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## Q: What do you think about the proposal to change the name of Mount Diablo?



As a resident of the town of Diablo, which has a fabulous history, I believe we should leave the name of Mount Diablo as it has been for many, many years.

**Joyce Rosevear**  
*retired*



I'm very much a traditionalist and I'm a member of the Diablo Historic Preservation Society. I just really would not like to see it changed because of the historical importance of the name. All our history is Diablo .... I don't really know what the objection is.

**Kay Spicer**  
*retired teacher*



I know Mount Diablo is very famous, so I don't think the name should be changed. Every resident in the Bay Area knows the name. And I like the name—it's very easy to remember.

**Coty Siu**  
*postal clerk*



I think the name of Mount Diablo should remain Mount Diablo. We shouldn't be changing well-established names whimsically.

**Ted Schmidt**  
*retired*



I disagree. It is Mount Diablo and always has been Mount Diablo. Sometimes people want to change just for a change, and sometimes change isn't always the way to go.

**Joan Sosko**  
*retired*


### ABOUT THE COVER

Danville resident Dan Franklin (front row standing, right, with his arm around his buddy) is shown with his mine sweeper crew in San Diego. In this week's cover story, he recalls his part in D-Day at the age of 17 on Omaha Beach.

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### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“ We abhor the wicked creature to whom the name is appropriate, and spurn the use of the name for anything noble or good on earth. ”

—Congregational Church fighting to change the name of Mount Diablo in 1866

### Film Fest success

An estimated 1,500 people attended the second annual Danville International Children's Film Festival held downtown last weekend with 75 films screened from around the world. Awards were given out by festival director Tim Neeley, celebrity guests, town and festival officials. Jamieson Montgomery of Alamo won Best Young Filmmaker Short for "Crazed Thoughts." Next year's festival is scheduled for May 19-21.

### Parks district OKs Sycamore Valley Open Space Preserve

The East Bay Regional Parks District unanimously approved plans for the Sycamore Valley Open Space Preserve in Danville last week. The preserve, 700 acres located on the valley's two bordering ridgelines, is expected to open to hikers, cyclists and equestrians sometime this summer.

The approval was expected, but the hearing was notable for its lack of public opposition. Two members of Danville's Parks and Leisure Services Commission spoke in favor of the preserve, which has been in the works for decades.

At previous meetings, some neighboring homeowners had strongly opposed opening the area to public access, citing traffic, privacy and other concerns. More recently, the district received about 20 mixed public comments to its final land use plan for the preserve on a range of issues, said EBRPD board member Beverly Lane.

Over the past year, the parks district met with concerned residents, which resulted in some modifications to the plan, mainly relocating one entrance and eliminating signs at neighborhood access points. It will not build any developed facilities but will extend existing trails and install gates, signs and trailheads.

Parks officials say local residents will be the primary beneficiaries of the new preserve and they don't expect safety and traffic problems in area neighborhoods.

### Naming new elementary schools

School board members reacted to name suggestions of two future elementary schools in the Dougherty Valley at their May 17 meeting.

Terry Koehne, Community Relations Coordinator, was head of the naming committee. He and fellow committee members deliberated over names and asked for feedback on the district's Web site. Koehne presented the committee's first and second choice for both schools at the meeting.

For the new school in the Gale Ranch development, which is scheduled to open in August 2006, the first choice was Monarch Grove Elementary and the second choice was Quail Run Elementary.

For the new school in the Windemere development, which is scheduled to open in August 2007, the first choice was Sherwood Elementary and the second choice was Windmill Canyon Elementary.

Superintendent Robert Kessler was forthright in his opinion of the names. He thought Quail Run was effective for the elementary school at Gale Ranch but felt the committee should go back to the drawing board for the Windemere elementary school. The school board agreed with Kessler. Suggestions can be submitted at the school district's Web site, <http://www.srvusd.k12.ca.us/>.

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## Danville considering Thursday farmers market

*Downtown businesses are generally receptive to a market on Hartz Avenue*

by Casey Reivich

Soccer games keeping you from making the Saturday farmers market?

A Thursday night farmers market on Hartz Avenue is being seriously explored by the town of Danville.

The plan, which is still being researched, is to have a Thursday night farmers market in addition to the Saturday market. The Thursday night market would also be run by the Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association.

At a special meeting May 19, Chamber of Commerce members

and the town of Danville mentioned possibly having the market between Church Street and Prospect Street, from 4-8 p.m.

The town will be meeting with the Danville Police Department and the transportation department to figure out the area with the least impact on traffic, said Councilwoman Candace Anderson.

"A year ago last January, we were talking about hosting more events to get people into the downtown so they would shop and dine on a Thursday night," said Anderson. "Thursday is a night when people aren't overly scheduled. It's a nice

night for families to get together."

The council is now focusing on the impact a farmers market on Hartz Avenue would have on downtown businesses and if it would impede the flow of traffic. The council is also looking at whether a Thursday market would hurt the Saturday market, said Anderson.

Mayor Mike Doyle, Bonnie Gutman, associate planner and economic development coordinator for the town, and Melony Newman, President/CEO of the Chamber of Commerce, asked Hartz Avenue business owners how they feel about a Thursday farmers market.

Doyle, Gutman and Newman reported back that most business owners were enthusiastic about the idea. The hope, they said, is that business owners see this additional farmers market as an opportunity. If the market is approved, they will encourage businesses to stay open on Thursday nights, they said at the special meeting.

There has been some opposition to the idea. Some business owners feel that a farmers market on Hartz Avenue will block traffic to their business, said Doyle at the meeting.

The town was hoping to do a test run in August, but due to the "Hot

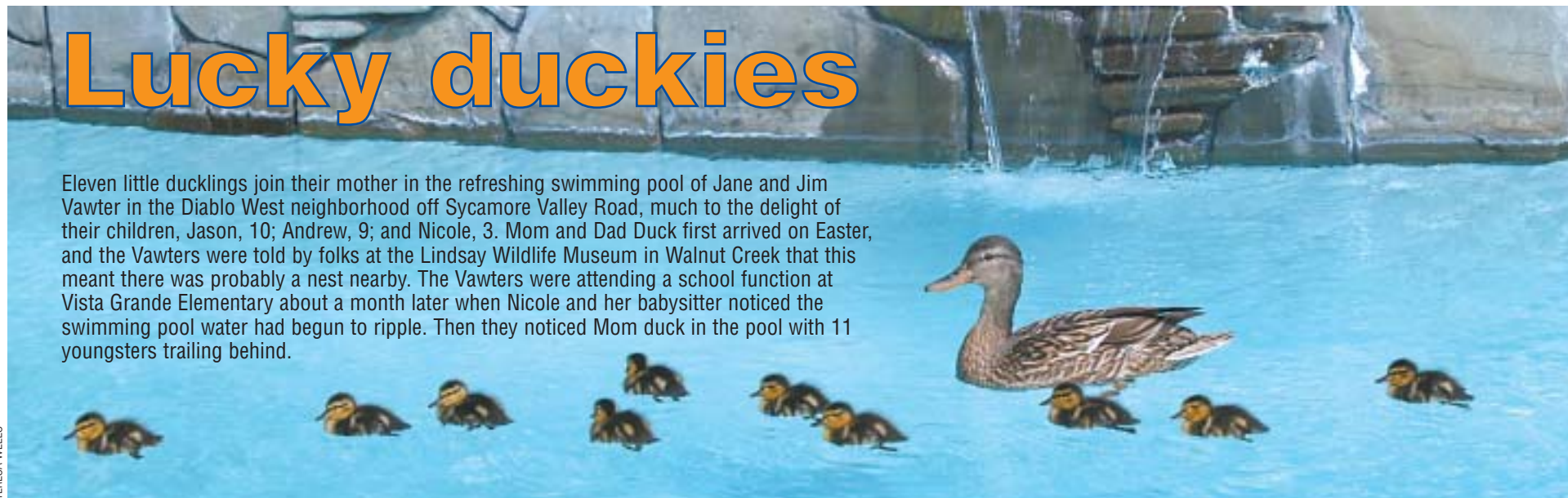
Summer Nights" car show, it would most probably start in September. The town would do a test run and then get feedback from business owners. The council is enthusiastic about the prospect, said Anderson.

"It draws people. It draws a different element than our car show," said Anderson. She added that a test run would show downtown business owners the difference in who attends. The idea is still being researched. Once the appropriate amount of feedback is collected, the Town Council should vote on it immediately, said Anderson. It could be decided as early as June or July. ■

## Lucky duckies

Eleven little ducklings join their mother in the refreshing swimming pool of Jane and Jim Vawter in the Diablo West neighborhood off Sycamore Valley Road, much to the delight of their children, Jason, 10; Andrew, 9; and Nicole, 3. Mom and Dad Duck first arrived on Easter, and the Vawters were told by folks at the Lindsay Wildlife Museum in Walnut Creek that this meant there was probably a nest nearby. The Vawters were attending a school function at Vista Grande Elementary about a month later when Nicole and her babysitter noticed the swimming pool water had begun to ripple. Then they noticed Mom duck in the pool with 11 youngsters trailing behind.

TERESA WELLS



## Oakley man fights to take the devil out of the mountain

*Mount Diablo name change being considered by the federal government*

by Casey Reivich

Art Mijares beat the devil. Mijares was a substance abuser for 10 years. Despite the fact that he had the perfect American life—a wife, three children, two cars and a house—Mijares felt empty.

"During that period of time, I served the devil. If it wasn't for my mother I would have been in a state penitentiary," he said.

Mijares, 56, now a deeply religious man, works at the California State Department of Rehabilitation in Antioch. He speaks in a bold and dramatic fashion, but his demeanor is warm and open.

At the rehabilitation center, he helps former substance abusers ease back into the work force and society. He also volunteers at Christian-based organizations like Victory Outreach.

