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“ Coconut trees bending, coconuts flying, hearing things breaking, doors banging. It was really frightening. ”

—Cindy Schmid recalling Hurricane Emily striking Cancun while she and her family were there on vacation

West Nile Virus update

Another dead bird with West Nile Virus was found July 22, this time in Concord near Cowell Road and Treat Boulevard. This brings the total in the county to six this year, reported the Contra Costa Mosquito & Vector Control District. The district depends on residents to report dead birds, which can then be tested for the virus. Report dead birds to (877) 968-2473.

The district also urges everyone to wear long pants and sleeves outside at dawn and in the evening, to use a repellent with an active ingredient such as DEET, and to remove all sources of standing water that may support mosquito-breeding habitats.

This year, 21 human infections of West Nile Virus have been reported from nine counties. There has been one death from the virus in 2005, in Kings County.

Alamo discussions

Contra Costa County Supervisor Mary Piepho and staff, along with representatives from the Contra Costa County Public Works Department, will hold a community meeting tomorrow to discuss traffic problems on Danville Boulevard in Alamo. The meeting will also address the possible creation of a Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) for Alamo. The meeting will take place from 9-11 a.m., Saturday, July 30, in the multipurpose room at Stone Valley Middle School, 3001 Miranda Ave. Alamo residents are encouraged to attend.

For information, contact Community Liaison Cheyenne Koger at Supervisor Piepho's Danville office, at 820-8683.

Monthly seminars for seniors

The town of Danville is offering free monthly seminars on topics and issues facing today's older adults. The informational workshops will be presented by local experts and will take place from 1-2:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month in the Mt. Diablo Room at the library, 400 Front St.

The Aug. 23 seminar will address "Scams, Fraud and Theft." Helen Wachs from Elder Abuse Prevention will speak about identity theft, what it is and how to prevent it; false scams, where we may not be winners, but we don't want to be losers; and charitable scams, how to ensure our contributions help others instead of lining the pockets of crooks. Interested seniors may register by calling the Danville Community Center at 314-3400, or going online at www.ci.danville.ca.us.

Discussing back pain

Orthopedic surgeon Hieu Ball and Dr. Alan Roth will discuss "Back Pain and Treatment" on the Ask the Doctor television show airing live from 6:30-7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 3. The program is cosponsored by San Ramon Regional Medical Center and Contra Costa Health Services.

Viewers can fax, e-mail or phone-in medical questions for the doctors. The live call-in number is 313-1190. Send questions by e-mail to askthedoctor@contracostatv.org or fax to 313-1185. Contra Costa Television (CCTV) cablecasts the educational program on Channel 27 in most of Contra Costa County, including San Ramon and Danville.

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Blackhawk voters to decide on increase in police tax

28 cents more a day would give Blackhawk Police District four full-time officers

by Casey Reivich

Blackhawk voters will vote on Measure D, a ballot initiative to increase the parcel tax, in August.

In order to maintain the same level of police service in Blackhawk and pay for escalating police officer salaries, the Police District of Blackhawk is holding a special election. The mail-in ballot will be sent to residents of Blackhawk and adjoining commu-

nities in early August. The ballots are due back Aug. 30.

Measure D, which will be the only measure on the ballot, must get approval from two-thirds of the voters in order for it to pass.

Presently the annual parcel tax for residents is \$178; commercial businesses pay \$1,068; and the Cinemark movie theater in the Shops at Blackhawk pays \$5,340. Measure D bumps the tax up to \$280 residential; \$1,680 commercial; and \$8,400 for the theater.

For residents, this translates into an additional 28 cents a day, said Ron Banducci, chairman of the Police District Committee in Blackhawk.

The Police District currently can afford to employ 3.6 police officers. This includes one sheriff's lieutenant and 2.6 police officers. The police staff is able to cover Blackhawk 70 percent of the time. A deputy from the county Sheriff's Department, who also covers the southern part of Walnut Creek to

the county line, covers Blackhawk the remaining 30 percent of the time, according to Banducci.

Normally, the Police District operates with four police officers, but due to a lack of funds, staff had to be cut.

"We've had a fixed revenue stream from the parcel tax. Costs have escalated and revenues have stayed relatively flat," said Banducci. "Our revenues are falling short of our expenses."

The measure was last voted on in

March 2004. It received a majority of the vote but not the two-thirds necessary to pass. Banducci believes Measure D has a better chance of passing as a standalone measure.

"It was dragged down by the heavy weight of other tax measures," he said. "We couldn't wait for the next general election."

The special election is going to cost the Police District around \$12,000. If Measure D fails to pass, staff might have to be reduced to two police officers, said Banducci. ■

County to redefine policy on Iron Horse Trail projects

Permit process may be simplified for future volunteer undertakings

by Casey Reivich

Contra Costa County is defining how volunteer groups can participate in maintaining the Iron Horse Trail.

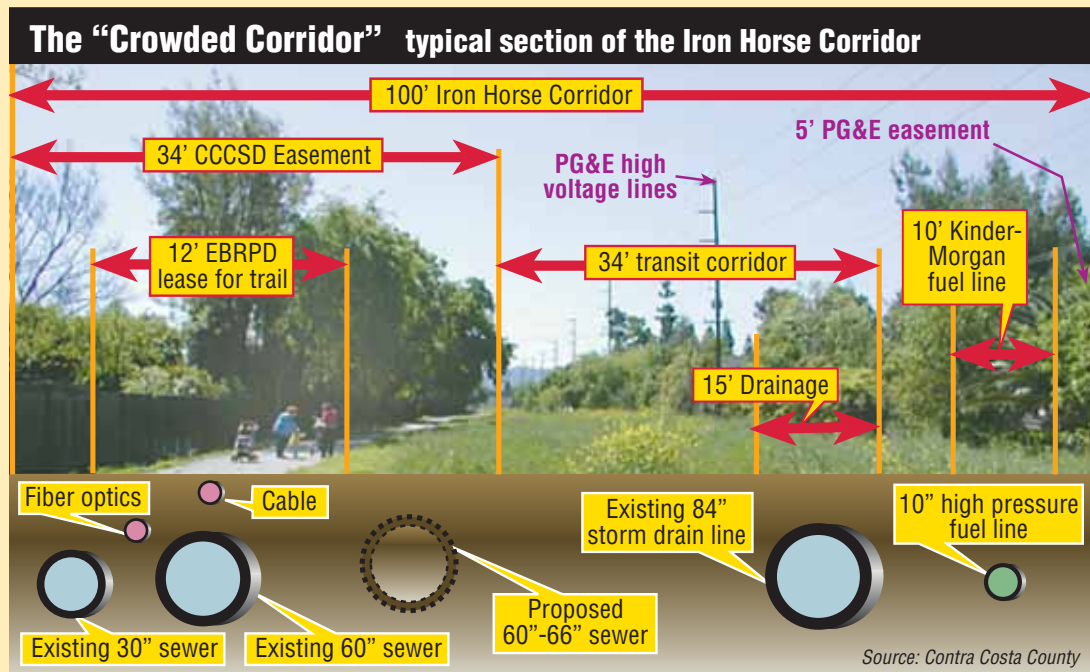
In a meeting July 11 with the county supervisors Mary Piepho, District III, and Federal Glover, District V, county staff gave an update on the Iron Horse management program. The management program and the Iron Horse Advisory Committee were created, in part, to give the public a chance to participate in the upkeep and appearance of the Iron Horse Corridor.

John Greitzer, the county's staff liaison to the committee, explained to Piepho and Glover that while the management program has reached some of its goals, like the creation of a Web site and the mapping of the corridor, the greater goals of joint use and landscaping are in need of policy guidance. A pilot-

mulching project with the environmental group LifeGarden has brought these policy issues into sharp focus.

Last year the advisory committee was looking for an inexpensive and environmentally friendly way to landscape the Iron Horse Corridor. The committee researched a technique called sheet mulching, which kills weeds by creating a deep layer of wood chips. LifeGarden volunteered to run the sheet mulching pilot program. The volunteer project ended up testing the county's joint use policy, which the committee thought allowed property owners and community organizations to easily help enhance the Iron Horse Corridor.

The partnership worked at first, and LifeGarden held four restoration events in 2004. The pilot program took place on the Iron Horse Corridor just behind San Ramon Valley High School,



On the surface, most people only notice the paved trail and land surrounding the Iron Horse Corridor. Overhead and underneath are gas, power, water, fuel and sewer lines. There is also a 34-foot width along the entire length of the corridor that has been set aside for a future light-rail line. No trees can be planted within this transit corridor.

LifeGarden's December 2004 event drew around 100 volunteers, even though its permit only allowed for 50.

The pilot program was halted after LifeGarden received a letter from the county, which owns and maintains the entire corridor, detailing concerns of staff and the East Bay Regional Park District,

which manages the actual trail. These concerns included the number of volunteers, the lack of supervision, and the safety hazards the volunteer project posed to trail users.

Ever since April, the county and the park district have been trying to figure out a set of guidelines for volunteer projects like

those of LifeGarden.

"It's a lot bigger and more complicated than anything we foresaw when we created the management program," said Greitzer.

He explained to Piepho and Glover some of the broader policy issues the pilot program raised.

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Get rid of your e-waste this weekend for free

E-waste recycling keeps electronic equipment out of landfills, air and water supplies

Is the old electronic equipment lying around in your garage starting to collect dust? Environmental Electronic Solutions (EES) and Delta 2000 are sponsoring a free electronic waste (e-waste) recycling pickup at the Contra Costa County Fairgrounds in Antioch on July 31 and Aug. 1.

Feel free to bring old TVs, keyboard and cell phones to be recycled at no cost to you. Also being accepted for recycling are VCRs,

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To recycle your old electronic equipment, head to the Fairgrounds parking lot, just off 10th Street in Antioch. Collectors will be present from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Sunday, July 31; and from 10 a.m. to 3:30

p.m., Monday, Aug. 1.

EES will take the collected e-waste to a state-licensed e-waste recycling facility in San Leandro. All e-waste material brought to the facility is processed and separated into different types of materials, such as plastics and metals. The non-toxic parts of the materials are sent overseas to be recycled and reused. All toxic materials stay in the United States to be processed under strictly controlled conditions

as hazardous materials.

