chicken, lettuce, tomato and Roquefort cheese and is drizzled with spicy buffalo sauce and Roquefort dressing.

FOWL PLAY

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Leslie got to work on a radical revamp, fine-tuning original recipes and creating a restaurant that offered full-service quality in a quick-service format. Less than three months later, Fowl Play Roadside Chicken took flight.

Fowl Play is on El Camino Real, about a mile south of Page Mill Road. Its sparsely decorated, diminutive dining room has space for only two tables and eight stools, lined up along two intersecting windows facing

the street and the parking lot. Two outdoor picnic benches boost seating capacity in warmer months. The small footprint hasn't yet hindered the mostly takeout eatery, though standing-room-only status could come as more diners discover the restaurant's enticing menu.

I found both of Fowl Play's core offerings — tangerine and sage-roasted rotisserie chicken and crispy, buttermilk-fried, all-white chicken — to be juicy, flavorful and generously portioned. Choosing which variety to order is a matter of preference, not quality. Notably, the

hand-dipped and battered fried chicken has a light, non-greasy texture. I didn't experience a fried chicken "hangover" — no need for a post-meal nap or a fistful of antacids after indulging.

While both styles of bird can be ordered no-frills style from the "Rotisserie," "Southern Fried" and "Feast" sections of the menu, Fowl Play also

incorporates its signature item into an inventive variety of salads, sandwiches and sliders.

The first-rate Asian chicken salad (\$10.50) featured a crunchy bed of fresh romaine lettuce topped with a heaping serving of roasted chicken, red cabbage, edamame, peanuts and more, tossed in a tangy sesame vinaigrette dressing. The "squawky yaki bowl" (\$10.50)

— be prepared for the menu's fondness for poultry puns — was another substantial, healthy option. The bowl's jasmine rice foundation was suitably soft and sticky. Fresh vegetables and roast chicken topped with a deep, rich teriyaki sauce completed the savory dish.

From the "Sammies" section, I opted for "the ultimate" (\$9.50), a hearty combination of



Tangerine and sage-roasted rotisserie chicken, mac 'n' cheese and mashed potatoes are among the offerings at Fowl Play.

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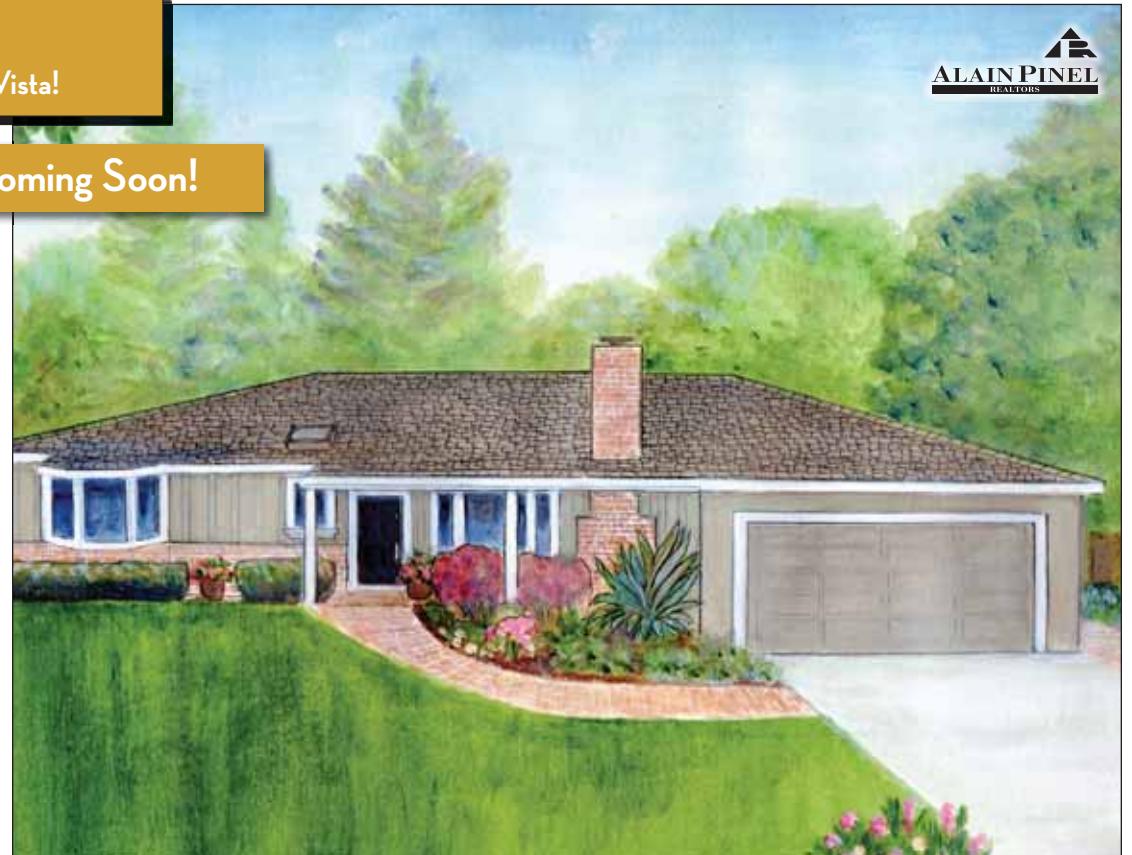
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■ MOVIE OPENINGS