To Mijares, the devil is a powerful presence in our everyday lives.

In his work, he sees how people are always struggling between God and the devil.

"The tools of the devil are drugs, alcohol, sex crimes—that comes from hell," said Mijares.

In his drive to literally beat out the devil, Mijares has filed a formal request to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names to change the name of Mount Diablo, which in Spanish means "devil mountain."

This is not the first time someone has expressed opposition to the name on religious grounds.

"In the 19th century there were people who felt it was inappropriate," said Beverly Lane, curator at the Museum of the San Ramon Valley.

In 1866, the San Francisco-based Congregational Church fought to change the mountain's name, according to a story by Beth Ortiz in the American Indian Quarterly, Fall 1989. Church members wrote in a newspaper

editorial, "We abhor the wicked creature to whom the name is appropriate, and spurn the use of the name for anything noble or good on earth." The church representatives then suggested using the name Kahwookum. They said an unnamed Indian man who lived at the base of the mountain told them this was the mountain's original name. The California Legislature ruled that the name was inoffensive.

Even in recent history there has been the occasional grumble, said Seth Adams, director of Land Programs for Save Mount Diablo.

Mijares is, however, the first person to ever take his case to the federal level, according to the U.S. Board of Geographic Names.

The Board requires all petitioners to suggest a replacement name. At first Mijares suggested naming the Contra Costa natural landmark after Ronald Reagan. He thought

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## Town offering \$5,000 reward to stop vandalism

The Danville Town Council has set a \$5,000 reward for anyone who has information leading to the arrest of the vandals of the All Wars Memorial at Oak Hill Park and any other public building, park or facility in Danville.

This past April a vandal scratched the granite Quotation Wall and broke the small access door of the flagpole at the All Wars Memorial, which is to be dedicated this Memorial Day.

Then on May 6, Dale Haukland, a volunteer at the Museum of the San Ramon Valley, unlocked the restrooms in the morning and found the caboose bathroom in disarray. There was graffiti on the door and wall and a framed picture of an old caboose design plan was ripped off, the glass shattered. The wall in the bathroom had to be repainted, and volunteers at the museum scrubbed the door clean, said Haukland.

"That's the first major case of vandalism we've ever had," said Haukland.

Jed Johnson, Maintenance

Services manager for the town, said police believe there is one individual who is responsible for much of the graffiti, saying it is like "a signature." A community services officer is showing samples of the graffiti to students at the schools, he said.

"This is a time of year when we have had an increase in vandalism. I don't know whether it's because of spring or that summer will soon be here," said Town Manager Joe Calabrigo. "Our Police Department gets eight to 25 reports every month."

The town plans to post reward signs at all public parks and facilities around town. The signs are not yet designed, but the reward for reporting vandals is effective immediately. Call the Police Department at 314-3410.

"These are everyone's facilities. It costs the taxpayers money to fix them. We're appealing to everyone to keep their eyes open and to immediately contact the Danville police," said Calabrigo.

—Casey Reivich





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# Diablo Views

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI



## Summer—time to re-create ourselves

This weekend kicks off summer, and Karla Schreffler, program coordinator for Alamo Parks and Recreation Department, is ready. Karla was eloquent on the importance of recreation and pointed out the meaning of the word: “Re-creating—it’s resetting our clock so we can move on.” She noted that a lot of people in this area are “product-orientated,” which is what makes them successful. Her job is to help them to be “process orientated,” so they will enjoy the ride.

Karla works for the Mt. Diablo Region YMCA, which contracts with the county for Alamo recreation programs, out of the Cottage at Hap Magee Ranch Park, the center for many of the activities. One especially popular program, which requires no signup and sounds like a lot of good, old-fashioned fun, is Tuesdays at the Ranch. This is a family night, from 6:30-8:30 p.m., a chance for families to wander on down to the ranch and enjoy the lovely summer evening and each other. Karla plans to have equipment for folks to check out—Frisbees, balls, etc. “I’m the facilitator,” she said. “I want to help you learn how to play with your kids.”

The events last year attracted a lot of older kids from the nearby neighborhood who arrived on their bikes. They interacted well with the

toddlers who came with their parents, Karla said. I remember those synergies from my own family, since my son Pepe is eight years older than my daughter Zoe. When she was a toddler, he was in middle school. We had a huge sandbox in our back yard at the time, and they would spend hours in it together, tunneling roads and making sand

and 26; and Aug. 2, 9 and 16. Somores will be on the menu as the evenings feature family campfires in the new picnic area behind the cottage. Karla also said folks should feel free to bring their guitars and bongos and who knows what kind of sing-along might take place?

Alamo Parks and Recreation (886-4716) is also sponsoring Wizard Camp, Camp for the Crafty, and Berkeley Chess School’s third annual summer camp at Hap Magee. For a complete list of Y camps, call the Summer Camp Hotline at 609-9622. The recreation department is also sponsoring a “Paint-In” for artists June 25, Adult Yoga Classes at the Cottage, and Friday night concerts at Livorna Park on June 17, July 15, Aug. 12 and Sept. 16. These concerts are scheduled for alternate weekends from the Danville concerts on Sundays at Oak Hill Park. Karla likes the idea of concerts on Fridays, pointing out that if you do something on a Friday night, your weekend seems longer. So true!

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castles. It was a good way for him to decompress after a day of navigating the minefields of middle school, to escape the pressures of adolescence and relax with his little sister. She and her friends loved any time he would give them and, with them, he could be a carefree kid again. The same thing happens at Hap Magee Ranch, Karla said. “There’s a magic between those ages, toddler and adolescents.”

This year’s Tuesdays at the Ranch will be June 21 and 28; July 12, 19

If you haven’t been there lately, check out Hap Magee Ranch at 1025 La Gonda Way on the Alamo-Danville border. With its new kiddie corral playground, dog parks for small and large pets to be off-leash, and lots on the agenda, it’s a great place to welcome summer and re-create yourself. ■



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## She has Street Smarts

Madeleine Han, a fourth-grader at Alamo Elementary School, is honored Monday as the grand prize winner for grades 3-5 at the first-ever Street Smarts poster contest by (right) Bob Pack, whose Troy and Alana Pack Foundation sponsored the event, and Mark Curtis, KTVU Channel 2 news anchor. Street Smarts was begun to make

everyone more safety conscious on the roads after Troy and Alana were killed on Camino Tassajara in 2003 by a car driven by an intoxicated woman. Bob Pack attended the event despite his family’s most recent tragedy when he and his wife Carmen lost the twin boys they were expecting to be born in about four months.

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**EDITORIAL • THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY**

**Reflections  
on a memorial**

The All Wars Memorial is being dedicated Monday with dignitaries, speeches, a military band and the public. But the memorial perhaps is best viewed on a quiet day. As one approaches from the north side of the pond, the monument is reflected in the water along with the trees overhanging the path, so its effect begins to take hold gradually.

A memorial such as this—with its imposing granite quotation wall and its powerful portrayal of two soldiers, all in the shadow of the Stars and Stripes—touches a nerve in all of us; we all ache when we remember that so many have sacrificed so much. The memorial takes advantage of the natural beauty of its surroundings. Set as it is in such peaceful surroundings, in a town physically untouched by war or terrorist attack, the juxtaposition makes it all the more dramatic.

Although the memorial has been more than a decade in the planning, the timing turned out to be good at the end, with its dedication scheduled for Memorial Day. Veterans groups who worked so hard to make the memorial a reality—and all of us—can be proud of this monument to those who have served the United States. It also honors their families, recognizing that their sacrifices, too, have been great.

One heading on the wall states, “Every generation is called.” We can only hope this does not prove true in the years to come, that remembering the past will help us find a path to peace in the future. But the purpose of this memorial is to honor those who have served, first in fighting for our country’s independence then in wars and conflicts through the years. Visit it Monday for the pomp and camaraderie of the dedication. Visit it again in a quiet moment to reflect upon its meaning.

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## Art

### Blackhawk Art Gallery open house

The Blackhawk Art Gallery, 3628 Blackhawk Paza Circle, Danville, invites the public to enjoy a free open house artist reception from 5-8 p.m., Saturday, June 11. It will feature works of painter Diana Smith, sculptor Jason Griego and other local fine artists. Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Call 736-5640.

### Danville Fine Arts Faire

The Danville Chamber of Commerce will hold its 14th annual arts fair from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, June 18-19, on Hartz Avenue, Danville. It will feature more than 200 artists and Italian street painters who will transform the streets with temporary art. The fair also will offer music and food. New this year is the Open Aire Gallery on Hartz Avenue, between School Street and Hartz Way, offering champagne, Dixieland jazz and art, plus the Street of Flowers on Prospect Street, featuring flowers, arches, fountains and topiaries. A free shuttle service will operate Sunday at the Sycamore Valley Park N Ride. Call 837-4400 or visit [www.mlaproductions.com](http://www.mlaproductions.com).

### Paint-In at the Ranch

Alamo Parks and Recreation is holding an artist "paint-in" at Hap Magee Ranch Park, 1025 La Gonda Way, Danville, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, June 25. There are spots for peaceful outdoor painting, or artists can catch some of the new action at the park. A noon barbecue lunch includes a show-and-tell session. Preregistration and \$7 fee required for lunch. Call Karla Schreffler at 886-4716.

## Civic Meetings

### Arts Commission

The Danville Arts Commission will meet at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 1, at the Town Meeting Hall, 201 Front St.

### Danville Heritage Resource Commission

The Commission meets regularly on the second Monday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Town Meeting Hall, 201 Front St.

### Danville Parks and Leisure Services Commission

The Commission meets regularly on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Town Meeting Hall, 201 Front St.

### Danville Planning Commission

The Commission meets regularly on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Meeting Hall, 201 Front St.