With the passage of Senate Bills 20 and 50 in 2005, EES was established to participate in the California e-waste recycling program. The California e-waste recycling program is essential because the hazardous materials in electronic equipment must be processed to stay out of the ground, air and water supplies so as not to harm citizens. Also, gold, platinum, silver and copper are found

in e-waste, which can be recovered only if recycled and processed properly.

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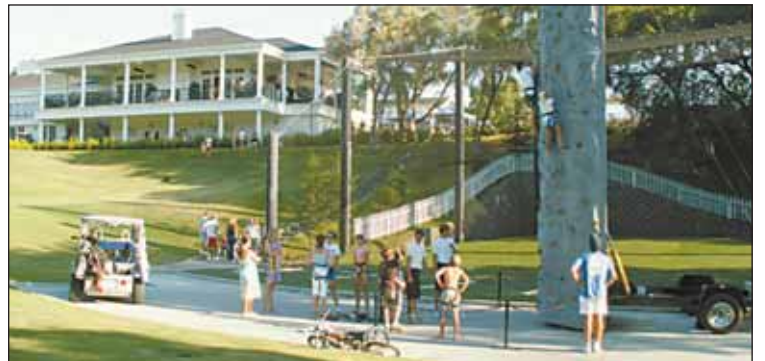
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—Amanda Wight

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Good times, good eats at Ice Cream Social

Shannon and Paul Warburg dance with their daughter Honor (above) to the music of a live band at the 31st annual Diablo Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 14. Residents enjoyed swimming, a bounce castle, a climbing wall (below), face painting, the band and, of course, ice cream. "Diablo has been holding its Ice Cream Social for 31 years now," said Vince Chow, president of the Diablo Property Owners Association. "It's a great event for the kids and all of Diablo to come together, visit, and cool off with some ice cream."

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It's all about wheels

Ryan Dicks, 3-1/2, navigates his 2005 Kettler Tricycle among the vintage autos at the first Hot Summer Nights Car Show this year. It was indeed hot as temperatures soared to 101 that day, but by the end of the 4-9 p.m. event the weather was pleasant and the streets were crowded with folks inspecting the vintage cars up and down Hartz Avenue. The show will continue on the evenings of Aug. 11 and Aug. 25.

Danville girl is delegate at disabilities forum

60 high school students prepare to join workforce, live independently

Christine Burke, a junior at San Ramon Valley High School, was one of 60 delegates from throughout California this week at the five-day 14th annual Youth Leadership Forum for Students with Disabilities. The forum was held at Cal State Sacramento, and on the last day, students went to the State Capitol for a tour and to meet with legislators and other government officials.

Burke has an orthopedic disability that requires her to use a manual wheelchair. She participates in the school chorus, plus she plays varsity wheelchair basketball. She

also plays wheelchair tennis with the South Bay Bash tennis team, and made it to the Women's A Junior Open. She maintains a 3.5 grade point average and plans a career in pediatric nursing.

Burke often speaks publicly on disability awareness and sees herself as an advocate for people with disabilities. She believes the Youth Leadership Forum will increase her understanding of the resources available for people with disabilities.

The forum took place from July

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AMANDA WIGHT

Walls come tumbling down

Bulldozers pull the walls of John Baldwin Elementary School to the ground on July 15. Baldwin and Greenbrook Elementary School, which was also demolished that week, will be rebuilt to better accommodate technology with funds from Measure A. Construction is set to start in August, with the schools completed by the end of next summer. Students will be taught in portable classrooms while construction is under way.

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Catching up on hometown news

Alamo resident Nora Dummett (left) shares her Danville Weekly with her friend Martha Frets while sightseeing at the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Nora first visited Martha in her home in Amsterdam, then the two drove down through Europe to Italy.

Trails

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First, does the joint use policy really address landscaping projects? Or should the corridor's landscaping element, which describes the locations and types of plants allowed on the corridor, be used as the governing document?

LifeGarden's landscaping plans to plant bushes and possibly trees also brought safety issues into focus. The Iron Horse Corridor is not only home to a paved biking and hiking trail. It is, in fact, a crowded corridor. Underneath and over the trail are also sewer, water, power and high-pressure oil lines from a variety of utility companies.

Piepho brought up the Kinder Morgan pipeline explosion in Walnut Creek in November that killed five workers. She asked staff if utility companies attend advisory committee meetings.

Presently, the utility companies are notified whenever work is being done on the trail that would affect their property, said Greitzer, but utility companies do not regularly attend Iron Horse Corridor meetings.

Projects like LifeGarden's also raise questions about the 34-foot width of land the county must set aside along the corridor for a future light-rail line. In his staff report, Greitzer asked the supervisors to consider whether the requirement should be removed. Residents and the advisory committee both view the requirement as a hindrance to

landscaping efforts, particularly the planting of trees. Lesley Hunt, the head of the advisory committee, cited more shade as the No. 1 request of trail users.

Even though the construction of a light-rail along the much beloved Iron Horse Trail is unlikely, the county continues to reserve the 34-foot width. As long as this requirement is maintained, no trees can ever be planted there.

"It is a big question that is hanging out," said Greitzer.

When Hunt spoke about the sheet mulching project with LifeGarden, she told the supervisors that the issues it raises are not going to go away.

"We know we're not the only group that will want volunteers," she said. "You need volunteer labor when you're short on money."

Later that week, the county, the park district, representatives from LifeGarden and the advisory committee met for three hours. They went through all of the park district's 18 concerns and agreed that a supervisor must be present at volunteer events. They also agreed that the ratio of supervisor to volunteers must be 1 to 20-25, said Stephen Kowalewski, supervising civil engineer with the county.

The county is incorporating the feedback and coming up with a realistic permit that addresses volunteer landscaping projects like LifeGarden's. Jeff Gustafson of LifeGarden is hopeful that this new permit will pave the way for future projects and that restoration can resume this November. ■

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Diablo Views

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI



Walking the dog

My search for the perfect exercise regimen continues. Since beginning my job at the Danville Weekly in May, it is no longer convenient to attend the 6 p.m. water aerobics classes in Pleasanton. (Water aerobics is ideal—a lot of bang for your buck, you don't get hot and sweaty, and your body is hidden.) I play tennis every Saturday but am wary of that dreaded profile: the weekend athlete.

Casting about for a form of weekday exercise, my eyes happened upon my dog, Mickey, sitting by my side, gazing up at me hoping for a crumb of affection—or food—or, perhaps, a walk. We found Mickey at a marketplace 14 years ago when we were living in Thailand. My daughter, then 11, fell in love with the darling puppy that looked like a tiny polar bear. The man showed us a photo of an Alaskan Husky, which convinced my husband we should adopt her, since he'd always wanted a big dog.

Everyone had warned us not to buy pets at the marketplace so the next day I brought Mickey to the vet, who gave her a clean bill of health. But the day after that, she became lethargic and little sores broke out on her tummy. This time we brought her to the school of veterinary medicine at Chulalongkorn University where a doctor confirmed the worst: She had distemper. Nonetheless he gave her an IV of fluids and a shot of vitamins, and told us to return the

next day. My heartbroken little girl and I brought her home and laid her in front of the air conditioner. On the advice of a nurse friend, I gave her an eyedropper of water every 15 minutes. The next day, the doctor gave her the same treatment. That evening, she sat up, looked around and decided she was fine. I returned her to the clinic again the next day, where a different doctor asked, "Why is she here?" He couldn't believe his eyes when he checked my story against the chart.

Our miracle puppy never did grow into glorious Alaskan Huskyhood. She stopped at 12 pounds and the vet announced she was a miniature American Eskimo, otherwise known as a Spitz. Mickey has huge black eyes and white fur that stands out as though one paw were permanently stuck in an electric socket. If her eyes meet yours, her tail takes off wagging and spinning, and I swear she smiles.

Weekday walks for Mickey had been outings of a nighttime nature, when after dinner I would feel bad that she had been cooped up all day—on with the leash and out into the moonlight we would go. So why not get up a half hour earlier and take Mickey on a brisk morning walk through the neighborhood? This is the perfect time of year to enact such a plan—the days are long and the weather is perfect at 6 a.m. By December—well, frankly, water aerobics wasn't so

inviting in the wintertime either.

I clocked out two 1.5-mile neighborhood routes on my car odometer—the park loop and the inner loop—figuring each would be a 20-30-minute walk with a small dog. It worked great the first day. Mickey was ecstatic to see me in the morning, fully dressed and carrying her leash. Her energy was boundless as we walked the park loop. Sure there were a lot of stop-and-sniffs and stop-and-eliminates, but, no problem, I spent the time stretching. The first and second weeks went according to plan. She even turned into a doggie dictator: Once I slept in that extra half hour but when I came downstairs she was bouncing off the walls in anticipation of our walk, so I ended up walking her and skipping my leisurely half hour of breakfast and reading the newspapers.


Then last week, my plan went awry. Halfway through our walk, Mickey came to a halt. She stretched up with her front feet on my leg in the universal pet language for "Pick me up!" Then I understood. She was tired. She wanted to be carried. Well, I'd be darned if I was going to "walk the dog" in my arms. I let her rest awhile, then took a shortcut home. Now I've charted out a few half loops for us to walk. This is probably the right amount of exercise for Mickey, but not for me. Does anyone know of a local water aerobics class? ■



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24-28. Its purpose was to help students with disabilities to reach their career goals, join the workforce, live independently and become involved in their communities. It gives them the opportunity to continue their successes by learning from adults with disabilities who excel in their personal and professional lives.

During the five-day conference, student delegates participated in leadership development programs as well as interactive small group workshops.

The 60 students were chosen by the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities, part of the state's Employment Development Department, on the basis of their community leadership and their achievements and unique experiences as people living with disabilities. California was the first state to hold a Youth Leadership Forum, and today more than 33 states and Puerto Rico have followed its lead.