Elle Fanning stars in "Teen Spirit."

'Teen Spirit' smells familiar but has its charms

ELLE FANNING PROVES SHE CAN SING IN ROLE AS RISING POP STAR

★★1/2 (Aquarius)

Is there an unwritten rule that actors-turned-directors must debut with pop-music dramedies? Tom Hanks first went behind the camera for 1996's "That Thing You Do!" and Bradley Cooper helmed last year's "A Star is Born." Now Max Minghella ("The Social Network") helms "Teen Spirit," another take on the rise-from-obscurity pop-star archetype.

The movie serves mostly as a vehicle for star Elle Fanning, who provides her own vocals in the film's multiple performance sequences and, more importantly, provides the film its soul of quietly defiant determination.

An English farm girl from the Isle of Wight, Fanning's Violet lives with her Polish-immigrant mother (Agnieszka Grochowska) and the horse that seems to be her only joy. Her need to sing—acceptably in a church choir and compulsively at an open-mic—reflects a girl desperate to throw off the yoke of her working-class fate and choose her own path. The open-mic nights introduce her to an aging, slowly, pot-bellied drinker whose appearance belies his experience. This is Vlad (Zlatko Buric, drily effective), who offers her a ride home and, soon enough, his

services as a manager when Violet needs a "guardian" to bless her participation in a reality-show singing competition called "Teen Spirit."

Minghella's script includes all the basics: temptations of fame, a scrappy manager taking his last shot at redemption, a heart-tugging surrogate father-daughter relationship. There's not a bit here that hasn't been done many times before, but Fanning's subtle performance, well observed by Minghella, puts meat on the bones that are the film's clichés.

Obviously it doesn't hurt "Teen Spirit" to have Rebecca Hall ("Vicky Cristina Barcelona") in its side pocket, albeit in the undemanding role of the Simon Cowell-esque pop guru who dangles contracts to lure Violet from Vlad.

"Teen Spirit" wrestles with its own vapidly, but the gambit of keeping the characters' yearning just barely concealed lends the film just enough tension—and heart—to hold interest between flashy musical numbers.

Rated PG-13 for some suggestive content, and for teen drinking and smoking. One hour, 32 minutes.