### Town Council Meeting

The Danville Town Council meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Meeting Hall, 201 Front Street.

## Classes

### Yoga

Alamo Parks and Recreation offers adult yoga classes at 11 a.m. Wednesdays, June 22-Aug. 10 at the Cottage, Hap Magee Ranch Park, 1025 La Gonda Way. Cost is \$85. Call Karla at 886-4716.

## Clubs

### Alamo Cribbage Club

The club plays cribbage for fun. It meets at 6:15 p.m. every Wednesday at the Safeway conference room, 200 Alamo Plaza, Alamo. Call 935-3325.

### Alamo Rotary

The Alamo Rotary meets at noon every Wednesday at Roundhill Country Club, 3169 Roundhill Road. Call Mark Kahn at 837-3262.

### Alamo Women's Club Federated

The club meets on most Wednesdays at its clubhouse, 1401 Danville Blvd. It holds a business meeting and tea on the second Wednesday at noon; meets for Mah Jong at 10:30 a.m. on the third Wednesday; and holds a luncheon with program at noon on the fourth Wednesday. For information, call Jean Stringfellow at 552-9733.

### Alamo-Danville Newcomers' Club

This club is open to new and long-time residents of Alamo and Danville interested in making new friends while learning more about the area. Activities include games, day trips, sports, crafts, couples events, volunteer projects and book, movie, international and cooking groups. A prospective member coffee is held the fourth Thursday of the month, and a monthly luncheon on the second Tuesday. Call 775-3233 or visit [www.alamodanvillenewcomers.com](http://www.alamodanvillenewcomers.com)

### Blue Star Moms California

Blue Star Moms is a support group for families of members of the U.S. Armed Forces. It meets 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the Danville Veterans Hall, 400 Hartz Ave. Call Peggy at 866-7035 or Patty at 838-9096 or visit [www.bluestarmoms.org](http://www.bluestarmoms.org).

### Business Development Network

BDN is a group of professionals that share resources and develops business through relationships. It meets 7:45-9 a.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at Denny's, 807 Camino Ramon, Danville. Call Bonnie at 648-0222.

### Danville AM Toastmasters Club

The club meets from 7-8:30 a.m. every Tuesday at Father Nature's, 178 E. Prospect Ave. Guests are welcome. Call Marge, 831-3802.

### Danville Business Network International (BNI)

The Danville Business Network International (BNI) meets at 7 a.m. every Friday at the Marriott Residence Inn, 1071 Market Place, San Ramon. Guests are welcome. Call Susanne Olsen, 937-5055.

### Danville Mid-day Referral Group, BNI

Danville Mid-day Referral Group, a chapter of Business Network International, meets from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. every Wednesday at Louka's, 267 Hartz in Danville. Call Fran Bates at 363-4327 or e-mail [franbates@marykay.com](mailto:franbates@marykay.com).

### Danville PM Toastmasters Club

The club meets 7:30-9 p.m. every Monday at the San Ramon Campus of Diablo Valley College, 315 Crow Canyon Place, Room 109. Guests are welcome. Call Debra Elmore at 934-3113.

### Diablo Valley Single Parents

This group meets at 6:30 p.m. on various days each month at different locations in the valley. Contact Rich at [abersr@toast.net](mailto:abersr@toast.net) or 838-9487.

### Diablo View Toastmasters

This chapter meets from 7:55-9 a.m. every Tuesday at the San Ramon Community Center, 12501 Alcosta Blvd. Novice and veteran speakers meet to develop speaking skills. Guests are welcome. Call Pat Griffin, 426-3844.

### eWomen Network Accelerated Networking Luncheon

The eWomen Network holds its monthly accelerated networking luncheon from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. the second Thursday at the Crow Canyon Country Club, 711 Silver Lake Drive, Danville. Contact Claire at 648-3105 or [clairesheperdson@ewomennet-work.com](mailto:clairesheperdson@ewomennet-work.com).

### Mt. Diablo Genealogical Society

The society meets 1:15-3 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month except August at the California Savings Building, Rossmoor Shopping Center, Tice Valley Blvd. and Rossmoor Parkway, Walnut Creek. Guest speakers present at each meeting.

### Porsche Club of America, Diablo Region

This club is for owners and enthusiasts of all Porsches. It meets at 8 a.m. every Saturday for breakfast at Denny's, 803 Camino Ramon, Danville. For information, visit [www.pca.org/dia](http://www.pca.org/dia).

## WEEKEND PREVIEW



## Treasure trove of history

Jack Hamel inspects an old carpet sweeper, part of the "Treasures of the Museum," which will be on display through June 18 at the Museum of the San Ramon Valley, 205 Railroad Ave. Hamel designed the path on the wall around the center exhibit showing footprints and tracks from animals and people through the ages in this location. The museum is open from 1-4 p.m., Tuesday-Friday; and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. Call 837-3750.

### San Ramon Valley Rotary Club

This club meets for dinner at 7 p.m. each Wednesday at the Crow Canyon Country Club, 711 Silver Lake Drive, Danville. Guests are welcome. The club offers a great way to make new friends while making a difference in your community. Call Bill at 838-9110.

### Veterans of Foreign Wars

The organization meets at 7 p.m., every second Thursday at the Danville Veterans Hall, 400 Hartz Ave. Call Post Commander Mac McCuskey at 837-2740.

## Concerts

### Concert at Livorna Park

Alamo Parks and Recreation hosts Duo Gadjoo playing blues and zydeco, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Friday, June 17, at Livorna Park at Livorna Road and Miranda Avenue. Bring the family and a picnic supper. Future concerts will run on alternate Fridays. Call Karla at 886-4716.

### Danville Community Band

The Danville Community Band presents "As Time Goes By" for its debut concert at the Dean Lesher Regional Center for the Arts, at 2 p.m., Sunday, June 5. Show features songs from the '20s, the '30s and the war years with vocal artist Jodi Lavender Aldredge and a special appearance by the "Andres Sisters" with local recording artists Linda Thorp and Juli Winter. Also music by Cole Porter, Shostakovich and John Williams. Admission is \$12; \$10 seniors; \$8 students. Partial proceeds go toward the band's new student instrument grant program. Call 943-SHOW (943-7469).

## Events

### Memorial Day Ceremony

The Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley invites the community to its

14th annual Memorial Day Ceremony and the dedication of the new "All Wars Memorial," at 10:30 a.m., Monday, May 30, at Oak Hill Park, 3005 Stone Valley Road. The program will feature patriotic music, the presentation of Colors, and remarks by Medal of Honor recipient SGM Jon Cavaiani, U.S. Army (Ret.). Bring chairs, blankets and food. Call Norm Mahalich at (530) 642-2030.

### Old Town Walking Tours

The Museum of the San Ramon Valley conducts Old Town Danville Walking Tours the second Saturday each month through September. Meet at 10 a.m. for one-hour tour at the museum, at the Danville Depot, 205 Railroad Ave. Call 837-3750 to register for the tour.

### Pet Adoptions

Tri-Valley Animal Rescue offers cats and dogs for adoption noon-4 p.m., Saturdays, at Petco, 2005 Crow Canyon Place, San Ramon. Call TVAR at 803-7043 or visit [www.tvvar.org](http://www.tvvar.org).

### Spring-tober Fest

The Alamo Rotary Club is hosting Spring-tober Fest at Oak Hill Park, 3005 Stone Valley Road, from 5-9 p.m., Saturday, June 4, featuring the lively music, spirited dancing and hearty food of Bavaria. Tickets are \$10, which includes food, dancing and live Bavarian musical entertainment. Tickets are available at Mark Kahn Jewelers, 3202 Danville Blvd., Alamo, or call 820-6847.

## Exhibits

### Treasures of the Museum

The Museum of the San Ramon Valley is displaying "Treasures of the Museum," with artifacts that the museum has never or rarely previously exhibited. They include collections of clothing, Indian tools, early farm implements, prehistoric fossils and other items from the valley's early history.

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The exhibit runs May 10-June 18. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. The museum is located at the Danville Depot, 205 Railroad Ave. Call 837-3750 or visit [www.museumsv.org](http://www.museumsv.org).

## Film

### Moonlight Movies

"Grease" (PG) will be shown on Friday, June 3, and "E.T." (PG) on Friday, June 10, at the Danville Town Green, between the Danville Library and Community Center, as part of the city's outdoor evening movie series. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs and a snack. The movie begins when the sun goes down, approximately 8:15 p.m. The event is free.

## Kids & Teens

### Berkeley Chess School

The Berkeley Chess School will teach the "game of kings" at summer camp for grades 1-8 at Hap Magee Ranch Park, 1025 La Gonda Way. Three sessions are offered: June 20-24, June 27-July 1 and July 5-8. Cost is \$150; \$130 for final session. Classes are held 1-4 p.m. each day. Call Karla at 886-4716.

### Camp for the Crafty

Alamo Parks and Recreation offers a crafts camp for grades 2-6 at Hap Magee Ranch Park, 1025 La Gonda Way, Danville, 9 a.m.-noon, June 27-July 1, and again July 5-8. Craft projects include paper mache, painting and making wizard accessories. The cost is \$150. Call 886-4716.

### Sports camps

See Sports section of calendar.

### Summer internships

Alamo Parks and Recreation offers summer volunteer internships for youths in grades 11-12, providing experience in planning and running recreational activities at Hap Magee Ranch Park. Internships are unpaid and have flexible hours. Call Karla at 886-4716.

### Wizard Camp

Alamo Parks and Recreation offers two week-long "Wizard Camps" at Hap Magee Ranch Park, 1025 LaGonda Way, 9 a.m.-noon June 20-24, and again July 5-8. The camps, for grades 2-6, includes mysteries puzzles, science, quidditch for the gravity-challenged, arts, crafts, potions, herbs, strange creatures and scary characters. First session costs \$150, second session costs \$130. Call 886-4716.

