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Keisha Wilson
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My husband was a victim of identity theft. Somehow someone got his Social Security, driver's license, and charged everything in my husband's name. The police eventually found this man. It was very scary, we are very aware of how it easy it is to steal an identity. We have a shredder. We never give out our Social Security numbers, even at a bank or the doctor's office. No one needs to know that.

Tina Stanton
homemaker



No, we haven't. One thing I do is I never mail bills in my own mailbox. I take bills to the post office.

Shelly Pozzi
stay-at-home mom



Not that I know of! You should be careful of credit card offers. You shouldn't just recycle them. I always try to shred. I also try to put shredded pieces in different trashcans.

Jenny Gowers
graduate student

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The Danville Community Band has been a success since its first rehearsal was called four-and-a-half years ago and will hit the big stage at the Dean Leshner Regional Center for the Arts this Sunday. Photo courtesy Danville Community Band.

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“ You can have a dialogue about money without denigrating and disrespecting. ”

—Cindy Andre, a second-grade teacher at Alamo Elementary, who attended the rally at the Capitol

23 graduate from Leadership

Leadership San Ramon Valley honored 23 graduates yesterday in the culmination of their 10-month Leadership program, which is designed to give a historical perspective and in-depth look at the issues in the community. This class included bankers, builders, corporate managers, business owners, civic employees and community volunteers.

The course included 10 monthly daylong sessions discussing a variety of topics germane to the dynamics of the San Ramon Valley, such as education, the economy, local and state government, regional planning, community economics and community arts. Participants also performed fieldwork, reporting back at the monthly sessions.

Leadership is accepting applications for its 2005-06 program, which will begin in September. Call Executive Director Nancy Lieber at 355-2554 or e-mail lsrv@pacbell.net for information. For applications: www.leadershipsrv.org.

CASA honors students

The San Ramon Valley Community Against Substance Abuse selected students to receive its 2005 Gaylene Sullivan Awards, which were given out at a breakfast last week. Gaylene Sullivan died in an automobile accident in 1987, when she was a junior at San Ramon Valley High working to promote an alcohol, tobacco and drug-free lifestyle.

High school students receiving this year's awards included Courtney Rawitch from Monte Vista; Sarah Pinsky from San Ramon Valley; Kelly Cochran from California; Blair Schmoeger from Del Amigo; Matthew Rowley from Venture; and Rachel Bernhard from Athenian. The Ernie Kern Community Service Award was presented to Officer Jeff Phelps of the Danville Police Department for his work with high school students.

Visit supervisor's office

Contra Costa County Supervisor Mary N. Peipho of District III is holding open houses in her offices in Danville and in Brentwood for her constituents. The open house in Danville will be from 5-7 p.m., Wednesday, June 29, at her office, 309 Diablo Road. Light refreshments will be served.

"This is a great opportunity for me to continue the dialogue with my constituents and for them to meet my staff who work diligently on the public's behalf every day" said Peipho. For more information, call 820-8683.

Kid Safety Day at Blackhawk

The Blackhawk Museum and Blackhawk Plaza are hosting a day dedicated to safety, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 11. The Kids Safety Day, which takes place twice a year, gives families an opportunity to see what emergency services the community offers.

Families can also learn tips on how to stay safe. There will be an air rescue helicopter, dogs from the K-9 unit, inkless finger printing, sheepdog demonstrations, a fire engine, and AAA's "Otto" the robot. Safe Moves will set up a cardboard village for kids to walk through, practicing crossing the street and observing safety signs. The event is free of charge.

Corrections Betty Casey, head of the walking tours for the Museum of the San Ramon Valley, noted the following corrections for "Step into the Past," which ran May 20: The Presbyterian Church was a white wooden-framed New England style structure. The redwood tree was planted in 1876. John Hartz subdivided 12 acres of his original property into 74 lots. (He sold four lots to Edward McCauley for \$150 each. McCauley built his home and the Danville Railroad Hotel on the property.) The one-room schoolhouse was built behind the Grange Hall in 1865. The original Danville Grammar was built in 1858 on the south side of town.

Taking action in Sacramento

Teachers, administrators, school workers join thousands to protest governor's policies toward education, unions

by Casey Reivich

Public school teachers went to Sacramento to stand up to the governor last week.

"You can have a dialogue about money without denigrating and disrespecting," said Cindy Andre, a second-grade teacher at Alamo Elementary School.

Andre, along with about 100 other teachers from the San Ramon Valley Unified District and thou-

sands of teachers, nurses, firefighters and policemen from all across the state gathered on the south lawn of the Capitol in Sacramento on Wednesday last week to voice opposition to Gov. Schwarzenegger's policy agenda. A similar rally was simultaneously held in Los Angeles.

The rally was partly in response to Schwarzenegger's May budget revision, in which \$1.3 billion in surplus money was allocated to transportation and not education.

Organizations like the California Teachers Association claim that Schwarzenegger reneged on an agreement he made with them in 2003. After defeating Gov. Gray Davis in the recall election, Schwarzenegger faced a \$20 billion state deficit. In order to narrow the deficit without raising taxes, he negotiated with the education lobby to suspend for a year Proposition 98, a funding guarantee for public schools. He in turn

promised to eventually pay the money back to the schools.

Educators argue, however, that he also promised to increase school funding if the state's economy improved. Schwarzenegger denies this.

"We wanted California to know what the governor is doing is wrong," said Mary Jane Keogh, president of the San Ramon Valley Education Association, part of the California Teachers Association.

"He has lied. He has promised one thing, a fully funded proposition. He borrowed \$2 billion from Proposition 98 and now he is renegeing. The level of funding that should have been coming in to our schools is now not going to. This will impact school programs."

The rally was also a response to Schwarzenegger's proposed special election this fall.

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CASEY REIVICH



Time to remember

Betty Bancalari reads the Quotation Wall at the new All Wars Memorial, which was dedicated Monday, Memorial Day. Bancalari came with her dad, Jess Barker, a career naval officer for 33 years who served in both World War II and the Korean War. "It's beautiful," she said. "This is the first Memorial Day we've come out in a long while. It's important to support vets in anyway possible." The dedication ceremony drew crowds that filled the grounds from the monument set against the hill to Stone Valley Road across the park.

Railroad Avenue slated for lighted brick crossway

Project will encourage people to cross street—and be safer

by Casey Reivich

The town of Danville is going to make it easier to cross Railroad Avenue.

Currently there are crosswalks at Linda Mesa and at Prospect Avenue. The new crosswalk will be built between these two with hopes it will encourage pedestrian traffic between Hartz and Railroad.

The new crosswalk is part of the town's Clocktower renovation project to add 50 new parking spaces to its lot. In order to make space for the new parking, Railroad Avenue will be narrowed.

Town engineers discovered in planning the renovation that a crosswalk could be part of it, said

Mike Stella, a senior civil engineer with the town.

"As we got into the design, we realized there were certain improvements we could make to improve the town," he said. "It'll be much more comfortable for pedestrians to cross."

It will also be safer. Lights will automatically start flashing when a pedestrian passes. Although the crosswalk is not a stop sign, it will warn drivers that someone is crossing.

The crosswalk is designed to tie into the brick walkway next to the Uptown Café, which will extend through the center of the parking lot and cross Railroad Avenue.

Because the crosswalk was not part of the original Clocktower renovation, the project needed additional funds, which the Town Council has approved. The lighted crosswalk will cost roughly \$30,000, said Stella.

The entire Clocktower renovation project is scheduled to begin in early July and should be completed by the end of October. Disruption to traffic on Railroad Avenue should be minimal, said Stella.

"Anytime you have workmen on the street, installing conduits, the contractor will caution motorists that there are workers on the streets," he said. ■

West Nile Virus is here

Residents warned to clean up standing water in yards

by Dolores Fox Ciardelli

Northern California is going to be the epicenter of West Nile Virus this year, and Kalei Lau, Danville representative on the county mosquito control board, is urging residents to clean up standing water in their back yards.

Lau made a presentation to the Danville Town Council recently, reporting that the Contra Costa County Mosquito and Vector Control District is tripling its education staff and doubling its field staff.

"One thing is to have people be mindful of backyard reservoirs of

water," said Lau. "It's a simple thing a citizen in Danville or anywhere in Contra Costa County can take ownership of."

This includes pots around plants, bird baths, boat covers, indentations in yards where water may puddle and any place else that water may stand for five days or more, making it a potential breeding ground for mosquitoes. It takes five days for a mosquito to go through its entire life cycle, from egg to biting adult.

"Back yards are the No. 1 source of breeding in Contra Costa County," said Deborah Bass, public information officer for the dis-

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COURTESY OF PENNY RIX

Bill Pence, a science teacher at California High School and California State Teacher of the Year in 1999, wears a T-shirt in Sacramento that expresses the frustrations he and his fellow teachers in the district have with Gov. Schwarzenegger.

Sacramento

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Schwarzenegger wants to make tenure tougher for public school teachers; put a cap on state spending, which would also allow the governor to unilaterally cut funding to Proposition 98; and redraw state and legislative districts.