— Peter Canavese

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■ MOVIE REVIEWS

PETERLOO ★★★1/2

Seven-time Oscar nominee Mike Leigh makes no concession to the passive viewer with his new historical film "Peterloo." Instead, he hustles his audience into a time machine and transplants them to a time and place—1819 England—for full immersion into the physical and social landscape where the politically charged Peterloo Massacre played out between a pro-democracy working class and an elitist government. The personality clashes within the opposing groups add texture to the otherwise dryly recounted economic realities and political skullduggery. Underpinning it all, Leigh's team of artists collectively puts many period films to shame with their unshowy but astonishingly detailed work, including the beautiful photography of Dick Pope and the just-so costumes of Jacqueline Durran. If "Peterloo" is somewhat medicinal, with no spoonfuls of sugar in sight, it also is richly realized, a remarkable achievement of dramatized history with the understanding that the more things change, the more they stay the same. *Rated PG-13 for a sequence of violence and chaos. Two hours, 34 minutes.* — P.C.

SHAZAM! ★★★

Nearly 78 years after his first live-action appearance, "Shazam!" returns to the big screen to share the same cinematic universe as Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman, The Flash, and Aquaman. Played by Zachary Levi, Shazam is the magically adult form bestowed on 14-year-old foster child Billy Batson (Asher Angel) by an ailing wizard also named Shazam (Djimon Hounsou). The older Shazam—last of the Council of the Wizards, keeper of the Rock of Eternity—needs someone "strong in spirit, pure in heart" to assume

the mantel. The old wizard passes over young Thaddeus Sivana (Ethan Pugiotto) in 1974, but the boy remains obsessed with the great power that escaped him. Grown into his 50s, the present-day Sivana (Mark Strong) keeps a watchful eye for the power of Shazam, but settles for the power of the Seven Deadly Sins. Meanwhile, young Philadelphian Batson gets the power Sivana craved for decades. At over two hours, the film goes on a bit long, but the setting and circumstances of the climactic action sequence have a nice thematic ring to them. "Shazam!" plays like DC's answer to Marvel's "Ant-Man": a family-friendly, comical comic-book adventure. *Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of action, language and suggestive material. Two hours, 12 minutes.* — P.C.

DUMBO ★★★1/2

"Dumbo" is a strange beast, indeed. I don't mean the character of an elephant born with ears so big he can flap them and take flight. And I don't mean the 1941 Disney animated feature starring that elephant. No, I mean Disney's new live-action, CGI-heavy reimagining of "Dumbo," which turns out to be part bland kids-and-animals adventure and part Coen Brothers-esque period satire. The former will get by with kids, and the latter may get by with adults, but few are likely to have an euphoric experience seeing this elephant fly (again). As is so often the case with the films of Tim Burton, "Dumbo" is less than the sum of its parts, but some of those parts are pretty nifty. Burton's film, as scripted by Ehren Kruger, has morphed into a fable of modernized entertainment business models and the handling and packaging of intellectual property. If you're thinking that seems like strange thematic material for a PG Disney movie aimed at families, you're right! Though the film is a bit clumsy with the story, "Dumbo" has enough wit to deserve an audience. *Rated PG for peril/action, some thematic elements, and brief mild language. One hour, 52 minutes.* — P.C.

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Gloria Bell (R) Aquarius Theatre: Fri. - Sun.

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The Man Who Knew Too Much (1956) (Not Rated) Stanford Theatre: Fri. - Sun.

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The Mustang (R) Palo Alto Square: Fri. - Sun.

Penguins (G) Century 20: Fri. - Sun.

Shazam! (PG-13) ★★★ ShowPlace Icon: Fri. - Sun.

Teen Spirit (PG-13) ★★★1/2 Aquarius Theatre: Fri. - Sun.

Us (R) ★★★1/2 ShowPlace Icon: Fri. - Sun.