### YMCA summer camps

Mt. Diablo Region YMCA offers weekly summer camp sessions from June 20-Aug. 26. Camps run half days for children 3-6 and full days for grades 1-9. Programs include field trips, swimming, arts, outdoor ed, games and teambuilding. Specialty camps range from Dude Ranch to Wizardry. The Y also has resident camps for grades 3-8 and a variety of teen camps. Call San Ramon Valley YMCA at 831-1100, or visit [www.mdrymca.org](http://www.mdrymca.org).

## Miscellaneous

### Donner and Back Canyon hike

The Sierra Club will lead a leisurely loop hike in Mt. Diablo State Park, 4-6:30 p.m., Sunday, June 5. Meet at the end of Regency Drive off Marsh Creek Road, Clayton. Optional nearby refreshment stop after hike. No advance registration required. For information call 458-0860.

### Frogs and hot dogs

Join Save Mount Diablo for a talk on the red-legged frog by amphibian expert Dr. Larry Cory, followed by a barbecue and ice cream social, 10 a.m.-noon, Saturday, June 4, at the Morgan Territory Regional Preserve. An option short hike through frog habitat follows. The preserve has expansive views of Mount Diablo and the Delta. Due to road closure, the preserve can only be accessed from

the south from I-580 at North Livermore Ave. Meet at main parking lot on Morgan Territory Road. Cost is \$5. Call Sharon Walters at 947-3535 to RSVP (required).

## On Stage

### Danville Ballet

The Danville Ballet Company with students from Ballet and Theatre Arts presents "Spring Performance 2005" at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, May 27-28 at the Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton. More than 50 preprofessional dancers will perform the Dream Sequence from Don Quixote and a two-act version of the lighthearted Coppelia. Guest artists Carmichael Blankenship and Lewis Smith will also appear. Call the Civic Arts box office at 931-3444 for tickets.

## Seniors

### Bridge

Seniors meet to play bridge from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. every Friday at the Danville Veteran's Memorial Hall, 400 Hartz Ave. Cost is \$1. Reservations are required. Call Jerri Kaldem at 837-6283.

### Cookies, coffee and conversation

Seniors are invited to come for cookies, coffee and conversation from 9-11 a.m., Tuesday, May 31, at the Danville Veteran's Memorial Hall lounge, 400 Hartz Ave. Cost is \$2-\$3. Call 314-3400 to sign up.

### Danville Primetime

Danville Primetime meets from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. every Tuesday at the Danville Community Presbyterian Church, 222 W. El Pintado. Arts and crafts, fellowship Bible study, and lunch are available. Call 837-5525.

### Danville Senior Citizens Club

The club meets from 9:45 a.m.-2 p.m. every Monday at the Danville Veterans' Memorial Hall, 400 Hartz Ave., for line dancing exercise, bingo, mah jong and more. Membership is just \$9 a year. Call Fran Britt at 743-4026.

### Danville Senior Softball

See Sports.

### Ice Cream Social

Seniors are invited to an ice cream social from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuesday, June 7, at the Danville Veteran's Memorial Hall lounge, 400 Hartz Ave. Cost is \$2-3. Call 314-3400 to sign up.

### St. Isidore's Young at Heart

The Young at Heart meets from 11:15 a.m.-2 p.m. on every third Tuesday at St. Isidore's Church, 440 La Gonda Way, Danville. Mass at 11:15 a.m. is optional. Lunch is served at 11:45 a.m. at no charge. Nonprofit bingo follows. Reservations appreciated. Call Joan Singer at 820-4447.

## Sports

### Adult open gym basketball

Danville Parks and Recreation Department holds drop-in basketball year-round at the Los Cerros Middle School, 968 Blemer Road, for ages 18 and over. Drop-in times are 7:30-9 a.m. Saturdays. Bring your own ball. Cost is \$3 for residents, \$5 for non-residents. Call 314-3400.

### Boys Water Polo

The Danville Boulevard Boys Water Polo Program, open to boys ages 9-18, is now accepting registration for summer. The sport is like a combination of soccer and basketball played in water. No polo experience required, but good swimming skills are necessary. Practices are at San Ramon Valley High School, 140 Love Lane, Danville, and Soda Aquatic Center, 300 Moraga Road, Moraga. For schedules, fees and other information visit [www.dbpolo.com](http://www.dbpolo.com).

### Danville Senior Softball

Danville Senior Softball, ages 50 and up, plays pick-up softball at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays year-round at the Sycamore Valley Park

fields. New members welcome. Call Bob Randall at 855-4646.

### Danville Tennis Club

The Danville Tennis Club meets 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; and 9-11 a.m. Saturdays for drop-in tennis at San Ramon Valley High School. This free co-ed club provides play for 4.0 to 5.0 and very strong 3.5 level players. The current run schedule is available at [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/danville\\_tennisclub](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/danville_tennisclub).

### Swim classes

Summer swim classes from and age 3 and up begin June 20 at Monte Vista Community Pool, 3131 Stone Valley Road, and San Ramon Valley High School Pool, at Love Lane and San Ramon Valley Blvd. The Town of Danville offers two-week group lessons, and one-week private lessons, all 30 minutes, with costs ranging from \$45-\$60. Drop-in parent/child classes for ages 6 months-3 years are held 11 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5 p.m., Wednesdays at Monte Vista Community Pool beginning June 22 with fees of \$10-\$12. Call 314-3400.

### YMCA sports camps

Registration is open for the San Ramon Valley YMCA summer sports camps in Alamo for grades 1-6. Supersports Camp runs June 20-24; Soccer Camp runs June 25-June 29. Camps are 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday, and cost \$185. Call 831-1100 or visit [www.mdmyca.org](http://www.mdmyca.org).

### YMCA Youth Summer Leagues

Registration is open for the YMCA's youth summer sports leagues in tee ball and baseball (grades K-3), street hockey (grades 2-9), basketball (pre-K-grade 8) and outdoor soccer (pre-K-grade 3). League fees are \$108; members pay \$90. Tee ball/baseball and hockey begins June 18. Basketball and soccer begins July 9. Call 831-1100 or visit [www.mdmyca.org](http://www.mdmyca.org) for locations and other information.

## Support Groups

### Bipolar Support Group

The Tri-Valley Support Group provides peer support for people with mood disorders. It meets from 7:15-8:45 p.m. every Wednesday at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Road, Pleasanton. There is no cost to attend. Call 560-0842.

### Breast Cancer Support Group

This is a staff-facilitated support group for women with breast cancer. It meets at 6:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the San Ramon Regional Medical Center, 7777 Norris Canyon Road, in the West Day Room of the South Building. Call Lisa Peguese at 275-8414.

### Overeaters Anonymous

The group offers a 12-step approach to issues around food, overeating, anorexia and bulimia. It meets from 7-8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Danville Congregational Church, 989 San Ramon Valley Blvd. No fees. Call Susie at 275-1391.

### PFLAG

The Danville/San Ramon Valley Chapter of Parents Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) is a support group that meets at 7:30 p.m. on every third Monday at the Danville Congregational Church, 989 San Ramon Valley Blvd. Call 831-8172.

## Volunteering

### Alzheimer's Association

The Alzheimer's Association of Northern California, East Bay branch, seeks volunteers to facilitate support groups, staff the help line and perform a variety of office support at its office in Lafayette. Call (800) 660-1993.

### Animal Rescue

Animal Rescue Foundation (ARF) needs volunteers to help with its ani-

mal rescue efforts. Monthly orientations take place at the ARF shelter, 2890 Mitchell Drive, Walnut Creek. The next sessions are 10 a.m., Saturday, June 4; and noon, Monday, June 6. Call to register at 296-3130. For information, visit [www.arf.net](http://www.arf.net).

### Assistance League of Diablo Valley

This chapter of the National Assistance League seeks new volunteer members to help with a wide range of philanthropic service projects in many Contra Costa communities. These include vision screening in elementary schools, distributing clothing to school children in need (over 2,000 children aided in 2004), daily reassurance phone calls to homebound elderly and handicapped clients, and staffing the chapter's Lafayette thrift shop. Call 934-0901 or visit <http://diablovalley.assistanceleague.org>.

### Crisis Hotline

The Contra Costa Crisis Center in Walnut Creek will begin a free class to train new volunteer hotline counselors on June 6. Volunteers, who must be 21, work one four-hour shift each week, providing emotional support to callers who are abused, depressed, grieving, suicidal, homeless or mentally ill. For information or to register, call Lesley Garcia at 939-1916, ext. 132, or email [lesleyg@crisis-center.org](mailto:lesleyg@crisis-center.org).

### Lend a Hand Day

The Town of Danville seeks volunteers to assist Danville seniors with their spring yard clean-up from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, June 4. Volunteers should submit a completed a volunteer application and waiver by May 31 to Danville Senior Services at the Community Center, 420 Front St. Meet in the Mt. Diablo Room of the Danville Library, 400 Front Street, for orientation. Bring your own lunch, gloves and any tools you wish to use. Call Christine Mabry at 314-3476.

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# Navy vet tells tales of flying bullets and sinking ships

BY CATHY JETTER

**T**he opening scene of Steven Spielberg's "Saving Private Ryan" has been cited as one of the most gut wrenching and emotional representations of battle ever filmed. Through Spielberg's cameras, we see the Allies, struggling to control the strategic French beaches as German troops sit high on the cliffs above. The first waves of determined men are picked off one by one as they doggedly make their way through the breaking surf. Soldier after soldier forges through the bloodied waters of the Atlantic Ocean, passing by fallen comrades, plodding through a human massacre horrendous even by Hollywood standards.

While the cinema's greatest talents have offered audiences around the world an accurate and moving account of that infamous day, no one tells the tale with more authority than Danville's 78-year-old Dan Franklin; he was there.