"I think it's really important that the governor honors Proposition 98 and that he understands we're going to fight to keep it from being repealed," said school board president Joan Buchanan, who also attended the rally in Sacramento. "It's a funding minimum. Having any kind of ballot initiative to eliminate Prop. 98 means problems for education in the future," Buchanan said, however, that it's too soon to tell how the governor's policies will impact the district.

"We're fortunate. We've done a good job on balancing the budget, we don't have declining enrollment, and we've taken responsibility for funding our post-retirement benefits. I don't see us making cuts, but I don't see us adding back programs," said Buchanan.

Another controversial initiative is a "paycheck protection" initiative that would require labor unions to obtain permission from members before spending union dues for political purposes.

"It's war on the unions. He's making that quite clear," said Keogh.

Keogh believes Schwarzenegger will go through with the special election, despite the opposition. A recent survey by the Public Policy Institute of California and the James Irvine Foundation showed that support for a special election has dropped since January among Democrats (34 percent to 24 percent); Republicans (58 percent to 46 percent); and independents (47 percent to 37 percent).

The district was united at the rally. Along with the teachers,

school-related unions, and school board president Buchanan was Superintendent Robert Kessler.

"Schools need adequate financial resources. Currently, California has the highest academic standards of any state, yet our funding is among the lowest in the nation," said Kessler. "This doesn't make sense. The state budget needs to reflect the high priority the public has placed on children and the education system."

Kessler also attended to support the district's teachers and classified employees at the rally, he said.

Most teachers who attended the rally worked a full school day and left immediately after school.

"We went by bus. We went right after the students left at 2 p.m.," said Andre. Kessler was already in Sacramento attending meetings. He walked to the rally afterward with Sen. Tom Torlakson (D, 7th District).

Judy Clawson, head of clerical, food service, technical and instructional assistants in the school district, took one of her vacation days to make it to Sacramento. "It was huge and hot, but it was well-organized," she said. "There were press helicopters flying overhead. My daughter who lives in Davis thought it was an awesome site."

The governor is expected to decide on the special election by mid-June. It would most probably take place in November 2006 and cost the state approximately \$80 million, according to Secretary of State Bruce McPherson. The next primary election is scheduled for June 2006. In the meantime, district teachers, administrators, and classified works remain united in their opposition to the governor's policies.

"We've felt there's been support from everybody. So in that respect it's been very good," said Penny Rix, a third-grade teacher at Alamo Elementary. "We all need to make statements the best way we know how. That was an appropriate forum." ■



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Trustees OK design for new Venture

Alternative high school to get \$3.5 million home

by Casey Reivich

Presently, it is hard to even find Venture School.

Sandwiched between PG&E and the Burger King on busy Crow Canyon Road in San Ramon, Venture is located at the service center for San Ramon Valley Unified School District. The service center is also home to the district's maintenance department and school bus maintenance yard. Venture looks less like a state-of-the-art alternative high school and more like a warehouse.

At its May 17 meeting, the school board OK'd plans for a new 11,222-square-foot home in Dougherty Valley.

"We've been waiting to be relocated for a while," said Joan Diamond, principal at Venture. "We've been in the service center for 12 years. It's always been a good relationship between Venture and maintenance center, but it's still a warehouse and we need more room, and maintenance needs more room, too."

Started in 1978, Venture was meant to be an alternative public school for students who were at risk of dropping out of school. The school's original location was in an office building, said Diamond.

Venture now serves nearly 600 students and delivers its curriculum through independent study. While the school continues to help at-risk students, many of its students are acknowledged to be among the most creative and independent in the district.

The new Venture campus will be built using money from Measure A, a \$260 million School Facilities Bond passed in 2002 to renovate and upgrade local schools.

The school board approved Saylor Consulting Group's schematic design and independent cost estimate for the new Venture School. The newest estimate for the

11,222-square-foot school is \$3.5 million, which is \$609,411 under the December 2004 cost estimate. The new one-story school will share a campus with the upcoming Dougherty Valley High School and will be adjacent to the new Diablo Valley College campus.

Architect Grazyna Ostas showed a portion of the schematic design to the trustees at their meeting. The Venture design mirrored the conceptual design of its future neighbor, Dougherty Valley High. One board member voiced concern that the front of the school did not reflect Venture's creative and experimental spirit. Ostas assured the board that everyone at Venture was involved in coming up with the design and while the design looked plain in the sketches, it would eventually embody the Venture spirit.

"I think that it's perfect. Grazyna did an artful job of listening to the concerns and desires of the committee," said Diamond. "She spent time here to really understand how we operate. She translated that in the external and internal designs."

Diamond hopes to make the front of the school inviting by putting in a sitting area and flower planters. She hopes students will be able to take classes Venture does not offer, like foreign language, music and drama, at Dougherty Valley High. She also hopes that Venture students will be able to share the neighboring school's sports facilities.

Staff, students and parents have all been involved in the design of the new school. In the coming weeks, the design committee will meet again with Ostas to work out details such as storage and lighting, said Diamond.

Venture and Dougherty Valley High School are scheduled to open in August 2007. ■

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Making Iron Horse Trail eco-friendly

Iron Horse Committee to discuss future of restoration project

by Casey Reivich

In February 2004, more than 100 volunteers headed out to the area of the Iron Horse Trail immediately in back of San Ramon Valley High School. Their goal was to put down mulch and replace non-native plants with native plants in the areas next to the trail. They were participating in a pilot program spearheaded by LifeGarden, a non-profit group headquartered in Walnut Creek that promotes environmental education and health land use ideas.

The pilot program is being run in conjunction with Contra Costa County, which manages the land on either side of the Iron Horse Trail,

and the East Bay Regional Park District, which manages the trail itself. The aim of the pilot project is to see if the Iron Horse Corridor could become an eco-friendly linear parkway.

LifeGarden also wants to demonstrate how the use of mulch and native plants could keep down maintenance costs while helping the environment, saying that if the County used mulch, it would not need to spray pesticides or mow the grass.

From February 2004 through to December 2004, LifeGarden was able to organize four projects on the Iron Horse Trail but the last one hit a snag.

The permit LifeGarden had with

the County and the park district specified that the group could only have 30-50 volunteers at a time. On the day of their last project, 125 volunteers came out.

"There were concerns about how the mulch was being delivered, where it was being dropped, and the number of volunteers had gotten larger than initially planned," said John Greitzer of the Contra Costa County Community Development Department.

LifeGarden volunteers alleged

that the county did not come out on the day of the last project because of a lack of funds, which was also a violation of their permit. LifeGarden eventually received a letter from the county and the park district informing the group that the pilot program was to be stopped. The letter listed the county and park district's concerns with the project.

On June 8, at the meeting of the Ironhorse Corridor Advisory Committee, LifeGarden will get a

chance to revive its cause and speak to the County and park district's concerns.

In addition to the LifeGarden restoration project, the committee will discuss the financial plan for managing the Iron Horse Corridor, said Greitzer. The meeting is open to the public. It will start at 4:30 p.m. and is being held at the mobile home clubhouse at Brookview, 1201 Monument Blvd. in Concord. For more information, call 335-1201. ■

West Nile

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tract. She said the biggest misconception about mosquito breeding is that it takes place in agricultural water but nearly 80 years of monitoring of mosquitoes has taught the district otherwise.

"Mosquitoes can breed in a couple of tablespoons of water," she said, adding that 800,000 mosquitoes can be bred in one tire in a side yard. "I can't emphasize enough about checking yards after the recent rains."

"Mosquitoes can breed in a couple of tablespoons of water. I can't emphasize enough about checking yards after the recent rains."

—Deborah Bass, public information officer for the Contra Costa County Mosquito and Vector Control District

Fountains can be a source but are OK if they are flowing, said Bass, but she suggested using a "mosquito dunk," a natural pesticide that can be purchased at any garden center. "It is not harmful to fish or birds and is very specific to mosquitoes," she said. She suggested flushing out birdbaths one a week.

The County Mosquito and Vector Control District also provides free mosquitofish, which can eat up to 500 mosquito larvae every day. These are available between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the district office, 155 Mason Circle in

Concord; telephone 685-9301.

Bass urged people to report dead birds, by calling 1-877-WNV-BIRD (968-2473). She also stressed the importance of vaccinating horses but said cats and dogs do not seem susceptible to the virus.

West Nile Virus, which first appeared in the Eastern United States in 1999, is transmitted to humans and animals through the bite of an infected mosquito and cannot be spread person to person. Mosquitoes become infected with the virus when they feed on infected birds.

"It is estimated that one in five people bitten by an infected mosquito becomes ill," according to district reports. "People who do become ill may experience symptoms like fever, headache and body ache. Less than 1 percent of infected individuals require hospitalization." For information concerning West Nile Virus testing, call the Health Services Department at (888) 959-9911.

A total of 830 West Nile Virus infections were reported from 23 counties in California in 2004, with 28 human fatalities. There have been no reports of the virus in humans in 2005, although it has been detected in 21 California counties. In 2004, 19 birds were found in Contra Costa County with West Nile Virus, including a Western Scrub Jay found in September in Alamo near Stone Valley and Roundhill roads.

"To date (this year), there have been three positive birds with West Nile Virus in the county," Bass said, "but no horses, no chickens and no humans."