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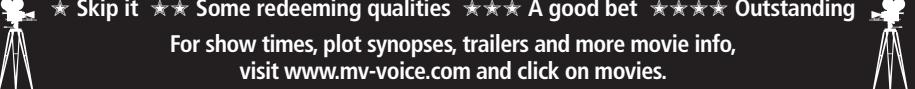
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GOINGS ON

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THEATER

'The Grapes of Wrath' Bus Barn Theater presents "The Grapes of Wrath," adapted from John Steinbeck's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel about a family that finds itself reduced to poverty during the Great Depression, abandoning their Oklahoma farm for the promise of a better life in California. Through May 5; times vary. Bus Barn Theater, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos. losaltosstage.org

'Hershey Felder: A Paris Love Story'

"Hershey Felder: A Paris Love Story" chronicles the personal journey of virtuoso Hershey Felder while also exploring the life and music of impressionist composer Claude Debussy. Through May 5; times vary. \$40-\$120; discounts for seniors, adults under 35. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. theatrworks.org

'The Addams Family'

"The Addams Family" takes Charles Addams' classic characters and places them in an original musical. Wednesday Addams, the child of sorrow, is no longer a child, but rather a young woman in love with an "ordinary" man, Lucas, from an "ordinary" family. April 18-20; times vary. \$24.99; discounts available. Stanford Memorial Auditorium, 551 Serra St., Stanford. musical.stanford.edu

'PROOF' "PROOF" is the story of a young woman's quest to step out of her father's shadow in the backdrop of a mysterious mathematical proof. April 19-21; times vary. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. tickets. mvcpa.com/

CONCERTS

The Complete Piano Sonatas of Beethoven Axel Schmitt, a Community School of Music and Arts faculty member and

pianist, performs

piano sonatas of Beethoven. This is the fourth in a series of concerts leading up to the 250th anniversary of Beethoven's birth in 2020. April 20, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Community School of Music and Arts — Tateuchi Hall, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. arts4all.org

MUSIC

Community Singing In this singing session of simple songs that describe the connection between people and the Earth, instructors use the call-and-response teaching method. Ability to read sheet music is not required. April 20, 9:15-10:15 a.m. Free. Hidden Villa, 26870 Moody Road, Los Altos Hills. hiddenvilla.org

David Rogers: Classical Crossover

Guitar Musician David Rogers will perform solo guitar music with leanings toward jazz, world, folk and classical music. April 26, 8-10 p.m. Red Rock Coffee, 201 Castro St., Mountain View. davidrogersguitar.com/

D-Cup Divas: Cabaret Benefit The D-Cup Divas present their American Cancer Society fundraiser cabaret, "Every Heart, A Story." April 19-20, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$20; \$25 at the door. The Pear Theatre, 1110 La Avenida St., Mountain View. thepear.org/cabaret

Talent Show Mountain View Senior Center presents its seventh annual talent show for musicians, singers, dancers, actors, comedians, magicians and other performers ages 55 and up. April 24, 2:30-5 p.m. Mountain View Senior Center, 266 Escuela Ave., Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

FESTIVALS & FAIRS

Mountain View de Anza Masons

Celebrate 150 Years The Mountain View community will celebrate the 150th anniversary of Mountain View de Anza Lodge No. 194.

Local Freemasons will convene with leaders of the statewide Grand Lodge of California and local community leaders to commemorate the occasion. April 27, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Mountain View de Anza Masonic Lodge, 890 Church St., Mountain View.

TALKS & LECTURES

Dana Simpson Author and illustrator Dana Simpson will share the latest installment in her New York Times bestselling middle grade series, "Unicorn Bowling: Another Phoebe and Her Unicorn Adventure." Books Inc. Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. booksinc.net

S.K. Ali William C. Morris Award finalist S.K. Ali will discuss her new romance novel "Love from A to Z," which follows two Muslim teens who meet during a spring break trip. April 26, 7-9 p.m. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