Dan Franklin, 17, sat on a Navy vessel on the morning of June 6, 1944. With just a single year of training under his belt, Franklin was certainly one of the youngest witnesses to the bloody battle at Omaha Beach.

"You were supposed to be 17 to join up with the Navy," Franklin said. "But I wanted to go. Everyone wanted to enlist. There was a real sense of urgency back then, a feeling that our country was threatened. The tenor of the times was different. You knew it was a time to participate. So I lied about my age."

Franklin was not naive about the dangers of combat; his older brother, a member of the Air Force, was already a prisoner of war in Germany when Dan decided to enlist.

"They offered me the chance to serve in the Bay Area," said Franklin. "But I told them no; I wanted to fight for my country. I wanted to go."

And so he went, straight to one of the most chronicled battles of World War II.

"I was on a 50-foot landing craft," said Franklin as he began recounting the real-life version of the Spielberg blockbuster. "The primary function of the landing craft was to ferry Army troops from the ships to the beach. With a five-man crew, the landing craft could transport 25 troops at a time."

At 5 a.m. on the dawning of D-Day, Franklin's craft pulled up next to one of the troop ships and the waiting men descended down a rope ladder to Franklin's boat. As they started to shore, Franklin felt the boat begin to turn away from land. "I heard the coxswain say, 'I'm not going there. You could get killed out there,'" said Franklin. "Of course, he was right."

Another sailor delivered a swift blow to the frightened man, knocked him out, and steered the boat back on course to deliver the soldiers close to the sandy shore.

"We pulled in," Franklin continued, "the soldiers unloaded and not a single one made it to the beach. They were all killed. They were so loaded down they were like sitting ducks for the Germans who were firing from the top of the bluffs just beyond the beach."

There was no time to contemplate the horror on shore as the wounded were already being loaded for transportation back to a waiting ship.

"It took awhile to get back out, an hour or so, and we spent that time talking to the soldiers," Franklin recalled. The landing craft pulled up next to the ship, the injured were unloaded, and blankets and stretchers were handed down to be taken back to the beach.

"We must have glanced a mine while we were heading back," explained Franklin, "because I suddenly realized that we were sinking."

As the engine room filled with water, the men quickly loaded the supplies onto a nearby member of the flotilla, and Franklin's ship sank to the ocean floor.

"We were supposed to release a yellow marker if we were losing the ship," Franklin recollected. "I yelled to my buddy not to forget about the marker. As the ship went down, he let the marker go."

Franklin laughed as he remembered the moment they realized no one had tied the marker to anything on the ship, and they watched the yellow buoy float away.

"So even in the midst of all that, there were some moments of humor," he said.

The moment of levity passed quickly. "Ten of us headed back to the beach with the supplies. As we approached, we informed Army personnel standing on shore what we were bringing in. He replied that we were carrying 'Navy' supplies, and the 'Navy beach' was a quarter mile down the beach. Well, we didn't

argue with him, we just started to back away. But the shore was lined with mines, and while we had been lucky to miss them all coming in, we hit one as we backed out. Two of the 10 of us survived."

Though he has no idea how it happened, Franklin was blown from the boat and landed on his feet.

"I quickly realized the beach was no place to be, and I got back on an incoming boat," he said.

While it might be assumed that this was enough for one day, resting was never an option. Franklin spent the rest of the afternoon and evening ferrying soldiers and supplies from ship to shore and back again.

"That night we tied up against a sunken ship not too far from shore and listened to the bullets still flying back and forth. The boat was open; there were no sleeping accommo-

dations. We just piled life jackets up, they were fluffy back then, and we slept on them as well as we could."

Has Franklin seen Spielberg's silver screen version of D-Day?

"Well," he answered wryly, "my grandson was a film major at UC Santa Barbara when that movie came out, and he got to see an advance screening. He called me and told me not to see it. That it would be too much for me. Of course, that meant I had to see it. I don't know how Spielberg did it, but he got it right. The rest of the movie is just a story, but that opening scene ... it was just as though I was there. It took me right back. It was pretty horrific."

The days following June 6 are a bit blurred for Franklin.

"I don't know if I've blocked them out, or if I just can't remember," he said. "I know once the beaches were secure we were all so relieved that it was over."

Franklin does have some stories to share about life in a war zone.

"Just beyond the encampment where the cemetery is now, was a field filled with poppies," Franklin remembered.

This is significant because poppies were adopted as the official flower of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in 1922. The Germans correctly predicted that a souvenir poppy from Normandy would be difficult to resist.

"The Germans had mined the field," said Franklin. "Everyday someone would die trying to pick the flowers in that field. I was a pretty light guy, so I would sit on someone's shoulders and lean way over and pick poppies for the guys to take back home. I still have mine."

A similar pursuit brought a quick reminder of the realities of war to the young soldiers, really still boys, as they searched for souvenirs of the day they were lucky to have survived.

"We were getting ready to take German prisoners of war to England," said Franklin, "and one of the boys said they wanted a German helmet and a pair of boots. There were no helmets on the boat, so we started to make our way back to the beach. A sergeant asked us what we were up to, and we told him. He thought for a moment and said, 'Well, there are plenty of helmets out there. But there may still be some heads in them.' That put a quick end to our quest."

Franklin's Navy career concluded with the end of his three-year enlistment commitment.

"I didn't want to spend my life in the service," he said. "At the end of my time, when we landed in Long Beach, they asked if I wanted to re-enlist, but I told them no, thanks. And you know, everyone who signed up again ended up in Korea."

Franklin has, however, returned to Normandy more than once, most recently to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of D-Day, in 1994. He and his wife, Marilyn, sat on the viewing stand at the cemetery, with President Bush and his entourage.

"I have a lot of friends buried in that cemetery," said Franklin. "It's pretty emotional to be there again. When I stood on those bluffs looking down on the beach where those soldiers just kept coming, it's amazing what they were up against. It's incredible that they succeeded." ■



Danville resident Dan Franklin wears one of his favorite medals, a memorial medal issued by the French government for "Normandie Veterans of D-Day."

# AT DAWN

## Long awaited All Wars Memorial to be dedicated at Oak Hill Park

This Memorial Day will be especially momentous for veterans of the San Ramon Valley. On May 30, the new All Wars Memorial will be formally unveiled and handed over to the town of Danville.

The Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley first conceived of the idea of a war memorial in the San Ramon Valley in 1991. The town of Danville donated space for the memorial, but the veterans group needed to raise funding for construction and material costs. Despite the initial enthusiasm, the project languished for years.

More than 10 years later, in April 2003, the All Wars Memorial Foundation was established. The new foundation is made up of local veterans, businessmen and elected officials.

The foundation re-evaluated the stalled project and assessed that the biggest stumbling block was location. The town originally donated the land on the ridge at Oak Hill Park, 3005 Stone Valley Road. At first, this location seemed suitable because of its view. On second glance, however, foundation members figured out that the elevated location not only increased construction costs but was also difficult to access.

Foundation members went back to the town of Danville and asked if the memorial location could be changed.

They finally decided on the naturally bowl-shaped area below the ridge that looks out onto the pond at



Oak Hill Park. It would be convenient for people to get to, but set back from the play area and Monte Vista High School.

With the help of high-powered supporters like David Behring and Joe Raphael, the All Wars Memorial Foundation was finally able to raise funds for its \$2 million project. The funding came from donations of money and construction materials, and funds raised through the sale of commemorative granite pavers.

The memorial honors all those who served or are currently serving in the armed forces and their families. It consists of a three-paneled granite quotation wall, a statue of two soldiers, a walkway

lined with bronze reliefs, and a flagpole with the flag raised at all times.

The Memorial Day celebration at Oak Hill Park kicks off at 11 a.m. The featured speaker is retired Staff Sgt. John Cavaiani who received the Medal of Honor for his service in the Vietnam War. There will also be a concert from the Air National Guard Band's "Band of the West" and a fly-over.

Retired Maj. Gen. Dan Helix will preside over the dedication ceremony of the All Wars Memorial, which will begin roughly at noon.