"This is the second years we've had it and the second year is always the worst year," she added. "Northern California is going to be the epicenter for West Nile Virus this year." ■



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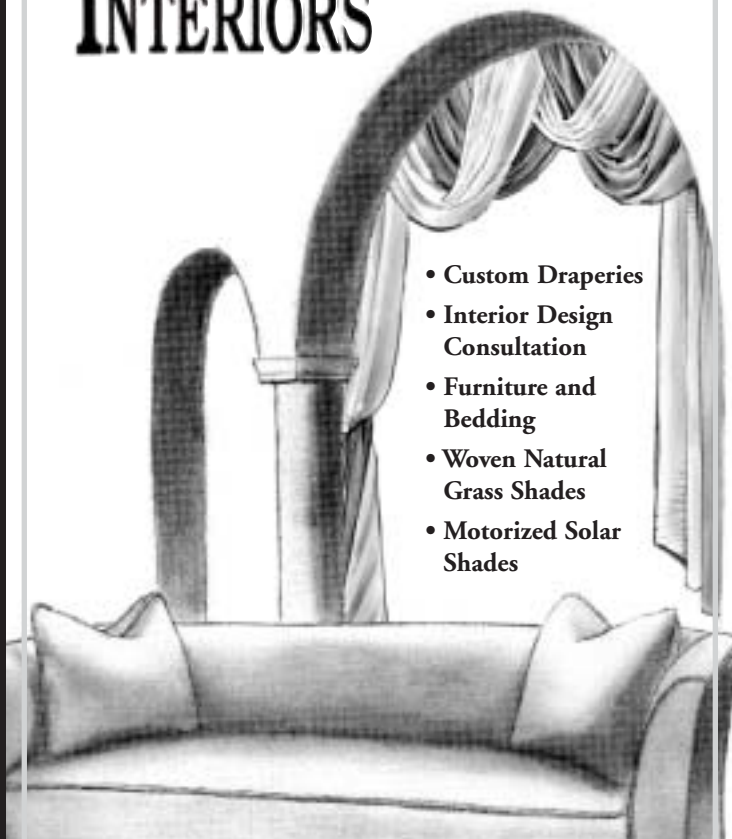
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Diablo Views

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From cookie jars to friends—find treasures at Thrift Station

Who knew a penguin cookie jar could be so cute? One of the perks of being a volunteer at the Thrift Station is getting first crack at the donations, and Elaine Maier is quick to buy penguins in any size or shape for her granddaughter. Elaine is one of the 100-plus volunteers who make the spacious Thrift Station at the Crossroads a well-organized and pleasant place to shop. It is run by the Friends of Discovery and benefits the non-profit Discovery Counseling Center, which was founded in 1969.

Elaine discovered the Thrift Station more than 15 years ago. She admired the jewelry of a woman seated next to her at a luncheon, who said it was from her "shop" in Danville. Elaine assumed she meant a classy little boutique. When the woman explained she worked at the Thrift Station, Elaine checked it out, then began volunteering.

Thom Martin, executive director of Discovery Counseling Center, said the Friends are responsible for about one-third of the center's income and next year its donations will reach the \$5 million mark, raised since the Friends started the shop in 1973. "They run this amazing business and don't even know how good they are," he said.

The Thrift Station, as well as the counseling center, provides therapy, pointed out coordinator Cathy Clausen, explaining that many women find a purpose through their volunteering plus make new friends. "The shop has healing effects for lots of ladies, especially those who have lost their spouses," she said. The customers make friends with each other, too, she said. Some customers come in every day, since the inventory changes daily, and on Saturdays it is a meeting place. "We are one part of the 'quilt' of the community," she added.

Judy Nauman, a Danville resident, said her daughter discovered the store when she was in junior high. "She said, 'Mother, you have to go down there,'" recalled Judy. She'd been looking for something to do and now she's been working there for 18 years, including 16 as coordinator. She said some of the women from the shop recently traveled to Mexico together. But they don't seem to regard their activities as work; they sort and hang clothes, move boxes and attach price tags in the large back room, talking and laughing all the while.

Joan Galletly, who used to work the cash register at the Monte Vista High cafeteria, has been volunteer-

ing at the Thrift Station for more than 31 years. All that time, she's been categorizing sports equipment and crafts items. "They gave me this job because I have five boys," she said, elbow deep in weights, softballs and golf clubs. But, she added, she is ready to give it up now that she is 75 and let a younger woman take her place.

The shop was bustling last Thursday with folks looking through the clothes, housewares and books. Jayne and John Schnittker of Alamo were browsing for items their grandchildren might enjoy, and had gathered a cute pink sleeper, a little girl's Hawaiian dress and a fat rubber snake. Jayne worked in a Walnut Creek thrift shop for 45 years and said people used to be embarrassed to shop at thrift stores but it's become trendy. "Now it's like a treasure hunt," Jayne said.

Join the treasure hunt from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 486 San Ramon Valley Blvd. The Friends are also looking for volunteers to commit to two four-hour shifts a week. And they always need donations—bring them to the back door during business hours and be sure to knock.

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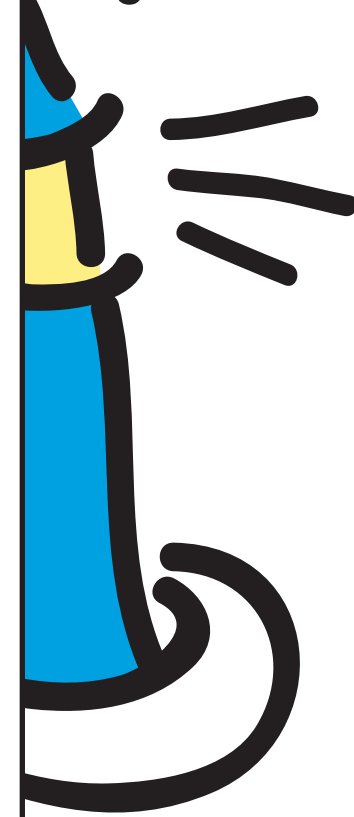


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EDITORIAL • THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY

**Waste not,
want not**

Danville teenager Jeff Gustafson, who made a presentation recently to the school board about recycling, actually has an old-fashioned way of thinking. Before the advent of the environmental movement, generations knew the meaning of conservation and waste diversion. Think of your mother saying, "Eat everything on your plate" or "Only take what you're going to eat." Or your grandfather drinking milk beyond its expiration date.

Perhaps, due to war or hardship, generations before us were better conservationists. People who have lived through the Depression or war rationing remember a time when there was not a limitless supply of everything. They wouldn't throw away that parcel paper and string because they might be able to use it again someday soon.

In Danville, we can be proud. We have curbside recycling, green waste collection, and hazardous household waste collection. Danville, like most of California, is ahead of the curve in terms of recycling. In 1995 our

waste diversion rate was only 34 percent. In 2000, some 11 years after the state passed the Integrated Waste Management Act, which mandated that the state cut its waste by 50 percent, Danville's waste diversion rate was 51 percent.

But we still consume a lot. Also in 2000, we disposed of 7,654 tons of organic waste; 4,669 tons of paper; and 1,505 tons of plastic. It's not just about putting out a green bin, it's about being mindful—taking only what we need, not just what we want.

We can be conservationists in our everyday lives. Instead of taking a handful of napkins, just take one. Bring a mug to the coffee shop for your morning cup of coffee. If you're only buying a couple things at the grocery store, why not skip the bag?

We applaud Gustafson's extraordinary initiative. He's not living in a time of war rationing or depression. His mindfulness and concern for the community comes from inside. His actions show us that even in a time of plenty, we should not take things for granted. He knows that even if our trash is hauled away, we live with it forever.

"It's not just about putting out a green bin, it's about being mindful—taking only what we need, not just what we want."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**On renaming
Mount Diablo**

Editor;

I may be a moron, too, but I agree with Art Mijares of Oakley that we should change the name of Mount Diablo. How about "Mount Rumsfeld," who is really the devil. Or we could delay it for a while—there's a thought, "Mount Delay." Come to think of it the real devil in our lives, Dick Cheney, will be needing a monument for 2008 when he

runs for president. "Mount Cheney."

If we could get the support of Rumsfeld, Delay and Cheney for the name change, we could call it Mount Rushmore, or if that's taken, how about 3 Com Park or Monster Park or PacBell Park. Nah, let's stick with Mount Rushmore. Bill Murray will probably show up for the dedication.

By the way, editor, God told me to write this letter.

*Franklin Kistner
Danville*

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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.

May 24

- Warrant to be arrested: 34-year-old man arrested on the 400 block of Hartz Ave. at 7:26 a.m.
- Possession of dangerous drugs: arrest made on Danville Boulevard and Hartford Rd. at 7:22 a.m.
- Residential Burglary: Hill Meadow Pl. at 8:50 a.m.
- Accident-property damage: Blemer Rd. and Green Valley Rd. at 3:42 p.m.