Inside the Newsroom Panel: 'New to the Beat, New to the Valley' The panel will feature journalists who are either covering their tech beat for the first time or are new to living in Silicon Valley. Panelists will reveal their first impressions, discuss the most important stories they've covered over the past year, share what they believe the top trends for 2019 will be and how their approach to storytelling has or has not changed. April 24, 5:30-7:30 p.m. \$39; discounts available. HP, 1501 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

FAMILY

'Cow Wow' Participants will meet Hidden Villa's dairy cows, experience how to get milk by hand and see the modern-day machinery used in the process of getting milk. April 21 and May 4, 3:30-5 p.m. Hidden Villa, 26870 Moody Road, Los Altos Hills. hiddenvilla.org

Spring Eggs

Hidden Villa's Spring Eggs event includes collecting eggs from the on-site hen house, gathering plants and vegetables from the garden to create natural dye and weaving baskets made from recycled materials. April 20, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Hidden Villa, 26870 Moody Road, Los Altos Hills. hiddenvilla.org

MUSEUMS & EXHIBITS

David Park: Artist and Educator The life and work of artist and educator David Park will be discussed by his daughter Helen Park Bigelow, his former student Tom Holland and chief curator at SFMOMA Janet Bishop. April 25, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Anderson Collection, 314 Lomita Drive, Stanford. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

Exhibit Celebrates 90 Years of The Garden Club of Los Altos Los Altos History Museum presents an exhibit of archival photos, historical documents and memorabilia from The Garden Club of Los Altos' history. Through April 28, noon-4 p.m. Free. J. Gilbert Smith House, Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. losaltoshistory.org

'Recent Works' by Maura Carta

Viewpoints Gallery's April exhibition features artist Maura Carta's "Recent Works" in oil, including landscapes, cityscapes, portraits and still lifes. She works within the classical techniques of grisailles and layering. Through April 28; times vary. Viewpoints Gallery, 315 State St., Los Altos. viewpointsgallery.com

COMEDY

Comedians@Steins! The producers of "Comedians@Red Rock!" present a new show hosted by local comedian Kevin Wong. April 20, 7-10 p.m. Free, donations welcome. Steins Beer Garden, 895 Villa St., Mountain View. kevinwongcomedy.com

HIGHLIGHT

CONCERTS ON THE PLAZA

The concert series takes place on the first and third Friday of the month through September. Attendees are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chair. In addition to the music, there will be a food truck, a "pop-up park" area for children and for adults, beer and wine. April 19, 6-7:30 p.m. Civic Center Plaza, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

FILM

'Love Notes to Newton' Screening

"Love Notes to Newton" is a film about a little green computer and the people who love it. It features over 40 interviews, including former Apple Inc. CEO John Sculley. After the film, there will be a Q&A with the filmmaker. April 19, 5 p.m. Computer History Museum, 1401 N. Shoreline Blvd, Mountain View. computerhistory.org

LESSONS & CLASSES

Water-Wise Landscape Classes

BAWSCA's landscape education classes are designed to introduce homeowners, commercial property managers, landscape service providers and others to the concepts of water-efficient and sustainable landscaping. Through May 16, 6-8:30 p.m. Mountain View Public Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View. bayareaconservation.org/landscape

HOME & GARDEN

Plant Exchange: Donate, Trade, Take!

Mountain View Library invites plant owners to donate, trade and take home new plants during the sixth annual Plant Exchange. April 20, 1-3 p.m. Mountain View Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View. mountainview.libcal.com

BUSINESS

'Trillion Dollar Coach: The Leadership Playbook of Silicon Valley's Bill Campbell'

Google leaders Eric Schmidt, Jonathan Rosenberg and Alan Eagle will share insights from their new book "Trillion Dollar Coach: The Leadership Playbook of Silicon Valley's Bill Campbell." April 26, 6 p.m. Computer History Museum, 1401 N. Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. computerhistory.org