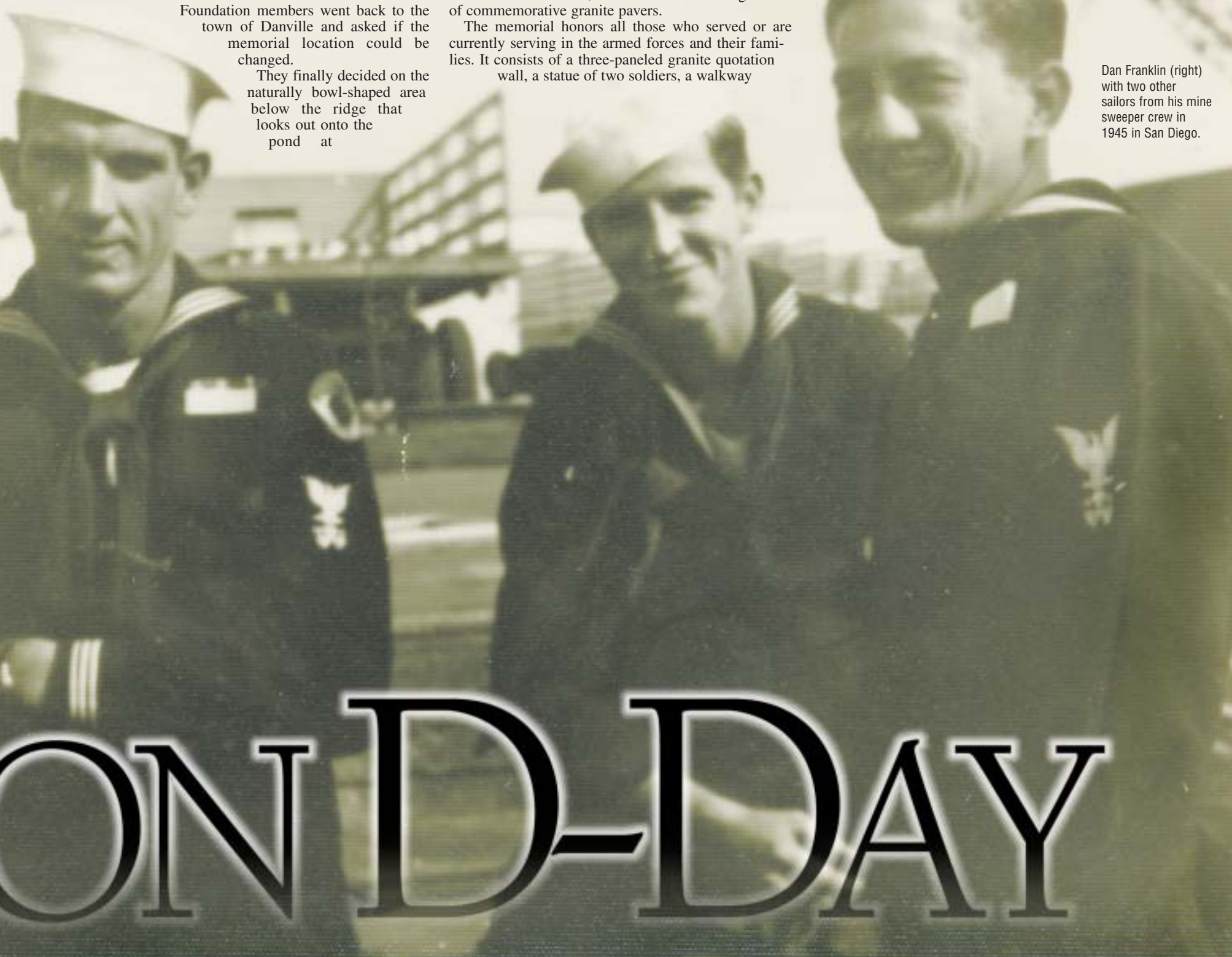
### Memorial Day dedication

**What:** All Wars Memorial

**When:** 11 a.m., Monday, May 27

**Where:** Oak Hill Park, 3005 Stone Valley Road

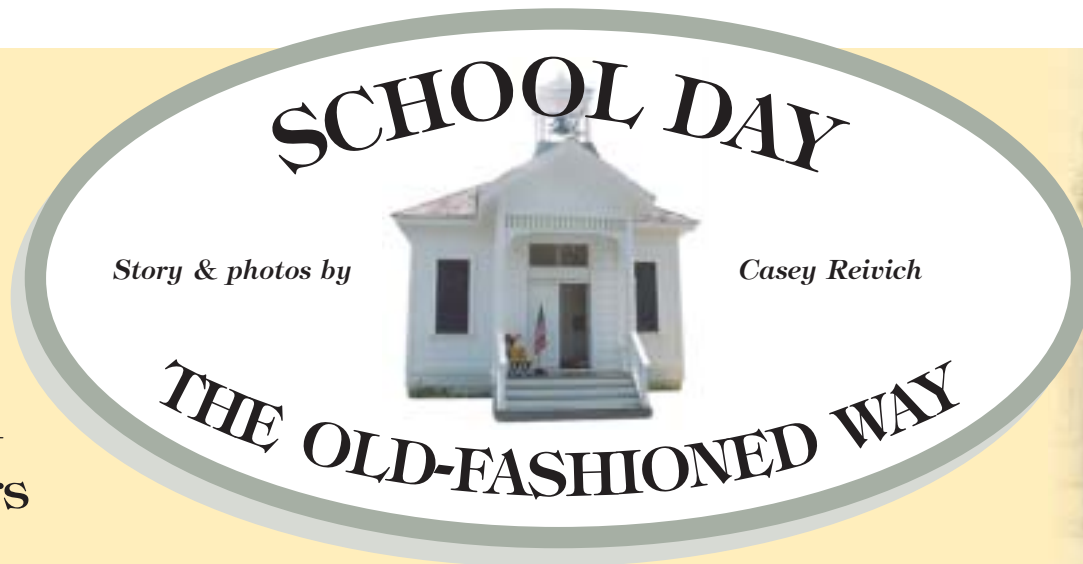
**Dedication ceremony:** Approximately noon



Dan Franklin (right) with two other sailors from his mine sweeper crew in 1945 in San Diego.

# MOND-DAY

## One-room Tassajara schoolhouse teaches history lesson to third-graders



On a cloudy cool Friday morning, a class of third-grade students from Sycamore Valley Elementary gathered around the front gate of the old one-room schoolhouse off Tassajara Road.

The girls wore bonnets and country dresses that came to their knees. The boys wore a variety of hats. Some had raccoon caps, others straw hats. The students brought their lunches in pails, and one student had his meal wrapped in a handkerchief tied to the end of a wooden pole. They were there, along with parents who also wore 19th-century garb, to experience what a one-room school was like in 1888.

An older gentleman who was wearing a black vest, a black bowler hat and a pocket watch welcomed them to 19th-century rural Danville. He called himself Master Kurtz.

The children were excited by the new rules of the old world. They were all given names traditional to the time like Caleb, Noah, Archibald, Bessie and Faith.

"Edward, did you feed the hogs today?" asked Kurtz to the children's delight. "How many chickens do you have?"

Before the school bell rang, he told them what their life would have been like if they were schoolchildren back then. The teacher would have come early to feed the stove and fetch the water. In 1888, the teachers were not allowed to marry and would have boarded with a family in the area. The students' lunches would have consisted of foods like cornbread and fried frog legs. They would have had chores to do before and after school.

When the school bell rang, the girls and boys lined up in separate lines. The girls, as Master Kurtz instructed, went first. They were greeted by the school marm, Mistress Kurtz. "Nathan" got to hold the American flag because it was his birthday. Mistress Kurtz pointed out that the flag only had 38 stars at the time. The children said the 1888 pledge of allegiance.

The inside of the schoolhouse was lit entirely by the natu-

ral light pouring in through the large windows. Photographs of U.S. Presidents lined the walls of the classroom. A single kerosene lamp sat on the teacher's desk.

Throughout the day, the children experienced what school lessons and playtime were like in 1888. They are asked to recite poems and their multiplication tables. When they answered Mistress Kurtz's questions, they had to stand up, bow or curtsy and speak in complete sentences.

During their math lesson, the children figured out the problems with the slates and chalk that were underneath the benches.

At recess, they ran relay races and played old-fashioned games like marbles, jacks, stilts, and hoop-and-stick.

After recess, they practiced writing with a quill and ink, and read from their McGuffey readers. Their full and stimulating day in 1888 ended at 12:30 p.m. The children all seemed fascinated by the strange and new world of the one-room school.

Ten years ago, Joan and Don Kurtz proposed using the one-room school on Finley Road off

Tassajara for educational purposes. They were struck by how the historic building was underutilized.

"We knew the school was out there and it wasn't being used for anything other than 4-H and voting. This has been a dream in the back of our minds," said Joan. She and her husband Don approached the Museum of the San Ramon Valley and the Fire Protection District, which owns and maintains the schoolhouse, with the idea of using it as a living museum.

They researched the history of the area and the old Tassajara Grammar School and came up with a pilot program. Ten years later their program is a hit. From March through June, all 1,800 third-graders in the San Ramon Valley Unified School District get a chance to step back in time.

"It's living history. When they live something they become

a part of it and it becomes a part of them. They remember it," said Joan.

The school is remarkably untouched. The Fire Protection District updated its windows and roof. The refurbished hardwood floor inside the schoolhouse, however, is original to the school as are the teacher's desk and chair, the slates on the walls, and the non-functional clock. The Kurtzes along with volunteers from the Museum of the San Ramon Valley work hard to maintain the look and feel of the schoolhouse.

"We are looking for desks all the time," said Joan. "We get donations. We also find them and buy them. One of the museum workers, George Malleck, restores them. He even gets the gum out."

Don remembered finding the original teacher's desk in the neighboring barn.

"It was full of spiders and mouse droppings," he said.

The wooden benches in the school were handmade by Michael Carns, who was

then working toward becoming an Eagle Scout.

Over the years, Joan and Don Kurtz have been joined by other volunteer teachers at the schoolhouse—one even attended the schoolhouse as a child.

Betty Casey was a student at Tassajara's one-room school from 1942-46. When the school closed in 1946, she was in third grade.

"This was during the war. There were only about 16 students. We all came from nearby families. Our families were either of Danish or Portuguese heritage," said Casey.

Casey recalled there were other schools in town, but the one-room schoolhouse served the farming families on the Danville-Pleasanton border. Some of her fellow students' chores included milking the cows and feeding the farm animals. Casey helped with her family's rabbits and chickens, she said.

The one-room schoolhouse was eventually closed because



Master Kurtz shows (l-r) Lucas Lin, Jon McMurry and Robert Horewitz how to wash their hands before school.



Dressed in 19th century school clothes from head to toe, (l-r) Vincent D'Angelo, John McMurry and Robert Horewitz listen intently to the history of the one-room schoolhouse.



Mistress Kurtz gives the children a math problem to work out on their slates.



Hannah Smith recites a poem in front of the class.





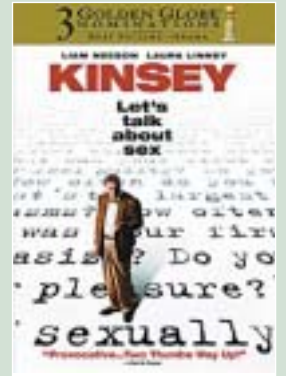
## Helping Humanity

Danville sales associate Jim Anderegg was among 35 from the Danville and Walnut Creek offices of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage who traded in their suits and dress shoes for jeans and work boots to help Habitat for Humanity build homes earlier this month at a 22-home project in Livermore. "As Realtors, our purpose is to help people realize their dreams of home ownership, whether that be through helping our clients purchase a home or helping raise the roofs on local Habitat home constructions," said Danville manager Evelyn Walker.