May 25

- Petty theft, from vehicle: Camino Amigo at 9:49 a.m.
- Vandalism-schools: Stone Valley Rd. at 11:23 a.m.
- Forgery, fraudulent documents: St George Rd. at 11:16 a.m.
- Accident-property damage: Diablo Rd. and Hartz Ave. at 12:57 p.m.
- Hit and run: Ackerman Dr. and Diablo Rd. at 8:41 p.m.

May 26

- Driving under the influence (DUI): 22-year-old man arrested on West El Pintado Rd. and Valley Creek Lane at 2:02 a.m.
- Drugs, possession of marijuana at school: Love Lane at 10:22 a.m.
- Malicious mischief: Peters Ranch Rd. at 12:27 p.m.
- Accident-property damage: Camino Tassajara and Crow Canyon Rd. at 3:54 p.m.
- Vandalism, felony: Laurel Wood Dr. and Old Blackhawk Rd. at 3:55 p.m.
- Accident-property damage: Hartz Ave. and Linda Mesa Ave. at 5:04 p.m.

POLICE BULLETIN

Learn to ask the right questions

Blackhawk police services is offering a public information class at 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 7, at the Lakeside County Club in Blackhawk. The event, which is welcoming non-Blackhawk residents as well, is meant to help homeowners better screen the people they hire to work around the house.

Lt. Kevin Ryan of Blackhawk Police Services believes screening tips could be invaluable, especially in light of former Danville nanny Jimena

Barretto, who was found guilty of second degree murder when she drove while intoxicated, swerved off Camino Tassajara, and struck Alana and Troy Pack, killing them.

“We just want people to be very careful. We want them to be able to hire quality people,” said Ryan. Hiring the right people can prevent things like robbery, he added. To reserve a seat, call Ryan at 736-1018.

- Grand theft, shoplift: Crow Canyon Rd. at 8:05 p.m.

May 27

- Missing runaway juvenile: El Pintado Rd. at 5:52 p.m.
- Accident-property damage: Blemer Rd. at 10:59 a.m.
- Accident-property damage: Camino Tassajara and Woodside Dr. at 10:47 a.m.
- Petty theft, from building: Stone Valley Rd. at 11:10 a.m.
- Credit card fraud: Haskins Ranch Circle at 10:20 a.m.
- Accident-property damage: San Ramon Valley Boulevard at 11:36 a.m.
- Missing person, juvenile: Joaquin Dr. at 1:46 p.m.
- Accident-property damage: Diablo Rd. and El Cerro Boulevard at 4:12 p.m.
- Disturbing the peace: Stone Valley Rd. at 4:19 p.m.
- Driving with suspended license: A 32-year-old man arrested on Highland Dr. and Sky Terrace at 5:07 p.m.
- Missing runaway juvenile: El Capitan Dr. at 6:44 p.m.
- Drugs, under influence: 41-year-old female arrested on Linda Mesa and Railroad. at 8:39 p.m.

- Misdemeanor, other: 26-year-old man arrested on El Cerro Boulevard and I-680 southbound at 7:18 p.m.

- Battery, misdemeanor: I-680 northbound, Sycamore Valley Rd. at 10:27 p.m.

May 28

- DUI: 33-year-old man arrested on Diablo Rd. and W. El Pintado Rd. at 12:01 a.m.
- DUI: 62-year-old woman arrested on the 400 block of Diablo Rd. at 12:24 a.m.
- Malicious telephone calls: La Gonda Way at 1:06 p.m.
- Accident-property damage: Blackstone Dr. and Tassajara Ranch Dr. at 3:32 p.m.
- Death, non-criminal: Verde Mesa Dr. at 5:34 p.m.
- Disturbing the peace: Stone Valley Rd. at 11:03 p.m.
- Possession of unlawful weapon: A male juvenile arrested on Linda Mesa and Railroad. at 11:31 p.m.

May 29

- DUI: Arrest made on Brookside Dr. and Everett Dr. at 2:54 a.m.
- Mentally ill commitment: Shelterwood Ct. and Shelterwood Dr. at 6:16 p.m.

- Possession of dangerous drugs: Camino Tassajara and Sherburne Hills at 11:46 p.m.

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

ALAMO

May 24

- Disturbance on Danville Blvd.

May 25

- Auto burglary on Stone Valley Way
- Petty theft from vehicle on N. Jackson Way

May 27

- Auto burglary on Camille Ct.

May 28

- Malicious mischief on Casa Vallecita

May 29

- Malicious mischief on Acacia Ln.

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- Disturbance on Deer Trail Ln.

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Bryan Vencill, a senior at San Ramon Valley High School, was the only one on his team who qualified for the NCS Tournament of Champions.

Golf comes with good times and bad times

Star golfer says the game taught him many important lessons

by Mike Mc Colgan

Bryan Vencill was the lone San Ramon Wolf golfer recently qualifying for the NCS Tournament of Champions at Rooster Run Golf Club in Petaluma. He has been playing on the San Ramon Golf team since his freshman year and is now a senior.

"My handicap is 0 and I plan on attending Cal Poly next year and attempting to make their golf team as a walk on," he said.

He started playing golf when he was 3 years old. "I would just swing a plastic club around the house then hit it a few times on the course," he recalled. "I started playing competitively when I was 9 years old and played many junior tournaments each summer."

Golf comes with good times and bad times, he says. One of his worst experiences was when he was playing in his first U.S. Junior Amateur qualifier at Stanford University. "I was very nervous

because it was a big step for me," said Vencill. "I was playing the first hole and assessed a 2-stroke penalty for my dad caddying for me. It was against the rules to have a direct family member carrying the bag. I didn't read that in the

"Although I lost in the playoff, it taught me that anything could happen and to never give up."

—Bryan Vencill

rules so my first big tournament did not go well. I continued to play but missed the cut. I learned that golf is a game where you need to learn from the bad experiences and

not get upset about them."

"On the other hand, one of the good times was when I was playing in a PGA Junior Series Event at Dark Horse Golf Course in Auburn," he continued. Shooting a 78 the first day, Vencill was 6 strokes off the lead. The second day he finished birdie, eagle, birdie, par to shoot a round of 68. "This was my best tournament round and it qualified me for a playoff to win. Although I lost in the playoff, it taught me that anything could happen and to never give up," he said.

"Golf has taught me many important lessons," Vencill added, "to release my emotions and only worry what can be done and not what one cannot control. Focusing on the present helps you execute a good shot and increase your confidence. Having confidence is very important to be able to play the game well." ■

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Strike up the band

When the desire for a community band called, Danville musicians came forward.

Where's the band? That was the question Jan and Larry Anderson asked four-and-a-half years ago as the retired couple looked around their beloved town of Danville. Surrounding cities offered a plethora of playing opportunities for community music mavens, but Danville was a borough without a band.

This dissonant state of musical affairs was unacceptable to Larry Anderson. A life-long music educator and band director, Larry knew that musicians need a place to perform. Danville was simply a city without a conductor; if he waved his baton, surely the music would come forth.

A local newspaper reporter offered the Andersons the opportunity to compose their call to closet instrumentalists, inviting them to attend a rehearsal at San Ramon high school.

"We invited anyone to join us; no performing experience was necessary," recalled Jan. "The paper ran the story, then we headed to San Ramon Valley High to see who would show up."

Other experienced community band directors warned the Andersons not to expect too much initial response.

"We were hoping for 25 musicians to

attend the first rehearsal," Larry explained. "We knew our timing wasn't great, our first meeting was the week after the Sept. 11 attack."

But 50 enthusiastic musicians showed up, instruments in hand.

"Amazingly, we had a fairly good balance of instruments," said Larry. "And they were all pretty talented."

Jan smiled as she recalled listening to the band strike up its first song: "The Star-Spangled Banner."

"Before they finished, I was crying," she said. "When they followed with 'God Bless America,' I couldn't stop."

By the end of the night, Danville had a band.

Three-and-a-half years later, Jan and Larry find themselves astonished by the series of harmonious events that have propelled the Danville Community Band to incredible success.

"All of our growth and accomplishments have happened through a miraculous stream of generosity," Jan said. "A lawyer friend helped us become established as a not-for-profit organization, a tedious process we would not have wanted to navigate on our own. When the band grew to 85 members and became too big for the high school where we had been practicing, the Community Presbyterian Church generously offered us the use of their sanctuary every Monday night."

Jan continued marveling at how the pieces just keep falling into place. "It seems as though every time we're about to face a stumbling block, somehow something comes through for us," she said.

These minstrels perform under the moniker of "community

band," and Jan points out that its existence is due to the generous support of the Danville community and other area sponsors. "While the Danville Arts Commission has been very encouraging, we don't receive any money from the city," she said.

The band's season runs from September until June, and requires an annual budget of \$10,000-15,000.

"It is far more expensive to perform than you might initially think," Jan said. "For example, because we are so young, we don't have an extensive library of music established. We think we are doing well to already have a selection of more than 300 tunes; other more established bands have thousands. Every year, every concert, we have to buy more. Just one song is \$75 or \$80 for the set of sheet music."

Multiply that by the 10 songs performed at each engagement, figure on seven performances per season, add in the cost of a rental truck to transport the larger instruments, and it is easy to understand why donations are so appreciated.