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Start talking now

As we noted in our cover story this week, tempers are rising over school district plans to build a parking lot on Stone Valley Road across the street from Monte Vista High School and to add a stop light to help facilitate traffic. The district purchased 10 acres from the Humphrey ranch land slated for development, and plans call for a 400-space parking lot and a practice soccer field. Neighbors are strenuously objecting; they would like the campus to stay on its own side of Stone Valley Road.

We encourage the school district to study this issue carefully and to be creative in looking for solutions. The residents of Alamo supported the San Ramon Valley Unified School District in passing Measure A in November 2002 with a 58.7 percent yes vote. Neighbors must now find it ironic that those funds were used to purchase the 10 acres in their back yards that are now giving them such a headache. The school district owes it to the folks who voted to support the schools to take their concerns seriously.

Parking certainly is a problem at Monte Vista, with vehicles alongside roads for miles around. It is far from ideal now so perhaps it is good to raise the issue and look for ways to make it better. The school district has stated again and again that the future holds a parking lot and a practice soccer field in that spot across the street, but it could entertain other possible solutions to end the controversy. It's time to think outside the box. Look at the campus with a fresh eye—is there a better way it can be configured? Could the tennis courts be moved across the street and that acreage used for parking? Is it time to re-institute school buses and make them mandatory?

It is too early in the process for either side to be digging in its heels. We need to talk as a community about the school's needs, the students' needs and the neighbors' needs. The district, the county and the neighbors need to work together creatively to find solutions that will meet everyone's interests. Don't let it get to the point where residents are regarding the schools as their enemy.

"The school district owes it to the folks who voted to support the schools to take their concerns seriously."

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A rip roarin' tale

Danville families caught in Hurricane Emily

by Dolores Fox Ciardelli

As Hurricane Emily roared through Cancun recently, two Danville families hunkered down in their rooms in a luxury resort.

"We looked out the window and it was like watching a CNN report of a typhoon in Thailand," reported Cindy Schmid. "Coconut trees bending, coconuts flying, hearing things breaking, doors banging. It was really frightening. It was even scary to look out the window—it felt like something was going to come through at any minute."

The violent storm continued until 6 the next morning. "All night long we could hear banging and whistling," said Schmid. "I slept from about 4 to 6, when it started mellowing out."

The adventure had begun as a fantastic summer vacation for the two families at the Moon Palace, an all-inclusive luxury resort secluded on 2 miles of beach just south of Cancun Island. The Schmid family—Cindy, husband Dan, and her children Thomas Murray, 12, and Sarah Murray, 10—had vacationed many times before with the Dunns—Cathy, Mike and their children Danielle, 12, and Ryan, 10.

The first four days lived up to their expectations, as they climbed the Mayan pyramids at Chichen Itza, went parasailing, and enjoyed the hotel's extensive amenities. The 2,103-room resort has two sprawling swimming pools, golf, tennis and its own sports marina, and 80 percent of the accommodations have an ocean view.



COURTESY OF SCHMID FAMILY

The Schmid and Dunn families, including (l-r) Sarah Murray, Cindy Schmid, Ryan Dunn, Thomas Murray and Danielle Dunn, venture out in the early morning to see the damage wrought by Hurricane Emily at their resort in Cancun.

"On Thursday (July 14), we kind of caught wind from a family that had just checked in that Hurricane Emily had hit Jamaica," recalled Cindy Schmid, which interested her because she and Dan had just been there for a conference two months before. "Then they said it was possibly coming to the Yucatan peninsula."

Wanting to know their options, the families called the airlines and found that flights out were completely booked. "We said, 'That takes care of that option. Let's have another piña colada,'" said Schmid, with a laugh.

"By Friday we could feel the tension in the lobby," she said, noting that the guests were mostly American, British and Mexican. "Everyone was talking about it and getting radar printouts. They kept giving us

updates and said it could turn in any direction."

She said it was difficult to get information, so they called her parents in Stockton.

"My dad is a computer whiz. And we said, 'What is the Internet saying?' He said, 'Honey, right now it's coming right at Cancun at 250 miles an hour.'"

Hurricane Emily started as a category-four hurricane, on a scale of five, and had already destroyed hundreds of homes on the island of Granada as well as Jamaica, causing half a dozen deaths. The Mexican government declared a state of emergency throughout the entire Yucatan Peninsula. It turned out that some 30,000 tourists were moved from Cancun to temporary shelters; 70,000-80,000 throughout the state were moved to community shelters, hotel ballrooms and schools, away from the hurricane path.

Cindy's father started searching for a place for them to stay further inland but they realized that the solid Moon Palace

was probably the safest place around since evacuees were being brought there from other hotels.

"Over 2,000 people were brought in," said Schmid. "They were put in the convention room off the lobby area, and to another area like a convention center. They put a huge wide-screen TV in there with movies and food." The staff placed steel shutters over the lobby windows.

The Danville families requested rooms at the back of the hotel and were moved away from their ocean views.

"By Saturday at 4 o'clock the Mexican government closed every single liquor store and they wouldn't serve any alcohol from 5 o'clock on," said Schmid. "They were

coming by and locking everybody's mini bar."

In their new rooms, the families crisscrossed tape on their windows so the glass would not shatter inside and pulled rollaway beds up to them. They were told if the windows started breaking and glass was flying, they should move into their bathrooms and stay in the large showers. Cindy said they moved chairs into their shower in anticipation but it never came to that. They also stocked up on candles, water and fun food for the children to add an element of adventure to the nerve-racking night.

The hotel served one large meal at 4 p.m. Sunday, then everyone went to their rooms at 5 p.m. to await Emily's arrival, which was predicted for 8.

"By 5 p.m. we looked out the window and could see the winds churning up, and it was getting dark," said Schmid. "Walking outside of the room, the wind was pushing our bodies back. By 8 o'clock we were all so scared."

Cathy Dunn said the anticipation was the worst part. "Once we were in the storm, we could see it would be OK," she said. "We could see the building was strong enough."

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A movie review of what's

READY TO RENT

by Joe Ramirez

Dig!

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Director: Ondi Timoner

The first time I saw the band the Brian Jonestown Massacre, the real starlets of Ondi Timoner's documentary "Dig!," a few years ago, I had no idea of the uniquely unpleasant yet fun experience that would evolve in my consciousness from that evening. After the first two acts, Brian Jonestown appeared and arranged themselves on stage in a way that was strangely disconnected in terms of band unity and started to play, and play, and play. About an hour-and-a-half into their set the lead singer, Anton Newcombe, did something I'd never seen before at a concert: He stopped the band and started correcting the bass player like a little kid in the classroom, telling him that he could leave if he couldn't play the song correctly and that he'd been off key all night.

This went on for a while and the band started back up. Anton voiced his disapprovals again and again at the band while the concert slid downward toward its blackest moment when Anton confessed that he was not himself that night, he had broken up with his girlfriend that week and had been drinking for the last few days (coupled with some confessed recreational amphetamines). The band played, however, until about 2 a.m.

What makes "Dig!" so unique as a film is that director Timoner started chronicling the Brian Jonestown Massacre from its origins to just a few years ago. Contrasted with the band throughout the years are the Dandy Warhols, whose glamorous bisexuality and extroverted personalities are the perfect Yings to the scatterbrained, gleefully adolescent Yangs of the Jonestown bunch. Both bands are shown in footage playing together throughout the years and both are shown com-

municating in a strange, disembodied type of code where the rock 'n' roll star image and posing is its own language (even the Dandy's front man Courtney Taylor, who narrates the film, has a perfect Bowie androgynous drone).

However, it is Anton Newcombe, the mad rock 'n' roll guru who embellishes his own character to sickly self-conscious perfection that is the real star of "Dig!" (he looks like Tim Burton's version of Keith Carradine). He is seen in "confessionals" with the camera (usually after a brawl with one of the band members), strung out and babbling about his art and how his genius will eventually be appreciated. He is the friend that is fun at first because he is so spontaneous, but turns out to be tedious over time because of his problems.

Timoner tries to make Newcombe human and almost misses the point, explaining his problems away with a dose of family interviews and some tragedy. The truth is not what we need. Anton Newcombe wants to be seen as the mad failed visionary, and it's entertaining. The best moments of the film find Newcombe and his band mates wandering New York like minstrels, drifting into a barbershop while jamming, and it is the Brian Jonestown Massacre who come out looking like they not only enjoy rock 'n' roll, but love every wonderful/terrible aspect of it.

—Joe Ramirez



Danville girls (l-r) Megan McDermott and Sarah Modelowitz star as Chava and Golde in the Stars 2000 production of "Fiddler on the Roof," which opens tonight.

Let's Fiddle!

Danville girls star in 'Fiddler on the Roof'

"Do you love me?"

Sarah Modelowitz, a graduate of San Ramon Valley High, will be singing the answer to that question on stage as she plays Golde, the wife of the poor dairy farmer with five daughters in the STARS 2000 production of "Fiddler on the Roof" tonight through Aug. 7 at Diablo Valley College.

Megan McDermott of Danville, who is entering her senior year at San Ramon Valley High, is playing the role of Chava, one of the daughters.

Both of the Danville girls have extensive experience in community theater productions. Modelowitz, who will attend Cal State University at Northridge to pursue her musical theater career, has been in "Smokey Joe's Café," "Lucky Stiff," "Hello, Dolly" and "Into the Woods." McDermott has performed in the latter two productions plus "Grease," "Chorus Line" and "Anything Goes."

Stars 2000 is a youth theater company begun 13 years ago by the Diablo Light Opera Company and directed by founder Diane Kamrin, who is producer, choreog-

rapher and music director of this production. Its purpose is to give talented teens, ages 13-20, the chance to work with a professional staff during the summer months to hone their theatrical and musical skills in a full-scale Broadway musical.

More than 55 members of Stars 2000 are in the cast of "Fiddler," which is directed by Daren Carollo, executive producer for the Diablo Light Opera Company. Set design is by Mark Mendelson; costumes are by Dana Wall.

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli

Sunrise, sunset

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Hurricane

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The next morning everyone left their hotel rooms early to check out the damage, said Schmid. "Trees were broken like toothpicks," she said. Each one of the thick poles that had held the beach cabanas was split.