## A movie review of what's **READY TO RENT** by Joe Ramirez

### Kinsey

Fox Home Video VHS & DVD  
1 hr 58 mins  
Director: Bill Condon



Woody Allen once mused in "Love and Death" that sex without love is an empty experience, but as far as they go, it's one of the best. The same could be said of "Kinsey," director Bill Condon's very strange but nonetheless fascinating study of zoologist Alfred Kinsey, whose study of human sexual behavior shocked and titillated 1940s and '50s America. What Condon does best, as in his "Gods and Monsters," is to present his characters honestly, even clinically, so that at times it reminds me of made-for-television films in terms of economy. But Condon always digs a little deeper. His characters always seem to respond and communicate sexually to one another, both in the physical act but more so in the emotional, viewing one another as complex objects of affection. Where "Kinsey" seems to fall short, however, is in presenting its title character (played honorably by Liam Neeson) dimensionally. We never feel for Kinsey because he seems to act like a swinging '60s version of a Sinclair Lewis character: all American gusto with no pathos.

We are introduced to Alfred Kinsey through a series of experimental test interviews conducted to perfect his anonymous sex-survey. The audience sees Alfred as a troubled boy who is ruled by his tyrannical father (John Lithgow, who falls dangerously into Snidely Whiplash territory) and a local preacher, who dispenses his endless homilies on morality at the dinner table and uses poor Alfred to entrap local merchants who sell cigarettes and alcohol to minors. Alfred, however, is endlessly fascinated by life sciences and rejects his father's advances at attending the local Christian school in favor of a zoology degree that eventually leads to Harvard and teaching at Indiana University. In one of his classes he meets Clara (Laura Linney, unusually sultry), who is enraptured by Kinsey's devotion, leading to a quick marriage.

Kinsey's catalyst to his obsession with human sexual behavior occurs on his wedding night: The pair tries to have sex but it is too painful for Clara, who is a virgin. In one of the film's most charming scenes, Clara and Alfred do not succumb to the awkwardness of moment but, as true scientists, they think the problem through and go to see a doctor. This leads to the idea that a class might be beneficial for engaged couples only (!) who are interested in the mechanics (but never the politics) of sex. This snowballs into Kinsey's 20-plus-year devotion and multi-voluminous work on the sexual behavior of men and women. We journey with both Clara and Alfred through this labyrinth of sexual behavior and eventual puritanical Eisenhower-era resistance, both discovering a few answers but, as Alfred growls, "a helluva lot more questions."

"Kinsey" would have been a great film if it weren't for the strangely detached tone. The film, like its title character, never delves into the messiness of the emotional, only the objective carnal, which may be an accurate depiction of Kinsey's scientific experience but it never made me care for his character. He is a man that comes across as self-absorbed and somewhat sleazy at the end of the film, with his fight against a puritan culture only a reactionary response instead of one of compassionate commitment. This makes "Kinsey" a somewhat empty experience.

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### School house

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would be putting a lesson on for the seventh-graders and I would see what she was doing." Due to the efforts of people like Joan and Don Kurtz and Betty Casey the charming schoolhouse off Finley Road is still being used to educate children, although in a different way. "It's exciting to come back there as a teacher. I can really relate to the third-graders there because I was in third grade at that school," said Casey. Through the years, the Kurtzes have received many letters of thanks from children who attended their history program.

"Being there with only one teacher, an older student would come and help the primary grades," said Casey. "I found it kind of interesting because the teacher

would be putting a lesson on for the seventh-graders and I would see what she was doing."

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One of their favorite letters said, "Next to Disneyland, this is the favorite day of my life." ■

### Parent photographers

Send us a jpeg of the best action shot from your child's game for consideration for our Sports page. Remember to include caption information: who, what, when, where—and the score.

## Lady Mustang jumps for joy

*Schafer sets new Monte Vista record for high jump*

**Mike L. Mc Colgan**

Stephanie Schafer, still only a freshman, recently broke the 23-year-old high jump record at Monte Vista High School of 5 feet 5 inches.

"She is a hard worker and an excellent competitor," said her coach Austin Glimme. "She has a lot of talent and many years to keep improving and going even higher."

Schafer was jumping for joy after she set the new record and said she thinks she can do 5 feet 8 inches. She competed a little bit in junior high but did not get serious until this year, she added.

"My Dad entered me in a CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) track event when I was really little so I grew up running track my entire life," she said about her start



Monte Vista high jumper Stephanie Schafer clears the bar at a home Dual meet against Cal High.

in the sport. "I watched people jump for a few years until I was finally able to jump in sixth grade, the age when you are allowed to perform this event in CYO. I have always loved the high jump event."

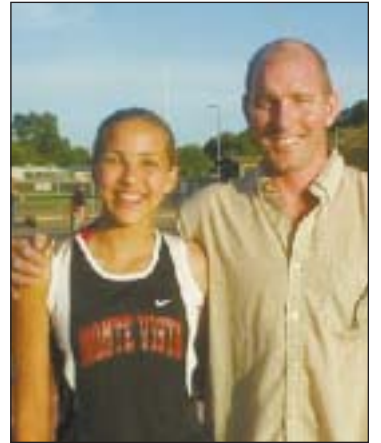
Besides the high jump she also

competes in the 400-meter relay team and is looking forward to learning the hurdles next year.

In her spare time, Schafer likes to snowboard, dance, do trampoline and sing. In addition, she has a special talent: She can ride a uni-

cycle and enjoys riding it around her neighborhood and various places. "It is a lot of fun and none of my friends know how to do it," she said

One of the keys to Schafer's success is training every day.



Stephanie Schafer with high jump coach Austin Glimme.

"I work on improving my technique, focusing on every jump, and strengthening my legs," she said. "A great high jumper is tall, limber, not afraid to jump high and has a good approach to the bar."

She wants to keep improving, go to the State Championships and hopefully get a college scholarship. You can bet the sky is the limit for all of Schafer's goals. ■

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## POLICE LOG

The Danville Police Department made the following information available. Under the law, those charged with offenses are considered innocent until convicted.

### Arrests:

- A 20-year-old man, who had a warrant to be arrested, in the 3000 block of Old Blackhawk Road at 6:54 a.m. May 16.
- A 29-year-old woman, who had a warrant to be arrested, in the 300 block of Borica Drive at 2:57 p.m. May 17.
- A 43-year-old woman in the 300 block of Railroad Avenue at 2:01 p.m. May 18 for petty theft, shoplifting.
- A 40-year-old man in the 400 block of Diablo Road at 12:44 a.m. May 20 for possession of dangerous drugs.
- A 37-year-old man, who had a warrant to be arrested, on El Pintado and La Gonda Way at 2:53 a.m. May 20.
- A 22-year-old man in the 300 block of Hartz Avenue at 2:20 a.m. May 21 for public drunkenness.
- A 50-year-old man in the 500 block of La Gonda Way at 8:35 p.m. May 21 for driving under the influence.
- A 41-year-old man on Blackstone Drive at 10:38 p.m. May 21 for domestic battery.
- A 26-year-old man on Diablo Road and Interstate 680 southbound at 12:17 a.m. May 22 for failure

to obey a traffic officer.

- A 39-year-old man on Linda Mesa Avenue and Montecito Drive at 9:32 p.m. May 32 for stolen property.

### May 16

- Warrant arrest: 1
- Petty theft, from vehicle: 2
- Forgery, fraudulent documents: 1
- Malicious telephone calls: 1

### May 17

- Suspicious circumstances: 2
- Accident-property damage: 1
- Warrant arrest: 1

- Assault with a deadly weapon: 1  
3:47 p.m. on Diablo Road and Green Valley Road

- Burglary, residential: 1

### May 18

- Mentally ill commitment: 1
- Petty theft, from building: 1
- Petty theft, bicycle: 1
- Malicious mischief: 1
- Petty theft, from vehicle: 1
- Petty theft, shoplifting: 1
- Misdemeanor, other: 1

- Weapon on school grounds: 1  
7:17 a.m. on Stone Valley Road
- Missing runaway juvenile: 2

### May 19

- Accident-property damage: 1
- Misdemeanor, other: 1
- Mentally ill commitment: 1
- Disturbing the peace: 1

## POLICE BULLETIN

### Special patrols over long weekend

The California Highway will be especially vigilant in enforcing seatbelt laws over Memorial Day weekend, as part of the nationwide "Click It or Ticket" campaign. Starting at 6 p.m. tonight through midnight Monday, 80 percent of available officers will be on the road. Of the 2,905 people killed in car crashes in 2003, 43.6 percent were not wearing seatbelts, CHP reported, although California's seatbelt compliance rate is more than 90 percent, among the highest in the nation.

Last year over Memorial Day weekend, 37 people were killed on the roads in California, according to CHP.

### May 20

- Possession of dangerous drugs: 1
- Warrant arrest: 1
- Malicious mischief: 4
- Vandalism, felony: 1  
9:23 a.m. on Danville Boulevard

- Suspicious circumstances: 2
- Accident-property damage: 1
- Accident-injury: 1
- Misdemeanor, other: 1

### May 21

- Drunk in public: 1
- Driving under the influence: 1
- Tampering with a vehicle: 1
- Battery, domestic: 1
- Failure to obey officer: 1
- Hit and run: 1
- Misdemeanor: 1
- Accident-property damage: 1
- Malicious mischief: 1

- Receiving stolen property: 1

The Office of Contra Costa County Sheriff Department's Valley Station made the following information available.