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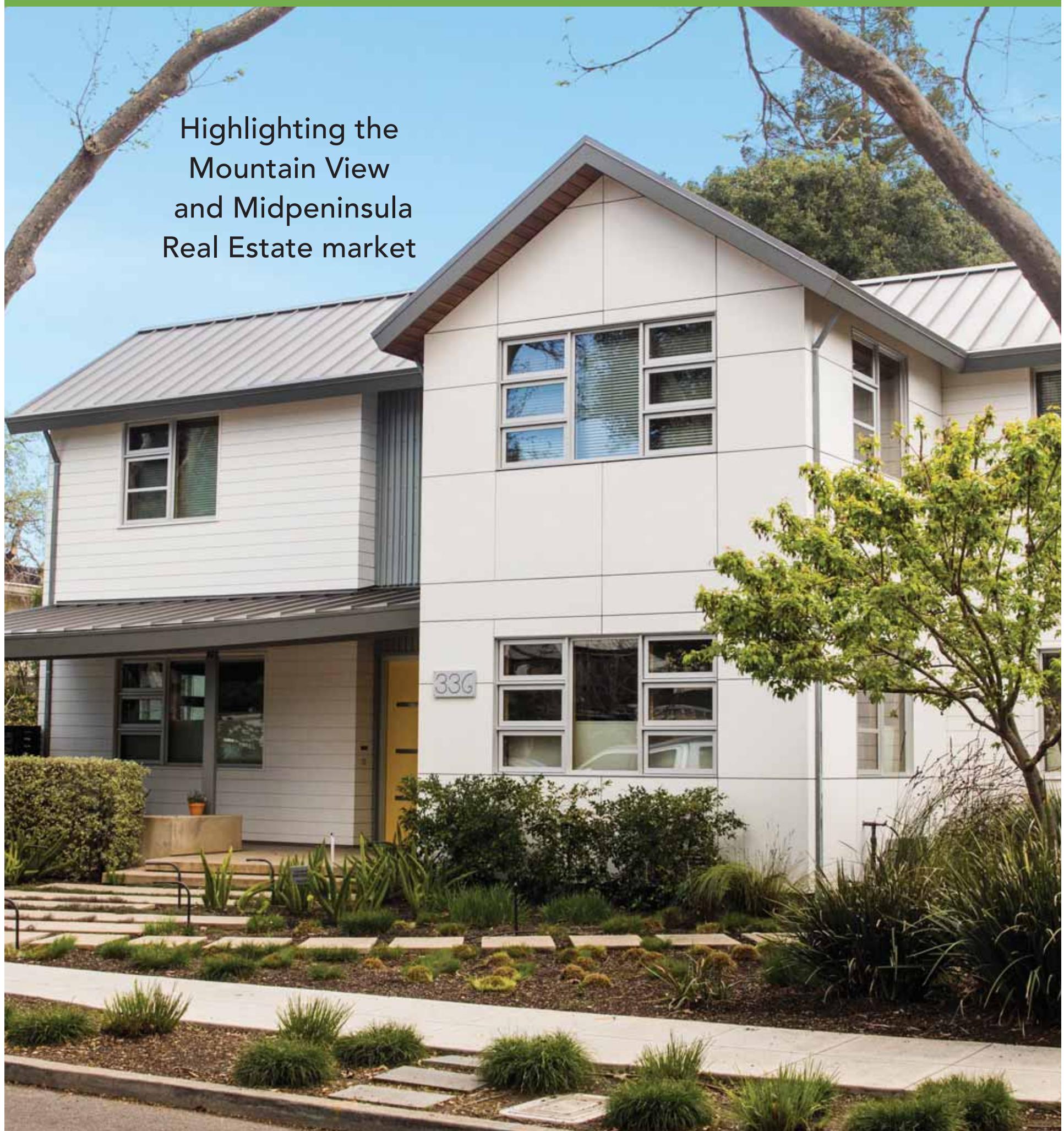