"It was really great just to see how people came together, hugging each other," said Schmid. "The neat thing in tragedy is to see how people come together."

Her husband's secretary was able to get them a flight out on Monday, although they had to race to the airport to catch their plane.

"We talked to people at the airport who ended up staying in a brothel, with 21 people in one

room," said Dunn.

She said her family felt blessed to be so well protected in the hurricane. "It could have been so much worse," she said. "We felt God was watching over us." Her children had already felt blessed two days before when they had visited Chichen Itza and seen people living in makeshift homes.

"We spent most of the evening in our rooms, playing games and praying intermittently," Dunn said.

She said she had pushed for the trip to Mexico rather than another vacation in Hawaii. "We go to Hawaii all the time. I said, 'We're not going again until we see something else. There's a lot of world out there,'" she said.

"It was an adventure," she concluded. "How often are we going to go through a hurricane?" ■

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Stone Valley S

Plans for new parking lot and soccer field pi

When Jeff Moran was a junior at Monte Vista High School he had to find street parking in the morning outside the school campus.

Seniors were able to buy on-campus parking permits for \$70 per semester but only a few spaces remained for juniors to win in a lottery. As the school year wore on, more juniors and sophomores received their licenses and began driving to school, making off-campus parking even more difficult.

Moran had to constantly improvise. For a while he parked at the nearby Church of Latter-day Saints. Eventually the church closed its parking lot to students. "They said too many people were drinking, smoking and fighting," said Moran. "The church and cops decided to close it down."

Because the residential streets closest to Monte Vista have "no parking" signs and the parallel parking spots on Stone Valley Road fill up fast, Moran would sometimes park as far as a mile away.

Meanwhile, on the other side of Stone Valley Road, Larry Levit of Monte Sereno Drive has a stressful time walking his dog in the morning.

"You cannot cross the crosswalk comfortably because kids are either in it or driving through it," said Levit.

When Levit heads for work, it's difficult to even make a right turn onto Stone Valley to head to I-680. The cars queuing up to turn left into the student parking lot extend past the pocket and block the through lane, said Levit. In order to get onto Stone Valley Road, people have to be aggressive.

"You have to drive like a New Yorker to get onto Stone Valley Road. 'Might is right,' and that's dangerous," said Levit. "The tempers are high."

And tempers have only gotten worse as the school makes plans for the other side of Stone Valley Road, across the street from the school. Many of the Alamo neighbors—from White Gate, Stone Valley Oaks, Alamo Oaks, Bryan Ranch and Monte Sereno—have been embroiled in a battle with the school district over plans to build a parking lot and a practice soccer field on the former Humphrey Ranch property. The school also plans a signalized crosswalk and traffic light between the current student parking lot and the new one.

■ The Humphrey conundrum

The 96-acre Humphrey Ranch property fronts the north side of Stone Valley Road, across from Monte Vista High School, and abuts the houses of Monte Sereno Drive to the east. When Marge Humphrey decided to sell the family ranch, the deal seemed simple enough. Davidon Homes, a developer based in Walnut Creek, planned to build 39 high-end homes on 24 acres of the property and donate the rest to open space.

In an effort to give back to the community, Marge Humphrey set aside land to sell to the San Ramon Valley Unified School District, said family spokesperson John Wyro. The schools bought the 10 acres for \$4.7 million with funds from Measure A with the proviso that once the 39 homes are built,

\$2 million will be returned to the district. The family will be able to generously refund this money because the more houses that are built, the more money the family will receive, said Wyro.

But in joining a public institution and a private company, Marge Humphrey created a quagmire where one entity, Davidon Homes, requires approval from the local jurisdiction and the other entity, the school district, requires approval from state agencies. Herein lies the fundamental controversy of the Humphrey Ranch development.

The school district is an arm of the state government and not local government, with only the Department of the State Architect overseeing its projects.

"We've never had to go through the AIA (Alamo Improvement Association), Board of Supervisors or the Valley Planning Commission," said School Board President Joan Buchanan.

Opponents of the school district's project question the legality of the district exemption from local jurisdiction. Opponents also have difficulty separating the two projects, said Jeff Thayer of Davidon Homes.

Part of the confusion is understandable. When Contra Costa County prepared a draft Environmental Impact Review on the Specified Alternative Land Use Proposal, the proposal included both the building of the 39 homes and the school district project. Davidon is also contractually obligated to complete rough grading for the school project.

In March 2003, the draft EIR was released to the public for discussion. The county provided the public 73 days to review it and submit comments. During this time, the AIA, a citizen-run organization that seeks to preserve the semi-rural characteristics of Alamo, visited the site and held public meetings on the project.

After reviewing the final environmental report, the AIA recommended denying it. The AIA felt there were too many contingencies the developer could not answer. The school district's stance, in particular, frustrated the AIA planning commission.

"It is AIA's position that both parcels need to be subject to a review that is coordinated and forthright, not disjointed and limited," wrote Roger Smith, chairman of the AIA's planning commission.

The AIA's main concern was the impact of a 400-space parking lot with a traffic light on an already congested Stone Valley Road. AIA also questioned the safety of having hundreds of students crossing Stone Valley twice a day.

The AIA and Alamo residents voiced their concerns to then District III County Supervisor Millie Greenberg on Sept. 14, 2004. When she eventually approved the EIR, she noted their concerns.

■ Opposition builds

Right from the beginning, Alamo residents like Larry and Kathy Levit opposed the Humphrey Ranch development project. The view from the Levits' Monte Sereno back yard, which used to be of hills, and black and white

Proposed Humphrey Property development



cows, would be of a new Davidon home.

"We are not at all against development, but having a parking lot at the corner is not fine. It will be noisy and unsightly," said Kathy Levit, who is a teacher at Charlotte Wood Middle School.

Larry Levit believes the proposed traffic light will back up traffic even more.

"Concerns are a lot broader than Monte Sereno," said Kathy Levit. "Neighbors for Rural Alamo Preservation" was created in opposition to the Humphrey Ranch project, said Levit.

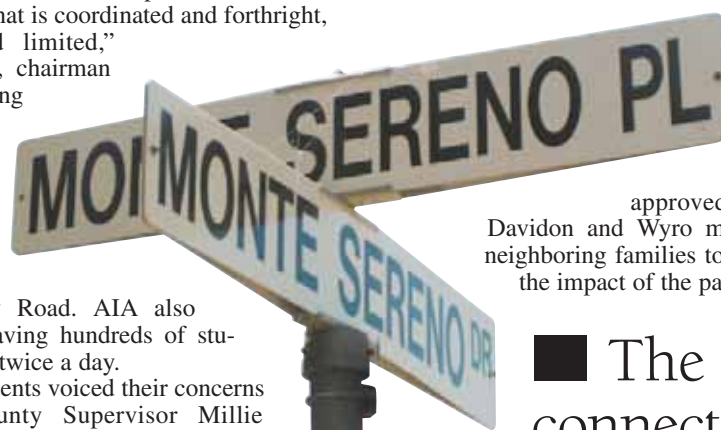
The group of residents from the surrounding neighborhoods has been writing letters, attending meetings and putting together a petition ever since.

After the EIR was approved, Jeff Thayer from Davidon and Wyro met with the AIA and the neighboring families to see if they could mitigate the impact of the parking lot.

■ The Danville connection

Although Alamo residents are by far the most vocal in their opposition, the school district seems to be talking mostly with the town of Danville. In order to meet the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the school district had to complete a Mitigated Negative Declaration, and distribute it to nine agencies, including Danville, where the high school is located. The declaration spells out how the school district's project impacts the environment.

In response, Danville wrote a letter stating that the



Standoff



BY CASEY REIVICH

At Alamo residents against school district

district should try to maximize parking at the existing site in order to minimize the number of students crossing Stone Valley Road.

In an earlier letter to the school district, Danville had questioned the need for 400 parking spaces. The town had counted the on-street parking caused by overflow and found 232 cars, concluding that the proposed parking lot could be much smaller—around 130 spaces.

But Tai Williams, transportation engineer for Danville, believes that a traffic light is a good idea on Stone Valley Road.

“They don’t slow people down. They assign right of way,” said Williams.

The school district and Danville continue to discuss the project. “We will continue to work until Danville is comfortable,” said Tina Perrault, facilities planner with the district.

On June 15, Davidon went before the Contra Costa County Planning Commission for the first time, and proponents and opponents of the project showed up at the meeting. Trustee Joan Buchanan also attended, to publicly state the school district’s plan to build a 400-spot parking lot and the practice soccer field on the 10-acre parcel.

The marathon meeting was continued to July 20, and county staff was asked to find out if the county had any jurisdiction over the school district.

Who oversees the school district?

At the most recent Planning Commission public hearing, on July 20, the boardroom was filled. In attendance were Alamo residents; board members of the AIA; Margaret Brown, assistant superintendent of facilities at the district; John Wyro; and Jeff Thayer.

First, county staff clearly stated its position on jurisdiction over the school district.



The entrance to Monte Vista High School off Stone Valley Road. Above right: The former Humphrey ranch fronts the north side of busy Stone Valley Road. A developer plans to build 39 homes, and the school district plans to build a practice soccer field and school parking lot on the now vacant parcel. While debate rages, the biggest disturbance to the land now is a multitude of gophers.



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“As with all school districts in California, the San Ramon Valley Unified School District is independent and autonomous from either City or County government,” staff stated in its report.

At the meeting Mike Gibson, a planning commissioner who is also a member of AIA, disagreed with the staff’s legal analysis. He cited Government Code 53094 (b), which states that school districts are not exempt from local review for non-classroom related facilities “including, but not limited to, warehouses, administrative buildings, and automotive storage and repair buildings.” Gibson interpreted the automotive storage to mean parking.

Patrick Roche with the county disagreed. He explained automotive storage typically meant a district’s fleet.

Planning Commissioner Karen McPherson also had trouble with the staff’s legal interpretation. “You’re trying to tell me that a parking lot is a classroom facility?” she asked incredulously.