### Alamo

#### May 16

- Grand theft from vehicle on La Sonoma Way
- Petty theft from building on Danville Boulevard

#### May 20

- Petty theft from vehicle on Bando Court

#### May 21

- Vandalism, felony on Casa Vallecita

### Blackhawk

#### May 21

- Malicious mischief on Deer Ridge Road



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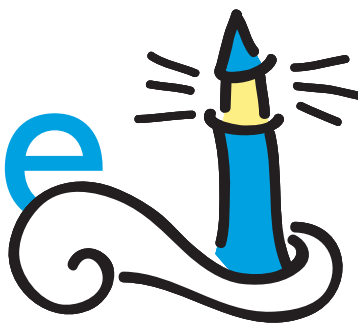
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## Pet of the Week



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**202 Vehicles Wanted**

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boys bike - \$150

**210 Garage/Estate Sales**

**A GARAGE SALE TRIBUTE!**  
We decided to sell the house  
And Hubby turned into a louse.  
I wasn't exactly Mrs. Charm  
It's lucky we came to no great harm!

We had to downsize all the stuff  
And didn't know when to say "Enuf!"  
We worked for hours - dusk to dawn  
And got crabby 'cause we worked too long.

The boxes came down from the closets high  
Old dust allergies made us cry.  
For a condo we looked high and low  
And staged our house to make it show.

Relatives got their presents back  
And anything from the house they lacked.

Garage Sales were a great success  
But for two days after, we had to rest.

Tired, achy we awoke one day  
To decide we really wanted to stay.  
We have just this advice, my  
start now to downsize every year!

A very big plus, gone is our mess  
And we fixed the stuff that gave us distress.

Gone are Mrs. Charmless and Mr. Louse  
Kissy-poo and love have returned to our house!

( Contributed by a faithful Weekly reader  
and Garage Sale advertiser )

**BIG MOVING SALE!**  
Sat & Sun, 5/28 & 29, 8am-7pm  
700 Main St, Pleasanton  
Antiques, roll-top desk, office & household items and so much more!

**CITYWIDE GARAGE SALE**  
Annual Palo Alto Citywide garage sale. Saturday, June 4th 9am-4pm. Locations & merchandise will be listed online and in full page ads in the June 1st & 8th editions of the Palo Alto Weekly. www.cityofpaloalto.org/garage-sale

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Danville, 388 Borica Dr, 6/4, 8-2

Danville, 416 Saint Francis Drive, June 4

**FERAL CAT FOUNDATIONS 3rd ANNUAL FUNDRAISER**  
Saturday, June 4, 8am-4pm  
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Garden supplies, tools, appliances, sports equip, toys, games, crafts, new clothing, linens, holiday decos, knick-knacks, household & lots more!

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15+ Homes!

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Pleasanton, 3553 Ballantyne Dr., May 21 8-2

Pleasanton, 4439 Fairlands Dr., May 27,28,29,8am-6pm

Pleasanton, 4886 Woodthrush Rd, 5/28, 8-3

**Pleasanton, Calle Santa Anna, 5/27& 28, 8-2**  
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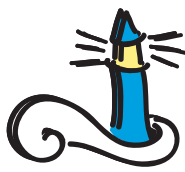
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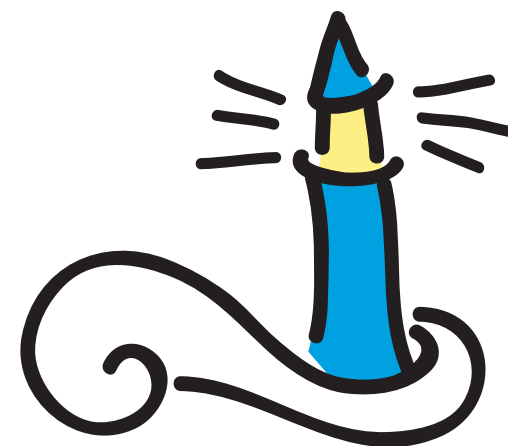
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## SALES AT A GLANCE

Source: California REsource

Danville	Alamo	Diablo	Walnut Creek
Total sales reported: 12	Total sales reported: 2	Total sales reported: 1	Total sales reported: 31
Lowest sale reported: \$545,000	Lowest sale reported: \$1,279,000	Lowest sale reported: \$2,900,000	Lowest sale reported: \$218,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,900,000	Highest sale reported: \$1,294,000	Highest sale reported: \$2,900,000	Highest sale reported: \$1,176,000
Average sales reported: \$1,081,500	Average sales reported: \$1,286,500	Average sales reported: \$2,900,000	Average sales reported: \$582,854

## HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during April 2005

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### Danville

- 5042 Blackhawk Drive** Mitchell Trust to A. & J. Venturi for \$1,875,000
- 811 Camino Amigo Lane** Trust to Lamson Trust for \$1,850,000
- 668 El Cerro Boulevard M. & G. Wood to M. & M. Jones for \$849,000**
- 613 Garden Creek Place D. & A. Allen to F. Meza for \$545,000**
- 256 La Questa Drive** Gallo Trust to M. Cerruti for \$800,000
- 1592 Mission Drive E.** Caumont to D. & T. Derita for \$584,000
- 66 Oakridge Court** Gilberson Trust to Paiva Trust for \$1,250,000
- 1050 Shady Creek Place S. & L. Saari to S. Tandon for \$755,000**
- 142 Silver Pine Lane** Tedford Trust to C. & L. Cook for \$1,900,000
- 422 Sutton Circle R. & J. Santana to B. & M. Burke for \$685,000**
- 699 Terry Lane** Johnson Trust to D. & B. Williams for \$1,110,000
- 152 Tivoli Lane A.** Till to C. Kinrade for \$775,000

### Alamo

- 2208 Nelda Way L. & K. White to D. Campbell for \$1,279,000**
- 161 Virginia Lane D. & D. Cohen to Helfer Trust for \$1,294,000**

### Diablo

- 2000 Casa Nuestra J. Blaise to C. & M. Godvin for \$2,900,000**

### Walnut Creek

- 1909 Arbol Grande Court P. & M. Acenas to T. & A. Hanzel for \$850,000**

- 1305 Boulevard Way #112** National Residential Services to Y. Gante for \$330,000
- 420 Center Street** Wordley Trust to C. Roa for \$565,000
- 3344 Citrus Avenue A. & S. Yang to R. Arnold for \$812,000**
- 1470 Creekside Drive #18 J.** Huang to N. Pokorny for \$414,000
- 24 Diablo Ridge Lane** Ashley Partners to Balestreri Trust for \$650,000
- 37 Iron Horse Lane A.** McCall to B. Lawrence for \$587,000
- 101 Kinross Drive #23 J. & J. Burnett to O. & J. Nadjari for \$315,000**
- 248 Los Felicas Avenue S.** Bentley to P. Spalding for \$646,000
- 1854 Magnolia Way J.** Distacio to G. & C. Hampton for \$835,000
- 1467 Marchbanks Drive #2 J.** Frost to K. Velotta for \$260,000
- 320 North Civic Drive #304** J. Black to S. Shen for \$333,000
- 420 North Civic Drive #406** S. & Y. Bindman to A. Kononovich for \$430,000
- 310 North Civic Drive #505** J. Miller to R. Jackson for \$218,000
- 2734 Oak Road #73 K.** Bentechev to A. Zafra for \$337,000
- 2161 Ptarmigan Drive #2 L. & B. Weinstein to J. & O. Riley for \$455,500**
- 2733 Ptarmigan Drive #2 E.** Roberto to Mcdowell Trust for \$510,000
- 516 Quail Hill Court** Hart Trust to Davis Trust for \$1,176,000
- 1465 Quail View Circle** Campbell Trust to S. Singh for \$750,000
- 1111 Roxie Lane E.** Lee to S. & M. Headen for \$789,000

- 2666 Saklan Indian Drive #7** Pokorny Trust to D. & W. Burke for \$350,000
- 185 Sierra Drive #116 S & T** Fong Inc. to G. Beltre for \$319,000
- 1109 Skycrest Drive #1** Hughson Trust to F. Boston for \$386,500
- 3026 Stinson Circle C.** Kitts to P. Hornung for \$515,000
- 1860 Tice Creek Drive #1321** Flanders Trust to Schoenfeld Trust for \$343,500
- 2713 Trotter Way S.** Evans to H. Kooner for \$965,000
- 2507 Via Verde M.** Smith to J. Spear for \$860,000
- 345 Walnut Avenue K.** Kuan to S. Lei for \$912,000
- 2570 Walnut Boulevard #20** Pyle Trust to Barta Trust for \$445,000
- 2115 Wilmington Drive S.** Adibzadeh to S. McAuffe for \$740,000
- 1959 Woodbury Court** Roden Trust to M. & K. Lawson for \$970,000

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**1035 Alicante Drive** **\$1,125,000**  
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**42 La Jolla Court** **\$1,449,000**  
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**2007 Scarlett Oak Place** **\$1,500,000**  
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**2173 Deer Oak Way** **\$1,659,000**  
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### 5 Bedrooms

**500 Bourne Lane** **\$1,695,000**  
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## Blackhawk

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**7678 Coral Way** **\$815,000**  
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### 6 Bedrooms

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### 4 Bedrooms

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### • 7417 Oxford Circle, Dublin

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#### California Highlands Beauty! 10763 McKay Lane, Dublin

3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, approx. 1,387 square feet and beautifully updated throughout! Great location - close to 580/680, BART, shopping & more!  
**Offered at \$599,000**

### COMING SOON

#### The Pinnacles at Dublin Ranch 5888 Annadale, Dublin

Absolutely stunning 6 bedroom, 5.5 bath executive home with approx. 5,600 square feet of beautifully appointed living space. Must see to believe!  
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