"The contributions run about even with our needs," continued Jan. "Of course, we have a wish list of items we would love to have: a vibraphone, a gong, chimes. Right now we just don't have the volunteer system or staff necessary for large fundraising opportunities."

"Staff?" said Larry with a smile. "Jan is the staff. She is exceptionally dedicated. It's a full time non-paying position she has taken on. She is the hardest working member of the band."

It does require lots of effort, Jan agrees, and she would love to recruit more volunteers, but she is not complaining.

"It's time consuming, but very fulfilling," Jan said.



Community band
came out to play

by Cathy Jetter

and

If there were more hands to help, she added, there is a lot that could be accomplished. So far they have performed at outdoor venues, and at the Blackhawk Museum, the Presbyterian Community Church and the East Bay Fellowship. If they allow themselves to dream a little, the Andersons envision a concert hall in the city they have called home for many years.

"Danville needs a large auditorium," Larry began. "It would have to seat 1,000 to 1,500 but it could be rented out, it could be a money maker." He stopped and considered a moment, then added, "We just need to win the lottery to buy the land."

East Bay community band's dream destination: the Hofmann Theatre at the Dean Leshner Regional Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek.

"The sound there is just incredible," Larry stated unequivocally. "But it is a formidable task to perform there."

The conductor and his wife are a little nervous about the upcoming June 5 performance, but it's not a typical case of stage fright.

"This will be the first time we have asked our fans to purchase tickets to attend one of our concerts," Jan explained. "There is no way around it at the Leshner Center. We will

Band members may differ when discussing which selection is likely to be the biggest crowd pleaser, but the moment the musicians are most eagerly anticipating is a different sort of arrangement—no notes involved: As a tribute to the community support and good fortune that have allowed the band to achieve so much, the Andersons have prepared a special presentation for the event.

"This year we decided it was time to give back some of the generosity we have been lucky to benefit from," said Larry. "We initiated a program called 'Making More Than Music' dedicated to providing new instruments for deserving young musicians in the area. On June 5 we will be awarding a clarinet to a 10-year-old girl from Twin Creeks Elementary and a trombone to an eighth-grade girl from Stone Valley Middle School."

These students were nominated by their school band directors in response to a letter the Andersons sent to local campuses. A percentage of the day's ticket sales will be earmarked for the Making More Than Music program, which they intend to expand with the growth of the band.

While the Andersons modestly marvel at the remarkable success of the Danville Community Band, it is clear there is nothing accidental about their achievements. Born of a heartfelt passion and driven by constant commitment, the members of this musical menagerie have become a tremendous community asset.

Thanks to the Andersons, no one in Danville has to wonder, "Where is the band?" ■



PHOTOS COURTESY DANVILLE COMMUNITY BAND

Eighty-five dedicated musicians perform under the guidance of Musical Director and Conductor Larry Anderson. In addition to music written for concert band, their repertoire includes contemporary, classical, patriotic, pop, marches and Broadway show tunes.

Of course, Larry and Jan are the first to admit how much progress has been achieved since that first rehearsal in 2001.

"We are the newest community band in the area, and we are the largest," said Larry. "We have a great following—we can expect audiences of 500 to 600 people at our performances."

In fact, until that fantasy concert hall becomes a brick-and-mortar reality, the Danville Community Band's biggest problem is that its hometown offers no venue large enough to accommodate it.

Which is why the Andersons and their musicians have recently decided to take the trumpets, tubas, trombones and tenor sax—along with the rest of the orchestra—to every

need to sell about 400 of the 785 seats to break even."

If the regulars show up, that should be no problem.

"We just need to make sure we get the word out there, make sure people have the opportunity to enjoy our music wherever we play," she said.

The Andersons have planned a full afternoon of entertainment for those privileged patrons who fill the seats at what the Danville band considers its "debut" concert. It's called "As Time Goes By—Musical Memories of the '20s, '30s and More" and promises something for everyone, including performances by nationally recognized vocalist Jodi Lavender Aldredge and local recording artists Linda Thorp and Julie Winter.

The Danville Community Band 'Debut' performance

Who: Danville Community Band

What: "As Time Goes By—Musical Memories of the '20s, '30s and More"

When: 2 p.m., Sunday, June 5

Where: Dean Leshner Regional Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek.

Tickets: Call 943-SHOW (943-7469) or visit www.dlrca.org

Cost: \$8 students; \$10 seniors; \$12 general

Help wanted: Interested in volunteering or making a donation to the Danville Community Band? Contact Jan Anderson at jancat@sbcglobal.net

Musician wanted: The band is in need of a bassoonist ... maybe two!

Who is that kid in the Dumpster?

One 18-year-old's quest to improve and encourage recycling

story and photos by Casey Reivich



Jeff Gustafson, 18, performed a "waste audit" at San Ramon Valley High School to convince the school district that a lot of money could be saved by recycling.

On May 17, the school board was scheduled to hear a presentation on the state of waste in the district from the Central Contra Costa Solid Waste Authority. A young intern, who did not look a day over 18, set up his laptop in front of the board and confidently spoke about the four waste audits he had conducted at San Ramon Valley High School—the school he graduated from last year.

"I wanted to find out what the school pays for trash," he said later. "One of our ideas was to look at the financial reasons why the district should look to recycle cans and bottles."

Everyone in the room soon figured out that Jeff Gustafson, 18, is not your average teenager. He has the environment on the brain 24/7. His waste audits showed the school board what was being thrown away at the high school and how money could be saved if the district standardized schools' recycling programs and incorporated bottles and cans in the maintenance department's regular pickup.

SRVUSD handles the collection and hauling of all its trash and recycling. The district has two trucks, with one picking up trash and the other recycling. The maintenance department handles recyclable paper goods, but bottle and can recycling is each school's responsibility. Gustafson believes a lot of recyclable goods are falling through the cracks.

While Gustafson was a student at San Ramon Valley High and even after he graduated, he and fellow members of an organization called Student Activists for a Viable Environment, or SAVE, conducted four waste audits, with the help of the Waste Authority.

CCCSWA provided them with the necessary equipment such as goggles, gloves, aprons and a scale that weighs down to the nearest 100th kilogram. A waste audit entails collecting waste from the Dumpsters, separating

the different kinds of waste, and weighing each category of waste.

"We want to help the schools recycle because it helps the city meet the state goal," said Jenny Oorbeck, a waste prevention and recycling specialist at the Waste Authority. In 1989, the state passed AB939, which requires every jurisdiction in California to reduce waste by half of what was produced in 1990. CCCSWA conducts free waste audits for all schools and businesses in its service area.

Gustafson's waste audits took place on four different Saturdays. He and other SAVE members collected a sample of the trash, about 2 cubic yards, from the six Dumpsters at the high school. It amounted to 1,500 pounds of trash.

The waste audits would usually take the entire day, said Gustafson.

The district is charged \$35 per ton of waste and paid \$5 per ton for recyclable material, according to Gustafson's report. He showed that presently the district pays \$43,175 to dump its waste and gets back \$1,155 in recycling.

His waste audits showed that plastic/glass bottles and aluminum/tin cans made up 14 percent of the waste tonnage. If the district were to divert those bottles and cans and recycle 100 percent of its paper, it could save \$14,878 and get back \$2,035 more from

recycling.

Gustafson also brought up the possibility of composting food waste. Food waste is heavy and makes up 24 percent of the waste tonnage, said Gustafson. If the district composted food waste along with recycling all paper, bottles and cans, it could save \$22,882 in sanitation costs.

Some school board members complimented Gustafson on his work. Superintendent Robert Kessler remarked on how impressed he was with Gustafson's presentation. School board president Joan Buchanan suggested giving the money saved by recycling back to the schools.

"I thought it was a great presentation," Buchanan said in an interview after the board meeting. "We have some really remarkable kids in this district."

The idea of expanding the recycling program is not without challenges. It would involve purchasing another truck for the cans and bottles, and probably hiring another staff member, said Craig SESCO, the school district's supervisor of buildings and grounds. This could cost upwards of \$100,000. Even with the high initial cost, SESCO thought recycling bottles and cans might eventually pay for itself.

"We would consider doing this. Recycling does help our costs. We want to save as much as possible. It helps our community and our

costs," said SESCO.

Separating out cans and bottles also means more work for the custodial staffs at schools. For those that are already short staffed, recycling is not a No. 1 priority.

Leslie Dumas, the environmental science teacher at San Ramon Valley High and faculty advisor to SAVE, is realistic about the challenges.

"Cans have to be emptied and washed out. How can you do that when the rugs need to be vacuumed?" said Dumas.

"We understand it's a tax on their staff and that schools are dealing with other issues that are of a higher priority," said Oorbeck.

All believe one of the greatest challenges to successfully expanding the recycling program is a change in student mindset.

"Getting high schools kids to put their trash in the trash is harder than you would think," said Buchanan. "A large success will be making it convenient. If it's not easy, we're fighting an uphill battle."

Dumas, who heads the paper recycling program at San Ramon Valley High, believes that it takes years for recycling programs to become successful. It took about three years for paper recycling to really become institutionalized at the school, she said.

But if there is anyone who can weather the challenges, it's Jeff Gustafson.

"He's years ahead of himself in terms of maturity and drive," Dumas said. "He's a doer, he makes things happen."