Gibson expressed frustration over the school district’s claims to exemption. “The school district is deciding for itself, ‘We want to do this.’”

Gibson also later argued that the Humphrey plans had changed since the EIR was certified. “The grading is an impact that wasn’t well analyzed in the EIR,” he said.

After the commissioners addressed all of the questions, Davidon was able to give its rebuttal. Jeff Thayer joked to the crowd assembled, “Don’t throw anything.” He also immediately rebutted the insinuation by Gibson that the EIR was incomplete. “The characterization of the EIR being inadequate or cursory is absolutely untrue,” he said.

Thayer went through some of the progress he and Wyro had made with residents of Monte Sereno Drive. He explained how they met with five of the six homeowners most impacted

by the school project and designed a plan to give them each 30-40 feet of additional flat land in their back yards.

Planning Commissioner McPherson asked if there was any way to balance the site without the school district. Thayer reiterated it was a coordinated grading plan.

“It would be counterproductive to do the plans independently,” said Thayer. Throughout Thayer’s presentation, there were snickers in the crowd.

“I can’t do anymore than the offer I made. Maybe we naively thought it would be well received. The school district is intending to build a parking lot and they are working with us to mitigate the impacts,” Thayer said to the cynical crowd.

Finally, late into the night, public comment was welcomed. Seth Adams, director of land programs at Save Mount Diablo, spoke in support of the project. He explained that even though Save Mount Diablo rarely supports development projects, it supports the Humphrey project because Davidon plans to donate 62 acres and also give money toward linking up approximately 240 acres of land, thus creating an additional 300 acres of open space.

A couple other speakers spoke in favor of additional parking at Monte Vista and the soccer field. “Our kids need an athletic field. This is a community benefit. These people bought the houses knowing they’re next to a high school,” one proponent said.

Assistant Superintendent Brown eventually spoke on behalf of the district. She spoke about its plans to coordinate with Davidon on frontage improvements, buffers and landscaping.

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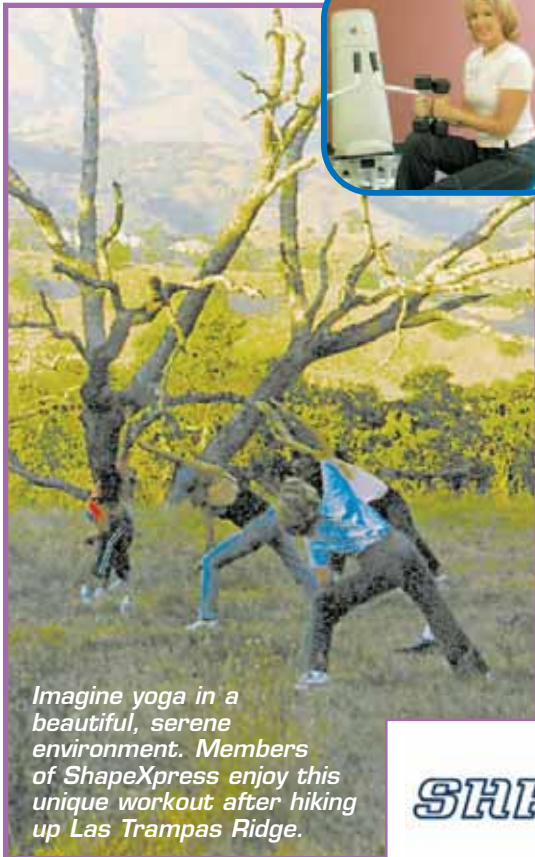
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Brown said the school district is so swamped with other Measure A projects, such as the construction of Dougherty Valley High School, that it has not made plans for the Humphrey parcel. The district will welcome comments by Monte Sereno residents when planning starts, she noted.

McPherson expressed concern that the school district had already made up its mind. "It certainly seems like a done deal. How are there still options?" she asked Brown. "I can't think of a worse use than a student parking lot and field with screaming children and parents."

The Saratoga case

Perhaps the most damning comment came from someone who was not a resident of Alamo. Jeffrey Schwartz, who is Kathy Levit's brother, came to share with the commission his experience in Saratoga. For years, the West Valley Community College district battled with neighbors to enhance its football stadium, and the city of Saratoga eventually sued the district. They went to court many times over the years. Ultimately, the court interpreted a stadium as a non-classroom facility.

"This was the longest, most divisive conflict in Saratoga," said Schwartz. It caused such bad blood that residents voted down a \$268 million bond measure that would have benefited the schools.

"You have received appallingly bad advise from staff," Schwartz said. "You must take jurisdiction over both parts of the project."

But Government Code 53094 (b) is subject to different interpretations. In Saratoga the court interpreted the stadium as a non-classroom facility, but in a separate case in Santa Cruz the court ruled in favor of the school district, ruling that a stadium was indeed a classroom facility. County staff acknowledged this legal ambiguity in its report.

The board, still needing more information, asked the staff to once again find out what jurisdiction if any the county has over the school district.

County Commissioner McPherson was the most vocal in her opposition to the school project, saying, "I would consider denying this to change what the school district is doing."

Thayer reminded the commission and the audience that even by voting down the housing development project, it can't stop the parking lot. "If we go down in flames, they will still build a parking lot," said Thayer.

Gibson was the first commissioner to mention legal action. "If the school district were to pass the two-thirds vote, the board would have to sue," he said referring to the stipulation in Code 53094 that a school district is only exempt from local jurisdiction if two-thirds of the school board votes for exemption. The school district has never had a reason to vote on this.

The commissioners will have another month to consider the facts and comments. County staff has more questions to answer, and Davidon and Wyro will continue to meet with residents.

Larry Levit was right. Tempers are high now. And they seem to be rising. ■

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National Night Out works to prevent crime, and drugs.

by **Amanda Wight**

Cancel any restaurant reservations you may have or postpone your weekly movie night because the 22nd annual National Night Out has been scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 2.

National Night Out is a campaign to involve residents, law enforcement agencies, businesses, civic groups, neighborhood organizations and local agencies in an attempt to create better awareness for crime and drug prevention. Also on the agenda is participation in local anti-crime programs. National Night Out strengthens the bond between the community and the Police Department as well as generates positive neighborhood spirit.

This unique crime and drug prevention event is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch. National Night Out sends a message to criminals and potential delinquents letting them know that neighborhoods in their area are organized and fighting back

against crime and drugs.

The National Night Out campaign was a huge success in 2004. Over 10,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide joined together at block parties, cook-outs, flashlight walks, parades, exhibits and youth programs. More than 34 million people participated in the National Night Out campaign last year.

In 2005, Danville police officers will visit registered National Night Out events. Officers will answer questions, distribute crime prevention information, and hand out treats to the kids.

If gathering with neighborhood friends for a block party Tuesday to prevent crime sounds like a fun way to spend the evening, visit www.nationalnightout.org to register your event and receive your Organizational Kit. If your block party would not be complete without a visit from a police officer, contact Claudia Ray of the Danville Police Department at 314-3322. ■

POLICE LOG

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

ALAMO

July 19

- Burglary-auto: on La Serena Ct.

July 20

- Disturbance: on Crest Ave.
- Disturbance: on Danville Blvd.
- Disturbance-domestic: on Alamo Square Dr.

- Burglary-auto: on Crest Ave.

- Burglary-auto: on Danville Blvd.

- Burglary-auto: on La Serena Way.

- Burglary-residential: on Alamo Ranch Rd.

- Petty theft-from vehicle: on Danville Blvd.

July 21

- Death-unknown cause: on Casa Maria Ct.

July 24

- Malicious mischief: on Likely Ct.

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July 20

- Burglary-commercial: on Blackhawk Plaza Cir.

July 24

- Malicious mischief: on Blue Spruce Dr.

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June 14 - **Julie and Jeff Mello**, a boy at San Ramon Regional Medical Center.

FIRE BULLETIN

Fire destroys Porsche, Corvette

A Porsche, a Corvette and a mini van were destroyed in the early morning of Monday, July 25, as fire ripped through a garage with an extension to an attic.

The fire began at 3:24 a.m. on English Oak Court in Blackhawk, and was contained by 4:21 a.m. The fire stopped before damaging the contents of the residence, said Deputy Chief Chris Suter.

Four fire engines, two ladder trucks and one breathing support unit responded to the call. All occupants of the house escaped safely, and no one was taken to the hospital.

At least \$50,000 worth of damage to the garage occurred, as well as an estimated \$150,000 worth of damage to the contents of the garage, including the three vehicles, according to fire reports.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.

Vegetation fire burns two acres

A vegetation fire started at the bottom of a valley-like drainage ditch at the end of Hemme Avenue in Alamo at 11:47 a.m., Friday, July 22. The fire burned through two acres where popular hiking trails are located. Due to the terrain, all access to the fire had to be on foot.

Fourteen fire engines responded to the call, according to reports. Helicopters with water buckets helped extinguish the fire, which was contained at 1:03 p.m. "The crews had to hike in," Assistant Fire Chief Mike Sylvia said. "They laid a hose as they went and used hand tools to put the fire out. Two helicopters assisted us, utilizing their buckets and doing water drops."

One California Department of Forestry firefighter sustained minor injuries when a rock rolling down the hill hit him in the shoulder. He was taken to John Muir Medical Center.

"It was just a precaution," Battalion Chief Mike Brown said. "It looked like a bruise abrasion on his shoulder, but he seemed fine."

Crews from the East Bay Regional Parks, Contra Costa Fire, Alameda County Fire, and California Department of Forestry assisted the San Ramon Valley Fire Department in getting the blaze under control.

Homeowners on Hemme Avenue sustained no monetary damage. The cause is still under investigation.

"There was a report that there were juveniles in the area with fireworks," Sylvia said.