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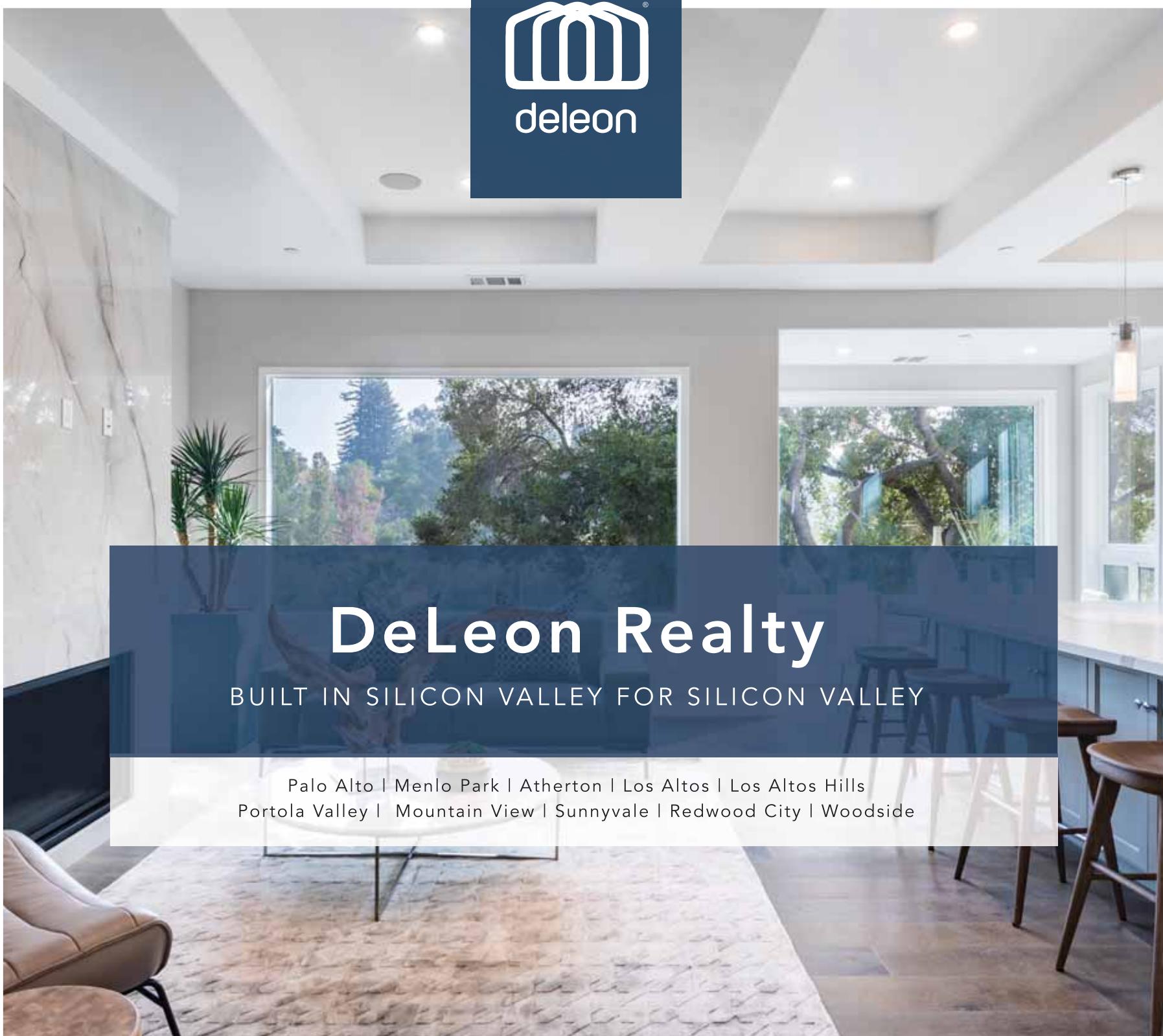
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