"I have always been into the environment," said Gustafson. "I do believe we need to start as a society to recognize what exactly we're doing to the planet. Recycling is just an easy way to start."

For now, Gustafson is recommending the school and the maintenance department consider overtaking bottle and can recycling at the schools.

"All recycling systems should be support-



Members of Student Activists for a Viable Environment (SAVE) at San Ramon Valley High sort through trash during a "waste audit."



CASEY REIVICH

'Let's Get it Started'

The Dance 5 performers, the highest-level dance class at San Ramon Valley High School, stretch and get ready for the annual spring dance show on Thursday, May 26, which ran from the 25th through the 27th. The spring dance show was the last of the school year.

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

Tarnation

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1 hr 28 mins
Director: Jonathan Caouette



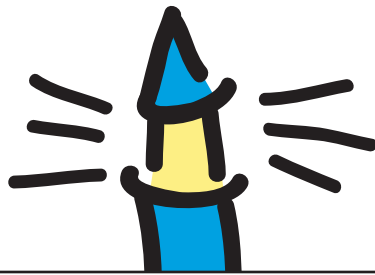
Haunting in its imagery, somewhat ignoble in its execution, Jonathan Caouette's "Tarnation" was one of 2004's most mysterious and unnerving films to have emerged from the Sundance film festival. It is haunting because of its phantasmagoric execution, utilizing split screens, psychedelic imagery and a moody soundtrack (that, in rights, cost more than the film to make). It is shameful self-flagellation, however, because it is an expressionist chronicle about its creator, whose crusade for his mother's mental health comes across as sneakily self-absorbed. It also has the aforementioned notoriety of being assembled for about \$200, utilizing Apple's "iMovie" software and about 30 years of photographs, home films and videos that construct its inky plasma.

Caouette begins "Tarnation" with the simple title "Once upon a time ..." to indicate that this is his fantasy to cope with a painful reality. He starts, as with all good stories, at the beginning: introducing his mother and his grandparents to us through old photographs and title cards that smack of tender facetiousness. His mother Renee is presented as a youthful all-American princess who was a child model by 12. It all changed, however, when she fell off the roof in a childish stunt and went into a coma only to re-emerge with a supposed personality shift. Given the mental health techniques of the day, Jonathan documents his mother's being subjected to treatments like shock therapy and prescription drugs that beat her into submission, all condoned by her parents.

Where "Tarnation" becomes uniquely absorbing is when Jonathan turns the camera onto himself. He is shown as a precocious boy whose gift of a camcorder turns out to be his biggest outlet in a childhood filled with foster parents, molestation and frequent separations from Renee, whose regular hospitalizations condemn her to a type of teenage emotional state. Jonathan, in one harrowing scene at age 13, dons makeup and wig and acts out an elaborate soliloquy for the camera in the guise of a Scarlett O'Hara cum-Madonna. It is here that Jonathan really takes over as the film's centerpiece, with images of his troubled teenage life and different guises unfolding like a malignant flower.

As a film, "Tarnation" would have been a noble but banal production if it weren't for Jonathan Caouette's very loud entrance as a gifted filmmaker new to the scene. In fact, from his lyrical images and fluid construction, "Tarnation" really chronicles the metamorphosis of a talented artist whose only muse seems to have been his family. However, this is the dilemma: "Tarnation" is not a documentary per se as it is a tweaked romanticism of his past filtered through the midnight movies and underground culture that Jonathan Caouette loves. It is his suffering made beautiful by the camera, and only when reality seeps in (especially in scenes where his grandfather is present) does his world implode. We are seduced by "Tarnation" but never convinced of its credulity.

—Joe Ramirez




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Century 14 Walnut Creek: 1201 Locust St., Walnut Creek (937-7025)
Blackhawk Movie 7: 4175 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville (736-0368)
Crow Canyon 6: 2525 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon (820-4831)
Hacienda Crossings 20/ Regal Imax Theater: 5000 Dublin Boulevard, Dublin (560-9600)
Vine Cinema: Corner of First and South O streets, Livermore (447-2545)
Internet address: For show times, visit the Danville Weekly Online Edition at <http://www.DanvilleWeekly.com/>

Note: Screenings are for Friday through Tuesday only.

Brothers (R)	CinéArts: Fri-Mon 4:40, 7:15 p.m.
Cinderella Man (PG-13)	Blackhawk Movies 7: Fri-Tue 12:50, 4, 7:10, 10:20 p.m. Century 14: Fri-Mon 12:15, 3:30, 6:45, 10 p.m. Crow Canyon 6: Fri-Sat noon, 3:20, 6:50, 10 p.m.; Sun-Tue noon, 3:20, 6:50 p.m. Hacienda Crossing 20: Fri-Tue 10 a.m., 12:20, 1:05, 3:40, 4:15, 7:05, 7:35, 10:15, 10:45 p.m.
Crash (R)	CinéArts: Fri-Mon 11:55 a.m., 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50 p.m. Hacienda Crossing 20: Fri-Tue 10:05 a.m., 12:40, 3:20, 6, 10:55 p.m.
Kicking and Screaming (PG)	Crow Canyon 6: Fri-Tue 11:40 a.m., 2:10 p.m. Hacienda Crossing 20: Fri-Tue 10:50 a.m., 2, 4:35, 8:35, 10:50 p.m.
Ladies in Lavender (PG-13)	CinéArts: Fri-Mon noon, 2:30, 5, 7:30, 9:55 p.m.
Layer Cake (R)	CinéArts: Fri-Mon 11:50 a.m., 2:15, 9:45 p.m.
Lords of Dogtown (PG-13)	Blackhawk Movies 7: Fri-Tue 12:20, 2:55, 5:30, 8, 10:30 p.m.
Mad Hot Ballroom (PG)	CinéArts: Fri-Mon 12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10 p.m.
Madagascar (PG)	Blackhawk Movies 7: Fri-Tue noon, 2:10, 4:20, 6:30, 8:40, 10:50 p.m.. Crow Canyon 6: Fri-Sat 11:50 a.m., 2, 4:10, 6:30, 9 p.m.; Sun-Tue 11:50 a.m., 2, 4:10, 6:30 p.m. Hacienda Crossing 20: Fri-Mon 10, 11:35 a.m., 12:05, 12:35, 2:05, 2:35, 3:05, 4:35, 5:05, 5:35, 7:10, 7:40, 8:05, 8:40, 9:35, 10:05, 10:35 p.m.; Tue same as Fri-Mon but no 10:35 p.m. show Vine Cinema: Fri 12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7, 9 p.m.; Sat-Mon 10:30 a.m., 12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7, 9 p.m.; Tue 2:30, 4:45, 7, 8:50 p.m.
Monster-in-Law (PG-13)	Crow Canyon 6: Fri 12:10, 2:35, 5, 7:30, 9:55 p.m.; Sun-Tue 12:10, 2:35, 5, 7:30 p.m. Hacienda Crossing 20: Fri-Tue 10:50 a.m., 1:30, 4:10, 5:20, 6:50, 9:40 p.m.
School of Rock (PG-13)	CinéArts: Fri-Mon 11:40 a.m., 2, 4:20, 7, 9:15 p.m.
Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants (PG)	Blackhawk Movies 7: Fri-Tue 11:55 a.m., 2:40, 5:25, 8:10, 10:55 p.m. Century 14: Fri-Mon 11 a.m., 1:40, 4:20, 7:05, 9:50 p.m. Hacienda Crossing 20: Fri-Tue 10:25, 11 a.m., 1:20, 1:50, 4:10, 4:40, 7, 7:25, 9:50, 10:20 p.m.
Star Wars Episode III (PG-13)	Blackhawk Movies 7: Fri-Tue 12:10, 12:30, 3:25, 3:45, 6:40, 7, 9:55, 10:15 p.m. Crow Canyon 6: Fri-Sat 12:15, 3:30, 7, 10:15 p.m.; Sun-Tue 12:15, 3:30, 7 p.m. Hacienda Crossing 20: Fri 10:05 a.m., 12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 3:30, 4, 4:30, 5, 7, 7:15, 8, 8:30, 10:10, 10:30, 11 p.m.; Sat 10:05, 10:30 a.m., 12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 3:30, 4, 4:30, 5, 7, 7:15, 8, 8:30, 10:10, 10:30, 11 p.m.; Sun-Mon Same as Fri; Tue same as Sat Regal Imax Theaters: Fri-Tue 10:15 a.m., 1:30, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45 p.m. Vine Cinema: Fri 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10 p.m.; Sat-Mon 10:20 a.m., 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10 p.m.; Tue 2, 5, 8 p.m.
The Longest Yard (PG-13)	Blackhawk Movies 7: Fri-Tue 12:40, 3:15, 5:50, 8:25, 10:55 p.m. Crow Canyon 6: Fri-Sat 12:40, 4, 7:10, 9:50 p.m.; Sun-Tue 12:40, 4, 7:10 p.m. Hacienda Crossing 20: Fri-Tue 10:10, 10:55, 11:55 a.m., 1:40, 2:10, 2:40, 4:25, 5, 5:25, 7:10, 7:40, 8:10, 9:55, 10:25, 11 p.m.