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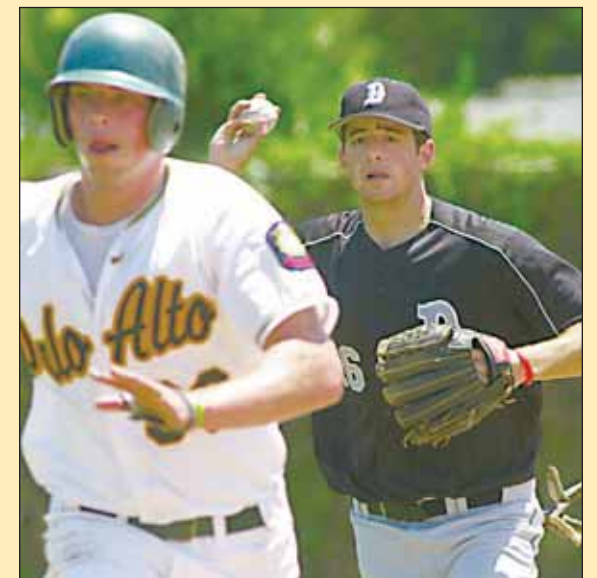
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Left: Ryan Young, whose leadoff homer against host team Palo Alto got Danville rolling to an 8-0 victory last week in the opening round of the Area 2 Tournament at Baylands Athletic Center on Wednesday.



Chris Rogers (right) is congratulated by Ryan Lewis (center) during another big inning for Danville.



Danville shortstop Adam Buschini gets Palo Alto's Shane Parsons in run down for an out.



Danville starting pitcher Keith Thompson pitched a complete-game 7-hitter to beat Palo Alto. Thompson is headed to University of San Francisco in the fall.



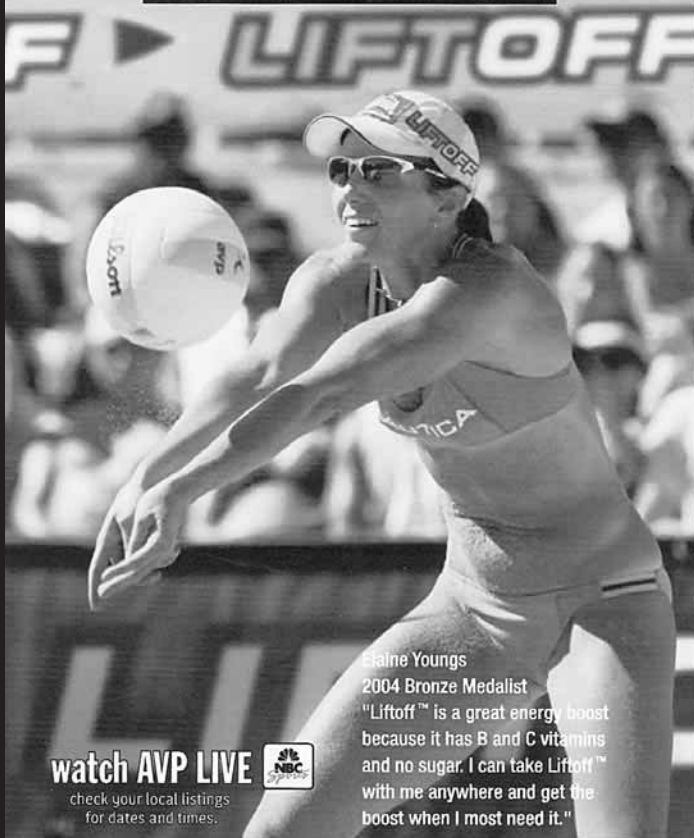
Adam Buschini of Danville is congratulated after scoring.

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Pitching with the big boys

Braves draft Mustang right out of high school

by Mike L. Mc Colgan

Talent, hard work and thinking big has paid off for Monte Vista's "Ace" of the baseball diamond, Jeff Lyman, who was recently drafted by the Atlanta Braves.

"I was pitching for Monte Vista a couple months ago and now I am pitching against the New York Yankees," said Lyman. "Being in professional baseball is a thrill."

"He started playing t-ball when he was 6 years old and ironically his first team was the Braves," said his mother Margy.

"We were hoping this was coming and it is a long process," she continued. "Jeff had realistic goals about where he wanted to be drafted and how much he wanted as a signing bonus. If that didn't happen, it was off to Arizona State University. When you are drafted that's it. You go to whomever picks you. Just so happens, he was chosen by the Atlanta Braves, one of the finest organizations for pitchers."

Things have been happening fast for Lyman. A few months ago he threw a no-hitter against Mt. Eden in the first round of the North Coast Section playoffs. After being drafted by the Braves, he left right after graduating from high school. Today he is pitching against the Yankees and said the last couple of weeks he's "thrown with big names like Roger Clemens and Kevin Brown."

"Being in professional baseball is a thrill," Lyman said. "We have about seven hours of workouts, practice and games each day so it is a little hard getting adjusted to the daily grind and being off on your own. It is a lot of fun and I am enjoying living my dream."

He talked about his goals. "My short-term goals are to get adjusted to professional baseball and stay



Monte Vista's Jeff Lyman (left), shown here with Roger Clemens, was just drafted to pitch for the Atlanta Braves.

healthy," he said. "My long-term goal is to make it to the big leagues and be successful there."

"One thing that makes a pitcher great is his mental make-up," said Lyman. "Every pitcher in pro baseball has a great arm and good stuff. The ones that separate themselves are the ones that can deal with failure and understand the art of pitching. My greatest challenge right now is to continue staying focused and dedicated during the long practice sessions and be willing to continue to outwork everyone else."

"I do miss being away from Danville," he added. "I have an incredible family that has been supportive every step of the way and an amazing group of friends that I miss all of the time. It was tough leaving right after graduation because I didn't have time to say goodbye to people. Every player here has a similar situation so no one is about to make it harder on anyone else."

Lyman's mom said she misses him a lot, too. "He has a strong presence in our house and wonderful friends," she said. ■



Breaking away

Breaking from second base to third and going on to score is Michael Hernbroth of the Tassajara Valley Little League American All-Star team, participating in the District 57 Play-

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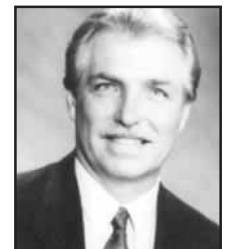
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Calendar

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY

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 St. Next week it will meet Wednesday, Aug. 3.

Classes

Become a Blackhawk Docent

The Blackhawk Museum's Docent training starts in the fall. Learn new things, serve our community, meet new friends and have fun! For information, call 736-2277, ext. 236.

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

Brass Era Cars

Blackhawk Museum presents Brass Era Cars in collaboration with the Horseless Carriage Club of America-NorCal Chapter, from 10:30 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Sept. 24, at 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle. Several HCCA member cars will be on exhibi-

tion in front of the museum and the museum's docents will tour the Brass Era cars.

Diablo Singles Dance Club

The Nob Hill Sounds plays for The Diablo Singles Dance Club's regular dance from 7:30-10:30 p.m., the last Wednesday of each month, at the Arts Education Building, corner of Ygnacio Valley Road and Wiget Lane. All are welcome. Admission is \$9 for non-members and \$7 for members. Refreshments. For information, call 837-2851.

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.

Honda Riders' Club of America

Members' motorcycles will be displayed on Blackhawk Plaza from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 25. For information, contact your local HRCA Chapter Dealer or call the HRCA at (310) 785-3955.

Porsche Club

Porsche Club of America Concours will display 70-90 cars on the Blackhawk Museum Plaza at 10 a.m., on Sunday, Sept. 18. For information, call 736-2280 or visit www.blackhawkmuseum.org.

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 Francisco & NorCal Minis

Members' Minis will be displayed on the Blackhawk Museum Plaza at 2 p.m., Sunday, July 31. For information, call 736-2280.

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. However, the August meeting will be on Thursday, August 18, which will be the third Thursday of the month. For information, call Post Commander Mac McCuskey at 837-2740.

Vietnam Veterans of Diablo Valley

Vietnam Veterans of Diablo Valley meet the first Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. at Hula Mama's Bar & Grill located in Camp Parks, Dublin. The general business meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. and is open to all members and visitors. For information, call Bob Franco 736-5272 or visit the Web site at www.vnvdv.com.

Concerts

Blackhawk Summer Music Series

The 11th annual Blackhawk Plaza Summer Music Series 2005 schedule is: July 30, Desperado (Eagles Tribute); Aug. 13, Tainted Love (80's Pop); Aug. 27, Pride and Joy (R&B, Soul and Motown). The concerts are free with paid reserved seating available. Advance reserve seats are available for \$5 each, while supplies last. Ticket proceeds benefit the Troy and Alana Pack Foundation. Purchase tickets at Cinemark Blackhawk Movies 7 at 736-0368. Seating area opens at 4 p.m. No outside chairs, coolers, food or beverages allowed.

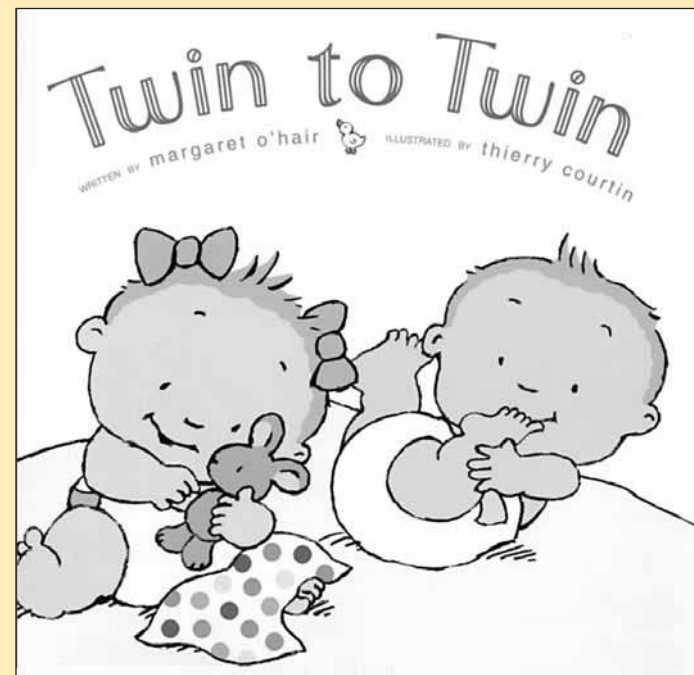
Concerts at Livorna Park

Bring the family and a picnic and enjoy local talent. All concerts are from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The concert Aug. 12 features Dave Matthews Blues Band; Sept. 16 features Silk and Soul (jazz, blues and soul).

Music In The Park 2005

Danville's 20th annual Music in the Park summer concert series for 2005 includes Aug. 6, Aja Vu (the San Francisco-based band performs the music of Steely Dan); and Aug. 20, Best Intentions (Motown Mania tribute show features the renditions of Smokey Robinson, the Four Tops and many more). The free concerts take place from 6-8 p.m. at Oak Hill Park, 3005 Stone Valley Road.

WEEKEND PREVIEW



Reading 'Twin to Twin'

Author Margaret O'Hair will be reading from her book, "Twin to Twin," at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 4, in the courtyard behind the Polka Dot Attic in the Danville Hotel at 411 Hartz Ave. O'Hair is a third-grade teacher who lives locally with her family and her Portuguese Water Dog, Shelby. Her two children, born a little more than a year apart, were the inspiration for "Twin to Twin," her first book.

Summer Nights at Danville Livery

Danville's remaining annual Summer Nights at the Danville Livery are from 6-9 p.m. on Thursdays, Aug. 11 and 25, with cool music for hot nights the whole family is sure to enjoy.

The Alta Boys Band in Concert

The town of Danville presents the Alta Boys Band in Concert, from 7-9 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 13, at the Village Theatre. Cost is \$10. For tickets, call 314-3463 or email vtboxoffice@ci.danville.ca.usw.

Art for Charity Day

The Blackhawk Art Gallery presents Art for Charity Day to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, from 3-6 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 20, at 3628 Blackhawk Plaza Circle. There will be art by local artists, wine, appetizers, live music, silent auction and a drawing. Tickets are \$15 and will be sold at the door (charity contribution). Call 736-5640.

Blood Drive

An American Red Cross blood drive is being held from 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Friday, July 29, at Grange Hall, 743 Diablo Road, organized by Chris Little of Boy Scout Troop 815 for his Eagle Scout project. To schedule an appointment, call Chris at 831-4926. Donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh 110 pounds.

Boutique Event Benefits Homeless Animals

Join Tri-Valley Animal Rescue (TVAR) for a fun day of shopping from noon-3 p.m., Sunday, July 31, at Puppy Playland, located at 2556 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon. This boutique event will feature jewelry, hand-crafted bags, personalized books, Tupperware, Discovery Toys and more! For information, call Barbetta Schoening at 735-0273 or kittykitty-paws@yahoo.com.

Docent's Favorite Ride

Meet Blackhawk Museum's Docents and their vehicles from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 13, at the Museum. For information, call 736-2280.

Docent-led Tour of the Blackhawk Museum

Blackhawk Museum sponsors a docent-led tour of the museum's Renowned Exhibitions at 2 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday. The tour is free with admission. For information, call 736-2280.

Downtown Wine Tasting

Enjoy good wine and music while meandering in the quaint shops of historic downtown Danville from 6-9 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 4. Glasses for tasting are \$20 if bought in advance, and \$25 at the door. Only 250 glasses will be sold. To reserve a glass, call the Wine Sellers at 552-5801 and ask for Wayne.

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.

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Hot Summer Nights Car Show

The 11th annual Hot Summer Nights Car Shows will take place from 4-9 p.m., Thursdays, Aug. 11 and 25. Over 300 pre-1960s vehicles will be on display along Hartz Avenue in downtown Danville.

Model Trains in Danville

The Museum of the San Ramon Valley will feature Model Trains at the Depot from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, at 205 Railroad Ave. July 26-30, Golden Gate Lionel O Gauge; and Aug. 2-6, Bay Area Garden Railroad Society's G Gauge. Admission is free but donations are accepted. For information, call 837-3750.

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.

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.tvvar.org.

Schools Job Fair

The San Ramon Valley Unified School District is recruiting applicants for many classified (non-teaching) positions for the 2005-06 school year, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, July 30, at 699 Old Orchard Drive (corner of Sycamore Valley Road). For information, call 552-2953 or visit www.srvusd.k12.ca.us Human Resources/Classified Employment links. Regular office hours are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.

Tuesdays at the Ranch

Join the Alamo Parks and Recreation staff for family nights, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, through Aug. 16 at Hap Magee Ranch Park, 1025 La Gonda Way. Games and activities will be available at the equipment table. Campfire will be held Aug. 9. Bring guitars, bongos and songs. Call 886-4716.

Walking Tour of Historic Danville

Museum of the San Ramon Valley will sponsor a Walking Tour of Historic Danville at 10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 13. Meet in front of the Museum of the San Ramon Valley (Train Depot), 205 Railroad Ave. The event is free but donations are accepted. For information, call 837-3750 or go to www.museumsvr.org.

Exhibits

Early Auto Touring in California

The Blackhawk Museum presents the AAA of Northern California traveling exhibition, titled "The Tourist Frontier: Early Touring in California," at the Blackhawk Museum through Sunday, Sept. 18. This exhibition was created in 2000 to recognize AAA of Northern California's first 100 years helping California's motorists. The museum is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday-Sunday, at 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle. Call 736-2280 or visit www.BlackhawkMuseum.org.

The Fine Art of Being President

Visit the Blackhawk Museum exhibition, "The Fine Art of Being President," with nearly 100 portraits, sculptures and unique historical artifacts related to the American Presidency, some dating back to the 1700s. The exhibit runs through Oct. 30. Museum is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday-Sunday. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$5 for seniors (65+), \$5 for students, free for children under 6 and military personnel. Call 736-2280 or visit www.blackhawkmuseum.org.

Fundraisers

Greenbrook Golf, Tennis Tourney
Join the third annual Greenbrook Open 2005 Charity Golf and Tennis Tournament benefiting the Greenbrook Elementary Eagle Fund, on Monday, Sept. 12, at the Crow Canyon Country

Club. For information and registration, e-mail Lea and Dennis McSweeney at dmcsweeney@msn.com.

TVAR Annual Fundraiser

Join Tri-Valley Animal Rescue for its sixth annual "That's Amore" Fundraiser Dinner and Auction, from 6-10 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 17, at Garre Winery in Livermore. This elegant evening affair includes a sit-down dinner, auctions, prizes and a canine couture fashion show. Tickets are \$50 per person in advance and \$55 at the door. Tickets are available at the Pleasanton Farmers Market TVAR adoption booth, or send a check to TVAR - That's Amore, P.O. Box 11143, Pleasanton 94588. For information, go to TVAR.org or leave a message at 803-7043.

Danville Day Camp

Danville is offering a Day Camp packed with group games, crafts, off-site field trips, BBQs and swimming, for ages 5 to 11. The camp is from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, beginning June 27 and running for seven weeks. Preregistration is required. Call 314-3400 or visit the town's Web site, www-ci.danville.ca.us.

Vacation Bible School

Messiah Lutheran Church's Vacation Bible School - Safari Adventure, "Discover Jesus The King" - will be held from 9-11:15 a.m., Aug. 8-12, at 2305 Camino Tassajara, for ages 3-12. Space is limited. Register on-line at www.illf.org/messiah or call 736-2270.

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.

Health

Hospice Offers Support

Hospice and Palliative Care of Contra Costa offers a variety of support groups and classes for people experiencing grief and loss after the death of a loved one. Individual counseling for Hospice families is also available. Groups are offered from 7-9 p.m. on Friday evenings at the San Ramon Valley United Methodist Church, in Alamo. All groups and classes are offered without fee and require preregistration. Contact Lee Ann Morgan, Bereavement Program Manager at 855-9317.

Kids & Teens

Blackhawk Museum and AAA

You'll be going on a family-funshop of a simulated road trip all around California! Robin Wiley will be your guide on this imaginary trip to all of the wonderful and beautiful places in our state. You can have popcorn at a drive-in theatre or pick up some fruit at a stand on the way to the Monterey Bay. On-going from 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 21, at the Blackhawk Museum. Feel free to stop in anytime and take part. For information, call 736-2280 or visit www.blackhawkmuseum.org.

Children's Book Readings

Local authors of children's books will be reading at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday evening in July and August in the courtyard behind the Polka Dot Attic in the Danville Hotel at 411 Hartz Ave. This event is free. For information, visit www.thepolkadotattic.com.

Lectures

Internet Essentials Workshop

The Danville Library is offering a free, hands-on computer training on how to conduct effective Internet searches using different search engines and how to perform searches on the library catalog and databases. The workshop is from 6-7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 24, at the Danville Library at 400 Front St. Registration is required. Call 837-4889, ext. 03, or stop by the Danville Library Information Desk to register or obtain more information.

Live Music

Antonia Venezia performs live

Jazz, Swing & Blues at the Six 80 Lounge with vocalist Antonia Venezia and Spencer Chan on keyboard, from 5:30-8:30 p.m., every Friday at 519 San Ramon Valley Blvd. No cover charge for the Happy Hour jazz show. For information, call 552-6050.

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On Stage

Comedy Night at the Village
 A comedy night benefit for the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition will feature Johnny Steele, Grace White, Nora Lavelle and host Charlie B. Earley at 8 p.m., Saturday, July 30, at the Village Theater, 233 Front St. The cost is \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Tickets available online at www.village-theatreshows.com or charge by phone at 314-3463.

Fiddler on the roof
 Stars 2000 Teen Theatre (sponsored by Diablo Light Opera Company) will feature Danville students Sarah Modelowitz and Megan McDermott in "Fiddler on the Roof" at Diablo Valley College, Performing Arts Center, 321 Golf Club Road, Pleasant Hill. The production opens Friday, July 29, and closes Sunday, Aug. 7. Evening performances are at 8 p.m. and matinees are at 2:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$10-\$13; call 798-1300.

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 paved trails lasting 1 to 1-1/2 hours or Thursdays (same time) for 2-3 hour walks usually on unpaved trails. Group carpool to area locations for the more challenging outings. Call Maureen at 256-0690.

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 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays at Monte Vista Community Pool beginning June 22 with fees of \$10-\$12. Call 314-3400.