Climbing for crib safety

Hike to help provide safe sleeping for babies

The struggle to make cribs safe for babies will get a boost as supporters of the Danny Foundation climb Mount Shasta in July for the second annual Crib Safety Summit. Last year the hikers reached the summit of Mount Whitney, raising more than \$1,600 for the foundation's Project Safe Crib.

The project works to educate families and caregivers regarding crib safety. The Danny Foundation has donated more than one thousand new safe cribs to families in Northern California and Arizona in the last three years.

The Danny Foundation was established in 1986, two years after 23-month-old Danny Lineweaver of Alamo strangled when his shirt became twisted on the corner post of his crib. He suffered permanent brain damage and died Oct. 3, 1993, after a life of therapy.

Danny Lineweaver was the 21st child in the United States to suffer this type of accident in the 13 years since the federal government began keeping the statistic. But the Danny Foundation was the first to tackle the problem. Initial funding came from the settlement of a lawsuit by the family against the crib manufacturer and the store that sold them Danny's crib. The foundation works with safety coalitions, hospitals, manufacturers and families throughout the United States to make sure that every child sleeps in a safe crib. As the foundation's scope has broadened, it has come to depend on individual donations.

The hikers are soliciting pledges while they train for the climb up 14,162-foot Mount Shasta. To learn about sponsoring, call Craig LeMessurier at (800) 83-DANNY (833-2669). For more information, visit www.dannyfoundation.org. ■

Waste

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ed by the district. It should be more complete. It should be a standard program," said Gustafson.

Gustafson is presently attending Diablo Valley College. He hopes to transfer to UC Santa Cruz and major in environmental studies.

As an intern at the Waste Authority, he does regular waste audits at area schools. He also volunteers for LifeGarden's Iron Horse Corridor Enhancement Program and the local chapter of the Sierra Club. And he regularly maintains the native plant garden at his old high school.

Dumas said she could imagine him as the head of the Sierra Club or Environmental Protection Agency one day.

"He is far and away more driven than anyone I know," she added. ■

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY

WEEKEND PREVIEW



Moonlight Movies

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

Art

Blackhawk Art Gallery open house

The Blackhawk Art Gallery, 3628 Blackhawk Plaza 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. A free shuttle service will operate Sunday at the Sycamore Valley Park N Ride. Call 837-4400 or visit 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 at 886-4716.

Author Visits

Authors Reading and Signing

Rakestraw Books in Danville will feature Nicole Krauss (History of Love) at noon, Friday, June 10; Michael Cunningham (Specimen Days) at 7 p.m., Thursday, June 16; Christy Campbell (The Botanist and the Vintner) at 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 21; and George Singleton (Novel: A Novel) at 7 p.m., Thursday, June 23. Call 837-7337 for information.

Civic Meetings

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

Blue Star Moms California

Blue Star Moms is a support group for families of members of the U.S. Armed Forces. It meets at 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.

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.

Danville PM Toastmasters Club

The club meets from 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 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.

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 are 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.

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.

World Affairs Council

The Contra Costa Chapter is hosting its Summer Wine Reception with Argentine wines and summer-evening cuisine, from 5-8 p.m., Sunday, June 12, at 321 Durham Court, Danville. Author Wayne Bernhardson (An Evening in Argentine: A Bridge

between Visiting and Knowing) is the feature speaker. Cost is \$15 members and \$18 non-members. For reservations call (415) 293-4600.

Concerts

Concert at Livorna Park

Alamo Parks and Recreation is hosting Duo Gadjjo 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 will present "As Time Goes By" for its debut concert at the Dean Lescher 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).

'Hearts for the Arts' Smooth Jazz

"Hearts for the Arts" Smooth Jazz Series 2005" will feature Chris Botti at 6:30 p.m., Sunday, July 10; Craig Chaquico at 7:30 p.m., Friday, July 29; and Earl Klugh at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 26, at the Dean Lescher Regional Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek. Each show will include performances by the "Moving Arts Dance." For tickets (\$175 for three shows) call 943-7469 or visit www.dlrca.org and www.heartsforthearts.cc.

Events

Bay Area Satsuki Azalea Bonsai Show

Danville resident Ruben Guzman, bonsai specialist, will participate in a bonsai demonstration at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, June 4, at the Lakeside Park Garden Center at 666 Bellevue Ave., Oakland. The show is from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, June 4-5. Call 837-7804.

Farmers Market

The Danville Farmers Market is open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. every Saturday at the Railroad Avenue Municipal Parking Lot, at the corner of Railroad and Prospect avenues. Call 825-9090 or visit www.pcfma.com.

Luncheon with Editors

The California Writers Club, Mt. Diablo Branch, is hosting a luncheon with Claudia Kawczynska and Cameron Woo, Editors of "Bark," a magazine about dog culture. The luncheon is at 11:30 p.m., Saturday, June 11, at the Hungry Hunter, 3201 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Cost \$17 CWC members; \$20 non-members. Call before June 8, (510) 881-8929 or e-mail camille@minichino.com for reservations.

Memories in the Garden

Valley Oak Respite Center presents a self-guided tour through nine beautiful private gardens in Danville, Alamo and San Ramon, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, June 4. Tickets are \$25 (\$20 by May 28). Call Natasha at 945-8040, ext. 15.

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., Sundays, at Petco, 2005 Crow Canyon Place, San Ramon. Call TVAR at 803-7043 or visit www.tvlar.org.

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Tuesdays at the Ranch

Join the Alamo Parks and Recreation staff for family nights, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, June 21-Aug. 16 (except July 5) at Hap Magee Ranch Park, 1025 La Gonda Way. Games and activities will be available at the equipment table. Campfires held alternate weeks: June 21, July 12 and 26, Aug.

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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. The exhibit runs through 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.

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.

Fundraisers

Garden Party in Alamo
The Michael Dunbar Family Charitable Foundation (www.dunbarcharitablefund.com) will host the second annual Garden Party fundraising event from 6-9:30 p.m., Saturday, June 25, in Alamo, to raise money for brain cancer research and a caregivers workshop. For information contact Francesca Venezia Dunbar at 216-

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.

Bicycle Rodeo
The Youth Services & Community Services Units of the Danville Police Department is sponsoring a Bicycle Rodeo from 10 a.m.-noon, Saturday, June 11, at St. Isidore's Church/School, 440 LaGonda Way, Danville. Bring your bicycle and helmets to have them checked for safety. No registration required.

Camp for the Crafty
Alamo Parks and Recreation offers a crafts camp for grades 2-6 at Hap Magee Ranch Park, 1025 LaGonda 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.

Kid Safety Day at Blackhawk
Blackhawk Museum, Blackhawk Plaza and AAA, San Ramon presents safety demonstrations and information on safety provided by the California Highway Patrol (CHP), California Shock & Trauma Air Rescue (CAL-STAR) and San Ramon Regional Medical Center from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, June 11. Contact Jon Hart at 736-2277, ext. 248.

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.

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

A Midsummer Night's Dream
The S.T.A.G.E. Troupe, a teen actor's group, performs Shakespeare's comedy, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," on Friday-Sunday, June 10-19, at the School House Theatre, 2050 Oak Park Blvd., Pleasant Hill. Performances begin 7 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, with matinees at 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. Call 682-0896.

On Stage

'The Lovely Galatea' Operetta
The Martinez Opera presents one of Franz Von Suppe's rare operetta's, "The Lovely Galatea" with "Behind the Scenes in 189," 7:30 p.m., Saturday, June 11; and 2 p.m., Sunday, June 12, at the Alhambra Performing Arts Center, 150 E Street, Martinez. For tickets call CBON 798-1300. Seats \$45 and \$35. For information, call 372-6617 or e-mail www.MTZO.com.

Recreation

Curry Canyon Pond hike
Save Mount Diablo is sponsoring a 5.8-mile Curry Canyon Pond hike, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, June 11. Meet at Mt. Diablo State Park-Curry Point, below junction of North and South Gate Roads. There is a \$6 car entry fee. Call Sharon Walters at 820-3102 or e-mail at swalters@stmarys-ca.edu.

Learn about Mt. Diablo
Learn from Ranger Ryan Goering about the spectacular geological formation of Mt. Diablo, from 3-4 p.m., Saturday, June 11. Meet at Mt. Diablo State Park - Lower Summit lot, Mt. Diablo Summit Museum. Call Ranger Goering at 837-6129 or email at junctionrangers@earthlink.net.

Round Valley hike
The Sierra Club, Mt. Diablo Group, is sponsoring a Round Valley hike, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Saturday, June 11. Meet at Round Valley-Marsh Creek Road, 1.6 miles East of Deer Valley Road between Clayton and Brentwood. Carpool from Walnut Creek BART (near taxi-stand), 9:15 a.m. Rain cancels event. Call Don at 837-5646.

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.

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.

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. 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.

Walking Buddies
Morning hiking walks geared toward seniors meet in the lobby of the Walnut Creek Senior's Club at Civic Park, 1375 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek. Meet at 8 a.m. Tuesdays for walks on

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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.

Danville Adult Softball

Danville Adult Softball 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.