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.

Adult Softball
 Adult Softball plays pickup softball at 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays year-round. New members welcome. Call Bob Randall at 855-4646 for more information.

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. See information at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/danvilletennisclub>.

Family Sports Night
 Local sports stars will come out and show their stuff from 6-8:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 18, on the streets of downtown Danville. Come out and root for your favorite athlete.

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 Summer swim classes for ages 3 and

Support Groups

ClutterLess (CL) Self Help Group
 Is clutter stressing you out? Cluttering is a psychological issue, not just an organizing issue. Meetings are from 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays (except holidays) at the Pleasanton Presbyterian Church, Room 7, 4300 Mirador Drive, Pleasanton. For information, call 426-5311 or 443-0766.

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

Lindsay Wildlife Museum
 Docents are needed to lead class tours, teaching children and others about our important connection with wildlife and the world we share. Orientation classes will be held throughout the summer. Call 935-1978 or visit www.wildlife-museum.org.

Search and Rescue
 The Contra Costa County Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team needs volunteer members to respond to missing person incidents, disasters and other critical incidents. Team members are on call 24/7 year round. The program provides required training including wilderness traveling, first aid, map and compass, tracking disaster response and search skills, and may additionally include special training for canine, equestrian, technical, mountain bike or other rescue skills. For information and applications, visit www.contracostasar.org or call 646-4461.

Trails Maintenance
 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 (TVAR) offers volunteer orientations from 1-2:30 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month at East County Animal Shelter (ECAS) in Dublin. Contact Noella Hartshorn at 846-0745 or e-mail noellehartshorn@comcast.net for information.

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.

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.

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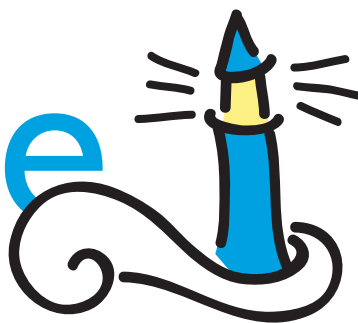
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SALES AT A GLANCE

This week's data represents homes sold during April 2005

Danville	Alamo	Walnut Creek
Total sales reported: 21	Total sales reported: 5	Total sales reported: 30
Lowest sale reported: \$500,000	Lowest sale reported: \$1,180,000	Lowest sale reported: \$160,000
Highest sale reported: \$2,250,000	Highest sale reported: \$2,000,000	Highest sale reported: \$1,400,000
Average sales reported: \$1,159,047	Average sales reported: \$1,524,400	Average sales reported: \$647,116

HOME SALES

Source: California REsource

Danville	Alamo	Walnut Creek
554 Blackhawk Club Drive Degirolamo Trust to A. & S. Wali for \$1,800,000	472 Veda Drive Bawden Trust to M. Pasek for \$1,025,000	460 North Civic Drive #103 T. Nicolai to S. Hasson for \$320,000
497 Blackstone Court D. & S. Friedler to M. Aamir for \$940,000	109 Westfield Circle D. & D. Davis to R. & W. Emmett for \$550,000	330 North Civic Drive #409 M. Webster to A. Tsang for \$261,000
310 Borel Lane K. Roeseler to K. Kuhl for \$500,000	100 Daniel Drive Carroll Trust to G. & C. Sanderson for \$1,200,000	300 North Civic Drive #411 R. & M. Wilcox to A. Blyudin for \$310,000
135 Briar Place Dubow Trust to Pope Trust for \$1,500,000	2100 Granite Drive R. & J. Chandler to M. Bonadio for \$1,180,000	535 Oakvale Terrace Arrington Trust to J. Bierstedt for \$1,400,000
1730 Camino Ramon D. & G. Higgins to B. Maffei for \$760,000	623 Oakshire Place S. & C. Falk to Y. Deniz for \$1,960,000	1900 Ptarmigan Drive #1 A. & B. Millar to B. Bry for \$500,000
4413 Deer Ridge Road G. & L. Wetsel to Bradley Trust for \$2,250,000	40 Provo Lane G. & P. Johnson to E. Legare for \$1,282,000	2609 Saklan Indian Drive #1 Balzarini Trust to D. Gill for \$810,000
333 El Alamo N. Davidson to D. Thompson for \$1,845,000	108 Regent Place Bauer Trust to Bracco Trust for \$2,000,000	2267 Shannon Lane R. & H. Tichenor to M. Mata-Asuncion for \$820,000
307 Elati Court Bracco Trust to R. & W. Loreen for \$1,325,000	11 1st Avenue Court W. & R. Cairola to D. & R. Hauge for \$600,000	155 Sharen Lane #303 C. Pitzen to R. McQueen for \$300,000
3136 Fox Creek Drive R. & C. Maguire to MI Group for \$1,350,000	1819 Almond Avenue C. & E. Nunez to K. Dudum for \$895,000	1600 Siskiyou Drive D. Crawford to E. Essy for \$810,000
413 Full Moon Way D. & C. Hornbuckle to K. & J. Smith for \$1,800,000	386 Beacon Ridge Lane Chen & Associates to Carlson Limited for \$815,000	625 Sitka Drive S. Wagner to K. & A. Giacoletto for \$970,000
24 Live Oak Way Lambert Trust to R. & J. Wissenback for \$959,000	1020 Camino Verde Circle Moon Trust to L. Bell for \$682,000	1414 South Villa Way A. & N. Calle to C. Noble for \$475,000
1859 Mockingbird Place J. & S. Silva to E. Woo for \$770,000	1918 Cannon Place C. Walden to M. Shine for \$529,000	30 Summit Circle Deno Trust to D. & W. Long for \$610,000
323 Monte Albers Way Shapell Industries to R. & J. Santana for \$1,141,000	3049 Citrus Circle Citrus Walk Limited to J. & M. Croy for \$750,500	40 Sun Valley Drive J. & E. Wilson to K. Beall for \$850,000
2112 Oneida Circle M. & J. Lamson to S. Gallo for \$640,000	1132 Corrie Lane Y. Huang to W. Wu for \$596,000	896 Terra California Drive #1 Liesy Trust to Currier Trust for \$600,000
832 Podva Road #B E. Marino to I. Popova for \$515,000	1470 Creekside Drive #11 A. Hoffman to T. Nakatani for \$350,000	1840 Tice Creek Drive #2142 Kentfield Trust to E. Cashman for \$160,000
1140 River Rock Lane Kleine Trust to J. Glazier for \$740,000	72 Del Hambre Circle J. & N. Baker to J. Hansen for \$875,000	1945 Trinity Avenue #11 TDC Pacific Properties to B. Brunel for \$400,000
532 Rolling Hills Lane A. Kennedy to R. & M. Thomsen for \$800,000	2908 Eccleston Avenue W. Warner to N. & J. Peralta for \$699,000	3173 Wayside Plaza #315 V. Brunson to A. Ruiz for \$361,500
4 Shadewell Court K. & V. Ashton to T. Bowen for \$1,660,000	251 King Drive Jahn Trust to N. & O. Flores for \$1,200,000	365 Westcliffe Circle K. Clarke to F. Lopez for \$552,000
348 Shelterwood Court A. Wali to D. & M. Lyons for \$1,470,000		1417 Whitecliff Way E. & M. Massura to L. & H. Nold for \$912,500

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4 Bedrooms

5275 Blackhawk Drive **\$2,499,000**
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3 Bedrooms

1318 Strawberry Ct. **\$789,000**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Barry Realty 785-5429

114 Blackstone Dr. **\$939,000**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Keller Williams 786-8731

4 Bedrooms

4170 Rockcreek Dr. **\$1,049,000**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Re/Max Accord 895-2804

2007 Scarlet Oak Pl. **\$1,399,900**
Sat/Sun 1:30-4 p.m. Alain Pinel Realtors 998-9747

Diablo

6 Bedrooms

2315 Caballo Ranchero **\$2,395,000**
Sun 1-4 p.m. Empire Realty 217-5048

Dublin

5 Bedrooms

11585 Circle Way **\$815,000**
Sun 1-4 p.m. Century 21 Amador Valley 846-3292

Livermore

3 Bedrooms

585 Morgan Common **\$489,950**
Sun 1-4 p.m. Prudential CA Realty 734-5057

5871 Cedarwood Common **\$639,900**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Dutra Realtor 621-4049

874 Hanover St. **\$674,950**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Keller Williams 918-2463

1045 Auburn St. **\$755,000**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Phyllis Catania, UCB 456-7810

5577 Arlene Way **\$769,950**
Sun 1-4 p.m. Hometown GMAC 487-1427

1958 Helsinki Way **\$810,000**
Sun 1-4 p.m. Better Homes 989-1115

Livermore

4 Bedrooms

1624 DeLeon Way **\$829,900**
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1034 Alison Circle **\$request**
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4 Bedrooms

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2 Bedrooms

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4597 Shearwater Road **\$895,000**
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7 Bedrooms

576 Sycamore Creek Way **\$2,199,950**
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4 Bedrooms

35 Shetland Ct. **\$1,085,000**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Century 21 Heritage 200-5272

1468 Allannere Drive **\$1,099,950**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Alain Pinel 899-8651

3741 Norris Canyon Rd. **\$659,000**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Century 21 Heritage 846-7997

280 Summerford Circle **\$899,000**
Sat/Sun 1-4 p.m. Hometown GMAC 417-8603

500 Bagado Court **\$915,000**
Sun 1-4 p.m. Intero 997-1585

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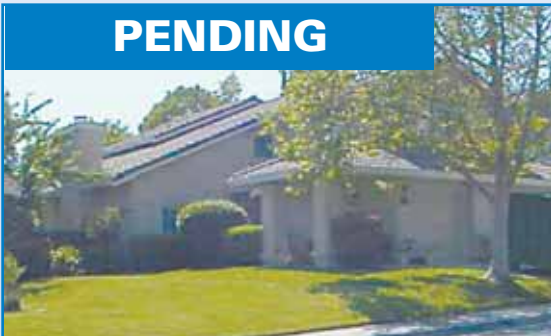
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