Swim classes

Summer swim classes for ages 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.

Swim-a-Thon

The Blackhawk Country Club Swim Team (HOX) will host its first swim-athon to raise money for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, a non-profit organization to find a cure for diabetes, from 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, June 4, at the Blackhawk Country Club sports complex pool. Call Monika Rosenfeld at 362-0955 or e-mail at MRRADR@aol.com.

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 25-29. Camps are 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday, and cost \$185. Call 831-1100 or visit www.mdrmyca.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.mdrmyca.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.

Danville TOPS

The Danville chapter of Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meets at 9 a.m. every Tuesday at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 1550 Diablo Road. Call Bob Blendow at 935-9344 or Rosemarie at 838-7870

Fibromyalgia/Pain

The San Ramon Valley Fibromyalgia and Chronic Pain Support Group

meets from 7-9 p.m. every other Monday in Danville. Call Denise for location and information at 837-0510.

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 animal 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.

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, 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>.

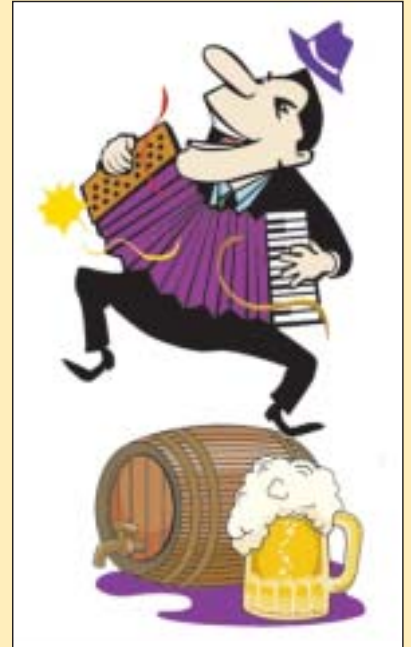
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The academy seeks new volunteers and members to help with tasks ranging from bookkeeping to recruiting instructors. The group meets noon-1 p.m. on the second Friday of the month at Richard's Art & Craft Store, 225 Alamo Plaza, Alamo. Call Beth Batchelor at 837-5654.

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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.

Lindsay Wildlife Museum

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Search and Rescue

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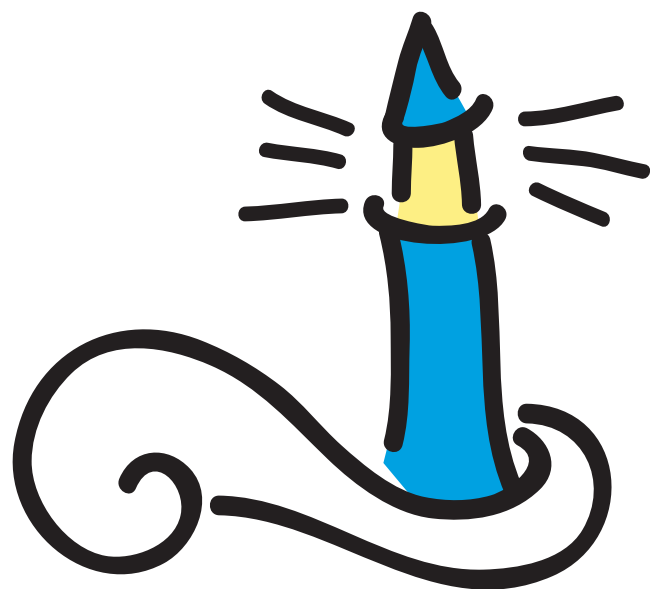
East Bay Trail Dogs is an all-volunteer group that has built, repaired and helped maintain single-track trails in the East Bay Regional Park District, the Mt. Diablo State Park, and Walnut Creek open space. Volunteers meet the fourth Saturday and one weekday each month. To participate, call Harry at 443-3925.

Tri-Valley Animal Rescue

Tri-Valley Animal Rescue offers a variety of volunteer opportunities. It holds a volunteer orientation from 1-2:30 p.m., the second Saturday of each month at the East County Animal Shelter, 4595 Gleason Drive, Dublin. Contact Noelle Hartshorn at noellehartshorn@comcast.net or 846-0745.

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SALES AT A GLANCE

Source: California REsource

Danville	Alamo	Walnut Creek
Total sales reported: 14	Total sales reported: 6	Total sales reported: 27
Lowest sale reported: \$646,000	Lowest sale reported: \$999,000	Lowest sale reported: \$335,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,350,000	Highest sale reported: \$2,085,000	Highest sale reported: \$1,600,000
Average sales reported: \$850,750	Average sales reported: \$1,601,166	Average sales reported: \$684,722

HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during May 2005

Danville	Alamo	Walnut Creek
179 Belgian Drive M. Lee to M. Genzoli for \$825,000	330 Matchem Court Platter Trust to P. Bartlett for \$2,085,000	1801 Newcastle Court M. & M. Kligfeld to D. Esmaelizadeh for \$1,600,000
601 Birchwood Court Sealander Trust to K. & C. Watkins for \$980,000	2354 Stone Valley Road C. & M. Godvin to P. & E. Thompson for \$1,700,000	208 Normandy Lane Matson Trust to C. Dominguez for \$843,000
34 Bottlebrush Court S. Cross to S. & I. Heidelberg for \$998,500	144 Virginia Lane Dirking Trust to C. & L. Helfer for \$1,397,000	350 North Civic Drive #502 L. Miyashiro to B. Patel for \$343,000
1045 Cedar Lane Court T. & T. Brusseau to G. Hawkins for \$720,000	Walnut Creek	2030 Oak Grove Road A. Baumfalk to A. Ramirez for \$954,500
214 Gil Blas Road L. Jensen to Page Trust for \$825,000	1109 Alfred Avenue J. & E. Frazier to R. & A. Leitz for \$780,000	2730 Oak Road #40 L. Venegas to A. & C. Allen for \$420,000
293 Greenbrook Drive G. Scheid to R. Lemelin for \$950,000	1630 Candelero Drive Bisk Trust to B. Thorer for \$615,000	1917 Olmo Way J. Limjoco to K. Ostachiewicz for \$480,000
143 Lawnview Circle Penson Trust to M. Zavala for \$650,000	1743 Carmel Drive #7 Savona Trust to M. Steffek for \$370,000	1925 Olmo Way A. Liu to L. & G. Makovsky for \$505,000
617 Mia Court B. & S. Falkenhainer to R. & N. Akl for \$1,056,000	45 Cuesta Way Yoder Trust to A. & L. Withington for \$985,000	930 Palmer Road Cushing Trust to H. & N. Rhee for \$990,000
756 Old Creek Road J. Horton to A. Williams for \$715,000	2122 Dunblane Court Nelson Trust to Ujdur Trust for \$1,036,000	1531 Piedra Drive A. & J. Armanino to B. Perez for \$719,000
3343 Quail Walk Lane M. & B. Economy to M. Mallon for \$1,350,000	576 Hauth Lane A. & E. Pakfetrat to P. & J. Pchelin for \$734,500	2408 Ptarmigan Drive #1 Rasmussen Trust to Reagan Trust for \$525,000
25 San Vicente Court H. & J. Hong to T. Kim for \$690,000	1233 Lindell Drive E. Cumming to A. & E. Margiotta for \$830,000	2857 Ptarmigan Drive #7 Anderson Trust to M. & C. Glantz for \$400,000
1050 Sunshine Circle L. Dunn to A. Best for \$710,000	2132 Londonderry Court Peel Trust to S. Choudhary for \$731,000	3311 Rossmoor Parkway #4 Jones Trust to D. & G. Morris for \$620,000
119 Tivoli Lane American International Relocation to J. & L. Cambier for \$795,000	1404 Los Vecinos Deichler Trust to W. Spalding for \$651,000	2105 Skycrest Drive #2 L. Lauger to Langewis Trust for \$385,000
257 West El Pintado Road H. Evans to M. Rass for \$646,000	1826 Lynvale Lane D. & V. Patterson to N. MacHaiah for \$435,000	2050 Strand Road A. & A. Keys to M. McClarrinon for \$925,000
Alamo	558 Monarch Ridge Drive L. Satz to D. Potter for \$750,500	4167 Terra Granada Drive #3B Leask Trust to R. & S. Gerson for \$525,000
1130 Castle Crest Court J. Raleigh to A. & N. Ras for \$1,635,000		1840 Tice Creek Drive #2232 Kaplan Trust to J. Allison for \$335,000
8 Corwin Drive J. Rivero to J. & K. Freitas for \$1,800,000		
16 Crest Court Sirva Relocation to F. Danesh for \$990,000		

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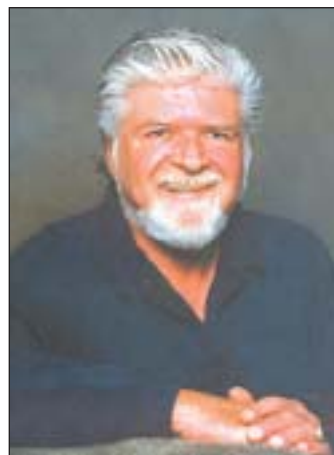
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